



★ IT'S THE STARTING POINT FOR BETTER LIVING ★

### Chief Griffith Sees Need For Thorough Job

Says Homes Are Too Valuable to Lose By Fire Thru Neglect

Fire Chief V. W. Griffith urges citizens of this community to make their first postwar Spring Clean-up a thorough job. The dates are May 6 to 11, inclusive. He states, "The current housing shortage makes your present home a particularly precious place; if it were destroyed you probably couldn't replace it with a new one and you might not even be able to find materials to repair a partially damaged home. Guarding it against fire is a first step in the right direction."

Reminding residents here that fire losses in the United States during 1945 amounted to the stag-

giving sum of 455 million dollars, an increase of 18 million dollars over 1944, the chief asks every resident to take an active part in Spring Clean-up Week, beginning May 6, by eliminating fire hazards in his own home.

**Do Thorough Job**  
Chief Griffith suggests that one start with the attic and work down to the cellar, or vice versa—"Just so long as you cover the entire house."

"The attic is a catch-all for every kind of junk, most of it unused for years. If you throw it all away, you'll probably never miss it."

Much the same treatment ought to be applied to bedroom and hall closets. "With people of so many lands so much in need, this is just the time to get rid of those old clothes. They're a fire hazard, too," the chief points out.

**Do That Kitchen Well**  
Urging an overhauling of the kitchen because it is the origin of so many fires, accumulated grease in the oven or on top of the stove can give you a nasty surprise. It may flare up some day and burn you badly and start a costly fire. Check your kitchen closets, oily rags, if you have to keep them, should be in tightly covered metal containers. And the kitchen is the

### Rubbish Collection Days Are Set For City's Big Clean-Up Week, May 6-11.

The big annual Clean-up Campaign for Birmingham gets underway Monday, May 6, and continues throughout the week and one of the biggest parts of the entire undertaking is the hauling away of the rubbish, ashes and brush which people are pile out at the curb ready for the city trucks.

In order that the drive may be an entire success it will be necessary for many families and business places to do considerable work this week, for the task of hauling away the rubbish starts Monday morning.

**Pick-up Days**  
From the department of public works of the city comes the word that city trucks will pick up the debris and rubbish, brush, etc., from that section of the city shown

most important place in the house for an underwriter's approved fire extinguisher. "While you are Spring cleaning, be sure yours is where it belongs and ready for use."

Next on the list is the cellar. Get rid of any flammable rubbish, old boxes, old work clothes, newspapers, magazines, empty paint cans," he advises.

"Don't neglect the outside of the house," he concludes. "Replace worn shingles on the roof and broken lightning rods. Clean the chimney by pulling a heavy chain up and down through it, from above. And finally, clean up the garage and yard."

of Maple street and east of Woodward avenue on Monday, starting early in the day. The trucks will not revisit that part of the city during the week.

On Tuesday the pickup crews will work in that section of the city north of Maple street and east of Woodward while on Wednesday the work will be in the section north of Maple and west of Woodward.

For Thursday picked trucks will call at homes in the section between Maple and Lincoln, west of Woodward and east of Southfield, including both sides of Southfield.

Director Dance will send his trucks on Friday into the sections west of Woodward and south of Lincoln, west of Southfield and South of Maple.

**Saturday Last Day**  
Any work left to be done in this final area will be completed on Saturday forenoon.

For this one week the Clean-Up Week of the city—the trucks will pick up leaves, grass, stumps, pine branches, plaster, old lumber, etc. The rubbish must be placed in containers, not larger than a household capacity. Brush and any old timber, or lumber, of course need not be in the containers.

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### OUR DEMOCRACY—by Mat



THRIFT—THEN AND NOW  
THRIFT AS PRACTICED BY OUR FOREFATHERS WAS LARGELY AN INDIVIDUAL CONCERN. ITS PURPOSE WAS TO PROVIDE A HOME FOR THE FAMILY—ITS FUTURE SECURITY—AND TO HAVE SOMETHING PUT BY FOR A RAINY DAY.



THRIFT AS WE KNOW IT TODAY HAS A BROADER MEANING. WHEN WE PUT MONEY INTO U.S. SAVINGS BONDS, LIFE INSURANCE AND SAVINGS ACCOUNTS, NOT ONLY DO WE AS INDIVIDUALS PROVIDE FOR OUR FAMILY'S FUTURE, BUT THROUGH THE PRODUCTIVE USE OF SAVINGS WE CONTRIBUTE DYNAMIC FORCE FOR THE GROWTH OF OUR DEMOCRACY.

### Birmingham Estates Association Elects Officers For Year

The seventh annual meeting of the Birmingham Estates Association was held at Adams School with 28 members present.

The usual business meeting was held and the following new officers were elected: Garland Tait, 1444 Yorkshire road, president; John Chapman, 1720 Dorchester road, vice-president; Forrest B. Hubert, 1509 Dorchester road, secretary; Charles Kreidler, 1530 Dorchester road, treasurer; Robert Watt, 1215 Yorkshire, director.

After the balloting there were discussions of ways and means of meeting changed building costs

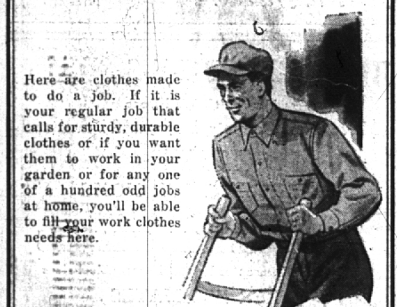
and conditions with adequate restrictions and a resolution was adopted to fix a 20,000 cubic foot minimum for dwellings, exclusive of porches, etc., with a minimum cable height of 25 feet for roofs.

A building committee was appointed to examine prospective plans to assure conformance with restrictions. Copies of this new resolution are to be mailed to each property owner and to local builders and real estate firms.

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### Many New, Exciting Books Are Added Reading List at Baldwin Public Library

By LINDO MOORE  
Are we as free as we like to think we are? For years we have pointed proudly to our precious bulwark of liberty of speech, contrasting it with conditions in dictator countries. Is that really true, or are there subtle and insidious forces at work robbing the American people of their most cherished rights?

This is the general theme of the provocative "The First Freedom," by Maurice Evans recently added to the Baldwin Public Library. Describing a growing tendency in this country for newspapers, radio stations and motion pictures to be controlled by an increasing small number of individuals, Mr. Evans voices a grave warning against allowing such monopolies to control the thought of the American public.

Other Good Books  
Iran, by William H. Haas. An illuminating study of the country that in less than two decades has become a modern country with a prominent place in the political limelight.

The Life and Death of the Wicked Lady Skelton, by Magdalen King-Hall. Bored by a humdrum life in the county, Lady Skelton turned to highway robbery for a thrill. A cloak-and-dagger romance with an unusual twist.

The Life-line, by Phyllis Botton. An underground thriller in which the hero poses as an inmate of a mental hospital the better to spy on New York.

Forever Posses, by Alexander Phillips. Absorbing historical romance with a background of the fabulous manor holdings of the Hudson river valley.

Widowed by Josephine Johnson. Story of an adopted child and her desperate efforts to find love and understanding.

Antioch Actress, by J. R. Perkins. Colorful story of a famous pagan actress sent on a specific acting mission in an effort to laugh the early Christians out of existence. Three guesses who wins.

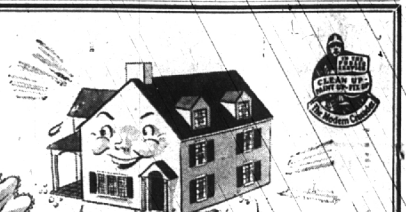
Aloha, by Armine von Tempki. Companion book to the author's well loved "Born in Paradise."



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