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## Bits of Birmingham

Along with the more important objections to living along a through street—such as too much noise, the hazard of entering and leaving driveways in moving traffic, etc.—comes that winter problem of shoveling out the driveways when the city snow plow piles the white stuff up as the streets are cleared. This Wanderer noted this week many such homeowners on through highways tackling the job. Even City Commissioners are not exempt from this task, as Commissioner Ray Palmer will tell anyone.

A resident of a small community way up in Michigan's Keweenaw Peninsula, visiting in Birmingham for a few weeks, had an interesting spectator when the city's snow loader cleared downtown streets. While roadways in the Upper Peninsula are cleared by huge rotary plows, as compared to Southern Michigan's roadscapers, this UP visitor is currently interested in city snow disposal. It might be noted that he is a member of his town's commission, and appears like he may present to it facts he has learned in watching Birmingham's snow remover do such a fast, fine job.

On one particular meter—probably the only one in the block—which didn't work. The cautious type, after trying for several minutes to shove money into the unwilling receiver, got back into his vehicle and went on his shopping way. We wonder how many people when they come across an unwilling meter, let the right party know so the next time some unknown person chose that particular parking place, he wouldn't have to go through the same inconvenience that they did! All it takes is one little phone call to the police department, or a short conversation with the nearest police officer.

While most residents have removed their Yule outside decorations and well not begin to think about them till a couple of weeks before Christmas, 1947, Howard Holak, manager of the Birmingham Theatre, is one of the few exceptions. Howard this week revealed to this Wanderer that already he is planning his 1947 home decorating scheme. Well known for his annual Christmas decorations on his lawn and his home, Holak's plans for next Christmas sound like a mammoth undertaking which apparently accounts for his 12-month start. He expressed his regrets in not being able to put up a display this winter, but explained it on the lack of colored Christmas bulbs. But he intends to correct this next year by starting to acquire them throughout the ensuing 48 weeks.

This Wanderer in recent months has been reading all about the seriousness of the natural gas shortage and the attempts to relieve it in the Detroit area by various methods. While there has been more emphasis in recent years on the use of gas for heating purposes, we note from a reference book that the Chinese were perhaps the first people to employ gas for lighting. They piped it from salt mines through bamboo tubes.

Now that the City of Birmingham's getting into its first pair of long trousers, maybe the local police department should recommend to the City Commission that U-turns on Woodward avenue should be prohibited. "If the local motorist who has been held up for several minutes by persons negotiating a U-turn on Woodward would make a reform, I believe we would have a sizeable group," a local chap told this Wanderer this week. "Or doesn't an Automobile Club survey warrant such a measure because of 'insufficient traffic'?"

Superstitious folk undoubtedly have already looked at their 1947 calendar to determine when there are any Friday the 13th days. In the event you would like to add this bit of information to your agenda, it is to be noted that there will be only one Friday the 13th during 1947. It will come during the month of June.

Remember that old practice of an auto dealer giving demonstrations to a prospective buyer? Well, this Wanderer sees where customers are getting those "free" rides again, but for a slightly different purpose. One auto dealer's customer has asked his dealers to revive this practice "because the buyer's market may be nearer than you think." At the present time, however, the car purchaser still takes his car without any demonstration. But those customers still on the list are being given complimentary rides just to show them what the car will be like when they finally receive it.

Discussion centered around the ability, or lack of it, several persons possessed concerning the art of skiing. One young married man claiming he liked to ski but was only "fair" at it, then made the remark (which she didn't catch about till several minutes after she said it): "When I get to going too fast, I just sit down and put an end to the speed."

Residents of outlying districts have been having quite a time these past few days in negotiating the distance from their homes to Birmingham and back again. It's the snow, of course, which still lies deep on those streets which are not daily traveled. It's practically imperative to have your car equipped with chains," one local chap told this Wanderer. "Otherwise, it's like trying to drive through soft sand spread inches deep over a rocky rink."

This Wanderer's pet . . . peevish those Detroit society . . . columnists who write of social events by indiscriminately dropping . . . several dots between . . . Not only does it make . . . the information for lighting. They piped it from gals, that's a serious news print shortage . . . or haven't you and your society editors . . . heard about it?

This Wanderer understands that oftentimes we are given a special reinforced pocket in which they carry those silver dollars. But we hope that giant sized cigarette lighter we saw the other-day would last till several minutes after she said it: "When I get to going too fast, I just sit down and put an end to the speed."

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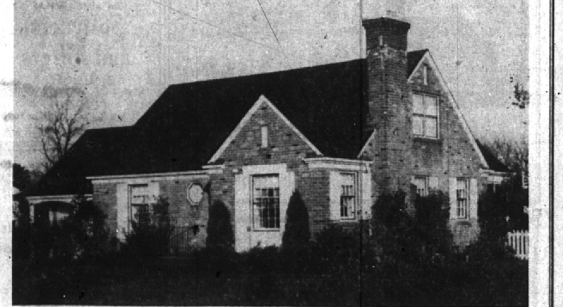
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ASSETS	
First Mortgage Loans	\$1,235,261.50
Loans secured by Savings Share Accounts	7,900.00
Properties sold on Contract	32,569.50
Stock in Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis	51,500.00
U. S. Government Bonds	577,387.23
Office Buildings and Equipment (less depreciation)	75,147.18
Other Assets	938.38
Cash on hand and in Banks	129,732.21
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$2,110,436.00</b>
LIABILITIES	
Savings and Investment Share Accounts	\$1,978,098.07
Loans in Process	38,897.10
Advance Payments by borrowers (Taxes, Insurance, Etc.)	272.10
Other Liabilities	599.31
Specific Reserves	1,213.94
General Reserves	77,353.48
Undivided Profits	14,000.00
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$2,110,436.00</b>

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I, Walter L. Moreland, President of the Birmingham Federal Savings and Loan Association, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

WALTER L. MORELAND, President.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of January, 1947.  
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