

**Accidents on Rise Here, Moxley Says**

Property damage automobile accidents rose in Birmingham last month as compared to the same period last year, according to Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley. There were 59 accidents that caused an estimated \$13,855 damage in September as compared to 48 accidents that caused \$10,069 damage last year, Moxley said. Accidents during the first nine months of this year have been higher than last year also. There were 425 accidents during that period this year with \$125,123 worth of damage compared to 354 accidents and \$95,732 damage last year.

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**South Invades the North**

John L. Bodette (left), of 859 Lakeview, Birmingham, a northerner and General Manager of Florists' Telegraph Delivery association, receives Kentucky Colonelship from Robert Cherry, former Mayor of Paducah, Kentucky, and Regional Director of F.T.D.A. Colonel Cherry, in town to attend a board of directors meeting, took the opportunity to convert a Michigan drive to the Southern way of life by bestowing a colonelship on Mr. Bodette, and welcoming him to the State of Kentucky.

**National Book Week Opens Soon**

Imagine a description of a trip to the moon designed to be read by beginning readers, or "The Three Bears" and "Little Red Riding Hood" written to aid Junior in learning and speaking Italian, French and Spanish. Those are just two of the approximately 100 new books unpacked in time for the opening of National Book Week Monday, Nov. 3, at Balwin Public Library.

ACCORDING to Mrs. Ann Burch of the boys' and girls' department, this year's exhibit reflects the diversified interests of today's children, the attempts of the authors and publishers to keep up with them.

For example, "You Will Go to the Moon," by Mae and Ira Freeman, uses only 186 different words to provide a text a beginning reader can handle on his own. Other books in the Book Week display run the gamut from Gene Ion's "Plant Sitter" and Patsy Scarry's "Fun Around the World" to George Wells' "Story of the Paratroopers" and Robert Hopinde's "Indian Picture Writing."

Consequently, when Birmingham school children drop by for their scheduled visits and fill out those "Wish Lists" of books for future reading, Mrs. Burch and the rest of the boys' and girls' department staff anticipate some lengthy lists. They invite Birmingham parents to stop in between next Monday and Friday, November 13th, so that they too may look over the wide array of brand new and very worthwhile books on display during the library's 1959 observance of National Book Week.

**County Expands Pension Plan**

Oakland county board of supervisors expanded its pension plan to include employees who received at least 40 per cent of their salary from the county instead of 30 per cent as was previously required. First to benefit from the liberalized policy is retiring Circuit Judge Frank L. Doty, who is 79 years old. Doty received \$11,000 a year from the county and \$2,500 a year from the state and was not eligible for the county pension. County auditors said if Doty contributes five per cent of his salary of \$2,000 he needed from 1946 to 1950, he will receive a pension of \$2,000 to \$2,500 for the rest of his life.



**Ready to Go**

Charles K. Patterson, general sales manager for North Chevrolet, 1000 S. Woodward, Birmingham, rips off the sticker on the miniature Corvette won by Miss Marilyn Fellows, Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. She won the car that is powered with a small gas engine, in a recent contest held by the local automobile dealer.

**Sees No Threat To Invasion of Residence Zone**

It is highly unlikely Birmingham's zoning ordinance will be circumvented by developers who try to put a commercial venture into a residential area. This is the opinion this week of City Attorney Dean G. Beier. He reported back to city commissioners who wonder if some property owner might build a couple of second-floor apartments with commercial establishments on the ground floor on the basis they were "accessory" to the residential use. "Because of the serious limitations (in the ordinance), we consider it most doubtful that any project will be proposed in an R-7 zone which would justify a commercial useage at the present time," Beier wrote. But commissioners weren't quite ready to drop the matter. They discussed this situation with plan board members last night.

**James Cameron Named President**

New president of Friends of Balwin public library is James Cameron of Suedford road, Birmingham. A resident of Birmingham for three years, Mr. Cameron is director of supplier relations at Ford Motor company. He is a graduate of Grinnell college and University of Iowa law school. They have two children, Bruce and Scott.

Retiring president, Uri Granitis, Jr., of Fairway drive, Birmingham, is leaving to take a new position with Borg-Warner corporation in Rockford, Ill. A resident of Birmingham for 11 years, he was formerly with American Brakeblok. They have three sons, Pete, Bally and Jon. They have two children, Bruce and Scott.

One out of 12 students injured in a "school-jurisdiction" accident is on his way to or from school, the National Safety Council says.

**Inside the 'Y' 'Y' Loses, USA Gains Bob Brown**

Bob Brown, former part-time employee enlisted in Uncle Sam's Airforce during October. Bob was a real credit to the Y.M.C.A., for the past two years. Bob began his work with the "Y" as a maintenance man. He was responsible for leveling the ground and reseeding one and one-half acres of lawn. Bob served as handicraft instructor, swimming instructor and bus driver during the last year on Saturday. During the past summer he was a day camp counselor. Adult Swim Class: The adult swim class began Oct. 12. Nineteen men and women have enrolled. Bill Pratt is in charge of the class and Bill Phillips and Mrs. George McLean are assisting him. The class is for beginners and intermediate swimmers. It meets from 8 to 9 p.m. Saturday Swim Class: Two instructors have come on the scene at Pontiac. Tom Gaggie, sophomore at Bloomfield Hills and Jim O'Rourke, senior at Seaborn high school. The boys are arriving at the building at 3:30 p.m. now.

Handicraft Schedules: Nov. 7, Pot Holders; Nov. 14, Coin Purse; Nov. 21, Lanyards; Nov. 28, Belts. The class begins at 9:30 and closes at 11:30. Boys and girls can pay \$1.25 for all four weeks, thus saving 25c. Jim O'Rourke, senior at Seaborn is the new handicraft instructor.

**Vela Completes Officer Training**

PORT BENJAMIN HARRISON, Ind.—Army 2d Lt. Louis F. Vela, whose wife, Gay, lives at 1433 Lockridge road, Bloomfield Hills, completed the officer basic course recently under the Reserve Forces Act program at the finance school, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

Lieutenant Vela was trained in matters relating to the disbursing of funds, accounting, the military pay system and personnel management. The 23-year-old officer is a 1954 graduate of Birmingham high school, a graduate of Michigan state university in East Lansing and a 1959 graduate of Columbia school of business in New York. He is a member of Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity.

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