

The Afterglow, 1925, 1926 & 1927

A curated finding aid

Bloomfield Historical Society member John Marshall has created a listing of items of interest to him for each issue of The Afterglow, with a particular emphasis on the history of homes in the Bloomfield area. It is a work in progress.

Structure of this finding aid:

- An entry line is made for each issue published identifying the **Month & Year**, as well as, the **Vol. & No.** (Note that the publisher was not consistent in the system that was used to number the volumes and issues. I tried to copy what was actually printed on the cover of the issue.
- **Cover:** A brief description of the Cover of each issue is provided on the line identifying the beginning of each issue.
- The **Title** of the various articles on the country homes / estates or other article of interest. (Note that the articles dealing with country homes / estates are highlighted in **bold** font.)
- The **Pages** where the article is found comes next. Different methods were used for page numbering in the particular issue. The style is captured in this column.
- The **Comments** column is used to provide in some cases some further information on the material in the referenced article.

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MAR	1925	1 / 1		Cover	Picture of Sunset Hill Club
			Col. George's House	8 & 20	Article on the estate of Col. Edwin S. George on Long lake Road that in 1947 became the nucleus of Kirk in the Hills Church.
			Bloomfield Hills School	14	Now Brookside School Cranbrook PK-5
			Sunset Hill Club	25	
APR	1925	1 / 2		Cover	Old Mill at Cranbrook
			The Sage of Cranbrook	9	
			The Birmingham Community House	22	
MAY	1925	1 / 3		Cover	Horse in a Stall
			Whysall , A Pioneer in Bloomfield, The John Shaws	10	
			The Country Home of Walter O. Briggs <i>Walbri</i>	18	
			Obit: Burns Henry (15 Apr. 1887 - 25 Apr. 1925, age 38)	21	Burns Henry died of Blood poisoning.
JUN	1925	1 / 4		Cover	Woman in Summer Garden
			The Home of Alfred J. Fisher – Oak Knob	11-12	
			Photo: Miss Sarah Hendrie arranging flowers at Society of Arts & Crafts	10	
			Photo: Miss Viola Hammond (" <i>Hillwood</i> ")	17	
			The Lovely Rock Garden of Mrs. Geo. T. Hendrie (Garden Club of America)	20-21	
			New Cement Roads in Oakland County: (1) Bloomfield Center Rd.)a.k.a. E. Long Lake Road.	38	
JUL	1925	1 / 5		Cover	Female Swimmer on Dock
			Quartermore , The home of Mr. Gordon Mendelssohn	10-11	

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			M. & Mrs. Hugh Chalmers – <i>Woodcrest</i>	14	
			Photo: Miss Barbara Thompson, daughter of Mr. Walter Thompson (" <i>Eastover</i> ")	14	(Note: Walter Thompson's wife, Marjorie (Calkins) Thompson had died two years earlier at the age of 42 years.)
			Photo: Miss Jane Thompson, daughter of Walter Thompson, a popular member of the young Hills set.	20	Note: Jane became Jane French.
			Bloomfield Open Hunt (BOH) Club article: Miss Annette Phillips is general chairman	20	Annette Phillips was the daughter of George E. Phillips Executive Director of Herman Keifer Hospital. They lived at <i>Thornbrook</i> – on N. Adams Rd. Annette married Carlton Higbie, and later West Haslet Gallogly.
			Extensive developments on Dodge (Adams) Road – Judson Bradway's "Eastover Farms".	29	
AUG-SEP	1925	1 / 6		Cover	Water Fall Scene
			<i>Robin Hood's Barn</i> " Home of Chas. C. Winningham	11	Later became the home of The Village (Women's) Club
			Photos: Several E.P. Hammond children, Annette Phillips, Walter O. Briggs, Jr. – Horse Show	16	
			Bloomfield Open Hunt Club. People have built places in Bloomfield because of the proximity to BOH. – e.g. Geo. T. Hendrie, " <i>Guinea Hill</i> "	26	Several good photographs
			"Indian Wood" A new Golf Course near Orion	30	
			Advertisement by Wormer & Moore for <i>Stinchfield Acres</i>	31	
OCT	1925	(1 / 7)		Cover	Trellis gate to garden, flowers, leaves and winding
			"He Thinks in Big Terms", Eliel Saarinen	5	Proposal for Burton Memorial Tower at U of M (Written by Mrs. Frank Bromley)
			<i>The Round-Up</i> , A Spanish Ranch House in Oakland County	6	Built by Manley Davis near Davisburg, Mich.
			The Country House of E. P. Hammond, Esq. <i>Hillwood</i>	12	Robert O. Derrick, Architect

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NOV	1925	(1 / 8)			Four color drawing: Hunter and Hounds standing by horse under an oak tree.
			"Oh to Have a Little House" Harry F. Klein	6	RFD. No.3 Birmingham, 2 miles north on Adams – one mile east and a few Rods north)
DEC	1925	(1 / 9)		Cover	Red Cover with white line drawing of Santa and Reindeer.
			The Home of Mr. George D. Wilson on Quarton Rd., Bloomfield	10	Created from an Old Farm House.
			Photos: Pricilla & Bessie George, daughters of Mr. & Mrs. Edwin S. George	26	
JAN	1926	II / 1		Cover	Olive with ski-jumper in a circle in center with orange background
			"West Wind Farm" A Gracious House that has Sheltered a Series of Happy & Prosperous Generations	5 – 6 +22	Located on Lord's (Hammond) Lake. Built in 1850 by Henry W. Lord; purchased in 1885 by George H. Hammond; Owned (1926) by Mrs. E. A. Skae, daughter of Geo. Hammond, and sister of E. P. Hammond
			Photo: Tom Hammond (est. 8 years old) youngest son of E. P. Hammond	15	
			Ice Yachting on Lake St. Clair	16 - 17	Several photos of ice yachts, one of George S. Hendrie's "Pirate"
FEB	1926	II / II		Cover	Victoria trio (two women and one man) around a
			The House of Wallace A. Frost , architect, on Tooting Lane, Birmingham	4 – 6	
			The Residence of Charles C. L'Hommedien, Dorchester Rd., Birmingham	10	D. Allen Wright, architect
			Fathers & Sons: Some representative photographs	13	1 - Mr. Walter Thompson and son Jack. 2 - Mr. Gustave D. Pope and sons John Alexander & Gustave D., Jr. at <i>Apple Lane Farm</i> , their summer home in Bloomfield.
			The marriage of Miss Grace Briggs and Mr. Dean Robinson	13	Daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Walter O. Briggs of Boston Blvd. and Bloomfield
			Winter over Bloomfield	16-17	Four photographs: (1) <i>Walbri Hall</i> ; (2) <i>Highgate</i> , home of R. L. Polk, Jr. on Lone Pine Rd.; (3) <i>Apple Lane Farm</i> , home of Gustave D. Pope; (4) Entrance to Col. Edwin S. George, estate (<i>Cedarholm</i>).

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			Rebuilding Camp Brady	18-19	Boy Scout Camp in Waterford
			Photo: Bob & Billy, sons of Harry W. Taylor on Brady Lane	29	
MAR	1926	II / No.3		Cover	Tan background with circle in center in blue, black, and white showing "wild March hare" jumping
			The Residence of Col. Edwin S. George on Long Lake Road, Bloomfield Hills (" Cedarholm ")	4 - 7	Six outside and six inside photos. Detailed write-up.
			Remodeled Farm Houses: Home of Harry G. Muehlman , architect	10 - 11	Note: shows the addition of a circular stairway.
APR	1926	II / No.4		Cover	Orange Wallpaper type with line drawing designs of birds, leaves and flowers
			"Winter Hunting for Bloomfield Hounds", by E. S. Nichols	7	
			The House of Frederick Good Buckingham Rd., Birmingham	10	Three photos with very little text.
			Photo: Mrs. Carlton Higbie (nee, Annett Phillips) on horse "Hackler"	22	
			Photo: Frederick M. Hammond, son of Mr. & Mrs. E. P. Hammond of <i>Hillwood</i>	23	
			Advertisement for Roseland Cemetery, in Berkley	28	
MAY	1926	II / Number 5		Cover	Green on white – Woman dressed up for shopping standing by a park bench.
			The Story of Stony Creek	five – six	The Van Hoosen Farm near Rochester – several historic photos.
			Uplands , the attractive house of Frank Latham Bromley	thirteen	Just a mention of this home in an article on the wedding of daughter – Francis.
			Photo: Miss Mary Taliaferro on her horse, "Woodpecker".	fourteen	
			Sketch: Residence of Arthur C. Born home in Trowbridge Farms	Twenty-four	Architect: J. Ivan Dice, Detroit
JUN	1926	II / Number 6		Cover	Green Tile pattern made from Linoleum cut
			Apple Lane Farm , The Country Home of Gustavus D. Pope, Esq.	Six – Seven +	

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			Franklin – A Pioneer Village	Eight – nine	
			Photo: Mrs. Carlton Higbie (nee. Annette Phillips) at Lansing Horse Show.	fourteen	
			Photo: Mrs. H. A. O'Dell and Mrs. Frank L. Klingsmith at Bloomfield Country Club	fifteen	
			Sketch of: Mr. & Mrs. Robert Swanson's French Farmhouse on 3 acres in <i>Lone Pine Road Estates</i>	twenty – two	Lone Pine Road Estates is between Lone Pine Road and the NE shore of Gilbert Lake in Section 21. (See "Tower Knoll", <i>The Afterglow</i> , Dec1927, pgs. 2-5.)
			Advertisement: "Wider Woodward Avenue now near completion"	twenty - three	by the Greater Woodward Avenue Association
JUL	1926	V2 / 7		Cover	Yellow background with black linoleum cut print of a House
			Lake Angelus and the W. W. Leland Family	four - six	
			Willow Pointe the Summer home of Mr. J. L. Woods at lake Angelus	eight – nine +31	
			Birmingham's New Library and How – Long Ago – It got its Start	ten +18	A history of the Baldwin Library under construction
AUG- SEP	1926	V2 / 8&9		Cover	Brown on Yellow: Linoleum print wallpaper" pattern
			The Covert A century Old Farm House on East Long Lake Road that has been Transformed by Miss Sarah and Miss Marjorie Hendrie into a Weekend Place and Hunting Lodge.	five – seven + 27	(Today this is known as the Barton Farmhouse and has been moved to the Charles L. Bowers School Farm on Square Lake Road.)
			And Now They Ride to Hounds – Photos	eleven	Photo of the following as children in a carriage: Marjorie, William, Maud, (the late) Jessie, Sarah, and George T. HENDRIE in front of old house in Grosse Pointe. Photo: Elliott Slocum Nichols and two sisters as children in a goat cart.
			The Tower , A Town House of Howard Craine in Detroit	seventeen +34	
			The Bradway Exhibition House	twenty-four	In Bloomfield Village – Williamsbury Rd. 2 blocks west of Cranbrook Rd., first block north of Maple Rd.
OCT	1926	V2 / 10		Cover	Orange / Purple on White: Linoleum cut by Sherwood Blackburn

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			Hunting Hall In Bloomfield Hills, which Epitomizes the Hunting Enthusiasm of the late Burns Henry	five – six +22	
			Wider Woodward from an etching by M. Cortis - Stanford		
			Five Bloomfield Portraits by Betsy Graves Reyneau	twelve	George T. Hendrie, Gordon Mendelssohn, et al
			A Bit of Old England	sixteen – seventeen	Two page advertisement for “ <i>Bloomfield Downs</i> ” at the south east corner of E. Long Lake & Woodward Ave.
NOV	1926	V2 / 11		Cover	Orange and Black Mounted Rider in foreground with two other riders approaching
			Hill Top Lane , the home of the John Gafills in Birmingham	six - seven	On Southfield Road just south of Maple across from the Quarton Lake dam.
			Photo: Chas. C. Winningham in a group of Patrol Judges for a Horse Show.	nine	
			Photo: The Hugh Chalmers Farm on Chalmers Lake and Mirror Lake	eleven	“One of the first big estates subdivided. Chalmers retained 40 acres; 54 acres were subdivided into residential building lots of 1 1/2 to 6 acres.”
			Photo: Miss Elizabeth Briggs, daughter of Walter O. Briggs	fourteen	
			Me-na-sa-gor-ning : The story of Orchard lake and its Island	sixteen – seventeen+	West Bloomfield Twp.
			Photo (small): The old (1890s) house of Mr. David Ward	twenty - fve	West Bloomfield Twp.
			Senator James Couzens building a new home designed by Albert Kahn on Cranberry Lake	twenty - seven	Now known as Wabeek Lake
DEC	1926	V2 / 12		Cover	Red, Green, and White – three leprechauns with tall hats celebrating
			The Bloomfield Hills School for young children	four	(Now Brookside School)
			Photos: (1) Mahogany cupboard at Apple Lane Farm , (2) Cherry cupboard in living room of Lone Pine Inn	seven	
			The House of Jay A. Walsh in Quarton Lake Estates, Birmingham	eleven	

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JAN	1927	3 / 1		Cover	White & Blue Baby New Year Parachuting down from a Plane.
			<i>The Junipers</i> , The Country Home of Mr. C. A. Newcomb, Jr.	2	
			Miss Josephine Taliaferro, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas W. Taliaferro	11	(Their house was on Eton Cross Rd. in <i>Trowbridge Farms</i> subdivision.)
FEB	1927	III / No.2		Cover	Black line drawing on white – Skier and Dog on Hillside.
			<i>Willowtwig Farm</i> , (Near Rochester)	three	
			Remodeling Old Houses	Five	By Charles Crombie
			The Village Players of Birmingham Build Little Theater	nine	
			Photo: Miss Viola Hammond	Thirteen	
			Wormer & More, Model Home on <i>Wing Lake Shores</i> subdivision	Fourteen Fifteen	
MAR	1927	III / No.3		Cover	Orange & Black Swirl with house in the middle
			Water Wheel at Cranbrook	1	
			The Home of Mr. & Mrs. Cameron B. Waterman at Grosse Pointe	7-8	
			The Cranbrook School for Boys, Opens next September	three – four	By Lee A. White
			How to make a Garden in an Old Cellar Hole	Nine & 25	By H. Bradford Clarke
			Picture of: Mr. William G. Lerchen of Long Lake Road and his two sons.	12	
APR	1927	III / No.4		Cover	Green & blue - country scene
			Overbrook , The Estate of Mr. & Mrs. Frederick J. Robinson on Lone Pine Rd.		(4 th property on the south side of Lone Pine Rd. east of Cranbrook Rd. See 1927 & 1930 maps, also Judson Bradway Driving Map No.1, note 10.0)
			Old Time Hospitality Beckons from <i>The Château</i> in Birmingham	fourteen – fifteen	Mr. & Mrs. Price
MAY	1927	III / No.5		Cover	Black & blue: Two stylized sail boats

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			The Country House of Mr. George D. Wilson on Quarton Road (1955 Quarton)	Two	Remodeled from old stone farmhouse Architect: Muelman and Farrar. (See also Dec 1925, pg. 10)
			The House of Mr. Lane Bishop in Birmingham	three – four+22	At the woods end of Poppleton Street
			Photos: Snapshots from Country House Album	nine	(1) <i>Briarbank</i> – Estate of Wm. T. Barbour (2) John B. Williams residence in Birminham (3) Gate Lodge at <i>Apple Lane Farm</i>
			Country Notes: (1.) W. O. Briggs is building a huge natatorium	eighteen	Located on the hill just south of his house on Squirrel (Walbri) Road.
JUN	1927	III / No.6		Cover	Orange & Black: Two mounted Polo Players
			The Restoration of a Hundred Year Old Farm House – Stonecrest – of Mr. James Vernor	three – five	This is the Vaughan – Vernor house on Lahser Road at the end of Vaughan Road
			Snap Shots from Country House Albums	eight	“Eastover” the lovely country home of Mr. Douglas M. Davis between Adams Road and Kensington – formerly the home of Walter Thompson
			Photo: with caption. “Miss Annette Phillips is one of the ablest young riders at Bloomfield Open Hunt.	fourteen	
JUL	1927	III / No.7		Cover	Blue with Red Lettering – Stone walkway to front of house.
			Lovely Uplands , residence of Mr. Frank Bromley on Woodward Ave.	three+26	Architect Albert Kahn
			The new Cranbrook school opens next September (19 Sep. 1927)	four+22	
			Ad for: The New “ <i>Bloomfield Trail No. 1</i> ” By Judson Bradway Company – Realtor	ten	<i>A Blue Book . . . with Driving Direction</i> . Note: Mentions trail is marked with metal direction sign
			Twenty-five years ago – and Now	thirteen	The Fox & Hounds Inn is under construction on the estate of Mr. W. T. Barbour and wife Miss Chittenden
AUG	1927	III / No.8		Cover	Colorful Map of Pontiac Area – Native American pointing with arrow
			The Country Charm of Pontiac	three – four	Photos of: Sylvan Lake, Quarton Lake, Bloomer Lake, and Pine Lake
			Sketches: Representative Men of Pontiac (12 Sketches)	sixteen – seventeen	
			Ad for “The Bloomfield Trail” map by Judson Bradway Co. (2 nd appearance)	twenty- seven	Featuring view of Cranbrook School

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SEP	1927	III / No.9		Cover	Cranbrook Manor, Home of George G. Booth – Sketched by Miss Elinor Millington
			A Trip to Cranbrook Estate , Church, and School	two - four	
			The story of two Artists who are designing Cranbrook School	five +15	Prof. Eliel Saarinen and Prof. Geza Maroti
			Ad for " <i>The Bloomfield Trail No.1</i> "	twenty - five	This is the third time that Judson Bradway Co. has place an advertisement for this map in 1927 issues of <i>The Afterglow</i> . (see also July and August issues.)
			<i>Cranbrook Column</i> (Short articles about developments at the Cranbrook School)		Note says that the intent is to have this be a regular column in subsequent issues of <i>The Afterglow</i> .
OCT	1927	III/No,10		Cover	Yellow, Orange, & Black – Witch on a broomstick with jack-o-lanterns and black cats
			Fox & Hounds Inn – Bloomfield Center	two	Built by Manley Davis, Davis Investment Company
			Home of W. R. Tracey , South Cranbrook, Bloomfield Hills	four – five	Architect: J. Robert F. Swanson (Note South Cranbrook is on the west side of Cranbrook Road, just south of Christ Church.)
			Photo & article on Francis (Frank) Palms, Jr.	eight	
			The new Theatre Building	thirteen	Birmingham Theatre and adjoining shops & office buildings. Built by Briggs Development Co.
			When Bloomfield was a Battle Ground	twenty-eight	Native Americans periodically fought over the right to live in this area.
NOV	1927	III/No.11		Cover	Red, Black, & White – Horse and Rider jumping over a hurdle.
			Beautiful Cranbrook Church (Christ Church Cranbrook)	three - nine	Under construction. Gift of Mr. & Mrs. Geo. G. Booth at a cost of \$1.5 million. Service planned for Christmas. Architect: Goodhue & Associates Contractor: Charles Wermuth & Son
			John McCormack, famous Irish tenor, is house guest of the Walter O. Briggs	thirteen	
			Summary Tabulation of all Shows & Events Society Riding Horses in Detroit District, Season 1927	Eighteen – Twenty-three+	
DEC	1927	3 / No.12		Cover	Multi-color: Three young carolers in front of a church window

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			<i>Tower Knoll</i> , Home of Mr. & Mrs. J. Robert F. Swanson, Lone Pine Road, Bloomfield Hills	Two - five	This was the old Piper Farm. Developed by Walsh, James, and Wasey into Lone Pine Road Estates subdivision. Tower Knoll is in the woods in the western portion of subdivision on 5 acres. (Architect, Eliel Saarinen lived here with his daughter Mrs. (Eva-Lisa) Swanson.) Contractor: Northwood Building Co.
			Who shall the leaders be in 1950? (Photos) Children of Today will direct Concerns then.	Twelve - seventeen	
			New York Theater, by Charles Winningham	Twenty - three	