

Looking Back on the News in the Second Half of 1961

Issue of July 6

Bloomfield Hills, home of the top executives of the automotive industry, was the topic of an article in the July issue of Fortune magazine. The story refers to the Hills as "the auto industry's Camelot."

The proposed Twelve Town Drain for southern Oakland County cleared another big hurdle. No objections—from residents or municipalities—were heard at two public hearings on the drain. One was on appointments and the other, routes.

Past, present and future parties were on the agenda for

many Birmingham-Bloomfield residents. Entertaining 16 boys and counselors from St. Peter's Boys Home were Mr. and Mrs. William H. Mansfield of Varboro Road, Bloomfield Hills.

Chalmers Brumbaugh of Bloomfield Village was among 67 teenagers participating in a seven-week tour of South America as the Michigan Chorale. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan C. Augustus, 170 Clifton, Bloomfield Village.

Lee Abernethy of Birmingham was selected for the All-Midwest Lacrosse Association second team, it was announced by the MIAA Coaches Association.

Issue of July 13

Appointment of F. Ward Ouradnik as new executive director of the Birmingham Community House was announced by Thomas H. Wiant, president.

All Birmingham Board of Education officers were re-elected at the board's annual reorganization meeting.

Retaining their posts were Mrs. Kathryn Logan, president; Malcolm R. Lovell, vice president; Richard P. Bernard, secretary; and Bennett W. Root, treasurer.

Three members of Kappa Delta alumnae association, South Oakland County, returned from the 34th national convention. Representatives from the local group were Mrs. Donald L. Weldon, Mrs. Edwin F. Lau and Mrs. John W. Clark.

Lathrup Councilman H. Earl Hanson was appointed election commissioner for the July 25 Con-Con election.

The Rev. Robert S. Graham, a Birmingham resident for 11 years, resigned as assistant minister of the First Presbyterian Church, Birmingham, to become pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Ardmore, Okla.

Issue of July 20

William Coit Alles, member of the Birmingham Recreation Board since its founding in 1947, was elected chairman of the group at the July meeting.

Bob Erdman performed a feat that no other local man can lay claim to. Erdman, who lives at 3250 Berkshire, Birmingham, was chosen by Zsa Zsa Gabor to style her hair during her performance at Northland Playhouse. He is owner of the Sol and Bob Stylists Studios.

A \$200,000 U. S. Le John's Pancake House opened at 1360 Woodward, Birmingham. The 4,600 square foot building is decorated in red and white Early American design. The restaurant, which can accommodate 180 guests, features 39 pancake specialties.

Mildred Storch of Birmingham and Mrs. Lois Gaigalas represented the local South Oakland Chapter of the National Secretaries Association at the 15th annual convention in Los Angeles.

Six members of the Beverly Hills Planning Board were reappointed. Maynard Bukema, John Seacrest and George Wright were voted two-year terms to expire July 20, 1962.

Edward Dolan, Leonard Kyle and Oliver C. Little were given three-year terms to expire July 20, 1964.

Issue of July 27

William G. Durkee, former field secretary for Citizens for Michigan, has been named executive secretary of the Oakland County Republican Committee.

Durkee was appointed to replace John A. Gibbs, who resigned to become executive assistant to GOP State Chairman George M. Van Fourness.

With Henry L. Woolfenden and Richard Van Dusen leading the way, Republicans out-poll Democrats in the third and fourth legis-

lative districts in the Con-Con primary election.

Clifford B. West, 225 Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills, had his art work on display in the ninth annual Michigan Regional Art Exhibition at the University of Michigan.

Willard B. Stouffer Jr., 1350 Square Lake Road, Bloomfield Township, was accepted for train-

ing for President Kennedy's Peace Corps.

A total of 119 teams competed in the Birmingham Country Club's Invitational Best Ball golf tournament.

Issue of Aug. 3

Lynn A. Townsend, 42-year-old Birmingham resident who became administrative vice president of Chrysler Corp. last December, was named Chrysler's new president.

He succeeded L. L. (Tex) Colbert, 56-year-old Bloomfield Hills man who resigned as president and chairman of the board.

Ralph W. Moxley, Birmingham chief of police, was appointed to the executive committee of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police.

Carol Vine of Groves High School won high honors in a course on yearbook editing at

the conclusion of the third session of the high school communication arts summer institute at Michigan State University.

A 20-year-old girl lifeguard saved the life of a father of three children by pulling him from Walled Lake and applying mouth-to-mouth respiration for 15 minutes.

Lynn Duncan, 5568 Stanhope, West Bloomfield Township, found

Nello Martini, 40, of 17776 Omira, Detroit, floating face-down in the water.

Fred Ewald and Chuck West, both members of this year's Bloomfield Hills High golf squad and the Oakland Hills Country Club Junior Golf League were among the competitors in the Jaycee's State Junior Golf Tournament at Hillcrest Country Club near Mt. Clemens.

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