

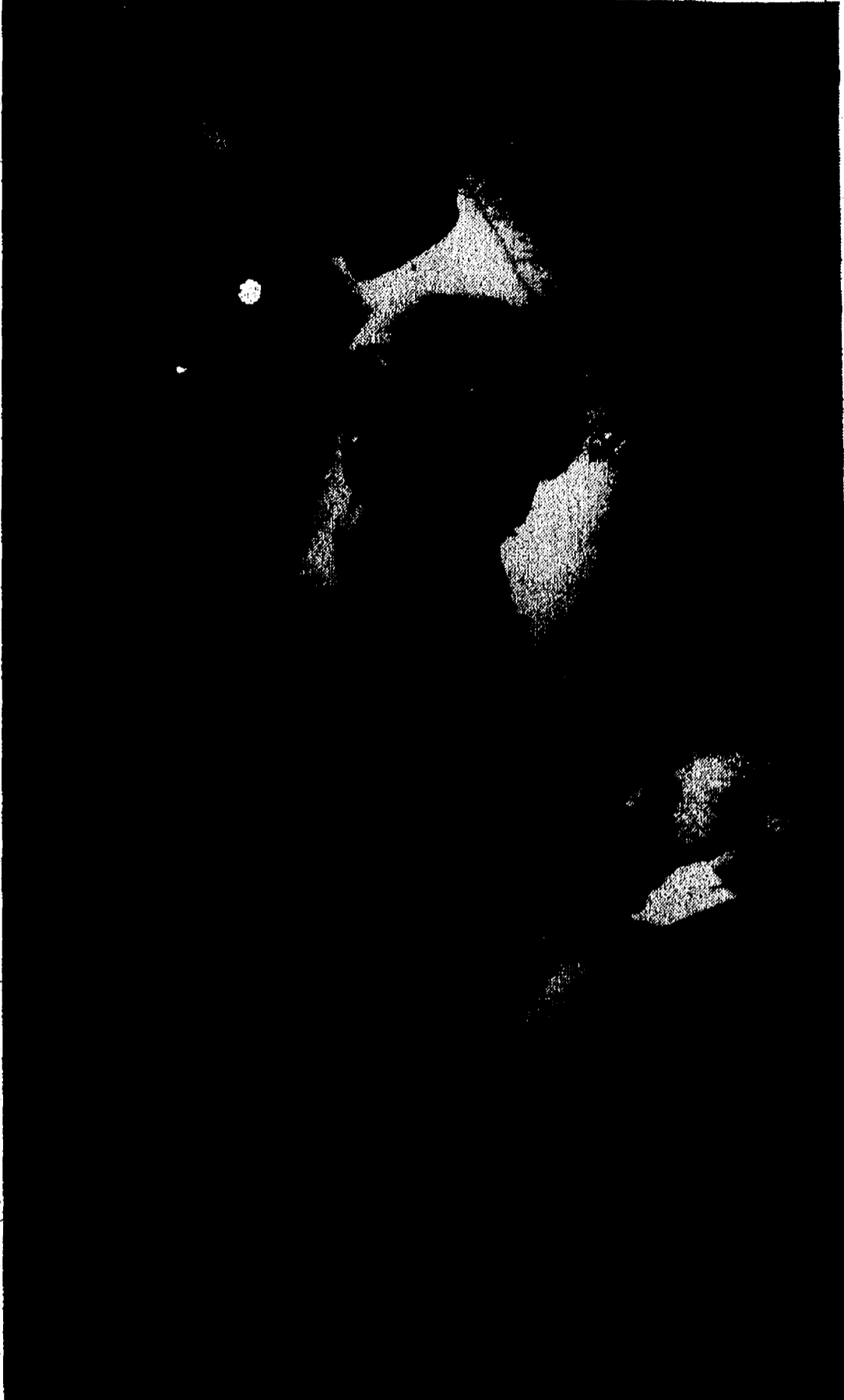


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Kids get cavity guard

AHH— TOPICAL FLUORIDE is applied to the teeth of Isbister student Tracy Worthington through the Plymouth Dental Association's fluoride treatment program. Billie Massaro, a registered dental hygienist, was one of several volunteers helping cut cavities among Plymouth School District youngsters. The program winds up next week at East Middle School. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

Youth struck

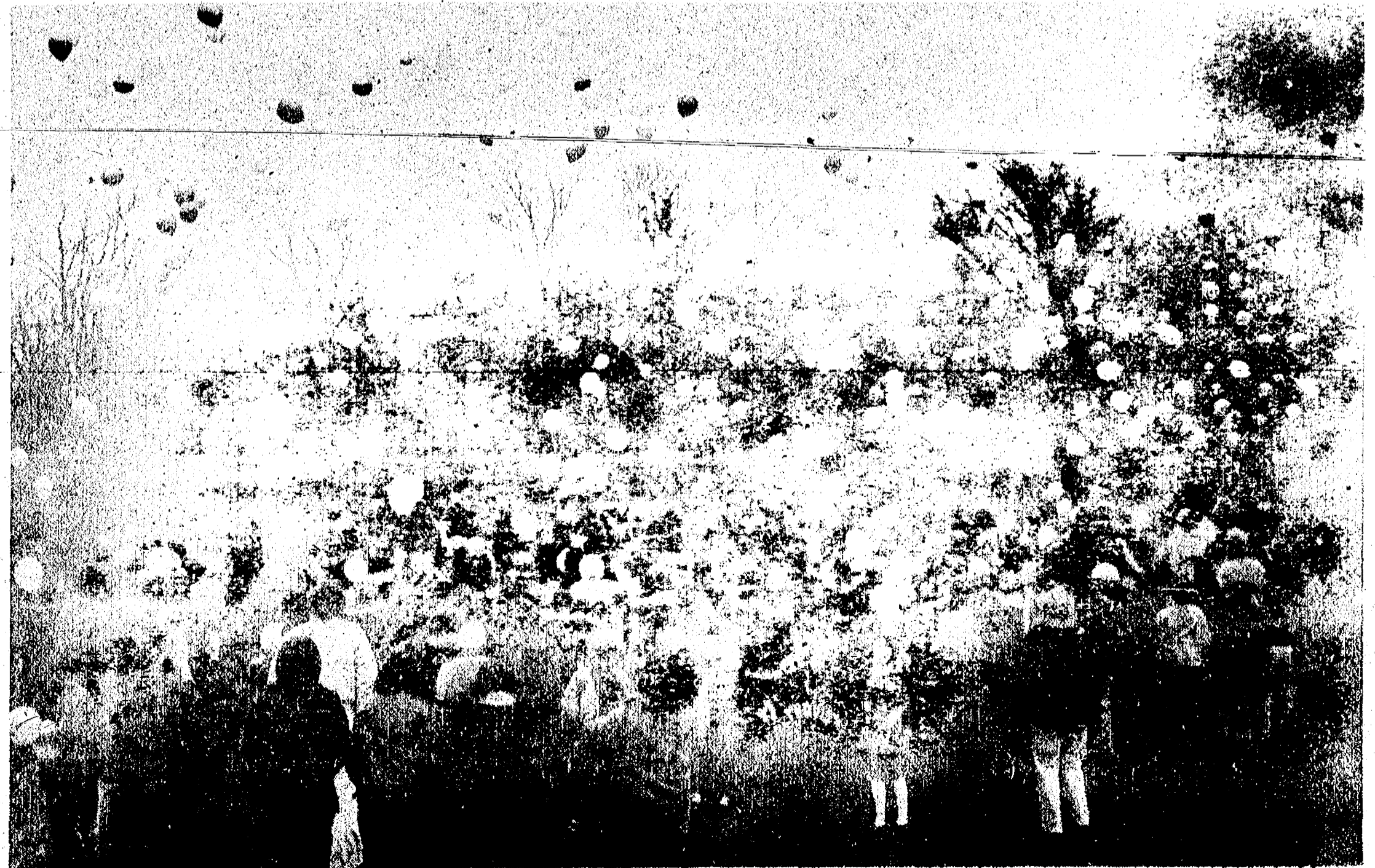
An unidentified Canton youth was struck by a car Tuesday afternoon as he darted from behind a parked ice cream truck on Hanford Rd. east of Miller School.

Canton rescue squad rushed the boy to Wayne County General Hospital.

The driver of the ice cream truck told authorities the driver had warned the youth twice moments before not to dart from behind the vehicle.

Patriotic balloons mark Bicentennial

BALLOONS AWAY were the watchwords last Thursday at Starkweather School, where students sent aloft hundreds of red, white and blue balloons, many of them with messages attached, as part of their Bicentennial celebration. The event capped an afternoon of ceremonies which include a music program and the raising of the school's new Bicentennial flag. (Crier photo by Hank Meijer)



Schools' CAC reports urge wide range of changes

BY HANK MEIJER

Should traditional scheduling join modular at Centennial Educational Park?

Should the 45-15 year round school calendar be continued at Miller school?

Should there be two Plymouth high school bands?

Subcommittees of the Plymouth School District's Citizens Advisory Committee who spent the last three months looking into nearly every facet of education in Plymouth say 'yes' to all three controversial questions.

Chairmen of the 12 subcommittees of parents and other residents which comprised the CAC presented the Plymouth School Board Monday night with their specific recommendations for changes which would affect education here at every stage.

The CAC, 144 members strong, divided into committees to study pre-school education, elementary scheduling, class-room organization, maintenance operations-facilities, extra-curricular activities, legislation and communications, special programs, vocational and career education, middle and high school scheduling, general curriculum, exceptional children and inservice training.

The team studying the district's physical facilities had harsh words for the energy conservation efforts of many schools.

"There's no discipline and no responsibility in the energy program" said subcommittee chairman Ken Ruether. He said

the group's tours of district buildings showed many principals ignored administrative directives to dial down their thermostats.

Along with a call for better planning for future building needs, the group urged a reduced cleaning frequency program for 1976-77 and recommended the district seek bids on the cost of hiring a cleaning contractor to provide janitorial services in the three

elementary schools slated to open this fall.

Other recommendations presented to the school board by subcommittee members included:

Increased pre-school education.

District wide screening and testing of four and five year olds.

Shortening of the elementary school day by half an hour.

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Gray's parent meeting blamed in resignation

BY DENNIS O'CONNOR

Canton High football coach Jim Muneio said he decided to call it quits when parental griping began to affect the attitudes of his players.

Muneio last week announced his intention of resigning as the first varsity football coach at the young high school. In the wake of his announcement, three of his assistants, coaches Jim Jarvey, Gary Grady and Dan Chrenko, said they too would step down.

"I didn't pressure them to quit at all," Muneio said, "They decided they just don't want to be part of the program any longer."

Plymouth School board members will discuss Muneio's position at their April 12 meeting. Other board members


said they opposed the pressure which led to Muneio's decision.

Muneio insisted the attitudes of his players, not parental pressure itself, prompted him to quit. "There's no way you can have a successful program without the team being behind their coach 100%," he said, adding that a parental pressure group's criticism has "resulted in a split of the team one way or another."

Although Muneio's coaching has come under fire from some Canton athletic followers since shortly after he began the football program there, a meeting March 21 at the high school called by Plymouth School Board Member Joe Gray — himself a Canton player parent — was apparently the last straw for the embattled coach.

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Hunting decision due April 20

BY KATHY KUENZER
Residents of Section Five in Canton should know by April 20 whether or not a ban will be placed against hunting in that area.

According to Bruce Andrews of the State Department of Natural Resources, the township's Hunting Area Control Committee will meet again in that date to offer its proposals

on the ban, requested by some 80% of the residents of section five.

Residents of that section, which is bounded by Joy, Beck, Warren and Ridge roads, petitioned the township several months ago to place a ban on hunting there after several people reported damage to their homes and property by shot gun pellets.

Others expressed fear for the lives of family members, particularly children who they said were often within range of hunters on property within the section.

A public hearing on the ban proposal was held March 24 in the Canton Meeting Hall.

Flodin said nearly 20 residents spoke at the hearing, and that "those there, almost in their entirety, were opposed to the hunting."

Flodin said representatives of the Michigan United Conservation Clubs and the Michigan Conservation Department also spoke at the meeting.

One resident of section five who was in attendance at the hearing said she could best summarize it by saying, "the overall reaction of the committee was, at best, inconclusive."

Andrews said members of the committee will be "down on the site (section five) getting an estimate of the area" during the days before the next committee meeting, to be held at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, April 20.

"At that time the committee will come up with its proposals, said Andrews. "If a member has none, he can tell us that by letter."

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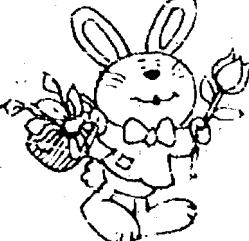
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Schools, PEA hold talks

Negotiators for the Plymouth School District and the Plymouth Education Association met for the first time April 1 to begin contract talks for the coming year.

The meeting was a preliminary one for both bargaining teams, with proposals slated to be presented by May 1.

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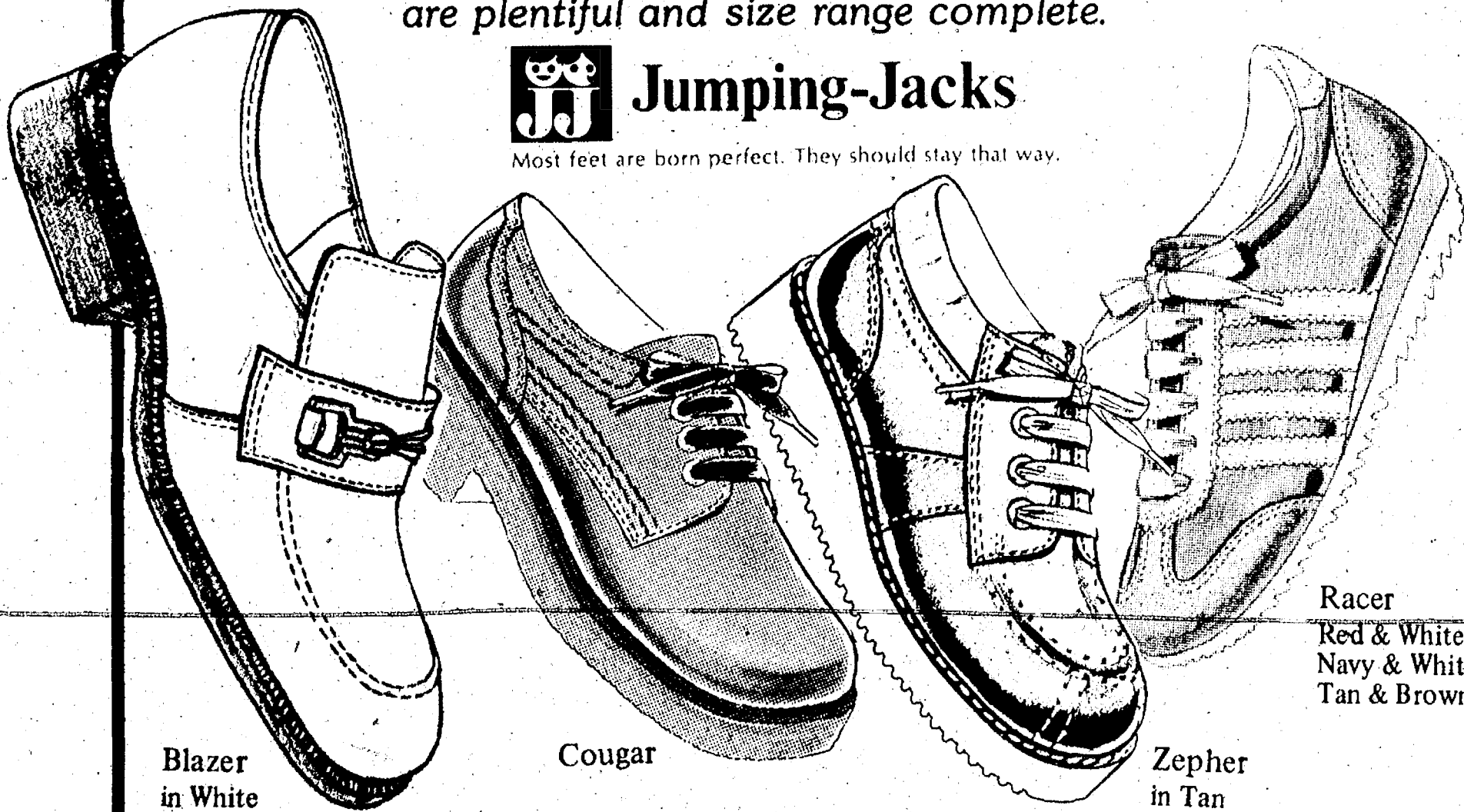
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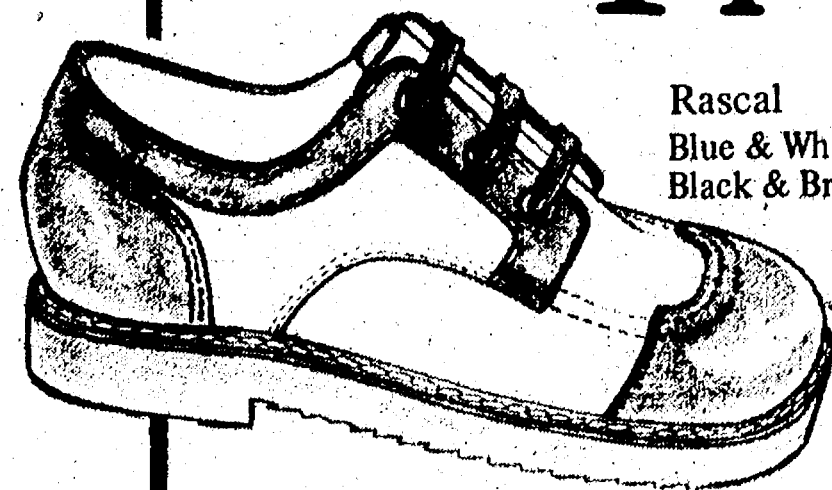
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Evening bargains draws shoppers

IT WAS HARD to find a parking spot downtown last Thursday night during the Second Annual "Midnight Madness Sale" which also saw many shoppers in Old Village and the Ann Arbor - Sheldon Rds. area. Merchants reported generally better sales this year as compared to last. (Crier photo by Robert S. Cameron)

CATV contract ends

The Plymouth City Commission Monday night officially terminated its contract with Alden CATV (cable television) effective June 4.

The cancellation came after CATV failed to show any progress in bringing cable TV into the Plymouth area. City officials had entered into a franchise agreement with the firm in August, 1973.

Main St. 'renamed'

Sometime soon Main Street in Plymouth from Church to Ann Arbor Road will take on a new identification - "Bicentennial Mile."

The Plymouth City Commission made it official Monday night upon the request of Plymouth Jaycees President Doug Hincker to declare the Bicentennial Mile designation from now through July 4th.

Signs bearing the temporary street name are scheduled to be placed above regular intersection signs at four major intersections along Main - Church, Penniman, Ann Arbor Trail and Ann Arbor Road.

Growth Works pact studied

Plymouth City Commissioners tabled a request by Suburban Communications, Inc. asking for the City's position on the extension or termination of a trust agreement involving use of the building presently used by Plymouth Growth Works at 271 S. Main St.

The agreement, which placed the building in trust with the

City for use only in youth and recreation purposes, expires June 22, 1976.

According to a letter from Philip Power of Suburban Communications, which owns the building, two options are available to the City. It can choose to extend the trust agreement with Suburban Communications for one year to enable Growth Works to raise money for purchase of the building, but offering to match funds raised locally by Growth Works up to a \$15,000 maximum, contingent upon Growth Works' receiving a grant from an outside foundation to which they have applied for money.

The commission voted 6-1, with Commissioner Bev McAninch dissenting, to table the decision until May 3. A representative from Growth Works will be invited to speak at the April 9 commission meeting.

City won't pay

A request by the Plymouth Jaycees for the City of Plymouth to sponsor and pay for a Fourth of July aerial fireworks display was turned down by a 7-0 vote at the Monday night city commission meeting.

Commissioners suggested the Jaycees seek sponsors elsewhere, saying "the City should not spend taxpayers money on this type of project."

Record budget proposed City faces tax base drop

Plymouth City Commissioners Monday night received their copies of the city manager's proposed \$2.4 million budget for 1976-77 - a budget which shows for the first time a drop in the city's tax base.

The budget projects an increase of expenditures from an estimated \$2.2 million this year to some \$2.49 million. Revenues are projected to climb from \$2.36 million this year - which would give the city a slight surplus for 1975-76 - to \$2.42 million in 1976-77, a figure which would not quite keep pace with projected expenditures.

For the first time in the city's history, officials are predicting a drop in the state equalized valuation, and hence in tax revenue, based on the value of local property. According to city figures, the Plymouth's SEV will fall from \$87 million to an estimated \$84 million.

As a result, tax revenue could drop by \$68,000, officials predicted. A greater return on revenue from the state and other sources is expected to offset the drop.

According to City Manager Fred Yockey, the proposed budget maintains

the city's current tax rate of \$16.45 per \$1,000 of state equalized valuation (about one-half the assessed value of real property). A six per cent factor gain recommended by the Wayne County Bureau of Taxation would boost revenues by \$66,130, however.

Additional costs which Yockey says directly offset increases in revenue include a \$13,770 jump in utility costs, a \$42,350 addition to the local street fund for city street improvements, an additional \$13,135 allocation to support the Cultural Center, and other increases for refuse collection and employ group insurance.

"All but one of the employe contracts are due for full negotiations effective July 1," Yockey noted, "and the budget does contain some funds for salary adjustments." He said the budget reflects the addition of no new permanent employees.

Residents will have a chance to question city officials on the proposed budget in a public hearing Monday, April 26 at 7:30 p.m. Copies of the budget are available at City Hall and the Dunning-Hough Library.

Canton PUD abuses disclosed

BY KATHY KUENZER

What began as the simple investigation by Canton's ordinance officer of building complaints in a new subdivision has turned into the discovery of what township officials say could be a breach of contract by the developers of their planned unit development (PUD) agreement with the township.

Canton Supervisor Bob Greenstein revealed last week that Dominic Mocerri, developer of Stonegate PUD at Palmer and Lilley roads, and Dembs Building Co. and Colony Homes were found during the course of investigations of the complaints to have possibly violated terms of the PUD contract.

Bruce Phillips, (the township's ordinance officer) had complaints from homeowners in

Stonegate about building problems and sidewalks, and when he asked if they (the homeowners) were part of a homeowners group, they said they didn't know," said Greenstein.

According to Greenstein, this response prompted an investiga-

Board eyes millage rate

Plymouth School Board members will meet Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to noon in a workshop session in the School Board offices for preliminary discussions on the amount of millage they intend to seek in a June election and to consider scheduling systems at Centennial Educational Park.

tion by Phillips which revealed a series of possible violations of the PUD contract.

Not only have the required parks and sidewalks not been installed, said Greenstein, but no copies of the PUD plan were posted in the builders' offices so that homebuyers could determine where multiple dwellings (apartments and condominiums) and commercial sites were nearby.

"They (the builders and developers) established a homeowners association," said Greenstein, "but they did it privately. No one knew about meetings, elections, annual assessments or anything."

According to the PUD agreement, it is the responsibility of the developer to see

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Fiegel volcano erupts

A MINIATURE VESUVIUS, built by first and second graders at Fiegel School, helps bridge the study of dinosaurs and rocks in

science class at the school. The youngsters also fashioned papier mache dinosaurs. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

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Plymouth Canton Junior Baseball Association. Shown with the drummers are (from left) Jerry Hotchkin Sr., president of the Central Band Boosters; Jean Sigmon, chairman of the Woman's Club Civic Committee; Kay Wood president of the Woman's Club; and Michael DiCuirci, director of bands, (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

Resolution on abatement called illegal

Plymouth City Attorney Charles Lowe says a resolution by Commissioner John Moehle that would call for tax abatement for most all senior citizens in Plymouth upon the granting of abatement for a proposed senior citizens high rise would be unconstitutional and contrary to the city charter.

The resolution, offered and tabled Feb. 17, would have granted a tax abatement to all

senior citizens living in Plymouth who were 62 years of age or over, with less than \$10,000 yearly income

if and when tax abatement is granted for the proposed senior citizens high rise.

Lowe said according to his inquiries to the state attorney general's office and other attorneys, the "charter, the legislature and the Constitution all find it illegal" to grant such abatements.

Despite the opinion, a vote on the resolution showed two commissioners, Moehle and Bev McAninch, in favor of granting the abatement.

Moehle said he offered the resolution "to ensure equity in taxes for all the senior citizens of our city."

A further motion by Commissioner Norb Battermann that the city administration investigate all lawful avenues for tax relief available in the state and city was approved unanimously.

Women's Club to hold benefit

The Women's Club of Plymouth has chosen the film "Singin' In the Rain" with Gene Kelly for its annual Breakfast Theatre Party Benefit Thursday April 29.

The story open in the early 1920's and depicts romantic team of the silent pictures who find with the advent of talking pictures they must learn to talk as well as act.

A continental breakfast will be served in the Masonic Temple on Penniman from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. with the film beginning at 10 a.m. in the Penn Theatre.

Prior to the film will be a drawing for door prizes.

Tickets are \$3 and may be obtained from any Woman's Club member or by calling 453-1909 or 459-2425. As tickets are limited, persons are urged to get them early.

Proceeds from the annual benefit are used throughout the year for contributions to local charitable projects in the community and scholarships



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MINI-CLASS NIGHT at Allen School meant everything from baking cookies to decaling soap recently for the students, parents and teachers who took part. One of the favorites of the PTO sponsored event was rock-hound Tom Lattin (above), who polished Petoskey stones under the gaze of a long line of kids. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

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State to study modular

At the request of a local group, an aspect of the controversial modular scheduling system at Centennial Educational Park will come under state scrutiny.

State Supt. of Public Instruction John Porter has informed members of the Concerned Parents Committee, a group which has criticized modular scheduling, that state education officials will check whether the modular program violates a mandatory attendance provision of state law.

In a letter to Porter requesting an investigation of the modular scheduling system at the Plymouth high schools, the parent group charged that "Plymouth Schools are conducting an experimental program with school-age children which is contrary to the wishes and desires of the respective parents; the experiment has resulted in a high drop-out percentage in comparison to other school districts; and the experiment has increased costs to taxpayers."

Other than the question of a state law violation, Porter said, "aspects of the complaint as expressed by the parents should be resolved at the local level."

Plymouth School Supt. John M. Hoben said he welcomed a meeting with state officials. "I feel our district won't have any problems demonstrating that our modular system meets the requirements of state law," he said.



Twin moms plan meet

MOTHERS OF TWINS prepare for their upcoming state convention, to be held the first week in May at the Plymouth Hilton. The organization expects some 300 mothers of twins from all over the state of Michigan to attend the week-end meeting. Shown making decorations are (from left) Marleen Treglowne, Lynn Lyon, Sandy Jedlowski, and Carolyn Ouellette. (Crier photo)

Parents, teachers meet at CEP

The entire staff of Salem and Canton high schools will assemble in one room to meet with parents for Parent-Teacher Conference Night April 13.

This new approach should allow parents to confer with all their student's teachers in about an hour and a half.

From 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. counselors, area coordinators, principals, and all teachers from both schools will stay in the Salem gymnasium. Teachers will be seated in alphabetical order at tables on both levels of the

gym, while counselors are located on the balcony. Administrators will circulate among the different areas.

No appointments will be needed, since parents can see all the teachers, identified by signs, from one spot. This way they can tell who is busy and if anyone is visiting that teacher.

Since report cards should be going home that same afternoon, or in any case students will know their grades, parents should have specific questions for teachers about progress.

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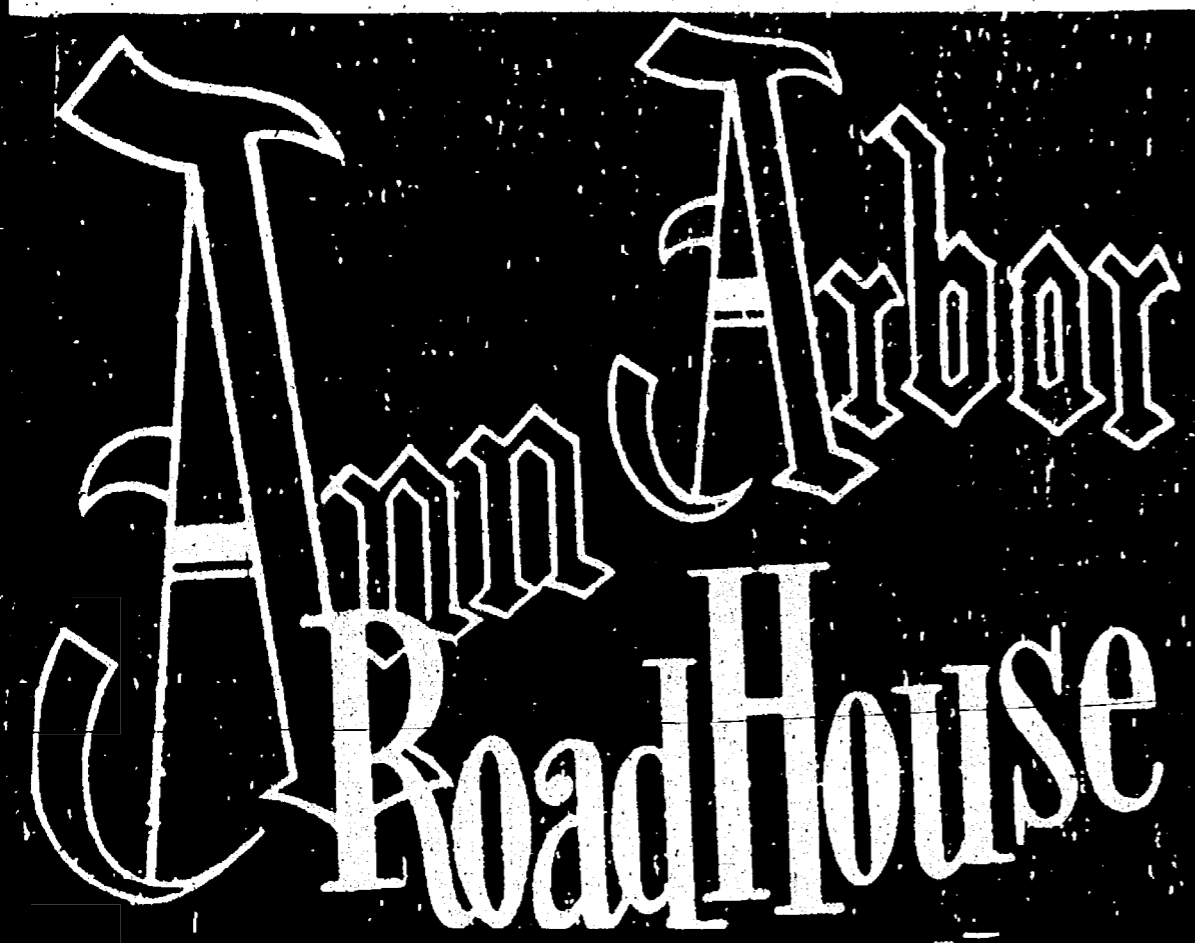


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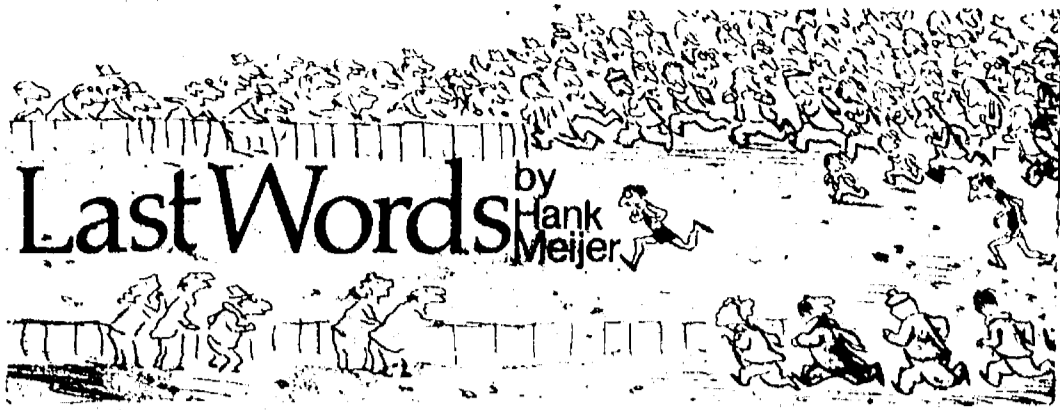
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Set a limit on fire levy

Canton residents will get another chance May 18 to finance a badly needed second township fire station.

The township owns the land — acreage on Warren Rd. just west of Haggerty — in a populous part of the township currently too far from the township's lone station to be assured of adequate fire protection.

The snag, as it has been since the second station was proposed years ago, is money to build it. Twice before, Canton residents were asked to approve a millage intended in part to finance the station. Twice before that the millage failed.

Those earlier tries were flawed: township officials sought "up to five mills" for both police and fire protection. Residents were fearful "up to five" might automatically mean "five", and apparently weren't convinced of the need for township police.

This time around, the question is fire protection alone — but there's still a catch. Rather than set a specific millage needed to build the station — one mill or 1.5 mills or whatever — township officials would employ a less familiar authority granted Michigan townships to designate the entire township a special assessment district to be taxed "up to 10 mills" for fire protection.

Should this levy fail, places like Deer Creek Park apartments, the Kresge Warehouse and Holiday Park subdivision, to name a few, would remain too far from the existing station to receive the protection they need.

Yet township officials will again wonder aloud why they should empower their officials to tax them way beyond what is needed to build the second station.

Some township officials blame their Citizens Advisory Committee with failing to provide them with requested information about Canton's fire needs in time for the deadline to reserve a ballot date. Some CAC members charge township leaders undercut their efforts and expressed little support for their research.

Then, as the deadline approached to put a fire question on the May 18 ballot, the up-to-10-mill route was chosen. Officials said without the CAC report, they could not establish a specific millage need.

Whoever is to blame for not presenting township voters with a millage proposal tailored to the cost of the station, township voters will now have to consider the broader and potentially far more costly plan.

Canton needs the second fire station. Too many lives might be at stake to oppose almost any means to get the money. Almost any means — but that doesn't mean approving a proposal like the new one without exacting some promises from the township board.

Board members, too, would seem to be more comfortable promoting a fixed millage levy. Even though the ballot language will still be loose, township officials have between now and May to state just how much millage the construction will require.

When the cost is determined, why not pass a resolution stating just what rate would be levied, should voters approve the ballot proposal? That way, officials will have put a cap, however unofficial, on the spending they plan. And voters will have what amounts to a vow from their politicians which they will remember, as Supervisor Bob Greenstein noted when the plan was approved, come election time this November.

The fire millage will have enough trouble without stumbling over its own loose limits. Now that the township board has decided on its course of action, it's up to board members to do what they can to smooth that obstacle.

To get new coach for son's team Gray exploited post

Community Opinions

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One of the pitfalls in trusting governmental powers to elected officials is that they may neglect their duty because they're so busy looking out for themselves.

Plymouth School Board Member Joe Gray has descended into just such a trap with his witch hunting in the Canton High School athletic department.

Gray has spearheaded a campaign to dump Jim Muneio as coach of the Canton football team — upon which Gray's son plays — and he has used his elected office improperly to do so.

Using school district stationery and the schools' postage meter, Gray sent out 49 letters to parents of Canton gridders calling a private meeting "to discuss the many complaints and problems of Canton athletics, primarily the football program."

Although he had discussed his complaints about Muneio with the rest of the school board previously and found no support from the other six members, Gray said in his letter, "Any action taken by the board must be taken soon." He was thereby implying, although he knew to the contrary, that the board was contemplating taking action.

Gray recorded the meeting, at which personal attacks were made on the coach, but, when asked to supply a copy of the tape to the press, he said it had been erased and that such matters should not be discussed in public.

How quickly Gray forgot that HE discussed it publicly at a meeting of some 50 parents and, on more than one occasion, in a bar while members of the high school staff were present.

He even publicly suggested firing Canton Principal Kent Buikema because Buikema had

refused to fire Muneio based on the groundless Gray complaints.

Gray made sure Muneio heard the tape with these diatribes against him.

Perhaps that tactic was designed to drive the coaches to resigning — a last ditch effort on Gray's part to get a new coach for his son after he saw the school board would have nothing to do with his witch hunting.

This is clearly in violation of the school district's personnel policies and can hardly be described as proper handling of the matter.

For this, and for his abuse of his school board post in using the schools' letterhead and postage meter for his private vendettas, the Plymouth School Board should:

1. Censure Gray
2. Direct administration to refuse the forced resignations of the Canton athletic coaches
3. Implement a stronger policy guarding against misuse of school stationery, postage and secretarial help.
4. Request a legal opinion from its attorney on Gray's use of the postage meter at public expense.

Unfortunately those measures, while necessary to show that such abuses of power will not be tolerated, will not be positive steps in restoring confidence to the Canton Athletic program.

That's the tragedy of witch

hunting. Even if the accused could pass the impossible tests posed by witch hunters, there is always a stigma attached. The same thing happened to those improperly branded by the Joe McCarthy defamations.

Gray has duped other Canton parents into believing the board would make a change when all he really wanted was a new coach for his son.

His only accusation against Muneio is a losing record — something which is not unexpected of a team just finishing its second season. It takes time to build a good athletic program — particularly when school board members fuel the belief that another existing school's athletic program is superior.

There is more to life than "win, win, win," but apparently Joe Gray doesn't realize that. It's typical of the "Super Parents" who push their children into sports so they can live vicariously through their kids glory.

Thus far the Canton coaches haven't filed a slander suit against Gray though that's certainly a possibility, some say.

It seems like a long way out on a limb for a public official to go just to get a new coach for his son's last year on the team.

Where's the next witch hunt, Joe?

Coach says

THE COMMUNITY CRIER

Gray's bias hurts good men

Editor:

For the past several years, many critics of high school athletics have said that there is too much importance placed on sports. Because I'm a coach, I must say that this statement is not entirely true. Unfortunately, the recent issue between Joe Gray, a Plymouth Community School District Board member, and that of the Plymouth Canton Football Program may have proved me wrong.

It seems that Mr. Gray, during the last year, has been attempting to remove Canton's head football coach from that position. The events of the last two weeks show that Mr. Gray has succeeded.

Unfortunately, Mr. Gray started his campaign without the support or consent of either the superintendent of schools or the athletic director. It seems that since Mr. Gray is a board member he need not waste his time with those people.

I am aware of the charges that Mr. Gray has lodged against the Canton Football Program, and a few questions are left unanswered.

Why didn't Mr. Gray follow proper procedure in lodging these complaints? Why was a meeting called without the other board members and the athletic director being present? Where did Mr. Gray get the information for the charges lodged?

I suppose Mr. Gray doesn't need to follow the proper channels of communication — or could it be that his information was a bit shaky?

I believe that all of the Canton football coaches show a high degree of professionalism. They all attend football clinics in the off-season in order to prepare themselves for the coming season.

Mr. Muneio the head football coach, takes great pains and is very meticulous about his day to day planning of practices. His assistant coaches work hard preparing for practices and games.

During the off-season, all of Mr. Muneio's coaching staff and himself are in contact each and every day with the student-athletes. Many hours are spent after the regular working day planning such things as the student's conditioning programs. In addition one of his assistants is very active in the "Fellowship of Christian Athletes."

Admittedly, in every athletic program there will be problems, and coaches are aware of these, and try to correct them whenever possible. There are always disgruntled parents of athletes who coaches must deal with. This is merely part of the job that we accept along with the total coaching responsibilities. However, when a parent of an athlete is also a School Board member, the circumstances are obviously changed.

Hopefully Mr. Gray can now direct his attentions to more serious school matters which face the district, and let the administrators responsible for athletics take care of any business concerning the athletic program.

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City residents need more details in budget

Editor:

The Plymouth City Commission is about to receive from the city administration the 1976-77 annual Plymouth budget. This is the most important time of the year for the people of Plymouth. It is the time during which the tax burden for the coming year is decided and the amount of taxes for each property owner is fixed.

One public hearing is scheduled, at which time, proposals are considered by the City Commission for additions or deletions to the budget. Monday, May 3, the City Commission will adopt the budget.

There are problems with the budget, not the least of which is that few, if any, citizens of Plymouth will attend the budget public hearing... or even understand it, for that matter.

The Plymouth Civic Federation has in the past and now again challenges the format or the form in which the budget is prepared for the City Commission and public. We feel that public documents of this nature should be as specific and detailed as possible. The 1976-77 Annual Plymouth City Budget, as have those in the past, will be only a summary, and cannot be understood in detail.

We do not accept the administration's position that the state does not require more. The state is not interested and does require specifics in the annual city audit...so is the Plymouth Civic Federation. However, the Federation feels that the budget document should be prepared so that it can be understood when it is proposed...not after disbursements have already been made, one year later.

The Federation asks only what surrounding communities are providing to their citizens, in the preparation of their annual budgets...communities such as Livonia, Dearborn and Ann Arbor, among others. We ask that the Plymouth Annual Budget Document include: **TOTAL EXPENDITURES BY CATEGORIES**, as well as **DEPARTMENTAL BREAKDOWNS**, showing number of employees by classification and salaries by classification, even though those salaries as distributed to cover work in other departments and special areas.

We ask that the Plymouth City Charter be complied with, as follows:

Section 10.3. "The budget proposal shall present a complete financial plan for the ensuing fiscal year. It shall include at least the following information: (a) Detailed estimates of all proposed expenditures for each department and office of the city showing the expenditures for corresponding items for the current and last preceding year..."

In addition:

Section 10.2. "...The City Manager shall prepare a complete itemized budget proposal for the next fiscal year of the City..."

The citizens of Plymouth are entitled to know what their city services cost and why they are paying one of the highest city tax millage assessments, 16.45 mills, in Michigan, without having to personally and physically audit the disbursements at the city offices, department by department.

To provide the summary type budget document the City Commission now receives, the city administration

must prepare and proceed to assemble the information in the detailed categories requested by the Plymouth Civic Federation and other interested organizations.

This detailed information is necessary to the budget document, if there is any intention of letting anyone, including the City Commission, understand what is in the budget.

The City of Plymouth is 2.2 square miles in area. Our tax base consists of approximately 39% residential, 5% business, 6% industrial, some vacant lands, non-taxable streets and parks and about 20% non-taxable occupied properties (municipal and institutional).

Ten years ago our population was approximately 11,500. Now, it is less than 12,000. Ten years ago our revenues and expenditures were \$424,893, today they are \$2,045,850.

The City of Plymouth is no longer a quaint village... most of the old families now reside elsewhere. Plymouth is a flourishing city...fortunately retaining, outwardly its quaint village atmosphere. However, it is now providing expensive services and expensive administration to its no longer growing population and a property area that no longer offers the opportunity for expansion.

As citizens we ask that the budget document be published in the spirit and intent of the open disclosure in which the Plymouth City Commission has opened all of its private and pre-commission meetings to the public.

The Plymouth Civic Federation suggests that the citizens of Plymouth are entitled to as detailed a budget document as those provided to those citizens of surrounding communities.

We ask the Plymouth City Commission to help the people of Plymouth to understand how their taxes are working for them...by providing a "...complete itemized budget proposal for the next fiscal year of the City."

ANTHONY C. LICATA
Chairman

PLYMOUTH CIVIC FEDERATION

Gay controversy continues

Editor:

You (the anonymous author of last week's letter on lesbianism) are right. You should be angry, because you have been cheated.

Those who are homosexuals (or lesbians) because they were raised with only one parent to imitate, those who were taught homosexual activities, or those who were sold a bill of goods and now do not know how to get out of that lifestyle.

There are many different loves, love of parents, love of a friend (of the same sex), love of relatives, grandparents, brothers, sisters, uncles and aunts, you can love many people. This is

Community opinions

a different love than that between a man and a woman.

The love between a man and a woman is the sexual love. It is the only one that is truly sexually satisfying and is the only one that can be productive.

All of nature identifies with the productive heterosexual love (the love of the opposite sex). This love requires no artificial devices. Nature has provided all that is necessary.

I can understand your frustration because you can never be truly satisfied or receive true gratification from sex. If society would recognize homosexuality (which it cannot) you will not find the happiness you seek. You need reeducation, and I hope you are wise enough to find the help you need.

If there were to be a majority of homosexuals, the facts would be the same. It is unnatural and unproductive. Accosting and soliciting is the same whether it is a prostitute or a homosexual.

It is accosting and soliciting!
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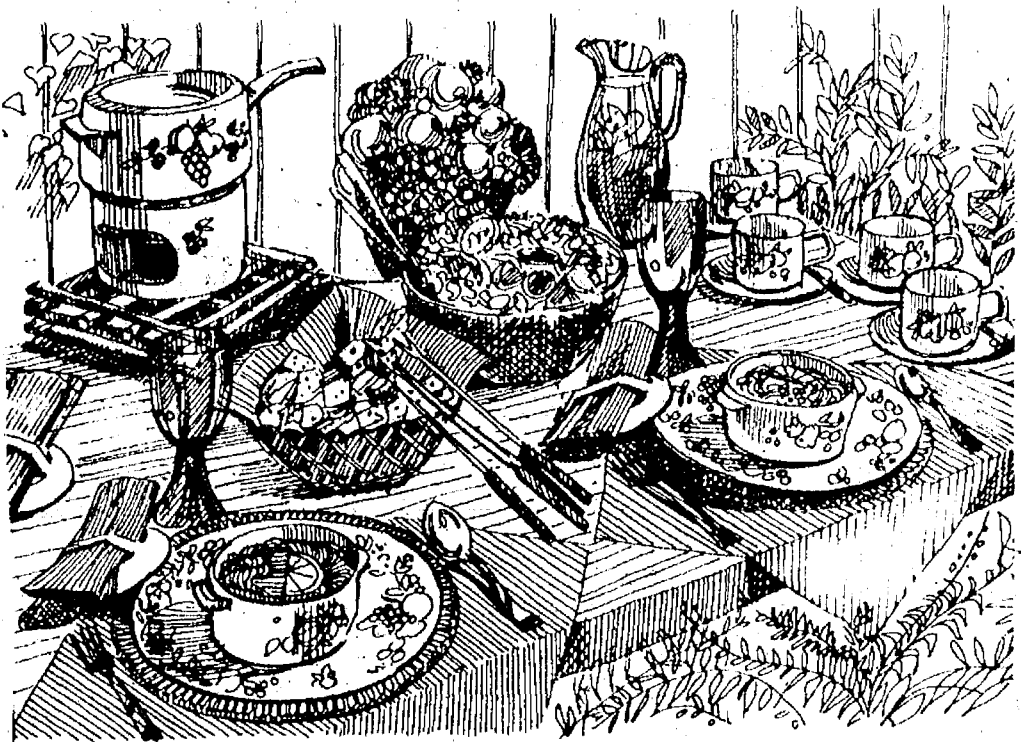
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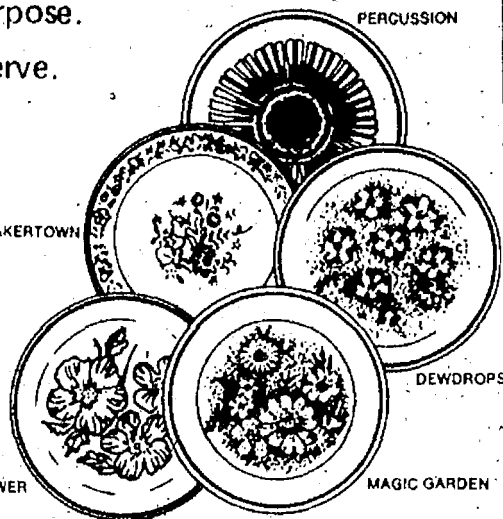
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The Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, in cooperation with the Plymouth Police Department, Michigan State Police and the American Express, will sponsor a three-part crime seminar to be held on Tuesdays, April 13, 20 and 27.

Subjects covered during the sessions will include shoplifting, armed robbery, bad checks, money orders, and credit cards.

Among those participating will be Sgt. Carl Berry and Community Service Officer Joe Kahanec of the Plymouth Police Department.

Business people and others interested in participating should make reservations by calling Chamber Executive Secretary Janet Curlee at the Chamber office at 453-1540. Cost of each seminar meeting is \$1.

All three of the classes will be held in Canton High School, 8415 Canton Center Rd.

Gardeners get ready

Despite unpredictable weather, registration for the free use of garden plots through the Canton Township Recreation Department will begin soon.

According to Canton Recreation Director Brenda Pollack, application forms will be available for garden club participants at the township fire station, business offices and recreation center beginning April 26.

Ms. Pollack said the garden area at Lilley and Warren roads will again be used. A second site has not yet been selected.

Ms. Pollack said registration will not begin until the gardens are completely plowed and staked. Dates for registration and the location of sites will be announced at a later date.

Garden plots will again be 25 feet by 50 feet in size.

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What's happening

THE PILGRIM GARDEN CLUB will meet inursday April 8 at 7:30 p.m. at Gallimore School. Mrs. Lester Robinson will speak on herbs. New members are welcome.

Tables are available for the BiCENTRALcentennial FESTIVAL AND CRAFTS PTO SO SHOW to be held Saturday May 22 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Rental fee is \$10 per table. For more information call Barb Carpenter at 455-4799 or Darlene Sommerville at 453-8215.

CAR WASHES will be sponsored by Plymouth GIRLS SCOUT CADET TROOP 626 on the next two Saturdays, April 10 and 17, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Marathon Station at Penniman and Harvey. Cost will be \$1 per car. The troop is earning money for a camping trip through Michigan in July.

A TROPICAL FISH SHOW will be held at Northville Square Thursday April 22 through Sunday April 25 during regular mall hours under the sponsorship of The Downriver Aquarium Those interested in entering the show should call 291-5446 for entry forms before April 17. Auctions of fish related items will begin at noon on Saturday and Sunday. Anyone wishing to sell equipment may bring it to the auction.

The quarterly meeting of the CANTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY will be held in the Canton Recreation Center on Michigan Ave. Wednesday April 14 at 8 p.m.

The Plymouth Branch of the Michigan Division of the WOMEN'S NATIONAL FARM AND GARDEN ASSOCIATION will meet Monday April 12-at 12:30 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Louis Truesdell, 9211 Maple Tree Dr. Topic of the program is "Easter Arrangements for the Home" the speaker will be Steve Mansfield of Heide's Flowers.

A BUS TRIP has been arranged by the Plymouth Community Arts Council to the FLINT-INSITUTE OF ARTS Wednesday April 28, A bus will be leaving St. John's Episcopal Church on Sheldon Rd., at 9:30 a.m. and will return by 3:30 p.m. The institute will provide a tour of several galleries at the museum, plus its special exhibit "The American Indian and the American Flag," a Bicentennial exhibit now being shown at the Museum of Contemporary Crafts in New York City. Cost of the trip is \$4 plus lunch, which will be in a tearoom across the street from the museum. Reserve your seat on the bus by sending your check for \$4 made out the Plymouth Community Arts Council to Pat Rhinehart, 1471 Linden, Plymouth.

THE PLYMOUTH NEWCOMERS ANTIQUE BROWSERS will be going to Meadowbrook Hall on Thursday April 29. They will meet at the home of Pam Kell at 9 a.m. All newcomers and guest are invited. Cost of the tour and luncheon will be \$6.50. For reservations call Patsy Rollins at 455-4797 by noon Monday April 26.

PLYMOUTH FAMILY SERVICES will begin a COUPLES GROUP Monday April 19 from 6:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Family Services office, 880 Wing St. Sessions will be held on seven consecutive Mondays, with the aim of strengthening communications and problem solving skills in marriage. Cost of the sessions, coordinated by counselors Joyce Cunningham and Mark Sholder, is \$7 per session per couple. A sliding scale permits those who can't afford it to participate, however. To register or find out more, call 453-0890.

THE THREE CITIES ART CLUB will present one of Michigan's best-known watercolorists, Howard Etter, who will present a two hour demonstration with overhead mirrors on Wednesday April 14 at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Credit Union on Harvey St. He has many private collection throughout the country. His paintings ar mostly landscapes. The public is invited. Admission is \$1.

A business meeting of the Western Wayne County Chapter 1163 of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED FEDERAL EMPLOYES will be held Wednesday April 14 at 1:30 p.m. in the Plymouth Community Credit Union, 500 S. Harvey. All Federal Civil Service Retirees, their spouses or survivors are invited to attend. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

THE MICH- OHIO -IOWA- STATE UNIVERSITY ALUMNI CLUB will hold a dinner meeting in the Hearthside Room of Fairlane Manor, 1900 Hubbard Dr., Dearborn, Friday May 7. Cocktails begin at 7 p.m. with dinner to follow. For an evening of cocktails, conversation and fun, make reservations by April 28 through Barbara Heidel, 5570 Froman Dr., Birmingham Mich.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS OF NORTHVILLE PLYMOUTH CANTON AND NOVI will be held Tuesday April 23 at the Cultural Center 525 Farmer. from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. Registration fee is \$1. Please bring a dessert to serve four. Deadline for reservations is April 9 to call Barbara Toor at 455-5775. There will be election of officers and directors adoption of budget and adoption of the local program for the four communities.

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What's happening

There will be a VOTER REGISTRATION table Tuesday April 13 from 9:30 a.m. in the Salem High School, auditorium and from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Canton High School in the main entrance hall. Residents of the city of Plymouth as well as Canton may register.

For good food, music and a good time come to the DIVINE SAVIOUR ANNUAL SPRING DINNER DANCE Saturday, April 24 from 7 pm to 1 am with dinner at 8 pm at Dr. Thomas Dooley K of C Hall on Joy Rd near Middlebelt. Donation is \$23 per couple. For further information call evenings 455-5458 or 455-5276.

The Plymouth Rock and Mineral Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. on Monday April 12 at the Cultural Center. Contact the Plymouth Dept. of Parks and Rec. at 455-6620 to join this organization.

THE SACRED HEART GUILD will sponsor a RUMMAGE SALE Wednesday April 21 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church.

Spring class for EXERCISE VOLLEYBALL AND SWIMMING at Central Middle School, at Central Middle School, 650 Church will begin April 14 from 7 pm to 10 pm. the class will be held for eight weeks. To register send your name, address and phone number with a check for \$10 made payable to the Plymouth Community Schools Continuing Education Dept. 8415 Canton Center, Rd., Plymouth 48170. You may register in person at the Continuing Education Office in Room 117 of Canton High School from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday. For further information call 459-1180.

THE NORTHVILLE PLYMOUTH DEMOCRATIC CLUB is gearing up for the coming elections with a CAMPAIGN WORKSHOP to be held at the Community Credit Union 500 S. Harvy on Friday April 9 at 8 p.m. Representatives from the campaign staffs of the major Democratic presidential, senatorial and congressional primary candidates will be on hand. The program will include an explanation of the presidential primary, the Democratic National Convention delegate selection, the August primary, the Democratic party structure and club organization. There will be refreshments and time to meet the candidates representatives.

THE WESTERN WAYNE COUNTY CAMERA CLUB will meet at 7:30 p.m. April 7 at the Plymouth Cultural Center 525 Farmer. Meeting the first Wednesday of each month, the club is open to the would be and novice, as well as the experienced photographer. Featured will be lectures, seminars and workshops in aspects of photography and a dark room will be available. For information contact the Plymouth Dept of Rec at 455-6620.

A MEAL IN THE UPPER ROOM will be sponsored by the women of FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF PLYMOUTH, 45201 North Territorial Rd., on Wednesday April 14, at 11 a.m. A silent luncheon at which food similar to that eaten at the time of Christ was served will be offered. The program will be under the direction of The Rev. Samuel F. Stout. For reservations call Margaret Swartz at 459-0887.

SUMMER FIGURE SKATING SCHOOL to be held from July 12 to Sept. 3, has been scheduled by the Dept. of Parks and Rec. of Plymouth. Classes will be available for all ages and levels. Registration will be April 9 and 10, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Plymouth Community Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. For additional information, contact the Recreation Dept at 455-6620.

Gift selections from over 75 exhibitors and dealers can be made at the SECOND ANNUAL PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY SPRING ARTS AND CRAFTS SHOW On April 9, 10, and 11 at the Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer, Street. The show opens at 11 a.m. each day closing at 9 p.m. on Friday and Saturday and at 6 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free to the event which is sponsored by the Plymouth Dept. of Parks and Recreation. For table space, contact the recreation office at 455-6620.

THE CAKE DESIGNERS CLUB will show a variety of molded chocolates and hand decorated Easter confections at its SECOND ANNUAL EASTER BOUTIQUE in Plymouth's Forest Place Mall. The exhibit and sale will take place on the next two Saturdays, April 3 and 10, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Because of the interest shown last year, the club members have added several new items to their selection. This year's Boutique will feature unusual types of candy such as European marzipan and sugar panoramics.

The P.T.S.O. of EAST MIDDLE SCHOOL will sponsor an American Heritage SPAGHETTI DINNER on Thursday April 8, from 5 to 7:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria, 1042 S. Mill. Menu includes spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, rolls beverage and dessert. Tickets may be purchased from Barb Schendel at 453-3905, any student or at the door that evening. Prices are \$2 for adults, \$1.50 for students ages 6-15 and children five and under are free. There will also be a selection of homemade baked goods for sale that evening.

A SPRING IN THE KENTUCKY MOUNTAIN BUS TOUR May 3 - 6 featuring 17 natural arches and the Red River Gorge, is now available for reservations by contacting the Plymouth Dept of Parks and Recreation at 525 Farmer, 455-6620. Cost of the trip is \$80, which includes transportation, lodging, tours and dinner at the Golden Lamb in Lebanon Ohio.

DONATIONS OF BOOKS - RECORDS - AND SHEET MUSIC are needed for the ANNUAL USED BOOK SALE sponsored by the Plymouth Branch of the American Association of University Women. Sale dates of May 6-8 at Westland Shopping Center. Books and other materials may be left inside the drop box provided at the Dunning-Hough Public Library. Persons desiring home pick up should call 453-8051.

'Brain' visits Miller class

For study of body

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To talk about the human brain, see pictures of it, or see a plastic model of it is one thing. But to see an actual human brain - well, that had got to be an ultimate learning experience.

Cathy Sibert's third grade class at Miller school was given the experience a couple weeks ago when Dr. Jon DeFrance, medical professor at Wayne State University Medical School brought his knowledge - and the preserved brain - into the classroom.

"The children had been asking such questions as 'how does hair grow?' and 'what makes the heart beat?'" says Mrs. Sibert. "So I decided if they wanted to proceed in a scientific manner to learn these things, we would have a center on the body. Actually we called it 'You and Your Growth,' and the brain, heart, and bones were just parts of an entire study that also included nutrition, body size and weight."

"Jon," as the students have been asked to refer to Dr. DeFrance, was a "discovery" of Tim LaBruzzy, who lives next door to the researcher.

Mrs. Sibert contacted Jon and learned that he would be overjoyed to speak to her class.

"He said he could get us a brain to look at," says Mrs. Sibert, "so I talked with the mothers and the kids both to see how they felt about that. No one seemed to feel squeamish about it at all, and it was a great learning experience."

"He spent the whole afternoon kids asked a thousand questions!"

Jon visited the class a total of four or five times, bringing in with him information, charts, a skull, the model of a heart and a cow's eye, which the class dissected.



HOW DO YOU HANDLE A BRAIN? Ver-ry carefully...and Dr. John DeYoung shows members of Cathy Sibert's class at Miller School just what to look for while you're handling it. The class learned much about the human body from their friend "Jon", a professor in the medical school at Wayne State University, during a class project dealing with the human body, nutrition and health. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron.)

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East takes 1976 spotlight

East Middle and Elementary schools step into the "Spotlight on School bicentennials" this week.

Displays from these schools are scheduled for exhibition in the Plymouth Historical Museum from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, April 8 and Saturday April 10, and from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday, April 11.

While their school projects are on display, students from East Middle and Elementary will have free admission to the museum when accompanied by a paying adult.

At East Middle, Bicentennial murals and paintings decorate halls and classrooms. A large calendar depicting historical events for each day of the month is showcased in the main school hall, and each classroom is assigned an historical name. Art classes are creating an entire "Bicentennial Wall" in the library.

Study in many areas has a heritage emphasis. Sixth graders are participating in the "76 All Star Readers", a series featuring books in such categories as folktales and American biographies. Students were encouraged to express feelings about their country in writing in an essay contest on "What America Means to Me."

One of the science teachers is recreating Ben Franklin's electric jack, and an English class is planning to write a play on this theme. The Science Club will tour a 150-year old Michigan farm to learn more about what farm life was like over a century ago. Social studies classes are following the nation's history as they make flags of all the states.

Industrial arts classes have experimented in casting bicen-

ennial belt buckles, and are currently making a candlestick holder with glass chimney. Home economics classes are trying out recipes from antique cook books and attempting bicentennial cake decorating. In physical education, students are exploring games played in colonial times.

Looking toward bicentennial horizons, students are raising money to landscape the school courtyards. They're planning to make an old-fashioned rug or quilt and auction it off.

Various school programs and social events will celebrate America's 200th Birthday. The PTSO is sponsoring an American Heritage Dinner, and the school is thinking of having an old-fashioned ice cream social. The Spring Concert will highlight American music and will be followed by a 'Bicentennial Pot Luck Dessert'. The 'Bicentennial Dessert' may

conflict with East Middle staff's bicentennial goal. They're trying collectively to lose 200 pounds.

East Elementary officially launched its bicentennial celebration in November by sending off red, white, and blue balloons with postcards bearing the message "Happy Birthday America!" One of the balloons was just found March 20, in a field in Erie, Michigan. Students will set

their bicentennial sites skyward again this spring, when they fly patriotic kites, constructed and decorated in remembrance of colonial kite builder, Ben Franklin.

Fun activities like balloons and kites have been closely paralleled with historical study about home life in colonial America, the 50 states, U.S. Nationalities and religions, and past presidents. Third graders used Thomas Jefferson's "Rules for Life" as a springboard for discussion of rules for life today. Other children studies the lives of famous Americans as they placed them in a "Famous People" collage for the school. One class wrote and illustrated a TV story about "Sam, the Minuteman".

Some students have done an extensive study of American symbols - the Bald Eagle, Liberty Bell, Statue of Liberty and Uncle Sam. They are learning the cross-stitch to embroider these symbols on samplers. Others are creating their own symbols, as they design a mural on "What America Is to Me". Thursday of each month is designated "Red, White and Blue Day", and everyone wears flag colors for the occasion. The staff even had a red-white, and blue luncheon where homemade gifts such as calico pillows and woven belts were exchanged.

While much bicentennial study and activity has looked to the past, one big project focuses on the future. Fifth graders filled a "Bicentennial Time Capsule" with records of present day events, inventions made today in America, etc. This is buried in an undisclosed spot, perhaps to be dug up by a future generation of American students when they celebrate another 50 or 100 years of American history.

Herb lecture set

Sandy Hicks of the University of Michigan Botanical Gardens will present her program on "The Uses of Herbs" Thursday, April 8 at 7:30 p.m., not 6:30 p.m. as reported in the Plymouth Historical Society newsletter.

The lecture will highlight the historical society's April meeting and will be held in the Plymouth Historical Museum.

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New complaints policy unveiled in Canton

BY KATHY KUENZER

Effective immediately, building complaints by owners of new homes against builders in Canton will be handled through a new policy.

Revised building complaint and inspection procedures were sent a month ago to Canton's Chief Building Inspector Charles Thompson from Supervisor Bob Greenstein.

The new policy includes the following major points:

The township will send all

persons who have built new homes within the past year and all future residents a "Welcome to Canton" map and a letter advising them of the complaint procedure.

All building complaints must be sent to the builder, the Canton Building Department and the supervisor's office.

Complete verification of the complaint by the building inspectors' department must be completed within five days, with the supervisor's office being informed of the inspection through a complaint form completed by the inspector and signed by the complainant.

Subsequent inspections is to be made in 10 days to determine if the building problem is solved. If not, subsequent inspections will be made every five days until work is completed. Each additional inspection after the initial visit which shows work is not finished will require a \$15 inspection fee to be paid by the builder.

Upon completion of all repairs, the supervisor's office must be notified.

Greenstein said the \$15 inspection fee for complaints is a restructuring of the present fee schedule and must be approved by the Township Board of Trustees.



Your cookies are coming

COOKIES, COOKIES, EVERYWHERE and these Girl Scouts from Plymouth are helping see they reach their proper destination. Shown loading a car with boxes to be delivered to scout troops in the area are (from left) Donna Schaw, Troop 626; Sara Evans, Troop 210; and Sue Evans, Troop 626. Members of Troop 626 hope to earn enough money from their sales to finance a camping trip to the Upper Peninsula this June. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron).

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Hippity hop?

Easter's coming, yes, but it was still hard to believe.

There he was, sitting at Ann Arbor Trail and Main Street waiting for "Walk-Don't Walk" light to change Friday evening about 8:30 p.m. — a large gray rabbit.

"We hadn't had a drop to drink," insisted Tex Thoman, who reported apprehending the critter, "and, no, he wasn't six feet tall."

Surmising that the creature was somebody's pet, the Thoman's gave him a home in a cardboard box at the Wayside Gift Shop, where he may be claimed by its owner.

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ALLEN

Monday April 12
Vegetable soup, peanut butter and jelly
sand., fruit, ch. chip bar, milk

Tuesday April 13
Hamburger, bun pickle, vegetable,
fruit jello milk

Wednesday April 14
Beef gravy over mashed potatoes, hot
roll, fruit, milk

Thursday April 15
Hot dog, bun, relishes, vegetable,
fruit, Easter cake, milk

BIRD
Monday April 12
Grilled cheese sand., tomato soup,
fruit, toll bar, milk

Tuesday April 13
Sloppy joes, pickle, vegetable, choc.
pudding, milk

Wednesday April 14
Hamburger gravy on mashed pota-
toes, roll, jello, cake, milk

Thursday April 15
Hot dog, bun, vegetable, fruit, dessert
milk

CENTRAL ELEM & MIDDLE
Monday April 12
Roast beef over mashed potatoes,
vegetable, bread, cinnamon roll, milk

Tuesday April 13
Raviolis, beans bread, fruit, milk

Wednesday April 14
Pizza noodle casserole, vegetable,
bread, fruit, milk

Thursday April 15
Bar BQ beef on bun, vegetable, peas,
jello milk

FARRAND
Monday April 12
Grilled cheese sand., tomato soup,
toll bars, fruit, milk

Tuesday April 13
Sloppy joe, bun, vegetable, apple
crisp, milk

Wednesday April 14
Lasagna, rolls, vegetable, fruit, milk

Thursday April 15
Hot dog, bun, relishes, green beans or
sauerkraut, cookies, fruit, milk

FIGEL
Vegetable beef soup, peanutbutter and
jelly sand., fruit, toll bar, milk

Tuesday April 13
Hot dog, bun, relishes, green beans, or
sauerkraut, fruit, toll bar, milk

Wednesday April 14
Beef in gravy over mashed potatoes,
roll, fruit, milk

Thursday April 15
Spaghetti with meat, vegetable, bread
fruit, easter cake, milk

GALLIMORE
Monday April 12
Grilled cheese, vegetables, pears cake
milk

Tuesday April 13
Sloppy joes, bun, carrots, fruit, toll
bar, milk

Wednesday April 19
1st grade Parent Lunch
Spaghetti with meat sauce, green
beans, cole slaw souffle salad, rolls
cake milk

Thursday April 20
Hot dog, bun, relishes, corn peaches
toll bar milk

ISBISTER
Monday April 12
Tomato soup, crackers, grilled cheese,
peaches, brownie milk

Tuesday April 13
Hamburger on bun, vegetables, pears
cake milk

Wednesday April 13
Hamburger and noodles, green beans
cornbread, fruit jello milk

Thursday April 15
Hot dog, bun, corn, pineapple toll bar
milk

MILLER
Monday April 12
Vegetable soup, crackers, peanutbutter
sand., pineapple chunks, cake milk

Tuesday April 13
Spaghetti, meat sauce corn, fruit, garlic
bread, milk

Wednesday April 14
Pizza, milk

Thursday April 14
Hippity hop hot dog, fries, bunny
salad, fruit, jelly bean cake milk

SMITH
Monday April 12
Ravioli, bread, peas, pears, cookie milk

Tuesday April 13
Sub sand., corn, chips, peaches cookie
milk

Wednesday April 14
Fried chicken potatoes and gravy,
cranberry sauce toll cookie milk

Thursday April 14
Hot dog, bun, relishes, fries, cheese
sticks, applesauce, cookie milk

STARKWEATHER
Monday April 12
Tomato soup, peanutbutter and jelly
sand., carrots, fruit, cake milk

Tuesday April 13
Ravioli with cheese sauce, green beans
bread, cake OJ milk

Wednesday April 14
Grilled cheese sand., corn, celery,
apple sauce, cookies milk

Thursday April 15
Fish sticks, tartar sauce, fries, fruit,
cake milk

TANGER
Monday April 12
Beef a roni, bread, vegetable, cake milk

Tuesday April 13
Bologna or peanut butter sand.,
soup of the day, apple crisp milk

Wednesday April 14
Turkey gravy over mashed potatoes
bun, cranberries, jello milk

Thursday April 15
Hot dog, relishes, vegetable, fruit,
cake milk

EAST ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE
Monday April 12
Tomato soup, grilled cheese sand.,
fruit, cake, milk

Tuesday April 13
Sloppy joe, bun, corn fruit, peanut-
butter cookie milk

Wednesday April 14
Cheese pizza, green beans, OJ, apple
crunch, milk

Thursday April 15
Hamburger on bun, chips, pudding,
toll bar milk

PIONEER MIDDLE
Monday April 12
Meat in gravy over potatoes, vege-
tables, roll fruit, milk

Tuesday April 13
Sausage pizza, corn, fruit, cookie milk

Wednesday April 14
Louisiana Purchase Bicen. Dinner
Cajun creation, Louisiana rice, pirate
treasure spinach, riverboat salad,
french bread, Lewis and Clark cookie,
Mississippi milk

Thursday April 15
Hamburgers or cheese burgers, fries,
fruit, cookie, milk

WEST MIDDLE
Monday April 12
Hamburger gravy over mashed po-
tatoes, peas, biscuits with butter,
pudding, milk

Tuesday April 13
Bar BQ beef with rolls, green beans,
applesauce, peanutbutter cookies, milk

Wednesday April 14
Fried chicken, potatoes, corn, rolls,
ice cream, milk

Thursday April 15
Hamburger with trimms, fries, peaches
cake milk



Lunch with LOMAS

Jelly bean junkies, rejoice! You can have your cake and eat it too at Miller next Thursday for dessert. Hop over for a hot 'hippity hop hot dog' too, they'd taste good with Tanger's hot cross buns on Wednesday.

Pioneer Middle toasts the Louisiana Purchase (a \$15 million bargain) next Wednesday. Cajun Creation (sounds interesting) and Pirate's Treasure spinach (one treasure the pirates can keep) are featured.

And if Paul Revere can have a brownie named after him -- Lewis and Clark can have their cookie name-sake. (All we need now is Betsy Ross' Flag cake mix).

CANTON-SALEM HIGH

Monday April 12 Day 5

Hot beef on bun, potatoes and gravy,
vegetable, jello milk

Tuesday April 13 Day 6

Bar BQ on bun, chips, vegetable,
OJ, milk

Wednesday April 14 Day 1

Pizza noodle, vegetable, roll, jello, milk

Thursday April 15 Day 2

Hot dog, bun, beans, chips, asst. fruit,
milk

What's New At WAYSIDE

We've recovered from Midnight Madness - and still have some good bargains in sale stemware and bath items.

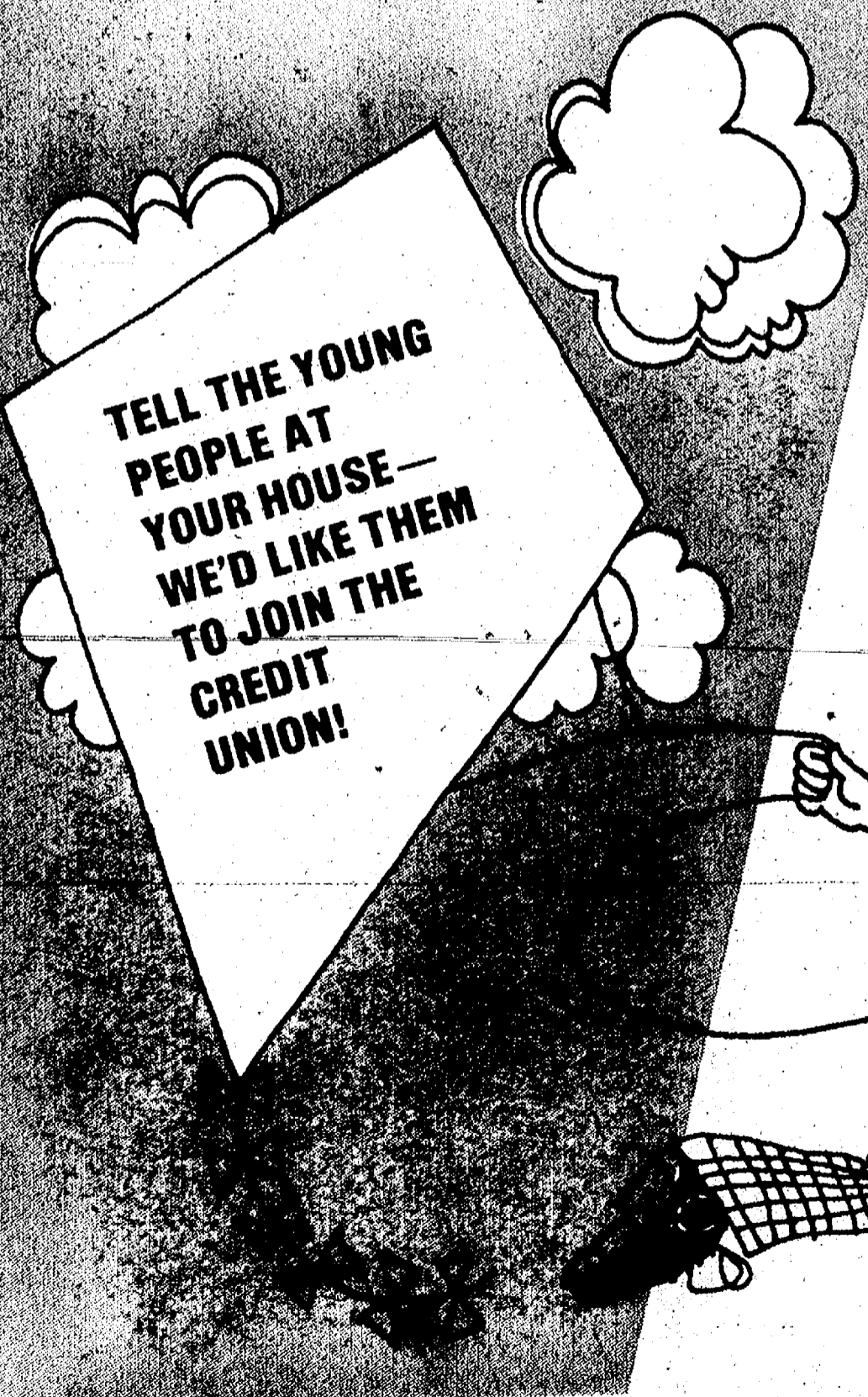
A new shower curtain pattern from Seven Seas has arrived. It has the country look and comes in gold, blue, brown. Coordinated access, also available.

Julie

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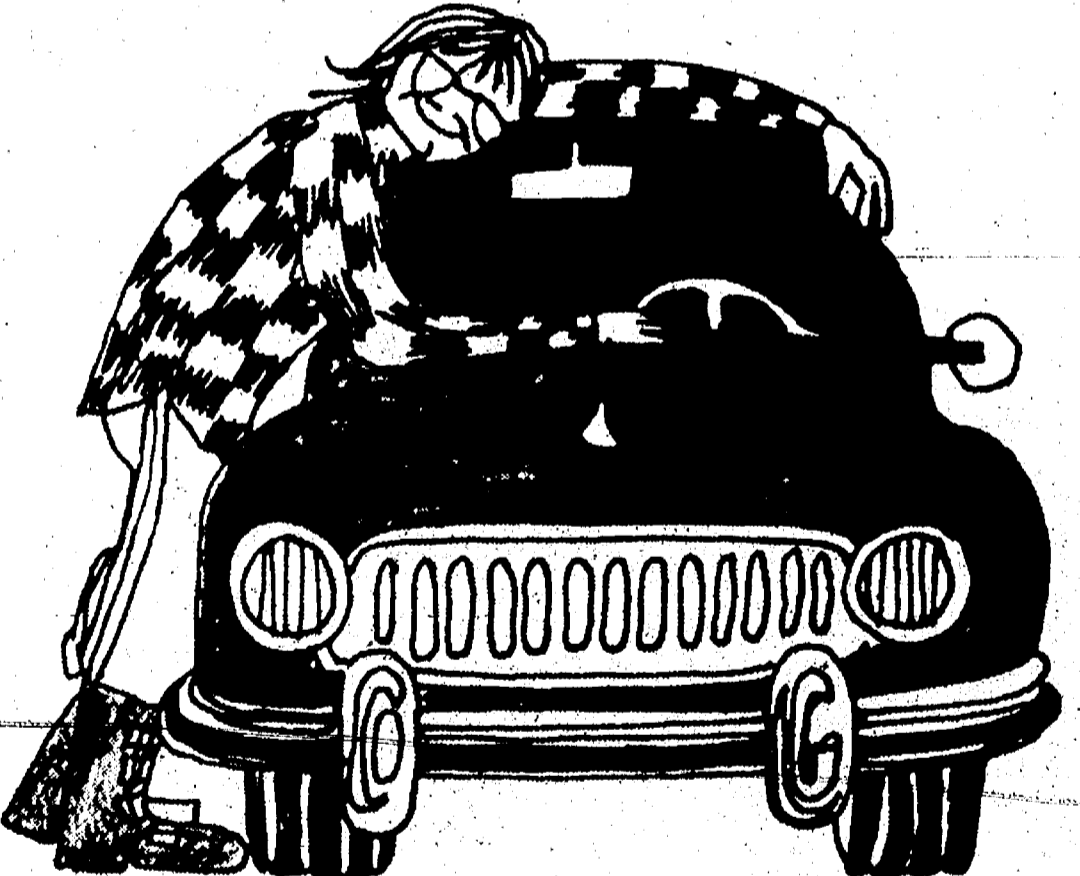
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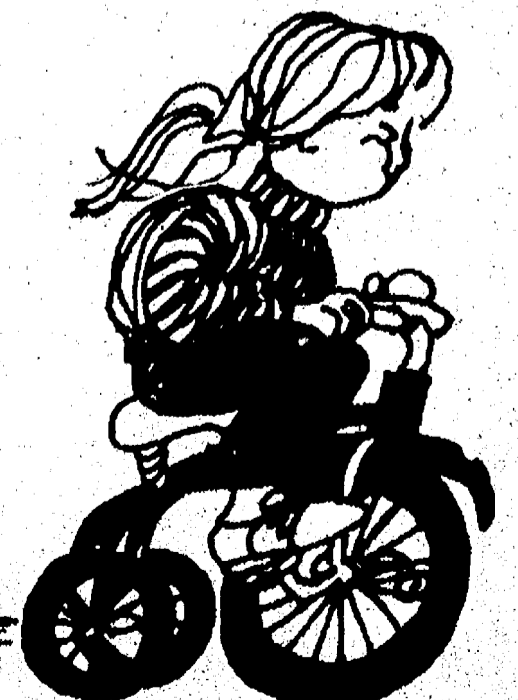
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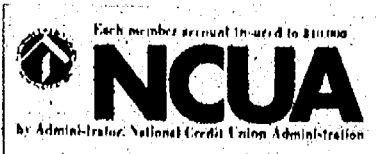
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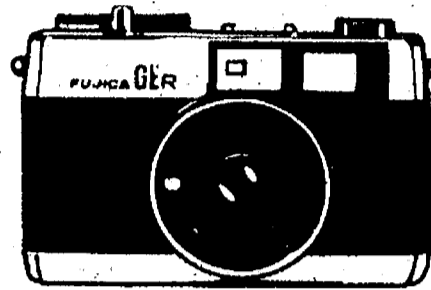


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NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH

Dog Licenses are due prior to June 1, 1976 and are available at the Plymouth Township Hall, Treasurer's office, 42350 Ann Arbor Road, Plymouth, Michigan Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Licenses prior to May 31, 1976	\$3.00
Licenses after May 31, 1976	\$5.00

Dogs must have a current rabies vaccination and owners must show proof of vaccination when obtaining dog licenses. Owners of all dogs not vaccinated and licensed before June 1 will be subject to violation tickets.


Please remember you are also in violation if your dog is permitted to run at large or its frequent whining, barking, yelping or howling shall cause serious annoyance to the neighborhood or to persons passing to and fro upon the public highway.

JOSEPH H. WEST
Plymouth Township Treasurer

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of Plymouth Community School District invites the submission of sealed bids on BOILER ROOM ALTERATIONS for Gallimore Elementary School. Bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. on the 19th day of April, 1976, at Board of Education, 454 S. Harvey St. Plymouth Mi. at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read. Specifications and bid form may be obtained at the Purchasing Office or Inatome & Assoc. 10140 W. Nine Mile, Oak Park Mi. 48237. The right to reject any and/or all bids is reserved. Any bid submitted will be binding for thirty days subsequent to the date of bid opening.

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Plymouth School Board Minutes

PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Following is a synopsis of approved minutes of the regular meeting of the Board held on March 8, 1976, with all members attending. Complete minutes and tape recordings may be reviewed at the Board offices, 474 S. Harvey St.

Agenda and minutes of March 1 were approved. Citizens suggestions were requested. Mrs. I. Rybka, special education bus driver, clarified misinformation which was expressed at the last meeting about her cost saving proposal, and was assured that there was no violation involved. The public hearing regarding attendance boundaries was then convened. Several persons rose to ask for certain changes of express concerns regarding the boundaries as proposed. In addition, Mrs. B. Hamann read a letter addressed to the Board on function of the Boundary Committee.

Administration Reports: Supt. Hoben reported on the discussion of the MAISE Superintendents meeting on legislation pending for the coming year and those items which the group would oppose or support. Declining enrollment in some Districts was also noted, as well as membership in the organization by other school districts.

Old Business: A motion was passed to extend contracts for the Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Administrative Assistant for personnel until July 1, 1978 with same fringe benefits as for other administrators.

New Business: Maternity leave of absence extension request was not granted to Elizabeth Ann Carlson, Central Elementary, in light of present policy and practice; maternity leaves were granted to Marsha Hoff, Salem Math, and to Carol Trembath, Gallimore 4th grade. The retirement of Jane West, Bird School 3rd grade, was accepted, and it was noted that Ms. West had taught in the system for 21½ years.

School tax refunds were granted to Marguerite E. Sullivan in the amounts of \$100.82 and \$64.09; as directed by the Wayne County Treasurer. A request from the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints to use East Middle School Cafeterium beginning April 4, 1976, for church services, on Sundays, regular contract rates to apply, was approved.

Bills totalling \$1,907,615.79 were approved for payment. Mr. Kee announced that the election for representation for Educational Aides would be held on March 25. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

Credit Union marks best year in '75

The Plymouth Community Federal Credit Union held its 26th annual meeting Thursday evening, March 25th in the Credit Union meeting room. Barbara Burgett was elected to the board of directors filling the seat previously occupied by Dr. Clifford McClumpha. In addition, serving on the board for the coming year are: Margaret Dunning, president; Russell Koepke, vice-president; Richard Wernette, secretary; George Lawton, treasurer; Walter Hagen, John Hoben, Glen Krieg and Clarence Moore.

"1975 was the strongest year in the history of your Credit Union. In services," said Treasurer George Lawton, "in growth, and in income it surpassed every year in our history.

Assets increased by \$1.1 million, and 455 new members joined.

Together, the 7,300 members earned \$800,000 which was distributed in dividends and services.

New England tour planned

Plymouth-Canton residents will have an opportunity to tour New England in May through a New England Bicentennial Tour sponsored by the Plymouth Senior Citizens' Club.

The tour group will leave Detroit on Friday, May 14, and fly to Boston, where participants will see Boston's famous historical sites, including Old North Church, the U.S. S. Constitution, Boston Common and the Bicentennial Exhibit.

The remainder of the tour, Saturday, May 15, through Monday, May 17, will be devoted to touring the North Shore area, New England Inns, Lexington and Concord, Walden Pond, Sturbridge Village, Connecticut Valley and Newport Society and Plymouth, Mass.

The group will return to Detroit by plane Monday evening, May 17.

Cost of the trip is \$260 per person, based on a double occupancy. Reservations should be made during April by contacting Janet Luce, 530 Provincetown Lane, Plymouth.

Community deaths

Smith

Joseph A. Smith, 62, of 656 S. Harvey St., Plymouth, died March 29 in Plymouth General Hospital, Detroit. Services were held in Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with The Rev. Fr. Edward J. Sobczak officiating. Entombment was in Holy Sepulchre.

Mr. Smith is survived by his wife, Irene; a son, Richard J.; and sisters, Ann Burke of Garden City, Frances Sherman of Westland, and Gertrude Lawrence, also of Westland. He had been a project engineer for Detroit Diesel.

held in Hamilton and Clark Funeral Home Inc., Wilson, N.Y., with The Rev. A. Walker Hessler officiating. Local arrangements were under the direction of the Schrader Funeral Home. Interment was in Northridge Cemetery Cambria, N.Y.

Mr. Stevens is survived by his wife, June; a son, Mark of Plymouth; daughters, Kathy Thompson of East Lansing and Lisa of Plymouth; a sister, Helen Stevens of Wilson, N.Y., and one granddaughter.

He came to the Plymouth area 15 years ago from Buffalo, N.Y. and was a field engineer for Burroughs Corp.

Lewis

Winifred Lewis, 94, of 8365 Newburgh Rd., Westland, died April 1 in Nightingale Nursing Home in Westland. Services were held in Schrader Funeral Home with The Rev. Dale Miller officiating. Interment was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mr. Lewis is survived by a son, Warren, of Alger; two grandsons and four great-grandchildren.

He was a retired painter for American Railway Express.

Groff

William A. Groff, 79, of 11430 Southworth Avenue, Plymouth Township, died March 28 in St. Joseph Merch Hospital. Services were held in Pickens-Koops and Sons Funeral Chapel, Lake Odessa, with The Rev. Frank B. Smith officiating. Local arrangements were under the direction of the Schrader Funeral Home. Interment was in Lakeside Cemetery, Odessa Township.

Mr. Groff is survived by his wife, Bessie; a son, Dale of Plymouth; a brother, Burton of St. Clair, two grandsons and one granddaughter.

He was a member of the Veterans of World War I, Lakeside Barracks No. 2161 in Lake Odessa, and was a retired steel manufacturer worker.

Stevens

Harold B. Stevens, 60, of 41315 Greenbriar, Plymouth Township, died March 29 in St. Mary Hospital. Services were



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The Board of Education of Plymouth Community School District invites the submission of sealed bids on 4 - 22 Passenger Buses - Bid No. 1052; 1 - 14 Passenger Bus (wheel chair w/ lift gate, Bid No. 1053; for use in the schools of the district. Bids will be received until No. 1052 and No. 1053 11:00 a.m. on the 15th day of April, 1976, at Board of Education, 454 S. Harvey Street, Plymouth, Michigan, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read. Specifications and bid form may be obtained at the Purchasing Office. The right to reject any and/or all bids is reserved. Any bid submitted will be binding for thirty days subsequent to the date of bid opening.

BOARD OF EDUCATION
PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT

CAC reports urge changes

Cont. from Page 1

- Hiring of a district curriculum director.
- Printing a student parent handbook for each school
- Discontinuing free musical instruments. Sell those and use the funds to provide more expensive instruments, not those which can be rented from any music store.
- Elimination of the district's humanities programs - it overlaps art, music and other subjects, two subcommittees concluded independently.
- Hiring of a district music coordinator.
- No reduction in reading or library programs "regardless of district finances"
- Introduction of a senior high intramural sports program that would replace the second year physical education requirement.
- Addition of enough girls sports - at a cost of about \$15,000 - for the district to comply with federal guidelines.
- Hiring of a full time career education director.
- Requiring a full time reading specialist at every middle school
- Replacement of the middle school interscholastic sports program with intramural competition
- Addition of one year of science to high school graduation requirements.
- Levying of 1.1 mills for three years for special education and a talented and gifted program.
- Establishment of a district wide resource center for the talented and gifted.

promise approach, "structured modular." The group urged a stronger counseling program in the early years of high school to help students determine just what approach best suits their needs.

"The existing structured modular program should be strengthened and the public should be made more aware of its potential value as a means of assisting students having difficulty using unstructured time properly," the report added.

A subcommittee assigned to study elementary scheduling said, "The extended school year program (45-15) should be continued at Miller School for at least one additional year to fully verify the educational effectiveness of the program.

"If cost is not a basic requirement, offer the extended school

year and traditional (September to June) tracts in the same building," the report said. "If cost is a basic requirement, 'team' schools," so that families may receive similar vacation times regardless of the grade levels of their children.

A subcommittee on extra-curricular activities said Canton and Salem highs could each have their own bands for an initial cost of \$5,000. The bands, which the group suggests be established with the completion of the Canton High phase III addition, would each number 90 to 100 musicians.

Board members praised the work of all committees, noting that several of the points each raised were subjects which could require the attention of separate board workshops.

Listeners to get preview

To help WSDP listeners follow the proceedings of Plymouth School Board meetings, an explanation of the agenda will

precede each meeting's broadcast, starting April 12. At 7:15 p.m. on Monday evenings when board meetings are scheduled Florence Beier, administrative assistant for community relations, will broadcast a rundown on that evening's items of business. She will define the terms which are likely to be used in the discussion and give a brief history of the most important issues.

Band to play on

Central Band Booster Club and the members of the bands at Central Middle School would be sponsoring a public "Band-A-Rama", beginning at 4 p.m. Friday April 9 and running to 4 p.m. Saturday April 10.

The young bandmen hope to raise funds for music scholarships, instruments, music, repairs, and supplies. Each band member is encouraged to obtain sponsors to pledge any amount they desire.

Pledges can be given to any band student, or mailed to Central Band Booster Club, 42118 Lakeland Ct., Plymouth. Pledges will also be accepted during the 24 hour marathon of music.


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School board to probe Muneio resignation

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Using school district stationery, Gray called a meeting "to discuss the many complaints and problems of Canton athletics, particularly the football program."

Gray wrote that he and School Board President Marda Benson would attend the meeting although Ms. Benson said she was not informed of the event until after Gray's letters had been sent.

Gray recorded the meeting — he now says the tape has been 'erased' — and the recording was played back the following week with Muneio and school administrators listening.

Muneio said the meeting was "instrumental in the split of the kids and solidified my decision to resign." He termed taped accusations "half truths and no truths."

According to some of the administrators who heard the tapes, parents complained of coaching strategies Muneio has sometimes employed, and Gray's wife told the group her husband has worked with little support for two years to bring about Muneio's resignation.

Gray himself said he was surprised to hear of Muneio's intended resignation, and that of the assistant coaches. "I don't know of the reasons they quit," he said. "But I assume it's because Muneio became aware of the fact that he didn't have the support of the parents and the players over the past three years."

As Muneio put it, "When you relate with the kids as much as we do, you know what's going on. They would avoid me in the halls or stop visiting me in my office. I don't want to go through another season with this situation. You can't win when you are split."

Canton gridders who attended a meeting last Friday at the school expressed unanimous support for their coach. Nearly 50 players — freshmen, sophomores and returning letter-winners — turned out. Seniors were not invited. Gray's son, Scott, did not know about the meeting, he said, and one other grider chose not to come.

"The meeting started out with a lot of gripes against Mr. Muneio," said John Young, next year's team captain and chairman of the gathering. "But

they guys realized that they were all just rumors. The big thing is that the team wants to play football and win and wants to do it with Mr. Muneio." According to Young, several of the players said they didn't like Muneio, but would play for him.

Muneio told Young he would make no decision about not withdrawing his resignation until after the April 12 school board meeting, when he expects to discuss the situation with board members.

"I feel a gross injustice has been done to me, and if I can prevent other coaches from going through this, then I will — and believe me, I can do it," the 38-year old math teacher said.

Canton Principal Kent Buikema, the administrator responsible for evaluating Muneio's performance, said he was upset with the chain of events — meetings, innuendos and unsubstantiated charges — which led to Muneio's decision.

"I've evaluated the (Canton football) program," he said, "and although parents will disagree, the evaluation was positive. You look at the program over the past three years and it's made progress. It's probably not as rapid as Muneio wanted it, but that could be because of the undercurrent."

"If parents want to tell their kids the program is no good, there's no way to combat it. The kids are being hurt and the program is taking a step down."

Buikema added, "Muneio is an intelligent person, and nothing like this is going to shoot him down. He's one of the most talented teachers on our staff. As far as I'm concerned, I would like (Muneio and his assistants) back to coach."

Board President Marda Benson said the Muneio matter would be on the board's agenda for its April 12 meeting. "The rest of the board believes in just cause and due process," she said; "and we're going to do something about the situation. I'm not intending to accept (Muneio's) resignation without giving him a chance to discuss this matter with the board."

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March 17, 1976

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Dear Parents:

Sunday, March 21 in the Plymouth-Salem High School Cafeteria, there will be a meeting of all interested Canton High School football parents and other interested citizens. The meeting will start at three o'clock.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the many complaints and problems of Canton Athletics, primarily the football program.

Plymouth School Board President Ms. Benson and I will be at the meeting to identify problems and make a report to the entire Board. Mr. Parsons will represent Plymouth-Canton boosters at the meeting.

It is important that we have good representation from all concerned parents at this meeting. Any action taken by the Board must be taken soon. If you wish to have input as to the quality of athletic programs at Plymouth-Canton High School, you must be heard.

Sincerely yours,
Joseph I. Gray
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ABOVE IS THE LETTER Plymouth School Board Member Joe Gray sent to parents of Canton High School's football players using the school district letterhead and postage meter. The letter had already been sent out before Board President Marda Benson was informed of the meeting. Below is a copy of the school board directive prohibiting such actions which was made by Former School Board President E.J. McClendon while Gray was on the school board.

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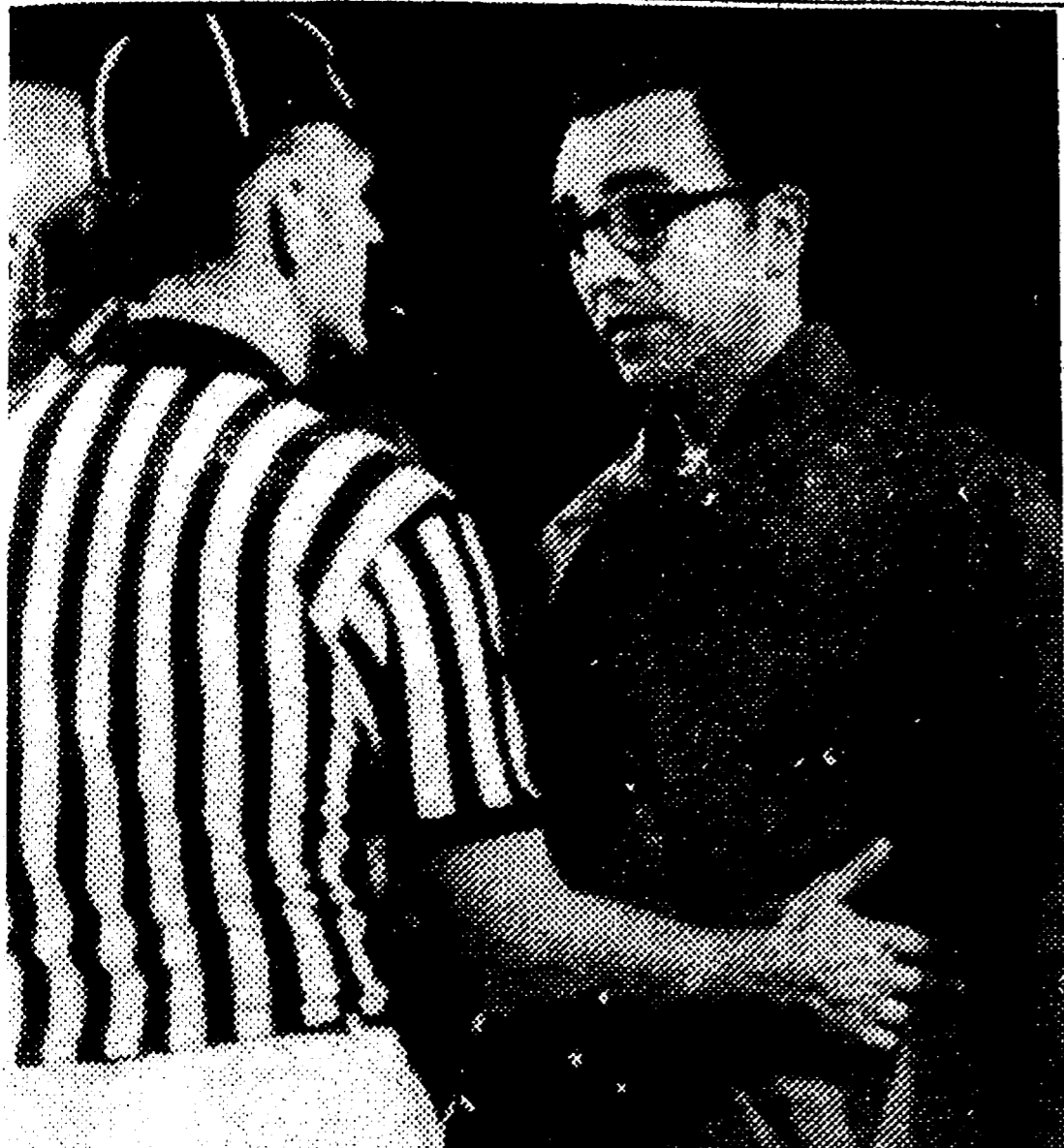
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JIM MUNEIO QUESTIONS a referee's ruling at a Canton football game last season. Muneio, along with his varsity staff, resigned from his grid post last week. (Photo by Wayne Heinmiller courtesy of New Media)

Doc's corner

BY DENNIS O'CONNOR

Parent pressure groups, who not only have affected the way their kids look upon a coach, but more importantly, maliciously questioned his qualifications, leadership qualities and overall integrity, have caused Canton High's Jim Muneio to resign from his head football coaching position.

And with his resignation came those of the rest of the varsity staff, quitting in Muneio's support.

Canton's three-year record while Muneio has been at the helm is 8-19. These three years are the first in Canton varsity history. One of the seasons was without a senior class, and at least every team played by the Chiefs came from a school with a larger student population.

And yet, I'm willing to bet that if this record were reversed, were 19-8, there wouldn't be any pressure groups or questioning of integrity.

My point is, all these parents seem to be concerned about is **WINNING**, and in high school athletics, with 15, 16, and 17 year old kids, that has got to be a **pathetic example to set**.

These parents would deny that winning is the main reason they are against Muneio, but do you really think they would be complaining if Canton ended each season 7-2?

Many people ask why Canton doesn't have gym teachers for coaches rather than math teachers. Little do they know that Muneio has a major in physical education and is only 10 hours away from a master's in that field.

He was a quarterback as a sophomore on the Western Michigan University varsity squad in 1958, and held his first coaching job at Riverview. There he was a freshman football coach for three years and a varsity assistant for five more. He was on the varsity staff in 1968 when Riverview won a state Class B championship. He was also a head track coach for five years at that school.

He came to Plymouth in 1970 as a junior varsity coach in Tom Moshammer's program before

taking the helm at Canton in 1973, when the school opened. So much for qualification.

As for leadership qualities, Canton principal Kent Buikema couldn't have put it better when he said, "He (Muneio) doesn't have the charisma of other coaches, but is a knowledgeable man of the game and works at it."

As far as treatment of players, he is one of the most humane coaches around. And if the players' respect for him has faltered in the past three years, I feel it's probably because of what some parents tell their kids.

Now let's talk about the least important aspect of what makes a high school coach good — and that's winning.

On the high school level, a coach is only as good as his or her team's talent is.

It's the players who put on the gear and bump heads with the opponents, not the coaches.

The 1975 team of last fall finished with a 3-6 record. And with the talent they had, there is no way they should have even won these three games.

I'm surprised they won more than one game. They didn't really have a lot of talent this season, especially on the interior line. Add all the injuries to this, it's a wonder how they won that eighth game of the season against Garden City East.

The 1973 squad went 2-7, without a senior, only sophomores and juniors. It was only the first season of Chief football. Most football teams in their first season don't even win a game. Livonia Churchill is an example of that.

The 1974 season was supposed to be a great one for the Chiefs, yet they finished with a disappointing 3-6 record. But a 3-2 Western Six League mark, was good enough for a second place tie with two other teams.

This is the only season when Muneio would have expected to do better, with a senior, experienced team. And with a couple of breaks, the Chiefs might have had that 7-2 season.

Rock runners, relays strong Thinclads still rebuilding

BY DENNIS O'CONNOR

The trials and tribulations of building a high school track program can be long and difficult, and second year coach Gary Balconi is in the middle of them right now, as he hopes the 1976 season will be another step in the right direction for Salem track.

"We need to build recognition for track, and the way to do this is to win," Balconi said.

"I think we have more team strength this season, not like last year's individual strength. We have the numbers in depth and are no longer struggling to find kids for each event.

"We are still running a lot of freshmen and sophomores, and for their age, they're good. They work hard and their attitude is tremendous."

Lost from last year's squad were three outstanding thinclads who scored nearly 75% of the Rocks' points last year.

"We have the potential and I know we are better than last year — even without these three kids," Balconi said.

Captain Mark DeMerritt is the biggest loss to the Rocks. He was an all-stater last year, finishing third in the Class A 440. He also had state qualifying times in the 220 and the 880-yard runs.

Kim Woody is another loss to the Rocks. He was a pole vaulter and relay stalwart. Ted Burton was a steady shot putter who accounted for many Salem points.

No shock - Eli named Rock MVP at banquet

Salem basketball's tri-captains copped the team's annual honors last Monday night at the Rocks' season-ending banquet.

The Rocks' '6-8 all-league, all-area, all-state and all everything senior center Jim Ellinghausen got a standing ovation from the audience when he was named the squad's Most Valuable Player.

This award "should be fairly obvious to everyone," Rock head coach Fred Thomann said before presenting Ellinghausen with the honor.

"Jim doesn't know where he is going to college next season, but he will get a four-year scholarship to a major university," the Rock mentor added.

"I envy the coach he will play for next season, for he is an outstanding player."

The Most Improved Player award went to senior Mike Primeau, whom Thomann referred to as "Mr. Defense." The coaches award for the player who put extra effort into working on his game went to guard Brian Wolcott.

The Rocks ended the season with a 20-2 record, the third consecutive season they have won 20 or more games. The year also marked the third straight season Salem has won the Suburban Eight League title, which ratifies the trophy in the school's showcase.

the Crier Sports

This season, the Rocks return with only seven seniors and nine juniors, but plenty of sophomores and freshmen to round out the 53-member squad.

The Rocks look strongest in the 880 and mile relays, the distance events and the high jump. But they are still unproven in the hurdles and long jump.

Five Rocks, two junior and three sophomores, make up the two relays, Tom Kindree, Jerry Basierbe, Chris Ritchey and Greg Davis make up the 880 combination while Tom Covington replaces Kindree for the mile relay.

the top distance runners include one thinclad from each class. Senior tri-captain Curt Judd, junior Walt White, sophomore Scott Kleam and freshman Jeff Econom will head the one and two mile events with additional help from Bill Bournais.

Another senior tri-captain, Bob Spisich, is already topping his last season's high jump mark of six feet and will be counted on to score a lot of points in this event, along with sophomore Mike Cristie and Ritchey.

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A TRIO OF SWIFT underclassmen is the key to Canton track hopes this spring, according to Chief mentor Brian Schwall. Schwall (right) and assistant coach Steve Rea

clocked (from left) miler Bill Murphy, Mike Kiefer and Richard Fleischer as they ran a practice lap. (Crier photo by Hank Meijer)

Canton thinclads have the spirit

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The Spirit of '76 has hit the Canton High boys track team in the form of Bicentennial uniforms.

The patriotic apparel, made by Canton general office secretary Orlean Baker, features blue shorts covered with white stars and red and white striped tops.

"It's a gimmick," said Chief coach Brian Schwall. "When we run against Churchill, Franklin, John Glenn they all have the same red outfit (Canton's school colors are red).

"With this we want people to notice us and I think they will. I just hope they don't salute us."

Hopes hinge on newcomers Striders to improve

BY MATT NORRIS

Although missing six graduated lettermen, the young Canton track squad hopes to improve steadily through the 1976 season.

Coach Brian Schwall is pleased with the newfound enthusiasm of his striders. All of last fall's cross-country team members are competing this spring.

Schwall hopes Brian Bennett has overcome his leg injury incurred early in cross-country. The senior will run in the half mile event, filling the vacancy left by Mike Potter.

Yesterday's meet against Dearborn Divine Child, was the first for this year's young pacers. William Murphy will take the starting role in the mile run and the high jump. Murphy is replacing Steve Sally, Mike Guzman and Rick Thom, all of whom graduated after last season.

Scott Gray and Randy Reinas will pole vault in place of record setting Jim Mack, who graduated. Juniors Steve Sims and Alex Samsin will run in the two-mile race. Bennett usually runs the two mile, but has stepped down to the half mile.

Scott Peterson, Jim Tiller and Leo Durocher will sprint for the Chiefs. Peterson also hurdles and long jumps. Sophomore Bob Yauck will handle the shot-putting chores.

The Chiefs will see action in three invitational tournaments and six dual meets this season. Schwall feels the trackman will peak at the Western Six League meet on Canton's track late in May.

Schwall emphasizes individual improvement and participation on his team, which accounts for the large number of first year members. He says, "The Spirit of '76 is alive and well in Canton track."

Salem rebuilding

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Dan Geopp is the other tri-captain, a good leader and the top hurdler. Veteran Pat O'Mara will also hurdle for the Rocks.

Other seniors are Rick Gladstone and Tom Powell in the shot put and discus and Richard Doherty and Larry Rightler in the long jump.

Dearborn, Trenton and Belleville look like the teams to beat

in the Suburban Eight League meet on June 2 in Belleville.

The Rocks are "going after everything they can get," according to Balconi, and while they might get knocked down hard in the dual meet season, you can expect improvement come June 2. With a little luck, Salem just might sneak into the upper division of the conference.

DRC FLORA/COPE
by Earl Flora

Early birds will get better than a worm at Wolverine Raceway during the first week of racing as the big Livonia mile track warmly welcomes back its harness fandom. On Tuesday night, April 13, the first 1,000 grandstand patrons will receive, free, "I'm Hot To Trot" T-shirts, on Wednesday colorful bicentennial horse pictures to the first 1,000 and on Thursday children's horse coloring books to 1,000 early arrivals. Cooperating in the give-aways are radio stations WDEE, WCAR and WOMC, each of which will be represented by its most popular mike talents... Numbered among Wolverine's incoming stables are nine of the racing operations which made up the track's top ten of the 1975 season, including the two track champions Chris Boring and Greg Wright. Boring, a 34-year-old veteran from Adrian, won the Wolverine percentage title, while the Canadian-born Wright captured the crown for most victories with 68. Others returning from last year's top echelon include Ray Remmen, Bill Gale, Tom Merriman, Tom Harmer, Harold Fisher, Randy Fulmer, Pat Crowe and Keith Crawford... Wolverine's new betting mix includes the usual nightly double, a perfecta in the third race, and trifectas in the fifth, seventh and tenth events. No inflation here, either; a wager can be put down on any of them for \$2... From Pompano Park in Florida comes word that Ed O'Hare's ever-popular stable will be handled at Wolverine by veteran Ted Taylor, who has just wrapped up his third straight driving championship at Pompano... Other early trainer-drivers to watch at Wolverine include Jim Crane, a Californian famous for his training feats with Nero last year; Nova Scotia's Archie McNeil, 10-year-old one time trainer for K.D. Owen's strong Grand Circuit operation, and the always dangerous Bobby Williams, a Grand Rapids native renowned for his campaigning of such major league stake horses as Best Of All, Windy Way and Earl Laird... The same Wolverine racing surface which produced a record 57 miles in two minutes or less last year is ready and waiting for the April 12 opener. With no thoroughbred racing scheduled in between last year's harness closing in October and this year's lidlifter, track maintenance workers were able to leave the harness surface status quo... Male harness fans who enjoy watching a pretty female driver line up behind the starting gate will get double their pleasure this season. Joining lady champion Bea Farber at Wolverine will be comely blonde teamster Jayne Weller, also a winner in more ways than one... For bargain seekers, Friday, June 11 should be circled on the calendar. That's the date of Wolverine's annual "Old Times Night", when prices on most everything are rolled back to grandpa's good old days.

Muneio treated unjustly

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They lost to Annapolis and Woodhaven by 9-7 and 15-13 scores, and the team played terribly and didn't look like an experienced group of kids. But it wasn't Muneio's fault. He couldn't have made them play better.

In two other losses, to Churchill and Harrison, Canton was either tied or down by a mere touchdown going into the final quarter.

So much for arguing about the childish point of whether Muneio was a winner or not. Muneio has been unjustly treated and deserves better. But again, parents only concerned about winning or losing wouldn't understand how to treat people better.



SWIFT RELAYS will be the strength of the Salem High track squad this season. The five runners who make up the 880 and mile relays are (from left) Chris Ritchey, Jerry Basierbe, Tom Kindree, Tom Covington and Greg Davis. Assistant coach Dave Martin (left) and head coach Gary Balconi are in the foreground. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron.)

Discus added to track meets

The Michigan High School Athletic Association has added a new event to the state's high school meets with the introduction of the discus throw as another field event.

The new event is designed to give athletes who throw the shotput another event in which they can participate.

The discus is 8½ inches in diameter, weighs three pounds nine ounces and is thrown in an 8'2½" circle, compared to the seven-foot circle for the shotput.

Salem coach Gary Balconi thinks that 115 or 130 feet will win a lot of dual track meets, although the 1975 Ohio state High school record was 189 feet 11 inches.

Canton coach Brian Schwall feels the coach who knows most about the discus will give his athletes the advantage over other teams, since the event is new to all in the state.

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PLYMOUTH'S SOLE CURLER, Chet Hill, is shown here with one of the brooms he and his fellow curlers use in the centuries old sport. Hill curls as a member of the Detroit Curling Club.

BY DONNA LOMAS
 "Biter?" "Hack?" "Bonspiel?" "Skip?" "Button?" To those of us who don't play the game of curling those words mean something entirely different, if they mean anything to us at all.

To Chet Hill of Plymouth Township, the words are a part of one of the oldest, if one of the most obscure sports we have — curling.

Curling began in Scotland, centuries ago, when Scots wanted something to do in winter, but it was too cold for their usual game of golf. History has it they dislodged heavy smooth granite stones from river beds and coastal shores. Throwing them across the ice, they would see how far the heavy stones would glide. Others held accuracy contests, or put obstacles up to heighten the excitement and invent strategies.

More people took up the game, and soon it spread to the continent. Today it flourishes in Europe and America as a more refined contest demanding accuracy and strength.

"Curling is a simple yet complex game," said Chet Hill, Plymouth's only curler. "It is not a game you win only by chance or strength. It is a combination of mental alertness, physical conditioning and controlled action."

"I had a business downtown for several years and I didn't even know the Curling Club of Detroit existed," Hill admitted. "It's been there since 1885 — not a fancy club, but it has a warm, friendly atmosphere."

"That's what attracted me most to the game three years ago — the camaraderie of the people there."

Men and women, young and old, can curl. Participants at the Detroit club range in age from 15 to 75. The curling club supplies all the equipment needed to play the game. Membership fees are relatively low, so most people can afford to curl for a season, which runs from October through March.

Curling is played on ice, usually in an indoor arena. Contestants wear rubber soled shoes (hacks) to keep their footing. Dress is informal, and teams (rinks) wear just what will keep them warm and allow freedom of movement.

Goals (houses) at each end of a long narrow sheet of ice are the destinations toward which each rink tries to curl the heavy (42½ pound) granite stones. An inning (end) has been completed when sixteen stones (each team has eight) have come to rest at the end of the ice (sheet).

"It isn't just a matter of sliding the stones back and forth on the ice," Hill said. "It normally takes 2 hours to play 10 ends, during the game

— curlers play with small brooms — we use different sweeping techniques and the 'skip' (team leader) advises us on what strategies to use to our advantage."

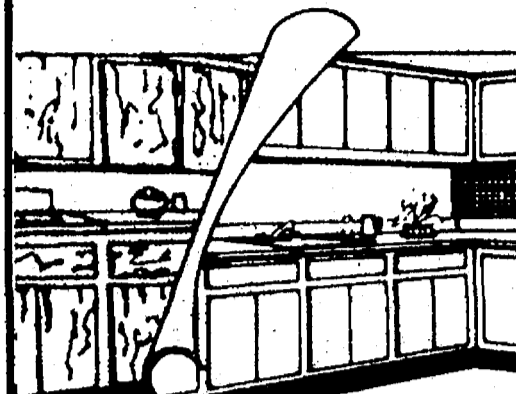
To Hill, the best part of curling is the spirit of the game, "the spirit of curling is the most important thing," he said, "not the winning or losing. The unique team effort is important to us."

"When each game begins, we shake hands with the opposing team and say 'Good curling.' Curlers don't try to distract other players and don't purposely break the rules. We are honorbound to be the first to say 'I broke a rule'."

"There is no gambling — it is purely an amateur sport. Most curlers don't want to see it become commercial, but it has a little, and in doing so, it becomes less of what curling was originally meant to be — a game with true sportmanship."

"Without this spirit that the game has carried with it for centuries," Hill added, "it would be just another pastime. But to me it is a true sport."

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Chief gal thinclad improvements in sight

It's another rebuilding season for the Canton girls track team, as only eight athletes of the 35-member squad are returning to the Chiefs. Most of this year's girls are sophomores and freshmen.

The Chiefs won only one meet — against Northville — all last season, while taking last place in the Western Six League meet.

Canton loses only three seniors from that squad, the biggest setback being the graduation of Ann Matthews, captain of the 1975 team. Karen DeBoor and Gloria Ramirez were the other seniors lost to graduation.

Only one senior returns to this year's Chiefs, Carolyn Rumberger, who will compete in the shotput, discus and perhaps the mile.

The strength on coach Barb Winn's team this season will be in the sprinting corps, where all-league sophomore Veronica Gray and three-year varsity competitor Meagan Ford are looking forward to another strong season. Both girls will also be part of the sprint relays.

Gray was an all-leaguer in the 220 yard dash and will also be counted on in the high jump. Ford placed in the 110-yard dash in the conference meet last season and is a versatile field event performer.

Other experienced Chiefs are juniors Lynne Bigelow and Becky Bassett. Among the ninth and 10th graders are several promising thinclads. Freshman Robin Radoye is a strong sprinter who will team with Ford and Gray on relays. Other hopefuls include Sherry Gates, Beth Richardson, Jennifer Tregembo and Jennie Wilson. Returning sophomores include Ann Lattin, Jann Pedersen and Sue Vitoratus.

Walled Lake Western is once again favored to run away with the Western Six League title, having lost only one girl to graduation from a record-setting season a year ago.

Winn is optimistic for improvement over last year's Chief record, saying, "The kids are enthusiastic at practice and have good attitude at the workouts."

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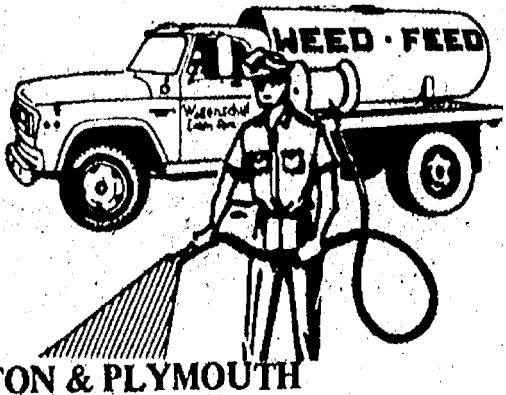
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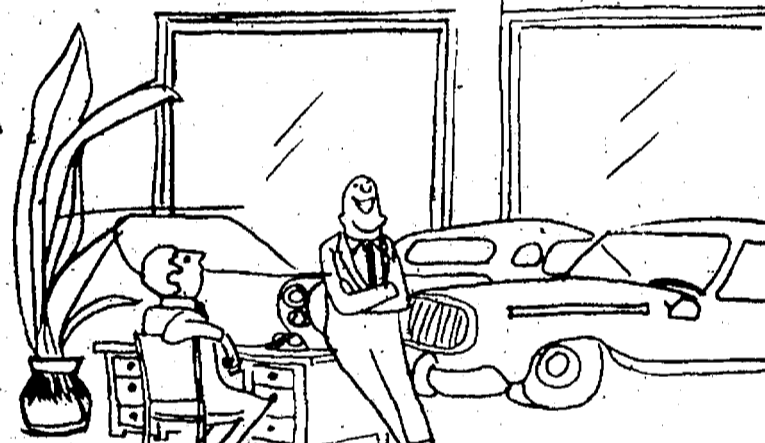
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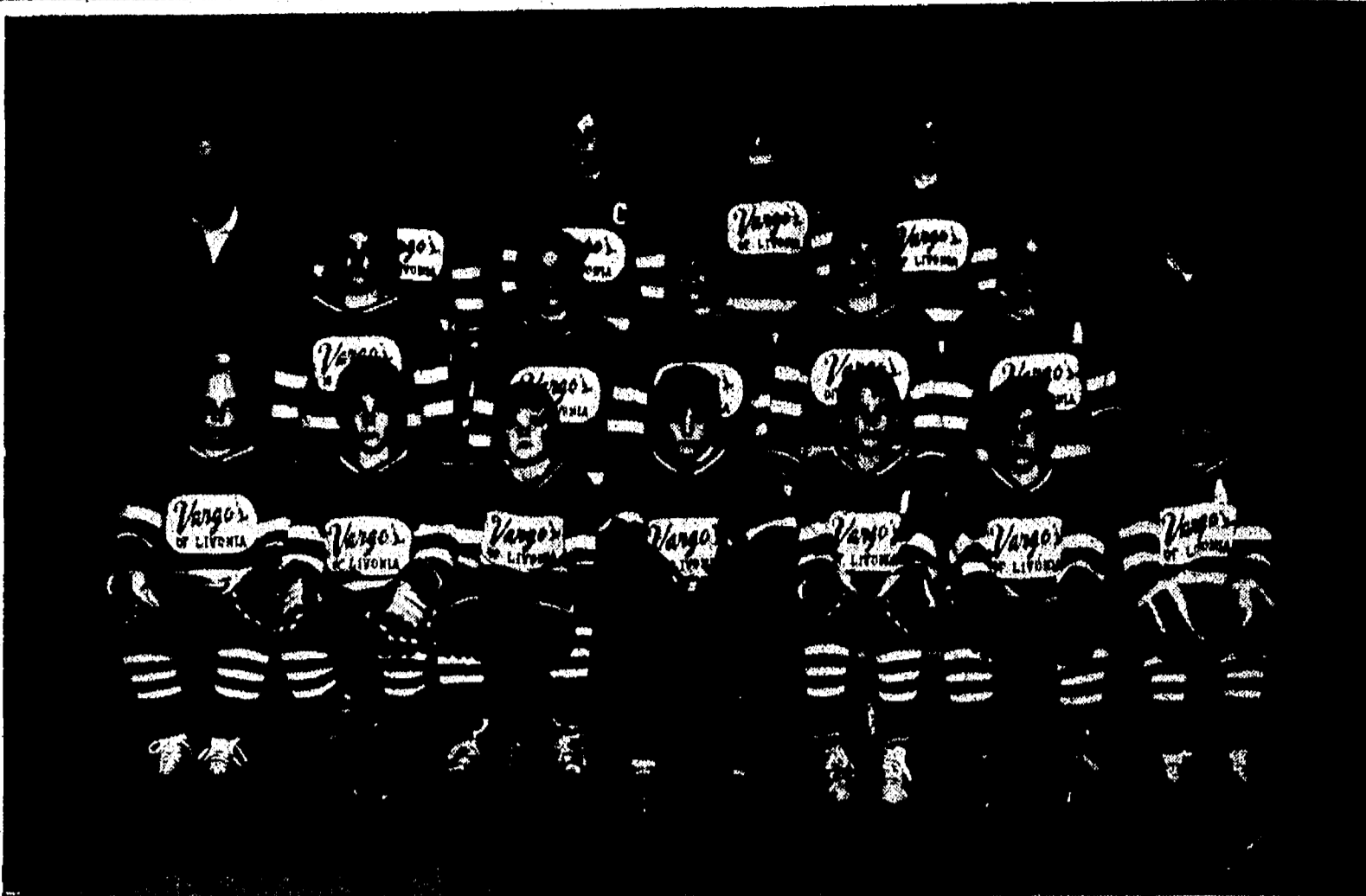


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Herter; (middle row) Coach Jack St. Germain, Nishan Tadian, Skip Whittaker, Greg Williams, Billy Barker, Scott Storbeck and Coach Dave Fehlig, and (back row): Brad Johnson, Ron Sinco, John Foley and Greg Bahlow.

Judd cracks distance mark

The opening of the state's high school outdoor track season was held indoors last Saturday at the Spartan Relays in East Lansing.

Salem thincads participated in the activities and showed some improvement over final times and distances last season.

"We solved nothing comparable to points, but did well in the prospective heats," said Rock coach Gary Balconi.

Individual performances included senior Curt Judd showing in the two-mile race which broke the previous school record of 10:00.6, back in 1971.

Bob Spisich was among the top 13 high jumpers with a 6'2" leap, exceeding last season's high of six feet.

The two-mile relay of junior Walt White and sophomore Scott Kleam and freshmen Bill Bournias and Jeff Econom produced a surprise, with fast half mile splits despite the fact


that all were distance runners. Rich Doherty (long jump) Bob Dasher (shot put) and Chris Ritchey (sprinter) also showed improvements in their events.

Sports happenings

April 7	NO ACTION		
April 8	S. Boy Track	Trenton	T 4 PM
April 9	C. Tennis	Riverside	H 3:30
	S. Boys Track	Mansfield Relays	Ohio
	S. JV baseball	R. Union	H 4PM
April 10	S. Tennis	Ypsilanti	T 4 PM
	S. Boys Track	Mansfield Relays	Ohio
April 12	S. Softball	Bentley	H 4 PM
	C. Softball	AA Pioneer	T 3:30
April 13	S. Tennis	Trenton	H 4 PM
	C. Tennis	Stevenson	H 3:30
	S. Baseball	Trenton	H 4PM
	S. JV Baseball	Trenton	T 4 PM
	C. Girls Track	R Union	T 3:30
April 14	C. Baseball	Stevenson	H 4PM
	S. Girls Track	W. Lke. West.	T 4 PM
	S. Softball	Belleville	T 4 PM
	C. Softball	Franklin	H 3:15
	S. Boys Track	Dearborn	H 4 PM
	S. Tennis	Northville	H 4 PM

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Garden club dines

FANCY SALADS were the order of the day recently when members of the Lake Pointe Village Branch of the women's National Farm and Garden Association held their eighth annual smorgasbord luncheon at Middle School East. The Bicentennial affair featured a fashion show and unusual salads prepared by the club's 40 members. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

Canton PUD investigated

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that sidewalks are installed, parks seeded and graded, PUD maps posted, and a homeowners association established for the purpose of overseeing the improvement and maintenance of parks. Annual assessments for funds to operate the parks are to be made of homeowners, with the builder paying the assessments for all unsold lots. Annual meetings with an election of officers and a board of directors for the homeowners association are to be held.

A letter from Mocer Development Co. attorney Gilbert Franklin to the township says that the Stonegate Homeowners Association was incorporated in 1973, with annual meetings being held April 17, 1974, and April 16, 1975.

"But they didn't give notice of the meeting to homeowners," said Greenstein. According to a copy of the minutes of the 1975 meeting, three vacancies on the board of directors were filled, but by the builders and their associates.

At a board of directors meeting held immediately after the annual meeting, Mocer was elected president of the association and Franklin was elected secretary.

At this meeting, the board also established what Greenstein considers a "retroactive assessment fee" to be levied at a rate of five cents per month per homeowner commencing "as of Dec. 1, 1973."

"The homeowners had already

paid a \$25 fee at closing for the parks, they had not been informed of any of the meetings or elections and now they were asked to pay a retroactive assessment," said Greenstein. "The builders had not paid a cent into the coffers for the parks. They said 'we're not going to pay for those lots.'"

Greenstein said the builders' share of the assessments would have totaled more than \$20,000 over the two-year period since incorporation of the homeowners group.

"The retroactive assessment is bad enough, but the phony board of directors is something else," Greenstein said. "They really put a hush-hush on this." Greenstein said the township has three alternatives it can follow to alter the situation.

"We can stop occupancy permits, but that hurts innocent homebuyers who are waiting to move into their new homes. We could stop building permits in the future. Or the most arduous option is to go in on behalf of the township and ask that the PUD contract be voided in a declaratory judgment. Of course this would also void the multiple and commercial sections of the development.

"Right now our broader concern is with the rest of the PUDs. We intend to investigate them ourselves."

Greenstein said Canton has given Mocer and the builders 30 days in which to comply with terms of their contract, "or action will be taken."

Survive

A six-week course in backpacking, camping and wilderness survival is being planned by the Plymouth Pathfinders Club in cooperation with the School of Outdoor Leadership, Adventure and Recreation of the Wayne County Cooperative extension Service.

The course will include information on hiking techniques, equipment selection, backpacking techniques, foods and nutrition, first aid, survival techniques, trip planning, light-weight camping skills and use of topographical maps and compass.

Douglas Maddes, 4-H Youth Agent, will conduct the class.

Classes will be held in the Plymouth area on consecutive Mondays from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. beginning April 12. There will also be a weekend field trip May 21-23.

Family registration for the course is \$25. For registration and information call Dottie MacIntyre at 453-9054 by p April 9.

Golfers register

The Canton Township Men's Golf League will be starting this season April 26 at Fox Hills Country Club.

The league will play Monday evenings at 5:30 p.m. for 20 for 20 weeks. Registration fee is \$10. Residents and men working in Canton are welcome to join. Registration will begin March 31 by calling the Canton Recreation office at 326 - 6480 (or, after April 4, 397 - 2777.) Canton Township Women's Golf League will begin its season May 28 at Fox Hills Country Club. The league will play on Friday mornings at 8 a.m. for 10 weeks. All residents and women working in Canton can register beginning April 5 by calling the Recreation office at 397 - 2777.

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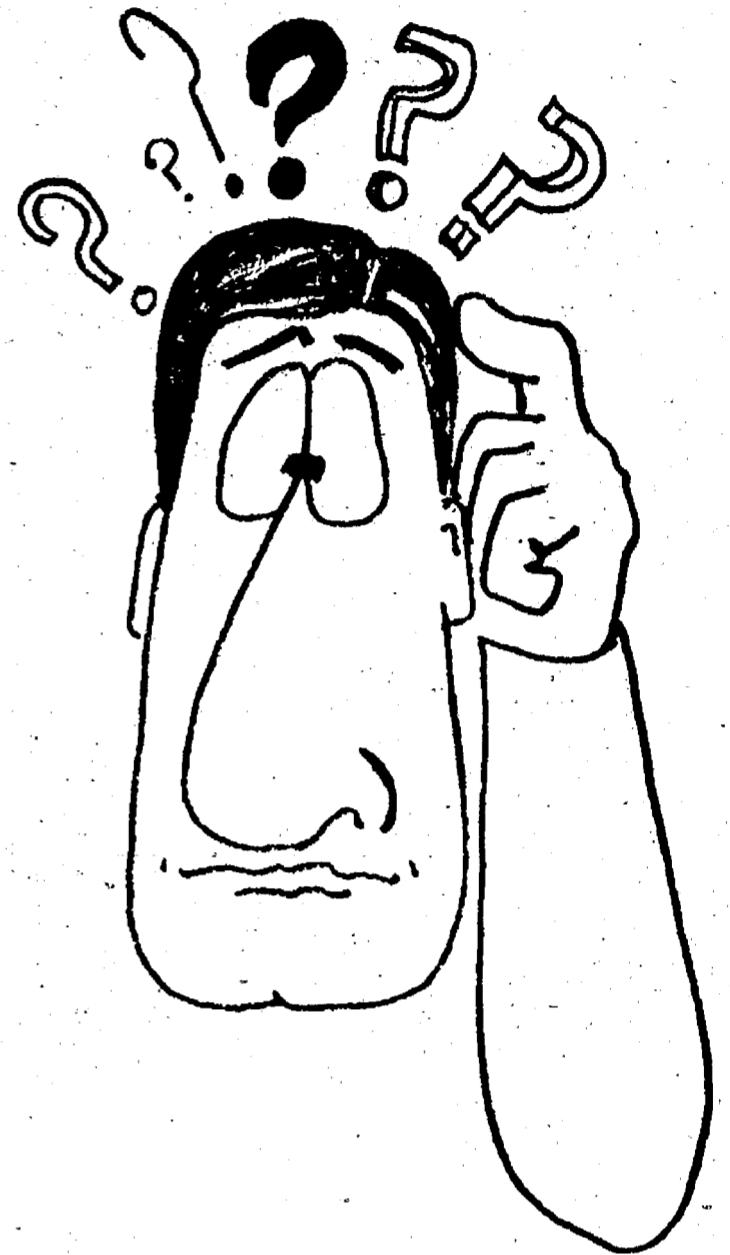
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Want lots of land around new home?

By Jack Wöerpel
Associate Home Section Editor

(Reprinted from The Sunday News, Detroit, February 8, 1976)

Families looking for big new homes on big lots at prices under \$70,000 have to head for the open countryside, where land is relatively inexpensive. An example is the new Hartland Country Club subdivision in Livingston County.

Their houses are priced from \$45,500 to more than \$60,000. For the lower price, the buyer gets a lot measuring three quarters of an acre and a "raised ranch" house with three bedrooms, plus room for expansion on the lower level. Part of the lower level contains the oversize two-car garage, with side entrance.

A raised ranch model is one of the most economical designs to build. The entrance is between the two levels of the house, so visitors go up a few steps to the main floor or down a few steps to the lower level. For that reason, this design is also called a split-foyer plan.

Hartland is an attractive little town of about 3,400 population alongside U.S. 23, about eight miles north of Brighton. The subdivision covers about 130 acres and will have 116 homes when completed. The developer is Adler Homes, Inc.

To reach Hartland Country Club subdivision from Detroit, drive out I-96 to U.S. 23, then go north to M-59. Go east to Bullard and north on Bullard to the subdivision.

The Adler firm has covered all houses it sells with the Home Owners Warranty (HOW) program. This means that in addition to the usual one-year warranty on general defects the owners will be protected for 10 years against major structural failures.

Because these houses are out in the country, they have septic tanks and wells instead of sewers and water mains. They have gas heat.

Thomas R. McQueary, general manager of the Adler firm, said ceilings are insulated with eight inches of fiberglass and walls have 3½ inches of fiberglass.



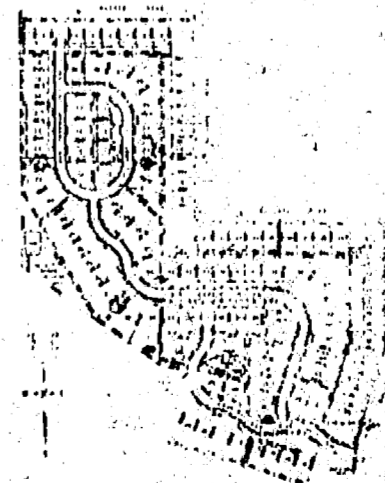
HARTLAND'S WIDE OPEN SPACES—As this view shows, houses in the new Hartland Country Club tract are set well apart from one another on rolling land with some trees. There will be no houses between the models shown, with each lot at least three quarters of an acre and some as large as two acres, according to Adler Homes, the developers. The house shown at right is a colonial priced at \$59,850. Dark-toned ranch house in center is \$55,500. Bi-level at far left has expansion space on the lower level. Tract has 116 homesites.

Windows are double-glazed and the houses are carpeted. The basic lot size is 120 feet by 250 feet, but some lots are two acres. One advantage of the large lots is that they permit placing garage doors at the side, which makes them less visible from the street.

There are six basic plans in the subdivision, with three or four variations of each plan. In addition, Adler will customize any plan or design a house to meet a customer's needs.

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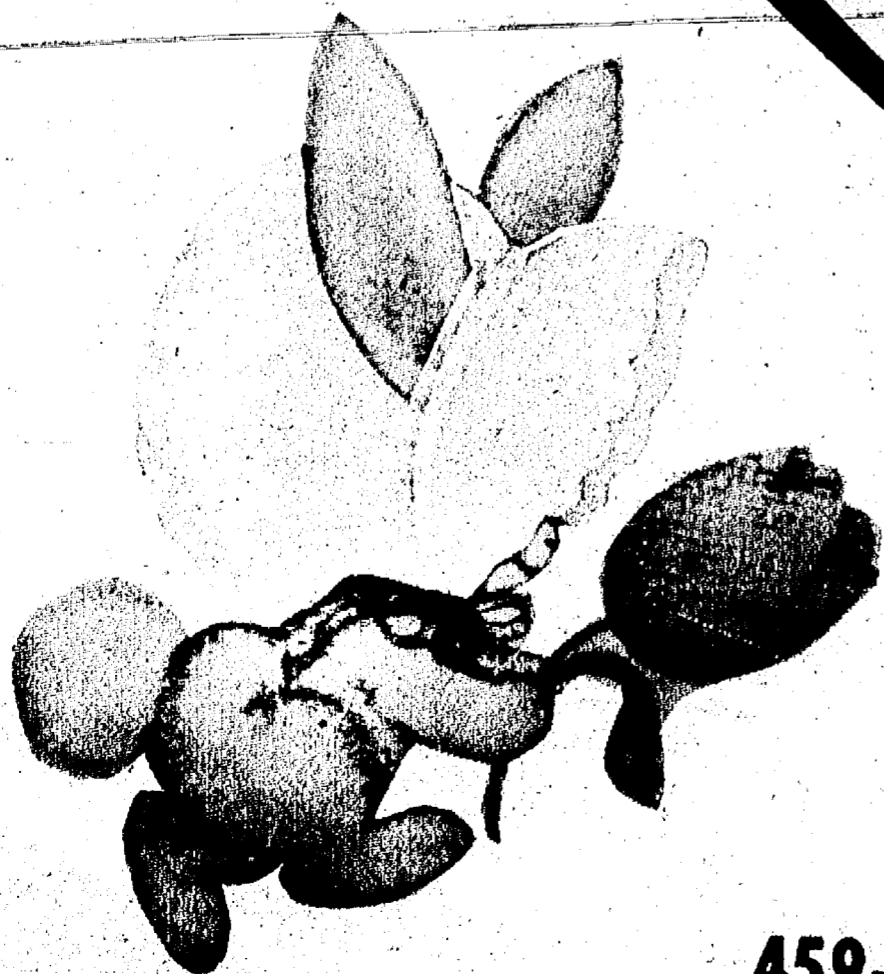
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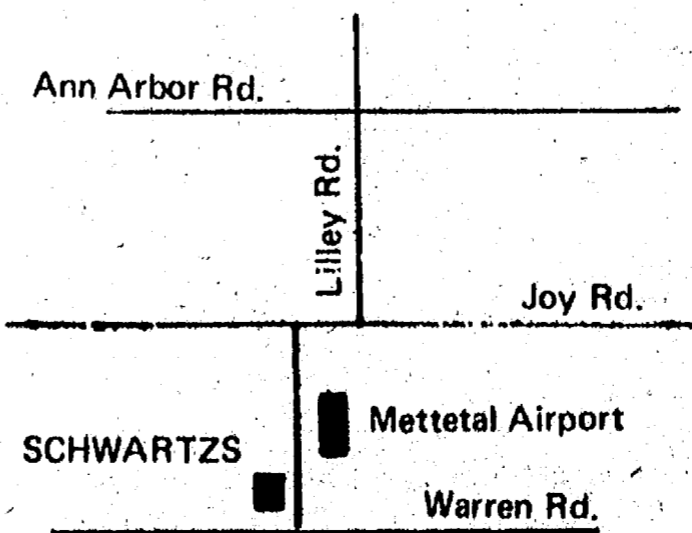
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