

### Concrete Paving Contract Awarded To Currie Co.

Second concrete paving contract to be awarded by the city this year was let Monday evening by the city commission to the Thomas E. Currie Co.

City Engineer E. R. Carr and City Manager Donald C. Egbert both recommended that the company's low bid of \$95,052.96 be accepted. The Currie firm is now working on another contract for the city, and will be in position to start work on this project immediately.

Streets included are Smith from Grant to Edgewood; Bird from Grant to Edgewood; Edgewood from Bird to Smith; Pembroke from Eton to Coalidge; Edgerton

from Pembroke to Manchester; and Marydale from 14 Mile to Lincoln.

Residents on Maryland between Lincoln and Northlawn and Southlawn and 14 Mile have paid the 75% of the assessment as required. However, those living in the middle block still haven't paid.

Before paving is started on Maryland, financing will be reviewed by the commission.

Commissioner Lane Minos stated that the two blocks which have been paid for should be paved and residents in the middle block should have to pay for graveling. Although this is the second concrete paving contract awarded this year, it will be the third where work has been in progress. Work on the contract awarded to Taylor Brothers Co. last fall was completed this spring.

General assessment deadline is 4:30 p. m. each Tuesday.



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## Domogalla Hired To Clean Quarton

Further steps to eliminate weed and algae-growth from Quarton Lake, was taken Monday evening by the city commission as Dr. Bernard Domogalla of Butler, Wis., was employed to chemically clean the entire lake for a total cost of \$2,000.

Previously this spring he was "hired" for a sum of \$985 to clear up the algae growth but it was found that there was a greater amount of dock weed growing there and the treatment would be more expensive.

Domogalla has been highly recommended by the Conservation department and other state officials and has been responsible for clearing up similar growths in many other lakes, including the waterway surrounding Madison, Wis.

A detailed report on Domogalla's opinion regarding the treatment of the lake was submitted by Earl P. Sandquist, administrative assistant. Both men conferred on the situation last week.

Domogalla said he noted several clusters of lily pads growing in the upper portion of the lake. He pointed out if these were left he removed he should be notified because solution applied to the rooted growths and algae wouldn't affect the lilies.

**DOMOGALLA STATED** that treatment of one-third of Quarton lake would cost \$985 and work on the remaining portion would be \$1,015. However, if the entire lake was treated during the first visit, the city could save money as fees upon the treated weeds.

Sandquist pointed out that Domogalla didn't say if there would be additional charges if the city wanted the water lilies removed. However, the city official believes such charges will be negligible.

Estimated cost of treatment the second year would be one-half the initial charge. The third year, estimated cost would again drop by one-half. The fourth year, the cost is about the first year.

### Recreation Areas Discussed by City Manager

Public areas assigned to the recreation board were discussed by City Manager Donald C. Egbert at Monday's city commission meeting.

A city ordinance provides that the board shall have use of certain city-owned properties in connection with the recreation program. It includes supervision of activities on the beach, however, maintenance of the areas remains responsibility of the city.

The recreation board has complete supervision and control of all activities on Pembroke, St. James and Heath parks.

**EGBERT ALSO** pointed out that during the period from Aug. 25 to Aug. 17, the board will have the use of the police pistol range on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 9 to 11:30 a.m.

From June 25 to Aug. 17, the board has permission to use facilities of Spingdale park under regulations imposed by the park superintendent. This will permit children within certain age limitations to use the golf course.

Certain small children playground equipment will be installed on the west portion of the Lincoln Park site and supervision of play activity will be under the board's direction.

Egbert stated that it is proposed to clean up and landscape the Derby well site at the southeast corner of Derby and Eton road and some top playground equipment will be installed in that area. In addition, the area will be so developed as to permit skating on the portion between Eton and the pump house.

All the area south and west of the Derby well house site is developed. The board believes that by slight additional expense, this location can be used as a top playground area.

The city manager concluded that as other areas are developed for use in connection with the recreation program, arrangements will be made for the board to supervise the activities.

**Attending Four Week Session At YMCA Camp**

Twenty-five Birmingham boys left Thursday morning for a four-week stay at the Detroit YMCA camp near Osoda.

### Eton Residents Request Traffic Control in Area

A petition signed by 25 families of the Sheffield Estates subdivision asks commissioners to consider tighter traffic controls on Eton between 14 Mile and Lincoln.

Because Eton is only 18 feet wide, they asked that it be closed to commercial traffic, that the Sheffield and Lincoln intersections of Eton be closed to cars, and that traffic be limited to 20 mph and posted to that effect.

Mayor Chad Ritchie said that a few years ago Eton was selected as a semi-arterial street to help relieve the flow of traffic over Greenfield and Southfield roads and divert it from the center of town.

**S. JAMES PILLARS**, who circulated the petition, said none of the persons had been so informed when they purchased their property, and asked how traffic, which is faster than necessary, was going to be controlled.

Ritchie said that was a matter of enforcement and that he knew, from personal experience, that the present speed limit of 20 miles an hour was being violated.

Charles Barton, one of the signers, said trucks had been clocked at 30 and 40 miles an hour in the area.

**CITY MANAGER DONALD C. EGBERT** said it was planned to double the width of Eton road and permit parking on both sides of the street.

The mayor referred the matter of excessive speeding to Police Chief Ralph Maxwell with control measures being adapted to fit his recommendations.

### Decide on Barnum Principal Soon

No decision has yet been made as to whether the principal of Barnum junior high school to replace Samuel Bennett, recently deceased.

Dr. Dwight B. Ireland, superintendent of schools, told board members that he had interviewed several applicants and that a decision must be reached soon.

School trustees may have contracts with other schools and stand no chance of being released unless they have applied for it before July 10. There is little time to lose in making an choice and it's a difficult one to make, they are all good.

### Residents of Lane May Wait for Oil

Residents of Gordon lane, a private road, Monday night asked city commissioners if DPW maintenance could not be sent to nearby and oil the lane.

City Manager Donald Egbert said the city ordinarily does not do private work and that, due to the load of public obligations the DPW is carrying right now, their request probably would have to wait.

### YMCA Schedules Square Dance

Birmingham YMCA is putting other branches of the Detroit YMCA in promoting an out-of-town square dance July 14 at Robinson field, at Grand River and Warren, at 8:30 p.m.

In case of rain, the dance will be held at the Huntington YMCA, 2020 Witherspoon Street, the same night and time. Tickets may be purchased at the local YMCA of any Detroit branch.

### Confirmation of Roll

July 23 has been set by the city commission for confirmation of the assessment roll for paving Forest from Brookline to Hunter. Estimated cost of the project is \$3,495.

### Population Hike Means Higher Dues for City

Birmingham's population in 1940 since the 1930 census will mean a \$72 yearly increase in Michigan Municipal League dues. Dues, based on the 1940 census were \$281. The city's 1952 assessment is \$353.

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### Board of Education Weighs Possibility Of Education Survey

Dr. Dwight B. Ireland reported to school board members Monday night on the possibility of a complete school survey for Birmingham.

He said he had talked to Dr. T. J. Holly for the entire state of Oregon, would include a spring of all present buildings, planning studies and favorable locations should new buildings become necessary.

### GM Executive Dies on Eve Of Retirement

Leon Abbott Chamblade, 61, of 212 Westwood, died at the Ford hospital in Detroit, Wednesday. The General Motors executive suffered a heart attack Tuesday evening at a banquet being given in his honor.

Mr. Chamblade, a veteran of 35 years in the automotive field, was planning his retirement at the end of June as assistant to the chief engineer at the Chevrolet division of General Motors. He had been with the company for 17 years after 18 years with the Studebaker company.

He was born Jan. 26, 1890, in Trenton, N. J., and was a graduate of Pratt Institute in Brooklyn, N. Y.

ON MAY 7, 1921, he married Anne Palmer in Detroit. The family moved to Birmingham 17 years ago from South Bend, Ind.

Mr. Chamblade was a member of the Detroit Society of Automotive Engineers and the Engineering Society of Detroit and the Detroit Yacht club.

Surviving besides his widow are four children: two sons, Peter W. Schwab of Wash, Ind., and Mrs. M. M. Orlan of Medina, Ohio, four grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Vera Greenleaf of Englewood, N. J., and Mrs. Arlene Gordon of Chicago.

Services in charge of the Manley Bailey funeral home were held Saturday afternoon from Christ Church Cathedral with cremation at White Chapel cemetery.

### Vacant Lot Cleaning Not Practical Now

Commissioners have once more faced the problem of debris on vacant lots.

Commissioners Frank Bising and Ralph Mann said they felt local service clubs could get behind a clean-up drive and working on the basis of civic pride, make great strides toward removing the eyesores.

The two said they felt this was a good time to press such a drive because weeds have grown around the debris and tend to conceal it.

They will consider plans for the work and will present it to the commission for discussion and approval in the fall of the spring.

### Poppleton Park

Announcement was made this week that the city expects to start work on Poppleton Park in approximately 30 days. Shrubbery will be put in and a baseball diamond constructed.

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### Nationally Known Trainer Now at Jagersbo Kennels

A nationally known trainer, George D. Mott, is now connected with the Jagersbo Kennels, 3529 North Adams, according to Erik Berghagen.

Mott, who comes from Big Horn Basin, Wyo., has been handling hunting dogs for the past 25 years and has bred some of the finest retrievers in the country. He also is a trainer of retriever trials in the west and east.

Mott will train dogs for field trials, obedience, hunting and retrieving. He will also handle all kinds of dogs for obedience training.

Mott stated that he has a number of Labrador retrievers and Britany spaniels now in training for retrieving and boxes for obedience.

### City to Counter Offer for Sale Of Sheffield Lots

An offer by Irving Rose of Detroit to purchase 11 lots in Sheffield Estates one from the city, will be countered with a slightly higher offer. The offer, it was decided by the city commission Monday evening.

Purchase price will be \$43,050 with the use of the lots for other industrial or business use. Installation of water mains, sewers and paving are included in the purchase price.

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