

Robins' Deaths Pose A Puzzle

Dying robins posed a mystery in Birmingham Friday, Mrs. R. E. Ginter, 1991 Bird, called The Birmingham Eccentric editorial office to report that two robins had died at her home in as many days.

On Thursday, Mrs. Ginter attempted to nurse an apparently sick robin she had found in her yard. Despite her efforts, the bird died. On Friday morning there was another dead robin in her yard.

A check with the police department revealed that more birds had been reported dead in the Lincoln-Southfield area.

HENRY JOHNS, city health and sanitation officer checked into the matter and said he was unable to determine cause of death.

He said an investigation into a similar matter last year by state experts brought out an opinion that the birds had contracted an unknown virus which may have been aggravated by cold weather.

Southfield Signal Turned Down Again

A proposed \$1,700 installation of a traffic signal at the W. Maple-Southfield intersection has been turned down again by Birmingham city commissioners.

Recommended by Police Chief Ralph Moxley, commissioners decided the signalization was not necessary at this time. Moxley first suggested the signal 14 months ago.

Change Street Name

Kilbrieth street in Lathrup Village has been changed to Meadow court by action of the city council. Residents on the street last month petitioned for the name change.

WE HEARD IT SAID BY—MRS. A. J. STEELMAN, former resident currently visiting here: "In all our kypsy life, I think Mr. Steelman and I spent more time in Birmingham than any other place. Since then we have seen back there where we made so many friends and enjoyed things I'm sorry about is the weather. I haven't had a cold in the three years I've been gone but I got one almost as soon as I came back!"

MAY MUSTS

1. Peonies require plenty of water to fill out the buds and they often respond to a little fertilizer—VIGORO, AGRICO, GARD-N-GRO.
2. More about peonies. If you want large blooms, pick off the side buds when they are very small.
3. Still more—be sure to SUPPORT them. Spray foliage with FERMATE to prevent PEONY BLIGHT.
4. If you are going to experiment with MERION BLUE GRASS—get going!
5. Plant DAHLIAS now. We have fine varieties.
6. Soak your CORMS (gladioli, that is) in LYSOL (drug store) or SEMESAN (we have it). After plants appear dust weekly with DDT.
7. Plant GLADIOLI now. We have some varieties.
8. Divide SHASTA DAISIES now. They need a lot of room.
9. Pinch CHRYSANTHEMUMS to make them bushy. Like some people they respond to judicious pinching until mid-July. Then allow shoots to grow. Bushy plants bloom best.
10. Plant LILIES now. We have fine varieties.
11. For some reason or other the LICE on LUPINES succumb more easily to ROTENONE than to nicotine sulphate.
12. Plant HERMOCALLIS (Day Lily) now. We have fine varieties.
13. Support SWEET PEAS so they will be upright. Use TRAINETTES (or FENCE or FISH).
14. DON'T CUT DAFFODIL FOLIAGE until it turns yellow.
15. As soon as HOLLYHOCKS start to grow, spray or dust with FERMATE.
16. A new fungicide and insecticide made by SWIFT is called END-O-PEST ROSE DUST. It contains CAPTAN & KARATHANE and is terrific for fungus diseases on many plants.
17. Sow GOURD seeds now.
18. Plant PERUVIAN DAFFODILS now. They are called Ismene Calathina. And we have some.
19. When planting CORMS (or anything) keep your Feet dry with GARDEN-N-BOOTS—thin rubber boots that slip over bare feet, stocking feet, shoe, big and little feet.
20. A few PERENNIAL PLANTS are left.
A few ROSE BUSHES are left.
A few ASPARAGUS ROOTS are left.
A few RHUBARB ROOTS are left.
A few PEOPLE WILL GET LEFT.
21. Call us with your questions. If we can't answer them we will try to get the answer for you.

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RECALLING THE GLORIES of the Detroit Red Wings' recent conquest of the Stanley Cup playoffs was the topic of last week's Birmingham Exchange club meeting as two members of the Red Wing organization were on hand to explain and show film highlights of the playoffs. Pictured above, from left to right, are Exchange Club Secretary David Levinson, Fred Huber, hockey club publicist, and Team Captain Ted Lindsay who now lives on Oakland drive, Bloomfield township. (Eccentric Photo)

LEGAL NOTICES

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN

NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

WEST MAPLE WIDENING

Notice is hereby given that Special Assessment Roll No. 397, heretofore made by the assessor for the purpose of defraying the cost of construction of concrete pavement 46 feet in width back to back of curb on West Maple Avenue extending from the existing pavement of similar width on Maple at Linden to Westchester Way, is now on file in my office for public inspection.

Notice is also hereby given that the Commission of the City of Birmingham will meet in the Commission Room in the Municipal Building in said City on Monday, the 17th day of May, 1954, at 2 P.M. to review said assessment, at which time and place opportunity will be given to all persons interested to be heard.

IRENE E. HANLEY, City Clerk.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

DEERY ROAD PAVING

Notice is hereby given that Special Assessment Roll No. 398, heretofore made by the assessor for the purpose of defraying the cost of 8" x 12" concrete integral curb and sidewalk pavement 24 ft. back to back on Deery from Eton to Coolidge is now on file in my office for public inspection.

Notice is also hereby given that the Commission of the City of Birmingham will meet in the Commission Room in the Municipal Building in said City on Monday, the 17th day of May, 1954, at 2 P.M. to review said assessment, at which time and place opportunity will be given to all persons interested to be heard.

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EDENBOROUGH-ST. ANDREWS STREET

Notice is hereby given that Special Assessment Roll No. 399, heretofore made by the assessor for the purpose of defraying the cost of concrete integral curb and sidewalk pavement 24 ft. back to back on Edensorough and St. Andrews from Pembroke to Derby, is now on file in my office for public inspection.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

VACATION AND CLOSURE OF ALLEY IN SHEPHERD ESTATES SUBDIVISION

Notice is hereby given that a meeting will be held in the Commission Room of the Municipal Building on Monday, May 17, 1954, at 8 o'clock P.M. to hear objections to the proposed vacation and closing of an alley extending from Sheffield Road Southeast and lying between Lot 26 and 147 of Sheffield Estates Subdivision in the City of Birmingham.

This Notice is published in accordance with Chapter 21, Section 2 of the Charter of the City of Birmingham and Resolution No. 403 (1954).

RESOLUTION NO. 408

Moved by Commissioner Patterson, Seconded by Commissioner Allen, WHEREAS, the owner of property at the northeast corner of Woodward and the Fourteen Mile Road in Troy Township, has requested that the alley extending from Sheffield Road Southeast approximately 25 feet and lying between Lots 26 and 147 of Sheffield Estates Subdivision in the City of Birmingham be closed and vacated;

WHEREAS, the Planning Board has recommended that the alley be closed;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Planning Board be and it is the duty of the Planning Board to consider the proposed vacation and closing of the alley extending from Sheffield Road Southeast approximately 25 feet and lying between Lots 26 and 147 of Sheffield Estates Subdivision in the City of Birmingham for the purpose of considering vacation of said alley.

Yours—

IRENE HANLEY, City Clerk.

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

1954 ROAD OILING—LIGHT OIL

The Commission of the City of Birmingham will meet Monday, May 17, 1954, at 2 P.M. in the Commission Room in the Municipal Building to consider certain improvements on certain streets in Birmingham, and in the creation of a special assessment district to defray the cost of application of Light Oil on road surfaces to alleviate dust conditions for the calendar year 1954 on the following streets:

Bogherdash from Warwick to Tot-

tenham; Tottenham from Warwick to Adams; Putney from Henley to Adams; Kings from Poppleton to Dead End; Palmer from Eton to Dead End; Holland from Eton to Dead End; Bowers from Chestnut to S. Worth from Haynes to Alley; Weanster from Hunter to Adams; Lincoln from Eton to City Limit (east); Taunton from Lincoln to Melton; South-lawn from Bates to Henricetta; South-lawn from Henricetta to Pierce; North-lawn from Washington to Bates; North-lawn from Bates to Henricetta; North-lawn from Brown to Dead End; Randall from Baldwin to Dead End; Fairfax from Quanton to Junction of Fairfax and S. Field; Floyd from Lincoln to Dead End; Twin Oaks from Wimbleson to Dead End.

The Commission proposes to create a special assessment district to defray the cost of this construction and said special assessment district shall consist of the following described property:

Properties fronting or siding on the proposed improvement.

Plans and estimate of cost of this project are filed with the City Clerk of the City of Birmingham for examination by the public. Individual assessments are not now available. They will be computed by the Assessor after May 17th, 1954, if the necessity for this improvement is established by the Commission, and there will be another public hearing scheduled for the purpose of reviewing the assessments.

Estimated cost—\$8.08 per front foot.

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Former Resident Honored in Korea

An unusual honor has come to a former Birmingham resident, Capt. Theodore J. Buxford, who received the Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation recently.

The captain is with the Army's Korean Communications zone headquarters.

In presenting the citation, President Syngman Rhee cited headquarters for supporting all friendly forces in Korea and contributing to "comprehensive economic aid and relief programs for the Republic of Korea."

Capt. Buxford is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Buxford, formerly of Bloomfield Court and now residing at 3560 Coolidge, Royal Oak. He attended the public schools here and is a graduate of Baldwin high school.

In the Army since 1942, the captain will be abroad for another two years, being slated for an instructorship in chemicals.

His wife and three sons reside in Belleville.

Child Guidance Clinic Open House

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Mason, and Marie of Wing Lake visited the Mrs. Edwin V. Clarke, of Bir-Pontiac Child Guidance Clinic in Birmingham and Mr. and Mrs. Edward last Thursday when the clinic afternoon open house and guided tours through the clinic were made.

with an open house. A short film, "Roots of Happiness" was shown both in the afternoon and evening and guided tours through the clinic were made.



How far away is a helping hand?

Mr. George Cronin of Detroit found out recently. When he arrived home from his nighttime job at 3 A.M. he sat down to read for a while. His wife was visiting in Chicago so he was alone in the house.

When he got up to go to bed he felt a tingling in his arm. Seconds later he collapsed to the floor with a stroke.

Although he was barely conscious, Mr. Cronin knew he must somehow reach the telephone many feet away. With tremendous effort, inch by agonizing inch, he finally made it.

The operator who answered was Rosa Gies. Speaking with great difficulty he mumbled the telephone number of a friend. Miss Gies telephoned the friend who soon was at Mr. Cronin's side. Meanwhile, the operator remained on the line in case she could be of further help.

Mr. Cronin is now well on the way to recovery. After the incident he expressed his gratitude in person to Miss Gies. For her helping hand and his telephone had spared him hours of discomfort.

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