

Diamond Drill

Out of the Past

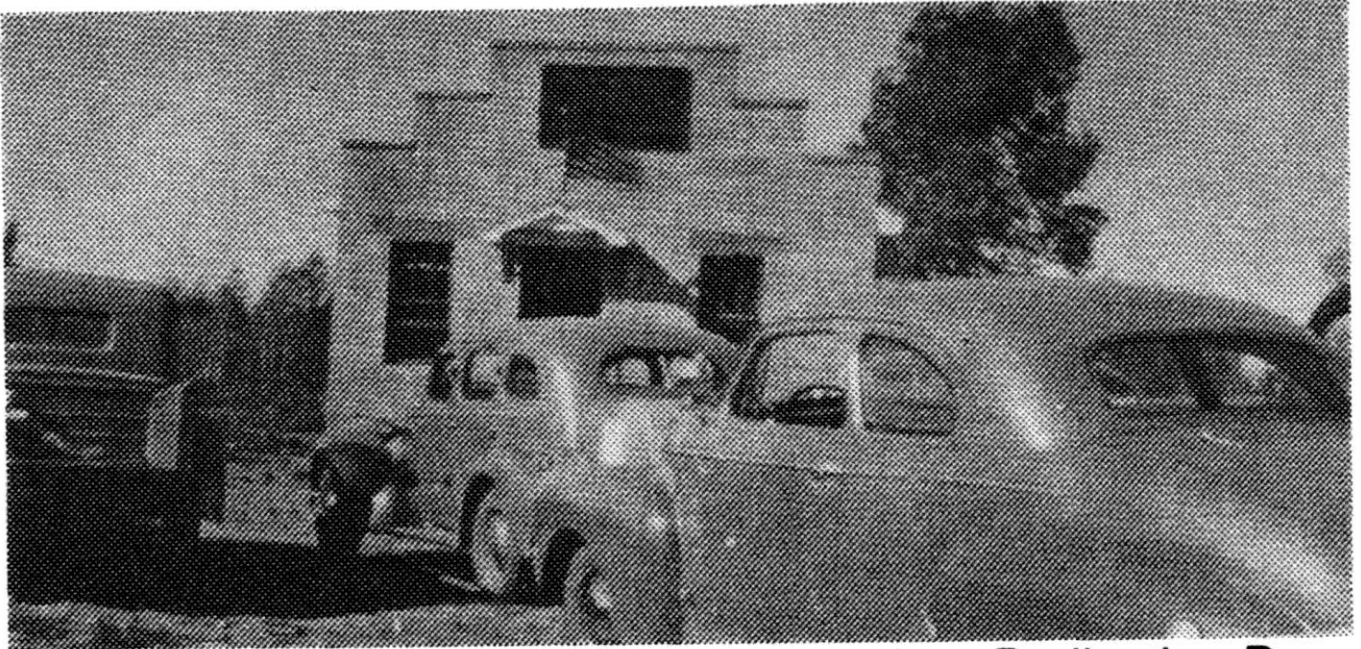
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About 200 persons gathered Sunday in Mansfield Township's northern section to participate in the dedication of the new Township Hall. The Dykes district voting precinct established last year in the sparsely populated area west of Witch Lake now has a new 20'x 30' concrete block structure with basement. The new hall is located north of Fence Lake in Section 24 of T45N / R31W on property acquired from the State of Michigan and will be used as a voting headquarters as well as for meetings and social gatherings for the area people.

Alfred Stender, band instructor at the Alpha School, has organized a "tonette" class for 4th and 5th pupils. Students will be prepared for active participation for the school's band in later years.

During the 1948 summer season at Camp Batawagama a total of 400 registrants participated in a series of five one-week sessions open to school youths in the fourth to eight grades.

A listing of the most used kitchen utensils in defending order includes: coffee maker, frying pan, saucepan, spatula, bread knife, egg beater and dishpan. No mention of the can opener?



This is Township Hall #2 as it appeared on Dedication Day, 1948. It is remembered that good food, music with dancing, and a beer keg in the basement were a part of the day.