

## Group Sees No Need For Antipoverty Funds

Troy's private economy is too healthy to merit funds under the federal antipoverty program.

This was the consensus reached by a joint committee that disbanded recently after studying possible participation in the program.

The committee issued this statement:

"After due consideration of the information that the Troy Community Action Program (TROY-CAP) committee has been able to assemble, the members of the committee are of the opinion that the economic level of the families of the city of Troy appears to be too high to warrant consideration for federal aid under the Economic Opportunity Act of 1964."

SEVERAL STANDARDS used to measure economic want were number of low income families, rate of unemployment, number on welfare, numbers of migrant families, incidence of disease and infant mortality, overall death rate and housing.

Before disbanding, the committee recommended five areas in which city, school and community leaders should seek to improve.

It called for construction of sidewalks along heavily traveled mile roads, more libraries, expansion of recreation and self-improvement adult recreation, neighborhood senior citizen centers and preschool classes for "disadvantaged" children.

SCHOOL SUPT. Rex B. Smith, a member of the committee, said it's up to these agencies to study the recommendations and take

### PEOPLE'S COLUMN

## Issues Plea For Help for Cold Animals

To the Editor:

As the cold weather is approaching, will you please help us to take care of our poor four-footed animals out in the cold—lost, strayed, deserted, without shelter, food, etc.

We are urgently in need of help to obtain a shelter for these animals until a good home is found for them. We have no place to take them and not enough funds to board them until a home is found.

As you no doubt are aware, whenever these lost or deserted animals are picked up, within 72 hours, they are placed for sale for a limited time. Then some places, if they are not destroyed, they are sold to laboratories, and many lost pets come to their demise. That is one reason why we are so anxious for a shelter.

OUR HUMANE society is a nonprofit organization existing only on contributions and donations. Many wonderful people have helped us during the past six years, but we need the help of everyone.

We have placed over 700 dogs in good homes, returned 642 to their owners, and provided medical care to 361—besides taking care of 87 emergency cases.

Please give this your most thoughtful consideration, and by doing so I am sure you will have a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year by helping those who cannot help themselves.

All donations are tax deductible.  
M. KOCHER,  
Secretary-Treasurer  
Birmingham Humane Society  
275 E. Maple, Birmingham

## B'ham Fire Dept. Authorized for Air Compressor

The Birmingham Fire Dept. is going into the air bottling business.

City commissioners Dec. 7 authorized the purchase of an air compressor from the Village Sport and Hobby Shop for \$1,000. An additional \$100 was appropriated for installation costs.

Fire Chief C. G. Nunnally said his department had been filling their air bottles at the store for several years but the firm will soon be closing its local outlet.

"We have investigated filling the air tanks at other departments, but Ferndale and Detroit are the closest sources available to us," Nunnally said.

DURING THE last 16 months, the chief said 150 bottles of air were used in training programs and actual fire fighting.

Assistant City Manager Robert S. Kenning said that by maintaining its own compressor the City would have an adequate air supply for any emergency.

"This also will give us greater freedom within the department to utilize the air masks for training purposes because there will be no cost for refilling the tanks," Kenning said.

## City Schools Report United Fund up 25%

The 1964 United Foundation Brown Jug with an average of compared to \$16,399.42 for 1963.

The largest gain was made by the students, a jump to a \$5,523.74 total from a contribution of \$1,798.32 made in '63. The increase was approximately 66 per cent.

Torry School won the Little

Non-certified personnel contributed \$1,147.25 compared to \$1,258 in '63-'64. The average contribution was \$6.10 against \$6.08 in '63-'64.

TOTAL OF THE certified personnel average contribution was \$14,307.16 for '63-'64 and \$11,389.90 for '62-'64. The average contribution was up from 18.49 to 19.09 and the participation of 89.53 per cent was the same in both years.

her class "used arithmetic every day to find the average and found it both fun and informative."

"In our class for the United Foundation we earned by doing things like baby sitting, raking leaves and other things," wrote Carolyn O'Connor.

Leslie Miller said, "Before we started bringing in the money we didn't know how to find the percentage."

"We had a bake sale and made \$23.84," wrote Gwen Kuhn.

BALDWIN SCHOOL students wrote letters to Superintendent of Schools John Blackhall Smith about the United Foundation Drive.

Teddy Cole wrote that his whole class "had given in four days making us the first 100 per cent in the school. Sandra James wrote that

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**A soldier in the lobby? ... yes, but he's not here to guard our customers' money. This model of a Post-Revolutionary War American soldier (here being shown to visitor Greg Johnson by our tour hostess, Sherry Becker) is part of a fascinating "corner of history" display set up for you in our new main office. Because it was on this same "corner of history" that the first American flag was raised over Detroit. You'll enjoy the display and a tour of our new main office, too. Stop by—tours are conducted every 20 minutes during banking hours. See how Detroit's newest banking center is designed to help us serve you better.**



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