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Township Man Starts New Year in Nigeria

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BLOOMFIELD HILLS — For Bloomfield Township resident...



BILL STOFFER... In Peace Corps...

strange and new experiences... For Bill will spend it in the remotest regions of Nigeria...

BILL, THE son of Mr. and Mrs. Willard E. Stouffer, 1350 East Square Lake Road...

His group of 38 Peace Corps members left the United States last September for Africa...

FOR THE PAST three months he has been living in the Nigerian capital, Ibadan...

teaching a group of 15-year-old boys and taking courses at the university...

Bill's living quarters have been in a dormitory with Nigerian students and he has found it a happy arrangement...

ONE OF the original members of Bill's group was Marjorie Michels, the Peace Corps member whose "lost" postcard caused her withdrawal from Nigeria...

In a letter home, Bill wrote that Marjorie had written five other postcards at the same time...

that she was heartbroken over the controversy her comments caused...

"I HAVE become used to palm trees and lizards," Bill writes, "but sometimes there is a sense of unreality..."

African nights, he finds, take getting used to. Even though it is summer now, it is dark by 6:30...

BECAUSE IT is summer, schools have been on vacation since November...

Peace Corps is for two years—with an optional additional six months...

The coming year, while it will be filled with unique experiences, can scarcely prove more exciting than the past year has been for him...

First, there was the knowledge that he was being considered for Peace Corps following three weeks of awaiting his final acceptance...

Then, June, there was graduation for the 22-year-old student from Northwestern University...

He has taken the sudden changes in life, just as he will undoubtedly adjust to the lonesome post to which he is now journeying...

Bill's TOUR of duty with the

Officials Report 1961 Torch Drive Breaks Records

Ninety-nine communities in Oakland, Wayne and Macomb counties contributed \$19,030,000 to the 1961 Torch Drive...

Max Fisher of Franklin, board chairman of Aurora Speedway Corp. served as general campaign chairman, heading an organization of 125,000 volunteers.

A STUDY of figures compiled during the drive revealed that the number of contributors to the 1961 campaign was actually smaller than in some former Torch Drives...

THE UF OFFICIALS noted that the total is the largest amount ever contributed to any community-wide fund-raising campaign...



Enroll in Red Cross Course

WING LAKE—Mrs. Alan Brown (left) and Mrs. H. A. Pries and Mrs. C. G. Findlay in a Red Cross first aid course...



Determine Necessity On Water Extension In South Berkshires

BEVERLY HILLS—Village officials started the new year with a necessity hearing that drew no objections...



Tree-Climbing Dog Causes Catastrophe

FRANKLIN—Every dog may have his box elder tree near the driveway...

TANG, HOWEVER, continued to yowl and growl thinner; the man's getting enough food...

Detroit Man Hurt In 3-Car Accident In Beverly Hills

BEVERLY HILLS—A Detroit man was injured in a three-car collision Tuesday at 13 Mile and Southfield Roads...



Film Series Scheduled In Southfield

SOUTHFIELD—The Friends of the Southfield Public Library will sponsor the Southfield Film Society...

THE SERIES is scheduled the fourth Friday of each month. Subject specialists will be invited to participate in a panel discussion...

SEASON TICKETS can be purchased from Mrs. Joseph Crawford, 24170 Phillip...

3 Beverly Councilmen Seek Re-Election; Clerk's Post Open

BEVERLY HILLS—Villagers will go to the polls March 12 to select four councilmen and a clerk...

Incumbent councilmen Hugh G. Quinter, Jr., Martin B. Cline and Claude Shephard have indicated they will seek re-election...

VILLAGE CLERK Fannie Adams, who also serves as the Southfield Township clerk, said last week that she will not run for re-election...

for will be given a one-year term. The clerk's term is two years...

MRS. HAROLD CHINN, present deputy village clerk who is recovering from a serious operation, stated last week that she will not seek the village clerk post...

Residents who wish to register to vote in the village election can do so until Feb. 12. The village offices at 18500 W. 13 Mile Road are open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday and from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday...

Plan Annual Bonfire, Yule Tree Pickup In City of Lathrup

LATHRUP—Rubbish pickup will be one day late this week in Lathrup due to the holiday...

THE CITY DPW will continue to pick up Christmas trees with a final pickup scheduled for Saturday noon at which time the whole city will be canvassed...

MRS. EPEL was driving west on 13 Mile Road at the time of the accident. Bodary was headed south on Southfield, Walker was driving north on Southfield...

10 Persons in Crash At Lahser, 12 Mile Rd.

SOUTHFIELD—A family of six and two other couples were involved in a three-car accident Saturday night at 12 Mile Road and Lahser...

Involved in the accident were: Marion E. Hodgson, 55, of 23885 Farmbrook, Southfield; his wife Charlene, 45; and their children, Jean, 12; John, 9; Paul, 4; and David, 21...

ACCORDING TO hospital officials, Hodgson suffered a fractured rib. His wife and daughter Jean had bruised knees; Paul, a cut chin and David, a sprained hip...

Two Men Injured As Cars Hit Tree

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—A Birmingham youth and a Belleville man were injured in two separate accidents last week in which their cars struck a tree at the same location...

SCHOLZ was injured Saturday about 11 p.m. He suffered facial cuts and bruises. He was released Monday...

THE ACCIDENT occurred at 3:25 a.m. Police said the car driven by Magre failed to stop at 13 Mile Road. Magre was driving south on Pierce Road, driving west on 13 Mile Road, applied the brakes but was unable to avoid the collision...

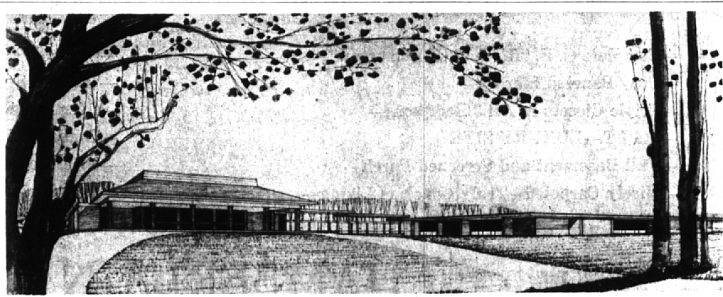
\$5,000 Fire Hits Beverly Hills Home

BEVERLY HILLS—Fire, causing an estimated \$5,000 damage, broke out at the home of Harlan Robinson early Thursday morning of last week...

Mr. Robinson, alone in the house at the time of the fire escaped without injury. Beverly Hills firemen were assisted by the Franklin and Southfield departments...

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Back to Work For Pham Area Prep Athletes 8-E



New School at Wing Lake, 14 Mile Roads

BLOOMFIELD—A new elementary school is scheduled for completion this fall to serve the fast-growing area in the vicinity of Birmingham Farms near Wing Lake and 14 Mile Roads...

room, a clinic and an office. Provisions are being made for a possible six classroom addition in the future. Construction costs are estimated at \$450,000 with a final total figured at \$553,900 when fees, furnishings and other items are included...