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## Bits of Birmingham

We saw bananas in a store the other day—50 cents a dozen.

It got pretty cold Monday morning. The mercury dropped to 37 degrees at Pontiac, which is generally colder than Birmingham.

The new civic block building built onto the old Hill School will soon be ready for the auto mechanics students who are now receiving book instruction.

While looking it over, this Wanderer saw a bevy of older high school girls lined up on the field, ready for their physical education class. As we understand it, such training is now compulsory for all freshmen, and most people will approve.

[Insofar as the boys are concerned, why should just this Wanderer be so interested in the benefit of physical training?]

We visited briefly with D. L. Pyle, the new principal, who said: "I just put in the hardest two weeks I've ever experienced, but the cooperative spirit I met every where made it a real pleasure. Mr. Pyle's first name appears to be a mystery; it did not appear anywhere on the credentials set here. However, a college alumni directory revealed the information, which this Wanderer will divulge at some time when news comes of some who possess a freezer, since this Wanderer has been told. One woman bought \$27 worth of steaks and a lot of bacon. Another grocer said that a customer bought \$37 worth of meat, but became incensed when he refused to give her more than one pound of a certain brand of coffee.

Fortunately that sort of thing can't spread too much because few people own freezer units. However, if such large purchases deprive others of a share of the meat available, grocers will start rationing their own, limiting the size of purchases. Leon Henderson ought to come out and urge retailers everywhere to do this. It would be a voluntary, non-red-tape sort of rationing.

Police Sgt. Earl Moody was on duty and Sheffield when he observed two 16-year-old boys hiding something in a car. Sgt. Moody found the shotgun they had cached. Shooting of guns is prohibited in the City.

Mrs. Arthur V. Handren, of Pontiac, in removing her subscription, writes: "I have enjoyed your paper more than any other we take. Having many friends in Birmingham, it is fun to read about what they are doing. I also have answered three Birmingham ads to great advantage. I collect a certain pattern of Haviland china. As president of St. Joseph Mercy Hospital Auxiliary, I would like to thank you for your cooperation in the past."

It was one of the warmest September evenings in the history of the weather bureau when the Baldwin High graders started their season last Friday evening. From the spectator standpoint, it was perfect. Several said they never had seen the greensward in better condition, reasons being the copious rains and the fact that players now practice on a space to the north, formerly covered by weeds. The lots were purchased, some privately and some in the scavenger sale, for the baseball diamond.

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On his last trip, this Wanderer fished with flies. He also camped with them, ate with them and slept with them.

A mint of money awaits somebody who can invent blackout bloomers for lightning bugs.

The above, friends, is the sort of humor this Wanderer heard last week on our village streets.

Automobile graveyards are permitted to exist, and we have heard this explanation: Because of the junking function performed by the continuous flow of old and wrecked cars to these yards, they perform a valuable function and should be kept in business; however, the junking must be completed in 90 days.

Dr. Enoch Mather, who continues to practice at the Gray Gables sanitarium in Mt. Clemens after 30 years there, renews his subscription for three years. He formerly was a resident of Birmingham.

One of our City Commissioners observed recently that a stretch of sidewalks on Mt. Lebanon is in as bad a condition as any he has seen.

Commissioner Bill Moody has a suggestion for salvage, and it sounds like a good one. "In several sections, people are now getting house delivery instead of rural carrier service as formerly. I think it would be patriotic if people junked their old mailboxes," he declared.

The Charles L. Winingham family is now living at Sumter, South Carolina, where Lieut. Winingham is stationed with the Army.

While skeet shooting at Orchard Lake, W. A. Simey and E. E. Graf, Jr. hit the first 25 clay pigeons at which they took aim, and what's more, it was their first shooting of the season. Perhaps they imagined each bird was a Jap.

One Birmingham business firm is reported to have orders enough to keep seven men busy, but has only two drivers available.

Still they speed! During the past week-end, police arrested six men for driving from 55 to 75 miles an hour. Most of them were from Detroit.

City Manager Egbert made a report Monday evening on the well of Mrs. W. B. Rosevear, Jr., of Southfield Township, which falls occasionally, leading Mrs. Rosevear to request the City to install a new pump. (She blamed the new

Southfield well). Egbert reported that there is plenty of water now in the well, and said that it should convert her pump to a deep-well type like most of the neighbors have done. He concluded that the water table in the district has been falling for 25 years, and that Birmingham could not be blamed alone.

C. C. Goode, 795 Fairfax, was quite puzzled one evening last week when a "Mr. Washburn" phoned him to say there was an air raid and that he should turn out his lights.

Some one did a poor job of laying the sewer out of the Municipal Building, so now workmen are digging up the line. Repairs may cost \$300.

The State Geologist or an assistant is coming to Birmingham soon for a palaver on possible sites for a new well.

Overnight the term "soot" suit has caught the public's fancy. It's a silly word to describe silly clothes.

In a special meeting, Bloomfield Hills City Commission approved a new project to move Kensington road near Long Lake. Moved about 20 feet, the road will be straighter and safer.

Tennis Tournament Nearing An End

Finals of both the Junior and Men's tennis tournaments are scheduled to take place over the weekend. In the Junior division, the four boys still left have started back to school and have been unable to find a time to run off their matches. Frank Wangberg has already reached the finals and the other finalist spot will be decided Thursday when Don McLeese meets the winner of the Dean McAllister-Dick Cray match.

In the Men's tournament, the finals are between Dick Cray and Rodney Grambeau. This match is scheduled to be played Saturday as this is the only day that both will be free. Prizes are to be awarded the winners in each division.

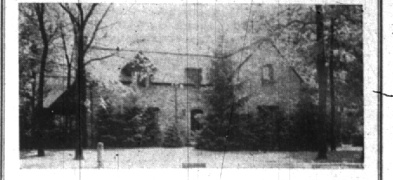
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