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Cogger Lathrups Mayor 'How to Run a Village Wisely' Their Study Topic This Year

LATHRUP—A new council was installed Monday evening with the swearing in of Richard N. Cogger, H. Earl Hanson and Vincent A. Zafra.

By DENI SCANLON Township Editor BEVERLY HILLS—Although college days are past, homework is starting again for Charles M. Dotterrer Jr. and Claude A. Shephard.

It was obvious shortly after they took office, during their first "homework meetings" Dotterrer spent most of his time at the Shephard household, and Shephard didn't mind in the least being host for the work sessions.

Manned with briefcases, folders full of official papers and plenty of energy, the two men were banking on the job of helping to run the village government. Newcomers in politics, they were elected to the village council March 13.

"I HAVE BEEN interested in the affairs of government for a long time," Dotterrer said. "I have been active in organizational drives such as getting-out-the-vote campaign at both the local and state level."

W. B'field Must Chop Expenses

WEST BLOOMFIELD—West Bloomfield officials will take a look at the proposed 1961 budget for the township at a special meeting tonight.

CITY BUILDERS are pressing for a date when septic tanks can be eliminated from new homes and old tanks can be bypassed.



Charles Dotterrer and Claude Shephard (seated) study the status of Beverly Hills in preparation for their new roles as village councilmen.

Police Chiefs, FBI Detective School Meeting at Groves

BEVERLY HILLS—A detective school to teach investigation techniques to South Oaking area law enforcement officials is being held each week at Willie E. Groves School.

Grass Fire Control Assistance Asked

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Care in any grass or tree burning during the dry spring season is requested by Bloomfield Township.

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THE CLASSES, held each Tuesday and Wednesday until the end of May, consist of a one-hour day of tutoring that will total 128 hours of special instruction.

Dollar-a-Year Job Road Man's Meat This 'Chap' Eats It Up!

By SAVILLA SLOAN Special Writer BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Just before the 1959 general election, I spotted in The Birmingham Eccentric that no one had fled for township road commissioner.

City Clerk Reports Increase in 1961 Assessed Valuation

LATHRUP—Assessed valuation in Lathrup totaled \$8,559,635 for 1961, an increase of \$123,710 over the 1960 total of \$8,435,925.

INSTRUCTORS INCLUDE Birmingham Chief Ralph W. Mosley, special agents from Birmingham and heads of various other Detroit area departments.

Panel Will Discuss School Finances at PTA Meeting

A "Resume of School Finances" will be the topic of a meeting of the Bloomfield Village School PTA at 8 p.m. Wednesday at the PTA.

Cites Career Month

SOUTHFIELD—The Southfield Education Association is participating in "Career Month" during the month of April.

Local Photographer Assigned to Film Troops in Laos

WEST BLOOMFIELD—To record on film activity of American troops in Laos, is the job assigned to West Bloomfield's Brooks M. Barr, Jr., a Naval photographer assigned to helicopter duty in Vietnam.

Southfield Offers Typing Courses

SOUTHFIELD—Typing classes for students in grades three through 12 will be offered by the Southfield Public Schools beginning Monday and Tuesday.

Got It Right?

WEST BLOOMFIELD—The surprise element of a phone number without an exchange created a bit of confusion last week over the new telephone numbers for the West Bloomfield Township police and fire departments.

Bloomfield Township's \$125,000 Budget Increase

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—Homer Clark of the township engineering firm of Hubbell-Roth and Clark said that he considered specifications for road paving material "especially good."

ASKED BY Trustee Robert Reid as to what accident prevention measures would be taken during the dangerous road repair period, Clark said that the contract called for road barricades, watchmen and full insurance on the part of the construction company.

Franklin Council Eyes Tax Cut, More Space For Library, Offices

By NITA HARD Franklin Correspondent FRANKLIN—A bigger library, village offices and a tax cut emerged from Franklin council's proposed budget talk Monday.

expenses out of accrued funds, the budget provides an increase for rubbish collection, insurance and the building department.

Board Confirms New Police Chief in W. Bloomfield

WEST BLOOMFIELD—Appointments to township offices for the coming year were confirmed by West Bloomfield's township board at its meeting last Wednesday.

LATHRUP Rejects Use of Easement For Sewer Line—After months of struggle, indignation and discussion, Lathrup's council Monday voted unanimously to avoid using an easement for the city's sanitary sewer lines in front of the Village Nursery School.

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