

PRACTICE UNDER WAY FOR MEET

Plans are under way for the Decathlon championships to be held the second week in August, according to Ernest Engel, supervisor of village playgrounds. Already more than a dozen

boys are at practice for the event, Mr. Engel said. Nearly 40 more entries are expected, however. The following events are being practiced: chinning, standing broad jump, overhead shot, 100 yard dash, sit-up, running high jump, standing hop, step and jump, shot put and dip.

POLICE FORCE INCREASED BY TWO OFFICERS

Village Commission Directs Chief Anderson To Augment Local Dept.

STAFF NOW INCLUDES 16

Authority to increase Birmingham's police force from its present staff of 14 to 16 was given Chief James Anderson this week when commissioner Robert R. Allen and Scott S. Hersey, representing the police committee of the commission, requested the addition Monday night. Increased traffic, and the necessity of properly handling it, as well as filling in vacations and sick leaves, rather than any increase in local crime, were given as the reasons for the addition of two men.

"Another move that Mr. Hersey and myself contemplate is asking the County Board of Supervisors for a special deputy sheriff, to be located in Birmingham full time," stated commissioner Allen. "At present our police are serving various legal papers for the sheriff's office, and with one of the sheriff's own men on the ground we will be relieved of this task; we will also have the advantage of closer cooperation with the sheriff's office in the handling of other branches of police work."

Commissioner Lee A. White, following Allen's statement, suggested that the village investigate a state law which enables municipalities to obtain a branch of the state police within their corporate limits.

"The addition of two men to our department will enable us to police the village better, of course," said Chief Anderson yesterday. "It will allow us to keep six men on day duty, the remaining ten on night duty, allowing for one day off each week, the department will be able to work more efficiently than ever."

The new officers will start to work July 15.

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REPORT SHOWS ACCIDENTS HIGH

Twenty-seven Accidents Reported In The Village During June

Increased traffic of the summer season has brought a corresponding increase in the number of accidents in the village, according to the June police report made public today. Twenty-seven accidents were reported during the month. None of these were serious, however.

The number of traffic signal violations runs high with 123 cases reported, while 84 persons were arrested for speeding. Seven persons were arrested on drunken driving charges, while 18 persons paid fines for disorderly conduct. Reckless driving charges were placed against eight motorists. Arrests for the month totaled 315.

LEGION NAMES TROOP ADVISORS

Announcement is made of the committee for troop B 3 which is being sponsored by the Birmingham American Legion, following the disbanding of the Parent Teacher association council, former sponsors of the group.

C. D. Carr heads the committee as chairman. Others are: Rev. Floyd E. Logge, Leon Mix, Guy

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PROPOSE CHANGES AT COUNTY FAIR

Addition of 20 Acres To Property Makes Possible Some Desired Improvements

Several important changes in the property owned by the Oakland County Fair at Milford will be made, following the purchase of 20 acres of additional land to its holdings, it is announced today. Nothing will be done regarding the changes this year, according to officials, who today made public the purchase of added land.

New property comprises the area adjoining the grounds on the south, and was purchased of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Richardson. Consideration was not announced. It is proposed to relocate the race track on the new property, so that the long axis of the oval will run north and south, and the grandstand will be moved to the west side of the new track to face the east. The changes will be of considerable benefit, it is pointed out in that horses and drivers, competing in the afternoon contests are compelled now to come into the stretch facing the sun, and spectators in the stands are exposed to the full glare of the

hot orb during late fall when the fair is held.

The changes also provide additional space for exhibits and other features.

A road now runs about the property, but the County Road Commissioners will be asked to improve it.

Josef Karpall of Vienna, trying to break the long distance dancing record, went insane from exhaustion.

Mama's Revenge.

"I heard that Ella had eloped with Mr. Brown. Has her mother forgiven them?" "I don't think so—she has gone to live with them."—Dorbarbies (Berlin).

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