

Birmingham Veterans To Receive Dividends

(Special to The Eccentric)
NEW YORK—A financial plan in the amount of \$43,100 will be arriving in Birmingham this month for local war veterans.
 It represents a stepped-up payment of dividends, under their GI insurance policies. Payment at this time is being made in accordance with an order issued by President Lyndon B. Johnson. In the normal course of events, the money would not have been paid until the anniversary dates of the policies.
 The speed-up is taking place on a national basis, with 225,000 veterans of World War I and 4,500,000 World War II veterans on the receiving end.

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THE DISTRIBUTION, which will amount to \$234,000,000, is being made now to give an added boost to the economy. It is expected to be completed by Jan. 25.
 Of the 3,991 war veterans who live in Birmingham, an estimated \$58 million will share in the current payment.
 Not all ex-servicemen are eligible to receive these dividend checks. Only about a fifth of the 225,000 veterans throughout the United States qualify. They are the ones who hold Federally-sponsored life insurance policies.
 Those who were in World War II are covered by National Service Life Insurance. They will get just under \$60 each, on the average.
THE WORLD WAR I veterans, who acquired U. S. Government Life Insurance policies, will average about \$65. The size of the policy will determine the amount in each instance.
 No part of the distribution is to veterans of other wars since they were not covered by this type of policy.
 The total sum going to the Birmingham recipients is estimated at \$43,100.
 Much of it, it is expected, will be spent within a short time in local retail stores.
 In its announcement of the payment of dividends, the Veterans Administration explained that it represents, essentially, a return to the policyholders of part of their premiums.
THE MONEY became available because the mortality rate among the GI's has been lower than was figured on when the premium rates were set.
 Policyholders are advised that no application for the payment is necessary. It will come to them automatically.

Torch Drive Leader Relinquishes Post
 Torch Drive Chairman for 1963, Edward N. Cole of 1371 Kirkway, Bloomfield Hills has turned his leadership position over to Thomas F. Morrow, Chrysler Corp group vice president, defense-space and diversified products, for this year's drive.
 In leading last year's campaign, Cole, General Motors group vice president in charge of car and truck divisions, raised \$21,600,224.



A WARM WELCOME was extended to Daniel T. Murphy, Jr., luncheon speaker at a meeting of the Oakland County Council of Republican Women's Clubs, by Mrs. Joseph Hainline, newly-installed Council president from Bloomfield Township.

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 erts, toastmaster for the evening. He called Thom:
 "The conscience of Birmingham. An original thinker. A leader rather than a rider. A man with a heart—a heart for Birmingham and its people."
 Special guests were the three judges for the DSA award: May or Burgum; former Mayor Florence H. Willett; and Charles F. Adams, executive vice president of the Bloomfield Hills advertising agency of MacManus, John & Adams.
ALSO ATTENDING were Dr. John B. Smith, superintendent of Birmingham Public Schools; the Rev. Kenneth Gass, rector of St. James Episcopal Church; and these previous DSA award winners: Henry M. Hogan, Jr., James S. Willoughby, Harold Kalbfleisch and James Cousins.
 Adams won the award in 1961 and Roberts was the first to receive the DSA honor, in 1962.
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Christ Church Men to Host Detroit Rabbi
 Wives have been invited to join their husbands to hear Dr. Richard C. Hertz, Senior Rabbi of Temple Beth El, Detroit, speak on "What the Pope Saw in Israel" at the regular monthly meeting of the Men's Club of Christ Church Cranbrook, on Feb. 3, at 7 p.m.
 Dr. Hertz, a noted author and religious leader, holds important posts with national and international Jewish organizations and has headed missions and study groups to foreign countries, including Russia.
DR. H. WHITFIELD, president of the Men's Club, said the dinner meeting was opened to wives, as well as unattached women of Christ Church, "so they can join with us in our continuing search for knowledge and understanding of other religious faiths."
 Dr. Hertz will be introduced by Henry A. Houston, chairman of the Men's Club program committee. Reservations for the dinner meeting are requested by 5 p.m. tomorrow.

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GOP Women Hear Plea for Home Rule

By MARY BAHN Staff Writer
 More than 200 Oakland County Council of Republican Women's Club members, led by their new president, Mrs. Joseph B. Hainline of Bloomfield Township, heard Daniel T. Murphy Jr. urge putting legislative control "back on the grass roots level" by the adoption of home rule government.
 The occasion was the fourth annual luncheon of Republican women at Devon Gables which initiated the start of their campaign year.

MURPHY DID NOT advocate a metropolitan unit of government, but leaders from many counties would work together.
 "Problems are not the same in the different areas. The basic unit of government is through the county, not a metropolitan authority."
 Murphy also pointed out that the current system elects only 24 of the 85 members on the board of supervisors, leaving the rest to be appointed.
 "All policy directors should be elected in order to put control back on the grass roots level," he said.
GOING INTO minute details in his 45-minute talk, Murphy said that he wanted to make sure that the women understood all the ramifications of home rule, since the proposal is now under consideration by the governors' study committee and action should be taken soon.
 Murphy lauded the county's newly-formed Mental Health Committee and Children's Village, soon-to-be-built home for youngsters, before giving way to the installation of new officers for the GOP women's clubs.
 Mrs. Hainline, of 735 Robin Hood Road, GOP Council president, took her oath of office along with club presidents Mrs. Edward T. Downs, 32575 Robin Hood Road, leader of the Beverly-Franklin club; Mrs. John Pfister, 2849 Buckingham, head of the Birmingham-Troy organization; Mrs. Samuel Vetraino, 882 Bloomcrest Drive, Birmingham, president of the Bloomfield group; and Mrs. H. M. Lockhart, 25705 Circle Drive, Southfield, leader of that city's club.

Dark-Eyed Kimberly Is Newest Member Of Groves Family
 Kimberly Groves, newborn daughter of Mrs. Michael Groves and the late Capt. Groves, weighed in at Ann Arbor University Hospital last Friday at seven pounds, eight ounces.
 Proud and happy grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Donald Groves of 249 Euclid, Birmingham, report that "she is a beauty, with lots of black hair and big dark eyes."
 Kimberly has an older sister, Kelly Ann, 3. Her father was the commanding officer of the Presidential Honor Guard for the United States Army who died of a heart attack a week after the death of President Kennedy.
 One out of 16 persons has some form of arthritis. In Michigan, there are an estimated 528,000 victims of the disease.

Barnum
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THE NEWS spread through the school and classes were halted for silent prayers for Nancy and her family.
 Other students spoke of the slain girl as "a very nice girl" and "one of the most popular students at Barnum."
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 Cookie selections include assorted sandwich, chocolate-coated mints, butter-flavored shorties (scot teas), peanut butter sandwich (savannah), and the new flavor, fudge creme.
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