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(replaces the new building to be ready for occupancy by mid-November.

Issue of June 22
Mayor Bruce Booth placed the first call over the new dial system here last Saturday evening at the cut-over ceremonies. The Michigan Bell Telephone company was host to many of the city's notables at an evening reception. The new system began operation at one minute past midnight.

Merlin L. Holmquist, a member of the Birmingham police department since 1943, has been selected to attend the FBI academy classes at Washington this summer. His application was approved by the city two years ago, to await a vacancy in the academy classes.

Mrs. Anne Garrison has announced she will seek the Democratic nomination for the state legislature from the third district.

Condition of Alfred J. LaBelle, local businessman, who underwent a serious operation at Ford hospital last week is reported "favorable". LaBelle collapsed at his Wing Lake home on Friday and was operated on Monday.

Official population of Birmingham as revealed by the recent government census, is 15,370, a

37 per cent increase over 1940 figures.

Issue of June 29
In its first day of operation the Birmingham dial system smashed all previous records for one day's business. A total of 60,000 calls were placed in the first 24-hour period, topping the previous high by 15,000.

A report of "diner saucers" comes from Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Dwyelle, 892 West Lincoln. They saw two objects, at first thought to be balloons, last Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Dwyelle said the objects were too high, too controlled in their passage and traveling too fast to be balloons.

The F. Smith company announced it will build a new supermarket at the corner of Hunter and Hazel this summer, at a cost of \$100,000. Construction is expected to begin this week, with the market completed and ready for use early in November.

A petition bearing 81 signatures has been presented to the city commission requesting the decontrolling of rents here. Commissioner Dean Beier moved that steps be taken toward this end, to relieve the burden which has been born by many landlords whose rentals were frozen at too low a figure.

Parking meters will operate in Birmingham until 9 p.m. each Friday. The decision was made by city commissioners Monday in an effort to relieve congested parking in the downtown area, due mainly to theatre-goers.
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Miss Lambie Asks Birmingham to Aid Korea War Victims

Miss Roxane Lambie, 280 Aspen, who spent two and a half years in Germany and France with the American Friends Service committee, has been notified by the Philadelphia, Pa., office of the dire need of clothing for Korean war victims.

They have reported that they are emptying their warehouses to meet the critical need and have promised 135,000 articles immediately. Miss Lambie appeals to Birmingham residents to contribute warm clothing, especially heavy underwear for boys and girls of all ages, and blankets.

"ALL TYPES of clothing are needed," she said, "but right now, the heavier the better. We are all wondering what we can do to further the strength of a democracy in Korea, and this is it."
"If local contributors care to call me at my home I will be glad to collect and pack for shipment any items of clothing they may have. The need is great, and there is not too much that we can do for these unfortunate people."

Miss Lambie stated that anyone caring to ship clothes should send them to AFSC Clothing Warehouse, 23rd and Arch streets, Philadelphia 3, Pa.

Detroit Contractors Have Started Work On Terrace Project

Work has begun on one of the units of the new 88-dwelling terrace project being built on Villa road by the Lincoln Construction company of Detroit.

A spokesman for the firm said this six-dwelling unit would be completed as rapidly as conditions permitted and that construction of the others would probably get under full swing in the spring. "We will go on with them as rapidly as the weather will permit," she said, "although we do not expect any great rush of work until ground conditions are improved."
The 88 units will be constructed at an estimated cost of \$440,000.

Hearing to Consider Removal of Tree

A hearing has been set for Jan. 22 to consider a request by Mrs. Carl F. Engel, 608 W. Lincoln, that a cherry tree be removed from in front of her property.

In a letter to the city commission, Mrs. Engel said the tree is touching the sidewalk in front of her home, and has decayed to such an extent that it is dangerous. She said the tree is located on city property.

General news deadline is 4:30 p. m., each Tuesday.



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Ground Broken for New Birmingham High School



Rev. Arnold Runkel (left) and Superintendent Dwight B. Ireland watched as Wylie Groves, veteran member of the board of education, broke ground for the new \$2,109,765 high school May 25. Approximately 800 persons gathered at the Lincoln-Cranbrook road site for the ceremony.

Birmingham's Land Use Map Studied



Charles Barr (center), Michigan State college planning expert, discusses progress of the city's land use map with Donald C. Egbert, city manager (right) and C. M. Shepherd of the engineering department. This summer, Barr worked with city officials in plotting present land uses. He later made recommendations to the city plan commission.

Former Resident Is PTA Consultant For Delaware Unit

A former resident, Richard M. Brandt, has been named PTA consultant for the Delaware Congress of Parents and Teachers, according to a recent announcement. S. Marston Fox, president of the congress, stated that this was the first appointment of its kind in the United States.

Brandt, son of Mrs. A. J. Brandt, 812 Kennebec, is a graduate of Cranbrook school, the University of Virginia and the University of Michigan. Although now attending the University of

Maryland, where he is working for his doctor's degree, Brandt is at present teaching in the University of Delaware. He has developed close cooperation can be developed between parents and educators, increasing the value and efficiency of the entire educational system.



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