OFFICIAL DIRECTORY
1951-1952

Macomb County,
Michigan

Compiled by
Albert A. Wagner
County Clerk
To the Citizens of Macomb County:

In offering this booklet to the public, it is intended primarily to acquaint all citizens, young and old, with the officials and offices charged with conducting the affairs of government from national to the township and village level.

In addition, we are proud to offer something more. Appended is a condensed History of Macomb County (prepared gratis as a public service) which should prove both instructive to the student and inspiring to the adult citizen who takes pride in our progress.

May we express thanks for the historical sketch, and also the assistance of many cooperative officials who helped make this booklet so complete.

ALBERT A. WAGNER
County Clerk

Officials of the
STATE, COUNTY, CITY,
VILLAGE and
TOWNSHIPS
of
COUNTY OF MACOMB
1951 - 1952

Mount Clemens, Michigan
County Seat

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County Clerk
STATE OFFICERS

GOVERNOR
G. Mennen Williams ......................................... Lansing

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
William C. Vandenberg ...................................... Lansing

SECRETARY OF STATE
Fred M. Alger, Jr. ............................................ Lansing

ATTORNEY GENERAL
Frank G. Millard ............................................. Lansing

STATE TREASURER
D. Hale Brake .................................................. Lansing

AUDITOR GENERAL
John B. Martin, Jr. ........................................... Lansing

SUPT. of PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
Lee M. Thurston ............................................... Lansing

STATE HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER
Charles M. Ziegler ........................................... Lansing

UNITED STATES SENATORS
Homer Ferguson ................................................ Detroit
Blair Moody .................................................... Detroit

REPRESENTATIVE, Seventh Dist.
Jesse P. Wolcott .............................................. Port Huron

STATE SENATOR, Eleventh Dist.
Frank D. Beadle .............................................. St. Clair

REPRESENTATIVES IN STATE LEGISLATURE
First District
Howard R. Carroll ........................................... Mount Clemens

Second District
William Romano ............................................... Van Dyke
CIRCUIT COURT OFFICERS
16th Judicial Circuit

Alton H. Noe ................................ Circuit Judge
James E. Spier ................................ Circuit Judge
Albert A. Wagner ........ Clerk of Circuit Court
Louise Batza .... Chief Deputy County Clerk
Elmore E. Lester .......... Assignment Clerk
Betty Cron ......................... Court Clerk
Fred Nicholson .......... Prosecuting Attorney
Wendell Lichtenfelt ...... Chief Asst Prosecutor
John H. Matthews ... Asst Prosecuting Attorney
Mildred Vlaich .. Ass't Prosecuting Attorney
Cecil A. Byers ...... Ass't Prosecuting Attorney
Paul S. Hirt ..................... Civil Counsel
Lorraine Nicholson .......... Court Reporter
Bertha Daubendick ........ Court Reporter
Harley Ensign .................... Sheriff
Clarence Shirey ............... Court Officer
Edward J. Harder ............ Court Officer
Guy L. Brown, Jr. .......... Probation Officer
Marybelle Baker .......... Friend of the Court
Wm. H. Nuneley ........ Circuit Court Comm'r
J. Russell LaBarge .......... Circuit Court Comm'r

COUNTY OFFICERS

Circuit Judge .................... Alton H. Noe
Circuit Judge .................... James E. Spier
Probate Judge .................. Joseph V. Trombly
County Clerk ................. Albert A. Wagner
Prosecuting Attorney .......... Fred Nicholson
Sheriff .............................. Harley Ensign
County Treasurer ............ Lynn Whalen
Register of Deeds ............. Aaron Burr
Drain Commissioner .......... Frank Lohr
Coroner .......................... Clifford H. Read
Coroner ........................ Milford H. Jones
Circuit Court Comm'r .......... Wm. H. Nuneley
Circuit Court Comm'r .......... J. Russell LaBarge
County Controller ............. Sherwood J. Bennett
Probation Officer .......... Guy L. Brown, Jr.
County Health Director .... Oscar D. Stryker, M.D.
County Sanitary Engineer ..... Marvin L. Smith
Co. Supervisor of Nursing .... Marie Presley, R.N.
County Agent ................. Martin H. Walkenhorst
Co. Agriculture Agent ......... Wm. Murphy
Commissioner of Schools ........ Will L. Lee
County Dog Warden .......... Forbes Duncan
Juvenile Registrar .......... John H. Ahrens
County Librarian ............. Dorothy Hiatt
Friend of the Court .......... Marybelle Baker

TERMS OF CIRCUIT COURT

Second Monday in January, April, June, August and October.
SUPERVISORS

FLOYD W. ROSSO .................................. Chairman
GROVER POWELL .................................. Vice-Chairman
ALBERT A. WAGNER ................................. Clerk

Armada Township .................. W. A. Toles
Bruce Township ....................... John M. Bailey
Chesterfield Township ........... Adolph Veryser
Clinton Township .................. Paul Stepnitz
Erin Township ....................... Frank Biehl
Harrison Township ................. Floyd W. Rosso
Lake Township ..................... Theodore A. McGraw
Lenox Township .................... Frank Lemmon
Macomb Township ................ Paul Bock
Ray Township ....................... J. Nellis Clark
Richmond Township ............... Omar Henderson
Sterling Township ................... Arthur Priehs
Warren Township .................. Arthur J. Miller
Washington Township ............ Grover J. Powell
City of Mount Clemens ... Dr. Philip T. Mulligan
.................................. Harold Lindsey
.................................. Hugh H. Neale
.................................. Paul Hogue
.................................. Lawrence Oehmke
City of East Detroit ............ Mrs. Mildred Stark
.................................. Carl Weymouth
.................................. Charles Beaubien
.................................. Wm. D. Clyne
.................................. Arthur J. Wendt
City of New Baltimore ......... Arthur Shorkey
.................................. Kenneth W. Hill
City of Center Line ............... B. A. Kalahar
.................................. Alex Schoenherr
.................................. Wilbert F. Lundy
.................................. Robert F. Stout
City of Utica ....................... Howard G. Crissman
.................................. Luke E. Leonard

MACOMB COUNTY BOARD of SUPERVISORS

COMMITTEES FOR 1951-1952

CHAIRMAN—Floyd W. Rosso
VICE-CHAIRMAN—Grover Powell
CLERK—Albert A. Wagner
ATTORNEY—Paul Hirt

AGRICULTURE—Lemmon, Henderson, Powell, LaGodna, Priehs, Toles, Schoenherr, Bock, Clark, Crissman

APPORTIONMENT—Kalahar, Henderson, Stepnitz, Leonard, Bock, McGraw, Mrs. Stark, Lenders

APPROPRIATIONS—Clark, Veryser, LaGodna, Priehs, Bock, Lindsey, Leonard, Stout, Clyne, Welsh

BUDGET — Powell, Stepnitz, Lemmon, Hill, Hogue, Miller, Biehl, Beaubien, Lundy, Sickelsteel

BUILDING — Henderson, Biehl, LaGodna, Veryser, Lemmon, Shorkey, Hogue, Weymouth, Lundy, Mulligan, Crissman

DOG — Priehs, Stepnitz, Shorkey, Weymouth, Toles, Bock, Bailey, Clark, Stout, Mulligan

DRAIN — Schoenherr, Henderson, Biehl, Veryser, Beaubien, Miller, Bailey Mulligan, Lenders

EQUALIZATION — Lindsey, Powell, Hill, Beaubien, Biehl, Lemmon, Miller, Leonard, Lingemann, Lundy

FINANCE — Biehl, LaGodna, Powell, Stepnitz, Lingemann, Beaubien, Oehmke, Miller, Clark, Schoenherr

INDUSTRIAL & PUBLIC RELATIONS—Kalahar, Lemmon, Neale, Shorkey, Hogue, Miller, Crissman, Welsh, Stark

LEGISLATION — Weymouth, Neale, Hill, LaGodna, Biehl, Schoenherr, Hogue, Wendt, Yoe
REJECTED TAX—Stepnitz, Priehs, Henderson, Hogue, Leonard, Lundy, Clyne, Sickelsteel
RESOLUTIONS—Neale, Hill, Kalahar, Powell, Stepnitz, Weymouth, Bailey, McGraw, Yoe
ROADS—Veryser, LaGodna, Lemmon, Beaubien, Henderson, Toles, Stepnitz, Shorkey, Oehmke, Miller
RADIO—Beaubien, Lemmon, Biehl, Hill, Schoenherr, Miller, Oehmke, Welsh
SHERIFF—Hogue, Hill, Henderson, Schoenherr, Veryser, Toles, Miller, Oehmke, Crissman, Wendt, Welsh
TOWNSHIP TAX—LaGodna, Powell, Priehs, Veryser, Henderson, Bock, Shorkey, Stout, McGraw
WELFARE—Henderson, Hill, LaGodna, Biehl, Lindsey, Beaubien, Kalahar, Miller, Lingemann
TREASURER—Toles, Powell, Priehs, Biehl, Kalahar, Hogue, Leonard, Bailey, Clyne, Lenders
JUDICIARY—Hill, Neale, Toles, Kalahar, Weymouth, Clark, Wendt, Yoe
DEFENSE—Lindsey, Kalahar, Miller, Lingemann, Stark, Sickelsteel
REGISTER OF DEEDS—Lingemann, Oehmke, Clark, Bailey
CO-ORDINATING ZONING — Stark, Powell, Lindsey
SERGEANT AT ARMS—Beaubien

NOTE The first name on the above committees is the respective chairman thereof, and in the absence thereof the second name acts, and likewise in the absence of the first two, the third name acts.

MACOMB COUNTY BOARD
OF
COUNTY CANVASSERS

Harold Donaldson ......................... Mt. Clemens
Louis Luchtman ......................... Washington
Mrs. Miriam Goldsmith ................... Mt. Clemens
Albert A. Wagner ......................... Mt. Clemens

COUNTY TAX ALLOCATION BOARD

William H. Nunneley, Chairman .... Mt. Clemens
Will L. Lee .......................... Mt. Clemens
Lynn Whalen .......................... Roseville
Gerald Smith .......................... St. Clair Shores
Frank Biehl ......................... Roseville
Frank Wiegand ........................ Warren
Thos. H. Scott, Statistician .... Mt. Clemens
Albert A. Wagner, Clerk .......... Mt. Clemens

SOCIAL WELFARE COMMISSION

Edw. J. Gallagher ..................... Chairman
Lyle E. Rosso ....................... Vice-Chairman
Isaac A. Hartung ................ Secretary

ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

Joseph V. Trombly ................ Probate Judge
Lynn Whalen .................. County Treasurer
Albert A. Wagner ............ County Clerk

PLAT BOARD

Aaron Burr ...................... Register of Deeds
Lynn Whalen .................. County Treasurer
Albert A. Wagner ............ County Clerk
JURY COMMISSIONERS

Ben Duengel ............................................. Richmond
Mrs. Pauline Rice ............................... East Detroit
Calvin Godley ........................................ Van Dyke
Harvey C. Whetzel .................................. Mt. Clemens
Orby Sweet .......................................... Utica
Grace Jones .......................................... R. 3, Mt. Clemens
Albert A. Wagner .............................. Secretary

NATURALIZATION

Final Hearings of Petitions on 4th Thursday of January, June and November.

COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Oscar D. Stryker, M.D. ......................... Director
Marvin L. Smith ................................. Sanitary Engineer
Marie Presley, R.N. .................. Supervisor of Nursing
Howard Rosso ................................. Business Mgr.

CONCEALED WEAPONS LICENSING BOARD

Fred Nicholson ................... Prosecuting Attorney
Harley Ensign ............................ Sheriff
Sgt. James VanLandegend, Michigan State Police
Albert A. Wagner, County Clerk

MACOMB COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD

Kenneth W. Hill, President ...... New Baltimore
Floyd W. Rosso ................................. Mt. Clemens
Allen Rush ................................... Romeo
Bert Will ...................................... New Haven
Fred MacArthur ........................... Mt. Clemens

MACOMB COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

B. A. Kalahar, Chairman .......... Center Line
Paul Cousino ................................. Warren
Omar Henderson .............................. Memphis
Marjorie Montgomery ................. Armada
Will L. Lee .................................. Mt. Clemens

EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT COMMISSION

Harry Schwaberow ......................... Mt. Clemens
Harry Cahill .................................. Mt. Clemens
Nelson Zott ................................ Center Line
Floyd W. Rosso .............................. Mt. Clemens
Frank Biehl ................................. Roseville
Grover Powell .............................. Washington

COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION

Wm. Malow .................................. Chairman
Karl O. Brink ................................. Engineer
Roy Connor ................................. Commissioner
Alfred Foerster ........................... Commissioner
Arnold F. Ullrich ........................... Secretary

COUNTY VALUATION

The assessed valuation of Macomb County:
1950 - $186,161,488.00
1951 - $210,772,713.00
OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF
MOUNT CLEMENS
1951-1952

Commissioner of Public Affairs .................. Dr. Philip T. Mulligan
Commissioner of Streets and Public Property .......... Ray Brandenburg
Commissioner of Finance .................. Paul G. Hogue
Commissioner of Public Safety .................. Lawrence Oehmke
Commissioner of Water Works and Sewers .......... Spencer Fenton
City Clerk ................................ Frederick Soule
Deputy City Clerk .................. Harold Lindsey
City Treasurer .................. Helen E. Miller
City Assessor and Welfare Director .................. Harold Lindsey
City Attorney .................. Hugh H. Neale
City Engineer .................. E. L. Pettingill
Supt. of Water Works and Sewers ............... Harry McEntee
Supt. of Filtration .................. Robert E. Hansen
Chief of Police .................. Harvey Hammond
Chief of Fire Department .............. Clayton Dubay
Health Officer .................. Dr. W. J. Kane
Supt. of Streets and Parks .......... Henry Bruneel
Director of Recreation ............... William Nowak
Electrical Inspector .................. Clyde B. Gass
Plumbing Inspector .................. Joseph H. Miller
Board of Review .................. Guy H. Verkler
       Byron Stuck
       John Schelling
Municipal Judge .................. Donald J. Parent
Associate Municipal Judge .... Frank E. Jeannette
Constable .................. John Miller
Dog Warden .................. Thomas Martin

OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF
EAST DETROIT
1951-1952

Mayor ........................................... Mildred B. Stark
City Manager .................. W. T. Williamson
City Clerk .................. Chas. H. Beaubien
City Treasurer .................. Esley J. Rausch
City Assessor .................. Charles H. Beaubien
City Attorney .................. Carl Weymouth
Police Chief .................. Lyman Eckhardt
Supt. of Public Works ............. Charles Paternoster
Electrical Inspector .................. Robert J. Kern
Plumbing Inspector .................. Ralph Ureel
Building Inspector .................. Paul F. Linenger
Health Officer .................. Dr. D. W. McKinley
Fire Chief .................. August Zado
Constable .................. Henry C. Hauss
Constable .................. Walter Beltz
Justice of the Peace .................. John McPherson
Justice of the Peace .................. Harold Heins
Supervisors .................. Mrs. Mildred Stark
       Chas. H. Beaubien
       Carl Weymouth
       Wm. D. Clyne
       Arthur J. Wendt
Councilmen .................. Joseph J. Wendt
       Carl Hollinger
       Walter Sullivan
       Jos. Burk
OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF
CENTER LINE
1951-1952

Mayor .......................... James L. Eisele
City Clerk ........................ Wm. Steinhaus
City Treasurer ..................... Wm. Steinhaus
City Assessor ...................... Wilbert F. Lundy
City Attorney ..................... Chas. A. Retzlaff
Health Officer ...................... Dr. Jas. W. Bryce
Councilmen ...................... Alex M. Schoenherr
Wilbert F. Lundy
Robert F. Stout
Andrew J. Mehall

Justice of the Peace ............ Irving D. Robinson
Fire Chief ........................ Nelson Bruechert
Police Chief ...................... Elmer G. Flechsig
Supt. of Water Dept. .......... Wm. Steinhaus
Supt. of D.P.W. ................. Wm. Steinhaus
Constable ......................... Charles E. Hamden
Supervisors ...................... Alex M. Schoenherr
B. A. Kalahar
Wilbert F. Lundy
Robert F. Stout

OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF
NEW BALTIMORE
1951-1952

Mayor .......................... Arthur Shorkey
Clerk ............................. Grace C. Balfour
Treasurer ........................ Irvin Fritz
Assessor .......................... Frank J. Smith
Justice of the Peace ............ Howard L. Clapp
Justice of the Peace ............ John Marsh

NEW BALTIMORE (Cont.)

Councilmen ...................... Philip Henderson
Fred Blay
Carl Berk
Elmer L. Skinner
Herman Staffhorst
Gilbert Matthews

Chief of Police .................... John S. Dye
Fire Chief ......................... Lloyd Beck
City Attorney ..................... Kenneth W. Hill
Supervisors ...................... Arthur Shorkey
Kenneth W. Hill

Water Commissioner ............. Wm. G. Baker
City Superintendent ............. Andrew Meldrum

OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF
ST. CLAIR SHORES
1951-1952

Mayor .......................... Robert Harrison
City Manager ...................... Adolph J. Koenig
City Clerk ........................ Ray MacArthur
Deputy City Clerk ................ William E. Ridal
Treasurer ........................ Lora L. Boyle
Assessor .......................... Adrian A. Lingemann
Attorney .......................... John H. Yoe
Councilmen ...................... Robert Harrison
Edward Brown
William Warfield
Nicholas Kerns
John Lenders
Milton Sicklesteel
Thomas Welsh
OFFICIALS OF THE CITY OF UTICA
1951-1952

Mayor .................................................. Howard G. Crissman
Clerk ................................................... E. W. Havel
Treasurer ................................................. Dora M. Hahn
Assessor ................................................ Luke E. Leonard
Justice of the Peace ............................... Jim McClellan, Jr.
Councilmen ................................. Stuart T. VanderVen
                                            Herman E. Bohlman
                                            Dr. Lee R. Edmonds
                                            Donald R. Havel
                                            Wm. A. Kraft, Sr.
                                            Herbert E. Doebler

Chief of Police .......................... Hazen S. Anderson
Fire Chief ........................................... Edward Stadler
Attorney .............................................. Geo. F. Roberts
Health Officer .................................. Dr. D. B. Wiley
Constables ......................................... Walter Kiekbusch
                                          Lawrence Winkelman

TOWNSHIP OFFICERS

ARMADA
Supervisor—W. A. Toles ............................ Romeo
Clerk—Raymond O. Schnell ........................... Armada
Treasurer—Carl Plauman ............................... Armada
Justices of the Peace
Orvy Hulett, Sr. ...................................... Armada
Edmund Durst ........................................ Armada
Wm. M. Rice ........................................... Armada
Eugene Kent .......................................... Armada

BRUCE
Supervisor—John M. Bailey ............................ Romeo
Clerk—Conrad Turrell ................................... Romeo
Treasurer—Hazel Kohlhagen .......................... Romeo
Justices of the Peace
James H. Reid ......................................... Romeo
Wilbert G. Donaldson .................................. Romeo
Albert E. Newman .................................... Romeo
Francis A. Castellucci .............................. Romeo

CHESTERFIELD
Supervisor—Adolph Veryser .......................... R. 3, Mt. Clemens
Clerk—Leo Blakely ................................. R. 1, New Baltimore
Treasurer—Carl A. Brandenburg .................... R. 3, Mt. Clemens
Justices of the Peace
Clarence W. Friday ................................ R. 1, New Baltimore
George C. Haase ...................................... R. 3, Mt. Clemens
Joseph Weisenberger ............................. R. 1, New Baltimore
Louis Thoel .......................................... R. 3, Mt. Clemens

CLINTON
Supervisor—Paul Stepnitz .......................... R. 1, Mt. Clemens
Clerk—Elmore Lester ..................... R. 7, Mt. Clemens
Treasurer—Arthur C. Leitz ...................... R. 1, Mt. Clemens
Justices of the Peace
Hugo Nieman ....................................... R. 1, Mt. Clemens
### CLINTON (Cont.)

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### HARRISON

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### MACOMB

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### RICHMOND

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History of Macomb County

By Desmond A. Arnsby
The Daily Monitor-Leader, Mount Clemens

The grim visages of Indians, and the rugged features of hardy pioneers gazing down in stony calm from the pinnacles of a million dollar Macomb County Building, symbolize 170 years of recorded history in this rich rural and urban area.

Once the happy hunting and fishing grounds of the Pottowattamies, the Ottawas, the Wyandottes and the Chippewas — and often their skirmishing place with the earliest settlers — the County of Macomb now belongs to the titans and workers of industry, the chieftains and clerks of business and those who wrest nature's bounty from the soil.

Co-owners are the more than 184,000 people who call it home: old and new Americans who enjoy Macomb County's living, culture, education, and recreation.

But long before Indians, pioneers or moderns existed, Macomb County was a part of the basin of glacial lakes which were the forerunners of the Great Lakes.

In this glacial period, the Mount Clemens of today was several hundred feet under water, possibly to a point halfway up the present County Building.

All but the northwest portion of Macomb County was a glacial lake, or a succession of gradually receding lakes that have left their record clear for geologists to read.

Romeo was the highest point of land. It doubtless emerged to face the silent, glacial world uncounted thousands of years before such places as St. Clair Shores, Roseville, East Detroit and Center Line were uncovered.

The gradual disappearance of the glaciers left their imprint in deep grooves which, until flood and erosion of recent years practically obliterated them, could still be "read" by experts along the banks of the Clinton River and in other places.

On their slow, grinding ascent to the lower areas that are now our lakes, these icy masses gouged out the clays of the glacial drifts, leaving still-evident ridges whose names have been applied to roads and landmarks.

They left for posterity a partly-flat and partly-undulating terrain, much of it clay on bed rock, surmounted by successive and deep deposits of gravel and sand formations. The West Utica area is a typical example of such deposits.

As the glacial water runoff increased, the varying stages of the level of the lake (St. Clair) left a series of beaches which have been catalogued by geologists.

The earliest discovered lake levels, characterized by distinct stages of gravel, coarse sand and fine sand, and extending well out from the lakeshore, were those of Lakes Whittlessey and Warren. Later, and closer to the present shoreline, were Lakes Elkton and Algonquin.

These latter lakes receded at Mount Clemens between the river and the lake to the east.

Lake Elkton left its beach marks along the east side of Gratiot avenue in Mount Clemens — a sharp incline still evident from Gratiot to the river banks.

Lake Algonquin's ancient sands may be found in Harrison and Clinton Townships, east and south of Harper and Crocker avenues.

Today, only the geologists can interpret this

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primeval story in the places civilization has left undisturbed by bulldozers and uncovered by concrete.

For the purpose of the record it might be well to summarize the evolution of Macomb County from territorial days to the present:

When Wayne County was established as a county in Michigan Territory in 1815, it included all that part of Michigan to which the Indian title had been extinguished, including our present Macomb County. Prior to that time (in 1805), the territorial government had been organized in Detroit under Gen. William Hull, the first governor, and it was he whose signature in 1807 voided Indian land titles.

By proclamation of Gov. Lewis Cass, on Jan. 15, 1818, all land ceded to the United States by the several Indian tribes from Maumee to White Rock was formed into the County of Macomb (See Terr. Laws Vol 2, Page 796).

William Brown, Henry J. Hunt and Conrad V. Ten Eyck were named commissioners to ascertain the most eligible site for the seat of justice. On March 11, 1818, they designated Mount Clemens, then on the Huron River, as the county seat. (Terr. Laws Vol. 3, Page 24)

On May 4, 1818, $400 was appropriated by the territorial legislature to aid in the erection of a courthouse and jail, which like other structures in the settlement, was a log building. (Terr. Laws, Vol. 3, Page 24)

Macomb County was the third county organized in Michigan; Wayne being organized in 1796 and Monroe in 1817.

Contradicting nature's routines, Macomb County started life as a veritable giant.

In 1818, at the time of its organization, Macomb County occupied the space now taken by the whole of Livingstone, Oakland, St. Clair and Lapeer Counties (and of course, the whole of Macomb) and most of Sanilac, Shiawassee, Genesee and Ingham Counties, and small part of Huron, Tuscola and Saginaw Counties, as we know them today.

By an executive proclamation made April 8, 1818, a month after the county seat was established, Gov. Cass divided this huge “county” into two townships. (Terr. Laws Vol 2, Page 797)

All of Macomb County which lay north of a line drawn due west from the mouth of Swan Creek was called St. Clair Township, and the land south of this line was called Huron Township.

On Aug. 12, 1818, the Township of Harrison was formed from territory within the Township of Huron (Terr. Laws Vol 2, Page 797), the new Harrison area being roughly the space, size and location of what we now call Macomb County. (It might be said that Macomb was first called Harrison.)

It was on Jan. 12, 1819 that the tremendous area of Macomb County was first lessened by the laying out of Oakland County. This was proclaimed in 1819, but did not take effect until Jan. 1, 1823. (Terr. Laws Vol 2, Page 798-9)

Perry Township was organized also on Jan. 12, 1819 (same reference) out of the Lapeer-Genessee area of Macomb. On March 28, 1820, St. Clair County was formed (Terr. Laws Vol. 2, Page 200) and with this subtraction from the once huge territory, Macomb County was reduced to the smallest extent in its history.

Two years later Sept. 10, 1822, Gov. Cass by proclamation re-established the boundaries of Macomb County, adding small amounts of territory at various points.
On July 17, 1824, the name of the Huron River was changed to the Clinton and in the same year, Huron Township, occupying extensively the district now often called "South Macomb" was changed to Clinton Township.

On April 12, 1827, a Legislative Act was passed dividing Macomb County into five townships: Harrison, Clinton, Shelby, Washington and Ray. (Terr. Laws Vol. 2, Pages 478-9)

In 1832 Ray Township was greatly enlarged to the east, embracing an area later to become Macomb, Richmond and Lenox Townships — the section covered by the latter three (prior to 1832) being part of St. Clair County.

On March 9, 1833, the northern half of Washington Township was formed into a new township named Bruce. (Terr. Laws Vol 3, Page 98)

On April 22, 1833, the northern part of Ray Township was formed into Armada Township, or "Armadia" as most of the early map-makers and writers termed it. (Terr. Laws Vol. 3, Page 124).

On March 1, 1834, Macomb Township was organized out of part of Clinton and Harrison. Ray Township was enlarged from its base line westward to lop off the entire upper part of Harrison Township (which took in all of what is now Lenox Township). (Terr. Laws Vol. 3 Page 1, 275).

On March 11, 1835, the lower part of Shelby Township was formed into a new township called Jefferson, where Sterling Township lies today. (Terr. Laws Vol 3, Page 1, 368).

By an act passed March 11, 1837, Hickory and Orange Townships were formed in the lower section of Clinton Township, which until Jefferson was formed was actually the original "South Macomb." (Laws of Michigan, 1837, Page 41).

The Township of Lenox was formed from the east part of Ray Township on March 20, 1837. (Laws of Michigan 1837, Page 140).

The village of Mount Clemens enjoyed the vague distinction of being incorporated twice. The first time, March 13, 1837 (Laws of Michigan, 1837, Page 61), was considered effective until some years later legal error was discovered in the proceedings. The community was then properly incorporated on April 4, 1851.

On March 6, 1838 legislative acts created the Township of Richmond from the east portion of Armada Township, and also changed the name of Jefferson to Sterling Township. (Laws of Michigan, 1838, Pages 78 and 83).

An act of April 2, 1838, removed some territory from Orange (Erin & Lake) and added it to Hickory (Warren Township), and also changed the name of Hickory to Aba Township. (Laws of Michigan, 1837-8, Page 158).

In 1840 came the historic debate in the Legislature concerning the rivalry of Romeo for Mount Clemens' county seat; a move that left the situation unchanged. Utica also contended for the county seat. It was also in 1840, following the debates, that a new courthouse was voted for Mount Clemens to replace the log structure which formerly existed. (The county seat dispute continued intermittently up to 1879).

By an act approved March 26, 1839, the name Aba Township (only one year old) was changed to Warren. And on Feb. 26, 1842, Macomb Township was divided into two equal parts to form Macomb and Chesterfield Townships.

In 1842, Section 36 was taken from Warren Township and added to Orange Township. On March 9, 1843 (Laws of Michigan, 1843, Page 198), the name of Orange was changed to Erin — a defiant gesture demanded by South of Ireland settlers.
The last remaining straightening of township lines took place under authority of Act 172, 1865, when Section 36 was detached from Erin and restored to Warren Township.

Thus — with the subsequent establishment of prospering villages and cities — we attain the Macomb County of today: 15 townships, six villages, six cities and a dozen well-populated hamlets which are villages and cities in the making.

In the latter connection, the Village of Roseville, with close to 16,000 population within its corporate limits, is a typical example. Village officials predict it will become a city before 1954.

The newest incorporation, that of St. Clair Shores during January, 1951, represents a thriving lakeshore city of almost 20,000 people where the original French hunters, fishermen and trappers established some 175 years ago.

But mere history as recorded in legislative acts is actually far from the true picture of Macomb County's historic past.

Even though the termination of the revolutionary war in 1783 established the English-American boundary line on the lake channel, English control continued in this area until 1796.

At that time, under Jay's Treaty, Detroit and other outposts south and west of the lakes were formally surrendered to the American forces. So actually, it was 1796 before Macomb County became part of the United States.

It was about 1796 that there was projected into this half-Indian, half-French settlement on the Huron River the energy and civic-mindedness of a man, Christian Clemens — whose name is perpetuated in the county seat. A Detroiter, he undertook a surveying trip for Gov. Cass, and sizing up the slightly elevated townsite that is now a city, he later purchased large private claims and called the settlement Mount Clemens. He built the first house on the westerly side of what is today North Broadway.

From 1818 to 1826 Macomb County was governed by a board of commissioners. The Board of Supervisors did not come into existence until 1827. In 1837 the county returned to the commission system, but by 1842 it had again reverted to a supervisors government.

The amount of governmental and legislative transactions covered by supervisors in those days may be gauged from the fact that the entire county proceedings from 1827 to 1837 required a book of only 55 pages written in longhand. (The minutes of one average meeting today, if written in longhand, would require this space.)

Meetings of the county board since the beginning have always been at the county seat in Mount Clemens; from log cabin to million-dollar County Building.

Mount Clemens underwent a vigorous stimulus in the middle 1830's (but one that bogged down in a state financial panic in the 1840's). The success of the Erie Canal; launching of the ill-fated Clinton-Kalamazoo Canal, and heavy Eastern settlement all contributed to put Mount Clemens on its economic feet. The community was platted and developed, with small businesses and industries being established in the downtown area as we know it.

In the 1850's attempts were made by local promoters to find oil in the black, ill-smelling waters that were often found by well-diggers. But the oil promotions failed. Frequently the flow was densely impregnated with salt, so promoters changed their plans and by evaporating the waters met with fair success in producing a low-grade salt.

The story has been told and re-told of an
old, rheumatic horse, unfit for work, that wandered under one of the dripping, elevated salt tanks used in the process. The animal allowed the mineral water to saturate its hide, even rolled in the muddy puddles on the ground.

Within a short time, old settlers recall, the nag was galloping around with a new lease on life.

Heal-seeking residents timidly tried bathing in the waters, with excellent results. In 1875 a small bathhouse was built, and the rest of the story is history — a million-dollar industry that attracts patrons from every state and country.

About the same time as the mineral bath industry got under way to a humble start, the floral industry came into being, largely through the Breitmeyer family. Today, its valuation is in the millions of dollars, and a half-dozen greenhouses annually produce blooms in the tens of millions for shipment throughout the United States.

The heavier industries play a major role in Mount Clemens productivity: the long-established Mount Clemens Pottery, Ironrite Ironer, Inc., and the Electromaster Division of Philco are the “Big Three” of a thriving family of manufacturing concerns.

But no record should be closed without particular mention of the growing might of South Macomb as an industrial giant, particularly Warren Township, once known by the rustic name of “Hickory.” Warren Township’s industry now flourishing, reached its proudest height during World War II when it was termed “The Heart of the Arsenal of Democracy.”

Two fully-equipped war plants estimated in value at $100,000,000 each were the major establishments, surrounded by a diadem of lesser, but no less vigorous factories. They produced a tremendous share of the weapons of war, and today practically all are forging the plowshares of peace, but ready, at an instant’s notice, to speed arms and armaments to wherever America might need them.

Warren Township’s original settlement of war plants has now broadened to a diversity of automotive and industrial factories which represent the hub of Detroit’s production might.

Factory, store and residential expansion in South Macomb sent building permits to an all-time high of $38,000,000 in 1950, and the growth continues. Large tracts of land are at a premium. One immense new factory is currently being constructed on Van Dyke north of Utica.

The “Hickory Township” of 1838, now Warren Township, today has an assessed valuation above $70,000,000.

The establishment of Selfridge Field, Mount Clemens, as the home of the First Pursuit Group of the Army Air Corps in 1917 was the beginning of a modern-day U.S. Air Force establishment second to none in strategic importance. It is now the nation’s leading military center for jet-propelled fighter planes, and its widespread installations are valued in the tens of millions of dollars. It is a vital key in Uncle Sam’s tactical fighter defense against inter-continental attack.

Between 3,000 and 4,000 military personnel are covered by its annual $15,000,000 payroll, most of which is spent within 10 miles of the base.

Today, thanks to a well-balanced combination of all factors in the urban-rural economy of Macomb County, there has developed a prosperous territory with an official 1950 census population of more than 184,000; an area growing daily with great expectations.

Its valuation is more than $210,000,000. Its total annual county budget is in excess of $1,000,-
000. Its governmental and administrative functions are largely centered in a pretentious Macomb County Building, fully paid for, which today would cost far in excess of a million dollars to construct.

In the latter connection, three other current public projects are viewed with pride by Macomb County:

(1) The Martha T. Berry Memorial Hospital for indigents, a fully-modern, 100-bed structure, was opened in 1950. It is the state's most modern convalescent hospital. Built and equipped at a cost of approximately $750,000 it was fully paid for on its completion date.

(2) The long-planned Clinton River Spillway, at Mount Clemens, is due to be opened this summer (1951). The canal, 200 feet wide and with a mean depth of 23 feet, will carry high river water 214 miles eastward to the lake at a maximum of 11,000 cubic feet per second. U.S. Engineers are convinced the approximately $2,000,000 federal-aid project is the solution to the disastrous floods of several decades.

(3) In a once-useless, marshy area of Harrison Township, near Huron Pointe, the five-county Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority has constructed for public use a multi-million-dollar lakeshore development, the St. Clair Metropolitan Beach. It is a 550-acre landscaped area complete with modern buildings but with nature's beauty undisturbed. Its curving, sandy beach is 6,000 feet long and 550 feet deep, the mammoth enterprise can provide recreation for 60,000 persons daily.

Progress constantly has spurred on both the governing bodies and the people of Macomb County, with improvement following improvement despite changing economic conditions. (The majestic County Building was conceived and completed in the throes of a major depression.)

Macomb County's land area, 481,000 square miles, is the home of 184,561 persons, according to the 1950 U.S. Decennial Census. The county's population growth of 71 per cent since 1940 (107,638) is the largest of any county in Michigan. Its only rivals are within its own boundaries:

The City of East Detroit grew 149 per cent in ten years from 8,584 to 21,273; Center Line 139 percent from 3,198 to 7,843; Shelby Township 101 per cent from 2,946 to 5,928; Warren Township 94 per cent from 21,544 to 41,793; St. Clair Shores 90 per cent from 10,405 to 19,785; Chesterfield Township 86 per cent from 2,004 to 3,723 and the Village of Fraser 83 per cent from 747 to 1,369.

Ample room for future expansion is assured by Macomb County's population density ratio of 383 people per square mile, as compared to Wayne County's 3,988 and Oakland's 449 in the same area.

Volumes could be written of the great wave of progress sweeping across the countryside where once the Wyandottes and the Chippewas camped, and to which came the French pioneers and the Eastern settlers to carve homes from the wilderness.

Possibly this brief sketch, which scarcely raises the dust from history's rich records, will inspire further research by those to whom Macomb County is home.

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Were half the power that fills the world
with terror,
Were half the wealth bestowed on camps
and courts,
Given to redeem the human mind from
error,
There were no need of arsenals or
forts.

(Longfellow)