

Troy Deadlock On Annexation Delays Action

Troy township board members Monday night continued to keep land developers at arm's length in their attempt to have the Forritt property annexed to the City of Birmingham.

A vote to call a public hearing on annexation was deadlocked when three board members approved the action and three voted against it. Township Treasurer Fred Hildebrandt was absent.

The Reid-Paterson firm, owners of the 40 acre parcel, sought to have township officials call a public hearing to gain public reaction to the annexation question. He hopes that the matter would not have to wait for a vote of the township.

H. H. Paterson advised board members that the company would

gradually develop the property under township rule but the township had already admitted that it could not serve the parcel with water and sewer services.

"WE HAVE ONLY a few lots to build on out Adams road," Paterson said. "And then we are out of business unless we can begin the development of the Forritt piece. This is the only other property we now own."

Paterson explained that the company sought to gain approval for annexation soon so that construction could begin next summer. He intimated that waiting for a public election would delay next year.

Board members agreed that the property was a special case and that they saw no reason why the property should not be annexed. They maintained their previous stand, however, that the question should be resolved by the people of Troy and not by a handful of officials.

W. E. Reid agreed to submit a form of written notice concerning the public meeting when the firm again requests the hearing.

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Delay Contracts On Development Of Troy Parcel

Signature of final contracts to engineer and install water, sewer and pavement services to a portion of Troy township land adjacent to the city was held up Monday night when city commissioners asked that spelled-out agreement be signed between Troy and the city.

The contracts, drawn up by the spelled-out agreement, concerned construction of services to an area north of Derby and east of Troy township land into Birmingham water and sewer facilities.

All improvements in the area are to be financed solely by the four land owners.

The contracts were ready for formal signature at a special meeting of the property owners called for Tuesday evening, Nov. 24, at the Troy township hall. This meeting then was called off.

Spokesmen for the Birmingham Development company and the Frank Gobel corporation, two of the participants present at Monday night's township board meeting, said that they were ready to sign. Troy also passed on the agreement Monday night.

BIRMINGHAM city commissioners apparently were surprised that the city was included as a signor of the contracts and instructed City Manager Donald C. Egbert to negotiate either a special agreement between city and township or include in this contract the interests of the two municipalities. The city seeks inspection rights



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Summer Boom Too Short

To many resort owners, particularly in the northern part of the State, the brief two and one-half month of real summer make it hard to realize much profit in their ventures. Some stay open only for the summer months, while others hold forth for nine months, closing December 1st right after the end of the deer season.

Lately emphasis on winter sports has attracted thousands of enthusiasts to more than a score of Michigan resorts near skiing, tobogganing and ice-fishing facilities. In some areas accommodations in the winter months are completely inadequate, and, with more winter sports publicity on the way, conditions may grow even more inadequate.

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Beauty in the Snow

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Springtime Underated

Springtime, too, fails to get a deserving spotlight. With the breakup of lakes and streams, new life is evident everywhere. Wildfowl are in the skies and along our lake-shores, pausing in migration. The air has a freshness about it that is truly a tonic as a new season is born. Folks like to be out in the spring—yet places to go and things to see in Michigan are rarely publicized.

Somebody's missing the boat—and a couple of million "tourists" are missing some of the year's best fun in Michigan resort associations will

in the agreement because of the proposed combined sewer ownership of the Derby road drain. Payment for the township flowage rights in the Birmingham sewer system was also questioned by commissioners who agreed to take the contracts up again next Monday night.

Meanwhile, the Birmingham Board of Education, also a property owner in the parcel, approved signing of the Troy agreement.

STILL TO BE heard from is the fourth party, the Detroit Freshwater Chamber officials.

Under terms of the contract the township would hire the engineer at the developers expense, advertise, receive and award bids for the construction of the improvements and inspect and approve the construction.

Under terms of the project's financing the Birmingham Development company would pay the largest share of the estimated \$200,000 in improvements to the property.

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|---|-------|
| Won | Lost |
| Wash. Cleaners | 23 11 |
| Team No. 8 | 23 11 |
| Rosemond Hills Inn | 20 15 |
| Wm. Bottling Co. | 18 18 |
| V-Sol | 18 18 |
| Team No. 12 | 18 18 |
| Wm. Bottling Co. | 18 18 |
| Accurate Foundry | 15 23 |
| Team No. 11 | 12 24 |
| Wm. Bottling Co. | 12 24 |
| 192 Ind. (3), E. Waterman—496 | |
| Team (1), Anderson Inn—723; Team (3), Anderson Inn—212. | |

| LADIES ALBI LEAGUE | |
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| Won | Lost |
| Sabin Engineering | 22 15 |
| Revere's Service | 22 15 |
| Murray Way | 19 17 |
| B.W. Controller | 18 18 |
| C. Whitmer Real Estate | 18 18 |
| Berkley Knit Shop | 17 18 |
| Otto Pharmacy | 17 18 |
| Burrow's Bar | 15 21 |
| C. Casey | 12 24 |
| Axler Jewelry | 11 24 |
| Weekly High—Ind. (1), M. Toland | |
| 214 Ind. (3), D. Sundstrom—346; Team (1), Sabin Eng.—747; Team (3), D'Hamm Eccentric—2168. | |

| HOLY NAME MEN'S | |
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| Won | Lost |
| Forbes Printing | 24 12 |
| Fisher Market | 24 12 |
| Sumner Back | 22 16 |
| 14-Mile Inn | 22 16 |
| Allied Asphalt Pav. | 22 16 |
| Torrance Oil | 20 20 |
| Standard Oil | 19 21 |
| Johnston Pipe & Htz. | 19 21 |
| Howard Keating Realtor | 18 22 |
| Hallock's on River | 18 22 |
| Electronic Service | 12 28 |
| Team High Series—14 Mile Inn | |
| Ind. High Series—Douglas McAuley—625. | |

| HOLY NAME LADIES | |
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| Won | Lost |
| Key Room | 29 15 |
| Wesley Drugs | 29 15 |
| Wm. Bottling Co. | 25 19 |
| North Chevrolet | 22 22 |
| North Comm. Mat. | 22 22 |
| Birm. Off. Supply | 21 23 |
| Murray Way | 18 26 |
| Benjamin & Stephens | 8 35 |
| Wesley High Series—Hm. Murray | |
| 2442 Ind. High Series—Helen Hestonary, 656. | |

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN

1953 County and School Taxes will be due December 1, 1953 and are payable at the office of the City Treasurer in the Municipal Building.

Payable up to January 20, 1954 without additional charge.

Payable thereafter up to February 28, 1954 with a 4% charge.

Payable after February 28, 1954 at the office of the Oakland County Treasurer in Pontiac with an additional charge of 1/2 of 1% per month for each month or fraction thereof from March 1, 1954 to date of payment.

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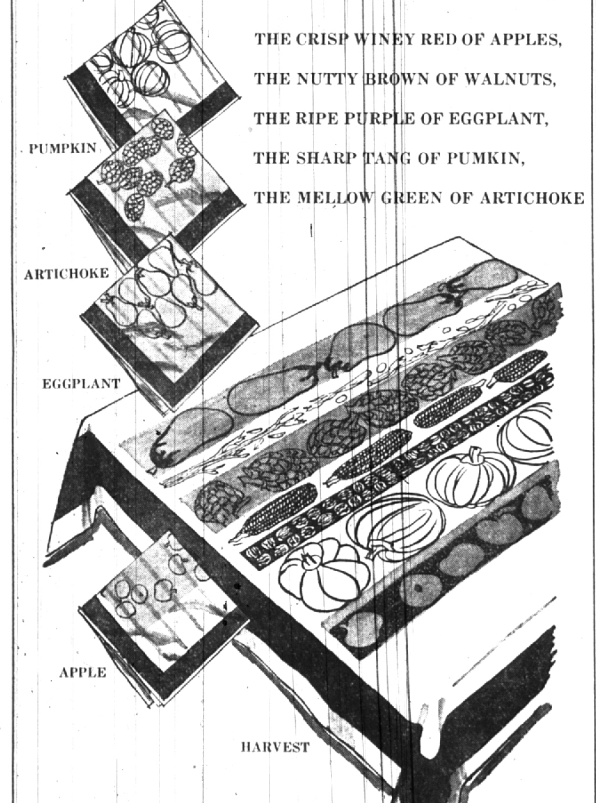
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