



### Register?

Albert deSalle and Mrs. Robert Bender (left) have been coordinating educational classes for the Bloomfield Art Association for a long time. This week, however, they left the registration desk to get a private lesson in art from instructor Clifford West.

DeSalle, of local gallery fame, gives his friend that "I don't understand it" routine. The association's educational program begins its new term next week when this trio, the students and association members get back to art in a serious vein.

## Traffic Volume Up 50 Per Cent Since 1950

The volume of traffic on Michigan highways has increased nearly 50 per cent during the last 10 years and will double again within 20 years.

State Highway Commissioner John C. Mackie said Michigan motorists logged an estimated 32.4 billion vehicle miles during 1960. This represents an increase of 2.4 per cent over the 32 billion miles driven on Michigan highways in 1959 and a 49 per cent increase over the 22 billion miles driven in 1950," Mackie said.

MACKIE SAID the increase in traffic volume during 1960 compared to the previous year "was slightly less than the average rate of increase in recent years."

"Unseasonably cool weather in June and July was the main reason our rate of increase was less this year than it has been in recent years," Mackie said.

Mackie said the increase in traffic volume during the last 10 years "is only the beginning."

"OUR STUDIES show the amount of traffic on Michigan highways will more than double in the next 20 years," Mackie said. "This makes it essential for us to make plans now to provide adequate highway facilities to meet the traffic volumes of the future."

## Building Report Shows Drop from Last Year

Birmingham issued 395 building permits in 1960 for a total valuation of \$4,155,404. A total of 151 new structure permits accounted for \$2,137,868; 213 permits for alterations were valued at \$1,699,502; 36 permits for foundations in 1960 lagged behind 1959, which and foundation permits valued at \$1,290,000 and one parking lot permit for \$1,290,000.

New structures included 46 single family residences at \$1,041,300; one multiple family residence (four units) at \$37,000; 10 business permits at \$774,800 and two permits for industrial building at \$94,000.

Ten swimming pool permits at \$72,800 and 73 new private garage structures at \$70,416 were also issued.

PERMITS WERE issued for 39 business alterations at \$402,478; two church alterations at \$315,000 and three industrial alteration permits at \$31,000.

Hatt's report for December building totaled 15 permits for a total valuation of \$218,560 with new business permits leading for the month at \$108,200.

Single family residence building permits totaled \$84,100 for four structures. Alterations for two businesses totaled \$16,500 and for alterations to five single family residences the figure was \$5,700.

Highest total for the year for new buildings was reached in October with \$585,125. October showed the highest total for all building with a total valuation of \$660,410.

An unknown burglar robbed Anderson's Bakery at 124 W. 14 Mile Road Monday for an undetermined amount of money. The burglar entered the bakery through the skylight. According to police he had to leave the same way when he discovered he was locked in.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT  
Classes for adults in the continuing education program of the Birmingham Public Schools begin January 23, 1961. Details on page 67, or call MI 4-9300, Ext. 69.

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## Community Goals

(Continued from 1-A)

### BLOOMFIELD HILLS

Both Mayor Henry Woodfenden and City Manager Elmer Kephart's primary hope is the completion of the community's 15-month-old sewer system installation, the financing of which was recently approved in a special election.

If everything goes well and the city acquires the necessary easements to cross private lines without a lot of red tape, the engineers should have the sewers installed by the end of 1961, said Kephart.

"If we get the sewers in, that will be a great accomplishment for 1961," he said.

Kephart said residents have inquired as to when the city will have its own water system but "we don't expect to even consider that until we get over the sewer hurdle," he said.

ALTHOUGH KEPHART anticipates a slow-down in road improvements due to the tearing up of roads for sewer installations, Woodfenden doubts there will be any slow-down and expects a continuing program of road improvements.

Both officials have hopes of achieving restoration of city center and planning for necessary revision. Along this same line, Woodfenden is looking forward to specific recommendations from the planning commission as to a long range plan to preserve and enhance the beauty of the city.

KEPHART ALSO entertains the possibility of remodeling the city building. This project, he said, is needed but it is not known whether it will be accomplished this year.

Pontiac Architect Harry Denyes is conducting preliminary studies for the city commission's consideration.

### BLOOMFIELD TWP.

Sewers are the primary concern of the township's planning commission according to Township Supervisor Arno Hulet. Extension of sewer lines to the township is expected in 1961, he said.

Extension No. 1 will be connected to the Evergreen interceptor to serve the north central section of the township including the Blue Lake roads.

Also on the agenda are the building of a new garage near the township hall for township owned vehicles and the proposed widening of Quanton Road from Frinlin to Wing Lake and 14 Mile Road from Frinlin to Wing Lake. These roads, not yet determined, may be improved.

IN ADDITION, Hulet hopes to see Fire Station No. 4 at Kendy and Frinlin roads constructed. Although he would also like to see outside water brought into the township, he does not think there is any possibility of achieving this goal in 1961.

Meeting the objectives of the Edward Proctor, chairman of the planning commission, expects completion of the studies. In a study which deal with a comprehensive review of past and present township population, land use and controls on land use and improvements provided by the present zoning ordinance.

Included in this plan of providing residents with necessary fire facilities and convenience in the planning commission's overall objective of retaining the township's predominantly residential character and protecting property values.

"WHEN THE PLANNING commission completes the studies," said Proctor, "a Master Plan and revised zoning will be presented to the township for adoption."

### W. BLOOMFIELD

"Our sewer projects will be considered ahead of any others," said John C. Richard, West Bloomfield Township supervisor. The Walnut Lake arm has been turned over to the Michigan Dept. of Transportation and Lake and Maple Road arm to the Farmington interceptor is well along in the planning stages, he said.

In addition, there are several inter-lateral sewer projects which Richard hopes will move this year in the Doherty Estates area, the Towler Hors Estates section and West Bloomfield Village. All of these projects have been started in one form or another.

Also listed among the "hopes" are three new subdivisions including the Pine Lake Estates and two others between 14 and 18 Mile Roads.

REHARD IS ANXIOUS to see the planning commission get started on a program leading up to an overall planning master plan to study such things as land use and zoning.

He said the master plan is my pet and I consider it one way to get a community going in a way that will benefit the community and keep it that way," he said.

the expectation of doing a better job of calcium chloriding roads with more better and sturdier applications, said Thomas.

A big step hoped for is the Community Association's success in eliminating legal snarls in Franklin's building and recreation program.

The issue is being considered by the courts on claims by a handful of residents that the community hall violates certain deed restrictions.

### 3 Youths Charged With Simple Larceny

Three youths received jail sentences from Municipal Judge John C. Emery, Jr. Wednesday on charges of simple larceny.

Richard F. Goulette, 18, of Troy, was sentenced to five days in jail but his sentence was suspended. Edwin F. Wallace, 18, of Troy, received 10 days and Russell L. Ferstle, 17, of Clawson, received seven days in jail. Both Wallace and Ferstle have previous records.

According to Birmingham police, the youths were arrested for rifling glove compartments of unlicensed automobiles on Windemere Street about 2:15 a.m. Friday.

Citing these cases, Detective Lieutenant Merlin Holmquist warns residents to "Lock your car if you're going to leave it on the street or in the driveway at night."

### ANOTHER PRESSING PROBLEM

facial the community is the encroachment of commercial development along the city's borders. With the help of the city development advisory committee, said Coger, it is hoped that adequate buffer zones along city's periphery can be set up as safeguards.

A problem in land development is continued non-conforming business use of the House-in-the-Woods (city offices and post office). To alleviate the problem, a new post office will be constructed on Southfield Road.

With improvements in sewage disposal and water distribution, Coger looks for considerable opportunities for growth and development.

RECREATION facilities are also expected to expand in the coming year. Studies are being made by a city and service club committee to develop a program for acquiring some city-owned land.

The estimated need of from 10 to 12 acres would provide space for city owned recreational facilities, including a swimming pool.

Acceleration of Lathrup's street improvement program is also expected through some kind of subsidy plan.

### LATHRUP

LATHRUP CITY ADMINISTRATOR Gerald D. Stone is anxious to see the completion of one phase of the community's pollution problem with the new sewer installations on the land on the northward to initiation of a program for the final completion next year.

Stone said the program will be streamlined by higher construction standards and recreational activity will increase with the acquisition of more land, he said.

These moves together with increased city planning and area development put the city on the threshold of rapid growth, said Stone.

### BEVERLY HILLS

As Village Manager Robert Murphy sees it, installation of sewers in the south half of the township will take just about all the special assessment bonding power of the community.

Other minor projects include patching up a few roads and considering land purchase for future development of the village headquarters, said Murphy.

One project Murphy would like to see materialize is the initiating of water service plans that adults are now studying.

With the increase of state funds, Village President Alger Clark anticipates maintaining better roads in the future. No other definite plans have been developed for the community.

## Hills Firm Awarded Pontiac Contract

Geor Associates, Bloomfield Hills planning consultant company, has been awarded a contract by Pontiac city commissioners to plan details of Pontiac's second urban renewal project.

Geor Associates is Pontiac's city planning consultants. Pontiac city commissioners approved Monday night a \$12,750 contract for preparation of the bulk of a survey and planning project on a proposed 20-acre renewal site in the city.

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