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FAREWELL FOR THREE WEEKS

For the next three weeks this column will be void of editorial matter; that is because we left last night, (June 25), for a three weeks' canoe trip on the Tahquamenon River, in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

Our trip will start at Newberry, with about 90 miles of the beautiful Tahquamenon before us as we paddle our way toward Whitefish Bay on Lake Superior; reaching Whitefish Bay, we will then find it necessary to send our 17-ft. canoe over the shining waters of Superior toward the Soo, a distance of about 40 miles.

With the exception of a few trappers, we don't expect to meet anyone on the entire trip; the country through which we shall pass is without town or settlement.

Farewell, then, for three weeks—and be prepared for some first-class fish stories when we return.

A PROPHECY THAT HAS COME TO PASS

Some months ago the Eccentric set forth certain facts concerning the possibility of the creation of an assessment district in Oakland County to assist the State of Michigan in paying for the cost of widening Woodward avenue; the matter was treated lightly by local and other officials because, they said at the time, "hasn't Governor Groesbeck and the State Highway Department repeatedly declared that the entire expense of widening Woodward avenue, from Detroit to Pontiac, will be paid for from State funds?"

The Eccentric's prophecy has come true, for last week the State asked the County of Oakland to pay \$800,000.00 toward the widening project.

During all the time that this widening project has been carried on, Birmingham has never been given any definite information concerning its own situation; nothing has been promised or done to take care of the impending heavy traffic that threatens Woodward avenue within the confines of this village.

Much might be written about this Woodward avenue project; commendation for Governor Groesbeck for his aggressiveness in rendering a highway service to the State of Michigan is partially in order.

Summed up in a nutshell, this is the outlook: unless the Oakland County Board of Supervisors refuses to pay the \$800,000.00 asked for by the State, the citizens of the county will receive an additional tax levy this fall to help pay for a project that they were originally told would be paid for entirely at Lansing.

PERSISTENT HAMMERING

There are many business men who have tried out advertising at some time in their past history, but who gave it up because the returns did not immediately come in as they thought they should.

They are a good deal like a certain type of editors who one meets occasionally. These fellows take the authority of their words very seriously.

But if a newspaper mentions some project once, and then drops it, people do not usually get waked up enough on that matter so they will do anything about it.

It is much the same in advertising. Merely telling them once or a few times that a certain place is a good one to trade at, is a good thing so far as it goes, but it fails to reckon on this element of inertia in the human temperament.

It is necessary to keep hammering on the idea, until the constant repetition of the same lodges it finally in their minds. That does not necessarily mean spending a large amount of money. The same effect is often produced by inserting a small advertisement over and over again, making different announcements of course so that the advertising shall seem new.

TAX REDUCTION PROSPECTS

The news from Washington to the effect that the returns from income taxes fell off less than 12 per cent from last year, will be cheering to all taxpayers.

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SPECIAL ANNEXATION ELECTION NOTICE

To the qualified electors of the Township of Bloomfield, precinct Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, of Oakland County, Michigan.

Notice is hereby given that a special election will be held on the 1st day of July, 1925, to elect a Supervisor to the Board of Supervisors of the County of Oakland, State of Michigan.

We, the undersigned, pursuant to the provisions of Art. No. 218 of the Public Acts of 1907 entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation of Villages and for revising their charters and the acts amendatory thereof, respectively represent as follows:

1. Each and all electors to this petition are qualified electors and reside within the Village of Bloomfield or Township of Bloomfield and are affected by the change proposed in this petition.

2. Each and all electors to this petition are qualified electors and reside within said Village or said Township at the address set opposite their respective names.

3. Not less than 75 of the undersigned electors reside in the Village of Bloomfield, and not less than 25 of the undersigned electors reside in the Township of Bloomfield.

4. According to the last preceding United States Census the population of the Village of Bloomfield was 2834; the population of the Township of Bloomfield was 4200. The undersigned electors numbering collectively 143 constitute more than one per centum of the population of said territory to be affected by your affirmations on this petition.

5. Your petitioners pray that all of that part of Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan, included in the following description, to-wit: Beginning 695 feet more or less East of the W. N. Cor. of Sec. 22, T. 12 S. R. 12 E., Bloomfield Twp., Oakland County, Michigan, at the R. W. cor. of Sec. 22, T. 12 S. R. 12 E., Sec. 22, T. 12 S. R. 12 E., thence 313 feet more or less East along the N. and S. lines of Sec. 25 to a point in the Center Line of Woodward Ave., thence North westerly 174 feet more or less along the Center Line of Woodward Ave. to the S. E. cor. of the Quarter Section Lake Sub., thence westerly 67 1/2 feet along the S. line of the Quarter Section Lake Sub. to the W. line of Sec. 22; thence South 107 1/2 feet more or less along the W. line of Sec. 25 to the N. line of the Greenwood Cemetery, thence Southerly 729 feet more or less along the N. line of Greenwood Cemetery to the N. W. cor. of the Sunny Crest Sub., thence southerly 315 feet more or less along the W. line of Sunny Crest Sub. and Bloomfield Villas Subdivisions to the place of beginning. Containing 22.5 acres, more or less, as detached from said Township of Bloomfield and annexed to the Village of Bloomfield, Birmingham, Mich. March 9, 1925.

This is to certify that I have examined the attached list of petitioners, compared them with the registration lists and find that 25 of the signers are registered and qualified electors of Bloomfield Township, Oakland County, Michigan. (Signed) JAMES V. BAYLEY, Township Clerk.

I, Hazel E. Lawler, Clerk of the Village of Bloomfield, do hereby certify that I have examined the list of signers on the attached petition for the Village, and find that the 25 signers are registered voters of the Village of Birmingham. (Signed) HAZEL E. LAWLER, Village Clerk.

March 9, 1925. State of Michigan ss. County of Oakland ss. James Anderson being duly sworn, deposes and says that he is the Township Clerk of the Township of Bloomfield, Oakland County and State of Michigan, and that the petitioners in the attached petition for the Board of Supervisors of Oakland County, State of Michigan, and which petitioners in the attached petition described therein being part of the Township of Bloomfield, Michigan, and which petitioners in the attached petition are qualified electors residing within the Village of Bloomfield, Township of Bloomfield, Oakland County, State of Michigan, and which petitioners in the attached petition are qualified electors residing within the Village of Bloomfield, Township of Bloomfield, Oakland County, State of Michigan, are the qualified electors who have signed by many of them their names to this petition, and that they are qualified electors and that they are registered voters of the Village of Birmingham, Michigan, and that the number of the signers on the attached petition is more than one per centum of the population of the territory affected thereby, according to the last preceding United States census, that the total number of the signers is not less than one hundred (100) and not less than twenty-five (25) of the signatures on said petition were obtained from the Village of Birmingham, and not less than twenty-five (25) of the signatures on said petition were obtained from the Township of Bloomfield.

The polls of said election will be open at 9:00 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 6:00 p.m., on the 1st day of election, unless the Board of Election Inspectors shall, in their discretion, adjourn the polls at 12 o'clock noon, for one hour.

Dated June 9, 1925. (Signed) JAMES V. BAYLEY, Township Clerk. Bloomfield Township, Mich. 9-10-11-12

CHAS. G. HAYSTREAD, Notary Public. Oakland Co., Mich. My Commission Expires June 2, 1926. (Notary Seal)

good deal more. These results would seem to justify the idea that taxes could be reduced again without embarrassing the government.

There will be much controversy, of course, as to how the coming reduction shall apply as respects the bigger and small taxpayers.

It would be a wonderful help to young people just starting in, and to the many families whose earnings come a thousand or two above the exemption, if those exemptions could be raised so as to relieve them of a burden which is heavy to bear in these times of high prices.

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