




Choral Group Rehearses

The 50-member Choral Group of the Birmingham Musicales rehearses a number in the Community House's Miller Auditorium. Miss Alice Engram (back to camera) is choral instructor. The Musicales has a total

of 350 members. Mrs. John Phelps, 2420 Walnut Lake road, is president. Meetings are held every second Thursday of the month at the Community House.

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Newcomers Club Has a Home—at Community House

BY BONNIE MILLER

The Birmingham Newcomers Club is unique among the hundreds of newcomer clubs active throughout the country. It has a home.

While other newcomer groups meet in churches, halls, restaurants and other club facilities, the Birmingham Community House Newcomers Club has a place which is sufficiently large yet retains a genial home-like atmosphere in which most of its activities can take place.

The Newcomers Club welcomes new arrivals to this area and gives them an opportunity to join in the many activities of the club. It provides the chance to make new friends and cultivate an interest in the community.

THE COMMUNITY House is a gathering place not only for new members of the community but also for many of the old. Its activities are so closely related to civic affairs that Newcomer members soon feel they are an integral part of the community.

Organized in 1947 under the sponsorship of the Community House, the club has grown from the original 67 members to a total of 460 today.

The variety of activities have grown to meet the demands of increasing membership. The club started with monthly luncheon meetings and has expanded to a list of activities which include: monthly bridges for ladies and couples, weekly bowling for ladies and couples, monthly book reviews, golf all season and two dances a year.

FOR THE MORE artistic members of Newcomers a Theatre Group was formed recently. In addition to skits, this group sponsored an outstanding display of art and crafts done by members of the club.

Much of the volunteer work required by the Community House is done by Newcomer members, and the group is proud of the fact that some of the most loyal and diligent workers for the community and the Community House first became involved in these activities as a result of membership in the Newcomers Club.

MRS. JAMES F. Irwin, 1723 Maryland, is president of the Newcomers Club. The organization meets in the Community House for a noon luncheon the third Thursday of each month.

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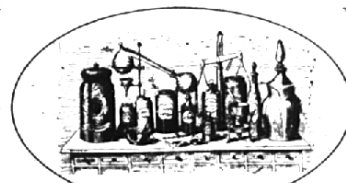
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