

Shoppers take advantage of fresh air bargains at a Wonderland sidewalk sale (opposite page and left).

Northland Is Successful As Supercenter

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"There was just Crystal Pool across the street and a little community called Magnolia," said Andrews. "Southfield was just a huge swamp with a nasty habit of flooding every spring."

"The day they first looked at the site for the center you could stand at the present Hudson store and see for a mile or more in any direction," said Richard W. Frey, president of Shopping Centers Inc. "It was all just fields, empty pasture.

"We wondered if we could really build -- and rent -- a million square feet in a shopping center in a cow pasture. It hadn't been done before."

Hudsons planned their store in the cow pasture and wrapped a carefully planned new city around it to keep it nourished. The first year of operation, 1954, they exceeded their expected revenue of \$50 million by \$20 million.

Northland, now 18 years old, and outsized and outclassed by newer supercenters across the country, is still the most successful shopping center in the world (based on sales per square foot).

Only about 160 acres of the original 500 remain in the hands of Shopping Centers Inc. The rest was sold to build offices, a hospital, etc...plans for which were approved by SCI.

A 14 story office building, Tower 14, now under construction, a 19 story Western International Hotel, a string of fast food service stores, a department store and a cluster of boutiques will complete Northland's neighborhood.

But even before the last building is up the center is scheduled for "shopping center renewal."





Downtown Plymouth

When we say family, we mean the whole tree from Great-Grandfather (who watches every penny) down to Uncle Charlie and budget-minded Aunt Clara. Bring your branch of the family to Downtown Plymouth for an adventurous affair in high value. Listed are some of the many stores in the area . . .

BEYER DRUGS

480 N. Main 🏓 453-3400

1100 Ann Arbor Rd. • GL 3-4400

BLUFORD JEWELERS

467 Forest ● G£ 3-5290

BONNIE-LO DISCOUNT

930 W. Ann Arbor Trail • 453-7674

CONSUMERS CENTER. INC.

555 Forest • 453-9302

DEL'S SHOES

322 S. Main • 455-6655

FAMOUS MEN'S WEAR 924 W. Ann Arbor Trail • 453-6030

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882 W. Ann Arbor Trail ● 453-5410 HUGH JARVIS GIFTS

852 W. Ann Arbor Trail • GL 3-0656

KRESGE'S

360 S. Main St.
GL 3-1140

LENT'S CLOTHING FOR MEN

In The Mayflower Hotel ● GL 3-0790

MINERVA'S-DUNNING'S 500 Forest ◆ 453-0080

NORMAN'S SHOES & APPAREL 868 W. Ann Arbor Trail • 455-2312

PETE'S SHOE REPAIR

322 S. Main • 453-7779

PLYMOUTH HARDWARE

515 Forest ● GL 3-0323

PLYMOUTH OFFICE SUPPLY 840 W. Ann Arbor Trail • 453-3590

PLYMOUTH TRADING POST

Sport Equipment-Bicycles

844 Penniman • 453-0022

SAXTONS GARDEN CENTER 587 W. Ann Arbor Trail • GL 3-6250

SLAK SHAK for GUYS & GALS 853 W. Ann Arbor Trail • 453-9819

JOHN SMITH OF PLYMOUTH

Men's & Boys' Wear

336 S. Main • 455-2040



