

We Heard It Said By:

M. Howard Cox, 1640 East Maple avenue: "I had the surprise of my life the other night when I hunted all over town for a place to mail a parcel. There's not one place in the city—not even at the post office. I went into the post office confident that there would be a slot for packages but found nothing except slots for letters. Finally, in disgust, I left the package on a ledge, hoping that it would still be there in the morning when the post office opened. It seems to me there ought to be a box for packages on one of the main corners, and also a place at the post office."

BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

We noticed a straw hat in the back seat of Walter Zauner's car the other day. He must be an optimist. The seven-year-old daughter of Mrs. Alfred J. Roeborough, 642 Pilgrim avenue, has an excellent imagination and frightened her mother considerably last Saturday evening. The little girl's voice was heard on the phone, announcing that she had been kidnapped and was being tied up. Patrolmen George Stephenson and Malcolm Ross were called to the scene and discovered the child at a neighbor's. "Just playing," she explained.

Advertisement for Artie Shaw and Orchestra, featuring Lana Turner and Richard Carlson in "Dancing Co-Ed".

Two 14-year-old boys were found by police cutting trees along the river, south of Lincoln avenue, Thursday. Patrolman Malcolm Ross lectured the lads.

Police were called the other day to the alley north of Wilbur street, where it was reported that two men were hunting. Officer found the informer had been taken guns for shells, for the men were employees of the WPA. The error should never have been made, as everybody knows, it is not the common practice to lean on a gun.

Do you know anyone who ever belonged to the Game Protective Association, apparently a sportsmen's organization, that has an unclaimed deposit in the former Birmingham First State Bank. The receiver for that defunct bank, Henry Punley, wants to locate someone who can claim, and disburse the balance which he holds in trust. Mr. Punley's office number is telephone 948.

October was a good month for fires in Birmingham. A total loss has been estimated at more \$40,000. (Maybe it should be described as a "bad" month for fires.)

An attractive photograph of Miss Peggy Bailey, 427 Hamilton street, has taken the eye of editors, this observer has observed.

Advertisement for "Mr. Moto Takes A Vacation" and "Disputed Passage" featuring Peter Lorre and John Howard.

Veteran Seaman Passes Away

Funeral services for Joseph A. Parks, who had been a rural postmaster at 1100 1/2th street, will be held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the S. O. Wylie Bell Chapel, 1100 1/2th street. Mr. Parks, of Royal Oak, will be officiate and burial will be in White Oak cemetery. Mr. Parks, who died early Monday evening in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, was born in Township, Feb. 1, 1875. In 1897 he married Mamie McKelbert who died in February, 1938. Surviving are four sons: Earl of Birmingham and Raynal, Preston and John, who reside at 1915 Parks home at Crooks and Long Lake road; and a daughter, Mrs. Gladys Jensen of Birmingham. Also surviving are a brother, J. Edward of Ypsilanti; and three sisters: Mrs. Mary Parks Girmus, Anna S. Parks and Mrs. Emma Baldus. Another sister, Agnes Parks, died on Nov. 17. One daughter, Mrs. Barbara Jean Parks, also survives. Mr. Parks was to have been retired from postal service on Feb. 1, 1939.

What Your City Commission Is Doing

Bills were approved in an amount of \$12,557.16, including a payroll in the amount of \$7,137.79 for the two week period ending November 15th. Hearing was held on an amendment to the zoning ordinance extending the depth for construction of multiple dwellings or terraces to 100 feet. Amendment was not adopted. Petition received requesting amendment to the zoning ordinance to permit construction of income bungalows on Frank Street referred to the city manager. Cremation of bonds and coupons, which have been retired and audited approved. Exchange of certain collateral in bank approved. Manager authorized to enter into contract with Worthington Gapon Meter Company for purchase of water meters, and to secure right of way for lot 1, Birmingham Park Allotment.

IRENE E. HANLEY, City Clerk. November 27, 1939. A petition received Nov. 20 for an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance permitting income bungalows on Frank Street between Watkins and Stanley was denied. The ordinance was amended to permit income bungalows on Chestnut between Adams and the west end of the Snow Subdivision, except for those lots fronting on Adams. The manager submitted a report on W. P. A. projects, and was given authority to do certain work in accordance with his recommendations. The State Highway Department was requested to remove Woodward from the list of Trunk Line Highways to furnish a traffic light at Oakland and Hunter Boulevard, and to maintain Hunter Boulevard. The manager was authorized to proceed with installation of proper lighting at Hunter Boulevard intersections between Wimbeldon and Haynes. Proper resolutions were adopted closing the P. W. A. Sewage Treatment Plant project. Hearing was set for Dec. 18 to consider an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance as to the construction of fences. Elizabeth J. Schorin was appointed Deputy City Clerk. A request from the Harold Brooks Company for removal of Plat No. 8, known as Lincoln Court was approved subject to installation of certain improvements. Action of the auditors in writing of certain accounts approved. IRENE E. HANLEY, City Clerk.

Table with columns for Junior League, House League, and Ladies League, listing names and scores.

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Past Week's 'Quota' of Auto Mishaps on Hunter Blvd. The past week's auto mishaps on Hunter boulevard and its intersection are as follows: A Gladwin, Mich., school bus, driven by John H. Shaw, 39 years old and loaded with children, collided with a machine driven by Otto Leo Avodie, 24 years old, of Flint, at 5 o'clock with 12 children, at 6:25 p. m. Mr. Avodie received a bruised arm; the vehicles were damaged slightly. That was last Friday. Sunday evening, at 6 p. m., Arnold Smith, driving South on Woodward near the Hunter intersection, ran over the curb in the center of Woodward. A warning sign had previously been broken down there by another car, the driver of which made no report.

Obituary. Mrs. Grace Elizabeth Schram. Mrs. Grace Elizabeth Schram died suddenly at her home at 275 Woodland on Sept. 23, 1875, following a brief illness. Services were held Sunday afternoon at the Manley Bailey Funeral Home at 3 o'clock with the Rev. Warner L. Forsyth officiating. Following the services Mrs. Schram was taken to Port Dalhousie, Ont., where funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the home of Mrs. Lily Anderson. Burial was in Port Dalhousie. Mrs. Schram, who was born in Port Dalhousie on Sept. 23, 1875, was married to John B. Schram in June of 1924 at St. Peter's Episcopal Church in Detroit. She had resided in Birmingham for eight years having come here from Lapeer County. YOUR CHRISTMAS CARDS in a wide selection may be obtained from The Eccentric. Ask to see the many samples.

Rotarians Learn About Rotary

Eleven Birmingham Rotarians, Monday noon at the Community House, joined in presenting a program, interpreting the objects of Rotary International. Those who participated in the membership in excess of 210,000, approximately 5,000 clubs. The main speaker for Saturday, program Monday, arranged by Dr. F. A. Averill, were Allen E. Arnold, Stuart K. Baker, Walter D. Gausser, Dr. Clayton H. Gracey, Elmer W. Haack, Lloyd S. Linton, Oscar P. Peterson, Victor L. Peck, and George B. Boutwell, and Dr. George Marin. Each Rotarian answered several questions pertaining to the origin, purpose, and achievements of Rotary. Howard Estes, proprietor of the Indian Craft Shop on South Woodlawn avenue, was also chosen as a new member of the Club. He resides on Rivenock avenue.

Announce Contest For Frost Patterns

The fleeting glory of Jack Frost on glass is the subject for a photographic contest announced by the Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomfield Hills. First prize is \$10; second prize, an annual membership in the Institute of Science; and five third prizes—choice of any publication of the Institute. Following are the rules: 1. The first picture will be judged on its artistic merit and crispness of detail. Decision of judges will be final. All submissions must be on glossy paper, 8 1/2 by 11 inches or more in size, and must be submitted by Feb. 1, 1940 to the Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomfield Hills, Mich. All pictures must be returned to the owners if requested, and if return postage is furnished, if pictures are called for. Judgments will be made at the meeting of the Bloomfield Hills Camera Club at the Institute, Feb. 1, 1940 at 8 p. m. All competitors must agree to leave their entries with the Institute until March 1, for display purposes. 2. Any competitor may make as many entries as he or she may wish. 3. Each contestant must agree to allow his negative if entry wins a prize. 4. The contest is open to all who are employees of the Cranbrook Institute of Science. 5. Judges: Robert T. Hatt, Director of the Institute; Frederick G. Weed, Bloomfield Hills Camera Club. Cat is Good Pointer. M. PLEASANT (MFA)—Hugh Johnson was hunting alone when, as he crossed a field, a cat leaped ahead of him and pointed a bird for the hunter's first kill. "That cat made a perfect point," Johnson said.

Several Local Boys Attend Conference at Flint, Dec. 8-9. "Whither," will be the theme of the thirty-seventh annual Y. C. A. Older Boys' Conference to be held in Flint, Dec. 8 and 9. Several Birmingham delegates are to attend. Henry Hitt Crane of Detroit will be the leading speaker for Friday, and Howard McKelvey of the University of Michigan, will be the main speaker for Saturday. These two speakers are well known for their work with youth, and they are in great demand as speakers to and about youth. The purpose of the conference is to appeal to and to help the boy who is seeking an answer to the question of "where do we go from here?" Older boys from all over the state attend this conference annually, and several delegates from Birmingham are expected to be chosen. Fears Thieves Took Two Oil Burners In Only One Week. J. T. Spencer, who is building a new home at 521 Fairfax road, reported last Friday evening that two oil burners had made off with two oil burner units in one week. A week ago, he reported the loss of the unit, valued at \$125; and last Friday evening, he found the photographic contest announced by the Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomfield Hills. First prize is \$10; second prize, an annual membership in the Institute of Science; and five third prizes—choice of any publication of the Institute. Following are the rules: 1. The first picture will be judged on its artistic merit and crispness of detail. Decision of judges will be final. All submissions must be on glossy paper, 8 1/2 by 11 inches or more in size, and must be submitted by Feb. 1, 1940 to the Cranbrook Institute of Science, Bloomfield Hills, Mich. All pictures must be returned to the owners if requested, and if return postage is furnished, if pictures are called for. Judgments will be made at the meeting of the Bloomfield Hills Camera Club at the Institute, Feb. 1, 1940 at 8 p. m. All competitors must agree to leave their entries with the Institute until March 1, for display purposes. 2. Any competitor may make as many entries as he or she may wish. 3. Each contestant must agree to allow his negative if entry wins a prize. 4. The contest is open to all who are employees of the Cranbrook Institute of Science. 5. Judges: Robert T. Hatt, Director of the Institute; Frederick G. Weed, Bloomfield Hills Camera Club.

4 DeMolay Members At State Conference

Four members of Birmingham Chapter of DeMolay and Lloyd McQuarrie, district deputy, attended the annual state conference of the order held Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Grand Rapids. The members who attended were Mattie Councillor Bill Baldwin, Senator Councillor Bob Brooks, Frank Bloomer and Bob Reynolds. The order meets every Tuesday.

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PHONOGRAPHY. Spenser also told police that a month ago, 1,200 feet of 2 x 4's had been stolen. He has been a resident of Highland Park.

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Girl, 12, Is Bitten When Two Terriers Endeavor to Play

A 12-year-old girl, Constance Ann Beatty, was severely bitten on the neck arm, elbow and chest, Charles Worthen, 211 Aspen road, reported to police Friday evening. He said that his daughter had been bitten by a wire haired terrier owned by H. Schjolin, 348 Aspen road. Schjolin's version of the story, according to the police report, is that the girl was carrying her own dog, a wire haired terrier, when Schjolin's terrier came and jumped up to play. He said the girl's own dog bit her. Mrs. Lewis K. Marshall, 448 Wilbur street, reported Wednesday that a police dog attacked her two Scotties. The car of Gardner M. Cobb, 53 years old, of 32205 Birmingham road, was struck by a car owned by Woodward when it collided with a machine driven by Commissioner Ray A. Palmer, 730 E. Maple, who was leaving a gasoline station.

Two Cars Collide On Woodward Ave.

Smashed fenders resulted from a collision last Wednesday evening between Woodward and Oakland. The car of Gardner M. Cobb, 53 years old, of 32205 Birmingham road, was struck by a car owned by Woodward when it collided with a machine driven by Commissioner Ray A. Palmer, 730 E. Maple, who was leaving a gasoline station.

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