

BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

All holders of teachers' life certificates but who are not now teaching must file their loyalty oaths to keep their certificates valid. Sup. Howard D. Crull has reminded the public again. The oath blank must be in by Dec. 27, 1939. For further information, see Prof. Crull.

In the above paragraph, designating Mr. Crull as "Prof." recalls the day when every superintendent or male music teacher was called "professor." Remember?

The new post office is coming along fine. Concrete, stone and brick is rapidly going into place.

The old post office is doing fine also. Howard Cox was in The Eccentric office the other day, a little provoked because he had hunted all over town, including the post office, looking for a place to mail a package at night. This bit-ratherer asked Postmaster Joe Byrnes about it.

"There's been no place here for a long time," he said. "Before my time it's for the protection of the public, for the average person has not the slightest idea of the postage to put on a package. You'd be surprised at the number of plain letters we get without proper postage."

Incidentally, our postmaster appreciates it when you buy stamps here and not in Detroit or some other place. The number of clerks allotted here—thus the service which can be rendered—is based on the receipts.

The Eccentric is one of the PO's best customers. Several of the publications printed in this shop are mailed by their publishers in Birmingham.

George W. Mack, of 1723 Yorkshire road, has found very tasty the venison he shot near Curran, Mich., in Alcona County. He and Mrs. Mack were both on the expedition, but it was George who brought home the bacon, or rather, the venison. It was a six-pointer, and weighed 150 pounds.

According to a report at the police department, "the Doyle boy," Watkins and Brown, has a noisy motorcycle, requiring a looking-in-to by Patrolman Larry Kamin. Commissioner Lawrence Hulbert declares, also, that motorcycles bother him considerably with their noise on Sunday afternoons.

A certain well-known member of The Eccentric staff is becoming an expert at extracting children from things they get into. The other day, a hurried telephone call brought him home where the little boy sat howling in the middle of the floor, his foot jammed in a coffee pot. Another time, one of

the children was caught with one of those brass jardiniere over its head.

Mrs. William W. Dean, 287 Brown street, has reported to police that boys broke seven windows in her home at 735 Hazelwood avenue.

Robert Peck, of 1440 Birmingham boulevard, told the constabulary the other day that his Hawthorne bike, license No. 741, had been taken from Barnum School.

There's a prowler trying to get in the house," an excited voice phoned police. Officers rushed to an East Maple address. It was just the Old Man coming home.

Last week, The Eccentric carried a story about Don Egbert and George Averill going to Lansing on behalf of angle parking, and we failed to mention the fact that Harry Blisset, president of the Merchants' Association, also was in the party. As is obvious to all, the three of 'em got results.

Congratulations to Howard C. Holah who has just completed his tenth year as manager of the Birmingham Theatre.

Birmingham's schools have an average membership of 2,976.4 pupils, but the average is 9.5 percent of that number. We would like to mention the 4 of a child who is figured in the membership.

Thirteen cases of impetigo were recorded during the month of October in the schools.

The commencement speaker in January will get \$25 for his work.

This wanderer would be interested in knowing why the Free Press often puts a Birmingham date line on anything that happens north of the Eight Mile road and west of Royal Oak. Monday, there was a story labeled "Birmingham" telling of a suicide found in his car "west of Farmington."

Unusual False Alarm Calls Out Firemen

An unusual false alarm for the fire department was answered the other day at the Edwin E. Pulf home 156 East Frank. Neighbors, looking through corner windows which are in a line, saw the red glare of a bonfire on the other side of the house and supposed it to be fire inside.

YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS in a wide selection may be obtained at The Eccentric office. Ask to see the many samples. (35-37")

What Your City Commission Is Doing—

December 4, 1939

Bills were approved in the amount of \$863.23.

A petition was received from Birmingham Parent-Teachers Association Council requesting a permanent full year recreational program, and also a communication was received from Birmingham League of Women Voters requesting a 12 month recreational program.

Mrs. Stanley Saunders appeared before the Commission regarding the claim against city for damages caused by accident with a city truck. Matter was referred to city manager for further investigation.

A communication was received from Mr. Clark J. Ballock requesting that present zoning of Business "A" be extended to include the rear 20 feet of lot 32, Highland View Addition, and was referred to city manager for investigation and report.

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Petition was received from several owners and/or occupants on Harmon, Baldwin, and Lakeview Avenues requesting that a hearing be held to determine whether or not property fronting on Harmon Avenue on the North side of the street between Lakeview and Greenwood is proposed to be used in conformity with the Zoning Ordinance, and whether or not a proposed private roadway over said property is in accordance with Ordinances of the City of Birmingham. Hearing to be held Monday, Dec. 11, 1939 in accordance with this request.

Communication received from Michigan State Highway Department advising of the cancellation of old U. S. 10 through Birmingham and the establishment of the new highway, designated as Hunter Boulevard, as a part of the State system.

Letter received from Mrs. Kathryn W. Sanders and also from Birmingham Golf Club acknowledging the completion of the Sew-

age Treatment Plant and the elimination of pollution of the River Rouge.

City manager authorized to install a new water service at 1247 E. Lincoln Avenue on a deferred payment basis.

Report was received from city manager relative to the sample installations of sodium-vapor lights at the corner of Oakland Avenue and Hunter Boulevard, and incandescent lights at Forest Avenue and Hunter Boulevard.

City manager authorized to take steps necessary to acquire property for the continuance of the alley from Maple Avenue to Willis Street.

ELIZABETH J. SHERIDAN, Deputy City Clerk.

PROFESSOR TO TALK

Prof. W. L. Ayres of the University of Michigan will be the guest speaker this evening at the meeting of the Detroit Rose society which is to be held at 8 o'clock in the conference room of the Detroit News.

City Seeks Land To Open Alley Near New Garage

An alley back of the Huston, Nixon and Darock property on North Woodward avenue, closed off by completion of the new Cadillac-LaSalle garage at the corner of Woodward and Willis, will be opened again through City

action, the Commission decided Monday night.

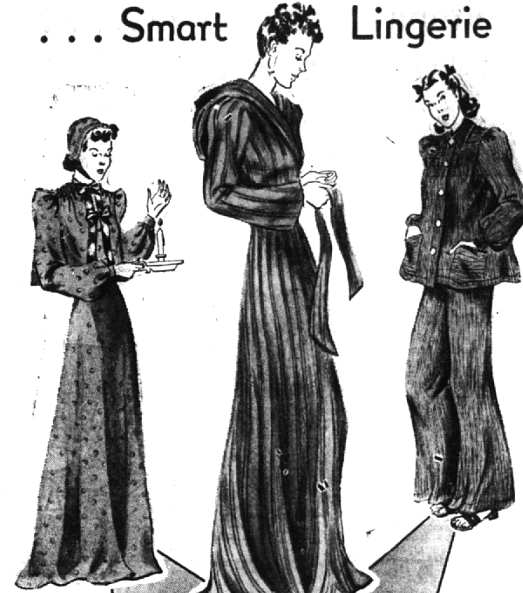
The alley starts on West Maple and runs parallel to Woodward, then jogs west parallel to West Maple, and finally turns and comes out on Willis. A fence on a used car lot west of the new garage has made it a blind alley. Other merchants petitioned in September for the reopening of the alley, declaring that they would be willing to pay special assessments for any cost involved. Egbert

proposes that the City should buy parts of lots 2 and 3 west of the garage from Mrs. Alfred G. Wilson, the owner of the land. So far, inquiries from Egbert have brought no response, he told the Commission.

If necessary, the City can condemn the land needed.

The advertising man was protesting that the City should "this is the last day for this astounding offer."

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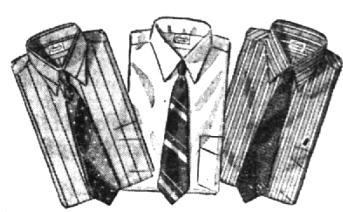
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