

**ADDING CHARM TO
Your Home**
By Bill Wieland



**HORSE SENSE
AND NONSENSE**
BY ALICE E. MORGAN

IT'S WINTER

Another flood of seasonal gripes is upon us. From every corner are coming the growls and snarls of those residents who have to slip and slide their way over uncleared sidewalks.

The most frequent barbs seem to be aimed at those who own vacant lots in the middle of residential areas and the city itself.

The lot-owners, having no building on their property, do not shovel them too soon or too often. The city doesn't keep the Baldwin library walks and cross walks in a manner which pleases the entire populace, either.

Of course the places are besieged with calls from morning to night objecting to the combination of small boys and good packing snow.

There's something about "sticky" snow that a boy just can't resist. It packs and if it packs he has to make a snowball and if he makes a snowball he has to throw it.

There are times when his aim is either too good or not good enough and a window falls by the wayside.

It's unfortunate that this happens, because there's something very satisfying about the feel of a handful of good packing snow, the easy way it leaves your fingers and the beautiful splatter it makes when it hits the side of a tree.

Small boys and packing snow must be one of the crosses adults must bear. Adults, doubtless, fall in the same category with small boys.

PROBABLY THE biggest winter howl comes from those persons who have unfortunate contact with the by-product of a sloppy street and a passing car. The duck and dodge season is definitely with us and the walls are reaching the stratosphere.

You come to a curb, look both

ways very carefully, and venture forth. Just as you get a couple of inches away—and here comes a car. You make a very ungraceful leap backwards and the car turns the corner without coming near you.

You're not going to get caught like that again! Boldly you step from the safety of the walk. Courageously you stride to the middle of the street—all is well—nary a splatter.

Then, suddenly, some untrustworthy soul approaches the intersection from behind you, turns the corner sharply and you are soaked with black goo from head to heels.

AND THEN there are the people who own automobiles and their opinions. However, since this is a family paper we will evade that subject as of now.

The season isn't entirely composed of gripes, however. There are the red cheeks of youngsters playing in the snow, tugging sleds up hill and zipping down again. Struggling along with skates and skis, learning the difficult which appears to be so simple. There are the weird shapes of snow men and snow animals, taxing the imagination of adults but clear as crystal to a three-year-old. These appear on lawns after prolonged heavings and grunting.

Mother gets used to the smell of wooden mittens drying in the house and small voices yelling for her to come and admire.

THE CHRISTMAS decorations and music takes on a more pleasing appearance and tone. Shopping for gifts isn't nearly as trying when there's snow on the ground. Wrapping packages hold a special thrill then, too. To stop a moment from your work and look out over a snowy yard brings a real feeling of Christmas. The lights around your home, shining on the snow sends out a cheery message to you, within, and to the passerby.

Snow seems to be about like everything else. There are moments when it is maddening. There are moments when we wish we'd never heard of the stuff, but to a real Christmas season it seems just about as necessary as trees, lights and popcorn balls.

**Legal Institute
Held at Cranbrook**

The Right Honorable Lord Jellicoe, first secretary of the British embassy in Washington, D.C., was principal dinner speaker at the legal institute sponsored Wednesday by the Oakland County bar association at Cranbrook school.

The institute was held in cooperation with the Michigan law institute of the State bar of Michigan. Subjects on the program which started at 1:45 p.m., were "Estate Planning," "Trial Procedure" and "Small Business Legal Problems." Dean G. Beier and Ernest C. Hutwagner were in charge of the program and welcoming committee.

MEMBERS OF THE bar in Oakland, Macomb, St. Clair, Lapeer, Genesee, Livingston, Washtenaw, Shiawassee, Sanilac, Tuscola and Huron counties were invited. Invitations were also sent to Supreme and Circuit Court judges of the various counties.

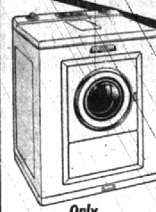
Lord Jellicoe's speech was on "Contemporary British Role in International Affairs." He is the oldest son of the Admiral of the Fleet, 1st Earl Jellicoe, and joined the foreign office in 1946 and the embassy two years ago.

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Stories for the church page must be submitted by 3:30 p.m. Thursday of the week before publication.

We Heard It Said By—
Dana Whitman, Jr., assistant to the city manager: "Skating rinks will be flooded at St. James Park, Pembroke Park, and Harton Park just as soon as it's cold enough. The Forestry & Park department has been keeping these areas plowed or shoveled to allow the ground to freeze to a sufficient depth so a good skating surface will result. Unless there is considerable frost depth, the water will sink into the ground rather than freeze on top."

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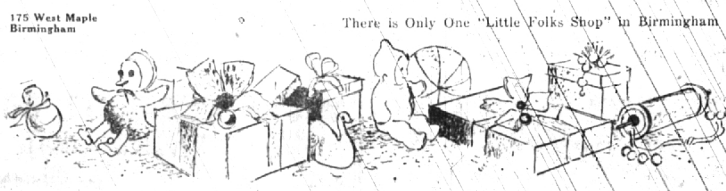
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