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Lee Again Eves Hills B of E Post

"I am interested in remaining on Bloomfield Hills board of education in order to contribute what I can toward a continuation of what I believe to be real progress in educational opportunities in this school district." David Lee stated this week in announcing his candidacy for re-election to the Bloomfield Hills school board.

Lee, who resides at 1160 Pembroke drive, is seeking a third term, having served on the board six years. He is an far unopposed. Deadline for filing for the office is Friday.

The annual school election is scheduled for June 8.

"FIRST RAY for the board at a time when there was bitter controversy in the school district as to whether school facilities should be enlarged.

"Fortunately, we who favored improvement of the educational programs were successful in developing public support we needed, and our building program got underway with the building of the present senior high school.

"DURING MY TENURE on the board we've been successful in obtaining professional advice from Michigan State university in developing a sound long range plan for buildings we will need in our district. Because of this plan, I think we're moving forward on a sound basis to provide a better than average educational opportunity at an economical cost level." Lee further stated.

DURING LEE'S service on the (See LEE, Page 2-B)

West Bloomfield Names Two Zone Board Members

WEST BLOOMFIELD — Two members for West Bloomfield's zoning board were named at a special meeting of the township board last week.

Richard of Bloomfield Farms subdivision and John Haps of Sylvan Manor are the new appointees. They will fill the unexpired terms of Ray D. Baker and the late Rohlf Colby.

Members of the township board of trustees will meet later this month with the zoning board to discuss amendments to the zoning laws.

Talk of the Towns

By JULIE CANDLER

His extensive research on women drivers came about quite by accident, but it has resulted in some interesting conclusions.

The researcher in question is a local dentist, with offices on a second floor over a heavily-trafficked street. His passing glances have established what he believes is the most Birmingham area women do not keep their hemlines at a proper point when they drive a car. Consequently, my dentist friend looks out the window and sees a lot of legs, whether the women are to or not and he wants to know why.

His ex-pat leads him to give the following advice to women drivers: "Girls," he says, "when you're driving down the street, just remember a dentist on the second floor might be casually staring out the window while he waits for an inlay to set."

That's how he happened to uncover the bare facts in this case. Keeps honing up on the subject all the time, too.

However, Dec. let me tell you the problem we girls have. I've already ranted about the unscrupulous users of the backs of women's dresses. My next suggestion to dressmakers is that they make more clothes for people. They make cars for people, according to the ad. Why not clothes?

A dress is supposed to be ladylike. From the time she's five years old, a little girl is reprimanded by her mother if her hem sticks up above her knees.

In Bermuda shorts, knees are okay. But in skirts, every time a girl sits down just don't look nice—no even pretty knees.

AND IN the tight, short sheath dresses and skirts that are fashionable today, it's impossible for a girl to sit in a car or chair without peeling the knees wrapping off in very unladylike fashion.

Take it from the Voice of Experience, there's only one decent way to get out of the driver's seat in the car while wearing the latest fashion for 1959.

My directions are: 1) pull skirt down; 2) hold it securely below the knees; 3) bend over from the

Two on a Saw... ..See Results!

Equipment hums first. Then comes sigh of success.

By NITA HARD

FRANKLIN—Maybe you haven't had the time to notice, but little by little there are fewer and fewer barns in the area today.

One by one the big old barns have been bought up for subdividing, and one by one the weathered structures that housed grain and cattle are being torn down to make way for sleek modern homes.

What happens to all the silencing wire pine that fell a century ago, and the century of carving rains, the furious winds and the scorching sun?

WE DUNNO ABOUT all of it. But, it was reassuring to find that some has enjoyed a gracious metamorphosis in the sentimental hands of skilled craftsmen like Kenneth Bristol and Clayton Currin, native sons of Franklin.

Brothers-in-law, this pair has salvaged lumber from several local farms and transformed the old Ray Render sheep farm on Lahser and 13 Mile, Ken and Clayton decided to retrieve some of the wood. Fascinated by the aged mellowness of the 24-inch planks dating back to 1883, they embarked on a new hobby, with enthusiastic encouragement from wives.

Today in both homes, the Bristol

and Currin houses, Clayton, a decorator, has the power saw and the space, so much of the basic framing for all the bigger projects are done there.

But after that, individual tastes take over and, though they've made two of just about everything, each article is distinctly different. Details are hand carved.

Idea is the result of window washing trips with their wives and researching magazines.

LAST JULY Drain Commissioner Daniel Barry explained plans engineered in his office. Approximately 30 residents heard Barry. The widened, deepened and straightened stream is planned to carry off winter water at a cost of \$231,000. The entire city of Lathrup Village, according to the drain



Maple-Telegraph Shopping Center Progresses

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP — As traffic whizzes by Maple and Telegraph roads, construction of a new shopping center is going on nearly as fast. By next fall the buildings under construction will house Save-On Drugs, Day Brothers Furniture, Michigan Chandelier, John Bee gift shop and Pam's Infant and children's apparel, according to the leasing agent, Rubiner, Broder and company of Detroit.

Beverly Hills Names Road Commissioner

BEVERLY HILLS—A relative newcomer was named to the post of road commissioner Monday night by the Beverly Hills village council.

Walter Kouba, who has lived at 29675 W. 13 Mile since March, 1958, will take over the position being vacated June 1 by the move from the state of incumbent Waldo H. Asbury.

Tuesday by The Birmingham Eccentric, Kouba said he had in mind "a complete review of the road situation as it currently exists, with the development of a master plan to alleviate the drainage and other road problems."

With Ford Motor company for 25 years, Kouba is now supervisor of technical services for the company's chassis and transmission division in Sterling Heights.

THE STUBBID civil engineering Charles Cupp, formerly of 27216 Lathrup, Lathrup village, gave his wife the tip over the phone from Akron, Ohio, to whom he's been transferred by his firm.

Mrs. C. is still in Lathrup while son Marshall completes his last year at Southfield high. Talked to her last week when we called Community Congregational church, a where she was back again, pinching between secretaries.

The Cupps will be joining a new country club in Ohio.

While waiting their new house go up there via long distance conversations with her husband. They'll be living in Hudson village, a community much like Lathrup.

WHAT A deal! Part of public relations man Ted Shurtliff's job is nationwide promoting of 60,000 Kelley girls. He just got back from the Kelley girls' annual convention in Blount, Missa.

Family Awaits Seafaring Sergeant

Wonder what it feels like to know your husband is crossing the Atlantic ocean in a motor launch?

Mrs. Jack E. Little, wife of a Southfield Air Force sergeant who set out recently from England on the 6,000 mile ocean crossing, looks at it with an interesting philosophy.

"When a man wants to do something," she said, "there is no sense in arguing. He will do it anyway."

Mrs. Little confidently added, Jack has a sound head and plenty of technical experience, so I'm sure the trip will be safe and successful.

THE 28-YEAR-OLD sergeant and six company are about two 45-foot surplus motor launches heading for Destination Miami. Stops are scheduled in Portugal, Spain, the Canary Islands, Puerto Rico and the West Indies.

The men planned the trip just as an "unusual experience." It is not sponsored by the Air Force.

Mrs. Little, a 25-year-old former WAF, takes military life in stride. The last ocean trip will probably take 30 to 40 days.

Sgt. Little joined the Air Force at 17, completing his education while on duty. He met his wife when they were both stationed at Goodfellow Air Force base in Tex.

Beverly Hills Planners Seek 'Apartment' Zoning

\$5,000 Is 'Too Cheap' For Ditch Clean-Up Plan

LATHRUP—"It's a hairbrained scheme. The cost is too low. The job just can't be done for \$5,000." So said Councilman David P. Anderson Monday evening.

Four members of the Lathrup council, (councilman H. Earl Hanson was absent) refused to approve the plea of Attorney James G. Hartrick that his mostly unidentified clients be allowed to proceed with a cleanup of the murky, smelly little stream that flows through the western edge of Lathrup.

A RESOLUTION by Councilman Frederick O. Johnson received support from the other members of the council. Johnson's resolution instructed Hartrick, who said he represented a committee headed by George E. Steinfurth, to present to the council within two weeks, a drawing by a competent engineer showing the routing, elevations, the cleaning to be done and the disposition planned for the silt and earth to be removed from the stream.

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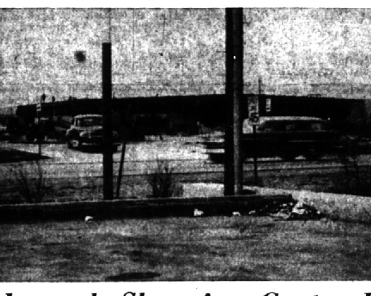
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Kitchen Fire Causes \$5,500 Damages

SOUTHFIELD — A kitchen fire caused \$5,500 damage Friday to the Kenneth Subfield home, 30082 Brentwood, Southfield.

The blaze started in the waste basket and spread through the kitchen when the inflammable tin ignited.

Heat and smoke mounted house damages to the \$3,000 mark and \$2,500 to the contents of the home while on duty. He met his wife when they were both stationed at Goodfellow Air Force base in Tex.

Home Building On Increase In B'field Twp.

New home construction is on the upswing in Bloomfield township, according to building permit figures for the area.

Issuance of 89 permits in April of this year is in comparison to 74 for the same month last year. Construction got off to an early start in March with 71 permits granted, this year against 47 in the previous year.

IN ADDITION there is a general air of optimism among builders when they come in for permits," observes Mrs. Ruth Davidson, building department clerk for Bloomfield township.

Permits for additions to existing homes are on a level with 1958. Ten permits have been given this year for swimming pools—the same number that had been issued at this time last year.



Mrs. Little and her children, Jack, Velvet and Sharon