

DPW's First Load-Packer Truck



Donald Gould, Calvin Small, Irvin Harrison, assistant street foreman, Clarence Gravin, garage foreman, and Willard Brown, street foreman, pose with the newest piece of DPW equipment at the city garage. The local force has just completed the assembly of the truck which is already in service in the business area. The addition of this truck, according to Marx Fall, superintendent, releases one truck to begin rubbish collections in the residential area about two hours each day. This is the department's first truck of this type. (Photo by Joe Wheeler)

Ignoring Stops Creates Hazard at Intersections

Editor's Note: This is the fourth in a series of six articles regarding traffic safety and how the various enforcement policy recently adopted by Birmingham should reduce accidents.

By Alice E. Morgan

Running red lights and failure to stop at signs are common causes of accidents. The driver expects the other fellow to stop.

These traffic control devices make driving safer and more convenient by stopping traffic on one street so that drivers and pedestrians on the cross street will have the right-of-way and can proceed across the intersection without interference. This breaks down when a motorist fails to obey the sign or signal.

The key to obeying traffic signals is where you are when the yellow light comes on. If you are practically at the intersection, continuing at the legal speed will get you through safely. If you are farther back from the intersection and can stop safely before reaching it, you are required to do so.

At 25 miles per hour it takes 67 feet to stop your car, according to the national bureau of standards. Thus, if you are four or more car lengths from the intersection when the light turns yellow, you must stop. If you are less than four car lengths, then proceed carefully.

Seriousness indicated The seriousness of traffic signal violations, as indicated on the traffic ticket, is broken down into three groups. If you are beyond the middle of the intersection when the light turned red, you almost made it. This is the least serious violation. If you had not reached the middle of the intersection, it is more serious. And if you had not even reached the intersection, but went through all of it on the red signal, this is the most serious.

The least serious stop sign violation is when the motorist stops in the wrong place—with the nose of the vehicle out in the crosswalk where it interferes with pedestrians, or out in the path of cross

traffic where other drivers must dodge to avoid being hit.

Walking Stops

The more serious violation is where the motorist goes by the stop sign at the speed a "walk." Even though the driver looks in both directions, sees no other traffic approaching, and shifts into second gear, this violation develops a dangerous habit which will ultimately cause an accident.

The most serious violation is where the motorist completely ignores the stop sign and drives right through the intersection.

These three degrees of violations will draw penalties in accordance with their seriousness.

(NEXT WEEK: Improper passing causes accidents.)

Walnut Lake Road Committee Reports Some Progress

By Helen Giddings

WALNUT LAKE—The road committee, in its last two meetings, has made progress toward the solution of its road problems.

On Feb. 14 the committee and several property owners appeared before the West Bloominfield township board to present the urgent need for blacktopping parts of Inkster and Walnut Lake roads and to ask for aid from the township, since the county says it can not supply aid now or in the foreseeable future.

The township board expressed a willingness to help. There is a balance in the West Bloominfield capital improvement fund sufficient to pay approximately twenty-five per cent of the costs of blacktopping. The township board appointed H. M. Thatcher, supervisor, to meet with the committee on Feb. 18.

Distribution of Cents

At the meeting Thatcher was asked how the assessors would apportion the costs as to benefits received by individual property owners. He explained that in the past property owners abutting on the improved road had paid one-half of the cost, the remain-

ing cost spread over the rest of the assessment area. He also said unimproved property bore the same cost as improved property. In fairness to everyone, Thatcher said he did not see how this assessment could be handled differently. If the assessment is the same on vacant lots as an improved lot the cost to the individual lot owner is considerably reduced. Rough estimates of a cost of \$30 per lot were made which could be paid in three annual installments. This estimate cannot be accepted as final.

Thatcher and the committee are working together to draw up petitions and define assessments boundaries. Bloominfield township will be contacted for aid in the project, since parts of Inkster road lie within its boundaries.

The proposed blacktopping has been extended on Inkster from Maple as far as Putnam. On Walnut Lake road it will extend from Inkster to Middlebelt. The committee is making plans for a public meeting.

State YMCA Votes to Retain Present Status at Convention

The outstanding act of the 75th state convention of the Michigan State association of Young Men's Christian Associations was the retention of its status as a state organization of 17 member associations, rather than combining with Indiana and Illinois into an area.

The vote was taken Saturday at Michigan State College, where the YMCA held a series of meetings. Delegates from Birmingham included Walter Allison, Dr. John K. Orsmond, and YMCA Secretary Edwin F. Kirbert.

John H. Maynard, of 919 Michigan, presented the 1950 budget in absentia and this was accepted. Dan Price, 880 Cranbrook, gave the report on human relations.

Fourth Test Well Is Being Drilled

In an attempt to locate another underground water source, the city is drilling a test well on the west side of the city's 66-acre on Cranbrook road, just north of 14 Mile. City Manager Donald C. Ebbett said this week.

Three other test wells in that general area have not shown a satisfactory well formation, he said.

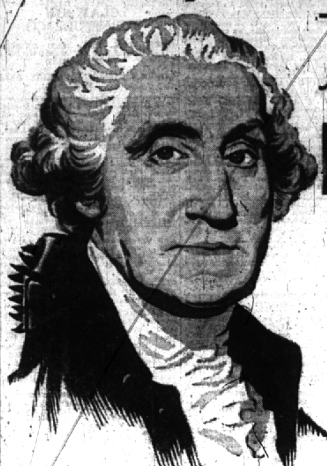
Party Follows TV Preview of GM's 'Motorama'



Chatting at New York's Stork Club during the MacManus, John & Adams, Inc. party for friends of the business and entertainment world are (left to right) Paul Garrett, GM vice-president, William Randolph Hearst, Jr., Arthur Godfrey and James R. Adams, 983 Kenesaw, Birmingham, president of the Detroit advertising agency.

The party followed a Godfrey TV-Preview of General Motors' 'Motorama' which was sponsored by Pontiac Motors, an MJ&A client.

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