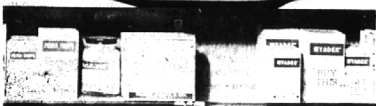


Camera Puts First Half of 1962 in Visual Retrospect



Miss Ethel J. Bassett, 684 Lakeview, began her 51st year behind the prescription window at Shah's Drug Store May 17. Miss Bassett, a life-long resident of Birmingham, began working at the pharmacy as a summer temporary employe in 1912 and has never been told her job has terminated. She became the first registered woman pharmacist in Oakland County in 1919. Mayor Florence H. Willett and city commissioners proclaimed Wednesday, May 17, 1962, "Ethel J. Bassett Day" in Birmingham.



Property owners belonging to the Lone Pine Association rallied to a public hearing May 7 to hear about Bloomfield Township's new zoning ordinance. In preparation for the session, Mr. and Mrs. William W. Merrill, 809 W. Long Lake Road, did some last minute homework on the law, as they studied a Birmingham Eccentric special section which explained the ordinance in detail.



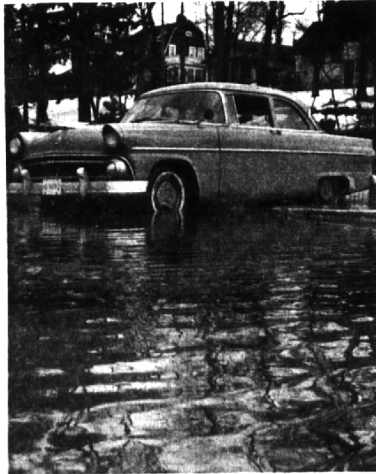
Highlight at a holiday party last January of Bloomfield Cooperative Nursery school was (left) Ollie Spencer of the Detroit Lions. Looking at him with admiration were (from left) Mamie Page, Karen Hall, Steve Eick and Kenny Rogers. In the background was Mrs. John Adams, teacher at the nursery. The school started its enrollment in January for the following September. Admission chairman was Mrs. John Costello, 3780 Squirrel Road, Birmingham.



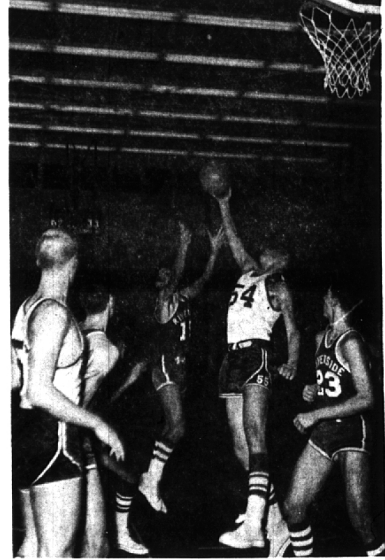
Oakland County's Constitutional Convention delegates reviewed Con-Con ideas and progress at a press-public meeting in the Birmingham Community House the evening of Jan. 26. Delegates participating were (from left) Arthur G. Elliott of Pleasant Ridge, 5th District; Lee Walker of Madison Heights, 6th District; Richard C. VanDusen of Birmingham, 4th District; Raymond L. King of Pontiac, 2nd District; Henry L. Woolfenden of Bloomfield Hills, 3rd District; Richard Kuhn of Pontiac, 1st District; and George Romney of Bloomfield Hills, senatorial district delegate and a vice president of Con-Con. The meeting, co-sponsored by the Community House and the Oakland Citizens League, was the second of the Community House's "Meet Your Celebrity Neighbor" series.



Winner of four straight games in the South-Oakland Inter-City Hockey league during February was Birmingham's Varsity hockey team. Members are (from left, front row) Tim Mitchell, Tim Grey, Bruce Coburn, John Fleming, Ed Brown and Jon Cauley. Standing are assistant coaches Brock Brown and Doug Moore; Wally Booth, Charles Cooper, Mike Thornton, Tony Webber, Rick Thornton, Jim Boyle, Bob Bihler and coach John Brown.



"Water, water everywhere," was the cry of area residents in February as they surveyed scenes such as this one in the municipal parking lot behind the Reid Building on N. Woodward. The above picture was taken after an ice jam in the Rouge River caused water to back up onto the lot.



Fred Bailey of Groves out-reaching Riverside's Neil Carter for a rebound the night of Feb. 2. The Falcons became the season's 11th victim for Riverside as they were beaten 73-42.



The Eccentric ran this picture of George Romney and the Capitol in Lansing when Romney announced his decision in February to seek the Republican nomination for governor in Michigan.



Rev. John A. Root (left), pastor, and in place at the St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Ronald Gregg, vice president of the church 6255 Telegraph Road. Ceremony took place May 6. Drive, Bloomfield Hills, put the cornerstone

CON-CON REPORT

Council of Churches Endorses Document

Michigan's proposed new constitution has gained the endorsement of the Michigan Council of Churches, a group representing a million church people from 19 denominations. The Council is the most recent organization to act favorably on the new document which will be voted upon at the April 1, 1963, election.

The council, through its board of directors and annual general assembly delegates, recorded its stand in a resolution that said: "It is our judgment that the new constitution, while not perfect, is a tremendous step beyond the present constitution and offers so many opportunities for good that we recommend its adoption."

"IMPORTANT REASONS" for

the stand were listed as follows: The new constitution "will have the best civil rights section of any state constitution, both in its equal protection clause and provision of a mandatory civil rights commission."

It makes "significant advances in correcting inequities in legislative apportionment, and yet provides for the unusual problem of population concentration in one part of the state and the existence of three major economies in Michigan—industry, agriculture and tourism."

It "strengthens local governments a tremendous step beyond the present constitution and offers so many opportunities for good that we recommend its adoption."

It retains the people's power to initiate and make decisions on both

statutory laws or constitutional amendments, "thus permitting changes by a majority of the people should any features of the proposed constitution prove to be unsatisfactory."

BEFORE recommending adoption of the resolution, a Council committee had devoted long hours of study to the new state constitution and heard research consultants from both political parties who agreed that the new document's advantages outweighed possible imperfections.

Other statewide nonpartisan groups who have previously given their endorsement to the new constitution are:

Michigan Farm Bureau, Michi-

gan League of Women Voters, Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers, Michigan Junior Chamber of Commerce, Michigan Municipal League, Michigan Education Association, Michigan Association of Registers of Deeds, Michigan State Chamber of Commerce, Michigan Council of Church Women, Michigan Chapter of the American Association of University Women, and the Michigan Retailers Association.

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Name Ten Chairmen for Democrats

Ten committee chairman appointments have been announced by Oakland County Democratic Committee Chairman Sander Levin.

The bylaws committee will be headed by John Dewan, 26760 Lenox, Madison Heights; issues and research committee by Mrs. Weiss, 23141 Parklawn, Oak Park, and Co-Chairman Archie Bailey, 2092 Ellwood, Berkeley; and finance committee by Louis Golden, 2025 North Lake Angelus, Waterford Township, with the assistance of Vice-Chairmen Mrs. Clifton Eldridge, 479 West Oakridge, Ferndale, and Willis Brewer, 1655 Lakewood, Pontiac.

Co-Chairmen of the committee

on precinct organization and training are Harold Julian, 2551 Thomas, Berkeley, and Mrs. George Goussarian, 105 E. Ingois, Pontiac. Mrs. Donald Beck, 25203 Inkster, Farmington Township, will coordinate the publicity committee, while Mrs. William Clark, 540 S. Cranbrook Cross, Bloomfield Township, will handle the women's activities committee and Mrs. John McVay, 4628 Yasmine, Birmingham, the membership committee.

The candidates committee will be chaired by Gail Fredericks, 133 Knollwood, Clawson; business and professional committee by Martin Doctoroff, 4304 Auburn, Royal Oak, and party expansion committee by Howard Arnold, 3704 Linwood, Royal Oak, and Co-Chairman Mrs. Luther Olson, 4990 Shelbourne, Waterford Township.

The University of Michigan was first to use closed circuit television in freshman orientation.

Cub Pack Screens Two Holiday Films

"Two films, 'The Nativity' and 'The Night Before Christmas,' highlighted the Christmas program Dec. 18 for Cub Scout Pack 1024. Before the showing, awards were made to three Bobcats, Dean Moorehouse, Den 2; Bill Marsh, Den 2, and Mike Scott, Den 7. Also, Webbs graduated were Jeff Dispard, Clint Meyer and Steve Smith.

Earns Den Award

At the annual Christmas party of Cub Scout Pack 1020 of Torrey School, Mrs. Ruth Murray of 1942 Lincoln was presented with the Den Mothers Training Award. Alton Ward, neighborhood commissioner, made the presentation. The Den Mothers Training Award is the highest award obtainable by a woman in Scouting.