

Canton cop plucks child from icy river

Kathy Arzadon left her 5-year-old son, Michael, alone for a few minutes Sunday afternoon when she stepped back into her apartment to finish ironing. When she returned her son was no where in sight and his baseball cap was floating in the Rouge River behind Tamarack Apartments. Michael is still fighting for his life in the intensive care unit of Wayne County General Hospital where officials describe his condition as "greatly improved."

He was plucked out of the cold water by Canton Police Officer John MacDiarmid after a 12-minute search. MacDiarmid administered artificial respiration to Michael on the banks of the river and on the trip to Wayne County General Hospital. Mrs. Arzadon, of 40583 Tamarack Drive, Canton, described the trauma she went through Sunday and said she suspects foul play even though she

has no concrete evidence to support the claim. "I couldn't believe it," Mrs. Arzadon said. "I was terrified. Michael was afraid of the water, and I think he was pushed in." She and her husband, Bob, have hired a private detective to investigate the incident. Mrs. Arzadon told the Observer reporter there was a boy about Michael's age on the river bank at about

the same time Michael was missing. She said when she asked him if he had seen Michael he just smiled. "I didn't actually see anything, but I just don't think Michael would have gone close enough to the water to fall in." She said she had noticed a group of teenagers near the site. BOTH THE CANTON POLICE and the Wayne County Sheriff's Department were involved in the rescue but

neither office would lend much credibility to Mrs. Arzadon's suspicions. "I have heard rumors that she hired a private detective," said Canton Police Director Charles Thompson, "but I have no official statement." Wayne County Sheriff's Det. Frank Harvey said he couldn't make a statement until he investigated the incident. He said he talked to Michael's father Monday morning and no men-

tion was made of the boy being pushed. "I don't know what to make of it," he said. "The mother claims he was pushed, but she didn't see anything, and the father didn't say a word." According to police reports, the sheriff's department was called by a neighbor to help locate the boy. They then notified the Canton police and fire departments.

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Canton Township will not be breaking its own zoning law by building a three story administration building, a Canton attorney says. Last week township officials wondered if they would have a problem securing a zoning variation from one of two disputed zoning board of appeals in order to break ground on the hall site, at Canton Center and Proctor, before the April 20 deadline. If the deadline is not met, the township will lose \$2.7 million in federal funds.

Current zoning law states buildings may not rise above two stories. But Tuesday, Canton attorney Bert Burgoyne told the board that the township is exempt from its own zoning ordinances when it builds structures that qualify as a "governmental function" and not a "proprietary function."

Burgoyne cited seven examples of structures which fall in the category of governmental function: courtrooms, meeting places for legislators, administrative offices, city halls, schools, and fire and police departments.

Burgoyne cited numerous court precedents and quoted from Canton's own zoning ordinance which states that "essential services" would be permitted because of the ordinance intent to "exempt such essential services from the application of this ordinance." Construction of governmental of-

ices is an essential service of government within the terms of the Canton Township zoning ordinance," Burgoyne states.

AT THE MARCH 29 Canton board meeting, former supervisor Robert Greenstein offered to grant a zoning variation to permit construction of a three-story administration building but only if officials agreed to reinstate him and four other ousted members of the zoning board of appeals.

Trustee Brian Schwall thought Greenstein's suggestion smacked of "political blackmail."

Greenstein, Jim Donahue, Tom Quinn, John Burdziak and Robert Miller are attempting to regain their seats on the zoning board after receiving an opinion from Michigan Atty. General Frank Kelley stating that their appointments were "perfectly proper" and no removal was necessary.


Board members removed the five and appointed five new people on Feb. 8 because they said the appointments were made at a time when the local zoning ordinance conflicted with state statute requiring five people on the zoning board of appeals. At the time Greenstein and the four were appointed Canton's local zoning ordinance called for a three-member zoning board.



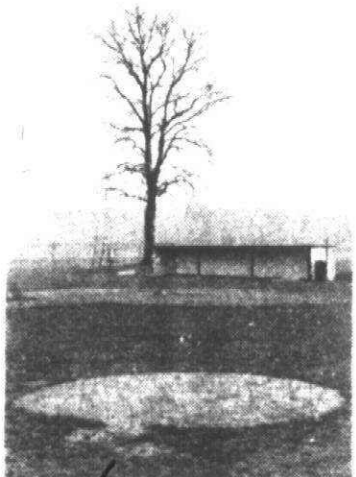
Prism Schism

Working on the theory that children learn best when their curiosity is aroused, British educator Alfred Taylor had Miller students experimenting with a prism lens and writing about their observations. Taylor, special guest at Miller, taught Miller teach-

ers an "inquiry-based method of teaching" as well as teaching students (from left) Rick Short, Susan Parry, Ray Monks and Robert Kolpacke. (Staff photo by Gary Caskey)



**WHAT'S
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An empty dugout and snow-covered diamond offer the best visual description of what happened to the season openers of Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton. See Page 1C.



The Plymouth Community Arts Council's follies, "Jest Foolin," played to full houses last weekend, and the Jester, Todd Barker, frolicked between acts in the auditorium of Plymouth Salem High. More about the successful revue on Page 1B.

If recall passes, Bundarin will run

By DARLENE STINSON

Peter Bundarin, legal counsel for a group seeking the recall of Canton Supervisor Harold Stein, this week admitted plans to run for the supervisor's seat if the recall drive is a success.

Bundarin, Republican candidate who placed third in the supervisor's race in last fall's general election, reluctantly admitted his campaign plans after saying that talk of an election to replace Stein is premature.

The attorney is legal advisor to Peter Gabbert and other Canton residents, who are circulating recall-Stein petitions in the township.

To force a recall election, the group must collect 1,243 signatures of registered Canton voters on official recall petitions. According to Gabbert, the group had collected about 1,100 signatures by Tuesday.

IF ENOUGH VALID signatures are gathered, the Wayne County Elections Commission will schedule a recall election within 60 days. Another election to replace Stein would be scheduled 60 days after the first election, if the majority of Canton residents vote to recall the supervisor.

According to Joe Martina, county director of elections, local chapters of the Democrat and Republican parties would nominate candidates. Stein could not run for the position under Michigan recall law, Martina said.

Bundarin said renewed hopes of winning the supervisor's post were not in the back of his mind when he agreed to offer legal advice to Gabbert's recall group.

"I work with homeowners all the time," he said, "and these people just came to me for help."

"I'd run again because of the commitment I have to the community,

It's not a question of whether I'd have a better chance of winning this time around."

Former Supervisor Robert Greenstein, who lost the Democratic supervisor's nomination to Stein, came in second with his write-in campaign bid.

Greenstein says he's not actively supporting the recall drive because it does not include Treasurer Anne Bradley, Trustee Eugene Daley or Trustee Brian Schwall, and insisted he has no plans to seek reelection at this time.

"I have no plans at this time except to vote in favor of removing members of the board who have not done their job," Greenstein said. "I am not in any way considering things that don't exist at this time (like running in an election to replace Stein)."

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months, Stein said he is not worried about the recall drive. The supervisor feels he has done a good job in office and is confident a recall election would show that voters agree.

But Gabbert, a campaign worker for Bundarin, feels Stein is unqualified for the supervisor's job.

"Stein's trying, but I don't think he has the expertise or the enthusiasm," said Gabbert, referring to Canton's mushrooming growth and other problems he feels must be overcome.

"Mr. Stein has said, 'Let's get the recall election over with,' and I agree. Let's either get someone else in or let him do his job."

According to Gabbert, the recall committee is not limiting its petition drive to neighborhoods which supported Bundarin and Greenstein in last November's election. Stein supporters, as well as other residents, have signed the recall petitions, he said.

"I've had many people tell me they have mixed feelings about the recall," said Gabbert, "but they've signed the recall petitions anyway. One woman said she was a Stein backer, but signed the petition because she wanted to vote no in a recall election."

Gabbert hopes his recall committee, comprised of about 25 residents who supported Bundarin and Greenstein, will complete the petition drive by the end of this week. To insure the validity of the petitions, the group hopes to collect more than the required 1,243 signatures.

If the group is successful in ousting Stein, Martina said Canton's attorneys will have to examine Michigan recall laws to determine if the township board should appoint a temporary supervisor in the time between the recall election and supervisor election.

The state recall statute does not provide for an interim chief administrator.

Township delays decision on apartment fight

Another postponement of a court date has been requested in the case filed against Canton by Slavik Development Co. which is attempting to build 153 apartments at the northwest corner of Morton Taylor and Warren. Canton officials first voted 5-2

against a motion by Trustee Lynn Goldsmith to tell township attorneys to proceed with the fight against building all apartments on the site.

Trustee Brian Schwall joined her in the losing motion to "reaffirm defense" of the Nov. 9 decision of the

previous township board which declared 1969 site plan approval of Windsor Woods planned unit development "null and void."

Neighboring Windsor Park subdivision residents' attorney, William Botwick, urges the board to continue

the legal fight against Slavik. Botwick argues that the 1969 planned unit development (PUD) agreement isn't valid because a later amendment allowing Slavik the right to build 153 apartments—instead of original 98 apartments and 55 condominiums—

was never put in writing. Canton's attorney, Bert Burgoyne, has informed the board that the township is on weak legal footing in defending its Nov. 9 vote which rejected site plans for Windsor Woods' 153 apartments.

Supervisor Harold Stein has said that he would like to "avoid unnecessary litigation" in the suit filed because of a decision made by the board that preceded him.

LAST TUESDAY the Canton board voted 5-2 to allow the attorney representing Windsor Park homeowners three weeks time to seek an additional legal opinion on the pending court case; an opinion which could conceivably convince the board to defend its prior position in court. Treasurer Anne Bradley and Gene Daley opposed the three-week extension.

Members of the subdivision would like to see the township pay legal fees to fighting apartment construction but some homeowners said Tuesday that if it becomes necessary they will pay to continue the fight.

Hammer murderer gets 25-50 years

Marvin Earl Williams was sentenced Tuesday to 25-50 years in Jackson Prison for the hammer murder of Carolyn Kovacs of Livonia, the 20-year old night clerk at the Red Roof Inn in Plymouth Township.

The sentence was handed down by Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Theodore H. Bonn. With maximum "good time," he could be eligible for parole in 12 years.

Williams was originally charged with first degree murder, but the charge was reduced and on March 14, he pled guilty to second degree murder. The sentencing date was delayed until April 6.

Wayne County Sheriff's detectives arrested Williams at Canton Town-

ship's Stoneybrooke Apartments on Feb. 4, the day of the murder. He was held in custody on bad check charges while officers investigated the case.

Almost a week after his arrest, Williams confessed to the killing, and on Feb. 14 he was arraigned on a charge of first degree murder in Plymouth's 35th District Court.

He stood mute before Judge Dunbar Davis, and a plea of innocent was entered in his behalf.

During the preliminary examination, Williams was identified by a witness. Despite objections from his court-appointed attorney, Jay Kalish, his signed confession was admitted as evidence. Davis bound Williams over to circuit court to stand trial for first

degree murder. However, by pleading guilty to the reduced charge, he waived his right to a jury trial.

AFTER THE SENTENCE WAS passed, Kalish said, "This case has been very upsetting to me, but I think the ends of justice have been served."

Williams was a 1966 graduate of Plymouth High School. He attended the Pentecostal Bible Institute in Tupelo, Miss., and was ordained a minister in the United Pentecostal Church.

Later he returned to Plymouth and was a co-minister of The Apostolic

Church of Jesus Christ on Holbrook. While serving as a minister, Williams was also working as a Detroit policeman.

He was dismissed from the Detroit Police Department in November 1971 after a two-year suspension on charges of writing bad checks and stealing property from a prisoner.

Williams lived at the Red Roof Inn from November of last year until he moved to Stoneybrooke on the day of the murder.

Ms. Kovacs, the slain woman, lived with her parents at 35633 Minton, Livonia. She had started working at the motel in April 1976. She was a 1974 graduate of Churchill High School and had attended Schoolcraft College.

Ratify?

The Plymouth-Canton Board of Education tells teachers that a ratification vote, at this point, would be in vain. Page 4A.

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Bridges, road relocation plans told for new M-14

By W.W. EDGAR

Two of Plymouth's main highways—Sheldon and Northville roads—are due for a face lifting that will include the building of three bridges and the elimination of the wide curve at the intersection that has been troublesome for years at the Five Mile

trance to the city. These changes will alter the image of the entrances. They are the result of the new highway M-14 that is an extension of Schoolcraft and will run west to Ann Arbor.

The work, according to the highway officials, will require the better part of two years. Two bridges already have been built to carry the highway through Hines Park. But the three announced this week will help bring about the greatest change.

THE FIRST of these will be constructed on Northville Road, just north of the Plymouth Hilton Inn. This is designed to eliminate the curve in the road. The bridge will be built from the north end of the Hilton and carry about 200 feet over what is now a severe drop off of the land.

With the building of the bridge, traffic from Schoolcraft, which will be depressed, will flow right on the lower level through Hines Park. One of the biggest changes will be that one on Sheldon Road. Because of the C & O Railroad tracks, the highway commission decided on two major changes. First, there will be two bridges built to carry the expressway over Sheldon Road. This will eliminate the tearing up of the railroad tracks.

Next, Sheldon Road will be divided for 2,700 feet north of the tracks and give the road a boulevard appearance. This will change the entire image of the city's west entrance and answer a lot of questions being asked by the residents regarding the method to be used to cause the least inconvenience.

The same is true on the Northville Road portion of the work. Knowing that the highway was to be depressed, residents have been asking how it could be done and whether the road would have to be closed.

ACCORDING TO officials, the bridge will be built first and run almost on a straight line with the Plymouth Hilton for about 200 feet. When this is finished and ready for traffic, the road will be moved west to eliminate most of the curve. This will give the property owners on the east several more feet of frontage and it will enable motorists to travel just as they are doing now at the intersection.

"The motorists will follow the same pattern that is in use now," one of the officials said. "It will just be moved west just a bit."



The curve at Northville Road and Five Mile will be eliminated this year by freeway construction. A bridge on Northville Road will begin at the north end of the Plymouth Hilton and carry over the

vine, with Northville Road being relocated to the left of the van shown above. (Staff photo by Gary Caskey)



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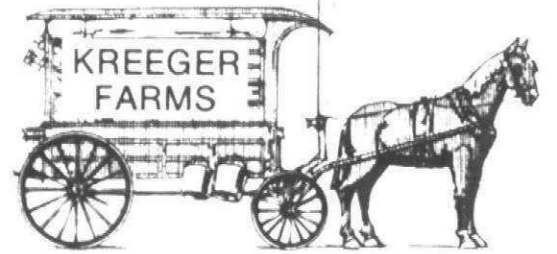
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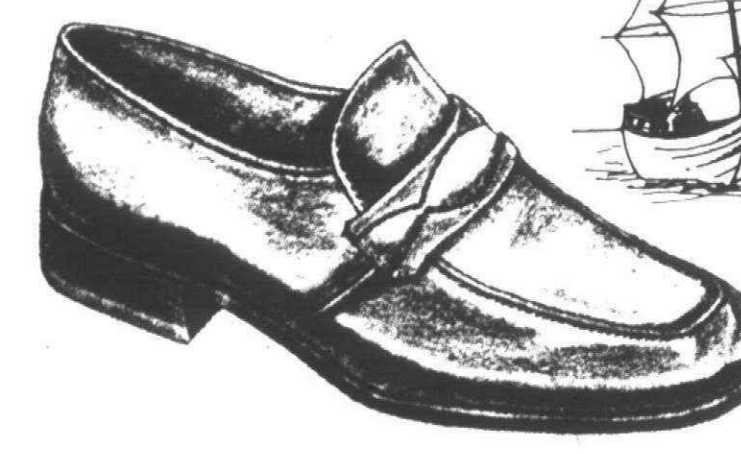
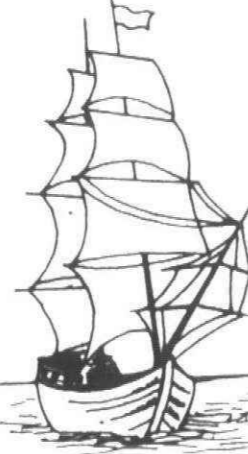
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School boundary disputed in Prestige Heights

A recommendation to transfer elementary children of Canton's Prestige Heights Subdivision from Miller to Gallimore School next fall is creating some protest among Prestige Heights parents.

Arlene Woods and other residents of the Canton subdivision say the move will jeopardize their children's security at school and break off friendships with other Miller students.

Two other subdivisions in Miller's current attendance area are closer to Gallimore, Mrs. Woods says. She believes children in those subdivisions, and not Prestige Heights, should be transferred.

The Plymouth-Canton School Board is expected to consider, at its April 11 meeting, the attendance boundary committee's recommendation to send Prestige Heights students to Gallimore.

Included in that recommendation, according to committee member Kay Williams, is a suggestion to expand Miller's 45-15 program into Gallimore instead of Hulsing School.

"WE CAN'T PLEASE everyone all the time," Mrs. Williams said of Mrs.

Wood's complaints, "and sometimes it seems like we can't please anyone."

Children living in the Prestige Heights subdivision were chosen for the transfer to Gallimore this year simply because the "numbers fit," explained Mrs. Billie Whiteley, chairwoman of the attendance boundary committee.

Although Plymouth Park and Plymouth Landing subdivisions are geographically closer to Gallimore, Mrs. Whiteley said there are too many elementary children in Plymouth Park and too few in Plymouth Landing to fill the available seats at Gallimore next year.

By the 1978-79 school year, however, children living in Prestige Heights, Plymouth Park and Plymouth Landing will all attend Gallimore instead of Miller School, she said.

The shift in Miller and Gallimore attendance boundaries is necessitated by the mushrooming growth in areas immediately adjacent to Miller School, according to Mrs. Whiteley. New houses are under construction and Miller cannot accommodate the

increased student population.

The boundary committee ultimately hopes to earmark the square mile around Miller on the east side of Sheldon as Miller's permanent attendance area, Mrs. Williams said.

Gallimore's ultimate attendance area, bounded by Joy, Ford Road, Sheldon and Canton Center Road, will include Prestige Heights, Plymouth Landing and Plymouth Park.

BUT MRS. WOODS and other Prestige Heights parents object to the boundary committee's recommendation to bus their children to Gallimore next year.

"Believe me, Prestige Heights is feeling very used, very abused and very discriminated against," Mrs. Woods said. "Our children's well-being, security and friendships are at stake. We hope the school board does not automatically approve the boundary committee's suggestions."

In a letter to the school board and boundary committee, Mrs. Woods asked, "Why do the Prestige Heights children have to be bused down Sheldon Road to Gallimore?"

"Why, when two years ago Prestige

Heights parents fought admirably and were instrumental in getting the millage passed? Why, when our children were made the guinea pigs on (Miller's) 45-15 (program) and have since adjusted to and defended the system?"

"Why, when our children have been established at Miller for some four years, as opposed to incoming pupils in new subdivisions who have not as yet built friendships and security there?"

Mrs. Whiteley and Mrs. Williams at-

tempted to answer some of Mrs. Woods' questions.

"If people move into new houses and have Miller School in their backyards, we can't tell them they can't go there," said Mrs. Williams.

Mrs. Whiteley noted the boundary committee's recommendation to expand Miller's year-round school program into Gallimore instead of Hulsing next year because of a higher student count in areas near Gallimore.

The absence of 45-15 at Gallimore is

one of Mrs. Woods' prime concerns.

School board members have already designated an expansion of Miller's 45-15 program into Hulsing, Eriksen and Isbister elementary schools as well as Pioneer Middle School.

The 45-15 program expands the capacity of school buildings by one-third. Under the program, four groups or tracks of students attend school for nine weeks and receive three-week vacations spaced throughout the entire year.



The great divide

JoAnn Wrobel isn't directing traffic; she's pointing out the property line which divides her home and the next-door property. Built by Amurcon, the Wrobel home on 1253 Hampshire in Canton's Century Farms subdivision has a driveway which looks fine but legally infringes upon the undeveloped neighbor-

ing property. Negotiations between the Wrobel and the builder have not been successful. One suggestion was that the Wrobel keep the driveway but donate 20 feet of backyard. And John Wrobel doesn't want the driveway ripped and re-routed across his front lawn in a 45-degree angle to the garage. (Staff photo)

Who pays legal defense for ousted zoning board?

Five ousted members of the Canton Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) say a one-week delay of a decision on whether the township has the responsibility to pay their legal defense is now "a moot point."

Township board members voted 3-2 to table a decision on the legal-costs question posed by ousted ZBA member Robert Miller. The board will ask for a written opinion from attorney Bert Burgoyne.

Miller wants the township to pay legal costs of five ex-members of the ZBA who are fighting for reinstatement on the grounds that their removal was illegal.

The five ousted ZBA officials are among nine persons named in lawsuit filed March 22 by "private citizen" Harold Stein to determine which one of two zoning boards is the legal one. Stein is Canton Township supervisor.

State Atty. General Frank Kelley said last month that the ousted board's appointments were "perfectly

proper," but the township's attorney, William Sempliner, believes they were appointed in violation of state law because Canton's ordinance was improper at the time of their appointment.

To avoid criticism, Stein said he will pay Sempliner's legal fees in the suit. Stein and Gary Sands, chairman of the second ZBA appointed Feb. 8 to replace the ZBA headed by Jim Donahue, filed the lawsuit.

Since Stein is plaintiff in the case and Trustee Gene Daley is a one of nine defendants, both men were allowed to abstain from voting on the ZBA litigation.

The four remaining members of the second ZBA are also listed as defendants in the suit.

DEFENDANTS in the case have 22 days from the time they were served legal papers to respond. With the board's decision to wait until Tuesday to get a written legal opinion, Donahue and the other four ousted ZBA

members say the decision will come too late.

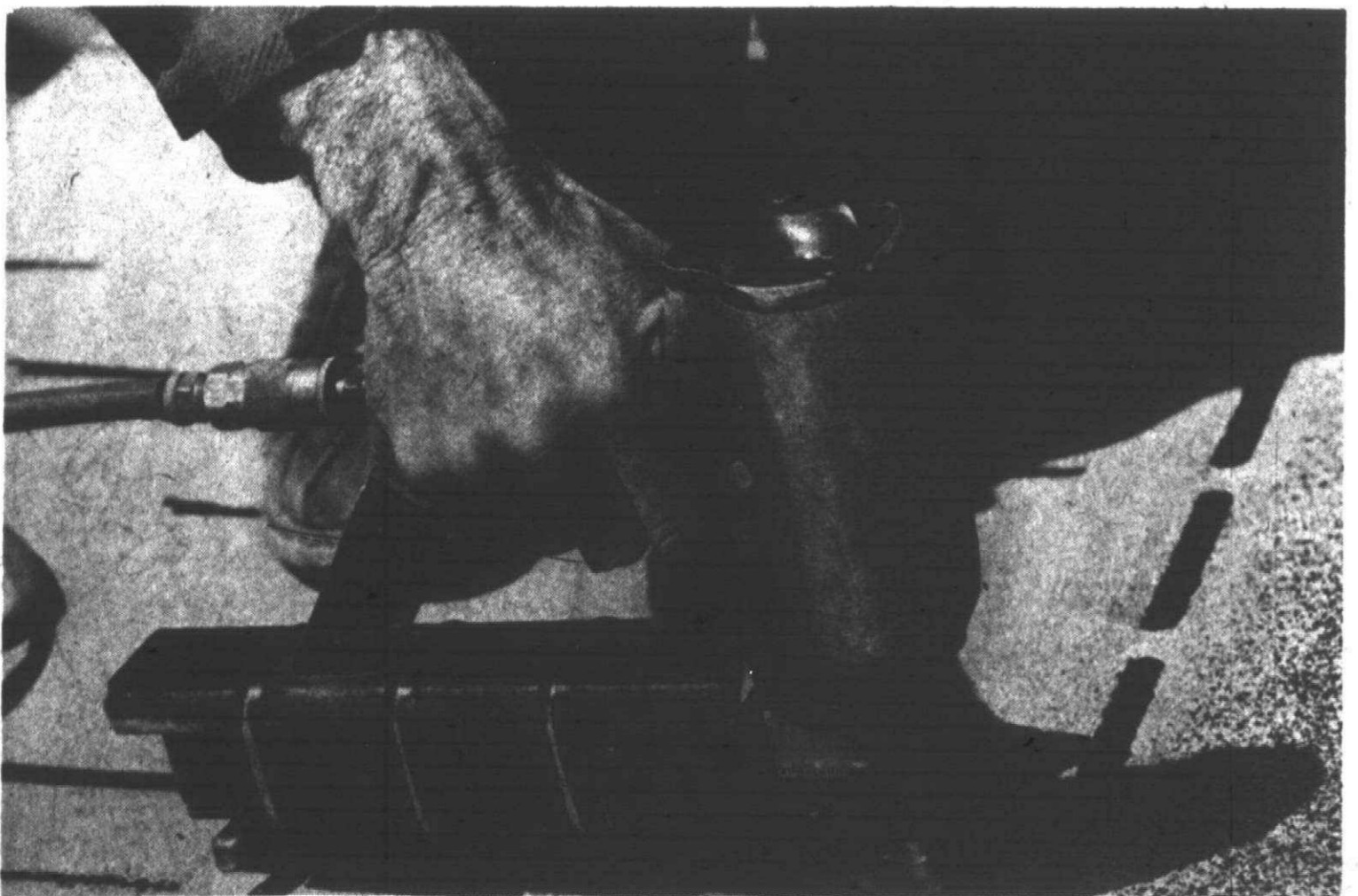
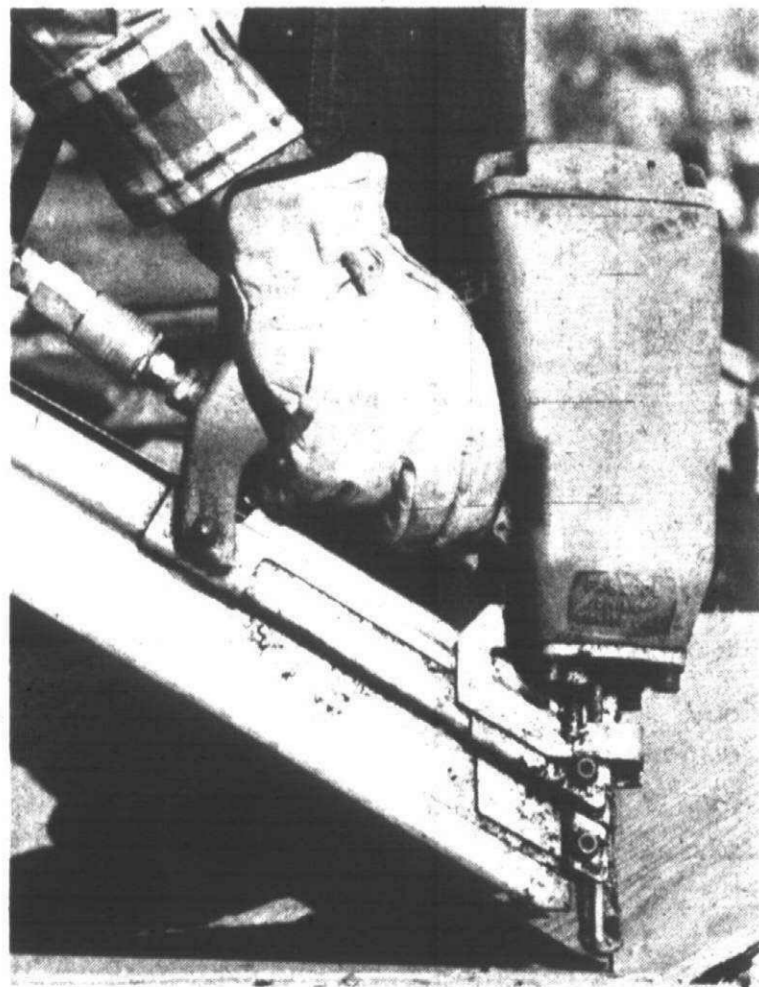
"As of next Monday it will be 20 days after the day I was served papers in this case," Donahue said. "I won't be able to file because I won't know what their decision will be. The case will be dismissed because of a lack of response by five of the parties in the suit. I've got to tell the court who my legal defense will be prior to the 20-day limit."

If the case is dismissed, Donahue said he and the other four ousted ZBA members will probably start their own suit against Canton for "illegally removing us from the ZBA."

Donahue said he would have rather have seen the board vote not to defend the ousted ZBA, "than see them table the item and complicate this mess even further."

If the board is considering paying the legal defense of members of the ousted ZBA, Stein said Tuesday that he would expect that the board also agree to pay his legal fees.

Hands of a hard working man



Hands of construction workers are gripping, hammering, punching, squeezing and occasionally even being bashed by a misdirected hammer. With this spring's Canton building boom, the hills are alive with sounds of construction. (Staff photos by Gary Caskey)

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School board informs faculty ratification a fruitless exercise

Plymouth-Canton school board members Monday sent a statement to all teachers stating that any attempts to ratify a contract at this stage would be invalid.

The position statement on negotiations was signed by all trustees and members of the school board's negotiating team. The statement was sent to teachers in reaction to a call for a ratification meeting by the Plymouth Education Association (PEA).

The PEA called teachers together Wednesday for a general membership to ratify a "contract." The written contract is a collection of signed and verbal agreements worked out at the bargaining table.

The school board points out, though, that total agreement hasn't been reached and there is no valid contract to be ratified.

The board statement began: "To insure a clear understanding of the board's position in negotiations, we would like to take this opportunity to clarify some unresolved issues."

"We must clarify and state that, as of now, there is no agreement or even tentative agreement on a total package, and until there is, ratification by either party is not valid."

Trustees pointed out the superintendent's work rules of Sept. 9 establish that salary and fringes of all teachers will be paid at the 1975-76 rate until a new contract is negotiated.

The board also pointed to a document signed by both parties in which the sides agreed that: "We recognize that the ultimate acceptance of any and all tentative agreements is contingent upon the ratification of an entire agreement by both parties."

McKinley points out that the above document was signed March 20—six days after both sides signed the agreement on the economic package. McKinley said the document is nothing more than the definition of a tentative agreement and the only reason he signed it was to get facilitator Irvin Rozian out of the middle of a dispute between him and Norm Kee, chief board negotiator.

THE PACKAGE, sent to teachers from the board, included what the new salary steps would be for teachers in the PEA accepted the economic offer, with the five conditions. The board then offered these explanations of the conditions:

HEALTH INSURANCE

"The board isn't asking to have health insurance capped, but merely asking that if costs continue to rise at the current rate that the board and the PEA share the responsibility for the costs above \$100 per month, per full family subscriber, for the balance of the master agreement. We are assured that single or double subscribers will not reach the \$100 maximum during the life of this contract. You should know that as much as one third of the increase in the cost of living formula can be attributed to the increase in health care costs, yet these costs have already been absorbed by the board. Remember, that the board isn't suggesting a cap on health insurance but rather a shared responsibility for future increases during the life of the master agreement."

McKinley argues that the board is attempting to get the concept of an insurance cap into the contract because its real impact will be in future contracts. "We won't negotiate problems now for future bargaining teams."

EXTENDED SCHOOL YEAR

"It is the position of the board and its legal counsel that under the State of Michigan General School Laws the board has the right to manage and structure the school district to best meet the demands and needs of the district. Therefore, the board must have the right and responsibility to determine the number of schools to go on ESY. However, the board has sought, and will continue to seek, the counsel of the PEA and staff in the implementation and staffing of ESY programs."

McKinley says this represents a change in one of the five conditions. "The PEA had agreed to implementation of ESY at 12 schools in the next

three years. One of the board's five conditions was to raise this number to 16. Now the board is changing its condition to eliminate the requirement that implementation of ESY must be mutually agreed upon with the PEA."

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"Most contracts that commit to agency shop provisions have such a clause: 'The Association will save the Board harmless from any and all costs including witnesses and attorney fees or other incidental cost of prosecution or defense or any liability resulting from the prosecution or defense of any action claimed or otherwise to which the Board of Education may be liable by virtue of enforcing the provisions of this article.'"

"This clause merely protects the board from legal and dollar liability if it is to carry out the desire of the PEA to fire staff who will not pay the association service fees."

McKinley says the PEA has agreed that the costs should be shared 50-50 "so each party has an equal interest in avoiding such litigation. Otherwise, if the costs are shared, the administration or board could encourage such lawsuits as a union-breaking tactic. It's been done in other school districts."

SCHEDULE D

"Due to the basic inequities and concerns for morale, an adjustment should be made in the 'D' Schedule. The board's position is:

•To place middle school representatives who have been on Schedule D to Schedule C

•To continue all present counselors on Schedule D, but eliminate it for new hires.

•A long-term reduction of the special stipend for social workers, psychologists, and Type A teachers and resource persons.

The board added that another condition was that "All other tentative agreements and potential tentative agreements would be accepted as written or discussed, thus giving a total package to be ratified."

OTHER COMMENTS to teachers were:

"It is the feeling of the board that if teachers don't support election issues, it is counterproductive to your economic interests. This can best be seen by the fact that approximately 60 per cent of the budget goes to the direct economic benefit of teachers."

"All of the aforementioned issues, including health, ESY, safe harmless, etc., have been on the table since April 1, 1976."

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THE BOARD added that it has shown a willingness to move from its position to a salary proposal well beyond its original concept. However, for this salary package to be fundable or valid, it is asked that five adjustments be made in the total package. That economic package offer includes:

FIRST YEAR, 1976-77

- Salary schedule improvement, 3 1/2 per cent; pension contribution, 1.6 per cent; average cost of increments, 3 1/2 per cent.

SECOND YEAR

- Cost of living adjustment, 4.6 per cent; pension contribution, 3.4 per cent; increments, 3 1/2 per cent; life insurance of \$17,500; dental rider.

THIRD YEAR

- Salary improvement, three per cent; cost of living, 4.7 per cent; increment, 3 1/2 per cent; life insurance raised to \$20,000; and long-term disability insurance.

The board pointed out that the salary proposal is contingent upon "language adjustments and successful millage." Derald McKinley, chief negotiator for the PEA, said the board is now "placing conditions upon conditions when it now says the offer is contingent on passage of the renewal millage. That condition had never been mentioned before."

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Representing the club is Steven Stolar of Plymouth. Other members are Emil Purek of Dearborn Heights, Jerry Kearns of Westland, Charlie Howard of Wayne, Bud Mullins of Hamburg, Chet Wallace of Milford, Toby Haskell of South Lyons, Isiah Bobyne of Detroit, Ralph Daniels of Taylor and Andy Puckett of Dearborn.

"I really thought this was great, but by the time the show went on the air I was a nervous wreck," Stolar says.

"But we knew we were going to win."

Stolar, who represented the club during the televised drawing, says that the other members charged him on the stage when they found out they won. "I was shook when we didn't win down to the last minute."

The Big One Lottery Club, Stolar says, has been buying 40 tickets every week for the past 2 1/2 years. In the past, the club only won several \$25 prizes and a \$30 prize.

"Guess we had this coming to us," Stolar adds.

So far life hasn't changed much for the 10 auto workers, although two of them are already on vacation.

"They take 20 per cent off for taxes and the most you get at one time is \$32,000. We haven't even gotten that yet. The rest will be paid out over the next five years. But we'll come out ahead," Stolar says.

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2 seats, not 4, on ballot?

Schoolcraft board race may be chopped in half

By TIM RICHARD

Schoolcraft College trustees thought they would be conducting an election for four members June 13, increasing the board's size from eight to nine.

Instead, voters may be electing only two persons, reducing the board's size to seven.

The Michigan Senate has passed a bill to cut the college board's size, but the college's liberal trustees don't know whether to try getting the bill changed in the house of representatives to provide for nine members.

"I'M VERY unhappy," said Trustee Mark McQuesten, who blistered College President C. Nelson Grote for failing to tell the board of the senate's contemplated action last week so that trustees could fight for a nine-member board.

ber board.

"I'm not going to roll over and play dead," said McQuesten, vowing to contact friendly lawmakers in the house. But the board failed to summon five votes needed to instruct board Chairman Paul Y. Kadish to journey to Lansing to testify against the senate bill.

Some weeks ago, the board decided to seek the change to nine members to give it an odd number and, in McQuesten's words, "to open up this board to (K-12) districts that are ill-represented," a reference to Clarenceville and Northville, which have no membership on the Schoolcraft board.

BUT WHEN college officials went to Lansing to seek amendatory legislation, a powerful senate subcommittee—Chairman Gary Corbin

(D-Flint), Jack Faxon (D-Detroit) and Gilbert Bursley (R-Ann Arbor)—said no.

The senators said that 27 community college districts in the state have seven members while only Schoolcraft and Delta (Bay City) have different sized boards. The subcommittee volved there was an "overwhelmingly principle" at stake and said it would amend the enabling law to give both Schoolcraft and Delta seven members.

Terms of three trustees expire in mid-1977: Rosina Raymond, who will seek reelection; Leroy Bennett, who will not; and Arch Vallier, who is undecided but probably will not. Thus, no incumbent trustee would be knocked out of a post by the senate bill.

A bill to increase Schoolcraft's mem-

bership to nine was introduced by Senate Majority William Faust (D-Westland), but Faust apparently went along with the subcommittee's amendment.

BENNETT CAUTIONED against trying to fight the senate bill.

"I've wanted a seven-member board for a long time. You've got to realize Democrats have a majority in the legislature. You have as your state senator the senate majority leader. You have this (seven members) as the Democratic caucus position.

"In the senate, to fight would have been futile. If your senator is majority leader, you can't get much more clout than that. We will have less clout in the house."

"Let's face it," added Treasurer Nancie Blatt. "This bill is important

to use. But it's not important to anybody else in the state. They gave us two out of the three things we wanted, so they figured they were doing us a favor."

They two things she referred to that Schoolcraft wanted were immediate effect and at-large election of board members.

SCHOOLCRAFT had seven board members when it was organized in the early 1960s. There was one member each from Clarenceville, Garden City, Livonia and Plymouth school districts and three elected at large.

When Northville later joined, however, its member put the board total at eight.

In 1971, a U.S. Supreme Court decision, when applied by a local circuit court, said trustees had to be elected

on a "one person, one vote" basis. Judge Roland Olzark ruled Schoolcraft's eight members were to be elected at large unless and until the Michigan Legislature amended the law.

Kadish noted ruefully that the legislature had told Schoolcraft to come up with a recommended change, waited six years for the college to do so "and then they don't give a damn" that the college wanted a nine-member board.

Swallowing his Democratic pride, Kadish said, "If Carl had been there, he would have been for us," a reference to Republican Carl Pursell who left the state senate for congress this year.

"We're led to believe everything is going through, and at the last minute a new principle is developed," Kadish said.

'Y' leader enters Schoolcraft race

Michael M. Cicchella, executive director of the Livonia Family YMCA, has entered the race for Schoolcraft College trustee in the June 13 election.

"I am for the millage as it relates to the operational needs of new expansion," said Cicchella, referring to the ballot proposal which would raise the property tax limit 0.8 mills.

"I am against placing a student on the board at-large because of the opportunity for them to vote and utilize the present political process."

"I would like to see a strong program of field placement initiated so that students can receive class credits for work experience."

CICCHELLA, 30, of 9063 Adams, Livonia, joined the Y staff in 1971 as director of community services. He was promoted to program operation executive in 1972 and executive director in January of 1975.

He supervises a staff of seven pro-

fessionals, 13 full timers and 90 part-timers with an annual budget of \$650,000. His earlier work experience was with the Y in Cleveland.

Cicchella graduated in 1968 with a BS in social group work from George Williams College, Downers Grove, Ill., where he was president of the junior class.

He taught part-time at Schoolcraft in 1973-74.

OUTSIDE HIS job, Cicchella has served on the field faculty of Wayne State University for supervisory field work in community social work, as a resource person and trainer in drug abuse work and as a regional commissioner for the U.S. Volleyball Association.

"As head of a focal agency in the community, I feel I have a good 'sense of the community' and the necessary skills to evaluate community needs and to design programs relevant to those needs," he said.

State cancer researchers net biggest budget ever

The largest American Cancer Society budget for research ever recorded in Michigan was announced recently by Roscoe V. Stuber, MD, president of the Michigan Division of ACS.

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Fifteen separate research grants are currently being funded by the American Cancer Society at University of Michigan, Michigan State University, Wayne State University and the Michigan Cancer Foundation. Most of the grants are scheduled to conclude at the end of this year although several of the larger, broader investigative studies will last through 1981.

Nationally, the ACS will allocate \$33,216,000 for research.

Schoolcraft grad runs for trustee

Laura M. Toy, a 1972 Schoolcraft College graduate who now specializes in youth work, is seeking a seat as a college trustee in the June 13 election.

"My primary goal is to promote community support and instill a progressive spirit between students, faculty and communities served by Schoolcraft College," she said.

Ms. Toy, 25, of 32604 Rayburn, Livonia, is program director for the Western Wayne County YWCA.

SHE IS chairperson of the Livonia Youth Commission, a member of the college's women's advisory board, and a council member of the American Association of Women in Community and Junior Colleges.

She was 1976 woman of the year for Livonia Jaycettes and is 1977 young

careerist and president-elect of the Livonia Business and Professional Women's Club.

After graduating from Bentley High School in Livonia in 1970 and attending Schoolcraft, Ms. Toy earned a BA in pre-law studies at the University of Michigan in 1975. She is working on a master's degree in community education at Eastern Michigan University.

PREVIOUSLY she was an intern-aid to Livonia Mayor Edward H. McNamara, member of the city's ecology commission, 1976 coordinator of the March of Dimes in Livonia, member of Gov. Milliken's Environmental Task Force and program specialist and developer of community education in the Livonia School District.

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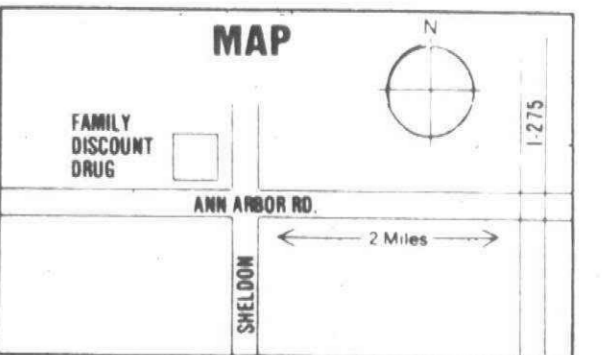
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Fulkerson won lawsuit but lost \$6,000

Bills from their attorneys are all Canton officials and businessman Jim Fulkerson have to show for the lawsuit and counter lawsuit filed against one another over Fulkerson's non-conforming recreational vehicle storage business.

Wayne Circuit Judge Patrick J. Duggan Monday ended all the legal battles, when he dismissed Fulkerson's counter suit for \$25,000 in damages against the township on grounds that a state immunity statute exempts townships from liability in this case.

In the counter suit, Fulkerson charged township officials with discriminatory application of Canton's zoning ordinance.

Canton officials dropped their suit against Fulkerson last month on the advice of attorney Dave Berry, who

questioned the township's legal grounds for the suit.

The township had maintained in its suit that Fulkerson established his non-conforming business without proper approval. A courtroom decision against Fulkerson could have forced the businessman to shut down his vehicle storage business.

According to Berry, the township spent about \$4,000 in legal fees on the case. Fulkerson said he spent about \$6,000 to fight the township's suit and file his own case against the township.

THE BATTLE between Fulkerson and the township revolved around Fulkerson's right to store recreational vehicles on his commercially-zoned property—a non-conforming use under the township's zoning ordinance.

Fulkerson claimed that he received oral permission from former Supervisor Philip Dingeldey to operate the non-conforming business. According to Fulkerson, Dingeldey said he discussed the matter with township board members.

But Berry and former Supervisor Robert Greenstein, who instigated the lawsuit against Fulkerson, claimed the businessman did not receive proper approval from the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA).

Nevertheless, Berry advised the township to drop the suit last month for fears a courtroom judge would use the "Estoppel Principle" to decide the case. Under that principle, an action is deemed legal if the defendant relies on the word of a seemingly reliable authority and consequently takes action without any effort to cover up his deed.

Berry also questioned the benefits a favorable courtroom decision would bring to the township, since land-

scaping equipment is stored outside a building across from Fulkerson's property. A major reason for the township's lawsuit was to force Fulkerson to remove "unsheltered" equipment from his premises.

FULKERSON APPEARED upset Monday over Duggan's decision to dismiss his lawsuit against the township. The businessman had hoped to regain the \$6,000 he spent to fight the township's lawsuit and additional money in damages.

"Six thousand dollars in attorney

fees to prove you're right," he mused. "It seems it makes it bad for people who have trouble with any branch of government. You have no recourse whatsoever."

According to Berry, Duggan dismissed Fulkerson's lawsuit because of a state immunity statute. Under the statute, chartered townships and other incorporated municipalities are exempt from liability for damages caused by their officials or employees.

"But that's not to say there was any wrongdoing on anyone's part in this case," Berry said.

Duke is convicted of rape

A Plymouth man was convicted of attempted rape Friday in Wayne County Circuit Court.

Judge Joseph B. Sullivan delayed sentencing David D. Duke, 25, of 595 Simpson, because he is scheduled to be tried on a related charge later this month.

Duke was convicted of luring a Plymouth woman to a secluded spot by posing as a friend of her son and attempting to rape her. The incident

took place Sept. 20.

According to Plymouth Police Det. Robert Commire, Duke called the woman in the middle of the night and lead her to believe he was a friend of her son who had been on leave from the Army and returned to his duty station the day before.

"When the phone rang in the middle of the night, the woman apparently assumed it was her son calling, and Duke played along with her," Commire said.

"He told her to meet him at the Burger Chef. When she got there, he approached her and said he would take her to her son. He directed her to drive behind St. Peter Lutheran Church on Penniman and assaulted her."

However, Commire said, the woman escaped from the car and started running and screaming for help. Duke caught up with her once but was apparently frightened away by lights coming on in surrounding houses.

"It was really lucky for us that we got him," commented Commire. "The woman was somewhat of an artist, and she drew a composite picture for us." Commire added that police also found a cigarette package with Duke's fingerprint on it in the car's front seat.

ALTHOUGH A DATE has not been set, Duke will stand trial on a charge of second degree criminal sexual conduct, which Wayne County Sheriff's Officer Sue Murray says happened the same day.

In the second incident, Duke is alleged to have used a similar method of operation. He called another woman and by pretending to be a friend, got her to meet him in Hines Park, Murray said.

Canton Commons to get higher fence from state

Residents of Canton Commons Apartment complex have been successful in their drive to get the state highway department to install a higher fence to protect children from entering I-275.

Frank Simmons, administrative assistant in the metropolitan office of the highway department, said residents can expect to see 2,000 feet of six-foot chain link fencing installed

along the Canton Commons property line.

People living in the subsidized housing units complained that the present four-foot farm fence is easily scaled by children and in bad condition.

"We will put in a new fence," Simmons said. "We'll have to wait for the ground to thaw, so it will probably be installed in a couple months. But it has already been agreed upon."

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Anti-prison rally slated for Saturday

A "Peoples' Rally" to dramatize grassroots opposition to plans for a maximum security state prison near Plymouth will be held at the Northville Township Hall at 10 a.m. Saturday.

The outdoor rally, which sponsors hope will attract 5,000 people, is to be held on the Wayne County Child Development Center grounds adjacent to the Northville Township Hall at Five Mile and Sheldon roads.

It is the Child Development Center, north of the southern border of Plymouth, where the state has proposed to establish a 600-inmate prison.

BLAKE NORTHROP, a spokesman for the Western Wayne County Residents Association (WWCRA) says: "It looks like we've struck out at the county level, and now state officials, including Gov. Milliken, seem intent on putting a prison in Northville."

"Politicians haven't paid much attention to what our committee has been saying, so now it's time that the muscle of the people be felt. Only if we show a united front will politicians be persuaded to listen."

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Some 15,000 flyers invited citizens from throughout western Wayne County are being circulated.

Concern that the prison is no longer "just talk but a very real likelihood" was expressed this past week by Mayor A.M. Allen of Northville who last week joined with U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell (R-Plymouth) and Northville Township Supervisor Wilson Grier in meeting with Gov. Milliken.

"I'm very worried," said Allen. "The governor seemed to be saying that although he recognizes our concerns the needs of the state for more

prison facilities may be more important."

WAYNE COUNTY Commissioner Mary Dumas (R-Livonia) states that county officials "seem to be interested in only how much money they can get for the Child Development Center."

"If the state comes up with the money, they'd like to sell it and use the money to get the county finances in order. They don't care if the center is used for a prison or whatever."

"Commissioner Royce Smith (D-Belleville) and I thought we had the votes lined up to oppose the prison, but the prospect of money and state pressure changed too many minds. It really upsets me."

Northville Township Supervisor Grier said he will ask the township board at its next meeting to appropriate \$1,000 to be used by the WWCRA for a legal fight against the prison.

Grier and others urged residents to make financial contributions by check to the Western Wayne County Residents Association, POB 49, Northville 48167.

Local governmental agencies taking an official stand against converting the Child Development Center to a prison include city and township of Plymouth, Plymouth-Canton Community School District, city and township of Northville, Northville Public Schools, and Schoolcraft College.

Western Wayne Oakland County Board of Realtors, Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, Northville Chamber of Commerce, and the Novi Chamber of Commerce also have supported resolutions opposing the prison plan.

Burroughs settles strike on pension, retirement

After more than five weeks of bargaining, Burroughs striking members of Local 1313 are back on the job.

By a 2-1 margin Tuesday, the union rank and file voted to ratify the company's latest offer, which was hammered out in a marathon bargaining session over the weekend. They returned to work Tuesday at midnight.

"It's not the best package in the world," said Ralph Viola, union president, "but it's an improvement over the other offers."

The strike was called at midnight Feb. 28 after three months of negotiations had failed. About 1,800 employees of plants in Plymouth, Wayne, and Detroit walked off the job. About 1,700 non-union employees continued on the job.

The major stumbling block to a pact, Viola said, had been the issue of pensions and retirement benefits. The union was pushing for retirement with full benefits after 30 years of service. He said Burroughs wasn't willing to grant the demand.

SEVERAL TIMES DURING the strike, talks were broken off because negotiators could not get passed the retirement issue. However, last Friday bargaining was resumed, and on Monday the union had a new proposal to present to its members.

"We sat down Sunday at noon and banged away until 2:30 a.m. Monday," Viola said. "They gave a little, and we gave a little."

The new three-year contract provides retirement for workers 58-years-old who have 30 years of service. "It's not the 30-and-out we were shooting for," Viola commented, "but it does give some protection to our high seniority people. Anyway, we'll be back at the table again in three years."

Poultry president

Adam McCully of McCully Egg Co., Plymouth, has been elected president of Michigan Allied Poultry Industries, Inc. at the group's annual meeting during Farmers' Week.

Other officers were Kenneth Yerrick of Owosso, first vice-president; Gill Eddy of Farmington, second vice-president, and Dr. Howard C. Zindel of Michigan State University, secretary-treasurer.

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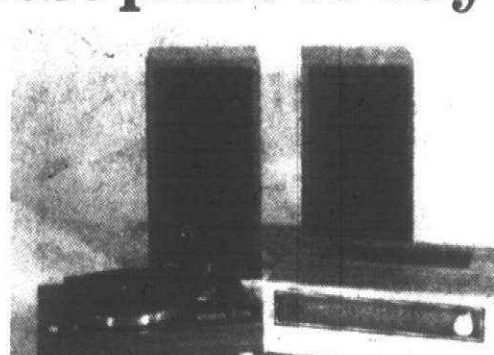
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Trustees discuss options to revise modular plan

Community pressure may force the Plymouth-Canton Board of Education to make changes in the modular scheduling system at Centennial Educational Park.

Some board members said a number of parents blamed the controversial modular scheduling for the discipline and attendance problems at the Park and talked about ways of providing more structure for high school students.

The remarks were made at a board workshop Monday. Trustees also discussed possible changes in 45-15 scheduling and parents' concerns about attendance boundary adjustments.

Supt. John Hoben told the trustees a number of concerns were being expressed by parents across the district. Among these were: taxes, lack of a teacher contract settlement, attendance boundaries, 45-15 scheduling, and modular scheduling.

The modular scheduling issue touched off a debate among the trustees, with some defending the system and others arguing for a return to a more traditional class arrangement.

TRUSTEE RICHARD ARLEN said he couldn't understand the board's thinking in continuing a system that was designed to create problems. "I've even had a principal admit modular scheduling was no good—in private. But in public, he defends it to the hilt."

The board was not standing behind a bad system, said Trustee George

Lawton. "We are not against making changes, but it takes time, and changes have been made."

Trustee E.J. McClendon said many of the problems at the Park were related to a changing social climate and had nothing to do with modular scheduling. He added that 25 per cent more students finish high school today than did in 1950 with the traditional school day.

Modular scheduling gives students too much freedom, argued Trustee Flossie Tonda. "Let kids be kids. Don't force them to grow up before they have to."

Hoben said one of the main reasons students did not finish college was because they couldn't handle the freedom wisely. He felt modular scheduling made students responsible for their own time. He added that 30 per cent of Plymouth-Canton students who go to college finish in four years, which is double the national average.

However, he proposed putting the ninth and 10th grades on a traditional schedule and only have juniors and seniors on modular scheduling. The consensus of the trustees was that such a change might be a good alternative but would need more exploration before any decision was made.

HOBEN ALSO said that some changes in the 45-15 tracking schedule might be needed to provide more flexibility.

When Miller School first began 45-15, a different track started classes every 15 days. However, Hoben said,

it might be wise to consider altering this pattern when the other schools begin 45-15 in the fall.

He proposed starting three tracks at the same time, with the fourth track beginning three weeks later. The major advantages, would be to allow students more freedom to move from track to track. In addition, the change would provide a more uniform class-ending date.

If the staggered tracking system was used throughout the district, students going from Pioneer Middle School to high school would only have a week off before starting classes again.

The trustees then turned their attention to the problem of establishing attendance boundaries for the school year. Hoben said he had received a lot of complaints from residents of Prestige Heights in Canton because of a plan to bus their children to Gallimore School. They are presently attending Miller.

"I don't know about you," he said, "but I'm losing a lot of sleep over this, and there doesn't seem to be an easy solution."

The crux of the matter, Hoben said, was that no matter how the attendance lines were drawn, some parents would be angry over their children's school assignment.

Although the trustees agreed it was time to take a unified position on the issue, they felt it would be better to wait until the attendance boundary committee made its official recommendations.



The Stroller

A freakish history

By W. W. EDGAR

For the first time in the long history of the Detroit Tigers, which dates back to the turn of the century, the chief interest on opening day centered on a fellow who who wasn't even there.

The clans that gathered for the traditional opener were talking about Mark Fidrych. The Bird, of course, was caged in at Ford Hospital, far away from the maddening throng that always is on hand when the cry "Play Ball" rents the air at the old stadium which sits on the corner of Michigan and Turnbull.

The Bird is a symbol of another of the freak accidents which have happened to the Tigers down through the years. Possibly no other team in the major leagues has suffered as many as the Tigers—and all of them were costly.

One of the first The Stroller recalls happened in the training camp at Lakeland, Florida, in 1937. That one cost the Tigers the services of a young pitcher named Roxie Lawson who was being counted upon to round out the pitching staff.

The accident happened in the most unusual way and came while Mickey Cochrane, the manager, had the squad marching around the playing field in military fashion.

They were marching four abreast and were doing fine until Mickey called a halt.

THOUGH COCHRANE shouted the command, evidently "Pinky" Higgins,

the Tiger third baseman, didn't hear him. Higgins was marching right behind Lawson and when all the others stopped on command "Pinky" took one more step—right on Lawson's ankle. His spikes cut into the bone and virtually ended the young pitcher's career. He lost his usual stride while favoring the injured ankle and never was able to reach his potential. He drifted away from the Tigers and seldom was heard from after that.

One of the most damaging of the accidents, though, robbed the Tigers of Mickey Cochrane at a time when he was at his peak and had the Tigers going at a good clip in the pennant race.

It happened in Yankee Stadium one afternoon when "Black Mike" tried to duck a pitch. Instead of ducking the pitch, the ball hit him on the head. He fell to the ground and was carried away. It took quite a while for Mickey to recuperate from the stunning blow. But it hastened the end of his long and distinguished career.

He tried hard to come back. But it wasn't in the stars for him to take his old position behind the plate. So he tucked the catchers mitt away and attempted to become a bench manager.

This was not a role for Mickey. He was a great field leader—leading the Tigers to the pennant in 1934 and the World Series title in 1935. But on the bench he couldn't show the drive he possessed as an active player, and soon was forced to give up the reins.

ONE OF the most celebrated of the

Tigers' freak accidents robbed them of the services of "Hammering Hank" Greenberg, the lanky first baseman. Greenberg, a boy from the Bronx, was also cut down at the peak of his career.

Hank was a great hitter and one season came within two homers of Babe Ruth's former record of 60 circuit blows.

Greenberg's injury was the most freakish of freaks.

He was guarding first base one afternoon and stretched out his arm to take a throw in an attempt to nab the runner. Instead, as he went to make the tag, his glove flew in the air and Hank dropped his arm. Diagnosis later proved that his wrist was broken and he was lost for the remainder of the season. What's more, he never played first base again. When he returned to action in 1937 he was shifted to the outfield to make room for Rudy York, another long ball hitter, who took over first base.

Hank's career was cut short because of the injury and the fact he went into the service of his country in World War II. But that afternoon when he collided with the runner at first base was the freak that cast a shadow over the rest of his baseball life.

So as "The Bird" sits in his room at Ford Hospital, he is just the newest member of "The Freak Accident Club" that has played a prominent role in the fate of the Tigers through the years.

Saving energy

A program on energy conservation for business will be sponsored this month by the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce. Ervin J. Sattinger, research engineer for the Environmental Research Institute of Michigan, will be guest speaker.

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from our readers

GEORGE H. JOHNSON
George H. Johnson has been appointed general director of purchasing, production control and traffic of Chevrolet Motor Division.

A native of Columbus, Ohio, Johnson joined Chevrolet in 1949 as a college graduate in training at the division's central office in Detroit. He subsequently became a foreman at the Grey Iron Casting plant in Saginaw and a production manager at a metal casting plant in Tonawanda, N.Y.

He was appointed general superintendent of production at the Tonawanda plant in 1959 and assumed similar positions at the Massena, N.Y., aluminum die casting plant in 1960 and Saginaw Grey Iron Casting later in 1960.

Johnson became plant manager of the Saginaw casting plant in 1964 and was named plant manager of the former Chevrolet (now GM assembly di-

vision) plant at Willow Run in 1967, and plant manager at Chevrolet's Flint assembly plant in 1968. The next year he was named a project manager on the division's central office manufacturing staff.

Johnson was promoted to regional plant manager in 1970 and in 1973 was appointed to his most recent position as regional plant manager with responsibility for six plants, including the Livonia spring and bumper plant.

He is a graduate of the University of Michigan where he was a star football tackle in 1945 and 1947. He also completed advanced management training at Emory University in Georgia and served as a U.S. Navy officer in World War II.

Johnson, a resident of Plymouth for some time, is on the board of directors of the Canton-Northville-Plymouth YMCA. His wife Nancy also is active in community affairs, serving on the board of directors of the Plymouth Community Fund and Plymouth Salvation Army.

Editor:

It is unbelievable that our school district is making all these grandiose plans for the coming school year without a contract with their teachers.

The classroom is where all education takes place, not in the administration offices on Harvey Street nor in the school board meeting room. There is no way, legally, that our school board can institute their plan of 45-15 without a contract with their teachers.

There is probably no segment of our society that is working today under the working conditions of your teachers. By state law these conditions can be set by the school board and teachers have no recourse except one—they can quit. Sad to say, many of your fine teachers are contemplating this move. If this happens who will suffer? Not the school board, not the administrators on Harvey Street, but our children. I don't think this is what the people of Plymouth-Canton want.

Our board is trying to play the role of "Big Brother," telling us what is good for us. They have forgotten the fact they are supposed to represent us, teachers, taxpayers and children, not dictate to us. They have contin-

ually ignored input from their staff of trained professionals and taxpayers of the community as to the upgrading of the education of our children.

Earlier, their excuse was no money. We gave them that money in September. I have yet to see a published report accounting for the way these funds are being used for the purpose we voted.

True, more than 60 non-teaching positions have been created since September while classroom size has increased. If there is no money to hire more teachers to reduce class size, where does the money come from to add these non-teaching positions? Probably from the interest on the money they should be paying their teachers for a contract settlement, and inadequate instructional supplies.

So much has been published by our school board about their offer of 30 per cent over a three-year period that this must be commented upon. They include the improvement of salary which takes place as a teacher grows in experience for the first 11 years of their teaching experience (increment). They have used the eighth to ninth step of the present salary schedule on which to base this. They

have failed to tell you, the public supporters of education, that 38 per cent of the staff doesn't receive this increase in salary. Your beginning teachers don't receive this nor do your teachers who have more than 12 years of experience in this district. This should tell you something as to the thinking of the board of education.

Do they really care about providing top level education for our children or are teachers providing a baby sitting service for the community? We need the experience of our teachers of long tenure. In the board's present offer their needs are being ignored.

The prime concern of our board over the past few years hasn't been the educational needs of our children but one of economic expediency. No one ever made an immediate dollar with education. This has been the method by which our society has pulled itself out of the cave to modern technology. Education costs money, be it private or public. It isn't a profit making enterprise.

I think the most pressing issue of the moment isn't 45-15, millage, or the bond vote, but settling a fair contract with the people who teach our children in the classroom—your teachers. Without them there is no education taking place.

WILLIAM J. GRIMMER
Past President
Plymouth Education Association



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BUSINESS FEDERATION

Dr. Cliff A. McClumpha of Parkway Veterinary Clinic in Plymouth and Frank McMurray of State Farm Insurance of Canton have been appointed action council members of the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB).

The NFIB is a nonprofit, non-partisan organization the needs of small businesses across the country, and is designed to promote the concept of free enterprise and to give independent business a greater voice in shaping the laws which govern business. McClumpha is active in the Rotary Club of Plymouth and is a member of several veterinary associations.

Pros would steal wood

About \$2,500 worth of lumber was stolen from three new home construction sites in Plymouth Township last week, and Michigan State Police think the thefts are related.

All of the thefts took place in the Quail Hollow subdivision, and, so far, the thieves have shown a preference for plywood. Some \$1,000 in 4x8 sheets was taken from a home on Tennyson Drive; another \$1,000 in 4x8s was carted away from a house on Denise Court. A third heist from a house on

Green Valley Road provided the crooks with another \$500 in plywood.

"All of the thefts were pretty professional," said Trooper David Gentry. "I don't think they were done by individuals looking for wood for their own use."

"If I had to guess, I'd say that some small, fly-by-night construction outfit is working the area. They steal material and then work cheaply. Enough wood was stolen to build several garages."



Fine time

Jim McKeon, (from left) and Ken Way dropped coins in the fine box presented to the Plymouth evening Kiwanis Club by Hazen Wilson of Michigan Bell Telephone Company. Wilson presented the old pay telephone to the club after the one they used for years to collect fines, disappeared. The local Kiwanians donate the accumulated cash to a fund which provides schooling to children who are confined in hospitals for a long time. (Staff photo)

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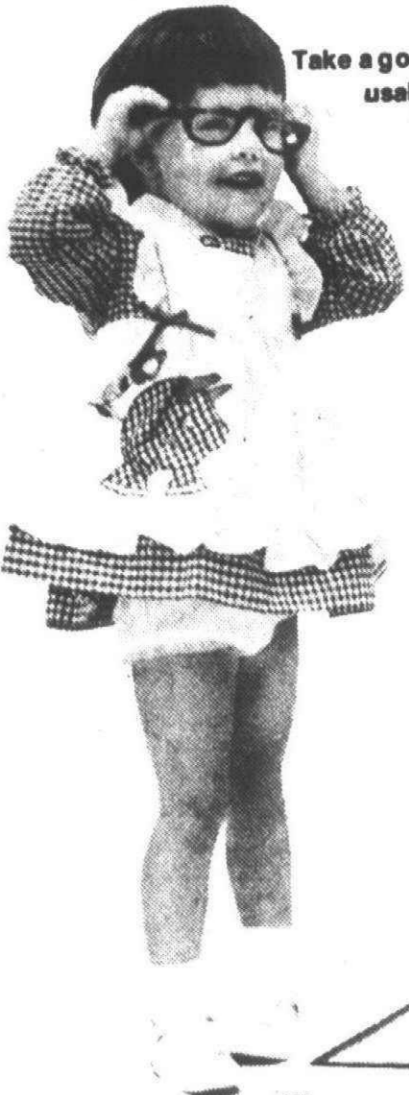
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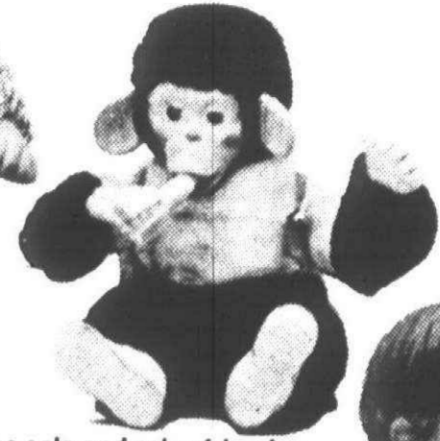
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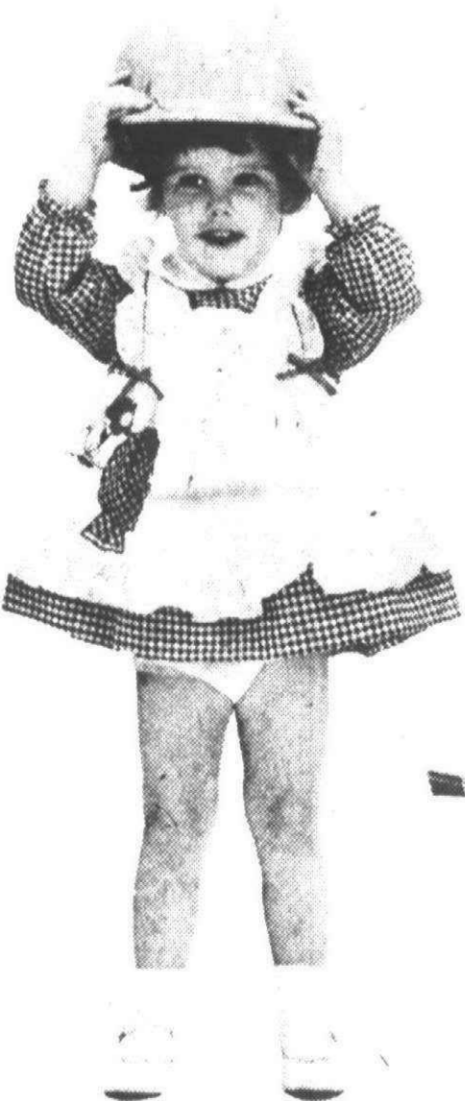
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Educator argues merit of modular

Editor:
As a 20-year resident of Plymouth, a graduate of the Plymouth School District, and an educator, I am disturbed by current attitudes and developments concerning the quality of education in my hometown.

I refer specifically to certain members of the community, school board, and faculty who may disapprove of modular scheduling at Centennial Educational Park (CEP). Most of the "problems" that exist at CEP in areas such as attendance, basic skills, achievement and observable in-school behavior aren't unique among today's high schools. To discredit modular scheduling on the basis of any unsubstantiated claims of failure is a disservice to students.

Plymouth School District's tradition of producing successful and responsible individuals of society must be preserved. Historically this has been accomplished by encouraging students' maturing and independence in realizing their talents and potentials more fully.

The implementation of modular scheduling has been a giant step in the direction of maintaining this standard throughout the combined Plymouth-Canton school system. Students must meet the demands of a work schedule during high school and upon graduation. Modular scheduling allows students to take responsibility for their decisions to meet these adult commitments.

The "problem" with modular scheduling is simply that it is different. Initial contact with the system is a shock for parents, students and teachers. Students, because of the staggered schedule of their school day,

are constantly coming and going, moving freely from task to task. This experience is similar to coping with one's first job or going to a community college.

Becoming a disciplined adult is a challenge that our rapidly changing society demands. This challenge doesn't exist in schools with traditional scheduling. Going to the same class at the same time and place, five times per week, easily lends itself to student boredom and teacher stagnation. Students become overdependent on a routine which precludes self-discipline. Teachers become overdependent on habitual presentation of lessons and many get into an "instructional rut."

As a teacher, I have worked in a large school system where traditional scheduling and curriculum produced students with little self-discipline or knowledge of how to cope with their everyday lives. Conformity to a rigid, traditional scheduling system in Plymouth-Canton would eliminate the considerable advantages of a CEP education.

I would be stating my case too simply if I didn't admit problems exist at CEP. It is apparent from reading the Observer articles and letters which discuss issues involving CEP, that some students have difficulty handling the freedom and responsibility. Perhaps this is because their contact with CEP is the first time they have been awarded any control over their environment. These students need the council of parents, teachers, and administrators to realize that the system is treating them as adults and that they must try to meet up to this responsibility.

Last fall, the faculty and adminis-

tration planned to institute a program called STP (Student-Teacher Planning) to help students adjust more effectively. Because this program is new, a great deal of cooperation and extra initiative is needed on the part of the faculty and administration. These essential efforts have been hindered by the lack of a teacher contract.

I am thankful for the education I received in Plymouth and am proud of Plymouth's distinction as a leader and innovator among Michigan school systems.

I challenge Plymouth-Canton parents to investigate the reputation of the school district's educational standards. Any change could affect your child's chance to compete and succeed in society at large. Personally, I hope that modular scheduling is preserved, improved upon, and not eliminated by a few individuals who are unwilling to work hard to maintain Plymouth's record of educational excellence.

JERROLD A. THOMPSON
Ann Arbor

—From our readers— Mother backs plan

Editor:
In response to the letter in the March 24 Observer, regarding Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton high schools—as an individual, who has substituted in the Plymouth-Canton Community Schools for three years, as a secretary and aide, I have to support modular scheduling to the fullest.

I have a daughter attending Salem High, who is doing very well to utilize it, but self-motivation starts when a child is very young and if the environment isn't in the home, how in the world do you expect the teachers in the high school to do the job, when in reality a parent is the one who is supposed to do the motivating of their children.

Communication between parent and

student is most important in the high school years. Lack of communication creates many problems which parents have a tendency to blame on the schools.

I have never seen free, open sex, students high on alcohol or drugs, and it remains for me to see the filth and grime at the high schools. As far as the filthy language between student and teacher—if this does exist, I think this has to be environmental also.

In my opinion, Plymouth has one of the finest, if not the best school system in the Detroit suburban area. Any one who has problems in this system, with the opportunities that are offered, would have difficulty whether they were on modular or traditional scheduling.

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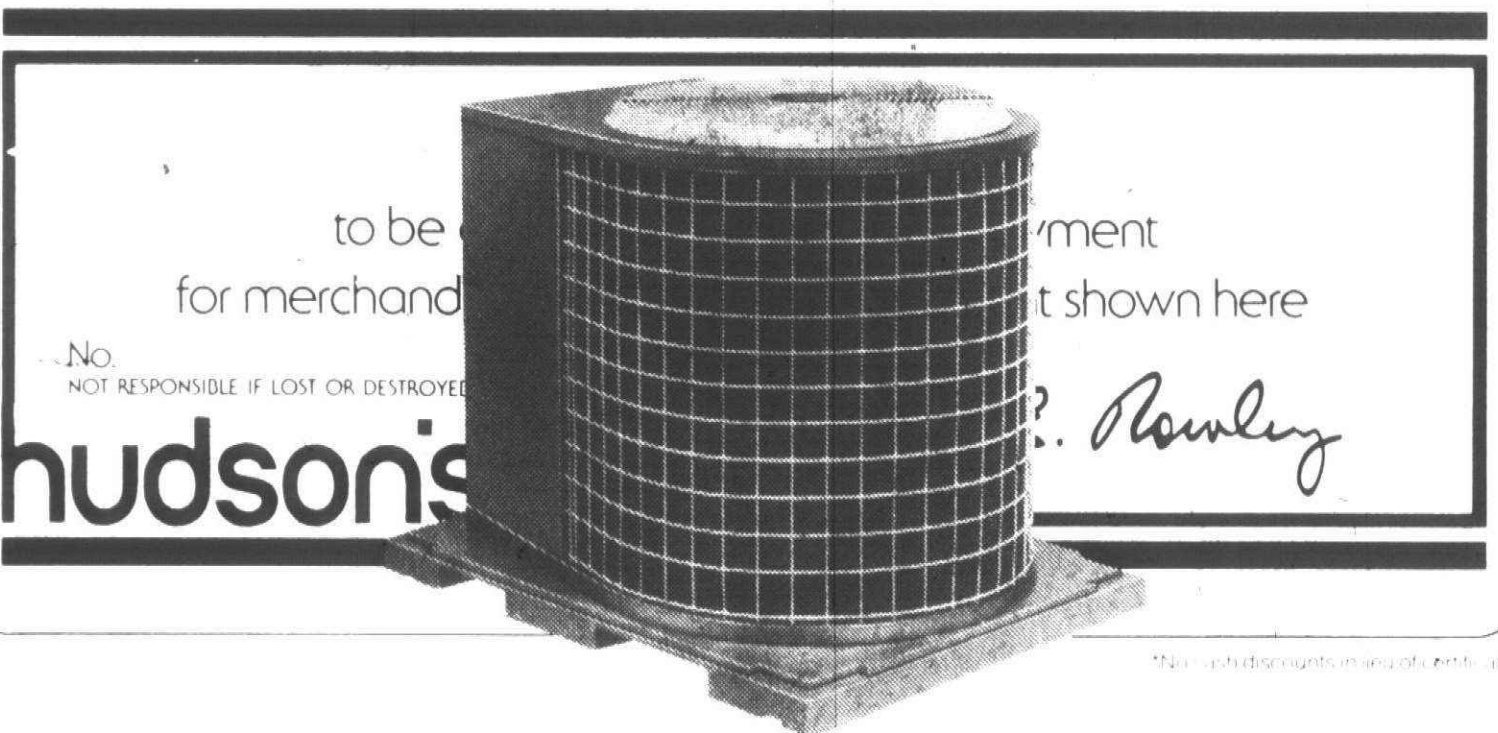
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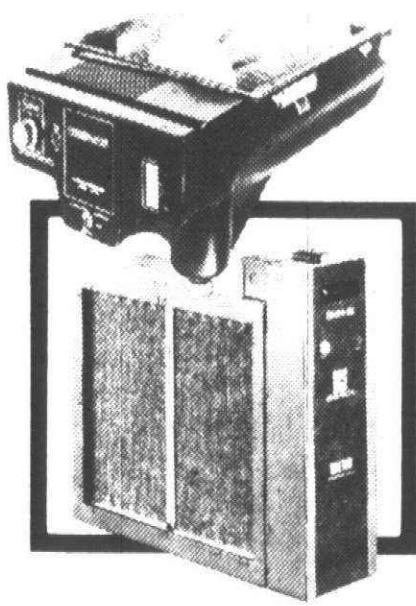
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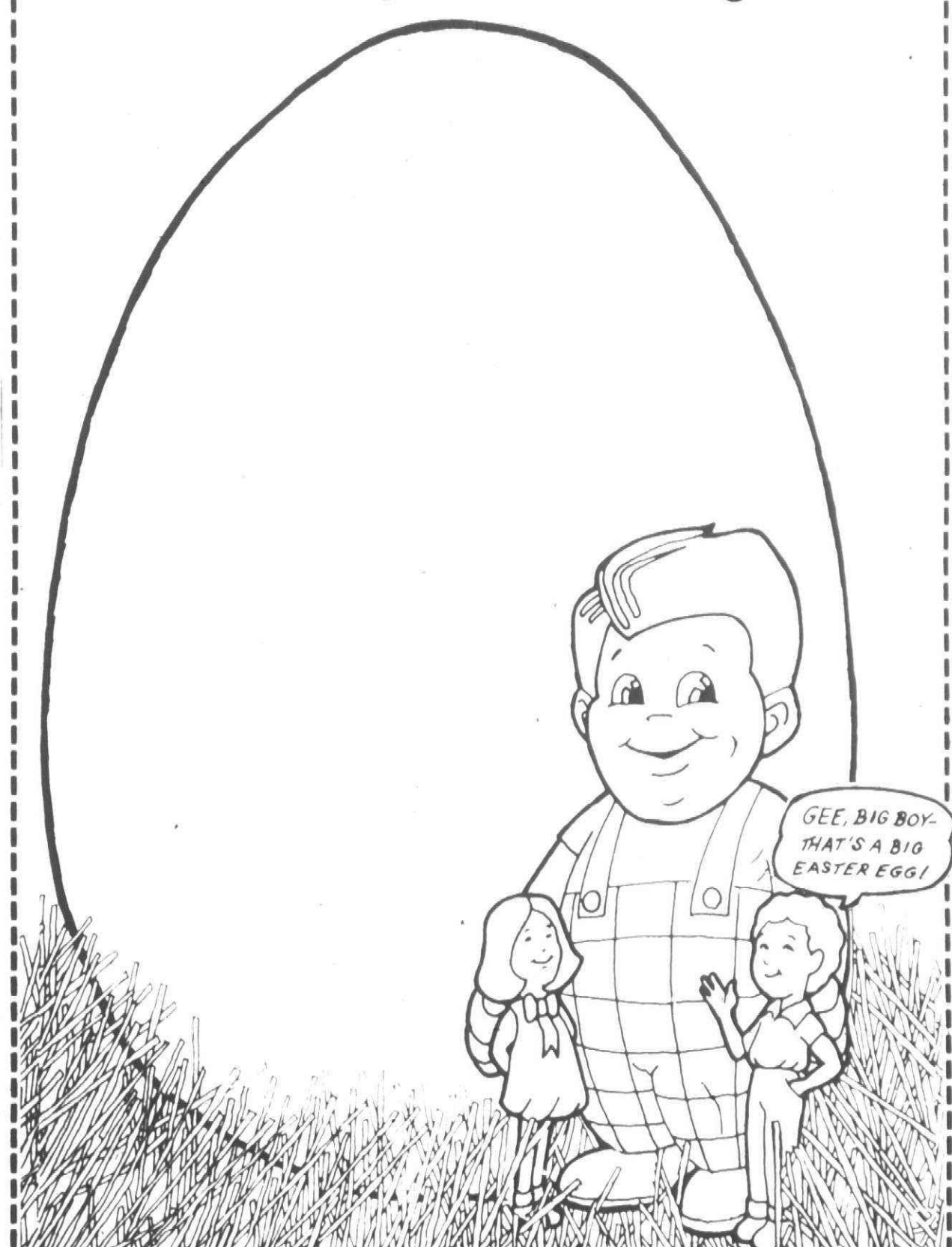
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From our readers

Victors and the spoilers

'Different' houses upset homeowner

Editor:

I was rather disturbed when I read an article in the local newspapers about an effort to start a campaign to recall Canton Supervisor Harold Stein. I attend most of the township regular board meetings and I can't see where Stein has done anything wrong or anything that warrants a recall.

First of all, as I see it, the supervisor alone cannot arbitrarily make any decisions which would affect the community—such as the police chief, growth control, sign ordinance—unless he has the support of the majority of the board. There are seven elected board members on the township board and nothing can be approved unless the majority of the board supports it.

So, on what grounds, may I ask, are Donahue, LaBell and Bundarin basing their charges for a recall?

In the same article I read where Mrs. LaBell stated that she can't see how Stein can serve the people without listening to them or hearing them speak.

Anyone who has ever attended a Canton board meeting knows this statement is not true. There is a place on the agenda that gives anyone in attendance time to express his or her concerns as well as speak on other matters appearing on the agenda. I feel that the Canton board has a very liberal policy and there is no reason why a resident cannot be heard.

ANOTHER COMMENT by Mrs. LaBell was that her concern lies with

the welfare of the community. I have been informed that she is a newcomer here in Canton with less than two years as a resident, so I can't see how she could be such an expert on community affairs in such a short time.

Donahue is right when he stated that the majority of Canton residents would not support a recall Stein campaign. About the ZBA controversy, Donahue is right again. This (ZBA issue) is a piddly thing and of not much concern to the average taxpayer.

I must agree with Trustee Brian Schwall that this was "cronyism" when lame duck supervisor Robert Greenstein, after being beaten soundly by Stein in the primaries, came back and appointed himself and his cronies to the ZBA. I'm sure Donahue is well aware of the procedures used by newly-elected officials, may it be the president of the USA and on down the line: "To the victor belongs the spoils."

Usually, when a new official is elected to office, he makes his own appointments to the different communities and that is as it should be.

ANOTHER CRITIC. Peter Bundarin, wasted taxpayers' money in a recount and now is wasting more taxpayers' money and time on a piddly recall which has no foundation. Bundarin could be a greater asset to the community if he tried to cooperate and work with the Canton administration instead of against it.

HANK RUPERT
Canton Township

Editor:

The homeowners in the Willow Trail Subdivision (Shiloh) have formed a homeowners corporation. Peter Bundarin, a noted local attorney, is serving as legal counsel for the corporation.

Area residents have become alarmed since Smokler Homes purchased vacant lots within the subdivision and have begun to build houses which are extremely different in size, elevation and similarity of building material, from existing homes.

The covenants covering Willow Trail provide for the continuation of existing standards. The preamble of the covenants states that the restrictions have been set up to "insure the beneficial development of the subdivision to assure the beauty, betterment, protection, harmony of exterior design and appearance of the residences to be built."

Smokler purchased the property from Michigan National Bank in April 1976. The residents are concerned that property values will decrease because homes are appraised by taking adjacent home values into consideration.

Other subdivisions in Canton are concerned with the problem faced by Willow Trail, as the other homeowners want to protect their property values, too.

If Smokler Homes is allowed to

change the face of Willow Trail, concern occurs over the possibility that this could happen in other Canton subdivisions.

Willow Trail homeowners approached Supervisor Harold Stein on this problem. A lack of concern by the township official has caused the homeowners to set up an action committee. Mr. Bundarin is negotiating with Smokler and Michigan National Bank. If negotiations are not productive, an injunction against Smokler Homes will be sought and Willow Trail owners will be picketing the building sites.

Other Canton subdivision homeowners will participate in demonstrations. Intense action will cease when Smokler Homes agrees to build homes commensurate with homes already in this subdivision.

BERNADINE BENNETT,
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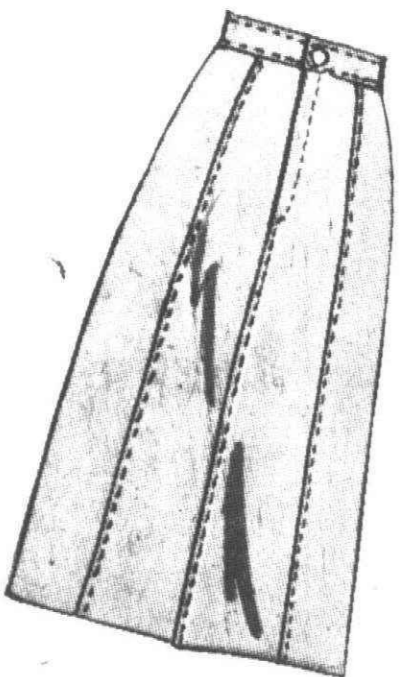
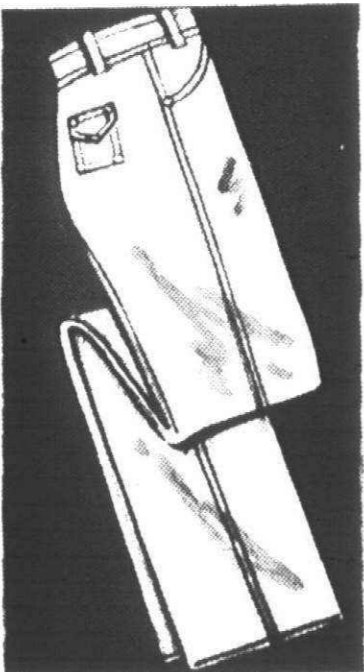
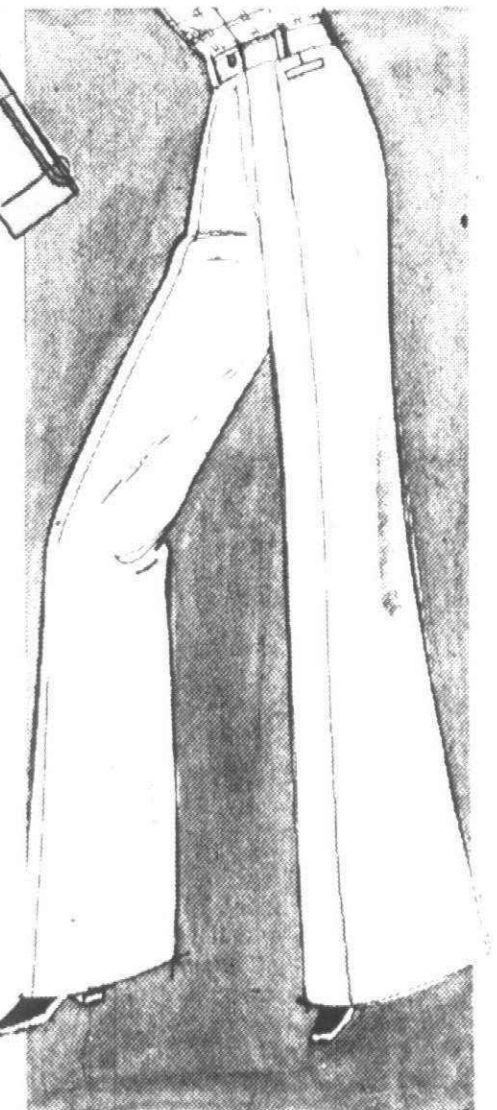
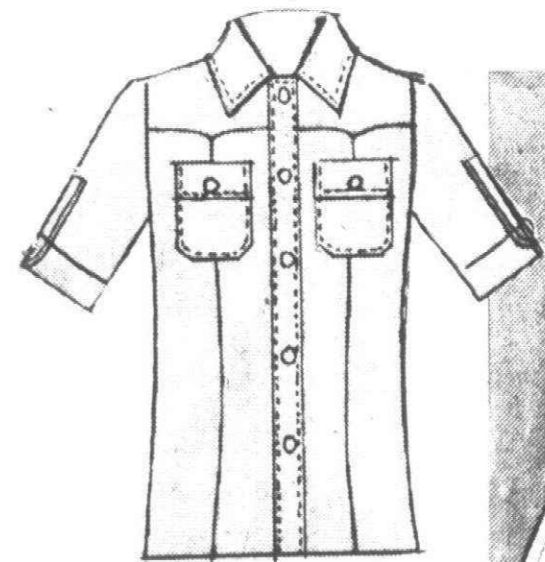
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THE ANNUAL POPS concert will be May 14 in Pioneer Middle School. Theme this year is College Night at the Pops, and members of the Plymouth Symphony League have sent out a call for help. They need college pennants and flags for decorating.

They have plenty from Michigan schools but need those from out-of-state colleges and universities.

Anyone who will lend a pennant for the concert is asked to call Laurie Markiewicz, 459-1441. Mrs. Markiewicz says pennants will be treated with care and returned after the concert.

Tickets for the concert are \$3.50 for adults and \$1.75 for students. They will go on sale April 12 in the Bed 'n Stead shop in Old Village.

Last year's concert was a sellout. Although a few more seats will be available this year, there never are enough to accommodate all those who wish to attend.



by
ELLIE GRAHAM

"WE HAD AN UNUSUAL experience after last week's rehearsal," said Wayne Dunlap, conductor of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra. He explained.

"It was a rainy, windy day and Bill Beitner called me in Grand Rapids to say he would fly over and pick me up for rehearsal." The conductor commutes from Grand Rapids for Monday night rehearsals in Central Middle School. He said he was pleased not to be driving and admitted the flight to Plymouth was a little bumpy.

The rains continued through rehearsal accompanied by much thunder and lightning. When they returned to the airport, they couldn't open the door of the hangar. The lock is electrically controlled and the storm had put it out of working order.

"We decided we might as well get something to eat and try later," said Dunlap.

They never did get the hangar door open. "Bill finally called a friend and borrowed his plane."

"The storm had blown itself out and the ride home was smooth."

THE CITY OF LIVONIA officially renamed Ford Ice Arena last Saturday morning. A number of Plymouth area residents turned out for the ceremony at Ford Field and the unveiling of the new cornerstone on the "Eddie Edgar Arena."

W.W. Edgar, former editor of the Plymouth Mail and Observer, was instrumental in Livonia's transition from township to city and pioneered many changes in the neighboring community.

On hand for the dedication and the luncheon which followed at Nicky's were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Guenther, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Notebaert, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Yockey, Mr. and Mrs. Dunbar Davis, U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell, State Sen. Robert Geake, Perry Richwine, Jack Selle, Warren Bradburn, George Bowles and Joe Bida.

Ray Lane was master of ceremonies. Mrs. Jack Adams, widow of the former general manager of the Detroit Red Wings was there. Sports columnist Joe Falls, and representatives of the Bowling Association, Detroit Parks and Recreation Department, and the Michigan Hall of Fame were in attendance.

Friends and relatives of Leona and Eddie Edgar shared the day. They were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beattie of Marine City, cousins of Mrs. Edgar; cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Beattie of Edwardville, Ill., and Wilbert Lankin of Lansing; and longtime friends Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Smith of Marine City, and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Johnson of Eaton Rapids.

The guest of honor works out of the Plymouth office of the Observer Newspapers. At 79, he writes his bowling column, "In the Pocket," and his regular column, "The Stroller," as well as features and news stories.

He was looking forward to attending his 54th opening day of the Tigers' baseball season today (April 7).

WINNERS at last Thursday's party bridge game in Plymouth Cultural Center were Steve Jeffery and Irma Conway.

NANCY AUSTIN of Plymouth and Kathy Parker of Wyandotte will represent TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) on the "Good Morning, Detroit" television show at 7 a.m. April 14.

They will discuss the TOPS State Recognition Days Convention to be held in Lansing April 15 and 16.

Kathy Parker, who has lost more than 114 pounds, will share her success story with the viewing audience. She has maintained her weight loss for three years. Nancy Austin is TOPS publicity director for the metropolitan Detroit area which includes Wayne, Oakland, Macomb and Wayne counties.

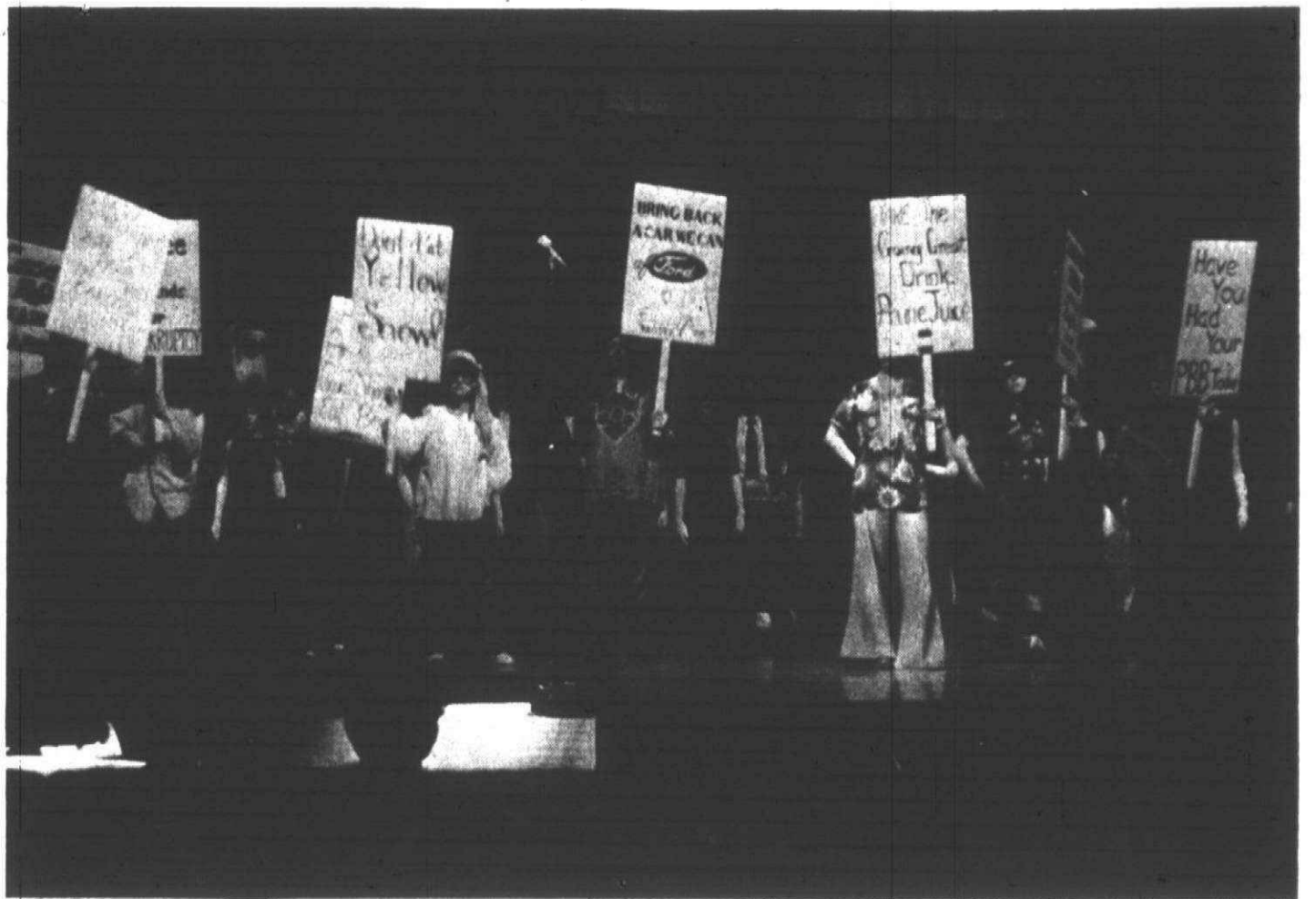
There are 11 chapters and 6,000 members in the area. Approximately 2,000 persons are expected to attend the Lansing convention.



The Jester, Todd Barker, did a double take when he spotted his reflection in a mirror at the Mayflower Meeting House.



Thursday, April 7, 1977



A group of women's libbers took over the stage for a brief time. They turned out to be docile in spite of their militant approach and allowed the show to continue. (Staff photos)

Community follies a smash hit

By ELINOR GRAHAM

April arrived in a black and white jester's suit last Friday.

By Sunday morning, arts council members were exhausted but exultant. Their first community-wide follies had been a resounding success. And the crowds which packed the auditorium for the two performances of "Jest Follies" were still chuckling.

The Plymouth Community Arts Council had set out to raise money for its school programs. A follies with a professional director was financial gamble and a tremendous amount of work.

Members of the PCAC pitched into the project and their enthusiasm was catching. By opening night the large cast, many of whom met for the first time at rehearsal, were a working group.

THE AUDIENCE related to the performers:

When the two mincing angels with bobbing halos were recognized as a local judge and a township supervisor.

When a teacher, a neighbor, or a member of their church choir took on new character in a chorus lines or belted out a song with the aplomb of a Broadway veteran.

When the down and-out loser ambling across the stage, sheepish yet cheerful in his poverty, was in reality the president of a Plymouth bank. The response was terrific.

Gary Randolph, the professional director, said it could be done in two weeks and he was right.

DOROTHY MAGEE, president of PCAC, and Joanne Hulse, follies chairman, coordinated the undertaking but it was a group effort. Mrs. Magee worked with Barbara Bryndenthal in assembling the talent.

Pam Mincher, Janet Repp, Mary Uhl and Elaine Kirchgatter were involved in the extra revenue projects. These included the legs contest and prizes.

The elaborate programs were the responsibility of Pat Rhinehart and Phyllis Kordick. Dee Schulte was artist and layout consultant.

Nancy Cooper and Marge Fisher headed the ticket committee. Donna Miceli and Nancy Sharp handled publicity. Judy and Tom Lewis and their workers turned out the professional-looking sets.

Wilma Newton and Carol Decker were in charge of finances. Gil and Clara Camp lined up the ushers. The costume department was headed by Marilyn Whittaker and Nancy Hayes.

Carol Sturton and Sharon Flower were responsible for makeup and Esther Hulsing and Nancy Sharp found the patrons for the event.

Elise Murphy and Mary Weed planned the afterglow party in the Mayflower Meeting House which also was a sellout.



Carol Carlson as the Maharaja and Vince Currie as the Maharaja sang center stage with the Taj Mahal in the background.



The beautiful Natasha, played by Barbara LeClair, greeted her cosmonaut husband in the Russian segment of the show.



Cindy Retich, a Livonia bride-to-be, tries on a veil at The Doll House bridal salon, one of the area businesses participating in Welcome Wagon's April 11 party for engaged girls. (Staff photo by Bob Woodring)

Information for brides at 'nearly-wed' party

For young women in this area about to take that giant step to the altar, there's a party and a wealth of information in store April 11.

Welcome Wagon International, Inc. will present on the evening after Easter the first of a series of NearlyWed parties, designed to help the busy bride-to-be get everything together for the big day.

The opener party, like those to follow on a monthly basis, will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the Mayflower Meeting House, 455 S. Main, Plymouth.

Planned for engaged women in the Livonia, Plymouth and Northville areas, the new series of parties will bring in representatives of area businesses that deal with weddings—bridal salons, photography studios, printing firms, bakeries and interior decorators.

Similar parties for brides-to-be will be started in the Westland area later in the spring.

Following the format established in other areas, the engaged women are invited to bring a guest—mother, sister or an honor attendant-to-be—for the social and informational session.

BESIDES MEETING the merchants whose services they may need for the coming big event, the engaged women will receive packets of information they may need in the coming months. Material from the marriage license

bureau, Social Security office, post office, health department and Internal Revenue Service will be given out.

In addition, there will be homemaking information from the Wayne County Cooperative Extension Service.

"This project is aimed at preparing this prospective new family with the most complete set of information possible," said Diane Jurick, Welcome Wagon hostess for Livonia.

"We want it to be an enjoyable evening for the girls and their guests, and we'll have refreshments and prizes for them, but especially we want to offer them a service to make their next few months easier."

The day after Easter was picked for the first NearlyWed gala, she said, because many college student brides-to-be are likely to be home at that time. Later parties at the Mayflower Meeting House will be held monthly, she added, and those slated for the Westland area will be announced later. Assisting Mrs. Jurick in handling the gatherings will be Maureen Barber, also a Welcome Wagon hostess in this area.

AREA BUSINESSES participating in the April 11 program include the Mayflower Hotel of Plymouth, McFerran photography Studio of Northville, Wimmer's Printing of Livonia, Heide's Flowers of Plymouth and Fran's Cosmetic Salon of Canton. Others are Wayside Gifts of

Plymouth, Doll House Bridal Salon of Livonia, LaPointe Tuxedo of Garden City, Kent's Decorating of Livonia, Livonia Danish Bakery, Detroit Rental Co. of Southfield, Westland Drapery Cleaners of Livonia, Lilley's Boutique of Livonia and Westland.

Fred Schultz, Southfield insurance agent, and Air and Sea Travel Agency of Southfield also will participate. GERALD's of Northville beauty salon will give a fashion show of the latest hair styles and how to care for them.

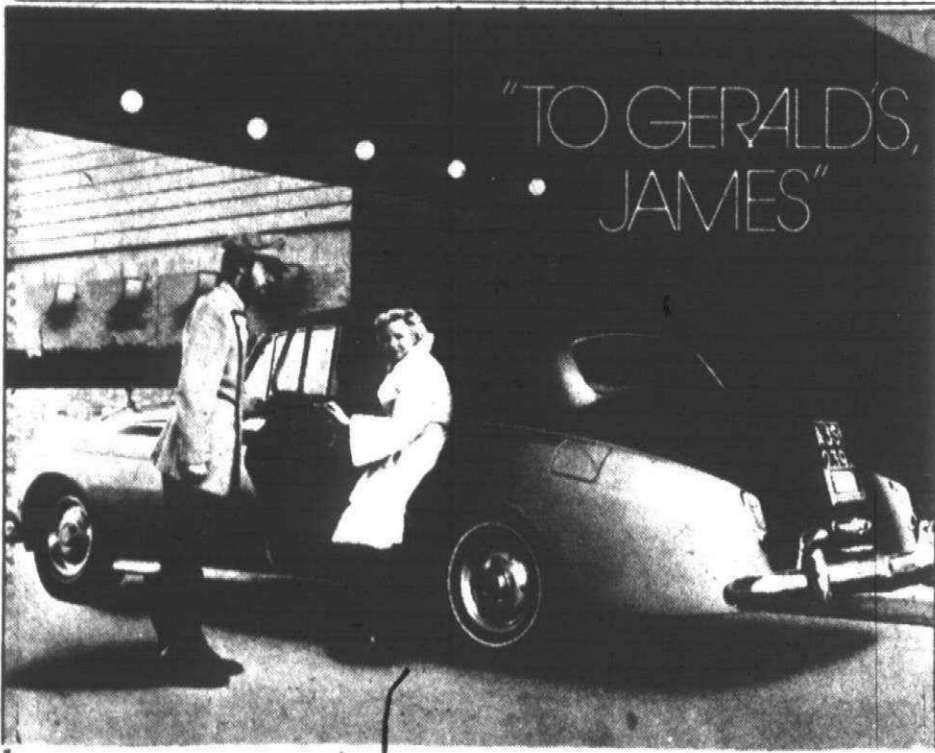
Co-op nursery plans spring roundups

The Plymouth Children's Nursery is planning two roundups in the school, Warren Road at Haggerty, Canton Township.

The cooperative preschool nursery is one of the oldest in the area. It is housed in the old two-room Hough School and serves 2 and 3 year olds.

The spring roundups will provide children and parents an opportunity to see the nursery and its facilities. The open houses will begin at 1 p.m. April 29 and May 13.

For further information call Barb Palmer, 455-4088, or Linda Luke, 455-0863.



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Canton chatter
 By SHARON STARON 455-5322

Canton is full of talented people. All one has to do to find them is to know where to look. On Monday nights at Geneva Presbyterian Church, a group of women known as **Mad and Mellow** can be found in rehearsal. The seven vocalists make up "Mellow" and their pianist is "Mad."

What began as a fun interest activity through the Canton Newcomers last September has turned into an almost professional sounding choral group. They work hard on their songs and take the group very seriously. They have many selections they harmonize and each works on her own soloist offering.

Individually they are:
Madeline Green, pianist for the group. The other women say they could not get along without her. When picking a name for themselves they had to have her's stand out from the rest, therefore she is known as "Mad." She loves playing for the girls because they have so much fun and it gives her a chance to play up-to-date pieces. She also is the pianist for the AAUW Chorus. Madeline and her husband Clay have one son, Steve.

Carmen Dellas is group coordinator. She makes the final decisions on what the group sings and what they forget. Listening very attentively she can tell if a song just doesn't sound right and is not worth the effort or time to improve it. She also knows when a piece sounds terrific. Carmen and her husband George and daughter Melanie are moving temporarily to Pennsylvania. She plans on making many trips back to Canton to perform with the group until she returns permanently in two years. The others will miss having her discipline and humor.

Pat Davidson is the group's organizer. She arranged for the use of the church where they rehearse and she is responsible for arranging where they perform. The equipment such as mikes and sound systems are donated to the group for their use by Anderson Music Studio in Plymouth, where they also receive discounts on the many pieces of music they need. Pat collects the items Andersons in her van and delivers them. Pat sings soprano and one of her favorite solo selections is "Send in the Clowns." Pat and husband Don have two children, Mike and Holly.

Debra Druce calls herself a filler voice in the group. She is a balancer from the very high voices to the very low. She commented that she had joined the singing group for fun, not knowing they were planning on turning semi-professional. Her voice is a definite asset for the harmony. Debra and husband David have two children, Jeremy and Norman.

Darlene Schwalm is the newest member of the group. She is Debra's sister and the only one not from Canton. She lives in Livonia. Darlene is in her freshman year at Schoolcraft College. She sings harmony and is practicing to be the group's back-up pianist.

Norma Huetteman is the more serious vocalist performing fewer modern and more well known selections. She has a very strong voice and sings "Climb Every Mountain" with the vigor and strength that such a song



The Mellow part of the Mad and Mellows includes Dellas, Darlene Schwalm, Becky Winnie, Debra (from left) Diane Cupe, Norma Huetteman, Carmen Druce and Pat Davidson. (Staff photo)

needs. Norma and her husband Irv have four children ranging from ages 11 to 24.

Diane Cuper performs country western music above others. She has a soprano voice and does a beautiful job singing "Danny's Song." She is a real wit and keeps the others in constant laughter. She says she hopes no one will hear her knees knocking when she sings her solo. Diane and husband Jerry have two daughters, AnnJanette and Dana.

Becky Winnie is the musical arranger. She rewrites the music for each individual voice. Without her, the others do not know how they would get their selections right. She has had two years of formal singing lessons along with four years of flute lessons. Becky says her husband Dan picks up things about the music that she occasionally may miss.

TOGETHER these women make up "Mad and Mellow." They performed at the amateur talent show held at Geneva last month. Last Christmas they sang for the Newcomers luncheon. They are now getting ready to do a more involved show for the Newcomers June luncheon at Win Schuler's in Ann Arbor.

They all love to sing and get along together extremely well. They work very hard and are a great help to one another. A lot of laughs and jokes are batted back and forth during a practice session but also much affection and caring is displayed.

They would love to sing at the fall festival this year and are checking into the possibility. They are perfectionists when it comes to their singing. Anyone looking for entertainment for their club or organization would truly get a talented and enjoyable group of women if they would contact any member of "Mad and Mellow."

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SACRED HEART GUILD

Sacred Heart Guild will have a rummage sale from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. April 13 in Our Lady of Good Counsel School gymnasium, William Street at Arthur, Plymouth.

WELCOME WAGON CLUB

Members of the Welcome Wagon Club will meet at 7:45 p.m. April 7 in the Plymouth Community Credit Union, 500 S. Harvey Street.

It will be "Taste & Tell" night when members bring a sample of their favorite recipe. Cost of a taste is one cent and the recipes are five cents each or \$1 for all the recipes. Members are asked to call in their recipes in time to be typed for the meeting.

Speaker for the evening will be a new member of the club, Linda Nixon, who will demonstrate liquid embroidery. Each member will make something to take home.

3 CITIES ART CLUB

Members of the Three Cities Art Club will meet at 8 p.m. April 13 in the Plymouth Community Credit Union on Harvey Street, Plymouth.

Al McNaef of Southfield will give a water color demonstration.

Theme of the meeting will be animal paintings and members are asked to bring an example of their own work.

Plans for the May 13 and 14 art sale will be discussed.

PLYMOUTH GARDEN CLUB

The Plymouth Branch Woman's National Farm and Garden Association will meet at 12:30 p.m. April 18 in the home of Mrs. Howard Oldford.

Steve Mansfield of Heides Flowers, Ann Arbor Trail at Harvey, will discuss floral arrangements. Mrs. Arthur Griebel will be tea chairman.

PLYMOUTH PANHELLENIC

Applications for two Panhellenic scholarships will be accepted until April by Mable Partain, 455-3663.

Two yearly scholarships, of \$100 each, will be given in May to a graduate of the Plymouth-Canton Community School District. The recipient must be a pledge or member of a national social sorority.

EASTER BAKE SALE

Residents of Tonquish Creek Manor will have an Easter bake sale from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. April 9 in the community room at the manor on Sheridan Avenue, Plymouth.

Among the homemade baked goods will be breads, rolls, cakes, cookies, Easter goodies and candy.

CANTON NEWCOMER'S CLUB

The Canton Newcomer's Club will have a '60s dance April 16 in the Canton Township Recreation Hall on Michigan Avenue. Cost is \$10 per couple.

The dance will be from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. with a disc jockey playing records from the '60s.

For ticket information, call Mrs. Thomas Cifrodella, Palisades Court, or Mrs. Arthur Lawrence, Carriage Hills Drive.

The event is open to the public.

ALPHA OMICRON PI
April 21—The Northwest Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi will meet with the Dearborn Alumnae Chapter at 7:30 p.m. in the home of Mrs. Max Powell, 920 Grace, Northville. Members are asked to bring hand-crafted items or baked goods to be auctioned at the meeting. Alumnae wishing to attend may call Mrs. William O'Shea, 35979 Middleboro, Livonia.

ANNUAL POPS CONCERT
Tickets for the annual Plymouth Symphony Orchestra's Pops Concert sponsored by the Plymouth Symphony League will go on sale April 12. Tickets are \$3.50 for adults and \$1.75 for children in Bed 'n Stead in Old Village.
Theme for the cabaret-style concert will be College Night at the Pops. There are a limited number of tickets available.

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Civil War historian tracked down 'J.S.'

Civil War historian Abbott M. Gibney of Birmingham will be guest speaker at the April 14 meeting of the Plymouth Historical Society in the lower level of the Plymouth Historical Museum.

Gibney, a free-lance advertising writer, is a member and past president of the Michigan Regimental Round Table, the Livingston County Historical Society, the Historical Society of Michigan.

His great-grandmother was responsible for awakening his first spark of interest in the Civil War. He was 12 years old when Grandma Tubbs of Howell gave him a Confederate \$5 bill and an old history of the Civil War. The following Christmas, his mother gave him a book which reproduced Matthew Brady's famous Civil War photographs.

Gibney was hooked. Before he reached his teens he was destined to become one of the state's leading Civil War buffs.

He has written a number of magazine articles on various phases of the war and was particularly interested in the Michigan Cavalry Brigade.

THE JOURNAL of a Civil War soldier discovered in 1969 led Gibney on one of the most involved research projects of his career.

"I really didn't have time to do more than just look through it at first," said Gibney. "I put it on the shelf and it wasn't until a year later that I started reading it. The more I read, the more curious I was about the writer."

The journal contains about 40,000 words and Gibney transcribed it to make it easier to read. The writing is small and some of the spelling phonetic.

"It's not something you can stay with very long without it bothering your eyes."

Writer of the journal was simply "J.S." Gibney set out to unravel the mystery of his identity.

"I assumed the writer's last name was Cole, because that was the name of the family who found the journal. But, there were references to 'my brother, Orville Green.' It was further complicated because although the journal came from Livingston County, there were references to places in Washtenaw County.

"Having read the entire journal, I knew J.S. served in the the First Michigan Lancers which disbanded before it was mustered into federal service." He also knew his birthdate was March 3.

"I WENT TO the Burton Historical Collection in the main Detroit Public Library. In checking through the regimental roster of the 16th Michigan, I looked for any name with the initials J.S. and that birthdate. There was only one, Joseph Stanfield of Conway Township."

The journal begins in mid-November 1861 and ends in mid-June 1862.

"Stanfield, at 26, was somewhat older than the average soldier. He observed many things—the places he saw, the crops, the weather—and he wrote about them and his own feelings in great detail."

J.S. died in June 1862 at the Battle of Gaines Mill, Va. which also is called the battle of New Bridge and the Battle of First Cold Harbor.

GIBNEY'S RESEARCH of the diary has taken him on several trips, one of them to the site of the Gaines Mill battlefield, 10 miles from Richmond.

His research correspondence has ranged across the country and has involved the help of museum archivists and librarians in Richmond, San Francisco, South Carolina and Texas as well as Detroit, Lansing, Oakland Uni-

versity, the University of Michigan, and the Carnegie Library in Howell.

Gibney said any written work on Stanfield will require inclusion of the battle of Gaines Mill. Initial research into the the 16th Michigan's part has

turned up conflicting reports.

"Col. Stockton's (a Flint resident) account is very different from that of the Confederate regiment, the Palmetto Sharpshooters, which inflicted

heavy casualties on the 16th and also captured its flag."

The April meeting of Historical Society will begin at 7:30 p.m. Guests may attend.



Abbott Gibney examined a 58 caliber Remington Zouave which was used in the 1860s. (Staff photo by Douglas Bauman)

Historical museum open 3 days

The Plymouth Historical Museum, Main Street at Church is open three days a week—Thursday, Saturday and Sunday.

Doors open at 1 p.m. and guides are available until the museum closes at 4 p.m. Admission is \$1 for adults, 50 cents for 12-17-

year-olds, and 25 cents for five to 11-year-olds.

Group visits can be arranged by calling the museum, 455.8940.

Hiring veterans

Ms. M.J. Williams is the new veterans employment representative at the Michigan Employment Security Commission office on Joy Road

in Plymouth.

She will work with unemployed veterans from Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, Northville, Gar-

den City, Westland and South Lyon. Employers from this area interested in hiring unemployed veterans should contact her at 453-3521.



Easter finery

The Easter parade at the Plymouth Center for Human Development will include some colorful fashions made especially for children in wheelchairs. The dresses were sewn by the Modern Moms Study group of Livonia, an affiliate of Wayne County Extension Service. Looking over some of the Easter finery were Lillian Knapp of Plymouth and Margaret Schieta of Livonia.

Obituary

ARTHUR SZYNISZEWSKI

Mr. Szyniszewski, 63, of Plymouth, died March 21.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; daughters, Linda, Cheryl and Dolores; son, Art; a brother, three sisters, and two grandchildren.

Trainees sought

Western Wayne County residents who are eligible for training under the federal Comprehensive Employment Training Act (CETA) program are being sought by the Dorsey Business Schools for tuition-free enrollment in year-long executive secretarial program courses in medical or legal secretarial studies.

476-1222 for an appointment.

Applicants for the spring term, which begins April 11, will be tested to determine if the program is appropriate to them. CETA students have their tuition and books fully paid for by the program.

Dorsey, which has its other branches in Lincoln Park and Grosse Pointe, is an accredited business school which has served the metropolitan area for 42 years. It offers classes in business administration, accounting, medical and legal secretarial, and court reporting.

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CHARTER TOWNSHIP
OF CANTON**

PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of Michigan as amended and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a Public Hearing on Monday, April 11, 1977 at the Canton Township Hall, 128 Canton Center Road at 8:00 P.M. E.D.T. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance:

TO CONSIDER REZONING FROM R-1C SINGLE FAMILY TO R0-1 RESTRICTED OFFICE FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF HAGGERTY HILL MEDICAL PLAZA. THE FOLLOWING DESCRIBED PROPERTY AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF CHERRY HILL AND HAGGERTY: Parcel of land being part of the N 1/2 of the NE 1/4 Sec 23 T 2 S. R 8E Canton Township, Wayne County, Michigan being described as beginning at a point on the north line of said Sec. 23 distant W 61.43 ft. from the NE corner of said Sec. 23 proceeding thence S 251.50 ft. thence W 588.79 ft. thence due N 251.50 ft. to the north line of said Sec. 23 across Ara Road 588.79 ft. toward the point of beginning, containing 2.59 acres. J. Gholdino, petitioner

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON PLANNING COMMISSION
ROBERT PADGET, Chairman

Publish: March 21, April 17, 1977

**NOTICE OF REVIEW
OF
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT ROLL
CITY OF PLYMOUTH,
MICHIGAN**

Notice is hereby given that on MONDAY, APRIL 18, 1977, at 7:30 P.M., the following Special Assessment District Roll will be reviewed by the City Commission of the City of Plymouth, in the Commission Chamber of the Plymouth City Hall:

NO. OF ROLL	IMPROVEMENT
332	North of Ann Arbor Road, between Tonguish Creek and Mill Street, Storm Drainage Improvement

At this Review, objections to said Assessment will be heard. The Assessment Roll is on file in the Office of the City Clerk for public examination during regular business hours.

PAUL V. BRUMFIELD, City Clerk

Publish: April 7, 1977

**CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
INVITATION TO BID
EDA No. 06-51-01986**

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be accepted until 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 12, 1977, at 44508 Geddes Road, Canton, Michigan on the following:

AGGREGATE BASE PAVING for the new Canton Township Administration Building.

The Information for Bidders, Form of Bid, Form of Contract, Plans, Specifications, and Forms of Bid Bond, Performance and Payment Bond, and other contract documents may be examined at the following:

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Copies may be obtained at the office of R.E. Dailey Company located at 19200 W. Eight Mile Rd. upon payment of \$25.00 for each set.

Any unsuccessful bidder, upon returning such set promptly and in good condition, will be refunded his payment, and any non-bidder promptly so returning such a set will be refunded \$12.50.

The owner reserves the right to waive any informalities or to reject any or all bids.

Each bidder must deposit with his bid, security in the amount, form and subject to the conditions provided in the Information for Bidders.

Attention of bidders is particularly called to the requirements as to conditions of employment to be observed and minimum wage rates to be paid under the contract.

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 30 days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

MR. JOHN FLODIN, Township Clerk

Publish: April 7, 1977

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Mother steals 'The Show-off'

By ETHEL SIMMONS

Mother knows best—well almost—in "The Show-off" at Meadow Brook Theatre. New York actress Polly Rowles, starring as the mother who battles with her daughter's show-off suitor, wages delightful war. Her down-to-earth practicality deflates the balloon of pretense that characterizes Aubrey Piper (Richard Jamieson). As the show-off, he came on awfully strong, positively braying. A little more restraint would have made the back-slapping railroad clerk more likeable and believable. There's no doubt Aubrey Piper could charm the entire family (and audience), as well as the Fishers' impressionable daughter Amy, if he really tried. **AUBREY'S CHARM** barely surfaced, although as the plot bears out he does have some right to be smug. The stage set, designed by Robert Joseph Mooney, shows the Fishers' living room and is a re-creation of a big, comfortable but homey place to hang your hat in Philadelphia, 1924. As Amy, who falls in love with the show-off, Patricia Harless went from a giggly girl in the first act to a serious married woman facing real

problems in acts two and three. She handled the role nicely. Sister Clara, portrayed by Cheryl Giannini, was alternately aloof, helpful and unhappy, adjusting to her family's and her own fortune. Ms. Giannini managed to convey these moods effectively. **FRED THOMPSON** as her husband, Frank Hyland, didn't have a really challenging part. But he was deft in playing the husband too busy with business and considerations other than his wife. Terence Marinaro was son Joe, the scientific and devoted young man who achieves his dream. He conveyed a good measure of enthusiasm with earnestness. Harry Ellerbe was pleasing as the put-upon father. Also in the cast were Stephen Daley as Mr. Gill and Laurie Allen Becker as Mr. Rogers, effective in minor roles. John Ulmer directed the production, which is filled with laughs and good humor. Costumes by Mary Lynn Bonnell are in keeping with the essentially plain lifestyle of the characters. "The Show-off" continues through April 17 on the campus of Oakland University in Rochester.



'You Never Can Tell'

Richard and Monique Morgan play romantic leads in the Shavian comedy "You Never Can Tell." The popular play by George Bernard Shaw opens at 8:30 p.m. April 20 at the Hilberry Theatre, and runs through May 21. Tickets and information are available at the Cass and Hancock box office, or by calling 577-2972.

Final Schoolcraft instrumental concert

The Schoolcraft fine arts department will present its final instrumental concert of the season at 8 p.m. tonight. The program includes works by Saint-Saens, Stravinsky and Bach to be performed by the Elizabethan chamber music will be performed by the wind ensemble. The string quartet will perform pieces by Mozart and composer-in-residence Robert W. Jones. A piano concerto composed by a Schoolcraft student and a suite of Elizabethan chamber music will be performed by the combined wind and string ensembles. The concert will be in the Liberal Arts Theater. There is no admission charge. Schoolcraft is at 18600 Haggerty, Livonia.

Lily comes home for NOW benefit

Lily Tomlin, comedy star, will bring her one-woman show to Detroit to top off the NOW National Conference. Ms. Tomlin, former Detroit and former featured regular on the now-defunct "Laugh-in" series, will appear in concert at 7:30 p.m. April 24 in Cobo Hall Ballroom. Several of the comedienne's characters have their roots in the Motor City. There is the ever-charming Mrs. Van Earborne, Grosse

Pointe's tasteful lady; Ernestine, Ma Bell's answer to Lucretia Borgia, Edith Anne, the spunky and obnoxious delinquent, and of course the cheerleader, modeled after a Cass Tech squad member. Preceding Ms. Tomlin on the weekend will be a variety show headlined by Ivy Bottini, a California-based comedienne; The Deadly Nightshade, feminist rock group; Lori Jacobs, folksinger; and Ursella Walker, a jazz and ballad singer. The

G LIMPSES

NEW RELEASES

AIRPORT 77 (PG). A disaster film that combines air and sea operations by crashing a 747 into the ocean and then trying to raise the plane or lower the ocean—something like that.
THE DOMINO PRINCIPLE (R). Gene Hackman is the trigger man in a nameless organization's attempt at political assassination. Muddled but predictable plot.
THE EAGLE HAS LANDED (PG). World War II suspense-adventure story about a group of German paratroopers who attempt to kidnap Winston Churchill. Michael Caine, Donald Sutherland and Robert Duvall star.
FELLINI'S CASANOVA (R). A lavish and lengthy production that abounds with grotesqueries, one of which is Donald Sutherland's strange make-up, as Fellini interprets Casanova's memoirs.
MOHAMMAD, MESSENGER OF GOD (PG). A flawed epic about the rise of Islam under the leadership of Muhammad. Desert spectacle with more emphasis on social reforms than religious faith.
NETWORK (R). Fierce satire attacking the television industry and mass media generally. Top performances by Peter Finch, Faye Dunaway and William Holden in fast-paced, grimly humorous film.
ROCKY (PG). Human warmth and exciting drama combine in this stirring film about a no-name boxer who gets a chance at a title bout. Acting accolades to entire cast and especially Stallone as Rocky.
SLAP SHOT (R). A comic and cutting look at the violence of professional hockey and the loneliness and shallow lives of the players and their wives. Paul Newman as the amoral player-coach smiles beguilingly as he utters every obscenity in the book.

MOVIE RATING GUIDE

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Travelers find ways to explore

As jet travel makes the world grow smaller and the beaten path grows more beaten every year, adventurous travelers must search further and harder to find new places to explore and new ways to travel.

They need look no further than the 1977 Mountain Travel Catalog, an illustrated 64-page catalog which describes more than 70 international back-country outings.

Mountain Travel, a California firm which was a pioneer in the adventure travel market, has been finding ways to really get off the beaten path for almost 10 years. In 1977, they offer a full year's program of outings and expeditions to virtually every wild and romantic corner of the globe, ranging from river-running to camel caravans, from country walks to mountaineering expeditions.

Among the 70 outings for the year will be such experiences as crossing the Sahara on a camel, guided by blue-veiled Touareg tribesmen; "bushwalking" in the mountains of Tasmania and New Zealand; traversing the northern jungles of India on an elephant safari; exploring the untraveled fjord-wilderness of Patagonia, the southernmost tip of South America, by inflatable raft; volcano-climbing in the Ecuadorian and Bolivian Andes; or trekking on the Baltoro Glacier in Pakistan's breathtaking Karakoram Range.

Nineteen new adventures are planned for 1977, including a boating and backpacking expedition in the fjords of Greenland, a trans-Himalayan trek through the Buddhist mountain province of Ladakh in northern India, a "vagabond" trip through the countryside of Greece and Crete, a sailing adventure in Scotland's Hebrides Islands, and a backpacking

trip across the isolated Santa Marta mountains in Colombia.

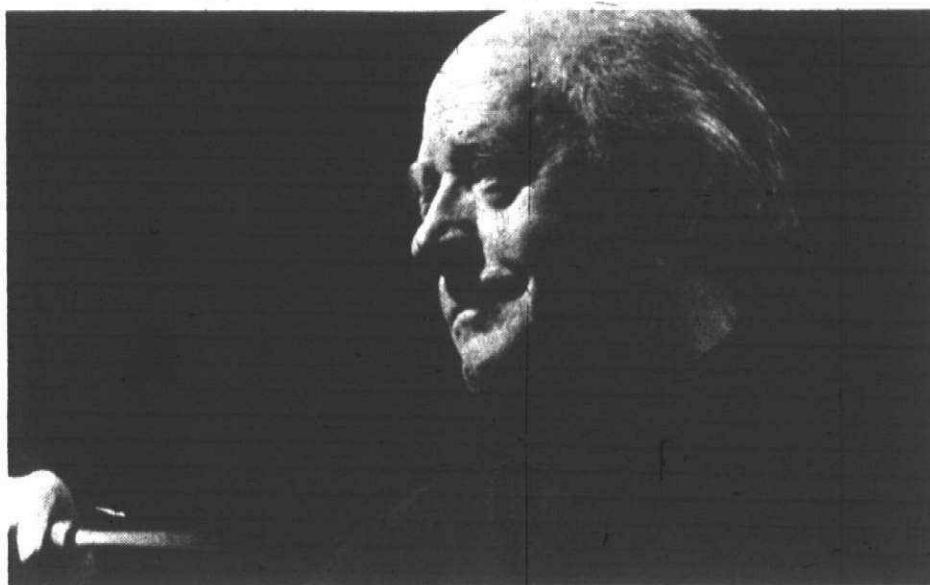
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Trips last from two to seven weeks; prices range from \$800 to \$3,275. For more information on any of the trips, write for a free copy of the 1977 Mountain Travel Catalog. Contact: Mountain Travel, 1398 Solano Avenue, Alhambra, Calif. 94706. (415) 527-8100.



EUGENE ORMANDY

Ormandy to conduct UM Symphony

The University Musical Society, in conjunction with the University of Michigan School of Music, will present a special benefit concert featuring internationally-known conductor Eugene Ormandy conducting the University Symphony Orchestra.

The concert will be at 8:30 p.m. April 15 in Ann Arbor's Hill Auditorium.

Ormandy follows a precedent set by Mstislav Rostropovich in 1975, and continued last year by Yehudi Menuhin and Gyorgy Sandor, in donating his talents for the benefit. Proceeds from the program will be shared by the Musical Society and the School of Music.

Ormandy will conduct Beethoven's "Leonore" Overture No. 3 and Symphony No. 5; two nocturnes, "Nuages" and "Fetes" by Debussy;

and "The Pines of Rome," by Respighi.

Born in Budapest, Ormandy came to the States in 1921 as a solo violinist. In 1931, he became music director of the Minneapolis Symphony Orchestra, and, in 1936, he was appointed music director and conductor of the Philadelphia Orchestra. He has held this position for more than half his life.

He was awarded an honorary doctor of music degree from University of Michigan in 1952, in recognition of his contribution to the cultural life of Ann Arbor and U-M.

Tickets for the concert are \$4, second balcony, remaining rows; \$6, second balcony, first eight rows; \$7, first balcony; and \$8, main floor. They are available from University Musical Society, Burton Memorial Tower, Ann Arbor 48109, or by phone, (313) 665-3717.

'Hansel and Gretel' return to Village

The Greenfield Village Players will continue their production of "Hansel and Gretel" on stage in Henry Ford Museum Theater.

The production will be staged April 9, 11-16, 23, 30 and May 7 and 14. The play was last presented in 1972.

The story is adapted from the original German script and includes many of the songs, dances and background music from the original Engelbert Humperdinck score.

The characters and story line are familiar. Who can forget the two lost children, portrayed

as charming but mischievous youngsters, their impoverished parents and the wicked witch who lives in a real gingerbread house? The witch's name, however, has been changed to Rosina Daintymouth in this version.

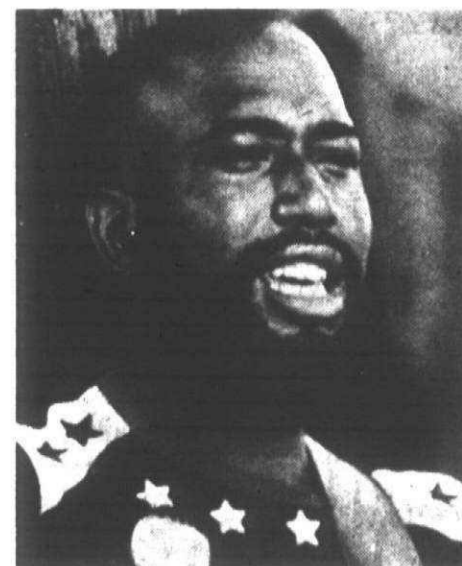
Some not-so-familiar faces are those of a duchess who is in love with a lowly huntsman, her spoiled brat of a son, named Rottenkins, and a host of gingerbread children who come to life when Hansel and Gretel put the witch out of her misery.

The line between good

and evil is clearly drawn, but even the wicked witch has her absurd side. By final curtain, the villains have been taken to task, families have been reunited and joy reigns as it usually does in fairy tales.

At the conclusion of each performance, children in the audience are invited to meet the cast.

"Hansel and Gretel" will be presented at 2 p.m. Tickets, at \$2.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children 12 and under, are available at the box office one hour before each performance. There are no reserved seats.



Josh sings

Folksinger Josh White Jr. will perform through April 24 at The Raven Gallery in Southfield. Show times are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday at 9:30 p.m.; Friday and Saturday at 9:30 p.m. and 11:30 p.m.

Snow Festival

The annual Aurora Snow Festival will be held April 27-May 1 in the Towne Centre Complex at Churchill, Manitoba, Canada.

Activities include a broomball tournament, hockey, bowling, ping pong, swimming, billiards and dancing.

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Churchill, located 680 air miles north of Winnipeg, is the site of a major seaport on the shore of Hudson Bay.

Tent camping sites available

Four Metroparks have sites for group tent camping by boy and girl scout units and other properly sponsored youth groups, with a permit fee of \$5 per group per visit.

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Beautiful ways with spring's flowers

By MARGARET MILLER

The flowers that bloom in the spring can be stuck in a bunch in any old vase, but some design experts who gathered here last week have far better ideas on what to do with them.

They showed some of their best creations to members of District One of the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan, meeting 400 strong in the Plymouth Hilton with the Livonia Garden Club as hostesses.

Members of the Pilgrim Garden Club of Plymouth attended the meeting. They were Jan Dersey, Sharon Rucinski, Diane Bodell, Nancy Chapman, Pat Robinson, Donna Sarrach, Darlene Finnegan, Cheryl Gibbons, Suzanne Coker and Sue Byerly.

Flower arranging in its many forms, oriental, contemporary and traditional, gave the garden club women from all over the metropolitan area some tips on putting together attractive floral displays and also some striking examples.

It's only in the last century that anyone attempted to do anything more than stick a bunch of flowers in a handy container, pointed out Myrtle Palmer of Grosse Pointe, who did a handsome traditional centerpiece.

And Dorothy Trickey, a Bloomfield Hills resident and new District One president, mentioned that only since 1920 has flower arranging been considered an art form.

BUT AS AN art form it now has

many variations, as those two women demonstrated, along with Edwina Syndyk of Dearborn Heights, Jan Dolan of Farmington Hills, Ann Gehrke of Birmingham and Lois Pollock of Orchard Lake.

Japanese arrangements should have great appeal to those who do not want to invest heavily in expensive flowers, said Mrs. Syndyk.

"With knowledge of Ikebana, which means materials in water, you can pick a few branches and add a few flowers and put together a lively item for your home," she told the women.

What she put together was an arrangement of branches and pink roses in traditional Sika, which has strict rules governing the proportionate of three main lines, the shin, the soe and the tai, and another in the less formal Moribana.

Both, she said, involve learning basic patterns, "and then the arranger can have the joy of making variations to suit the materials and the taste of the individual."

A FEELING of informality was the key to the abstract arrangement offered by Lois Pollock and the collage by Ann Gehrke.

"Abstracts are a lot of fun—I call them tongue in cheek and you have to smile when you do them," said Mrs. Pollock.

"But there is no reason an abstract should not be beautiful as well as thought-provoking."

Hers started with an orange and white tie-dyed sheet, "and the white suggested white material, so I used bamboo and sprayed it."

She added fabricated flowers in deep orange, with foliage "from one of my dark green houseplants."

Mrs. Gehrke titled her collage "Tulips" because it highlighted pods that reminded her of tulips, and she added some of the spring blooms in bright red.

The pods, along with jute and snake-

wood, are glued to plywood, she said, and the tulips can be put in for accent.

Creativity also was evident in Mrs. Gehrke's "Which Came First" capsule setting, which included a piece of material whimsically printed with chickens, a covering of chicken wire and flowers arranged in a chick feeder container.

JAN DOLAN showed a "stable," defined as an arrangement designed to give the feeling of movement, as well as one that actually moved on a turntable.

The former included copper tubing

on a block of wood and wisteria vine with a single protea, a Hawaiian bloom. Fantail willow in a stoneware container with two groups of daisies created the moving shadow as the latter arrangement turned slowly.

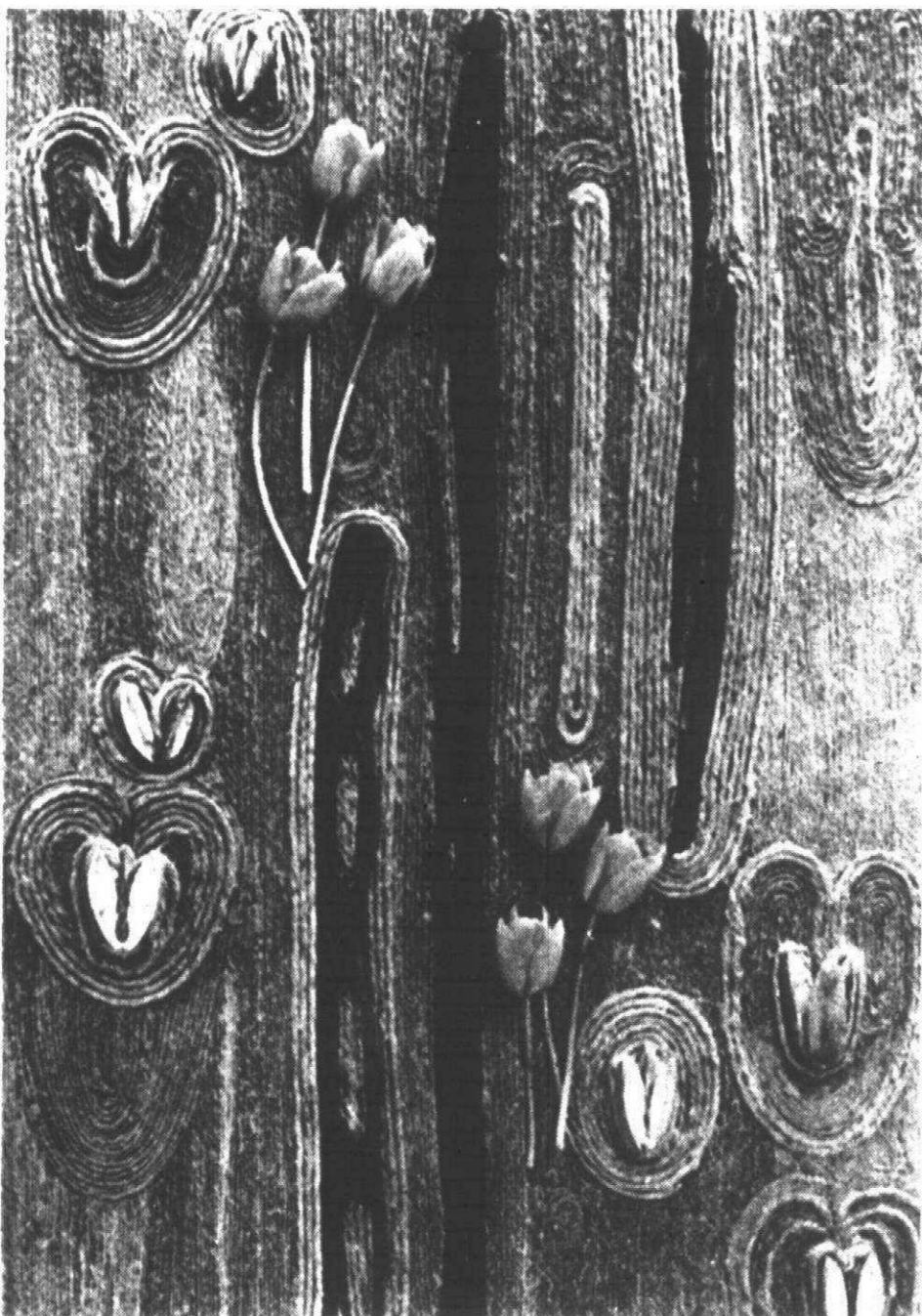
Mrs. Palmer drew the most enthusiasm as she displayed a great mass of blooms in salmon pinks, yellows and white arranged for a centerpiece on a long table.

"I've been arranging flowers for 49 years, she said, "and I still most enjoy the traditional design."

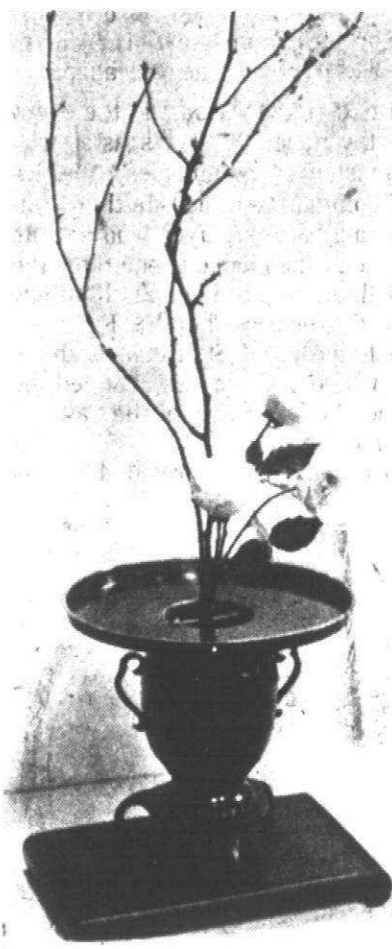
The silver container she described as "the most elegant thing in my house and it doesn't even belong to me—it was a retirement gift for my husband."

She said she uses several thicknesses of wet paper towel to keep her flower-holder in place, and when working on a large, traditional arrangement, divides it roughly into quadrants and fills each section similarly.

"And you don't have to use a lot of baby's breath if you work with different sized flowers," she added.



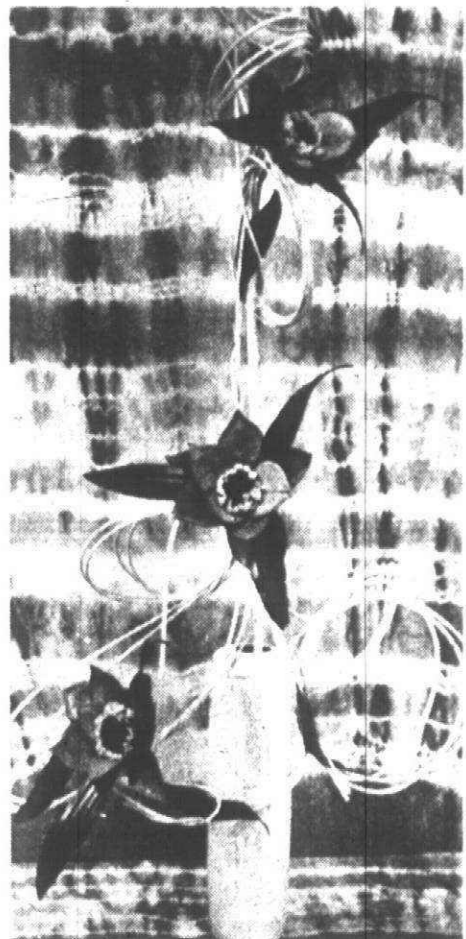
Tulips and tulip-like pods are worked into a collage.



Tranquility is the essence of an oriental arrangement with flowering branch and roses.



"Which Came First?" has both the chicken and the egg.



Orange and white tie-dye sets the tone for an abstract arrangement.

TOPS installs new officers

New officers of TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) 238, Plymouth, were installed during a candlelight ceremony.

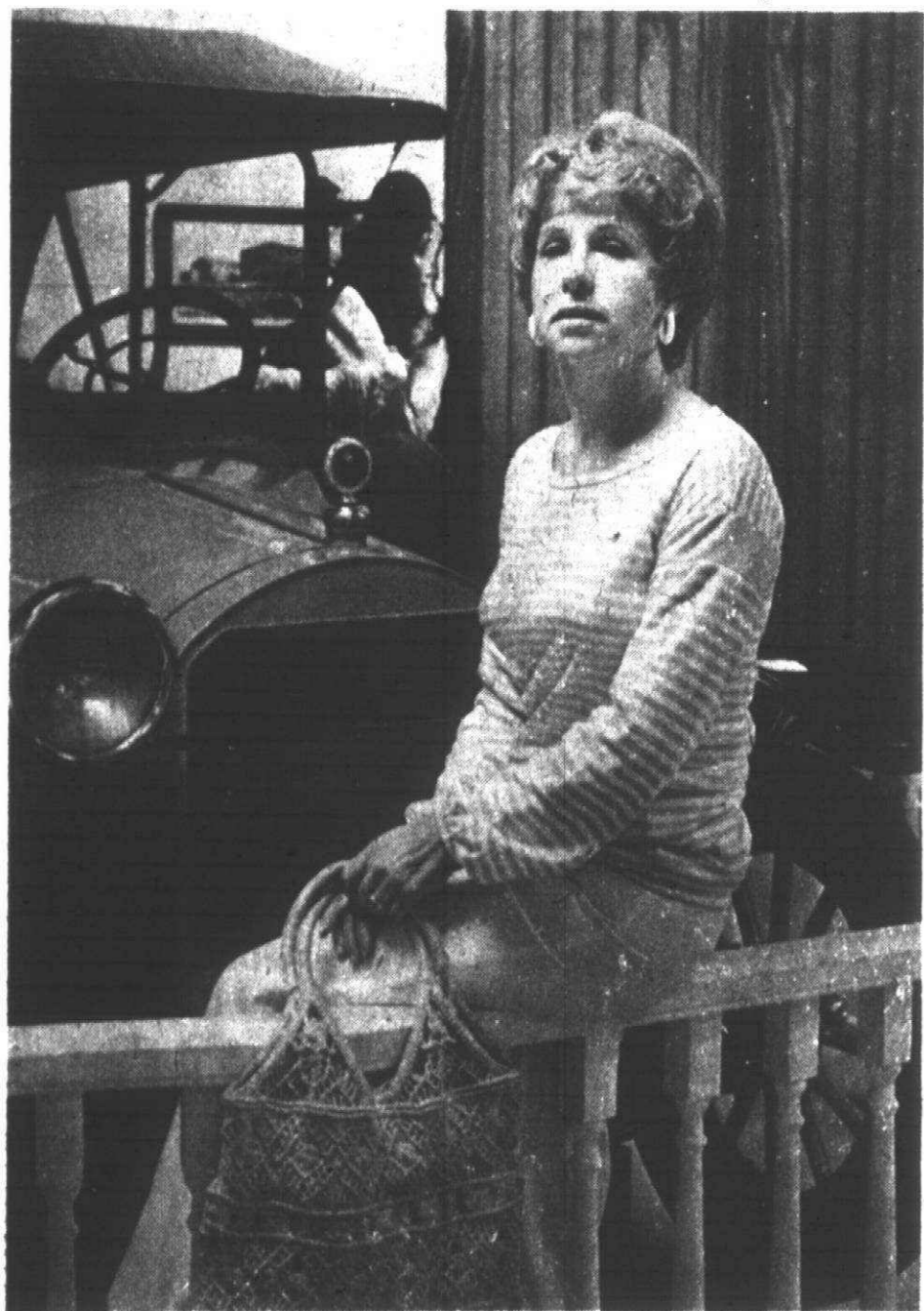
They were Janet Watson, leader; Margaret Shields, co-leader; Kathy Mayle, secretary; Connie Smigielski, treasurer, and Betty Marsh, weight recorder.

Out-going leader, Barbara Goudeuseine stepped down after two years of leadership. Before leaving office she led a rededication ceremony in which each member renewed intentions to lose weight and help fellow members achieve desired goals.

Janet Kelly of Canton Township was honored for losing 49 pounds in one year. The TOPS woman of the year award went to Eleanor Pierson of Plymouth. She was chosen unanimously by members as the individual who contributed the most toward the success of TOPS in 1976.

The KOPS (Keep Off Pounds Sensibly) of the year award went to Gladys Allen as the KOPS member who contributed most to TOPS during the year.

Membership in TOPS is open to anyone—men, women and teens—who wish to lose weight.



Sunday drive?

Perfect backgrounds for latest spring fashions are found in the Plymouth Historical Museum. Sue Arner models sporty white slacks topped with a yellow-and-white striped blouson in front of the famous Alter car, manufactured in Plymouth. The museum is open from 1-4 p.m., Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays. (Staff photo by Gary Caskey)

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Ice arena carries newsman's name

Observer's Eddie Edgar honored again

By LEONARD POGER

Eddie Edgar was at the scene of the biggest story of career Saturday, but he was too busy being honored to cover it himself.

The 79-year-old Observer columnist was the center of attention for most of Saturday morning and early afternoon as Livonia city officials lauded him for his contributions to the community and athletics here and throughout Michigan.

Highlighting the tribute to Edgar, a Livonia resident for 39 years, was the renaming of Ford Ice Rink as "Eddie Edgar Sports Arena" in a ceremony attended by numerous federal, state, city officials and sports dignitaries.

Edgar, whose sports writing career has spanned more than a half-century, was also honored at a luncheon at the Idyl Wyld clubhouse, attended by an estimated 150 persons.

"YOU ARE A LEGEND in your own time—we love you," said speaker Philip H. Power, Observer News-papers co-publisher at the arena ceremony, attended by an estimated 200 persons.

"The characteristics of a community are seen in the personalities who built it.

"There is a hell of a story here today," Power said of the tribute to Edgar, an Observer reporter, editor and columnist for nearly 13 years.

U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell said that "everything Edgar has done has been as a builder," citing his efforts leading to the establishment of the Livonia Chamber of Commerce and the Livonia Post Office.

"He is one of the great people of this nation."

LIVONIA MAYOR Edward McNamara and City Council President Robert McCann also praised Edgar and presented him with framed resolutions for his civic contributions.

The mayor called Edgar, the state's oldest active newspaper writer, has been a prime mover in Livonia's development.

Edgar was a member of Livonia's first city council in 1950, after serving on the charter commission which led to the incorporation of Livonia as a 300th Military Police command of the Army Reserves, based in Livonia.

Mike Allen, mayor of Northville, donated his talents to make an engraved stone, placed near the arena's main entrance.

The Livonia parks and recreation department coordinated the ceremonies

city in that same year. Edgar was the council's first vice-president and later was instrumental in the establishment of St. Mary Hospital.

THE GUEST of honor at the ceremony said at the luncheon that "words seem so inadequate to say thanks."

But he did express his appreciation not only to the city officials who planned the ceremony but also his wife, Leone, to whom he has been married for 46 years.

A native of Pennsylvania, Edgar came to Detroit as a Free Press sports writer in 1924. He said that he knew he had finally passed his two-week trial period when he drove by the sports arena and saw his name in large letters over the entrance.

OTHERS TAKING part in the event were Ray Lane, TV sportscaster who was master of ceremonies; the Livonia Community Band, Matthew Pulick, young hockey player who led the audience in the pledge to the flag; the Rev. William Rickard, of St. Matthew United Methodist Church; Fr. Alex Brunett, pastor of St. Aidan Catholic Church; and Bill Scruggs, who led the audience in the singing of the national anthem.

A color guard was provided by the

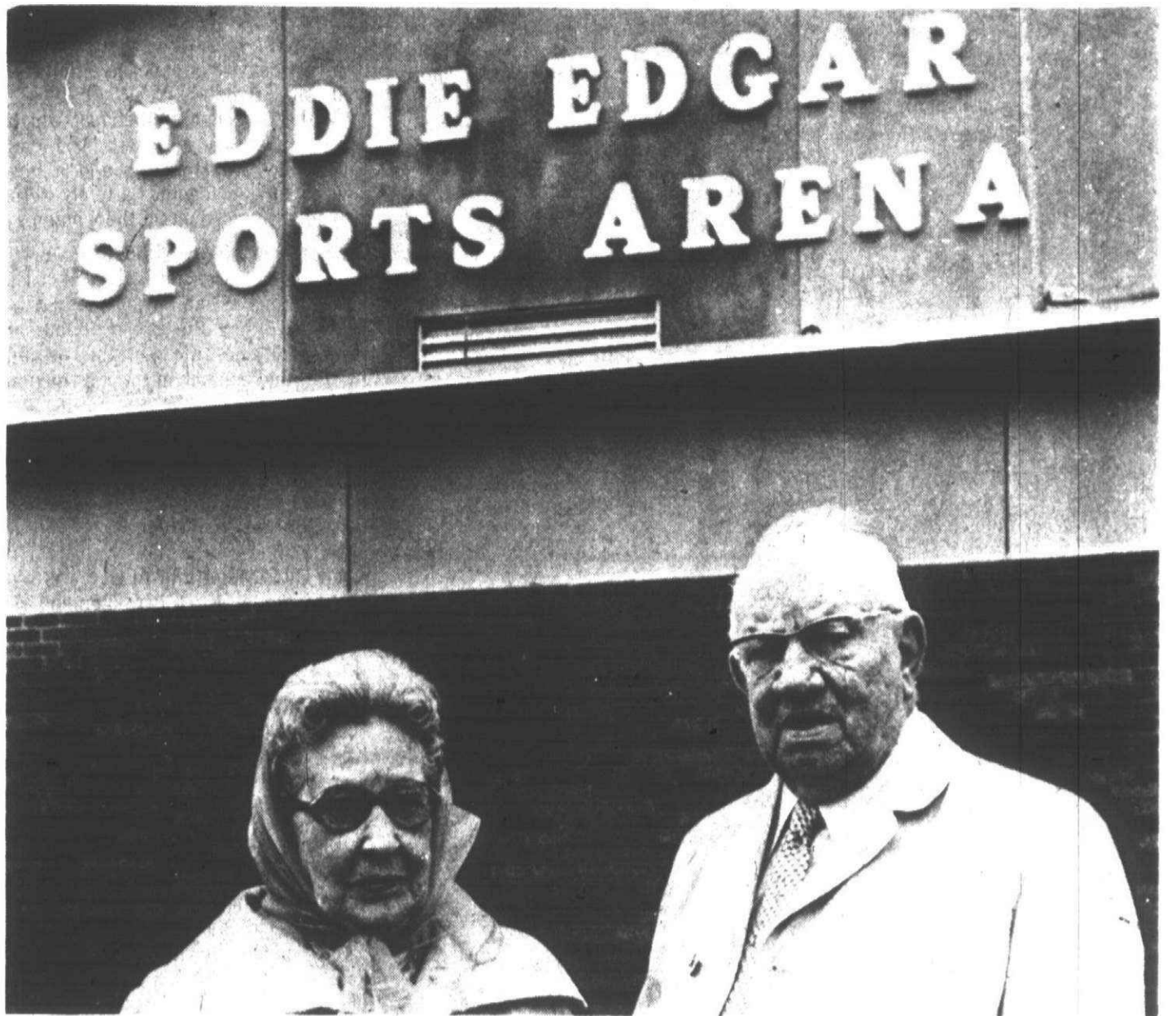
and planned the showcase inside the arena containing some of Edgar's plaques and trophies along with photos of him with various sports fig-

ures dating back to the 1920s.

The photos include Eddie with Gar Wood, who set a world's speed boat record in the early 1930s, and former

heavyweight boxing champions Jack

Dempsey and Joe Louis, the Detroit star who Edgar discovered in the early 1930s.



The lettering over the renamed Eddie Edgar made by the long-time resident, who was at the Sports Arena reflects the community contributions money with his wife of 46 years, Leone. (Staff photo by Art Emanuel)

Canton Observer

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Thursday, April 7, 1977

Brrrrr! Snow, wind delays season openers

By DENNIS O'CONNOR
Sports Editor

Spring is supposed to be here, isn't it?

The baseball, tennis and softball seasons for the Plymouth Centennial Park teams were scheduled to open Tuesday afternoon, but whipping snow and cold winds prevented any debuts.

Suburban Eight League competition found Plymouth Salem against Allen Park in the three different sports. But the games were postponed early Tuesday morning.

The Rocks baseball and softball teams will make up the contests at 4 p.m. Thursday, April 21. The baseball squads are scheduled to play at Salem while the softball teams will compete at Allen Park.

Salem's tennis squad will host Allen Park on Wednesday, April 20 for its make-up match. The contest will start at 4 p.m.

The Salem junior varsity baseball

team was supposed to travel to Allen Park last Tuesday but it's uncertain whether that game will be rescheduled.

Plymouth Canton was also set to open its schedule at home against Sault Ste. Marie on Tuesday but that doubleheader was canceled.

"The Sault Ste. Marie games were the last thing I canceled," said Plymouth Athletic Director John Sandmann. "It's a shame we couldn't accommodate them."

"It looks like Sault Ste. Marie's southern trip is getting rained, snowed and washed out. They also had a game canceled with Livonia Churchill Saturday because of cold weather."

SPRING SPORTS schedules demonstrate an inconsistency for Suburban Eight teams.

While the track and golf squads start their seasons after the Easter holiday break, baseball, softball and tennis get at least one contest played

before taking the week off. In the case of Sub-8 teams, the first game in the initial week of April is a conference battle.

"I'm against playing league games this early," Sandmann said. "I think it's good to play non-league games early to see how teams compare in the area. We have a good non-league schedule for baseball (during the vacation)."

But the league game should come after the break, Sandmann said.

"That's April weather in Michigan. We probably would have been able to play two weeks ago and now it's snowing."

"It could be sunny with a temperature of 30 degrees and we wouldn't play," Sandmann said. "It's not fair to put a young athlete (on the mound) and pitch in this weather with a chance of ruining an arm."

At press time Tuesday, all Wednesday and Thursday games were still scheduled.



The flooded dugout at the Plymouth Salem baseball diamond tells the story of why the opening of the spring sports season at the Plymouth Centennial Education Park was de-

layed last Tuesday. The Rocks were scheduled to play Allen Park in baseball, softball and tennis while the Canton baseball team was to host Sault Ste. Marie at Central Middle School. (Staff photo by Gary Caskey).

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In The Pocket

By W.W. EDGAR



This is Hall of Fame week in Detroit bowling circles and when the doors to the coveted institution in Cobo Hall open Saturday night,

five new members will be inducted. Heading the list of inductees will be the late Fred Smith, the first left-hander ever to win a

title in the American Bowling Congress, Hank Gavige and Cass Schlaff, charter members of the All-Star Classic, Ed Bro-walksi, bowling editor of

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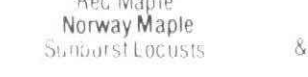
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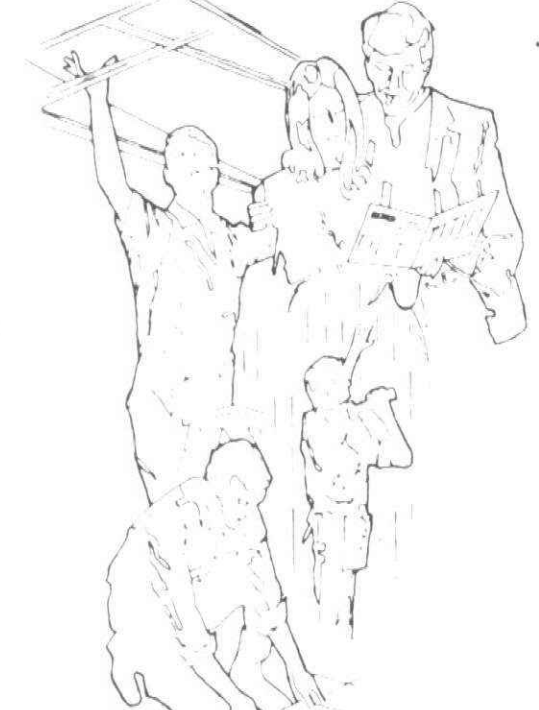
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Al Mosser was next in line with 657 and John Daund landed third with a 604.

In the Classic where Mary Mohacsi set the pace with 625, May Laskey bowled 600 to land second with Marion Lurek in third place with 595.

LORETTA MOERSCH walked off with top honors in the Lavonia Ladies Classic when she posted a 528 84-612 series.

In the individual games, Mary Bierkamp won the opener with 176-46-222. Joan Lewis took the second with 197-35-232 and Doris Macorkin dale captured the third with 528 84-612.

THE FIRST champion to be crowned in the current league season is Bill Bunse's team in the Monday Men's League at Westland.

The members of the team, aside from Bunse are Ed Szudest, Dick Cerny and Al Ewigneck.

High series for the year was Ron Jviden's 606 and Jack Hurly tied Dick Cerny for high single at 279.

SHERIE LAGIE turned in the top performance for Franklin High School with a 231 game in a 556 series.

In the Thursday Flyers, Mary Marvday, a 131 average bowler, fashioned a 212 game.

To top it off, she linked games of 212, 267 and 227 for 706 to lead the invitational doubles at Merri-Bowl.

That's an average of 208 for 15 games in the stiffest kind of competition.

ANOTHER OUT-STANDING performance was turned in by Bill Stephenson, the recent graduate of the junior ranks at Farmington Lanes.

He easily paced the Thursday mixed league with a 278 game and broke the 700 barrier with a 726.

His closest rival was Carl Kropp with a 232 in 640.

On the women's side, Jan Vandervil posted a 258 in 687 and Barb Waling, producer of a 300 game a while back, had a 214 in 595.

Another good showing was that of Kathy Stevens. Bowling in the Woodale PTA League, she set a season record for the circuit with a 255 in a 564 series.

Meanwhile, the Farmington Prep Girls won the regional championship bowled at Town and Country Lanes.

ONE OF THE WEEK'S oddities was furnished at Plaza Lanes when Connie Mundine, bowling with the Early Birds, turned in a 143 triplicate.

And at Country Lanes, Dan Wyatte, after rolling an opening game of 263, slipped to 202 and 192 for a 637 in the Monday loop.

Katz voted hockey's best

Dave Katz, a senior goaltender on the Livonia Stevenson hockey team was voted the Most Valuable Player by his teammates for his work during the 1976-77 season.

Katz played varsity hockey two years for the Spartans.

Doc's Corner

By DENNIS O'CONNOR
Sports Editor



Will baseball bitterness end between schools?

Will the bitter competition end—once and for all—this season?

I'm speaking of the relationship between the Plymouth Salem and Plymouth Canton baseball teams.

I certainly hope this is the season that both teams can compete in a healthy manner—for the first time.

Ever since Canton opened its varsity athletic program four years ago, there never has been any peace between both baseball teams.

The height of that competition came in the summer of 1975 when Canton was ranked first in the state by the Detroit News and Salem won the state championship.

Since that season, both teams have won two consecutive league championships in their respective conferences. These two teams have worked hard to make the Plymouth-Canton community a highly respected baseball area.

And yet, I still see bitterness among both teams—each trying to outdo the other in how

they act, in what they wear and in what they say.

I KNOW THAT it's impossible to avoid comparing both schools and the athletic teams because of the close proximity of the buildings. I've done this myself, in print, a number of times.

But why do comparisons have to be so bitter where baseball is concerned?

Salem and Canton just finished battling each other on the basketball court last month in a district semifinal game. And while a lot was said about both teams, most of the competition remained on the court during the game with healthy spirit among the squads.

The same should hold true for baseball—but it hasn't yet. All the competition should remain on the field, not off the field. Both teams should stop bickering. Words shouldn't be exchanged. Let the actions of both teams be seen on the field.

fuelling that occurs. And it's a shame, because this is a sport in which both programs have consistently excelled over the years.

Both clubs have won Western Six League and Suburban Eight League titles for the past two years. And from the looks of things, both clubs are contenders this spring and should finish at least in the upper division of the respective leagues.

So what else is there to prove?

Both squads have done all they can to make this community the baseball capital of the suburbs. Now it's time for both ballclubs to continue to strive—together—and maintain this high image.

This community is hosting the Mickey Mantle and Sandy Koufax national summer baseball tournaments in August.

And I've been told by the tournament directors that both Canton and Salem programs will be involved in helping with tourney activities.

Canton coach Fred Crissey and Salem coach Brian Gilles have both told me that this tournament is a joint ef-

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Businessmen start league at Hilltop

Be it fair weather or foul, the 40-year-old Plymouth Businessmen's Golf League is planning to swing into action Wednesday, April 13, at the Hilltop Glen course, with competition continuing into late September.

So far, six four-man teams have signed up to compete for the league crown won last season by the Derby Bar foursome. There still is time for other teams to join, and any golfers interested may call Hilltop manager Tom Ross (453-9800) for information.

The sponsorship fee is \$20 per team for the season. Individual players pay their own green fees, plus chipping in \$1.50 per week to the prize fund in which they all share at the end of the season.

Competition begins at 4 p.m. every Wednesday at Hilltop, and is conducted on a handicap basis.

Membership is not restricted to the Plymouth community itself, and golfers and sponsors from surrounding

towns are welcome, it was emphasized by officers of the PBGL.

President for 1977 is Roger Strong; Jim Stevens, secretary; Ken Timmons, treasurer, and Merrill Austin is publicity chairman.

Hilltop has undergone numerous improvements under the stewardship of Dan Ross, who leased the course from Plymouth Township after the township purchased it three years ago. It is a nine-hole layout located at Powell and Beck roads.

From the white markers, it plays to a par of 35 (2,846 yards) and from the red markers, to a par of 34 (2,664 yards).

This season, golfers will find that three new tees have been constructed. No. 1 has been lengthened to a par-four 262 yards, and a new tile drainage system has been installed on No. 2. This will be the second season for the new clubhouse erected by Ross.

Hockey school coming

The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department is sponsoring a Plymouth Hockey School for all interested boys in the Wayne County area.

Dan Farrell, hockey coach at the University of Michigan, will be the director of the school which will be held this summer for boys ages seven to 15.

The first session lasts one week, July 11-July 16. The second session runs for two weeks, July 18-July 30.

All the practices will be held at the Plymouth Cultural Center at 525 Farmer Street in Plymouth.

Each session will also be broken up into four separate age divisions.

For further information about this hockey school contact the recreation department at 455-6620.

The Observer Sports Section will give more details on the program in the future.

Track bests to be listed

The Observer Newspapers will again list the best track and field performances of both boys' and girls' teams this season.

Girls' track coaches are asked to contact Redford Union coach Mike Krafchak at 535-2000, ext. 244 between 9 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Boys' track coaches are asked to

contact Livonia Churchill coach Fred Price during the day at 261-7300, ext. 78 and at 425-1848 after 6:30 p.m.

Relay splits will not be accepted for individual events.

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We have only one last chance to protect our community from this disruptive threat. Continued apathy and complacency have about sold Northville and Plymouth area to the whims of Detroit!

It's time to flex our united muscle. Elected officials can still be forced to listen if they know that the opposition is not insignificant. That's why it is vital that we demonstrate our real strength now. If we don't act now it will be too late.

To show politicians that we mean business a massive people rally will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, April 9 on the grounds of the Wayne County Child Development Center on Sheldon Road, between Five and Six Mile roads, where the prison is planned.

We are aware of the state's needs. But the state and county must recognize our problems as well.

More than one-third of all of Northville Township is already used up by institutions and properties operated by the State, County and municipalities. Of the township's entire 10,700 acres, 3,600 are committed to such facilities as:

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| 2—Northville State Hospital | 6—Our Lady of Providence |
| 3—Plymouth Center for Human Development | 7—Maybury Urban State Park |
| 4—Wayne County Child Development Center | 8—Edward Hines Parkway |

Escapes from the various institutions in Western Wayne County and in Northville Township in particular are already creating potentially dangerous problems. Last year, for example, 107 women and 143 male inmates escaped from the Detroit House of Correction. On top of that 271 mental patients, some of them criminally insane, walked away or escaped from Northville State Hospital.

No other community has assumed as large a burden of governmental institutions as has Northville.

Aside from the institutions located here, Northville School District is operating the largest educational program in Michigan for mentally retarded children. Northville volunteered to do this. No other community in the state came forward to offer to educate these youngsters — most of whom are not even from our community.

Not only would the prison adversely affect our residential community, its location right across the street for the state's own institution for mentally retarded children is a potentially dangerous situation. Parents of these children have bitterly protested the prison as well.

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Salem, Canton play in same Mack league

Six area high school baseball coaches have announced they have formed a new Connie Mack League for the coming summer and they are looking for two more area teams to join the circuit.

"I think we have six top teams and we're looking for two more," said Bob Atkins, Redford Union coach and spokesman for the new loop, the Adray Connie Mack League.

Other teams and coaches, as the league now stands, are Redford Thurston, Emil Majeski; Plymouth Salem, Brian Gilles; Plymouth Canton, Fred Crusey; Southfield, Cal Fletcher; Northville, Bob Kucher; and RU, Atkins.

National Connie Mack rules and regulations on residency and age (18 and under) will be adhered to in the new league, Atkins said.

Teams will play single games on Tuesdays and Thursdays and doubleheaders on Saturdays for a 28-game schedule.

The first half league champ will meet the second half titlist on three consecutive days after the season in a playoff to decide the overall champion.

Atkins said that teams currently aligned with any other Connie Mack League will not be permitted to enter the new circuit.

Area coaches interested in entering their teams in the new league were asked to contact Atkins at Redford Union, 535-2000, or Kucher at Northville, 349-3400.

Atkins said the league will go with six teams unless two others express interest within the next several days.

Skaters win again

The Plymouth Figure Skating Club won the Low-Test team trophy in competition at the 12th annual Tri-State meet held in Lansing, last weekend.

This marked the second trophy the Plymouth skaters have brought home in the past three weeks. Earlier, Plymouth won a trophy in competition at Sarnia, Ontario.

Marie Colling and Gail Good placed first in the Preliminary Ladies Division. Lori Carlton and Lisa Ronchetto each finished second.

Susan Colaanni topped all skaters in the First Test Ladies competition. Laura Lundy and Gail Rowland placed second and Mary Beth McCaffery was third.

Julie Collins was second in the Second Test Ladies division, while Keith Sockow placed second in the Preliminary Men's competition.

Jim Sellman and Kathryn Donnelly placed second in the Preliminary Pairs.

Other Plymouth team members include Preliminary Lady skaters Julie Lock, Susan Moffatt, Joanne Bonar, Karen Martinez, Theresa Donnelly, Kelly Arvin, Nicole Justus, Cheri Millard, Darcy Rychlinski, Rebecca Scandary, Marilyn Morrison, Pam Petry, Donna Wegryzn, Lorie Begin, Karen Calso, Catherine Moorison, Marla Wald, Pattie Wright, Suzanne Jarva, and Lori Loeffler.

First Test Ladies include Tina Felan, Dawn Motter, Caryn Belobradich, Diane Balsley, Linda Kaumeyer, Debra Szopa, Cindy Bowden and Cheryl Sobolski.

Intermediate Lady skater Sherry Snyder and First Test Men's iceer Jerry Motter also participated.

Eli chosen Rock MVP

Plymouth Salem junior forward Tom Ellinghausen was selected Most Valuable Player by his basketball teammates last Wednesday night at the season-ending banquet in the Salem cafeteria.

Ellinghausen, a first-team Observerland and Suburban Eight League player, led the Rocks in scoring and rebounding this past season.

Senior captain Chris deBear was honored with the Coaches Award, and senior Kevin Roose won the team's Inspiration Award.

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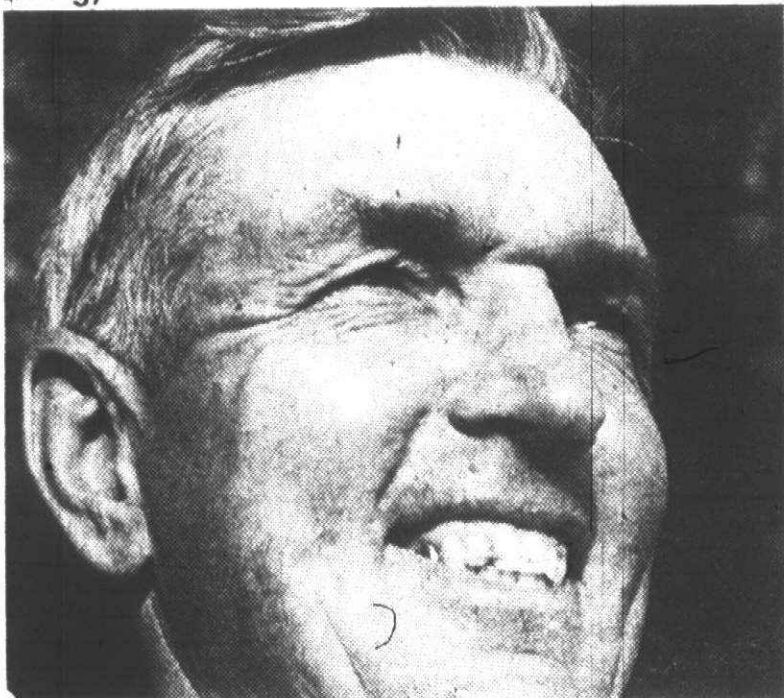
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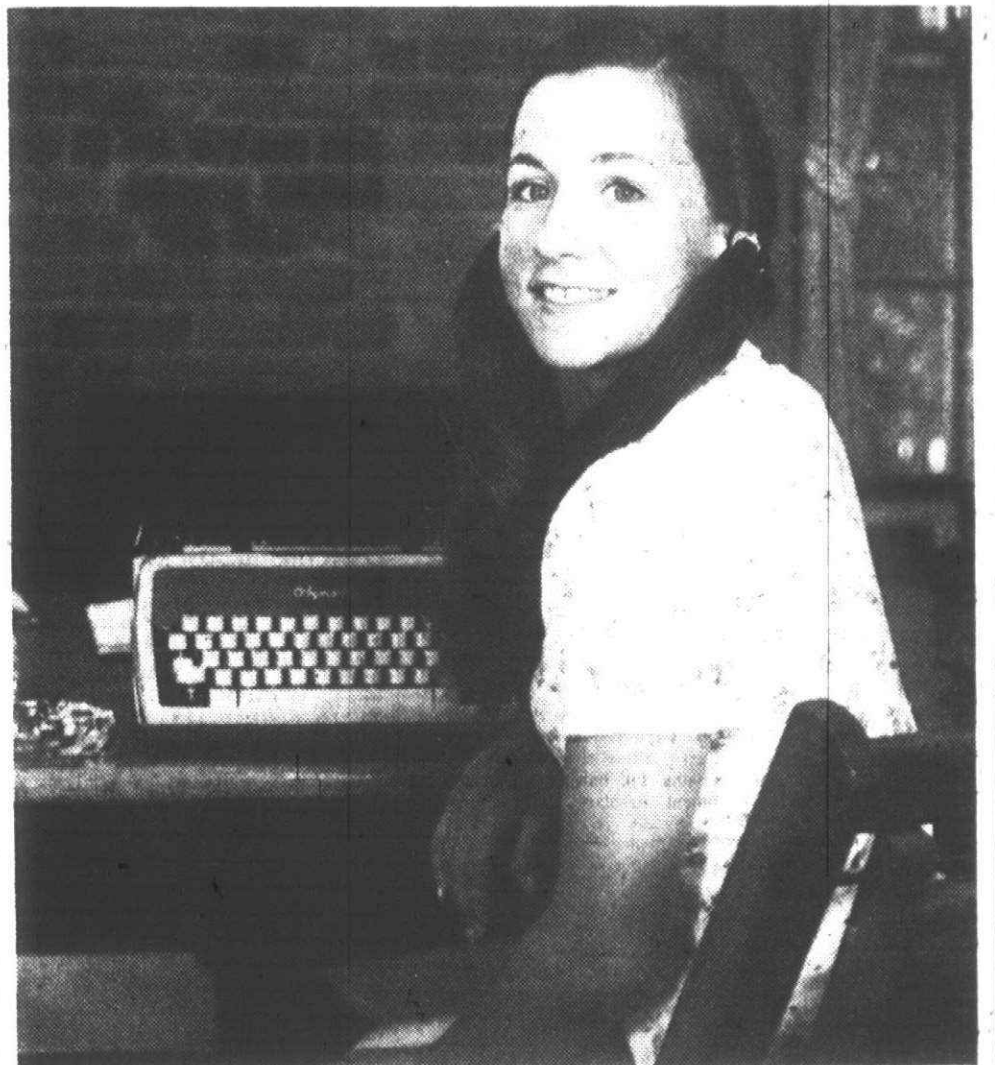


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