

BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

TAXPAYERS! Don't burn up the city streets! It will cost you money for new ones! Besides that, it's a violation of a city ordinance to burn leaves on any paved or oil-d street. Birmingham Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley warned this week that a number of complaints were coming in about the harmful practice. He urged residents to remember that burning leaves on the streets harms the concrete surface and burns the oil out of the oil-d streets.

MORE THAN 1,400 PERSONS, young and old, enjoyed last week's performance here of the world-famous Don Cossack chorus and dancers. Brought in by the Birmingham Lions club with proceeds going to various Lions-supported charities, the Cossacks had to perform in the only suitable place—the Birmingham high school gymnasium. The chorus did a marvelous job, as most anyone in the audience would attest to. But they had the feeling that this fine performance would have been greatly enhanced had Birmingham been able to provide an auditorium instead. As more organizations from year to year sponsor similar events, the lack of an auditorium will become more pronounced. When desires will become enough to indicate action, well, your estimate is as good or better than this Wanderer's.

PLANTED QUESTIONERS will harry the experts on the simulated City Commission at the League of Women Voters general meeting Monday, Oct. 21, at 1 p.m. Presenting the "Know Your Town" study, nearly completed, the authors of the various chapters in different fields of city government are to act as commission members. They are Mrs. Jack Gieck, Mrs. John Ericson, Mrs. Al Weinrich, Mrs. Charles Tolle, Mrs. Peter Loomis, Mrs. John Lee, Mrs. John Rumsey will serve as mayor, with Mrs. William Burdick as city manager and Mrs. French McCain as city clerk. Every attempt is being made to avoid impersonating present city commissioners. The commission will be used simply as a device to make clearer the physical structure of city government. These pseudo-commissioners are unaware of the hot questions that have been planted in the audience. Certain eccentric and opinionated ladies have been primed to trip the experts and amuse the audience.

THE RECENT PRESENTATION of service awards at the S. S. Kresge store here had its humorous moments. One of the three girls honored, Ruth Mackie, was on leave from work but was on hand for the presentation. She went home immediately after and then was rushed to the hospital, expecting a child. It was a false alarm, however, and Mrs. Mackie still is expecting. H. A. Kresge, manager of the store, also forgot to include one employee in the list of those receiving service pins—himself. He has been with the store 20 years and is waiting for his belated pin to come through.

"BE CAREFUL OF cable!" That's the warning—and plea—Michigan Bell Telephone Company is making to Birmingham's bird hunters as pheasant season opens. Last year, careless hunters fired past their quarry into telephone cables more than 200 times. With experts predicting a pheasant crop better than last year's, the telephone company fears increased cable damage this year as more hunters take the field. A hunter can miss a bird, severely damage a cable, and never know the consequences; no damage is outwardly apparent. Inside the cable, however, the birdshot breaks wires, wedges between others to garble communications or halt them completely.

IF YOU THINK Birmingham's Wyatt Earp, police Sgt. Richard E. Brown, is a pretty wonderful guy and you would like to do something to tell him so, here's the answer. Some local residents, who wish to remain anonymous, have set up a Community "Sgt. Brown appreciation fund." They will use the fund to purchase some gift of appreciation, possibly a color TV set, for the Brown family. P. G. Burnett of the Detroit Bank and Trust company's Woodward-Hamilton branch, Birmingham, has agreed to act as trustee of the fund. Checks or money should be mailed or turned in to him. In case you've been out of town for the past two weeks, Sgt. Brown is the police officer who was shot by an armed robber in a Birmingham home then drew his gun and killed his assailant. "Brownie" is expected back at work next week, if the infection now slowing his recovery has healed sufficiently.

Rules Referendum Petitions Invalid

TRYO—City Attorney Jack W. Hutson has ruled that petitions requesting a referendum to lower Troy city taxes from 15 to 5 mills are invalid. He based his opinion on the fact that the petition headings contain 100 words when the headings should contain only 100 words.

City Clerk J. Lawson Lockhart said there were enough valid signatures on the petitions to make a special election necessary if the petitions were otherwise valid. Only course of action, other than to drop the matter, is for the citizens to ask for a court ruling, Lockhart said.

Maple's Open—Roberts Is Now Really Mayor

You aren't really a mayor unless you officiate at ceremonies like ribbon-cutting. And Birmingham's Mayor William E. Roberts has joked for some time that he has been mayor for months and still hasn't cut a single ribbon. An interested citizen who thought it was high time for Roberts to do some scissors-wielding arranged to change all that.

It wasn't actually a ribbon-cutting, but it was an official ceremony. And it opened something.

EVERYTHING STOOD ready Wednesday for Mayor Roberts to push back the barricades opening the newly paved stretch of Maple Avenue to traffic. Police Lt. Henry Timm stood ready at the scene of the ceremonies at Maple and Hunter. Patrolman Arthur Birkholz was stationed at the Adams road barricade.

City Engineer Grover Serenbetz was on hand (he had the scissors but no ribbon). Also ready for the big event were a press photographer and newspaper editor.

But there was no mayor. He thought they were kidding when they told him to be on hand.

A HURRIED CALL summoned the mayor. He was rushed to the scene in a red convertible by James Cousens, hardware store manager and auxiliary policeman.

Beaming happily despite a drizzling rain, the mayor hoisted barricades with the assistance of Serenbetz, thereby performing an official opening ceremony.

Now he's really a mayor. And Maple Avenue is open.

Want ads cannot be accepted after 5 p.m. each Tuesday.

October 17, 1957 THE BIRMINGHAM ECCENTRIC 3-A

Recreation Round Up

Adult Swimming & Gym Mondays, 7-10 p.m. at the Birmingham high school pool and gym. Adults 18 years of age and over are welcome to participate in swimming and in gym activities consisting of ping-pong, shuffleboard, fencing, volleyball, badminton, basketball.

Senior Men Friday—The Senior Men's club meeting was held at the Band Ranch room of the Community House instead of at the home of Mrs. Fred Gould, due to the illness of Mrs. Gould's mother.

Members not at the meeting please note that we will go to Mrs. Gould's tomorrow. Meet as usual at the Community House at 10 a.m. and cars will be available to drive you out to Mrs. Gould's.

A brief visit was paid the men by Robert Girardin, director of recreation, who has just returned from Long Beach, Calif., where he attended the convention of the National Recreation association. Girardin advised the club there are many senior citizens clubs in California, also.

May Resurface More of Oak St.

Can the city resurface more of Oak street than originally anticipated?

Commissioners this week asked City Manager L. R. Gare to check possibility of resurfacing Oak from Lake Park to Lakeview. Commissioner Florence Willett made the suggestion, pointing out that the city would be putting a new surface on the street from Lake Park west, probably in a week or 10 days.

October's bright blue weather is all very well but December's red and green weather is coming and most of you don't have your Christmas Cards ordered.

House Beautiful decorations will be in October 25th.

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A Sampler of The Clothes You'll Live in '57

SWEATERS SHETLANDS are the rage! Some trimmed with tartan to match kilts and bermudas. Some in heathery LOVAT blue and green. ARGYLE shetland pullovers for startling effect.

BLOUSES PRINTED OXFORD cloth shirts like a man's tie. MIDDIES mothered by CHANEL. CHALLIS print blouses. SILK SHIRTS for dresser wear. The new TINY ENGLISH TAB COLLAR for wear under shetlands.

SKIRTS Swing in a variety of PLEATS. The best of these are in KILTS, LONG & SHORT which come in EIGHT TARTANS. Loose BOX pleats in BULKY but LIGHTWEIGHT TWEEDS. Skirts in NAVY look new in KNIFE pleats.

DRESSES Imported VIYELLA plaid in pleated skirt and SHEATH styles. MIDDY dresses à la CHANEL. Dresses with matching FUR-TRIMMED jackets. Paisley PRINTED VELVET for evening wear. The LITTLE BLACK CREPE is back. MONOGRAMMED SILK shirtwaists. LANZ dresses by the score.

COATS & SUITS Our SAFARI coat . . . Classic camel's hair polo coat lined with fur. PSEUDO LEOPARD. Velvet collared herringbone tweed PAISLEY LINED CHESTERFIELD. HEATHERY tweed and TARTAN suits in classic cut. POLO COATS in RED, GREY, camel and navy with PLAID and PAISLEY linings.

SHORTS & SLACKS DOMINO patch velveteen pants for the fireside. Slacks in SILK PAISLEY. A plethora of TWEEDS & PLAIDS. Solid flannels for MONOGRAMMING. A bermuda length CULOTTE. PRINTED CORDUROY bermudas.

Wilde Beasties LEOPARD baby caps, gloves, earrings, and collars. Also black BROADTAIL jackets and hats. RACCOON BAGS. Some REAL, some FAKE.

MONOGRAMMING of all varieties. We can do the GREEK ALPHABET for sorority identification. Try monogramming your shirts, skirts, dresses. KNEESOCKS, raincoat or BERMUDAS.

GILDING THE LILY Plaid CUMMERBUNDS. Striped and solid GLAMOUR GAMS as underpinnings for short kilts and bermudas. English scarves yards long in STRIPED SCHOOL colors. TINY collars MONOGRAMMED to wear under shetlands. CHAIN jewelry for around the neck or waist. NEXT-TO-NOTHING hats . . . our own little wisps of feathers, veiling and birds.

CAPEZIOS We've saved this surprise for our customers 'till last. From now on we'll have a MAD & GAY COLLECTION of CAPEZIO shoes. Skimmers, needle point pumps, T-strap sandals and other fancy footings. Complementing these we have a fantastic ARRAY of SHOE CLIPS: gold and silver BUCKLES, leathers and COINS, racoon POMPOMS and other whimsies.

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