

Twp. taps charter studiers

Plymouth Township is beginning a study to weigh the advantages and disadvantages of adopting a charter form of government.

In action Tuesday night, the board discussed the charter suggestion from Supervisor Tom Notebaert and appointed Trustee Richard Gornick to head a committee to study the idea.

Originally Notebaert had asked the township board to put a charter referendum on the

upcoming special election which will be held early next year to fill the State Senate vacancy left by Carl Pursell's election to U.S. Congress.

When Notebaert proposed that referendum move, he tied it to a bill in the legislature which, if passed, would have prohibited piecemeal annexation of parts of charter townships. That bill did not get out of the State Senate before the Legislature adjourned.

Michigan laws allow for general law townships - which Plymouth Township currently is - and charter townships - like Canton Township now is. Along with several legalities which generally give charter townships broader powers, state law allows up to five mills levy for operating expenses, in charter townships. General law townships can levy up to one mill.

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Will schools seek millage, bond issue in spring?

Is it possible that the Plymouth School Board will look towards a special election for this spring to present a building bond issue and a five-mill operating levy renewal to district voters?

The chances of that move may have increased last week when Schoolcraft College Board voted to seek a special election - also for a bond issue and an operating millage question - for a Saturday in April.

As yet, neither the Plymouth School Board nor the Schoolcraft College trustees have formalized any ballot proposals or election dates but administrators for both are exploring the possibilities with the Wayne County Elections Commission.

The Plymouth School Board will discuss needs for additional schools and the related bond issue requirements as well as renewal of five operating mills which expire this year at a study session tentatively set for 9:15 a.m. Jan. 15 at the school board

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Crier to close for holidays

In order for The Community Crier staff to enjoy the holidays, please note the following Crier office schedule:

During the Christmas weekend, the offices will be closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 24-26, but will reopen at 9 a.m. Monday, Dec. 27.

On the New Year's weekend, the Crier office will be closed Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 31 and Jan. 1-2, but will reopen at 9 a.m. Monday, Jan. 3.

The staff wishes all its readers a joyous holiday season.

I-275 won't open on time

Severe winter weather has delayed the slated Christmas opening of Freeway I-275 until sometime in mid-January according to the State Highway Department.

A portion of I-275 is already open north of Ford Rd., but until January there will be no traffic south of that point.



OLD ST. NICK LENT AN EAR to the wishes of children at the Canton High School Children's Corner last week during a Christmas party given for the children by students in the store management class who work in the "Cannery." Santa (who looks

like Mark Zydeck) handed out candy canes to Shyam Vyas (center) and Jennifer Well in exchange for their Christmas secrets. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

Box Bar & Grill

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and columns of steiners of brimmin' cold beer.*

*Old Town Antiquers, Pucketts, Plumbers and Heaters,
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All who delight in the Box Bill of Fare*

*To one and all Herman sends warm Greetings and
Christmas good Cheer*

*And especially, the Hope
for the Best of New Years.*



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Schools seek federal \$\$\$ to build new elementaries

BY SUSAN NICHOLAS

The Plymouth School District has asked the federal government for a \$2.4 million dollar grant under the Federal Public Works Project Bill.

The money, if approved, will be used to build two new elementary schools, one on McClumpha Road and one on Saltz Rd.

Increased pupil enrollment is the reason school officials give for seeking the new schools.

"We're picking up a thousand new students a year," said Sam Ulsaker, school administrative research assistant. "We opened three new schools this year and they're already filled to capacity. We're going to have at least five to six thousand new students over the next five years. We're at capacity in all of our buildings now."

However, Ulsaker says that the district doesn't want to overbuild either:

"We don't want to overbuild and be in a situation like Dearborn and Livonia are in now with more schools than they can fill," said Ulsaker, adding: "We want to build according to need."

The City of Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton are also asking for grants from the same federal program.

The City of Plymouth hopes to use its money for an addition to City Hall while Plymouth Township would like to build a new township hall at the corner of Beck and Powell roads.

Canton wants a new township hall as well, but also wants money for a new water main, sewers, an addition to the Department of Public Works building, and a Community Room for its new fire hall.

The schools and local governments do not expect to know whether or not Washington has approved their requests until sometime in January.

Candidates may go to court

Recount done, but not complete

BY KATHY KUENZER

The recount of the Nov. 2 election in Canton is over, but the results are being called "unsatisfactory" by those unsuccessful candidates who requested the recheck of votes.

According to Wayne County Elections Clerk Joseph Martina, votes for supervisor in precincts one through nine were recounted and certified last Wednesday, with no appreciable change, but precinct 10, the

absentee ballot precinct, was found to be "uncountable" and was therefore not retalled by the Wayne County Board of Canvassers.

"Two out of three criteria necessary for recounting were not met," said Martina. "The canisters in which the ballots were placed were properly sealed, but the bags in the canisters were not sealed and there was a discrepancy between the number of ballots in the bags and the number of names on the poll books."

The bags within the canisters were not sealed, said Canton Clerk John Flodin, because of the "sheer physical number of paper ballots" that had to be placed in the bags.

Flodin also said he "laid awake Monday night" trying to figure out the discrepancy and that it finally dawned on him that the 15 pollworkers in precinct 10 had been told they could vote in precinct 10 directly on machines. The 15 missing paper ballots were actually not cast as absentee ballots but were those of the precinct workers whose names were also recorded in the poll books with those of absentee voters.

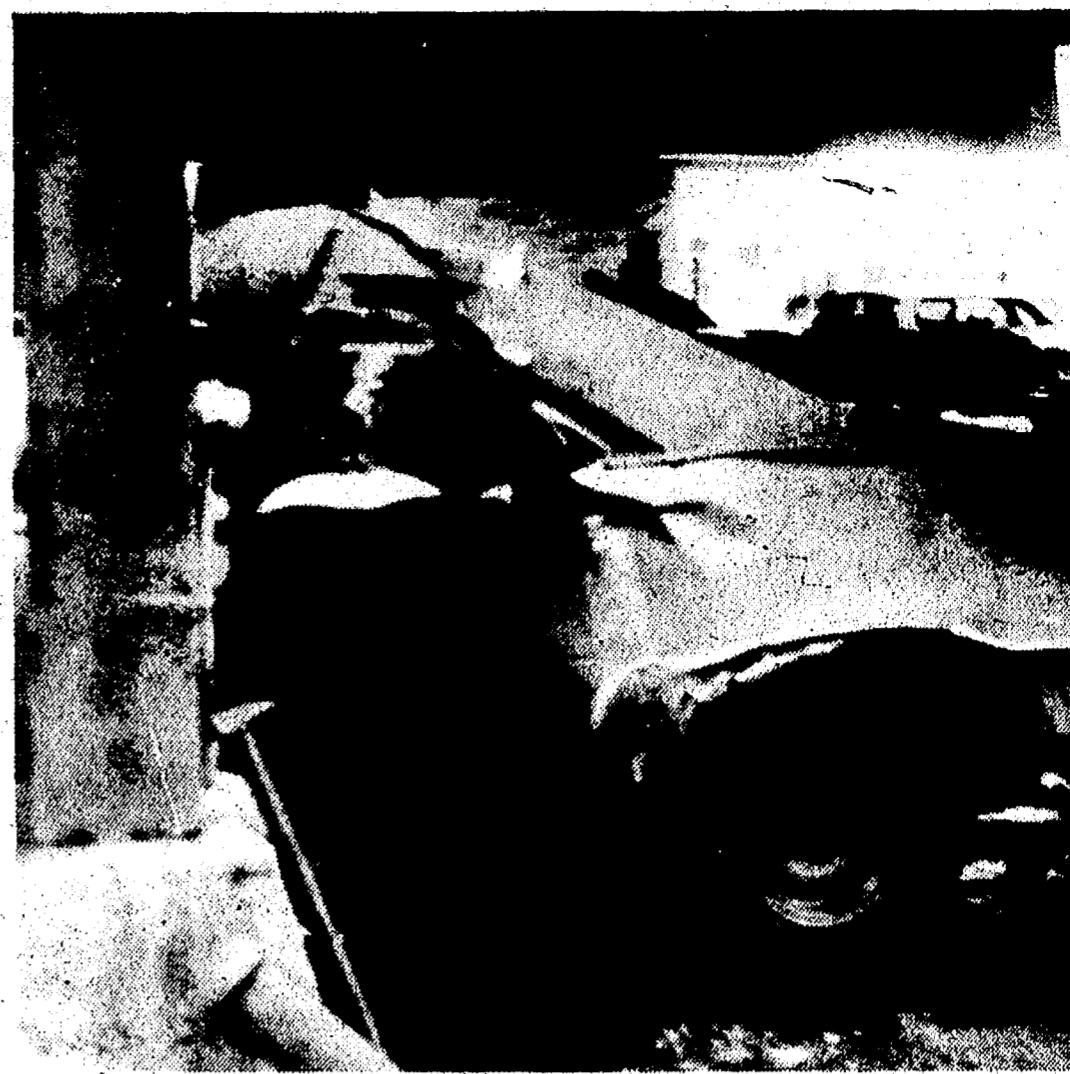
Flodin said he "couldn't wait to get to the canvassers Tuesday morning" to tell them what had happened, and that the recount was then begun in precinct 10.

But a phone call from the county's counsel shortly after the recount had started informed them they should stop because there were no procedures (by statute) that allowed the canvassers to count both paper ballots and machine votes within the same precinct.

Flodin later said he understood that by excluding the 15 precinct workers' votes in the recount they would be "disenfranchising those 15 votes."

Both Republican Peter Bundarin and Democrat Robert Greenstein, the unsuccessful candidates for supervisor who had requested the recount, said they would take the matter to court if Republican Jim Poole,

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Accident injures youth

A PLYMOUTH YOUTH was seriously injured last Tuesday when a car in which he and four others were riding slid to avoid another car and crashed into a pole. According to Plymouth Police, David Brightbill, 13, of 636 Herald, was a passenger in the rear seat of a car being driven North on Main Street by Dennis R. Rathburn, 20, of 644 Jenner, when a car pulled in front of them. Rathburn told police he swerved and the car slid into the parking lot of the 7-11 Store at 1307 S. Main and crashed into the base of the store's sign. Also in the car were: Douglas Rathburn, 13, of the Jenner address; Lee Ketchersin, 16, of 673 Wing; and David Turner, 14, of 850 Fairground. Brightbill remains in St. Joseph Hospital with a broken pelvis. He was trapped inside the car next to the pole as police and Plymouth firefighters worked to extricate him. Others in the accident were treated and released by local hospitals. The other car did not stop, police said. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

City rejects CORP plan, adopts own

BY SUSAN NICHOLAS

By a vote of 5-2 the Plymouth City Commission rejected the CORP (Citizens for Open and Responsible Planning) senior citizen task force proposal and accepted a new plan from Commissioner Norbert Battermann Monday night.

The Battermann proposal calls for the mayor to set up a Blue Ribbon Study Committee consisting of two members from every area organization that has either worked on the behalf of senior citizens or desires to do so.

Interested groups must submit written nominations to the mayor prior to the next commission meeting on Jan. 17, 1977. At that time the nominations will be made by the mayor and must be confirmed by the commission.

The Committee will study the housing needs of the city's elderly, review the City Housing Commission's role in aiding senior citizen housing, review the role of the Plymouth Council on the Aging, review present programs, and inquire about other senior citizen needs.

The Committee is scheduled to present a final report to the Commission on Dec. 1, 1977, after meetings slated for February, May and July.

Prior to the vote, both citizens and Commissioners debated the merits of the two proposals.

"The reason for the substitute motion is that I feel that a committee acting in the city's interest should be appointed by the city," said Battermann. "I think it is the commission's direct responsibility to make sure that any groups' inputs are directed to the city's interest."

However, Commissioner John Moehle felt that the Battermann plan did not really differ from the CORP proposal.

"I'd like to ask Norb (Battermann) to point out the major differences between this proposal and the one submitted by CORP," said Moehle.

"The major difference is that the members will be appointed by this Commission and drawn from major civic groups," replied Battermann.

CORP President Penny Wright asked if the membership

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Stop sign missing?

LOOKING WEST FROM HARVEY STREET down Byron Street in Plymouth, one notices the lack of a stop sign on the corner, although such a sign is evident on the opposite side of Harvey. City officials say about half of Byron west of Harvey was vacated by the city to a private owner a few years back, but because of non-payment of state taxes, the state has taken over ownership. The other half of Byron west of McKinley is still owned by the city. Motorists not familiar with the corner may fail to stop at Harvey, causing a real traffic safety hazard. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

Canton investigating alleged billing discrepancy

BY KATHY KUENZER

An investigation is continuing says Canton Supervisor Harold Stein, into a discrepancy between the alleged cutting of weeds under the township's weed ordinance and the billing of landowners who say the work was never done.

Stein says he started getting phone calls about 12 days ago from people who say they were assessed for weed cutting on their tax bills and to their knowledge they had never been approached about cutting the weeds themselves or seen any weed cutting done on their property.

A Canton weed ordinance passed in the summer of 1975 requires weeds on private property in the township be cut by the first days of June, July and August. The Van Cleave Weed Cutting Service was earlier this year hired by the township to cut weeds on the property of those who did not comply with the ordinance, and the bill for cutting was to be sent to the property owners. If the bills were not paid, they were to be paid by the township, then passed on to property owners on their tax bills.

"We have gotten a number of complaints about the weed

cutting," said Stein at last Tuesday's board of trustees meeting. "There are a number of people who were billed (on their tax bills) for weed cutting as many as three times and the weeds have never been cut."

Canton Treasurer Anne Bradley said she had sent a registered letter to Van Cleave Weed Cutting regarding records of the work and "bills have never been sent to the customers as I understand it. If bills had been sent, we could have been investigating this. They were, I feel, illegally put on the property tax bills."

Stein added that "no verifi-

caion was made that the jobs were done, no receipts kept — no way of tracing."

Chief ordinance officer Bruce Phillips, now working as part of the building department, was in charge of determining which weeds should be cut, said Stein, but "when he was asked to show documents, he had no documents."

"If only \$20,000 in cutting was performed and \$60,000 billed for, we are liable for \$40,000," said Stein. "And I have seen no written contract with the man (who cut the weeds)."

Phillips says there is "not that much of a problem."

"We're now researching these complaints and we've found there were some clerical errors made. For instance, in a couple cases, someone got someone else's bill."

Phillips said in another case people were billed for the wrong month.

"As for the documentation, we do have it here," Phillips said. "Mr. Van Cleave I couldn't tell you about."

Phillips said he thought the matter would be cleared up "after the first of the year."

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Wilcox rezoning hearing set

The City Commission has set a public hearing for Jan. 17, over the Planning Commission's proposal to change on the zoning of land on the northeast corner of Penniman Ave. and Union St. from multiple-residential to Central Business District.

The property includes the "Wilcox site," the setting for the now rejected Forest City-Dillon senior citizen housing project. Commissioner John Moehle said he believed that it had once

been recommended that the property stay residential.

However, Jack Wilcox, owner of the corner property, disagreed:

"He (Moehle) said there has been no interest in commercial development. On the contrary, I have had many offers," said Wilcox. "However, I did not feel they were in the best interest of the dignity of Plymouth. But the Forest City-Dillon offer, which was the best offer so far, was rejected by the voters led by the small minority that is CORP (Citizens for Open and Responsible Planning)."

Moehle then expressed the hope that the city engage in good planning:

"As a city we should look like we're planning and not doing a flip-flop at the request of the developers," said Moehle. "I want to be sure that we are really doing good planning. I hope that we could do some long-range, good, solid development, whatever that may be."

City Planning Commissioner Tex Thoman then protested that the Planning Commission had presented a good plan in the case of the Wilcox site:

"The developers felt we had come up with a good, solid plan," said Thoman. "However, the citizens did not think so. However, I don't think it (the Wilcox site) should be restricted to no use, like it is now."

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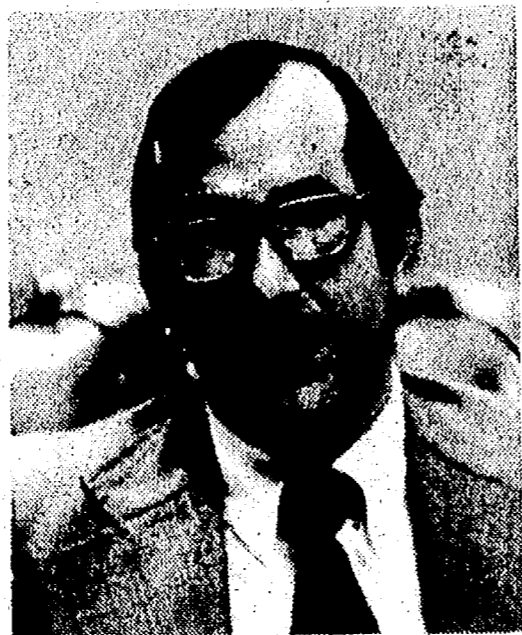
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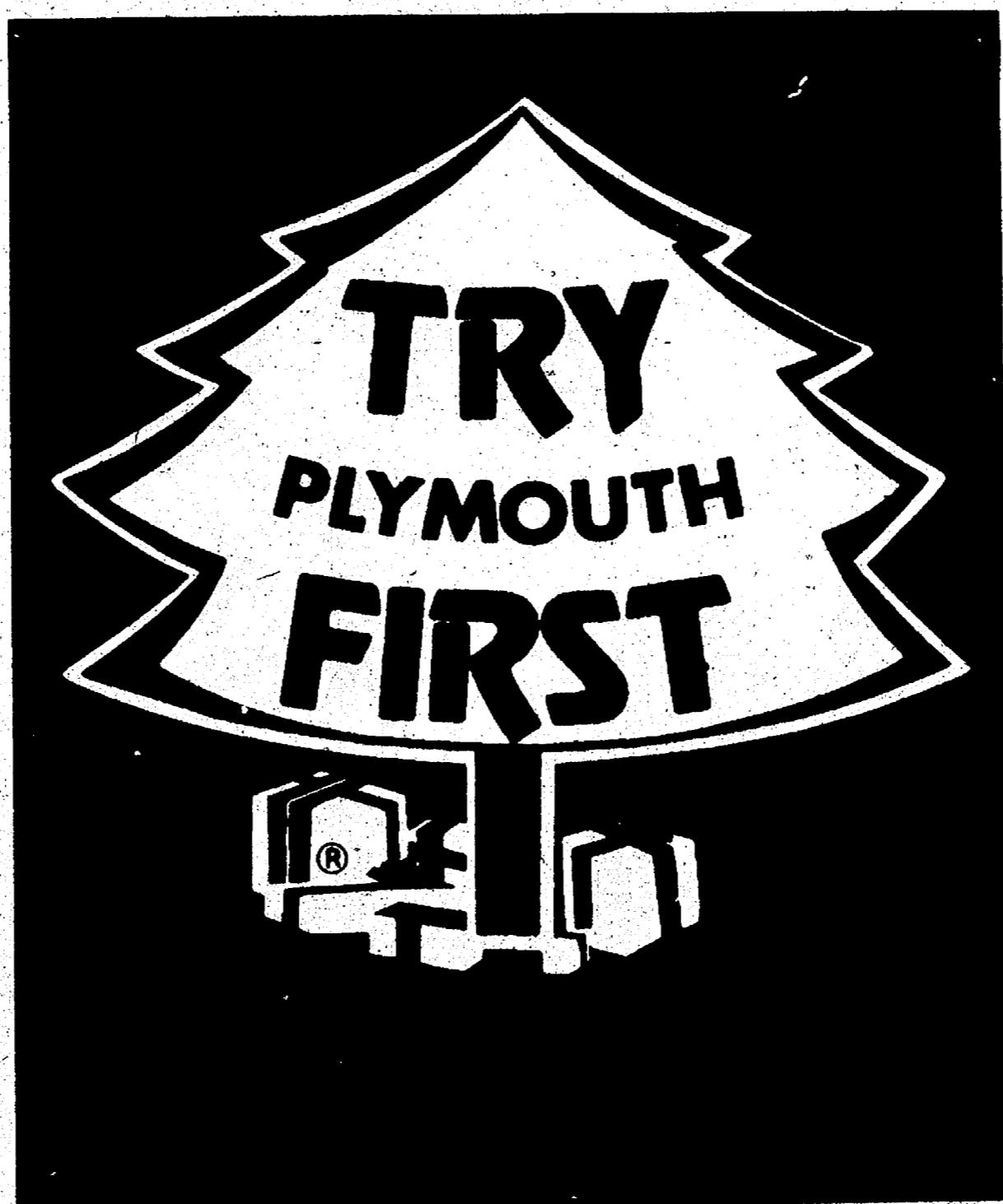
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Mom says late buses 'unfair' to school kids

Editor:
Isbister Elementary is not the only school with the bus schedule a bit off.

I thought the Coronation-Meadowlake 8:17 a.m. stop for Field Elementary was late be-

cause of our growing subdivision. There definitely is a problem in our transportation department!

One day, to my surprise, my kindergartner mentioned he was freezing at the bus stop and was "almost always" late for school.

Only after calling the bus yard was I informed the bus never arrived before 8:30 a.m. No wonder he was freezing. I was sending him off at 8:10 a.m. with what I thought was a seven-minute wait!

"Almost always," I later found out, meant the driver would stop with a full load and say she'd be back to pick them up. Tuesday, Dec. 7th, "almost always" meant he wasn't late because she picked them up with a full load, and he stood all the way to school.

What if a sudden stop or a skid on a slippery road caused the standers to fall or be injured? Is this safe? I think not.

Today, Wednesday, takes the prize. I sent him off at 8:20 a.m. On my way past the stop at 8:45 a.m., he was just boarding the bus!

A late bus means a tardy student. My son is "almost always" late for the 8:45 a.m. school day beginning and he is very uncomfortable about being a late arriver.

It is unfair to cheat him of the already short 2½ hour school day.

I feel something must be done. Was the 4.35 millage all in vain? We need more buses. I, too, would gladly get a petition to solve this problem.

Interested parents, please call me at 397-2696. Your child may be "almost always" late without you even suspecting it.

CHARLENE CRUZ

Hoben earns all he gets

School Supt. John M. Hoben probably has the toughest job in town.

The Plymouth School Board last week gave him an 18 per cent pay raise — from \$37,500 last year to \$45,200 for this year — and we think that job is worth every cent of it.

Sure it seems large, but when you consider that our district hasn't been keeping salary raises for administrators in line with those for teachers and other school employees, it's worth it.

It's also worth it when you consider the scope of the school district and the superintendent's responsibilities with those of the administrators of other local governmental units and their pay.

We wouldn't have Mike's job (or ulcers) for all the tea in China.

But the school board fell short by not granting Hoben and other administrators a multi-year contract. It's not fair to them or the district.

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Community opinions

Kids get put down

Editor:
To all the friendly and industrious waitresses at a restaurant in Plymouth.

We know that you just love to wait on people, that it just makes your day to have people come in and sit there for 45 min. until you wait on them. I think that this shows poorly on your part as a hostess. We walked in your humble restaurant at precisely 12:55 p.m. and walked out disgusted at your laziness promptly at 1:40 p.m. We sat for 45 long minutes watching people walk in and out, trying to make it obvious that we hadn't been waited on. Do you think it helped? Well maybe it's the fact that we're only kids. But I tell you now your once charming restaurant is now at the top of our list.

Thank you for your considerate understanding.

KATIE BRINK
JILL KURTZ

Troop 637 thanks

Editor:
Our Girl Scout Troop No. 637 would like to publicly thank the "House of Glamour."

At our meeting last week, the "House of Glamour" took three of our girl scouts and cut, styled and blow-dried their hair.

The rest of the girls received attention, too. They were told what hair styles they would look good in, color of clothes they should wear and gave us a bar of soap and a pen.

A big thanks goes to the "House of Glamour."

TROOP NO. 637

Teachers 'over barrel'

Teacher: bargain round-the-clock

Editor:
I am a first grade teacher at Starkweather School who has had for 21 of my going on 22 years, a very happy, fulfilled, contented service in the Plymouth schools.

I've been more than proud of being part of a well-known and widely-respected school system. Teachers and administration have had a "healthy" give and take two way street of interaction to maintain and improve quality education in Plymouth.

This year there is no contract in spite of a long negotiation period which is just about at a standstill. There are even times when the board refuses to meet with the Plymouth Education Assoc. negotiating team because the board's team is "too busy."

Teachers are in a state of limbo. We are allowed to have a "closed shop" union situation on one hand (as do so many other American groups), yet, unlike other first class citizens, teachers are unique in that we are forbidden by law to use the "big stick" of striking!

Sometimes we feel like the board negotiators are like cats playing "heavies" with us as the smaller rendered-weak-by-law mice!

The "Sword of Damocles" hangs heavy over our heads since teachers do not want to strike nor can we do so without the double jeopardy of breaking the law or losing the positions we hold so dear to our hearts and pocketbooks.

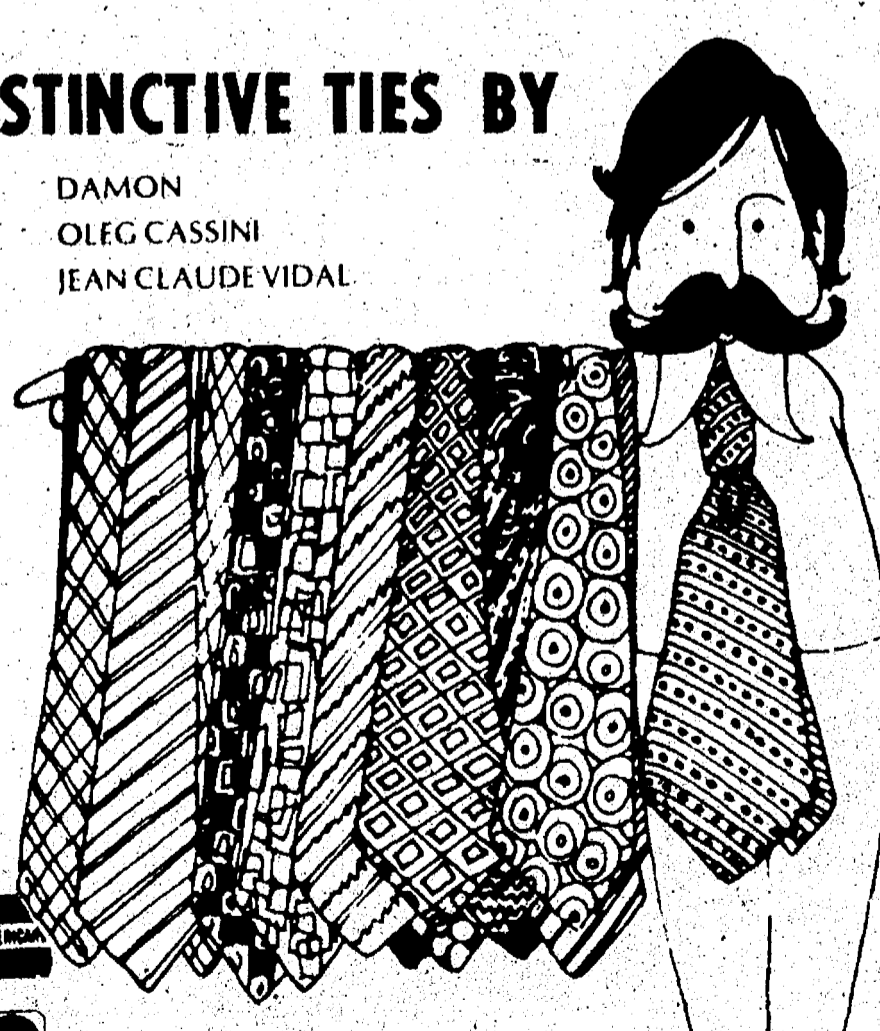
Our employers — not the board — but you, the people of Plymouth, have voted for extra millage to provide quality education for their youngsters. To insure that type of education there certainly should be provisions for fair and adequate salaries in line with inflation for the teachers who are front line soldiers in the field and war to train the children to cope with life in every way. Yet, the board, servants, too, as we are, disregard the peoples' mandate.

I respectfully urge that the courts compel both negotiating teams to negotiate around the clock. Enough of this holding Plymouth teachers over a barrel.

HELEN KELLY


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Geake declares senate candidacy

State Rep. Robert Geake (R-Northville) has announced that he is a candidate for the State Senate in the special election to fill the vacancy created by the recent election of Senator Carl Pursell to Congress.

The senatorial district includes Northville, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Livonia and Redford as well as four precincts in Westland.

Geake, whose present district

lies wholly within the 14th State Senate District, was elected to a third term in the Michigan House in November by a better than two-to-one margin.

Geake, 40, is a consulting psychologist and former administrator at the Plymouth Center for Human Development. He holds a B.S., M.A. and Ph.D. degrees in education and psychology from the University of Michigan.

In 1969 he was one of two

candidates elected from a field of 16 to an at-large seat on the Schoolcraft College Board of Trustees, of which he was subsequently elected chairman. He resigned his seat on the college board in December, 1972, to accept the legislative position.

He lives with his wife, Carol, who is a practicing veterinarian, and their three children at 48525 W. Five Mile Rd. in Northville.

What's happening

FREE! Movies for children will be shown the 4th Saturday of each month at the Plymouth Community Cultural Center. The movies run from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Hot dogs and coke available for a nominal charge.

For those who have experience in painting with OIL AND ACRYLICS informal sessions will be meeting at the Cultural Center on Monday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The PLYMOUTH FIGURE SKATING CLUB meets at the Cultural Center on Monday night from 8 - 11 p.m., Friday night from 7:30 - 10:30 p.m. and Saturday evening from 6 - 8 p.m.

COMMUNITY CHORUS, men's and women's choral group meets Tuesday at 8 p.m. in the vocal room at East Middle School, 1042 S. Mill.

THE FOLK DANCE CLUB will meet once again on Friday evenings at 7:30 p.m. at Bird School, 220 Sheldon Rd. This Recreation Department sponsored group is open to junior high school students through adults from novice to experienced. Contact Joe Azbill at 455-6163.

PARTY BRIDGE takes place at the Cultural Center on Thursday from 1 - 4 p.m.

THE PLYMOUTH ROCK AND MINERAL SOCIETY meets on the first Monday of each month 7:30 p.m. at the Cultural Center.

The PILGRIM GARDEN CLUB will meet on Thursday, Jan. 6, at the home of Jan Dersey on Dewey St. Ms. Dersey will speak on the topic of Colonial gardens. Guests are welcome. A \$1 donation is requested.

The PLYMOUTH PATHFINDERS are planning a trip to Greek Town, Detroit Historical Museum, Detroit Cultural Center, Tour of NBD and a tour of the oldest church in Detroit on Saturday, Jan. 29. Leaving at 10 a.m. Dinner at Greek Town included. Fee is \$12 and all are welcome. For further information contact the Plymouth Recreation Department at 455-6620.

PAINT FOR FUN invites those who are interested in oil painting to meet each Thursday in an informal setting from 1-3:30 p.m. at the Cultural Center. This class is free to all who attend. Contact Fred Prussing at 455-8894.

The CHESS CLUB meets every Tuesday evening from 7:30-11:30 p.m. at the Cultural Center. Novice to advanced players are invited to attend. Free instruction provided for beginners. For more information contact Conrad Drake at 397-1881.

BACKGAMMON CLUB - This new club is open to all interested participants, novice to advanced. The club will meet at the Cultural Center on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. For more information contact Ted or Cathy St. Clair at 459-2826.

The third annual WORLD MIDGET HOCKEY TOURNAMENT will feature two games at the Plymouth Cultural Center on Thursday, Dec. 30, at 7:30 p.m. and Tuesday, Jan. 4, at 7:30 p.m. The six team tournament has representatives from Canada, Sweden and the United States. Admission will be \$1 for adults, 50 cents for children 14 and under and children eight and under free. For additional information contact the Plymouth Department of Parks and Recreation at 455-6620.

The Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting reservations for a NEW YEARS EVE PARTY. Tickets are \$3 per person in advance and \$3.50 per person at the door. Activities will include ice skating and disco dancing from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. A fireside lounge will provide a warm holiday atmosphere and concession services will be available. Age limit is 16 and over. Interested persons may contact the Recreation Department at 455-6620 or may stop by the Recreation Office, 525 Farmer St.

On Tuesday evenings at 7:30 DUPLICATE BRIDGE meets in the Cultural Center.


An EXHIBITION of the photographs of an ARCHEOLOGICAL DIG directed last summer in Israel by Plymouth resident Oded Borowski will be at the Plymouth Community Credit Union Thursday, Dec. 23, through Monday, Jan. 3. The display will then go to Allen School followed by Hulsing School, where the exhibition will end Thursday, Jan. 13. After that date it may be viewed at the University of Michigan.

N'ville JC's, court to hold alcohol talks

An alcohol awareness program, sponsored by the 35th District Court and the Northville Jaycees, will be held at the 35th District Court Room, Plymouth City Hall, 201 S. Main on the four Wednesdays in January. All programs will begin at 8 p.m. and are open to the public.

Topics of the programs will be: Jan. 5, Dr. Frank Hollings-

worth speaking on the pharmacology of alcohol, its effects on the body; Jan. 12, Hollingsworth will speak on the progression of alcohol, the disease concept; Jan. 19, two two-member panels of members from Alcoholics Anonymous and Alanon will discuss how alcohol affected their lives and how AA or Alanon helped them; and Jan. 26, a film entitled, "Challenging Talk"



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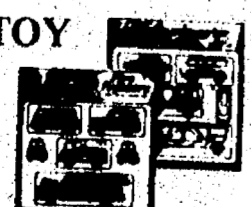


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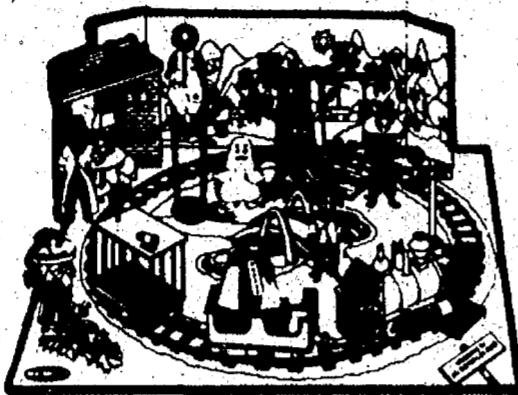


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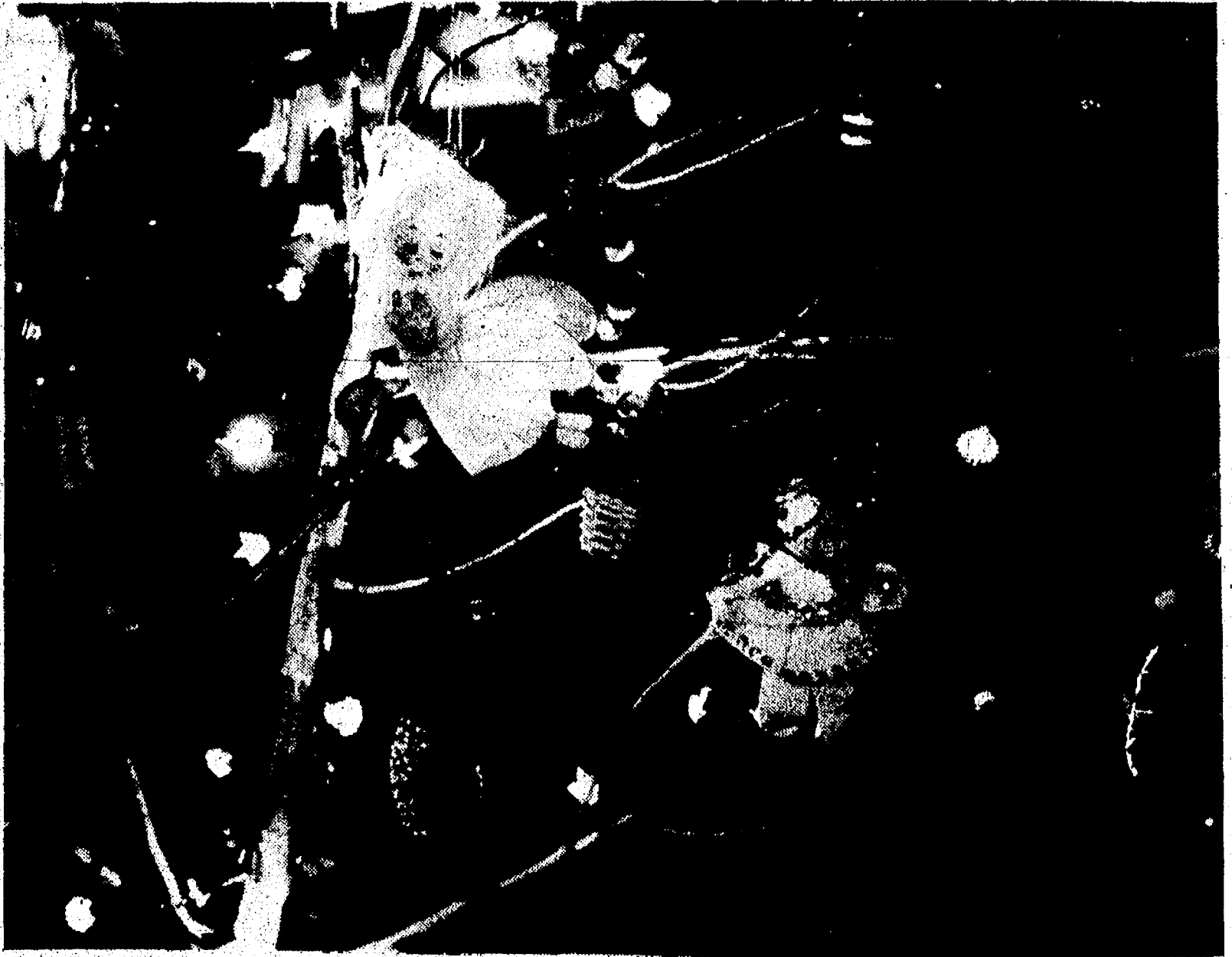
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CHRISTMAS TREES BEAR STRANGE FRUIT and this "mitten tree" at First United Methodist Church of Plymouth is no exception. Several trees of this type have sprung up around our community and trimmed with the help of generous folks, their "ornaments" will be passed on to less fortunate children to warm their hands. Shown adding a final decoration to this mitten tree is Rusty Mabrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Mabrey of Plymouth Township.



HAND-BLOWN ornaments (left) are the work of Louis Toth of Canton who learned the science of glassblowing in school in his native Hungary. Toth says it takes five to six minutes to blow one ball and another 15 minutes to add the color, which is done under a vacuum. Toth has been working with glass for 20 years and, in fact, is a specialist in the science of glass and its properties for the Ford Motor Co. Nearly 300 of the lovely silver and gold balls adorn the Toth Christmas tree, and although the couple agrees the original set was all blown one year several years ago, the set has been replaced "twice over" because of occasional breakage and the balls "lost" to friends and neighbors. "Last year the tree fell over twice, and we broke 10 or 12," says Liz Toth. Even daughter Anita (center) seven, holds a tiny bell blown by her father. (Photos by Kathy Kuenzer)



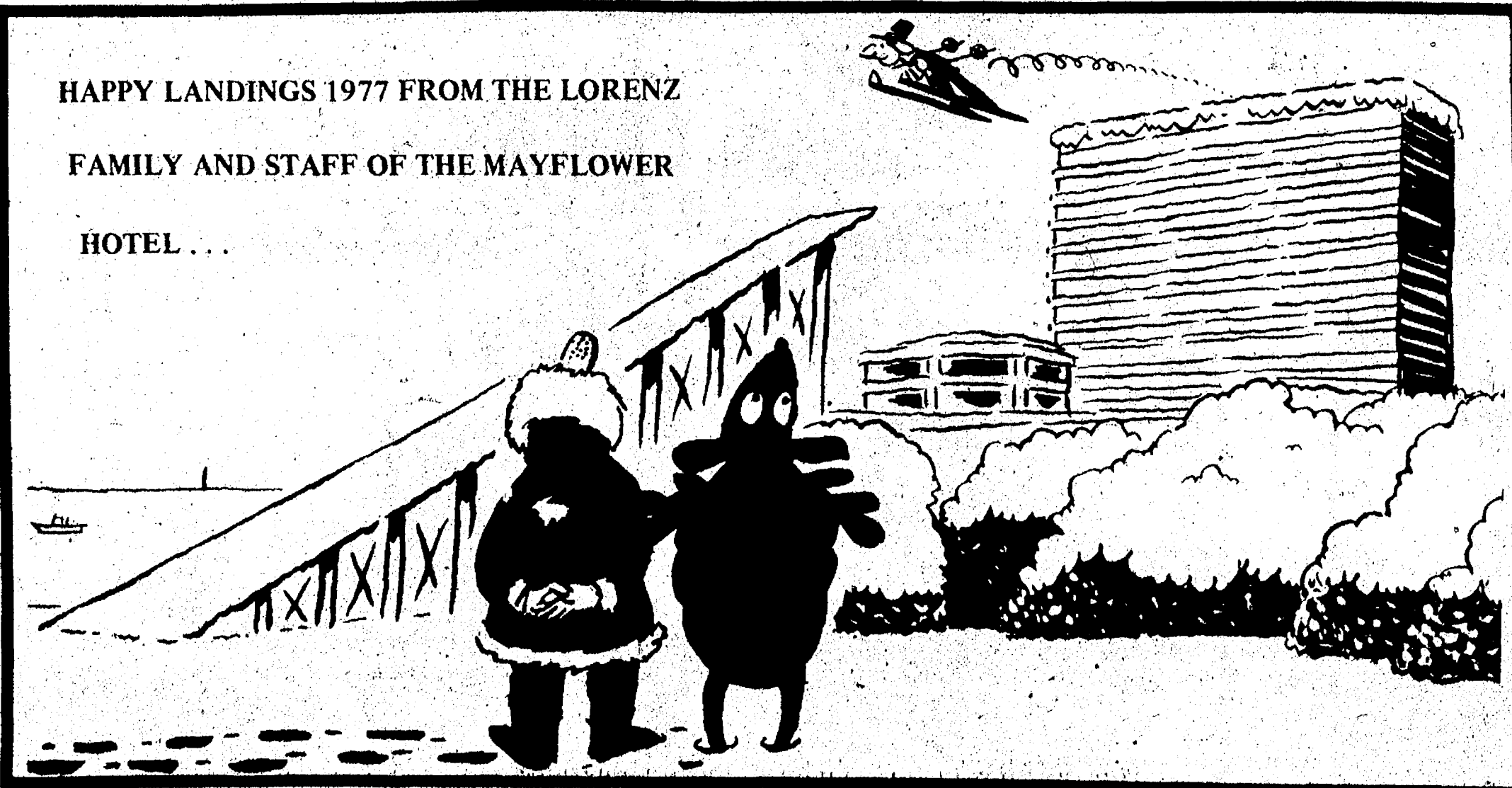
BARE BRANCHES were enough (above) for Charlie Brown's famous and favorite Christmas tree, and bare branches have sufficed for 16 years as one of the favorite trees in the house of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Proctor of Ridgewood in Plymouth Township. Mrs. Proctor, known to her many Plymouth friends as Daisy, says the tree was started for her children when they were very small and has become a family tradition.

Her husband finds a bare branch tree, sprays it white and then the family decorates it with lights and the many ornaments friends have brought them from around the world or made themselves. Included are Swedish angels, straw ladies from Mexico, plus baubles from France, Venezuela, England, German, the Panama Canal Zone and Canada. "For many years we've gone overboard on Christmas," laughs Daisy.

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Community churches set Christmas services

The following is a list of the Christmas Eve and Christmas weekend services at churches in the Plymouth-Canton area. (Sunday services for Dec. 26 are not listed unless they are a departure from the regularly scheduled times.)

United Assembly of God, 42021 Ann Arbor Tr., Plymouth Township - Candlelight Communion Service, Christmas Eve, 7 p.m.

Calvary Baptist, 43065 Joy Rd., Canton - Vesper Service, Christmas Eve, 7 p.m.

Central Baptist Temple, 670 W. Church, Plymouth - Special unified service, Sunday, Dec. 26, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

First Free Will Baptist of Plymouth, 41233 Ann Arbor Tr., Plymouth Township - Gospel Sing, Saturday, Dec. 25, 7 p.m.

First Baptist of Plymouth, 45000 N. Territorial, Plymouth Township - Candlelight Service, Christmas Eve, 7:30 p.m.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 1160 Penniman, Plymouth - Communal Celebration, Wednesday, Dec. 22, 7:30 p.m. Masses on Christmas Eve, 8 p.m. and 11:30 p.m.

Masses on Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25, 8, 9:30 and 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Masses on Sunday, Dec. 26, 8, 9:30,

11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

St. Kenneth's Catholic Church, 14951 Haggerty, Plymouth Township - Christmas Eve Children's Mass, 5 p.m., also midnight mass. Masses on Christmas, Saturday, Dec. 25, 8 and 10 a.m. and noon. Masses on Sunday, Dec. 26, 8 and 10 a.m. and noon.

Blessed John Neumann Catholic, meeting at Miller School, Canton - Children's Mass, Christmas Eve, 5 p.m., Christmas Eve midnight mass preceded by carols, 11:30 p.m. Christmas, Saturday, Dec. 25, masses at 8:30, 10 and 11:30 a.m.

First United Methodist, 45201 N. Territorial, Plymouth

Township - Christmas Eve services at 7:30 and 10 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 26, Family Celebration, 10 a.m. Continental breakfast, 10:45 a.m. Carols and Christmas music in sanctuary, 11 a.m. worship.

St. Michael's Lutheran, 700 Sheldon Rd., Canton - Candlelight Service, Christmas Eve, 7:30 p.m.

Geneva United Presbyterian, 5835 Sheldon Rd., Canton - Family Service, Christmas Eve, 7 p.m.

Lutheran Church of the Risen Christ, 46250 W. Ann Arbor Rd., Plymouth Township - Candlelight Service, Christmas Eve, 7:30 p.m. Christmas Day,

Saturday, Dec. 25, Festival Service, 7:30 p.m.

St. Peter's Evangelical Lutheran, 1343 Penniman, Plymouth - Children's Service, Christmas Eve, 7:30 p.m. Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25, Carol Service, 10 a.m.

First United Presbyterian of Plymouth, 701 Church St., Plymouth - Christmas Eve, Family Service at 5 p.m., Candlelight Communion Service at 8 p.m., Festival Candlelight Communion Service, 11 p.m.

Epiphany Lutheran Church, 41390 Five Mile Rd., Plymouth Township - Christmas Eve, Candlelight Communion Service, 10 p.m.

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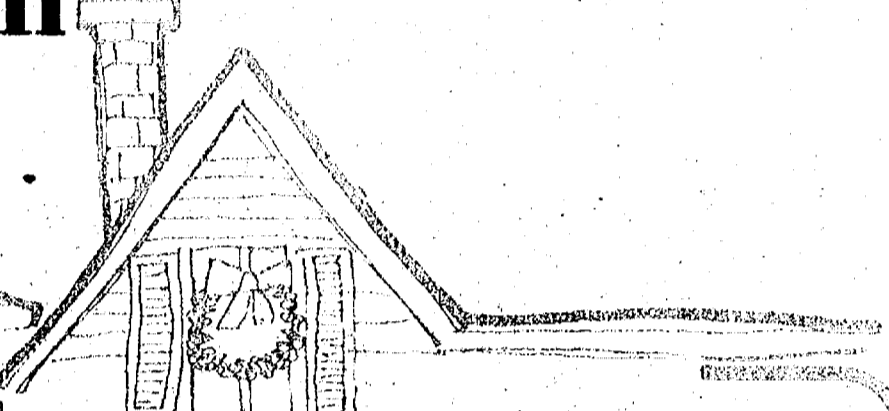
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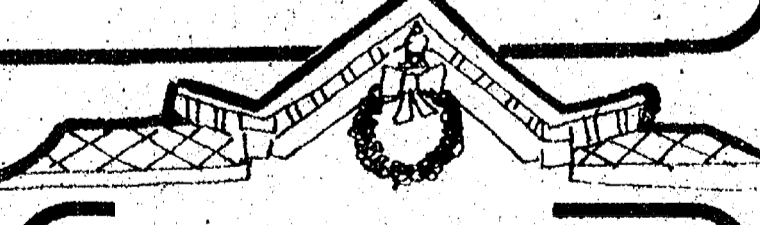


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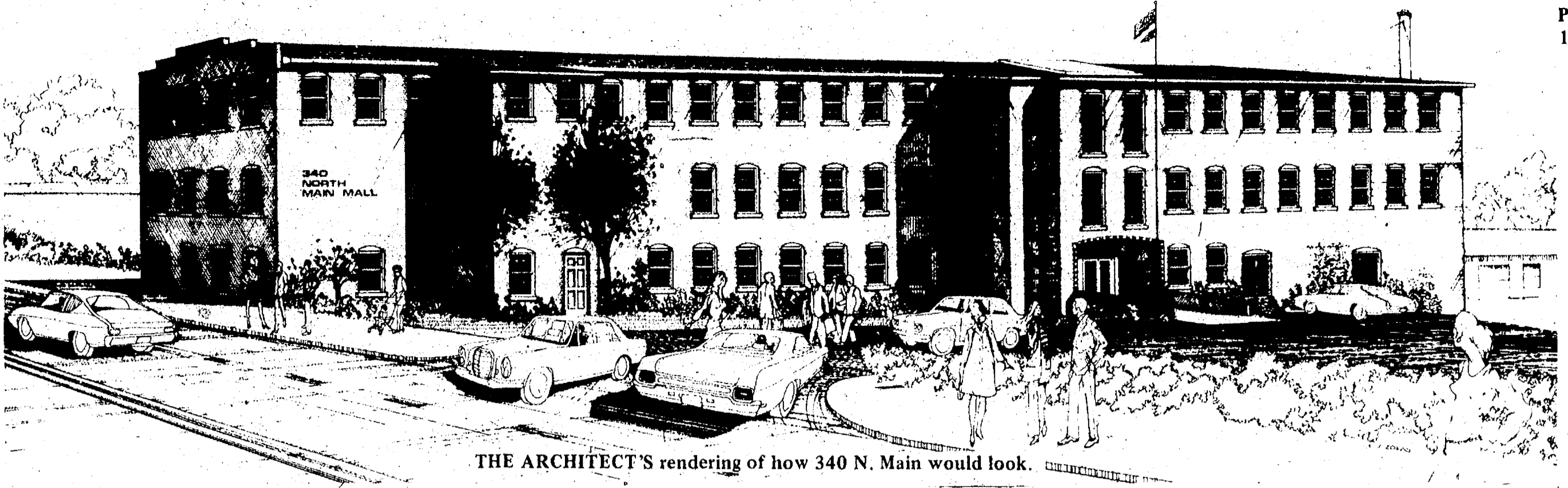
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THE ARCHITECT'S rendering of how 340 N. Main would look.

Dream shapes up for old Main St. air rifle factory

BY HANK MEIJER

A local architect has put Harold Guenther's dream down on paper.

It still could be some time before 340 N. Main St. becomes one of Plymouth's major shopping addresses, but visions of a transformed ex-air rifle factory are already taking shape.

Guenther has been working with John Culotta of Graham-Culotta Associates on plans to create a restaurant-shopping complex in the three-story red brick factory Guenther owns just north east of the tracks on Main.

The building once housed the Markham Air Rifle Co., a precursor of the more famous Daisy Air Rifle Co.

According to Guenther his chief challenge to proceeding with renovation of the turn-of-the-century structure is financing. The restoration project will likely cost more than 10 times the original cost of construction.

If it clears that hurdle, 340 N. Main should be on its way. Plans call for razing three small buildings just to the west between the factory and the C&O tracks, including one that now houses an art gallery.

The complex's main entrance would be on that west side. A ground-floor restaurant would open onto the terrace nearby. Parking would be provided on both east and west sides of the building.

Going inside, visitors would

find an open lobby three stories high topped with a skylight. Opening off the lobby on the second and third floors would be corridors providing access to some 20 shops, which Guenther hopes will offer a wide range of goods from fine handcrafts to gourmet cookware.

Throughout the building, the existing exposed beams will help shape the clean, 'honest' traditional look Guenther sees. "We're trying to maintain the character and quality of the old appearance of the building," he said.

Maintaining that character means altering dozens of windows to meet the needs of the mall inside while not tampering with their original ar-

rangement. It also means stripping the peeling red paint off the exterior brick, but even sandblasting may detract too much from the 'honest' quality Guenther dreams of, so he's also considering a hot-water wash.

The existing structure, 200 feet deep and from 40 to 52 feet wide, was once only part of a larger Markham complex which included the surrounding buildings and a large foundry which shared a false brick facade with the present building.

Guenther has spared few pains in visiting similar restoration projects which have combined loyalty to original construction with attractive new shopping and dining facilities. He's been storing away antiques

and other objects which might someday find a place as fixtures at 340 N. Main.

City commissioners last summer issued a liquor license to a restaurateur who plans to build a family restaurant on the ground floor.

From financing to a list of tenants, the elements that will go into the transformation of 340 N. Main are far from complete, but for Guenther, the vision has taken a forceful shape.

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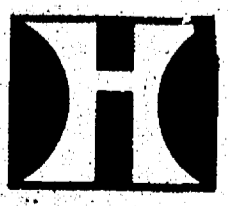
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Twp. man killed in crash

BY SUSAN NICHOLAS
A Plymouth Twp. man was killed at 12:48 a.m. Saturday in a three-car collision at the intersection of Schoolcraft and Beech Daly in Redford Twp.
John T. Maguire, 55, of 42410 Parkhurst, was pronounced dead on arrival at Redford Community Hospital.
Passenger Mary Bishop of 40950 Five Mile Rd., Plymouth, is listed in serious condition. The drivers of the other two cars —

Lisa Ann Klersey, 20, and Don Dolan, 18, of Livonia — escaped with minor injuries.
Redford Twp. Police report that Maguire was heading west when the car driven by Klersey ran a red light and struck him. Klersey was then hit by Dolan. Police are seeking a warrant charging Klersey with negligent homicide.
Maguire was a production control manager. He is survived by his sons Thomas of Ann Ar-

bor, William of California, and Michael at home; daughters Kathleen Schlim of Plymouth and Maribeth Reed of Illinois; a brother, William, of Detroit, and a sister, Gertrude Weaver, of Rochester.

Funeral services were held yesterday at St. Kenneth Catholic Church, with the Rev. Fr. Anthony Lombardi officiating. Arrangements were made by the Schrader Funeral Home.

WSDP off air 'till Jan. 3

WSDP radio, 89.3 fm., will sign off the air from today (Wednesday), Dec. 22, until Monday, Jan. 3. The staff and management at WSDP wish all their listeners a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Evicted Pop finds Old Friends

THERE ARE THOSE who say our governments must pass laws to protect the health and safety of the citizenry and then there are those who feel all the bureaucratic regulations are just a lot of red tape. Pop Taylor is one of the latter. The self-proclaimed "Pumpkin King" of Plymouth (after a successful pumpkin sale this fall), Taylor went into the Christmas tree business two weeks ago on the site of a former railroad car restaurant which went under before it ever got onto the right track. But Taylor hadn't checked first with the C&O Railroad which owned the property and felt there was too great a liability potential. So Taylor would have to move, the C&O said. Rather than fight, though, Taylor decided to throw in the towel and just give his trees away taking a loss on the project. Then to the rescue came two Old Village businesswomen, Rosebud Trask and Lenny Eckhout (shown with Taylor) who invited the tree-selling business to share their corner in front of their store, Old Friends Menagerie. Then came the question, "How do you move the trees to the new site?" The C&O trainmaster, Larry Judd, not wishing any ill will to Taylor, sent his crews over to load up the trees on C&O trucks and move them. "We were glad to be able to help," said Judd. Taylor obtained his city permit Monday and told The Crier business at the new location was good. (Crier photos by Robert Cameron).

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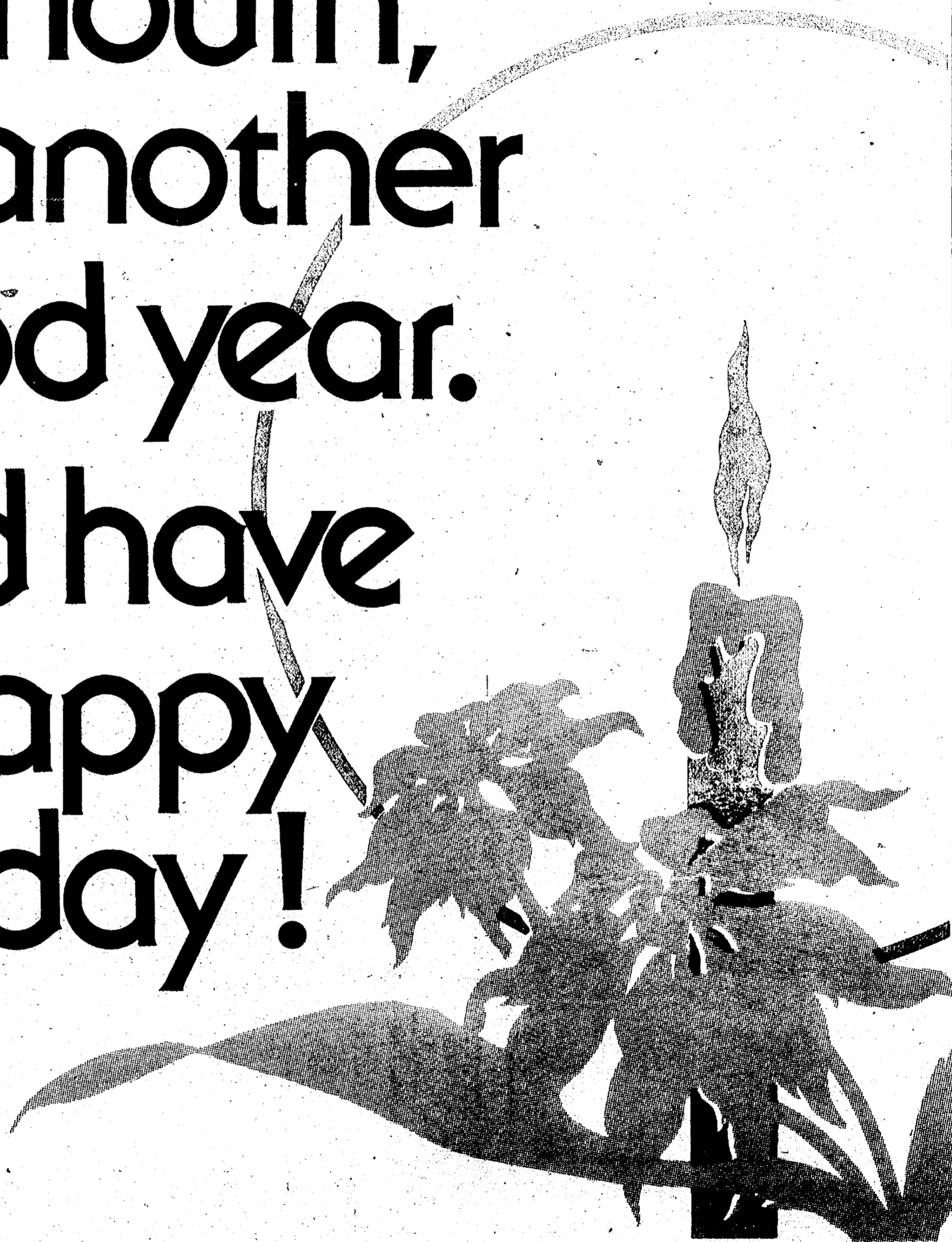
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According to Brenda Pollock, Canton recreation director, the books will include a cross section of materials and will be available for use at the township recreation center and for check-out. Large print "Reader's Digest" and possibly sections of the New York Times will also be available.

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A very special Christmas has arrived a little early for Dave and Karen Rotarius. She is a beautiful daughter, Kristen Joy, born Dec. 15 at Annapolis Hospital. The proud grandparents are Mrs. Catherine Rotarius of Plymouth, and Clayton and Bea Meyers of Livonia.

Mrs. Murphy's 4th grade class at Hulsing Elementary School has been working hard this past week making a gingerbread house. The children decided to present their creation to the people at Nightingale Nursing Home. To make the occasion more festive the children will also sing Christmas songs.

The Soroptimists Club of Plymouth held a Christmas party for the residents at the Community Opportunity Center. They served refreshments, sang Christmas Carols, and were greeted by one of their favorite friends — Santa Claus.

Jan and John Fuller of Hillsboro in Canton were hosts for the No. VI Station Questers annual Christmas dinner last Friday night. This Station Questers group is made up of women from Plymouth, Canton, and Northville who enjoy studying antiques. For their Christmas dinner menu this year the group chose a traditional southern plantation dinner with everything from wassail and ham to corn pudding and egg nog pie. Mrs. Fuller added the final touches with Williamsburg center pieces.

Don and Jean Hastings on Oregon Trail in Plymouth have just recently returned from spending 12 days in Japan. She said they visited many shrines, and temples, and a couple of geisha houses (?). They were quite impressed with Mt. Fuji, and thought that Tokyo had one of the best highway systems that they had ever seen. It sounds like a fabulous trip, including the two-hour stop over in Hawaii.

Toastmasters from The Plymouth Motor City Speakeasy Club 1660 hosted a gala ladies night last Friday night. Following the dinner new officers for 1977 were installed. They are: Sherril Corey, President; Jim Letcher, Educational Vice President; Chuck Fugate, Administrative Vice President; Peter Young, Secretary; Al Ward, Treasurer; Jim Frusti, Sergeant at Arms.

Lisa Toth, Michelle Tregembo, and Barbara Zydeck of Plymouth have been named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges for 1976-77. They are among 10 students from Schoolcraft College to be chosen. Selections are made each fall by a campus nominating committee composed of representatives from the faculty, administration and student body on the basis of scholarship, leadership and cooperation in education and extracurricular activities, general citizenship and promise of future usefulness.

Nancy Jacobs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Jacobs of Linden in Plymouth, was initiated by Alpha Phi Fraternity for women. The ceremonies took place on Nov. 21 at the University of Michigan where Miss Jacobs is a freshman.

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Attorney: Is Canton ZBA defunct?

BY KATHY KUENZER
Is the five-member zoning board of appeals (ZBA) in Canton, appointed as one of Bob Greenstein's last acts as Supervisor, now a defunct group?

This question is now being studied by Canton's legal counsel after referral for legal opinion by the Canton Board of Trustees last week.

An item to amend the township zoning ordinance appeared on the meeting agenda last Tuesday as "Introduction of an amendment to the zoning ordinance providing for a five-member board, ZBA," but before board discussion began, Supervisor Harold Stein said he "recommended we refer this back to the attorney because of insufficient information."

The decision to seek the opinion has, for at least the time being, quelled fears of Greenstein that he and four other members of the ZBA might be without appointments, after a letter from township attorney William Sempliner to Canton Clerk John Flodin said: "Although the question may be open to dispute, it is my interpretation of the (State) Act (No. 131' which allows for the expansion of the ZBA) that the new board will supercede the old and that the five-member board need not necessarily include any of the members of the former."

Greenstein appeared before the board of trustees last week to request that Sempliner's statement concerning the "previous board" be clarified to mean either the former three-member board or the five-member board on which Greenstein, Jim Donahue, Tim Quinn, Joyce Willis and Bob Miller now sit.

"Also, the state law says the

PO seeks applications

Plymouth Postmaster Art Mulligan has announced that applications for postal service exams will be available at the post office Monday through Friday, Dec. 27-30. The exams will be given for clerk and letter carrier positions.

Mulligan said a limited number of applications will be available.

township shall appoint a five-member board," said Greenstein. "My understanding is that when state law preempts township law, the township law becomes invalid. We considered it (the expansion of the board) as state law and mere adoption of a township ordinance wouldn't be necessary for appointment of the five-member board."

Peter Bundarin, unsuccessful Republican candidate for supervisor in November, says, however, that the Greenstein ZBA members may have been appointed "to a non-existent board."

"Greenstein failed to read far enough in Act. 131," says Bundarin. "It does state that if a township has more than 5,000 population, there shall be at least five ZBA members, and

that if there are fewer than 5,000, there shall be at least three members. But the next sentence says the township 'shall determine by ordinance' how many shall be on the ZBA."

What's more, says Bundarin, when the township accepted the resignations of Ms. Willis and

Greenstein so that they could be appointed to the new ZBA, the resignations were official and still stand.

If the Greenstein-appointed ZBA is non-existent, then the ZBA currently only has one official member, says Bundarin, and that's Miller.



PLYMOUTH GROWTH WORKS, INC. received a \$5,000 check last Saturday to add to its building fund. Presenting the check on behalf of the Plymouth Rotary Foundation was Clarence DuCharme (left). Accepting for Growth Works was Jack Bologna, treasurer of the organization. (Crier photo)

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Tales out of school

News from Salem and Canton High Schools
BY SANDY HAWLEY

"Christmas hyperactiveness" is something most people get this time of year. Salem and Canton dealt with the "problem" by having each school hold a dance.

Thanks to Salem's 12-Hour Marathon Dance, held Saturday, some of that hyperactiveness is gone. The dance was from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The eight couples who danced 12 hours were: Vickie Orr, Don Weise, Mike Steela, Maryann Hendricks, Jeff Ivy, Janet Olsyewski, Chris Voitas, John Moore, Steve Thoburn, Mary Ploughman, John LaRiche, Monique Arbour, Sandy Moran, Darryl Sciba, Rob Stevens, and Mary Marsh.

Monique Arbour almost fainted during the last five minutes, but was alright within a minute.

During the last hour the people who controlled the music, Ken Delaney and Guy Jackson, played mainly fast songs, trying to eliminate some of the couples.

Vickie Orr, senior representative, said afterwards, "It was interesting. I think everyone had a riot."

Even though only eight couples danced, each couple got a large number of pledges.

According to Senior Class President, Mark Boscha, "It was more of a success than we thought it would be. If 100 per cent of the pledges pay, we'll come out with over \$800."

Half of the money goes to the American Cancer Society and the other half is for Salem's Senior Class.

Canton's Kris Kringle bash didn't go well. The main complaint was that the band took too many breaks.

"They didn't play a good variety of music and the slow songs needed work," said Russ McGonagel, one of the Entertainment Editors of Canton's New Media.

Kim Powell, a junior, said, "All their fast songs were too slow and were hard to dance to."



Christmas around world remembered

CHRISTMAS 'ROUND THE WORLD was the theme Thursday of the Christmas program at Gallimore School. The musical program also featured solos, skits and a choral reading by

members of the second grade class. Here fourth graders in full costume depicted the Mexican celebration of Christmas, complete with pinata. (Crier photo by Hank Meijer)

Kelly and Johnnie wed in Detroit

Kelly Anne Driscoll of Marc Trail in Plymouth Township and Capt. Johnnie Ratliff of Weaver, Ala. were wed at St. Paul of the Cross Monastery in Detroit on Nov. 26. The ceremony was performed by The Rev. Fr. Francis Cusack.

Parents of the bride are Mr. and Mrs. Terrance Driscoll of Plymouth. The groom's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ratliff of Pikeville, Ken.

The bride wore a white opaque polyester and lace gown with a chapel train and elbow length veil. She carried white roses with baby's breath and staphonotis.

Attending the bride were maid of honor Kathleen Driscoll of Plymouth, the bride's sister; and bridesmaids Maureen Driscoll, another sister, from Plymouth, Chris Erickson and Irene Isakson of Detroit, Karen McDonnell of Westland, Debbie

Robinson, Jane Coleman, Jane Jobe and Katie Jobe, all of Ohio, and Kim Thorpe of Connecticut.

The groom's attendants were best man, Kevin Driscoll of Plymouth, the bride's brother; and ushers Gary Jobe and Billy Coleman of Ohio, Daniel Osakson and Robert Creighton of Detroit, Terrance McDonnell of Westland, Ian Chapman of S. Carolina, Timothy Isakson and James Isakson of Canton and Patrick Driscoll, the bride's brother, of Plymouth.

Following the ceremony a reception was held for 150 guests at the Plymouth Hilton Inn.

The bride is a 1973 graduate of Salem High School and attended Schoolcraft College. The groom is a graduate of Moorhead State College in Kentucky and is on active duty with the U.S. Army at Fort McClellan, Ala.

Following a trip in the south, the couple will reside in Weaver, Ala.



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Glimpse at Yesterday

THIS HOUSE SHOULD BE FAMILIAR to many of our readers. While it now houses two of Plymouth's newer businesses, the Health Shoppe and the Put-Upon Shoppe, the house is also considered to be one of Plymouth's oldest. Referred to as the Campbell House and sometimes as the "Granny H House," the home has conflicting building dates. The late E. Fletcher Campbell, whose father bought the home in 1908, first reported the house had been built by John Kellogg (for whom Kellogg Park is named) in 1835, with workmen coming from Detroit to aid in the construction. By earlier reports, however, the home was built in the late 1860's or early 1870's by a John Moreland. In any event, the land on which the structure stands was originally settled in 1825 by Plymouth's earliest inhabitant, William Starkweather, and passed through the hands of five owners before Kellogg's purchase. The house and its businesses will soon become a part of the Forest Place Mall when a walkway connecting it with other nearby businesses is completed in the near future.

Feds see story on Plymouth Center

Pete Schweitzer, Community Relations Director at the Plymouth Center for Human Development, gave a slide talk in Washington, D.C., Friday at the request of the President's Committee on Mental Retardation.

The slides dealt with the goals and the philosophy of the Plymouth Center, which was the only institution of its kind invited to speak before the **State Police tap Meehleder**

Lt. Thomas G. Meehleder, 48, former commander of the Battle Creek post, has been named first lieutenant and an assistant commander for second district Michigan State Police headquarters formerly located at Detroit and now housed in a new building at Northville.

Meehleder joined the department in 1956, serving first at the East Lansing and East Tawas posts. He was promoted in 1967 to corporal at Romeo, then to sergeant and assistant post commander in 1970 at Detroit. In 1972 he was advanced to lieutenant and post commander at Battle Creek.

Tpr. James Taylor, 30, of the Bay City post, has been assigned effective December 12 to the post at Northville (formerly the Detroit post).

William Flower, 30, a former trooper and tracking dog handler at the Lansing post who resigned last June, has been reinstated as a trooper at the same post. He again will also handle a tracking dog.

mittee in a question and answer session.

"We were the only institution out of some 239 in the United States to be invited," said Schweitzer. "I felt it was quite an honor to be invited. I was pleased that it was well received."

C&O charged

Train delays at local C&O crossings aroused the anger of several motorists last week and they reacted by filing complaints at the Plymouth Police Dept.

Thomas Volker of Ida, was held up for 22 minutes by a sluggish northbound train at Sheldon Road last Thursday between 11:02 and 11:24 p.m.

On Wednesday, Barry Litvin of Bloomfield Hills waited for 20 minutes at the Main Street crossing until the way was cleared at 2:25 p.m.

Then, on Tuesday, Joyce Katke of 46875 Betty Hill, Plymouth, waited for 16 minutes until an eastbound train finally cleared the tracks at Sheldon Road at 8:14 a.m.

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Canton, schools' officials pledge cooperation

Cooperation between Canton and the Plymouth Community Schools was pledged by board members from both units at a joint meeting last Wednesday evening.

The two-hour session of informal discussion at the Board of Education office covered a wide-range of topics including projections for growth, location of school sites, recreation, summer tax collection, and preservation of historical one-room schools.

Representatives from the school district and Canton explained their present projects for planning and predicting the population increase in this area. The importance of sewers to industrial and commercial development, as well as residential building, was emphasized.

Neither the township nor the schools have completed studies to give an exact picture of what to expect in numbers of school children in the next two to five years. It was clear, however, that there will continue to be rapid growth, with the need for construction of additional school buildings, said representa-

tives from both groups.

A brief review of the location of present school property and appropriateness for elementary or middle schools made clear the need for some changes in planned locations. Schools must be easily accessible for construction and students, while maintaining safety and a neighborhood identity, according to school officials.

The impact on the schools of population growth, which overloads facilities, was presented by School Board Trustee George Lawton. He noted, however, that schools benefit from industrial and commercial developments through additional tax base.

"Canton must build for quality of life," Lawton insisted.

Canton Board members were receptive to the suggestions by the schools that substantial savings in interest payments could be achieved by twice-yearly tax collections by the township. The present tax collection in December forces the schools to operate for nearly half the year on borrowed funds until local tax revenues are re-

ceived.

In the areas of recreation and preservation of historical school sites, the schools and township representatives also agreed to exchange information and ideas with an eye to future cooperation.

"The communication was good," Harold Stein, Canton Township Supervisor, told The Crier after the meeting. "We

pledged our cooperation and there was a general feeling of mutual cooperation. I am currently working up some projections and figures for them."

Present at the meeting, in addition to Stein, were Canton Township Clerk John Flodin, Township Treasurer Anne Bradley and Trustees Eugene Daly, Lynne Goldsmith and Brian Schwall.

School Board President Joe

Gray participated as well as Trustees Lawton, Tom Yack, Marcia Borowski and Flossie Tonda.

School administrators in attendance were Raymond Hoedel, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Florence Beier, Administrative Assistant for Community Relations; and Sam Ul-saker, Administrative Assistant for Research and Federal Projects.

Is Canton recount finished?

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the unsuccessful trustee candidate who lost by 11 votes, agreed to go along with them. Poole says he will make up his mind whether or not to file suit this week.

"The obvious beneficiary is Jim Poole," said Greenstein. "I have no personal interest in the recount, but I would join in only if the other two would." Bundarin said he will "probably join with Poole and Greenstein."

"My position is that Poole has the most to gain and basically I would do it to show party unity and help him (Poole) bear the brunt of any criticism.

"There's not a conflict, though, of statues," said Bundarin, who said the right of the precinct workers to vote in the absentee precinct did not conflict with the "three criteria" statue.

"Someone simply made a clerical error when they recorded the names of the absentee voters in the same poll book with the precinct workers names."

Bundarin said he thought the law said there "shall be a recount" if "two things happen, not if all three criteria don't coincide."

Poole said it was "not important who won but that a recount

was asked, everyone did what they were supposed to and now Martina is saying there won't be a recount even after he and Flodin told the 15 workers they could vote in precinct 10.

"The people (in Canton) think there was some tampering and now we've got to remove that cloud of suspicion or the people will be convinced there was tampering."

Poole said either the statue must be amended or the 15 precinct workers' votes must be thrown out.

"The government screwed up and now they're punishing all the candidates."

Will schools seek spring election?

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offices, 454 S. Harvey.

"Maybe we could dovetail (a special election) with Schoolcraft," said Plymouth School Supt. John M. Hoben. "I'm assuming we'll be coming for some type of a bonding issue and the millage."

"We're probably going to have to come a couple of times for this considering the current mood of the voters," Hoben said, explaining that should either the operating millage renewal or the bond issue fail on an April special election, voters would get another opportunity on the regularly scheduled June ballot.

Hoben said that while the board has not discussed the ballot issues as yet, because "we've been waiting for results from the enrollment projections committee," there would be an advantage to holding a special election at the same time as Schoolcraft's rather than another time due to shared election costs.

The last time a building bond issue was put before Plymouth School District voters, it took three tries to get a scaled-down proposal passed. Voters have traditionally approved operating millage renewals.

A Schoolcraft College spokesman said they hoped local school districts would not join in with the millage issues on their special election ballot. "That would be disastrous for us," he said.

Last June, Schoolcraft's millage proposal was defeated in those local school districts where local millage issues were placed before the voters as well.

Hoben said he hoped the Plymouth Board would be able to make a final decision on bonding and millage issues at the Feb. 7 meeting or before. If Plymouth does not place a

ballot proposal on the Schoolcraft College ballot, it may find scheduling conflicts trying to get a special election for the spring. Florence Beier, community relations administrator for the Plymouth Schools, said the schools might have to wait 30 days after Schoolcraft's special

election under the election laws.

It may find scheduling a special election on its own would also be complicated by the upcoming special primary and general election to fill the State Senate seat being vacated by Carl Pursell.

City gets county disaster station

BY SUSAN NICHOLAS

The City of Plymouth has received a gift package from the Wayne County Office of Civil Defense in the form of a mobile first-aid station.

The portable unit is part of an effort by Wayne County Commissioners Royce Smith (D-Belleville), Thomas Presnell (D-Westland) and County Civil Defense Director George Young to provide relief for local communities in the event of a natural disaster.

"The need for this medical equipment became evident last winter," said Smith. "The Grosse Pointes were struck with a devastating ice storm that caused flooding and power failures. Other communities suffered tornado and high wind damage. Large numbers of people were forced to seek shelter

and medical equipment."

The relief equipment was stored at the County Defense Office in Northville for four years before Smith and Presnell decided to donate it to local communities.

"Royce Smith called me one day and said, 'These are available if you want one,'" said City Manager Fred Yockey. "I said, 'How do we get it?' He said, 'Write me a letter.'"

The package has enough supplies to provide first-aid for up to 20 persons. It includes 20 blankets, 20 cots, washbasins, lanterns, arm splints, bandages, crutches and folding litters. It is being stored in boxes in the Department of Public Works garage for use in the event of an emergency.

"It's there to be used, but we hope we don't have to use it," said Yockey.

K'wood hearing adjourned

The State Cemetery Commission has adjourned a hearing on alleged trust fund discrepancies at Knollwood Cemetery in Canton until Jan. 18.

Gary Eppolito, of Knollwood, said the cemetery had asked for an adjournment while financial reorganization of the cemetery was completed.

In the meantime, he said, one

of the two fund discrepancies alleged had been corrected and the other charge was "just a technical problem to begin with."

Knollwood has maintained that property placed in escrow met the requirements of the state laws governing cemetery trust funds while the state has said the fund must be reserved in a more liquid form.

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Task force to study housing needs

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requirements under the (Battermann) plan were too exclusive.

"What about someone who has never belonged to an organization, but who feels very strongly about senior citizens?" asked Wright. "Isn't this discrimination? CORP's proposal is open to all."

"I don't feel it should be open to someone who has not shown any interest in senior citizens in the past," replied Battermann.

But, Commissioner Scott Dodge felt that the Battermann plan allowed for broader participation:

"I think anybody who's interested can have input through any one of these groups," said Dodge. "Anyone in the steering committee can go out into the community and contact those who want input."

Moehle objected to what he called an "elitist approach" in the Battermann plan:

"I really object to the elitist approach in this proposal," said Moehle. "If we really want broad community support I think that it is important that we do not exclude those who would not ordinarily report to the City Commission. If we're concerned with City Commission control then we ought to be more careful in our approach. We ought to have a complete methodology. If we are not careful we may be back to where we are today a year from now."

Mayor Joe Bida, however, urged action:

"Let's start somewhere," said Bida. "All this resolution is saying is that we start somewhere. It can be broadened later on."

At that point, someone asked about the Council on Aging, one of the groups listed in the plan. Harold Guenther, who heads up the Council's steering committee,

rose and explained the council's aims:

"We are a catalyst for existing organizations, such as the YMCA," said Guenther. "We have worked with the Huron Valley Council on the Aging on two things: tax aid and a phone number for reference. We are trying to stay as free as possible from government involvement. Right now, we are ready to incorporate."

Moehle protested that the Commission had not given the CORP proposal a fair hearing:

"On Dec. 6, we asked all interested citizens to come and participate," said Moehle. "Only one group presented ideas. Prior to that, they invited all organizations to submit suggestions at a meeting they held. Now, after we've asked all groups, but we've had only one response and they submitted a list of suggestions after consulting community groups, now we're saying, 'No, that's not what we said.'"

Moehle wants sr. cit. tax cut

Plymouth City Commissioner Jack Moehle has proposed that the city informally consider special property tax measures for senior citizens living in their own homes.

Moehle's informal proposal given to the city commission Monday said:

"Whereas the City of Plymouth recognizes the special burdens of property taxes on its citizens who are retired and living on low incomes, yet desire to continue to live in their own homes in the City.

"Therefore, the City of Plymouth grants an additional 1977 property tax reduction so that all citizens who apply for this reduction during 1977, who are living in their own homes, are 62 years or older and with an annual income in the prior year

We're going to do it our way.' I think we have a credibility problem."

At that point Bida interrupted:

"Do you mean the resolution that says, 'CORP will take responsibility for all meetings?' asked Bida heatedly. "Doesn't that sound like a group taking over?"

"I don't think we're excluding anybody's participation," said Dodge. "We're just making an organization for them to do it."

Commissioner Tom Turner then complained that the Battermann plan provided organization where the CORP proposal had been too general:

"I just don't understand this commission," said Turner, "As I see it, the last proposal was so general you couldn't do anything with it. With this we have an organization to work with."

of under \$8,000, shall have 1977 net property tax costs no more than \$100 on their primary residence after deducting all other 1977 governmental tax credits related to property taxes on this home, from their 1977 property tax bill for this home.

"Further, the City Commission will review this program before the end of 1977 for possible continuation during 1978, and future years after the administration has reviewed the effects of the first year's operations, and after a public hearing on this subject has been held."

This was the second time Moehle asked the commission to consider instituting special measures for property tax reduction for senior citizens. No timetable has been established to discuss the proposal.

Community deaths

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Schmidt

George Schmidt, 87, of Livonia died Dec. 13 in Botsford Osteopathic Hospital. Services were held in First Methodist Church of Plymouth with The Rev. Samuel F. Stout officiating. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Redford Township.

Mr. Schmidt is survived by his wife, Alice; a daughter, Dorothy Ritzler of Canton; a son, Donald Schmidt of Ypsilanti; 19 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

He had been a farmer and was a member of First Methodist Church of Plymouth.

Memorial Hospital, Orlando, Fla., after a short illness. Services were held in Schrader Funeral Home with The Rev. Philip Rodgers Magee officiating. Services were also held in a mortuary in Florida. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mrs. Hill is survived by a son, Lawrence Hill, of Westminster, S.C.; Elva Marryweather of Clermont, Fla. and Barbara Fitzgerald of Pinckney; six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

She moved to Plymouth from Howell in 1914 and was a homemaker.

Dougherty

Clarence A. Dougherty, 78, of Detroit, a former Plymouth resident and Daisy Air Rifle employe, died Dec. 11 in Northwest General Hospital, Detroit. Funeral services were held in Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Woody Singleton officiating. Burial was in Cadillac Memorial Gardens West in Westland.

Mr. Dougherty is survived by his wife, Bobbie; a son, Thomas of Plymouth; daughters, Velma Taft of Wayne and Ina Foster of Westland; step-sons, Jim and Jeff; brothers, Lytle and John, both of Plymouth, Chester of Pennsylvania and Wilber of Alma; sisters, Irma Thompson of Pennsylvania and Emma Miller of Union Lake; 14 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

He came to Plymouth from Altoona, Pa. in 1952, then moved to Rogers, Ark. in 1958 when his employer, Daisy Air Rifle Co., moved its operations there. He moved back to Plymouth in 1963.

Zurowick

Edward L. Zurowick, 41, of 6118 Wedgewood Rd., Canton, died Dec. 15 in Wayne County General Hospital. Services were held at Lambert Funeral Home and Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with The Rev. Fr. Edward Baldwin officiating. Burial was in St. Hedwig's Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

Mr. Zurowick is survived by his wife, Theresa; his mother, Rose Zurowick; daughters, Anne and Barbara; sons, Michael and David; a sister, Jean Sczech; and brothers, Leo, Richard and Leonard.

He was a member of Blessed John Neumann Catholic Church of Canton and had worked as a machine operator for Detroit Deisel Co.

Hill

Helen Mar Hill, 85, of Clermont, Fla., formerly of Plymouth, died Dec. 7 in Orange



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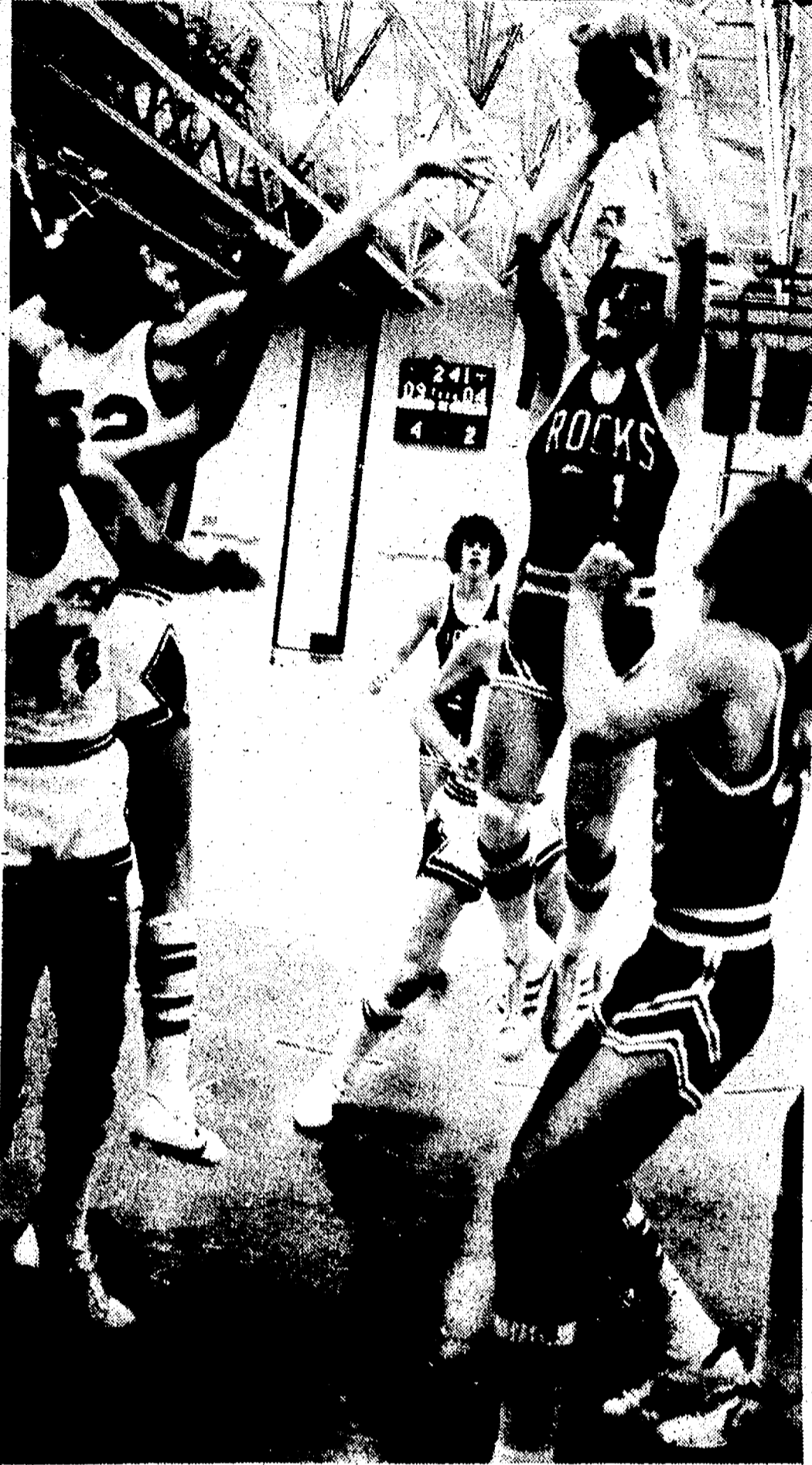
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Just in time for Christmas: Rocks win tourney



SALEM GUARD RICH HEWLETT tosses one in for the Rocks during semi-final action in the annual Christmas Tourney Monday night at Churchill High School. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

BY DONNA LOMAS AND MATT NORRIS

For the third year in a row the Saem Rocks boys basketball team copped the Christmas Tourney crown sponsored by Livonia Churchill Tuesday night, overcoming the Thurston Eagles 39-37 in last minute of play.

"It wasn't pretty," said coach Fred Thomann, referring to the close score, "But we did what we had to do, we got the job done playing. After playing as many games as we have the past two nights, the toll begins to show. But we're very pleased."

The Rocks defeated Churchill Monday 60-55, while Thurston drubbed Livonia Stevenson. A consolation game between Stevenson and Churchill gave the Spartans a 66-53 win over Churchill in an early Tuesday night game.

The score at the end of the first stanza was a mere 8-6 with the Thurston Eagles leading. The Eagles capitalized on a few free throws situations to put themselves two points ahead at the buzzer. Both sides had six points in field goals.

In the second quarter the Rocks started to hustle the Eagles once when guard Rich

the Crier Sports

Hewlett stole the ball and scored two points for the Rocks, and then with three minutes left in the half, passed to forward Tom Ellinghausen to put the Rocks ahead 14-13.

A foul by Salem in the fourth quarter gave Thurston a free throw and tied the score at 37-37 with one minute left in the game. Chris deBear took a rebound and passed the ball to Ellinghausen who scored two points for the Rocks to space the score at 39-37.

The Salem cagers had little trouble beating Churchill in Monday's semifinal game at 60-55.

Opening a man-to-man defense against Churchill, taking an 11-4 lead in the first five minutes of the game. The Salem team managed only 14 rebounds in the first half, allowing Churchill

to take the lead after the first quarter 14-13.

Salem coolly returned their starters to the lineup in the third quarter, and Tom Ellinghausen sparked the Rocks into an 18-point stanza, holding Churchill to just nine. Ellinghausen led Salem in both rebounding and scoring, grabbing 10 rebounds, and throwing in 20 points. The Rocks applied a zone defense in the fourth quarter in order to force their foes to take outside shots. The strategy worked, and Salem held on in the final stanza, taking the 60-55 victory.

"Churchill played well in the first half, but that's what you have to expect from a good team," commented Thomann after the game.

It was the sixth time the Rocks made the tourney finals.

Hard work pays off

Chief grapplers upset WL West

BY MATT NORRIS

"This is the biggest win as a team we've ever had," exulted Canton wrestling coach Dan Chrenko after his team edged a powerful Walled Lake Western squad Thursday. The first Western Six win in Canton wrestling history also marks the first conference loss of Walled Lake in seven years.

After the lead changed hands several times on seven pins during the match, the Chiefs led 30-29 with the heavyweight match left. Canton heavyweight Chuck Walker had to win or tie for the team victory. Walker made short work of Bob Blair, pinning the Western wrestler in 42 seconds.

"We all knew Chuck would win — it was a real team victory," said Chrenko after the meet. "We knew we could win going into the match, and we were lucky to get Walled Lake early in the season," added the Canton mentor.

Over 40 individual matches were held Thursday, as the Canton freshmen lost by three points to the Walled Lake team.

Several varsity wrestlers improved their individual records at Saturday's Clarenceville Invi-

tational, as six Chiefs took medals home. The surprising second-place finish for the squad also was the best in a major tournament in the short history of the team.

Lee, Collins and Walker were individual champions in their weight classes. Lee faced three opponents with winning records, beating Eric Black 10-6 in the final. Collins won his seventeenth win against four losses, beating Zane Koupacks on a 8-4 comeback. First-seeded Walker made two pins and a forfeit to take the heavyweight crown.

Heedum, Dave March, Heaton and Caldwell all won their consolation final to earn third place recognition, while fourth places were earned by Mark Bartlett and Jeff Rye in light weight brackets.

Salem cites error

CEP tankers participate in Christmas tourney

The Salem swim team is contesting the official results of the Ypsilanti Christmas Invitational swim meet held Saturday in which six high schools, including Canton, participated.

The official results recorded Adrian with 350 points for first place, Ypsilanti in second place with 272 points, Salem third with 269, and Canton fourth with 158. Hazel Park came in fifth with 83 points, and Jackson trailed sixth with 74.

The disputed technicality was not noticed by anyone until the swim officials had signed the official tally sheets. All results are official once the officials sign the sheets.

The official sheet with swimmers names on it had mistakenly listed Matt Etienne, of the Salem swim team, as a member of the Adrian team. Salem swim coach Byron Williams noticed the discrepancy and told a referee. At press time, it was not know if the official results had been changed.

If the technicality is declared valid, the Salem swim team will be in second place with 280 points and eligible for the second-place swim trophy.


Taking first place in the 200 medley relay for Salem was the

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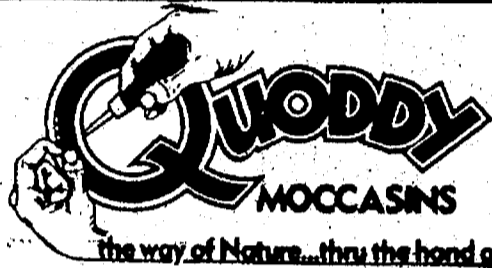
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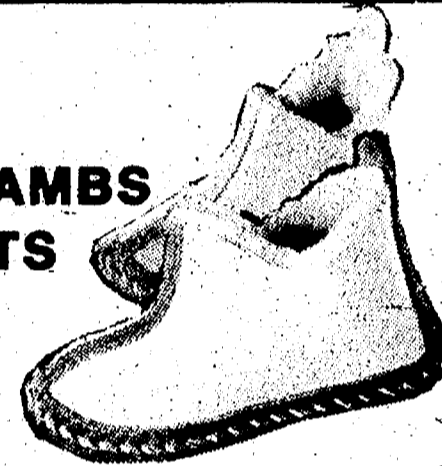
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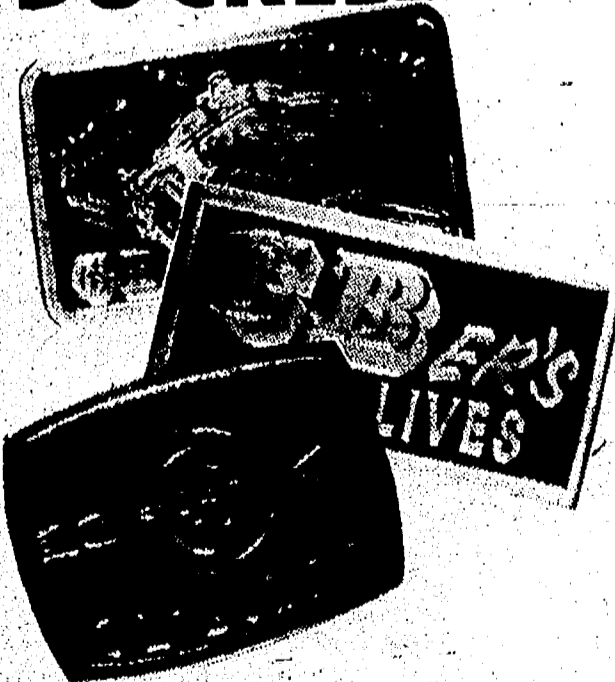
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A CEP FROSH CAGER wades through the crush under the boards to sink a few points for his team. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

Frosh cagers fierce, poised

BY MATT NORRIS

The Salem freshman cagers showed the poise of their varsity counterparts Friday afternoon, defeating Hilbert 80-42. The taller Rocks took the lead in the first period, widening it by as much as 45 points during the contest.

The ninth-graders started slowly, trading buckets with Hilbert for the first five minutes of the first period. Although Salem was working its passing offense well, the young cagers missed several inside shots, and committed enough mistakes on defense to allow Hilbert to keep even.

With 2:48 left in the first period, Bryan Kelliher sank a field goal from near the basket to give the Rocks a 10-8 lead. Paced by Jim Anderson's 10 first-period points, the Salem ninth graders settled into a comfortable 22-13 lead which they never lost after the first eight minutes.

The visiting team tried to counter Salem's size with a zone defense, but Rock rebounding was instrumental in the 21-7 outscoring during the second stanza. Coach Pat Cunningham

substituted early in the period, and all players but two scored in the game. The Rocks had more points in the first half than Hilbert could muster the entire contest, leading 43-20 at half-time.

The Salem substitutes continued to dominate rebounding, doubling Hilbert's score throughout the second half.

Rock guards often stole opponents' passes, converting them into easy layups. Salem was ahead 65-30 after the third stanza, and opened up a 38-point final margin, 80-42.

Salem won the game with a balanced scoring attack (even a Hilbert player tried to get in the act, taking a shot at the wrong basket), as only three players broke into double figures. Although none played much more than a half, Anderson scored 15 points, Kelliher 14, and Mike Symonds had 10. Howard Mink had eight, Pat Moure six, and Craig Flower and Chris McEvoy each chipped in five points.

The 2-0 squad will rest until after Christmas, when they face Farmington Power at home on January 7.

Chief freshman basketball

team won their third straight contest last Thursday, handling Pierce, 56-45. The Canton cagers cameback in the fourth period to take the victory.

The Canton ninth-grade squad led Pierce by nine at the half, but they rallied behind their 6'6" center (who led in scoring and rebounding), to gain the lead with five minutes left in the final stanza.

Trailing by three, the Chiefs shut off the opposing pivotmen on defense and scored quickly on offense in the next three minutes to take a 50-42 lead. The Pierce team couldn't regain its third-stanza momentum, losing by 11 points.

Only the starting five players scored for the undefeated Chiefs Thursday. Dan McGlinn tossed in 15 points, Dave Visser had 14, and Jack Carpenter added 12.

Center Steve Eddey lead the team with six rebounds, adding nine points. Scott Adler had six points in the win.

With three victories and undefeated CEP rival Salem on their January schedule, the Chiefs will be idle over the holidays, although they will continue to practice regularly.

Rock cagers trick Trojans

A startling comeback iced the Salem Rocks' fifth victory in a row as they blasted a surprised Trenton off their own court in a last-minute action game as the Rocks triumphed 54-51.

The game started out with Rich Hewlett sinking five field goals to get Salem off and running. At 15-14 by the end of the first stanza, the Rocks were ahead by one.

But they lost their slim winning margin in the second period when everything crumbled to dust as the Trenton team whomped them and gave themselves a 15-point lead. Nine free-throw points by the Rocks salvaged the huge margin gap the Trojans had on the Salem team.

But things started to look up for Salem in the third and fourth period, as Hewlett scored six more points for Salem, reducing the Trenton lead to eight points. Chris deBear chipped in with four points, but that was countered with a Trojan basket to keep the Rocks' foes' lead at six.

Trenton didn't score any points for the rest of the game, however, with one minute to go in the game, Salem opened the game up, as Hewlett stole the ball and ran in for a bucket to tie the game.

With 27 seconds left, Hewlett did it again and made two more points for the Rocks. Salem fouled to give Trenton a chance for points but they missed on both. Hewlett deflected the ball off a Trenton player as he went down the court, turning a Trenton technical foul into a point conversion for the Rocks. When the buzzer sounded, the Rocks had won another game.

They are now tied with arch-rival, Livonia Bentley for first place. Both have 3-0 records so far. Trenton, Dearborn, Belleville and Redford Union are 1-2; Edsel Ford is 2-1 and Allen Park is 0-3.

The Salem team takes a break from their scheduled games for the Christmas holidays and will resume their schedule with Bentley on the Salem courts Jan. 7.

Salem wrestlers crack Ed Ford in dual

The Salem boys' wrestling team cracked a 20-match winning streak for Edsel Ford last Thursday, winning the dual match 39-17 on the Salem mats. "I'm glad we got them," said Salem wrestling coach Ron Krueger. "Edsel won all their dual matches last year, and until this one with us, had won all this season."

Highlights of the dual were Karl McNulty at 138 who pinned Mike Mooradian of Edsel Ford in 4:34.

"Karl really did a good job for us on that one," said coach Krueger. "We're proud of that match."

Tom Chiatialis at 155 tied with Eric Woolintin 1-1 in what coach Krueger termed a "good match". The big upset of the dual was Edsel Ford's Hakin Fakhoury who beat Jeff Fidge (145) 9-8.

Rene Leist (112) pinned Steve Purci of Edsel in 5:28 and at 119, Steve Ernst beat his Edsel Ford match 11-3. At 132, Jim Ross of Salem beat Joe Cruz 6-2. At 165 Matt Wilkins beat his opponent from Ford in a 3-0 decision.

Jerry Ottenhoff (178) beat Edsel Ford 8-2 and at 191 Bob Dasher pinned Ford's Sam Principe at 4:56. In heavyweight, Dave Champion pinned his foe in 3:14.

The dual match with Edsel Ford was the last match for the Salem team until next year. They resume wrestling action Thursday, Jan. 6 in an away meet against Livonia Bentley.

"We're starting to get it together," said Krueger. "We still have a few weights out, but after the vacation (Christmas) we hope we'll come on strong."

Recreational Vehicle Life

by Earl Rafferty



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Gambling Chiefs fritter 5-point winning margin

BY DONNA LOMAS

If taking wild gambles on playing catch-up paid off in basketball games, the Canton Chiefs boys' team would be 7-0 instead of 1-6 overall. Losing their second game of the week last Friday, the Chiefs lost by one point to the contending Western Six champions Churchill 59-58.

The question everyone asked was why?

Canton kept even during most of the game and went ahead by a solid five points during the fourth period, until giving it up in the last two minutes.

"I really can't think why (we lost) right now," said a dazed Canton coach Casey Cavell. "But it's the same two mistakes we've been making all year. All I know is we had the ball under control then we gave it away.

Caesar's, Side St. square off

The first game Monday evening pitted an aggressive Wagenschutz team against an out-manned Richardson's. Led by Wayne Williams' 16, Russ Olsen's 18 and Mark Falvo's 19 points, Wagenschutz trimmed Richardson's 72-42.

Game two featured last season's league champion Little Caesar and Side Street Pub. From the opening tip the game had the flavor of a high-scoring affair as both teams traded baskets with some accurate passing and deadly shooting. But in the second stanza Side Street stayed hot and Little Caesar had trouble finding the hoop.

Side Street led at the half 50-31. After three periods, Side Street had built up a 27 point lead, 68-41 and went on to take an 88-63 victory. Side Street had six men in double figures. Mark Reed and Bob Blolm had 10, Rick Neu 12, Don Matson and Don Gullekson 13 and Mike Kubik 16 points. Daye Rainer hit 16 for Caesar.

Wednesday action matched Morrell Builders and Century 21. Century 21 came away a victor by a 77-51 score. Century had four men in double figures as Tom Davis pumped in 17, George McDowell 15, Doug Sutton 14 and Dan Moore contributed 12 points. Marv Blemly of Morrell Builders led all scorers with a 24-point performance.

The second game Wednesday found Air Tite Insulators maintaining their winning ways with a 68-53 triumph over Richardson's. Mike McCoy had 24 points for Richardson's and Casey Jones topped the winners with 20 points.

We weren't quick enough. "It wasn't pressure," he said. "We've been that close every game, and we should have won. We threw it away."

And it seemed as if the Chiefs did. Even luck was on their side before the game started. A technical foul on Churchill (for recording the wrong numbers of players in the scorebook) afforded the Chiefs a free throw before the game started.

Missing the free throw, the Chiefs scored minutes after the tip-off. Forward Bob Mandle sank a 25-foot basket and minutes later made a 15-footer to put the Chiefs ahead 8-6 in the first stanza.

Mandle sank eight points for the Chiefs in the first period along, with senior guard Kevin Randazzo striking four and sophomore "Butch" King making two points to tie 14-14 at the first buzzer.

Canton took the entire game in stride, cohesively defending their basket and effectively invading Churchill's when they had to.

Switching to a zone defense at the end of the second period, the Chiefs grabbed 14 more points off the boards. One bucket was made when center Randy Rienas stole the ball from the Chargers and put Canton ahead 28-25. Rob Mandle scored eight more for his team in the second stanza and Randazzo sank six.

The halftime score told a different story, however, Canton lost a few points when the Chargers Ron Nitter grabbed the ball and scored for his team. The

Chiefs didn't have time to penetrate the Charger offense before the buzzer sounded and trailed at the half, 33-28.

But they caught up — with another 20-footer by Rob Mandle and a shot from the top of the key by Rienas which brought them to within one point of the Chargers, 34-35.

Butch King came through in a pinch and evened the score 38-38 and then took the Chiefs ahead with another basket, 40-38. Time was still on Canton's side, their catch-up gamble was working.

The Western-Six foes ran neck and neck with points throughout the third period, but the Chargers were ahead again 48-47 at the third buzzer.

Making up for their scoring deficit, the Chiefs put themselves ahead 55-50 with two minutes left in the game. Canton got one more shot in to make it 57-52 and they had a solid five point lead over the Chargers.

But like sand sifting through fingers, the five points eroded in those last seconds. Sinking five points in one minute, the Chargers evened the score 57-57. A crucial foul by Canton gave the Churchill team a two-point edge, and with 11 seconds to go, Churchill led, 59-57.

When the final buzzer sounded, Churchill had triumphed, 59-57.

The Chiefs next game will be played against Livonia Franklin on the home court Tues. Jan. 4.

"Franklin is quick," said Cavell, "so we'll have to be quicker."



SETTING HIS SIGHTS ON the hoop, this Canton varsity cager prepares to break away in Friday night action against Western Six champions Churchill. The Chiefs lost 59-58. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

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KENNETH E. WAY
City Treasurer

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NOTICE OF CANCELLED MEETING PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT WAYNE AND WASHTENAW COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education scheduled to be held at Plymouth-Canton High School on Monday, December 27, at 7:30 p.m., has been cancelled.

FLOSSIE TONDA, Secretary
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Alice, hint. It's crackers. Dinner at 3 p.m., don't be late.

33. I'll finally give you your wish. Merry Christmas and goodbye. Pete.

Yes, Dirge, Tig. can do anything for Christmas, including cracked sidewalks and rapid runners.

Captain Kidd; Thanks for the Coors.

Four down and none to go, thanks for helping me make it.

CRICR CURIOSITIES

Congratulations Ed and Jeannine Meade on your 25th. From your nine - you couldn't have done it without us!

Lee, Merry Christmas and look out for flying corks. Don't forget to get popcorn.

Tucker eats Mike and Kim's marinated mushrooms.

The Folks at the Plymouth Community Federal Credit Union are just some of the greatest people around. Many thanks from The Crier staff for the wonderful Christmas plant. It's just another example of how wonderful it is doing business with a community credit union.

Thighs, CPR may be a bit too speedy, but at least it's entertaining. (Greg and Ilene thought so). Merry Christmas to the owners of the only house on the block with 900 feet of roping. Love Groucho and Thighs. PS; Ed: Hope Santa Santa leaves something extra nice in your white sock!

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