

The LAST time they closed the Houghton County Jail



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History (ancient)



The Houghton County Courthouse was dedicated July 28, 1887; it contained the jail. In July 1960 the Circuit Court ordered the jail closed within seven months due to

- lack of fire protection and escape routes,
- lack of segregation of prisoners with different criminal offenses,
- inadequate female facilities and
- insufficient ventilation.

Two millage votes were held, both of which failed (Nov. 8, 1960, and Jan. 16, 1961)

The jail closed on Feb. 20, 1961, necessitating transfer of all prisoners to Marquette and Baraga, and incurring for the county exorbitant costs for housing and processing of prisoners.

This situation only resolved when a millage for the current jail passed on Aug. 7, 1962, with the jail opening in **1963**.

DMG 1960-July-11 Jail closure “Unfit for use”

vice-presidential nominee, followed by acceptance speech by presidential nominee.

Court Closes County Jail, Unfit for Use

The Department of Corrections instituted proceedings for an injunction preventing Houghton County from using its jail for human occupancy this morning at a hearing held in the court house.

Attending the hearing were W. H. Nestle, Inspector for the Dept. of Corrections and Perry Maynard Sr., Assistant Attorney General.

Accordingly, a permanent injunction will be granted effective seven months from the issuance of the decree.

The Honorable Leo J. Brennan, Circuit Judge of Houghton County, after listening to proof presented, found that the following conditions exist in the present jail, built in 1886:

Due to wood construction adjoining the jail, there is a fire hazard to the prisoners should a fire start anywhere in the building. All exits to free the prisoners would be cut off.

There is segregation between male and female prisoners, but no segregation exists between first offenders and "hardened" inmates. There is also no segregation between persons awaiting trial and those who are confined to the jail.

In addition to inadequate plumbing, the jail walls show cracks and must be tied together with steel rods. The office space has also been termed inadequate.

The present jail has no matron and no room for interagation of prisoners. The proofs also show that the jail is insecure for the purpose of visitation.

In closing, Judge Brennan commented that the conditions found in the present setup of the jail were deplorable and that the electorate and taxpayers should be given the opportunity of passing on the question.

Johnson Backers

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 Millage being sought

C.C. Socials

Mrs. Nels A. Nelson and Miss Bobbie Fonger of Travis, Calif., are visiting at the home of Miss Hannah Nelson in Houghton.

Mrs. Harry N. Karger, of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., has arrived in Houghton to spend the summer at their home in Upland Road. She will be joined by her husband in a week.

Mrs. Ruth Young Briegel and family, of Saginaw, are visiting relatives and friends in the Copper Country.

Visiting at the Lawrence Kaifesh home are Matt Kaifesh, Mr. and Mrs. Larry Monacelli (Rose) and sons of Detroit and Edward Kaifesh and Mr. and Mrs. Flory Lavata and children of West Allis, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnson of Detroit are vacationing at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gust Johnson of Calumet.

Mrs. Henry Trathen and Mrs. Sara Singleton returned from Sault Ste. Marie where they attended the funeral of their brother, Ben Currie.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Becia of Houghton returned home recently after visiting the P. A. Tyler of Joplin, Mo. Mrs. Tyler is the former Mary Becia.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Lehtinen and daughter, Lee Ann, and Mrs. Waino Lehtinen returned from Detroit where they visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Holappa of Hancock and granddaughter, Carol Holappa, of Camp Campbell, Ky., returned from a six week's trip to Seattle, Wash., where they visited at the homes of their children, Marvin Holappa and Mrs. William Anderson. Prior to her trip out west, Mrs. Holappa made a trip to Camp Campbell, Ky., to visit her son, M. Sgt. Ray Holappa, and family. Carol will spend the rest of the summer visiting relatives in the Copper Country.

Mrs. Arvid Jarvi of Grosse Pointe Wood is visiting her mother, Mrs. Emma Lundholm of Hancock. She will be in the Copper Country for several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wendel and sons and Mrs. Peter Houle and children of Flint and John Masoglia Jr. of Massena, N.Y., are in Calumet to attend the funeral of their grandmother, Mrs. Mary Ricca.

Edwin Spiegel of Paavola is a surgical patient at the St. Joseph Medical Center.

Mr. and Mrs. William Sleeman and son, Billy, of Trimountain, left for Detroit where they expect to locate.

Forty Boy Scouts And Explorers Camp at Red Buck

Forty scouts and Explorers from the Hiawathaland Council, Boy Scouts of America, camped at Camp Red Buck, near Munising this weekend. They held their Pre-Jamboree training prior to departure for the Colorado Springs event July 17.

Troop leaders who attended with the Scouts were Edward McNamara of St. Ignace, Scoutmaster of the Jamboree Troop; Harry

County Supervisors

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To date, the clinic has engaged a psychologist and is scheduled to open between Sept. 1 and Oct. 1 of this year, Donnelly said.

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He thanked the supervisors for their cooperation in helping the local farmers develop a better marketing process. Farmers need to know more today, he said, because farming has become more complicated.

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Calumet

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News of Local

DMG 1960 July 19
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In other business acted upon or discussed by the supervisors:

The Building and Welfare committees, meeting Monday afternoon, were shown proposed remodel-

ing changes at the Houghton County Hospital.

The Building committee authorized the changes at a cost of \$13,000, the money to be transferred from the jail fund. The monies will be put back into the fund at a later date.

Brought up for discussion was the proposal that the 550 acres of farm land adjoining the County Hospital be put up for sale so that the county may realize income from these lands. A minimum bid of \$3,000 would be asked.

Permission will also be sought from the Welfare Commission to tear down the old buildings on the land, already termed a fire hazard, to save on insurance costs.

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Absentee Ballots Delayed Pending OK on E. C. Keyes

Absentee voters' ballots, normally released by local clerks around July 13, have been delayed and will not be available until a much later date, according to Houghton County Clerk Edward Tambellini.

The primary reason listed for the delay is to await a State Supreme Court ruling on whether Dr. Eugene C. Keyes will get a place on the Aug. 2 primary ballot as a Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor.

Last Friday, Ingham County Circuit Judge Louis E. Coash submitted a report to the high court, summarizing hearings he conducted on the sufficiency of Keyes' petitions.

The decision as to whether or not to print ballots is a problem to all of Michigan's counties, Clerk Tambellini said. However, since time must be allowed for printing, Houghton County has sent its ballots to the printers.

Each ballot must be run individually through the printing press with a large quantity of the work performed by hand labor.

Should Keyes' name be certified to be placed in the primary, then stickers bearing his name will have to be placed on each ballot printed, Tambellini said.

KC's Enjoy Annual Picnic Atop Goat Hill

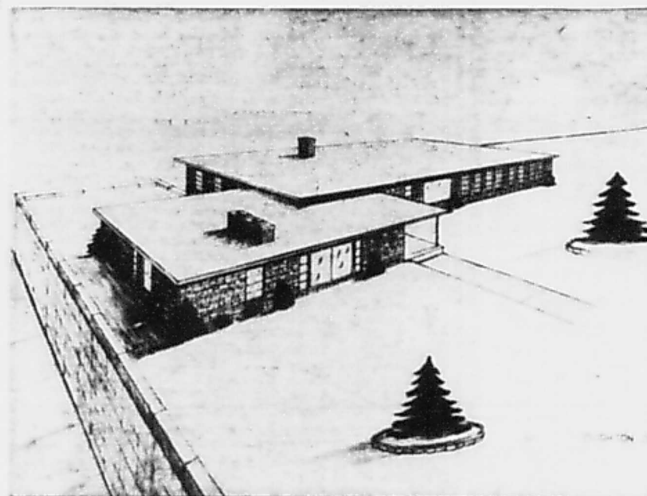
Hancock Council, Knights of Columbus held their annual picnic on Goat Hill north of Ripley Tuesday evening.

Danny Paul Lorenzetti furnished accordion music, a feature at this

DMG 1960 Nov 03 millage described
1 mill

Thursday, November 3, 1960

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THIS IS THE ARCHITECT'S SKETCH of the proposed new Houghton County jail to be located east of the Court House. The sheriff's quarters, located on the left, will be connected to the jail proper. The 153 by 48-foot-wide building will cover an area of 7,278 square feet.

Proposal One Will Add 1 Mill, Build New Jail

Proposal No. 1 on the Houghton County ballot at next Tuesday's election will ask the taxpayers' approval of a one-mill increase in the current tax on the equalized value of property in the county for five years for the purpose of building a new jail.

Welden Trevathan, chairman of the building committee for the Houghton County Board of Supervisors, says, "The state says we must build a jail or pay for the confinement of prisoners outside of Houghton County in a place acceptable to the state. As we have no choice, we, as supervisors for the county, want to present to the taxpayers in the most economic way the cost of construction of a jail. This is the one-mill levy for five years. After careful study, we feel the chance is obvious—building a new jail is the cheapest way out."

He explained that William H. Nestle of the Michigan Corrections Commission said that if the county shows good faith in its jail construction efforts, the county may continue to use the current jail until the new one is completed.

On July 19 of this year, an order was issued in Circuit Court in Houghton County which will close the doors of the present county jail on Feb. 19, 1961, unless the County shows that it will take action.

Should the additional millage be voted down next Tuesday by County taxpayers, the closing of the jail will necessitate transferring of prisoners to approved jails in other counties—Keweenaw, Baraga—or when these are full, as far as Ontonagon or Marquette.

At the present rent of about \$5 per day for men, and \$8 for women prisoners, plus the bill for trans-

porting prisoners, sometimes necessitating two and three trips per person, to and from these distant jails and to court hearings and back at 15 cents each mile, plus the cost of additional deputies and automobiles which would be necessary, it has been estimated that the yearly loss to the county would amount to \$35,000.

And, should the proposition be voted down, another alternative to be faced, it is pointed out, the Supervisors could—under the authority plan—build a new jail anyway, and pay for it by issuing bonds. The interest alone estimated to reach \$110,000 in 10 years.

The alternative is to remodel the old jail, which would cost about 75 per cent of the cost of a new jail, an expenditure that "would only be postponing the inevitable," County officials point out.

The present county jail was condemned by the State on several counts:

It is a fire trap. It has only one exit, which would be blocked should a fire break out in the court house or sheriff's office.

The boiler room is directly under the jail.

Prisoners cannot be segregated, mental patients and juveniles, hardened criminals and first offenders awaiting trial all are thrown in together in two 20-man cells.

There is only one toilet and one shower—no wash basin—in each block.

The woman's section is equally bad.

Lack of ventilation adds to the hazard of an epidemic.

A new jail will cost an estimated \$250,000. This would be paid off by 1965 by the additional one mill asked by Proposition No. 1 on

Tuesday's ballot.

The choice is up to the voters of Houghton County.

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"The Four Skulls of
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MTB

DMG 1960 Nov 04
advertisement (pg5) for
11/8/1960 millage

Shall the tax rate of Houghton County, over and above the highest rate of taxation now effective therein, be increased one tenth (1/10) of one percent (1%) or one (1) mill upon the equalized value of the property in Houghton County during each one of the years 1961, 1962, 1963, 1964 and 1965. The sum of money so derived from said increased millage shall be earmarked and placed in a special fund and used solely and exclusively by the County of Houghton for the purpose of erection and construction of a new Houghton County jail and for no other purpose.

Friday, November 4, 1960

THE DAILY MINING GAZETTE, HOUGHTON, MICHIGAN

FIVE

The STATE orders: "BUILD A NEW JAIL or pay for one anyhow!"



This is an architect's drawing of the proposed new Houghton County jail — to be located on the present court house property directly east of the court house. The main building — the jail proper — will be 153 feet long by 48 feet wide, with an area of 7278 square feet. The sheriff's quarters at the left will be 32 x 51 feet and will be connected with the jail area. The building is so designed that if and when a new court house is built, the present structure would become a part of it.

On July 19, 1960 in the Circuit Court in Houghton County, an order was issued to close the Houghton County Jail seven months after date of the order.

This followed thorough studies of the jail by the Michigan State Corrections department. The findings were beyond any argument. Houghton County must provide safer, more sanitary, 20th century-standard quarters for prisoners and for others who may be only temporarily held by the sheriff.

... or else!

The order was positive — and remains in effect right now! Unless the County shows that it will take action, the Houghton County jail will be emptied and the doors closed Feb. 19, 1961.

Prisoners will have to be transferred to approved jails in other counties — Keweenaw, Marquette, and some even to Ontonagon and Marquette.

Houghton County will pay the board and "room" and guard costs that each of these counties may charge. These costs are now about \$5.00 per day for men and \$8.00 for women prisoners.

Houghton County will have to pay the cost of transporting prisoners to and from these outside jails when arrests are made.

Houghton County will have to pay the cost of transporting prisoners from these jails to court hearings and back again — sometimes two or three trips per prisoner.

The round trip mileage on these trips would be from 60 to 200 miles each, depending on the county in which the prisoners were housed. Additional deputies and automobiles would be necessary.

In a few short years, the cost would be many times the cost of a new jail — and would go on indefinitely!

The choice must be made by the voters of Houghton County on Tuesday, Nov. 8. It's a case of BUILD — OR ELSE!

DO WE HAVE A CHOICE IN COSTS?

We can clearly choose the price we are willing to pay for the care of Houghton County prisoners.

The cost of a new jail is estimated at 250,000. This could be paid off in five years by a 1-mill tax if we vote for the Supervisors' proposal. Our sheriff's department regular costs would remain at the present basis both during this time and on into the future.

This is the lowest cost plan.

If we turn down the 1-mill levy, the Supervisors could build the new jail on the authority plan. They would have to issue bonds. The interest alone on such bonds is estimated to reach \$110,000 in 10 years! This

would be IN ADDITION to the \$250,000 which you would pay anyway.

Remodeling the old jail would be a questionable makeshift at best—and has been estimated to cost 75% of the cost of a new jail. At some future date, this expenditure could turn out to be a total loss.

Transporting prisoners to outside county jails would cost an estimated \$35,000 a year EXTRA—a total loss to Houghton County that could go on indefinitely.

The choice of costs is obvious—building a new jail is the cheapest way out.

WHAT SHALL WE DO ABOUT IT?

Here is what we as decent citizens

CAN DO!

We can oust our prejudices and face the facts before us

We can cut out the irresponsible thought and talk that all prisoners are thieves, drunks, and bums. Newspapers daily tell of even lawyers, doctors, merchants, and "chiefs" who find themselves in cells. A very respectable citizen involved in a serious accident may find himself in jail. Mental patients—people who are as definitely sick as if they had a fever—are often held in jail for days, because there is no other place to hold them until they can be placed in hospitals. Youngsters, sometimes unwittingly overstepping the bounds of "pranks," may be "cooled" behind the bars with hardened criminals.

ALL PRISONERS ARE NOT "JAILBIRDS" TO BE THROWN INTO DUNGEONS!

We know that with the world what is, we can't get along without a jail.

Our present jail has been condemned by people who know what jails must be.

We can take our choice of plans, as outlined in the column at the left.

We can also take our choice of the costs involved.

Our supervisors in Houghton County have studied the facts for months. They suggest the lowest cost plan—to build our own new jail.

They ask our approval of this plan on Nov. 8 through our vote. FOR the Proposition, that is reproduced below. It is a sound plan. It will save us money. It merits our "YES" vote!

reasons WHY

- The jail is a fire trap. A fire in the court house or sheriff's quarters would block the only exit from the jail.
- The boiler room is directly under the jail.
- Prisoners cannot be segregated. Drunks and disorderly inmates, mental patients, murderers, and juveniles—all are now thrown together into two 20-man cages.
- There is only one toilet and one shower—but no wash basin—in each 20 man block.
- The women's section is equally bad.
- Space per prisoner is below all reasonable standards. Lack of ventilation adds to epidemic hazards.
- Whatever one on the "outside" may think of prisoners, the Houghton County jail is as outdated and inhumane as the ancient torture rack and the burning stake!

Let's Build a Jail that Clears our Conscience!

On November 8

Vote for the Plan that will cost less —

Vote humanitarian —

Vote for

PROPOSITION NO. 1

OFFICIAL BALLOT

County of Houghton

State of Michigan

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 1960

INSTRUCTIONS

To vote in favor of the proposition, make a cross (X) in the square "1" in front of the word "YES". To vote against the proposition, make a cross (X) in the square "2" in front of the word "NO". Before leaving the ballot, fold the ballot so that the face of the ballot is not exposed and so that the numbered corner is visible.

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☒ YES

☐ NO

(PRINTED BY AUTHORITY)

Vote YES on Proposition No. 1

DMG 1960 Nov 09 millage loses (1st try)

Yes	6,389 (46%)
No	7,369 (54%)
Total	13,758

Houghton Co. Jail Proposal Loses by 980

Less than 1,000 votes made the difference between approving the proposal to build a new Houghton County jail and disapproving the same.

Houghton County citizens at the polls Tuesday voted 7,369 against the proposal and 6,389 voted for it.

The negative balloting means that no immediate action will be taken toward the construction of the proposed new jail.

Representatives of the board of supervisors this morning indicated, however, that the electorate might not have understood fully the serious plight in which the county finds itself by turning down the county jail proposal.

There is every indication, it was learned, that the proposal may be submitted again through special election or on the occasion of the annual spring balloting.


It was alleged, also, that a complete court house building might be involved in forthcoming proposals brought up for supervisors' discussion.

DMG 1961 Jan 12 Sheriff speaks to the Calumet-Laurium Rotary

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County told the Calumet
Laurium Rotary Club
Wednesday noon why the voters
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He cited the present conditions
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Monday.

Thursday, January 12, 1961



DOELLE SCHOOL STUDENTS toured the institution's regular field excursion near the Gazette's scanner, a picture Nurkkala explain the machine's activity.

Calumet-Laurium

Sheriff Ray Smith Tells Jail Problem To C-L Rotarians

Sheriff Ray Smith of Houghton County told the Calumet-Laurium Rotary Club Wednesday noon why the voters of Houghton County will be asked a second time to vote on the proposition for a new jail.

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Dr. Kenneth Rowe, chairman of the 1961 Timers - June - All-Stars hockey game to be played in the Calumet Armory on Jan. 18, took a poll of the Rotary to learn how the ticket sales were going.

It was indicated that a good turnout of fans will be present for the contest at starting time of 7:30 p.m. Coach Joseph Savini has his boys in daily training and fans are promised hockey, reminiscent of the good old days.

A feature of the contest will be a skating exhibition "Tea for Two" between periods by Susan and Rosalie Peterson.

A car donated by the Public Chevrolet Sales will be presented to a lucky hockey fan.

All monies received from the game will be placed in the Rotary Youth Activity Fund.

Mr. Rahn of Two Rivers, Wis., and Dr. Raymond Wargelin of Houghton, were guests.

Smoking was led by J. Gustaf Ersson with James T. Gray accompanying.

(Legal Advertisement)

Charter No. 9087

REPORT OF COACHES

DMG 1961 Jan 12

Special election Monday

Thursday, January 12, 1961

Special Election On Jail Monday

At a special election on Monday, the Houghton County Board of Supervisors will ask qualified voters to reconsider and approve a proposal for the new Houghton County jail.

Since the general election in November, when the proposition was defeated, the supervisors have made a concerted effort to explain to taxpayers the merit of the 3-mill levy for a period of five years in order to raise \$250,000 for the new structure, and have encouraged citizens to attend the supervisors' meetings.

On July 19, 1960, the Houghton County Circuit Court on behalf of the Michigan Department of Corrections issued an order to close the present jail for human habitation on Feb. 19, 1961, unless the county shows that action will be taken to correct existing conditions in meet with state regulations concerning such buildings. If the county shows good faith in its efforts towards construction of a new jail, it will be permitted to use the present jail until the new one is completed.

Condemnation proceedings and subsequent court order for closing the 15-year-old jail are based on these findings:

The jail is a serious fire hazard, the floors in the building, with the exception of the jail proper, are constructed of wooden material. If fire should break out, exit from the cell block would be cut off.

While there is segregation between male and female prisoners, there is no segregation between first offenders and hardened criminals or between those awaiting trial and those serving sentence or awaiting transfer to prison.

The plumbing is antiquated and in poor condition.

The walls are cracked and are presently tied together with steel rods at the second floor.

Office space is inadequate.

There is no paid matron at the jail as required by present regulations.

There is no interrogation room for the questioning of prisoners.

There is no security from people visiting inmates as this has to be done through the jail door or visitors must be permitted to go in to the cell block with the prisoners.

There are no facilities for watching prisoners with visitors.

The question being put to the voters is not whether or not the taxpayers should do something about the jail as much as it is, "Which cost do we choose to pay?"

According to the supervisors, who feel their millage plan would be the most economical means to solve a makeshift problem.

The supervisors have studied the problem from every angle. They have found that a new jail is the lowest cost answer.

If the 3-mill is not approved on Monday, the supervisors face two alternatives. The first is to secure lodging for violators in neighboring counties. Cost of lodging, transportation, something necessary two and three trips per person, plus additional deputies and automobiles, would cost an estimated \$35,000 extra a year for an indefinite amount of time to be

drawn from an already shaky general budget.

The other alternative the supervisors could adopt would be the authority plan by which bonds would be issued. The interest on the bonds for 15 years would cost more than \$100,000 over and above the actual cost of the jail. This measure, it is pointed out by the board, could necessitate an increased property valuations to meet the cost of the bonds and interest.

The plans drawn for the new jail provide only for prisoner security, health and safety as demanded by the state. The building is so designed that it can be made a part of a new court house at any time in the future. The sheriff's new quarters are also plain in design and include the jail kitchen.

Taxpayers are urged by their supervisors to contact them regarding the proposal and facts pertaining to the new jail and its cost if they haven't already done so.

Councilman Could Have Right Answer To Telephone Woes

EATONTOWN, N.J. (AP) — Councilman Joseph Kellenyi of the Eatontown Borough Council suggests the following course of action when John Q. Citizen phones public officials at 2 a.m. with a problem:

"Take his number and say you'll call him back," Kellenyi told the council recently.

"Then set your alarm for 3:30. When it rings, phone Mr. Citizen and give him his answer. It works very effectively."

The United States government's first plane was purchased from the Wright brothers in 1909.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

STATE OF MICHIGAN
In the Matter of the Estate of John F. Sullivan, Deceased.

A notice of said Court held on the 11th day of January, 1961.

Present, Honorable Joseph M. Donnelly, Judge of Probate.

Notice is hereby given, That the petition of John F. Sullivan, praying that the administration of said estate be granted to F. Joseph Sullivan, or to some other suitable person, and that the term of said decedent be determined will be heard at the Probate Court on January 1, 1961, at 10:00 a.m.

It is ordered, That notice thereof be given by publication of a copy thereof for three consecutive times, previous to said day of hearing, in the DAILY MINING GAZETTE, and that the petitioner cause a copy of this notice to be served upon each known party interested in the said estate, either by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, at least fourteen (14) days prior to said hearing, or by personal service at least five (5) days prior to said hearing.

JOSEPH M. DONNELLY
Judge of Probate

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A true copy.

JOSEPH M. DONNELLY
Register of Probate

EDWARD W. MARGENTHAU
Attorney for Estate

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Notice is hereby given, That the petition of Edward J. Young, praying that the administration of said estate be granted to him, or to some other suitable person, and that the term of said decedent be determined will be heard at the Probate Court on January 1, 1961, at 10:00 a.m.

It is ordered, That notice thereof be given by publication of a copy thereof for three consecutive times, previous to said day of hearing, in the DAILY MINING GAZETTE, and that the petitioner cause a copy of this notice to be served upon each known party interested in the said estate, either by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, at least fourteen (14) days prior to said hearing, or by personal service at least five (5) days prior to said hearing.

JOSEPH M. DONNELLY
Judge of Probate

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LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

STATE OF MICHIGAN
In the Matter of the Estate of John F. Sullivan, Deceased.

A notice of said Court held on the 11th day of January, 1961.

Present, Honorable Joseph M. Donnelly, Judge of Probate.

Notice is hereby given, That the petition of John F. Sullivan, praying that the administration of said estate be granted to F. Joseph Sullivan, or to some other suitable person, and that the term of said decedent be determined will be heard at the Probate Court on January 1, 1961, at 10:00 a.m.

It is ordered, That notice thereof be given by publication of a copy thereof for three consecutive times, previous to said day of hearing, in the DAILY MINING GAZETTE, and that the petitioner cause a copy of this notice to be served upon each known party interested in the said estate, either by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, at least fourteen (14) days prior to said hearing, or by personal service at least five (5) days prior to said hearing.

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SPECIAL ELECTION MONDAY, JAN. 16

County Supervisors Ask Voters to Reconsider and Pass Proposal for New Jail

Taxpayers Are Offered Lowest Cost Plan

On November 8 the voters of Houghton County turned down the proposition to build a new County Jail as ordered by the Michigan State Department of Corrections. Some people didn't believe that our jail was a disgrace (they have never visited it!); some people spread false stories about the "swanky sheriff's residence" that is proposed (how many of THEM would like the coldly plain, jail-connected rooms that are ACTUALLY planned for the sheriff's living quarters?); some people thought that an old school building could be remodeled into a jail (the State Inspector thinks otherwise); some people thought that a new court house should have been included in the proposal (would 1,000,000.00 be easier to raise than \$250,000?). Some people just didn't believe that the State meant business

(the Court order is positive).

The Board of Supervisors believes that if the people of Houghton County really know the facts, they will vote for the small 1-mill tax for five years to build a jail as demanded by the State. This is only \$1 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation.

Therefore, they have called a special election for Monday, Jan. 16 to permit voters to reconsider their earlier action. On these pages they present the facts just as they are. Anyone can check them with his own supervisor. There is no way in which Houghton County can continue to use its present jail. The supervisors are presenting the most economical plan for solving the problem. They ask the voters also to back the plan that will cost the least.

Our Choice Is Only On How Much We Will Pay

The Question before the voters is not whether or not we should do something about the county jail. That question has been settled by the State of Michigan. WE MUST DO something or the jail will be closed February 19. The question is simply, "Which cost do we choose to pay?"

(1) If Houghton County must use the jails of the adjacent counties, the cost of prisoners' board and room and transportation is estimated at \$35,000 extra a year—indefinitely. This money would have to come from the general budget. There is no surplus in this budget. The money would have to be taken away from other departments of the county which are already operating on rock bottom basis. Even if the money were available, it would be foolishly spent because we would be paying for a new jail without getting it.

(2) If the Board of Supervisors is forced to adopt the Authority Plan—which it can do—the interest on the bonds for 15 years would cost more than \$100,000 additional—over and above the actual cost of the jail, plus legal fees and other expenses. Even more important, ALL PROPERTY VAL-

UATIONS WOULD HAVE TO BE RAISED to meet the cost of the bonds and interest. ALL OTHER REAL ESTATE TAXES in the county would then be AUTOMATICALLY INCREASED on the basis of this increased valuation.

(3) The plan that the Supervisors propose is the cheapest way out. The cost of the jail project is \$250,000, including interest, and also including the cost of converting the old jail and sheriff's office into much needed court house space.

The jail plans are simple. They provide only the prisoner security, health, and safety as demanded by the State. The building is designed so that it can be made a part of a new court house at any time in the future.

The sheriff's quarters are plain, inside and out, and are merely a part of the jail, including the jail kitchen.

Houghton County Supervisors' Plan Aims to Save Taxpayers' Money

Every member of the Houghton County Board is a taxpayer himself—every member knows what tax increases mean to himself and to those whom he represents. That is why Board members look for the best and most economical way to do what is necessary for the County—just as they now have regarding the jail.

The State has condemned the present jail and ordered it to be closed Feb. 19.

The Supervisors have studied the jail

problem from every angle. They have found that a new jail is the lowest cost answer. They have also found that the least expensive way to pay for a new jail is through a 1-mill tax for five years. This assures the most for the taxpayers' money. It cuts out all possible extra costs—and IT DOESN'T UPSET THE REGULAR ASSESSED VALUATION OF THE COUNTY.

The Supervisors know that this plan will save taxpayers money. It will cost the least. They ask the voters to approve their plan on Monday, Jan. 16.

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Jail to meet State's basic requirements

Friday, January 13, 1961

Costs Defined

Jail To Meet State's Basic Requirements

In offering the 1-mill proposition to the voters on Monday, the Houghton County Board of Supervisors said it is complying with the minimum requirements in state-approved plans for a new county jail. The 1-mill represents \$1 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation, with the debt to be retired in five years.

With the \$250,000 which voters are being asked to approve, the county would erect a 156-by-48-foot jail and sheriff's quarters, which will cover an area of 7,528 square feet. The plans are considered basic and plain.

The proposed new jail contains 24 cells. Though the state inspector suggested that the county consider 40 cells in the new plans, this figure, by compromise, was cut to 24, the minimum required by the code which the Board of Supervisors must follow.

Also included in the proposed plans, to conform with the state order, will be an interrogation room to offer privacy for questioning, as well as a visiting room for relatives and friends. Currently visitors have to converse through the cell door or be admitted into the cell.

The cells for both men and women would be constructed of concrete walls which will cut down on sound from adjacent cells and afford complete privacy.

To meet building specifications a five foot corridor has been designed to surround the cell blocks. The supervisors point out that this corridor tends to make the building appear larger than it actually would be as a facility.

The sheriff's quarters, occupying a part of the secondary building, provide the same space as would be included in an average home, with the exception of the kitchen. The space planned in this case allows for a combination home-jail kitchen to serve a dual purpose. The same concrete block type of construction would apply to these rooms, with the interior painted.

The sheriff's facilities required include a garage for four cars, boat and trailer and other necessary equipment.

The building is so designed and would be so constructed that it would be an annex to a new Court House whenever a new one is built.

COSTS EXPLAINED

The cost of construction of the jail is estimated at approximately \$180,000. The interest on the building loan is estimated at \$50,000. An additional \$40,000 is being allowed for necessary remodeling to the present sheriff's quarters, as well as to provide for more vault space and to furnish the jail with required basic equipment.

The Sheriff's present quarters will be remodeled to house the county tax department, which will be moved down from its present offices in the third floor cupola, to make it more convenient for tax-

payers to reach. Elderly taxpayers especially have found the climb to the cupola extremely difficult.

If any proposed funds remained after retirement of the debt, the money will be placed in the general fund, the board said. After the end of the fifth year there would be no additional millage required for this project. If this plan is approved by the taxpayers, the supervisors pointed out, an increase in valuation of property taxes would be necessary.

The supervisors have considered the problem facing the taxpayers from every angle and recommend the 1-mill levy as the most economical means to meet the Corrections Commission order to correct existing conditions by erecting a new jail or assume the added expense of lodging prisoners in neighboring counties. Weldon Trevethan, chairman of the building committee, said, "Every member of the board is a taxpayer himself and knows what tax increases mean to himself and to those whom he represents." The supervisors hope that voters in Houghton County will give serious thought to the 1-mill proposition, weigh the facts fairly and cast their ballots accordingly.

DOLLAR BAY

St. Francis Society Conducts Meeting

The Altar Society of St. Francis of Assisi Church, Dollar Bay, met in the parish center, presided over by President Mrs. Merrill Tascott.

The meeting was opened with prayer for the Lay Apostolate, led by Fr. Wisneske. The Spiritual Development Program was presented for discussion by the chairman, Mrs. Don Richards, and her committee.

The president thanked the ladies who helped clean the church for Christmas. Thank you notes were read from the shut-ins for the burning of the votive lights during the Christmas tide.

Plans were made to hold a bake sale and coffee Saturday, Feb. 11, in the parish center.

The meeting closed with a prayer for the Cause of Bishop Baraga. A social hour followed. Hostesses for the evening were Mesdames Peter Neveau, John Foley and Miss Kathryn Schneller.

BAPW CLUB TO MEET

The Houghton-Hancock Business and Professional Women's Club will hold its meeting Tuesday, Jan. 17, in the Douglas House. The International Night Committee with Mrs. Julia Slagg as chairman, assisted by Miss Hannah Nelson, Miss Margaret Nantell, Miss Margaret Peters and Miss Elsie Moehrke, has arranged a 6:30 dinner and an international program.

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Vote "NO" ON NEW JAIL!

We urge legislative action to remove from the present law governing jail standards in Michigan, those parts which would make our jails "excessively inviting" instead of penal institutions. Therefore, until a new law can be written to reduce the standard for jails, we urge a "NO" vote on the new jail proposal next Monday.

Perhaps the County Board of Supervisors ought to give their "overtime efforts" to bringing industry into the Copper Country so the taxpayer can pay the present high taxes. We have the highest relief load in the state. Houghton and Hancock needs clean water . . . and a sewage disposal system.

Signed: TAXPAYERS

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DMG 1961 Jan 17: Vote loses 2nd try

Yes: 2,278 (37%)

No: 3,882 (63%)

Total: 6,160

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New Jail Loses: 3,882 to 2,278

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The electorate of Houghton County voted down a proposal to construct a new jail in Houghton by a wide margin Monday on the occasion of a special election held to decide the issue.

Reports from all 43 precincts in the county showed "yes" votes of 2,278 to 2,882 "no" votes.

New York Central Cuts All Service At City Terminal

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NEW YORK (AP)—The New York Central Railroad today halted all commuter and long-distance service in and out of Grand Central Terminal because of picketing by harbor craft crewmen

The vote not to approve the issue was almost universal in all sections. While the margin was not as great in some townships as in others there was only an isolated precinct or two which showed any inclination to approve the issue.

According to information released this morning at the county courthouse, it was indicated that following Feb. 19 it will be necessary to transfer all county prisoners to jails in neighboring counties. It is likely that the initial ones to be utilized will be those in Keweenaw, Baraga and Ontonagon counties.

This was the second time the Houghton County jail proposition was turned down by the voters, the first being at the General Election in November.

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DMG 1962 Aug 3 Special election

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3, 1962

THE DAILY MINING GAZETTE, HOUGHTON, MICHIGAN

FIVE

Special Election, Tuesday, Aug. 7th.

WE APPEAL TO THE ELECTORS TO SUPPORT AND VOTE FOR A NEW JAIL
Here Is What the State Inspector Says:

Under Court Order of July 19, 1960 the Houghton County Jail was ordered Closed on February 19, 1961. On that day it was Permanently Closed.

The County Jail is a necessary institution the same as hospitals, schools and other facilities that are needed to carry on good government with sound economy within our county and maintain proper security and safety within the realm of the county.

Last year the supervisors had to borrow \$50,000.00 to carry on the operation of the county. This amount plus another \$10,000.00 represents the amount of monies that will be spent by December 31, 1962 on the prisoners of Houghton County that are kept in other confines.

Our choice is only how much will we pay. The question before the voters is not whether or not we should do something about the county jail—that question has been settled by the state. **WE MUST DO SOMETHING BECAUSE THE JAIL HAS BEEN CLOSED.** The plan that the supervisors propose is the cheapest way out. The cost of the jail project is approximately \$200,000.00 including interest and furnishings of the quarters required. The jail plans are simple—they provide only the prisoner security as demanded by the state. The building is designed so that it can be a part of a new court house at some future time, if desired by the taxpayers.

State of Michigan
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
Bureau of Penal Institutions
Superior T. Mann Building
Lansing 26, Michigan
CORRECTIONS COMMISSION
Frank C. Bunko, Chairman
C. J. Farley, Elmore Russell
Jesse J. McNeil, John E. Rife
Tom Harrison, Director
G. Mennen Williams
Governor

Mr. Edward C. Tambellini
County Clerk
Houghton County
Houghton, Michigan

Dear Mr. Tambellini:

... as to the building site for a county jail, the law says that a county jail must be built within the city limits of the county seat. It does not mean that it has to be built near the courthouse. However, in your case, we believe it to be good economy as the county owns the land and it will also eliminate the loading and unloading of prisoners who have to go to the Circuit Court. ... in regard to building the jail in the abandoned school house, a jail is a highly specialized building. You have to build the building to fit the jail. It would be physically impossible to fit a jail into any kind of building without tearing down the outside walls. You must realize that it would require detention safes for the windows, and many security measures and the anchorage of the steel to the interior of the building would make the cost equal to building a new building.

... as to Sheriff's living quarters in the jail, this is a very essential one, particularly in jails the size that would be needed for Houghton County. The prisoners have to be fed and unless you are housing at least a hundred prisoners, it would not be practical or economical for the county to hire a cook and supply the food. It is more economical the way you are now handling it where your county pays the Sheriff a certain amount per meal. This is done in every county in the state where they are not feeding any more prisoners than you are in Houghton County. Secondly, it is also necessary that the Sheriff be very close to his work as many emergencies arise during a working day that cannot be anticipated in advance. Therefore, the jail needs all the supervision it is possible to give it.

Yours truly,
DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
William H. Neale
State Inspector of Jails

WHN:ph.

County Supervisors Ask Voters to Reconsider and Pass Proposal Number One LOWEST COST PLAN

Your Board of Supervisors believe that when the people of Houghton County know the facts, they will vote for the small one mill tax for four years to build a new jail as demanded by the State. This one mill represents about \$1.55 per thousand dollars of county assessed valuation. Therefore they have called for a Special Election on Tuesday, August 7, 1962, to permit the voters to reconsider their earlier action. On these pages they present the facts just as they are for your consideration and favorable action to vote YES for this much needed millage for the construction of a New Jail.

The Supervisors are presenting the most economical plan for solving the problem. They ask the voters to vote YES for the one mill for four years.

SUPERVISORS' PLAN to Save Taxpayers' Money

Every member of the Houghton County Board is a taxpayer himself—every member knows what tax increases means to himself and to those whom he represents. That is why Board members look for the best and most economical way to do what is necessary for the County—just as they now have regarding the jail.

The Supervisors have studied the jail problem from every angle. They have found that a new jail is the

lowest cost answer. They have also found that the least expensive way to pay for a new jail is through a 1-mill tax for 4 years. This assures the most for the taxpayer's money. It cuts out all possible extra costs—and IT DOESN'T UPSET THE REGULAR ASSESSED VALUATION OF THE COUNTY.

The Supervisors know that this plan will save taxpayers money. It will cost the least. They ask the voters to approve their plan on Tuesday, August 7, 1962.

SAMPLE OF OFFICIAL BALLOT County of Houghton STATE OF MICHIGAN TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 1962 INSTRUCTIONS

To vote in favor of the proposition, make a cross (X) in the square in front of the word "YES". To vote against the proposition, make a cross (X) in the square in front of the word "NO". Before leaving the booth, fold the ballot so that the face of the ballot is not exposed and so that the numbered corner is visible.

PROPOSITION NO. 1

"shall the tax rate of Houghton County, over and above the highest rate of taxation now effective therein, be increased one-fourth (1/4%) of one percent (1/4%) on and (1) mill upon the equalized value of the property in Houghton County during each of the years 1962, 1963, 1964 and 1965. The sum of money so derived from said increased millage shall be earmarked and placed in a special fund and used solely and exclusively by the County of Houghton for the purpose of erecting and construction of a new Houghton County Jail and for no other purpose."

☐ YES
☐ NO

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KNOW THE FACTS!

The following information is presented so you can fully understand the circumstances under which Houghton County is operating:

Since the closing of the jail on February 20, 1961 to December 31, 1961 the cost of prisoners board, room and transportation has been \$25,855.69.

From January 1, 1962 to June 30, 1962 the cost was \$18,055.06. This total amount of \$43,910.75 represents the amount of money we have paid to Ontonagon, Baraga and Marquette Counties to house our prisoners and on the average of \$2,816.62 per month this figure will climb to a staggering sum of \$61,965.81 by the end of December 31, 1962.

Our County records show that we were able to operate our own jail facilities for the sum of \$4,500.00 a year.

NOW we are paying the three other counties on an average a total of \$33,799.⁴⁴ a year!

as our records show

This figure represents a high cost for services which we have to pay out. If this is to continue indefinitely the staggering amount represents more than the cost of a new jail.

Keep your taxes low, vote for the lowest cost plan

DMG 1961 August 3 Cheapest Way Out

they will spend more in the open. Well provided with luggage, eats and camping equip-

McLain Park, near the Portage Canal. All belong to the Cry-

res. June Day, and Marty Eakin, Francie Cuthbert.

New Jail Is 'Cheapest Way Out'-Supervisors

A county jail is a necessary institution, the same as hospitals, schools and other facilities that are needed to carry on good government with sound economy and maintain proper security and safety within the realm of the county, the Board of Supervisors have said in their effort to seek support of Houghton County taxpayers for a new jail. A one mill levy for four years will do it, Weldon Trevelyan, chairman of the supervisors' finance committee said. The proposition will be submitted to the voters on August 7.

Last year the supervisors had to borrow \$50,000 to carry on the operation of the county. This amount plus another \$10,000 represents the amount of money that will be spent by December 31, 1962 on the prisoners of Houghton County who are kept in Baraga, Marquette and Ontonagon Counties as a result of the permanent closing of the Houghton County jail on Feb. 19, 1961 by court order. Prior to this the annual cost was \$4,500 a year, records show.

In discussing the possibility of using another existing building for a jail, William H. Nestle, state inspector of jails for the Department of Corrections, told the supervisors that a jail is a highly specialized building and that it would be physically impossible to fit a jail into the buildings available without tearing down the outside walls. He pointed out, "You must realize that it would require detention sashes for the windows and many security measures and the anchorage of the steel to the interior would make the cost equal to building a new jail".

He also said it would be more economical and practical to have the sheriff's quarters in close re-

lation to the jail the size that would be needed for Houghton County. This is the practice in every county in the state where they are not feeding at least a hundred prisoners. Having the sheriff's quarters close at hand also makes it possible to be supervised better in emergencies, he added.

The plan proposed by the supervisors allows for constructing and furnishing of simple facilities to comply with the minimum standards required by state law relative to jails. While the cost is estimated at \$200,000, the board said that from the experience of the past 16 months, building a new jail is the "cheapest way out". The building is also so designed that it can become a part of a new court house at some future time if the taxpayers desire it.

The board members, taxpayers themselves, said they realize what tax increases mean to those whom they represent. They feel justified in asking for approval of the one mill levy as the most practical means to correct the present costly

practice of transporting prisoners out of the county. The proposal, they point out, assures the most for the taxpayer's money, cuts out all possible extra costs and doesn't upset the regular assessed valuation of the county.

The present cost averaging almost \$34,000 a year if continued indefinitely represents more than the cost of a new jail, the board said as it explained the circumstances under which Houghton

HOUSEHOLD HINT

For picnic or patio meals, potato salad is always a favorite. Add 2 cups of creamed cottage cheese to 3 cups of potato salad for extra nourishment.

County is currently operating.

Supervisors welcome inquiries from the taxpayers relative to the one mill levy.

— ATTENTION — Voters of Calumet Township

The Primary Election will be held in Calumet Township on August 7, 1962 with polling places as follows:

- Precinct 1—Armory
- Precinct 2—Washington School
- Precinct 3—St. Anthony Hall
- Precinct 4—Elks Temple
- Precinct 5—Calumet Town Hall
- Precinct 6—Centennial Heights
- Precinct 7—Kearsarge
- Precinct 8—V.F.W. Hall, Laurium
- Precinct 9—Laurium Town Hall
- Precinct 10—Jukuri's
- Precinct 11—Copper City

AGNES BELL, Calumet Township Clerk

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 4, 1962

THE DAILY MINING GAZETTE, HOUGHTON, MICHIGAN

Houghton Co. One of Many Faced With Jail Problem

Whether or not the need for bigger and better jails is "progress" is a good question but the fact remains that antiquated and obsolete structures for the housing of law violators come under the category of violation of state requirements for jails.

Houghton County's jail received a jaundiced look on July 19, 1960 through a court order and was subsequently ordered closed on February 19, 1961. But Houghton County has a lot of company as 34 counties in Michigan have built new jails since 1950 and four in addition to that of Houghton have been closed. Law breakers in 15 other counties aren't going to find conditions up to par, and these counties have been notified their structures must be replaced or made to comply with the state regulations governing jails.

This means that 54 of Michigan's 83 counties have received or are getting "the word" to do some serious modernizing or move violators into other counties for incarceration.

Chippewa and Schoolcraft Counties constructed new jails, while Gogebic County, which received a "close" order as Houghton, is currently making arrangements to build. Alger, Baraga, Delta, Luce and Ontonagon Counties in the Upper Peninsula have received warnings from the Department of Corrections. The Houghton County supervisors noted that Baraga and Ontonagon, two of the counties where local prisoners are secured,

are on the conditional list.

In reviewing the Houghton County situation, the supervisors, sing-

ing law violators out of county for segregation, feel the voters should have an opportunity to express themselves again on the jail issue.

Taxpayers now know it is costing approximately \$33,799 a year for services received formerly for some \$4,500. The one mill levy proposed for four years would correct this dire situation by keeping funds within the county. The one mill represents about \$1.55 per thousand dollars, and this plan would not upset the regular assessed valuation of the county, the board said.

Homeowners, landowners and tenants all pay taxes directly or indirectly. The supervisors pointed

out that from the standpoint of good business these taxpayers will realize an entity in a jail building and eliminate the high cost for services, both steps to help balance the county budget.

In reviewing the jail construction projects in other counties, most of them were taxpayer approved and in many cases, only after voters realized their counties were getting deeper in debt over transportation and service costs paid adjacent keepers.

In talking generally about the necessity for modernizing jails, William Nestle, state jail inspector for the Department of Corrections, tells the story of one influential, law-abiding citizen who on the tour of a newly completed jail announced, "It's too good for them." So Mr. Nestle tried to explain that there were times when persons of good repute had the misfortune to be confined even temporarily and were entitled to sanitation and sound facilities, and concluded that perhaps one day "a member of your family might be our guest." Though the gentleman refused to entertain a thought like that, two weeks later not only was his son confined to the same jail but the stolen merchandise was secured on the premises of the unsuspecting father.

The jail proposal which the supervisors appeal to the voters to approve on August 7, would earmark approximately \$200,000 for a

special fund to be used exclusively for a new Houghton County jail constructed along simple lines yet provide only the prisoner security as specified by the state.

Some water birds and shore birds have been known to travel more than 8,000 miles when they are migrating.



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Copper Country Firemen's Tournament

- Dress Parade
- Fire Fighting Demonstration
- Tug-of-War
- Hose Racing
- Horseshoe Tournament
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

Hubbell Fire Department, Hubbell, Mich.

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DMG 1962 Aug 8 millage
finally passes on 3rd Try

Yes	3,443 (56%)
No	2,688 (44%)
Total:	6131

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with Democratic Gov. John B.

Twice-Beaten Jail Issue Is Approved

The Houghton County jail issue met with favor yesterday in the primary election with the result that an approving electorate passed the issue, 3,443 to 2,688. On the average the approval was of a wide spread nature. It appeared that the latest presentations concerning the project gave it better understanding within the Houghton County populace.

Weldon Trevathen, chairman of the jail promotion committee, as well as chairman of the finance committee said he felt that once the voters realized how much money was being "wasted" they saw the jail issue in a different light. He stated that work on the construction of a new jail will begin immediately.

Twice the issue had previously been brought up and twice it had been defeated.

Called for in the proposal is a one mill extra levy which will net in the vicinity of \$50,000 each year for four years.

The considerable cost of transporting prisoners to neighboring jails in L'Anse, Ontonagon and Marquette caused much of the fa-

vorable response to the appeal of the board of supervisors for the passing of the proposal. Lodging and board costs outside of Houghton County also were high. Then, too, much extra deputy help had to be hired to provide help during transit of the offenders.

Ma Duncan, Two Hired Killers, Will Die Today

SAN QUENTIN, Calif. (AP)—Elizabeth Ann Duncan, who paid two hired killers \$360 to murder her son's wife, is condemned to die in San Quentin's gas chamber today for the crime inspired by her warped mother love.

Barring an unlikely last-minute stay, Ma Duncan, 58, will be strapped into one of the chamber's two death chairs at 10 a.m.

Augustine Baldonado, 28, and Luis Moya, 23, the two tavern drifters who executed their mur-

DMG 1960 Nov 09 millage loses 1st try

Yes	6,389 (46%)
No	7,369 (54%)
Total	13,758

DMG 1961 Jan 17: Vote loses 2nd try

Yes:	2,278 (37%)
No:	3,882 (63%)
Total:	6,160

The jail closed on Feb. 20, 1961 necessitating **transfer of all prisoners** to Marquette and Baraga, and incurring for the county **exorbitant costs** for housing and processing of prisoners.

DMG 1962 Aug 8 millage Finally passes on 3rd Try

Yes	3,443 (56%)
No	2,688 (44%)
Total:	6131

EXTRA COSTS

The jail closed on Feb. 20, 1961

- Transfer of all prisoners to Marquette and Baraga
 - Cost of inmate processing
 - Costs of inmate housing and board
 - Costs of inmate transportation to and from for court appearances
 - Costs of sheriff's deputies to accompany prisoners on the move
 - Loss of service of sheriff's deputies on transport duty
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- Advertisements
 - Three millages.