

**Mrs. Willett Again Comments on Poor Condition of Walks**

Deteriorating condition of many sections of downtown Birmingham sidewalks again this week brought criticism from City Commissioner Florence Willett.

She asked city officials to look into repair of crumbling walk areas on S. Woodward from Maple to Frank.

"I've given up on the N. Wood-

ward repairs," she chided other commissioners, who have taken little interest in supporting her efforts to save sprained ankles and frayed tempers.

THEN SHE POINTED out three other places where she feels sidewalk repairs should be made:

On Pierce, between Maple and Merrill; on the Oak street bridge over the Rouge river; and some had boards in the block-long wooded walk on Oak street, from Lakeview to Lakeside.



**Look Out Below**

A 10th grade student at Derby, Liz Kristek practices her diving at Birmingham Country club Friday afternoon. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marx L. Kristek of Riverside drive, Birmingham.

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**Family Services Grow And So Do Problems**

Increase in facilities for family casework counseling services have made these services geographically within reach of 80 million people in the United States, according to a recently published report of the Family Service association of America.

Problems are growing, too the report said—waiting lists are getting longer, family and marital problems are on the increase while over half the population is still living in non-served areas.

IN A GRAPHIC summary of the current status of family life in America and the work of family service agencies, the association stated that qualified family casework counselors are geographically within reach of 60 or more percent of the population in 8 states and the District of Columbia; 31 to 59 percent in 18 states; and 30 percent or less in 14 states.

Only nine states, including Alaska, have no accredited agencies of the association, and the report points to 128 communities that have asked help in starting family agencies since the beginning of 1958.

The association's almost 300 member agencies, with 2,500 trained family counselors, gave confidential help in 1958 to families comprising about 1,000,000 people with marital, parent-child and other family problems.

THE FAMILY Service of Oakland county with nine family counselors in three districts in Royal Oak, Birmingham & Pontiac, gave help in 1958 to 2,361 families comprising about 9,724 people.

**People's Column**  
**...And I More Joins the 'No Change' Team**

To the Editor:  
Being a recent graduate of Birmingham high, I am in full agreement with Mrs. Daniels who wrote about the name changing of the school.

People in the past who have gone to Birmingham high school are proud of it as their school and have all contributed to the school.

THE MARC Joins award, DAR good citizenship award, and all the other awards and honors won by members of the school—it all to be abandoned because a new high school is entering the district?

The Birmingham high school is not just a building. To some it holds the best memories of things that are a part of the high school. The athletic teams that have strived over the years to bring the state number one trophy home—Golf, tennis, track, football, cross country, swimming and baseball.

NEW name? New uniforms? It would be a shame if the school board does not reconsider.

The adults with whom I have talked agreed that Mr. Seaholm is a very fine man who did such a lot for our community, but the name "Birmingham high" still stand. Certainly with an ever-increasing population, there will be another school whose doors can be graced with the name: "Earnest Seaholm high."

The traditions and honors that Birmingham high has achieved cannot be lost and start again as if there never was such a fine school. It would be as if the graduates had no school at all to refer to any more.

Board of Education: Please reconsider.

DAVID PEW  
1562 Kirkway  
Bloomfield Hills

**Their Poll Shows Few in Favor of HS Name Change**

To the Editor:  
In talking with the people of Birmingham and other areas, we have found that no one agrees to the changing of Birmingham high's name.

We feel that BHS should be allowed to keep its name and the next school that is built by the city of Birmingham should be honored with the name of Seaholm.

WE REALIZE that Mr. Seaholm deserves that honor, but we feel it will destroy the school spirit that has been built within us in the past years; for instance, our school song, cheers, etc.

We hope that if they do change it that it won't be Birmingham Seaholm, as Royal Oak was changed to "Royal Oak Central."

KATHY SCHMIDT  
JUDY MELOCHE

A stale article, if you dip it in a good warm sunny smile, will go off better than a fresh one that you've scowled upon.

—Nathaniel Hawthorne

Of little value are silver and gold, in comparison with love, that gift in everyone's power to bestow.

—Elizabeth Cleghorn Gaskell

It is so easy to be good-natured I wonder anybody takes the trouble to be anything else.

—Douglas Jerrold

**the Old Timer**

"One of the great mysteries of life is how the boy we were sure was good enough to marry our daughter can be the father of the smartest grandchild in the world."

than 100 percent between 1957 and 1958, or a total number of families from 166 in 1957 to 334 in 1958.

There was relatively no change in Birmingham office, local director, Robert James, said, but the waiting list rose sharply in the Royal Oak office. Despite this sharp rise, the agency always makes sure that emergency situations are handled.

Inability to serve all people needing counseling attributed by the report to a shortage of trained and experienced casework counselors and to insufficient contributions to federated, independent or united fund drives which support family service agencies.

FAMILY SERVICE agencies are among the oldest established agencies in many communities. The national association was first formed in 1911.

THE REPORT ended with a call for more "associate memberships" for the national association as well as more support for local family agencies and for the United Funds and Community chests which supply a large proportion of the agencies' finances.

Copies of this report may be obtained from the local office of Family Service of Oakland county, 188 Oakland, Birmingham.

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U. S. Government Securities ..... 2,596,186.87	Loans in Process ..... 104,930.40
Federal Home Loan Bank Securities ..... 300,000.00	Other Liabilities ..... 1,848.62
Federal Home Loan Bank Stock ..... 380,000.00	Specific Reserves ..... 51,157.11
F. H. A. Improvement Loans ..... 130,053.98	General Reserves ..... \$1,248,136.11
First Mortgage Loans and Other First Liens on Real Estate ..... 18,913,465.18	Surplus ..... 42,665.12
Real Estate in Judgment ..... 12,448.45	Total Reserves & Surplus ..... 1,290,801.23
Loans on Savings Accounts ..... 239,538.58	
Office Building and Equipment (less Depreciation) ..... 273,406.40	
Deferred Charges and Other Assets ..... 93,809.38	
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