

### 4 Youths Caught Swiping Records

Single-handedly, Connie Vitraio, manager of the Record Corner, 408 N. Woodward, captured four would-be thieves at her shop Tuesday afternoon.

The four youths, three age 17, and one age 16, had loitered in the shop for several minutes. As they started to leave, Miss Vitraio noticed one of the boys concealing something under his jacket.

Miss Vitraio pressed the youths to their car and herded them all \$19.66 worth of recordings, and called police.

Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley said that the youths' first arrest and that the boys, all students in Berkley, were released to their parents to appear Jan. 14 in Oakland County Assistant Prosecutor George Taylor's court of no record.

Because of the youths' ages and because it is their first offense, The Eccentric is cooperating with a request by police that the names of the boys be withheld.

### Birmingham Patrolmen To Attend College

Patrolmen Donald Moonen and Lawrence Winkelman of the Birmingham police department will enroll Monday in the basic police officers training course at Michigan State college, according to Chief of Police Ralph W. Moxley.

The course will last four weeks and is designed to train recruit policemen in the basic elements of police work.

### Springer Spaniel Club Plans February Start For '54 Field Training

A pre-class get-together on Sunday, Feb. 7, has been announced by William Manning, 650 W. Lincoln, chairman of the Southern Michigan Springer Spaniel Training club.

Manning said the two-and-a-half year old club was getting set to launch its third training class at the club's headquarters at Wallied Lake on Feb. 14.

The pre-class session will be held in Vester Hall, a block north of Nine Mile and one block east of Woodward, in Ferndale. Demonstrations by trained dogs along with color films of field champions in action will make up the program.

"It is not necessary to own a dog to attend this first session," Manning said. "It will be equally interesting to owners or persons who like well trained hunting dogs."

The classes, scheduled for ten successive Sundays, will provide a well-rounded program of training spaniels to work in the field.

### Will Discuss Red Cross Work at Flint Tornado

At the Jan. 5 meeting of the Birmingham Exchange club, Mrs. Mildred Bennett, executive secretary of the Oakland county chapter, American Red Cross, will speak.

"It Can Happen Here" is the topic of Mrs. Bennett's report on the June tornado which struck Flint. She will tell of the Red Cross workers' experiences there and outline how proper organization can help alleviate suffering in any major disaster.

### Manager To Study Springdale Fencing

City Manager Donald C. Egbert was instructed to study the possibility of extending a fence on the Springdale Golf Course property to protect the rear of three residences located on Brookdale.

In a letter to the city commission Monday night signed by Paul T. Smith, William C. Barton and LeRoy W. Dahlberg, all residents

on Brookdale, petitioners explained that trespassing by people at the golf course endangered private homes where no fence exists.

### B-27 Plans Activities

Scouts of Troop B-27 planned the troop's first paper drive on January 5 at their meeting Tuesday night at the First Baptist church. A hike from the George Jackson farm was also planned for January 16.



May this brand New Year bring you new joys, new friends and success in all the things you undertake.

LEON Parisian Hairdresser 147 Pierce St.

## Christmas Decorations Brighten Whole City

By ALICE WESSELS BURLINGAME Special Writer for The Birmingham Eccentric

In Birmingham we have a real treat in store for all folks who want to bundle up some holiday evening with all members of the family. They can see a personification of the expression of Christmas which has been planned and executed by our neighbors.

To set the tempo of the occasion your first stop should be at the municipal tree in Shaban Park. In the center of the park is the very tall tree with its long chain of varied colored bulbs. Be sure and be walking as the Nativity scene which is nestled beneath the tree is above average in materials used, and it is so well placed that all visitors, regardless of creed, are quiet with awe. Many people have silently made the pilgrimage, if the tracks in the packed snow count of visitors.

We are very fortunate to have many beautiful churches in Birmingham which can compete with the greeting cards of artists as they take on their winter mantle of snow.

We had a little fellow in our block whose room faced toward the Redeemer Lutheran church and one night as his mother went up to tuck him in for the night he said: "Mom, when I look out the window as I get ready for bed I can see God every night!"

Mrs. Burlingame

### Overheated Units Are Fire Hazard

Over-heated home heating units become the main fear of the fire department as the mercury dips below the zero mark.

Birmingham Fire Chief Vern W. Griffith Wednesday warned home owners to take particular care in furnace operation during the forecasted cold snap.

Furnaces and flues that become overheated are dangerous fire hazards, Griffith explained.

### Loose Goose Lost

A wild goose, apparently mis-guided, landed in the back yard of Warren Coyle, 1815 Flowers, Wednesday morning and watched the labor of men placing stakes on the corner lot.

When a neighbor attempted to catch the black-winged bird the bird flew over to Columbia street.

### Club Calendar

JANUARY 4 Foxcroft Branch of the National Farm and Garden Association, 1 p.m., with Mrs. John S. Back, 4137 Tanglewood court.

JANUARY 6 Ladies Auxiliary No. 9 to Metropolitan club, 8 p.m., home of Mrs. Walter Leitold, Cranbrook road, Birmingham chapter 220, O.E.S., 8 p.m., Masonic Temple.

Want ads cannot be accepted after 5 p.m. each Tuesday.

You are cordially invited to attend A FREE NOON DAY LECTURE entitled

"CHRISTIAN SCIENCE: THE COINCIDENCE OF PURE SCIENCE AND PURE RELIGION"

on Tuesday, January 5 At 12:10 noon by George Nay, C.S. Of Chicago, Illinois

Member of the Board of Lecturers of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts.

at Shubert Theatre Lafayette and Shelby Streets

new year joy May it be YOURS in Plenty ...

KINCAD'S JEWELERS 213 E. Maple

AT THE Rol Anfin home, 888 Westwood, you see a home with Spanish architecture, back among the trees on a corner lot, nestled among snow covered evergreens.

Their decorations are comprised of many electric candles in each window, with the bulbs the right color to give the feeling of burning candles. As this household has adults, and the selection of the candlelight effect is right for the architecture of the home.

The George Glovers at 1144 Cranbrook, have a large entry porch with a span of snow white battens and on it have their "Merry Christmas" spelled out in 12 inch, red wooden letters and floodlighted from the lawn. The effect is pleasing because below it is a long, black English saddle seat.

Mrs. Glover enjoyed making her own wreath of spun glass with holly on it accented with a red bow. As this home is on a corner, many motorists can enjoy their efforts.

J. T. Jones, 578 Chesterfield, has a striking effect they have made by decorating their 15 foot evergreen tree with 120 blue bulbs. "How beautiful" is the exclamation you hear given as folks pass this home.

THESE DESCRIPTIONS are but a few treats, free to all of you. Fill your car up with explorers for beauty and make your discoveries in our grand town.

The McBride hardware dedicates one of their windows each year to a nativity scene which they share and are to be congratulated upon and are to be congratulated upon and are to be congratulated upon and see this true expression of the Christmas season.

Recently I saw the famous stores in New York decorated to be ad-

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