

City Considers Raising Municipal Golf Rates

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City Editor

The administration has been ordered by Birmingham city commissioners to prepare a new rate schedule for Springdale and the new municipal golf course.

The commission's direction came after a lengthy discussion of the administration's proposed for operating the two courses next year, including the elimination of season and family memberships.

Both the commission and the members of the Springdale citizens advisory board, who attended Monday's city commission meeting rejected the idea of dropping the two membership plans.

CHARLES F. Delbridge, Jr., a member of the board, said that in order to have a good municipal course the City needed the nucleus formed by the season and family memberships.

"These two groups create a club atmosphere," Delbridge said. "We ask you not to eliminate the season and family plans even if you have to increase the fees," he said.

Presently season members pay \$35 per membership and the family rate of two people is \$65. Additional family cards may be purchased for \$10 that permit play on weekdays, but not Saturday, Sunday or holidays.

CITY MANAGER L. R. Gare said he did not believe the avail-

ability of these memberships was fair to the daily player who was required to pay \$1 on weekdays and \$1.50 on week ends and holidays.

Gare said present plans call for the new course, which is scheduled to open in the spring, to be restricted to residents and their guests only.

"If either or both of the courses could be opened to the general public at great rates they could probably become self-supporting," Gare said.

"We believe, however, that this would result in overcrowded conditions most of the time and destroy to a great extent the advantages to Birmingham citizens of having two municipal golf courses," Gare said.

Freezer Bids OK'd For Golf Clubhouse

The purchase of two pieces of refrigeration equipment for use in the new golf course clubhouse was approved by Birmingham city commissioners Monday night.

National Market Equipment Co., Inc., of Madison Heights submitted the low bid of \$1,081 for the equipment.

The firm will install a counter top freezer and an upright freezer within the next two weeks, according to Darrel C. Middlewood, superintendent of the Forestry and Parks Dept.

UNDER THE present rate schedule, Gare said, it was doubtful the new course could be made self-supporting, except with frequent overcrowding.

James H. Purkins predicted that the two courses would have a total of 55,000 rounds played next season. Using the current rate schedule at both courses, he estimated an operating loss of about \$12,000.

Forest Shee, president of the advisory board, said he did not favor the elimination of the family and season memberships but did think an increase in their rates "might be in line."

It was generally agreed by the commission that the \$1 identification card fee could be raised to increase revenue.

MAYOR CHARLES W. Renfrew said he had hoped the two courses would be self-supporting.

"We have gone over the budget considerably," Renfrew said. "My suggestion some time ago to sell lots along the course to help defray the costs was rejected and probably rightly so."

The mayor suggested a flat 15 per cent raise in rates in all categories.

Commissioner William E. Roberts said he "would like more thought given to raising seasonal rates and the possibility of giving a break to teen-agers who play a second nine holes."

Gare said he expected to bring the new rate schedule back to the commission by the first of the year.



Ex-Cel-O Corp. Appoints Heads For Packaging

Ex-Cel-O Corporation, Detroit, has made two changes in the executive staff of its packaging equipment group, according to George L. Huffman, company vice president.

Effective immediately, Joseph W. Radke, 6385 Hill Dr., Birmingham, has been appointed general sales manager of the packaging equipment group. He was formerly sales and service manager of the Pure-Pak Division, packaging equipment group.

David W. Beier, 24550 North Cromwell, Franklin, formerly assistant sales manager, Pure-Pak Division, has been made sales manager of the division, responsible for both sales and service.

Radke joined Ex-Cel-O's financial department in 1941. He was appointed sales representative for the Pure-Pak Division's southern territory in 1945 and became sales and service manager of the division in March, 1961.

Beier joined Ex-Cel-O in 1955 as Pure-Pak sales representative for the state of New York. He was transferred to the Michigan sales territory in 1957. In March, 1961, he was promoted to assistant sales manager of the Pure-Pak Division.

War Memorial to Stay At Seaholm High Site

A request by the American Legion to move a World War II memorial from Seaholm High School to a site near the Municipal Building was dropped by Birmingham city commissioners Monday night.

The commission instructed City Manager L. R. Gare to inform the Legion's Charles Edwards Post that the memorial was not City-owned and therefore the City had no power to move it.

Two weeks ago, the Legion asked that the limestone-bronze memorial be moved from its location outside the school to the downtown area. The Peace Memorial, as it was named, was a designed by Marshall Fredericks of Birmingham.

It is a marble slab with a bronze seal of the United States attached to it.

RESEARCH BY Robert S. Kunling, assistant city manager, showed that the memorial was presented to the City and the 49th club by the Birmingham Rotary Club.

He said its dedication on Nov. 11, 1952, culminated almost 3 1/2 years' efforts by the Rotary to obtain such a memorial for the City.

Edward noted that the speaker at the dedication ceremonies, Col. Edward Hellier stated that "this was not a war memorial, but a peace memorial, dedicated not only to local military heroes, but to civilians as well who have assisted their nation in trying to secure peace throughout the world."

"OUR RESEARCH does not uncover the exact reason the Seaholm

site was selected, but one of the strongest theories is that there was a need to express to each new generation the heritage that they have.

"One way to do this was to provide a constant reminder of the services that have been rendered by previous generations," Kenning said.

He added that this could be accomplished by having the memorial immediately adjacent to the high school where the students would have the opportunity to see it daily.

ANOTHER THEORY suggested the site was chosen because most of the students who served the country from this community have been graduates of the high school, Kenning said.

The Seaholm student body has conducted a memorial service on the site for the last two years.

The Legion has been advised to contact school authorities and the Rotary Club for any possible action on moving the memorial.

Four Water Mains OK'd by Township

Four contracts for the construction of water mains were awarded by the Bloomfield Township Board Monday night.

Two went to Michael J. Clarke, \$14,682.93 for "Porman's Wing Lake subdivision and \$4,340 for property on Telegraph Road.

Other contracts were received by Troelsen Excavating Co. \$8,196.50 for Dover Road S. A. D. No. 156, and Atina Construction Co. \$5,563 for 1,800 feet on the Skillman property on Hickory Grove Road.

Horror

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have cried less than adults. "And, if we are to believe the majority," said Dr. Roberta Sigel, associate professor of political science, "all the crying was done by girls. Boys all categorically denied crying."

Researchers, however, answered the children's disavowed on crying because the contrary was reported by teachers and parents.

The assumption that a child's emotional behavior becomes more similar to adults as they grew older did not prove to be true. The data indicated that younger children behaved more like adults.

TEEN-AGERS were much less emotional. "This we believe is in keeping with the adolescent's desire to seem 'cool,' 'tough' or 'unemotional,'" Dr. Sigel said.

came from a Democratic or Republican household, most of the youngsters indicated a "loss of someone very close and dear" when they heard of the President's death.

Almost all felt "very sorry for his wife and children" and were "mad that anyone should do such a terrible thing."

MORE THAN 75 per cent expressed shame that this could have happened in the United States.

In the minds of Negro children, President Kennedy was intimately associated with the fate of their people. Many small children wrote spontaneously on their questionnaire that he or she was worried "how my folks will not get along."

Commissioners Deny Request For Band Shell

A request by the Birmingham Council of Churches for the purchase of a portable band shell for use during the Christmas season was rejected by city commissioners Monday night.

The church group had asked the City to look into possible acquisition of a shell for use by various choirs in Shain Park. The estimated cost was \$200.

Commissioners did not rule out, however, the possibility of leasing a shell from the Pease Woodwork Co. of Hamilton, O.

Forestry and Parks Supt. Darrel C. Middlewood said he would need more time to study construction of the shell before he could recommend its purchase.

MIDDLEWOOD SAID the 23-foot-by-15-foot shell manufactured by Pease would work for the Christmas program but after that its use would be "quite limited."

Contact with other manufacturers, he said, indicated that portable shells of gothic design were in the \$2,000 price range.

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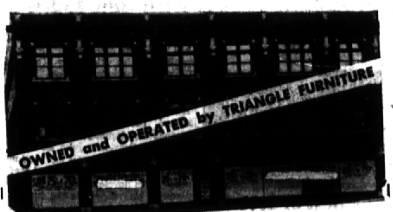
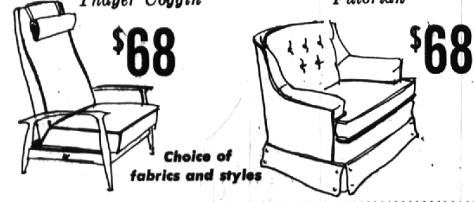
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