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CARRY BOWLING FIGHT TO COURTS

Police Here Seek Pay Hike To Equal City Of Boston

Question Of The Day...

Is Norwood Stadium Really Dead Issue?

Is this the end of the line for the Norwood Stadium?

Whether or not a person has been in favor of the two-year-old proposal of a \$15 million all-weather stadium locating in Norwood, there is little doubt that the subject was one of the most popular topics of conversation earlier this week when the new Boston professional football team (now officially tabbed as the Patriots) announced that it had "tentatively" set its sights on a spot in the Hub.

Bonanza For Norwood Shoppers On Weekend

"Crazy Days" in Norwood retail stores, and "Open House" at all automobile showrooms in Norwood and vicinity over Washington's Birthday are the unusual attractions being offered local shoppers this weekend.

"Crazy Days" are becoming an annual event in Norwood at this time of year. Merchants are offering some fantastic bargains—hence the "Crazy" label. The sale will be in progress Saturday and Monday, the holiday, when stores will be open all day.

The traditional Washington's Birthday "Open House" will be held at Greater Norwood automobile dealers through Monday. The most extensive array of models on record will be assembled for this annual event, and many dealers have arranged special features to make this a memorable occasion for visitors.

Messages from the automobile dealers and the Norwood stores will be found on the inside pages of the Messenger today.

There were two principal comments when the declaration was issued—(1) "Well, I guess we can forget about this thing now," (2) "Do you think there's still a chance for Norwood?" Those opposed to the stadium went for the former, those in favor pacified themselves with the latter trend of thought.

There are a great many underlying factors behind this stadium deal but the one most worthy of being explored is: Why would anyone want to invest more than \$12 million in the development of the proposed site?

Let's take a good, sensible look at this South Bay area where

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Name Dempsey To Attempt Cab Problem Solution

The location of the Norwood Taxi at the corner of Washington and Guild streets has been

Selectmen Petitioned For Raise

Officer John Wall was the spokesman for a group of seven Norwood Policemen who petitioned the Selectmen Tuesday for an increase in salary in keeping with Policeman's pay in other cities and towns.

Wall stated that MDC and State police receive full pay for ten holidays annually and he listed ten local cities and towns, stating the annual pay for the Policemen employed there. Members of the Police Department here are interested in obtaining the same pay as policemen in Boston, it was brought out by Wall.

Boston Police officers receive \$5525.00 annually and the Sergeants receive \$6200.00. These figures are for maximum annual salaries.

Norwood police officers receive a \$4496.63 starting salary which increases to a \$5126.63 maximum after three years. Sergeants here start at \$5336.63 and receive a maximum of \$5793.09 after three years service.

In regard to pay of regular police compared with that of Special policeman here, officer James Curran stated that the Special police, although perhaps having other full-time jobs, are considered first to fill a vacancy in the event of the absence of a regular policeman or a special detail.

It was learned that policemen, whether regular or special, are paid out of the Special Police



HONORED BY LIONS—In recognition of 25 years of outstanding community service, Mrs. John Corcoran was presented an Achievement Award by the Norwood Lions Club at ceremonies held Tuesday night at the Lafayette House in Foxboro in connection with the club's semi-annual Ladies' Night. PTA work, Red Cross, Girl Scouts, Mental Health, and Community Committee are a few of the areas in which Mrs. Corcoran has been active over the years. Presenting her with handsome plaque is John McDonagh, Achievement Award chairman for the Lions. (McLean Photo)

Petitioner Claims No Valid Reason Given For Refusal

Denied a permit by the Board of Selectmen for a new 40-lane bowling alley on Route 1 between Factory Mutual and Aico Tire Co., Arnold Levitt, president of the Hollywood Lanes Corp. said yesterday that he will institute court action in an effort to override the decision.

Levitt said through his counsel, Atty. Robert A. Aronson of 31 State street, Boston, that he plans to file a petition for a writ of mandamus Tuesday or Wednesday in Suffolk Superior Court.

Levitt said that although he had gone to great trouble and expense to meet the requirements of the Board of Selectment after he first approached the board several weeks ago, the Selectmen still denied him a permit and also failed to provide him with a satisfactory reason for their action.

Last week, following a second

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No Messenger Next Tuesday

Because of the observance of Washington's Birthday next Monday, February 22, a legal holiday, there will only be one Messenger next week and this will be published on Thursday, February 25. The deadline for all advertising and news copy intended for that issue will be 12 o'clock noon on Wednesday, February 24.

PWD Controversy Remains Unchanged in Heated Row

The inevitable irresistible object collided with the omnipresent immovable force Tuesday and the explosive result was verbal recrimination directed to the members of the Board of Selectman John A. Abdallah.

Source of the friction was the current PWD controversy. Abdallah lashed out at Selectman James Drummy and Walter Dempsey, both of whom are advocates of a full investigation of the department. Abdallah reiterated his former charges of "witch hunting," and personal animosity and once

300 Workers Ready For Heart Drive

Elementary PTA's To Launch Census Of Children Next Week