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Commissioner Seeks Land Fill Regulations

Even though trucks ceased their hauling of dirt to the land fill site near the Quanton lake dam last Friday, Birmingham City Commissioner Florence Willett asks this week that the city consider an ordinance regulating such operations.

Since land-filling at the Quanton lake and other city locations will undoubtedly be resumed in the future, Mrs. Willett recommended an ordinance "spelling out the policy."

Quanton lake area residents protested vigorously last week that a contractor, hauling dirt to land owned by Frederick Y. Hinkel, 607 Baldwin court was "deteriorating property and creating a nuisance."

City Manager L. Richard Gage said the filling had probably ceased because the sewer excavating from which the dirt came had halted.

Boy Breaks Neck Diving in Gravel Pit

TROY—An 18-year-old boy who broke his neck while diving into a flooded gravel pit this week was saved from drowning by a companion.

Dale Magill, 18, of 325 S. Bywood, Clawson, was swimming with four other youths at Walker's gravel pit on Atkins road, Troy.

Ronald Aldridge, 16, of 1271 Stephen, Clawson, jumped in and brought the injured youth to shore. Magill was taken to St. Joseph Mercy hospital in critical condition.

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temporarily. He said he would see "what can be worked up" on a land fill ordinance.

City Commissioner Charles Renfred said several Quanton area residents had expressed to him their thanks for the cooperation of Gage and other city officials while the land filling was going on.

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Off to a Flying Start

James L. Howlett, Birmingham's City Attorney, receives a handshake and certificate of appointment as he starts his tour of duty as Red Cross Regional Chairman for Clinton, Eaton, Ingham, Livingston, Macomb and Oakland counties. A member of the law firm of Howlett, Hartman, and Beier, Pontiac, Howlett received the appointment at a recent Regional Fund Chairman's conference at Selfridge Airforce Base. On the other end of the certificate and handshake is James L. Bauchat, Manager, company's Ypsilanti plant and National Fund Vice chairman, Michigan, 1960.

Foresters Hear Expert Defend Dutch Elm Spray

A group of local tree surgeons and foresters attended the 35th national shade tree conference, held last week in Detroit. They heard J. A. Dietrich, park superintendent of Greenwich, Conn., counter charges that DDT used in spraying against the Dutch elm disease is killing off the robin.

Dietrich said the anti-spray arguments were "dramatic and exciting," but that despite 13 years of spraying in Greenwich, "birds still migrate and nest in our city's elms."

Dietrich said "reliable and thoroughly tested chemicals which have performed a remarkable job in the interest of mankind are being shunned as the result of this unwarranted, needless and contradictory propaganda."

Attending from Birmingham were Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Olin, 153 Larchdale, Director Charles Gale and Harvey Raasch of the Birmingham forestry and parks department; Emerson C. Brown, 8220 Brookdale; Al C. Brown, 819 Purdy, and Emil G. Olin, Sr., 607 Southfield.

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Obituary Notices

Ray K. Hummel

Ray K. Hummel of Huntington Woods, father of Mrs. Carlton Baldwin, of Birmingham, died Saturday after a long illness at Grace hospital.

He is also survived by his wife, Rea; a brother and a grandchild. Services were Tuesday from the William Vau funeral home with interment in Roseland Park cemetery.

Mrs. Ruth Briggs

Mrs. Ruth A. Briggs of Ham-tranck died Saturday at New Grace hospital after a short illness.

BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

Through a unique system, Robert E. Each, 140 Fairfax, Birmingham, was one of the many Harvard graduate school of business administration graduates who found a job in a small business. Students at the school sent representatives from their class into four areas of the country to search out small business opportunities. Each has joined the Kaman Aircraft corporation in Colorado.

When the call came into The Birmingham Eccentric office reporting the photo of "Boy" cut into the grass (see page 1-E) the staff photographer was out on assignment. Not wanting to lose a chance for a unique photo, a feminine Wanderer also trained to take pictures, named the Speed Graphic and headed for the Southfield township-Beverly Hills offices at 13 Mile road and Southfield. Shooting a picture of grass cut at different levels is best taken from above, so she asked the Beverly Hills public safety officers to direct her to the attic door. "But there isn't any access to the roof from there," one officer said as he took a ladder from the fire truck. Yes, she went up the fire ladder onto the roof, baring her apprehensions and renewing her vows of dedication to the newspaper profession.

He can trade in a family car without batting an eyelash, but a certain goffer admitted to this Wanderer that he sort of choked up when he put away his old set of golf clubs and replaced it with new ones. It was especially difficult for that lion of the links, Hal Ruergo. Just the day before, Ruergo had shot a hot 77 with the old woods and irons, making him medalist at the service club's golf outing at Rochester country club.

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