

### Fire Department Gets 'Business'

Birmingham Fire department had four calls during the past week, somewhat more activity than during recent fortnight.

Last Friday, the motor of a truck passing Babcock & Salisbury's gasoline station, Woodward and Adams, backfired, and fire resulted. Attendants at the station extinguished the blaze with foam.

Monday, during the cold spell, the department got two furnace calls because of smoke. There were no fires. One was at the Paul Frezza home, 611 Kuffner; the other at the L. M. Francis home, 272 Oakland.

Considerable damage was done to a late model automobile, Tuesday at the Walter W. Rodgers home, 983 Rivewood. The rear seat upholstery caught fire from a cigarette.

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### Bits of Birmingham

For the sake of anxious boys and girls, this Wanderer hopes that three bicycles found by police have found their way to their home garages. Bikes 019 and 593 were found by Bloomfield Hills police. No. 219 was found at 154 West Maple. Licenses on each bike make it easy to determine ownership. The 25 cent fee is sort of an insurance policy.

We'll bet the police department is glad when the skunk situation is finally in hand, or when nature evolves a non-offensive variety. Last Friday, Dr. Ralph A. Wilson, 215 Chester, found an arizonae more likely, before that time, that a skunk was caught in the yard outside his home. The neighbor probably all knew it, too. The animal was still alive, so police called to end its misery and also that of the neighbors. Bob Appell shot it; Herbert Rolph, official dog catcher, removed it.

The Eccentric's managing editor was vacationing last week

within a few miles of Camp Mahan-Go-Tah-See, Oakland County. Y. M. C. A. camp, but neglected to pay Bob Lynd and his associates a visit, although his intentions were good. The reason is that for the first time in several years he found himself living without benefit of electricity, and therefore unable to operate his electric radio. Rather than appear with a tramp-like beard, the newsmen paid no visit at all.

The Quillon Building on West Maple is being spruced up.

Charles J. Purvis, manager of the Goodyear service station reports to police the theft of a \$19.95 bicycle radio.

The U. S. Government is consistent but extravagant. Take for example the basement door at the Post Office built solely for use of the inspector so that he can enter a suspicious package without resorting to anybody. The inspector uses very rarely, yet like other entrances, there is a substantial green door equipped with a fine door check. The office is very commodious, too, about three times the size.

We see that Theodore F. MacManis, distinguished advertiser of Bloomfield Hills, has been engaged for a big push to put across a new Willys car.

We make this correction: In order to provide for a thorough road from North Woodward avenue to Cranford road at some future time, the City Commission MAY purchase lot 62 at the east end of Royalvale avenue. The action has not yet been taken, contrary to a report given in last week's paper.

Mrs. Phil J. Williams, 708 Larchlea, would like to know whether it is rabbits or boys which have been lifting carrots from her garden.

A 12-year-old boy, formerly a resident here but now of Pontiac, was arrested by police Tuesday for tampering with a car. The boy was found in the drug store. He was turned over to Juvenile Court.

Arthur E. Roberts, 2195 West Maple, arrived home early Monday morning and found that locks on all outside doors had been tampered with, making it necessary for him to break a window to enter the house. Finally, it was discovered that intruders had removed the locks and had not put them back right.

The Rev. David J. Duncan, pastor of Holy Name Church, is visiting in New York City.

### People's Column

The meeting of the City Commission on Monday night was the first meeting in some years that I have attended, and I was really shocked at the conduct.

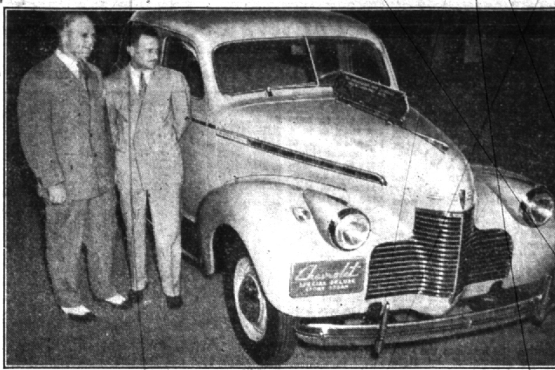
In my opinion, people who asked questions of the Commission were insulted, and besides that, their questions were not answered at all. Half of the time, the Commissioners, smoking their fat stogies, talked among themselves and we could not even hear what they were saying.

I happen to be a taxpayer and owner of property along Hunter boulevard.

WELL-MEANING CITIZEN  
Drive with your head—not with your horn.

It's better to be late than absent.

### Who'll Win Millionth 1940 Chevrolet?



This car, the one millionth 1940 model built by Chevrolet, is now on its way to the owner of the car, or of the closest approach thereto—as specified in rules obtainable at all Chevrolet dealers—the company will present this shattered many records, as it is awarded to the winner of the up-to-the-minute model, plus a trip to the New York World's Fair, where the car is being displayed in the World's Fair, where the car is being displayed in the owner of an old Chevrolet right here in town, Chevrolet, General Motors Building. In the photo are J. W. Grayson (left), Atlantic Coast regional manager for Chevrolet, and conducting a search for the one millionth Six produced Wilbur Shaw, three-time winner of the Indianapolis (after the introduction of the valve-in-head six-cylinder Speedway race, who was a visitor at the Fair on the day Chevrolet in 1939. To the owner of that car, or of the

### I'll Leave It To You . . .

By JOHN DENLER

I spent a good part of last Sunday afternoon reading an article by Harry Scherman, entitled "The Real Danger in Our Guild."

It appeared in the Saturday Evening Post—the July 6 and 13 issues—and if you still have these two issues you can read it right now.

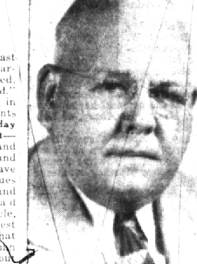
Mr. Scherman has to say about this article, here is a chance to get beneath the surface, anyway, of one of the most vital—gold.

I am not going to attempt to rephrase or interpret the article for you. But I am going to quote one passage from Mr. Scherman's very excellent thesis which I think is of great interest to you, so far as I am concerned, it presents a new basis for contemplating the debt and the taxes we pay. Here it is:

"The level of willingly borne tax in the United States, for all forms of government—Federal, state, and local—is now \$420 a year per family. If the expenditure and income of our Federal Government merely remained where they were in 1939, and if the Federal debt, now roughly \$40,000,000,000, is to be reduced at the very slow rate of \$1,000,000,000 a year—which is our primary financial caution would dictate—these total taxes would have to be increased to \$620 a year per family. This enormous average family burden of taxation would have to be still further increased if the huge new military expenditures are to be paid for. If that increase in taxes will not be borne by the people, and if our political managers persist in not decreasing the Government's total expenditures, the Federal debt must continue to increase. No theories and no hopes can change these simple, hard alternatives.

The debt cannot be read in reading. Very little pleasant reading is to be found in the commentaries on these things in which we live. As we have never believed them before, we need strong, courageous, capable leaders who will guide us along the proper path. Fortunately, one freedom at least is still ours—the freedom to cast our ballot for the men who will lead us along such paths and to cast out those who have failed us.

### SEEKS OFFICE



DR. MORRELL M. JONES, of Des Moines, Iowa, Democratic candidate for the office of coroner, it was formally announced this week. Dr. Jones received his M. D. degree in 1915 at Detroit College of Medicine and Surgery, then served with the Army Medical Corps, 104th Regiment, 26th Division, overseas. He belongs to the American Legion and AFWA, is a member of the American Medical Society, State and Oakland County Medical societies, and is a past president of the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital medical staff.

### NORTHLAWN

(Continued from Page One) will be high because only one side of the street can be assessed. However, it was pointed out that this property, being prime acreage and not platted into lots, has never been assessed for improvement. Subdivided property is not now accepted until improvements have been paid for 100 per cent by the subdividers.

### Ebert's Reply

City Manager Ebert said that the street is commonly accepted as a street in answer to Barry's argument about non-dedication. He added that it might be possible to work out some plan whereby taxpayers could be reimbursed should the land across the street ever come into the City. The water main, 1,000 feet in length, will cost an estimated \$1,534, of which the city at large will pay \$1,024. The owner will cost \$510, of which all the taxpayers will pay \$170. However, a considerable savings is expected through use of WPA labor. The gross price is at a 100-foot wide has been estimated at \$500. Of 14 owners, only two have thus far objected. In the past, the golf club has objected to septic tanks overlooking from their lots. A further hearing will be held.

### Obituary

Barbara Jane Baldwin Services for Barbara Jane Baldwin, wife of Fred L. Baldwin, Sunday at Grace Hospital where she had been for a week, were held Wednesday afternoon at her home at 2216 Oakwood.

### Driver Receives Baptism of Gravel

Elizabeth Gosselich, of 3233 Pine Lake drive, was given a baptism of gravel Monday afternoon. As her car crossed Woodward at an angle on East Long Lake road, Bloomingfield, it was struck by a concrete trailer, owned by Arthur Miller Bell, of 2447 Southline, Redford, going south on Woodward, loaded with gravel. Bell was unable to stop his vehicle for the light. Gravel flew in all directions and some of it poured through the windows of the Gosselich machine. None was hurt.

John L. Lewis, CIO leader, "The greatest menace to America are the shrunken bellies of the people of this country who don't have enough to eat."

### NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS—ROYAL PARK SUBDIVISION

Notice of a public hearing will be held in the Commission Room of the Municipal Building on Tuesday, September 24, 1940, at 10:00 A. M. to hear suggestions and objections to the proposed plan and location of the water main and sewer lines in Royal Park Subdivision.

### RESOLUTION No. 10

Resolved, That the Board of Health, Board of Public Works, Board of Police and Board of Fire Commissioners be and they are authorized to take the steps necessary to carry out the provisions of this resolution.

Approved: HENRY E. HANLEY, Mayor

### State Will Test Water At No Charge

Offer to test water without charge is repeated by Dr. W. L. Mallman as part of the Michigan State College statewide service. Both urban and rural dwellers can continue to utilize this free service as new wells are drilled or springs and cisterns are cleaned. Samples are tapped. In the 12 months ending June 30, 1940, samples tested numbered 1,068. Of these 292 were for rural-urban supplies only, 390 were from the Michigan State College campus system of wells and 386 were for swimming pools.

Since the 1937 year began July 1, water supply tests have numbered 201, plus another 52 samples of swimming pool water. Directions for sampling and sending in such samples for testing in the college laboratory are included in a newly revised Michigan Extension Bulletin 171, "Safe Drinking Water." Copies can be obtained by writing the Bulletin Bureau, Michigan State College, East Lansing.

### Movie Shows Golf Match At Oakland

A special short feature showing America's golf stars in their recent Red Cross match at Oakland Hills Country Club will be shown Thursday, Friday and Saturday at the Birmingham Theatre. It was announced Wednesday the picture, running 10 minutes, shows every one of the famous links experts in action. Many of the spectators will be able to recognize the stars who were among those who happened to be caught in the camera's focus.

### Have You Met . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Jasper B. Reid and their 10-year old son, Jasper Friley, Jr., of 412 Glenary road. Mr. Reid, who is a brother of Edward S. Reid, Jr., moved out here with his family about a week ago from Virginia Park in Detroit. Mrs. Reid, a graduate of Skidmore College and Columbia University, is enthusiastically pleased by the new Williamsburg Colonial home where they have just completed their move.

Mr. Reid is a graduate of the University of Michigan and is connected with the Equitable Life Insurance Company in the Union Guardian Building in Detroit.

### Birmingham Man Hurt in Crash

Frank Burrell, 35 years old, of 1155 Webster road, Birmingham, was given first aid treatment at St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital at midnight Tuesday following an automobile crash at Woodward and Cedarvale, in Pontiac. His car and that of Roman Clement, Pontiac, were badly damaged.

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- Premier Light Meat Tuna . . . . . 3 1-lb. cans 49c
- Weidman's Alaska Red Salmon . . . . . 2 1-lb. cans 49c
- Richelieu Wet Shrimp . . . . . 2 cans 35c
- Heinz Ketchup . . . . . 14-oz. bot. 18c
- Heinz Chili Sauce—Gem Size . . . . . 23c
- Land O' Lakes Butter . . . . . 1 lb. 35c

- Fresh Dressed Spring Frying Chickens . . . . . lb. 29c
- Genuine 1940 Spring Leg of Lamb . . . . . lb. 28c
- Fresh Baby Beef Liver . . . . . lb. 25c
- Baby Beef Pot Roast . . . . . lb. 25c
- Choice Steer Rolled Rump Roast . . . . . lb. 37c
- Rath's Black Hawk Sliced Bacon . . . . . lb. 31c
- Hy Grade Dried Beef—Sliced . . . . . 1 lb. pkg. 15c
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