

I never made an airplane trip but I was in the air for the first time... While often boasting to gaze up at the clouds... life upon the earth as clouds become water or snow or hail... water in advance what weather they have for his plane.

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Merchants Ask Interpretation Of Off-Street Parking Plan Before Passing Judgment

and THAT! Are Just Others—Are Just Other Things—

By G. R. A.

A policy of "wait-and-see" has been adopted by most Birmingham merchants concerning the proposed off-street parking ordinance offered city commissioners last week by City Attorney Forbes S. Haslam.

3 Birmingham Boys Suffer Burns As Launch Explodes

Three Birmingham boys along with six other campers of Camp Fairwood on Torch Lake, near Petoskey, are in the hospital there for burns received of the face and neck when a 40-foot motor launch caught fire last Thursday evening as they were starting on a lake cruise.

Sigler Wins Attention

Governor Kim Sigler, who has been traveling throughout the state, recently held in Salt Lake City, Utah, is an interesting experience, for he is not only a politician but also a man of letters.

Edison Manager Warns Against Further Accidents

Electrical accidents and fatalities can be avoided if people will advise Edison whenever they are putting pipes from a well or putting pipes near an electrical line.

Polite Disagreement

It was interesting, too, to observe the polite disagreement of a rather polite nature, between Republican and Democratic Governors in their respective states.

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Fewer Errors and Faster Service to Result from New Michigan Bell Policy

Birmingham is the first of a number of Detroit suburban areas to have the practice of requesting telephone work orders on short-haul long distance calls extended to private lines.

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Birmingham Heads Lions Club Twosome Wins Invitational

Byard and Ellstrom Capture Trophy For Hot Club

It took 45 holes of grueling golf before the home team of Perry Byard and Ralph Ellstrom could walk off the Birmingham country club course as champions in the third annual Birmingham Invitational Golf Tournament.

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Outsider Wins Estimate \$45,000 Recreational for Lincoln-Purdy Golf Tourney Second Place

Birmingham's open golf champion for 1947 is George Pentak of 303 S. Edith Street, Pontiac, who defeated 32 entries by shooting a 17 in the 18-hole tournament held at Springdale Park last Friday.

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The largest sewer project the city has undertaken in several years will be needed to relieve the inadequate facilities which now result in many basement floodings in the Woodward-Lincoln-Pierce-Maple area, it was evidenced at Monday night's commission meeting.

This proposed \$45,000 project would be started as soon as possible if commissioners approve the plan, stated City Manager Donald C. Egbert.

Opinion Is Split Concerning Rights Of Public Groups

By George Wm. Averill

If it were left to the people of Birmingham to decide by popular vote how far public officials could go in determining the use of public lands that could be put, the scales would tip toward the argument that neighborhood zoning restrictions should be abolished.

This was indicated Tuesday afternoon when The Eccentric spent two hours in the council chamber, various residents in different parts of the city to ask the question, "What is the best way to handle zoning restrictions should be abolished?"

By the way, the man who replied "yes" there was another who came forth with a vigorous "no."

Only in the immediate area around Pierce School, where the proposed zoning ordinance, which has been passed by the Board of Appeals has ruled that under the present zoning ordinance, such a garage is prohibited from being placed on a lot.

The men's division champion will be awarded tennis balls until the end of the year, Egbert said.

The week's tournament was the following: The first round was held on Monday and the second on Tuesday.

Don C. Fontaine Awarded 2nd Place For Model Coach

Don C. Fontaine, 1385 Northland, Monday was declared second place winner in the Junior Division of the 1947 Fisher Body Craftsmen's Guild Model Coach Contest.

Some merely objected to the fact that the city would be allowed to use their own best judgment since they were the duly elected representatives of the citizens.

Residents in the other sections of the city were divided on the question.

Point of Law

Some men believe the right of the citizen to protect his property values from such construction projects is a right of a public body.

Others, however, believed the public should be allowed to use their own best judgment since they were the duly elected representatives of the citizens.

Nevertheless, the law does give public officials the right to condemn property for the use of necessary projects, according to a statement The Eccentric obtained from a lawyer familiar with such proceedings.

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