

COST-FREE WATER FROM DETROIT
Birmingham's Share of Expense Would Be Prohibitive Until Metropolitan Area Is Formed

MUST ACT AT ONCE
With Local Water Supply Good For Less Than Three Years, Need Of Annexation Is Imperative

(Editor's Note:—This is the second of four articles dealing with the necessity of voting favorably on an annexing certain pieces of land to the village of Birmingham at a special election to be held in Bloomfield township on Monday, August 19, 1924. The Eccentric will welcome any letters on the subject from its readers.)

Assuming that Birmingham's present source of water supply will be sufficient for not more than three years in the future (and this is probably allowing a year too much), immediately steps must be taken to provide an additional source.

The city of Detroit is now in a position and is entirely able to supply Birmingham with its entire requirements for water from Detroit; however, it would be necessary for the village to construct a water main not less than 24 inches in diameter, from the nearest available point of the Detroit system to Birmingham. The expense of such construction to the residents of Birmingham would be too great to finance, although it might be possible to combine with other municipalities between here and Detroit and agree upon a division of cost.

Even in the event that this arrangement could be paid, Birmingham would have to pay a share of such construction from Detroit, the 12 mile road, and the entire cost of the 24 inch water main. This cost would include the expense of installing at least one booster pumping station.

Without going into detailed costs, it appears that, beyond question, the expense of such a project to Birmingham taxpayers would be in excess of \$500,000. It is, therefore, financially impossible to consider Detroit as the present source of water.

Plans for the formation of a Metropolitan Water District and Birmingham will be included in such a district, undoubtably with the plan to include the district water commissioners could proceed to construct and operate all the necessary water pumping stations, etc., and the cost of all these things would be assessed upon the entire district, and not upon the benefits derived. Thus all of the unincorporated territory within the district would be required to bear its proper share of the cost and the entire burden of expense would not be thrust upon the incorporated municipalities only. This method would therefore reduce the cost to reasonable proportions to the unincorporated territory and must be the eventual solution of the perplexing water supply question for all of this section of Michigan.

Benefit Bridge And Mah Jongg Party Tuesday
With the alterations on the community house nearing completion, great enthusiasm is being displayed in the benefit bridge and mah jongg party at the country estate of T. R. Donovan in Bloomfield Hills on next Tuesday, August 19.

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