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 they. They definitely are not supermen! So please don't place them on pedestals that hang from the sky!

England's Princess Margaret

gives the appearance of being some sort of pensioner of the Crown, without doing much other than to marry a chap named Tony Armstrong, have a baby and leave said baby with others while she and Tony sojourn in warm tropical climes for several weeks. This young lady, many believe, adds very little lustre to the Crown her older sister wears so well.

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Ex-Resident Faced With Fraud Count

A former Birmingham resident accused of absconding with an estimated \$150,000 of investors' funds faces extradition from California on charges of larceny by conversion, gross fraud and cheat and false pretenses.

Birmingham police detective Richard Chambers and Oakland County Prosecutor George Taylor left Saturday for extradition proceedings today in Los Angeles County where Stewart Gordon Williamson, formerly of 1307 1/2 Davis Birmingham, is scheduled to appear for hearing. Williamson was released last Thursday on \$30,000 bond.

Extradition papers have been issued by Gov. John B. Swainson and forwarded to Gov. Edmund G. Brown of California.

Williamson, alias William Williamson and Bill Williams, who has refused to wait extradition, was picked up by Los Angeles County Sheriff Peter J. Patches on information furnished by the Birmingham Police Dept.

ACCORDING TO police and the Oakland County prosecutor's office, Williamson, who in 1959 formed a corporation under the name of American Bowling Products Inc. and in 1961 changed both the firm's name to Bowling Products Inc. and his name to Bill Williams, entered into agreement with several investors to produce special polyethylene plastic bowling pins and sell franchises for their distribution.

Williamson sold the franchises, said Lt. Merin Holmquist, but failed to furnish investors with the pins.

BIRMINGHAM POLICE Department's attention was brought to the matter through investors' complaints filed with the Oakland County prosecutor's office.

The complainants, according to the prosecutor's office, are in Williamson's company with the understanding that they were purchasing options on franchises to distribute the pins in certain territories.

In each case contracts were drawn up, according to the complainants, and Williamson told the investors that the pins were being tested by the American Bowling Congress in Milwaukee, Wis., and that patents were pending.

Investors, according to the complainants, assumed that the pins were the same synthetic plastic pins written about in the official Bowling Journal magazine.

AMONG THE complainants is Fred Kirchner, 298 Woodlawn, Birmingham, who said he loaned Williamson's company a \$5,000 in response to newspaper advertisements on business opportunities.

Another complainant, Gordon Cepnick of Detroit, claims he invested a total of \$4,250 in the bowling pins which Williamson told him would revolutionize the bowling industry.

Other investors filing complaints are Detroiters William P. Jacob, who said he invested a total of \$5,200, and Norman A. Swartz, who claims an investment of \$500.

Upon being returned to Michigan, Williamson will be arraigned in Birmingham Municipal Court on charges of larceny by conversion, gross fraud and cheat at common law and obtaining money under false pretenses.

Drive Surpasses Last Year's Totals

Birmingham YMCA closed its annual membership drive Monday with an increase over last year's total of funds and memberships.

With final returns not yet complete, YMCA Executive Secretary Owen Manchester said Tuesday that 2,218 new or renewed memberships had been registered in the four-week drive.

Expansion

Wayne L. Conds, Donald L. Cummings and Harris O. Machus.

THE PRINCIPLES of the program careful: "After careful study of the civic and economic conditions of the Birmingham-Bloomfield Hills area, the board of directors of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce believes the community should inaugurate a 'KEEP BIRMINGHAM AHEAD' Program, supported by an active, participating membership and a wide financial program of action."

"The Birmingham - Bloomfield Hills area is in a strong position to become a more unified, energetic action of its civic-minded business and professional people during the past 15 years. Although it has not suffered the adverse conditions which have hampered many cities, there is grave danger that relaxation of efforts or complacent attitudes may provide the seed-bed for serious problems."

"ALTHOUGH THIS community enjoys advantages and blessings far above the average city, it is not perfect. While perfection may be impossible to obtain, it is vitally necessary for a community to keep striving for such a goal.

"The Birmingham Chamber of Commerce is a voluntary membership organization consisting of those men and women in this area and the civic-minded business firms who are interested in the civic, cultural, educational and economic needs which must be met through united democratic action and who appreciate that such action must be supported by adequate finances."

"What the Chamber of Commerce undertakes to do will be determined by the interest and participation shown by its members. Every member and non-member will be given a full and free opportunity to discuss the expanded program of the Chamber of Commerce, to make their comments and suggestions, and to vote for the projects or types of projects which the Chamber of Commerce should undertake."

"IT IS RECOMMENDED that with an expanded, active membership, and with adequate finances, that the Chamber of Commerce undertake a number of important projects. These projects, some of which are already under way, include:

1. Continue the present active program for improvement of parking facilities and traffic movement.
2. Continue to develop and promote Birmingham as the retail and service center of the South Oakland County.
3. Implement the Central Business District Development Plan by energetic action on all phases of the plan.
4. Develop and promote special events, which not only are of interest to local residents, but which will expand the Birmingham image throughout the area.
5. Conduct an active program to sell the Birmingham - Bloomfield Hills-Franklin area to professional and business executives a superior community in which to live.

6. TO STUDY the need for a hospital in Birmingham.
7. To activate a professional division to expand the professional opportunities to work on problems of mutual interest with all other classifications of members.
8. Build greater confidence in business and discourage questionable promotions.
9. To continue an active governmental affairs program which includes the review of pending and current legislation and regulations which may affect the community or any class of members, to alert the members and community to such matters, and to present the views of the members before governmental bodies.
10. CONTINUE TO review charitable solicitations to protect the interests of residents and business firms and the interests of recognized charitable agencies which merit the support of our citizens.

11. Continue an active program to maintain high educational, civic and cultural standards.
12. Continue an active program to beautify Birmingham.
13. Start a program to publish membership directories, directories of the area, maps and other material designed to attract both residents and customers to Birmingham as one of the finest residential communities in the nation.
14. Arouse greater civic pride and individual civic responsibility to the community.

"THESE FOURTEEN points will be submitted to the membership as a basis on which to determine the future program of work. The specific details of the points will be developed in conferences and committees of the Chamber. Other suggestions always will be welcomed.

"However, it is not enough to have ideas and suggestions. It is necessary to have members working on committees; staff personnel engaged in research, planning, management and direction of the program; to have the physical materials and tools with which to work; and the money with which to finance these activities.

"Studies of the activities and incomes of Chambers of Commerce in other cities of the United States reveal that in comparison the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce cannot be fully effective with its present income.

"The board of directors is convinced that the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce must have annual dues income of about \$25,000 a year. Studies of dues structures and operating costs reveal that in order to meet basic standards the minimum annual dues for any member, regardless of classification, should be \$45, which is in line with the national average."

A man whose normal weight is 150 pounds would weigh about 50 pounds if all the water in his system were dried up.

Airport

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able location offering the requirements of seclusion and privacy."

ORGANIZED UNDER the chairmanship of Gordon Ladd of Waterford Township, a Pontiac real estate developer, and through the efforts of Robert W. Hodge of Lake Angelus, a Pontiac attorney, the association of Oakland County homeowners and taxpayers is shooting for a minimum membership of 10,000 to fight the airport plan.

"We have one job to do—to fight this airport plan," said Hodge who is serving as a director of the newly formed association.

"And we feel it is going to be a very tough fight."

ACCORDING TO Hodge, the group intends to conduct a fact-finding study followed by an education program to inform county residents of the facts involved.

"A 2,000-mile per hour jet in our backyard is something we had better look at with a jaundiced eye," said Hodge.

THE ORGANIZATIONAL meeting of some 50 homeowners and taxpayers adopted the following three basic objectives:

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