

Rings, Watches Discovered Stolen

The discovery of the theft of valuable diamond rings and watches was made last Wednesday at 2 p.m. by a clerk at George Ross Jewelers, 244 E. Maple, Birmingham.

Police said Ross and the clerk described a man who had been in the store earlier, whom they believed was the probable culprit. Six wrist watches were taken from the display window, and the rings were removed from a showcase.

TV Viewers Describe Dems' Convo As "Amusing-Exciting-Different"

At the close of the Democratic nominating convention in Chicago, Birmingham residents expressed varied opinions concerning the televised proceedings.

Mrs. Dan Dandera, 710 Columbia courts, and new resident in Birmingham, summed up her opinion by saying, "I found it just like most conventions—a little disgusting, and a little amusing."

One of Birmingham's teen-age viewers, 15-year-old Beverly Balfour, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Balfour, 825 N. Pemberton

Bloomfield-Hills, says she thought the coverage was "really great." Quite an interesting viewer, Beverly found the "different opinions on segregation" one of the most interesting aspects of the sessions.

Carl J. Nyquist, 1756 Yosemite, Birmingham, another interested viewer, said he found himself in "agreement with most of the speakers."

Snell, who was a viewer, said, "I liked it, because it was different." A visitor to Birmingham, Mrs. E. P. Williams, of Pontiac, Ill., and guest of Mrs. S. H. Trade, 18580 Hillcrest, Beverly Hills, found the convention "kind of exciting, except for those long speeches."

Williams confessed that she "kind of likes Mr. Stevenson because he's from my own state."

Swimming Sessions Set for September

Starting Saturday, Sept. 15, the Birmingham Y's Men's club will begin transporting 40 boys from the local Y each week for swimming instruction in the Pontiac YMCA pool, announced George Ewing, youth director.

As reservations are limited, Ewing urged boy members to start enrolling the week of Aug. 27 to insure a place.

A series of 10 weekly sessions will advance the boys from the minimum stage of swimming to the black class. Instruction will be given by Ewing and other qualified leaders.

Attempts to Get Children in Car

A man who tried to get his ten-year-old son and seven-year-old daughter into a car parked near a drug store at 14 Mile and Pierce roads was reported to Birmingham police Sunday by D. W. Fleischman, of 2150 Birmingham boulevard.

Fleischman told police the man had white hair and was driving a black 1956 Ford.

Gets \$75 Fine

After pleading guilty to charges of reckless driving in Birmingham municipal court last week, Thomas Hopwood, 49, of 5990 Poplar lane, Birmingham, was fined \$75 and \$10 costs by Judge John J. Gaffin.

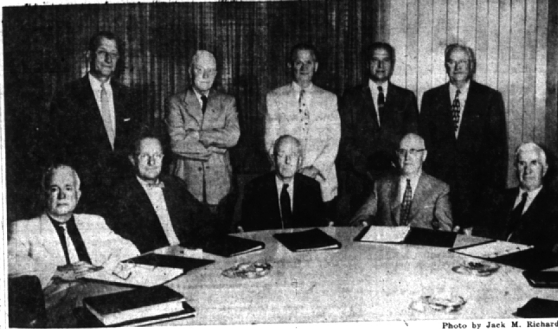


Photo by Jack M. Richards

THIS PICTURE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE Birmingham National Bank was taken last week Thursday, on the occasion of the last official meeting of the Board, since the bank will be merged with The Detroit Bank and Trust Co. Sept. 1. Seated, reading from left to right, are: John E. Martin, Merrill C. Adams, also a vice-president; H. H. Gardner, president; E. W. Seaholm, chairman of the Board; George R. Averill, Standing, left to right: Ferd M. Brock, Charles E. Lewis, A. C. Wermuth, J. Robert P. Swanson, and Robert A. Emmett. Another director, Merritt D. Hill, was absent when the picture was taken. This same group, however, is being requested to remain in the new banked organization as a local advisor for the three local branches of the new Detroit institution.

Obituary Notices



Mr. Rainey, who attended Hill school in Birmingham, later was a member of the board of a rural school in Bloomfield township. He was also a member of the Birmingham Masonic lodge.

HIS LONG-TIME hobby of harness horses led Mr. Rainey to the ownership of farms and stables all over the state of Michigan. At one time he kept some of the famous 212-acre Fisher farm, at Lahser and West Maple roads.

That farm, which Mr. Rainey bought for about \$25,000, was the site of a 20-million dollar community known as the Westchester development.

Rainey sold it to John A. Mercer in 1911, who farmed it for several years and then sold it to the Cranbrook Development Co. for slightly less than \$700,000.

This once \$25,000 farm was finally sold to the Garding Construction Co., Dearborn builders, for over \$1 million.

HARRY W. RAINEY, 77, lifetime resident of this area, one-time owner of the Fisher farm and retired businessman died Aug. 17 across the street from his home at 124 W. Maple, in the downtown Birmingham area.

Hundreds of friends gathered along with Mr. Rainey's family for the funeral services Monday at the Manley Bailey funeral home. The Rev. Dr. W. Glen Harris, of the local First Presbyterian church, conducted the services with burial following in Greenwood cemetery, Birmingham.

Born in Southfield township, Jan. 30, 1879, he married Alice C. March 25, 1903. He and his wife, who survives him, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary three years ago in the Birmingham Community House.

MR. RAINEY leaves four daughters, Mrs. Milton F. Mallen, East Surrey; Mrs. N. Weir Burkan, 719 Westwood drive; Mrs. W. Marshall Hobblewhite, 1367 Yosemite, and Mrs. Fred L. Sage, Jr., 978 Sheffield.

Also surviving is a son, Stewart D. Rainey, 1291 Washington, a brother, Frederick P. Rainey, 1047 Henrietta, and 10 grandchildren, all in Birmingham.

MAUDE E. EYSTER, 69, 1001 Stratford lane, Bloomfield Hills, died Friday at Wm. Beaumont hospital.

Funeral services were conducted Monday at the Wm. Beaumont funeral home in Royal Oak. Burial was in Evergreen cemetery. Contributions are being made to the heart fund.

Mrs. Eyster was born Dec. 12, 1886, in Michigan, and formerly lived in Royal Oak for 30 years.

The widow of Elmer W. Eyster, who died in 1948, she is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Bernard A. Koether of Birmingham, Mrs. Lira A. Brand of Flint and Jean E., at home, and three grandchildren.

JOHN T. CLARK, 77, of 1968 Melton, Birmingham, died Aug. 18 at William Beaumont hospital, Royal Oak. Mr. Clark was born Aug. 18, 1879, in Baltimore, Md., and resided in Birmingham for the past 37 years.

Retiring in 1944, he was with the Standard Oil Products Co. in Birmingham for the last 25 years, where he was a distributor for 12 years.

He is survived by his wife, Estelle Mae; three daughters, Mrs. Roy (Margaret) Hulph, and Mrs. Samuel (Virginia) Bell, both of Birmingham, and Mrs. J. (Helen) Giddens, of Fort Meyers, Fla.; two sons, Miford A. Clark, Birmingham, and Raymond K. Clark, Royal Oak; 10 grandchildren, four great grandchildren, and two sisters.

Funeral services were Tuesday at Bell Chapel, W. E. Hamilton Co., with burial in White Chapel cemetery. The Rev. Emil Kooten of the First Baptist church of Birmingham, officiated.

WILLIAM H. MCKERNAN, 50, of 1792 Yosemite, Birmingham, died Monday at Henry Ford hospital, Detroit, following a three months illness.

Funeral services will be at 9:15 a.m. today at the Will and Schwarzkoft funeral home, 233 N. Grandin, St. Clemens, and 10 a.m. at St. Augustin's Catholic church, Richmond, Mich. Burial will be in the Michael's cemetery, Richmond.

Born in Richmond, Oct. 6, 1906, he moved to Detroit, 1942, when he married Mary Belle Ward, who survives him.

The family moved to Birmingham in 1950. He was an electrician with the Detroit board of education for the past 23 years.

Surviving, besides his wife, are a sister, Mrs. Mary Margaret Wambach and Thomas McKernan, both of Detroit.

DAVID INGLIS, 83, of 218 Victoria, Royal Oak, died Aug. 16 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Frank Mero, 670 Trineway, Troy.

He was the husband of the late

Margaret Ingles, who predeceased him July 18, 1956.

Surviving are four daughters, Mrs. Mero, Troy; Mrs. Walter Francis, Hazel Park; Mrs. Margaret Barrett, Farmington, and Mrs. Gordon Wardell, Hazel Park.

Four sisters, six grandchildren, and eight great grandchildren.

Services were Friday afternoon at the Wm. Vasa funeral home, 7375 N. Woodward, between 13 and 14 Mile. Burial was in E. Cadillac Memorial cemetery.

ARTHUR LOUIS BROWN, 68, of 579 W. Brown, Birmingham, who has on many occasions played Santa Claus for local youngsters, died Wednesday in St. Joseph hospital, Pontiac, following a long illness.

Funeral services will be Friday afternoon at 2 p.m. at Manley Bailey funeral home, Dr. Emil church, will officiate. Burial will be in Greenwood cemetery, Birmingham.

A lifetime resident, Mr. Brown was born in Birmingham Aug. 12, 1888, and attended Birmingham schools. Retired, he was last employed at the Birmingham Golf Club.

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SKYWATCHERS began Saturday at the reactivated Southem Oklahoma county Ground Observer post's new building on E. Manly near Berz airport.

Close since 1955, the post has been reactivated at the request of the U. S. Air Force, according to Mrs. Donald R. St. John, of 2200 Dorchester, Birmingham, who is post supervisor.

Air Force representatives have asked that the post be put on a 24-hour duty basis. Soon as enough volunteers are procured, Mrs. St. John said. The new post covers a four-acre tract including Birmingham, Royal Oak, Clawson, Troy, Bloomfield Hills and Franklin.

THE MRS. AND women who donate two hours a week of their time to the Oakland county post are helping to build a protective shield around such vital areas of our country as Cleveland, Chicago and even Washington, D. C., Mrs. St. John added.

To date 30 volunteers are spending two hours weekly at the post. Mrs. St. John said at least 150 more are needed to maintain 24-hour duty.

Observers who have signed up to date include Mrs. S. S. Nathan, Franklin, who has been appointed a captain at the post.

FROM BIRMINGHAM are Mrs. L. S. Clark, Frank Giboney, Mrs. P. C. Grant, Dick Johnson, Mrs. James, Mrs. F. J. Knight, Mrs. W. J. Martin, Mrs. Ford Pearson, Mrs. Barbara Patterson, Mrs. H. H. Fisher, Mrs. J. B. Wilson, Mrs. Russell Oliver and Ray Rogers.

Other local skywatchers are Charles Feldman, Wellington South, Tim Usher, Mrs. P. Wright and Pete Bates, of Lathrop.

Miss Adkins To Go To Tri-Hi-Y Meet

Addamae Adkins, program chairman of the Troy Hi-Y club, will represent their club at the Tri-Hi-Y convention at Camp Hayo-Went-Ho, on Torch lake, near Central Lake, Mich.

Delegates from all over the state of Michigan will convene at the three-day session beginning Aug. 23.

Assessments Pass, Parking Lot 3-A To Get Underway

Approval of Fernalde and Park street right-of-way and paving assessments in connection with Hamilton parking lot 3-A was resolved Monday night by the Birmingham city commission.

At the same time commissioners turned down the request for an extension of time in which an affected property owner must vacate his home, to enable work on the new lot to begin as soon as possible.

The proposal to apportion cost of the improvements with 85 per cent borne by abutting property owners and 15 per cent by the city was amended after commissioners heard affected property owners' objections.

Commissioners agreed to the 60-40 ratio on the two streets' right-of-way acquisition, with 75-25 split of costs for paving of the streets from Oakland through to Hamilton streets.

Therefore, they reasoned, they should be assessed in the same manner as the property owners on the parking lot itself, which is a 60-40 ratio.

After hearing a report from City Engineer L. R. Gare that the work must begin as soon as possible in order to complete the new before winter, commissioners decided it would not be financially feasible to grant the request.

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'No Such Treatment Known', City Warns Elm Tree Owners

"We have checked with state authorities, and find there is no known preventative of Dutch elm disease which involves treating the base of the trees," a forestry spokesman said Wednesday.

Harvey Rasch, general foreman of the Birmingham parks and forestry department, warns of a do-or-die campaign being made in Beverly and parts of Southfield, in which homeowners are told the expense of plugging at the tree's base will make it resistant to Dutch elm disease for two to five years.

Rasch said the workers accept only cash. He asked homeowners to notify the parks and forestry department immediately if they are contacted by such solicitors.

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