

School Growth Rate Reaches 6-Year High

The rate of increase of enrollments in the Birmingham Public Schools has reached a six-year high, according to unofficial figures compiled by school officials.

The increase currently stands at 829 pupils compared with 525 in 1962 and 317 in 1961. The total enrollment is 14,099 pupils.

Both elementary and secondary school enrollments in the southern growth areas of the district show a general increase which exceeds even the most liberal estimates, according to Daniel A. Nesbitt, deputy superintendent. The 1,000-pupil-capacity Berkshire Junior High School opened with an enrollment of 963 students as compared with the estimated 843.

THE 693 enrollment at Beverly Elementary School has prompted the board of education to restrict any further enrollments there to kindergartners for the remainder of the year to prevent serious disruption of the curriculum.

Pupils in grades 1 through 6 who have moved into the Beverly attendance area on or after Sept. 16, 1963, will be bused to the nearby Greenfield School where additional capacity exists.

While the current increase represents a six-year high, it is not a district record, according to school officials. The early fifties saw a steadily increasing rate of growth until a maximum increase of 1,304 pupils was experienced in 1956. Since then, the rate had steadily declined until the most recent low in 1961.

QUESTIONED as to the possible reasons for the near record increase, Nesbitt said, "It is probably primarily an indication of the continuing and unusual health of the economy in the area just as the peak of 1956 appeared to be."

"This will obviously require a careful look at future construction requirements during the coming year, particularly at the elementary and junior high levels," he concluded.

An eventual enrollment of about 20,000 pupils is anticipated when the district is built up.

This and That

by George R. Averill
A Demanding Job!

There isn't a job in the whole world that contains so many diverse large and small problems . . . so many decisions to make . . . so many challenges that relate to the survival of liberty and freedom, as the job of being President of the United States.

Indeed, one wonders how it is possible for those decisions to be made most intelligently when the man to do it is away from his headquarters as much as Mr. Kennedy has been since he came into office a little over two years ago.

Reports filter out from Washington, D.C., that the President is away so much more than any past President in the same period of time that many of his top aides and department heads complain that it is difficult to get decisions from him. Some people certainly love to travel and see the world.

You who read these brief paragraphs probably do so in an effort to gain some renewed inspiration and strength for further self-improvement. "There is nothing new under the sun," reads Scripture. Perhaps the use of a helpful idea can be aided by reminding ourselves, often of the idea. "We do not need to be taught new truths so much as to be reminded of old ones."

Santa Claus has recently received a Zip Number. It is 99701. Unless (See THIS & THAT, 8-A)

Water Rates Going Up in B'field Twp.

Water bills for Bloomfield Township residents using township-operated well systems will go up \$5 per quarter Oct. 1.

The charge goes into effect as a debt service charge for payment of bond interest in bringing Detroit water to the township. Interest on the bonds begins Oct. 1.

INCREASE IN WATER rates from 20 to 30 cents per 1,000 gallons will go into effect Jan. 1—the approximate time the township will begin buying Detroit water.

The water ordinance setting up rates was passed by the township board Monday night.

Connection charges to a water lateral district were set at \$100. Connection charges for a direct tap into a water main will be \$300.



RICHARD KUHN

Broomfield Picks 18th; Field Open in New 19th

One question of concern to Oakland County Republicans for the last few months was answered Friday when Cong. William S. Broomfield announced he would run for re-election in the 18th District.

Another, on who would seek the nomination in the new 19th District, is still up in the air although Pontiac Republican Richard D. Kahn has announced his candidacy for the seat.

Broomfield, of Royal Oak, who has represented all of Oakland County in Washington for the past seven years, made his announcement at a Republican dinner at Devon Gables, Bloomfield Hills.

The dinner celebrated the completion of the Republican Neighborhood-Fund Drive.

THE DECISION to run in the district, which will include the four townships in the southeastern corner of the county, "was one of the most difficult in my life," said Broomfield.

He said he will give his full support to the Republican candidate in the 19th District, whoever he may be.

W. S. BROOMFIELD

There's no place like home."

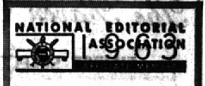
He said a great many from both districts had urged him to run for re-election in their area. "I must say, I was overwhelmed" at the support and good wishes of so many from all parts of Oakland County.

(See FIELD OPEN, 8-A)

People who live in areas where the Four Seasons annual occur are afforded a view of the most beautiful and majestic of the things that God has created. The things that God has created that accompany them in the hand of the Cause of all. From the white blanket of virgin snow to magic burning Spring . . . emerging in lovely summer, colorful autumn! All trees too!

The Birmingham Eccentric

Thursday, September 26, 1963 BIRMINGHAM, MICHIGAN



Romney, Hart Praise Political Forum

Two former Birmingham area residents returned to Oakland County Saturday to join one of the largest gatherings of top political leaders in county history.

Along with delivering timely messages about governmental problems, both Gov. George Romney, a Republican, and U. S. Sen. Philip A. Hart, a Democrat, praised the 620 citizens who attended the bi-partisan Citizens' Political Forum at Oakland University.

Romney said, "I am delighted to be in my home county and find a turnout like this for the purpose you are here to fulfill."

Hart said, "I can think of no finer way any free people could spend a Saturday. Our strength as a free society is the strength of the understanding of each one who goes to make up the total."

Other headlines at the forum were Republican Congressman William S. Broomfield, who made a strong plea for foreign aid, and Democratic Congressman-at-Large Neil Staebler, who urged support of President Kennedy's tax-cut program, predicting it would create three million new jobs.

Sponsors of the forum were the Oakland Citizens League and 25 other non-partisan groups, including the American Association of University Women, Birmingham Citizens Action Committee, Birmingham Jaycees, League of Women Voters, United Church of Birmingham, Michigan Education Association and the Oakland County Farm Bureau, Bar Association and Medical Society.

FORUM CHAIRMAN was William H. McGaughey, 131 Guilford, Bloomfield Hills, who is president

of the Oakland Citizens League. In his luncheon talk, Romney said, "We need in every community of this state an organization that will permit us to get together as responsible citizens to consider problems that need to be dealt with above and beyond the partisan level."

"We can't be good citizens without being members of a political party, but in addition we need this kind of non-partisan mechanism."

He quoted Woodrow Wilson: "There is no force more potent than the cooperation of free people."

"If we want to influence decisions about taxes, political leadership and government actions, then we will have to be active as citizens," Romney said.

"In Detroit and Michigan there has been a re-awakening of a spirit of concern and interest in public affairs and real progress has been made."

"BUT THIS has not resulted primarily from what government has done. Most of the energy and drive has been given by citizens who have been willing to volunteer their leadership and support."

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(See FORUM, 7-A)

Area Leaders Announce A 2nd Forum

Because of the enthusiastic response to the Citizens' Political Forum held Saturday at Oakland University, chairman William H. McGaughey announced this week that the event will be repeated in election year 1964.

McGaughey said former Gov. Murray D. Van Wagener, 3800 Oakland Drive, had accepted chairmanship of the second bi-partisan gathering of top leaders for speeches and question-and-answer sessions with citizens.

YAN WAGONER will invite local, state and national political figures, including presidential nominees, to participate.

Representatives of 20 of the 26 organizations which sponsored the forum will meet Thursday, Oct. 10, to discuss plans for the 1964 session. The meeting will be at the home of the Philip E. Cartwrights, 1385 Brookwood, Cartwright is a director of the Oakland Citizens League.

B'ham Delays Action On Services Request

By LARRY EVOE
City Editor

A proposal to provide municipal services to the Michigan Building Components, Inc., by the City of Birmingham was deferred by commissioners Monday night to allow the administration time to revise the agreement.

Michigan Building Components had requested the city to provide sewer and water facilities for a manufacturing and a warehouse building to be constructed on their property which is located east of the east end of Cole St. Most of the property is located within the City of Troy.

UNDER THE PROPOSED agreement, Michigan Building Components would be required to circulate petitions and take any steps necessary to place the question of annexation of the part of the property in Troy to Birmingham on the ballot.

Pending the possible annexation, sewer and water connections and service would be furnished by the city of Birmingham at double the regular rates. Birmingham would also provide police and fire protection to the property at rates determined by the commission.

Any building permits required for the construction of buildings on the property would have to be issued by Birmingham and they would be required to be in compliance with the city's codes and ordinances.

ALTHOUGH IT WOULD be desirable to annex the property to Birmingham, commissioners generally agreed it would be almost impossible for the act to be accomplished because of the tax benefit to the city of Troy.

Annexation takes a majority vote of the taxpayers of both communities involved.

Commissioners were in disagreement with a paragraph in the proposal that would have required Michigan Building to "actively and continuously" seek annexation by any and all reasonable means.

THE ADMINISTRATION had recommended that the paragraph be deleted from the agreement but commissioners asked for a re-draft of that section of the proposal.

A spokesman for Michigan Building said that would have required Michigan Building to "actively and continuously" seek annexation and to engage in political activity involved in the annexation.

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A CAKE WAS presented Saturday to Henry S. Booth (upper left), founder of the Oakland Citizens League on the group's 25th birthday. Booth, 700 Cranbrook Road, Bloomfield Hills, took the first bite out of the cake and then blew out the candles. Birmingham's Murray D. Van Wagener (bottom left), former Democratic governor chatted with republican Gov. George Romney before introducing him to the Citizens' Political Forum audience at Oakland University.

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AMONG THE TOP political figures from the Birmingham-Bloomfield area at the Citizens Political Forum Saturday at Oakland University were Gov. George Romney (left) and U. S. Senator Philip A. Hart. The day-long conference attracted more than 600 persons.

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