

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

**Need Strict Law Governing Water Usage in City**

To the Editor:

After asking my neighbor twice, not to let me wash water down in front of my home, as the curb is too low and the water forms a lake, destroying the curb and endangering children's lives who play in this water at the risk of being hit by a car—he did it again.

Why are the residents of this city permitted to wash their cars in the street?

Why are they permitted to wreck the streets with water and rubbish, especially where there is no curb to contain it?

The way some people use water on weekends it is a wonder that we have any left and it is a loss to the old sewers is terrible.

Taking a ride on West Lincoln, after two days heavy rain, the sprinklers on parkways were going full blast. Sprinklers are no good unless they are so narrow, and it just fills the gutters and sewers full of water. It is appalling that way water is wasted in this town.

**WE NEEDED A STRICTLY ENFORCED ORDINANCE FORBIDDING THE WASTE OF WATER.**

Cars should be washed on the owner's property—with a minimum amount of water.

The streets belong to all the people and they have a right to a safe thoroughfare.

No one should toss rubbish on thoroughfares or wreck them with water.

Officials of Birmingham—please give your attention.

Next week I will take up the rubbish burning nuisance.

A person bearing my name is being sent to the city manager.

A TAXPAYER

**Thanks Kwanis, Police For Promoting Bicycle Safety Among Children**

To the Editor:

I wish to take this means of thanking the members of the Birmingham Kwanis club and the Birmingham police department for again giving considerable time in checking the bicycles of our school children in their recent annual "Bike Safety Campaign."

This worthwhile project reminds our children and ourselves, each year to re-examine not only our bicycles, but also our bike manners and regulations. It contributes greatly to the ultimate safety of Birmingham boys and girls.

On behalf of my eight-year-old daughter Susan, who was one of the two bicycles given away, I especially want to thank you for the "thrill" that comes but once in a lifetime!

MR. THOMAS W. MONROE  
1056 Yorkshire

**Eccentric Item Recalls Old Days Of Wixon Circus**

To the Editor:

I just received a letter from James W. Clapp, 154 South Johnson, Pontiac, in which he enclosed a clipping from the Birmingham issue of The Eccentric headlined, "Happening of Long Ago" from May 29, 1920, in which one of the happenings was mighty interesting to me, namely the article The Wixon Circus, which was a wagon circus at that time.

I want to express to you my appreciation for selecting from the many, many papers in your old files this charming program which is dear to my heart. I think the old show ground was where the high school now stands.

I READ ABOUT the forthcoming outing of The Eccentric in George Stark's column in the Detroit News prior to its edition and at that time I was thinking about how nice it would be to have an old photograph reproduced in the form of a newspaper to be run in this edition as Birmingham was always on the route and probably there are still many citizens who will vividly recall the Wixon Shows. I have an old photo taken circa 1912 in which one of the members of the organization is listed as coming from Birmingham.

CLYDE WIXON  
14608 Fordham Ave.  
Detroit 5, Michigan

**To Collect Clothing For Korean Victims**

All Birmingham residences, will be canvassed by trucks picking up used clothing, bedding and shoes for Korean war victims on Saturday, June 20.

The drive being conducted on that day in Detroit and its suburbs is part of a nationwide campaign by American Relief for Korea, Inc., headed by Douglas Fairbanks. ARK is one of the many services receiving financial support from the Torch Drive through its United Defense Fund allocations.

Householders are asked to wrap packages material they wish to contribute and leave it on their front porches for trucks to pick up.

PRESIDENT Eisenhower has endorsed the drive, and pointed out at a recent meeting of UDF representatives that the need for relief would continue even if there were peace in Korea.

"Don't let anyone tell you that the need will be lessened for Korea, the USO, and other UDF agencies are providing," he said.



APPOINTMENT OF JAMES E. DAVIS, 3797 Maple, as his assistant is announced by Jeffrey W. Clapp, Vice-President in charge of the Monopoly States for National Distillers Products Corp. Before joining National Distillers, Mr. Davis had long been in the monopoly state field as an executive for other distillers. Before he entered the liquor business, he had been associated with the New York Life Insurance Company.

**In Hospital 3 Months, Accident Victim Says 'Home Is Wonderful!'**

"It's so wonderful to be home!" These are the words Monday of Miss Maryann Fairbrother, water department clerk for the City of Birmingham, who has returned to her home at 3947 Berkeley, after three months in Pontiac general hospital.

Miss Fairbrother said she would return to the hospital, in about two months for x-rays and "to have the casts removed, I hope."

She suffered severe injuries to both legs on March 6 in a head-on crash on Dixie highway, just north of the M-35 intersection fatal to five persons, four of them young women employed by the City of Birmingham.

News copy submitted early is necessarily given preference, so the "early bird" usually gets the space.

Gibb last served at Camp Brock, Kentucky, with the 42nd Tank Battalion. A 1949 graduate of Baldwin High School, he is the son of John Gibb, 1948 Stanley.

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