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Dog Owners Told Pets In Danger If Not Confined

If local dog owners comply with the city ordinance, Rover's done rovin'.

Police Chief Ralph W. Mosley this week said his department has received numerous complaints of dogs running loose, especially in the southern areas of the community. He reminded all owners that the ordinance requires dogs to be kept under reasonable control at all times.

He pointed out that several nearby areas had reported cases of rabid dogs. "A dog with rabies can spread the disease to your pet," he told local owners. "Since we cannot control the strays which may find their way here from other areas, we can only urge owners to protect their pets by complying with the law."

"IF YOUR DOG is kept in his own yard his character is far less of contact with the disease. In addition, you know he is not becoming a nuisance to your neighbors and is not going to go into a crowded area and bite anyone."

"With the dog warden, Ralph Riley, nor the city wishes to impose any hardship on owners. The ordinance was passed as much to protect you and your pet as for the protection of others."

"We shall have to impound all dogs caught running loose, especially since there are rabies cases in the general area."

Baseball Group To Hold Initial Practice May 5

First practice session for players who intend to participate in the local Little League Baseball activities will be held Saturday, May 5, at 10 a.m. at Pierce field.

League play will be limited to boys between the ages of eight and 12, who live within the Birmingham school district. Applications which must be signed by the boys' parents will be distributed through the local school system at least a week before the first practice date.

NEWLY CHOSEN managers are John Hinckley, Dave Jones, Jr., Al Bates and Horace Shankwiler. Player's agent will be Bill Bartholomew. Roland W. Reese is umpire-in-chief.

Eldon Auker, president of the local organization said that men wishing to coach, umpire or assist in any way with the league, should report at the community house, Friday, March 30, at 8 p.m.

At this meeting, baseball equipment for the coming season also will be ordered. Treasurer Jerry Walcott, 183 Oakland said that donations are still needed. Money can be sent to either him or Dan Elliott, 360 North Woodward.

HORSE SENSE AND NONSENSE

BY ALICE E. MORGAN

THE PAST IS PRESENT

Every now and then some of us are privileged to take part in the past. It becomes our opportunity to pause a moment in our present day of life, reach behind us, and grasp that which has gone before.

This opportunity was given me last week Wednesday when I was permitted to be a part of a small group which witnessed the opening of the First Methodist church cornerstone box.

Sealed tightly against atmospheric changes, this small metal box was ceremoniously locked into its concrete vault at the northeast corner of the church in 1871. In it the members of that church placed documents of their faith in the future.

IN THEIR hearts they felt and knew that at some future date the building they were erecting would be outgrown.

They knew that, some day, their sons and daughters, or grandchildren, would build a larger edifice in Birmingham to carry on their work. They had to leave a message, some token, some evidence of what had been done in the past.

As the box was removed from its hiding place, the small group present seemed to change for a moment. It was as though something reached out from the years gone by and touched each one.

The box was twisted and turned, every tiny dent and rust spot touched by exploratory fingers.

THE PAPERS and books inside were neatly stored away—an amazing amount for a box only about nine by six by three inches.

Every bit of space was utilized. As I looked at them I could see that little congregation of 80 years ago. There were only 141 of them facing the job of erecting a building that would cost \$20,000.

It seemed, almost, that the voice of the Rev. Robert Bird could be heard, asking God's blessing and guidance on the task they had taken over.

They faced months of hard work. Months of constant digging to make good. It meant the

men of the church would turn their hands to lumbering, quarrying, brick laying, glazing, carpentry, painting. It meant hours spent in the kitchens of their homes while the women prepared the meals which were served at the scene of the building.

I COULD SEE the careful writing of the documents which went into the box. The gathering of all the information needed to give to some future generation the full history of their church and the history of Methodism in their community.

I could see them selecting which items would be used. It was no task at all to see the hands which carefully wrapped paper about the gilt edges of the small black Bible.

Nor was it any harder to see the fingers which gently loosened their grip on the box to drop it into its concrete receptacle, to be opened again, 80 years hence.

YES, THERE were several of us that day who experienced the miracle of living for a few moments in the past. Living a day which had become history before any of us had been born.

I can't speak for anyone else who saw that box opened, of course, but for myself I can say that it was one of the memories which I shall carry with me for many a long year. It was one of the great privileges of my lifetime.

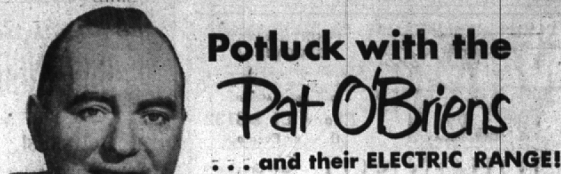
We Heard It Said By:

James F. Fitzsimmons, Exchange club member: "The program given by Mrs. Montelle Clark and the members of her Barnum junior high school radio class was one of the best I have ever seen at our club. The youngsters did a wonderful job on the show and are to be commended on the entire presentation."

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1 lb. beef
1 lb. onion
1/2 tsp. salt
1/2 tsp. pepper
1/2 tsp. thyme
1/2 tsp. oregano

1/2 cup butter or margarine
1/2 cup flour
1/2 cup milk
1/2 cup onion
1/2 cup tomato

Melt butter or margarine in deep-well cooker, using low heat; add flour blend. Add ketchup, salt and pepper. Add water and peeled onion juice cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Cut meat in 1 1/2 inch cubes; pare and halve potatoes; peel onion; add to first mixture. Cover. Turn switch to high heat until steaming, then turn to low cook 2 1/2 hours. Add oregano, cook 15 minutes longer. Yield: 6 servings.

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- COMPLETE PUBLIC ENLIGHTENMENT** . . . making a thorough investigation of all matters up for consideration and giving the public the whole story behind every undertaking.
- DOWN-TO-EARTH CITY PLANNING** . . . providing for orderly development along present lines, rather than drastic changes which would result in financial loss to many property owners, and would destroy the character of Birmingham.

Bob Owen is the ONLY new candidate who has attended commission meetings regularly for the last two years. He is thoroughly familiar with the many problems that confront this growing community, and is well qualified to solve them on an equitable, common sense basis.

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