

RE-ELECT  
**Mayor CHARLES W. RENFREW**  
 VOTE! MONDAY, APRIL 2, 1956



5,000 EASTER LILIES are in the box here being emptied by Matthew Cammareri, chairman of Saturday's street sale to raise funds for the Oakland county society for crippled children, of which Mrs. Fred H. Rollins, Jr., (right) is vice president. The Easter lily sale, sponsored by Birmingham Rotary club, will aid the once-a-year fund-raising drive the society holds at Easter. Its Oakland county headquarters at Pontiac provides care and training for pre-school age crippled youngsters and older children who are unable to attend regular schools.

**BITS OF BIRMINGHAM**

ONE OF THE MOST INTERESTING talks this Wanderer has heard at any service club meeting was delivered Monday noon by Rotarian Clarence Vliet at the local club's luncheon. It concerned the billions-of-dollars worth of uranium territory at Blind River, Ontario, about 50 miles east of the Canadian Soo. Vliet recalled the fishing trip there over 20 years ago that he went on with the Eccentric's publisher George R. Averill, the late Harry Starr (Bloomfield Hills city manager), and R. J. Coryell. An amateur geologist, Vliet told how he saw and inspected closely the "puddingstone" (red and silver speckled granite) in a small stream leading out of a small lake. "That speckled granite was the northern terminus of the reverse S-shaped uranium lode. I find out these many years later," Vliet chuckled.

MRS. C. T. ARMBRUST, 1127 Smith, wonders if there isn't some means of curbing speeds of emergency vehicles or at least requiring them to take a certain amount of precaution to protect other motorists. Monday, said Mrs. Armbrust, an ambulance traveling about 100 mph, "dodged around half-a-dozen cars" at the Southfield-13 Mile road intersection. "I can't see where they're going to gain anything by killing six carloads of people to pick up one," said Mrs. Armbrust. The ambulance, said Mrs. Armbrust, was going so fast that passengers in the cars could not even tell what color it was or whether it had a blinker working. The siren, she said, was not heard until the ambulance was upon the intersection.

PARKING NOT ONLY is a community problem, it sometimes can be a personal one, emphasizes Dr. Carleton Fox, 321 Lake Park. At the first of Monday's meeting, commissioners declared necessity for a fourth municipal parking lot in the downtown area. A nearby property owner, Dr. Fox, was interested in the result. But he stayed until adjournment, took the floor momentarily when Mayor Charles Renfrew asked, "Any more general business?" Dr. Fox responded: "I suggest the commission furnish some sort of personal parking facilities for your audiences. These seats get awfully hard!" Also in for the earlier parking hearing were Mr. and Mrs. Don Ellenwood, 324 Park. They have solved their personal parking problem. They bring along their own parking pads to each meeting they attend.

IN CASE YOU'VE EVER WONDERED what those strange initials, H.B.S.S., mean at the end of top-rated photographer Joe Clark's name, J. O. Buckeridge, of Birmingham, has the answer. Joe, says Buckeridge, acquired the appendage to his name after he came to Detroit from the Tennessee hills. That monogram on Joe's studio door stands for "Joe Clark, Hill Billy Snap-Shooter." Joe took the photo of Buckeridge in this week's Eccentric, the first in over 30 years of shooting advertising pictures for his Birmingham friend.

**Will-o-way to Keep Will-o-way Alive**

Efforts are being made to open Will-O-Way Playhouse, at Telegraph and West Long Lake roads, for its 16th season, despite financial setbacks which may make continuation impossible.

William W. Merrill, Will-O-Way director, said dramatic training at Will-O-Way would continue. However, financial losses from a 32-day heat wave last summer and the newspaper strike which hampered a winter season made Playhouse productions doubtful, he said.

Merrill's recent request to the Detroit Parks and Recreation Commission to take over Will-O-Way to "perpetuate a contribution to the cultural life of Detroit," has been refused.

UNDER CONSIDERATION by the Detroit Commission is a plan to use Merrill's services in connection with the summer Riverama, and possibly to make Merrill director of a winter civic theatre project at the new Ford auditorium.

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