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Postoffice Back To Normal After Christmas Rush

"Business as usual" standards returned Dec. 30 to the Birmingham postoffice.

Postmaster Bernard Fowler said 150 extra men and 15 extra trucks were put into service in order to keep up with the avalanche of mail which flowed through the local office.

The "Christmas mail period," Fowler said, showed an overall increase of 16 per cent more than any previous year. An average of 22,000 pieces of mail were handled daily, with a complete total of 1,418,021.

FOWLER SAID more than 25,000 packages were mailed from the Birmingham postoffice during the 24-day period. The volume of mail leaving here required 7,161 sacks, while 16,916 sacks of incoming mail were received.

He reported that total postoffice receipts for the year just closed were \$823,000, an increase of \$38,000 over 1951.

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Library

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is no known auditing of the accounts.

Certain other provisions of the existing charter bring about an undue burden to library employees, it is claimed.

Detailed reports are now called for which give the number of visitors, number of books loaned and other items which cause the library staff additional time and expense to meet present provisions.

Under the new charter revision, the city commission would have the power to stipulate what would be included in these reports.

MRS. JOHN S. Lambie, chairman of the library's board of trustees, has reminded commissioners that the library annually has sought help from the city commission in gaining more money for library operations.

Miss Jeanne Lloyd, head librarian, told commissioners that because of the deflated dollar the library has not been able to keep pace with the increased costs of books, supplies and other services.

"In the past 10 years, the real dollar income of the library has increased 46 percent because of increased city building valuations, while the library's circulation has jumped 78 percent."

"FROM JUNE 30, 1942 to June 30, 1952 the number of borrowers has increased 170 percent," Miss Lloyd stated.

In reporting on the need for more money, Miss Lloyd said that increased costs of building maintenance continually ties money away from book purchases and staff additions that the library wanted to make.

Should the charter revision be approved by voters, the city treasurer would supplant the library board treasurer, and a specified library account would be used within the city general fund for more accurate account keeping of library funds.

Returns From Leave To Storekeepers School

Gilbert R. Salked, USN, son of Mrs. F. H. Thomas, 1288 Bird, recently returned to U. S. Navy Storekeepers school at San Diego, Calif., after spending a holiday leave here at home.

Salked, who entered service in May, 1951, spent six months in the Korean area aboard the destroyer Samuel S. Moore, returning in September of last year to attend the Navy school. He is a Baldwin high school graduate.

Gun Club Members Meet

The Birmingham Gun Club will hold its regular meeting on the first and third weekends in January. Members are urged to help with the work on the new club house and grounds.

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BIRMINGHAM HIGH SCHOOL CAGERS have the advantage of good lighting and ample space as they meet their opponents on their new floor. Here they are shown (white shirts) ready for the opening jump of Tuesday night's game with Waterford. The Maples continued to roll as they downed the Skippers 59-35. The Birmingham reserves also won handily from the Waterford reserve squad. (Eccentric Staff Photo)

YMCA To Elect Executive Group

Election of the Birmingham Y.M.C.A. Committee of Management Executive Group will be held Thursday, Jan. 8, according to Martha Schaefer, chairman of the nominating committee.

Officers who are unopposed are Harold M. Kaldbeisch as chairman, William Gordon as vice-chairman, and Web Owen as chairman of budget and finance committee. A secretary to be elected William Roberts will be elected at the annual meeting January 19.

Other members of the Executive Group include William Roberts, Martha Schaefer and Tom Ward. Committee appointments will be made at this meeting and certificates of merit will be voted members of the group who have done outstanding work in 1952. A re-emeritus will be voted on by the group.

New members and their colleges will be announced January 19. Returning members include Raymond Walter Morgan, Y. C. Smith and Dr. John Ormond.

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RESOURCES

Cash on Hand and Due from Other Banks	\$17,845,448.62
United States Obligations, Direct and Guaranteed	62,674,000.00
Other Securities	9,342,760.03
Loans and Discounts	20,107,464.72
Real Estate Mortgages	5,485,927.70
F.H.A. Insured Mortgages	2,819,114.77
Banking Houses and Sites	429,692.03
Furniture and Fixtures	278,517.20
Prepaid Expenses	35,113.98
Income Accrued Receivable	185,126.74
TOTAL RESOURCES	\$119,203,165.79

LIABILITIES

Commercial Deposits: Individuals, Corporations and Others	\$71,771,519.72
United States Government Deposits	2,723,527.66
State of Michigan Deposits	146,709.31
Other Public Funds	5,289,444.23
Savings Deposits	79,931,200.92
TOTAL DEPOSITS	\$114,254,617.04
Interest and Expense Accrued Payable	126,273.25
Unearned Interest	467,037.06
Other Liabilities	534,241.67
Capital	1,800,000.00
Surplus	520,996.77
Undivided Profits	520,996.77
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$119,203,165.79

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