

Lathrup to Show Manner Of Pollution Abatement

LATHRUP—Oakland County Circuit Judge H. Russel Holland has asked City Attorney Everett F. Hayes to file a written answer to the order to show cause why Lathrup should not be in contempt of a court decree aimed at ending Rouge river pollution from that city.

The answer, Hayes said, will contain the manner in which Lathrup would like to solve its pollution problems, and must be filed by Dec. 28. Holland's decision in the contempt proceedings, heard Tuesday in Pontiac, probably will be handed down shortly after he receives Hayes' letter.

Tuesday Hayes and Detroit bonding attorney, Claude H. Stevens, put several witnesses on the stand in an effort to show that Lathrup had taken steps to end pollution as decreed by a January, 1956, court decree.

PRESSING the suit, in an effort to halt Rouge pollution as soon as possible, is the State Water Resources Commission (WRC).

Engineer Robert Norris told the court that there were four ways in which Lathrup could abate pollution: build a sewer line for the city to Detroit; build that same line in cooperation with Southfield; or build a larger sewer interceptor which would include Lathrup, Southfield, and four northern communities. The first was not a desirable solution, Norris said.

Donald Pierce of the State health department told the branch of the Rouge where any treatment plant for the city might be built, is less than adequate to carry off the plant's effluent. While he admitted that a sewage treatment plant would not completely eliminate pollution, he also said the same thing of a sewer line to Detroit.

"TODAY IS the first time I've

Given 40 Days to Find Building Site

LATHRUP — Board of Review month term this Spring in which has given the post office in the basement of the House in the Woods a 40-day reprieve.

after six months, so the post office, headed by David B. Redwood, went before the board for an extension. Some action toward a new post office must be in evidence by Jan. 15, the board ruled.

Will Close Offices

BLOOMFIELD — Township offices will be closed Monday, Dec. 24, and Dec. 25, it was announced Wednesday by Arno L. Hulet, township supervisor.



MRS. HARRY MOON (left) of Bellevue township complains to Mrs. Harry Klimushyn how she made the golden fruit arrangement used at the Valley Woods Woman's association Christmas Tea held Monday afternoon at Birmingham Community House. Mrs. Klimushyn was chairman of the event.

Seek to Condemn Land for School

Condemnation papers were filed Tuesday in Oakland County court by the Bloomfield Hills board of education in formal action to acquire a 20-acre elementary school site at Quanton and Bayley roads.

Legal action was approved by the board at a special meeting Friday after negotiations with the owner, Mrs. Mary B. Jalkins, Inwood circle, W. Bloomfield township, and her sons, fell through. A hearing is expected in 30 days.

THIS IS the first time in our present building program that it has been necessary to resort to legal action," commented Eugene L. Johnson, superintendent of schools. The area has been selected for a \$400,000 elementary school to be completed by fall, 1958, in a long-range program following the recommendations of a Michigan State University survey in 1955.

Previously, the board had offered the Jalkins family \$1,500 an acre. Should the court decide in the board's favor, an appraisal committee representing the board, the owner and the court will set the price.

Charges

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She also claimed that the paid policeman, Edmund Flanaday, had received an anonymous phone call telling him to resign because he had admitted Campbell and Feyerisen to the city offices Saturday, Nov. 10.

Councilman Richard N. Cogger said all of the charges repeated Monday night except one or two, had been discussed at a private session about a month ago and investigated to the satisfaction of himself, Mackey and Councilman Frederick O. Johnson.

The charges about the phone invoices being missing were new and would be investigated, Cogger added. He attempted to table Feyerisen's motion to study these new charges but a tie vote killed the attempt.

Feyerisen's motion to place her charges in the record were defeated by a 2-2 tie vote, but her accusations will be part of the record due to an earlier ruling by the council that all motions that are seconded must appear in the meeting whether they carry or not.

This was followed by a rash of charges and answers made two weeks ago by Campbell and Watchowski that were made a part of the record after similar 2-2 tie votes. Campbell and Feyerisen on one side, Cogger and Mackey on the other, Johnson was absent because of illness.

Council haggled over accusations against Watchowski for more than an hour and then, with a brief rest to study minor government business, returned to the feud when Feyerisen asked that Stone's position as administrative assistant be abolished.

This was defeated, 2-2, but council told Stone that his title in the future would be that of building inspector.

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his authority and should have made his statements before the village council.

McKECHNIE and Watts A. Shelly, Wilson's attorney, reported percolation tests of all 26 lots, made by registered civil engineers, completed with state minimum requirements of 30 minute percolation. Rate of percolation on the lots ranged from 29 to 30 minutes.

However, county board of health required checking of soil strata and on this the Coleman board was in statement of the inadequacy of the soil for septic tank construction.

In preparing for the soil strata tests, McKechnie and Shelly reported diggings were made in various places in the subdivision. Some of the holes they said were 10 feet deep and are now filling with winter water. The board was instructed by the council to fill the holes without delay as the excavation were a hazard to area children.

NEWLY APPOINTED councilman John Longley, filling the unexpired term of James Nanneley, who resigned in October, will take over the responsibilities of village drain commissioner. He, with Albert Meadows, road administrator, will check on drainage ditches in the Bristol Lane area and report at the January council meeting.

Meadows reported all roads in Bingham Farms will be graded before the winter season is underway. Wells' road construction company will do the work on an hourly basis, he said and \$40-50 should take care of grading all village roads.

New Lutheran Congregation Is Organized

A charter service Sunday observed the formal organization of the new congregation of the Lutheran Church of the Shepherd-King. Guest preacher, Pastor O. T. McRee, received the church's charter members. He is an executive secretary of missions for the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

The new congregation's first meeting and election of officers was held that evening at a dinner at the David Schwines in Franklin Kings. William Reed was elected an elder and president of the congregation. Other elders named are David Schwines, James Laup, and Donald Katterman.

Other officers are Herbert Graehner, Lawrence Benson, Albert Shobe and Earl Clappison. The new congregation meets for worship at 10:30 a.m. Sundays at Eagle school, 14 Mile and Middlebelt roads. Sunday school is at 9 a.m. Rev. Karl Roehmke, of 21745 Belmont drive, Farmington, is pastor of the church.

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