

City Checks Into Snow Removal At Quarton Lake

The City of Birmingham does try to maintain Quarton Lake for ice skating during the winter months.

Commissioner David F. Brock had questioned the forestry and parks department maintenance officials as to the lake, and why it was sometimes necessary for residents to shovel the ice before they can skate.

Dennis C. Middlewood, forestry and parks head, said the Quarton Lake policy was the same as that for other natural ice rinks in the city except that his men do not resurface the ice as they do at other rinks.

"At the present time we are maintaining a total of 18 rinks at the lake, including several that are 125-150 feet long," Middlewood said.



NANCY JONES was walking along Purdy Street Friday morning on her way to classes at Barnum Junior High. Suddenly she was attacked by a boy. She doubled up and appeared to stagger toward the home of Clint

H. Brisendine, 864 Purdy. Nancy never made it; police and an ambulance were called but the girl died at 8:15 a.m. in William Beaumont Hospital from a knife wound that had severed her aorta.

Bits of Birmingham

HE SAID there was also a large hole in the ice at Quarton Lake and several smaller rinks for small children.

Maintenance of the lake, Middlewood said, did not begin until after the first of the year, when ice checks showed the ice to be over seven inches thick at the weakest point.

The ice-skating signs were removed some time prior to that when it was determined that there was over four inches of ice, he said.

He noted that that thickness of ice would support a number of skaters but would not support a piece of heavy equipment for snow removal.

"OUR PRIMARY responsibilities are to clear our sidewalks and salt any slippery areas which are a joint to municipally-owned property and to clear our school routes," he said.

"After all of these jobs have been completed the crews begin clearing the natural rinks, starting with the neighborhood facilities.

"Because of the low priority that Quarton Lake receives, it is quite possible that on a few occasions it would be necessary for residents to do some shoveling if they wanted to skate before our arrival, Middlewood said.

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Pantries in the garden of Mrs. Oren Blenkle, 30855 Vernon Drive, Birmingham, must think it June in January. Much to her surprise, Mrs. Blenkle found a bush of blue pansies a bloom last week during the January thaw. "Just think," said Mrs. Blenkle, "only a few days ago the bush was covered with a foot of snow!"

It took panelists on "What's My Line" one round Sunday night to guess the occupation of Mrs. Alice Gilbert of Bloomfield Township. Bennett Corf, humorist-publisher member of the panel, came up with the right answer. Mrs. Gilbert is a justice of the peace in the township.

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Suspect

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his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Lovaas, Jr., 1042 Smith, have been allowed to talk to him.

"As a lawyer I have a duty to protect my client's rights, but we are also interested in finding out the truth," Denison said.

He said his office and the police are "working well" together on the case.

Denison Denied

DENISON DENIED reports that he had said he would seek a change of venue if the juvenile court jurisdiction were waived and the boy were tried as an adult.

The prosecutor's office has indicated it would not decide on the matter of asking for the waiving of jurisdiction until after Thursday's hearing.

Also scheduled to testify at the hearing is Howard Kaechle, 18, 687 Smith. Kaechle went to Templin's office at 2 p.m. Friday on another matter.

Just as he was about to leave, Templin asked him if he knew the Lovaas boy.

When The Boy Answered

WHEN THE boy answered that he did, Templin asked if he knew that Danny was "in serious trouble."

"A look of both surprise and fear came over the boy's face when I explained to him what had happened," Templin said.

Kaechle then told Templin how Danny had given him a knife in a boys' washroom at Seaholm that morning and said the knife was now on the front seat of his car.

The knife turned over to Templin by Kaechle was described as being slightly larger than a normal pocket knife with a blade 4 1/2 inches in length.

Police have called the fatal blow that struck Nancy as being a

While The Boy Sat In

WHILE THE boy sat in the home Monday afternoon, Nancy estimated his men have talked to "nearly 100" youngsters in an effort to gain background information on both of the youngsters and to try to connect them in some manner.

Police say Danny has no juvenile record and to their knowledge has never been in trouble.

Several weeks ago Danny's father took a small knife away from the boy, according to police. It is not believed that this was the same knife that Kaechle said Danny gave him.

The boy was held in the Oakland County Jail over the weekend but was transferred to the Juvenile Home after Monday's hearing.

WHILE THE boy sat in the home Monday afternoon, Nancy was being buried in a quiet ceremony at Roseland Park Cemetery, Berkley.

Nearly 100 persons, many of them Barnum students, attended services at the Sawyer Funeral Home and then followed the hearse to the cemetery across the street.

Six young school mates of Nancy's carried the flowered casket into the white marble chapel at the cemetery for the final rites.

In addition to her parents, Nancy is survived by two sisters, Carolyn, 20, and Marion, 14, and a brother Douglas, 18.



Adult Leader Cited During JA Week

Russell B. Robins, 3755 W. Maple, Birmingham, has been named general chairman for this year's Junior Achievement Week in southeastern Michigan, slated for Jan. 27 to Feb. 1.

Among his activities during the week included judging the Miss JA pageant, visiting the industrial trade fairs held in 15 JA business centers and hosting the executive banquet.

FOR HIS WORK with JA, Robins will be awarded a special presentation of gratitude from the organization at their Sno-Ball dance.

A specialist in marketing and sales, Robins is a senior vice president at the Jam Handy organization.

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Beaumont Begins 10th Year With Building Report

William Beaumont Hospital began its 10th year of service to Oakland County with a coffee-and-cake party for patients and staff alike.

Administrator Owen R. Pinkerman reported that building progress is 90 days ahead of schedule so that the 452-bed addition to the 350-bed capacity should be finished by spring, 1965.

Pinkerman also said that the medical office building plans are nearing completion, and the hospital expects to begin construction on the seven-story building this June.

THE HOSPITAL reported a 96.5 per cent occupancy during the past year. In-patient admissions totaled 13,108, increasing five over the past year; in-patient days totaled 92,675, an increase of 2,709 over 1962; emergency visits totaled 37,538, increasing 1,689.

Emergency cases made up 11.4 per cent of total admissions, while the hospital reported 2,973 births during the year.

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New Siren Testing Slated for Saturday

Don't head for the nearest bomb shelter if you hear the city's civil defense siren go off Saturday afternoon.

The noise will have been created by the first test run of Birmingham's new siren on top of the Municipal Building.

Administrative Aide John F. Staefle said its replacement in Birmingham's defense system "should be clearly noticeable" in the central section of the city during the regular monthly tests at 1 p.m. Saturday.

Mothers' March Fails to Hit Goal

The Mothers' March on polo Tuesday night did not yield as many dimes as the Birmingham-area women had hoped to collect, although final tabulations are not yet complete.

Bloomfield Hills moms lead the area drive by collecting \$4,809.56. Birmingham mothers accumulated only 50 per cent of their goal, or \$2,591.81.

Other donations, by area, include Lathrup, \$21,620; South Field, \$2,714.22; Troy, \$819.96; and West Bloomfield Township, \$1,067.88.

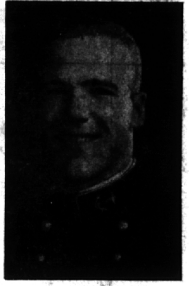
Navy Praises Former Area Youth on Rescue

American history books speak highly of John Paul Jones, but now Birmingham can boast its own Navy hero.

He is Lt. George L. Huffman Jr. (34), commander of the 19th Company stationed aboard the U. S. Submarine Pickeral moored at Pearl Harbor, Hawaiian Islands.

HUFFMAN was cited for "exceptional meritorious conduct on July 22, 1963 when a serious engineering casualty aboard the U.S. Pomfret required the compartments forward of the forwarding engine room to become filled with diesel smoke."

Rear Admiral B. A. Clarye, commander of the U. S. Pacific Fleet, describes Huffman's heroic actions in a letter to his parents, George L. Huffman.



"LT. HUFFMAN immediately proceeded to the Pomfret and assisted personnel overcome by smoke and inhalation. One victim had swallowed his tongue and was near death. Lt. Huffman assisted in restoring the patient, and probably saved his life."

"His conduct, initiative and devotion reflects great credit upon himself and in keeping with the highest traditions of the U. S. Navy."

HUFFMAN, A 1956 graduate of Seaholm High School, graduated from the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis in 1961. An All-American lacrosse player, he also excelled in football, playing tackle on the Navy varsity in the 1961 Orange Bowl game on New Year's Day.

His parents, formerly of Franklin Village, now live in Detroit.

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