

Fire in Laundromat Does \$20,000 Damage

An estimated \$20,000 damage resulted Sunday night when fire broke out in a laundromat at 29139 Greenfield (just north of 12 Mile) Road in Southfield.

Two unidentified customers in the laundromat at the time the fire erupted went to an adjacent office. A man working late there turned in the alarm, which the fire department received at 9:26 p.m.

The blaze originated in or near a clothes dryer on the north wall, according to the fire department. An investigation indicated the cause of the fire was too much lint in the dryer, they said.

Flames spread rapidly to the false ceiling and furnace room and

soon filled the entire length of the laundromat.

Firemen fought the blaze for four hours and 34 minutes. It took them about an hour to get the fire under control.

The fire was confined to the laundromat, one unit in a building housing several businesses. Firemen said possible smoke damage only was done to the office and a beauty parlor, which are adjacent to the laundromat.

Owner of the building is Albert Fortuna of 2440 Fairway, Birmingham. The laundromat was operated by Norman Barrett of Royal Oak. The Southfield Fire Dept. had three trucks on the scene and called in six off-duty firemen. They were also aided by two off-duty Berkeley firemen and one off-duty Birmingham fireman.

The only injury occurred when one of the firemen, James Sadler, stepped on a nail. He was taken to Beaumont Hospital, where he was treated and released.

Dedicate Street

Birmingham city commissioners Monday night accepted the dedication of 3d Salem Court to public use. City Manager L. R. Gare said the step would eliminate any problems in connection with seal coating and other improvements to the court, a private street, in the north end of town.

B'ham Ponders Lower Speed Limit in City

If Birmingham has its way, the state speed limit law will be changed to allow a lower minimum speed within city limits.

City commissioners Monday night asked the city administration for a report on information pertaining to the state law, which establishes a minimum of 25 mph within municipalities.

Ward Randol, Jr., and S. Kirk Randol of Fairview Ave. submitted to the commission a copy of a letter they sent Oct. 19 to Henry M. Hogan, Jr., state representative from the third district.

THEY CALLED attention to the fact that Fairview, "a rather narrow, dead-end street about 700 feet long, without sidewalks," has the minimum speed of 25.

"It is our opinion," they wrote, "that on Fairview and other public streets like it, the present 25 mph speed limit, which cannot be lowered by a municipality under Michigan's Motor Vehicle Code, is unsafe."

THEY REQUESTED Hogan to consider introducing in the state legislature an amendment to the code "to permit municipalities to establish a 15 mph lawful speed limit" on such streets.

Commissioners instructed the administration to compile information so that they can determine whether to offer an amendment to the state law.

4 Hunted in Theft At Appliance Store

Birmingham police were still looking for three men and a woman suspected of taking six radio-phonographs from the Hawthorne Electric Company, 375 Hamilton Ave., Birmingham, Monday morning.

Police said the store was broken into shortly before 7:30 a.m. The thugs entered the store by smashing a front door window. A resident living nearby saw the group get into a car and head toward Pontiac soon after the break-in.

Retailing Students Get 'On-the-Job Training'

Groves and Seaholm students assumed executive capacities in several Birmingham stores.

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AT KAY BAUM, Susan Toth became a buyer, replacing Leonard Kirschenbaum; at Kresge, Susan

Councilmen to Explore Federal Aid Programs

BINGHAM FARMS—With only relatively minor monthly matters to dispose of at their meeting last week, Bingham Farms councilmen discussed federal "matching funds" programs for public works improvements in small municipalities.

Councilmen were assigned to explore the desirability of introducing plans for public sewers or water through federal aid for certain parts of the village.

Street Commissioner Donald A. Johnston Jr. is to check advantages offered for roads.

Planners Discuss Rouge Flood Plains

BEVERLY HILLS—The subject of the flood plains of the River Rouge was discussed at Thursday's planning board meeting.

V. G. Goelzer, chief of planning and reports of the district engineers, U. S. Army Corps, explained what could be done and how funds and approval from Washington could be had. Frank Meyers of the Detroit metropolitan regional planning commission, accompanied Goelzer and answered questions.

Some 23 communities in the area have requested information and help in properly controlling the River Rouge Basin.

from Judge William Beer regarding the zoning unit on Telegraph Road property.

The village will urge Bingham Farms residents to contribute to the Franklin Volunteer Fire Department. Village clerk Mrs. Evelyn Whybrew was directed to send out "pay up, please" letters in an effort to assist in the collection of funds.

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