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Sole of 16 Lots Would Benefit Park

Approval of the sale of 16 city lots will be sought from Birmingham voters at the Nov. 2 election. Located on the north side of Lincoln, east of Eton, the lots were acquired for park and recreational purposes, therefore need a public vote before they can be sold. City Attorney Forbes S. Haswell has ruled.

Commissioners have resolved to use proceeds of the sale to improve that portion of Lincoln, and provide some facilities for Eton Park, immediately to the south.


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Albans Battling For First Place In YMCA League

With league-leading Electronic Service idle, Albans met Detroit Edison on Poppleton Field last Thursday night in a battle that could give Albans a share of the top spot in the YMCA Softball League.

Vic Petretis, hurling for Edison, went against Les Knowles, throwing for Albans. Edison was the winner, 8 to 3. Knowles allowed only five hits, but his team committed six errors. Petretis gave up nine hits for his third win of the season.

Ray McBride pitched a three-hit shut-out for Edison 6-0 the same night at Pembroke to keep Michigan Bell in third spot. McBride got eight strike-outs.

The previous Tuesday night, Albans defeated Reeves 7-6 at Pembroke park. John Kunz, hurling for Reeves, had a one run lead going into the top of the seventh. With a man on, Carnahan hit a triple to knot the score. Veteran Ralph Sturmer sent Reeves down in order in the extra inning.

A SINGLE by Ted Herbst, a walk, and another single by Bob Roth won the ball game for Albans, 7 to 6. Sturmer allowed five hits in getting the win, with Kunz giving up eight hits. Woody Proctor got two singles for the losers, with Les Knowles and Dwight Allen each getting two doubles for the winners.

Electronic Service topped Detroit Edison, 3 to 2, the same night at Poppleton. Duane Wugazer allowed five hits to keep his team on top. Stockwell got the loss.

Chuck Dunn, Edison's first baseman, leads the league in heavy hitting with five home runs. The leaders in batting are: Allen, Albans—424; Carnahan, Albans—375; Bricker, Electronic—350; Nordinan, Electronic Service—347; Rieck, Electronic Service—344; Holmes, Detroit Edison—343.

Duane Wugazer, Electronic Service, is the league's top pitcher. Ray McBride, Michigan Bell hurler, leads in strike-outs.

Edison goes against Electronic Service at Pembroke and Albans plays Reeves at Poppleton tonight. Thursday, Reeves plays Michigan Bell at Pembroke and Albans plays Edison at Poppleton August 5. Playoffs start August 5.



ALAN LEVI JOAN BOUDREAU FRANCES STURMAN
Share top honors in Summer Theater production

Cranbrook Seniors Plan First Program

"Mister Angel" has been selected as the first presentation of the senior division of Cranbrook's summer theater, opening at 8 p.m. Aug. 3 and 4, at the Greek theater.

William Hollingsworth and Eliza Ann Adams have directed the Harry Segall comedy telling the story of "Them an unborn angel who has been trying to be born to two busy actors."

Heaven sends Angel Charles and his assistants to hustle Item back home. Item proves too stubborn, Charles disobeys orders and is punished and, the complications get thicker.

Cast in the double role of Item are: Frances Sturman and Lois Levi; actors Stacy and Lydia Bolton, Mervin Goldsmith, Judy Dodwell and Joan Boudreau; Angel Charles, Alan Levi; his assistants, Martha Monaghan and Roseanne Light.

OTHERS IN the cast are Jody Harris, Lois Greenberg, Sue Kurtzman, Linda Keyes, Joe Palletti, Marvin Schwedel, Harriet Myers, Shelia Burke, Gail Cooper, Martha Cox, Nancy Jo Charles and Denise Nelson.

Sets and lighting are in charge of Fred Hornbeak, summer theater technical head. Annette Gutentag will do makeup. Marguerite Goulet, costume.

On Friday and Saturday, Aug. 6 and 7, the senior group will present "Guest in the House", a Hagar Wilde psychological thriller. A new musical, "Stars in Her Eyes", the score by Wonggerber and choreography by Donna Cummings will be given Aug. 10, 11.

Tickets for all productions are on sale at Shain's.

1/4-Mill Drain Tax Levy Legal, Rules City Attorney

A 1/4-mill levy to be applied on future city obligations in the proposed 12 Towns Drain can legally be placed on the 1954 winter tax bill for collection, Birmingham City Attorney Forbes S. Haswell ruled this week.

"It is my opinion that there is a legal obligation imposed on the city, even though the assessment roll for this drain has not been prepared," declared Haswell.

Commissioners last week asked him for an opinion so they could decide whether to go ahead with a 1/4-mill levy this year, the same as several years in the past.

THEN Commissioner V. B. Watkins raised the advisability of raising the levy to 1/2-mill, since the city was faced with an eventual 1 1/2 million share of the \$30 million relief drain.

His colleagues suggested they wait till City Manager D. C. Egbert returns from vacation next week and ask his advice on raising the millage.

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Extend Red Cross Safe Holiday Plan To Cover Beaches

Oakland county's Red Cross water safety chairman, Mark Smith, announced this week that 20 water safety instructors are needed to help guard local beaches during the Labor Day weekend. Hours will be from noon until dusk for these volunteer workers.

"All instructors who can work four hours or more this first weekend in September will be enrolled at the Pontiac office."

"Our water safety program will work as part of the new Red Cross holiday highway first aid program," Smith said.

"WATER SAFETY people will stand by in teams of two at crowded beaches where they can be contacted easily by phone to work in nearby spots in case of drownings or other emergencies."

Smith explained that the first "safety run" over the July 4 weekend ran from 4 to 10 p.m., and when the sheriff's department needed help on a drowning at Pet-tibone Lake there was no one to send.

"The change in the time schedule will, we believe, eliminate the possibility of this sort of thing happening again."

No Immunity Here For Police Officers

Scores of persons have been arrested for driving through the Maple street barricades while paying and widening of West Maple is in progress.

On Monday a police officer from Ferndale took his case to Birmingham Justice court. He maintained there were no signs on the street by which he entered Maple on July 12.

It was believed boys had removed some of these signs that weekend.

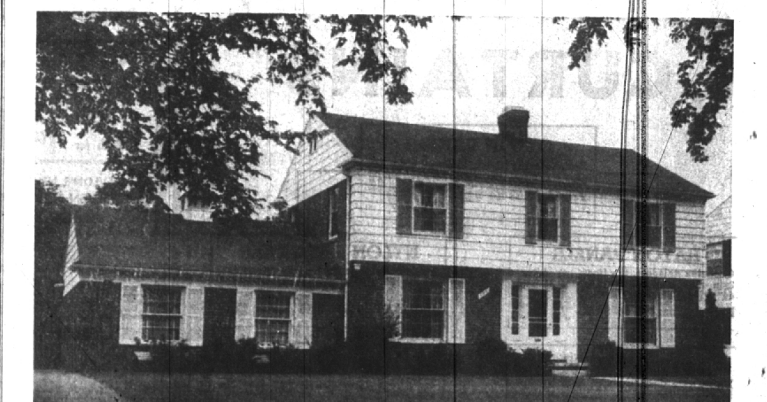
Nevertheless, Judge John J. Gaffill gave the officer the choice of paying a \$2 fine and \$3 court cost or three days in jail.

The officer, Thomas E. Collins chose to pay the fine.

DAV Sale Approved

Birmingham city commission approved the South Oakland, chapter 15, Disabled American Veterans request for permission to sell former-meets on city streets on Sept. 17. Donations will be used for hospitalized veterans and their families.

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