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APPROVAL GIVEN PROSPERITY WEEK CAMPAIGN

WIDER STREET IS HALTED BY OBJECTIONS

Maple To Remain Same Width Following Citizen Protest

PETITIONS RECEIVED

Action on the proposed widening of Maple avenue between Southfield and Adams avenues is definitely suspended today following the meeting of the village commission Monday night when a previous resolution, which called for the widening, was rescinded. Work is under way by the village manager, however on the preliminaries to widening Maple avenue between Adams avenue and the Grand Trunk railway tracks to 86 feet after the commission received a petition signed by approximately 70 per cent of the property owners there.

In proposing that the commission rescind its act in favor of the widening to 86 feet, Commissioner Laurence Hulbert declared it was the advisable move since he was satisfied the majority of property owners on the street between Adams and Southfield opposed the issue. All members of the board voted in favor of Mr. Hulbert's resolution.

Cost A Factor

High costs of the project for the comparatively small amount of benefit derived was the main objection to the issue voiced by the majority of property owners who attended a discussion meeting with the commission at the high school Friday night.

Commission members and some of the audience declared that Manager James W. Parry's estimate of the costs were not as high as the actual cost would be. His figures showed a range between $220,000 and $236,000 for the widening.
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BAPTISTS PROPOSE ∴ ∴ NEW CHURCH ON ∴ ∴ WILLETTS STREET

The above is the preliminary architects drawing of the proposed new First Baptist Church on Willetts and Bates street on the site of the present building, which will be torn down, according to plans of the church board.

The church is to be of the Gothic type of architecture and a large wing will include departments to be used in connection with church activities.

Facing Bates street, the main entrance of the building will look directly south on that thoroughfare. The main body of the church is to be 108 feet long and the auditorium will seat 600.

The wing is to be two stories high with a large basement that will, because of the nature of the ground in this block, be exposed, so that it is almost as if it were a first floor, according to Fred D. Farrar, who, with Harry G. Muehlman, did the designing. The basement will be given over to a large dining hall which will seat between 300 and 400 persons. A large kitchen and other facilities incident to the dining room will be included in the basement of the wing.

On the first floor will be the pastor's study, the church offices, rooms for Sunday school classes, a prayer meeting room, a woman's parlor and a men's club room. The second floor will be given over to a large gymnasium with shower baths and dressing rooms.

—Drawing by Muehlman & Farrar, architects.

While details are not yet completed for the new church, it is expected by members of the board that the plans announced today will be followed closely. The total cost of the building has not been estimated nor has the date when the razing of the present church will start. They believe, however, that the new building will have been started by Jan. 1.

COMMITTEES NAMED FOR GALA AFFAIR

Ellerby Is Elected General Chairman; Project Approved By 100%

OCCURS NEXT MONTH

Committees are at work today making preliminary plans for Prosperity Week in Birmingham following their appointment when overwhelming approval to the proposal was given by merchants and representatives of civic institutions at the meeting held in the Baldwin High School last night when the committees were named.

While no date was definitely decided upon, it was planned to have it co-incident with the opening of the new Kunsky-Birmingham theater which is scheduled to open about Nov. 17.

Several speakers pointed out the highlights of the week which will include exhibitions by practically every business concern and civic institution in Birmingham. The meeting made clear to those in attendance the aim of Prosperity Week which is to advertise Birmingham nationally and make residents of the village better acquainted with its many advantages.

Ellerby General Chairman

H. T. Ellerby who proposed the week was unanimously named general chairman and he immediately named Charles A. Bingham as his assistant; Mrs. Fred D. Farrar, secretary; and Charles Randall, treasurer. He also named the following committee chairmen and their assistants: Program, Charles J. Shain and Lawrence Colgrove; Finance, Ralph Wilson and Joseph Pope; Decorations, David Ladd and C. R. Evans; Advertising, Walter Y. Stanley and Charles Buck; Publicity, Mrs. Iva Marlotte, and George R. Averill, and Osgood Doob. The committee chairman and vice-chairmen are to appoint their complete staff of assistants this week.

The Rotary, Exchange clubs, the real estate board and the Community House board, all declared themselves as being thoroughly in accord with the idea as did representatives of churches, schools, the village commission and the Young Men's Service club.

Called A Thanksgiving

"We must consider it also in the light of a thanksgiving week," Mr. Ellerby explained. "Birmingham for years and years has enjoyed the greatest prosperity and it continues to do so despite business depressions in other cities."

While it is the task of the committees to map out the week's program and this will probably take a considerable time, members say, Mr. Ellerby outlined a general plan. One night would be set aside for civic institutions and in invitation sent to Gov. Fred W. Green to speak. Another night would be set aside for automobile dealers who have approved the idea of an auto show. The fire department may put on a demonstration drill followed by a water fight. A street dance is planned and exhibitions from the schools under the direction of teachers and members of the P. T. A.

Birmingham will be given a widespread publicity throughout Michigan if the plans materialize and they will if the proper cooperation is given, Mr. Ellerby said.

In the large group of business and professional men present there was not one objection to the proposal. Ralph Wilson declared it is time for Birmingham to become better known both to the outside world and to persons who live here. He said he felt the members of the village have been in business long enough to be hosts, even for a short week, to their customers, and that this plan would give them the opportunity.

Urges Co-Operation

In presenting the plan to those who attended the meeting Mr. Ellerby said, "There is a general business depression throughout the state and there seems to be no very good reason for it. Apparently it is psychological. The Ford Motor company soon will be producing at a great rate and business generally, will pick up. People have the money in the banks, but for some strange reason, are afraid to use it. This week should stimulate trade in Birmingham and give the village an opportunity of leading the state in its rise from lethargy.

"We people who live here are not familiar enough with Birmingham and it should remedy this situation in a very short time. The project may be realized at a very slight expense provided those members of the committees have the proper amount of co-operation."

Representatives of the Kunsky organization declared they would do their utmost to make the undertaking a success.

CRAM NAMED HILLS COUNSEL

Annexation Petition Is Received By Bloomfield Commissioners

George A. Cram of Pontiac succeeds today, as village attorney for Bloomfield Hills Village, his law partner, Judge Frank L. Doty, who was recently appointed third circuit judge of Oakland County. Attorney Cram's appointment was made Tuesday night at the regular monthly meeting of the Bloomfield Hills commission. He immediately assumed duties.

A board of appeals, to hold office the remainder of this year, was appointed by the commission in accordance with the charter of the village. The following men of the village were chosen by the commissioners as board members: John Endicott, J. H. Hunter, T. R. Donovan, Frank Bromley and Lynn Halsted.

E. J. Waldron, resident of Bloomfield Highlands and president of the real estate company which subdivided the Bloomfield Highlands section, north of Square Lake on both sides of Woodward avenue, and adjacent to the Pontiac city limits, announced a petition to the commissioners, signed by 50 residents to enter Bloomfield Hills Village. Mr. Waldron described the property as in every way equaling the standards and restrictions set by the village and said that because of possible encroachment from the north by Pontiac, linked with the building of the Yellow Coach plant not far from Bloomfield Highlands, the residents were desirous to be annexed to the Hills village to maintain better homes.

Action on the matter will be taken at a later date.

MEETING CALLED ON NEW DRAIN

Suggestions and objections of property owners affected will be heard by the village commission Oct. 24 at 8 p. m. on the proposed construction of surface sewers and water mains in the area bounded by Lincoln, Pierce, Bates streets and the Clawson road.

The preliminary plans call for the assessment to the extent of 100 percent to be levied against the property owners who will benefit by the improvement. Village Manager James W. Parry will present maps and diagrams and an estimate of the cost at the meeting.

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CORYELL RECOVERING FROM OPERATION

Lee A. White of Brookside drive, new member of the village commission, attended the meeting Monday night for the first time in the capacity of commissioner. He succeeds Ralph I. Coryell who was forced to retire because of ill health. Mr. Coryell is recovering from a recent serious operation and said yesterday his physicians ordered him to rest until he had completely regained his health. He is able to make daily trips to Detroit for treatment.

CHURCH PLANS RALLY WEEK

Southfield Methodists To Hold Intensive Program Of Services

The complete program for rally week, to be held at the Southfield Methodist Episcopal Church from Sunday until Friday of next week, is announced today by the Rev. Calvin M. Thompson, pastor. Special speakers and special music have been obtained for each meeting, and everyone interested has been urged to attend.

Sunday's sermon, "How Can These Things Be?" by Mr. Thompson.
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REALTORS PLAN ANNUAL DINNER

Date For Large Affair Set At Wednesday, Oct. 19; Public To Attend

The complete program for the annual dinner of the Birmingham real estate board to be held in the Knights of Pythias Hall Oct. 19, is announced today by Donald G. Howarth, chairman of the entertainment committee.

Henry M. Deland, automotive engineer, will be the principal speaker on the extensive program, tracing the history an development of the automobile industry from the time of its start. Mr. Deland is considered, by members of the committee, to be thoroughly versed in the subject which, they declare, will have a special significance in Birmingham because of the large number of its residents who are interested in the industry.

Following the usual custom for the annual dinner, the affair will be open to the general public, and one of the largest attendances in
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BOARD AWAITS ARRIVAL OF SCHOOL HEADS

Completes Plans For Entertainment During Day's Institute

200 ARE EXPECTED HERE

Plans are nearing completion today for the annual sectional meeting of school superintendents and principals to be held for the first time in Birmingham next Thursday, at the Baldwin High School. Between 200 and 300 persons are expected from Oakland, Wayne, Macomb, Genessee and St. Clair counties.

An extensive program of talks has been arranged to begin at 11 a. m. and last throughout the afternoon. These talks have been given in eight other school sections of the state, and will be given three times after the speakers leave here. The talks are to be given by members of the state department of public instruction, and are designed for cities of less than 5,000 with a view to improving the general school system.

The following program of topics is planned: 11 to 12 a. m.: "Specific Recommendations for the Improvement of Instructors in the Elementary Grades and "Athletic Activities in the Small High School." 1 to 5 p. m.: "The New School Code," "The Care of the Handicapped Child in the Smaller Schools," "What We Look for When We Visit Your School," "Standards of Efficiency for Jani-
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SOUTHFIELD CALLS SPECIAL ELECTION

A special election in Southfield Township will be held Oct. 31 to raise $30,000 in a special bond issue and to adopt the primary form of elections, it is announced today by James B. Wood, clerk. The money from the bond issue will be used to erect and furnish a new township hall on the site of the present building.

J. H. McBRIDE NAMED PRESIDENT PRO TEM

J. H. McBride, village commissioner and former village president was elected president pro tem of the board Monday night by a unanimous vote to succeed Ralph I. Coryell who has resigned. Mr. McBride was nominated by Laurence Hulbert and will serve until the spring.

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GROUND BROKEN FOR QUARTON SCHOOL; TO BE READY IN YEAR

Work is going ahead today on the new Quarton school, at Chesterfield and Oak streets. The excavation has been started, and material is arriving daily for the $260,000 building, which is planned to be completed before school opens next fall. Contracts on the work, which were awarded last week will be signed within a few days, Clarence Vliet, superintendent of schools, said.

The N. A. Starr, company, Royal Oak, are the general contractors for the building, their bid of $198,846 having been accepted last week. Ralph Peckham's $30,280 bid was accepted for the heating and ventilating, and D. B. Wilkinson's bid of $11,974 on the plumbing holds. The Texis Electrical company, with their bid of $13,122.85, will do the electrical work.

The new school promises to be one of the most beautiful grade schools in this section. It is to be of shaded tan face brick, with a bit of soft red in it. A special gabled roof will be an innovation for Birmingham schools. The rooms are to have the last word in up-to-date, convenient, and serviceable equipment.

The rapidly growing population of Birmingham made a new school by September, 1928, seem imperative to the school board.

DRIVER INJURED IN ACCIDENT

James Sinist, 1610 Collingwood avenue, Detroit, is in the St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, today suffering from injuries received Tuesday afternoon in Bloomfield Hills Village when the automobile he was driving collided with that driven by Foster B. Luse, 877 Pallister avenue, Detroit. Neither Luse nor L. R. Partridge who was with him, was hurt.

An examination at the hospital revealed Sinist's injuries were not serious. No blame for the accident has been attached by William Putman, chief of Bloomfield Hills police, who investigated.

ROTARY HEAD LAUDS WORK

District Governor Reviews World-Wide Activities Of Service Club

Taking as his main theme the Sixth Object of Rotary International, which pleads for "the advancement of understanding, goodwill, and international peace through a world fellowship of business and professional men united in the ideal of service," Omar P. Stelle, of Mt. Clemens, governor for this district of Rotary International, addressed local Rotarians at a dinner held at Oakland Hills Country club Monday evening. It was the occasion of the governor's annual visitation to the Birmingham club, and followed an afternoon session with officers, directors, and committee chairmen.

Introduced by Charles J. Shain, president of the Birmingham club, as "one of the youngest district governors in the United States," Gov. Stelle immediately launched
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MAN KILLED IN AUTO CRASH

Detroiter Drives Into Oncoming Street Car Here

Nathaniel C. Pullen, negro, 35 years old, is dead today as the result of injuries received at 1 a. m. Tuesday, when the small coupe in which he was riding crashed head on into a north bound street car at Woodward avenue and Bowers street. Pullen was rushed to St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital, Pontiac, where he died yesterday, after his leg had been amputated in an attempt to save his life. Joseph Moffatt, 186 Chandler avenue, Highland Park, was the motorman of the car. No inquest will be held.

Pullen's parents took his body back to his home for burial. He lived at 354 High Street, Detroit. He was a veteran of the world war, in which he lost an arm.

RED CROSS ROLL CALL TO START HERE NOV. 1

The annual Red Cross roll call will begin in Oakland County Nov. 1, it is announced today. Mrs. Francis C. Bagby, 603 Dorchester road, is in charge of the drive in Birmingham. Members of the League of St. James Women have pledged their services to Mrs. Bagby in the drive.

A meeting of the league to discuss further the plans for the drive will be held at 10 a. m. Tuesday, Oct. 25, at the Community House, Mrs. Bagby announces, instead of at 3 p. m., as was originally announced.

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NEW PASTOR

Rev. D. L. WOODWARD

Rev. Woodward assumes duties today as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Birmingham. He comes here from Marion, Ind., and succeeds the Rev. T. J. Edwards who resigned.

BOARD TABLES ALLEY PROJECT

Commission Delays Action On Proposed Downtown Opening

More data on the cutting of an alley through the block bounded by Woodward, Brown, Pierce and Maple are being sought today by members of the village commission, following the meeting Monday night when the matter was tabled indefinitely.

In proposing that the matter be laid aside, after obtaining suggestions and objections from owners of property that would be affected, Village President H. T. Ellerby declared he thought a more comprehensive study of the matter was necessary before the commission would take action.

Fourteen persons either owning or representing the owners of affected property were present at the meeting and most of them declared themselves nutral.

The advisability of cutting through Pierce street to Woodward avenue also was considered but no definite opinion was recorded.

Preliminary plans for the project called for an alley 18 feet wide.

NEW BAPTIST PASTOR HERE

Rev. D. L. Woodward To Preach First Sermon In Church Sunday

The Rev. David Leon Woodward, former pastor of the First Baptist Church of Marion, Ind., will preach his first sermon as pastor of the First Baptist Church of Birmingham in the church at 10 a. m. Sunday.

Appointed to the pastorate by the church board to succeed the Rev. T. J. Edwards, former pastor, the Rev. Woodward comes to Birmingham at the start of plans by the church board for the construction of a new, large church on the site of the present building at Bates and Willetts streets.

For the past five years he has occupied the pastorate of the church at Marion, during which time the number of members increased more than 300. In addition to the work in the church, he was active in civic affairs, being president of the Marion Federated Welfare association, teacher of the Bible in the high school, president of the Marion Ministerial association and a member of the Kiwanis club. He also was moderator of the Harmony Baptist association and secretary and treasurer of the Indiana Baptist Minister's conference.

Mr. Woodward is a native of North Carolina but has been a resident in the north for nine years. He is a graduate of Wake Forest College, Rochester Theological Seminary and Columbia Univers-
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Gasoline Price Is Unchanged Here

Gasoline is selling at 19.8 cents a gallon today in Birmingham despite the general reduction in Detroit. The American and Sinclair stations early in the week dropped their price two cents a gallon but raised them again upon orders from the Detroit offices. No cut up till late last night had been ordered by the Standard Oil company. The companies have cut their prices in Detroit but they are unchanged in Pontiac.

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