

BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

FOR ITS EFFORT in seeing that the Ferndale municipal lot was two-thirds completed before bad weather arrived, the Birmingham city engineering department got an official pat on the back Monday night. Commissioner Harry Denyes' motion unanimously carried that the minutes so record. (The final third will be finished in the spring, along with another city lot on Hamilton near Hunter.)

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MANY KOREAN VETS have so far failed to apply for the state Korean bonus, according to the Oakland county department of veterans' affairs. Servicemen who served any time between June 25, 1950 and Dec. 31, 1953, whether still on active duty or not, should apply before the deadline date of March 7, 1957.

IT'S NICE TO KNOW you had money coming back, even though you don't get all of it. That's why Birmingham city officials are going to tell property owners along Willets street they are going to share a refund of \$2,425.37 on cost of acquiring more right-of-way to widen their street. But City Finance Director James Purkiss said along with this refund will come news of a reassessment for cost of the paving. The properties will, however, net a return out of the combined transaction.



Eastover School Wins Citation For Hills B of E

Bloomfield Hills' new Eastover school was awarded a commendation of excellence from Dr. Donald Lew, Michigan State University school board consultant, at a special meeting of the Hills board of education Dec. 5.

The citation was based primarily on soundness, permanency and economy of construction and on the planning for a flexible, functional, educational program.

At the meeting the board also approved bids for the construction of a brick screening wall for the loading dock at Eastover and for the parking lot and safety fence at Wing Lake. School bus signals were discussed in connection with new state regulations, and it was decided to allow drivers to be responsible for determining safety stops.

Plans were made tentatively to hold the December meeting on Monday next week as the senior play will be presented Tuesday evening.

Speaks at Annual YM Ladies' Night

George D. Scott, of Bloomfield Hills, Ex-Cel-O Corp. vice president, was the principal speaker Wednesday at the annual ladies night meeting of the North Detroit management club at Northern YMCA, Highland Park.

Following his address, Scott screened the new motion picture—"Crisis"—which the company's Pure-Pak division recently produced in cooperation with the Federal civil defense administration.



THE FIRST TO park in the city's new Ferndale parking lot, Mrs. H. S. Roberts of Royal Oak watches as Birmingham Chamber of Commerce Manager Charles Mortenson treats her to 12 hours' free parking by placing the first coin in one of the lot's parking meters. Mrs. Roberts was waiting to enter the lot before recent opening ceremonies got underway.



Tom Crackenall High Priest To Be Installed Monday

At public installation ceremonies at Masonic Temple next Monday at 8 p.m., Tom Crackenall, of Clawson, will be installed as high priest of Birmingham Royal Arch Masons. Others to be installed as officers

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