

'Cat Burglar' Hits Area Homes

Water Plentiful As Usage Hits 8 Million Mark

By MARY BAHN Staff Writer Birmingham residents used a near-record eight million gallons of water last Sunday, although it did not quite top the 8,724,341-gallon record set on June 11, 1963.

supply is at the moment meeting the demand," said Safke. Birmingham's eight-million mark can be compared to water consumption in the January-April period of last year, when 2.4 million gallons of water was used per day.

"THERE IS no need to restrict water usage," said John Safke, administrative aide to the Birmingham city manager. "Nor do we anticipate a water shortage at all during the summer."

"After the water goes through the meter, we don't know whether it goes through a sprinkler system, fills a pool or is drunk. It's a combination of factors, such as an increase in bathing during the summer months, that accounts for the rise," said Safke.

Seven Injured In Twp. Crash

Seven persons were injured in a two-car accident on Adams north of Long Lake in Bloomfield Township Monday afternoon as a 29-year-old Birmingham woman attempted to make a left turn into a roadside market.

THE TOWNSHIP'S nine million gallon record was judged normal for this time of year by Rex Heifers, office manager of the Township Water Department. "From July 13 to 20, our master meter read a consumption of 3,029,000 gallons per day; from July 20 to 27, a 100 per cent increase was shown as the meter read 7,413,100 gallons per day."

BORN IN PORTLAND, Me., Ingraham graduated from the state university where he studied chemistry and mechanical engineering. When he moved to Detroit he served as a claims adjuster for an insurance company.

Registration Deadline for Primary Near Birmingham City Clerk Irene Hanley reminded voters today that the deadline for registration for the Sept. 1 primary is 8 p.m. Monday.

What's on TV?

Don't miss your favorite TV program just because you've forgotten what time it's on. Consult the complete television program listings for the week of July 30 through Aug. 6 in CC section of The Eccentric. This service will continue for several months and the Detroit newspaper strike.

Lack of Quorum Cancels B'ham Commission Meeting

Birmingham's city commission meeting was canceled Monday night because of the lack of a quorum. This was only the third time in recent years that the weekly meeting has been called off.

Sister Saves Two-Year-Old From Pool

Fast action by his 14-year-old sister and the immediate response of the Bloomfield Township Fire Department were credited with saving the life of 2-year-old Eric Whitney last Thursday afternoon. The youngster, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Whitney, 796 Robinson Circle, was pulled unconscious from the family pool at 3:35 p.m. and given mouth-to-mouth resuscitation by his sister, Pat.

Dislocated? Check Voting Rights

TOWNSHIP CLERK KEEPS RESIDENTS VOTING Mrs. Adams wrote the following letter to Robert M. Montgomery, state director of elections: "In reference to Article 2, Section 3 of the 1963 State Constitution, there has been an action by the legislature to implement the new constitution? I fail to find any reference to it in any of the 'Polling Place' issues sent from the state by Mr. Hare.

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AS PEOPLE receive notice that they are transferred by the motor industry and other companies to new locations they check with Mrs. Adams to see how they can preserve their right to vote in November. She told them that the new constitution has made provisions for a presidential ballot, and that three bills were in the legislature to give people the right to vote for president and vice president even though they had changed residence.

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"IF YOU'RE transferred to another state, check as soon as possible with the registrar of elections in your community and see if they have made provisions for some way to keep your voting privileges in a national election. Meantime, with the efforts of interested people like Mrs. Adams, maybe there will be a lot more voters in 1968 who have the okay from Michigan to vote, but were denied it in 1964.



Sun Gets Best of Scout

David Eckenrode, son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Eckenrode, Jr., 1099 Canterbury, couldn't beat the 90-degree heat Monday morning in front of the Manufacturers Bank on N. Hunter. Ten scouts of Troop 1032, First Methodist Church, Birmingham, were standing at attention in an honor guard for the dedication ceremony; the bugle was being played by David Posther of Troop 1007 as the flag was raised.

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David collapsed and fell on his chin. He was taken to a clinic by bank officials; in the foreground is Frank Couzens, vice president of the bank. David wasn't particularly upset about the five stitches in his chin. He was more concerned about the Tiger ball game. The bank had given the participating scouts tickets to a double header and David didn't want to miss it!

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MRS. FANNIE ADAMS Champion of mobile voters

Jewels Taken In Township, B'ham Thefts

By DAVE PHILPO Township Editor An intruder whom police believe might be the notorious Grose Pointe "cat burglar" forced his way into two area homes on Friday and Sunday mornings and made off with more than \$4,000 in jewels. The burglar made his first appearance at 3:10 a.m. Friday at 4850 Charing Cross Road, Bloomfield Township, where he crept into a bedroom occupied by Dr. and Mrs. Meyer Cantor.

MRS. CANTOR, who awoke during the incident, watched the intruder make two trips into the bedroom before nudging her husband. Although she and Dr. Cantor remained quiet, the burglar seemed to realize that he had been observed, Mrs. Cantor said. "He stood very still in the doorway with his hands in his pockets, waiting to see what we were going to do," she said. "Then he turned and left the house the way he came."

Det. Lt. James Keller of Bloomfield Township said the man gained entry to the house by twisting off the knob of a back door. There were no fingerprints and the doorknob was missing, Keller said.

AT 4:18 A.M. Sunday Mrs. Lawrence Hetsch, 1588 Redding, Birmingham, awakened, saw a man standing in her bedroom. She screamed. Her husband jumped from the bed, chased the man out of the house and called Birmingham police.

Missing was a jewelry box with about \$500 in jewels. In this instance, police said a sliding door wall was pried open to gain entry. An hour earlier police received a report of an attempted entry at 2050 Redding at a home owned by Ralph Zimmerman.

Zimmerman said someone tried to get into the house by ransacking the front door knob but was scared off by the barking of the family's dog. BIRMINGHAM DET. LT. Merlin Holmquist warned residents to "turn on a light, if possible" when confronted with a burglar in their homes. "Also, if they hear a person in another room, they should call police immediately," said Holmquist. (See TREPTS, 4-A)

Township Board Urges Telegraph Changes

The Bloomfield Township Board Monday night added its official weight to efforts to improve driving conditions on Telegraph Road. In a resolution directed to Gov. George Romney and State Highway Commissioner John C. Mackie, the board recommended that the highway department "give immediate attention to the following remedial action on Telegraph Road":

- Provision for wide medians for the length of the road within the township, except at intersections.
Widening of Telegraph to three lanes both north and south.
The resolution was prompted by the board's concern over the rapidly increasing accident rate plus two recent deaths and a large number of personal injury accidents.

Supervisor Homer Case envisioned a median similar to the one on Woodward Ave., which "would be wide" enough for "stacking lanes" or crossovers for cars wishing to make U-turns. THIS, HE feels, would eliminate the risk at dangerous intersections.

"Motorists could, in effect, make left turns by turning right and then creeling back," Case said. As part of an agreement with township officials a month ago, the state has implemented the painting of each side of the pres-

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