'Bud' Gould Finds Gold In Industrial Park

Three years ago the 100 acres comprising the southeast quadrant at Ann Arbor and Lilley Roads in Plymouth Township was vacant land searching for a purpose. Today it is the flourishing Gould Industrial Park with only seven of its original 20 segments still available.

The man behind this success story is Loren (Bud) Gould, Plymouth developer whose dream of a \$200 million industrial complex is beginning to bear fruit.

He also is the owner of Gould Homes, Inc., whose Beacon Hills residential, subdivision west of Plymouth on N. Territorial Road is one of the most exclusive living sectors in the area.

A native of Plymouth, Gould long has been a leader in community affairs. He is one of those who foresees the northwestern corner of Wayne County serving as the eventual hub of a semimetropolitan, yet still suburban, area which will project Greater Plymouth into a role never dreamed by its founders.

HIS DECISION to get into the building business came in 1952 after operating a dry cleaning establishment for the six years following his discharge from the armed forces in 1946.

First of his commercial projects was a professional office complex, and over the years had has built well over-400 homes and has developed more than twice that many lots.

His biggest project, however,

was developed of the industrial park which bears his name. The park boasts the C&O Railroad on one side and air service is immediately at hand from Mettetal Airport less than a mile away.

The new north-south I-275 freeway, which will parallel Haggerty Road, also will be only moments distant when finished. The combination of these factors makes the area one of prime industrial advantage.

THE PARK HAS DUAL zoning

for light and general manufacturing and its occupants reflect a variety of industries.

The two latest to move in are the Dale-Gage Manufacturing Co. and Nempco, Inc. Ground breaking also is scheduled soon for the Sidle Diamond Tool Co.

Already established and functioning are Quionix, Inc.; Marbeau, Inc.; Sparling Plastics. Inc.; Ovidon, Inc.; Geometric Contours, Inc.; Rozinante, Inc.; Hydromation, Inc.; Merchant Machine and Tool Co. and, one of

the latest additions, the Brender-Hamill and Associates Engineering Co., formed through the merger of two previously Plymouth and Wayne engineering firms

Plymouth Township Treasurer Elizabeth Holmes says that many thousands of dollars have been added to the local tax base because of the park's development, though exact figures in comparison to how the vacant land was assessed a few years ago will not be available until the Board of Review meets in March.



LOREN GOULD



THIS NEW ADDITION of more than 15,000 square feet is being constructed at the Wire Sales Co. and Niagara Forged Parts combine, 350 S. Mill St., Plymouth. It will boost facilities under roof to more than 50,000 square feet. General Manager Henry L. Moorehouse, reporting

combined project sales in excess of \$2 million, said the added space is needed for additional manufacturing and warehouse space. The two companies located their plant in Plymouth in 1967. (Observer photo).

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