

Building Permits Now at \$4 Minimum

Building permit fees in Birmingham now will cost a minimum with a \$2 charge for each \$1,000 valuation above \$500, according to an ordinance amendment passed by the city commission. This is double the city's former charges, and brings the city into line with similar costs in neighboring communities, said Building Inspector Andrew Butt.

LEGAL NOTICES

CITY OF BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS

Right-of-Way
Notice is hereby given that a meeting will be held in the Municipal Building on Monday, May 10, 1957, at 8:00 o'clock p. m. to hear suggestions and objections to the proposed vacation of a portion of the existing Park Street Right-of-Way.

RESOLUTION NO. 469
WHEREAS, the City Commission, by Resolution No. 125, dated July 23, 1956, approved Plan No. 175-C, consisting of widening of Park Street Right-of-Way, and

WHEREAS, said Plan No. 175-C contemplated the vacation of a portion of the existing Park Street Right-of-Way, and

WHEREAS, the needed right-of-way for widening has been secured,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission does hereby authorize the City Engineer to cause to be vacated that portion of Park Street Right-of-Way described as follows: **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** that the City Commission does hereby authorize the City Engineer to cause to be vacated that portion of Park Street Right-of-Way described as follows: Beginning at the northwest corner of said lot 43, said point also being on southerly line of lot 79 of said Assessor's Plat:

thence S 82° 03' 31" W, along said southerly line of lot 79, a distance of 10.18 ft. to the southwest corner of said lot 78;

thence S 29° 45' 55" E, a distance of 18.61 ft. to a point;

thence on a curve to the right whose center bears S 21° 25' 49" E a distance of 9.97 ft. with a radius of 152 ft., a central angle of 34° 11', a tangent distance of 4.99 ft. to a point on the westerly line of said lot 43;

thence N 8° 05' 01" W, along said westerly line of lot 43, a distance of 26.72 ft. to the point of beginning of this description.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notice of such hearing together with a copy of this resolution shall be published in the Birmingham Eclectic two successive weeks prior to the 20th of May, 1957.

Witness my hand and the seal of the City of Birmingham, this 22nd day of May, 1957.

IRENE E. HANLEY, City Clerk.

May 2, 1957. (8) (9)

Miller, Canfield, Padlock & Stone, Attys., Pemberton Bldg., Detroit 26, Mich. 201 Wabash Bldg., Birmingham, Mich. 22,230

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland:

In the Matter of the Estate of CHARLES STAFF, Deceased.

At a session of said Court, held at the Court House in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 23rd day of April A. D. 1957.

Present, Honorable Arthur E. Moore, Judge of Probate.

Bedford L. Colbrete and ANNETT M. Staff, executors of said estate having filed in said Court their Final Account and petition praying for the examination and allowance thereof, determination of the heirs of said deceased, assignment of the residue of said estate, and the discharge of said executors:

It is Ordered, that the 20th day of May A. D. 1957, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Court in the Court House in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, be and is hereby appointed as the time and place for hearing said petition.

It is further Ordered that notice be given to all interested parties as shown by the records in this cause by delivering a copy of this order to each of them personally, or by mailing such copy to each of them by registered mail with return receipt demanded addressed to their respective last known addresses as shown by the files and records in this cause.

And it is further Ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order once each week for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Eclectic, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

ARTHUR E. MOORE, Judge of Probate. (8) (9) (10)

DOWN TO EARTH

Points for Lawn Mower Selection

Some people feel defeated when they have a heavily-wooded site for their garden. Believe me, they are the lucky fellows. When you have a natural woody garden you only work in it when you want to.

The Hans Schjolms, 127 Stony Brook, have been our hosts in the garden warrants yearly trips of appreciation. They have three acres with a steep hillside with a rapid running stream at the bottom of the hill.

FOR STEPS they have used railroad ties and broken sidewalk pieces. The site abounds with wild life and many fine colorful birds. This site is truly a friendship garden. As Maie gave "the woods" to all of her friends that she wanted all spare groundcover material to be interspersed among the trees.

Along the rushing stream's edge she has found that Eucynonous vegetus is an excellent selection for erosion control. For steep slopes, Ajuga is very good and of course the vivid purple spike makes the hill-sides a spot of blue a tiny before the trees are in full leaf.

Partridge berry is very good because of its matted effect on terraces and in crevices of stone. It likes a moderately acid soil. It has a trailing habit, and the flowers can be pink and white. The red berries are attractive. It is easy to multiply your stock by cuttings.

While strolling along the hillside, I saw Pachysandra in flower. It was a white spike about six inches high.

Rare orchids and arbutus have also been nurtured by Mrs. Schjolms. One of the choice wild plants she shows her guests is Pipsissewa (Chimaphila) which is a low creeping evergreen with pink and white flowers which prefers at least half shade.

MANY FOLKS these days are purchasing a power lawn mower and here are some of the pointers for a wise selection: Does the mower give an even cut? Can it hold weeds up long enough for the blade

to cut them off or do you have to hand trim your weeds? Be sure your selected machine does not leave windows of grass clippings. A good machine leaves the grass on the lawn in an orderly manner. It is easy to adjust the height of the blade? You are lucky if you have a dial type adjustment.

How quiet does the motor run? Remember that you may find yourself with only nights or Sundays as a cutting time. Will the noise of the motor annoy the neighbors? Your power lawn mower should

not have the tendency to run away from you. If your motor whines, this indicates that it is not strong enough for the assignment.

Test the blade speed. If it is too fast the grass will be torn and whipped. If it is too slow, a motor will leave the newly-cut lawn with swirl marks.

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Compromise on Controversial Cranbrook Corner


Development of one of the city's most controversial corners was made possible last week as city officials, developers, and subdivision representatives agreed on details.

Standard Oil Co. officials have agreed to indicate and erect a suitable wall at the rear of their property at the southeast corner of Cranbrook and E. Maple, on which they plan to erect a colonial design service station.

City commissioners are pleased with the proposal, citing it the best

that they can possibly expect on this business-zoned corner, which has been considered at various times for stores, motels, and other types of business use.

Two of the other three corners have been commercially developed. The fourth reportedly is being readied for construction of stores.

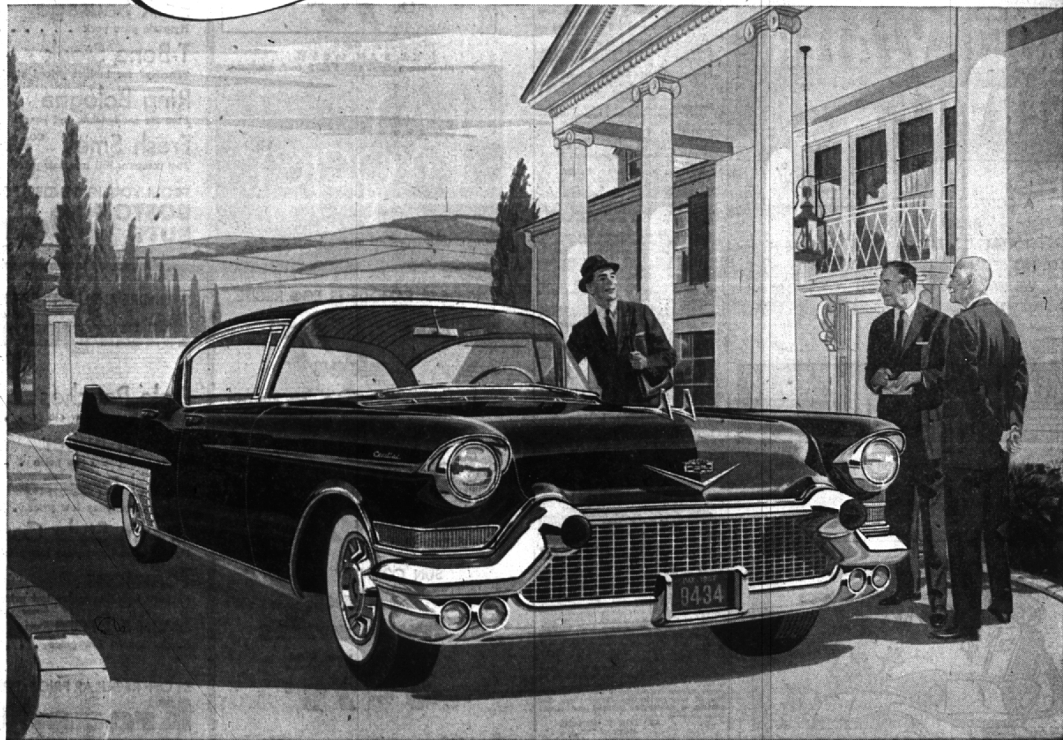


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