

At Christmas time most of us receive one or more gifts, that are wrapped in colorful wrappings. To be sure, most of us appreciate getting them, together with gratitude to the giver. Putting aside every form of material gifts, though, what do we receive from Christmas that we may carry into our lives for at least all or part of a New Year? This part of Christmas, for adults, is the most important!

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In Retrospect: 1961 Newsy Year in Birmingham-Bloomfield Area

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Defense Education Act for funds to improve counseling, guidance and testing facilities in Southfield schools.

Mrs. Walter Reuther, wife of the UAW president, and Mrs. William Gossett, wife of Ford Motor Co. vice president, served on the advisory

committee for an International festival presented at MSUO.

Issue of Jan. 19
Directors of Birmingham Community House appointed John K. Stevenson as general chairman of the 1961 Community House Fund Drive that was held March 6-20.
Ernest B. Breech and his wife

set up housekeeping in Phoenix, Ariz., after his resignation from the finance committee of the Ford Motor Co. Theodore Vitama, vice president of finance, was named to succeed Breech as chairman of the finance committee.
Contract negotiations were completed for the construction of a new city post office. Con-

tracts have been signed for the building and leasing of a 2,240 square-foot, colonial design structure on the northwest corner of Southfield Road and Glenwood. Completion date was July 1.
Oakland County Republican Chairman Arthur G. Elliott Jr., shocked party followers when he disclosed his decision not to run for his party's state chairmanship. The 44-year-old realtor, builder and insurance man, considered by many

as the top contender for the \$21,000-a-year job, officially announced his decision at a news conference in Birmingham Community House.

Birmingham city commissioners approved preliminary plans for construction of one bridge and rescinded approval of another. They okayed preliminary plans for a new bridge on Oak Street over the Rouge River between Lakepark and Lakeside streets. Plans called for a 44-foot wide roadway.

Issue of Jan. 26
Mayor Florence Willett and 26 presidents of local organizations attended an open house at the home of Mrs. Raymond F. Giffels, 929 Glengarry, Birmingham. The group discussed plans for the 1961 Community House Fund Drive.

Three hundred members of the Village Woman's Club met at Birmingham Community House and approved purchase of Winingham House for their permanent club-

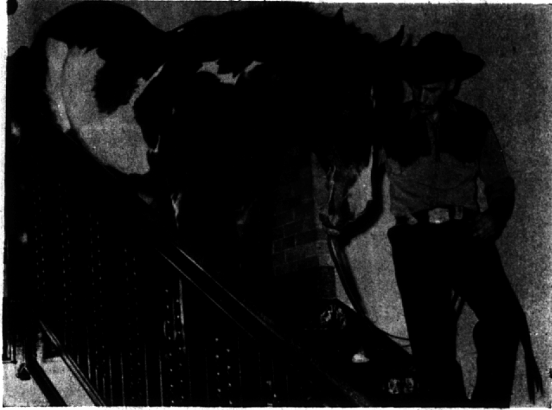
house. Purchase price of the building and property is \$130,000.

Birmingham Community House Newcomers Club celebrated its 13th birthday with a Gay Nineties Revue presented by the Little Theater group.

Mrs. Victor M. Jones of Walled Lake celebrated her 100th birthday. She has relatives in Birmingham.
Issue of Feb. 2
The Birmingham Eccentric has

been awarded second place in a general excellence contest sponsored by the Michigan Press Assn. (Continued on Next Page)

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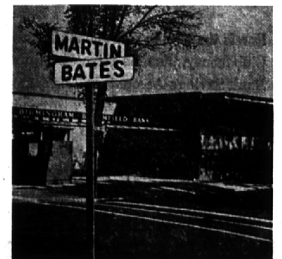
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