Police-Fire Protection Is Finest

Birmingham’s Police Department

The Chief of Police is charged with the enforcement within the city, of the laws of the United States, the state, and of the charter and within the city.

A few weeks ago The Eccentric photographer posed Birmingham’s Fire Department in the courtyard of the Municipal Building, where the department is located. This represents the paid staff, although a volunteer staff of more than a score of local businessmen and private citizens is ready to respond to emergency calls. Birmingham has a 4th class rated Department, which makes insurance rates within the city much less than outside in the near unincorporated areas.

Our Paid Fire Department

In cooler weather the clubhouse is used for parties and parties. Springdale Park is used by hundreds of people every week.

Clubhouse At Springdale Park

Between the Baldwin Public Library and the Municipal Building is a block of land, acquired by the City through condemnation proceedings. It is beautified with trees and shrubs, making it a natural Christmas tree for the holiday season. The park is surrounded by the City’s Municipal Building and Library are located on the north side of the park. The wooded areas and stately pines create a serene atmosphere for all to enjoy.

Our Civic Center Park

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