

PART TWO

# County Drain Project Cost Slashed

## REVISED PLAN PRESENTED AT CONFERENCE

Total Cost Now Placed At \$5,200,000; Birmingham Included

MACOMB STILL OBJECTS

Petitions must be circulated for the creation of a new drainage district under the modified plan for the Oakland-Macomb drain as presented in an open meeting at Warren, Friday afternoon, ac-

ording to E. L. Hutner, state deputy commissioner of agriculture in charge of drains. The project will effect the eastern section of Birmingham.

Under this modified plan new districts will be created and LaPorte and St. Clair counties will be eliminated from the drainage area, since there will be no dredging of either Red Run or the Clinton river.

Although the cost of the entire project under the revised plan presented by Prof. W. C. Hoad of Hoad, Decker, Shoecraft and Drury consulting engineers for the inter-county drain board, has been lowered to \$5,200,000, Macomb county still is opposed to the drain. Farmers residing in the districts drained by Red Run and Bear creek, although protesting against the nuisance created by the sewage in these streams, are

unwilling to bear the burden assessment. A strong reaction against placing the sewage disposal plant east of Warren was expressed by the residents of the entire township, which is in Macomb county.

**Presenta Plan**  
Hoad presented the revised plan before an audience of 75 residents of Oakland and Macomb counties at the inter-county drain commissioners; Managers R. J. Whitney, Royal Oak; Clarence H. Elliot, Oak Park; Jay F. Gibbs, Ferndale; Edward M. Shafter, Royal Oak city engineer and Mr. Hunter, who acted as chairman.

The revised plan will include all the trunk sewers in the Hazel Park district, with sewage disposal at the site chosen in the project for the entire area, east of Warren on Red Run. The reduction in cost comes from the decision not to cover Red Run. The sewage will be picked up at the junction of Red Run and the Thirteen Mile road and pumped along the latter through a 6-inch steel sewer to the disposal plant during dry weather. In storm periods the head water pressure will be sufficient to carry the excess sewage through both Red Run and Bear creek to the disposal plant site without pollution. The cost of the southern branch will remain the same, \$3,500,000, and that of the northern half, \$1,700,000. This entire cost, \$5,200,000, takes care of sewage disposal for the drain and for all territory including Centerline which may require drainage within the revised district later. Red Run can be closed off hereafter, if growth of the territory demands it, according to Hoad.

**Replies To Queries**  
In reply to a flood of questions, Hunter pointed out that, as the representative of the state, he had been instructed to refuse to listen to any plan which did not include sewage disposal. He stated that the pollution of Red Run, Bear creek and road ditches in southeastern Oakland county was intolerable. Complaints had been received by the state, but no action had been taken because of the proposed drain. He explained that had been complaining about the pollution of streams, yet they pressed unwillingly to bear a fair share of the burden of assessment.

In answer to a demand that Hazel Park be compelled to build septic tanks for sanitation in its own district and for all territory including Centerline, Macomb county, Professor Hoad and Mr. Hunter said that septic tanks were useless after one year of use. Even though this

## TWO'S A CROWD

So Illinois Congresswoman Would Eliminate Deneen



SENATOR DENEEN RUTH HANNA MCCORMICK LEUT. GOV. FRED E. STERLING



By F. J. CIPRIANI

**Central Press Staff Writer**  
Chicago, Sept. 30.—Two's a crowd when it comes to getting a job constitutionally meant for one, and from now on the task of shoving Charles S. Deneen off his Washington perch, it is the daughter of an illustrious Ohioan, the famed "maker of presidents." She has the indelible mark of Hanna in her blood. Senatorial life has been hers since the heyday of the late Senator Mark Hanna, and was ended only with the defeat in 1924 of her husband, the late Senator Medill McCormick.

**Two's a Crowd**  
The Illinois office is available only to one. Congresswoman McCormick wants it, so does Senator Deneen, and one or the other, not forgetting several more aspirants, must be eliminated. Thus it is that two's too many, and Mrs. McCormick doesn't propose to be crowded. She announced her candidacy for the Republican nomination against Deneen the other night, and at the same time declared her campaign would be "bunkless." Nor does she intend to make a "frill and frock" appeal to her sex. She insists her political fight is not a feminist movement. Mrs. McCormick undoubtedly will be a most formidable foe for the senatorial incumbent despite the senatorial incumbent in the provincial words of a downstate thug: "We won't vote for no skirt."

**Community House Nears Completion**  
(Continued from Page 1, Part 2) and "Mother and Daughter" banquets are being planned as additional features.

There will be the regular Saturday night dancing parties, Mr. Yaple said, as well as seasonal parties. Plans are afoot under which dances to be held every fortnight for members of the young married set. Following upon the request of a villager, Mr. Yaple is considering the organization of an "old country" friendship club. This organization would be intended for foreign born persons living in the village and would serve as a gathering place for natives of the same country. He has also been requested to organize a municipal men's chorus and a village boys' choir, as well as classes for the coaching of church school instructors.

In explaining the assignment of rooms in the house Mr. Yaple said that the Board, under the larger organizations started as Community House projects. Although no rental is charged these organizations they contribute to the operating expense of the house. The Board reserves the right, however to make use of these rooms whenever the occasion demands.

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A drastic anti-narcotic law has been proclaimed in Spain by royal decree.

## Charge Reduced, Drivers Fined

Four men charged with being disorderly in Justice Floyd S. Buck's court have paid fines of \$35 each. They were arrested by Patrolmen Ima Banks and Stanley Kesterin of Bloomfield Hills when the cars two of the men were driving followed an erratic course on the wrong side of Woodward avenue.

The drivers are: John Soaze, of 5543 Helen avenue and George Craven, 37, of 5733 Holcomb avenue, both Detroit. They were originally held on drunk-driving charges. Their companions were Mark Collier, 25, of 270 east Boulevard, Detroit and Nick Bernstein, 32, of 2675 Scott street, Detroit.

## FIRE THREATENS BLOOMFIELD HOME

Fire which threatened the home of James Vernon, Jr., on the Bedford road Sunday morning was extinguished by the Bloomfield Hills fire department before serious damage was done. The blaze started in a water pump in the basement.

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