

BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

A \$100 CONTRIBUTION for use in the recent Flint tornado area was placed in the mail this week by the Birmingham Rotary club.

SPENDING A LITTLE TIME Saturday morning watching the 1953 play at B'ham Country Club was Merrill Adams, vice president and director of the B'ham National Bank. He was alongside No. 7 when Jim Browning and Bill Nary teed off. Nary's shot hit the green and stopped only a couple feet from the pin. Adams recalled, "Then Browning stepped up, stepped one that landed about six feet from the pin, bounced up and hit it, then dropped in the cup for a hole-in-one. Although to myself, 'Just what does a guy have to do to win a hole—a birdie doesn't seem to be enough.'"

THERE STILL ARE some evidences left of June 25th's "big blow" which saw many limbs and several trees felled. B'ham DPW Supt. Boh Kenning says the debris will be picked up if a call is made to his office. "However, most of the stuff already has been removed," he added.

CITY COMMISSIONER V. B. Watkins doesn't seem to be getting much support from his colleagues regarding the realigning of the Willets-Woodward-Oakland intersection. At Monday night's commission meeting, he declared, "I still think something should be done to eliminate this serious traffic hazard. Some day it's going to be done, and it'll be cheaper to do it now than when more businesses are erected in that area. If the other commissioners let this remark pass without comment."

SPREADING FOR Oakland county's Red Cross chapter, Mrs. Mildred Bennett this week received the urgent need for type O blood. She said the county's quotas for July had been increased 434 pints, all earmarked for Korea. "With the blood bank seem to visit Birmingham," she said, "I felt this special appeal should be put before the public immediately."

New President Seated By B'ham Rotary Club

Dr. H. Pool assumed his duties today a resume of the duties of the Birmingham Rotary club. The new high school. The report of Charles V. Pool, who has been elected to the post of president of the club. In discussing the year's plans, Pool mentioned the Rotary International convention which he recently attended in Paris. The annual report of the secretary for February, 1954.

To listen to the idle, gossipy chatter of someone is, really, to witness such behavior; to why not, carefully, turn the conversation into a lesson, that are worthwhile, that tend to "reform" such chatters into becoming a more helpful member of society.

Moms Organize To Help Finance Little League

Officers of the recently formed Little League Moms club are Mrs. Walter J. Hurley, president; Mrs. Robert E. Roberts, vice president; and Mrs. Robert F. Isbell, secretary-treasurer.

The charter committee is Mrs. Arthur N. Hill, Mrs. John C. Wright, Jr., and Mrs. William A. Zaleski. Mrs. J. Fred Harris is publicity chairman for the group. The club's primary purpose is to assist in the financial management of Little League.

"The league and its many farm clubs are doing a wonderful job for our little boys," Mrs. Harris said. "We mothers feel it is something which should be continued and we know it cannot go on without money."

THE LOCAL league has eight teams and 16 farm teams involving some 500 boys. "They," Mrs. Harris remarked, "are learning sportsmanship, the art of working harmoniously with others, and perhaps most important of all, to work hard toward success but to accept defeat gracefully and still strive toward the original goal."

She said it costs the league \$5 per season to keep a boy of a farm team and \$15 on a league team. It is our aim to help defray these expenses," she explained. "Naturally, we will welcome donations from any individual or club, but we are asking families of the boys to contribute."

The Moms have \$400 in their accounts now with a total of \$1,500. Contributions should be mailed to Mrs. R. F. Isbell, 524 Southfield, in Birmingham.

City Will Mark Sidewalk Repairs

The Birmingham city engineering department soon will take to the streets and mark all sections of walk that are to be replaced with new cement, city commissioners learned Monday night. Because of the opposition to the form letter sent to property owners affected by the sidewalk replacement program, the city agreed that each section of walk be marked so that residents would understand just what the city intends to do.

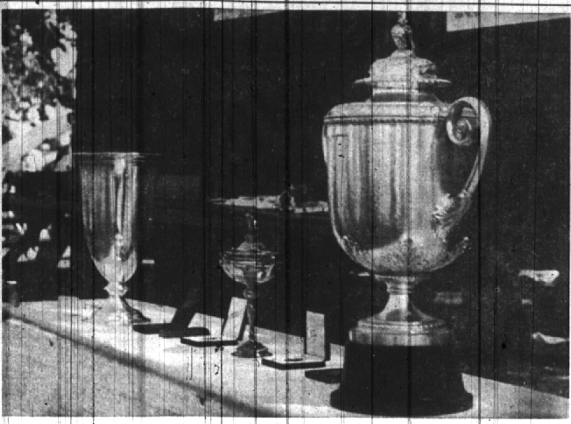
CITY ENGINEER L. L. Gare reported that the department had received 188 phone calls since the letters had been delivered and managed to explain the program satisfactorily to about 65 of the callers. The department has asked to study the blocks between Midvale and Lincoln on Glenhurst and report back to the commission next week on the possibility of deleting replacement of this little used sidewalk.

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THE TROPHIES AND MEDALS shown here were presented to the two finalists and semifinalists and medalist Tuesday evening. The winner, Walter Burkemo, will have his name engraved on the big cup on the right and received the diamond studded gold winner's medal. The runner-up medal was presented to Felice Torza. Claude Harmon and Jack Isaacs won the semi-finalists medals. The trophy on the left is the Alex Smith memorial trophy and Johnny Palmer, medalist, will have his name engraved on it. He was also awarded the Alex Smith memorial medal. The cup in the center is the Ryder Cup, symbol of supremacy between the professional golfers of the United States and Great Britain. As winner, Burkemo will be awarded a berth on the 1953 Ryder Cup team.

Do Not Mistake General Alarm For Storm Alert

The sounding of the general alarm siren, that of the Birmingham fire and police departments emphasized today, does not mean a tornado is coming. "During the past few weeks jittery and anxious residents have blocked both department switchboards when the siren has blown, keeping department men from performing other duties and making outgoing calls impossible. Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley said that during the general alarm last week his department received 22 calls in less than 10 minutes.

Chief Vern Griffith said the alarm siren, but intended to alert the public, but call in reserve forces in case of emergency. The alarm referred to by Moxley was sounded because strong winds snapped tree limbs and carried electric wires down. Extra men were needed to stand guard in the afflicted areas, protecting residents from these "hot wires."

BOTH DEPARTMENT heads asked residents to withhold calls until emergency lines passed or under control.

Paving Projects Delayed By City

The paving of Landon between Partry and Woodward, Purdy from Brown to Landon, and Ann between Frank and Lincoln has again been set aside by city commissioners. The petition to construct the improvements to these three streets were first received and initially acted upon by the commission in 1950 but subsequent studies on rezoning have delayed construction of the pavement.

The commission Monday night received the assessors' reports on financing the improvements and found that the total project would cost an estimated \$56,000, with the city's share of the cost roughly set at 20 percent. Commissioners then questioned whether the city could afford to share in these assessments and still continue the proposed widening and improvement of West Maple. Other projects also held up until financing for the West Maple widening is determined are the paving of Cedar from Lincoln to Catalpa, Edgewood between Lincoln and Catalpa, and Edgewood from Lincoln to Southlawn.

COMMISSIONER Dean G. Boier suggested that the city study its financial condition before calling for hearings of necessity on the pavement of these streets. City Manager Donald C. Egbert agreed that it was confusing to the city to try and schedule projects of this nature on tentative commitments of certain funds, and suggested perhaps the city should act on these special assessment districts on the basis of priority.

Commissioner V. B. Watkins stated that the city would be putting the cart before the horse if it approved a program without knowing how it will be financed. A suggestion that all special assessment projects be acted on at one time a year was suggested by Boier and received the support of Commissioner James C. Minor. Boier reasoned that all rezoning hearings are held at one time and the same procedure taken on special assessment districts would enable the city to look at their financing all at the same time.

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3. Pick off dead foliage from hollyhocks, dust with BORDEAUX on top and bottom of leaves.
4. Clip off old flower clusters from floribunda roses for continued bloom.
5. Transplant irises this month. Cover rhizomes one to two inches.
6. Keep gladiolus plants glad they have water so they will not wilt by watering well on hot days.
7. Cut old flowers from delphiniums, fertilize and enjoy them again.
8. Sow SHIRLEY POPPIES, MIGNONETTE, BABYBREATH now for late flowers.
9. Soak rose beds once a week.
10. Keep rose beds cool and moist and reduce watering and cultivating by covering with BUCKWHEAT HULLS.
11. Due to tornadoes and heavy winds it is wise to stake up the flowers with PEONY SUPPORTS, CYPRESS STAKES, BAMBOO STAKES, PLANT PROPS, ETC.
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