

**This New Facility Serves 200,000 Customers**

This new \$2 million service center has just been opened by Consumers Power Company for its southeast division. Built at Coolidge and 14 Mile road, Royal Oak, the facility marks the growing importance of South Oakland county to service industries. In this

center, more than 600 persons, 170 vehicles serve over 200,000 customers in Oakland, Macomb and western Wayne counties. (Daily Tribune Photo).

**Indian Trails Set Pattern For Highways**

You can thank the Indians as you go whizzing along Michigan highways. The first land communication lines in Michigan were Indian trails, according to information in the University of Michigan historical collections.

The late Roger L. Morrison, for many years a member of the U-M faculty, wrote in a Michigan transportation article, "These formed a network over the state, some being parts of overland routes extending from the Atlantic coast and other far distant points. Many, if not all, later became roads for the white man."

"Several of the great modern highways leading out from Detroit were originally trails, used probably for centuries by the Indians. A century and a half after the first settlements were made in Michigan Territory, and after Detroit had been occupied for more than a century, there were still no wagon roads anywhere in Michigan except possibly in the immediate vicinity of the settlements."

ACCORDING to Morrison: "The most important trail was that known as the Great trail which ran from Fort Pitt, at the site of Pittsburgh, Pa., to Fort Detroit and was an extension of Braddock's road from the Atlantic seaboard. This trail crossed the Maumee river just above the present site of Toledo and from there led northward to Detroit."

"One of the most important of the old Indian trails was the Sauk trail from the Detroit river westward to the lower end of Lake Michigan and the Chicago river. When the white man came, he also used this trail, but after the War of 1812 it was inadequate for the demands made upon it by the settlers."

In 1824, Father Gabriel Richard, then serving as a delegate in congress from the Michigan territory, moved to have the advisability of opening up a road from Detroit to Chicago investigated and Congress appropriated \$3,000 for a survey of the route. The route through Ypsilanti, Jonesville and White Pigeon is practically that now followed by U.S. 12.

"CONSTRUCTION WAS begun in 1829 and by the end of 1830, 64 miles had been completed. Even before it was finished the Chicago road became a vital factor in the settlement of southern Michigan," Morrison wrote.

"Settlements were being pushed northwards as well as westwards from Detroit and when the Chicago road was under construction, roads were also projected from Detroit to Saginaw and Fort Gratiot (Fort Huron)."

"Construction was begun the following year. Progress was slow but the road was completed to Pontiac in 1831 when a French traveler, De Tocqueville, was informed at the Detroit land office that beyond Pontiac the country was full of nothing but Indians and wild beasts. By 1834 the road was extended to the Flint river and five miles beyond Flint in 1835."

**Hills Wins Second**

BLOOMFIELD HILLS—Bloomfield Hills high school won its second game in 10 starts here Tuesday night, dumping Holly, 49 to 32, in a Wayne-Oakland encounter. Bob Elston paced the winners with 24 points.

**Burglars Ransack Cortright Home**

Thieves emptied drawers, strewing their contents on the floor, and upset furniture as they ransacked the home of Rupert Cortright, 2366 Northlawn, Birmingham this week. The break-in was reported to Birmingham police Tuesday.

Police said \$27 cash was found missing, along with a department store credit plate.

**Marines from Here In Landing Exercise**

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif.—Marine Pfc. Donald E. Franklin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Franklin, 1859 Hazel, Birmingham; Marine Pfc. James W. Cappell, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Cappell, 1845 Cole, Birmingham; Marine Cpl. Donald L. Dunn, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Dunn, 964 Purdy, Birmingham; and Marine Cpl. Kenneth R. Bowden, son of Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Bowden, 1913 Middlesex, Birmingham, and husband of the former Miss Patricia A. Wrenbeck of Detroit, took part in an air-ground landing exercise by units of the first marine division at Camp Pendleton, Calif., during Jan. 11-24.

**Completes Army Finance Course**

FORT BENJAMIN HARRISON, Ind.—Pvt. Russell W. Symes, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Symes, 415 Harrison, Birmingham, recently was graduated from the eight-week finance procedures course at the army's finance school, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Ind.

Symes entered the Army last July and received basic training at

**Gets Appointment**

B. James Theodoroff, 1108 West Fourteen Mile, Birmingham, was appointed a trust officer at a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Detroit Bank and Trust Co.

Theodoroff is a 1949 graduate of the University of Michigan law school and a member of the Detroit Bar association.

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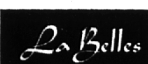


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**Cars Will Grow Bigger, Smaller In Future Years**

American cars are going to get bigger and bigger—and smaller and smaller!

Continuing increase in multiple car owning families with the family car becoming larger and the second car becoming smaller is the picture for the future, according to Aarre K. Lahti, associate professor of design at the University of Michigan.

He declares: "Our way of living, our decentralized cities and industries, will make multiple-car ownership mandatory. Our cars today do not fulfil the present needs of two-car families and they would be completely inadequate for the future."

"They are too small for the vacation-leisure time transportation for the larger families with increasing gear, but too large for everyday shopping and commuting. So the only solution is two cars for the family."

commuting car, will be electrically powered. "It's rather ironic," he says, "that the very long range automobile, the cause of the electric car's obsolescence, has so changed our cities and our way of living that the limited range of an electric is no longer adequate for the second car."

"This shopping-commuting car need not have a cruising range of more than 35 miles per day. Driving speed of 25 and a top speed of 35 miles per hour is adequate."

Its capacity need not exceed that for two adults and a child, but it must have sufficient space for purchases and family routine equipment. Besides this, it must be economical, quiet, snug, and trouble-free.

**Handles Drug Meet**

Albert Turk, 1054 W. 14 Mile road, Birmingham, is handling arrangements for a McKesson and Robbins company executives' conference to be held in Detroit Monday and Tuesday. Turk is central district sales manager of the wholesale drug distribution firm.

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