

# Zoning Fate Still a Puzzle In Franklin

FRANKLIN—At a special meeting last Thursday the Franklin village council asked the planning commission to study the zoning of six lots at 14 Mile and Franklin road. The lots are zoned residential.

The Oakland county zoning commission will also be asked about its future plans for that portion of Franklin road.

George Heidemann, attorney for Webb Engineering Associates, stated that one of the lots was purchased with the understanding it was for commercial. It is too small for practical use as a residential site under present building code requirements, he said.

Interest in the small lot has been revived since the Detroit Bank and Trust Co. plans to build a branch office in the village where the Frederic K. Graef office now stands. Graef petitioned the zoning board for permission to move his office to the lot owned by Webb and was denied.

HOWEVER, councilmen Jack Roberts and Homer Hiest sought to reopen Graef's appeal. The zoning board is to seek legal council regarding temporary permits for non-conforming structures. An interpretation of the charter clause prohibiting the moving of structures within the township.

Graef has been notified that he must remove his office from its present site by April 1. The bank will begin work on the property. Graef had been leasing the spot on a temporary basis and granted a permanent permit in 1951 by Southfield township.

# Precincts

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- 500 feet. This would make the commercial block 500 by 500 feet.
- Three other proposals which would have widened commercial zoning on property owned by Franklin on both Maple and Telegraph had been turned down by the township zoning board.
- BLOOMFIELD'S nine voting precincts will have a maximum population of 1,400. Main reason for the change was the township's increase of from 1,200 registered voters to 9,000 in eight years.
- Here are the boundaries of the nine precincts and their polling places:
- No. 1, Bloomfield township offices: The area bounded on the north by W. Long Lake, on the east by Lahser, on the south by Quanton and on the west by the township limits.
  - No. 2, Bloomfield Village school: The area bounded on the north by Quanton, on the east by Covington and Cranbrook, on the south by Maple and on the west by Lahser.
  - No. 3, Wing Lake school: The area bounded on the north by Quanton, on the east by Telegraph, on the south by Maple, on the west by Franklin, south on Franklin to Fourteen Mile, east on Fourteen Mile to the township limits, thence north on the township limits to Quanton.
  - No. 4, Bloomfield Lutheran church: The area bounded on the north by the Pontiac city limits, on the east by the Pontiac city limits to Hickory Grove, west on Hickory Grove to Franklin, north on Franklin to Telegraph, northwest on Telegraph to the west line of section five, thence north on the section line to Gulf drive.
  - No. 5, Bloomfield Hills high school: The area bounded on the north by the township limits, thence south on the east line of section six to Telegraph, thence south on Telegraph to Franklin, south on Franklin to Hickory Grove, thence east on Hickory Grove to Lahser, south on Lahser to W. Long Lake, west on W. Long Lake to the township limits, thence north on the township limits to the north township limits.
  - No. 6, Eastover school: The area bounded on the north by South boulevard, on the east by Adams to Big Beaver, west on Big Beaver to the Bloomfield Hills city limits, thence north on the city limits to the north line of the Bloomfield Hills city limits, thence west on the north line of the Bloomfield Hills city limits to Opdyke, thence north on Opdyke to South boulevard.
  - No. 7, North Hills club house, Oakland Hills country club: The area bounded on the east by Lahser, on the south by Fourteen Mile to Franklin, north on Franklin to W. Maple, east on W. Maple to Telegraph, north on Telegraph to Quanton and along Quanton to Lahser.
  - No. 8, Bloomfield Village fire hall: All the area in Bloomfield township south of Quanton and Big Beaver, east of Covington and Cranbrook and west of Adams and north of Maple. Also in section 34 the area bounded on the north by Maple, on the east by Cranbrook and the south by Fourteen Mile and the west by Lahser, except Westchester Village subdivision and Westchester Village No. 1, subdivision.
  - No. 9, Bloomfield Village fire hall: All that area in Westchester Village subdivision and Westchester Village subdivision No. 1 and bounded as follows: On the north by Westchester Village No. 2 and Westchester Village No. 3, also Judson Bradley's Bloomfield Village No. 5, on the east by Cranbrook road, on the south by an extension of Lincoln and on the west by Lahser road.

Railroads have developed a machine that grinds up 300-pound cakes of ice and loads it into refrigerator cars at a rate of one ton every 15 seconds.

# Girl Scout Troops Schedule Campout

EAST SOUTHFIELD — Twenty-seven intermediate girl scout troops 847 and 851 from East Southfield are busy getting supplies and equipment together for their three-day campout at Camp Narrin in March. The groups will be at Sunnyside and the staff house.

Leaders accompanying the girls are Mrs. Roy Baldwin, Mrs. Theodore Welch, Mrs. Donald Baldwin, Mrs. Dewey Coates and Mrs. William Bryn. Mrs. Roy Baldwin and Mrs. Donald Baldwin, no relation, have recently completed the campership course and are now girl scout licensed campers.

Neighborhood association meeting for East Southfield girl scout leaders and committee mothers was given for 15 members at the home of Mrs. William Bryn, 28750 Everett, recently.

# Arrows Awarded To Cubs at Dinner

SOUTH BEKSHIRES — A cherry tree replica was the centerpiece arrangement in carrying out the George Washington theme at the Blue and Gold dinner for den 7, pack F-8, at Southfield Ten school last week.

Bill Husted was awarded his bear badge and gold arrow, and David Guster received his bear silver arrow.

Accompanied by both parents were Gary Ragstale, David Guster, Rex Basan, Bill Husted, Ronald Sill, Craig Gath, John and Jeff Middleton, David Gray and new members, Dane Atkinson and Douglas Masters.

# School Board Joins to Ban Bowling Alley

SOUTHFIELD — The Southfield board of education Monday voted unanimously to join protesting property owners in Washington Heights subdivision in a suit to prevent erection of a bowling alley adjacent to McKinley school at Southfield and 10 Mile roads.

The board acted after hearing from its attorney, Stratton Brown, that it has a property right to prevent use of the land for the alley. Original 1929 restrictions limit use to church, multiple dwelling or residential.

The action was contingent upon the board's holding the property since 1929 when its ownership was entered in the registrar of deeds office rather than on a formal 1947 deed. If the 1947 deed is considered valid, upon further investigation of the attorney, the board will refrain from action.

WILL J. OLIVER, board treasurer, questioned whether "worse things than a bowling alley" might be constructed on other commercial lots in the site if the alley is prohibited. Brown suggested the board could protect the school with zoning ordinances.

Original subdivision restrictions were eased by the subdivider in 1943 and it was under the amended regulations that the alley was begun.

Brown also assured the board that it would not be liable for damages from the alley owners as it is going into the suit solely to protect its property rights.

# Lunches

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gram as population density increases to provide noon-hour relief for teachers.

"Such a program," he said, "is not uncommon in the Detroit area, especially in elementary schools. Our teachers have been fine about co-operating, but we have grown to the point where we must work on a different basis."

OBJECTING PARENTS stressed their "rights as taxpayers" to have their children use the cafeteria with its government subsidized lunch program and playground facilities during the noon hour. They argued that it is taking just as many cafeteria employees and just as many teachers to feed and supervise the remaining 200 youngsters who stay at school as it did when the additional 160 who are now asked to go home stayed.

Mrs. Mabel Simek, 18566 Bangalor, contended that "a large portion of the youngsters are forced to cross Southfield where the traffic speed limit is 40 miles an hour."

"We have a new cafeteria," she added, "which we were asked to buy in a bond issue. Now the children are not eating there," she said, "we parents are pulling them out of the mud and driving them back and forth at noon."

THE OBJECTION letter contended that teachers are on supervisory duty in rotation only one day in four and that, if necessary they could be "hired" for the lunch period.

Lack of police protection at crossings, necessity for sending children across open sewers, rats, mud and road conditions, Leonard suggested, were the concern of the

# Bingham Okays Charter Change For Road Work

BINGHAM FARMS — A 79 to 21 vote here Monday will allow special assessment districts for road improvements.

The voters approved a proposed charter amendment which permits formation of special assessment districts upon petition of residents who want improvements. It also allows the village council to operate in accordance with state law.

Unopposed incumbents who retain their seats on the council for two more years are John Longley, James McGuire and Neil Warren. Mrs. Jesse F. Colwell was re-elected village clerk; Haskell Wright, treasurer, and Walter J. Gorick, assessor. All serve one year terms.

# Mrs. Baldwin Named

SOUTHFIELD — Southfield board of education Monday named Mrs. Iva Baldwin acting principal for the balance of the term at Grace school to free Mrs. Helen McIntyre to begin taking over her new duties as coordinator of elementary instruction. Mrs. McIntyre was named to the newly-created post last month.

township government rather than school board.

Schoenhaus stressed that in event of bad weather all youngsters would be accommodated at both Lathrup and East Southfield schools and that children would be allowed to remain at noon "under certain circumstances." He said he has instructed Kathryn McLean, Lathrup principal, to make exceptions while the program is getting under way.

# Westwood

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RED TAPE that must be untangled before Westwood can do any business or permanent improvement of roads includes negotiations with the state, decisions on which roads are major and which minor, and a decision by the state and the village on which census the division will be based. The village's incorporation census counted 7,700 residents; the 1950 census, 13,800.

The state, when dividing road money among the various cities, villages and townships, bases the amount each gets on the number of miles of major and minor roads and the number of people. Which census is finally used means a difference of about \$30,000 in the amount of money Westwood will get for roads.

TOM DILLON, deputy village attorney, said incorporation census figures have been used by the state in negotiating with other municipalities, but that there seemed to be a change of feeling in Lansing. Current feeling is that the census used must have been done under the auspices of the Michigan secretary of state, which would mean the 1950 census.

Dillon warned that Westwood might expect the same disappointment on division of sales tax revenue.

AS OF TODAY, Monday, Beel said, "the man to complain to is Waldo Asbury, village road commissioner." Asbury will keep track of requests for permanent improvements against the time when they can be done, and schedule visits of the road scraper for temporary relief.

Beel pointed out that until the village has equipment of its own, it pays for scraping by county equipment on a portal to portal

# 82 Cast Ballots In Woodcreek's 'Confidence Vote'

WOODCREEK FARMS — Incumbents received a vote of confidence from 82 of Woodcreek Farm's 169 registered voters Monday. There was no opposition for council jobs in the mile square village.

Dr. Zar Reader and Herman F. Dobson retain their seats on the council for two more years. Village clerk Arthur Bush, treasurer M. W. Davenport, and Assessor Robert Swift have the voters approval for another one year term.

# Rezoning Approved By S'field Board

CRANBROOK — Rodney Lockwood, Cranbrook subdivision, Tuesday won the Southfield township board's approval of rezoning part of the subdivision R-2. It is presently zoned R-4, a higher classification which requires dwellings of more than 15,000 cubic feet.

The area affected is a strip roughly across the middle of the property Lockwood will build up between 12 and 13 Mile roads, and just north of Webster.

Lockwood said he planned to "shade" the houses in this area as a transition between the more expensive houses on the northern edge of the subdivision and the smaller ones in the south.

basis. Therefore it behooves Westwood to make the most efficient use of scraper-in-Westwood time which means scheduling several roads on each visit.

# Police Phone Is MI 6-6400 In Westwood

WESTWOOD — The village got its own telephone Tuesday. The number is Midwest 6-6400.

This phone is in the office of the public safety director, Robert Murphy, in the fire hall on 13 Mile road. Murphy takes office Monday, and after that villagers should call him with their requests for service and non-urgent messages. Until Monday Ted Shurtleff, head of the village council's public safety department, will take such calls.

IN EMERGENCIES, Shurtleff said, the number is still Elgin 6-6622. This is the Southfield police station, and officers there put emergency calls on the police radio to contact Westwood's patrol car immediately.

The council Monday authorized Murphy to recommend two more men to be added to the village's police and fire department. Murphy said he had interviewed two applicants with excellent qualifications.

In order to match benefits offered by other communities' policemen, the council agreed to design a pension system for public safety officers and submit it to a vote of the electorate.

BEVERLYS—Jim Wood, 18122 Riverside, will portray a Life photographer in the Actors guild presentation "Goodbye, My Fancy." Curtain time for the three-act comedy to be presented March 22 and 23 is 8:30 p.m. in the auditorium of WWJ.

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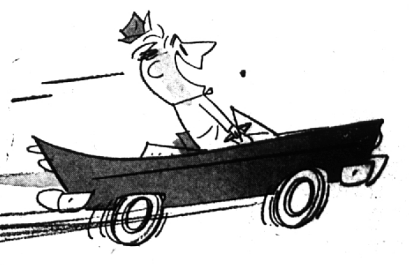
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