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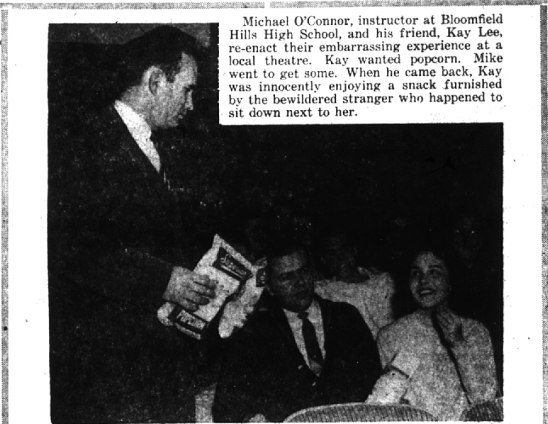
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Hills \$4 Million School Bond Issue Wins By 3,146 Vote In Biggest Turn-Out



Michael O'Connor, instructor at Bloomfield Hills High School, and his friend, Kay Lee, re-enact their embarrassing experience at a local theatre. Kay wanted popcorn. Mike went to get some. When he came back, Kay was innocently enjoying a snack furnished by the bewildered stranger who happened to sit down next to her.

Sewer Plan Amended In Lathrup

By IRMA N. DAVIS Staff Writer LATHRUP—Amendment of the Dec. 19 sanitary sewer bond resolution, to include four spurs, was approved unanimously Monday by the council. In two resolutions, the council noted that construction of the spurs is necessary to comply with the court ordered sewer program.

The council also noted that the \$22,000 cost of the four spurs was included in the original \$250,000 bond issue estimate. Mayor Richard N. Cogger said Ray Spitt of Ayres, Lewis, Norris and May, city engineers, had completed the drawings and specifications for the spurs. These were approved by the county DPH and the state health department last week, Cogger said.

CITY ATTORNEY Hayes said he would present the approved amendment, allowing construction of the spurs, to the Michigan Finance Commission Tuesday. A supplementary permit has already been issued, Hayes said, but it needs final approval from the commission. The spurs will be located along parts of Wiltshire, Saratoga, and Goldenrat. Evergreen Boulevard came in for a brief but heated discussion. Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Kelley were unable to resolve the question of a missing foot of road involved in a proposed dedication of frontage feet of a Kelley-owned lot along Evergreen.



Voicing Their Opinion

Three Bloomfield Hills School District residents took the school bond issue into their own hands Monday by pulling a lever to cast a vote on the \$4,350,000 bond issue.

3,146 Vote In Biggest Turn-Out

By SAVILLA SLOAN Staff Writer BLOOMFIELD HILLS — By a two-to-one majority, voters in Bloomfield Hills school district approved a \$4,350,000 building and site bond issue Monday at a special school election. The vote was 2,087 in favor of the bond issue, 1,027 against. The total vote of 3,114 (which includes 32 spoiled ballots) is the largest ever cast in a Bloomfield Hills school election. One less vote was cast in the March 19, 1959 millage election, which had evoked special public interest after its failure to pass several months earlier.

APPROVAL OF the building and site bond issue means an immediate school building program in the Hills district. Plans for more than a million dollar addition to the high school are underway. Construction will begin early this spring. Completion is expected before the 1962 fall term. Second junior high school is also high on the Hills school board's priority list. An addition to Conant School will be completed by the end of this year. Other elementary school additions are expected to follow close behind.

SCHOOL BOARD

Bloomfield Hills School Board president David Lee issued this statement following election returns: "All of us who are closely associated with our school system, whether we be paid employees or citizens who have worked to develop and publicize the current school building and site program, are naturally very happy that our proposal was accepted by the citizens of our school district. We shall now be able to continue to provide the facilities that are so essential to a good learning environment. "Of almost equal importance, we feel that all of us who are citizens of the district should be proud of the way in which our property owners and taxpayers have overwhelmingly supported the effort. To be a resident of such a public spirited community should be a source of satisfaction to us all. "Speaking for the Board of Education, we wish to sincerely thank all of those who worked so hard to get out the vote. To the electorate as a whole we give our not only our thanks for your continuing support but also pledge that the funds you have given us will be spent with the greatest wisdom and economy of which we are capable. "JACKSON TURNER led the group of citizens forming the YES committee, who worked in behalf of the bond issue. He was assisted by publicity chairman Tom Page and the more than 200 volunteers, who worked to get out the vote, headed by seven precinct leaders. They were George Smith, 1490 Kenwood; Dave Fickens, 1490 Kenwood; Mrs. William Higgins, 625 Lone Pine Hill; Mrs. Joseph Hill, 1490 Kenwood; Mrs. John Hawkins, 895 Highland Drive; Delmar Heathcote, 2240 Lee; and Mrs. Morris Mersky, 4731 Cove Road.

These Slips Showed Humor IS a Blessing

By DENI SCANLON Township Editor and why the issue should be opened to the men's room by mistake—only to meet a man coming out. "What were you doing in there?" she asked, before her own alert judgment told her to shut up. "You'll have to leave. We don't allow campaigning inside the yellow lines." THEN THERE was Peggy Shurtliff, wife of Beverly Hills Councilman Ted Shurtliff, who drove to the gas station one morning to get a headlight replaced. "I told the man what I wanted into the office and came back with a huge box." Puzled by the big to-do, Mrs. Shurtliff watched as the man worked industriously installing the new beam. When he finished, he presented his customer with a bill for \$3.75. "How come so much for a little bulb," she asked. "Lady," the startled mechanic said, "those things went out with the Model-T. How old are you?"

Seven Named to Board Of West Bloomfield UF

WEST BLOOMFIELD — Seven persons were elected to three-year terms on the board of directors of West Bloomfield's United Fund at a meeting last week at the Township Hall. They are Emmet DeConick, 5847 Maple; Charles Vlaenink, 4655 Linwood; Joseph Arno, 5111 Commerce Road; John Payne, 4912 Bloomfield Lane; Mrs. Agnes Wallace, 4368 Barland; Leonard Rose of Alden Drive; and Alton B. Stroup, 7301 Briarcliff.

Committee Heads Named for Survey On School Needs

SOUTHFIELD—Four phases of a school needs survey will be handled by committees made up of members of the Citizens Advisory Committee, working under the overall direction of Dr. Donald Leu of MSUO. Committee chairmen were named at a study meeting Monday evening, attended by Dr. Leu and his staff, school board members, administrative personnel of the school system and committee members. Mrs. Lillian Siegel will head the committee study phase of the program. Mrs. Lester Symons will be chairman of the school programs phase. Robert Fiala and Albert Landeck will head the finance study committee.

Retiring Custodian Honored by Schools

WEST BLOOMFIELD — A 65-year-old custodian in the West Bloomfield School District was honored Friday when he retired. Before that time, McCracken was custodian at the Roosevelt Elementary School in Keego Harbor for 25 years.

Teen Dance Slated Saturday to Benefit New March of Dimes

SOUTHFIELD — A dance for teen-agers is planned Saturday to benefit the New March of Dimes. Sponsored by the Southfield committee of the New March of Dimes, the dance will be held at 8 p.m. at the Northwest Sportsman's Club, 26515 Northwestern Highway.

MUSIC WILL be furnished by Larry Rineman and his orchestra with entertainment provided by the J.P.s, a local hot jazz band.

FOR SALE: One fire engine. Vintage model, 1918 American. LaFrance Pumper. Excellent condition. Send sealed bid before March 2 to W. P. Shepard Jr., Bloomfield Township Fire Fighters Association, Inc., 1490 Kenwood, Bloomfield Hills.

It was a big decision, but they made it. The Bloomfield Township Fire Fighters' Association voted Monday after a "heated battle" to sell their antique fire truck.

WHY? "It is with deep regret that the members voted to sell but the majority felt that the historical value of this 43-year-old piece of fire equipment would be more appreciated by a more organized better equipped to handle it," stated Willard Sheppard, secretary of the group.

Bloomfield Township Fire Fighters' pride, the 1918 pumper, really got around during the 1958 season, really got around during the 1958 season, really got around during the 1958 season.

'Meet Candidates Night' Set Tuesday in B'field Township

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP — "Meet Your Candidates Night" will be held Tuesday at the Bloomfield Township Hall. Residents can meet and hear the candidates at the rally, which will begin at 8 p.m. at the township headquarters on Telegraph near Long Lake Road.

Burglars Enter 2 Lathrup Homes

LATHRUP — Two homes in Lathrup were broken into Friday. Thieves were apparently frightened away by the return of the occupants at 1750 San Rosa, according to police. Jewelry, perfume and a change purse were stolen from 1916 Avilla. A pane of glass in a rear door was broken to make entry into the San Rosa home of Robert W. Karr; thieves ransacked a bedroom. The crime was reported at 8 p.m. shortly after the occupants returned. They were unable to find anything missing.

County to Rebuild 12 Mile in S'field, Swanson Reveals

SOUTHFIELD — Twelve Mile Road, from Telegraph to Northwestern, will be rebuilt this summer by the Oakland County Road Commission, according to Mayor Donald L. Swanson. Swanson, who met recently with county road officials, stated that new concrete will be laid throughout the entire length and it will be widened from 20 to 24 feet.

Beverly Banker Pleads Guilty To Fund Misuse

BEVERLY HILLS—A 39-year-old Beverly Hills resident, former executive of the Manufacturers National Bank, pleaded guilty in Federal Court Friday to misuse of bank funds. Two other men were also charged. John David Wood, 16045 Kinross, formerly second vice president of the bank, admitted to Federal agents and Federal Judge John Feltens that he and two others contracted illegal loans. The other men involved are Wood's brother-in-law, Vance O. Lee, 40, of Garden City, and William C. Marshall, 31, of Detroit. They both admitted being part of the illegal loans.

Released On \$2,000 Bond by Judge Feltens, the cases were referred to the probation officers for pre-sentence reports. They face possible \$5,000 fines or terms up to five years in prison or both. Wood was charged with two counts of willful misapplication of bank funds in obtaining loans. One was on June 10, 1960, for \$4,750 for Lee and the second was Oct. 25, 1960, for a \$4,700 loan for Marshall. Mr. Marshall was obtained under an assumed name.

Wood was charged with obtaining the loans "to pay off previous loans from the bank" by Marshall, Feltens said. Robert E. DeMassio, assistant United States Attorney, said the loans were received with the consent of Wood "who knew that Marshall and Lee had no other money; they could repay in earlier loans from the bank."

Bloomfield Township's Blaze Battlers To Bid Farewell to Pampered Pumper

who bought it from its original owner, the City of Marshall, Mich. The antique apparatus is now housed at Station No. 2 on Westwood near Eastover School. "NONE-THING'S definite," Shepard said, "we won't sell her until we find a good home."

Lathrup Police Release Report On 1960 Cases

LATHRUP — Malicious destruction of property under \$100 and 100 cases of traffic violations were referred to the probation officers for pre-sentence reports. They face possible \$5,000 fines or terms up to five years in prison or both. Wood was charged with two counts of willful misapplication of bank funds in obtaining loans. One was on June 10, 1960, for \$4,750 for Lee and the second was Oct. 25, 1960, for a \$4,700 loan for Marshall. Mr. Marshall was obtained under an assumed name. Wood was charged with obtaining the loans "to pay off previous loans from the bank" by Marshall, Feltens said. Robert E. DeMassio, assistant United States Attorney, said the loans were received with the consent of Wood "who knew that Marshall and Lee had no other money; they could repay in earlier loans from the bank."