

Big Hospital Is Considered For This Area

12 Southern Oakland Communities Join In Needed Project

Birmingham, as soon as building materials and supplies are available after the war is over, may join with 11 other southern Oakland County units of government, in the ownership and operation of a large modern hospital. This will probably become an established fact if Michigan's Constitution is amended to make it possible for communities to join together on such a project.

In the first stages of the proposed new hospital, the City Commission Monday night did two things; first it passed a resolution requesting the Governor to include a request for such an amendment in his coming call for the special Legislative Session to be held early in 1944 which in turn is passed on to the approval of the Legislature for

authorized the payment of \$289.25 as Birmingham's share of the cost of hiring experts to investigate the cost, need, etc., of the hospital.

other its include Royal Oak, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Berkeley, Clawson, Pleasant Ridge, Huntington Woods, Oak Park, and the Townships-at-large of Royal Oak just east of the city, and Southfield and Troy.

Have Two Locations

Two locations for the proposed hospital have been suggested, one of 15 acres on Woodward avenue opposite the 13-mile road, owned by Royal Oak, and other a larger tract owned by Royal Oak just east of the first site, and nearer the Grand Trunk right-of-way. In either case, it is expected that Royal Oak would give the Jan-

Birmingham's Commissioner Monday night were unanimous in their belief that a hospital, of several hundred beds, for southern Oakland County is much needed.

able hospitals are St. Joseph and Pontiac General, plus the crowded institutions in Detroit where, currently, an average of three weeks is required to obtain room in them.

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Bicyclists Must Get Licenses Jan. 1

and the weather most unseasonable for this time of the year, people are still riding their bicycles. Beginning January 1, all such vehicles are required to have a 1944 license plate attached and Irene Hanley, city clerk, announced this week that the new plates are now available.

information desk in the lobby of the municipal building. The 19-plate is painted white and the lettering is of olive green. Their color is the same as always. 25 cents

many Birmingham adults have taken to riding bicycles to a from work and transportation lines. This is indicated by the fact that in 1943 over 1,970 bicycles were licensed, and that figure several hundred more than has

previous year. It is believed Miss Hanley that many of the bicyclists are not even aware that a license is needed to operate this type of vehicle, and many others

Applicants must fill out an application blank for each bicycle operated and the following information must be stated regarding

Make of the bicycle, manufacturer's or serial number (this is found on the frame beneath the main drive sprocket or beneath the seat): whether your bike is

state its color and the color of trim, whether it has single or double bar and fork construction. Know the name and color of saddle and be able to tell what

medium or wide in width, and you should know the kind of braids it is equipped with. These statements are put on the application

Miss Hanley pointed out that it would take much time and bother can be saved by the applicant if he will check the above information and hand it in.

INFLUENZA DECLINING
Cases of influenza in Birmingham are on the decline, city health officer Dr. W. Lloyd Kemp states.

ever, to take every precaution against spread of the difficulty proper diet, rest, and warm clothing.