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## Bits of Birmingham



**A lot of Birmingham residents were seen Sunday at Rouge Park, Joy Road and Outer Drive, enjoying the coasting, skiing and skating. The winter sports program there drew its largest crowd of the season. There were more than a half dozen toboggan slides, scores of hills for skiing, and places for the children with their sleds in addition to the skating.**

**Friends of Mary Wenzl, R. N., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Wenzl, of Hanna street, are extending congratulations to her because of her election to the presidency of the Pontiac District Nurses' association. She also is serving on the board of directors of the Michigan Association of Registered Nurses. Miss Wenzl is at St. Joseph Mercy hospital.**

**A number of Birmingham basketball fans were surprised to hear the University of Michigan team had dropped a 55-37 decision to Illinois last Saturday night. Walton Kirk, guard, paced Illinois with 21 points. Iowa walloned Purdue 61 to 34 and Ohio State trimmed Northwestern 85-46 while Wisconsin surprised Minnesota 46-37. The U. of D. team stopped Wayne U. 29 to 18 in a surprise victory while M.S.C. was dropping a one-sided contest to Kentucky 47 to 22. Michigan won its Twisted Alma 49-36 to complete the week end of battles for Michigan schools.**

**Mrs. Herbert Wood, of the committee for raising the Birmingham quota of the Infantine Paralysis fund, reports a total of \$800 raised through the tag day in Birmingham last Saturday. This week's letters have gone out to clubs and will be followed by letters to individuals inviting them to participate in the fund and to send in their gifts to the committee. Herbert H. Gardner, county chairman, says he hopes the fund will be well over-subscribed.**

**Most everyone usually wants to give servicemen a lift when they are notified out of the highways. But the other day Mrs. James Stinson of Birmingham picked up two men in uniform in Gary and gave them a lift as far as their journey as Ann Arbor. After they had left the car Mrs. Stinson noticed that a valuable camera was missing from the rear of the car. Mrs. Stinson had been to Hines, Ill., taking her husband, an injured serviceman, back to Vaughan's hospital, after a visit home. She wishes she had the camera back, and especially the film, which contained pictures of her husband.**

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## John S. Cummings Wins Promotion

**CAMP PENDLETON, Ocean-side, Calif.—Marine Second Lieut. John S. Cummings, USMC, 021564, son of Mrs. Leora Cummings, 195 Henrietta street, Birmingham, has been promoted to the rank of first lieutenant.**

**First Lieutenant Cummings is serving as acting assistant quartermaster here in a highly specialized weapons school.**

**Lieutenant Cummings was graduated in 1935 from Birmingham Baldwin high school where he played football, tennis, baseball and basketball.**

**He also attended the University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill., four years, and took an active part in intramural athletics. He also served as president, vice president, treasurer and house manager in the Delta Chi fraternity.**

**He was employed as a shipping clerk by Murray Corporation of America, located at Clay and Russell avenues, Detroit, before enlisting in the Marine Corps Nov. 20, 1942, at Detroit.**

**Four of his brothers are serving in the armed forces. Lieut. L. J. Cummings and Staff Sergeant C. R. Cummings are serving at Boca Raton Field, Fla., and at El Paso, Tex., respectively, and F. C. T. A. Cummings and AS 2/C R. G. Cummings are serving overseas.**

**Lieutenant Cummings took recruit training at the Marine Corps Base, San Diego, Calif., and is a graduate of the officers' candidate school at Quantico, Va. He served here with the student engineer battalion before assuming his present duties.**

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**The Birmingham police have been informed that Eleanor McLeod, 1700 Ross road, Big Beaver, where they were asked to institute search last Sunday, is in Henry Ford hospital suffering from hurts received in a car-bus crash Monday night. Police were informed that Eleanor and Frank Alexandria, Detroit, were married the past week end and were returning here when the accident occurred on Telegraph road in Dearborn.**

**Some of these young night drivers certainly flash a lot of speed according to the Birmingham police department. Late Sunday night they ticketed William J. Winters, 18, Pontiac, at 70 miles an hour on North Woodward. The night before they ticketed Martin Rummel, Pontiac, at 65 miles an hour at 25 mile zone.**

**Mrs. Nick Wink, Frank street, whose car was stolen recently, has been informed that Detroit police have recovered the car. Local police suggest that Birmingham car owners make certain the key is out of the car when they leave it or, better still, that the car is properly locked, doors and all.**

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**The local price and ration board reports that the district OPA office in Detroit has filed suit in the Oakland county circuit court seeking suspension of the retail license of Joseph Bontiglio, of the West Maple Fruit Store. The charge is violation of price ceilings.**

**Members of the Exchange Club of Birmingham were given an interesting and informative talk by George Twemlow of the Detroit office of the department of internal revenue at their regular noon luncheon held at the Community House Tuesday, Mr. Twemlow explained the changes in the West income tax blank and traced the many steps in making out the tax return. Following his talk a discussion period was held in which many questions were answered by Mr. Twemlow. So many were the questions and so ably were they answered that the speaker felt it necessary to remain after the meeting adjourned to see that none of the members were deprived of the information they sought.**

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