

Beverly Planners Approve Multiples

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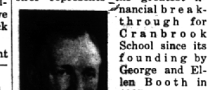
BEVERLY HILLS—The planning commission voted unanimously for the inclusion of multiple dwellings in the zoning ordinance...

associations all spoke against the proposal. These were from Beverly No. 1, Beverly Artesian, South Berkshire, Valley Woods, Greenfield, Beverly Manor, Beverly No. 5 and Huntley.

MOST AFFECTED would be Huntley, the subdivision adjacent to the land in question. It is presently zoned R-2-A, a residential classification for single homes...

Duffy Leads Cranbrook Gifts Drive

Irving A. Duffy, vice president, general products group, Ford Motor Co., has been named leadership gifts chairman for Cranbrook School's Decade of Development Program...



DUFFY represents the greatest financial breakthrough for Cranbrook School since its founding by George and Ellen Booth in 1927.

The funds being sought will underwrite a higher faculty salary scale and additional scholarship aid to needy students...

Duffy said, "Cranbrook School is one of the nation's leading independent secondary schools and in a great asset to our community."

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Drive, repeatedly asked the commission why the land couldn't be developed in its present zoning.

DRACKIE replied that no one would do it, with commercial property (the Wrigley store and associated small shops) on the other side.

THE COMMISSION, informally polled by the audience, was, in fact, unanimous in its decision to recommend to the council that the multiple dwelling provision be included in the zoning ordinance.

The associations, also informally polled, were unanimously against the idea of apartments in the village.

Forest Reed, of Weir, Manuel and Snyder, Realtors, present as a resident of the village, told the assembled group:

"One thing you people don't realize is that the courts will not, cannot allow municipalities to keep out multiple zoning."

Other association representatives felt the village should take its chances in court, rather than simply provide multiple dwelling zoning.

A RESIDENT pointed out that most of the audience and all of the associations were against relaxation of the zoning ordinance.

"The planning commission," Drackie said, "in six or seven years, has put in thousands of voluntary hours to get a nice village out of it. By the same token, we want to come out of this with a situation we can control, not one the courts control."

"After what we've accomplished," Drackie added, "it's very discouraging to find this attitude."

Elizabeth Wendorff Met Gen. MacArthur

In last week's Eclectic a four-column picture of the late Gen. Douglas MacArthur's 1952 visit to Birmingham was printed, and the lady shaking hands with the general was erroneously identified as Mrs. Rheta Barr.

B'ham Reappoints Four Supervisors

Birmingham's four representatives on the Oakland County Board of Supervisors were reappointed to one-year terms by city commissioners Monday night.

NAMED were Commissioner Carl F. Ingraham, 950 E. Maple, City Assessor Clark H. Hagstrom, 151 Martin, David Levinson, 201 W. Bank Bldg., and Luther Heacock, 704 Hanna.

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Expect 255 Boys, 280 Girls Here

(Special to The Eclectic)

NEW YORK—During the next year, Birmingham will have more 18-year-olds in its population than it ever had before.

Government figures show that no less than 535 local boys and girls will be arriving at that important age level in the year beginning June, 1964.

According to the figures, which come from the Census Bureau, they are part of an onrushing flood of 3,728,000 youths in the United States who are becoming 18. That is almost a million more than there were last year.

WHY THE sudden surge in this particular age category? The answer is that these are the children who were born just after World War II, when the tremendous baby boom occurred.

In the course of their growing up, these youngsters descended upon the elementary schools in 1952 and inundated them.

And now the time has come when they will be hitting the colleges and the labor market.

This is 31 per cent more than in the previous year when the local crop of 18-year-olds amounted to 408.

THE CENSUS Bureau estimates that the number of youths becoming 18 will fall off after June, 1965. The drop will last for three years, after which there will be a gradual increase.

Having arrived at age 18, the matter of the draft arises for the 255 Birmingham boys. They will have to register, even though they are not likely to be called up for several years, if at all.

Under a new directive from President Johnson, however, in connection with his youth fitness program, many of them will be given their qualifying examinations, physical and mental, starting July 1.

ONE PURPOSE is to discover which ones have health defects that may be corrected by medical or dental treatment.

MRS. GEORGE HILFINGER of Birmingham will speak for the League of Women Voters. Mrs. Hilfinger is immediate past president of the League of Women Voters of Birmingham and is currently director of the Welfare Study Program on the board of the League of Women Voters of Michigan.

Mrs. John Rumsey of the League of Women Voters will moderate "Woman Puzzled." Panelists are (See LWV 7-A)

Old No. 3 Has Role In B'ham Centennial

Old engine Number 3 hasn't been to a fire in Birmingham since early in the 1950's. Nevertheless, the classic old pumping engine will have a featured role in the Birmingham Centennial-Michigan Week observance, May 17-23.

Built by American LaFrance in Elmira, N. Y., Engine Number 3 became part of the Birmingham Fire Dept. in 1924. Its number means simply that it was the third "wild" propelled fire engine assigned to local firefighters. For several years, it was the only motorized pumping engine owned by the City.

Ironically, one of the biggest fires to which Old Number 3 was dispatched was its last: the Lawson Lumber Yard fire which resulted in thousands of dollars damage early in the 1950's. After that, relegated to reserve status, Old Number 3 sat, unused, until it was retired from service Nov. 1, 1961.

IT WAS purchased by Birmingham grocer Merritt Olson, 569 Townsend Street. Since then, Old Number 3 has had much more pleasant duties—transporting children on frequent joyrides—with Olson at the wheel and providing "wild" testimony of a rich part of Birmingham's past.

This unique memento of another era is housed in Olson's garage, which he was forced to enlarge. Olson says Old Number 3 is still in perfect working order. He occasionally takes it to Quenton Lake, where he runs water through the hose.

The unit is powered by an unusual 8-cylinder engine capable of pumping 750 gallons per minute. It has a modern fire apparatus. Old Number 3 is driven by a chain, much like a bicycle.

FOR THE Centennial, Old Number 3 fills an important role. From all indications, it's the only specialty vehicle of its age extant in Birmingham.

This and That by George R. Averill Gen. MacArthur, American Genius, Freedom's Defender

Scarcely a spot on this wondrous earth that hasn't heard of the passing of Gen. Douglas MacArthur, that famous world figure whose military and civic talents and efforts have played a most tremendous role in the defense of human freedom and liberty.

History, no doubt, will treat him kindly. The memory of him should serve as an example worthy of dedicated emulation by every honest and sincere seeker for the right not only to be free—but perhaps more for the willingness to stand against any enemy, domestic or foreign, in defense of that freedom.

Truly, this genius was one of this century's greatest men. His mental and moral stature looms upon the often darkened horizon of human life like a burst of sunshine through a vanishing cloud bank.

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He who seeks to walk along the paths of a faith that "doing unto others as you would have others do unto you" is the course to pursue, is destined to achieve from life a greater abundance of joy and happiness than he who adopts a "do others before they do you" philosophy.

Now you take a disaster such as that Alaska earthquake and its subsequent tidal wave damage, and you observe how sympathetic and helpful most nations are toward sending aid to the victims of such catastrophes. Yet, under certain conditions, these nations can be plunged into war—the victims of which are greater in number. How inconsistent these two positions are.

President Johnson certainly reveals himself as a fond devotee of the dancing feet... and I join all those who agree that it's better that he be tight on his feet than tight at the other end (See THIS AND THAT, 6-A)

Barn Fire Lights Up Spring Sky

Birmingham firemen battled for an hour-and-a-half Friday night to bring under control a blaze that destroyed a vacant barn at Maple and Hunter. The fire, which started at the height of the Friday evening shopping traffic, drew a crowd of more than 1,000 persons.

Threat Brings Police Guard For Mayor

For a few hours Friday afternoon Mayor William H. Bursum was under police protection.

Burgum and Birmingham Police Chief Ralph W. Moxley had been warned that an escapee from Wayne County General Hospital was on his way to kill them both.

John Stacy, of Dearborn, a psychiatric patient at the hospital since March 18, had reportedly threatened to kill both the mayor and the police chief.

Two Drops on a Cube of Sugar

That's all that's needed to aid in the fight against paralytic polio, according to Dr. Worth W. Henderson, county oral polio drive chairman; Mrs. Robert H. Weber, drive manager at Derby Junior High; and Dr. Robert M. Bookmyer, chairman and president of the Oakland County Medical Society.



Photos by Ed Proctor, Jr.

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LWV Lists Participants In 'Suffragette' Panel

SUFFRAGETTE 74 general chairman Mrs. William T. Gossett today announced the participants in a panel on the study of issues which will be included in the League of Women Voters' centennial presentation.

"We call this panel 'Woman Puzzled,'" stated Mrs. Gossett. "We will attempt to show women how easy it is to study and understand the issues which are the subject of controversy and proposed or possible legislation."

"We will describe the methods employed by the political parties on this subject as well as the League of Women Voters' approach, so that women may see how they interrelate and complement each other — or not — as the case might be."

REPRESENTING the Republican Party as a speaker on the study of issues is Mrs. Julian Hatten of Grand Haven, chairman of the Research and Education Committee of the Republican State Central Committee.

Mrs. Hatten, who is a member of the Governor's Committee on Higher Education, served on the board of the Grand Haven League of Women Voters before party politics claimed her interest.

Mrs. Morris Weiss of Oak Park will be the Democratic speaker on the panel. Mrs. Weiss is co-chairman of Research and Issues for the Oakland County Democratic Committee.

She is the 18th district representative.

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