

Hunt Missing Bird In Birmingham, Area

"We don't own him. He belongs to the community."
These are the words of Dr. A. P. Ulbrich, 5070 Sussex, Troy, as he asked for help in locating a pet crow that has lived in the doctor's home for the last 2 1/2 years.
"The community he spoke of encompasses Troy, Birmingham and Bloomfield Township—all of which "Blackie", the crow, has visited numerous times.

Greenfield's Restaurant in Birmingham Saturday.
They say he was flying from car to car, greeting people.
This sounds like Blackie, says Dr. Ulbrich.
"He likes people, especially children. Almost every day he would fly to Eastover Elementary School to visit with the kids. They were quite attached to him."
Blackie was given to Dr. Ulbrich by a patient over two years ago.

BLACKIE HAS been missing for three weeks now. Several persons reported seeing a crow at

"HE CONDESCENDS to let us wait on him," the doctor said.

St. James to Hear Dr. Boaz of India

Dr. G. D. Boaz, M.A., D. Phil. (Oxon.) of the University of Madras, India, will preach at the 9:15 and 11 a.m. services at St. James Episcopal Church Sunday.
Now lecturing in Abnormal Psychology at Wayne State University, Dr. Boaz is a highly respected member of the Church of South India, which is a union of Episcopalians, Methodists, Presbyterians, Congregationalists and Reformed Churches.

"Blackie is partial to dog biscuits but prefers egg shells as his favorite dish."
The crow chatters quite a bit but does not talk.

The doctor urged anyone spotting Blackie call him at once.
"We miss him and don't want anyone to hurt him," he added.



30th Anniversary

Thirty years of service in the Federal Government was commemorated by Ralph F. Burkheiser, 4001 Meadowlane drive, Birmingham, (left) by a certificate presented by Colonel W. E. Beese at recent ceremonies. Burkheiser, a resident since 1950, began his civil service career in 1933 with the Treasury department, and has served as a civilian personnel officer in federal agencies for 21 years.

Interests

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Roosevelt to clear up this matter within 48 hours, or else the federal troops would step in."
At this stage mass violence erupted in Detroit; strikers cars were overturned and set on fire and workers staged a sit-in in one of the auto plants.
"Our national guard had gone into war training out of Michigan and I didn't want federal troops, so I brought 300 State Police from the Upper Peninsula to keep the peace while negotiations continued on a round-the-clock basis," said Van Wagener.

FOR HIS mobilization efforts, Van Wagener received national recognition, and was sent as military governor to Bavaria during the Berlin air lift in 1948. At this time the Soviet military authorities had sealed off all land transportation from West Germany to Berlin.

"I had 500 miles of border to protect from the Russians, and every day there were reports of border incidents. My other problem was the black market, and the biggest offenders were cigarettes, guns and ball bearings," he said.
"Refugees? There were hundreds of thousands. And we had to see to it that they had something to eat and housing and that they didn't freeze."

MRS. VAN WAGONER'S fondest memories during her husband's long career are found in Bavaria, even with the multitude of problems.

"I liked the people—they were so wonderful; and the country was beautiful," said Mrs. Van Wagener, as charming and gracious as Van Wagener is straightforward and direct.

Although Van Wagener proudly lists off his grandchildren—Murray, 4, Mike, 2, and Amy, 8 months, children of Ellen Louise (Wikel) of Birmingham; and Jeff, 12, and Jim, 11, sons of Jo-Ann (Karhoas) of Pennsylvania—his impressive list of community activities continues to grow.

University of Michigan regent, 1951; Detroit Department of Public Works advisory position, 1961; one of the organizers of Citizens for Michigan; board of directors for the Oakland Citizens League, 1963 . . . and, according to Van Wagener, eyes twinkling, the list has not stopped yet.

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Suburban Press Foundation Elects Averill President

The publisher of The Birmingham Eccentric, Paul N. Averill, has been elected president of the Suburban Press Foundation.
He was elected to the post Nov. 21 by the group's board of directors. Chicago-based, the foundation works for the improvement of suburban community newspapers.
The Eccentric has been a member of the foundation since 1960, and Averill has been a member of the board of directors since 1961. The foundation is in its fourth year of operation.

JOHN TILTON, publisher of the Minneapolis Suburban News, has been elected vice president, and Robert Paddock of the Paddock Publications in Chicago, treasurer.
Averill, 57, resides on Glengary Circle, Bloomfield Village.

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