

COUNTRY BUREAU DEEPER BIG PROPER BOOST

Oakland Must Raise Nearly Two and One-Half Millions In Taxes This Year. LARGEST IN ONE YEAR \$596,071.68 Must Be Turned Over To State; Government Cost Mounts

To pay its share of conducting State government, and a large part of Oakland county must raise the huge sum of \$2,421,552.87 during the next twelve months. This is the largest sum of money ever raised by the county supervisors in any one year, and presents an increased tax rate of \$1.50 per \$100 of assessed value.

The huge sum will be apportioned to the state of Michigan for the year 1925-26, the county by \$295,000,000 given the county by the state of Michigan when it meets here Oct. 20 and 21.

This year the county will raise \$181,071.08 for the state tax, as compared with \$149,941 in 1924. \$181,071.08 for the county road tax as compared with \$153,500; and \$1,859,579.79 for the county tax as compared with \$1,211,626.97. The county tax includes the county's share of the Covent road tax, which is \$1,859,579.79.

In which Alex Sorta Gets the Cat's Meow. "Talk about the modern cat's meow—that hasn't a thing on the squeaks that come from my paws," declared Mr. Sorta, who is now in the city of Detroit, "I served the Black Cat as a waiter in the city of Detroit, and I know the cat's meow better than any other cat in the city."

LYMAN GOODERHAM, OF BLOOMFIELD OPEN-HUNT CLUB, BURED TODAY. Lyman Gooderham, 38 years old, for the past fifteen months secretary and manager of the Bloomfield Open-Hunt Club, Bloomfield Hills, died Sunday morning at three o'clock in Harper hospital at Detroit, after a long illness resulting from double pneumonia and kidney affliction.

Site of Redkins' Wigwam 96 Years Ago—Now It's A Modern Subdivision. Last week the Wink Lake Shores subdivision was the scene of a busy day. The subdivision was laid out on Oct. 26, 1925, and the first lot was sold to a Mr. Lane, who is now in the city of Detroit.

HIS APOLOGY ACCEPTED

"With respect to the local woman's club, I am sorry that the subject of a humorous situation at the Exchange Club meeting Tuesday night, I am sorry that I may see how a man's noisiness club is run," said president Ralph Wilson, "but even at that I wonder if we meet them at Shain's store."

THIS TEREPEPEPEM WAS FACILY SIGNED

Village Commission Will Extend Voting Service But Side Town, 'H' Now UP TO DR. MAUNDERS. "Shall we or shall we not?" might have been the title to a one-act play staged at the village commission meeting Monday night when president Shain and commissioners Bingham, Dr. Maunders, and others were present.

Water L Consideration. Another reason for the annexation of the village of Water L is the fact that the Birmingham Estates contract for water from the village of Water L, which is now owned by Dr. Maunders, is a very profitable one.

BEAUVAIS MAY BE OUT. Disaffected public money that has been expended in the past two or three years, 1923, 1924 and 1925, for the purpose of building a road through the village of Beauvais, is now being considered for cancellation.

Contract Extended. To the commission extended to give Dr. Maunders a water contract, unless this land becomes annexed to the village of Birmingham, the contract will be extended for a period of one year.

ADAMS SCHOOL ADDITION. With the advent of mild weather, work on the Adams school addition is being pushed rapidly. The first floor is all installed and the final floor, in all probability, will be poured the latter part of this week.

ALL BUT \$17,755 OF VILLAGE TAXES PAID. Of a total amounting to \$108,246.25 in village taxes for 1925, village taxpayers have paid \$90,491.25 to date. The balance of \$17,755 has been paid in full by the county treasurer at Pontiac for collection.

BIAMATESIES TO BE CHIEF OF VILLAGE BOOSTS

Nearby Residents Satisfied With Municipal Conduct Of Local Officials. Substantial Increases Accepted In Report Passed By Supervisors Monday. ONLY OPPOSING VOTE

Oakland County's 1926 budget will cover substantial sales increases for many county officials, according to a report accepted and adopted by the Board of Supervisors who met in the Fall session at Pontiac last week. The report, which was prepared by the county auditor, was presented to the Board of Supervisors Monday afternoon, was prepared by Supervisors James E. Lawson, Washington, J. Shain, commissioners W. H. Bell and Charles A. Bingham and manager Harry S. Starr represented the village.

Commission Is There. The meeting took place in the local office of Walsh, James & Wasey, Birmingham, following the regular village commission meeting in the village clerk's office. President Shain, followed by commissioners W. H. Bell and Charles A. Bingham and manager Harry S. Starr represented the village.

Eight-Hour Day. Office hours of county employees were fixed in the resolution at from 8:00 a. m. to 4:30 p. m., an hour at noon for lunch. They were allowed only two weeks' vacation with pay.

Here Is Schedule. Following is the new schedule of salaries for county officials: Chairman county board of auditors, \$8,000; two members of board, \$6,000; county clerk, \$4,000; chief deputy, \$3,000; other deputy, \$2,000; grain commissioner, \$1,000; deputy, \$500; other clerical help, \$22,000; register, \$1,500; school commissioner, \$1,500; other clerical help, \$2,000; other clerical help, \$2,000; other clerical help, \$2,000; other clerical help, \$2,000.

Local Actors Will Offer Three-Act Play Tomorrow Night AT COMMUNITY HOUSE. The first meeting of the Village Players of Birmingham will be held on Saturday evening, November 7, at the Community House. Three one-act plays will be presented.

WOMAN'S CLUB TO BE GUESTS OF ROTARIANS AT GIGGLES TUESDAY. In order to obtain firsthand information relative to the conduct of the school, the Birmingham Rotary club Monday evening staged another benefit show in the Baldwin Hotel. The show was given by the Birmingham Rotary club.

STUDY OF BIBLE TO BE INTRODUCED INTO ROYAL OAK HIGH SCHOOL SOON. Bible study will be added to the course of the Royal Oak high school next semester. Superintendent Frank Hendrickson, who is now in the city of Detroit, has been instrumental in securing the Bible study course.

Hallow'en Folks May Their Weeds Change To Modern, Social Needs

By Rosalind Knox. They met in Greenwood Cemetery on Oak street, a week after Halloween night while flying around and around every graveyard had an occupant while the night was dark and walks were filled with visitors. By the dim light of the moon that slipped and slipped down through the leaves of the trees could be seen a man who was constantly increased as figures flitted in from all directions.

Must Change Tactics. Thereafter with a clattering, creaking, clicking, and cracking, the venerable skeleton clutching a sheet which he was rattling about in a modulating tone and came forward. Adjusting his jaw bone, he spoke with the deliberate manner of one accustomed to respectful attention: "As the oldest and most experienced earth dweller in this settlement, I have been selected to suggest means by which the rapid dissolution of our race may be retarded."

Belknap Says West 44-Ft. Strip May Be Laid Between Detroit And Pontiac. Paving of the west side of Woodward between Pontiac to Detroit will be completed by the end of the year. The strip yet to be paved on the west side is more than 2,000 feet long, and at the present time it is being paved at the rate of about 200 feet a day.

Rotarians Plan Another Benefit Show For Kiddies. In an effort to increase its fund for the benefit of the Birmingham Rotary club Monday evening staged another benefit show in the Baldwin Hotel. The show was given by the Birmingham Rotary club.

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It is impossible for a local merchant to personally interview every resident... VERTICALLY PRINTED GOODS are substantial returns.

Is An Increase Of \$1.11 Over Same Tax Year Ago, Despite The Boosted Assessments. SCHOOL TAX IS \$17.62. Total Township, Including Birmingham, Must Raise \$596,072.21 In Revenue.

Despite the fact that assessed valuations of property in Bloomfield township have mounted vastly during the past year, the rate for 1925 is not a rate this year in excess of that for 1924.

TAX COMPARISON. The following table of comparison shows the difference in the dollar amount of assessed valuation between 1924 and 1925.

219,600.00, this year's tax roll is scheduled to collect from local residents the sum of approximately \$181,071.08 for the year 1925-26. This is an increase of \$31,530.00 over the 1924-25 year.

Birmingham's Status. Referring specifically to Birmingham, the largest single item of the \$30.18 tax rate for the public schools; this rate is the \$1.62 assessed value in dollars of assessed valuation, against a rate of \$17.75 a year ago.

Other Districts Lower. The tax rate for other parts of the county is lower than that of Birmingham. The rate for the city of Detroit is \$1.11, and for the city of Pontiac is \$1.00.

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