

Romney Makes 3 Trips To Scene of Disaster

A tornado dipped down and cut a swath five miles long and two miles wide through Chesterfield Township Friday—and within hours Bloomfield Hills resident Gov. George W. Romney was on the scene.

Ten persons lost their lives in the storm that devastated the Anchor Bay area in Macomb County. It reduced buildings to rubble, overturned cars and stripped trees. Hundreds were left homeless. Damage was estimated at \$8 million. In all, Gov. Romney made three trips to the disaster scene. On Monday, he called on the public to raise a million dollars to help people whose losses are not covered by insurance or government aid.

Bike Check-Up Due Saturday

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The annual bicycle inspection sponsored by the Birmingham Kiwanis Club and the Birmingham Police Department will be held at five elementary schools at 9 a.m. Saturday. In case of rain, the inspection will take place on Saturday, June 6.

Members of the Kiwanis Club will be stationed at Midvale, Pierce, Pembroke, Ferry, and Quintero school playgrounds to inspect the bicycles, and Birmingham auxiliary policemen will be at each location to issue bicycle licenses. Prizes will be issued to each bicycle owner whose bicycle passes inspection.

LIEUTENANT Robert Schaul, of the Birmingham Police Department, stated that a safe bicycle contributes to safer riding habits, and that the safe rider today makes a safe automobile driver in the future.

In addition, the owner of each bicycle is supposed to put his bicycle in condition to pass the inspection and his efforts should be passed on by his parents before going to the inspection location.

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trips to the scene on Saturday and Sunday.

AT THE convention on Saturday, he was cheered time and again during an address to the delegates who endorsed him for a second term and urged the governor to announce for re-election. The delegates named Romney the "leader and favorite son" of the 48-member delegation to the Republican National Convention.

90th Meeting Dinner Set by County Pioneer

James Renfrew, Royal Oak attorney, will be the speaker at the 90th annual dinner meeting of the Oakland County Pioneer and Historical Society to be held at Devon College at 6:30, May 20. His talk, "Dan Judd's War: West: Is Why and How?" will be based on a collection of letters recently given to the Society by Jean Judd Viagris of Wrayton, Ohio. Judd's daughter, written to his wife who remained in Waterford Township, describe Judd's trip to Oregon and return in 1847 and 1848.

The Society is celebrating Michigan Week not only by holding its dinner meeting, but will keep the Moses Wisner home, 405 Oakland Avenue, Pontiac open to visitors Sunday through Friday from 2 to 5 p.m. The home of Michigan's former governor and organizer of the 22nd Michigan Civil War Infantry has been restored by the Society and houses the manuscript library and museum collections of the Society.

Mrs. Marion Hodges Benter, 35 E. Iroquois Rd., Pontiac, membership chairman, is handling reservations for the dinner.

CHAIRMAN of committees include Mrs. Allan Monroe, dinner arrangements, Mrs. R. P. Anglemier, publicity, Mrs. Richard Balmer, decorations, and Mrs. Donald E. Adams, program. Name tags and decorations are being prepared by Senior Trail Blazer Troop 280 of the Girl Scouts of which Mrs. Clifford Neville is advisor and Mrs. Kenneth Carman, assistant advisor.

The following members of the board of directors will serve on the hospitality committee: Mrs. L. L. Dunlap, Mrs. Harry F. Goings, Emma Howard, Adah Shelly, John Linabury, J. S. Shiley and William Whitefield of Pontiac, Mrs. James W. Huttenlocher of Clarkston, Dr. Sarah Van Housen Jones and Alice Serrell of Avon Township, Mrs. Earl A. Mastick of Milford, Carlton Patterson, Jr. of Birmingham, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Benjamin of Waterford Township and Mrs. John E. Windiate of Union Lake.

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increased to \$625,000 to provide five tennis courts and track facilities at each of the junior high schools and a fifth court and lighting for night play at the high school.

IT WAS decided at a special meeting that a request for operational millage to provide a raise in teachers' salaries will not go on the June ballot.

Johnson said a committee of teachers, parents, board members and administrators will study salary schedules and report back to the board of education by September.



Artists at Work

Over 1,500 art objects will be on display at Derby Junior High School next week at the annual all Birmingham schools art show. Students will show their handwork in sculpture, painting, graphics, ceramics and drawing. Getting ready for the show are Derby students (from left) John Calver, Doug Wassell, John Lucas and Jay Vinton.

Police Check P. O. Vehicles For Safety

Birmingham's Post Office vehicles have all been safety checked. Post office officials and members of the Birmingham Police Dept. spent Wednesday afternoon checking the 40 vehicles as a safety precaution. The police checked the brakes, turn signals, lights and general operating condition of each of the trucks as they pulled into the post office garage at the foot of Cole St.

The drivers and the post office mechanics had no prior knowledge of the inspection, according to Postmaster Rollie Reese.

REESE SAID this was the first time the police had ever been called in to inspect the government vehicles. The post office has one of the largest truck fleets in operation in Birmingham.

"This safety check has given us an expert opinion of the condition of our vehicles," Reese said. Lt. Robert Schaul handled the inspection for the police department.

GOP District Man Resigns Leadership

Vernon M. Fitch, 2960 Middlebury Lane, Bloomfield Township has resigned as director of the first legislative district for the Oakland County Republican Party to serve as a trustee for the proposed Oakland County Community College.

Fitch is relinquishing leadership of a district that includes 80 precincts and 46 state delegates in the state, which is also Gov. Romney's home district.

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Millage

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templates teachers already in the school system as well as new teachers that would be necessary because of new buildings and additions.

AGAIN, THE proposition faces the school system of competing throughout the region as well as the nation for quality teachers and to maintain the teachers already in the system. For these purposes, 7 mills, or about 12 1/2 per cent of the 5.6 increase, is allocated.

Finally, the remaining 12 1/2 per cent, or another 7 mills of the 5.6 increase, is intended for a modest curriculum improvement program that extends over the next five years.

A school system cannot stand pat on its curriculum program. New educational devices, theories and programs are being developed every day. Many of them are quite worthwhile and may effect considerable savings and economies in the school system and may produce better educational practices.

THESE ARE worth looking into, and it is proposed by the board and the school administration that programs of this nature be investigated and incorporated in the system when found desirable. For this purpose, 7 mills of the 5.6 increase is being planned.

These program improvements include such ideas as team teaching, where several teachers work together to teach different areas of specialization, particularly at the elementary level. Programs for academically able students in the elementary schools. Pupil services, such as visiting teachers, nurses, speech correctionists, reading specialists, psychological services, guidance and child accounting personnel. Programmed instruction is another area.

AS AN example, significant use has been made of electronic equipment for teaching oral-audio skills in foreign languages. Devices in book, electronic and mechanical forms are now fairly well developed that permit students to learn routine work independently at their own rate.

The result is the freeing of the classroom teacher to work giving special help or teaching nonroutine subject matter. Growth and development in the teaching staff is another area of concern.

Teachers will have time to plan areas of curriculum, instructional methods and classroom organization. Employing teachers on a strictly nine-month basis, from 8 till 4, does not give the teacher time to best organize his courses of instruction.

THESE AND other program developments represent about 12 1/2 per cent of the additional 5.6 mills requested by the board of education. The board, as well as the administration, is convinced of the soundness of these programs and feels that they would be worthwhile additions to the Birmingham School System.

This, then, is where the proposed 5.6 mill increase is to go. In summary, 7 mills for salary improvement, 0.7 mills for a modest program improvement

5.6 Total
The decision to request the 5.6 mill amount was reached by the board of education following a series of meetings with a Citizens Advisory Group composed of citizens of the community.
The advisory group met several times with the board and the administration, studying and discussing the facts and projections on enrollments, costs, budgets and taxes in the school system. At the conclusion of the several sessions, the advisory group agreed

Vandals Levy \$1,600 Damage In Bloomfield

A wave of malicious destruction swept through Bloomfield Township over the week end, leaving in its wake an estimated \$1,600 in damages. Picture windows were broken in several homes; antennas, rear view mirrors and emblems were torn from cars; and windows were smashed in parked vehicles by what police believe were gangs of beer bottle-wielding teen-agers.

Residents reported to police Sunday morning that a car had roared by Saturday night just before the damage. Police Chief Norman Dehke urged homeowners not to wait until the next morning to report incidents of vandalism.

An immediate call to township police with a description of the car would aid authorities in their efforts to apprehend the guilty persons, Dehke said.

Storm Forces Girls To End Campout

Junior Girl Scout Troop 335 braved the stormy weather Friday night and spent their first overnight campout at the grounds of Mrs. Robert Carrier of Wing Lake Road, Bloomfield Township.

The 24 students at Booth Elementary pitched tents and cooked their dinner at the beginning of the evening, but the storm forced the girls indoors at 2 a.m.

Mothers attending were Mrs. Thomas McVetty, Mrs. Charles Swanson and Mrs. Bette Steele. The troop is currently working on the badge work display that will be presented to Brownies and mothers on June 1.

that the additional millage should be requested.
The next article will explore the bonding proposal, the amount being requested and how the money is to be used.

Ladies of Press Banquet Draws Area Clubwomen

Birmingham-Bloomfield residents will be among the 300 business and club women planning on attending the annual Ladies of the Press Breakfast at the Rooter-tall at 11 a.m., Saturday.

A debate on domestic issues by exponents of the conservative and liberal viewpoints will highlight the event, sponsored by the Detroit Chapter of Theta Sigma Phi, national sorority for women in journalism. Barbara Marx, administration assistant to the Birmingham Public Schools, is president of the association.

Liberal views will be derived from James A. Burkhardt, who will be opposed by Fulton Lewis III in the "no-holds-barred" debate.
A COFFEE HOUR at 10 a.m.

Benefit Card Party Planned by Jr. High

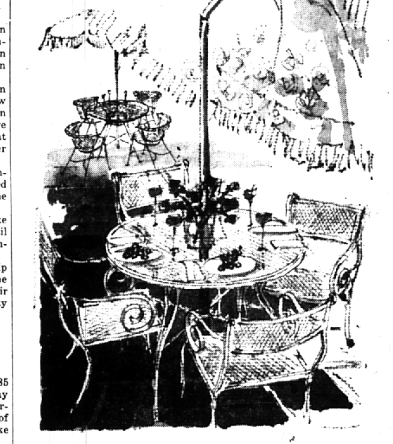
A benefit card party will be given May 27 from 8 to 11 p.m. at Bloomfield Hills Junior High School. Proceeds from the event, sponsored by the PTO and Teachers' Association, will go into the William H. Drummond Fund.

Drummond, a teacher at the school, recently hospitalized his wife and four of his six youngsters as a result of positive reports from TB tests.

Tickets may be purchased through Michael Vartanian at the school office or at the door the night of the party.
will precede the breakfast.
The presentation of the annual Headliner Award to a woman journalist of outstanding achievement, is also planned. A scholarship for a deserving woman student of journalism will also be awarded. Tickets for the breakfast are available through Mrs. Sybil Gill, 20383 Sunningdale Park, Grosse Pointe.

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