

## Cupola, Tarps Taken at Site Of New Home

BLOOMFIELD — If Bloomfield township's police chief, Clark Green, is right, there may be some rather fancy—and equally as expensive—tree houses being built in the area.

Items valued at \$190 were reported stolen Wednesday morning from a new house under construction at 2841 Squirrel.

The builder, James Hain, 776

Waddington, Bloomfield Village, reported a metal-covered cupola valued at \$125 was taken from the Squirrel road site about a week to 10 days ago. It measured 30 x 30 on the same time were 20 to 30 two-by-fours, some 8-feet long, others 10. The value of the boards was listed at \$25.

JIM SUNQUEST of Royal Oak, a subcontractor handling mason work, told police Wednesday morning two tarpaulins, each 16 x 18 feet, with a total value of \$40 were taken Tuesday night or Wednesday morning from the site.

Green said he believed youngsters, looking for tree house material, were responsible.

## Water Use Just Short of Record

Water consumption in Birmingham fell less than 2,000 gallons short of the city's all-time record Aug. 10, the monthly water supply report from Fire Chief Park H. Smith shows.

The total used the 10th was 6,138,549 gallons—3,759,949 gallons of that amount from the SEOWCA. The Birmingham record is 6,140,066 gallons, established June 13, 1956.

The total the 10th was the high pumpage for this year.

## Holiday Storm Keeps Fire, Police Busy

Labor day afternoon's heavy thunderstorms kept fire and police hopping in Birmingham.

One transformer fire and two reports of downed wires were reported. The transformer trouble was at the rear of 783 Saffield. The wires were down at 994 Pigram and at Redding and Lake Park.

No damage was caused at any of the calls.

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## Reject Revised Street Widening Cost Formula

A flat 25 per cent city financial share in arterial streets wider than the city standard was rejected Tuesday night by Birmingham city commissioners as being an incomplete method of determining costs.

They said they would continue their studies, which at the most would ultimately affect cost-sharing on 10 main city streets.

City Engineer Grover Serenbets, who has been spearheading the formula studies, made the 25 per cent recommendation this week. He reasoned that it would be less trouble to apply than a graded formula which increased the city's share in ratio to the greater width of the city planned to construct.

HE HAD ORIGINALLY offered a plan which would have the city increase its share two per cent beyond the normal 15 per cent, for each foot a residential street was widened beyond 25 feet. A one per cent increase would have applied to commercial property for each foot beyond a 37-foot standard.

He said estimates show that in most cases, the 25 per cent method would increase the city's share in the one or two per cent for each foot in excess of the standard width.

However, commissioners said they want a formula which would take care of all widening instances.

## Receives Citation For 4-H Service

A sister of a Birmingham man was one of three honored by the Michigan 4-H club at the final evening program of the 42nd annual State 4-H club show on the Michigan State campus.

Francis Rosier, home service director of the Detroit Edison company and sister of John P. Rosier Jr., 279 Greenwood, Birmingham, received a citation for outstanding service to 4-H.

Miss Rosier was cited for her many and leader training sessions in electrical projects and other activities related to foods, appliances and residential lighting. She is now testing new equipment and designing materials to be used in 4-H demonstrations.

## Eliminate DPW Director Spot

Birmingham will not appoint another director of public works, City Manager L. B. Gare said Tuesday.

City Engineer Grover Serenbets also will supervise DPW department activities, while Asst. Manager Robert Kenning will be responsible for the water department and the building inspection activity. Tom Brian is DPW superintendent, and Andrew Butt is building inspector.

Gare was DPW director until several weeks ago when he was named city manager to succeed Harold K. Schone, who took a county job.

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## Road Commission Schedules Opening Of New Terminal

Open house at the Oakland County Road Commission's new modern terminal on Pontiac Lake road near Telegraph road already is held Sept. 11, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Commissioners Sol D. Lomerson, Robert O. Pitt and Lee O. Brooks announced to day that the program is ready for public inspection of the entire new plant.

The new buildings, covering 68,720 square feet of floor space, put the county road division abreast of the increasingly fast growth of this county. They centralize as much as is feasible all facilities for administrative and operating divisions of the expanding Oakland county highway system, providing ample working space for the department and allowing for some future expansion as necessary.

THE NEW BUILDINGS are at 2420 Pontiac Lake road on a 22-acre site which is part of the County Civic Center. They replace the cramped quarters at the old location, 550 Telegraph road, which had to be vacated as county road headquarters when relocation of State Trunk highway M-58 cut the property in two and took away one of the storage garage buildings. The old buildings, erected in 1925, had grown inadequate for house Road commission personnel and equipment.

## Adams PTA Asks Replacement of Street Barricade

At the request of Adams PTA members, Birmingham Police Chief Ralph Moxley Wednesday started studying the possibility of barricading Oakland again between the school building and the playground across the street.

The barricade was removed because Oakland had been made a secondary detour during repaving and widening of E. Maple.

Moxley will see if midday traffic movement is too heavy to interrupt that after controls cannot be re-established during school recesses and lunch hours.

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## Roland Benscoter Meets Qualifications For Round Table

Roland D. Benscoter, general agent of the Detroit agency of Provident Mutual Life Insurance company of Philadelphia, and twelve of his associates have qualified for the Round Table.

The meeting will be held September 3 through 7 at the Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., with 250 qualifiers from throughout the country in attendance.

Mr. Benscoter, 30005 Lahser, is a double qualifier for the Greenbrier meeting and is a member of the "500" Club; he will attend a special meeting of the Greenbrier September 2. A Director of the Detroit Sales Executive Club, Benscoter also is a member of the ELKS, Forest Lake country club and the Westmoreland club.

Eight of Benscoter's associates, Arthur D. Chantler, S. Larry Dargan, Harold R. Kelly, Peter F. Fagnette, Gerald F. Judge, Peter Santos, Robert E. Tipping, and Borislav J. Todorovich, are also local residents.

## Planning Board Revises Reports

At a committee meeting last Wednesday, Birmingham's planning board reviewed and revised two reports on the city's present use of land and proposed use under the new zoning ordinance.

The two reports, drafts of which will be completed this week, will accompany the proposed zoning ordinance when it goes to the Birmingham city commission early this month. The planning board decided to hold for further additions a statement of basic goals reviewed in last week's Birmingham Eccentric.

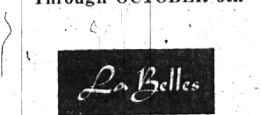
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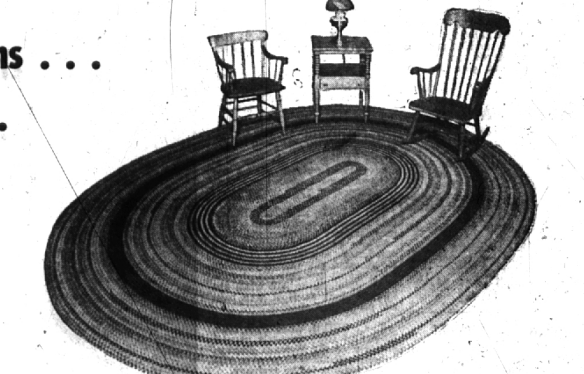
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