

To Council members absent from the meeting on January 30, 1945

You are to have a new chairman after all these years. Henry Shenk has been persuaded to relieve me of the "front and center" job, and the gain to the Council is going to be considerable since he will not only bring new ideas but valuable contacts with downtown civic leaders. I can't tell you how much I appreciate the unfailing cooperation you've given me and how much I have enjoyed working with you. Please give Henry the same enthusiastic support, and the cause of recreation for Lawrence will "go places". I have promised him to continue doing the drudgery chores, and will continue on the Council.

ROUTINE BUSINESS \*

Mr. Dean reported that our holiday gym supervision experiment had worked out very well; especially at Christmas time did Dr. Allen feel it had proven well worth while. Bill of \$156.50 approved. M.S.S. authorized to purchase file for all Council records, \$10.00 max. Stapleton, Six, Woestemeyer and Stockton reported on the 2½ years operation of servicemen's center, dissolution of the League, and closing of the center. Full activity and financial report in re will be placed in the Council files. NEXT MEETING SET FOR NOON AT COLONIAL NEXT TUESDAY, FEBRUARY SIXTH. PLEASE NOTIFY ME IF POSSIBLE IF UNABLE TO ATTEND. IMPORTANT DECISION TO BE MADE. PLEASE READ CAREFULLY THE OUTLINE OR PROJECT PROPOSED AND DELEGATE YOUR PROXY IF UNABLE TO BE PRESENT.

Having given innumerable hours last summer to the boys' baseball activity, Lloyd Houston feels that the time has come for the city council to cooperate with us on a 3 month city-wide baseball activity for summer evenings. He has found the city officials (Ralph Burgert and his city property committee) sympathetically interested, but the city's contribution is limited to provision and maintenance of permanent equipment, which means that the entire burden of leadership and expendable supplies would be on our budget. This is intimidating, since he proposes \$150 a month as salary, or a total of \$450, and estimates supplies might possibly run \$100. The Council enthusiastically agreed that such a program would be highly desirable, and Chalmer Woodard - LMHS coach - is interested in the job of supervisor, which fact increases the good results anticipated since he has established an excellent record with boys. Discussion revealed, however, that there are some baffling issues involved, and no action was taken until we have more information and have had a chance to think over the possible effects on the established program's expansion. Mr. Houston said: that Woodard wants to be paid (hired by) the Board of Education and not by any group; that he could be so employed and the Board would deduct such sum from their \$800 allocation to the Council's summer program; that he had not discussed hours of supervision to be covered by the proposed compensation, nor the number of days a week; that Woodard planned to have day-time employment otherwise in all probability, devoting his evenings to the baseball project after 5 pm.; that Woodard had had offers for more money from other schools; and that Lawrence (paying him only \$27.00) was desirous of keeping him if possible, and that summer employment such as proposed might influence his decision to stay. The Council's sympathetic interest is shown by