

Bingham Rejects Plans For Police Protection

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BINGHAM FARMS — Although the Bingham Farms council declined four proposals offered by the Security Services, Inc., a private protection organization, the lawmakers continue to be concerned about the police problems in the village.

Village president, James McGuire, told William Hulet of the security firm that the village is financially unable to consider the several programs Hulet proposed, ranging from 24-hour, 7 days-a-week patrols at \$37.50 per family per month to a more limited service for 10 hours per night or day at \$17.50 a month per home.

THE COUNCIL asked colleagues Clayton Lemon and Haskell Wright to check other sources of police help to assist in enforcing ordinances.

Street Commissioner Harold

Speicher reported that village roads appear to be in good shape and predicted that the increased amounts of chloride used this summer should give roads a better winter base.

A final fall grading is scheduled for early November and culverts will be cleaned before freezing occurs.

The council will continue their extra work sessions for developing an equitable basis for the special assessment on sewers.

THEY WILL MEET Sunday morning for "field work" and expect to determine the "potential practical use" of large unplatted land holdings by personally visiting and examining individual properties.

In order to create the special assessment district, it must be known what possible divisions of land may be in the future and how many homes may be using the sewer system when available.

BIRMINGHAM'S NEW superintendent of schools, Dr. John B. Smith, (left), shakes hands with George Griscorn, treasurer of the Birmingham PTA Council. Also on hand to greet Dr. Smith at Monday's meeting were Mel Mermell, PTA Council program chairman, and George W. Whitehead, PTA Council president.

ALL FAITHS JOIN County Churches to Offer Marital Education Program

For three years now, more than 500 churches of Oakland county have quietly aided children in need. These churches of every faith, Protestant, Catholic and Jewish, have offered underprivileged children warm religious training in the respective churches of their family choice.

Now the clergy of these same 500 churches are preparing to offer a new county-wide service in the form of marital education and marriage counseling. They will seek to strengthen marriages and to keep homes together for the sake of the children.

IT IS acknowledged that lack of preparation for marriage is the dominant factor causing divorce and separation; and broken homes are always a child's disaster. So these two facts motivated the participating clergy and judges to resolve to tackle the problem.

The planned county-wide program may, with accelerated and greater concentration, later move state-wide.

Some two weeks ago the executive committee of 22 priests, ministers and rabbis discussed proposals made by Judge Arthur E. Moore for this intensive program. The proposals were adopted and it was resolved to incorporate. The new program will be as follows:

AT LEAST 100 clergy and 100 more lay persons will attend the 10-week training courses. These will be offered in several areas of the county. If possible, specially trained educators from the University of Michigan or other similar schools will prepare the courses and teach them.

Various community specialists with special knowledge of psychology, budgeting, child guidance, medicine and other special fields will assist. Those attending who are thus qualified will be certified as counselors.

Thereafter, they will be called upon to teach courses for youth in their own churches. Effort will be made to interest every marriage applicant in premarriage counseling. Divorce litigants will also be offered counseling.

IT WAS ALSO voted to incorporate under the corporate name, "Religious Assistance and Protective Services, Inc." This incorporation will enable the program to qualify for and accept tax free gifts of finances and provide a corporate body to carry out the program.

President of the corporation is Rabbi Milton Rosenbaum of the Congregation Emman-El Church, Oak Park. Vice presidents to coordinate areas and phases of the program are Judge Norman R. Barnard of Troy, Judge Arthur E. Moore of Royal Oak and James W. Hunt of Pontiac.

Others undertaking special activities and responsibilities and also acting as directors and incorporators include from the Birmingham - Bloomfield area Fr. James M. McDonald of Birmingham, Holy Name Catholic Church, and the Rev. Ralph W. Janka of Troy Methodist Church.

SECRETARY IS James H. VanLeuven of Milford; assistant secretary, Walter Denison of Birmingham; and resident agent, Eugene Moore of Birmingham.

Incorporation papers are now filed with the state. Organizational plans are well underway.

Both Probate Judges Donald E. Adams and Norman R. Barnard are also incorporators and directors, as are all circuit judges, Judge Arthur E. Moore, Judge Clark J. Adams, Judge William J. Beer, Judge Stanton G. Dondero, Judge Frederick C. Zimm, Judge Philip Pratt and Judge James S. Thorburn.

The Juvenile Court judges are greatly interested because home and religious security is so basic to the Juvenile Court programs.

THE CIRCUIT COURT judges feel themselves to be equally vitally interested. The great need to prevent much of the family separation exhibited in the divorce courts challenges their assistance.

Judge Moore stated today that funds will be sought to plan the program on a highly intelligent level with well trained and skilled staff. If full financial assistance is not forthcoming, the program will nevertheless continue as best it can with entirely voluntary teaching staff and voluntary organizational personnel.

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policies "in a fair and equitable manner."

IN OTHER BUSINESS Monday night, the council welcomed Birmingham's new Superintendent of Schools Dr. John B. Smith. Dr. Smith is automatically a member of the council's executive committee and board of directors.

George W. Whitehead, 858 Norwich, Birmingham, began his second term as president of the PTA council.

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Meetings Planned on Taxation

The Michigan House of Representatives taxation committee is planning a series of meetings on Gov. George Romney's tax program in Detroit today and Friday.

Birmingham Mayor William H. Dargum has urged all interested citizens with questions on the governor's proposal to attend the hearings.

TODAY'S SESSION in the Veteran's Memorial Building will include discussion on city income tax, motor vehicle tax and real estate transfer fee. At 8 p.m. today the committee will discuss fiscal reform in a session at Cass Technical High School in Detroit.

On Friday, beginning at 10 a.m. in the City-Council Building such topics as personal income tax, corporation income tax and exemptions will be discussed.

U. S. citizens visiting Paraguay no longer need consular visas. If visas are scheduled for less than three months, only a valid U. S. passport and certificate of smallpox vaccination are required.

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