

**Commissioners Approve  
Bradford Water Main;  
Area Paving Is Tabled**

A special assessment district for construction of a water main on Bradford from Elton to Helton has been approved by Birmingham commissioners. The entire cost is to be carried by property owners.

The water main construction on Helton has been postponed because the area has no immediate expansion plans. The Rev. H. G.

Alwardt, representing Our Shepherd Lutheran church, pointed out that his congregation already was carrying a \$5,000 paving assessment and did not feel they could accept further obligations.

The commission also tabled the Bradford-Mansfield pavement improvement program, since there is little chance of immediate development in the area.

"When residents feel they want this improvement, they are free to bring the matter up again," commissioners decided.

**Seek Answers  
To Special  
Assessments**

The city commission may evolve some method of shortening special assessment public hearings.

Commissioner Lance C. Minor asked the commission if there was some way to inform all people in the special assessment districts of the mechanics and costs of the improvement before the public hearing is called.

"We should go to the people at the time the improvement is first considered and feel the pulse of the neighborhood. We would save a great deal of paper work if we did this," Minor contended.

HE WOULD LIKE to iron out most of the pros and cons to an assessment district before the matter is brought up in public hearing and thrashed out before the commission.

City Manager Donald C. Egbert would also like to know the answer. He told commissioners that no matter what way the city notified property owners, they always wait to come before the commission until the night the public hearing is held.

Commissioner Richard M. Patterson suggested that the matter be brought up again sometime during the summer when a full review of the assessment procedure could be studied.

**Building Inspector  
Resigns to Accept  
Buchanan Position**

Resignation of B. G. Omans, Birmingham building inspector, has been presented to city commissioners so Omans may become city manager at Buchanan, effective May 12.

Omans, who joined the city staff three years ago, has been building inspector for the past two years, replacing E. S. Clark who resigned because of ill health.

City Engineer L. R. Gare said no decision had yet been made on Omans' successor.

"Omans has been excellent in his work and everyone hates to see him leave," Gare said. "He did a great job of the revision of our building code—in fact he has done an excellent job on whatever he has come in contact with here."

Gare added that the announcement of the new appointee would probably be made next week.

**Claims City Owes \$100  
To Group for Telling  
'Other Side of Story'**

Only the elected representatives of the people—and not private citizens—may spend city taxes, city commissioners declared Monday night.

Mayor Dean G. Beier gave this reply to John Brennan, 988 Floyd, when Brennan said the city should receive a statement for approximately \$100 incurred by citizens in the northeast section of the city in connection with the April 7 fire hall bond issue, which was defeated by a narrow margin.

Brennan said the city spent about \$140 to present "its side of the story."

"Birmingham Estates Assn. spent about the same amount to tell the other side, and we are entitled to reimbursement," Brennan claimed.

After the Mayor explained how the commission would receive the statement, Brennan said it would be presented anyway.

**Top Soil Removal  
Ordinance In Trov**

Troy township board members adopted an ordinance to regulate the removal of top soil at their meeting Monday night.

Under the ordinance, anyone seeking to remove soil must obtain a permit from the township clerk and submit a set of plans for the removal to the township board.

The ordinance regards as a nuisance any conditions resulting from the removal of soil, such as stagnant water or the creation of dust, and stipulates that the soil shall be set by the township to cover correction of any nuisance.

**Troy High's Prom  
Slated For May 9**

"Harbor Lights" will be the theme of the Junior Prom at Troy High school Friday, May 9, from 9-12 p.m. The school gym will be filled with the music of Les Shaw and his orchestra.

The ticket committee under the direction of Muriel Sherwood includes Connie Gae, Mary Jane Evans and Joanne Fielding.

**Obituary  
Notices**

MRS. FLORA DONKA, 85, of St. Elizabeth's home died in the Oakland county hospital April 29, after a short illness.

Born in Hungary on Dec. 24, 1866, she had been a resident of Bloomfield township for 12 years, coming here from Denburch. She was the widow of Ladislav Donka to whom she was married 69 years ago in Hungary.

Mrs. Donka is survived by a daughter, Mrs. John Fehar of Dearborn and two sons, Ladous and Demeter Donka, both of Roumania.

Services will be held at 9 o'clock this morning from the St. Elizabeth chapel, in charge of the Manley Bailey funeral home. Burial will be in Holy Cross cemetery.



AT LAST SATURDAY'S Girl Scout Fair at the Community House, Scouts Constance Barton and Irene McIntosh explain one of the numerous displays to guest Mrs. Robert Knotts.

**Southfield Seeks  
League Charter**

Southfield township has made application for a Little League baseball charter, according to Athletic Director Bob Hall.

A campaign to buy lights for the baseball diamond is now being conducted in the township and the lights must be in, the field approved, and four teams and coaches selected before the charter can be granted.

The high school is accepting donations of one dollar from residents that have not been contacted for the lighting campaign.

**Parents Urged To Make  
Reservations for Camps**

With pre-camp enrollments abating, all previous records, Ed Kirbert, local YMCA secretary, urges parents to act now on this matter before they are disappointed a little later on. Camps Nissokone and Hayo-Went-Ha are full and have long waiting lists.

Only a limited number of openings remain for Birmingham boys at Camps Ohiyessa and Mann-Gotah-Se.

Information about the latter two may be had by telephoning the 'Y' office or stopping in at 400 East Lincoln.

**Keep Crossing Guard**

The sum of \$332 has been approved by Birmingham city commissioners to continue the services of a guard for school children crossing Maple at Chester. The action was taken after Police Chief Ralph Moxley recommended the continued use of an adult guard at this intersection.



AMONG THE 44 Detroit businessmen who left Wednesday to visit Sweden, Norway, Spain, Holland and Germany was Harold P. Moloch, 2120 Redding road, Michigan importer and distributor of liquors, wines and champagnes. The group, which plans to spend a month abroad, will visit many points of interest and have scheduled talks with several European governmental leaders.

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CALENDER**

- May 1—Newcomers' Bridge Club
- May 1—Community House, 9 p.m.
- May 1—Westminster Guild, 9 p.m.
- May 1—First Swabbers Church, 8:30 p.m.
- May 2—University of Minnesota Women's League
- May 2—Letcher Country Club
- May 2—Pharm Farm and Garden Club
- May 2—Community House, 12:30 p.m.
- May 2—Delta Delta Delta, 8:30 p.m.
- May 2—1920 Oakland County Cooperative
- May 2—Community House
- May 2—Pharm Temple, 9 p.m.
- May 2—Paul Noble Grand Club
- May 2—Pythian Sisters, Temple #4
- May 2—Community House, 11:15 a.m.
- May 2—Women's Club
- May 2—Metropolitan Aux. 9
- May 2—Cranston House, 9 p.m.
- May 2—OES business meeting
- May 2—Women's Aux. St. James Church
- May 2—Church sisters, 12:15 p.m.
- May 2—Chi Omega, Wing Lake (Mrs. Luther Lawrence), 12:30 p.m.
- May 13—Republican Women's Federation
- Northwood Inn, noon

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**VFW, Auxiliary  
Install Slates**

Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2646 and its auxiliary held a joint installation of officers last week.

Post officers for the year are William Watson, commander; Gus Mitchell, senior vice commander; Leon Imhans, junior vice commander; Arthur Reinbold, quartermaster; Clare Purdy, adjutant; S. H. Wilkinson, chaplain and Floyd Cross, officer at large.

Mrs. S. H. Wilkinson will head the auxiliary, with Mrs. Orin Clark as senior vice president and Mrs. Arthur Reinbold, junior vice president.

Other officers will be Mrs. Floyd Cross, treasurer; Mrs. Charles Minting, chaplain; Mrs. Louis Marcotte, guard; Mrs. John Brown, secretary; Mrs. Clarence Folman and Mrs. Ross Adams, trustees.

**List Prominent Speakers  
For Annual UF Meeting**

Paul N. Averill, 876 Glangery circle, president of the youth Oakland County United Community Service, will be among those attending the United Health and Welfare Fund meeting May 8 at Lansing.

Ivan L. Wiles, general manager of the Buick Motor division in Flint, and vice president of General Motors, will be one of the speakers. Wiles, who also is chairman of the UF admissions and budget committee, will tell of the services of the UF member agencies.

Other speakers will include John S. Coleman, Burrough Addington Machine president; James M. Shackleton, senior vice president of the Michigan National Bank in Saginaw and Stephen S. Nisbet, director of public relations for the Gerber company in Fremont. All are officials in the UF.

**Refer Planning Costs  
To Troy Zoning Board**

The Troy township board referred to the township zoning board a request for funds from the S O L Oakland Planning Council.

The council asked that the township pay its share of \$493.44 for the activities of the planners for the 1952-53 year.

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