

Expect Meters Operation and THAT Next Week

Autoists Will Get Till July 8 Before Enforcement Begins

Birmingham's new parking meters are expected to be completely installed during the first week in July, according to the latest word received by City Manager Donald C. Egbert.

Standards for the meters were installed during downtown streets last week.

"If the meters have been installed and the enforcement of the parking ordinance will begin July 8," Chief of Police John P. Hackett said today. "The public will have a few days in which to accustom themselves to the new meters."

Exact sites for the meter zone is on Woodward, from Oakland avenue south to Brown street; on Maple from Erie street to the east side of Pierce, from Maple south to Martin street; and on the west side of Pierce from Maple south to Martin street.

"It is planned to place more meters on Merrill street later on," Hackett said. "The police department asks every motorist to conform fully to all the limits as to time and manner of parking, and restricted areas, including bus and taxi stands, and safety areas at street intersections."

William Spence Begins Duties As Lions' President

William Spence yesterday noon was installed as president of the Birmingham Lions Club at the annual meeting of the club at the Commodore Hotel. He succeeds Ralph Main, who automatically becomes a member of the club's board of directors.

Installed as 1st vice-president was William Gardner; as 2nd vice-president, Donald Cummings; as 3rd vice-president, Milton Freeman; as treasurer, Roland Webber; as secretary, J. M. Harris; as directors, Roland Webber, Joe Morey and Ralph Main.

At the meeting, 26 Lions members were awarded 26 Lions membership pins. The pins were presented by the club's president, William Spence, and the club's secretary, J. M. Harris.

"I understand 'Pitchers'..." "That's an easy answer," I said. "You see, I have a son working for me who works for Northwestern University and he has just graduated from Michigan State College; they explain words to me and I really can understand the 'pitchers' though."

No Shoes In B'ham, Eng., Girls Try B'ham, Mich.

If Birmingham, Michigan, can get together with Birmingham, England, two British girls will be wearing new pairs of white "wedgie" shoes on their August holiday.

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New NEA President Lee B. Durham Take Over MEA Presidency July 1

"Our elected American Youth who won the fighting war can also win the fight for a better world," believes Lee B. Durham, 32410 Westchester drive, Birmingham, who takes office July 1 as president of the Michigan Education Association, the state organization numbering 31,000 teachers and school administrators. He predicts that this new group going to benefit greatly from its investment in public education.

Mr. Durham has great faith that the young men and women who in recent years have had the privilege of attending American schools and colleges are going to do a better job than their fathers and grandfathers—because they are better prepared for this nation's future.

The M.E.A. president taught social sciences to high school youth in Detroit for fifteen years prior to his retirement as director of adult education.

Graduates better prepared for citizenship in a democracy, said Mr. Durham. "They are more tolerant and broadminded. They have learned a great deal about planning and working together. They are better informed on social and economic problems. They have had greater opportunity to develop leadership traits."

"Of course, these boys and girls can't all be leaders, but their responsibility for this nation's future should attend."

First Retirements Under City Pension Plan Are Announced

The first retirement of a city employee under the recently instituted city retirement pension plan takes place July 1, with a second man retiring on August 1.

Estimated cost of the project will be \$48,000. Of this, the estimated cost to the city-at-large will be about \$12,000.

Mr. Williams pointed out that in order to correctly fit the girls with shoes, they'd have done better to send an outline of their respective feet in the letter.

"We had something to stand on, then," he smiled.

"Paying for the shoes between England and Woodward at an estimated cost of \$5,535 was also approved by the Commission. Manager Egbert said it would be necessary to put in a new sewer from the middle of the block west, in order to reverse the flow of the western half of the sewer system so the present eastern half will be adequate."

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Mr. Williams, who believed he saw that Mayor Jeffries of Detroit had received a request from England for some article of clothing; said that several Birmingham persons were regularly sending pairs of shoes to various persons in Europe.

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City Softball League Being Established

Five Teams Already Indicate Desire For Summer Ball Games

In an effort to renew recreation of softball in the city, a men's league consisting of from six to eight teams is being organized, according to Hugh Loveland, who is directing the summer softball program. The league this year will be composed entirely of neighborhood teams and no entrance fee will be charged, he said.

Earl C. Goldman, 1139 S. Glenzie road, now heads the organization and analysis department of the Pontiac Motor Division of General Motors, according to an announcement by D. Bethrick, 245 Puritan, Pontiac general sales manager.

Goldman succeeds J. F. Nelson of Pontiac, who has been transferred to the Boston zone. A native of Baltimore, Md., Mr. Goldman began his General Motors Association Corporation in 1922. In 1934 he joined Pontiac as district manager in the Cincinnati zone and later became assistant zone manager at New York and zone manager at Jacksonville, Fla.

Mr. Loveland said that the two junior teams are playing back and forth with Lathrup Pownite teams coached by Hal Helmer, football assistant coach at Baldwin High School.

Mr. Loveland estimates that the men's league will play all other teams twice and the two top teams will play against each other twice. Each team will have a winning adult team wishes to enter State tournaments, they will be given a special assignment.

Realtors, City Will Continue Own Housing Projects

Birmingham veterans and realtors issued opinions back and forth in an hour and a half discussion before the City Commission Monday evening concerning the city's plan to establish 13 quarters on city property and the shared houses to provide several hundred low-cost homes.

Mayor Milton Mailender told the assembled group he understood the federal government will ship some of these quarters to Detroit in July next, but he would not do so until he was assured that the Birmingham huts will be among them.

"We expect shortly that the Government will have a question mark connected with this, the Mayor said.

Robert F. Watt, representing the Real Estate Board, reiterated his statements to the Commission made last week, when he pointed out that the Real Estate Board did not oppose doing anything for the veterans, but wanted to see if there was some other way than this veteran housing problem.

Mr. Howard K. Tuguey outlined the plan for the new quarters. C. Petersen, Detroit builder, has proposed for Birmingham. "I should say the program can start this construction within thirty days, barring strikes and other untoward circumstances, the first house will be completed 90 days after it is begun."

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Fred Bohls Loses Life in Plane Crash

Investigation Of Causes To Be Made By Chicago Board

Fred Bohls, 43, East Long Lake road, was killed when his plane crashed at 2:40 p. m. Saturday just east of Haggerty road and Pontiac trail in Bloomfield Hills.

Witnesses told police the plane circled the area several times and seemed in distress. As Bohls circled for the third time, the motor sputtered and the plane began to dive, finally crashing into the ground.

The accident was believed due to the low flying. Bohls was seen circling about the home of friends, waving to them. He had just made a turn when he apparently lost control of the ship.

The police listed the plane as belonging to Gordon Wyrick, 1000 E. 12th street, Detroit. A statement from Wyrick, an air safety board is coming from Chicago to investigate the cause of the accident.

Bohls was born in Lutak, Russia, July 29, 1902, and married Delma Inge in Boca Raton, Fla., in 1928. He was a member of the Church of God in Detroit, and was manager of the Delma Inge in Boca Raton, Fla., in 1934. He was a member of the National Aeronautic Association in Pontiac.

Bohls survived by wife, Delma, a son, Don, at home; his mother, Alvina Krueger, of Warren, Mich.; his father, Eric C. Bloomfield, of Warren, Mich.; two sisters, Mrs. Peter J. Klassen of Port Huron, and Mrs. Robert Klassen of Warren, Mich.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Manley Bales Chapel, 1000 E. 12th street, Detroit.

Chief Hackett Asks Extra Driving Care For July 4 Holiday

Police Chief John P. Hackett today announced that a seasonal enforcement program will be in effect over the Fourth of July holiday week end. The program, he said, is designed to help the nationwide effort being made by the National Safety Council to reduce the number of accidents which occurs annually at this time.

"The Police Department is asking every citizen to take special care to observe lives and property," Chief Hackett said.

He predicted that traffic will be unusually heavy during this year's celebration, when thousands who have foregone trips and vacations for five years start to catch up on their vacation time.

"The long week end, worn out tires and cars and a festive spirit will make the Fourth this year a real time of hazard on the streets," Chief Hackett said. "Let's make Birmingham one place where the Fourth does not mean death to many of our residents, but a city where the Fourth means the freedom we have fought for."

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Auto Club Reports To City On Survey Of Traffic

Signs prohibiting a left turn from Maple into Pierce street and barriers to prevent pedestrians from crossing in the center of the block between Pierce and Woodward may be erected at appropriate locations when the Birmingham Police Department acts upon recommendations of the traffic research staff of the Automobile Club of Michigan.

Auto Club experts recently made a comprehensive study of traffic conditions at the intersection of Pierce and Maple streets in the request of Chief of Police John P. Hackett. Chief Hackett wanted to determine the advisability of putting a traffic light at the intersection.

"A study of this report will clearly show the completeness of the survey and the recommendations contained therein will be given careful consideration by the police department with the intent of placing as many of these recommendations as possible into effect," Chief Hackett said.

Included in the study were the movements of traffic on Maple avenue from Woodward west to Bates street. Pedestrian movements were also charted.

Considering Chief Hackett's request to install a traffic light at the intersection of Pierce and Woodward, Chief Hackett said that the location of a new crosswalk across Maple in front of the Methodist church is recommended in the Auto Club survey.

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The right turn movement from Pierce in addition to the east-bound Maple traffic now required to stand in this space, a change of signal indication at Woodward.

Mr. Maple and Pierce would require three separate operations to permit left turns from Pierce to proceed. Right turns from south on Woodward are continuing feeding into Maple and there is no sufficient space between Pierce and Woodward to store this traffic while it awaits its signal.

By Pass Route Available Although the left turn movement from Maple to south on Pierce is numerically small, it is a major cause of delay, the Auto Club report said. The proposed change in signal routes for this intersection are available via Merrill or Henrietta, which are not subject to the same delay as the current routes should result in eliminating this left turn.

The Auto Club staff experts (See SURVEY, Page 2)

John Bathgate To Be Ordained Sunday Evening

John Bathgate, who next month will leave for India to become professor at Ewing Christian College, will be ordained in the First Presbyterian church, Birmingham, next Sunday evening, June 30.

The Rev. W. Glen Harris, pastor of the local church, will give the charge to the new minister. Harris will also be officiating at the ordination prayer by the Rev. Henry D. Ritter.

The Rev. William H. Marbach, D. D., will preside, acting as moderator for the Presbytery of Detroit. The invocation will be given by the Rev. William H. Marbach, St. John Presbyterian Church, Detroit.

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