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**Sign Agreement**

The agreement between Fredric K. Graf, Franklin realtor, and the City of Birmingham concerning the development of Graf field, a subdivision east of the Grand Trunk Railroad and just north of the city limits, has been signed by both parties, City Manager Donald C. Egbert announced today.

For that article you need, try the Miscellaneous columns of the Classified Ads.

**Ritters Ties VFA To Keep Within Half Game of Lead**

In the feature game of the week in the Twilight Softball League, Ritters' Beer Store tied the Volunteer Firemen's Association 5 to 5 in a seven-inning game at Howarth Field.

Jack Wade, on the mound for Ritters, struck out eight while yielding but four hits. R Reynolds likewise gave up but four hits but only turned three away by the strikeout route. Chuck Reynolds, with one hit in two times at bat and two runs driven in, led the Firemen. Harry Kelley, with two hits in three times at bat and three runs driven in, spurred the Ritters team. Errors on both sides let unearned runs cross the platter.

In other games played this week, Flying Saucers took a slugfest from the Wolverines, 19 to 7, at Torrey Field. A big third inning in which Keller, Tom and Bob Roth, Tom Williams and Gene Richardson hit consecutively, netted the Saucers 10 runs and a chance to coast to victory. Gene Richardson limited the Wolverines to seven hits, two of which were

lines to seven hits, two of which were garnered by John Bones. Equitable Smashed Volunteer Firemen's Association defeated the Flying Saucers 12 to 3 to maintain their half game lead over Ritters. Allison with four for four had a perfect day at bat.

Ritters smothered Equitable Life Insurance under a 16-hit attack to lead all the way and wound up with a 16 to 5 victory. Bob Carnahan with two home runs and three runs batted in led the Ritters attack. Bob Heth and Bob Seeger led Equitable in the field and at the plate.

In games tonight, Equitable Life Insurance will meet Flying Saucers at Torrey Field and Volunteer Firemen's Association will play Wolverines at Howarth Field.

Games August 4 feature: Wolverines vs. Equitable at Howarth Field and Ritters vs. Flying Saucers at Torrey Field. All games start at 8:45 p.m.

**STANDINGS**

Firemen*	5	0	1,000
Ritters	4	1	.800
Flying Saucers	2	2	.500
Equitable Life	1	4	.200
Wolverines	0	5	.000
One the game.			

**SOCIETY NEWS** must be in the Eccentric editorial office by five o'clock every Tuesday afternoon.

**Business Girls Enjoy Picnic at Springdale Park**

Among the gang enjoying the open fire hotdog sandwiches and other staples at Springdale Park last Saturday were Ann and Dorothy Perkins, Laura Wood, George Bennett, Bill Reed, Betty Morse, Howie Littlejohn, Don Estler, Jim Kotho, Walt Allison, Roge Reynolds, and the chaperones, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Richter.

The occasion was the Y-Beesee picnic where Howie Littlejohn delighted the group with music played on the piano accordion, and through improvising several personalities.

Preliminary plans were set up for the Y-Beesee and Phoenix group week-end at Camp Ohlyen on September 6 and 7 when the groups will combine with other young adult clubs in greater Detroit area for a week end of fun and fellowship.

If we were faultless we should not be so much annoyed by the defects of those with whom we associate.—Fulton.

**CITY OF BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN ORDINANCE NUMBER 322**

**PARKING METER ORDINANCE**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 284 OF THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM RELATIVE TO PARKING METER ORDINANCE BY AMENDING SECTION 1 AND SECTION 3 OF SAID ORDINANCE.

**THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM ORDAINETH:**

That section 1 and Section 3 of Ordinance No. 284 of the City of Birmingham entitled "Parking Meter Ordinance" be and the same are hereby amended to read as follows:

**SECTION 1. PARKING METER ZONE:**

SECTION 3. PARKING METER ZONE:

The City Commission shall have the power under this Ordinance, by resolution, to designate the street, streets or parts thereof or areas within any public parking lot which are designated to be included within the "Parking Meter Zone".

Provision that any such designation shall become subject to all of the terms and conditions of this Ordinance upon publication of such resolution in a newspaper of general circulation in the city, and upon the installation and placing in operation of parking meters in such "Parking Meter Zone" as so designated.

**PARKING FEE:** Whenever a vehicle shall be parked in an individual parking space, the driver or person in charge of such vehicle shall immediately thereupon deposit a coin or coins in denominating meter if the meter displays a signal space has indicated. Upon the deposit of such coin or coins parking shall be permitted in said space for the period designated on the parking meter therein.

Notice of the public shall be given by signs setting forth the length of time for which parking is permitted upon the parking meter stand or in the vicinity. Any vehicle which remains in an individual parking space beyond the prescribed time for parking is hereby determined to be illegally parked.

In an event shall it be considered illegal parking if the meter displays a signal showing that a proper deposit has been made for such parking.

The provisions of this Ordinance shall not apply to vehicles parked or standing upon the streets of the City of Birmingham, Michigan in any designated "Parking Meter Zone" when such vehicles are parked or standing upon such streets between the hours of 5:00 P.M. in the evening and 9:00 A.M. the following morning of each day. The provisions of this Ordinance shall not apply on Sundays and the following national holidays, namely, New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Fourth of July, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

The time limit for legal parking in any designated "Parking Meter Zone" shall be that period specified upon the Parking Meter in the vicinity.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication after the passage thereof.

This Ordinance made and passed by the Commission of the City of Birmingham this 21st day of July, 1947.

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**1937 telephone rates won't work in 1947**

There have been a lot of changes moneywise since 1937. Wages have gone up. Taxes have gone up. Prices of most things have advanced. But during this time, telephone rates haven't budged an inch ahead.

The last rate increase, in fact, was in 1926—21 years ago! From then until 1937 telephone rates went down substantially. Since 1937, there have been even further local reductions in a number of exchanges, and toll rates have come down too. But, in general, the 1937 rates prevail today.

Looking at the other side of the ledger, post-war wage adjustments alone, including settlements reached during the recent strike, have boosted our costs \$11,000,000 a year. All our other costs have risen, too.

But our income hasn't gone up nearly as fast as our costs. In the ten years since 1937, income has increased 141%. Costs have gone up 193%. Our return on investment has dropped more than a third.

We've held the line on rates just as long as possible. Now we have to ask

for an increase in order to protect our customers' service.

We still have a lot of additions to make to the telephone system before we can give service to those who are waiting, and give better service to everybody. This will take a lot of money . . . money which must come from investors. Investors will put up the money only if they are assured a fair return, which we cannot provide under our present rates. A growing business, especially, has to earn a good return in order to attract the capital needed for growth.

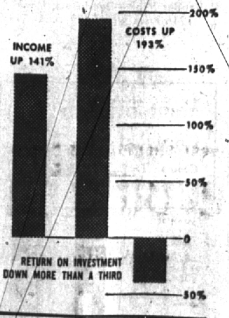
So the future of Michigan's telephone service depends on raising rates enough to assure the financial stability of your telephone company.

That's why we're going to ask the Michigan Public Service Commission for a public hearing to review our proposed new schedule of rates. (The Public Service Commission is the body established by State law and appointed by the Governor to regulate utility rates.) During the week of August 3, we'll publish details of the proposed

rates throughout Michigan Bell territory. After that, we'll file the petition with the Commission.

We feel the same way you do about raising rates. We'd rather not have to do it. But, when the quality of your service is in question, we have no alternative.

**TODAY'S SITUATION COMPARED WITH 1937**



NOTE: When the term "Income" is used above, it is meant in the sense of "Gross Income." When the term "Investment" is used, it means the original cost of the telephone property less the depreciation reserve accrued against the ultimate retirement of the property.