

### Detroit Court Collects From Southfield Woman

**SOUTHFIELD**—Mrs. Helen Niewinski, 34, of 2100 Nine Mile Rd., and her sister-in-law, Mrs. Angeline Niewinski, 41, of Detroit, were released last week by Detroit Recorder's Judge W. McKay Skilman after the two paid overdue fines and costs totaling \$6,500 on 1950 gambling convictions.

Jail terms of from six months to five years in the Detroit House of Correction were set aside by Judge McKay after the women paid overdue balances on \$2,500 fines and \$2,500 costs each.

**BOTH WERE** convicted in 1950 of being members of a \$3,000,000-a-year numbers ring. Helen is the former wife of Edward Niewinski, 28, of Detroit, who went on trial last week with two others in connection with a hijacking that took place in Detroit last March 7.

General news deadline is 1:30 p.m. each Tuesday.

### Rezoning Asked To Accommodate \$250,000 Store

**SOUTHFIELD**—Request that frontage one block deep on Greenfield, north of 12 Mile be rezoned to accommodate a \$250,000 supermarket, was referred last week to the Planning Commission.

Inby Wood of Beverly Hills, real estate dealer, represented National Food Stores, Inc. which has an option to buy the land 400 feet north of 12 Mile to construct a store.

He pointed out that the land is now zoned only 90 feet deep for business and this would not be deep enough to contain the proposed store and parking area.

### Elected Secretary

**LATHRUP**—Aldelphic Fraternity at Olivet College elected Carl Lathrup of 27611 California, as the society's secretary during second semi-ter elections recently.

### Nicholson Given Nod For Picnics At Brown Derby

**SOUTHFIELD**—Township board members last week approved a request of Christ Nicholson, 28875 Franklin road, to hold picnics at the Brown Derby picnic grounds on Northwestern Highway.

Approval to the controversial subject that harried board members most of last summer, came after an appeal made by Robert F. Bode, Detroit attorney, who represented Nicholson before the board.

The board, last summer, denied permits for picnics to Nicholson for neighbors complained the grounds were a nuisance.

Shortly afterwards, Nicholson was hauled into Federal court in Detroit where his citizenship was taken from him for membership in the Communist Party in the early 1950's.

**LATER APPEALS** made by Nicholson during the summer were brushed aside while board members pondered the outcome of his appeal for a re-hearing on his citizenship case.

Bode, who explained that he had been a former immigration inspector and officer for the U.S. Department of Justice, told board members that the government did not believe that Nicholson was a "risk" when they stripped his citizenship from him, but rather were seeking under a Federal statute calling for denaturalization of a person who was a member of the Communist Party within a 10-year period preceding World War II.

**BOARD MEMBERS** also learned that the two picnics operated by Nicholson in the fall of last year were properly run and no neighborhood opposition was made.

The board agreed to let Nicholson operate the grounds as long as no nuisance was reported.

### Low-Flying Duck Causes Crash, Fire

**TROY TOWNSHIP**—The car of a Bloomfield Hills motorist hurtled off a road last Friday when he swerved on 16 Mile road to avoid a low-flying domestic duck and the car overturned in a ditch.

Melvin Sterner, 38, of 4873 Keithdale Lane, escaped with cuts of the face and hands and bruises, according to attendants who treated Sterner at St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

Troy Township firemen were called to extinguish flames which burned the car's motor, dashboard and upholstery, according to Township Police Chief David Grattopp.

Sterner, an engineer at the Holly Carbuvention Company of Van Dyke, was on his way to work when the mishap occurred.

### Hearing on Everett Paving Is March 8

**SOUTHFIELD**—An open meeting to discuss a special Everett street assessment, will be held at the township hall March 8 at 7:30 p.m.

Estimated cost of the paving, gutters and curbing of the Everett project has been set at \$25,258.02, according to Mrs. Fannie Adams, township clerk. Cost per foot frontage has not yet been figured.

### Candidates Lack

**FRANKLIN**—Competition for three seats on the Village council in the March 14 election was eliminated Tuesday when only three of four persons accepted their petitions before the noon deadline.

The three who will each take a seat March 28 are incumbent Glen Shoemaker, Phillip Van Dyke and John Lackner. The fourth, Walter Byer did not file his letter of acceptance with the clerk, Mrs. Faye Hauk.

Also unopposed are incumbents Mrs. Hauk and Norman G. Curran, treasurer, and Walter Rodgers, who is seeking the assessor's post now held by Jack Roberts.

**TWO OF THE** present councilmen, Wendell Smith and W. C. Hinman, did not seek re-election.

Village voters were reminded by Mrs. Hauk that registration to vote in the township does not qualify a resident for the Village election.

A special council meeting has been called for March 11, at which time the village treasurer, Curran,

### Agree on Terms Of Development

A two-year-old disagreement over development of a 56-acre parcel at Adams and Big Beaver was resolved Tuesday in a consent decree signed by Circuit Judge George B. Hartwick.

Instituted by George H. Glover, Inc. against Troy township, the original suit disputed Troy's right to insist on two-acre sites for proposed ranch, story-and-a-half and two-story dwellings.

Arguments also involved sanitary sewer systems and suitability of the land to handle them.

In the decree, the developer has the right to put in 58 homes on the size lot he planned (about a half-acre), while Troy is assured that the development will contain adequate sewer and water facilities to be installed and paid for by the developer.

will present a statement covering the cost of operation during the past eight months, Mrs. Hauk said.

### Correction, Please

It was incorrectly stated in the February 24 issue of The Eccentric that William E. Slaughter, Jr., chairman, is a Franklin resident.

Actually, Slaughter lives at 32949 Michigan Turnpike Authority Bingham Lane, Southfield township.

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