

County Clerk Will Be Exchange Club Speaker

Dave Levison, program chairman for the month of September for the Birmingham Exchange club has arranged for the appearance of County Clerk Lynn D. Allen at the Sept. 15 meeting at the Community House.

Allen's appearance is especially timely since the Exchange club will represent his office during the Sept. 19 governmental exhibition planned by the League of Women Voters.

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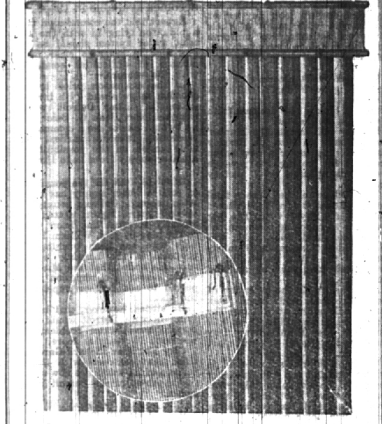
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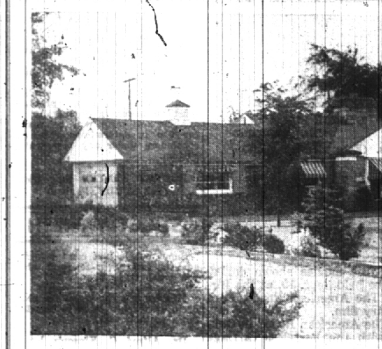
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Informal Hearing Sept. 21 on Porritt Area

Development of a 40-acre parcel of Troy township which is completely within city limits is to be discussed further at an informal hearing Sept. 21 before Birmingham city commissioners.

The area, on the east side of Adams road between Villa and Hollywood, has been the subject of considerable controversy for more than a year.

Present owners, the W. E. Reid Development Co., this week said it would propose to construct single homes on 56-foot lots on the property immediately abutting the rear of the Villa road homes and duplex dwellings on 80-foot lots on the south side of Hazel.

ADAMS FRONTAGE would be reserved for commercial development with off-street parking facilities, the three lots west of Columbus would see duplexes on 60-foot lots, as well as the several lots at the west end of Hazel.

The remaining property would be used for duplexes on 60-foot lots. Originally, the developers planned all duplexes on 60-foot lots.

Under this latest proposal, the development would see 240 residential units, rather than the 266 first suggested.

THE PLAN BOARD has recommended single-homes for the entire acreage.

If the current plan meets neighborhood and city approval, a gentlemen's agreement is to be drawn up regarding the zoning. Troy township already has agreed that the area can best be served by becoming a part of Birmingham.

Study

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would be little chance of using the two water supplies at the same time without processing one of them because of the iron deposits in the well water.

He also pointed out that since Detroit water is approximately four times as costly as Birmingham's well water, that it is not feasible to do away with use of well water entirely. He said that considerable savings should be effected by treating Birmingham water and mixing it with the Detroit water.

Egbert suggested that a water processing plant could be built on city-owned property on Southfield between Northlawn and Southlawn. He added that if a main bringing water from Detroit to Birmingham is brought to Southfield and 14 Mile road, that such a plant could conveniently process both the city's water and Detroit's water at the same time.

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Charter

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school. The second hearing will be on Oct. 5.

John Dorr, 18295 Cambridge, Latrup, submitted the lowest bid on the printing of the charter for the Tri-Craft Press, Inc. Dorr will prepare and mail to every resident a copy of the charter booklet, make the corrected proofs and print 175 copies of the final charter for \$1455.

Final publication is expected Nov. 12 after a copy of the charter has been approved by Gov. G. Menzen Williams.

Plans for the incorporation of the 2½ square mile area would affect an estimated 2200 people living within the Southfield township area. Valuation of the property for tax purposes has been set at \$7½ million.

ONE FEATURE of the charter is a tax limitation at 5 mills or \$5 per thousand dollars of assessed valuation. Charter commissioners believe that the new city can be operated well within that limitation.

Commissioners assert that the five mill limit will adequately take care of the few services Latrup residents will demand. Preliminary plans for village development do not include a separate fire department nor police force.

Charter commissioners believe that residents of Latrup would rather incorporate the area as a village to assure the continuation of near-rural living rather than wait for incorporation procedures that might bring all the disadvantages they find in urban living.

If voters deny the charter, the entire process would have to be started over again. A charter may be submitted to the electorate three times within a period of two years. However, if each attempt fails at the polls, the area will return to township rule.

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Fair

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Voters which is sponsoring the County Government Fair.

The Chamber of Commerce will be responsible for the exhibits of the Oakland county planning commission. Jonathan Ball is their representative.

THE BOOTH of the Oakland county register of deeds Orin McQuaid will show the type of work that that department does. By photostatic copies of the original deeds, a parcel of land located in downtown Birmingham will be traced from 1821 on, showing the transfer of the land through the years.

This department also will display some of the microfilming of deeds and records that has been done which has increased the efficiency of the department.

An innovation of McQuaid, registers of deeds in other Michigan counties have followed suit and are now microfilming the valuable records in their possession.

LYNN D. ALLEN, county clerk, will display from his booth the new 1958-54 official directory of the county.

E. W. Aikin, the county's Agricultural agent, will display the soil testing equipment used in the county and will demonstrate its use. He will also distribute from his department booklets on various subjects which deal with correct methods for tree planting to pest control.

The hours of the County Government Fair are from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. A noon luncheon will be served from 12 noon until 1:30 p.m. in the high school cafeteria. There will be a choice of menus.

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