

# Lantern line to precede July 4th parade

Local residents lined up to represent 200 year of American history will pass an exact replica of Paul Revere's lantern down Main Street from Hartsough to the Plymouth Rock monument next to City Hall Sunday to kick off the biggest local Fourth of July celebration ever.

At 11:20 a.m., lantern passers will assemble along markers on the east side of Main, with those representing earlier dates standing closer to Hartsough and those with later dates nearer City Hall.

Horsemen - led by 'Paula Revere' will ride from Hartsough down Main to City Hall at 11:40 a.m. to signal ceremony participants to move to the center of Main, which will then be closed to traffic.

At 11:50 a.m. 'Paula Revere' will pick up the lantern at City Hall and ride back to Hartsough, delivering it to the first person in line. From noon to 12:30 p.m., the lantern is scheduled to pass through 1,776 hands, all the way to the Plymouth Rock monument to the accompaniment of a drummer boy. Participant may follow the lantern back up Main to City as they complete their role.

What Plymouth Jaycees predict will be their longest Fourth of July parade will begin about 12:30 p.m.

Participants in the Bicentennial Mile lantern-passing should - pick up their 'bicentennial Mile' buttons Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. or Sunday from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at 186 Main (corner of Main and Union)



PAULA REVERE



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## Citizen group to consider farmers market

BY HANK MEIJER

Calling it 'the next logical step in saving farmland,' Canton Supervisor Bob Greenstein Monday asked the township's Citizens Advisory Committee to study the feasibility of establishing a regional farmers market in southern Canton.

Greenstein said he envisioned purchase of perhaps 100 acres near Michigan Avenue west of Canton Center Road by a development corporation which state law empowers the township to form. The development corporation, operating under control of a township-appointed board of directors, would be authorized to sell revenue bonds and could act as landlord for tenant shops or farm stalls.

"The idea of a farmers market is not new with me," Greenstein said. "Research has been done by" (Planning Commissioner) Bart Berg and others."

The supervisor suggested a farm market at the center of the large tract, with the development corporation selling of parcels on the perimeter for everything from specialty shops to exotic restaurants if property values increased around the new development.

"But the main focal point is to give more meaning to the farmers' concept," he added, "to provide fresh vegetables."

CAC members questioned the effect of such a market complex on the township's own farm produce stands and retailers, who might find themselves competing with a township supported operation.

"Would there be boarded up stores in Harvard Square?" one member asked.

Greenstein said an increase in shopping traffic throughout the township could offset such competition, and suggested farmers might now have a place to sell their produce at greater volume.

He said the market could be either an open air place for farmers or a more elaborate

complex of warehousing, shops and restaurants - all under the design control of the township-run corporation.

Shops and warehouse operations at Detroit's Eastern Market have expressed an interest in moving to a suburban location,

Greenstein said, adding, "they wouldn't have the social problems they do downtown."

He urged the CAC to consider acting soon enough to provide the start of a market by next year's growing season.



### Booters bow in bid for crown

RAIN AND A MUDDY FIELD hampered play in Thursday's championship suburban soccer game in the 14 and under division. The Farmington Flyers defeated the Plymouth Pirates 3-2 in the battle held at Schoolcraft College. Pictured is little Martin Hill (right), fighting for possession of the ball, while teammate John Regal looks on. For more on the action, please see page 28. (Crier photo)

## Curator quits museum for top Kansas post

Mark Hunt, director of the Plymouth Historical Museum since February, has tendered his resignation from that post to the Historical Society.

He told society board members Tuesday morning he has accepted the position of curator of the Kansas State Historical Society in Topeka, his home town.

A spokesman for the Plymouth Historical Society, which accepted his resignation with regret, said "We all hate to see him go."

The 26-year old Hunt shared that feeling, saying, "I had a great deal of enjoyment working here," but added, "this is a great opportunity for me." He said he had applied for the Kansas position while looking for jobs before coming to Plymouth. "This was unexpected," he added.

In his new position, Hunt will be curator of the Kansas state historical museum and 13 historical sites in Topeka.

## Try 2nd millage bid before cutting budget, Board member urges

In their first budget workshop since the June 14 defeat of a bid for increased millage, school board members debated whether to cut programs now or gamble on a passage of a second millage try in September.

Board Secretary George Lawton said the cost of maintaining summer programs - chiefly continuing present hours and level of staffing for youngsters on two tracts of Miller School's 45-15 program who will begin the new school year this summer - would be from \$50,000 to \$70,000 above the cost should programs be slashed now.

"With the attitude of the community, I'm optimistic that the millage would be approved," he said. He urged board members not to slash programs now until only to have to rebuild them should a millage expected in September pass, asking instead that cuts be held in abeyance until a second vote.

Teachers who have been pink-slipped would have to work on a risk, no-contract basis until then, he said, but would have a chance to resume their jobs.

Board Vice-President Marcia Borowski said, "It's naive to assume that teachers who were pink-slipped will twiddle their thumbs when other districts (which approve millages) are hiring." Added President Marda Benson, "the board's credibility is at stake here," and cuts should be made.

Countered Lawton, "I'm not concerned about this board's credibility. People in this community are perfectly competent to determine that the board is attempting to provide an education for our youngsters that is equitable and the best we can offer."

Board members discussed a response to state requirements for special education that can only be met by enlarging the local program. Special Educational programs should remain at their current level in the wake of the millage defeat, administrators said.

Frank Arlen, trustee-elect who will take office this week, questioned the value of the district's administrators assigned to community relations and research and development.

Trustee E.J. McClendon took issue with Arlen's view. "If we sit in Plymouth and say we don't like federal money, we're depriving our kids, and we won't get that money if we don't have someone bird-dogging it."

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# Canton approves manual to guide reserve cops

Canton's board of Trustees by a narrow margin last week approved the manual which will be the final word on Canton's Reserve Police force.

The manual, a compilation of police manuals from several area communities, was passed by a 4-3 vote with Trustees Bob

Myers, Brian Schwall and Jim Poole voting against it.

Questions about the manual were fielded by Carl Silvers a 25-year old veteran of the Detroit Police Department whom township officials propose as coordinator of the auxiliary. Silvers said the concept upon

which the reserves would operate "will be one of augmentation, not replacement."

His remarks were seconded by supervisor Bob Greenstein, who said whenever a regular officer is at the scene "the reserve officer is always subordinate." Peter Bundarin, a Canton at-

torney and Republican candidate for supervisor, questioned Silvers on the police powers of the officers, who they would report to an what their powers would be while they were off duty.

Silvers said the reserve officers

would have no police powers when off duty and would report to regular officers at the scene of any incident.

Schwall later said he voted against the manual because it contained "too many unanswered questions.

## Guard stand explained

Plymouth Township officials say they may reconsider a previous decision not to pay for school crossing guards working within township borders.

At a public hearing sponsored last Wednesday by the Intergovernmental Committee, Township Clerk Helen Richardson and Trustee Richard Gornick reaffirmed the township's stand against sharing the cost of crossing guards, but Gornick at the same time said the board of trustees would reconsider the issue of township residents asked that it be placed again in a meeting agenda.

Plymouth township has refused to pay for the guards since the 1973 - 74 school year, when the Plymouth Schools first asked local governments to help foot the bill.

Canton has paid its \$6,000 share each year without question, but the City of Plymouth last year placed its share in escrow until Plymouth Township pays or until crossing guard services are halted in the township.

Plymouth Township officials cited their limited tax rate as a general township for their inability to share the costs.

School Board Treasurer Tom Yack, a member of the Intergovernmental Committee, chaired the hearing, which was attended by about a dozen residents.

## Cop arrests fleeing cyclist

David Cusenza, 17, of 50880 Murray Hill in Plymouth, was arrested Sunday night, charged with fleeing and eluding police on his motorcycle.

Cusenza was riding north on Napier Road south of Ann Arbor road at 67 miles per hour when a State Police car came up behind him, police said. The authorities said Cusenza sped to 80 mph in an attempt to flee Trooper David Gentry, who was driving the patrol car.

The cyclist turned right, heading east of Ann Arbor Road ignoring a stop sign, police said. After traveling half a mile on the shoulder of Ann Arbor Road, the cycle came to the Joy Road intersection, breaking suddenly, with the patrol car five feet away.

Police said the two vehicles collided with Cusenza suffering minor injuries to the right arm and back.


## Ceremonies mark last tree

Canton Township's 1,776th tree, planted on the berm in front of Canton High School, stands 10 feet tall and is festooned with red, white and blue ribbons.

The tree, a Norway maple, marks the completion of the township's major Bicentennial project. "In fact, our 1776 Tree Planting Project was so successful," said John Cojei, member of the Canton Bicentennial Commission, "That we are now planning to extend the project to include 200 Freedom Trees."

### Correction

Plymouth Township water rates have been increased by 10 cents per 1,000 gallons, not 10 cents per gallon, as reported last week in The Crier.



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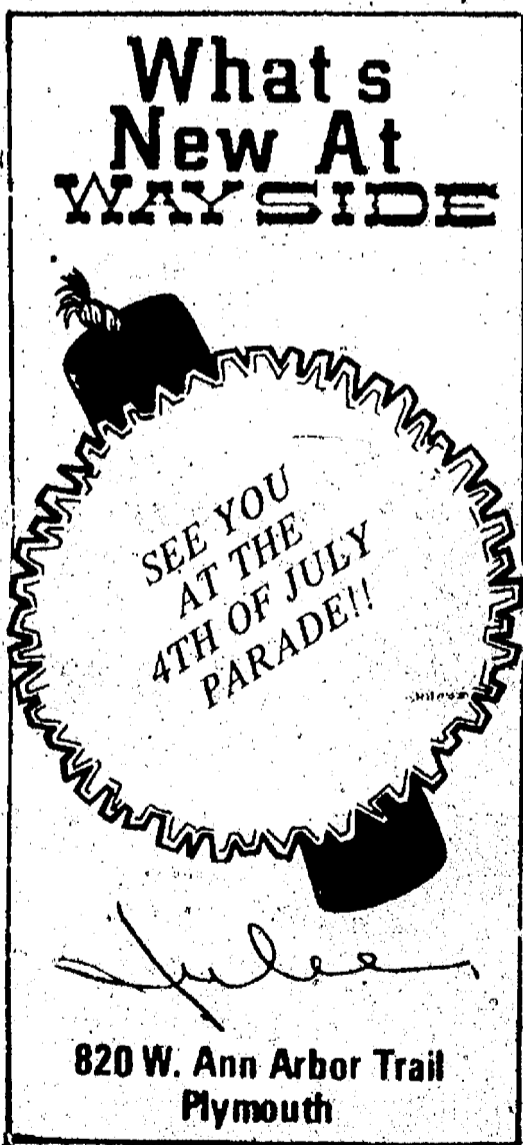
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ON THE BANKS OF THE ROUGE, junior fishermen (from left) Greg Park, Danny Kalita, Jamie Kalita and Kevin Park cast bacon and hot dog-baited hooks. Only Kevin came up with a fish, but the expedition was far from unsuccessful. (Crier photo)

### The big ones got away

## Fishing the Rouge

BY HANK MEIJER

Fishing was Greg's idea. I didn't have a pole, I told him, but I'd sure like to go.

You can borrow my dad's, he said, looking through the screen of our front door. I said, I can go tomorrow, after work. OK, he said, and he ran back down the street.

"Hank and I are going fishing," I heard him tell Danny and Jamie and his little brother, Kevin. My wife and I are finishing dinner when someone knocks on the screen door. It's Danny. "I'm going fishing with you guys," he says.

"OK," Danny runs yelling over to Greg's house.

Thursday is one of the first warm days. The neighbors are mowing their lawns. Driving home from work I turn the corner from Pearl onto York. Jamie sees me from his porch. He waves and jumps down and chases my car right in the driveway.

Out of breath, he manages to open my door just as I turn off the ignition. "Danny says I have to ask you if I can go fishing," he says, wiping his nose. "But I got my own pole."

### Register to vote

Registration deadline for voting in the Aug. 3 state and local primary election is Tuesday, July 6, at 8 p.m.

To register, residents should stop in a the city or township hall in their respective community.

### Light installed

A Wayne County Road Commission crew last Wednesday installed a full-phase traffic signal at the intersection of Sheldon Road and Hanford in Canton.

The action came three weeks after a four-year old Canton boy was killed in an auto accident there - and after an outcry by neighborhood residents and township officials.

The light will operate in full-phase from 7 a.m. - 7 p.m. on weekdays, and will be flashing yellow at other times.

"Sure you can come. We'll meet you after dinner." Debbie and I are cleaning off the table when somebody rattles the door. The little nose pressed against the screen is Kevin's, "I want to go fishing," he says, "but I don't have a pole."

"Neither do I," I say. "We'll share. Tell your brother to stop by in a few minutes and we'll be ready to go."

Before we can rinse the dishes, Greg and Kevin are back. Greg hands me a rod. The four of us start off down York Street toward Danny and Jamie's. When we come out of the shade alongside their duplex, Greg, who is leading our expedition, shows Debbie and me his tackle box full of bacon and hot dogs.

"They work better than worms," he says. Danny runs down the porch steps and nearly lances me with the end of his rod. His mother is calling for him to put on a jacket. "It could get chilly," she says. Jamie's line is all tangled up and he doesn't have a hook. While his mother and Greg - who put the line in his teeth while he fastens a hook - disentangle the nylon cord, Jamie opens his tackle box. Side by side are cans of coke and seven-up. Danny comes back with his jacket on and a can of pringles.

Debbie helps Kevin tie his sneakers while we wait for Jamie.

Finally Greg gets Jamie's rod fixed and we head toward the tracks.

"We're going to try the Rouge, instead of Wilcox Lake," says Greg. Danny shouts, "Jamie fell in Wilcox once, but we pulled him out." Jamie shakes his head. "Yeah, I got all wet," he says in disbelief.

We follow the tracks past the old cemetery. Kevin leaps from tie to tie while Jamie tries to balance on a rail. Greg and Danny are bragging about their other fishing trips, and all the carp and rock bass waiting in the Rouge.

Just past the bridge over Hines Drive we come to a steep grade, a cinder trail down to the

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# Understanding aging is goal of new Rotary film project

Local Rotarians may gain world wide recognition in the coming year for their 1976-77 annual project, a series of lectures on geriatrics and gerontology - the sciences of aging - which will be filmed for use as movies.

The Plymouth Rotary Club's Project of the Year Committee unveiled the new project last week at the club's first annual State of the Club Banquet. According to Robert Sincock, Rotary's new president, a proposal to study the aging

process at local Rotary luncheon meetings attracted the interest of experts in the Institute of Gerontology at the University of Michigan. The institute has announced plans for filming 10 Rotary sessions, with a different facet of aging and the problems of the aged to be addressed at each one.

Officials of Rotary International have expressed interest in the films for worldwide circulation through their film lending library.

According to local Rotarians who outlined the project, it will be a "learning one on servicing the aged, caring for their physical and mental wellbeing, providing for their leisure time needs, assisting in their day problems, and assuring meaningful living."

Rotarians say the films will provide "vitaly needed information on the scientific study of the aged in the form of films."

Sincock said the films would be available to churches, service clubs and senior citizen organizations, both in Plymouth and internationally.

Filming of the sessions is scheduled to begin in September, with a lecture to be delivered at a regular Rotary luncheon, Sincock added.

## Governor OKs vote on Heights charter

Governor Milliken has given the go-ahead to Plymouth Township to place its proposed City of Plymouth Heights charter on the Aug. 3 primary ballot.

In a June 17 letter to Robert Richardson, chairman of the Plymouth Heights Charter Commission, Milliken said he had "No objections to the charter being put before the electorate."

The letter arrived last week Tuesday. Richardson the following night convened a meeting of the charter commissioners who agreed to amend the proposed charter to include several changes recommended by the Attorney General.

Under terms of the charter, all of the township east of McClumpha Road would be incorporated immediately upon approval of the charter by voters.

Candidates for non-partisan posts as mayor and commissioners of the new city - which would be authorized to levy up to 20 mills for general operation - will also appear on the Aug. 3 ballot.

Clerk Helen Richardson said she hopes to receive a signed copy of the charter document back for the Governor soon.

Township voters approve incorporation of the City of Plymouth Heights in 1959, but voted down charter proposals - the final step in the creation of a city - in 1960, 1963, 1966 and 1972.



### Sincock heads Rotary

ACCEPTING THE GAVEL from outgoing President Robert Stremich, Robert Sincock (left) was sworn in last Thursday night as president of the Plymouth Rotary Club for 1976-77. Other Rotarians taking office at the Rotary banquet last week were: Thomas Notebaert, vice-president; Carl Lampton, secretary; Warren Bradburn, treasurer; Harry O. Draper, executive secretary; and Gordon Shaw, financial secretary. (Crier photo by Robert Cameron)

### Growth Works starts rec center

Growth Works Inc. has begun a summer recreation program at Truesdell School on Haggerty Road south of Cherry Hillin Canton.

Daily supervised activities for teens 11 to 18 will include foosball, softball, tutoring, movies, guitar lessons, counseling and field trips for such events as Tiger baseball games.

House of the program at the mini-youth center are 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. The center will be open through Aug. 20, funded by United Community Services.

Growth Works volunteer Michael Bozyk and Michael Spitz will coordinate the mini-center's activities.

For more details, call 455-4095.

### Robber escapes

A lone gunman wielding a sawed off shotgun robbed The Pizza Shoppe on Ford east of Sheldon of \$300 late Sunday night.

State Police said the bandit entered the shop through a back door. He ordered one employe to take money from the shop's cash register while forcing three others to lie face down on the floor, police said.

The gunman forced a female employe to accompany him at gunpoint as he fled the shop on foot, according to the police report, but released her at the rear of Economy's Lounge a short distance away.

Police are continuing their search for the bandit.

# Ban hunting near homes

Editor: I think our problem may be of interest to the residents of Canton. You should be concerned about how the township is being run.

We, in Section Five, live in the area bordered by Joy and Warren and Beck and Ridge roads. This area is partly farmed and partly residential. While hunting is unlawful on three sides of us, our area is still open to hunting.

We have been unsuccessful to get this out-dated ruling changed. There are more than 75 children under 18 in Section Five, many homes and many pets. More than 80% of the homeowners and 60% of the landowners have signed a petition to ban hunting here. The wants and need for a closure is obvious. To top it off, one party has had \$450 worth of damage done to their home by hunters. Had they been on their porch at the time they might not be here to tell of it.

The land that is farmed here holds just as much danger for anyone near the field. The crops grow high and visibility is severely limited. It is no place for the firing of arms.

These people who come to hunt on our properties have no respect for our home, land or lives. I have personally had guns pointed at me while riding horseback down the road. To these hunters, anything that moves is fair game. I certainly do not consider myself or anyone else fair game, and neither should the law.

Furthermore, these hunters think nothing of climbing our fences and shooting in our backyard. They continuously ignore no-trespassing signs and no-hunting posters.

Have we, as landowners in this area, no right to protect our property and ourselves? Must the people, even children, be fearful to go into their own yards and walk along the roads for fear of being shot? That is precisely the

situation as it stands now.

There is no excess of any wildlife here that needs to be slaughtered. Indeed, we enjoy the birds and squirrels and occasional deer that are fortunate enough to escape the bullets.

This is not the rural area it once was. The Sunflower subdivision borders the east side of Section 5. We are just a few miles from the city. The few farmers that are here do not wish their hard-worked fields to be trampled upon by strangers, nor their animals to be panicked by close gunfire.

The hunting ban is yet to be voted upon once more. When the issue of whether or not there is a danger was voted on by Canton's Board of Trustees, all agreed to the obvious danger except Mr. Greenstein and Mr. Flodin.

With their reasoning being that this township would start to lose its rural aspect, I can find no sound basis for such a decision. This area is not and will never again be rural. There is a definite danger here, as we of Section 5 who know will tell you. We have the overwhelming majority asking our lawmakers for a hunting ban. I am hoping Mr. Cheske realizes this, and will consider this situation objectively.

Issues such as this concern us all. Your child may be in this area during hunting season. Let's see to it that he is protected. Let's see to it that this issue is decided upon fairly and reasonably. We need hunting closed in Section Five now!

KAREN MILLER

## Buying guns poses hazard

Mr. Greenstein and Mr. Parsell: You have finally put the icing on the cake as far as I'm concerned with the approval to purchase your precious weapons, 357 magnums.

I may be in the minority, but I do not feel your volunteer men should have these weapons. I have two small children and the minute these guns are issued to your incompetents, I am moving from this township. I just don't want to worry when my two children are waiting for a school bus in the dark some morning, one of you "police" is going to accidentally hurt them. I do not feel your men have sufficient training, as do our Wayne County Sheriff's Department or our State Police.

Another thing, when you store these weapons, and it leaks out where they are stored, because it always does, what happens when some sick person breaks in, steals them and hurts someone in this community. Are you going to say "That's the breaks of the game"? You probably will.

I didn't help you get in office last election and my dander is really up now, so I'll fight you all the way again and this time I know I have others to help. We want a normal town to live in, not one that is ruled by Greenstein and Parsell only!

MRS. ROSE BRETZLAFF

## Community opinions

June 30, 1976

W. EDWARD WENDOVER WITH ALICE TOWARD NONE



Let's say it's already 2076 and the citizens of Plymouth-Canton are opening the time capsule in Ralph Lorenz's First National Bank of Plymouth building on Main Street.

How will they view our society of 1976?

Will they marvel at the prices and styles in the ads or will they marvel more at their "problems," which were no different from ourin 1976?

Will the C&O Railroad problem still strangle the town while Tri-centennial City Commission is STILL studying the matter?

Will that same City Commission still be pondering what to do about the parking problem?

Perhaps by 2076 there'll be undreamed of new modes of transportation that will eliminate both those problems. After all, nobody dreamed during our country's Centennial that there'd be automobiles.

Will the schools and local governments still be dependent upon taxes to finance the ever-inflating costs of education and governmental services? Maybe Big Brother will be taking care of everything by 2076.

Will Americans still be protected in 2076 by a free and independent press, the right to assemble, the rights of fair trial and other guarantees originally made to the citizens of 18th Century America. It seems these rights are constantly in danger of being stripped from us; can we keep them another hundred years?

As you look through this edition, you'll see the startling changes which have occurred in our community during the

past 200 and 100 years. You can also see (Page 62) a glimpse of what may lie ahead for the year 2076.

Pending some major breakthrough in the health sciences, it is unlikely any of us will be here to answer those question, but at least we have given our descendants a look into our past (which is rapidly slipping away) and our curiosity about what lies ahead.

## Plaudits for teaching pair

Editor:

I think it should be known throughout Plymouth that Pioneer is a very lucky school because they have some of the best faculty members the PEA could hope for. But two teachers that are overlooked, are Gary Balconi and Gary Temple. If I were to mention some of the reasons that they are so good I would have at least three pages! But a few are:

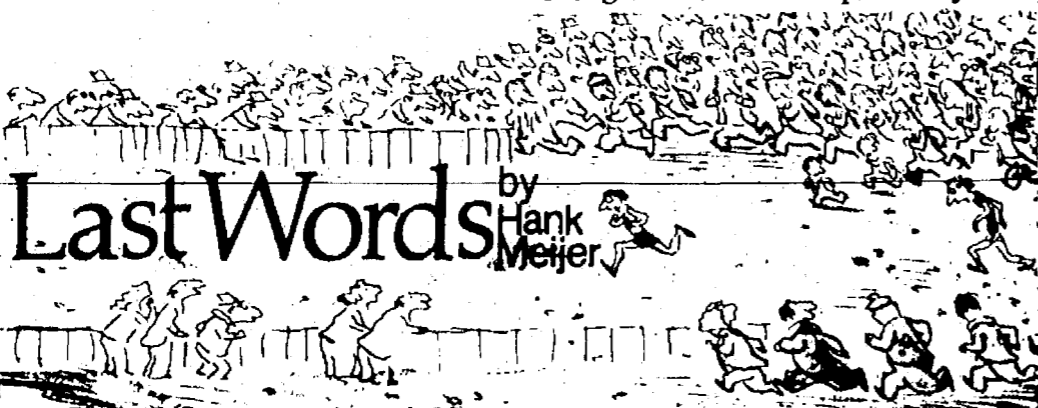
Besides coaching at the high school, they keep doing a superb job of teaching. They both get involved in school activities such as:

The Talent Show, millage elections, and student faculty things.

But besides all of that they have a great attitude toward each day and treat each and every student fairly and as if they were their own child.

They make learning a challenge and I think Pioneer and all of Plymouth should realize what an asset these men are to the school district.

DAVID CAMPBELL



Clerk John Flodin's role on the Canton Board of Trustees has probably never been so pivotal.

Supervisor Bob Greenstein was elected two years ago at the head of a four-man slate which could decide the outcome of any vote of the board. Members of the slate sometimes voted at odds with one another, but on key issues, their majority held sway.

And Flodin often found himself voting with the four new Democrats.

When Trustee Bob Myers broke with the slate early this year, its control of the board hardly seemed jeopardized, for it seemed already to have struck up an alliance with Flodin on many issues. That alliance became more tangible this spring when Flodin agreed to join the Greenstein 'team'.

Now Myers has joined veteran Trustees Jim Poole and Brian Schwall as the voice of opposition, and Flodin's cooperation has become essential if the slate is to have a majority.

Replacement of Myers by Flodin as the vital fourth vote appears generally successful, but Flodin is a skilled politician who has been active in township politics long enough to sense the dangers of dogmatic commitments.

His willingness to be flexible when both the opposition and fellow members of the slate would be unbending gives his position on the slate added importance.

Last week, for example, when the board considered approval of the preliminary plat for a new subdivision at the southwest corner of Warren and Canton Center, Flodin moved to table the decision.

Greenstein wanted the plat approved, Myers, who wanted it denied, questioned the builder's reliability. Both appeared to have two votes behind them. It seems unlikely Flodin will ultimately oppose the plat plan, but he may know better than to rush into something he's unsure about.

Greenstein gets upset when the opposition delays a measure he wants approved. The opposition - even when it raises questions which should be answered - may not always be above reacting against the slate and digging in its heels.

Flodin, meanwhile, seems willing to substitute patience for rancor. When that means slowing the progress of the slate, his vote looks more independent than many of us gave it credit for being.

Unless November's election alters the shape of the board the slate's vaunted four-man majority may be something we should not take too much for granted.

## Register to vote in crucial primary

Tuesday July 6 is the last day for residents to register for the Aug. 3 primary election.

While city voters will choose among nominees for legislative offices and Cantonites will pick nominees as well for township offices, the most crucial of votes may be cast in Plymouth Township, where only Republicans are running for all major township offices.

If you're a township resident, it's an election you won't want to miss, because you won't get another chance in November.

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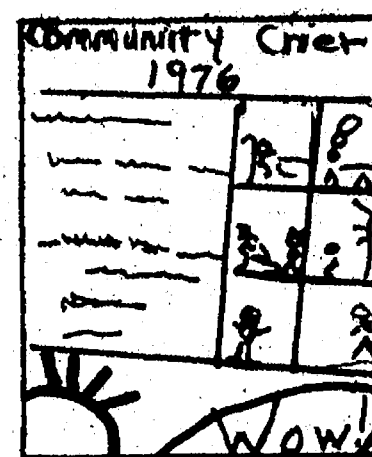
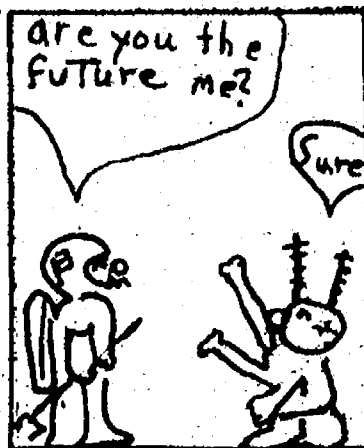
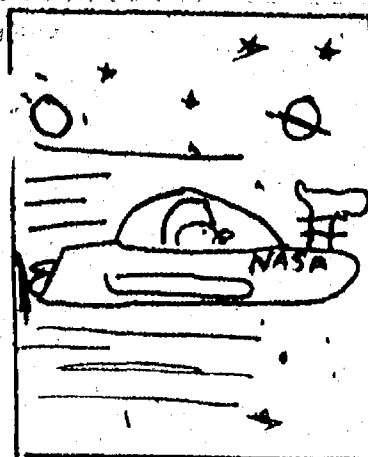


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## Consider cops' role

OPEN LETTER TO THE PEOPLE OF CANTON TOWNSHIP:  
It has come to my attention that there exists a definite need for clarification with reference to the Reserve Officer Training Program in Canton Township. The facts are as follows:

All Reserve Officer candidates must successfully complete the 100-hour basic law enforcement training course offered by the Southeast Michigan Police Reserve Training Council at Schoolcraft College which includes N.R.A. weapons certification.

Canton Twp., over and above this training, has established an additional approximate 50 hours or more training for each cadet officer including a second N.R.A. pistol certification course; in excess of 16 hours road patrol training and instruction with the Wayne County Sheriff; additional hours in a State Police vehicle, as well as additional in-classroom training by private instructors obtained through the Township.

No Police Reserve Officer will be allowed to carry any weapon other than that assigned and approved by the Board of the township. Although the official weapon for the reserves, for safety purposes, is a .357 magnum frame, as recommended by the Director of the South East Michigan Police Reserve Training Council, the actual weapon is reduced to a .38 Police Special, because of the ammunition which is mandated by department rules and directives. The magnum frame allows for a thicker barrel and heavier weight weapon while the cartridge size matches that of the Michigan State Police, the Detroit Police Dept and the Wayne County Sheriff without the range of magnum size penetration or velocity.

The appointment of Carl Silvers, a 25 year retired veteran Sgt. of the Detroit Police Dept., as Commander of the Reserve unit will insure continuing and continuous training of the Reserve Officer even after graduation from the Reserve Academy at Schoolcraft College so that the entire career of the Reserve Officer will, in effect, be a continuous training effort.

The prime duty of the Canton Reserve Officer will be a public service officer within the community to aid and assist the citizens of Canton Township. They are to be highly visible on your streets and in your neighborhoods as a deterrent to crime and as added enforcement to the public peace and quiet of our area.

The last point which I should like to make is that the Canton Reserve Officer does, in no way, replace the State Police or the Wayne County Sheriff as the prime law enforcement agency. The Reserve Police Officer will augment and assist those enforcement agencies and will be in addition to and not in replacement of either the Sheriff or State Police.

It is my hope that the citizens of Canton Township will give these citizen volunteers an opportunity to prove their worth and dedication to the community which is exemplified by the many many ours already donated by them at no compensation to the people of Canton Twp.

ROBERT E. GREENSTEIN

## Parking panel is good idea

Editor:  
As president of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce, I would like to commend the City of Plymouth on its recent action to establish the Special Parking Study Committee.

The city's awareness of the parking needs in the Community and the establishment of a committee to study same will hopefully work to the end of satisfying the requirements which presently exist and extend recommendations for solutions in order to continue positive development of the Community.

I commend this action and offer cooperation of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce.

NORMAN L. DIETRICH  
PRESIDENT

## Community opinions

### History makes good reading

Sam Hudson's "The Story of Plymouth: A Midwest Microcosm" is itself an historic event.

Neither we nor anyone else will ever be able to recount the history of our community without referring to his efforts.

Read his book. It's available at the Plymouth Historical Museum.

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### Looking back

Will people read The Crier in 100 years and wonder, was all this news as silly then as it is now?

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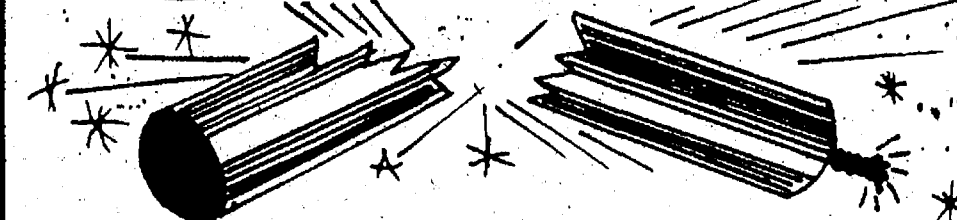
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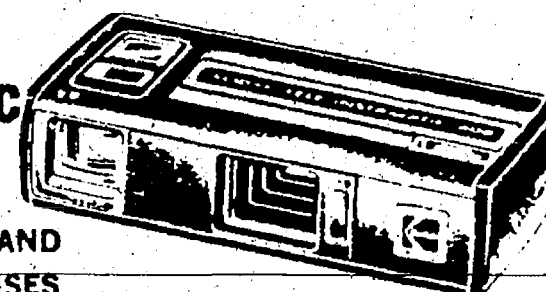
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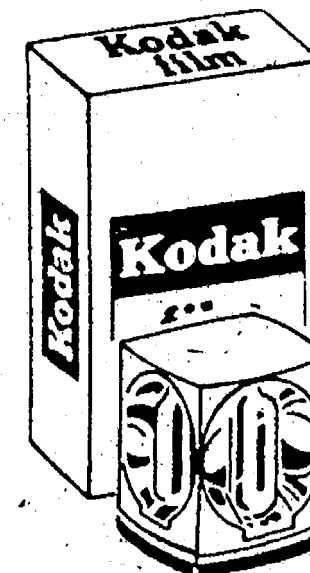
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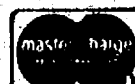


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## The taste buds kids rely on Chefs test lunchroom fare

BY DONNA LOMAS

I was hoping to sneak into this preview - but pizza noodle casserole gave me away.

Lunchroom supervisors from Plymouth's schools met recently at West Middle School to taste test and order next year's canned foods for school lunches and I went to see how they did it.

The stage at West Middle School was lined three rows deep with jumbo aluminum cans of fruit, vegetables and sauces. Black crayon marks described what was in the can so cooks at a local nursing home where the cans would be sent later could tell if they were opening corn or beets.

"The cans are stripped of their labels and coded in fairness to the food companies - we don't want to buy just because of a brand name," explained Tom Abbott, director of purchasing for the Plymouth School District. "We have to get bids from food companies now, because prices will go sky high in the fall."

"Food is good in cans for five years," said one middle school

supervisor. "We also find that you don't have to buy the best all the time - sometimes second best is better for stews or soups."

Two things determine what the cooks order: price and quality. They say it is sometimes difficult to strike a compromise between the two.

"We operate in the black," said Abbott, "I don't know of any other school district which can say that. And we have the ladies to thank for that."

Take for example the fruit cocktail. The ladies discovered that, as with the smaller cans you might buy in a supermarket, the jumbo fruit cans had only one cherry each.

Comments upon tasting the fruit ranged from "Sour," to "Mmm, that's good!"

Physical appearance counted, too. "This one looks different than the other," observed one cook, "I don't think I'd care for that."

They cook from scratch - they really do. "We are fussy - if I wouldn't eat it, I won't serve it to my kids," one supervisor at Salem said.

Biscuits and sauces are prepared from scratch, with staples the government provides at a low price. The schools can't afford to refuse those offers.

One lunchroom supervisor explained to me that that was how pizza noodle casserole was invented. They said pizza noodle casserole was like lasagna - but all mixed up. The kids love it, I was told. At Salem and Canton the cooks start the day before, preparing the sauce from scratch. For 24 pans of 'pizza noodle', 200 pounds of hamburger are used. The cooks start at 6 a.m., and by 10:30 a.m. when the lunch line opens, the last pan is still in the oven.

Kids at some schools love what those at other schools hate. Farrand will eat peanut butter for example, but Canton and Salem students don't care for it. The consensus was that everybody loved pizza noodle casserole.

These clever chefs invited me to lunch - even after they found out I was the one writing about the menus every week. They especially wanted me to come on a day when "pizza noodle" was being served.

Each school is, in a sense, a self-supporting restaurant, and anyone who wants a hot lunch can pay as little as 50 cents for a good meal.

It's no surprise each school's 'lunchroom-restaurant' stays in the black in Plymouth - each has a cafeteria supervisor who knows her food - in cans or out.

### Fire hearing

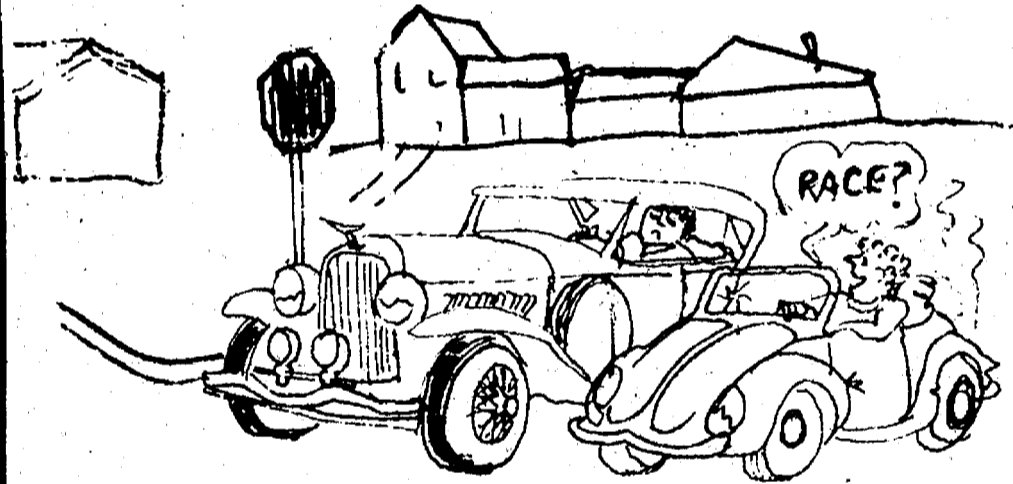
The Canton Board of Trustees will hold a public hearing Tuesday, July 13 at 7 p.m. at the Township Meeting Hall to set a millage rate for the first year of a new township wide assessment district designed to finance a second fire station.

## the Crier's friends & neighbors



HOW MANY CHERRIES are in the fruit cocktail? It's important to Carissia Skaggs, cafeteria manager at Smith Elementary, who among other lunchroom supervisors from Plymouth schools gathered recently to sample canned food for school lunches next year. In the background is Elama Banta from Gallimore. (Crier photo by Hank Meijer)

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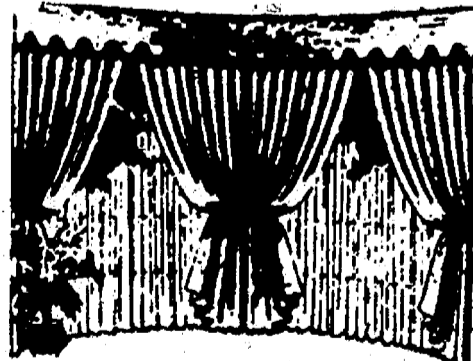


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### Jobs still open

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To be eligible, a person must be between the ages of 14 and 21, a resident on Wayne County, a member of a low income family or financially supporting and have educational goals.

Currently, Project Score, has found jobs for local students with the Wayne County Road Commission, the Waterworks, the Parks and Recreation Department and other agencies.

For more information, call Byron Richardson at Salem High School at 453-0200.

### Board organizes

Plymouth School Board members will hold their organizational meeting for 1976-77 tomorrow night (Thursday) at 7:30 p.m. in the Canton High School cafeteria.

The board is scheduled to elect a new president to succeed Marda Benson, who was defeated June 14 in her bid for reelection.



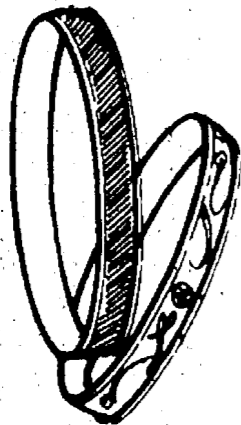


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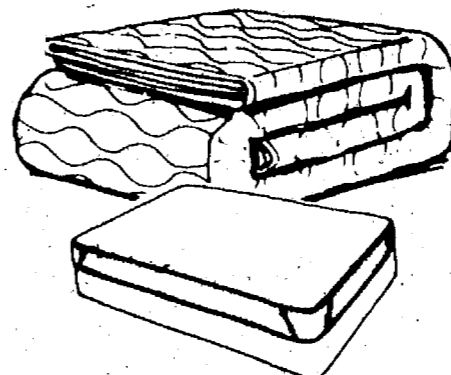
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# What's happening

THE DUNNING-HOUGH PUBLIC LIBRARY is offering an additional activity to its summer reading program. A PUPPET SHOW to be given at the library Thursday July 22 at 1 p.m. will consist of these stories: Paul Revere, The Fat Cat, Three Billy Goats, Gruff and Jack the Giant Killer. The puppet show is open to all school age children who are registered in the summer reading program. Children should be sure to bring the wallet size card they were given when they registered for the reading program; it will be their ticket of admission to the puppet show and to film program July 1, 8 and 22 at 1 p.m. in the Library Entry deadline for the Bicentennial Joke and Riddle Contest is Thursday July 22. Pick up your entry blanks at the library. You can enter more than once. The winner will be announced on radio station WXYZ at the end of July.

THE PLYMOUTH KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC will be held Sunday, July 4, at the council grounds 150 Fair St. (Between Ann Arbor Trail and Ann Arbor Road West of Mill St.) An ox roast dinner will be served at \$3.50 for adults and \$1.50 for children under 12. Hot dogs are also be purchased at a nominal price. Free pop for children and games for young and old will also be offered. The Ladies Auxiliary is preparing handmade items for sale along with a white elephant and bake sale. For information call 453 - 9833. The public is welcome.

The Congregation of FIRST UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Of Plymouth will celebrate Independence Day with a CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST FROM 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. that morning on the Church lawn. So that parishioners may participate in community activities, a brief service from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. is slated, with The Rev. Philip Magee reading parts of the Declaration of Independence. The church carillon will play patriotic music throughout the day.

## New hunt hearing nixed

Canton Trustee Jerry Cheske last night asked the township Board of Trustees to seek an attorney's opinion on alternative way to ban hunting in Section Five of northwest Canton.

The move followed a decision last week by new members of a committee appointed to study the requested ban not to hold a second hearing on the question.

Cheske, Canton's new representative to the state Department of Natural Resources: Hunting Area Control Area Committee, was the lone member to support a call for a second hearing.

After committee members held their first hearing earlier this year and voted to keep Section

Five - an area bounded by Warren, Ridge, Joy and Beck - open to hunters, the township board, with Clerk John Flodin and Supervisor Bob Greenstein dissenting, asked for a re-examination of the decision.

Flodin resigned his hunting committee membership, urging the board to appoint a representative who reflected the feeling of the majority on the hunting question. Cheske was named, and he, in turn, urged officials of the state police and county Sheriff to appoint new representatives. They did, but last week in Ypsilanti their decision was no different. They were still opposed to a hunting ban in Section Five.

# 'Sage' preaches mule sense

BY LYDIE ARTHOS

Just as the Chinese have Confucious, Plymouth has Albert Mathews as its self-appointed sage, extolling wise sayings to live by.

Nor is Mathews, who lives on Deer Run in Plymouth Township, unaware of the extraordinary audacity of declaring

himself The Sage of Plymouth. Yet his purpose is to goad, tickle, to induce people to laugh. As he says, "if you can't laugh at adversity, you'll go crazy."

The 58-year old author's book, "You Eat, I Smoke" is a serious effort to keep us out of the cuckoo's nest by presenting a collection of funny and sometimes earnest saying.

He draws wisdom from the writers of antiquity and from some of his contemporaries. In an age of the newest gimmick and fad, our sage says, "nothing is original, everything is borrowed."

Although the book is a collection of sayings from authors of every age and interest it bears the distinct mark of Mathews' personality and experience.

A good example of this is the story behind the title "You Smoke I Eat" and the picture of the mule on the front cover.

The whiskers of the mule reminded Mathews of grass. While horses only eat grass, humans smoke it. In keeping with the theme of grass, Mathews calls his book, "A Bicentennial Version of Leaves of Grass."



THIS PHOTOGENIC MULE graces the cover of Albert L. Mathew's book, "You Smoke, I Eat."

## Volunteer for Growth Works

Residents interested in taking part of the programs and activities of Growth Works Inc are invited to a meeting Thursday, July 8, at 7:30 p.m. at the Plymouth Youth Center, 271 S. Main

### Jaycee carnival won't be at CEP

The Plymouth Jaycees are still without a site for their annual carnival (July 8 - July 11) after Monday night's school board 6-1 decision that turned down a Jaycee request for use of land at Centennial Park.

Wendel Sykes, representing the Jaycees, said his request for the Park site was "a last resort" after being turned down by Burroughs last week.

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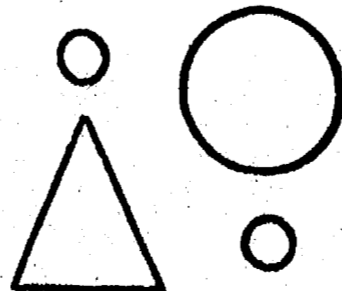
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# Karen is poppy girl

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Karen is the daughter of auxiliary member Lenore

Glidden and late Post Commander Bill Glidden. To symbolize the giving poppies to the living, she will participate in several events during the coming year, including the Fourth of July parade.

## Plymouth Township Board minutes

TOWNSHIP OF PLYMOUTH  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MEETING  
JUNE 15, 1976

Supervisor McLaren called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. All members were present with the exception of Joseph West.

Mr. Ash moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 25, 1976 as submitted. Supported by Mr. Burke and carried unanimously. Mr. Gornick moved approval for payment of the bills as corrected and amended in the total amount of \$95,058.49. Supported by Mr. Burke and carried unanimously, on a roll call vote.

OPENING AND CLOSING OF BIDS FOR MOBILE RADIO FOR BUILDING DEPARTMENT - Mr. Burke moved that the bids be closed. Supported by Mr. Gornick and carried unanimously. Supervisor McLaren closed the bids at 8:08 p.m. The following bid was opened and read by Mrs. Richardson: Motorola Corporation - \$1,013.00

Mr. Burke moved that the bid be referred to the Building Department head for his approval and if accepted, to approve purchase of same. Supported by Mr. Ash and carried unanimously. OLD BUSINESS - Storm water Retention for Trailwood III - Mr. Gornick moved that inasmuch as an ordinance is not in effect at this time, Trailwood No. 3 is excluded from compliance with the ordinance, if adopted, and the Township Board is hereby going on record as recognizing the need for retention basins in the area and empower the Supervisor to meet with the Township Engineers, present and past, and review any studies that have been done and come up with a cost estimate, including the potential cost on various sized developments. Supported by Mrs. Richardson and carried unanimously.

Web Kincade, DPW Superintendent. Re: Amend Water and Sewer Ordinance XLIX. Mr. S. Richardson moved approval of the amendment to Ordinance 49 to be called Ordinance 49A which is an amendment to the Water and Sewer Ordinance which will change the water rates to 52 cents per thousand gallons. Supported by Mr. Gornick. Yes: F. Millington, R. Gornick, R. Ash, H. Richardson No: G. Burke and J.D. McLaren. The motion carried 4-2.

Ballot Wording for August - Mr. Ash moved that the following ballot wording for the August 3, 1976 ballot be approved. Supported by Mr. Burke.

"Shall the total tax rate limitation on property in the township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan be increased by an additional amount, not to exceed two mills (\$2.00 per \$1,000) upon the equalized valuation of all real and personal property in the Township of Plymouth for five (5) years beginning in 1976 thru 1981, both inclusive, and the funds thereby derived be used for establishing, operating, maintaining, and obtaining real and personal property for the institution and operation of Police Services for a Township of Plymouth Police Department?"

The motion carried unanimously.  
Mr. Burke moved approval of the following ballot wording for the August 3, 1976 ballot. Supported by Mrs. Richardson.

"Shall the total tax rate limitation on property in the Township of Plymouth, Wayne County, Michigan, be increased by an additional amount, not to exceed one half mill (50 cents per \$1,000) upon the equalized valuation of all real and personal property in the Township of Plymouth for five (5) years beginning in 1976 thru 1981, both inclusive, and the funds thereby derived be used for the purpose of operating and maintaining the Township of Plymouth Fire Department?"

The motion carried unanimously.  
NEW BUSINESS - Sally Nitchman, 41890 Brentwood - Re: Playground equipment for Lake Pointe Park. Mr. McLaren informed Miss Sally Nitchman, present, that what needs to be fixed at the playground for the Lake Pointe Park will be repaired and that some new equipment is presently being ordered.  
Martin H. Padmos and John Carlo, Inc., Mt. Clemens, Michigan. Re: Requests permission to use Armco Truss Pipe for Sanitary Sewers in Quail Hollow Estates, Beacon Estates Subdivision No. 4 and No. 5 and Plymouth - Joy Subdivision with the same seven stipulations as set down by the Township Engineer in the previous approval. Supported by Mr. Millington. The following roll call vote was taken: Yes: F. Millington, R. Gornick, G. Burke, R. Ash, H. Richardson.  
No: J.D. McLaren  
The motion carried 5-1.

Herald Hamill: Re: final acceptance and payment of Lilley Road Sanitary Sewers. Mr. Gornick moved that final acceptance and approval of the Lilley Road Sanitary Sewer be granted, Ace Craft Excavating Company and Defiance Construction Company Contract, under the supervision of our legal counsel and the Bonding Company. Supported by Mr. Ash and carried unanimously.

Web Kincade, DPW Superintendent - Re: Clemons Sanitary Sewer. In Mr. Kincade's correspondence dated June 10, 1976 he indicated that he had received 11 affirmative responses, 3 negative and one did not respond. In addition, there is one present customer with a long service line down to Northville Road which may be cut and make four possible lots to connect to the sanitary sewer.

Mr. Gornick moved that the Township Board approve the construction of the Clemons Sanitary

Sewer and authorize the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer to come forth with a recommendation of funding, this, taking into account Mr. Kincade's recommendation, to be presented at the next regular Board of Trustees meeting, and the Township Engineer prepare plans and be ready for advertising for bids at the next regular meeting. Supported by M. Burke and carried unanimously.

Web Kincade, DPW Superintendent - Re: Sewer Extension on North Territorial Road. Mr. Kincade indicated in a communication dated June 3, 1976 that inquiries were sent out regarding sanitary sewer connections to this sewer extension, the replies being two yes and two no. Mrs. Richardson moved that this request for a sanitary sewer along North Territorial Road be denied as there is not a definite need and there is an alternate method to connect to an existing sewer, as well as too costly for a few customers. Supported by Mr. Gornick and carried unanimously.

Mr. Millington moved approval of the Supervisor's recommendation of the following three appointments to the Plymouth Township Planning Commission: Mr. Thomas Sullivan, 8850 Brookline - re-appointment (Term expires July 1, 1976).

Mr. Russel Ash, 47192 Stonecrest Court - Re-appointment (term expires July 1, 1979)

Mr. Donald Skinner, 45501 Ann Arbor Trail - Appointment (Term expires July 1, 1979).

Supported by Mr. Burke and carried with Mr. Ash abstaining as he was included in the motion.

Mrs. Richardson moved approval of the Supervisor's recommendation to appoint Mrs. Evelyn Edgar, 12350 Ridge Road, as Plymouth Township's appointment to the Plymouth Historical Society. Supported by Mr. Ash and carried unanimously.

Mr. Gornick moved approval of the request for the Township Board to approve change orders 2,3,4 and 4 on Fire Station No. 3, in the amount of \$2,890.98 Supported by Mr. Millington and carried unanimously.

Plymouth Township Planning Commission - Re: Action taken at their Special Meeting, June 9, 1976. Mr. Burke moved approval of the Planning Commission's recommendation, Application No. 325 as requested by Mr. Thomas F. Reeves for a lot split to increase the size of lot No. 232, Green Meadows Subdivision. Supported by Mr. Gornick and carried unanimously.

Mr. Ash moved approval of the transfer of funds as requested by the Township Clerk. Supported by Mr. Burke and carried unanimously.

Mr. Burke moved approval of the appointment of Mary Ann Karamon, 9991 Westbury, Democrat to the Board of Canvassers, replacing Christine Topel, Democrat, who resigned as she has moved from the Plymouth Township Area. Supported by Mr. Ash and carried unanimously.

Resolutions - Web Kincade - DPW Superintendent - Re: Requesting adoption of Resolution to get Super Sewer. Mrs. Richardson moved approval of the Reso-

lution as submitted. Supported by Mr. Millington and carried unanimously.

Roger J. Rosendale, Director, Licensing and Enforcement Div., Liquor Control Commission. Re: Request from Plymouth LC No 117 for transfer of ownership of 1975 Class C License located at 1492 Sheldon Rd., Plymouth, Michigan 48170; Plymouth Township, Wayne County from James P. Somers plus New Entertainment Permit - Movies Only. Mrs. Richardson moved that this item be tabled until the July regular meeting to obtain further information. Supported by Mr. Gornick and carried unanimously.

Roger J. Rosendale, Director, Liquor Control Commission. Re: 1492 Sheldon Rd, Plymouth, Michigan 48170. Mrs. Richardson moved approval of the request from James P. Somers for dropping Joseph A. Nagra as partner on 1975 Class C. License located at 1492 Sheldon Rd., Plymouth, Michigan 48170, Plymouth Township, Wayne County. Supported by Mr. Gornick and carried unanimously.

Mr. Burke moved that two items be added to the agenda, namely Northville Road Water Main Extension and Drainage Agreement covering Trailwood Northville Road Water Extensions, Clemons Drive to Edward Hines Drive. Mr. Ash moved that inasmuch as the Township has already let the contract on this project that the Board authorize the Supervisor and/or Clerk to sign the permit on behalf of the Township of Plymouth. Supported by Mr. Burke and carried unanimously.

Wayne County Road Commission - Drainage Agreement - Trailwood Sub. No. 3 The following Resolution was offered by Richard Gornick and supported by Russell Ash:

RESOLVED, that the Township of Plymouth approves the Drainage Agreement between the Board of County Road Commissioners of the County of Wayne, Michigan and the Township of Plymouth for the proposed Trailwood Subdivision No. 3, located on Ann Arbor Road West of Canton Center Road and hereby agrees to maintain the drainage facility after it has been constructed and hereby authorize the Supervisor and Clerk to sign the agreement on behalf of the Township of Plymouth. The Resolution carried.

Mr. Gornick moved to adjourn the meeting. Supported by Mr. Millington. Supervisor McLaren adjourned the meeting at 10:12 p.m.

Approved, Respectfully Submitted, J.D. McLaren, Supervisor Helen I. Richardson, Clerk

# Community deaths

## Scoutmaster Lukens dies

Robert T. Lukens, 56, of 287 Irvin Avenue, Plymouth, died June 22 after a heart seizure while swimming at the Colony Swim Club in Canton. Services were held under the direction of Schrader Funeral Home in Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church with The Rev. Fr. Kenneth McKinnon officiating. Interment was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mr. Lukens is survived by his wife, Clara; sons, Jeffrey, Theodore, Mark and Robert; daughters Gina, Lisa Mary and Ann; two sisters and four brothers.

He was an engineer for MGM Brakes and had been Scout Master of Troop 1531 of Bird School.

## Mills

Jennie A. Mills, 85, of 264 N. Harvey St. in Plymouth, died June 20 in West Trail Nursing Home. Services were held in Schrader Funeral Home with The Rev. Sameul F. Stout officiating. Interment was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mrs. Mills had been married to the late Arthur L. Mills. She left no immediate survivors. She was a member of Ply-

mouth First United Methodist Church, the Plymouth Garden Club, the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs and was a charter member of the Plymouth Historical Society.

## Kelly

Phyllis M. Kelly, 69, of 1103 Penniman Ave, in Plymouth, died June 16 in Whitehall Convalescent Home in Novi. Memorial services were held in Schrader Funeral Home with The Rev. Henry J. Walch officiating.

Mrs. Kelly is survived by her son, Donn K. Kelly of Reding, Pa., and a brother, Thomas R. Mills of Peoria, Ill.

## Owen Schrader, Canton pioneer

Owen Henry Schrader, 81, of Alma, formerly of Canton, died June 21 in Gratiot Community Hospital. Services were held in Schrader Funeral Home with The Rev. Henry J. Walch officiating.

Mr Schrader is survived by his wife Maude of Alma; his daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Ferguson of Buffalo, N. Y.; his grandchildren, Randy and Gary, and his great-grandchild, Charles.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of Plymouth Community School District invites the submission of sealed bids on DOOR REPLACEMENT (East Middle) for use in the schools of the district. Bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. on the 6th day of July, 1976, at Board of Education, 454 S. Harvey, Plymouth, Michigan, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read. Specification 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  
BY GEORGE F. LAWTON, SECRETARY

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Board of Education of Plymouth Community School District invites the submission of sealed bids on FASCIA REPLACEMENT (Farrand Elem) for use in the schools of the district. Bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. on the 16th day of July, 1976, at BOARD OF EDUCATION, 454 S. Harvey St. 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  
BY George F. Lawton, Secretary

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

CITY OF PLYMOUTH MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that the City of Plymouth, Michigan, will receive sealed bids up to 2:00 p.m. E.D.T. Wednesday, July 14, 1976 for ONE (1) NEW 1976 ONE-TON DUMP TRUCK

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City Clerk

### POSTING AND FILING OF CITY COMMISSION MINUTES CITY OF PLYMOUTH MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that on the 29th day of June 1976 true copies of the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Commission held on Monday June 7, 1976 at 7:30 p.m. were posted on the official bulletin boards of the City of Plymouth, located at the Southeastly corner of the intersection of S. Main Street and Penniman Avenue; the Southeastly corner of the intersection of Starkweather Avenue and W. Liberty Street; the South entrance of the Central Parking Lot facing S. Harvey Street; and also on the bulletin board on the City Hall at 2-1 S. Main Street. These minutes are posted in accordance with Section 5.11 of the City Charter for the benefit and information of all interested citizens of the City of Plymouth.

Paul V. Brumfield, City Clerk

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THE COMMUNITY CRIER: BICENTENNIAL EDITION

# G Nat stars zap Americans

The National League contingent in the G League (girls age 9-12) made no contest of its battle with the American Leaguers, winning the annual All Star game

14-4 last Friday night at Centennial Park. It marked the first time in the short three year history of the league that a national all-star squad has won.

The Nationals scored single runs in the second and fourth innings, two tallies in the third to grab a 4-0 lead. They turned the game into a rout in the following inning, scoring seven more runs to take an insurmountable 11-0 advantage. Every batter came to the plate for the Nationals in that explosive stanza.

The American League crossed the plate once each in the fifth and sixth innings and added two final runs in the seventh.

The Nationals scored their last three runs all in the sixth, to put the icing on the cake.

## the Crier Sports

### DiPonio stays even

Plymouth DiPonio of the Mickey Mantle League won a doubleheader Sunday to even its record at 5-5 for the season. A 4-2 victory over Allen Park, coupled with a forfeit win over Dearborn Elks in a make-up game, helped even DiPonio's record at the .500 mark. Matt Etienne earned his second victory of the season,

hurling a five hitter against Allen Park. DiPonio scored all its runs in the second inning, leg by Danny Palbinsky, who contributed a three-for-four day with three runs batted in. DiPonio had only five hits on the day.

In other action earlier in the week, DiPonio lost two heart-breaking contests each by a one run margin.

### Diamondmen win 2

Two decisive victories for the Plymouth Koufax League squad highlighted last week's play.

A 10-4 triumph over Walled Lake on Sunday, combined with 11-2 route of Redford last Saturday, raised the first place Plymouth team to a 5-2 victory for the season.

Eight runs in the first inning spelled victory for Plymouth last Sunday, as Dennie Howell breezed on the mound for the victory.

Howell hurled a one hitter through the first five innings, but was touched for four runs

in the final stanza after Plymouth had mounted a 10-0 margin.

Flower's two run homer in the third accounted for the other Plymouth runs. He and Howell led the 10 hit attack with two safeties apiece.

Against Redford, Guideau hit a solo homerun over the right field fence at West Middle School and added two sacrifice flies to drive home three runs in the nine run romp. Dillon added three hits, a triple and two singles. Flowers and Chris Mallow chipped in with two hits each.

#### G LEAGUE ALL STARS

##### NATIONAL LEAGUE

- Julie Cannon, Dolphins
- Nancy Hart, Dolphins
- Jane Benedict, Dolphins
- Diane O'Dell, Bees
- Lori Erdelyi, Bees
- Sue Loranger, Bees
- Keltee Robinson, Rockettes
- Kelly Strautz, Rockettes
- Kim Justice, Rockettes
- Nancy Lynch, Belles
- Mary Materyn, Belles
- Kelly Brant, Belles
- Ronda Stoner, Kittens
- Becky Leland, Kittens
- Suzi Pierce, Kittens
- Leslie Etienne, Flames
- Terry Heman, Flames
- Debra Dickinson, Flames
- Manager - Dave Tripp

##### AMERICAN LEAGUE

- Diane Bartel, Lassies
- Kim Dombey, Lassies
- Jill Anderson, Lassies
- Betsey Moon, Wrens
- Connie Tomolak, Wrens
- Jeri Tomolak, Wrens
- Cheryl Sobkow, Bunnies
- Laura Jewlett, Bunnies
- Kathy Young, Bunnies
- Mary Reardon, Foxes
- Janna Hennika, Foxes
- Susan Albright, Foxes
- Ellen DeLorenzo, Jays
- Marianne Pink, Jays
- Jackie Merrifield, Jays
- Eileen Moore, Glads
- Diane Ost, Glads
- Julie Hayden, Glads

# Doc's corner

BY DENNIS O'CONNOR

It's been nearly three months since the controversy surfaced which led to the resignation of Jim Muneio and his staff as coaches of the football program at Canton High School.

And as of this date, the school is still without a football coach for its varsity, junior varsity and freshman programs.

The regular prep football season starts in nearly 10 weeks, and as each day passes, Canton's football program continues to regress to a state of pure disaster.

The position was first posted within the school district for two-and-a half weeks and no one showed any interest. After almost a month of posting the job outside the school system, 14 "inquiries" (no applications) have finally been made.

According to Canton High School principal Kent Buikema, eight or nine "inquiries" for the position, without a teaching job, are qualified and possible selection.

But the interviewing won't begin until late next week, after Athletic Director John Sandmann comes back from vacation, thus setting the Chiefs' football program further behind other schools.

I'm surprised there are any "inquiries" at all for the position.

The incessant parent pressures that surround this position are enough to scare anyone off.

Whoever takes the job will have to start from scratch in building the program out up from the disastrous state it's in now.

This means three or four losing seasons.

Will parent "boosters" put up with that?

I wonder if this is what Joe Gray really wanted? Gray helped spearhead the campaign to get rid of Muneio.

Gray seems to be proud of his accomplishment in getting rid of Muneio, no matter the criticism he took from other school board members and Muneio's colleagues.

But I wonder how he feels now - three months later. In getting rid of Muneio, Gray thought he would help the program but in the long run he has hurt it. Canton High is far behind other schools in summer preparation for the fall season.

I hope Gray and his "boosters" who care so much about Canton High athletics, are satisfied with what they've done in helping make "winners" of Canton gridders.

The truth is Canton gridders may wind up the "losers" for years to come.

## Plymouth softball results

In a week shortened by rain, Vettese Building, fresh from its Women's Tourney Victory in Walled Lake, demolished the Sin Drome Lounge by a 35-2 score. Phyllis Cunningham pitched a two-hitter and was helped by 25 hits.

Don Massey Cadillac remained atop the Division A Slow Pitch standings by opening the week with an impressive 13-3 win over All Star Sports.

R & J surprised Massey on Wednesday in an exciting 9-8 game. Hugh Shannon's three hits led Adistra past Teledyne 8-3. Kurt and Fred Yockey paced Puckett Plumbing with two hits each in a 14-7 victory over Metro Club.

In other action, Oasis Golf Center moved into first place in the B division Standing by winning two games. Master

Collision won twice last week to tighten the race in the Monday Wednesday Modified League, defeating Bee Jay's 9-0 and stopping from running little Caesar's 8-2. Excellent defense and timely hitting played a major factor in Master's victory of Little Caesar's

Despite a loss to Master Collision Bee Jays stayed in a tie for second place by dumping Beer Cooler 13-2. Papa Geppeto's Forest Geary threw an outstanding two hitter in shutting out Dr. J., 4-0.

The Tuesday Thursday Modified League had some interesting results also. Lanes drubbed Corsis 11-1 while Box Bar matched the Lanes score by drubbing John's Boron 11-1. Al White held John's Boron to 3 hits. Box Bar still leads Lanes by a game and a half.

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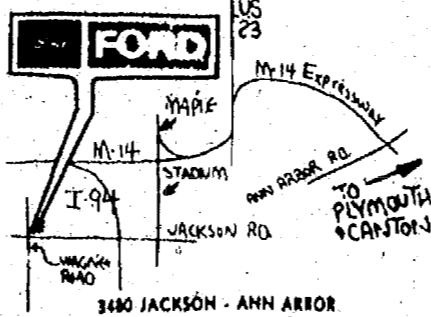
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# Pirates fall, 3-1

Although all other community sports events were cancelled last Thursday because of heavy rains, the championship soccer contest in the 14 under division of the Western Suburban Soccer League was played at Schoolcraft College.

The Plymouth Pirates squared off with the Farmington Flyers on a rain soaked muddy field, only to see the Flyers win the title 3-1.

The squads battled to a 1-1 tie after two overtimes in Tuesday forcing a replay of the contest on Thursday.

Plymouth scored an early goal by Mike Kitti in the first four minutes of Thursday's action to take a quick 1-0 lead.

Farmington tied the game at the 15-minute mark of the initial quarter and the teams remained deadlocked at half-time.

The Flyers went ahead for good with a goal in the third period, and scored again late in the game.

"On the day, they were stronger than us," said Plymouth coach Gordon Hill. "It was a good game and a great season."

The Pirates, after losing their first two games of the year, finished the regular season with a 8-2-2 record and were the only Plymouth team to advance to the finals of the playoffs. They finished with an 11-3-2 record.

"It's been my first season coaching, and I've enjoyed it," said Englishman Hill.

Hill said he was thrilled with the progress of the game since it came to the states, and "the tremendous enthusiasm of the spectators for the game of soccer."



A MUD SPLATTERED Plymouth Pirate soccer team huddles after the third quarter, trailing Farmington 2-1. Coach Gordon Hill (upper right) assembles his squad in hopes of a

final-period comeback, but Farmington went on to win the title game 3-1. (Crier photo by Hank Meijer)

## Gymnasts win 3rd title

The Plymouth Gymnastics Club traveled to Ludington last weekend and came home with its third consecutive Mid-American Meet title.

The Plymouth 15over age division competed against nearly 20 teams from Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Michigan. Plymouth totaled 90.45 points, and was more than 22 points ahead of its nearest rival.

Despite illness, mainstay Jill Moorehead performed exceptionally well, placing second in the vaulting and parallel bar competitions. She also took

third in the floor exercise and fourth all-around, to finish as the highest Plymouth point-getters.

Suffering from a sore back, Wendy Gray only competed in two events, placing fifth on the balance bar and seventh in vaulting.

Annette Kubiske was first in vaulting 11th in floor exercise and seventh all around. Jane LaButte placed second in the beam, 11th in floor and eighth all around. Dana Worsnop was sixth in vaulting, ninth on floor, 9th in bars and sixth all around.

## Canton softball stats

### CANTON SOFTBALL STANDINGS

Men's Division A			
McMurray Ins.	11	1	x
Smith Realty	9	3	2
Massey Cad.	8	4	3
Ply. Equip.	3	9	8
Perlongo Exc.	3	9	8
Latin Quarter	2	10	9
Men's Division B			
Clark Block	7	2	x
Little Caesars	7	2	x
Dearborn Fab.	8	3	x
K Mart	5	4	2
Star Furniture	5	5	2½
Strock Ins.	5	5	½
Deer creek	5	6	3
Goods Nursery	2	8	5½
Meiher Thrifty	0	8	6½
WOMEN'S LEAGUE			
MOBILE Lounge	4	1	x

Meijer Thrifty	3	2	1
MOeller	3	2	1
College Park	0	5	4

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS:

A DIVISION			
Smith Realty 26,	Plymouth Equip 14,	McMurray Ins 13,	Smith Realty 3;
Massey 14,	Plymouth Equip 13;	Perlongo 20,	Latin Quarter 7;
McMurray Ins. 47,	Massey 14;	Perlongo 12,	Latin Quarter 6
WOMEN'S LEAGUE			
RAINED OUT			
B DIVISION			
Clark Block 11,	Deer Creek 6;	Little Caesar 26,	Meijers 12;
Dearborn Fab. 17,	Strock 6;	Deer Creek 10,	Good's Nurs. 3;
K Mart 8,	Goods Nurs. 7;	Dearborn Fab. 12,	Star Furn. 10

## Plymouth P&R softball standings

	MODIFIED M - W		
	W	L	GB
Little Caesars	7	1	x
Master Collision	5	3	2
Bee Jays	5	3	2
Beer cooler	4	4	3
Dr. Js	4	4	3
St Peters	3	5	4
Papa Geppetos	3	6	4
Trading Post	2	7	5½
LAST WEEKS RESULTS			
Master Collision 9,	Bee Jays 0;	Papa Geppetos 4,	Dr. Js 0;
St. Peters 9;	Trading Post 0;	Bee Jays 12,	Beer Cooler 2;
Master Collision 7,	Little Caesars 2;	Trading Post 10,	Papa Geppetos 5

	MODIFIED T-TH		
	W	L	x
Box Bar	9	0	x
Lanes	7	1	1½
Corsis	5	3	3½
JOun Boron	5	4	4
Teh Elemnts	4	4	4½
Seven Eleven	2	6	6½
Bill's Mrket	1	7	8½
Plymouth Stamping	0	8	8½
LAST WEEKS RESULTS			
Lanes 11,	Bill's Market 0;	The Elements 9,	Bills Market 0;
Box Bar 11,	John Boron 1		

MEN'S SLOW PITCH STANDINGS			
DIVISION A			
Don Massey Cadillac	8	1	x
All Star Sport	6	2	1½
Wagenschutz	4	3	3
R & J	5	4	3
Adistra	5	4	3
Mivh. Boiler	3	5	4½
Metro Club	2	6	5½
Teledyne	2	6	5½
PUckett	2	6	5½
DIVISION B			
Oasis Golf Center	7	1	x
Golden Coin Lounge	6	1	½
Can N Cork	5	2	1½
Side Street	4	3	2½
Stahl	4	4	3
Garfield Auto	3	5	4
Geneva	1	7	6
Schraders	0	7	6½

LAST WEEKS RESULTS			
Golden Coin 17,	Geneva 2;	Oasis 22,	Cap N Cork 21;
Massey 13,	All Star 3;	R and J 13,	Mich. Boiler 8;
Stahl 13,	Schraders 6;	Puckett 13,	Metro Club 7;
Aldistra 8,	Teledyne 3;	R and J 9,	Massey 8;
Oasis 9,	Stahl 5;	Garfield 16,	Geneva 6

WOMENS STANDINGS			
Vettese Building	6	0	x
Century 21	6	2	½
Daly Drive	3	2	2½
Mich. Truck	2	3	3½
AMCIC	2	4	4
Sun Plastics	1	4	4
Sun Drome Lounge	0	6	6
LAST WEEKS RESULTS			
Vettese 39,	Sin drome 2;	Century 10,	AMCIC 3

## Fix up bikes, floats for July 4th parade

There's still time for youngsters in the Plymouth-Canton community to add their bicycles and floats to the Jaycees Fourth of July parade.

Plymouth Jaycees will give away \$25 worth of ice cream to kids who come up with the most decorative bicycles and most colorful neighborhood floats. To enter the parade, rendezvous with other floats near the Cultural Center on Theodore Street north of Main. The parade is scheduled to begin at 12:30 p.m.

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# Jr. Community Baseball standings

## A LEAGUE STANDINGS NO REPORT (SEE ARTICLE BELOW)

### B LEAGUE AS OF June 27 NATIONAL DIVISION 1

	W	L	GB
Padres	8	4	x
Dodgers	7	5	1
Expos	7	5	1
Red Legs	3	9	5
Braves	3	9	5
Astros	2	10	6

### DIVISION 2

Cards	10	2	c
Giants	8	4	2
Phillies	7	5	3
Pirates	7	5	3
Bucs	6	6	4
Mets	4	8	6

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS Monday June 22

Mets 13, Red Legs 3; Pirates 18, Expos 10; Cards 17, Braves 2; Padres 12, Cubs 6; Dodgers 25, Astros 3; Phillies 13, Giants 3

### Wednesday June 23

Phillie 13, Cards 10, Cubs 18, Mets 7, Giants 14, Pirates 2; Padres 23, Astros 5; Red Legs 15, Braves 7; Dodgers 16, Expos 8

### B LEAGUE as of June 27 AMERICAN DIVISION 1

Twins	11	0	x
Orioles	9	2	2
Rangers	8	3	3
Athletics	5	5	5½

Yankees	4	7	7
Angels	2	8	8½

### DIVISION 2

White Sox	9	2	x
Brewers	7	4	2
Indians	5	6	4
Red Sox	2	9	7
Royals	1	10	8

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS TUESDAY JUNE 22

Rangers 15, Royals 9; White Sox 9, Athletics 8; Indians 18, Yankees 7; Red Sox 14, Angels 12; Tins 13, Orioles 3; Brewers 17, Tigers 6

### Thursday June 24 all Games Rained out

### C LEAGUE NATIONAL

Dodgers	4	0	x
Cards	3	1	1
Bucs	3	1	1
Giants	3	1	1
Braves	2	2	2
mets	1	3	3
Astros	0	4	4
Expos	0	4	4

### Last Weeks Results Tuesday June 22

Giants 10, Expos 9; Cards 13, Astors 9; Cards 13, Astros 6; Mets 16, Cubs 10; Dodgers 26, Braves 18;

### Wednesday June 23

Braves 18, Cards 12; Giants 19, Mets 18, Dodgers 32, Astros 8; Bucs 11, Expos 3

### Thursday June 24

### All Games Rained Out

### C LEAGUE AMERICAN

Royals	3	1	x
Athletics	3	1	x
Rangers	3	1	x

Indians	2	2	x
Red Sox	1	3	2
Orioles	1	3	2
Brewers	1	3	2

### LAST WEEKS RESULTS

Tuesday June 22  
Indians 9, Red Sox 5; Rangers 19, Royals 17; Athletics 20, Brwers 8; Angels 25, Orioles 14

### Wednesday June 23

Rangers 13, Orioles 12; Red Sox 18, Athletics 12; Indians 17, Brewers 14; Royals 24, Angels 23

### Thursday June 24

RAINED OUT

### E LEAGUE

Spartans	5	0	x
Badgers	3	2	2
Buckeyes	3	2	2
Wolverines	3	2	2
Hawkeyes	0	4	4½
Wildcats	0	4	4½

### LAST WEEKS RESULTS

Monday June 21  
Spartans 6, Wolverines 0; Badgers 4, Buckeyes 3, Hawkeyes 9, Wild-cats 9 (tie)

### Thursday, June 24

RAINED OUT

### F LEAGUE

Hawkeyes	5	1	x
Wolverines	5	1	x

Spartans	4	1	x
Buckeyes	2	4	1½
Badgers	1	4	3½
Wildcats	0	6	5

### Last Week's Results

Monday June 21  
Spartans 11, Buckeyes 3; Badgers 10, Wildcats 9; Wolverines 3, Hawk-eyes 1

### Wednesday June 23

Hawkeyes 9, Wildcats 8; Wolverines 14, Buckeyes 1; Badgers 12, Spartans 12 (tie)

### G LEAGUE

As of June 27  
NATIONAL  
DIVISION 1

Dolphins	8	4	x
Rockettes	5	7	3
Bees	1	11	7

### DIVISION 2

Kittens	10	2	x
Flames	8	4	2
Belles	4	8	6

### LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Monday June 21  
Dolphins 12, Flames 9; rockettes 8, Bees 1; Kittens 17, Belles 0

### Wednesday June 23

Belles 13, Bees 11; Flames 8, Kittens 5; Dolphins 5, Rockettes 4

### G LEAGUE as of June 27 AMERICAN DIVISION 1

Wrens	9	2	x
Bunnies	8	3	1
Lassies	2	9	7

### DIVISION 2

Jays	7	4	x
Glads	7	4	x
Foxes	0	11	7

### LAST WEEKS RESULTS

Tuesday June 22  
Jays 11, Glads 8, Bunnies 21, Lassies 4; Wrens 13, Foxes 5

### Thursday June 24

RAINED OUT

### G League Sr.

### AMERICAN

Angels	2	2	x
Orioles	2	2	x
Tigers	2	2	x
Red Sox	0	4	2

### NATIONAL

Dodgers	4	0	x
Braves	3	1	1
Phillies	2	2	2
Pirates	1	3	3

### Last Weeks Results

Tuesday June 22  
Angels 8, Phillies 2; Dodgers 16, Tigers 3; Pirates 23, Red Sox 6; Braves 2, Orioles 1

## McMurray stays atop A Division

In Canton's B division of the Slow Pitch Softball League; Dearborn Fabricating picked up two wins last week to pull

within percentage points of first place. Fabricating knocked off stubborn Strock Insurance 17-6 with the help of three home

runs by Rick Black which included a three run homer and a grand slam for nine RBI's to lead a 19 hit attack.

Two nights later Dearborn pulled out a 12-10 come from behind victory over Star Future.

Clark Block and Little Caesar's held on to first place as each both won the only game it played.

Clark and Little Caesars were scheduled to play each other Thursday but were rained out. They will replay the contest Friday, July 2, at 6:15.

McMurray Insurance knocked off second place Smith Realty 13-3 to take a two game lead in Canton's A division. Smith had to play without slugger Bil Barnes, but it didn't matter, as McMurray showed its power and defense.

The following night McMurray edged Massey 17-14 in eight innings in a real thriller. Massey lost the game on some costly errors in the outfield as McMurray took advantage of it.

McMurray showed their power again, as Mike Evans and Ron Schedbel blasted two home runs a piece, and Bernie Jackson added one.

## 'A' managers fail to report

The Crier has had a little trouble in the past weeks in compiling scores and standings from the A League of the Plymouth-Canton Junior Baseball Association. Some weeks all games weren't reported to the league representative, who in turn reports the results to The Crier.

As a result, some outdated standings appeared. The situation got so out of hand this past week that The Crier decided not to run any of last week's results. League representatives are currently working hard to get the records up to date so they will appear accurately in next week's edition. It would be appreciated if all A League coaches contact their respective representatives as soon as possible.



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# Plymouth fishing poses challenge

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river. Greg points straight down. Debbie looks at me and I at her.

Danny runs part way down, tumbles and lands on his bottom, then slides on down, holding his rod above his head. The others follow suit, bouncing on their rears down the steep bank and laughing at their great gray cloud of cinder dust. Debbie and I pick our way carefully, grabbing onto branches, and reach the bottom without falling.

We find ourselves just downstream from the tunnel where the river flows beneath the railroad grade.

Danny and Greg shout for us to follow them downriver, and we nearly stumble over the tackle box of a solitary fisherman casting quietly from atop a rock. He looks up irritably as Jamie yells, "where's my bait?" Jamie apparently dropped his tackle on the way down the grade, and Kevin left behind his jacket. Greg goes back and gets both of the lost articles while we march on along the riverbank.

We stop where the slope of the bank is gentle. Greg catches up with us and everybody open up their bait. I tear off a bit of bacon fat - Greg says the white part works better - and impale it on my hook.

"Use little pieces," Greg says, "so the fish can swallow them." Danny and Jamie use hot dogs. Jamie apparently envisions a bass of the widemouth variety, for he tears off a chunk of hot dog two inches long and jams it on his hook.

He drops it in the water, as I do mine, while Danny and

Greg cast their lines toward midstream. Danny's line loops about a branch on the far bank and Jamie squeals, "It's caught. Look at Danny's line."

Danny pulls hard, the red and yellow bobber rushed through leaves and finally flies free.

Meanwhile, Jamie's piece of hot dog floats just below the surface of the muddy water. He doesn't have a sinker, so his line rides the current. He's so busy watching Danny's line his drifts down and becomes entangled with mine.

I feel a nip or two on my bacon, fat, but no bites. Greg casts out once or twice, then changes hook and bait, and finally, eager to catch fish, moves us all to another, shadier spot downstream, where the dirty water runs deeper.

Behind us a motorcycle gang rumbles along Hines Drive. A lone man walks by asking, "Did you catch anything?" We shake our heads. I put up my collar against mosquitos. Debbie slaps one off Kevin's arm.

Kevin has been playing on the swings with Debbie and eating pringles while waiting for a free rod. I wave to him and he climbs down the bank and takes up mine.

Jamie, his hot dog bobbing, edges closer to the muddy water. Suddenly he slips in the mud of the bank, his legs sliding into the water up to his ankles.

He tries to get up, shaking his head, "I fell in." He's up on one leg, then loses his footing again and it's down once more. On the second try he makes it and steps back onto a grassy spot where the footing is better, wiping the mud off the seat of his pants.

"I'm tired," he announces. Laying his rod down in the grass, the line dangling in the water, he climbs up the bank to where Debbie and I sit. "I can

watch from here and see if a fish bites," he says with a convincing smile. The soggy hot dog is still intact.

Danny and Greg move a few yards downstream, with Danny still casting wildly into the branches across the river. "It's better down here," Greg yells. I try out my camera while Debbie reads and Jamie drinks from his tackle box.

Kevin, who has been standing quietly in the same spot with my rod and bacon bit for about half an hour, suddenly says, "I caught one." Nobody's listening. He lifts his line out of the water and, sure enough, a tiny shiny wildly wriggling thing dangles from his hook.

Debbie laughs. Jamie points at the tiny fish. "Kevin caught one," he shouts. "Kevin caught one." Danny and Greg run back to our spot, eyeing the catch jealously until we decide we'll have to throw the little thing back.

Debbie, not realizing how firmly the hook is embedded in the mouth, tries to free the fish. It wriggles in place and she jumps back at its noise and slippery touch. Greg is firmer. He tears the fish from the hook and casts it back in to the dirty water.

"That was a rock bass," he says. Danny counters: "I think it was a carp."

Our hopes spurred on, we all cast our lines. Even Jamie is inspired. He picks up his rod, hot dog still floating.

By now we're swatting mosquitos right and left. Kevin gets mad at one buzzing near his ear and nearly knocks himself out. Jamie is back to drinking pop. When both cans are empty and the pringles gone, we decide it's time to go.

Greg says he knows a shortcut through the woods along Hines Drive. We scramble up and across the railroad grade. Debbie and I are now carrying all the rods and tackle boxes.

We plunge into the woods after Greg, crashing over pricklers, trampling flowers and getting scraped by branches. Jamie finds a rusty coping saw and picks it up. Trail after trail ends in a tangle of felled trees. We climb through thorns. Finally we come up behind the old cemetery, but it's fenced all the way around.

We can see our houses a block away, between trees and fences, but our little party is stalled. Greg is undaunted, but Kevin worried, takes my hand. Jamie is intent on climbing without stumbling on his saw. Losing faith in our leader, Danny and Debbie finally strike out on their own and find a path. The rest of us, with their help from beyond the last line of trees, follow a longer route before we get back to the street.

Jamie explains to his mom why his new blue jeans are wet and muddy. Debbie and I scratch our mosquito bites. Greg wants to know when we can go fishing again.

"I guess that was a bluegill Kevin caught," he says. "There's lots of those in the Rouge."

# classifieds

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Will there be newspapers in 2076?

DLM - Join me in the time capsule. HM.

### CURIOSITIES

To the staff of The Community Crier in 2076 ...get lots of rest before your Tricentennial edition.

DW is older(!) and wiser(?).

One hundred years (in 1976 AD) ago there was a newspaper staff of unparalleled versatility and dedication which worked many extra hours and all through a weekend to put out this edition: Cathy K., Donna, Melanie, Kathy B., Lydie, Fran, Doc and Cynthia. You are the best. Hank, Bob and Ed.

History probably won't recall that t.i.g. began in 1976, but we will.

Jim Erwin is alive and well and living in Plymouth.

If there are still mixed marriages; i.e. one conservative and the other liberal; Compromise! Go liberal. Happy 300th.

Your're a super group of guys Your warm and enthusiastic welcome was greatly appreciated. Thank you. Nancy Graen Thumb.

Ken and Linda Christopher's Bicentennial message couldn't appear here.

Alice, Copper, and Sarah: Celebrate the Bicentennial and go to the parade. Best wishes - yours 'til the Tricentennial, Bob Cee, Taylor and Kate.

Tempus Fugit.

And when the gate was opened, the lady and her Tiger came forward together, and followed Priny home at last. And Love begat Bluefoot, and Tiger and they begat Cerano and Princess and they continued together to 2076, and Big Cat loved them all.

The O'Callaghan Clan: Sean, Kay, Timmy, Brigid, Christine.

Register to vote! Then vote for Jim Levitte, Plymouth Township Trustee August 3, 1976.

Now Tom Webber's in the time capsule. Bonnie.

Happy Birthday America, from the Cadarets of Plymouth!

PHS Class of 1966 will hold its 110 th reunion in 2076, its 10th year this August.

To our Tricentennial relatives: We are watching over you. Scott and Suzanne Dodge.

Jen: I'll meet my garbage truck before they open the time capsule for sure. Brace yourself; Love Ed.

Pat and Les Robinson, Get out the coke an chips; the Bicentennial and everyone that goes with it, is HERE!!!

Dear Fred: we hope you're feeling better and back with us soon.

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Russ: Do you know any red white and blue wedding songs? Donna.

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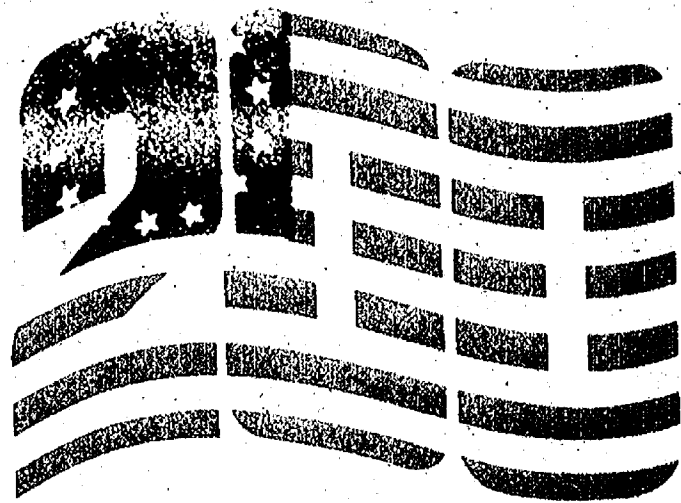
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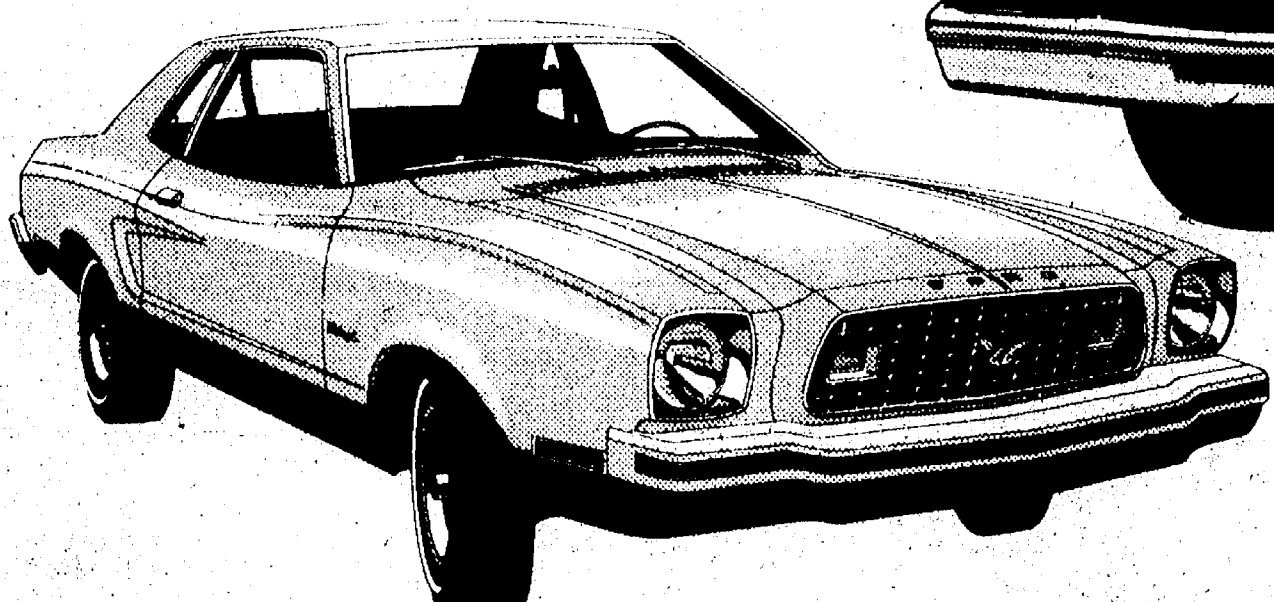
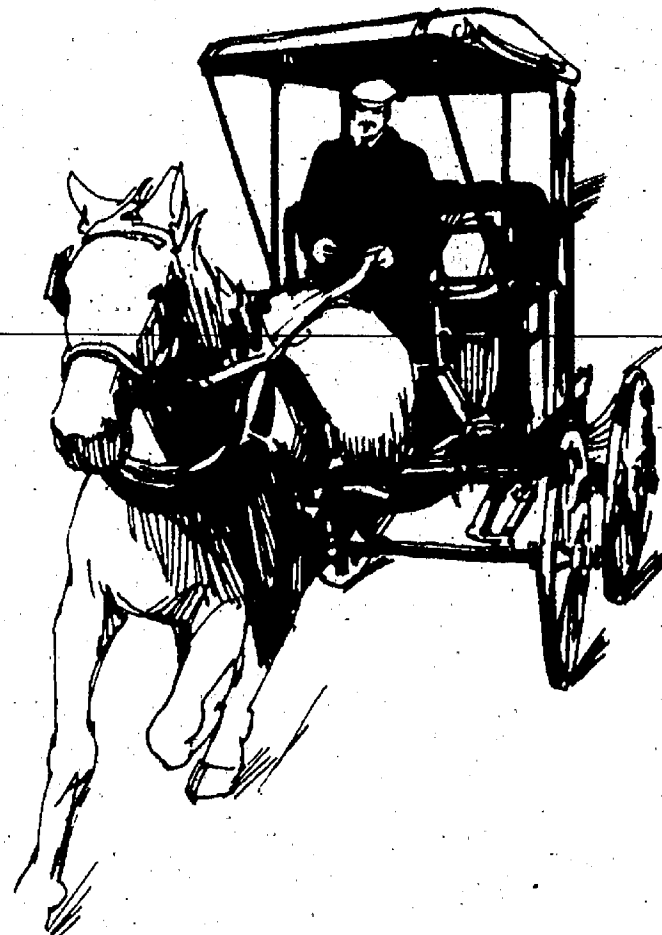
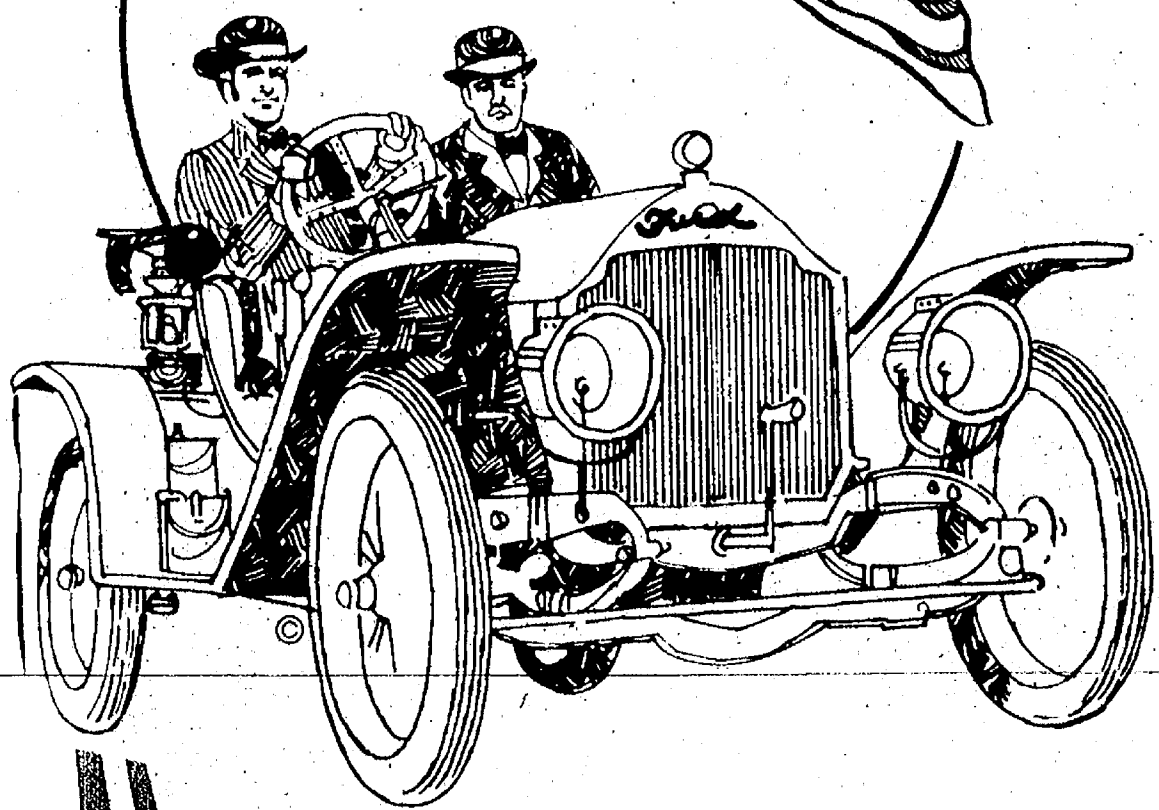
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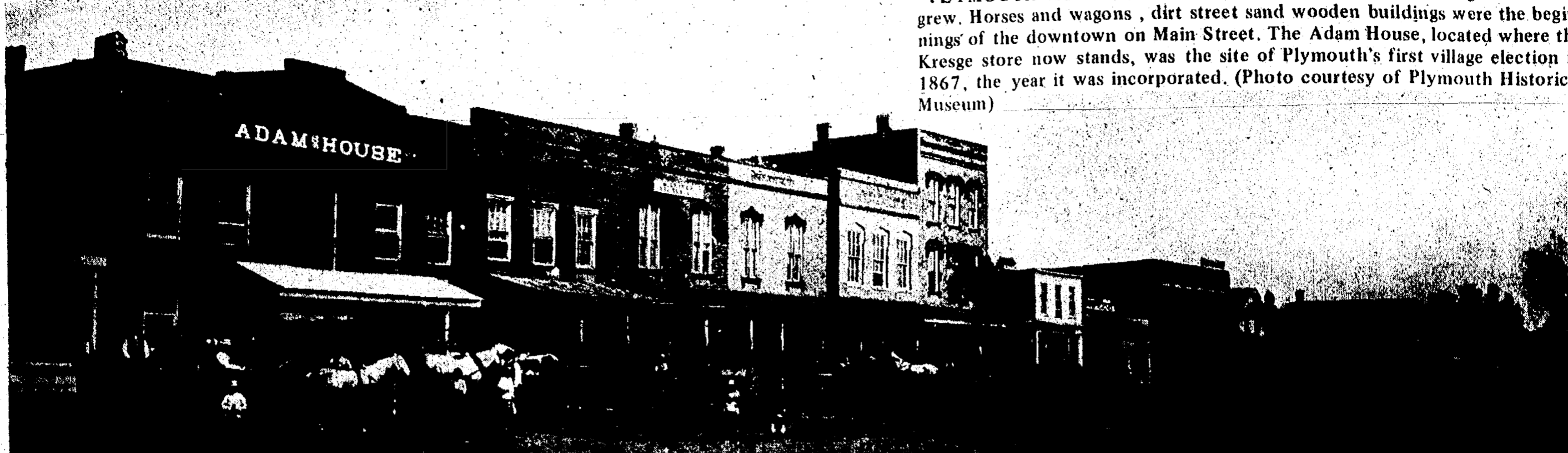
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Ring, bells, ring in town and hamlet  
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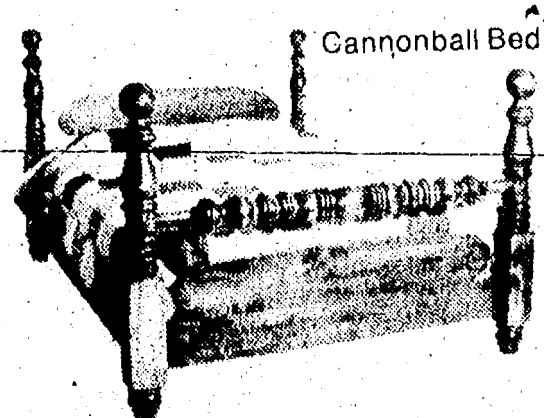
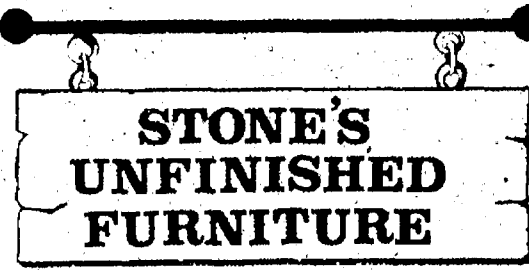
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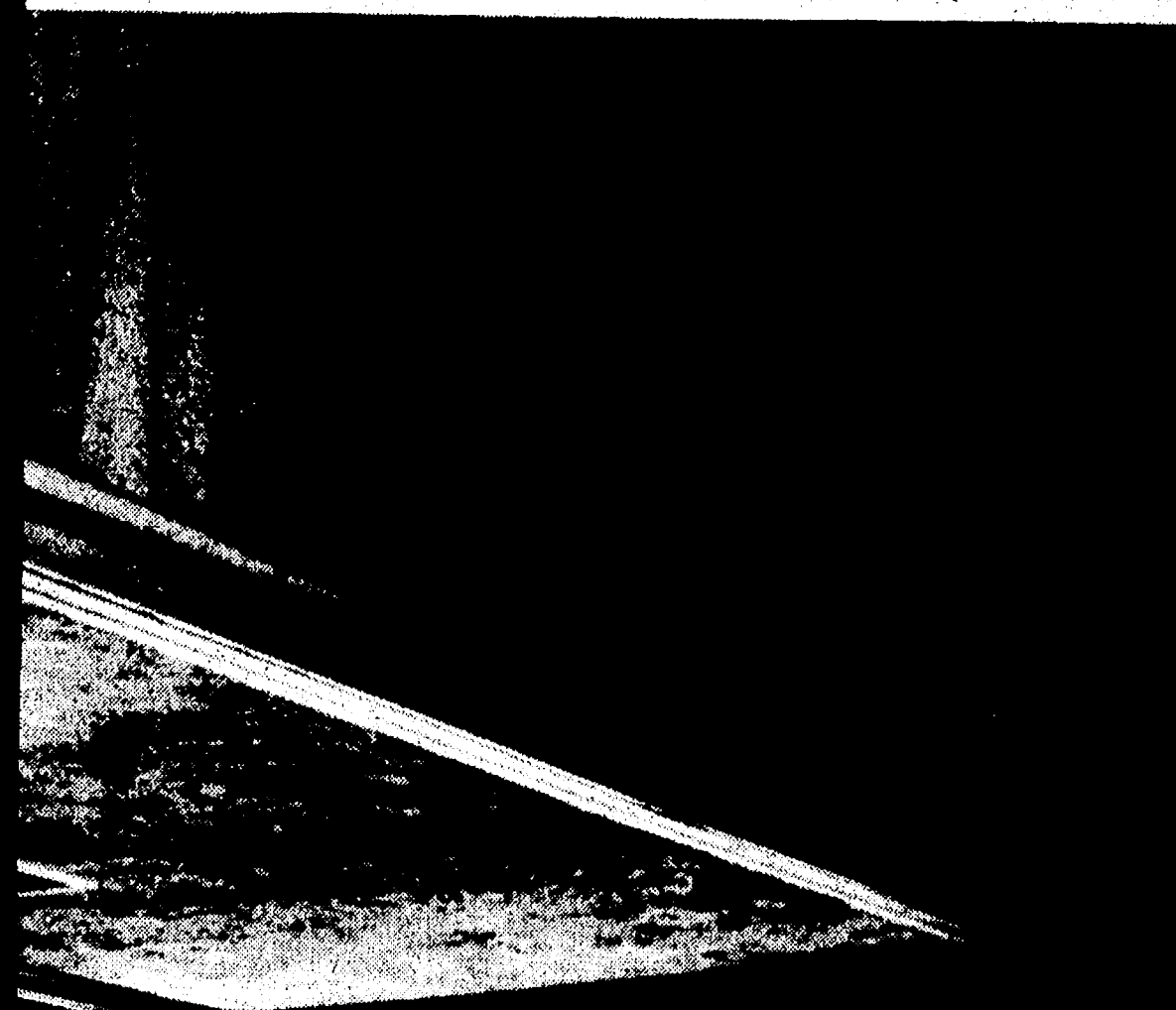
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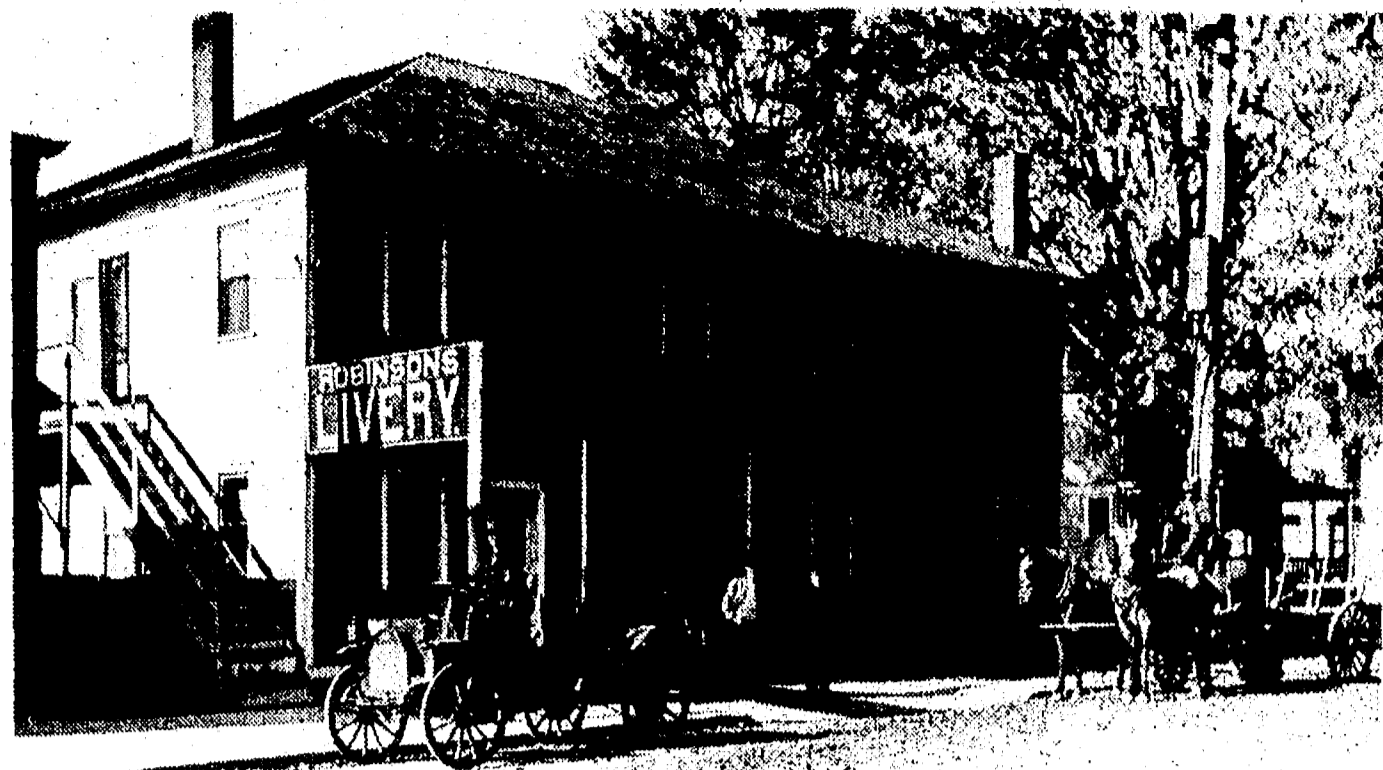
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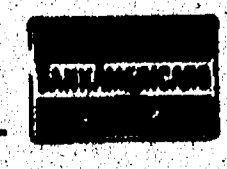


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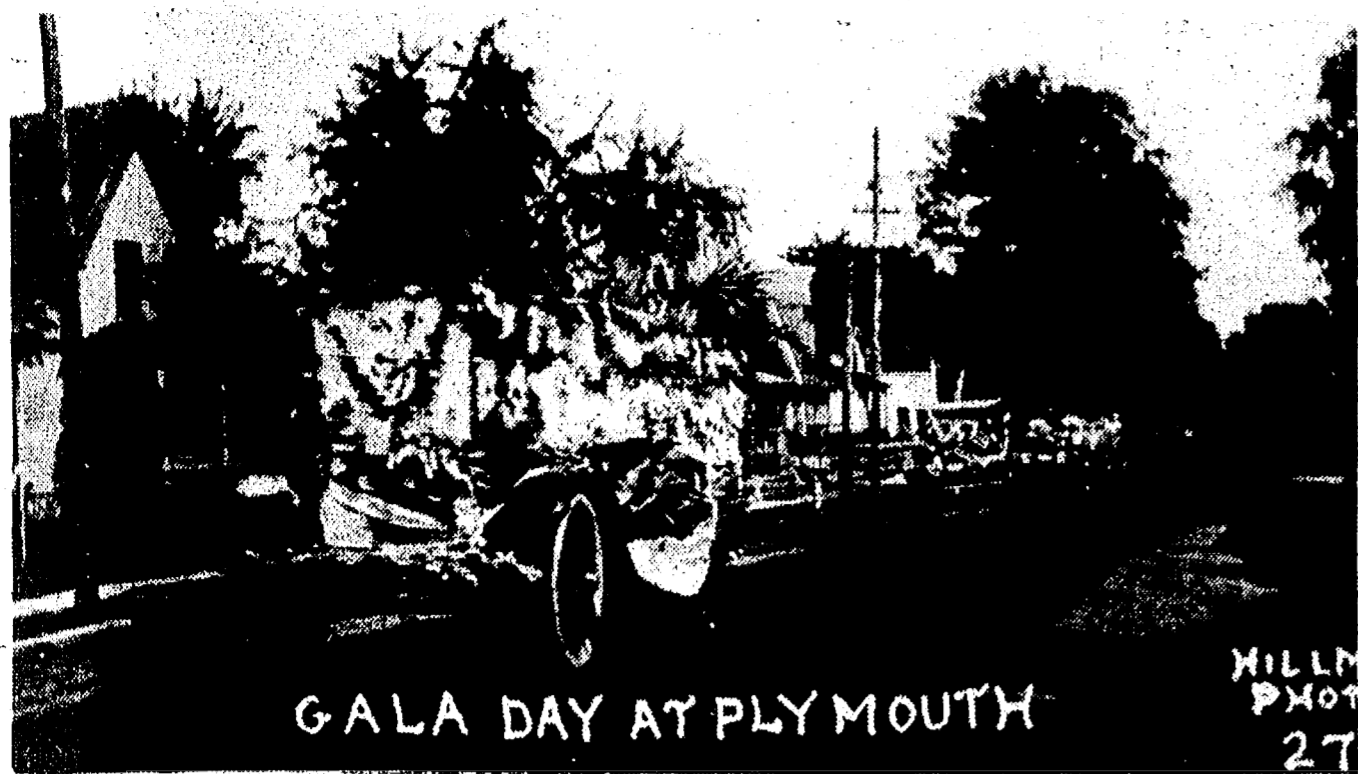
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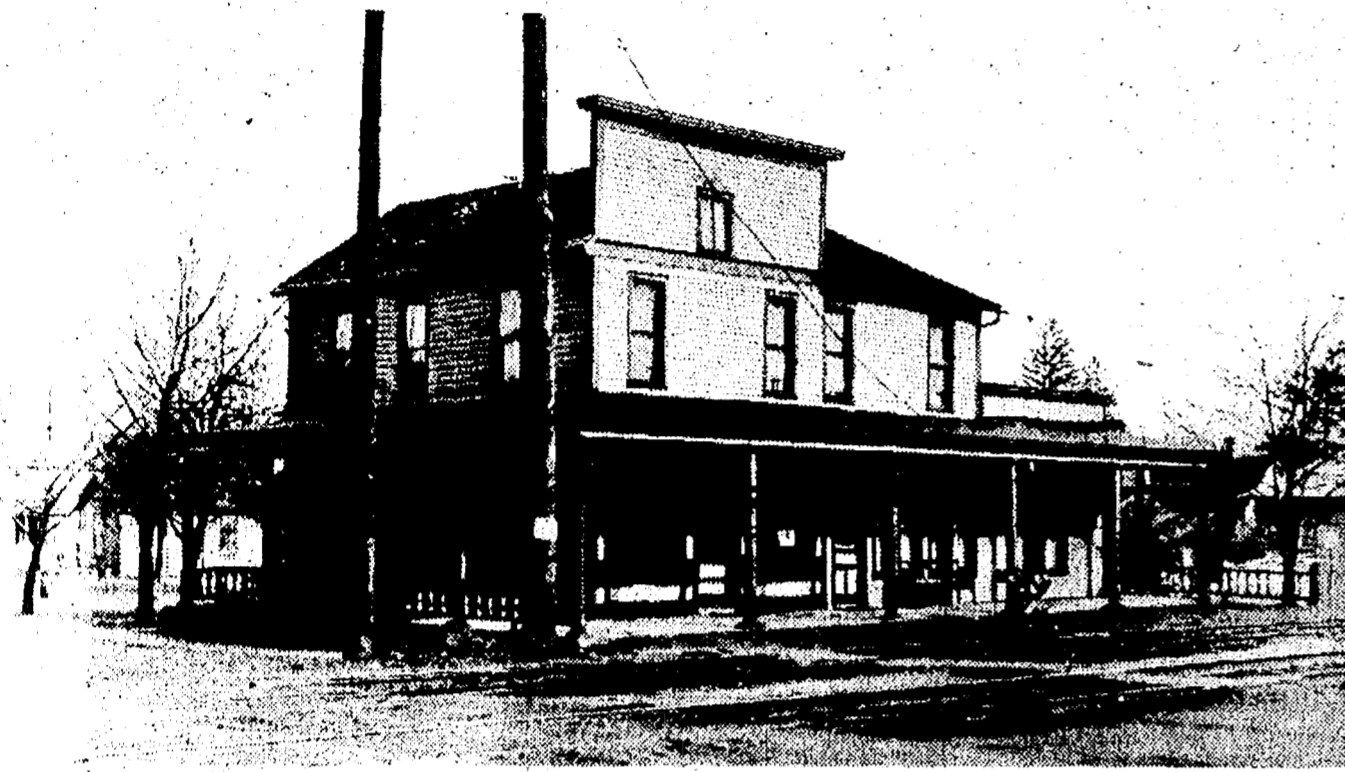




GALA DAY AT PLYMOUTH

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GALA DAY ALSO MEANT a parade and floats. This photo was taken looking north on Main from its intersection with Penniman. Somewhere under all that crepe paper there must be a vintage car or truck. (Photo courtesy of the Plymouth Historical Museum)



DAN SMITH ONCE OWNED this "lunchroom," but it belonged to Jake Streg when this photo was taken in 1915. Notice the sign "Ladies Dining Room" in the window to the far right. The lunchroom was located on Starkweather, directly across the tracks from the railroad station. (Photo by Davis Hillmer.)

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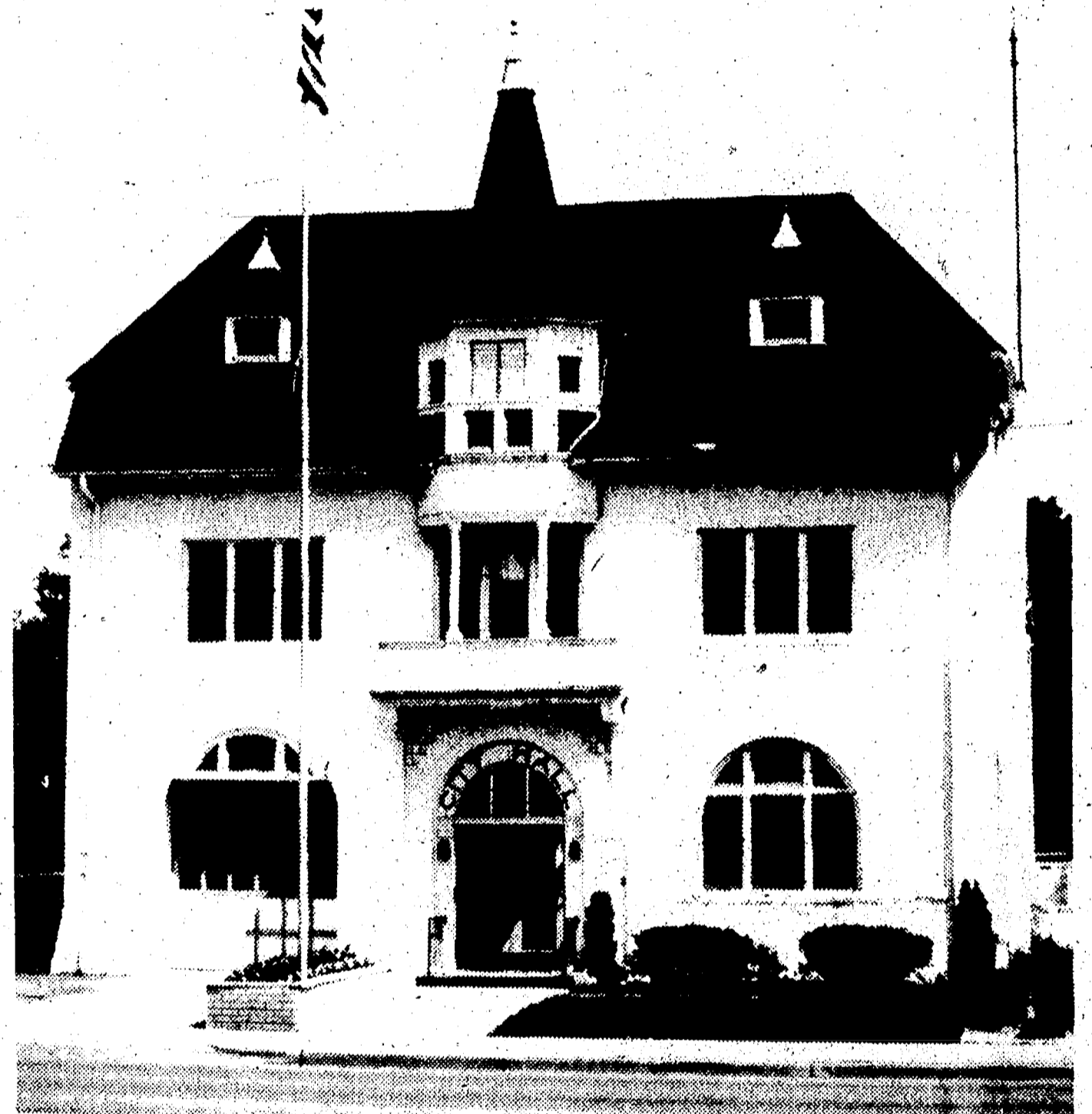
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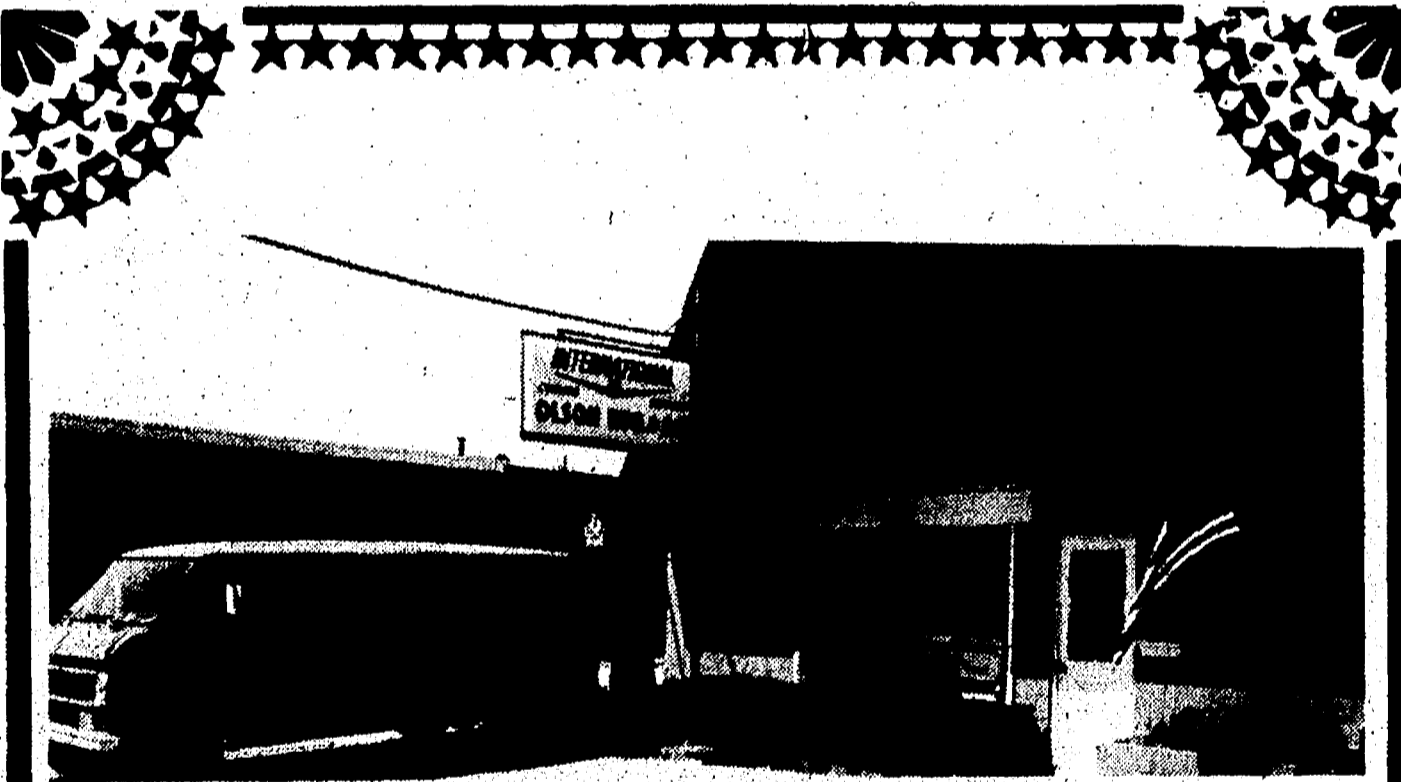


**Henry's grand experiment:  
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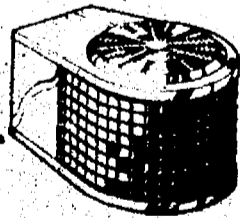
**HENRY FORD LEFT HIS MARK** On both Canton and Plymouth townships where three of his cottage factories were located. The plant located in the Cherry Hill community of Canton is today used by a tool and die company. The exterior had been remodeled with a porch, shutters and a new style roof, but the building itself remains intact. The factory was sold by the Fords after Henry Sr. died in 1949. The Wilcox Plant on Wilcox Lake and the Phoenix Plant on Phoenix Lake, both in Plymouth Township, opened in the early 1920's. The former, located on the site of the Wilcox Flour and Grist Mill, was built in 1920. The factory produced taps - small tools used for threading bored in metallic goods. Later the factory produced machined parts for Ford's aircraft engines. Superintendent of the plant was James Gallimore, for whom Gallimore School is named. The Phoenix plant opened in 1922 and produced parts for the electrical systems of Ford cars. Most of its 81 employees were women. Both plants closed in 1945. The Wilcox plant is today used as a maintenance building for the Wayne County Road Commission, while Phoenix houses the commission's sign shop. (Photo courtesy of the Plymouth Historical Museum)



THE OLD PLYMOUTH CITY HALL, built in 1889, underwent several changes before it was eventually torn down and a new hall built and dedicated in 1963. The original structure, located on Main just north of where it stands today, changed its face more than once. A window originally appeared where the fire garage door is shown here. A large tower on the rear at right was torn down. Church Street now cuts through where this building once stood. (Photo courtesy of the Plymouth Historical Museum)



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# Cherry Hill, Sheldon Corners: stagestops grew up

Canton in 1876, the year of our nation's Centennial, apparently differed little in general appearance from the way it looked when the building boom began there some 10 years ago.

According to an 1876 edition of the Wayne County Atlas, the population that year was 2,168 people. A 1960 census showed that Canton had only grown to a little over twice that number during the 74-year span with a population of 5,232.

What was Canton like 100 years ago?  
 "Canton is well-supplied with living water," says the 1876 atlas. "The Rouge River runs through the center from east to west. It has several overflowing wells, which supply abundance of water to the farmers around... (Canton) is considered the excelsior township in Wayne County for general farming purposes."

First settlers in the community were Perry Sheldon, David Cady and Childs Downer who came there in 1825. Nine years later the township was formally organized and named Canton "merely to avoid duplication" of other places in the United States, says the 1876 atlas.

Little is left of one of the original Canton settlements of any size, known as Sheldon Corners. Named after Timothy Sheldon who purchased land there in 1842, Sheldon Corners stood at the intersection of Sheldon Rd and Michigan Ave., where the Canton Recreation Center is today.

Sheldon Corners is described as consisting of "two stores, two blacksmith's shops, shoe store, two churches (Presbyterian and Methodist Episcopal), school building, wagon and carriage shop, cheese factory and cider mill."

A second Canton settlement, and the one started first and lasting the longest, is the Cherry Hill community, located at Cherry Hill and Ridge Roads. Originally known as "The Ridge," it later became Cherry Hill after a man named Hitchcock built a hotel at the settlement and named it Cherry Hill House for the cherry trees nearby.

Silas Farmer's 1890 "History of Wayne County" says the Methodist-Episcopal Church moved to Cherry Hill in 1836 and became the hub of community activity. Its successor, the Cherry Hill United Methodist Church remains active today and serves as the religious and social center of many Canton residents who will help to celebrate the church building's 100th birthday in 1982.

Cherry Hill's general store also housed a post office, and the community boasted a cemetery, blacksmith shop, creamery, school and, in the 1930's and early '40's a small parts factory belonging to Henry Ford. Another factory continues to operate in the same building today under new ownership.

In 1876 it could well be said that Canton was not a single community but a conglomerate of a few small communities, surrounded by many farms.

In any case, contributors to the 1876 Wayne County Atlas must have thought highly of Canton as one section of the discourse on the township says "fences and buildings are in good order and everything indicates an intelligent and prosperous community!"



THIS 1885 PHOTO shows the building that today houses apartments and an antique store at the corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge Roads in Canton's Cherry Hill community. The structure was built in 1860 by a man named Hitchcock as a stopping-off point between Plymouth and Ypsilanti. The first floor serves as an office, dining room and kitchen, while guests slept on the upper floor. The basement was used as a stable where guests could board their horses for the night, with accommodations for as many as 100 horses. The building, since been used as a dance hall and general store was operated and later owned by William Henry West and then his son, Jake (Photo courtesy of Dorothy West)




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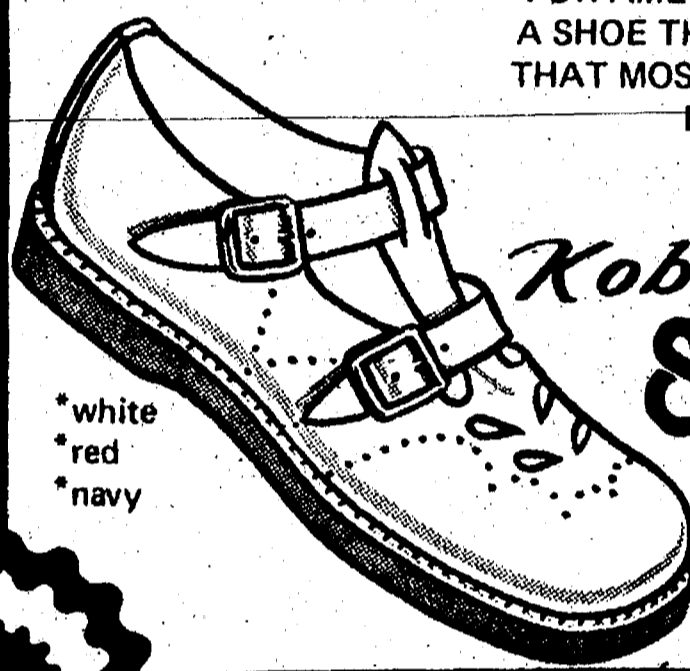



EARLY PLYMOUTH TOWNSHIP folks didn't miss an opportunity to get their fondest possessions into the photographer's lens, as demonstrated by this picture of the Hager farmhouse east of where Burroughs now stands on Plymouth Road. Mr. and Mrs. Hager, in their finest 1915 clothes, posed with their car, horse and buggy, house and trophy heads - including a bear on the porch. (Photo by Davis Hillmer).

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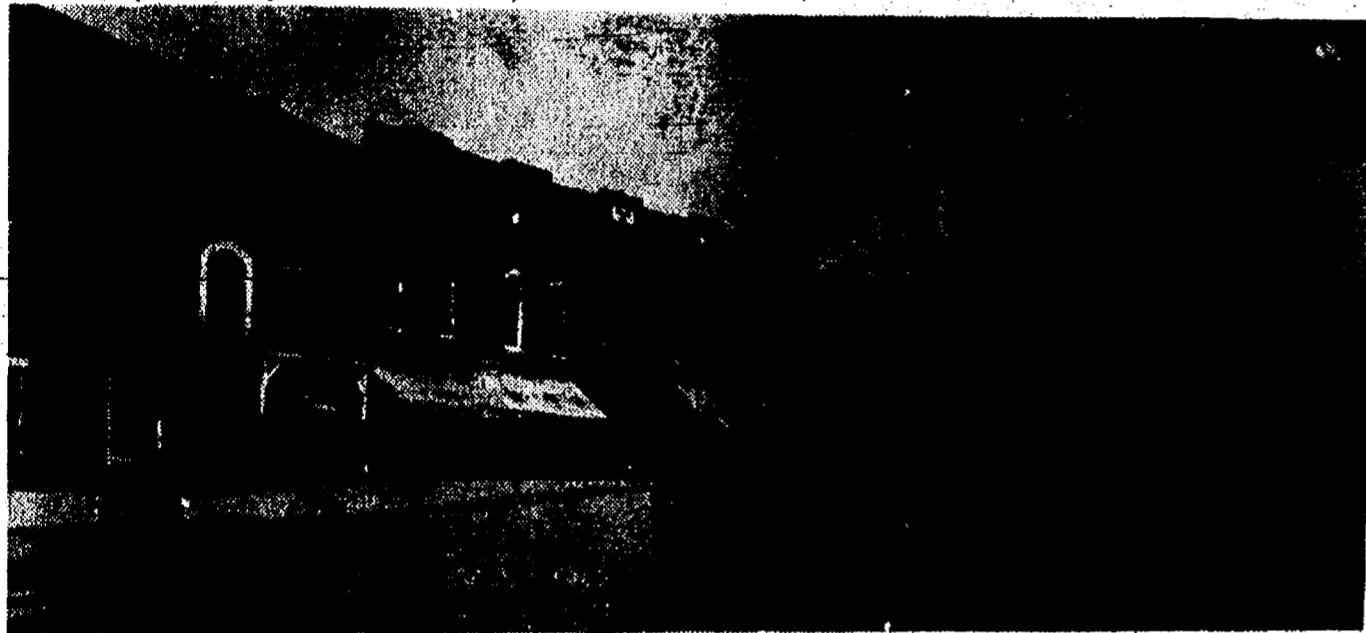
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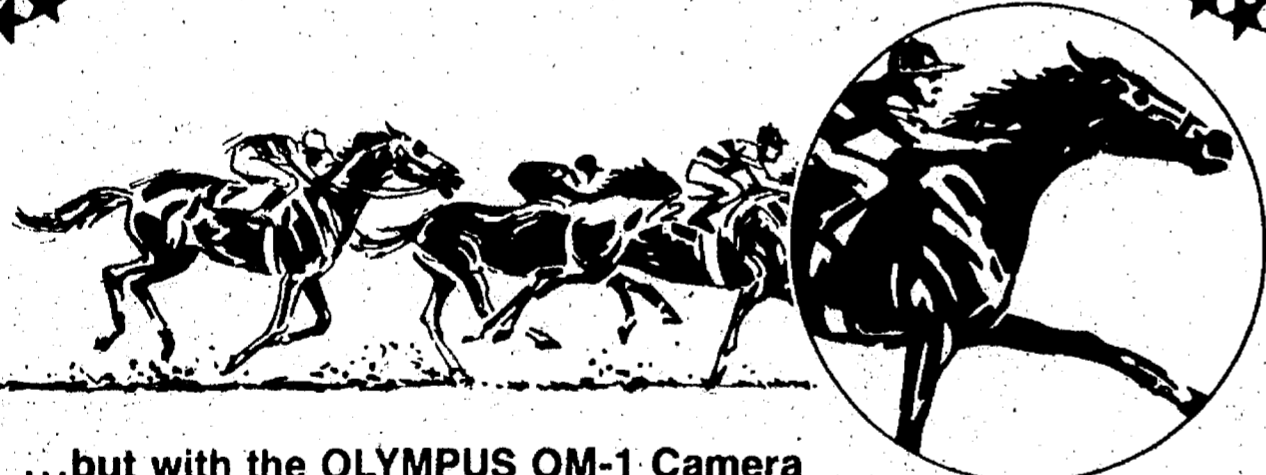
THE HARRY SHATTUCK HOME was located on Plymouth Road. The Shattucks first came to the area in 1832, building a log cabin. In about 1840 this home was built on another section of the Shattuck property. The Burroughs Corp. bought much of the Shattuck land in about 1921, and a short time later, removed this home. Bonnie Shattuck Garlett, Harry's daughter, says the house was said to have been removed in sections to another location in Plymouth, but she has never been able to find it - either intact or in pieces (Photo by Davis Hillmer.)



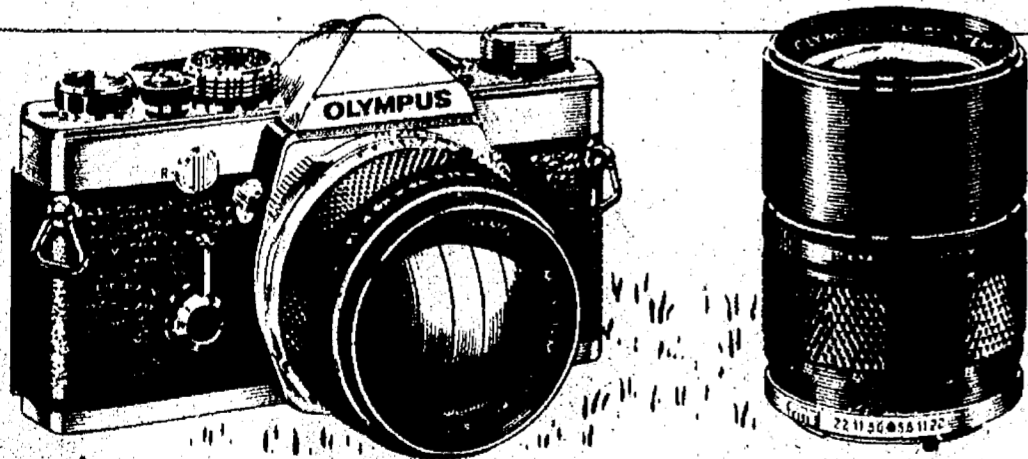
MAIN STREET AS IT APPEARED IN 1914 shows few buildings that stand today. The Connors Building at extreme right is now Harvi's clothing shop, and the building to the right of the break in buildings at center now houses John Smith's Clothing, with the Alphabet Gallery and smaller offices upstairs. Vehicles then were a combination of horse and buggy rigs and a few new automobiles. (Photo by Davis Hillmer)



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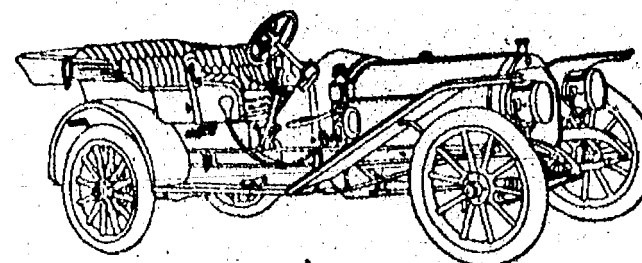
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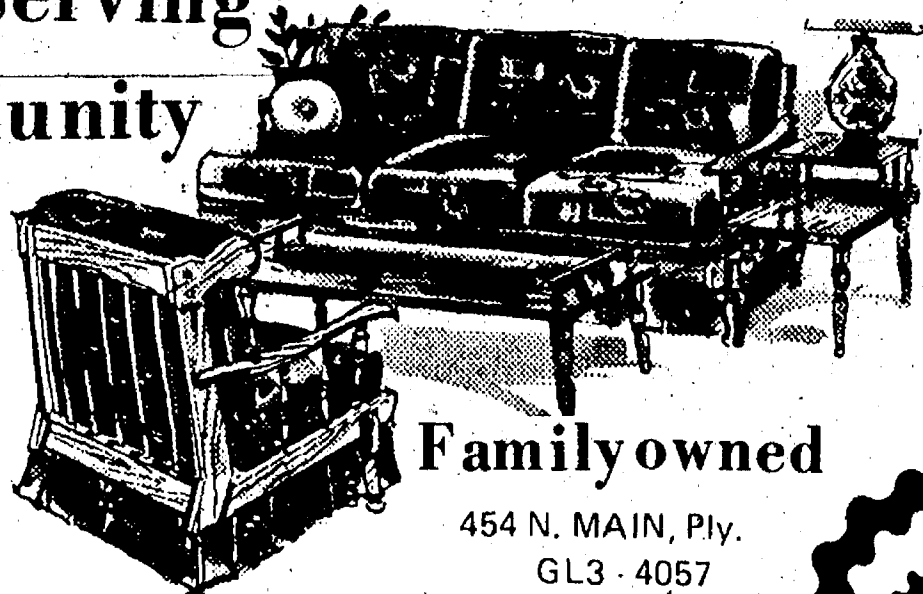
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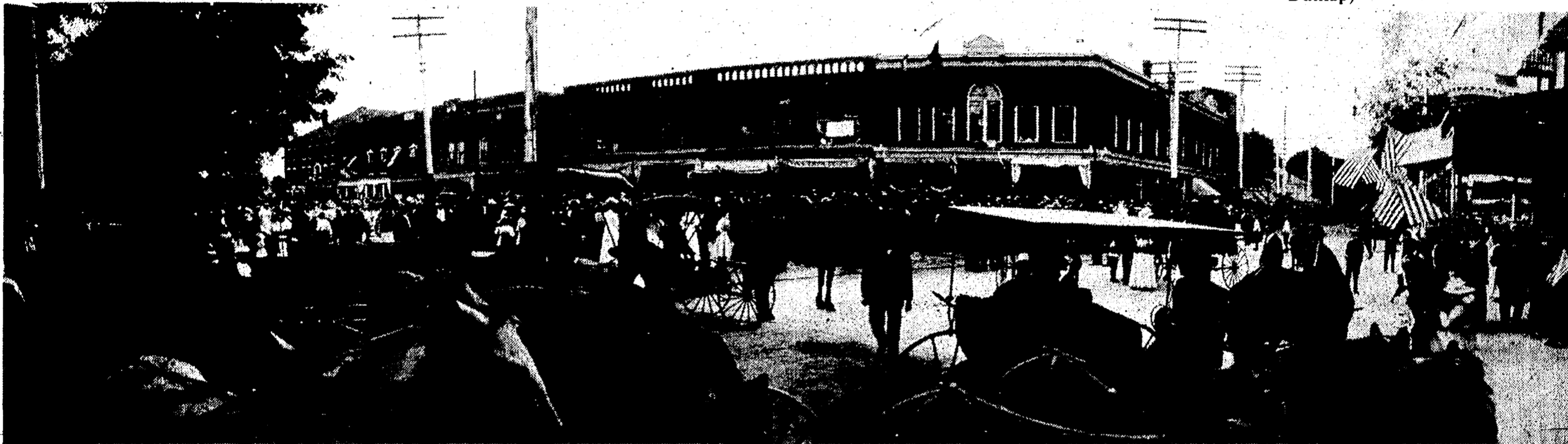
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ONE OF THE BEST KNOWN PHOTOS of early downtown Plymouth was taken by local jeweler C.G. Draper. This 1909 picture, shot the day of the annual fire department water fight, gives a view of the intersection of Main Street and Penniman Avenue. Gittins Brothers Grocery stands in about the middle of the photo, and the Huston Hardware sign can be seen down Penni-

man. Murray's Ice Cream and Candy Store is shown waving flags for July Fourth at the far right of the picture. This photo appears as a wall-sized mural in the basement of the Plymouth Historical Museum. (Photo courtesy of Howard Dunlap)

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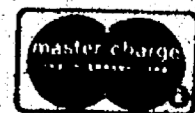
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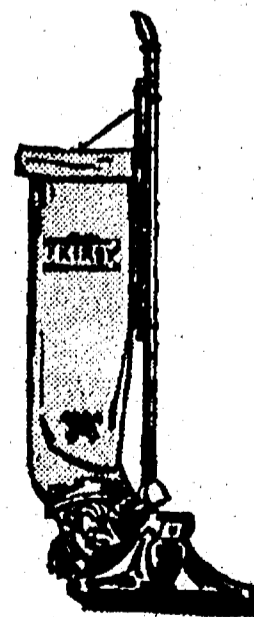
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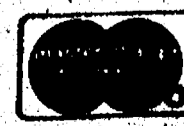
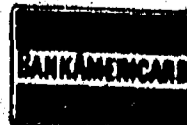
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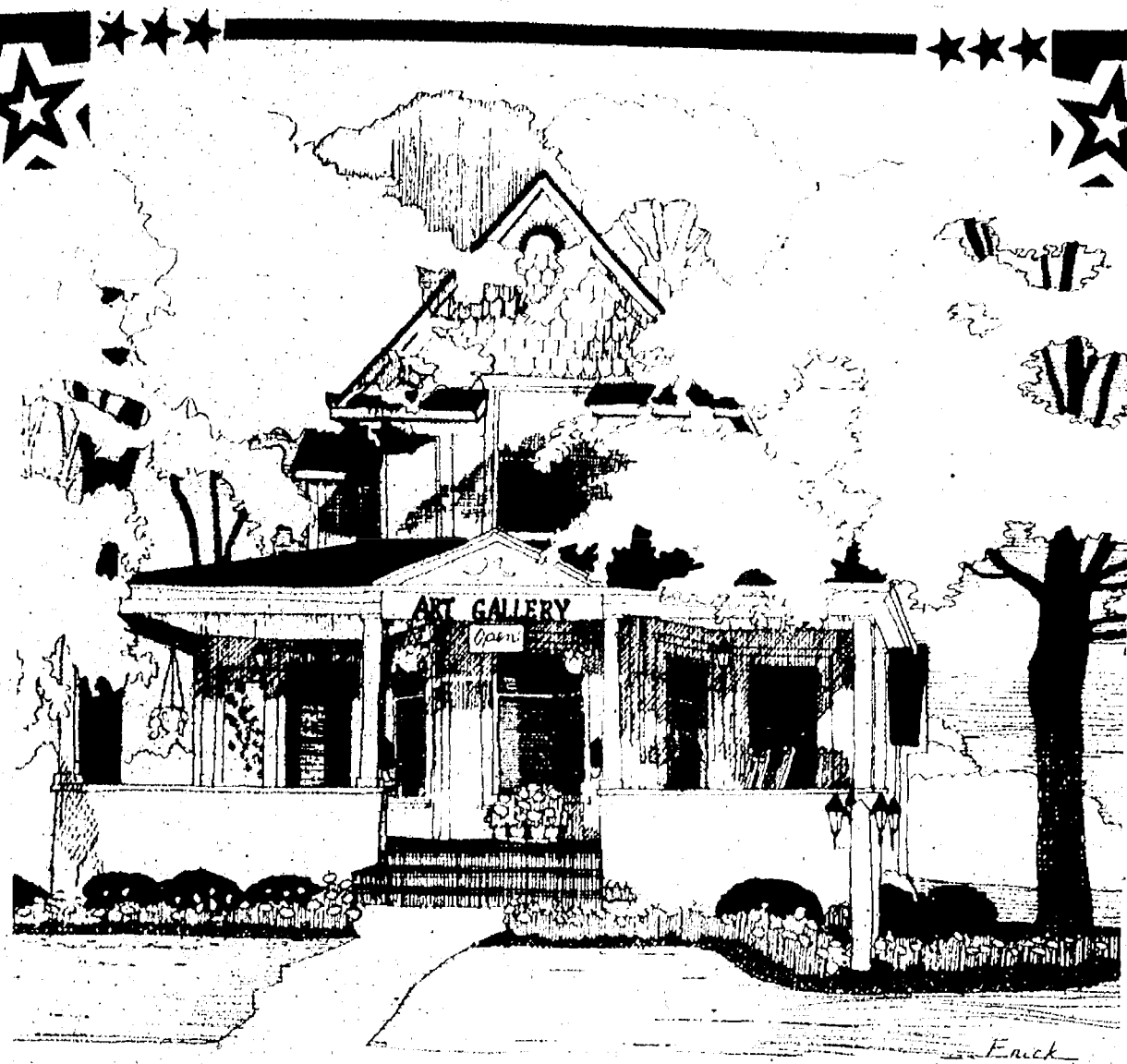


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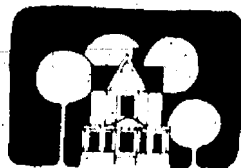


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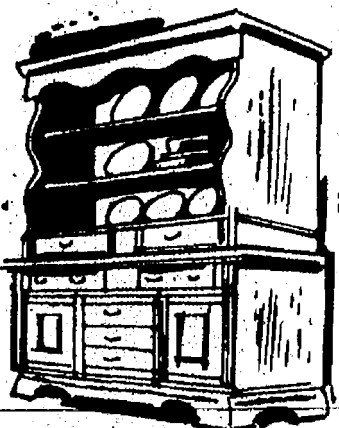
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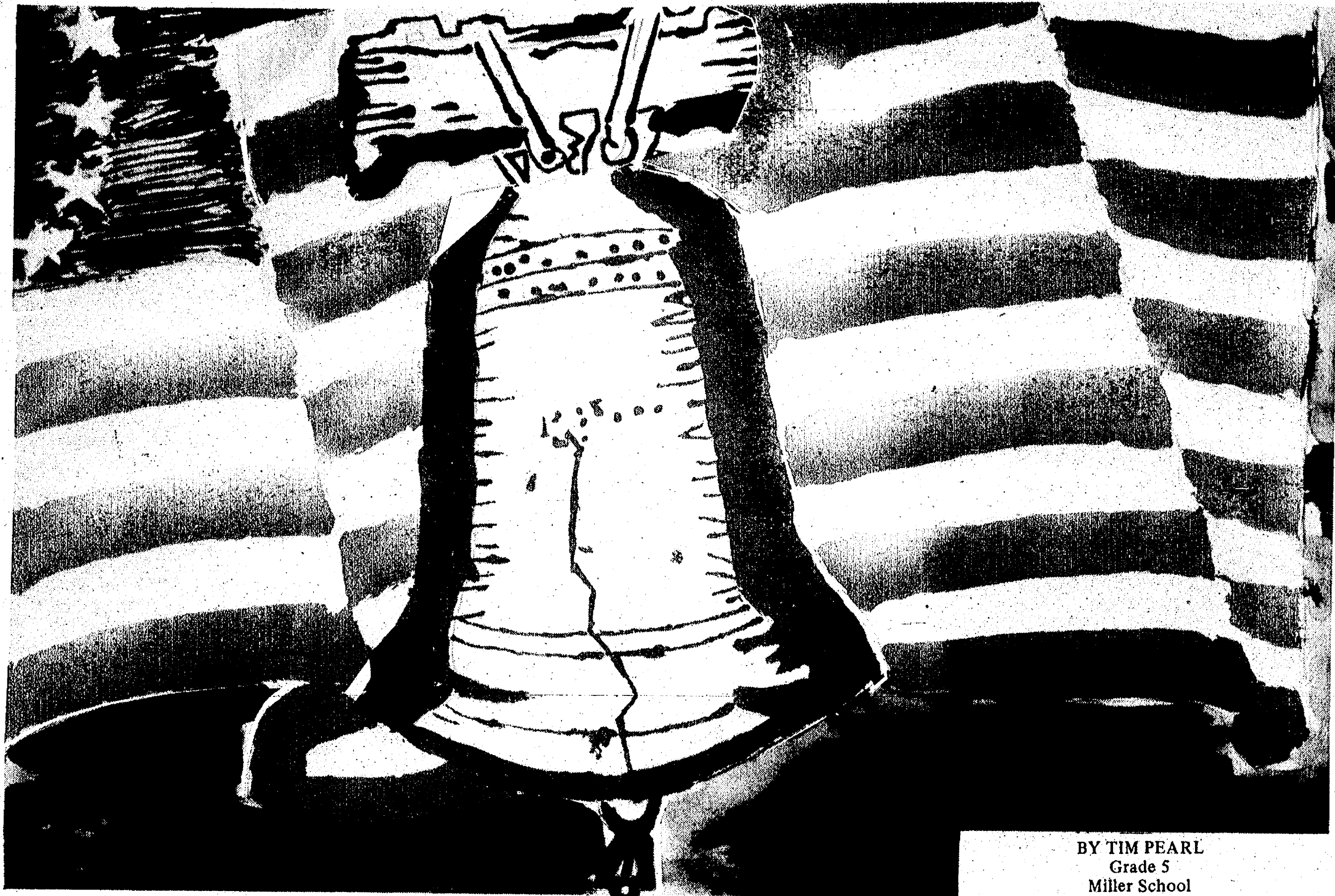
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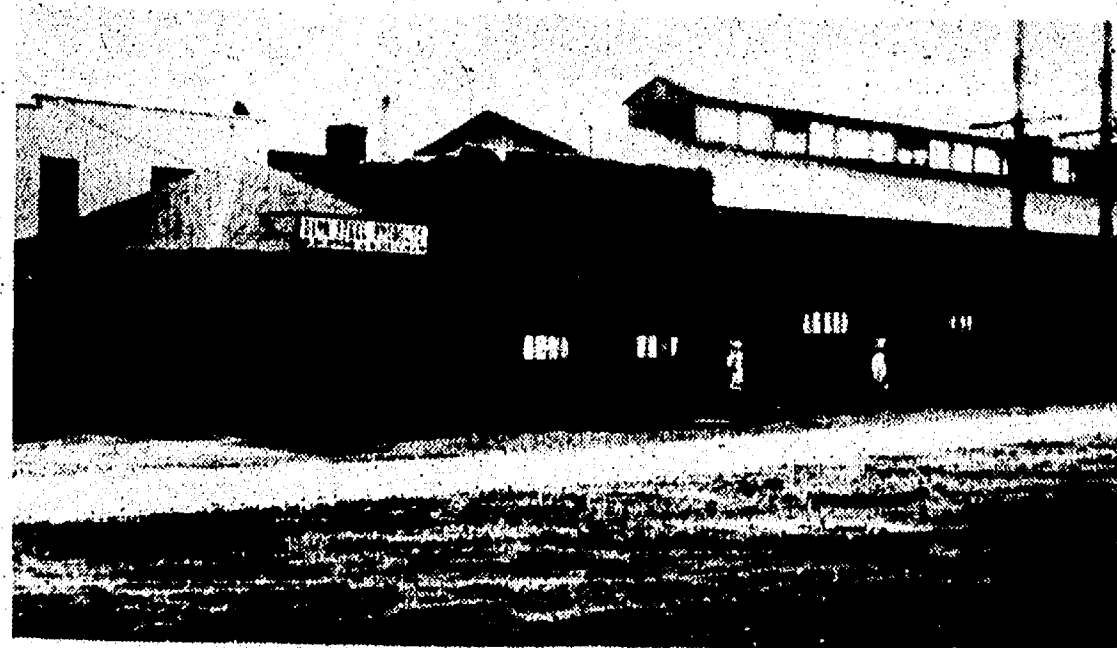
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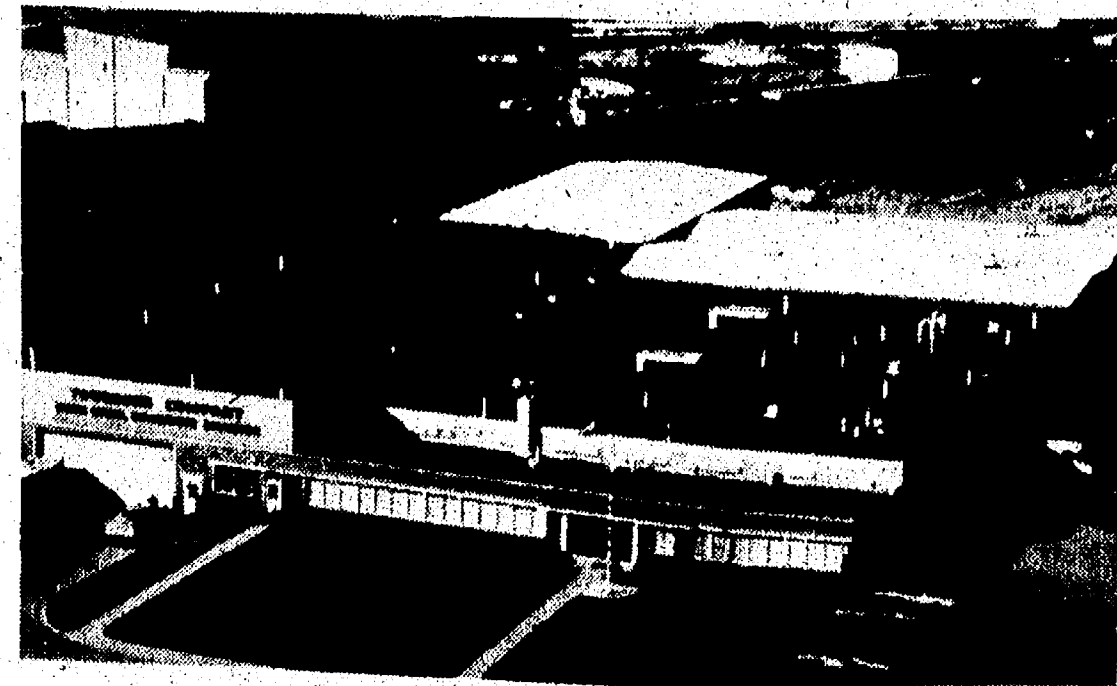
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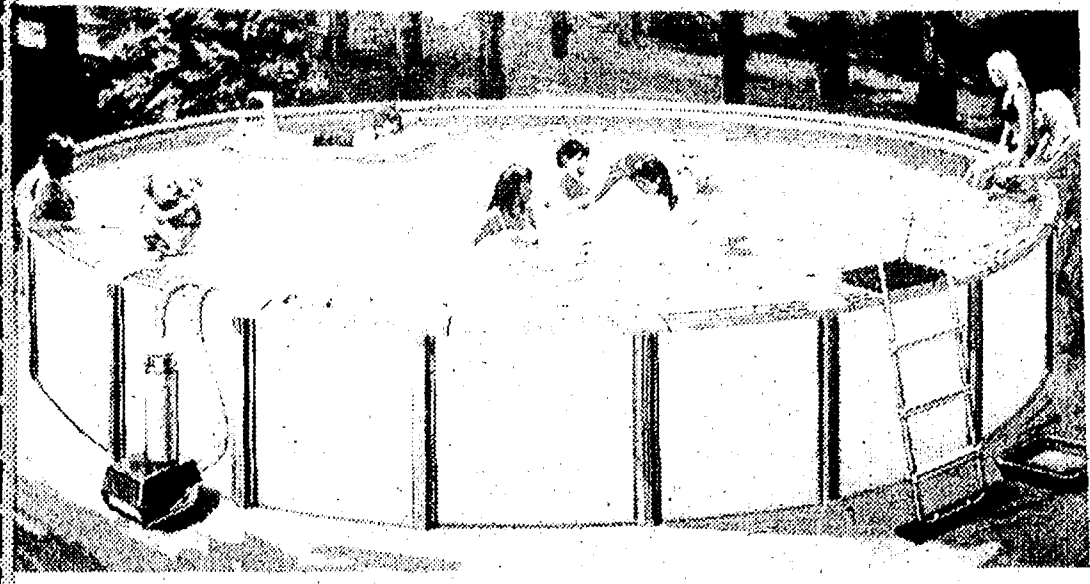
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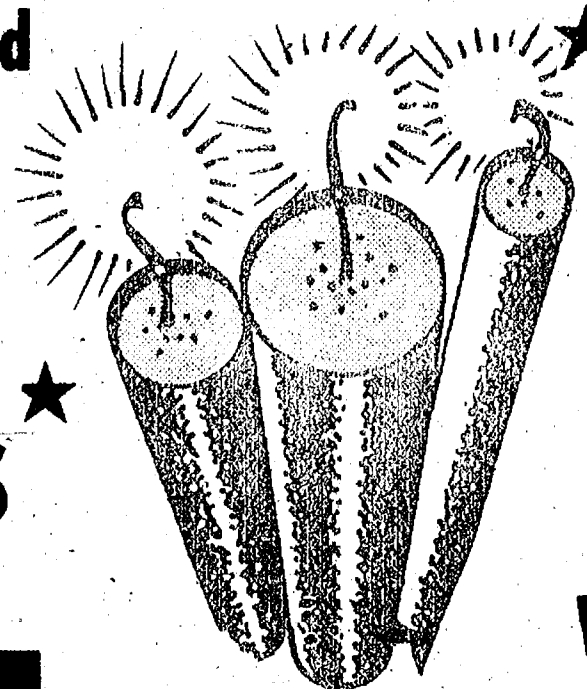


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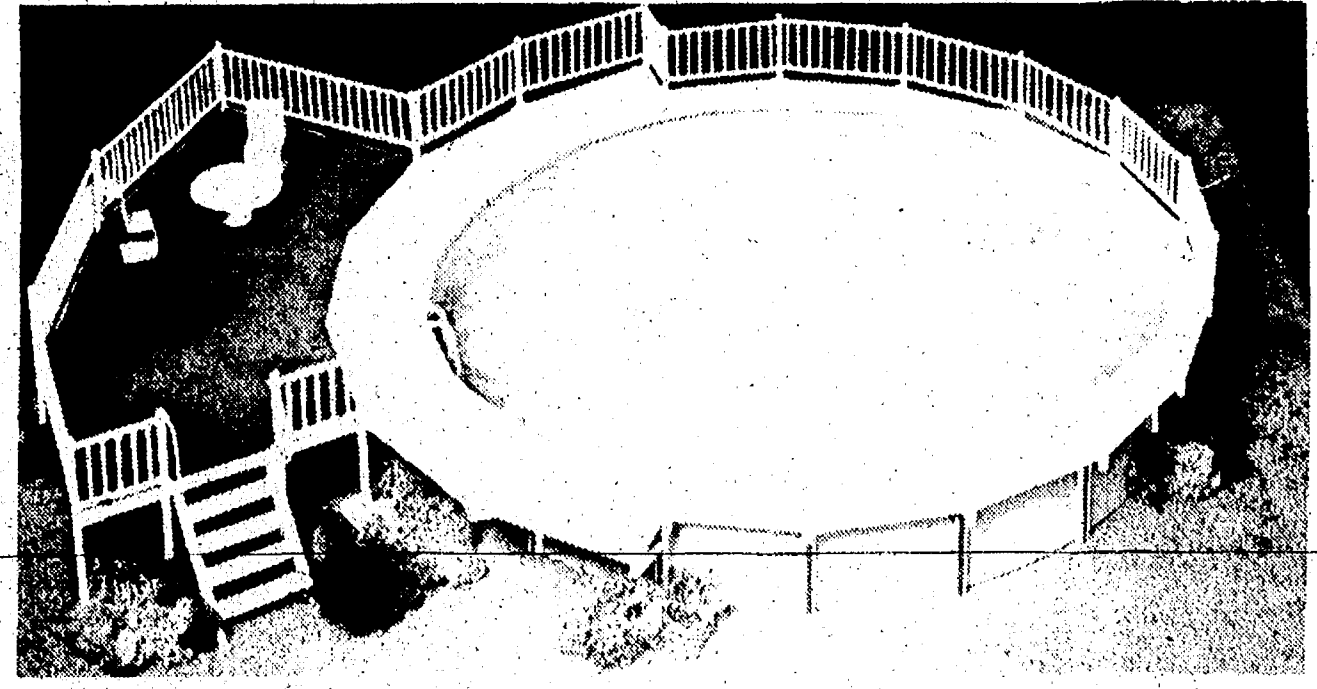
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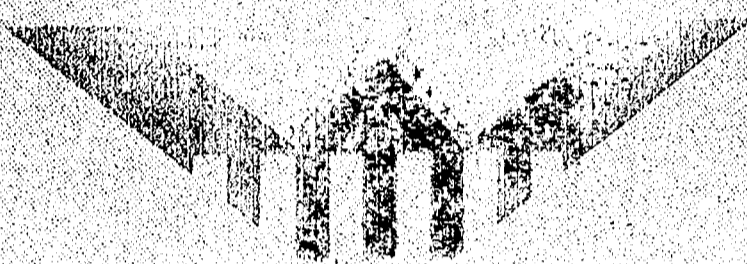
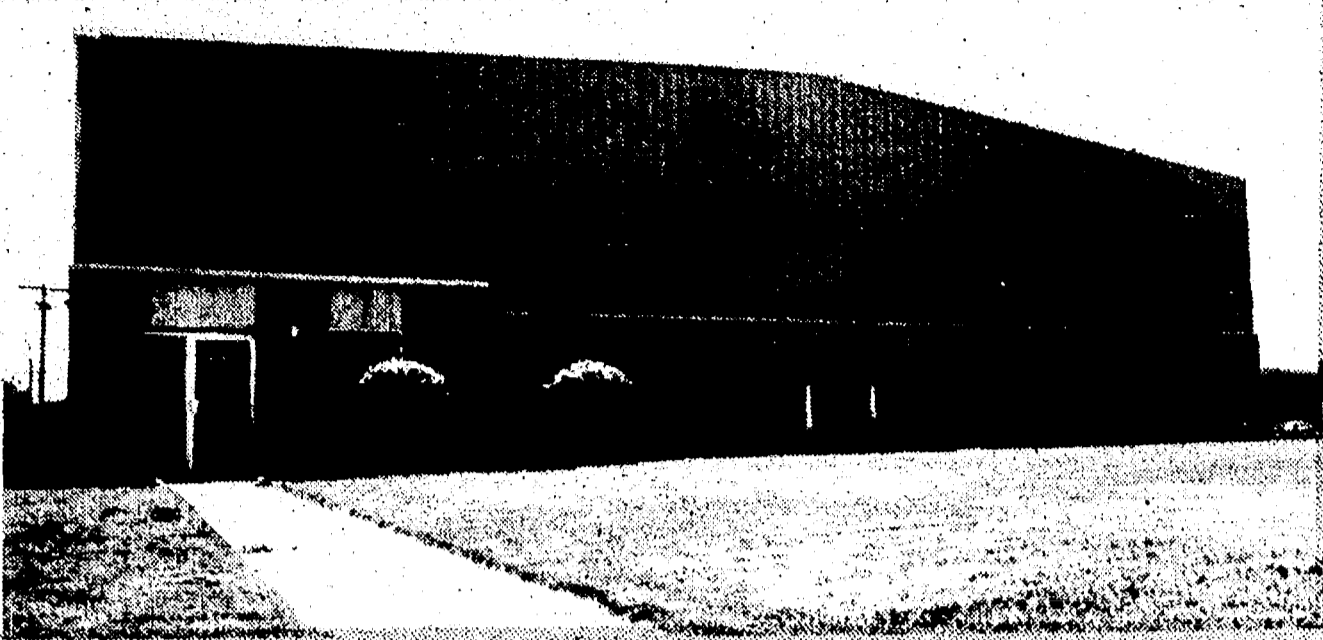
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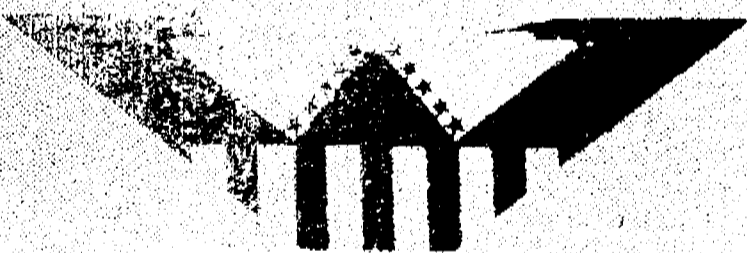
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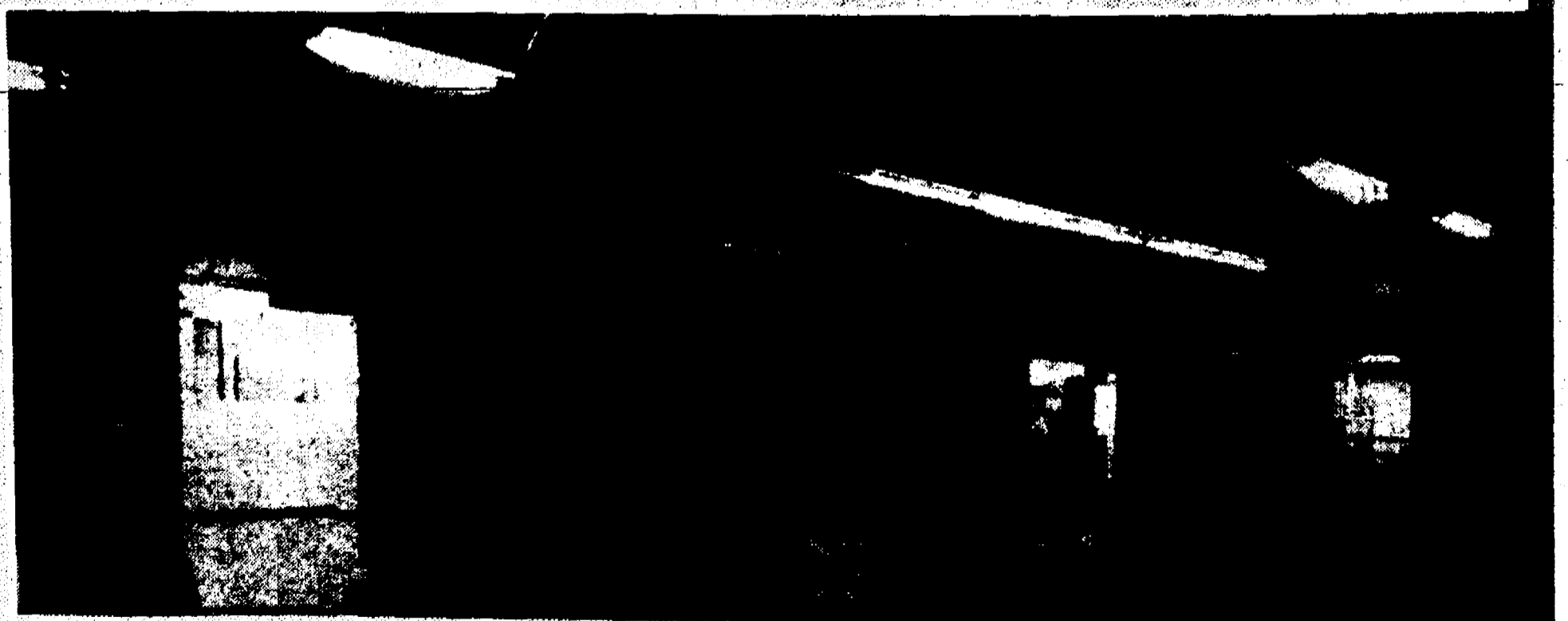
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FRANK J. PIERCE'S RESTAURANT on Depot Street faced the tracks and was east of the station. This business was in operation from about 1909 until 1920. The "Ladies Dining Room" was still in use in this 1914 shot and it appears from the signs that meals could be purchased for 25 cents. Pierce returned to managing a bank after the restaurant closed. (Photo by Davis Hillmer)



THE JOURNEY BEGAN at Heathrow Airport in London for Plymouth Michigan's "Plymouth Rock." The rock taken from the stone dock from which the Mayflower set sail in 1620, was given one last look by BOAC pilots and a Plymouth, England, official before being shipped to the United States in 1967. (Photo courtesy of Harold Guenther)

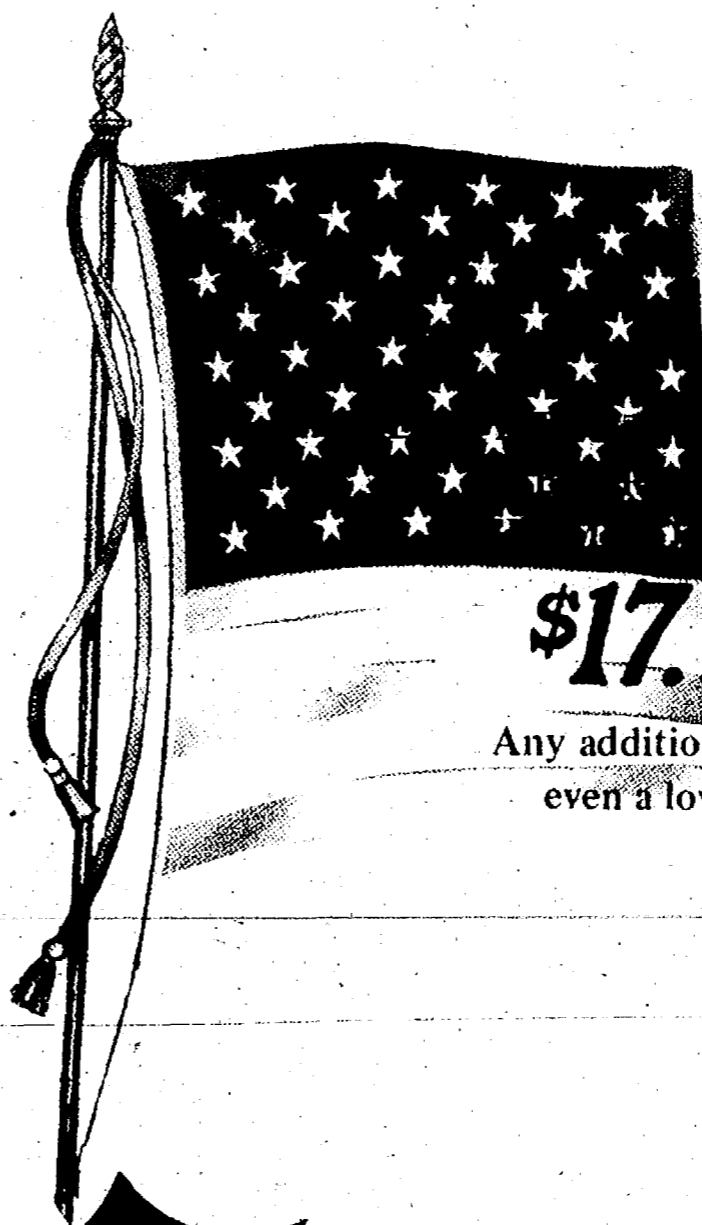


ANOTHER VIEW OF GALA DAY in downtown Plymouth may have been taken just before the parade arrived. Downtown merchants were supported of this annual event, which took place in mid-summer. (Photo by Davis Hillmer)

It wasn't many years ago that pheasants gathered behind A & W Root Beer. They must have known they were not fair game for hunters there, but would be if they crossed to the other side of Ann Arbor Road, into Plymouth Township, where hunting was still allowed.

Karmada Street in Plymouth was named for George Starkweather's three grandsons: Karl, Max and Davis.

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# From Indians to air rifles, history is colorful

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Whatever the case, for more than half a century, much of the economic growth which helped transform Plymouth from a stage and trainstop and market center for farmers to a small manufacturing city, followed the fame of that toy.

In 1888, Clarence Hamilton, perhaps inspired by Markham's success with a wooden gun, invented one of metal. The metal air rifle caught the corporate eye of the Plymouth Windmill Co., which decided to abandon windmill-making for the more lucrative prospects of toys. In 1895 its directors changed the name of the firm to Daisy, and within a decade, it was Plymouth's largest employer and the world's leading manufacturer of BB guns. By 1935, an estimated 90% of all air rifles came from Plymouth.

The presses of the Plymouth Mail newspaper ran day and night printing targets which were sold with every gun.

Automobiles joined BB guns among Plymouth-made products from 1914 to 1917, when the Alter motor car was produced in a factory on Farmer Street just west of the C&O tracks.

The car's Detroit promoters were soon employing 50 residents in the plant, building a 27-horsepower, five passenger touring car which sold for \$685. At its peak, the plant produced 25 cars a week, but when in 1917 its owners could not raise money to expand the firm, they voted to dissolve it.

In the 1890's, the Plymouth Fairgrounds, near Fair and Fairground streets south of Ann Arbor Trail, drew crowds from throughout the county and beyond for horseraces and crafts and food exhibits. Its main building, Floral Hall, where judges tasted jars of canned fruit and farmers inspected the latest farm implements, burned down in 1902. The last fair was held in 1903, when rains held down attendance and turned the grounds to mud. The following year, the fair's discouraged organizers did not re-open it.

By the turn of the century, the plank toll road which had connected Plymouth to Detroit, running east from Main and Mill, has been abandoned. The city's unpaved Main Street was rutted and, when it rained, nearly impassable. In 1908, Main was paved with bricks between Ann Arbor Trail and Mill, with every one of its 550,000 bricks laid by one man. The bricks served until 1961, when Main Street was blacktopped.

Long before the paving, flames had twice drastically altered the appearance of downtown Plymouth. Major fires in 1856 and 1893 destroyed the block of Main Street businesses between Penniman and Ann Arbor Trail. Another fire, in 1917, claimed the high school and Methodist Church at Church and Main. Central School, which served as the high school until Centennial Park was built, replaced the first Plymouth High.

A fund-raising drive by community leaders in 1927 is still paying off today. In that year, for a sum of \$209,000 raised in six hours by the sale of shares to residents, the Mayflower Hotel was built.

At three stories, the Main and Ann Arbor Trail landmark, long a center of social activity, was the city's tallest building until the Village Green apartments claimed the crown in 1971.

Despite drastic reductions in city services, labor trouble in local plants and an epidemic of scarlet fever, Plymouth survived the Great Depression. In the late 1930s, Tonquish Creek, a meandering stream which flowed through Plymouth's business district, was covered over, ending what local physicians had decried as a significant health hazard.

More than a few Plymouth resident thought their community's slow but steady growth and relatively stable economy would be shattered in 1958, when Daisy Air Rifles moved from its plant from Union Street to Rogers, Arkansas.

The move, from a region where taxes were climbing to one where cheaper labor was readily available, drew bitter criticism from long-time employes of the firm and from local merchants, who envisioned a mini-depression in their midst.

There was no depression, the jobless rolls increased somewhat, but other industries were already beginning to discover Plymouth. Burroughs had built a major plant on Plymouth Road in the township, and Western Electric, Packaging Corporation of America and Ford Motor Company would soon be coming to town.

One landmark which had long been the site of events which endeared the community to its residents was Kellogg Park, which had been a forested park and a commons. It became in 1960 the home of an event which was gradually becoming the highlight of many Plymouth calendars: Fall Festival.

What had been four years earlier as a Rotary chicken barbeque spawned a four-day carnival of food and music which now draws thousands of visitors every September.

In recent years, with the disappearance of passenger trains and dominance of the automobile, Plymouth has found itself in a curious relationship with its neighbors. It has become a suburb of Detroit while retaining the character of a small city.

What will happen to the community in the next decades is a subject of considerable speculation. Just as Plymouth was once the crossroads for South-eastern Michigan rail traffic - it's still a major switching point for freight trains - it will soon be the site of the intersection of two major expressways.

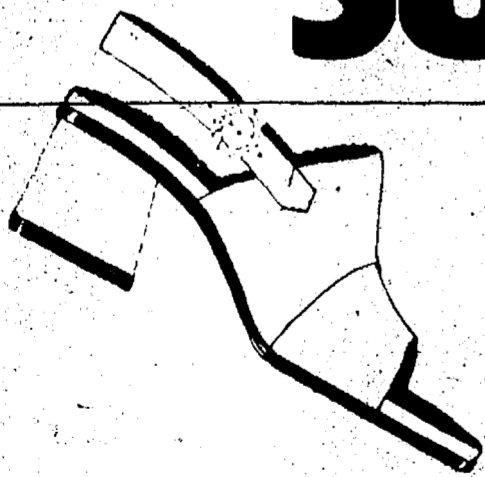
In the northeast corner of Plymouth Township, I-275, connecting the northern suburbs of Detroit with I-294 and Downriver communities, and M-14, providing a direct route between Detroit and Ann Arbor, will cross in a giant cloverleaf.

The new roads will intensify Plymouth's midway position between Detroit and Ann Arbor, bringing the heart of each city within about 20 minutes of Plymouth.

What Plymouth will be like in another century we leave to the futurists. If America in its 200th year is still a young nation, then perhaps Plymouth, for all its seniority among suburban neighbors and its long history of people and events, may still be in its infancy.

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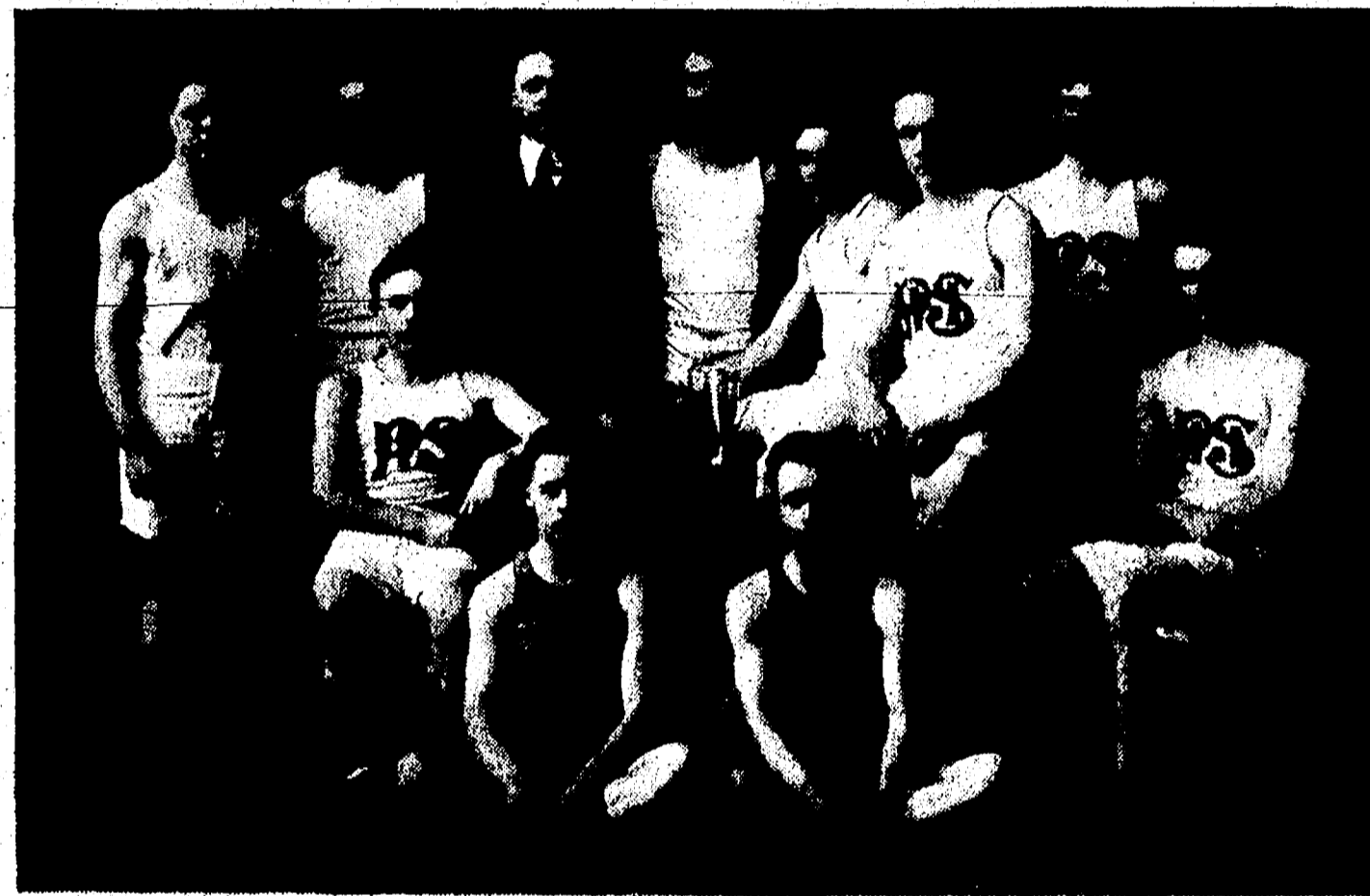
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**GALA DAY IN MID-SUMMER** brought all kinds of crowd-gathering attractions. The event in 1912 featured a balloonist who parachuted from his giant balloon after reaching high altitude. Gala Day was the highlight of downtown Plymouth's summer, but, according to Davis Hillmer, who took this picture, it "wasn't in the same class" with the Plymouth Fall Festival. (Photo by Davis Hillmer)



**BASKETBALL OR TRACK???** Since the date and names for this distinguished looking team are not available, it's hard to tell what was played. This Plymouth High School team, which competed back in the late 1890's or early 1900's was probably a track team, since football and track were the original varsity sports at the high school. (Photo courtesy of the Plymouth Historical Museum)



**BOTH THE HIGH SCHOOL** and the Methodist Church were destroyed by fire on March 31, 1916. Both structures, located on Church at Main, were rebuilt, at the same locations. The church site is now occupied by Temple Baptist Church, and the school is Central Middle School. (Photo courtesy of the Plymouth Historical Museum)



# Canton's history recalls rural past of pioneers

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Richard West, forerunner of the West legacy, was born in Ireland in 1826. In 1848 he married Jane H. Jones of County Cork and set sail for America with their daughter, Deborah.

After living in Superior Township for 13 years, Richard purchased 165 acres of land at Beck and Michigan in 1863. Beck was originally called the "West Road."

Most noted son was William, who married Louise Cook and settled in the Cherry Hill locality in 1900 after serving as a DSR street car conductor in Detroit.

After World War I, William brought a store located at the corner of Cherry Hill and Ridge Roads from James Gunn and established a post office service. William served as postmaster for five years and died in 1934.

The contemporary five West brothers Alfred (Dutch), Wilbert, Earl, Stanley and Joseph established in 1945 the International Harvester Implement and later the car dealerships and appliance businesses in Plymouth.

(Two other brothers, Jerome "Jake", and Elton should also be named. Also, there were two West daughters, Berniece Thomas and Luetta West, Jake, Elton, Joe, Earl and Luetta remain of William West's children.)

Frederick Schrader Sr., originally from Germany, traveled to South America before establishing a heritage in the Plymouth community. Fred first settled about 1875 on Cherry Hill Road west of Canton Center and had seven children.

Son Harmon migrated from Brazil and settled on Canton Center Road north of Ford, where his only child, Owen, was born. Fred Jr. was born in Beck Road and died at age 71, leaving three children; Gladys, Evelyn and Edwin (Sr.) When the Owen Schraders forsook the house on Canton Center, everything was stolen except an 1840 Victorian grand piano.

In 1904 the Schrader Fuenral Home was founded in Plymouth by Fred and Nelson Sr.

Henry Hauk established an enterprising name in the heart of the early Ridge (Cherry Hill) settlement. With his wife, Mary, Henry moved from Dearborn Township in 1919 and purchased 140 acres on the old Pottawatomie Trail. While Henry farmed, Mary served as moderator of the Cherry Hill School for 21 years. Henry died in 1972, but Mary still lived on Ridge near her son, Ross, a Canton farmer.

The first township hall was erected in 1874 and located at the corner of Canton Center and Cherry Hill. It cost \$700 and seated 400 people. Later the hall was rebuilt and a fire station added. The whistle sound from the station had several useful purposes. It signalled a fire and aroused fire volunteers to action. It also tipped the farmer out in the field that dinner was ready.

In 1950, Colburn Dennis Jr. bought the township hall and tore it down with the help of John Robertson. The cement blocks and main frame were used to build a house on Ford Road west of Canton Center."

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Canton as it appears to contemporary viewers has evolved in a very short time.

The population in 1876 was recorded as 2,168. In 1960, it had jumped to slightly more than twice that. But a mid-decade census completed in 1975 showed Canton had grown to a whopping 27,000 plus residents, making it one of the fastest-growing regions in the country.

Canton is no longer a place of pioneer farm families, although many names from its early history are still prominent. Now families are likely to be more transient, going where jobs take them.

Farming is still seen in Canton's western half, but not on the large scale of earlier years. Many of Canton's most productive farmlands in the eastern half of the township have been developed as subdivisions, according to old-timers who have lived in the area all their lives.

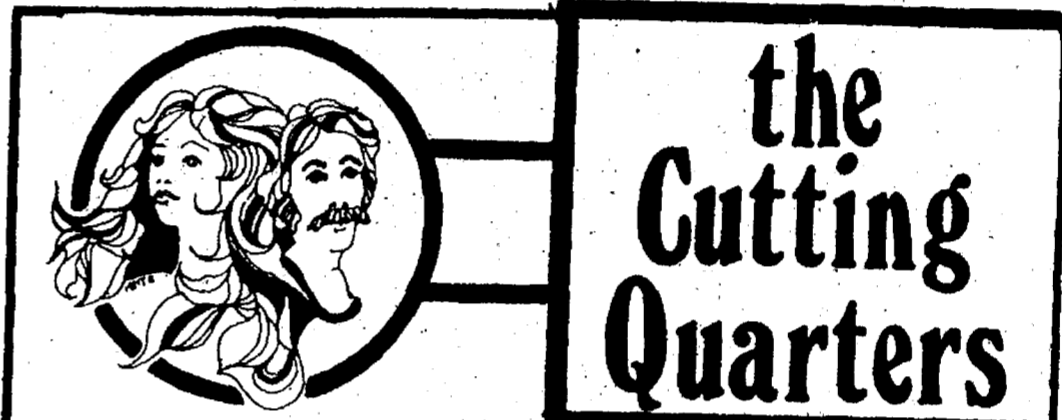
Canton's commercial facilities today attract shoppers from outside the area, and although its industrial growth has to date been slow, township officials seem anxious to attract new industrial tax base to the area.

Future projections anticipate that Canton will have a population of 100,000 by the year 2000, but at the same time, open space and agricultural lands will remain intact in the township's western half.



**CHERRY HILL SCHOOL**, known years ago as Fractional No. 1, was adopted by the late Henry Ford Sr. as one of his Greenfield Village Schools. Located in Canton at the corner of Ridge and Cherry Hill roads, the school was enlarged by Ford as a favor to the school board for allowing an indigent family's children to attend there. The school is now used by a church but belongs to the Plymouth School District. (Photo courtesy of Dorothy West)

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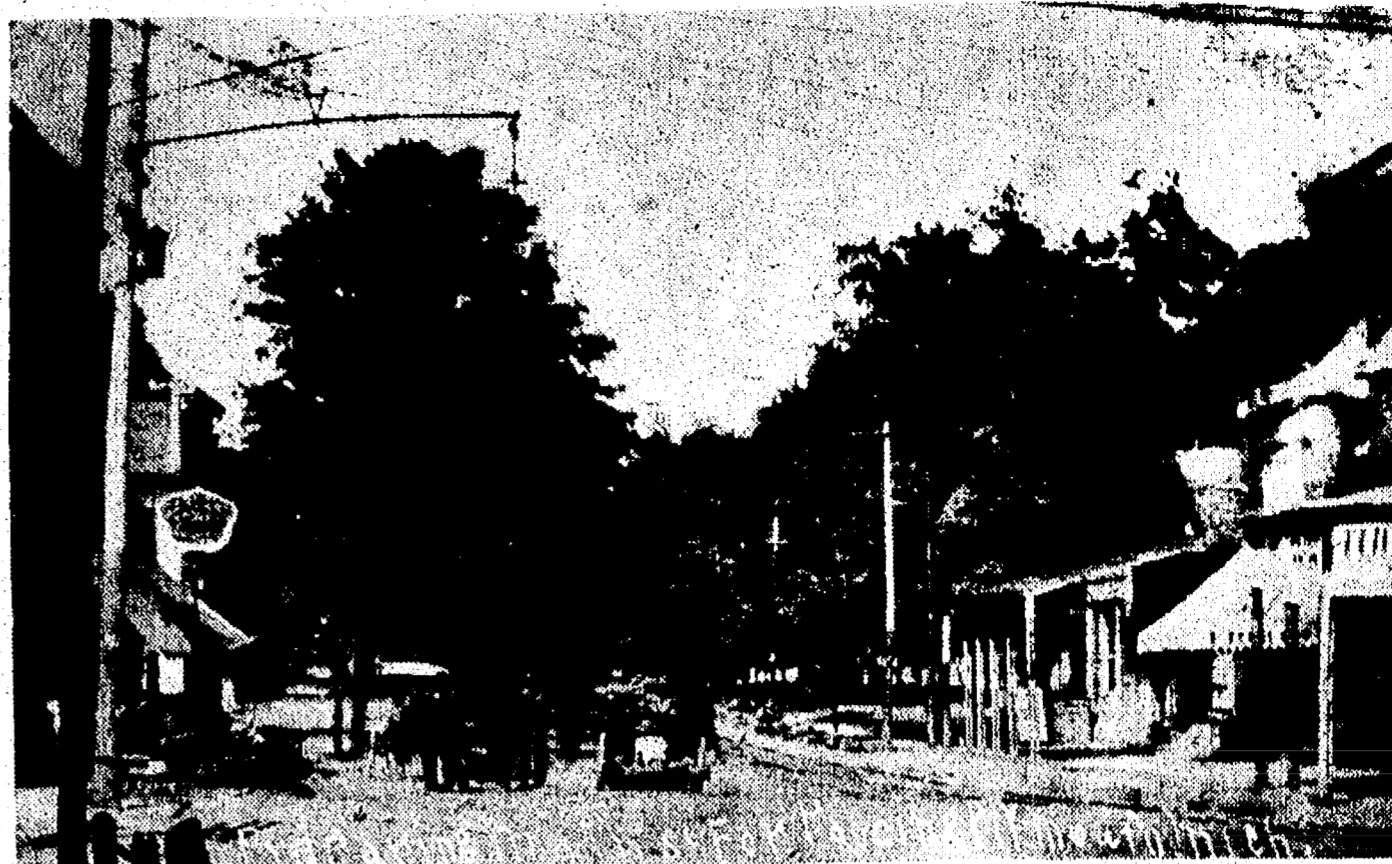
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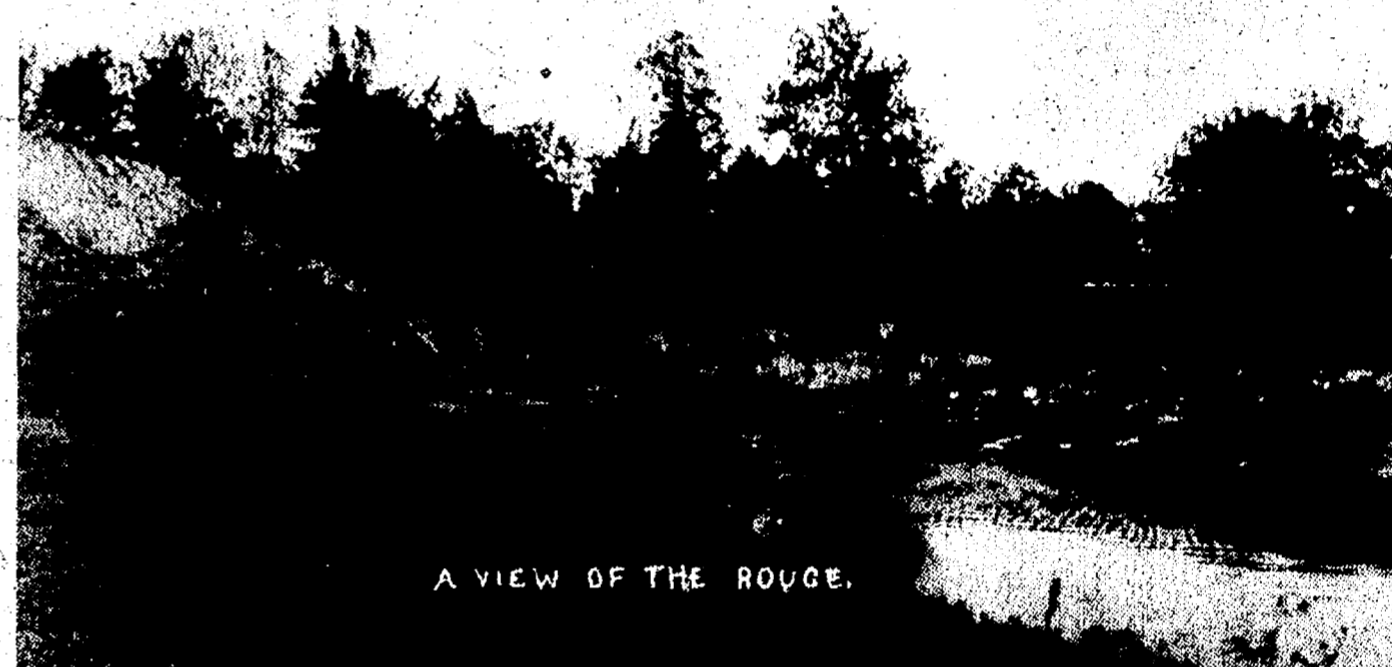
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We salute all of you for your interest in our past.

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# Salem plans 1976 fete

The Bicentennial Entertainment Committee of Salem Township is sponsoring a gala celebration in Salem July 30, 31 and Aug. 1.


Among events scheduled for all three days will be arts and crafts booths, a dunk tank, a carnival, a roast beef dinner, an entertainment and refreshment tent, a young artists festival, and a square dance.

On Saturday, July 31, and Sunday Aug. 1, there will be a pancake breakfast antique cars and tractors, pony rides and stages with music. On Saturday a Fly-In will be held at Salem Airport, a flag raising ceremony at the Salem Fire Hall and a parade. On Sunday, there will be an open horse show at Quad L Farm on Six Mile Road in Salem.

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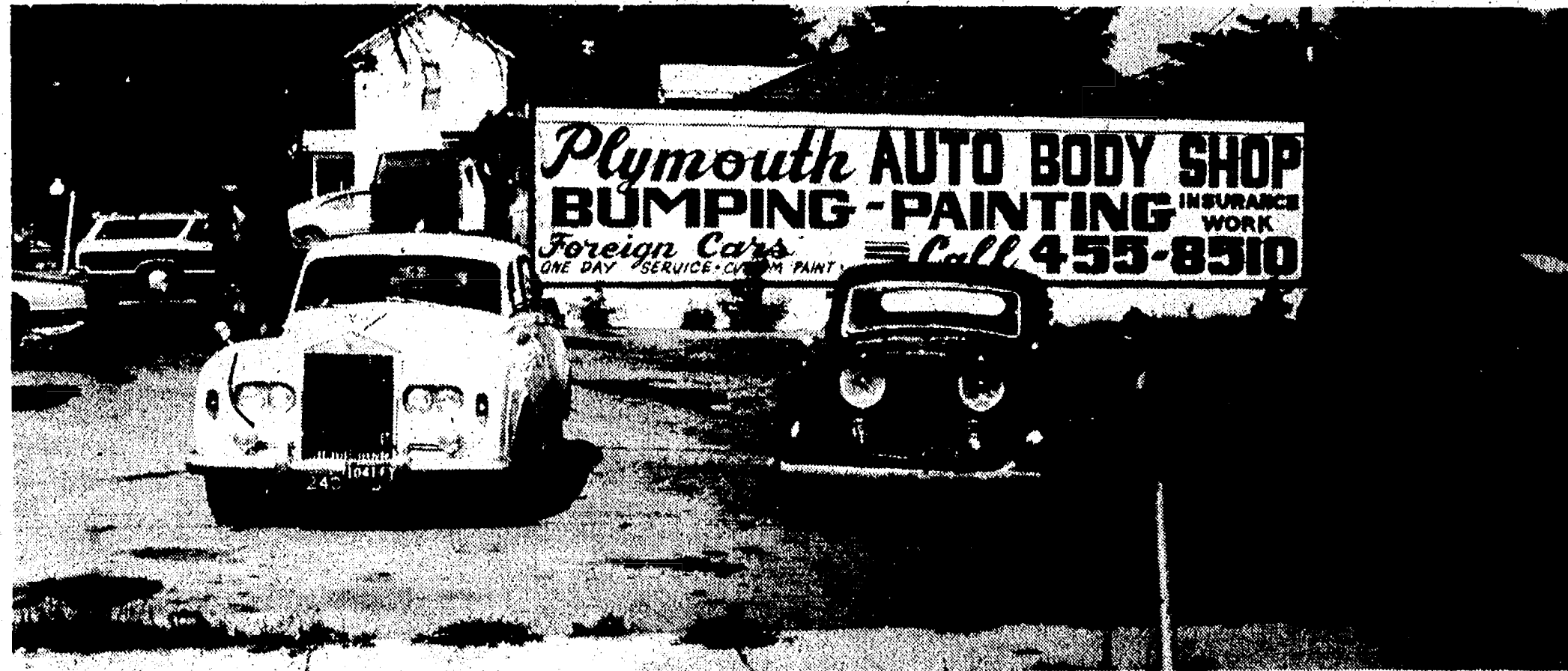



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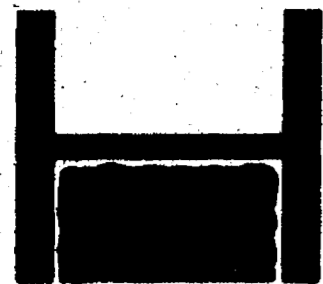
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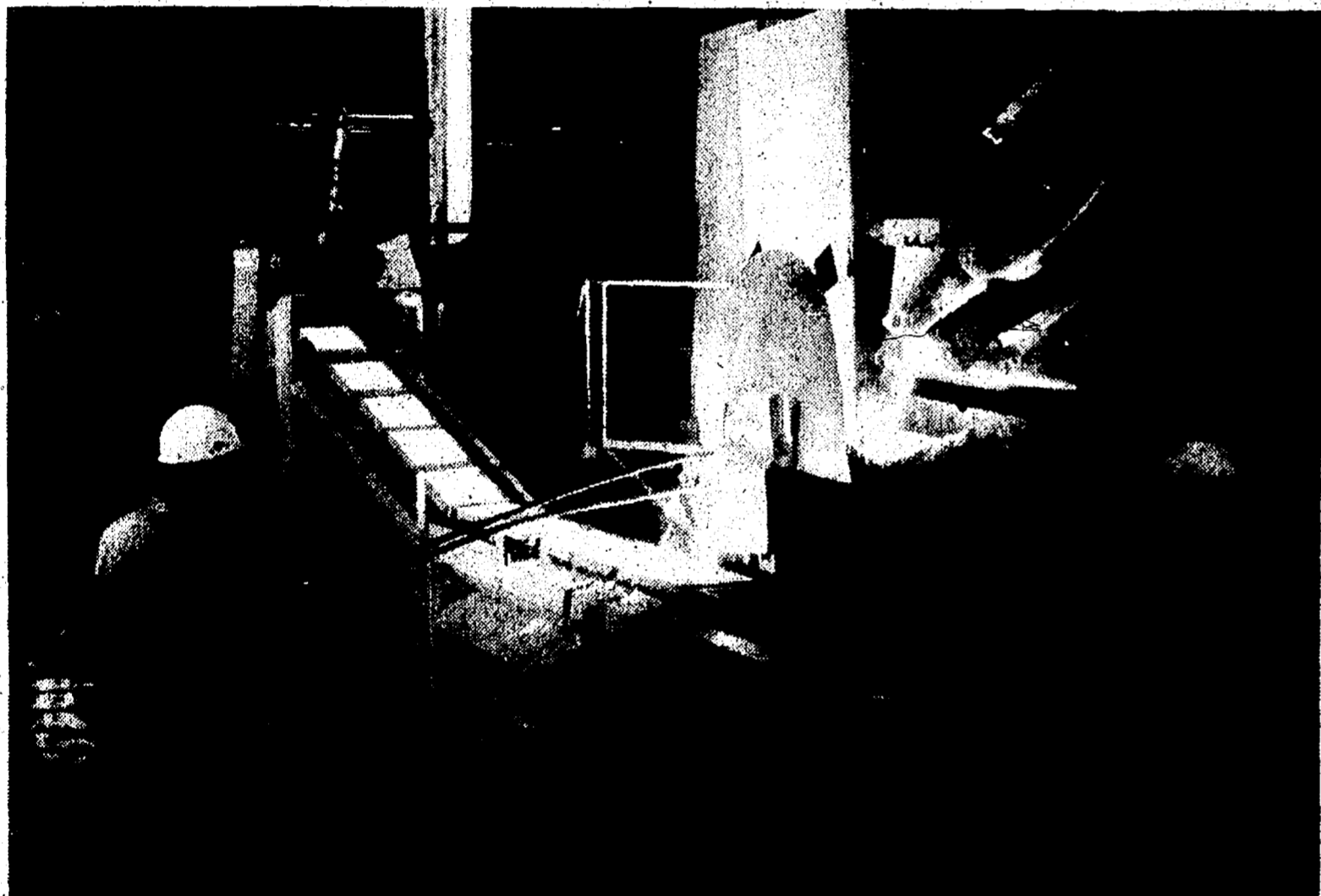
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A history of the Metal Products Division coincides with the development of the investment casting industry.

Shortly after World War II the jet engine was born and, along with it, a new technology. This new technology created a need for many new alloy systems.

MPD's parent company, Howmet Turbine Components Corporation, pioneered in the investment casting of critical components used in the hot section of gas turbine engines (jet engines.) This technology rapidly expanded when jet engines were mass produced for the Korean conflict. The industry was an infant and high temperature alloy technology was still in the laboratories. Engineers during those late 40's were attempting to span the gap from what were called "supercharger" alloys to "high temperature" alloys.

Michigan Steel produced low alloy steels in the form of remelt stock in the late '40's and with the change to jet engine alloys a separate operation was formed which was the result of the acquisition of Michigan Steel by Consolidated Foundries. A separate division was established at that time located on Guoin Street in Detroit and was named WaiMet Alloys, a division of Michigan Steel, headed by Roger Waindle.



The jet engine industry grew and so did WaiMet Alloy. By 1957 the Division had moved to its own 25,000 sq. ft. facility in Dearborn. Set up to manufacture air metal master alloy, shot and ingot, the facility has a capacity of 3,500,000 pounds per year and, by 1958, was producing 7 million pounds yearly. The company developed expertise in the handling of molten metal, the molting of high alloy systems, and also had knowledge of application to markets. As a result, in early 1959, the development of a secondary product was nearing completion - hardfacing rod made of Stellite compositions, which was cast from shot produced by WaiMet.

In 1959, Howe-Sound acquired WaiMet. By 1960, the fast growing hardfacing product line moved into a new 10,000 sq. ft. facility which was a sand cast operation producing 14" rods for the exhaust valve industry. The capacity was 200,000 pounds yearly.

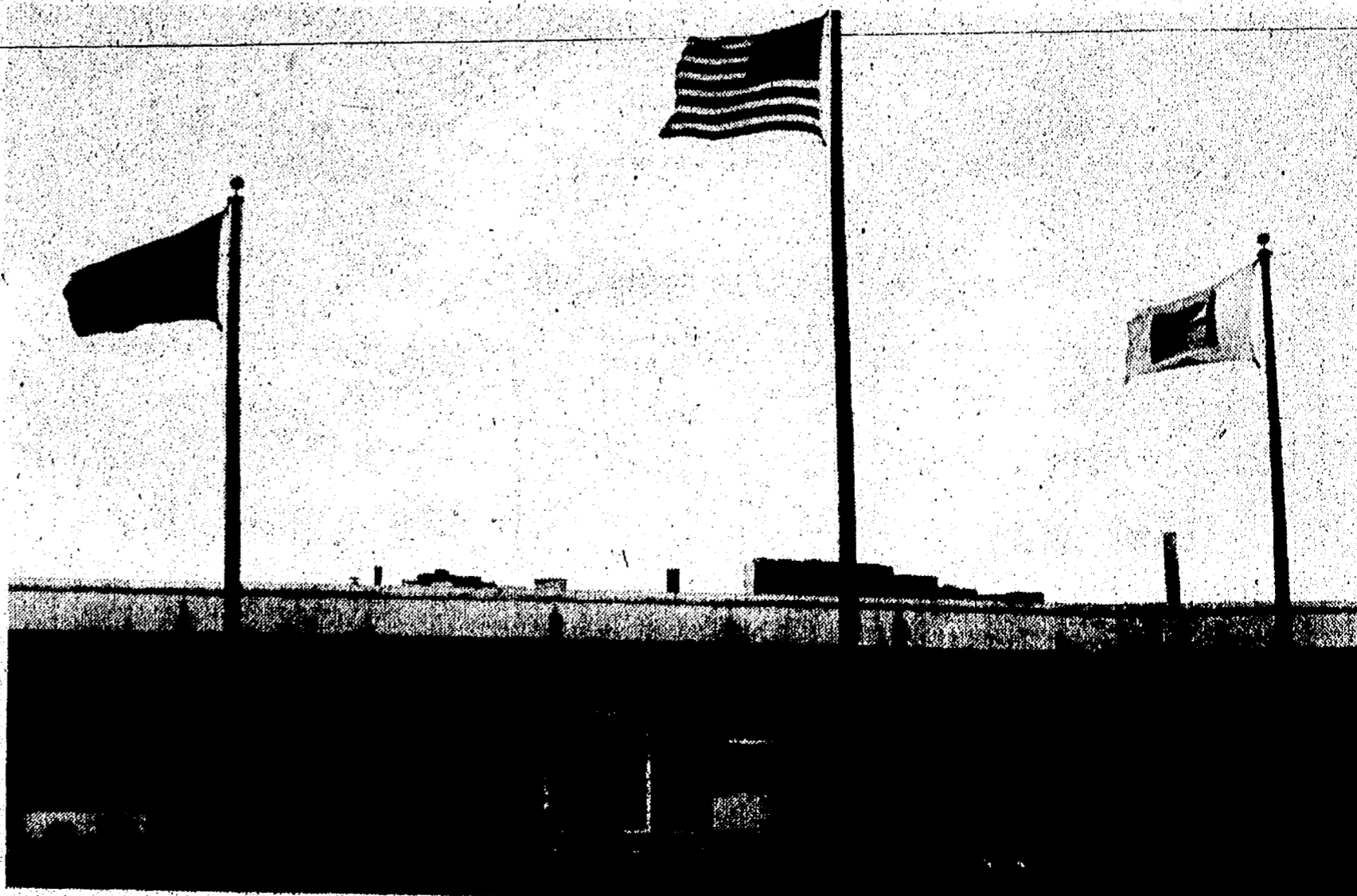
In 1965, Howe-Sound reorganized and became Howmet. During this reorganization, WaiMet Alloys Company was renamed the Metal Products Division, as it is known today.

In 1969, the Division moved from Dearborn into a new 80,000 sq. ft. facility at Plymouth. In its present house, the company has increased its melting capacity from 7 million pounds per year to 17.5 million pounds. Hardfacing rod capacity has increased from 200,000 pounds annually to 300,000 pounds. This product line

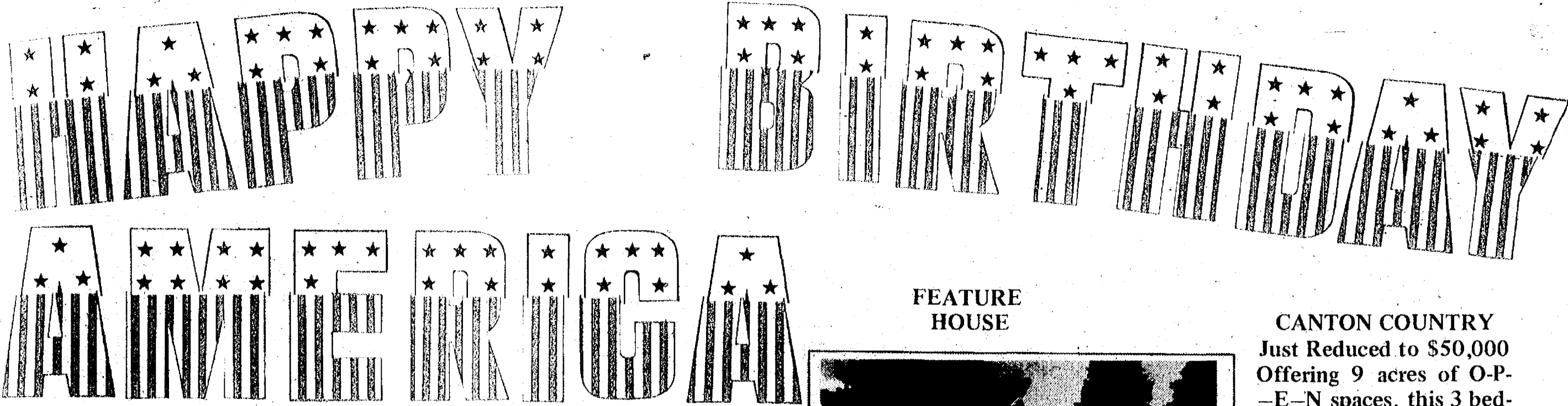
has continued to grow and, in 1973, a unique method for producing hardfacing rod was developed by Metal Products. The rod, cast in glass, has proven to be an innovative and successful product. The advent of this new process has increased in capacity to more than 700,000 pounds yearly.

Today a computerized charge make-up system, coupled with a modern laboratory facility, controls the melting of one 4,000 pound induction furnace and three 2,000 pound induction furnaces, providing the casting industry with the highest quality master alloy on the market.

Metal products, with 76 employees, is one of Howmet Turbine Components Corporation's twelve American divisions. An international organization, Howmet operates plants in five states and also has facilities in the United Kingdom and Japan. Licensees are established in France, Germany, Italy, Sweden and Israel. HTCC is headquartered in Muskegon, and is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Pechiney Ugine Kuhlmann, Paris, France. Pechiney Ugine Kuhlmann is a large multi-national company with major interests and capabilities in metals and chemicals.

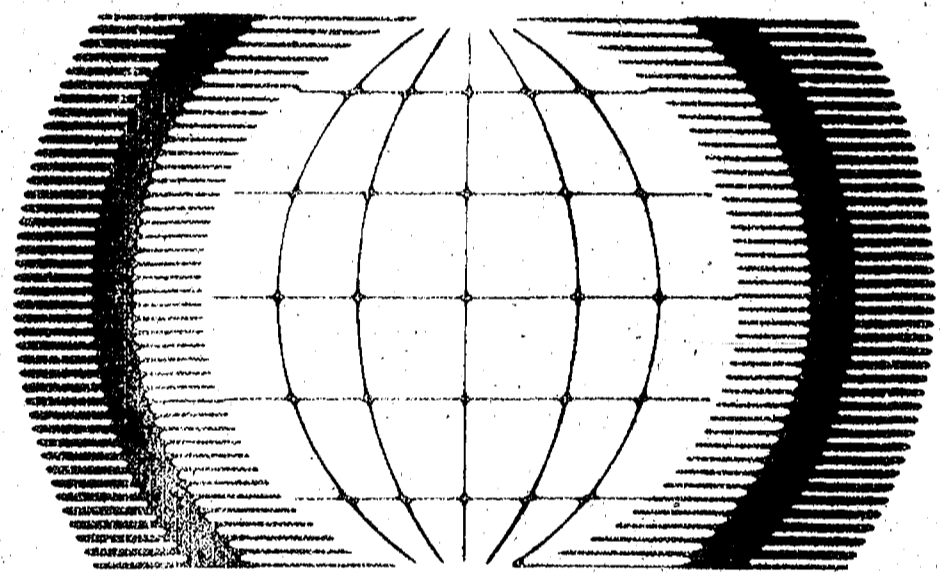






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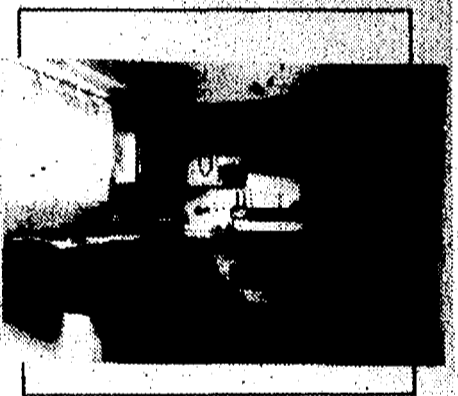
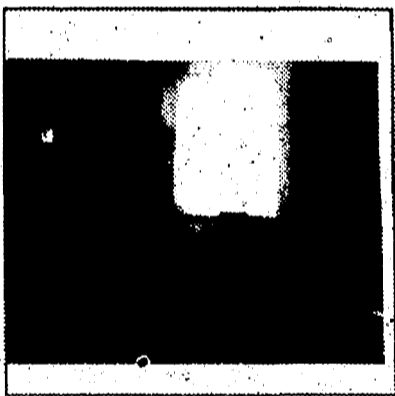
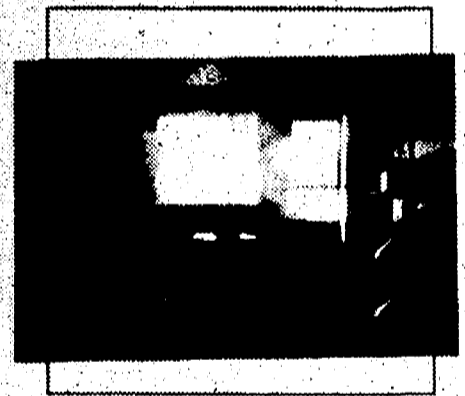
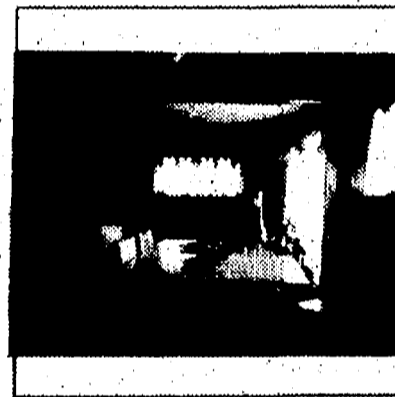
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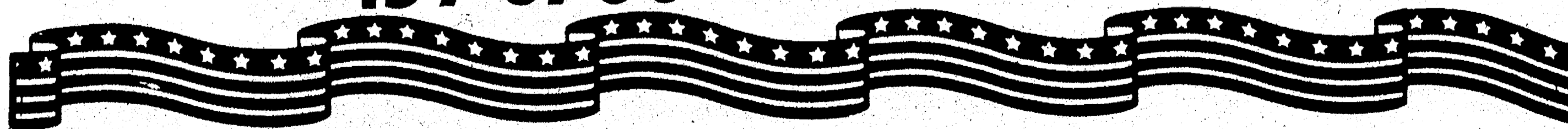
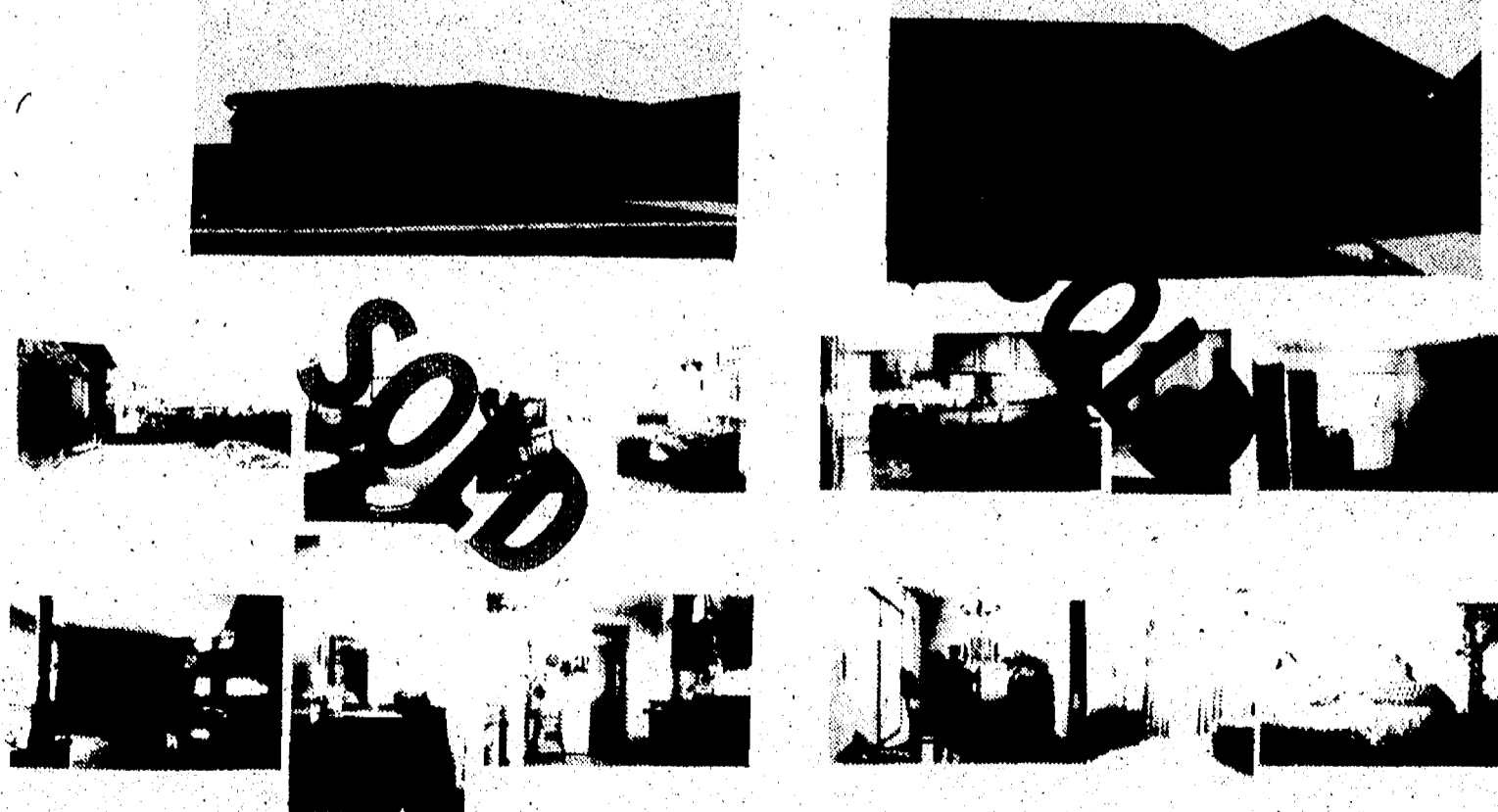


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## For Plymouth-Canton

# What of 2076: war, slums or status quo?

BY IRV ROZIAN

The future of the Plymouth Community is bound up with the future of America and the western nations.

I see three general possibilities for the status of America 100 years hence. They are: 1. Post nuclear war. 2. Bad resource management, but no war. 3. Good resource management.

Before describing these alternatives, I want to explain why there is bound to be some kind of a crisis before the end of this century.

Three truly revolutionary things happened to western society in the century or two preceding the American Revolution. The first was the discovery of the Americas: two huge virgin continents virtually unexploited by their native populations.

The second was the emergence of rational physical science which could explain the majority of natural phenomena and predict the consequences of experiments. The third, and perhaps least recognized, was the parallel development, in moral philosophy and commercial institutions, of the notion of personal gain and economic growth which we call free enterprise.

These three factors taken together set off a totally unprecedented explosion of human population and of standard of living. For two centuries we have been more than doubling population every 50 years and increasing energy consumption by more than five-fold in the same periods.

The technical term for this kind of growth is "exponential." It occurs in physical or socio-economic systems when a new resource or a new technology is found to overcome some past limit. However, a universal truth about exponential growth is that it cannot go on forever. Some new limit will be encountered.

The only question is whether the limit will be encountered suddenly, in which case something snaps and a catastrophic collapse may follow; or approached gradually, with a falling off of growth rate. In the latter case, a new stable plateau may be held for some time. A non-destructive leveling off is seldom spontaneous. Some sort of planning and control is usually necessary.

Those of us involved in resource research or urban planning, or reading science fiction have known for 30 years or more that a crunch was coming in the last quarter of this century.

The general public had begun to feel the rumblings in the last five years. If you would like to be better informed about the challenge we face, get hold of a Signet paperback called "The Limits to Growth", by Meadows and Meadows.

Now, let's take up the scenarios one by one. If there is going to be a nuclear war, it is most likely to occur about 10 years from now, give or take five. The Plymouth area is so nicely centered in the Southeastern Michigan industrial and research complex that we face total destruction.

The area is then likely to be uninhabitable for roughly 50 years. It is difficult to predict the way in which the survivors will regenerate a society. It is likely to be technological and authoritarian, ranging from feudal to communitarian.

In the beginning life expectancy will be short, mainly from old problems like disease, starvation, and local fighting rather than new ones like radiation and induced mutations. By the end of the 21st century a resurgence of world wide society, to 20th century levels, should have taken place, but the scars will be deep.

In my estimation the odds on major nuclear war in this century are about 25%.

The second scenario, nuclear war is avoided, but poor management of population and resources results in a kind of glorified slum spreading through at least the three North American corridors which Dr. Doxiadis identified at megalopolis cities.

Again, the Plymouth is smack in the middle of an urban corridor running from Montreal to Chicago and Minneapolis. The remaining agricultural land between Plymouth and Ann Arbor will have been absorbed first by a combination of single lot subdivisions and apartments then by high-rise dwellings and finally by hive-like domes. The individual will spend most of his life in cramped quarters, surrounded by synthetic materials, and living vicariously through an advanced form of entertainment media which permits him to escape completely into a fantasy world.

A certain amount of work will be compulsory, whether it produces anything or not, and there will be token participation in governmental processes. Foods will be factory produced from a mix of high-yield protein crops, synthetics and recycled material.

Real travel will be minimal because of energy cost, and because of the realism of the communication and entertainment media. Also, travel will be meaningless, to a large extent, because of the sameness of urban life around the world.

The fate of the family is uncertain. We will have 1984 only postponed until 2044. This fate gives also a 25% chance of coming to pass.

The third scenario I have called "good resource management." Perhaps surprisingly, it involves the least superficial change in our national way of life and the appearance of the Plymouth Community.

World-wide population will have been halted at two to four times its present level, with U.S. population held to a peak of about 400 million. Toward the latter part of the next century, it may have declined to 300 million. This will have been accomplished by easy, safe chemical contraception, voluntary for the most part, but involuntary where it is the only alternative to starvation and war.

By the end of the century, average life expectancy will have reached the Biblical four score and ten. Advance beyond that point will await a breakthrough since there seems to be a biological clock at work in cellular aging, independent of nutrition or infectious disease.

Stabilization of population and greater life expectancy will shift the age mix markedly upward. Childhood and child rearing occupied the full 25

or 30 year life span of primitive people. It will henceforth take only half or less of the life span, even with later marriages.

The current trend toward freer and more diversified interpersonal relationships throughout life will continue. However, marriage and the nuclear family will remain the basic unit. This will be true, because we are currently rediscovering that all other comforts, artifices and diversions aside, the basic human satisfactions are still those linked by instinct to old patterns of survival and gratification. The intense love-hate-nurture bond of the family is among the most fundamental and satisfying of these to all mammals, including man. There may even be a resurgence of the extended family.

The home and work environment may not change much from what we find in Plymouth now. There will be many exotic habitations in the heart of cities, in resort areas, and even on the moon, but given the elbow room preserved by population limitation, the majority of people will choose to live a good part of their lives close to a least a lot-sized patch of green earth. They will also choose to live with natural or earth-derived materials such as stone, wood, bricks, and leather in preference to metals, plastic and glass.

A strong factor favoring suburban or country living will be the substitution of ultra-realistic communication media for physical travel. It will be possible to conduct most classroom or business activities from the home media center, if desired.

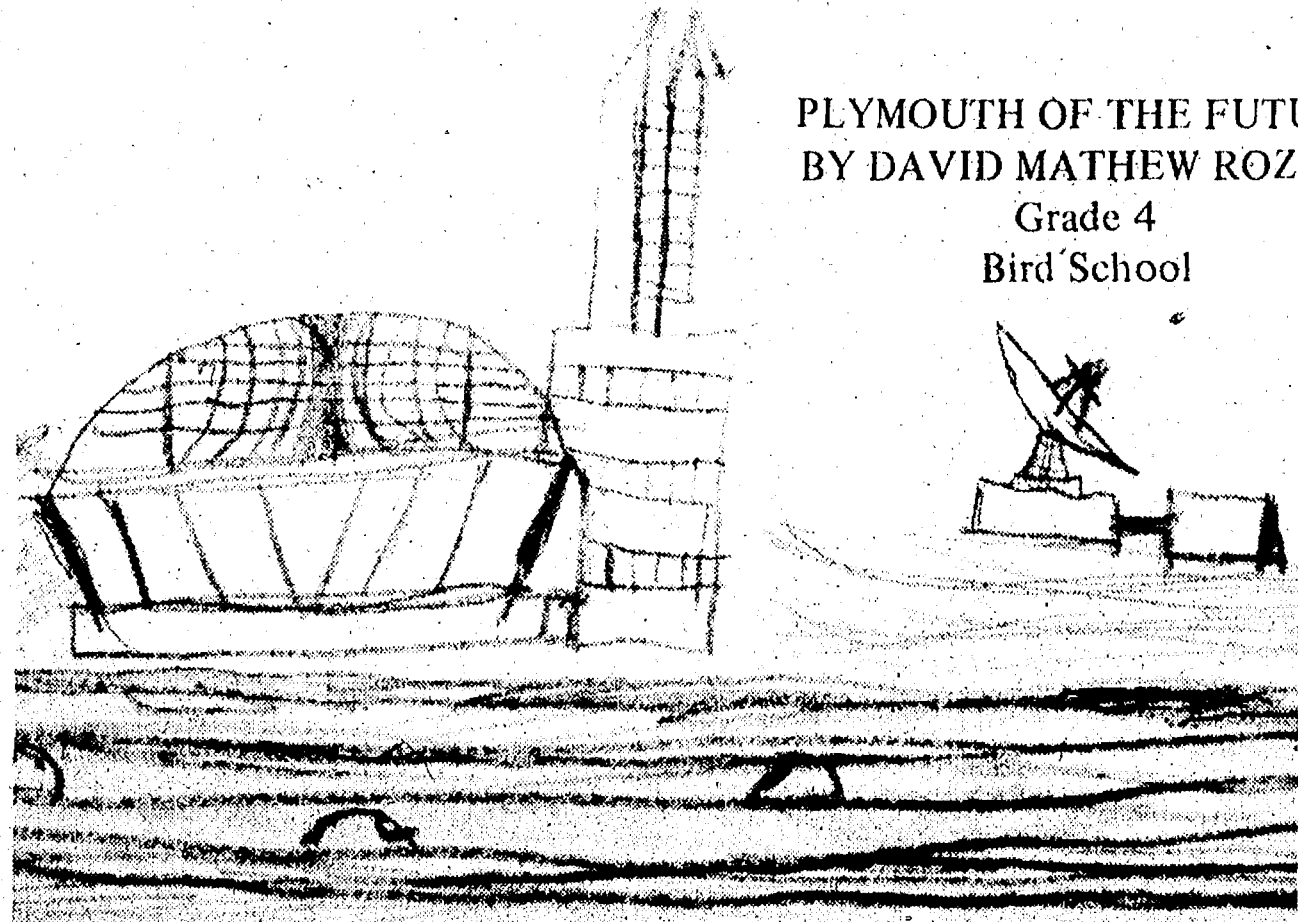
Even sex could be taken care of by servomechanisms or direct neural stimulation of pleasure centers in the brain, but I doubt that we will choose to do it that way. At least I promise not to engineer it.

U.S. energy demand per capita will level off at about 150 times bodily nutrition requirements and then fall back to about 50 times without loss of standard of living as we insulate better, travel less, and recycle more.

The energy needed will come about 75% from nuclear fusion and 25% from direct and indirect forms of solar energy.

Fossil fuels will be saved as raw materials.

Individual cities and towns around the world will emphasize different architectural themes, so that travel will again produce new experiences. Many will hark back to attractive periods in history.



PLYMOUTH OF THE FUTURE  
BY DAVID MATHEW ROZIAN  
Grade 4  
Bird School

If Plymouth can preserve its town center and ceremonies such as Fall Festival, we may be the bellwetter rather than than straggler in setting Mid-western lifestyle.

The most marked changes we can foresee in nature and quality of life will be brought about by two new technologies.

The first of these, well underway is the development of artificial intelligence, computers will evolve awareness and personality. They may even have to be given legal and social status. If you think this is far fetched, consider that corporations are treated legally as artificial persons.

The existence of intelligent machines will further liberate man from less than human repetitive or dangerous tasks. The world of work will shift further to research to decision-making among available options, and to the creation of beauty. Again Plymouth may be a trend setter, with its wealth of artistic, cultural and social activities.

The second new technology, just emerging, is genetic engineering. Within 25 years we will have the ability to eliminate many inherited diseases and we will be on the threshold of being able to slow or eliminate aging.

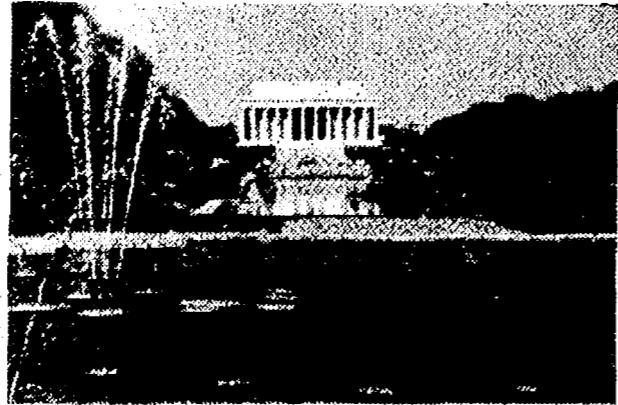
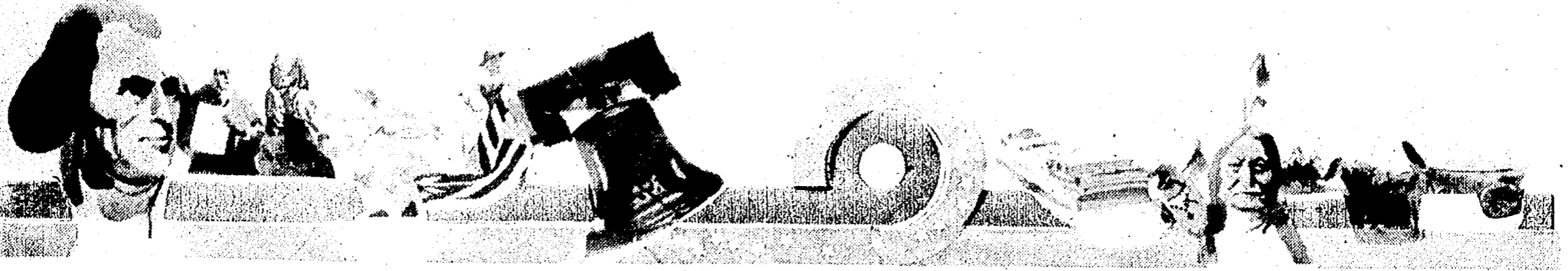
The next possibility is to re-design man and other animals or plants. Beyond that we will be able to design and create life forms from scratch. The impact on life in America a hundred years from now can only be guessed at.

However, the prospect does not frighten me. I stopped being unduly alarmed at any new prospect for man when we already had a half dozen ways to destroy life on earth by intent or mistake. I prefer to think of the power we have to make a stable, good life for all human beings if we work at it rationally.

Plymouth in many ways is the prototype American community of educated, hard working, concerned people. If we are rational, optimistic, cooperative, and persuasive, we can go a long way towards improving the 50-50 chance for option three.



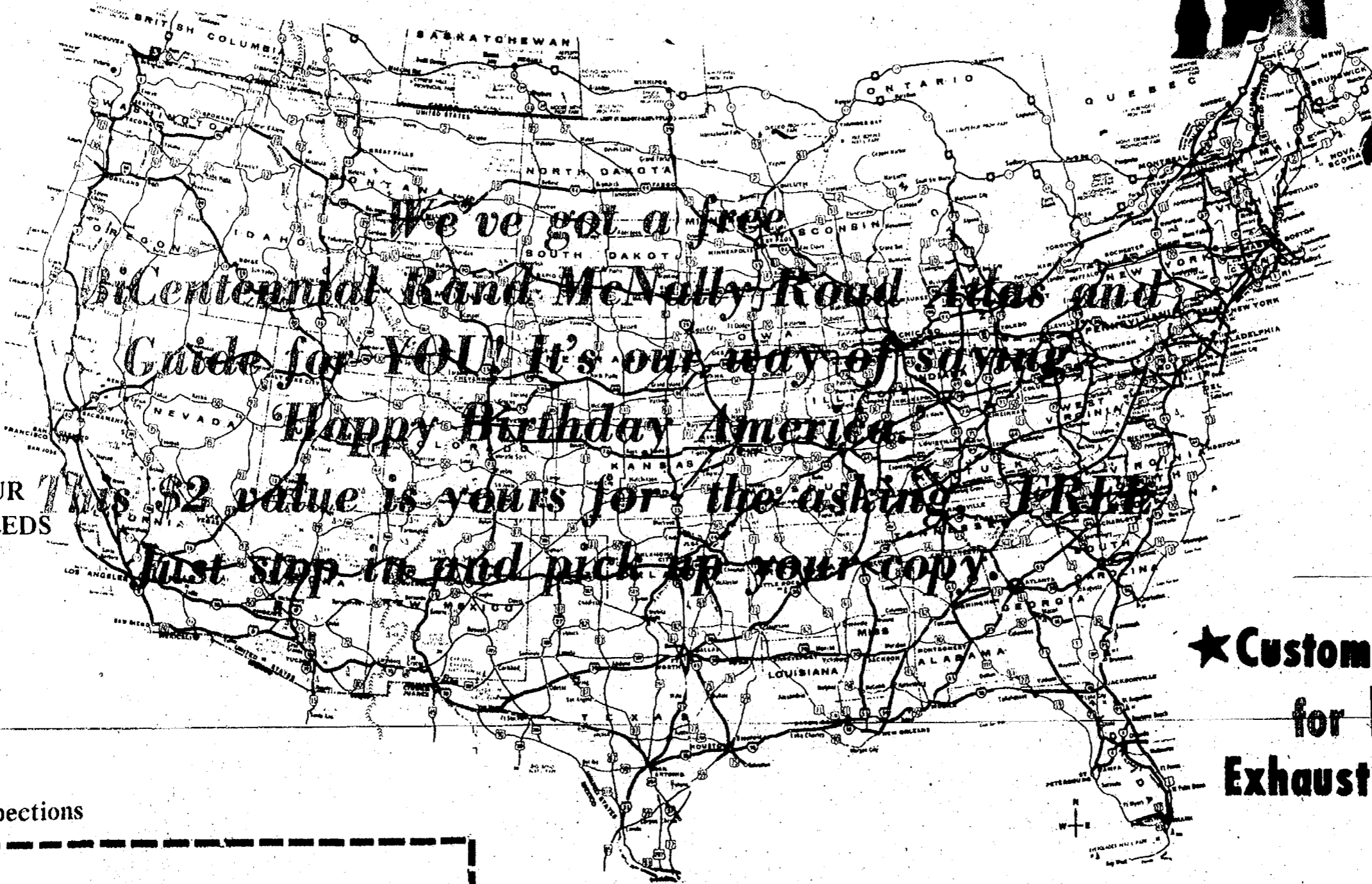
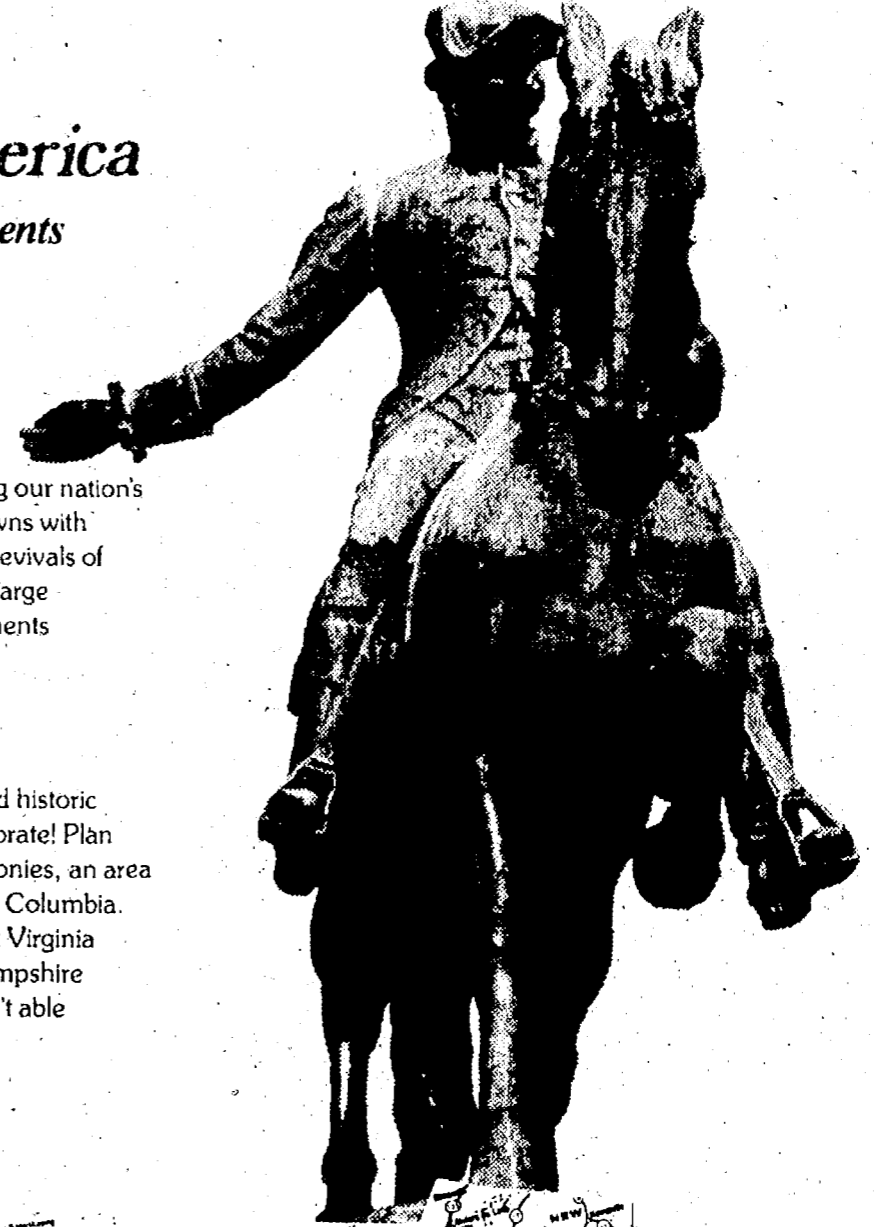
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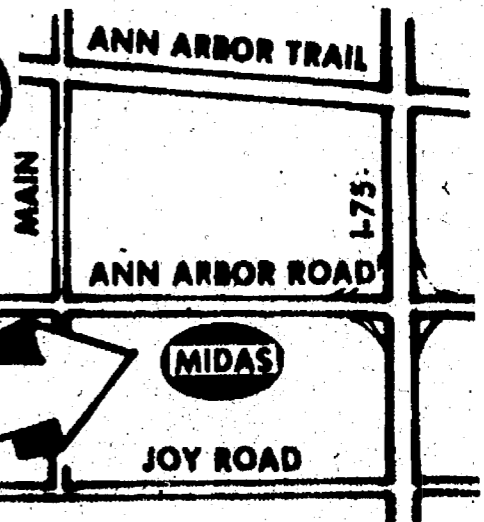
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