

**Parking Available If Alley Opened, Petition Declares**

Opening of an alley at the rear of Woodward properties between George and Frank streets has been petitioned for by the E. S. Jackson & Co., 750 S. Woodward. "We have a space in the rear

of the building on which we could park about 15 cars if we had access to it from George street, which is only 50 feet south of our property line," the petition reads. City Manager Donald G. Egbert, who said several connections would be involved, was asked to study the situation and make a recommendation to the commission.

**Southfield School Election, Meeting Turnout Light**

Leiv Larson, the only candidate in the Southfield township school election, was rejected by the school board Monday as 91 persons cast ballots.

Only 17 persons attended the annual school meeting which also was held Monday evening. The treasurer's annual report showed the total cash and securities of the school board on hand June 30, 1950 were \$1,143,954.46. This figure includes the general fund, building and site fund and debt retirement fund.

GLENN SCHOENHALS, superintendent of schools, warned that if the township continues to grow, the school board would have to ask for more buildings.

Some of the Southfield school projects of the past year which the superintendent mentioned, were adult education, testing program, safety and health education, summer recreation program, summer school for students making up deficiencies, speakers for the teachers each month, sports and music programs and the hiring of a full time school nurse. He said that particular progress has been made in the visual education program. At the present time there is one motion picture projector for each school.

INCLUDED in school plans for the next year are the holding

of ninth grade classes in the Southfield high school, the addition of instrumental music and band to the curriculum and a speech correction clinic. Fifteen classrooms are also being added to the elementary schools in the township this year.

The board also announced that bids for construction of the third and final unit of the new high school will be opened July 24. Citizens voiced no objections to any of the board's proposals.

**Police Lose Time Locking Stores**

Time which is badly needed to patrol residential areas is being lost by Birmingham police officers because business places are cutting careless about locking their doors at night, the Chamber of Commerce board of directors believes.

The Chamber resolved through its business committee to send letters to all business places calling attention to the matter and requesting their cooperation in affecting an improvement.

Snap or spring locks, properly installed, would enable officers to lock up a place found open without wasting the time needed for the owner to come down to the store with his key, the directors believe.

Charles Mortensen, Chamber of Commerce manager, plans to discuss the matter with Police Chief Moxley some time this week.

News copy submitted early necessarily is given preference over late items. The "early bird" usually gets the space.

**Sewer Relief Seen By Court Decision On Drain Extension**

A major step in providing sewer relief to the eastern portion of Birmingham resulted last Thursday when the Probate court determined the necessity for construction of the Lawson drain extension.

The drain commissioner's office was instructed to proceed with the design of the drain and the spread of assessments. A later hearing will be held on the assessments as proposed. All municipalities represented at the hearing urged that the drain be constructed, except Glasgow, which objected to the extension prior to the construction of the Red Run project into which the Lawson drain empties.

**Birmingham to Buy Two Trucks, Two Cars After 'War' Warning**

Purchase of two new trucks and two new cars was approved Monday night by the city commissioner. The trucks, one load packer and one flat-bed are replacements. One car will go in the city motor pool while the other will be added to the police department.

Both cars (\$2,110 per vehicle) and the flat-bed (\$2,300) will be purchased from low-bidder North Chevrolet company.

THE LOAD PACKER, costing \$3,945.00, will be purchased from low-bidder Earl Millman, Pontiac. City manager Don Egbert told the commissioners that both trucks were urgently needed and should be purchased immediately to "avoid any delay due to restrictions resulting from present war activities."

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**Gordon Appointed GM Vice-President**

John F. Gordon, 554 Fairfax, was appointed Monday as vice-president of General Motors in charge of the engineering staff, according to a corporation president.

Gordon succeeds James M. Crawford, who is on a disability leave of absence. Starting as a laboratory technician with Cadillac on Sept. 19, 1923, Gordon became chairman of the experimental laboratory on August 1, 1929. He was promoted to motor design engineer on March 1, 1933.

In 1940 he was assigned to product study on special engines, working primarily on Allison Aircraft engines. Subsequently he was transferred to the Allison division.

ON JUNE 1, 1943, he returned to Cadillac as chief engineer and devoted major attention to tank production. Gordon was appointed general manager on June 4, 1946.

**Good Fire Handling Brings Compliment to Fire Department**

Care in handling a fire brought complimentary letter to the Birmingham fire department this week from Mrs. Eileen Moergeli Pace, 748 Southfield road.

The letter dealt in warm care and caution given not to destroy other valuables in the home by the ravages of the water, which had to be fought with and against.

It went on to give special mention to Fireman George Scott "for his wonderful efficiency" and said it is "a fine asset to our fire department."

The fire occurred June 27 at the Moergeli residence, 748 Southfield.

**Over-Expenditures For Relief Sewers Gets Commission OK**

An over-expenditure of five to ten per cent for relief sewers was forecast Monday night as the city commission awarded a \$45,071.10 contract to Morris Mickelsen of Detroit.

This bid was "considerably higher than" Engineer L. R. Gares' first estimate. The two sewers are the Eon-Lincoln and St. Andrews-Edenborough relief drains.

City Manager Don Egbert expected the increase in the bid for this type of work during recent months was due to higher labor rates and to the work available to contractors at the present time.

A battery-powered appliance no larger than a fountain pen, which can detach a sterling or plated silverware in seconds, is available. The housewife simply holds the tip of the device against the silver while it is immersed in water containing a pinch of table salt.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

B. E. 18-112  
STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.  
At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1950.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.  
In the Matter of the Estate of Carrie Smith, Deceased.  
C. Floyd Smith, administrator of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be appointed to a certain time and place be set for the hearing, granting and advertising said claims and demands against said estate, and for other purposes.

It is Ordered, that two months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims against said estate.  
It is Further Ordered, that the 6th day of September, 1950, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said decedent's estate.  
ARTHUR E. MOORE,  
Judge of Probate.  
310 Center St.,  
Royal Oak, Michigan.  
15-16-17

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.  
No. 48-912  
At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1950.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.  
In the Matter of the Estate of Edith E. Carlson, Deceased.  
Sara L. Carlson, having filed a petition praying that an instrument filed in said Court be admitted to Probate as the last will and testament of said decedent, and that administration of said estate be granted to the petitioner; the executor named in said Will, or to some other suitable person.

It is Ordered, That the 8th day of July, A. D. 1950 at 9 o'clock, in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.  
It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy hereof, for three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing, in The Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County, and that respondent cause a copy of this order to be served personally or by registered mail, return receipt requested, to each of the known heirs at law, legatees and devisees at the last known place of address at least ten days prior to said day of hearing.  
ARTHUR E. MOORE,  
Judge of Probate.  
CLARENCE W. BLENNAN,  
Attorney at Law,  
297 Wabash Building,  
Birmingham, Michigan.  
15-17-18

Oliver H. Kirk, Attorney, Wabash Building, Birmingham, Michigan.  
No. 51-345  
STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, on the 24th day of June, A. D. 1950.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.  
In the Matter of the Estate of Bernard C. Wilson, Deceased.  
The State of Michigan, executor of said estate, having filed in said Court her final account and petition praying the examination and allowance thereof; determination of the debts of said decedent; assignment of the residue of said estate; and the discharge of said executor.

It is Ordered, that the 8th day of July, A. D. 1950, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.  
It is Further Ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once each week, for three successive weeks, previous to said day of hearing, in The Birmingham Eccentric, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.  
ARTHUR E. MOORE,  
Judge of Probate.  
15-16-17

**Five from City Train At Naval Air Station**

Five young men from this area are among the 116 from Grosse Ile and 25 candidates from the Akron area now taking part in the eight weeks tour of active duty at the Grosse Ile naval air station.

Capt. James P. Walker, commanding officer, said the local men are Charles D. Tyson, 1459

Kuffer; Robert J. Sampson, 27908 Summit; James E. Layman, 27631 Lathrup; Delbert V. Keefer, 1198 Holland and Ernest H. Parker, 18730 Saratoga. These men will receive training which will qualify them to take part in the organized reserve and begin specializing in one phase of aviation training offered at Grosse Ile. They will also fly as passengers in military aircraft to learn something of the requirements of military flying.

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