

Offer Alternate Plans For Chester Improvement

To the Editor: We have sent the following letter to the Birmingham City Commission. A further suggestion would be to turn traffic at Southfield instead of taking it on Maple to Chester. The letter follows: It is the opinion of the undersigned property owners and/or residents of the affected area that the proposed widening of Chester St. between Martin and Brown will do a great deal of harm to and to the city as a whole. The distance between the buildings on this street is so small that insufficient room is left between the sidewalks and the buildings. People on the sidewalks will be so close to the buildings that there will be practically no privacy. All of the beautiful trees will have to be removed. It will be impossible to do enough landscaping to mitigate the exceedingly unattractive appearance of a street

way of progress for our city, but we feel that so much harm can be done by the proposed widening that some other plan would serve better and eliminate the blight the widening would cause. HUGH D. BACKUS (Letters to commission signed by him and 27 other people)

Change

(Continued from 1-A) Datto property to allow erection of a restaurant-motel, the board decided there would be no need for a buffer area next to the Datto property. It remains zoned for offices, although an appeal from the commission's ruling is scheduled before the townships board Jan. 16.

Walnut Lake Presents Annual Christmas Show

By VELMA McCANE MA 6-6530 Walnut Lake School presented its annual Christmas program Dec. 19, with the entire enrollment of about 300 students from kindergarten through sixth grade participating. Some 70 kindergartners marched through the audience caroling and carrying candles. The school band was a feature of the musical event. Mrs. Lynn was program chairman; Larry Franklin, member of

the faculty, in charge of instrumental music; and Mrs. Eleanor Balaam, of the faculty, vocal music. WALNUT LAKE A rabbit hunting trip to Ft. Wayne turned into a family reunion for the Roy Eder's of Putnam Road. They had great fun visiting back and forth between Mrs. Eder's two sisters, Mrs. Gaylord Baker and Mrs. Ralph Gearhart. Mrs. Eder's brother, Foster

Brown, and his family entered into the robin hunt, too. WALNUT LAKE Mrs. Julian Ofenstein, president of the Walnut Lake Women's Club, entertained her board members of the 17th with cocktails and luncheon in her beautifully decorated home on Putnam Rd. GUESTS included Mesdames D. W. Butler, William Crorey, John Thomson, J. Walters, Roy Eder, Arthur Rowd, J. Warren, C. E. Morrow, Joe Anderson, Jack Bell, W. L. McCane and John Smith. BRAES Mrs. John Evans of Westmore Road had a dessert bridge party for friends recently. Her guests included Verna Kodrich, Mae Dierkes, Iris McIntyre, Jean Cary, Jean Schmalzried, Evelyn Shoener and Ann Sims.

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