

# Groves High to Host Language Workshop

A Modern Foreign Language Workshop, sponsored by the Michigan Department of Public Instruction as part of Michigan's program under the National Defense Education Act, will be held at Groves High School Friday.

Approximately 150 teachers, consultants, superintendents and high school principals are expected to attend. General chairman is Mrs. Louise Couture, coordinator of foreign language for the Birmingham Public Schools.

Mrs. Couture has served on the foreign language state committee for the last five years, the last three years as chairman of the committee.

These workshops are designed to assist foreign language teachers in developing an understanding of new methods and materials and how they may be used effectively.

TEACHERS WILL have an opportunity to examine the latest materials and to observe foreign language classes in action. Resource people, acting as group leaders, will be available to answer questions, aid in the preparation of foreign language tapes and explain the use of laboratory equipment.

Ten Birmingham foreign language teachers and one student teacher will present demonstration classes. They are as follows: French, Mrs. Karen Dunlop, Cliff Kraemer, George Cooch; Spanish, Adrienne Serbine, Art Innis, Bill Stiller; German, Judith Kent (Michigan State University student teacher), Ann Edsall, Karle Meade; Russian, Marjorie Shuman, FLIES (Foreign Language Elementary Schools); French, Mrs. Tina Kne.

Workshop participants will visit and observe the foreign language laboratories at Groves, directed by Barbara Sanders, and Berkshire Junior High, directed by Mrs. Nancy Horschak.

Following coffee and registration, the participants will be welcomed by Superintendent Dr. John Blackhall Smith.

# Breck Cites Rushing of Yule Season

At least one Birmingham city commissioner believes some of the downtown merchants are rushing the Christmas season and would like to see it stopped.

Commissioner David F. Breck said Monday night he would like to investigate the possibility of setting up some sort of ordinance prohibiting merchants from displaying Christmas decorations "at least until after Thanksgiving."

"My idea may sound absurd," Breck said, "but I really would like to see if something could be done about the problem."

Although the rest of the commissioners were in general agreement with Breck, they felt there was little the City could do about it.

"I DON'T SEE how we can regulate what a merchant does on his own property," said Commissioner Carl F. Ingraham. He noted that the City does set a time when decorations may go up on City-owned property.

Commissioner William E. Roberts, who is also president of the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, said the chamber tries to prevent Christmas "from moving up on us too fast" but was not always successful.

He said the chamber does not begin an official observance of the Christmas season until Men's Night which is usually the first week in December. The 1963 Men's Night will be on Monday, Dec. 9.

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## Promote Book Fair

Proceeds from the sale of books from 1 to 9 p.m., Nov. 18-21, will be used to purchase more books for the West Bloomfield Library.

Friends of the Library, sponsors of the fair, urge those who wish to contribute used books for the sale to drop them off at the library on Orchard Lake Road. Promoting the event with a buggy full of books are (from left) committee members Mrs. John Quinn, Mrs. Lloyd Strausz, and Mrs. Leonard Meidman. Other committee members are Mrs. Russell Kulberg and Mrs. Joel Warren.

## LATHRUP, SOUTHFIELD INVOLVED

# Cogger Proposes Authority For Evans Ditch Clean-Out

By DAVE PHILPO  
Township Editor

LATHRUP — How to get the Evans Ditch cleaned out without losing control of the cost.

This question cropped up once again at the city council meeting Monday night and Mayor Richard N. Cogger may have the right answer.

He wants Southfield and Lathrup to set up a joint authority and have the stream cleaned out. Lathrup has \$15,000 in the budget for such a project.

SOUTHFIELD FIRST brouched the subject of the Evans clean-out, asking Lathrup to join in petitioning the county drain commission to do the work and then assess the cities later.

Lathrup does not buy this. "Chiefly because its assessment could be much more than \$15,000. 'I'd like to see an authority set up,'" said Mayor Cogger. "But how do we do it? Are there provisions in Michigan law that would allow Southfield and Lathrup to get together on a project like this?"

CITY ATTORNEY Everett Hayes did not have the answer immediately, but said he would come up with the statute covering such an authority at the next meeting.

In Lathrup the stream is not, called the Evans Ditch, but the "west branch of the River Rouge."

In other business, the council:

- Accepted a bid of \$2,000 from the Michlin Chemical Co. for spraying the city's trees against Dutch Elm disease.
- DISCUSSED THE possibility of enacting an ordinance to protect asphalt streets from residents who burn leaves on them.

- Talked about having the city's rubbish collector increase his liability insurance from \$100,000-200,000 to \$250,000-500,000.
- Heard Mayor Cogger appoint Webster J. Owen to an unexpired term on the recreation commission, replacing Mrs. Charlotte Provercher, who is moving out of the city.
- Authorized the mayor to write a letter to the Michigan Municipal League objecting to the League's endorsement of the city income tax.
- Reconsidered a council action of four years ago that halted recording of quit claim deeds. Hayes said if the quit claims were not recorded, it could lead to legal problems for the city.

City Administrator Gerald D. Stone reported that no violations have been issued to residents who have illegally connected to the storm water system.

None will be issued until a survey is made in two weeks, Stone said. He indicated that 58 real violations had been uncovered.

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The January and June classes of that year will hold their 20th reunion beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday in the American Serbian Hall, Detroit. A buffet supper will be served from 7 to 9 p.m.

The orchestra of Tommy Baldwin, who is a Denby alumnus, will provide music of the '40's. Also attending the reunion will be teachers who taught the class of 1945.

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## S'field Voters Renew 3-Mill School Levy

SOUTHFIELD — Voters here Tuesday approved by more than a four-to-one margin a proposal to continue a three-mill operating levy in the Southfield School District.

The vote was 5,004 to 1,157.

REVENUE FROM the levy totals about \$500,000, or about 10 per cent of the operating budget for the 27-square-mile district which includes Lathrup Village and part of Southfield, according to Albert Howell, assistant superintendent.

The levy, which involves no tax increase, will continue through 1968.

The last millage question in 1961, for an increase of two mills, was approved by only 520 votes.

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