

Troy Stands to Benefit Most from Chrysler Freeway

By DAVE PHILPO
Township Editor

Oakland County will receive a rather expensive Christmas gift from the state and federal governments this year.

It is a new 10 1/2-mile stretch of the Chrysler Freeway (I-75) scheduled for opening by mid-December. Price tag on the federally subsidized interstate highway is \$26 million, which includes \$6 million for right-of-way acquisition and \$20 million for construction.

Completion of the project will mean uninterrupted travel from 11 1/2 Mile Road in Madison Heights to the Upper

Peninsula. The road may be open to downtown Detroit by 1966.

HOW WILL this new freeway affect Birmingham-Bloomfield area communities? First, I talked with Irvin J. Rubin, executive assistant to Highway Commissioner John C. Mackie. Rubin indicated that Troy, with vast stretches of undeveloped land, stands to reap the most benefit from the freeway.

"I-75 will travel 8.8 miles through the City of Troy. The strip of land between the freeway and Stephenson Hwy. marks the beginning of an in-

dustrial corridor," Rubin said. "The new freeway also is expected to provide a stimulus to the residential growth of the city."

TROY'S MAYOR, Robert J. Huber, stressed the industrial and economic potential offered by the highway.

"The completion of the expressway will open the City of Troy to the main trucking arteries of the country. This means that Troy's industry will have a potential market all over the country.

"Right now, for example, several major trucking firms are considering the establish-

ment of trucking terminals in Troy."

Huber also mentioned ease of travel for Troy residents — pointing out that no part of the city is farther than two miles from the expressway.

FOR BLOOMFIELD Hills a second, and a considerable amount of truck traffic from Telegraph Road.

"In addition, it will be a big asset for people who work downtown. Now it takes some an hour and 20 minutes to fight their way to work."

Case also feels that the freeway will remove from the township's major thoroughfares hunting and vacation traffic. An increase in tourism property

values is a probability, too, he added.

CITY MANAGER Elmer Kephart believes Bloomfield Hills will receive a fringe benefit from I-75—relief from a high volume of traffic on Opydyke Road, from Woodward to Hickory Grove.

"For us this is a matter of safety. School children have to walk across Opydyke which now has a high volume of traffic. We have even considered making Opydyke a one-way street north to ease the situation."

Kephart anticipates some increases of traffic through Bloomfield Hills, coming off

I-75 at the Big Beaver and Square Lake Road interchanges.

"It's difficult to predict what the traffic pattern will be before the freeway opens," he added.

THE GREATEST benefit to the City of Birmingham could be derived by its merchants.

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Initial plans of I-75 began in 1967 when Mackie decided to shift the alignment from Southfield to its present location.

ONE DISADVANTAGE from I-75, Gary believes, will be the increase of east-west traffic on 14 Mile, W. Maple and Big Beaver roads.

"This may necessitate opening up 14 Mile between Southfield and Cranbrook," he added. The road now ends at Birmingham Country Club.

L. R. Gare also feels that the city will benefit from the lessening of traffic on Woodward and Hunter and easy ac-

cess for Detroit-bound motorists.

The eastern part of the city is within two miles of the 14 Mile and Big Beaver interchanges.

Representatives of at least five community service organizations will meet at The Community House on Wednesday, Nov. 6, to discuss the possibility of pooling office facilities.

Robert A. Bogan, executive director of The Community House, said the Birmingham League of Women Voters, ALAU, the Junior Chamber of Commerce, Oakland Citizens League and the Junior League have indicated they are interested in the project.

Bogan said each of the organizations is unique in its service and the purpose of the November meeting is to find out the requirements needed by each one.

"THIS IDEA" could lead to a whole new concept for community organizations," Bogan said.

He said he knew of no similar facilities in the metropolitan area. If the project is undertaken the Community House would supply the office space, secretarial service and other services.

Initial plans call for about a half-dozen nonprofit groups to use the so-called "central office."

If the experiment proves satisfactory other groups would probably be invited to share the space and other services and the expense of the operation.

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Merchants, Kids Ready For Halloween

Parade, Party Set for Thursday

The little people will take over Birmingham next Thursday night. Thousands of youngsters are expected to take part in the annual Birmingham Chamber of Commerce-sponsored Halloween parade and party.

This is the 27th year for the air and the fifth year the chamber has coordinated the festivities. Henry M. Hogan, Jr., associate publisher of The Eccentric, is general chairman of the event.

Activities will get under way at 7 p.m. in parking lot No. 5 behind the First Baptist Church as parade marshal Don Martin begins to form the line of march for the parade.

THE MARCHERS, led by the Seaholm High School band, will leave the west end of the lot at 7:30 p.m. The parade will proceed south on Bates to Merrill, east on Merrill to Woodward, north on Woodward back to the east entrance of lot five.

The 1962 parade was so large, Martin said that the lead units were already re-entering the lot before the final marchers were able to leave the lot.

Weather permitting, Martin said, an even larger turnout is expected this year.

SIX GIANT food lines will be set up in the parking lot and marchers will be treated to hot dogs, candy and donuts, courtesy of the chamber and the Birmingham merchants.

The food serving will be handled by the various Birmingham service clubs and the PTA members.

Prizes will be awarded to youngsters who wear the best costumes. The prizes have all been donated by local merchants. The total cost of the festivities is expected to be \$2,000.

After the parade a movie will be shown at the Baldwin Elementary School.

TEEN-AGERS will be treated to dances at Barnum and Derby junior high schools and at Seaholm and the parade are Adams, Torry, Pembroke, Pierce, Quanton, Holy Name and Our Shepherd Lutheran.

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Detroit Held For Robbery At The Raven

A disgruntled former employee of the Raven Gallery, 138 Brownell, Birmingham, has been arrested for breaking and entering the gallery last Thursday morning.

Richard Powell, 24, Detroit, is being held in the Oakland County Jail pending examination on the charge Oct. 28. Police are also investigating the possibility of Powell being responsible for four fires that broke out in the gallery the same morning.

Powell, who is on parole for breaking and entering in Detroit, was fired from his job at the Raven on Tuesday after an argument with the gallery owner, Herb Cohen, according to police.

HE WAS arrested in Detroit Friday after threatening a waitress when she refused to give him medical assistance on cuts and burns police said he received at the Raven during the break-in.

About \$40 in change was taken from the store. Powell, who was fired from his job at the Raven after the break-in, caused an estimated \$2,000 damage.

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Discount Testimony As Bombing Factor

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Jack L. Bedell, co-owner of the Bloomfield Township restaurant that was ripped by a bomb last week, discounted a theory Wednesday that the explosion might have been a result of his testimony before a minimum wage hearing in Pontiac Aug. 7.

At the hearing, conducted by an interim study committee of the State House of Representatives, Bedell said he thought restaurants should be exempt from any minimum wage law.

"I don't think that had anything to do with the bombing," Bedell told The Eccentric. "We're not so sure it was the union that had anything to do with it."

HE SAID he told the study committee that he felt service personnel should be exempt from any minimum wage provisions because it would mean the customer would have to absorb the cost of any increase in pay.

At that time, Bedell said he employed 14 waitresses, all of whom were paid less than the proposed \$1.25-an-hour minimum. But, with tips, he said they averaged from \$1.25 to \$3.50 per hour.

He also told the committee that if he were forced to meet the minimum wage provision in the proposed law, it would mean a hike in the price of food, resulting in an "uneconomic operation."

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One Toot too Many

It appears that this female member of the Bloomfield Hills High School band put a little too much effort into her work and got carried away with the music, literally. At least, she "lost her head" for a minute. Actually, she was just overly concerned with the half-time ceremonies at the Bloomfield-Milford game and didn't give a hoot (or toot) about anything else but her music sheet. It was probably just as well, since Bloomfield lost, 31-20.

WOMAN vs. WOMAN

Seek Motive in Attack With Hammer, Knife

Police continued to search today for a motive behind the hammer-and-knife-attack that hospitalized a 48-year-old Bloomfield Township woman early Friday morning.

Meantime, the alleged attacker, Mrs. Barbara Palposi, 56, of Royal Oak, awaits examination on a charge of assault with intent to commit murder. She is confined in Oakland County Jail, pending an examination scheduled for 10 a.m. Friday.

Mrs. Palposi, a divorcee, was arrested at noon Friday in her apartment and arraigned before Bloomfield Township Justice Alice Gilbert. She posted the charge and bond of \$15,000 was not furnished.

ACCORDING to police, the Royal Oak woman waited outside the home of Mrs. Edger (Emily) Patrick of 506 Tilbury, Bloomfield Township, until Patrick left for work about 6:30 a.m.

Mrs. Palposi, police said, then entered the house through an unlocked back door carrying a hammer and picked up a knife from a kitchen rack.

Mrs. Patrick, still in bed, awoke when Mrs. Palposi began striking her with the hammer, police said. During the scuffle, both of Mrs. Patrick's hands were cut.

LATHROP Doctor Gets Romney Appointment

LATHROP — Donald W. McLuan, M.D., 26750 Bloomfield, has been appointed to the Michigan Board of Registration in Medicine by Gov. Romney. He succeeds Dr. Oscar D. Stryker of Mt. Clemens.

McLuan was one of five appointments to the board made by the governor on Monday.

School Board Adopts Policy On Assessments

By LARRY EVOR
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Under certain circumstances the Birmingham School District will take part in special assessment districts.

The board of education Tuesday adopted a formal policy on voluntary participation in special assessment districts established by municipalities.

In addition to adopting the policy, the board ruled on eight special assessment cases the schools were involved in at the present time.

Although a school district under the law is not assessable, it can make a payment as a contribution in lieu of an assessment.

THE BOARD said in its policy it was the intent of the legislature that "the privilege of such sharing shall be exercised sparingly and limited to those cases in which sharing is clearly beneficial to the board's basic obligation to provide for the educational needs of the community."

The board said it would participate in special assessment districts that have one or more of five characteristics.

• The operating budget of the board has been carefully prepared and contains little provision for expenditures of an unforeseen nature. The board will not consider any assessment request for which budget provision has not been made if the granting would mean the elimination or curtailment of an education program.

• The requested contribution may be construed as a service rendered fee. In order to be so construed, the charge should be approximately equal to the cost of providing the service and it should be possible for the cost to be avoided by withholding the service.

• The value of the service or improvement to insure taxes or predominantly to the school district, such that, without the district's participation, it would be impossible to finance the service or improvement.

• The redistribution of the school district's share of the tax burden to school district taxpayers is demonstrably more equitable than the distribution required in the absence of school district participation.

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Auto Section In This Issue

Birmingham car dealers, their showrooms filled with the 1964 models, are looking forward to a banner year.

Did you know that there are eight new car dealer showrooms in Birmingham proper?

To see what's available right here at home, turn now to the special Auto Section.

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Birmingham-Bloomfield dons glass slippers to dance at Cinderella Ball. See pictures on 1-C.

Deadline approaches for entries for The Eccentric HomeMaker of the Year contest as plans are formalized for two-day festivities in Chicago. See stories on 1-C-C.

Birmingham City Commissioner Carl F. Ingraham tells of his hobby—book collecting. See story, picture on 1-D.

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