

# To the Qualified Electors of the CITY OF BIRMINGHAM

## COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN:

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held in the City of Birmingham, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, on

### MONDAY, APRIL 6, 1953

at the place or places of holding the election in said city as indicated below, viz:

- Precinct 1. Lutheran Church of the Redeemer—Educational Building—East Entrance—West Maple near Chesterfield
- Precinct 2. Holy Name School, Corner Harmon and Greenwood—Greenwood Avenue Entrance
- Precinct 3. Adams School, Corner Oakland and Worth
- Precinct 4. Municipal Building, 151 Martin Street
- Precinct 5. D.H.W. Garage—851 Eton Road
- Precinct 6. New Y.M.C.A. Building, 100 E. Lincoln
- Precinct 7. Grand Trunk Station, 243 Eton
- Precinct 8. Birmingham High School (new), Corner West Lincoln and Cranbrook

from seven o'clock in the forenoon until eight o'clock in the afternoon Eastern Standard Time, for the purpose of electing the following officers:

Two City Commissioners (Full Three Year Term), One City Commissioner (To fill vacancy, One Year Term), Two Members of the Library Board, Associate Justice of the Peace (To fill vacancy) and One Constable.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that at the regular city election to be held in the City of Birmingham, County of Oakland, and State of Michigan, on the 6th day of April, A.D. 1953, from 7:00 o'clock in the forenoon until 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon, Eastern Standard Time, there will be submitted the question of the amendment of Chapter XVI of the Charter of said city so that said Chapter will read as follows:

#### CHAPTER XVI LIBRARY

Section 1. The City shall maintain the public library, now known as "Historic Library Building," for the use and benefit of the inhabitants of the City, in all respects in accordance with the conditions of the Donation Deed of Birmingham Library Association to the City of Birmingham, Michigan, dated the 18th day of June, A.D. 1892 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Oakland County, Michigan, in Liber 224 of Deeds on Pages 181, 182 and 183 and also in accordance with the Commission shall levy a tax of not less than one-half (1/2) mill, and may levy a tax in total amount of not more than one and one-half (1 1/2) mills on the dollar annually on all the taxable property of the City, such tax to be levied and collected in like manner with the other general taxes of the City and to be known as the "Library Fund."

Section 2. The taxes so levied shall, when collected and received, and taken together with funds, State aid moneys and other public moneys paid to said Library Board, be deposited in the treasury of the City to the credit of the Library Fund and shall be kept separate and apart from other moneys of the City, and be drawn upon by the proper officers of the City, upon the properly authorized vouchers of the Library Board. Any State aid moneys in said Library Fund shall be used only for purposes authorized by State law.

Section 3. There shall be a Library Board consisting of six (6) Directors, two (2) of whom shall be elected at each annual City election, to hold office for a term of three (3) years, and until their successors are elected and qualified in their stead. The Library Board elected to office prior to the adoption of this section, as amended, shall continue to serve as members of said Board hereunder, until they are elected and qualified in their stead. They were elected, and said their successors are elected and qualified in the manner herein provided, immediately after each annual City election. The Board shall meet and organize at the election of one of their number, president, and by the election of such other officers as they may deem necessary. The Treasurer of the City of Birmingham shall be Treasurer of the Library Board ex officio. The Board shall have and exercise all the powers, by laws, rules and regulations, for their own guidance and for the government of the Library as they may see fit, and may exclude from the use of the Library any person or persons who willfully violate said laws. They shall have the exclusive control of the expenditure of all moneys deposited to the credit of the Library Fund, which moneys shall be insured only by the Director of Finance and the City Treasurer upon vouchers properly authorized by the Library Board. The Library Board shall have the supervision and control of the building, the rooms of said library without any charge or expense for the use thereof. The City Commission shall provide for the maintenance of the grounds and buildings of the library, and shall pay the expense thereof from the general funds of the City. The Board shall have power with available funds provided herein, to provide for the building, the purchase, occupancy, lease or erect an appropriate additional building or buildings for the use of the library, shall have power to appoint a suitable librarian and assistants and to determine their compensation; shall have power to remove such appointments; shall, in general, have power to do everything necessary for the maintenance and operation of a free public library. It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors to prepare an estimate of the amount of money necessary for the support and maintenance of such library for the ensuing fiscal year, which estimate shall not exceed one (1) per cent of the assessed value of the taxable property of the City, and to report such estimate, prior to April 1st of each year, to the City Commission for assessment and approval by the City Commission. The Board is empowered to fill any vacancy occurring on said Board by the appointment of a person to hold such office until the next annual election.

Section 4. The Board of Directors shall make, at the end of each and every fiscal year, a written report to the City Commission stating the condition of the library, and the amount of money in such form and in such details as may from time to time be required by the City Commission.

Section 5. The City Commission shall have power to pass ordinances imposing suitable penalties for the punishment of persons committing injury upon such library, the grounds or other property thereof, or the building or buildings thereon, or return any book belonging to the library.

Section 6. Any person desiring to make donations of money, personal property or real estate to the Board of Directors, shall have the right to vest the title thereof in said Board of Directors, to be held and controlled by said Board, when accepted, according to the terms of such gift, devise or bequest of said property, and as to such property the said Board shall be held and considered to be special Trustees.

Notice is further given that said Chapter XVI now reads as follows:

### CHAPTER XVII SEWERS AND DRAINS

Section 1. The commission may establish, construct and maintain a sewerage system, sewage disposal system, sewers and drains whenever and wherever necessary. Such systems, sewers and drains may be constructed either within or without the city or partly within and partly without the city. The commission may contract with any other governmental unit or units for sewerage and drainage facilities, provided that any such contract other than one for the disposal of sewage through the Southeastern Oakland County Sewerage Disposal System shall be approved by two-thirds of the electors voting thereon at a general or special election.

Section 1. The City shall maintain the public library and reading room, now known as "Historic Library," for the use and benefit of the inhabitants of the City, in all respects in accordance with the conditions of the Donation Deed of Birmingham Library Association to the City of Birmingham, Michigan, bearing date the eighteenth day of June, A.D. 1892, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Oakland County, Michigan, in Liber 224 of Deeds on pages 181, 182 and 183, and to that end, the commission shall levy a tax as hereinafter provided of not less than one-half (1/2) mill and not to exceed one (1) mill on the dollar annually on all the taxable property of the City, such tax to be levied and collected in like manner with the other general taxes of said city, and to be known as the "Library Fund."

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### CHARTER AMENDMENT NUMBER TWO

Shall Section 1 of Chapter XII of the charter of the City of Birmingham, State of Michigan, be amended to provide that the commission of the city may contract for the disposal of sewage through the Southeastern Oakland County Sewage Disposal System?

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NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that said Section 1 now reads as follows:

## Wing Lake-Foxcroft News

By JILL ROBERTS  
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Mr. Jill Roberts will present a family full of news for several weeks fully equipped with their own station wagon and skis, before commencing the winter season in the French section of Louisiana. They will visit Mrs. Pease's cousin, Mrs. Charles H. Lerchen of Birmingham. The Lerchens have been in Vilnius for some time and intend to spend the winter there. Mrs. Pease's cousin, Mrs. Charles H. Lerchen, is attending French school where the French youngsters will be enrolled. Mrs. Pease is in the office for the French and Lerchens as a bicyclist or walking tour of Europe, a possible reunion with Pease's brother-in-law, Mrs. Charles H. Lerchen, Douglas Cray of Ann Arbor, who will be touring the Scandinavian countries this summer, and a tentative around-the-world trip at the close of the school year. Also there is the strong possibility of another family reunion in Japan with another brother-in-law and sister of Pease's, Mrs. Charles H. Lerchen of Ann Arbor. The University of Michigan has a research center in Japan of which Dr. Zial is head.

Recent returnees from a three week vacation trip to Hawaii are Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Lerchen, W. Shurey Foxcroft, and Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Jocelyn of Lakewood, Colo. They returned from their trip together from San Francisco and visited most of the islands, including Honolulu and Kauai. They had an active volcano on foot, and returned laden with the traditional fresh bread-fruit of Hawaii.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Nurme of Carey Lane, Wing Lake, were among the late season skiers to Boy's Mountain. They recently returned from a week on the ski runs lately long closed. They also had a ski hop a plane for Chicago last weekend for a brief reunion with relatives and friends.

On Wednesday last week the Wing Lake school fourth-graders visited the Institute of Science at Cranbrook with their instructor, Miss Salles Crapo. The faculty of Wing Lake school plans and supervises trips to various places of interest for the pupils as a supplement to class work.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd I. Roberts of Shadow Lane, Bloomfield Hills were in Detroit on March 18 for St. Peterburg, where they will visit relatives. Their son Kenneth, who attends school in Lenox, Mass., will fly down on his spring vacation.

The Wing Lake Farm association will sponsor a square dance on Saturday, April 11, 8 p.m., at the Birmingham Community House to raise money for the beach improvement fund. Friends and neighbors are invited to attend. Reservations are being taken by Secretary-Treasurer Harold Dilworth.

Hostess last Thursday to the local cabaret district luncheon club was Mrs. Thomas Hitchcock of Detroit. Mrs. Hitchcock is the wife of Mr. Arthur D. Hitchcock of Detroit. Mrs. Hitchcock is the daughter of Mr. Harding's daughter, Mrs. Genevieve Hitchcock.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert A. Thom of W. Surrey road, Foxcroft, left last week for an extended trip abroad. They sailed from New York on March 21 aboard the Queen Elizabeth, accompanied by their two sons, Bill and Bob. Their itinerary includes France, Germany, Spain, Italy, Sweden and Africa, where there will be no research for a series of readings on the history of pharmacy in the United States. Mr. Thom is featured on a recent television program "Life in Denmark" in connection with the series.

Prior to their departure the Thoms were guests of honor at a dance and several cocktail parties given by Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd S. Linton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Webb of Birmingham and Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Calvert of Detroit. The Thom family will remain in Europe about four months.

McThomas J. Homrich, USMC, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Homrich of Carey Lane, Wing Lake, is home on leave from active duty in Korea. Having served a year overseas, he will next be stationed at Camp Lejeune, N. C., where his brother, Second Lt. Ray F. Homrich is stationed.

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Have You Met... The new residents of 292 Hawthorne Street, Mrs. M. D. Simpson and their children, David, 6, Mark, 20 months, and Linda, 20 months, moved from Farmington in February. Simpson is assistant manager of the Elcor Corporation of Clawson.

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**Miss Morris In Ranks of Brides-Elect**

At a recent cocktail party in their Kennesaw avenue home, Mr. and Mrs. George B. Morris, Jr., announced the engagement of Miss Morris' sister, Joanne Kathryn, to John Joseph O'Brien of West Ten Mile road.

Joanne is an alumna of Lawrence Avenue Academy of the Sacred Heart, Detroit, and received her bachelor of arts degree from St. Mary's College, Holy Cross, Ind. She attended the graduate school of the University of Detroit where she was affiliated with Theta Phi Alpha.

The bride-elect is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. George B. Morris of Detroit.

HER FLANCE son of James F. O'Brien and the late Mrs. O'Brien graduated from U. of D. High School, and the University of Detroit where he was a member of Alpha Phi Omega. He is now a student in the U. of D. law school and is affiliated with Beta Theta Phi legal fraternity.

The couple are planning an August wedding.

Maxwell, who is attending the University of Michigan, attended a recent dinner party honoring Mr. and Mrs. Allen Lutz of Bloomfield Hills, who are leaving shortly for New York where they will remain for some time.

Teachers club held an evening meeting on March 18 at Wing Lake school. Mrs. Lou Babcock, who has served on the board of Kingswood school for about 18 years, was guest speaker. Mrs. Babcock was honored at a recent luncheon given by the Detroit Pan-Hellenic Group, who nominated her as one of the most outstanding women in the educational field.

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