

**B'ham Rotary Club Holds Luncheon For Benefit Project**

The Birmingham Rotary Club and 41 other clubs in the district recently held a "Million Dollar Meal" for the benefit of the Rotary Foundation.

which members paid the price of a regular luncheon. The money saved, over \$2600, was then contributed to the foundation. One of the activities of the foundation is the awarding of fellowships to young men and women for one year of living and study in a foreign country. Since 1947 more than 1500 fellowships have gone to students in 70 countries. Grants have totalled \$4 million.

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**Scholarship Won By Detroit Woman**

Will-O-Way Apprentice Theatre in Bloomfield Hills announced today that Mrs. Sylvia King, Detroit, was the winner of the Alexandra Grange Scholarship. She was judged the winner over nine other applicants after tryouts last week.

**Pepperell Arrives At Korea Command**

Army Pvt. Monte B. Pepperell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Pepperell, 2109 Marchester, Birmingham, has arrived in Korea and is assigned to the 7th Logistical Command.



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**Con Con Report**

**Compromise on Home Rule Action**

When the Constitutional Convention gave complete and unlimited power to the Legislature to write a County Home Rule law, it effected the most critical compromise of its five-months life. It averted what had threatened to be a debate so intense it contained a threat of splitting the convention. No issue, before or since, had been argued with such bitterness and intensity. Ironically, the contesting groups were bipartisan.

Basically, the quarrel was about the rules and conditions under which Home Rule would be set up; each group charged the other's rules and conditions would spoil county government, make it inefficient or lead to undemocratic practices.

ONE GROUP, led by D. Hale Brake (R-Stanton), former state treasurer and prominent rural republican spokesman, and Peter L. Buback and Martin W. Baginski, Democratic office holders from Detroit, insisted the Home Rule provision must order the election of the five main county officials, including clerk, treasurer, register of probate and sheriff and a Board of Supervisors.

ARTHUR G. ELLIOTT Jr., chairman of the Committee on Local Government, said the compromise was excellent. "We did what we should have done—laid out a broad framework on which the Legislature can write a good Home Rule law. I think the Legislature will do this; I am one who trusts the Legislature."

On the other hand, J. Burton Richards (R-Berrien), said: "The compromise was just a lot of words that said nothing, accomplished nothing except to pass our responsibility on to the Legislature. I hope it does not write a hasty, ill-considered bill."

"I think we have traded time for a victory," said Mrs. Judd. "It may not come for 10 years, but sooner or later the Legislature will pass a law giving the voters the right to have any kind of county government they want and to decide whether their officials shall be elective or appointive and what kind of a Board of Supervisors they want."

"AS THE RURAL townships fill with people and they find themselves unable to solve more and more problems, their officials will bring more pressure to bear for efficient county government. All we want, anyway, is to just let the people decide."

"It was a real compromise and I don't think many delegates were very happy with it," said Brake. Vice President Hutchinson concurred with Julius Sieder (R-Traverse City), who declared, "In any compromise you give up a little bit. But it was a lot better than fighting and probably winding up with the same thing."

**Charles Scott Ends Specialist Course**

Army Pvt. Charles M. Scott, 24, completed the personal administration specialist course at the Adjutant General's School, Fort Benning, Ga., last week.

Scott is a 1956 graduate of Bloomfield Hills High School. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Scott, live at 4035 Lincoln, Birmingham.

Scott was trained in the Army personnel system, staff organization and personnel records management.

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**Women's Shop Fire Cause Determined**

Birmingham fire officials have completed their investigation of the \$50,000 Suzette Apparel Shop fire, Feb. 1.

Marshal George Scott said the blaze apparently started from a cigarette or match tossed into a cardboard container full of waste-paper.

Smith explained that the rayon, cotton and acetate materials in the dresses that hung on racks above the box were highly inflammable and caused the fire to spread quickly.

He urged store and home owners to be sure to throw wastepaper into metal containers and to make sure all matches and cigarettes were out before disposing of them.

**AA Annual Session Set for March 11**

General Service of Alcoholics Anonymous, Southeastern Michigan District, will hold its first annual Third Legacy meeting, Sunday, March 11, at 2:30 p.m. at Pontiac Northern High School.

This meeting is held in the hope of creating better understanding for AA from the local group level to its world services.

Open to the general public and to all those interested in the problem of alcoholism, this special meeting will feature a talk by Allan B., one of the alcoholic trustees of the AA General Service Board who will speak on World Service and methods of informing the public about AA and its aims.

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