

Board Member Answers Hogan

For other letters on the school bus bill, and comments in the Eclectic, see pages 1 and 4 in Section B.

To the Editor:

Henry Hogan's recent column in The Eclectic concerning the Bloomfield Hills School Board action in regard to Senate Bill 1144 is quite disturbing.

In that column, he stated that our facts and figures, as presented, were not only inaccurate but were downright misleading. Such remarks coming from an elected representative and published in his paper are, in the Bloomfield Hills School Board, of quite a different nature.

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Twp. Eyes Business Zoning Problem

Case Outlines Objectives for Coming Year

By SAVILLA SLOAN
Special Writer

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP—The problem of holding commercial zoning in the township to its present limits was discussed at length at a meeting of the township board Monday night.

A full complement of board members, presided by Supervisor Homer Case, presided for the first time in his new capacity and newly-elected Trustees Robert Sinclair took his place on the board.

Case opened the meeting with a four-page outline of township development objectives and aims for the coming year. He expressed a determination to represent the views of his constituents as a member of the county board of supervisors.

He particularly asked for an expression of views from citizens on Sunday closing and the county airport—two issues currently before the board.

THE DISCUSSION on commercial zoning centered around property on Telegraph south of Maple. It grew out of a report by Township Attorney Tom Dillon on a lawsuit brought by Charles Van Horn to force the township to rezone a 240-foot lot north of Country Club Drive.

Dillon asked the board to approve a settlement of the case as worked out before Oakland Circuit Judge Clark Adams. The property would be rezoned to Business-2 for 140 feet and the southerly 100 feet would be rezoned for 100 feet.

The board granted approval. **BOTH TRUSTEES** Robert Reid and Frank Swindell expressed views on the township's requirements for greenbelts between commercial and residential property be more stringent.

Reid said that township zoning requirements for greenbelts might be raised, for at present he believed that inadequate. Swindell said that the outcome of the court case could well be influenced by the existence of greenbelts, at the edge of commercial properties, from which extending commercial land is being sought.

Lack of establishment of a required greenbelt on the southerly line of Strike and Spare, which lies close to the Van Horn property, will be investigated by the township. The greenbelt was stipulated when the township allowed erection of the bowling establishment.

Steel shipments to auto makers in the first three quarters of 1962 were about 20 percent of all shipments of finished steel by the industry.

Climax of the Saturday Youth Day activities will be a children's bicycle race bordering Shain Park. Other children's activities will include the annual Carp Carnival on Quanton Lake and the traditional father-son baseball games.

The City will display the American and State flags on the streets during Michigan Week.

Village Taxes To Go Down, Guilmet Says

BEVERLY HILLS—In a statement Monday, Councilman Chester A. Guilmet, chairman of the finance committee, said taxes will be reduced in the village for the fourth straight year.

"A tentative budget has been determined for the year 1963-64," Guilmet said. "This budget creates a fourth consecutive reduction in the tax rate of the village."

The proposed new rate is \$3.70 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation; this rate last year was \$3.80.

"It is proposed to continue the added \$1 per thousand in the tax rate for general road maintenance," Guilmet said.

New construction in the village has added \$2,235,585 to the total assessed valuation, thereby broadening the tax base.

Two Named To Posts for Torch Drive

ADAMS, MRS. PURTELL

The appointment of Thomas B. Adams as Torch Drive co-chairman for public relations, promotion and advertising has been announced by Edward N. Cole, Torch Drive general chairman for 1963.

Adams is president of Campbell-Ewald Advertising Agency and lives at 91807. Harndale, Bloomfield Hills.

Mrs. William J. Purcell of Huntington Woods has been named Torch Drive chairman for the Oakland County unit.

HER APPOINTMENT was announced by Mrs. Clyde C. Bennett, Jr., 1274 Westwood, Birmingham. Torch Drive co-chairman for the County Overall Economic Development Committee.

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R. A. Main Named To Economic Group

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Twilight Rate At Springdale Course Ended

After 6 p.m. golfers will no longer get to play at a reduced rate on Springdale (Golf Course).

Birmingham city commissioners Monday night voted, 7-0, to eliminate the special 50-cent twilight rate for nine holes at the municipal course.

The decision was not made in an attempt to take in more revenue at the course but rather to try to alleviate the congestion around the first tee in the early evening.

CITY MANAGER L. R. Garo said a large number of persons came to the course before 6 and stood around until the lower rate went into effect. Greens fees for daytime play is set at \$2 for nine holes.

Under the new policy golfers will pay \$1 for nine holes after 6 p.m. and 50-cents extra for an additional nine holes during the week the same as day-time players.

Weekend green fees will remain at \$1.50 for nine holes and 50-cents extra for each additional nine holes.

GARO SAID that as a result of the large number of persons waiting at 6, some fourpences would have at least an hour's wait before being able to tee off.

"In the meantime, people who have paid their regular fee and have finished their first nine and wish to start on the second nine are also held up," Garo said.

HE SAID another problem arose when a person shows up at 5:30 p.m., pays his regular \$1 per nine-hole fee, and because of the line-up at the first tee has to wait until six before he can tee off.

"By this time, of course, the twilight rate has gone into effect and possibly the person playing immediately behind him can play for half-price," Garo noted.

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Meet B'ham's New First Lady

MRS. WILLIAM H. BURGUM

By MARY ELLEN MEAD
Women's Editor

Eleanor (Mrs. William H.) Burgum, pretty blue-eyed wife of Birmingham's new mayor, currently has a twofold purpose in life: One is becoming acquainted with whatever protocol is demanded of the wife of a public official; the other is to re-orient herself to the area in which she was born.

Preceding her marriage last July to Mayor Burgum, she had lived in her exact position for the last four years in Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills for 24 years.

PERCHED ON THE edge of a blue and white love seat in her sunny, blue-and-white living room Tuesday morning (address, 1133 Westwood), our new first lady laughingly confided that she was too concerned over her particular role in officialdom: Only the night before, at the commission meeting which unanimously elected her husband, she'd received all sorts of tips from a man who'd been in her exact position for the last four years—Howard Willett, Jr.

"Only thing is," she added, "I already KNOW how to dust and wash dishes, which used to be Howard's major concern" (on Monday nights).

However, she isn't discounting Mr. Willett's guidance and is grateful, in a more serious vein, that Mayor Willett has offered to do the same for her successor.

WHEN ASKED ABOUT her hobbies, Mrs. Burgum announced that they are "flowers, gardening and golf." The latter she enjoys with her father, B. H. Anibal, at Bloomfield Hills Country Club "because Bill's sport is sailing, which he does at the Pontiac Yacht Club."

As for the gardening, she's already started that in her own backyard and just recently made it more official by joining Birmingham Branch, WNFCA.

The Burgum family celebrated Easter on Palm Sunday simply because it was the only week end

they'd all be together till school recesses in June.

Twenty-one-year-old Bill was home from Depauw to reunion with his two sisters, Anne (who'll be visiting friends in Kenilworth, Ill., this week end) and Katie, Ann, 13, attends Barnum; Katie, 15, goes to Steadham.

WHEN MRS. BURGUM lived in Kenilworth, her first love, civilly, was doing volunteer work for The Cradle and, although there's no outlet here for that particular project, she does intend to become involved in similar activity.

However, as far as her husband and his commitments are concerned she's a "follower, not a pace-setter."

"Bill," she claims, "has a capacity for doing a great deal" (See FIRST LADY, 4-A)

France Quits Job On Library Board

WEST BLOOMFIELD—The resignation of A. F. France III as president of the West Bloomfield library board was accepted with regret by the township board at its meeting last week.

In a letter to the board, France gave business commitments out of town as the reason for his resignation. A letter to France thanking him for his meritorious service to the library was authorized by board members.

Big Michigan Week Shaping Up in B'ham

The Michigan Week celebration in Birmingham, May 19-25, is shaping up as one of the biggest events of the year.

Robert L. Kilpatrick, general chairman of the affair, announced the United States Air Force CONARC band will perform at the giant outdoor service club luncheon on May 22.

The 50-man band, including bagpipers, was one of the major highlights of the 1962 observance, as they led a parade through the downtown area.

More than 500 persons are expected to attend the chicken luncheon at The Community House.

BIRMINGHAM CITY commissioners have given Kilpatrick permission to move ahead on several other activities.

On Tuesday, May 21, the newcomers Club will play host for Hospitality Day festivities. Henrietta from Maple to the alley near the municipal parking lot will be closed from 10 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. for the purpose of setting up tables and serving light refreshments.

THE COMMISSION granted the Michigan commission permission to hold a parade through the downtown area on Saturday, May 25, at 1:30 p.m. A huge outdoor fashion show, sponsored by the Birmingham merchants, will be held in Shain Park that afternoon, beginning at 5 p.m.

This and That

by George R. Averill

'Twink' Willett's Public Service Fully Appreciated

If a willingness to give hours, days, even years of one's time to participation in the official business of one's community is proof of response to the duties and responsibilities of good citizenship—then an accolade for such personal conduct most certainly belongs to Mrs. G. Howard (Florence and/or Twink) Willett, Jr.

This gracious and handsome Birmingham woman has just completed her eighth year as a member of the Birmingham City Commission, three of those years occupying the honored status of mayor.

This devoted wife and mother has managed to find time to serve her home town in numerous unselfish ways. She has proved that the distasteful side of the human family can, with dedicated, intelligent study of the problems of a community, perform in a manner acceptable both to its citizens and to the vast variety of civic matters that arise.

"TWINK" (AS SHE prefers to be called) has served on numerous state and county governmental committees, also—from which outside contacts she has won for Birmingham much respect and public trust.

Her decision to retire from official governmental service will be understood, of course, as she returns to almost private life—for she has agreed to serve in various capacities as a volunteer in special citizen committees whenever possible.

So, Howard and the Willett children, Wife and Mother is now restored to her "family throne" . . . and you had better treat her like the Civic Queen she is . . . or, else, mind you, this entire City of Birmingham will rise to her defense.

United States' constitution defends the right of its citizens to write and speak their thoughts, without restriction—except that when one is libeled or slandered he may seek redress in the courts. Etc. (See THIS & THAT, 4-A)

Lathrup Council Sets New Dates For Meetings

LATHRUP—The city council Monday set new meeting dates and re-elected its mayor and mayor pro tem.

Beginning May 6, the council will meet the first and third Mondays instead of the second and fourth.

Mayor Richard N. Cogger and Mayor Pro Tem Elizabeth Mitchell were re-elected for one-year terms of office. Cogger and David Reid were sworn in for two-year council terms and Lawrence Till for one year.

MRS. MITCHELL was appointed an Oakland County supervisor. The council set up a study meeting date for Monday at which time it will consider appointments for advisory committees and civil defense. The meeting will be held at 7:30 in the city offices.

A public hearing on the 1963-64 budget was set for May 6.

Photo Contest Entries Sought

Only five weeks to go! There are only five weeks left to enter the Birmingham Citizen's Action Committee-Birmingham Eclectic-sponsored "Portrait of Birmingham" photo contest.

All entries must be in contest headquarters by Friday, May 10, 1963. The winner will be announced in The Eclectic on Thursday, May 16.

Top winners in each division—high school age or up, and over high school age—will receive cash prizes or merchandise. The photographs may be of any subject depicting the "Portrait of Birmingham" theme. Primary consideration will be given to pictures of civic interest and technical excellence will be of secondary importance.

All entries must be mounted black and white prints taken within the city limits of Birmingham. Anyone, regardless of residence, is eligible to enter the contest.

In Division I one side of the picture must be a minimum length of seven inches, such as a five-by-seven print. In Division II one side must be a minimum length of 10 inches, such as an 8-by-10 print.

Winning photographs and all other acceptable entries will be displayed throughout the city during the Michigan Week observance, May 19-25.

All entries will be considered by the Citizen's Action Committee as authority to reproduce it for promotional purposes. A completed model release must accompany each entry if an individual is used in the photograph. Entries should be mailed to: Contest Editor, The News Record, Birmingham Eclectic, 1225 Bowers, Birmingham, Mich.

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