

Detroit Firm Wins Contract for Sewer

A \$27,180 bid from the R. H. McManus Co., Detroit, for the construction of a storm drain under the Grand Trunk tracks at the east end of Webster street was accepted Monday night by the city commission.

The commissioners also signed an agreement with the railroad which grants the city an easement for the drain across GTR right-of-way.

Consumers Says Old Heating Applications Are Still Valid

Approximately 6,000 home owners in this part of Michigan will be able to install gas furnaces in 1950 as a result of Michigan Public Service Commission action Friday.

The Commission made increased gas heating possible in Michigan by removing restrictions on new installations.

Consumers Power Company Pontiac Division Office made the 6,000 estimate today on the basis of present distribution of its natural gas customers in Michigan.

The long awaited lifting of space heating restrictions permits

The Company to serve as many customers as its recently expanded facilities and supplies will allow.

David L. Brown, Division Manager, states old applications are valid and will be checked carefully before new applications are processed.

"No new gas furnaces may be installed until the Company has approved customers' written applications, and the customer has been notified in writing by the Company that they can be served. Watch your local paper for further instructions or information, or contact our local office in your community," Brown said.

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City Manager Reports on Progress of Proposed Construction Projects

City Manager Donald C. Egbert, has released the following Engineering Department progress reports for the quarter ending December 31, 1949.

As in the past, this report lists only the projects that have had work performed on them during the period and for these most recent development or present status is shown.

WEST MAPLE BRIDGE
Sub-structure has been completed to the bridge over the river. Construction work has stopped for season. Entire structure scheduled for completion by June 15, 1950.

BIRMINGHAM ESTATES STREETS
Estimate of cost to complete project forwarded to city manager.

WEBSTER STREET—Torry to Eton
Estimate of cost to complete project forwarded to city manager.

WEBSTER & TORRY STREETS
Estimate of cost to complete project forwarded to city manager.

WINDEMERE, MANCHESTER AND EDENBOROUGH
Preliminary plans and estimate of cost being prepared.

MAPLE-COOLIDGE SEWER
Sewer under construction at present time.

WEBSTER SEWER EXTENSION (GTR Crossing)
Plans and specifications complete and approved by Grand Trunk Western Railroad Company. The Railroad is preparing necessary easement agreement at present time. Bids for construction to be opened January 18, 1950. It is anticipated that construction will start in February, pending approval of the construction permit by the Michigan State Health Department, and that it will be completed by April 15, 1950. Included in contract is dredging of ditch from outfall of proposed sewer under the railroad to recently constructed Coolidge drainage ditch. Final work completed for sewer studies in Sheffield Estates No. 1 and No. 2.

KENNESAW - MOHEGAN STREETS
Preliminary surveys completed for Oxford and Poppleton curb and gutter. Estimate of cost to complete project forwarded to city manager.

BOWERS, ELM, HAZEL STREET
Preliminary survey completed for Hazel from Hunter to Elm.

EDENBOROUGH STREET-Maple to Dorchester
Preliminary survey completed for curb and gutter.

DAVIS, EMMONS - CUMMINGS STREET
Plans approximately 90% complete for all three. Davis and Emons drawings held pending decision on Woodward Access Drives.

DIXIE - YOSEMITE - VILLA - YANKEE & COLUMBIA—Grade & Gravel
Preliminary surveys completed for all streets.

TORRY, CHAPIN, EMMONS STREET
Plans approximately 90% complete for all three. Chapin and Emons drawings held pending decision on Woodward Access Drives.

BIRMINGHAM CRESTVIEW WATER MAINS
Plans approximately 90% complete.

COLUMBIA, Haynes to 125 feet South of Villa
Construction of gravel road and drainage structures completed. Contractor's final estimate forwarded to Mr. Meyer on October 25, 1949.

HAZEL AND BOWERS STREET
Eton to Columbia construction of gravel road and drainage structures completed. Contractor's final estimate forwarded to Mr. Meyer on October 25, 1949.

COLONIAL COURT ACCESS DRIVE
Specifications completed. Plans and specifications forwarded to Colonial Court Corporation for awarding of contract. No action taken by Colonial Court Corp.

ST. ANDREWS RELIEF SEWER
Estimate completed. Plans approximately 75% complete.

HUNTER ACCESS ROAD—Haynes to Hazel
Preliminary plans submitted to Michigan State Highway Department.

COLUMBIA STREET—Villa
Construction of gravel road complete. Contractor received final estimate (October 21, 1949).

COOLIDGE SEWER RECONSTRUCTION
Plans completed.

CHESTER-WALLACE INTERCEPTOR SEWER
Topographical survey completed. Plans started.

SIXTEEN MILE ROAD OPENING
Plot plan completed. A portion of the descriptions for property to be acquired have been forwarded to Oakland County Road Commission. Remaining descriptions complete and ready for checking.

REALIGNMENT OF WEST MAPLE AVENUE
Alignment survey completed for approach to new bridge site.

MERRILL STREET EXTENSION
Alignment survey completed.

Officials and Police End Training Period on Traffic Policy

Police Chief Ralph W. Mosley said yesterday that attendance at the training classes for police officers and officials, regarding the uniform traffic violations policy, had been very good. He reported that approximately 48 men had attended each session, making a total of 30 a day during the six-day period.

State and national traffic safety leaders spoke at each meeting, and officials of the 15 participating communities of the values of this new traffic policy.

Police Chief Mosley said that Birmingham to begin the use of this new ticket on or about Feb. 1. He argued that local residents read the series of articles explaining its use and procedure, beginning in The Eccentric this week.

Dr. St. Clair Shaw Dies Unexpectedly

Dr. N. St. Clair Shaw, 71, died suddenly at his home at 388 Warren court yesterday morning. He was a retired osteopathic physician.

Dr. Shaw was born in Detroit on Oct. 16, 1878, and later lived in Cleveland and Philadelphia. He attended St. Louis and Yale universities and was graduated from Brown university.

He returned to Detroit in 1932 and married Kay Cookley, who survives.

Other survivors are a brother, Edward Shaw, Phoenix, Ariz., and two sisters, Mrs. Inez Rogers of Providence, R. I., and Mrs. Forest Fisher of Chicago.

Services will be from the Bell funeral home at 2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, with cremation at White Chapel cemetery.

Two Detroit Children Hurt in Hills Crash

Two Detroit children were injured in an accident on Woodward avenue in Bloomfield Hills Tuesday afternoon.

Police said the children, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerson Bernstein of Detroit, were passengers in a car driven by Helen Gross, maid for the Bernsteins.

The car had brought the little girl, Wandy, 14 months, with her when she came to the City and Country school to take Barry home.

Wandy suffered minor injuries, as did Miss Gorse, according to the police. Barry, aged 3, suffered severe lacerations about the head, shock and concussion.

Robert J. Valley, driver of the second car, struck the Bernstein machine side-on as it pulled from the shoulder of the road into the northbound traffic lane.

Police stated that several witnesses to the accident said Valley was unable to avoid the crash.

Square Dancing Draws Large Crowd

Members of St. Catherine's Guild of St. James Church gathered last Friday for an evening of square dancing. Earl White of Franklin called for the 60 some northbound traffic lane.

Mrs. Joseph Pansing is president of the guild and her officers include Mrs. James Eason, vice president; Mrs. Dean Beier, recording secretary; Mrs. Sam Henderson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. David Underdown, treasurer and Mrs. John Claydon, wassal and means.



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- Agar Canned-Cooked HAM 10 lb. average lb. 79c
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 - T-BONE
 - CLUB STEAK
- Scot TOILET TISSUE 2 rolls 21c
- Scot TOWELS 2 rolls 29c
- Miracle Whip SALAD DRESSING 1 quart jar 53c
- Miracle Whip FRENCH DRESSING 8 oz. bottle 21c
- New No-Rinse SURF 1-gal. pkg. 26c
- Melo WATER SOFTENER 2 lb. pkg. 21c
- Large SANI FLUSH can 19c

Around The Cracker Barrel...

This is the season of the year when the so-called fashion experts tell you just what you're going to be wearing during the coming summer season. They must have fun, for just listen to some of the predictions.

Men are going to dress like peacocks, ladies like Chinese dolls. If my memory is correct, peacocks originally came out of China, and are often led about on a string. And if the papers are correct our relations with China being a bit strained, we are not likely to go strong for the Chinese motif.

But anyway, let's take a further look and see what the stylists say. My good friend John Heavenrich, who is vice-president of that fine Detroit men's store, Whatings, has some sport in Tuesday's Free Press. Says John: "Men everywhere are feeling young again. They are light hearted, no matter what their age, so they want to look the part. Men like those out around Birmingham are wearing sports clothes most of the time around home. They want some colors that will really show them off."

John takes a deep breath, and predicts that the new spring suits will have the brightest hues on record. "Not gaudy, mind you, but wonderfully gay," says John. "I don't know a man who has a new suit when you see him. There'll be soft greens and delicate light grays." Striped shirts are coming back, and ties will have smaller figures, but their colors will be "something out of a dream."

I like the use of that last word, dream. For last year we heard the same sort of thing, and the year before that. Sports clothes were to be so colorful that everything you had would be obsolete. The male of the species was finally to take on the brighter hues of his sex as found in the animal kingdom. The idea was wonderful, but it didn't work. And we think it won't work too well if tried again.

But I am especially intrigued by that crack that Birmingham men want clothes that will really show them off. John, just in case you should ever decide to open a store in Birmingham, let me tell you something about Birmingham men. I've watched them closely for two years, have seen just what they like and what they avoid. They are as fine in their dress as they are conservative in their tastes. They have always avoided garish colors; they don't go for modern art on canvas or on their backs. For two years now, since we've been opened, they've bought small pattern ties—fourallards—about 3 to 1 over bolder styles. We were one of two stores in America which re-oriented on fouralls from a certain tie house for Christmas, 1948.

Their suits are finely tailored, but they buy many more solid colors than they do patterns. And as for "soft greens," you just can't give 'em away. We know pretty well what they like in suitings, for with the PhotoMetric process for measuring for custom clothes we have over a thousand samples of suitings. And they don't buy those dream colors.

Birmingham men are conscious of color-blending. While their taste is refined, they are anxious that the colors worn are properly correlated. Because we felt this to be true, we have secured something new—the first to be used in America. We now have completely correlated colors in suits, shirts, and ties. We can secure for you, custom made, fine shirts by one of the country's best shirtmakers, in combinations of stripes solids and whites, which will best blend with the suit you are wearing or buy. And then we will order for you the proper tie for that shirt and suit. We know what they like in beautiful, well-tailored, and we can help you achieve that distinguished and well-dressed look which is synonymous with Birmingham.

And now ladies, it's your turn. If your man is to look like a peacock, you are to achieve that slant-eyed appearance of the Oriental. So says as great an authority as Harry Conover, who operates a school for models. It's not only the use of the eyebrow pencil (plus some Scotch tape) that will give you the Oriental look, but the dress and figure must synchronize. The figure must be as slim as a telephone pole, so that the upward slant of the eyebrows will look like two glass insulators on top. And you can just imagine the kind of costume you should wear with this get-up.

A year ago the dressmakers, at this time of the year, came out with so-called flying panels. This was a heavy fold of cloth attached to both sides of the skirt at the hips. It swished out in a loop fashion when you walked. I quite well remember the consternation on the face of a New York dress man when we mistakenly called them flying buttresses. Just for fear that this flying thing might really take hold we ordered a few of these dresses. We never got them, for the buyers nationwide didn't order enough to warrant cutting.

And so it will be with the Chinese plus peacock stuff. The garment makers would like a complete revolution in styles every year. Then you'd always be out of date. Many retailers would like that too. But not us.

We like the fine tastes of our customers. They buy things that are up to date, but they don't buy things which are dated ahead. And after all, what may be style on the beach at Miami is not style in Birmingham in summer or winter. For style is a thing of breeding of environment. Like seeks like. And this being the period for predictions, it is our surmise that the people of Birmingham will continue to be well and conservatively dressed, will neither be peacocks or Chinese dolls. So help me.

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