

21 Miles of Freeway Added to State System

Another 21 miles of Interstate highway will be added to Michigan's freeway system when two projects are opened to traffic.

State Highway Commissioner John C. Mackie said nearly nine miles of Interstate 94 freeway between Sawyer and New Buffalo in Berrien County will be opened to traffic tomorrow.

On Monday, a 12-mile section of Interstate 75 Freeway between Waters and Gaylord in Otsego County will be opened.

Completion of the freeway south of Sawyer will provide motorists with 224 miles of continuous freeway from downtown Detroit to New Buffalo which is three and one-half miles north of the Michigan-Indiana state line. It is the nation's longest toll-free interstate highway.

THE SAWYER-New Buffalo section was built at a cost of \$6.5 million, including right-of-way. It has

GOP Feast Garnished by New Support

Normally Republican Bloomfield Hills was just a bit more so last weekend.

From far and state-wide, stalwarts in the Republican party gathered at the Bloomfield Hills home of gubernatorial candidate George Romney to lunch al fresco on the spacious grounds.

Some of the guests, originally opposed to Romney, found themselves eating their earlier words, along with Romney vials.

Montgomery Shephard, southeastern Michigan conservative leader, pledged whole hearted support to the Romney campaign. Stanley Baldwin, 14th District leader, echoed Shephard's endorsement, as did Lewis Tubbs, Gladwin County chairman.

SOME 140 Republicans, including 50 county chairmen and their wives, attended the event.

Present from the Birmingham area were early Romney supporters who didn't have to eat crow. They included Oakland County Chairman Charles Lyle and Mrs. Lyle and vice chairman Mrs. Allen Strom and Mrs. Freshen.

MSU Freshmen Smartest Ever

The median first-time freshman entering Michigan State University this fall will have ranked in about the top one-sixth or one-seventh of his graduating class, according to figures recently released by the University.

Some 550-plus different Michigan high schools will supply about 80 per cent of the class of '66 and 700 or more non-Michigan high schools will provide the other 20 per cent.

There will be 200 or more valedictorians and salutatorians in the group, and more National Merit Scholarship winners than ever before.

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Latest Expansion

Jacobson's recently opened the fifth store in its "expansion program" in Birmingham. A sixth is also under construction. A sixth is also under construction. The new building above houses departments in rattle arrangement, linens, drifits, and on the mezzanine is a Fine Arts Studio. (See story page 1-A.)

City Officials Reappointed By Bloomfield Hills Commission

BLOOMFIELD HILLS—Six city officials were reappointed at Tuesday night's city commission by the simple majority of three commissioners present.

Commissioners in attendance were Mayor pro-tem Lyman J. Craig, Robert A. Frye and James J. Beresford. Absentees Mayor John S. Bugas and Commissioner Henry L. Woodford were out of town on business.

Elmer Kephart was reappointed manager, the post he has held since 1946. Robert Stadler retained his job as director of public safety for the fifth straight year.

C. F. Adams Named to Post

Charles F. Adams, executive vice president of MacMurray, John & Adams, Inc., Bloomfield Hills, has been elected to the board of directors of the Advertising Federation of America.

The announcement, which originated in New York, was made by C. James Proulx, president and general manager of AFA.

Adams, who is vice chairman of AFA-AMA's advertising recruitment program, has been elected to a two-year term.

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B'field Township Store Is Robbed By Armed Bandit

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—A candy store in Bloomfield Township was robbed of about \$200 last Friday by an armed bandit, according to township police. The bandit is still at large.

Mrs. Mildred Ray, an employe at Fanny Farmer's Candy Store, in the Miracle Mile Shopping Center, Bloomfield Township, was alone in the store when a man wearing gloves and a golf cap came through the front door. He was carrying a gun in one hand and a paper sack in the other.

Police said the bandit ordered Mrs. Ray to lie on the floor. He then rifled the cash register and stuffed the money into his bag.

AFTER ASKING her where the safe was, he dragged her to the back of the store and finding the safe door unlocked, pillaged its contents.

Then, threatening to shoot her if she got up, the bandit escaped through the front door, police said. According to police, Mrs. Ray did not know if the bandit was driving a car or whether he had remained about.

Water Main Hearing To Be Held July 20

BEVERLY HILLS—Fifteen people were present Monday but only one "No" was voiced so the public hearing on the necessity for new water mains in various parts of the village was closed without further incident.

The water mains include 6, 8, 12 and 16-inch mains. Marvin B. Cline, village council president, said he believes the mains will cost \$300,000.

Mrs. Miles Lilly, 31080 Stafford, was the only objector. A public hearing to bear objections on the special assessment was set for 8 p.m. July 20.

Account Executive

Richard G. Williams has joined MacMurray, John & Adams, Inc., as an account executive on the Standard of Indiana and American Oil Company accounts, according to an announcement by Fred J. Hatch, senior vice president.

This & That

Williams was with the W. B. Dorer agency of the Speedway Petroleum, National Brewery, and Hydrate Products accounts. Prior to joining Dorer, he was in the marketing and international sales division of the Miller Brewing Company, Milwaukee.

Williams is married and lives at 1841 Melbourne, Birmingham.

Bits of Birmingham

BEVERLY HILLS—The council met an easy decision to make Monday. It was either replace the northern bridge on Evergreen at a cost of from \$25,000 to \$30,000, or repair it for \$2,277.10.

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Hampton replied that it would be safer than when the load limits were set three years ago.

Council Holiday

LATHRUP—The council set itself a brief August holiday when it decided Monday night to cut down on its meetings for that month. Instead of the customary second and fourth Monday, the council will meet only once, on Aug. 20.

Shakes Up Drivers

A manufacturer reports development of a new device to awaken sleepy motorists. The driver steps on a platform and drops a dime in the slot. The platform shakes and shimmies, and so does the driver. When the action stops, the driver is wide awake and, theoretically, refreshed.

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Council Bridges Problem: Saves Village Money

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