

City May Consider Exchanging Properties

A search is under way this week for a piece of city property which could be exchanged for a privately owned parcel along the River Rouge south of the city.

This preliminary investigation was made by City Manager D. R. Robert, also will involve preliminary negotiations with John H. Rosso, 771 Henrietta, concerning the price he would ask for the Rouge property.

Rosso has been enjoined by the Oakland county circuit court from using city park property as an access to his lot on Hawthorn street. This permanent injunction, obtained by the adjoining subdivision, has forced Rosso to construct a house already under construction on the lot.

In 1923, the village of Birmingham gave the lot owner the privilege of access across the park in exchange for a sewer easement across the lot. Judge George Hartwick has held this agreement invalid concerning the access across the park.

Through his attorney, Rosso has asked the city to appeal the decision to the state supreme court. Whether the city will do this will depend on further discussions next week between City Attorney Forbes S. Hasall and Rosso's attorney.

In an opinion given the commission this week, Hasall recommends against taking the appeal.

unless Rosso waives any claim on the city for damages arising out of the suit.

COMMISSIONER Dean G. Becker pointed last Monday night that the city could use Rosso's property to complete the city's Rouge park between Maple and Lincoln.

He asked that if the city property the city had which could be exchanged with Rosso, as well as what Rosso would ask in an outright sale.

FRANKLIN NEWS

By ANGELA DADSON
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Spring 1953 in Franklin, Gardeners and lawn-makers draining out between snowfalls to get in a lick or two; children playing fox and geese in the snow; warm blankets in fireplaces—this is April?

The April 30 meeting of the Woodcrest Farms Civic Association will open with a dinner at Rosewood Hills. Dinner will be followed by a business meeting and an address by T. G. Hines, director of the Detroit metropolitan authority.

The certain rise on the first act of "Hurry Work at the Crossroads" at the Franklin Community Hall just one week from tonight. There will be repeat performances on Friday and Saturday evenings, May 1 and 2. See Bob Mitchell for tickets. Proceeds go to the Community association. In the cast are Nellie Lovelace, the heroine, played by Mary Nell; Adam Oakhart, the hero, played by Harry Rotters; Anita Hard as the Widow Lovelace; Ray Adams as Munro Murgratrod, the villain; Ida Rhinegold, played by Lucille De Voe; Mookie Maggagins, by Jack Roberts; Mrs. Upson Asterhill, by Faye Hawk; Leonie, by Sally Roseberry; Little Nell, by Harriet Roberts; and Philette, the French maid, played by Betty Gide. Mona Hill directs this masterpiece.

The next quarterly meeting of the Franklin Community association, held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday.

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Dr. Harold Bates will leave April 30 to report for duty at Gauthier Field, Ala. He will hold the rank of major in the U. S. Air Force. Mrs. Bates plans to join the doctor if it appears that his two years' tour of duty will be completed.

Back from Ft. Lauderdale are Mr. and Mrs. Harry Barr and their children, Gwendolyn, Bradford and Elizabeth. They enjoyed their winter vacation at Delray Beach, Fla., have returned to their 112-Mile road home. Their son Don, a student at Earlwick, has done so join them over the Easter holiday. The Andersons drove back by way of Washington, D.C., where they visited for several days with a sister and family. Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Frieson.

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Picture Tour For Rotarians

Rotarians will take a picture tour of the picturesque Pacific Northwest this week.

Col. H. C. (Bud) Anderson, special representative to the president of the United Pacific railroad, will address a noon meeting April 27 in the Birmingham Community House.

Anderson in the 48 states and eight foreign countries have heard

tour of duty will be served in the southeastern states.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Mitchell of Riverwood road announced the birth of a son, Charles Harry, on April 8.

New officers of the Discussion group, elected at the April meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Warden, are Earl Newland, president; Mrs. Emil Bates, vice-president; and Mrs. Fred Warden, secretary. The group is now meeting once instead of twice each month.

It was decided at the last meeting of St. Anne's guild that the size of the membership issue such that a public place must be sought for future meetings. The members are being polled as to their choice of place.

Miss Esther Magidson, director of the state department of mental health, lecturer, will be the speaker at the morning and afternoon sessions of Franklin PTA on May 5. The topic will be "Parent and Child Relationships." The morning program is slated for 10-11:30, with the concluding session from 12:30 p.m. Nursery care for children, seven one year olds will be arranged for at the Village Nursery school.

Club Activities Stated By Group

A recent meeting of the Birmingham Spanish Club, held at the home of Mrs. Virginia Lewis, will be devoted to club news. Co-chairmen of this project are Beverly Nordstrom and Shirley Lanning. On the committee are Jim Tault, Ed Marshall and Bill Fay.

To learn more about Spanish culture, Beverly Nordstrom will secure an anthology of songs for an Eclectic Classified Ad

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