

...and lives upon this earth, it is not to be feared or to be quailed by Eternal Law, to continue efforts to become civilized. While "the world" is necessary, and good, perhaps the most substantial of all knowledge comes from within one's own deep self.

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## Local Woman Undergoes Successful Cornea Operation

By Alice E. Morgan

After spending almost her entire life in the haze of partial blindness, the Mrs. Martha Hamilton of Purdy street, today looks toward a future of full sight and complete enjoyment which she has never known before. She has recently returned from Harper hospital, in Detroit, where she underwent a successful cornea transplant.

This operation is one of the newest miracles of surgery, as well as one of the most exacting and delicate tasks known to the world of surgery. Much of its success depends on the cooperation of the patient, and stands ready to impede through long, weary days.

## Opposition to School Plan Is Reduced

### Southfield Group Hears Explanations from School Board

SOUTHFIELD—Township school board members, meeting last Thursday with the newly formed Southfield Township Committee for Better School Management, apparently have ironed out to the satisfaction of most of the members of the committee, various matters of school administration, particularly with regard to the proposed new high school here.

Some 150 to 200 persons gathered at Lathrup school to hear the board's explanation of several matters of school management which were brought up by the committee.

## Southfield Voters Return Incumbents to School Board

Incumbents Mark Rebbins and Charles Zink were returned to the Southfield Township school board for three-year terms by voters in Monday's annual school election.

Unofficial results had Zink leading the field of four incumbents with 284 votes, while Rebbins was a close second with 388. John Flesman and James L. Adams were defeated.

Voters also approved the sale of several old farm buildings on the corner of Lusher and 10 Mile roads.

## James Places 9th in Soap Box Finals

Fifteen-year-old Bill James, 4805 N. Adams, finished in his 4th heat of the Soap Box Derby Saturday at Rouge Park and placed 9th in the final. However, Bill ranked 9th in the meet.

## Bloomfield Hills Police Checking Speed Violators

Bloomfield Hills police spent a busy week enforcing the state-wide slogan for July—"Speeders Lose". All speeders are being given special attention in the court of Justice Alva Richardson.

Must Move, Fast. Finally, just a few weeks ago, she was near enough to her goal to make another visit to the doctor, with the operation in mind.

30 Days Probation. Adam Vastek, 625 Algonquin, Detroit, was fined \$75 and given a 30-day license suspension with 30 days probation for speeding 85 miles per hour.

## Board of Education Reelects Officers

At last week's reorganization meeting of the Birmingham Board of Education, all officers were re-elected for the 1949-50 school year.

## Discuss Strategy for Soap Box Derby

Discussing the best way of proceeding over the Soap Box Derby course at Rouge Park Saturday are Paul Brown of Royal Oak, Dick Kappler of Birmingham, Paul Drennam of Franklin, Charles Potter of Milford, Dick Cray of North Chevrolet, Inc., and John Hobart of Lathrup Village. See story on Page 5, Part 2. (Joe Wheeler Photo.)

## Refreshing Pause Between Firing Periods



Last week on the police rifle range where local youngsters are receiving pistol and rifle training under the experienced eyes of summer recreation instructors, was pretty hot. So the boys who had them brought canteens of water to slake their thirst. Warren Hardy spends his canteen while George Collins (left) and Peter Brink patiently wait their turn. (Photo by Joe Wheeler).

## William Brunner Killed in Crash

William Brunner, 35, of 29970 Franklin road, was killed Saturday morning in a head-on collision with a 1947 Buick while driving to join his wife and children on a vacation at the Lake Huron Hotel, Houghton Lake.

Services Held. Funeral services were held Tuesday morning in the Dun Scots Monastery. The burial took place at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

## Open Basement Called 'Hazard' by Neighbor

Neighbors complaining of an open basement located at the intersection of Westchester Way, just south of W. Maple, were assured by the city commission Monday night that unless the owner took steps by August 1 to abate the nuisance, the city would prefer charges in criminal court.

## Trick Gets Draw on Armed Household

Trickery accounted for the theft of four guns from the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Stutte, 607 S. Bates.

## Mortensen Reports On C of C Sales

The Birmingham Chamber of Commerce has issued its annual report on the fiscal year ending June 30, according to Charles Mortensen, manager.

## Shain Is Improving

According to hospital authorities yesterday the condition of Shain Murray, prominent local merchant, is vastly improved.

# US-10 Sign System To Be Modernized By Highway Dept.

The Michigan State Highway Department has chalked up another "first" by receiving Public Roads Administration approval of its program for installation of a complete new modern sign system on the 9,400 miles of state trunkline in the state. Highway Commissioner Charles H. Ziegler announced this week.

Thus, Michigan becomes the first state in the nation to start plans for replacing its old and inadequate highway signs with new, modern signs under the uniform system adopted for all states by state and federal highway agencies as provided for under the Federal Highway Act of 1944.

The new sign system will cost approximately \$1,600,000 with the Federal government participating in the cost on a 50-50 basis.

## Thirteen Major Routes on the Federal Aid Primary System in Michigan Will Be Replaced

Thirteen major routes on the Federal Aid Primary System in Michigan will be replaced by approximately 2,350 miles of approximately 100 mile long trunklines, comprise the first part of the new sign program.

## US-10 Signal Plan Nears Completion

The final plan for the installation of several new traffic signals on US-10 through Birmingham, including a new light at 14 Mile road, is being discussed by Birmingham officials.

## New Lights Probably to be the Overhead Type, and it may be most or more of the plan is agreed upon before the installation will be made.

## Michigan Signs to Principal Cities in Three Directions will be Placed Some Distance Ahead of the Intersections, and Direction Signs Only to be Placed at the Intersections in Order that the Motor Vehicle Driver may Abandon the Two Bits of Information, thus assuring the hazard of looking while in the intersection.

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