

**Candidates**

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to all. Do not favor Townsend Plan but believe it constitutional right of the aged that this bill be debated in the House. Oppose socialized medicine, but favor federal aid in distressed and hardship cases like polio and TB, and for cancer research.

"Favor exempting veteran homesteaded taxation permanently. Provide for G.I. education and rehabilitation for life. Federal aid for stream pollution control. Favor slum clearance and better housing program."

**ZIGMUND JOHN NIPARKO**, Hazel Park; 30. Graduate of Mich. State Normal; graduate work at Wayne University. Employed by Ferndale Board of Edu-

cation, previously with Ford Motor Co., Executive training; United States Naval Officer. Mayor of City of Hazel Park three years; Oakland County Board of Supervisors member, three years. Member of Veterans of Foreign Wars; Fraternal Order of Eagles, Youth Guidance Chairman; Member Organized Naval Reserve, Communications Officer, Lt. (jg).

"Fleet should be taken out of mothballs immediately. Although we believe strictly in peace, we have no other choice. Need a strong military; eliminate waste. Favor international trade agreements and continued economic help for Western European countries and backward areas. Educa-

tion of prime importance.

"We should work toward a balanced budget, by eliminating unnecessary jobs. We must not overburden industry with excessive costs."

"More emphasis needed on hospital development and medical training programs through making it easier for more young Americans to go into medical study. Can do a lot without socialized medicine. Need a strong department of education."

"Favor recommendations of the Hoover Commission, encouraging federal efficiency. Favor public development of national resources. National government has definite place in the development of these huge power projects."

"Greater prosperity for the Midwest would result from St. Lawrence waterway. Need to eliminate international, as well as interstate, trade barriers. Labor is basic and should be given its rightful respect. Highways need emphasis."

**State Senator**

REPUBLICAN

**GEORGE N. HIGGINS**, Ferndale. No opposition.

DEMOCRAT

**WILBURN W. WOODY**, Hazel Park. No opposition.

**State Representative (Third District)**

REPUBLICAN

**IRENE M. BROOKS**, Pontiac. Unable to arrange interview.

**HOWARD R. ESTES**, Birmingham, 56; dry cleaning plant owner; Michigan State College, BS. State representative since 1945; former Birmingham city commissioner. Oakland County Board of Supervisors, chief dairy and food inspector, Flint; chief sanitarian, Research Laboratories, National Dairy Products Corp.

"Services, whether provided by government or private industry, never perfect because of human element. Know of no existing glaring state inefficiencies. Feel reticent about adding new services because government can easily become top-heavy."

Believe present local state federal tax burden maximum that should be required of any taxpayer. Since there is disagreement

over status of state finances, prefer to wait until complete audit before advocating more or less than saving in extradition costs.

"Believe present gas and weight tax distribution now works against more populous areas. More money should be returned to populous districts; could then be used to provide a secondary system to relieve acute traffic congestion."

"Favor larger return of intangible tax to specific localities they come from. Think collection methods much improved. Since State has taken over but only 2/3 now being collected."

"Notable tax inequalities in property assessments throughout the State. Recommendation of State Tax Board be speeded up to rectify this situation."

"Voted for reapportionment. Believe 'Grand Rapids Plan' most workable. Districting of cities necessary and should be provided for in original apportionment plan."

"Have introduced bill requiring Huron-Clinton Authority to pay taxes on property they condemn for park purposes. Many communities seriously handicapped when the land goes off the tax rolls."

DEMOCRAT

**ANNÉ GARRISON**, Birmingham. No opposition.

**County Candidates**

All candidates asked what they considered the one most important problem facing Oakland County and what improvements they would effect if elected to office.

**Prosecuting Attorney**

REPUBLICAN

**BERNARD GIRARD**, Berkley; 38. LLB University of Detroit, Attorney. Chief assistant prosecutor from Jan. 1947-July 1950. Past President, Oakland County Lincoln Republican Club, present treasurer and director.

"Convinced the office of prosecutor cannot be operated on 'dollar and cents' basis. Refusal of the present prosecutor to extradite divorced fathers who have fled this State leaving former wife and children without support is costing untold thousands of dollars in both county welfare and State Aid by way of Aid to Dependent Children."

Costs of extradition would in

most cases be nominal and would place responsibility of support on every father rather than taxpayer. Thus saving in extradition costs is penny wise and pound foolish. If elected shall pursue these cases vigorously and thereby reinstate respect for law enforcement in Oakland County."

**CLYDE D. UNDERWOOD** (incumbent) Pontiac; 60. Lawyer; University of Detroit and Detroit College of Law. Prosecuting Attorney Oakland County 1925-29 and 1946 to date. Member American Bar Ass'n, National Legion and Elks.

"One of most important Oakland County problems is traffic. Unfortunately Michigan does not have as many divided highways as some States. More traffic signal lights, road signs needed."

"Accidents could be decreased if speed on all 4-lane highways designated for each lane, plainly marked on the pavement."

"Would like to equip all police

cars with loud speakers to enable officers to call ahead to cars cutting in and out of traffic and serve many other useful purposes in the regulation of highway traffic."

"Since becoming prosecuting attorney in 1947, have installed in office all new forms having to do with procedure which were badly needed. Use of these forms established better record department in office, enabled office to work more closely with Courts, brought about more efficiency in the handling of criminal cases."

"If re-elected, will continue reforms in administration and prosecution which I have initiated and will put into effect any new methods which my past experience has indicated."

DEMOCRAT

**WILLIAM A. WELSH**, Royal Oak. Unopposed.

**Sheriff**

REPUBLICAN

**CLARE L. HUBBELL** (incumbent) Pontiac; 47. Business College, Oakland County law enforcement officer for 20 years. Member of PTA, Masons, Lions, Michigan and National Sheriff's Ass'n. "Most pressing problem facing Oakland County today is alert police protection for large factories and industries; now that we face, once again, the threat of large scale war. Constant police vigilance needed more than ever before. Oakland County is a great industrial area and many large Detroit plants dependent on us."

"Will continue the fine co-operation with other law enforcement agencies we have enjoyed in the past, make any improvements possible for the good of the department. I was within my budget for the year of 1949."

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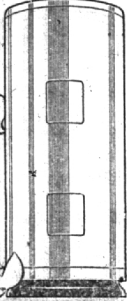


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