

THE ECLECTIC WELCOMES NEWS ITEMS. TELEPHONE THEM IN OR WRITE THEM IN OUR OFFICE IS OPEN UNTIL SIX O'CLOCK EACH DAY.

AGE OF COST \$2,500,000—MOORE

Township Supervisor Estimates Total Expense For 150-Ft. Highway

APPRAISES FRONTAGE Amount Claimed Low; No Account Of Moving Buildings Is Taken

By Mortimer Neff
With the widening of Woodward avenue through Birmingham as a paramount issue in village affairs at the present time, it is of interest to all residents as well as to business men with Woodward frontage to take note of an actual estimate of the cost of widening to the proposed 150 feet as recently made by Robert Y. Moore, Bloomfield township supervisor.

Computation Difficult
"With real estate values as flexible as they are today," explained Moore, "it is not humanly possible to arrive at any close estimate of the cost of a project of such dimensions requiring civil engineering work as well as a big capital investment for real estate. In the following calculations only the cost of Woodward frontage that must be acquired is considered. It is assumed that the widening operations are to be confined solely to the east side of the highway. The cost of expenditures that would be necessary to move the big buildings near the village from the west side of the 150-foot strip are not considered in this estimate. All frontage values, as indicated, are conservative, and it is not probable that a very large percentage could be purchased at the price at which we have appraised it."

Divides Frontage
According to the supervisor's calculations, Woodward avenue frontage on the east side of the village, 1155 feet, is estimated at \$200 per foot, or \$231,000. The next section, from the Presbyterian Church to the village limits has been divided into sections of approximately 100 feet each. The total frontage cost, \$2,500,000, is arrived at as follows:
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Ralph Spinning, of Knox street, secretary of the Players, stated that plans will be put into effect at once so that the completed playhouse may be opened in the summer. He located in the new quarters the membership list, now 150, will be opened for more members of whom are now on a waiting list.

MOTORBUS HEARING IS POSTPONED TO APR. 15

The meeting of the Michigan Public Utilities commission for the application of the Detroit Motor Bus company to extend its lines from Detroit to Pontiac, scheduled for Monday at Pontiac, has again been postponed. The new date is Thursday, April 15, at Pontiac. The request to postpone the hearing this time was made by the Detroit Motor Bus company.

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G. M. C. S. LARGE TRACT IN TOWNSHIP

Alfred Howland Farm Sold Monday For \$238,000; Cost \$15,000

AN INDUSTRIAL CENTER

What may develop into one of the most extensive industrial centers in Oakland County is foreseen in the purchase, Monday afternoon of the week, of 160 acres of land just south of Pontiac in Bloomfield township from Alfred Howland by the General Motors Corporation. The deal involved the sum of \$238,000. This land will occupy a strategic position along the Grand Trunk railroad's right-of-way. Some weeks ago the Eclectic published a rumor and the sale of this farm to the General Motors corporation, obviously the news source was erroneous.

Local Citizen Traces His "Short and Stormy Career" To Noonday Club Monday

E. L. Manson, of Park street, known as "Lee" to his fellow-members in the Birmingham Rotary club, Monday noon traced his career from the time he was born, June 14, 1883, near Rockford, Illinois, to the present portion of his life when he is district representative of a Chicago wire fence manufacturing company. Incidentally, the first five minutes of his life were spent in a summary of the wire fence business.

Local Property Owners To Get Together On Mutual Problems

HAS OVER 100 MEMBERS

A general meeting of all the members of the Northeast Birmingham Civic Club will be held in the Adams school on Monday evening, April 12, at 8 o'clock. Residents of the village are invited to join the club, which is a non-profit organization, every property owner in the village is invited to join the club, which is a non-profit organization.

PAID \$15,000 FOR FARM

Mr. Howland purchased the farm from his father, George Howland, in 1913. Ephraim Howland had purchased the land four years previous from Augustus Dewey, paying for it approximately \$15,000 for it. The farm had been the property of Augustus Dewey since 1860 when he purchased it from Charles Elliott.

TEAMS HAD SPEED DOWN

Virginia Kalmbach and Alice Richmond were the winners Friday.

JOSEPH BROOKS PLAYED OLD TIME DANCE TUNES TO EXCHANGE MEMBERS

One of Henry Ford's "old time fiddlers," represented in the person of Joseph Brooks, supervisor of Southfield township, regaled members of the Birmingham Exchange club Tuesday night at the Levee House. Mr. Brooks was the guest of his son-in-law, Robert W. Chassey, while Mrs. Chassey accompanied her father at the piano.

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TEACHER OF PIANO IS ADDED TO STAFF HERE

WEEKLY ELECTION

14 Annexation Propositions and Election Of Township Officials On Ballot

2000 ACRES IN PROJECT

Detailed Map Of All Annexation Propositions Published On Page Three

ALAN KOPELSON

Mr. Kopelson, a recognized master of the piano, has been added to the staff of the Birmingham branch of the Detroit Institute of Musical Art, which has a branch office at 127 West Maple Avenue.

GRADUATING CLASS IS HIGH IN SCHOLARSHIP

Scholastic averages of the members of the graduating class of the Baldwin High School have been computed and those pupils who have attended the high school for the last two years and have an average of 90 or above in all of their high school work are eligible for the Senior Honor Roll.

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Prominent Local Citizen Passed Away Tuesday Night In Hospital

WIFE DIED 3 WEEKS AGO

Death Followed A Second Operation; Lived Here Since 1880

By George R. Averill

Warren Duane Clabe, known during the latter years of his life as "Dad" to many, and "Uncle" to a large number of his friends, passed away Tuesday night at his home, 1418 E. 12th street, after a long illness. He was 82 years of age. He was born in 1844 in a prominent family in the life and activities of Birmingham, this country. His wife, who was 75 years of age, died three weeks ago. He was a man of many talents and a man of many virtues. He was a man of many talents and a man of many virtues.

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