

### Adams Patrol Boy Gets Honor Trip To Washington

John E. Wilson III, 12, of Adams school, has been named to represent Birmingham safety patrolmen at the 22nd national safety patrol rally in Washington, D. C., May 31.

John, who lives at 321 Oakland, will make the four-day all-expense trip along with 100 other safety patrolmen from the state as guests of Automobile Club of Michigan.

The youngsters were selected as the most outstanding of the 50,000 patrol boys who daily safeguard their classmates at crossings at 2,200 Michigan elementary schools.

During the honor trip, they will join 20,000 other patrolmen for the traditional march down Constitution avenue. The five-mile long parade is the largest held annually in the Capital.

The Michigan delegation will meet congressmen from their home districts at a special luncheon. Other highlights of the trip include meeting entertainment world notables and visiting big-name landmarks and important government buildings.

### Chrysler Moves Affect 3 Execs From B'ham Area

Three Birmingham area men have been affected by recent widespread job changes among Chrysler Corp. executives.

John B. Naughton, 2933 E. Bradford drive, Bloomfield township, has been named executive assistant to the vice-president and general manager of the division's assistant-plant manager.

### Peden Elected To UN Group Post

Recently elected vice president of the Michigan council of the American Association for the United Nations is Robert W. Peden, 1482 Pierce street, Birmingham.

Peden, who is comptroller of Wayne state university, is also president of the recently formed Oakland county chapter of the same association.

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### Art Festival Announces More Events

The many exhibits of the fine and applied arts during Birmingham's art festival (May 17-25) will encompass all age groups and all types of media.

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But further down on the street, where a building is being raised on the Lord's Day, the picture is changed to one belonging to the remaining six days of the week, which to labor and do all they work." Too bad!

MYRTLE B. KNOWLTON Birmingham

### Artificial Minerals On Public Display At Cranbrook

An exhibit of artificial minerals, described as both interesting and spectacular, has been set up at Cranbrook Institute of Science by members of the Michigan mineralogical society.

"By definition," says Institute Director Robert T. Hall, "a mineral must occur in a geological deposit, but man has learned to grow minerals on mineral-like crystals for his own use. Synthetic rubies, sapphires and emeralds have been known for some time. In the last two years, diamonds have been produced for the first time within the last two years. Many of the crystals on display were home-grown by members of the Mineralogical society; others came from industrial laboratories or factories. Some were loaned by society members, others were donated to the institute."

Among the local products are diamonds (known as prospectors), a series of synthetic diamonds worked at the GM Technical Center for radiographic and electronic work.

### Lions Celebrate 30th Charter Night

Birmingham Lions held their 30th charter night celebration as a dinner-dance last week at Glen Oaks golf club.

William Spence, international councilor and past district governor of Lions district 12, introduced present district officers who were honored guests. They included Ralph A. Main, of Birmingham, zone chairman, Donald L. Cummings, president of the local Lions club, presided over the event, attended by 129 Lions and their guests.

### Monday Painters Set Sunday Show

The Monday Painters have announced Sunday, May 4, as the date for their annual spring picture exhibit, to be held from 9 to 5 p.m. in the yellow house at 256 Martin street near Bates.

Monday Painters, all members of a class instructed by Mrs. Paul (Virginia) Schafer, said all of the original paintings on view will be for sale.

### Boys Admit Theft of Tires

Birmingham police arrested several teen age boys from Birmingham high school last week who admitted stealing a total of nine tires and wheels in the city. One of the youths admitted receiving part of the stolen property in a purchase transaction. Cases of three of the youths above juvenile age are being taken through the court of record.

### To Begin Courses For Gardeners

Miss Myra Showman, director of adult education at Birmingham Community House, has announced two new courses.

Alice Barlingame, garden columnist for The Birmingham Eccentric, will instruct a five-week course in gardening which will include field trips.

A seven-week course on flower arrangement will be taught by Alice Slawson.

Both courses start May 8 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Registration must be made in person at the Community House.

### Young Repubs State Talk on Precincts

Oakland county Young Republicans meet Tuesday at 8 p.m. at Republican headquarters, 351 N. Woodward, Birmingham, to hear a speaker on precinct organization. Candidates for state-level Young Republican office will be present.

Memberships is open to all Republicans, 18 to 35, according to Jasper Reid, 412 N. Gleggarry, Bloomfield township, treasurer.

### Safety Check For Bikes Set At Playgrounds

Young Birmingham bicycle owners had better shine up their bikes, check the brakes and handle bars, and practice their riding skill, because bike safety inspection time is here.

With the help of local Kiwanis, Birmingham police will be inspecting bikes at school playgrounds beginning Saturday, May 10.

Each youngster will receive a bike accessory as a prize after completing the inspection and riding test.

May 10 inspections will be at Adams, Torrey, Quanton and Midvale schools.

May 17 inspections are slated for Baldwin, Pierce, Pembroke and Holy Name schools.

### People's Column Floral Tribute To Washington Strikes Home

To The Editor:

On Easter Sunday we were privileged to walk over the hallowed ground of Mt. Vernon, home of our beloved first president. We were impressed with the vast throngs of American pilgrims there that day. Many were young people.

AS WE approached George and Martha Washington's tomb, an unforgettable picture was presented. An elderly lady with tear-dimmed eyes, with her arm around her grandson's shoulder, was telling the boy about the father of his country.

As we drew nearer the tomb, another unforgettable picture was presented. There, standing between the two tombs, was the most beautiful floral arrangement of lilies and carnations. The ribbons which graced the flowers bore the words, "From the High School Students of Birmingham, Michigan."

I was deeply moved, as were all who looked upon it.

THE GREAT love and pride we have in and for our fair land could be just one generation away from extinction. It is cheering to know that school superintendents, principals and teachers are holding high the torch of our hard-earned freedoms.

MRS. U. JOHN NOBLET

### Beauty of B'ham Is Disappearing

To The Editor:

Much of the beauty of Birmingham and Bloomfield is quickly disappearing thanks to the so-called

### Problems of Mentally Ill Concern Area Workers

People who have visited state hospitals during previous mental health weeks have followed up their visits by a greater interest and participation in obtaining more adequate mental health services, according to Harold G. Webster, executive director of the Michigan Society for Mental Health.

Webster, of 426 Pleasant, Birmingham, is joined by a number of Birmingham area residents as speakers in the mental health program, "Opening the Door to Mental Health," slated Tuesday at 8 p.m. at Royal Oak Kimball high school.

SPONSORED BY the Oakland county chapter of the Michigan Society for Mental Health, the program and a film point out the problems the mentally ill.

Speakers will be Dr. Roger Howell of the Lafayette clinic and Dr. Mildred Peters of Wayne state university.

Representing the out-patient department staff at a mental health week open house is Miss Myrtle Shimmell, 535 Merrill, Birmingham.

Miss Shimmell is in the hospital's social service department.

Webster urged citizens to visit open house and related programs at state hospitals during the week.

### People's Column Dogs and Gardens Just Don't Mix Comments Reader

To The Editor:

Along about this time of year all my neighbors get mad—and I mean mad—at me for asking that they keep their dogs off my garden and flowers.

Just today a hound just about destroyed my choicest rose bushes. And the owners sure take advantage of "so dogcatcher Sunday."

I can't people be decent and a little more considerate of other people's property? Birmingham's dog ordinance certainly doesn't function; sometimes I feel like refusing to pay my city taxes—and I dare say many others feel the same way.

"I love dogs but—I love gardens more."

BIRMINGHAM RESIDENT

### Solution Is Sewer

A storm sewer on Lakepark for the half block south of Quanton would carry away standing pools of water and eliminate neighbor's protests, Birmingham City Engineer Grover Sorensetz said this week. City commissioners ordered a special assessment necessity hearing May 12.

By George

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