

BIENNIAL SPRING AND TOWNSHIP ELECTION

To be held April 5, 1937 at the Bloomfield Township Offices, East Long Lake and Woodward Avenues

For the purpose of electing the following officers—

STATE:

Two Justices of the Supreme Court
Two Regents of the University of Michigan
Superintendent of Public Instruction
Member of the State Board of Education
Two Members of the State Board of Agriculture
State Highway Commissioner

TOWNSHIP:

Supervisor; Township Clerk; Treasurer; Highway Commissioner; Justice of the Peace, Full Term; Justice of the Peace, To Fill Vacancy (Three Years); Member of the Board of Review, Full Term; and four Constables.

ZONING PROPOSITION:

"Shall act number seventy-nine of the Public Acts of nineteen hundred twenty-nine, as amended by Act No. 44 of the Public Acts of 1935, permitting the board of supervisors to provide for the establishment of districts or zones within which the use of land and structures, the height, the area, the size and location of buildings may be regulated by ordinance, and within which districts regulations shall be established for the light and ventilation of such buildings, and within which districts or zones the density of population may be regulated by ordinance, be adopted by this county?"

ANNEXATION PROPOSITION:

Shall the following described territory be detached from the Township of Bloomfield and annexed to the City of Birmingham, Oakland County, Michigan? This territory is between Quarton Road and Oak Street, owned by A. I. Philp.

Polls will be open from 7:00 a. m. until 8:00 p. m.

JAMES V. BAYLEY,

Bloomfield Township Clerk.

ELECTION NOTICE

To the qualified electors of the City of Birmingham County of Oakland State of Michigan

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the City of Birmingham, in the County of Oakland and State of Michigan, on

Monday, April 5, 1937

from seven o'clock in the forenoon until eight o'clock in the afternoon, Eastern Standard Time for the purpose of voting on the following proposition:

SHALL THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED TERRITORY BE DETACHED FROM THE TOWNSHIP OF BLOOMFIELD AND ANNEXED TO THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM, OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN? To-wit:

Part of the Northeast Quarter Section 26, Town 2 North, Range 10 East, Bloomfield Twp., Oakland County, Michigan, described as beginning at the Northeast corner of Lot 701 Quarton Lake Estates Subdivision, thence South 0° 54' West on the East line of said lot 204.76 feet to the north line of Redding Road; thence South 1° 12' West along centerline of Lake Park Drive (formerly known as Midland Ave.) 1010.48 feet; thence on a curve to the left with radius of 987.49 feet along centerline of said Lake Park Drive (formerly known as Midland Ave.) 582.25 feet; thence on a curve to the right with radius of 509.9 feet along centerline of said Lake Park Drive (formerly known as Midland Ave.) 295.76 feet; thence South 0° 39' West along centerline of Lake Park Drive (formerly known as Midland Ave.) 31.72 feet to the centerline of Oak Street or the East and West Quarter section line; thence South 88° 08' 30" West along centerline of Oak Street 928.57 feet to centerline of Pilgrim Ave.; thence North 1° 49' East along centerline of Pilgrim Ave. 29.72 feet; thence on a curve to the left with radius of 1172.8 feet along centerline of Pilgrim Ave. 515.48 feet; thence on a curve to the right with radius of 766.30 feet along centerline of Pilgrim Ave. 336.81 feet; thence North 4° 49' East along centerline of Pilgrim Ave. 1248.50 feet; thence South 89° 51' East 724.58 feet to the point of beginning.

IRENE E. HANLEY
City Clerk

STATE ROAD DEPT. USES COUNTY AS 'PROVING GROUND'

Van Wagener Puts Several Innovations To Test Along Woodward

Lansing, March 31.—Oakland County, in some respects, might be called the proving ground of the state highway department. US-10 (Woodward Avenue) is one of the greatest highways in the nation and State Highway Commissioner Murray D. Van Wagener has submitted several innovations to a severe test along this route.

Among the current experiments in highway improvements is the roadside landscaping and highway lighting project, which has been installed between Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills. The landscaping involves the center section of the boulevard and several feet of ground on each shoulder. The outside borders of the areas were planted with high growing trees and shrubs with shorter plants toward the center of the road. The design was used to give the impression of driving along a valley.

The center section was given over entirely to low growing plant material. Eight varieties of plants were planted along the 1.5 mile strip covered by the project. An effort is being made to find a plant material that will grow thick enough to crowd out all weeds or other types of unwanted vegetation and at the same time will not require mowing.

The street lights were installed on a purely experimental basis, although they are designed to fit into the scheme of the street landscaping. They are also intended to serve as safety aids to the heavy traffic on US-10.

"Experiments such as these under way at Birmingham are necessary to further progress," said Commissioner Van Wagener. "Roadside beautification and public safety are two fields that have assumed a new importance for road builders in recent years. Highway lighting especially is an entirely new field."

Experiments launched last summer on US-10 between Pontiac and Flint are being watched not only by Michigan authorities but by engineers throughout the nation. A raised centerline strip has been constructed on sections of four lane highway on this road in an effort to keep opposing lanes of traffic separate and thus eliminate head-on collisions. The Commissioner pointed out that this method of separating traffic was less expensive than the construction of boulevard type highways. If successful, the practice will be extended to other super-highways.

The present method makes use of a bituminous center strip about one inch higher than the regular surface of the pavement. By using yellow stripes on either side, the strip is made to look considerably higher than it actually is.

In addition to these experimental projects, Oakland County has been the scene of extensive road development in recent years. Work involving 51 miles of highway and an expenditure of \$2,126,000 was reported completed by Commissioner Van Wagener during the past four years of his administration. Some 27 miles of this work has been concrete pavement with an additional 15.6 miles of oil aggregate—the new low cost, dustproof surface.

Work under contract or completed on M-59 has carried this western outlet for Pontiac traffic to the county line. M-24, the Pontiac east belt line, has also been completed along with improvements north of Oakland.

In cooperation with the Works Progress Administration, the department sponsored the construction of oil aggregate on M-150 north from Rochester to the end of the truckline as it is now determined. Under a separate program the department surfaced the county road from that point north to the county line.

Other improvements in Oakland County include 1.4 miles of concrete pavement on John R. Road from Eight Mile Road to Woodward Heights Boulevard, 9 miles of oil aggregate on M-87, Holly to US-10, and 2.6 miles of oil aggregate on a county road from Clarkson southwest to the White Lake Road.

DETROIT BUSINESS MEN who live in Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills helped to finance the project and helped in the construction of the new building. The new building is located at the intersection of Woodward and Pilgrim Ave. and is the largest building in the city.

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Murray Van Wagener

BITS OF BIRMINGHAM

Coleman Flashcamp, graduate of the Pharmacy School of the University of Alabama, will attend Army Reserve Officers' Training Corps at the University of Alabama, Spring Hill, Ala. He will be in the class of 1938.

Pontiac Stamp Club will hold its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. J. M. Smith, 1215 N. 1st St., Pontiac, Mich., on Monday, April 5, 8:30 p. m.

For the first time in the history of the city, the Birmingham Public Schools will have a graduation ceremony on Monday, April 5, at 10:30 a. m. in the auditorium of the Washington Hotel.

Rev. M. Allan Reed, of Hendrix College, will be in Birmingham on Monday, April 5, to attend the annual meeting of the Alabama Association of Ministers.

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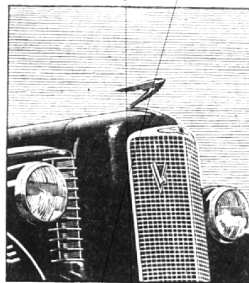
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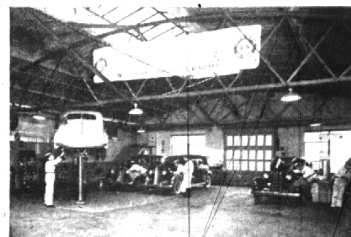
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