

Pvt. William D. Pope At Fort Knox, Ky.

FORT KNOX, Ky.—Pvt. William D. Pope, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edith Pope, of 564 W. Frank, Birmingham, is currently undergoing basic training with the Third United States Army Training Center, Armor (USATKA). During this eight week course, Pvt. Pope will be trained in basic

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Observe Boy Scout Week With Plans for Exposition

Boy Scout Week opened Tuesday with crystallization of plans for the biggest Boy Scout Exposition in metropolitan Detroit history.

Volunteer business, industry, civic and labor leaders met Monday with Boy Scout staff members at the Recreational Club in Detroit to discuss arrangements for the biggest Exposition ever held in the Council, the Paul Bunyan theme is especially appropriate.

Tuesday marked the beginning of Boy Scout Week," said Philip J. Monaghan, 940 Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills, General Motors vice president and Exposition general chairman, "and it is significant that we started major planning for this highlight on the 1952 Boy Scout calendar."

"BECAUSE THE Detroit Area Boy Scout Council is the largest in the country, and because we're planning for the boys' biggest Exposition ever held in the Council, the Paul Bunyan theme is especially appropriate."

Monaghan noted that the primary purpose of the Exposition is to "provide a showcase for the Scouts to demonstrate their skills and knowledge of the scouting program to parents, friends and the general public. It is strictly a boys' show."

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Hogan Serves Notre Dame Law Council

Henry M. Hogan, 444 Arlington, Birmingham, retired vice president and general counsel of the General Motors Corp., has been appointed to the Advisory Council of the Notre Dame Law School.

The Advisory group is composed of twenty-two judges, lawyers and businessmen who meet semi-annually on the campus with Dean Joseph O'Meara and other Notre Dame officials to review the law school's progress and program.

Hogan, a native of Torrington, Conn., is a graduate of Holy Cross College and the Fordham University Law School. He has been awarded honorary doctorates by both institutions.

HOGAN JOINED General Motors legal staff in New York City in 1920, and became assistant general counsel in 1937. Transferring to Detroit, he was elected vice president of GM in 1941, and became its general counsel in 1947. He retired as General Motors' top legal officer last March.

His professional memberships and affiliations include the Association of General Counsel, the American Judicature Society, the Bar of the City of New York, and the American, Michigan and Detroit Bar Associations.

School Board Accepts Bid on \$2 1/2 Million Bonds

Fortune smiled a bit at Monday night's special Birmingham Board of Education meeting. Called to consider bids on \$2,500,000 in bonds of the \$4,915,000 authorized by the school district's voters in November, the meeting resulted in the submission of seven bids on the bond issue.

The board accepted the low bid of an average annual interest rate of 3.2500 per cent submitted by Harris Trust and Savings Bank and Associates of Chicago and Detroit.

This compares with the rate of 3.50 per cent which would have been expected, according to officials of the Municipal Advisory Council of Michigan. Dollars and cents, this would result in a saving to the district of over \$12,000 in interest costs during the 25-year life of the bond issue.

IN RESPONSE to board member Ben Root's question as to why this could be, Lloyd Van Buskirk, director of finance, cited the following as having probable influence:

1. Improvement in the bond market in general (from the District's point of view).
2. The character of the Birmingham school community, particularly its willingness to support quality schools.
3. The bond issue was "qualified" by the State of Michigan. This means that the state also pledged its full faith and credit in support of the bonds.
4. Extensive information was provided locally in answer to the 45 inquiries regarding the issue.
5. Close cooperation with the Municipal Advisory Council of Michigan in answering requests of prospective bidders for information addressed to the council.

IN OTHER action, the board accepted with regret the resignation of Larned Goodrich, Seaholm assistant principal, who will retire June 30. His service to education spans a total of 40 years, the last 25 of which have been in Birmingham.

Several months of study and negotiation culminated in the board's decision to use voting machines when feasible in future bond elections. The administration was authorized to enter into the necessary agreements with the seven cities and townships in the school district for their use.

The regular February board meeting will be on Tuesday, Feb. 27.

MI 4-1100 is a number for you to remember. Call it today and place your Birmingham Eccentric classifieds.

BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

Out of the mouths of babes? A certain young local miss took time out from her school studies to attend a Saturday afternoon program in Birmingham recently. Looking around the auditorium, filled with small fry, she turned to her mother and remarked, "This is just like a junkyard where they dump kids here instead of cars."

A Birmingham housewife reported seeing "a lovely big" robin in her backyard Saturday. "It was such a cold day; and we wanted to give it some bird feed, but every time we went out, the bird flew away." The woman said. Let's hope that in spite of the cold the robin's sign that spring isn't far off.

A lunch course paid off for Mrs. C. D. Hartuff of 968 Ridgeland, Birmingham. She enjoyed a conversation last week with Genevieve, French comedienne and chanteuse. Genevieve tested Mrs. Hartuff's French accent, acquired through a learn-language series in the Detroit Free Press. Mrs. Hartuff was one of four persons chosen to have "Champagne Breakfast with Genevieve" and to see the comedienne in her new revue "From Paris with Love."

A photograph that ran last week of Beverly Hills couturiers caused a bit of head scratching. The event, held at the Hugh G. Allerton home on Hillcrest Blvd., honored Leo J. Linsensmeyer who is resigning from his council post. In the photo, Linsensmeyer's colleagues were seen admiring his placque. Closer observation showed all white handkerchiefs usually found in left-hand pockets were on the right side. "And, my living room was backwards," Allerton added. Apologies fell, one hurried photographer revealed his negative.

It's an old truism that most people retain a loyalty and allegiance to the place where they were born—and this especially is true of Texans. Which brings to mind a recent change of allegiance with this Wanderer and W. Glen Harris, senior pastor of the Birmingham First Presbyterian Church. Commenting on the big Texas, this W. said: "Texas is, really, a great big piece of real estate. Winds often blow down there... big, big, big. But Texas take care of that; so to barriade a big blow they have erected bar wire fences every 300 miles." Glen smiled at that and ventured: "Yes, Texas is big... now clipped only by Alaska, but if Alaska lost most of her ice she'd be smaller than the Lone Star state." However, this W. irreverently suggested that maybe all loyal Texans might wish that Alaska would go to Texas.

"Amazing how the littlest members of a family with several children learn at an early age to employ strategic thinking to keep their parents from developing so quickly. Among our fine young families in this community it is a more or less common practice to say the blessing at mealtime. When we visit our own young family, there is real competition to say grace. One incident delighted us. There was the usual discussion as to who should say grace. Proof was in favor of Nancy, the middle child of three. However, the youngest, was ready—and with her delightful dimpled smile advised us she had a brand new blessing. Bobby, the oldest said: "She has, too; I heard her saying it this morning." Nancy, too, was pleased. "Let her say it," she said. Carol, this encouraged gave the new blessing as fast as the words could tumble forth; perfectly, too. Somehow, this was a special proud moment for all.

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