

AT 'PROJECT COMMITMENT' conference in Madonna College Tuesday were (from left) Bill Daniels, Inkster, facilities chairman; Frank Mur-phy, Livonia, general chairman; Mrs. Rose Shan-

non, Westland, one of 700 participants; and William Walsh, real estate appraiser who was

Sorority To Make Favors

Creativity will be the order of the day, when the Northwest Suburban Alumnae Association of Kapa Delta Sorority meets Monday, May 15, at the home of Mrs. John Heaphy, West Bloomfield.

Alumnae will spend the evening making favors for patients at Northville State Hospital.

New officers will also be installed at the meeting, which will begin at 8:30 p.m. Mrs. Doughetty, of Farmington, will serve as co-hostess.

The Northwest Suburban Association is inviting members of the other three Defroit-area Kappa Delta associations and unaffiliated Kappa Delta Alumnae to attend a Metropolitas Syring Dinner. The dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. Any alumnae will be will be

Pi Beta Phi Alums Hold Workshop

Workshop

The Detroit-Dearborn Pi
Beta Phi Alumae Club will
meet Monday, May 18, at seven
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Real Estate Appraiser Attacks Segregation

neighborhood that is anticipat-ing a Negro move-in was likened to a "scorched earth" policy by a leading real estate appraiser.

William Walsh, who heads his own appraisal firm, spoke on the moral injustices on neighborhood segregation to 700 western suburban Catho-lics Tuesday in an archiocese-sponsored program at Madonna College, Livonia,

Walsh listed three types of neighborhoods in the area of race and real estate:

"Segregated areas...almost totally populated by Negroes. It is usually a stable market-a supply and demand balance.

a supply and demand balance,
"Integrated neighborhoods,,
which might better be called
dransitional' neighborhoods,
because all too often they are
only integrated from the time
the first Negro moves in until
the last white moves out, it
is usually a declining market
because of over-supply--more
houses on the market than it
can reasonably absorb.

"Pre-transitional neighbor-"Pre-transitional neighbor-hoods...a clearly declining market because of almost no demand. Whites are afraid to buy here; because of social pressures, white owners refuse to sell to Negroes."

It was the "pre-transitional" area that Walsh labelled a vic-tim of a white "scorched-earth" policy.

"This leads to physical de-terioration...Finally, in des-peration, the block is broken'."

peration, the block is 'proxen.'
Compounding the tragedy,
Walsh said, is the plight of
the Negro who buys into that
neighborhood. Because the
house and neighborhood have
been neglected, the new Negro
owner finds himself facing
major expenditures on repairs
and replacements.

The white man with segrega-tion in mind has told himself that integration will bring blight and has treated his property in a way to make the prophecy fulfill itself.

Walsh was the sixth in a series of eight weekly speakers in a program called "Project Commitment" sponsored by the Catholic Archdiocese of Det-

Attending are about 20 persons—white and Negro, lay and religious, from many walks of life—from each of three dozen parishes in the Wayne Western Deanery, which ranges from Dearborn Heights to Plymouth and from Redford to Northville.

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General chairman is Frank
Murphy of Livonia.

"Project Commitment's"
stated purposes are many and
abstract, but boil down to the
idea of preparation for peaceful and pleasant racial integration.

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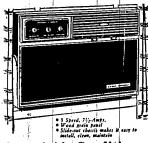
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