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Getsinger to Resign As Board Member In B'field Township

By SAVILLA BLOAN Special Writer

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Will someone make a motion that we accept this resignation? There was silence Monday around the Bloomfield Township Board of Trustees table.

Getsinger had just finished reading a letter in which he stated "After profound thought and much personal deliberation I have decided to accept a position in New York City. It had been a course of great personal pleasure and satisfaction to have been a part of the dynamic growth and management of the township."

Getsinger's successor will be named by a majority vote of the township board. The new man will complete the remaining three years of Getsinger's term. Should he seek reelection it would be in a regular township vote.

AS A GESTURE of affection from his fellow board members, Getsinger never did get second to his motion.

His resignation will be formally accepted at the Dec. 11 meeting when a full board will be present. Supervisor Arno Hulet is presently in California.

Getsinger is serving his second term on the township board, having been a member since 1957.

Bingham Farms Grants Zoning Code Variance

BINGHAM FARMS—A public hearing and meeting of the village council Monday night resolved addition differences over the bamboo structure erected early this summer by a resident of Bingham Farms.

The board agreed a similar screen would be allowed and Dr. Paul Bartlett if plans and specifications were submitted and approved. The board reviewed Bartlett's request of July.

Such screens should be confined to rear-yard areas, councilman John Gress indicated.

THE COUNCIL discussed the increased hazard of making a hand turn from Telegraph Road onto the Bingham Farms Road and a study will be made by the Michigan State Highway Department for a solution.

STREET COMMISSIONER (See CODE, 5-E)

A native of Detroit, he moved to Bloomfield Township 11 years ago and has been active in civic and public affairs, both on a local and statewide basis.

HE AND MRS. Getsinger have made their home here at 1445 West Square Lake Road.

Mrs. Getsinger and their three children, Gordon Jr., 12; Karen, 9; and Peter K., will join him in New York at the end of the school year.

'Punt or Run, Mom?'

MEADOWLAKE—Mrs. Charles H. Wick's nerves may never be the same again. It all started during the Thanksgiving holiday when Mrs. Wick received a letter from her nephew, 19-year-old Walter. He just wanted to come home and bring a few of his friends. What could a mother say?

Later she realized her "of-course-you-bring-home-a-year-college-pals" opened the door to 35 of them—the whole damn W. Post, Greenvale, N. Y., football team!

Then 15-year-old Stephen, a student at Groves, almost made matters worse by sending a special delivery letter to his brother asking if he should get 35 gifts from Groves to be dates for the fellows.

"The good-natured mom is presently making 35 quarts of sauce (4 each includes ground-up left-over turkey). She will freeze it until Saturday.

THE W. C. POST team effort will start from New York in a long line of foreign cars that the students have agreed to drive from the N. Y. dock to dealers in Detroit. They'll take Detroit cars to New York for the trip back.

Due to "sometime" Saturday, they will sit down to a spaghetti dinner—on paper plates, on the floor, Mrs. Wick said.

"I'll beat up the whole glob," she said laughing.

AFTER A NIGHT in sleeping bags, the boys will enjoy Sunday breakfast, Mrs. Wick has planned hotcakes with "lead chips" to fill up the grid men.

The milk problem was solved by ordering two five-gallon cans. "It was that instant milk—or a cow," Mrs. Wick sighed.



To Talk on Russian Education

WING LAKE—Mrs. Lydia Lear (center) shows Dr. George Sewell and Mrs. Geneva Forslund the topic of her talk Monday before the Wing Lake School PTO.

Doggone Dilemma Faces Moving Franklin Family

By NITA HARD Franklin Correspondent

FRANKLIN—Big old lovable Pat is definitely not a one-man dog. It would be easier on the Frank Youngs of Franklin Road if he was. They can't decide if the sleek Irish Setter is to move with the Youngs to New Orleans with or not.

LEFT BEHIND almost as part of the deed to the big red brick house, when his former masters, the David Shepherds, moved to Pakistan, Pat has become a fixture on main street.

AFTER LITTLE mistress, Jennie, is properly escorted to kindergarten, Pat remains on the playground. He is counted on to hold stray balls on the hill at recess. He brings comfort to the lone child momentarily alienated from his friends at play. He is always the exception to the rule that dogs must be kept at home.

When remodeling of the Franklin Interiors was going on, an electrician came over to the Youngs and asked permission to take Pat swimming on his lunchhour. Others seek him out to love and pet.

"THAT'S WHY we really don't know what to do," says Mrs. Young. Faced with a business transfer, the Youngs will be moving to New Orleans soon. Should they take Pat with them? Or again—just leave him with the red brick house for the next occupants to enjoy?

Glenn Converse and Jennie Young, students at Franklin School, are only a few of big old lovable Pat's admirers.

No Mystery in This Writer's Success Story

By IRMA N. DAVIS Staff Writer

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Melba Marlett was just a little girl when she wrote her first story. "It had something to do with blue"—she recalls, "and after a page-and-a-half, I had everybody die—I was tired of it by then."

This solution was responsible for a short family seminar during which her parents informed her she should finish what she started.

"Believe me, I've learned since then, you just go on and on."

THAT THE LESSON was well learned is evidenced by her success as one of Michigan's most published mystery writers. Her works include five novels, two full-length plays, one "straight" novel, a collection of and short works.

Best known for her mystery novels, which have been translated

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"always amiable" about her writing but is "appalled at my filing system which consists of boxes of paper scraps." The couple live in a pleasant gray brick ranch home on Pebleckree Road.

The author's writing career followed her graduation from the U of M at the tender age of 19. Her first ventures were short stories, teaching or writing, "says the amiable author who is sure that some of her pupils "will be heard from, via the printed page."

As for her own writing, she says a lot of it is "done subconsciously. Then something triggers it and it has to come up or I get between me and my work."

Mrs. Marlett says her husband Norvall, who is on the engineering staff of Lincoln Thunderbird, is



Fruitful Project

NORTH ADAMS—Eleven-year-old Lynn Savage, president of the student body at Eastover School, presents some apples to Mrs. Ruth DeCout, principal, as a donation to the PTO fruit drive for Pontiac State Hospital patients.

Ransack House In Beverly Hills

BEVERLY HILLS—The home of Gordon Wilson, 19610 Chelsea, was ransacked and looted of items valued at an estimated \$6,000, according to police. The burglary took place between 3:30 and 11:30 p.m. Friday.

School Bond Issue, Millage Pass in S'field

SOUTHFIELD—Despite a light vote Monday, a \$7,200,000 school bond issue for new construction at East Southfield School. The bond proposal was approved by electors.

Market Owner 'Meats' with Fine In B'field Township

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—A \$100 fine was paid Monday by a Bloomfield Township market owner for adding an illegal preservative to hamburger.

Propose to Build Swimming Club In B'ham Farms

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Plans for a non-profit, neighborhood swimming club to be located in Bingham Farms were presented Monday to Bloomfield Township board members.

'Open Door' Policy At School Library OK'd by B of E

LATHRUP—In children in the Lathrup area will be able to use the Lathrup School library for one hour per week if the city's recreation commission gives its approval.

Beverly Hills Man Injured in Accident On Southfield Road

BEVERLY HILLS—Michael Edward Day, 19335 Riverside, was treated and discharged from William Beaumont Hospital Friday following a car accident. He told police he must have fallen asleep at the wheel.

Elsewhere in the Eccentric

- Men's Night In Birmingham Set for Monday
- Congregational Church of Lathrup Opens Education Unit
- Yule Shop To Benefit Child Research Center
- Kerby Files Suit Against Piston Owner