

round the towns news The Birmingham Eccentric

LATHRUP • FRANKLIN • WING LAKE • GILBERT LAKE • WALNUT LAKE • FOXCROFT • W. & E. BEVERLYS • THE BERKSHIRES • VALLEY WOODS • SOUTHFIELD, BLOOMFIELD & W. BLOOMFIELD TWPS.

Sidelights

By WILLIAM H. THOMAS

IN ANY SOUTHFIELD Optimist has trouble figuring out his income tax (as who doesn't?) the next meeting on Feb. 21 should be a "must." Guest speaker at the meeting, I understand, will be government tax expert, who will give advice, for free. I would like to remind our readers that the Eccentric is running a series on income tax facts which appears on the front page of Section "D."

A REMINDER to those in the Birmingham-Franklin-Southfield-Bloomfield area who like to square dance: Franklin Police department is sponsoring a "country dance" at the Franklin town hall Friday beginning at 8:30. Proceeds will go into the Franklin Police Youth Recreation Fund which will be used, in part at least, to supply recreation equipment at the Franklin school on Saturday mornings.

RESIDENTS of Bingham Farms are going to miss the experience and effort which retiring Village President William King brought into public affairs at the Village. A double blow to village government was the announcement that Al Meadows has also decided to turn over his council chair to a newcomer, and although capable officials remain around the council table, the absence of these two "pioneers" in Farms government will be lamented.

Collect 88% Of Southfield's '56 Tax Roll

SOUTHFIELD—Total 1956 tax collection through Jan. 31, amounted to 88 per cent, or \$1,088,870.19 of the \$1,250,348.25 tax roll, according to Township Treasurer Clara Lane. County taxes, which totaled \$529,996.25, were divided as follows: general county tax, \$553,734.55; special county education tax, \$109,169.82; and special county drain taxes, \$16,441.10.

(1) Southfield paid the following to the county for public school support: **SOUTHFIELD** public schools; for operating costs, \$558,384.91, and for voted increase for building, \$327,042.25.

(2) Birmingham school district; for operating costs, \$330,112.60; and for voted increase for operating and building expenses, \$425,025.91.

(3) Oak Park three fractional school district; general operating tax, \$218,871.67, and voted increase for operating and building, \$258,718.24.

Schools received \$2,308,022.64 of the total 1956 taxes. A township received, for general tax: \$150,907.57; for special assessments, \$237,835; and to the water department for delinquent sewage accounts, \$343.68, said Miss Lane.

Piped Paper Needed In Franklin?

FRANKLIN—A cleanup campaign may soon start in the village. Some residents, it was reported, leave rubbish containers along the road in front of their homes from one month's end to another.

"Dogs come along," complained village president Harold Boushey, "tip over the containers and tramps and trash litter the roadside. It's mess."

Right away, quick-lick-by-stander Robert Yingling retorted, "You're not blaming them for that! They're just chasing the rats."

List Information About Bloomfield Twp. Candidates

BLOOMFIELD—Monday township residents will elect from several candidates a slate of officers who, because they will have no opposition in the general election April 1, will take over the reigns of township government in April.

To give township citizens a chance to know these candidates better the Bloomfield Township Citizens' committee, a group formed to promote good government, circulated a questionnaire to the candidates. Results of the questionnaires appear below. Only one candidate did not return the information requested.

Lathrup Will Not Seek \$½ Million In Bonds April 1

LATHRUP—Until the city has some method of disposing of sewage the State board of health cannot approve any expansion or extension of Lathrup's present system of sewers, Donald Pierce, board of health's chief engineer told council members and engineers at a meeting Thursday.

Solving pollution of Rouge river tributaries is the key to the whole problem, Pierce told the group. Engineers Ayles, Lewis, Norris and May, and Pate and Hirm promised city fathers a report within 30 days on possible methods of handling storm water and sanitary sewers after they confer with State health officials on the proposed systems.

PIERCE SAID he wanted "indisputable proof," however, that the pollution is not increased before he approves any plans pending by the engineers.

Council had called the study meeting to study various methods of relieving storm flooding with an eye to asking for a \$543,000 bond issue if specific plans could be drafted in time.

Engineers agreed with some councilmen, however that council did not have enough facts to ask for the bond issue in April 1.

Petitions Filed For 4 Candidates

FRANKLIN—Fay Haak, village clerk, reports there may be a slate of eight candidates running for village posts in the March 11 election.

Petitions are already in for council candidates Jack Roberts, Robert Yingling and Donald Odie; and A. B. Newland for treasurer. To be elected are clerk, treasurer, assessor and three trustees. Nominating petitions must be filed with the village clerk by 4 p.m. Feb. 23.

Same News--New Names

Starting this week, column readers from East Beverly and West Beverly will find their news under the heading "The Beverlys."

Area news from Gilbert Lake, Wing Lake, Foxcroft and the easterly part of Orchard Hills will be found under the heading "Maple Woods."

Residents of Meadow Lake, formerly part of the Orchard Hills area, will find their news under the heading "Bloomfield West" which includes the news formerly covered by the Walnut Lake Area column.

KIDDIES WORK BENCHES in the Walnut Lake school addition received ready approval from Birmingham school officials, who are shown some of the school's up-to-date equipment by Principal Albert Schumm (second from right). With Schumm are (left to right) Marsden Wilson, Bloomfield Village school principal; Superintendent of B'ham Schools Dwight B. Ireland; Dr. Robert Macoskey, associate minister at First Baptist church of B'ham; and Dr. Paul Carter, an assistant superintendent of B'ham schools in charge of curriculum.



"I'LL BE YOUR VALENTINE if you'll just give me that box of candy," is what Robin Boyd (right) seems to be saying to Glenn Renton, Robin, 11 months old, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Boyd of 2666½ Meadowbrook Way, and Glenn, two, is the son of Dr. and Mrs. G. E. Renton of 2673½ Lathrup Blvd. Glenn promised a kiss from Robin for this Valentine's Day posse, seems disappointed that Robin is more interested in the heart-shaped box than she is in him. Valentine's Day (for those who might like to be reminded) is today (Thursday.)

W. Bloomfield Voters Have Watchowski Lists Choice at Polls Monday

WEST BLOOMFIELD—Voters here will have a choice of candidate in every major township office except that of treasurer when they go to the polls Monday.

All candidates for the various township posts are members of the Citizens party except Warren J. Letz who is a candidate for board of review along with Kenneth T. Treacy incumbent. Information on candidates was supplied by West Bloomfield League of Women Voters.

Opposing incumbent supervisor, Hiland M. Thatcher is Bruno J. Swiatek, Thatcher, 65, of 3965 Lakepoint, at one time was owner of an insurance agency and was a real estate appraiser.

Swiatek, 39, of 486 Middlebelt, is a service station owner, part time real estate salesman and is active in Bayside Beach association.

FRANK HULLERT, 60, of 4380 Green Lake road, incumbent clerk, is opposed by J. George Berg, 59, of 3256 Orchard Lake road, a Pontiac Press circulation department employee.

Treasurer Lillian Sue Warner, 39, of 3425 W. Long Lake road, is unopposed.

There are three men seeking two two-year trustee posts. Incumbents are Roscoe C. Banker, 69, of 2514 Comfort drive, and Emmett De Cornick, 64, of Maple road. Trying to unseat one of the board members is Corless Oscar Miller, 57, 6845 Bandson court, volunteer fireman and plumber.

DeCOMICK is a builder, property manager and real estate broker, while Banker is a retired advertising executive.

Incumbent of the Peace Elmer C. Dietzle, 51, of 164 Old Orchard trail, is unopposed for reelection. Competing for the post are (one year) justice of the peace office is Robert F. Scott, 36, of 2933 Lakeside drive, and Donald L. Stone, 31, of 5673 Shore drive. Scott is a plant manager while Stone is a manufacturing agent.

FIVE PERSONS are seeking one of four council seats. They are Patrick F. Cremer, 35, of 6885

S'field School Board To Discuss Possible Bond Issue Feb. 25

BY JEAN DAY

Future school needs and a possible new bond issue to finance them will be discussed by the Southfield board of education at a special meeting Feb. 25.

Board voted to call the special session at its monthly meeting Monday. Glenn Schoenbals, superintendent of schools, said his office would have ready a survey of upcoming school requirements.

Not a Candidate, Says Wm. King, Farms President

BINGHAM FARMS—William King, president of the Village since its incorporation in October 1952, has decided not to seek reelection at the Village's March 11 election, according to Village Clerk Mrs. H. G. Colwell.

King's future plans may not allow time to handle president's duties, it was reported.

Also not seeking reelection is one other member of the Village board, Albert Meadows.

Posts open besides that of president are clerk, treasurer, assessor, three two-year trustee seats, and one uncompleted term caused by resignation of Councilman James Nunnally who moved.

SEEKING reelection are Clerk Colwell; Treasurer Hasall Wright; Assessor Walter Gerjick; Trustees, Dr. Frank Lamberson, John H. Longley, and William H. Land.

Final day for filing nominating petitions will be Feb. 23 at 4 p.m. at Mrs. Colwell's home, 2924½ Bingham road. Elections will be taken at Mrs. Colwell's home March 8 from 7 to 9 p.m. and at Oakland's Riding Stable on 14 Mile road March 9 from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m.

S'fld Kiwaniqueens Name Committee Chairmen for Year

SOUTHFIELD—Kiwaniqueens will meet at the home of Mrs. Warren Reid, 2928½ Southfield road, Feb. 14. Co-hostesses will be Mrs. Lynn Everett, Mrs. R. V. Snyder, and Mrs. Glenn-Schoenbals.

This will be the first meeting with the new officers, who were installed Jan. 10.

Mrs. Albert Georant is president; Mrs. Roy Chauvin, vice president; Mrs. James Burrows, recording secretary; Mrs. Gerald Ayles, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Yarnham Haeger, treasurer.

Committee chairmen are membership, Mrs. B. Frank Gillette; program, Mrs. Harry Anderson; house, Mrs. George Mater; publicity, Mrs. Will Oliver; budget and finance, Mrs. R. V. Snyder; activities, Mrs. Charles Marando; project, Mrs. Philip Lavigne;

SOUTHFIELD—A special township board meeting will be held tonight (Thursday) to discuss special assessment projects and to handle unfinished business discussed at Tuesday's board meeting.

Lowell E. Krieg Wins Promotion

SOUTHFIELD—Lowell E. Krieg, formerly operations manager of Ayling office of Ford Motor Co., has been appointed to the newly established position of assistant manufacturing manager at the Mercury division.

Concerned with production engineering, he is responsible for plant engineering, manufacturing engineering, manufacturing management, facilities planning departments. Mr. Krieg lives with his wife and five children at 2507½ Wildbrook drive.

Refuse Collections

LATHRUP—Commercial or other interests who want their refuse picked up more than once a month will have to contract for such pick-up themselves, city council decided Monday night.

W. Bloomfield Voters Have Watchowski Lists

WEST BLOOMFIELD—Voters here will have a choice of candidate in every major township office except that of treasurer when they go to the polls Monday.

All candidates for the various township posts are members of the Citizens party except Warren J. Letz who is a candidate for board of review along with Kenneth T. Treacy incumbent. Information on candidates was supplied by West Bloomfield League of Women Voters.



"Madam, let's see your union card!"

ELSEWHERE IN THE ECCENTRIC
Franklin Honored Lincoln in 1860
Society Sections B, C, D
Lathrup Community Church Marks 10th Anniversary
Church
School News
Bloom'ld Village News
North Adams News