

Franklin Council Hears Progress, Road Reports

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Special Writer

FRANKLIN—The council held a special meeting Monday night to review and edit a 20-page progress report to be sent to residents and heard Street Commissioner Richard Oberschulte's annual road report.

The progress report consists of statements by each councilman regarding the status of problems in their respective areas of responsibility. It also will serve as a guide to new residents, define the council's philosophy of local government and outline village services.

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NATURE NOW

By Lydia King Freese
Special Writer for The Birmingham Post-Herald

Mother and Father Birds Face Difficult Supply Task

As we come to the end of May the edges of many of our birds have hatched and the parents are about their arduous chores of feeding the young.

A bird's heart beats as much as 1000 times per minute in contrast to our normal 70 to 80. With such a high rate of metabolism most species must eat large amounts of food.

By actual count a cedar waxwing was seen consuming 1800 caterpillar berries in two and one-half hours. These would have weighed an amount equal to that of the bird. It is estimated that a pair of barn swallows will account for 10,000 mice in a year.

RAPID METABOLISM is also accompanied by a correspondingly rapid rate of circulation. A baby magpie will tackle a three foot snake in a single afternoon. At the end of the reptile will already be digesting while the other is still hanging out of the bird's mouth.

The collecting of food for the young is generally a continuous process. Dr. Arthur H. Silliman, a naturalist, found that a mother wren made 1218 journeys between dawn and sunset to satisfy the appetite of her young. Another observer found that a brood of four crows were fed 418 grasshoppers in a single afternoon.

Nuthatches were observed making 650 feeding trips to their nest each day.

FOOD INTAKE usually increases as the young grow, so that on the 12th day of nest-life a pair of bluebirds fed their young 245 times and seem to have established a record of 8912 estimated total visits to the nest during the incubation period.

On the other hand baby pelicans are only fed once a day and baby eagles are fed only once in 24 hours on the ocean's shore and only at night and at intervals of from one to 10 days in their nest period.

Another exception is the seal, living in the water which deports its young in late nest-life until the mother birds go out to sea and forage for themselves.

College

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for Birmingham are not immediately available, is the college dropout who returns to his own community.

The national average in 1959 was 25 per cent dropout of those entering college, and strangely enough this seemed to be more often for reasons of social or psychological immaturity than for straight academic reasons.

IN GENERAL, any high school graduate in Oakland County could attend the Community College on a first-come-first-served basis.

The recommendation is that there eventually be three colleges in Oakland County so that one would be within easy commuting distance from any part of the county.

These would be operated by a board of six trustees, elected at large throughout the county and completely independent of any other group, answerable only to the electorate.

Students from any section of the county could attend any one of the three community colleges which best suited his needs.

THE FIRST steps to be taken after a successful election would be twofold. The board of trustees should select a top flight administrator and purchase site and set plans in action for building.

The board of trustees would be empowered to issue tax anticipation notes which would enable them to make purchases of property, hire architects and generally proceed with the program.

Catholic Services Sets Charity Week Meeting

In celebration of Catholic Charities Week, Catholic Social Services of Oakland County will hold its annual meeting Monday.

Guest speaker will be the Rev. Joseph T. Alves, executive director of Catholic Family Counseling, Inc., Boston, Mass. Father Alves will speak on "Threats to American Family Life".

The annual report for 1962 indicates that the agency serves 12,885 families. This was an increase of 67 per cent more than the number served the previous year.

Fifty children were placed in adoption, and 117 children were cared for in the agency's foster home program. Some 15,000 therapeutic interviews were given to men, women and children.

HIGHLIGHT of the year: the agency became an accredited member of the Family Service Association of America.

A combined total of 20 years of service ends this month for John R. Shaver, Sr., Z. F. Endress, MD. Both will retire from the Board of Directors of Catholic Social Services of Oakland County.

Shaver is president of Shaw & Slavsky in Detroit, and Dr. Endress is chief radiologist at Pontiac General Hospital.

Both men will be honored at a dinner meeting and will receive meritorious awards to be presented by the Most Rev. Alexander M. Zaleski, auxiliary bishop of Detroit.

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Director
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arked, including recently announced expansion plans.

OF BOGAN'S appointment, Thom said:

"We have chosen a director who will make a very definite contribution to the community, I'm sure. He has an outstanding background and comes to us with great experience in his field. He is articulate and diplomatic."

BAGON SAID he is "looking forward with great anticipation to becoming a part of this dynamic community and faculty."

"Having been a native of Detroit but so close to the community of Birmingham," he has watched its growth and development.

"I will be happy to work with The Community House board and the many people making use of its many services and facilities."

"Besides continuing the present programs, I hope we can plan for the future growth of 'The Community House' to increase its impact on the social and civic life of the community."

IN HIS position as executive director, Bogan will be responsible for planning and managing all phases of the operation of The Community House.

Bogan was educated at Bedford High School, Highland Park Junior College, Michigan State University, University of Detroit and Wayne State University.

From July, 1952, to September, 1961, he was employed by the Michigan Bell Telephone Co. He was senior accountant, controller's operation, there from July, 1956 to September, 1961.

HIS MAJOR responsibilities at Metropolitan Federal involved the savings department, public relations, advertising, customer service and community civic affairs.

Bogan has been active in the Metropolitan Detroit Building Fund Drive, Michigan State University Development Fund Drive, Metropolitan Detroit United Foundation Drive, YMCA capital gifts solicitation, Michigan Week and International Freedom Festival.

HE IS a member of the Economic Club of Detroit and its Junior Executive Division, Financial Public Relations Association, United Northwestern Realty Association (associate member), the 1958 Detroit Olympic Committee, and several other organizations.

Bogan is expected to move to Birmingham at a later date.

Unmatched Panels Cause Work Delay

Delivery of 50 mahogany veneer panels that failed to "match up" has delayed completion of the Oakland County Service Center auditorium until September.

The contractor, who did not disclose in ordering that the grain of the panels must match, will bear the cost of replacement.

OTHER WORK must be delayed until the correct panels arrive several weeks from now and are put in place. The panels are to be highly finished.

The auditorium was scheduled for completion June 15. The delay will not be a great inconvenience to the county because few meetings have been scheduled for the summer.

Director

Some birds like the cedar waxwing and the goldfinch use their crop for carrying large amounts of food so that all the fledglings can be fed at each visit to the nest. Humming birds feed pre-digested food by thrusting their long sharp bills deep into the gullets of the young.

Pelicans and penguins regurgitate pre-digested "milk" from their crops for their fledglings and in the case of the latter the father bird has responsibility for both guarding and feeding the young.

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