

### WALSH GIVES SUPPORT TO PROPOSED VILLAGE ZONING ORDINANCE

Prominent Realtor Says Measure Is Necessary Because Of Rapid Growth Of Birmingham.

#### SAYS CONTROL IS NECESSARY

Full fledged support of the proposed zoning ordinance to be voted upon Oct. 10 by citizens of Birmingham was given today by Jay A. Walsh, of the real estate firm of Walsh, James & Wasey, of Birmingham.

The following is the statement made by Mr. Walsh explaining his attitude on the ordinance: "Birmingham must have a zoning ordinance because of the great growth of the district. Birmingham has arrived at the turning point and the question before its residents is whether or not it shall remain the present high grade, distinctive residential center as a whole, or whether its development will be broken into by the inexperienced subdividers of land owners and the investment builder whose thoughts are in dollars and not in community development or neighborhood that is advantageous to the district.

"The village must have some reasonable control over the size, type, kind, and location of all buildings such control can only be had through a zoning ordinance. If the village has no control over its development, it will build into a rapid, haphazard growth with spotted districts that soon deteriorate in building values and neighborhood. Under these conditions the home owner has no opportunity to protect his investment or neighborhood. This condition exists all over Detroit and the adjoining suburban towns with the possible exception, to date, of the Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, and Grosse Pointe districts. This condition is causing much trouble in many sections of Detroit and the surrounding communities and is one of the main reasons why so many Detroiters are building homes in Birmingham.

"Owing to the rapid growth of this section, both the old and the new home owners will soon face the same conditions of deteriorating neighborhoods and values if we don't have zoning protection. A good example is the recent incorporation of Bloomfield Hills. This is a wise move, made in time, by experienced men, in order to control the subdividing, size, kind, use and location of buildings by the building code and a zoning ordinance and thereby protecting the land values, investment in homes, and neighborhood in general.

"The zoning ordinance puts every land owner and builder under certain rules and regulations and no harm is done to any property owner over a reasonable length of time, but without the zoning ordinance, many land owners, home builders and builders of all types of property, are hurt financially and otherwise."

"Further, the proposed zoning ordinance for Birmingham provides for amendment to cover all present and future changing conditions of all districts. Our office is 100 per cent for Birmingham zoning ordinance, and we believe a large majority of the representative realtor brokers and land developers, professional builders, land owners, and business men in general, as well as the village officials, are strongly in favor of a zoning ordinance so that no mistakes will be made in Birmingham's future growth."

### Order Of Rainbow Plans Year's Work

Important fall activities for the Birmingham Assembly of the Order of Rainbow for girls begin with the initiation next Wednesday at 8 p. m. of four new members. The candidates are Elizabeth Burger, Dorothy Smith, Elizabeth Pollock and Irene Houseworth. Highland Park assembly No. 2 will perform the initiation at the Masonic Temple.

A card party will be held by the girls Oct. 8, at the Masonic Temple, the proceeds to help purchase regalia. Both bridge and five hundred will be in order.

At the meeting last night in the Masonic Temple, it was decided to hold regular meetings hereafter the first and third Wednesday of the month at 4 p. m.

The girls are planning a dance for late in October, but no definite date has been set.

About 20 attended the initiation ceremonies at Highland Park last Saturday evening.

### 'PRINCESS FLAVIA' IN THIRD WEEK

"Princess Flavia" entered upon the third and last week at the Cass Theatre, Detroit, Sunday night. Engagements previously made and which it is found impossible to set aside at this time of the year, preclude any possibility of further extension of Detroit engagement.

Very like "The Student Prince" and "Blossom Time," is this new offering of the Shuberts. It is an elaborate, rich and brilliant opera, with a company of more than 150 with excellent singers and music that is most delightful to the ear. Evelyn Herbert, in the title role is a vision, quite beautiful enough to make any man take the risks that Bessie's took, and Howard Marsh in the double part of the two Rudolphs is a fine figure of a man with exceptionally pleasing personality and the finest tenor voice on the light opera stage.

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### WE HEARD IT SAID BY—

(Little Editorials picked up by the Staff in and around Birmingham)

Ralph Moulthrop, President of the credit bureau: "From the conversations I have had with men in town about a chamber of commerce, I believe such an organization would be supported 100 per cent. Everybody is in favor of it. All we need is to get them all stirred into action."

Mrs. Hazel Lawler, village clerk: "Driving an automobile out Clarkward avenue from Detroit is an easy thing to do since the widening of this fine highway. However, when one gets to Birmingham it becomes necessary to turn on bright lights in order to pick a way through the bad spots in our pavement."

Superintendent of Schools Clarence Vliet: "Everything considered, the school situation this year is in good shape. The Adams school addition is practically complete and things generally look promising."

Representative Grant M. Hudson: "Talk about government control of liquor in Canada often fails to bring out the real facts. There is a great deal wrong with it no matter what the 'wets' say to the contrary."

W. T. Bradford, Detroit: "Will you kindly enter my name as subscriber for one year, for your excellent and nevy paper."

Nettie Bauer, instructor in Harmonic Expression: "Many people wonder at the phrase 'harmonic expression.' It means simply a joyous form of movement which relaxes the body, refreshes the mind, and releases the spirit, at the same time controlling it. Although folk, classical, and ballroom dancing grow out

of this activity, it is more than dancing. It enables the individual to drop every thought of self and express universal rhythms. This is done by picturing in the mind symbols having the qualities desired and letting the body sympathetically express them. The creative consciousness is awakened, and the individual may express himself in whatever direction his ability is strongest. It may be in the fine arts, such as drawing, painting or music, or simply in everyday balanced living."

H. C. Slauson, Superintendent, Briggs Investment Co., Detroit: "Excavations for the Birmingham Theater Building under the plans revised to comply with the widening of Woodward avenue, has been delayed. In case the present plans for Woodward avenue are not changed, work will go ahead rapidly."

Mrs. Edna Best, Juvenile Detention Home, Pontiac: "I wonder if somewhere in Oakland County, there are

not a few toys that your little folks are tired of and my little folks could get a few days of real pleasure from. We now have eight little ones between the ages of 11 months and 15 years who are dependent upon Oakland County for all the pleasures they get. Such a wonderful Christmas gift is only just now that we are almost without a toy or game."

### FIRST AID EQUIPMENT PROVES SUCCESSFUL

The first aid station at police headquarters here already has more than served its purpose, according to Chief James Anderson who reports that in less than two weeks there have been five occasions to use it. "Everything necessary to care for accident cases has been installed in the station and the chief says in each of the cases reported the equipment has served by a means of relief to injured persons."

### TRAIN SPLITS RAILS, TRAFFIC IS DELAYED

General Tie-up Tuesday On Grand Trunk When Engine Leaves Tracks And Wheels Slack.

A general tie-up on Grand Trunk railway service Saturday evening resulted from a rail split by a freight train engine as it hit a switch just south of the village limits. "Considerable effort was expended before the rail was repaired and traffic was again set in motion. Although slight damage was done to the soft earth for several hours before a derrick could get it back on the tracks again."

Bishop Schrembs of the Catholic diocese of Cleveland recently sang a requiem mass for the late Mayor Taylor.

### FIREMAN READY FOR STAG DINNER

Members of the Birmingham volunteer fire department are ready for their annual fall stag dinner to be held tonight at Park Hall. The committee in charge of arrangements is made up of Dean Groves, Vern Griffith and Pat McQuar. Members of the organization will give talks and several floats have been planned for the program. At the meeting of the firemen held last Thursday night reports of the Demsey-Tunney fight were heard over the radio speaking by the Hawthorne Electric Company.

In Mexico it is customary for the bridegroom to buy the bride's wedding trousseau. Five members of President Coolidge's cabinet are reported to be millionaires - Secretaries Kellogg, Mellon, Work, Hoover and J. J. Davis.



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