

Oak'd League Reaffirms 2 Propositions

The board of directors of the Oakland Citizens League reaffirmed two propositions which the league hopes will receive serious consideration by the delegates to the Constitutional Convention.

First of the propositions was permissive county home rule. In advocating this proposition, the league believes that each county should have the right to determine the form of government best suited to its needs.

According to the league, the existing constitution and statutes of the state preclude possible management improvements in county government.

CITIES, VILLAGES, and recently townships of Michigan have been granted authority, in varying degrees, to adopt a form of administrative organization which encourages more efficient administration, said the league. This encouragement has been denied counties—a condition which appears indefensible, claims the league.

Also reaffirmed was a proposition calling for a legislature which represents both area and population interests.

Equitable population representation in one of two houses is a necessity, according to the league.

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL interests vary by area and these interests deserve representation in a rapidly developing state, insists the league.

Although some sections are less populated, their particular interests are as important to an expanding economy as are the interests of more populous areas, agreed the league.

Citing the nation's founders' recognition of diversity of interests through their establishment of representation in each house of the U. S. Congress, the league contends that Michigan must continue to follow this principle.

Young Republicans Form Special Con-Con Group

Oakland County Young Republicans have made the forthcoming constitutional convention their major project for the remainder of 1961.

Club president William Locke, of Clawson, announced the creation of a special state constitution major issues expected to confront the convention when it convenes in Lansing Oct. 3.

Locke named Adolph H. Magnus Jr., 3955 Brookside, Bloomfield Hills, as chairman of a sub-committee that will study finance and taxation problems.

ANOTHER STUDY committee, reorganization of the executive branch of government, will be headed by George Charbonneau.

A third committee is being organized to compile research data on legislative apportionment, but the chairman has not yet been announced.

County GOP chairman Arthur G. Elliott Jr. praised the Young Republicans "for undertaking a program that is certain to have a positive effect on the community."

At a GOP press luncheon in Royal Oak last week, Marilyn McKenzie, 860 Vaughan, Bloomfield Hills, spelled out the Con-Con committee goals.

"WE WANT OUR members to be as fully informed on Con-Con

as possible," she said. "Young people have a stake in Con-Con, too."

Others participating on the committee include: John J. Hensel, Royal Oak; Anne Hammonds, Bloomfield Hills; Richard Bell, Clawson; and Dolores Hamal, Birmingham.

Home from Kentucky

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Taylor Blackwood of Derby Road, Birmingham, have recently returned from Port Knox, Ky., where they visited Lt. Col. and Mrs. H. L. Allen, Mrs. Blackwood's sister.

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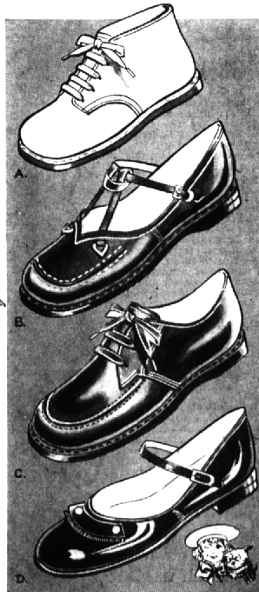
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