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COMMISSION DECIDES OWNERSHIP OF ROADS STREETS WILL BE AGE

Secretary of State Public Utilities Appeared in Birmingham Monday Night DISCUSS TRUCK ROUTE

Owner of Smith Trucking Co. Told He May Use Lincoln For 59-Foot Trucks

Parrying back and forth with bits of repartee, some of which were quickened with satire, members of the village commission Monday night met with Peter Smith, secretary of the Michigan Public Utilities Commission, and settled the problem of routing the village-owned trucks by the Smith Trucking Co. through Birmingham. After two hours of discussion, the village overruled the petition, and the trucking company was given permission to turn off of South Woodward at Lincoln in order to allow the trucks to reach Southfield avenue.

The meeting Monday night was the result of over two years of strife between Birmingham and the Smith Trucking Co. during which the town officials, in an effort to conserve the streets and guard the safety of local citizens, have restricted the 59-foot body trucks over several streets of the village.

Summed up in a nutshell, the Smith Trucking Co., which operates a fleet of forty long trucks between Flint and Detroit each day, seeks to reach Southfield avenue at one point in Birmingham, in order to save mileage in getting into Detroit. Originally they were allowed to turn off Woodward avenue at West Maple, then they attempted to turn at North street, and later at Lincoln street. In all of these turns it was the belief of the local police department, backed up by Mayor Starr, that the element of danger to pedestrian and vehicular traffic was great, and so, for some time past, the Smith trucks have been going through Birmingham on the 25-Mile road toward Southfield avenue.

Smith, who was present with Frank Allen at the commission Monday night, declared that the 12-Mile routing was costing him about \$1000 a week.

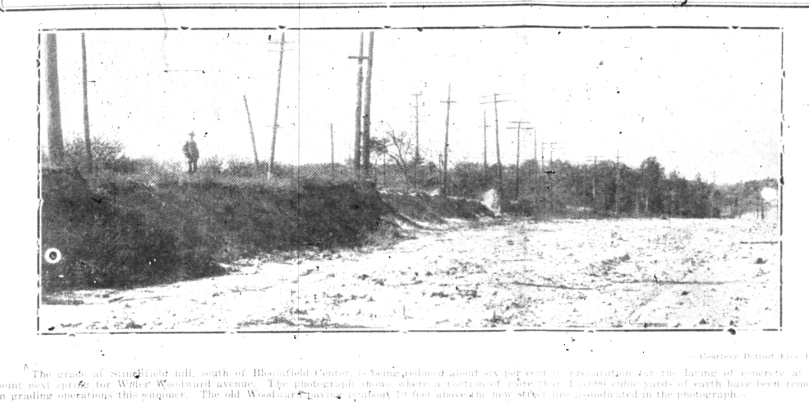
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It is unnecessary for me to tell you that Christianity is the need of the world today, said Rev. Curry. "You undoubtedly know this, but this must be one of the things why a Rotary club exists—an organization founded on the principle of service to mankind."

WIDER WOODWARD GRADE OPERATIONS, ST. CECIL FIELD HILL, BLOOMFIELD CENTER



The great grading operation on Woodward Avenue, showing the extent of the work in grading operations this summer. The old Woodward Avenue is shown in the foreground, and the new Woodward Avenue is shown in the background.

ROTARY BEATS X'S IN VOLLEY BALL GAMES

Baptists Defeat Methodists; Games Played in Adams School Gymnasium

With R. H. Peck and Joseph Schneider referees, the Exchange club won two games of volley ball against the Baptist club Monday night in the Adams School gymnasium. The first game ended with a score of 15 to 9, while the second game, the Exchange team gained only five against another 15 margin by Friday club.

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Would Complete Proposed North-Western Highway

A number of meetings have recently been held in Southfield town ship in Oakland county with a view toward definitely completing the Northwestern highway in the county.

The greater portion of the highway in Wayne county beginning at Keeler and Wyoming avenues, and running to a point above the Seventeenth, has already been donated. Mr. Maurice E. Baldwin, surveyor, who was running unopposed for the office of county surveyor in Oakland county in the payment of their 1924 village tax was about one per cent better in average past years; up to and including October 31, the last day pay taxes in my office, 86 per cent of the entire 1924 village tax was paid.

Mr. Blumsted reports that a total of \$172,500 has been paid in, leaving a balance of \$13,460.00 which will be returned to the county treasurer at Pontiac by collecting all unpaid taxes must be paid to the county treasurer with a four per cent penalty plus three-quarters of one per cent for each month or fraction of a month that they are in the hands of the county treasurer, said Mr. Blumsted.

Try Hadden Buttons, Pontiac, for rubber stamp in Remittance and Posing, address 1215 North Third Street, Birmingham, Mich. Phone Birmingham 37. Ad. H. Hendrick.

PONTIAC ANNEXES PART OF TOWNSHIP

The proposition to annex 500 acres and situated in the northern part of Bloomfield township, adjacent to the city of Pontiac, carried at the election Tuesday, November 4. Complete returns on the voting in Pontiac are not available at the time of this writing, although communications from the county court state that Pontiac voters favored the proposition by a small majority. Bloomfield township, whose vote is counted with that of Pontiac, showed that they favored the annexation, while 518 opposed it. Results of the election were as follows: 125 favored the annexation, 117 opposed it. The territory embraced in the 500-acre plan is the colored settlement known as the "Colored Hill," as well as a number of new subdivisions, comprising an estimated assessed value of over \$1,000,000.

CONSIDER RELIGIOUS SUBJECT IN SCHOOLS

Local Parent-Teacher Units Seek Solution of Much-Discussed Question

Other P.-T. A. Meetings

When that committee made the investigation under the act, it was unfavorable report to its club, as "not seeming feasible." However, according to the subject, the investigation of the matter last winter, there was no effort made to investigate the idea in the grades, as the only idea suggested at that time was to have the Bible study in the high schools. Mr. Aldinger teaches the subject in both grade and high school in Royal Oak.

The subject of the public schools has been discussed here pro and con for several months and a representative committee has been appointed by the representatives of local organizations to make a report on the subject. It is necessary that the committee of the Baldwin unit of the P.-T. A. next Tuesday evening Mrs. Mann, the county treasurer, will be in the office.

Local Legion Post To Install Officers To Install Officers

WOODWARD PROJECT BRINGS FORTH MORE IDEAS FOR SOLUTION

Caleb G. Jackson Would Make 204 Ft. Highway Over the Grand Trunk Roadbed

IS CHEAPER METHOD

W. P. Lyons, Of Chicago, Believes Two 100-Ft. Streets Should Be Constructed

Another interesting speaker at an unusually interesting speaker at the regular meeting of the Woodworth Association Monday morning in the First Presbyterian church here, Rev. Isaac Lyons, D. D., a preacher and author in Chicago, will deliver the sermon. He is in Detroit in conference with the General Assembly of the Synod of the North.

Tomorrow is "National Forget-Me-Not Day" HERE

Another "HOME FEATURE"

Rotarians To Dine The "Rotary Anns"

LAST PAYMENT MADE ON PUMP EQUIPMENT

A check for \$1400, the last money due for the installation of the new deep well, was paid last week to Layne & Bowler Co. This well and pump equipment, purchased under a village bond issue amounting to \$12,475, is located north of West Maple avenue at the water works station, and is pumping approximately 400 gallons per day, it is reported.

ASSYRIAN PREACHER TO BE AT LOCAL CHURCH SUNDAY

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MICHIGAN HORSES WIN IN OPEN HUNT

Glen Rough and Pickett Take Honors in Sixth Annual Bloomfield Event

5000 PEOPLE PRESENT

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"Winter Is Here" Says Village Stove

The red-breasted robin has long been recognized as the official harbinger of the arrival of spring. Now comes the official warning that winter has stepped out from the wings in the form of the stove in the village clerk's office.

Believing that many of the local ordinances are antiquated, that a number of the village charter provisions are inadequate to cope with the rapid growth of Birmingham, members of the village board Monday night, November 4, to investigate the matter. The view of the charter and ordinance committee, reported under a village bond issue amounting to \$12,475, is located north of West Maple avenue at the water works station, and is pumping approximately 400 gallons per day, it is reported.

WINTER CLUB WILL SPONSOR FLORIANE

Local Women's Club Discusses Various Village Needs

CONVENTION REPORT

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COMMUNITY HOUSE BOARD DISCONTINUES THE DAY NURSERY

The community house board announced Monday that the day nursery has been held at the house every Wednesday afternoon is discontinued.

At the close of the program, Mrs. Singers and Miss Minora Singers played the piano. The Rev. Robert Porter, pastor of the First Baptist church, who viewed the exhibit and the theatrical picture, and were entertained at tea by the League of St. James Women.

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ROOMFIELD VOTERS ASSIST NATIONAL REPUBLICAN VICTORY

2581 Electors In Township Help Swell Coolidge Aid Party Into Office

3 AMENDMENTS LOSE

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