Foes of high-rise rap city's 'haste'

# City rezones site for senior housing

BY HANK MEIJER

Plans for high-rise housing for the elderly adjacent to Kellogg Park in downtown Plymouth cleared two of three city-level hurdles late Monday night. After hours of public hearing debate before some 200 residents, the city commission narrowly approved rezoning of a 2.3 acre site now occupied by the Wilcox House at Union and

Penniman from business to multiple residential. The commission also designated the proposed development as a planned unit development (PUD), thus suspending normal city building requirements for that particular project.

Both the rezoning and approval of the planned unit development passed the commission by 5-2 votes, with Mayor Joe Bida and Commissioners Norb Batterman, Mary Childs, Tom Turner and Scott Dodge supporting the project over dissenting Commissioners John Moehle and Bev McAninch. A move by Ms. McAninch to withold the PUD designation for 30 days so that a separate public hearing could be scheduled was defeated 4-3, with Dodge joining the dissen-

First reading was given to a proposal to grant tax abatement to Forest City Dillon Co, developer of the project. Forest City representatives, who have agreed

Mayor Bida: "I don't care how high it is, as long as it does the job."

to pay the city \$20,000 annually in lieu of taxes, said abatement of property taxes on the project was a requirement of the State Housing Development Authority before it would approve the development.

With state approval, federal funding will subsidize the privately - developed facility.

Second reading of the controversial measure - the last major hurdle for the 11-story, 197 unit facility - is scheduled for the commission's Sept. 20 meeting. At that time, a resolution to grant the abatement is expected to be offered.

From squabble about ground rules governing a public hearing on the rezoning to heated exchanges between commissioners as the final votes were taken, feelings ran high in city commission chambers.

More than half of the dozens of residents and non-residents, youngers homeowners and senior citizens who spoke opposed what some termed "a monstrosity" which would tragically alter the face of Plymouth.

Planning Commissioner Roger Wright, a spokesman for a group Cont. on Pg. 16

# Parsell seeks recount of Canton primary

BY KATHY KUENZER »

Canton Treasurer Carl Parsell, who was defeated by 59 votes in the Aug. 3 primary, has requested a recount by the Wayne County Election Commission.

Parsell, whose bid for the Democratic nomination to the treasurer's office for a second term was squelched by Anne Bradley, said Monday he is seeking the recount "for more than just determining the total outcome.

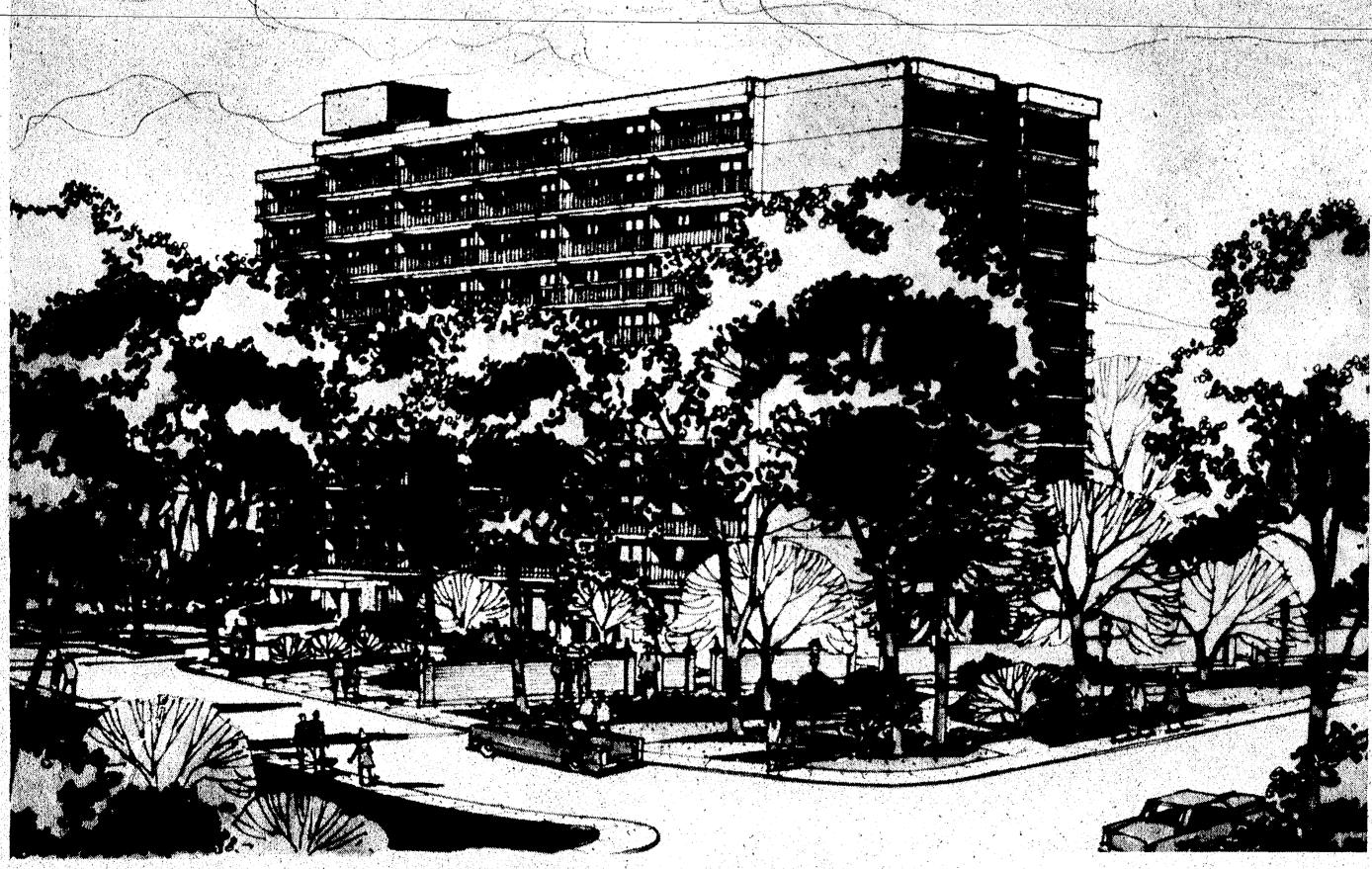
"Although 4,016 people out of the 12,000 who are registered voted, only 3,500 or less voted for the supervisor or treasurer," said Parsell. "That's a 500-vote loss somewhere."

Parsell said he was hoping the election commission could "uncover" where the votes went "for (the benefit of) all future elections.

"When people take time to get out to vote, I have a hard time understanding why they

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# Exclusive hearing photos...pgs.14-15



Architect's vision of high-rise:

HOW THIS HIGH—RISE apartment building designed for senior citizens would affect the landscape of Plymouth was the subject of an emotional, five-hour public hearing and meeting Monday of the city commission. For pictures of the crowded session, see pages 14 and 15.

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# Notebaert, \$1.55; Greenstein, 31¢; Stein, 0

BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER Campaigning for local office can be expensive for some candidates if it's figured on a cost per vote basis.

That's what was proven in the recent local primary elections, according to reports filed last week.

But some winners spent nothing.

With the Aug. 3 primary meaning the final election for Plymouth Township candidates who face no Democratic opposition in the November general election, it was no surprise that spending there outstripped Canton candidates by as much as five times.

According to reports filed with the Wayne County Clerk's office and processed by Monday, Plymouth Township's next supervisor, Tom Notebaert, was far and away the big spender in area primaries three weeks ago.

County reports show:

Notebaert spent \$1,777.23 on his campaign - or \$1.55 per vote he received. His opponents, Greg Dean and Soren Pedersen had not filed expense reports by Monday. In contrast, Canton Township Supervisor Robert Greenstein, who was defeated by Harold Stein in the primary, spent \$493.62 on his campaign or 31 cents per vote received. Stein reported spending nothing.

Greenstein, like his slate mates,

(John Flodin, Carl Parsell, Jerry Cheske and Joyce Willis), registered income and expenses as one fifth of the total New Democratic Club's \$2,466 expenditures.

Republican Peter Bundarin, who ran unopposed in the primary, had not filed expense

reports by Monday.

In the Plymouth Township Trustee race, the high spender on a per vote received basis, was Andy Pruner who spent \$410 - or \$1.06 per vote garnered. Following were Loyd Sharland who spent \$269.90 (55 cents a vote) and Weyona Lee

Fidge who spent \$326 (50 cents a vote).

Maurie Breen, former Plymouth Township supervisor who won a seat, and Barb Saunders, who lost, spent nothing, they reported. Reports on Jim Levitte, Nathan Frank, Michael Griffin, George Wheeler and David Broad were not on record with the county as of Monday.

In Canton Township, the treasurer's race saw Greensteiner Parsell spend \$493.62 - or 31 cents a vote - while his victorious opponent, Anne Bradley (a member of Stein's slate) spent nothing.

Canton Clerk John Flodin, also on Greenstein's slate, was unopposed but spent his fifth of the slate's war chest - \$493.62.

Big spender overall in the trustees race was independent Lynne Goldsmith who shelled out \$514.92 to win, followed by Cheske and Willis spending \$493.62 each and Noel Culbert with \$187.35.

When figured on the basis of number of votes received the order reverses and finds: Culbert spending 49 cents each few and far between vote; Cheske spending 39 cents each vote; Willis spending 41 cents and Goldsmith spending 37 cents each vote.

Gene Daley, who reported spending nothing, came in second in that race and won a spot to fight against Republicans Jim Poole and George Hall this November.

In Plymouth Township, Clerk Helen Richardson and Treasurer Joe West both ran unopposed and reported spending nothing.

# Sheldon-Canton Center cutoff negotiations at standstill now

Negotiations that may determine whether or not a cutoff road will ever be built between Sheldon and Canton Center roads remain at an impasse.

"They're at a standstill," said William LaGosh, Wayne County Road Commission engineer of streets. "It's been going on quite a while, but the developer said he wasn't going to do anything."

The cut-off road, which would reroute traffic west from Sheldon Road on a diagonal to Canton Center Road north of Warren, will get the go-ahead once Wayne County is given right-of-way over land owned by the Dembs-Sakwa developers.

But LaGosh says the developers are not going to move on their property, either to develop it or to give Wayne County a portion for the right-of-way.

"They say there is no market for the type of development they had in mind for the property," said LaGosh, "and they don't want to give us the right-of-way. The point is, we don't have the money to go in and buy it. And that's the problem. We are trying to get as much help as possible."

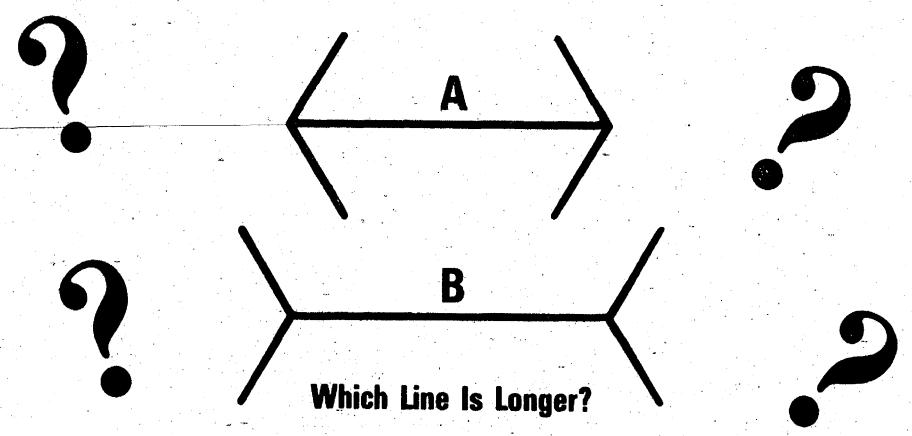
LaGosh said the negotiations have continued on and off for "two or three years."

At one time, Wayne County

nearly had the Dembs-Sakwa right-of-way, which covers twothirds of the total requirement of land.

Dembs-Sakwa agreed to grant right-of-way to the county if the property were rezoned from single-family to multiple. The township agreed to the rezoning. But when Dembs-Sakwa failed to give up the right-of-way to the county after what the township felt was a reasonable period of time, the property was rezoned back to single-family dwellings.

Since the final rezoning, further negotiations on the property have ground to a halt.



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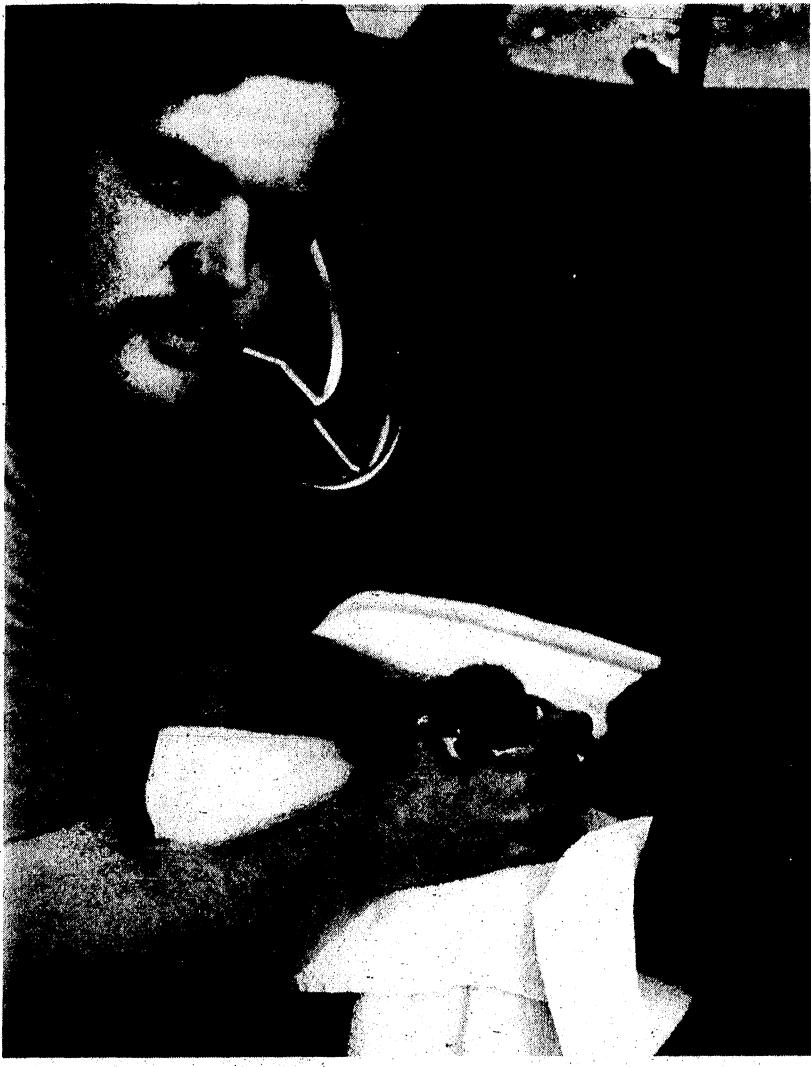
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### Kittens born in bug

BOB NEIIENDAM'S FRIDAY THE 13TH was a strange one last week. The Canton resident, who lives at 1401 Longfellow in Fellows Creek subdivision, left the driver's side window down on his Volkswagon when he came home from work last Thursday. In the morning, he

says, "I opened the car door and there were all those kittens." Neilendam's car had become home to a litter of five after the mother, a big black cat, jumped in the window during the night. Neilendam contacted the Humane Society to take in the new family. (Crier photo by Hank Meijer.)

# Class of '75 studies, works

What's become of the Centennial Educational Park's Class of 1975?

Members of CEP's Student Service Center set about to answer that question recently, surveying by telephone 67% - some 487 graduates - of last year's Salem and Canton High classes.

According to the survey, about 59% of the graduates were involved in some sort of posthigh school education, with 31% enrolled in a four -year colleges and 21.5% in two-year colleges. Another 6.5% were enrolled in vocation related training, such as beauty school. In addition, 15.6% said they

planned to enroll in a post-high school program in the near future.

Asked about their employment 77% of the graduates said they held jobs, while 61.5% of those were employed full time.

The survey team, directed by CEP staffer Carla Garbin and Nic Cooper, also asked what type of career the graduates would like to train for. While answers varied widely, the survey concluded, the most frequent answer was, "a career in business."

Nine per cent of the graduates surveyed said they were married or about to be.

# \* Bus schedules due \*

Complete bus schedules for all schools in the Plymouth Community School District will appear in next week's edition of The Crier.

The comprehensive listings will appear as a public service in The Crier's Back-to-School section.

Asked whether they thought their high schools had adequately prepared them for what they were now doing, 65.9% said yes.

The graduates were also asked, "If you had to start high school training all over again, would you enroll in a traditional school or one which was using a modular schedule?"

According to the survey, 18.8% of those responding said they would choose a traditional program, 7% said they'd prefer a change from either program, and 73.8% said they would again pick the controversial modular program.

Said Kent Buikema, principal of Canton High School, "The survey will be conducted each year in order to provide the administration and the counselors with feedback on the high school program. The career choices and comments by students relative to their preparedness will prove especially helpful."

# Accident blamed in Canton death

Wayne County Sheriff's detectives have ruled out both murder and suicide in the death last week in Canton of a man found lying naked in his bed with a black plastic garbage bag wrapped around his head.

According to Detective Lt. Larry Patterson, the body, found at the Greg Waters residence on Whitman St. in Canton's Fellows Creek subdivision, had not been positively identified at press time. County medical examiners were examining dental records to verify the subject's identity. They termed the death accidental.

Waters, a 23-year old draftsman, was reported absent last Thursday and Friday from the Detroit office where he was employed. Friday morning his employer's wife, concerned over the absence, drove out to his house and discovered it locked, with mail and newspapers collected at the front door, police said.

Water's car, which she told police he customarily kept in his garage, was parked in the driveway. She notified the Sheriff's Department, which dispatched a car to the scene.

According to Patterson, a deputy entered the house and discovered the body in the bedroom. Although police said the cause of death was asphyxiation, complete reports from the medical examiner were not available at press time.

Patterson said all doors at the Waters home had been locked from the inside, and there was no evidence of violence or foul play. He said the bag around the victim's head was bound at the neck with a rag. Authorities placed the time of death as last Wednesday night.

Patterson called the death "bizarre", saying he had never before encountered such an incident

The fatality stunned Waters' neighbors.

Said one neighbor, "He pretty much kept to himself, but he was a friendly, sociable person." The neighbor noted that Waters' car had been home for two days the morning the body was discovered.

Another neighbor said that most Fellow Creek residents, as a reaction against vandalism in their subdivision, kept their porch lights on at night. Waters' light had been dark for two nights, she said, adding, "No one knew him too well, he was kind of a quiet guy."

Although verification of the victim's identity is not yet complete, authorities said he was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Waters of Dearborn. He was not married.

Sheriff's Department officials would not speculate on the circumstances which led to the victim's death.

Funeral arrangements were handled by Red Austin's Funeral Coach Service, authorities

# Softball diamonds vandalized

Three cases of vandalism have been reported in the past two weeks at the Centennial Park and Massey softball diamonds. Total cost of damage has been placed at \$200.

At the Canton High field, broken beer bottles were scattered around the infield are last week. One set of bleachers was tipped over and the supporting braces, bent.

At Massey Field two weeks ago, a vehicle broke down the snow fence in the outfield and ran around the field tearing up turf.

Last week, the sprinklers, which are normally left on the field through the night, were stolen. One pulsating and one traveling sprinkler, along with a section of hose were taken. Another section of hose was slashed beyond repair.

Two shovels, one rake, one broom and other items were also taken.

### Your photo could be best

Photography hobbyists wanted!

The Community Crier is looking for the best color picture of any previous Plymouth Fall Festival to use as the cover of this year's Fall Festival Edition to be published Sept. 8.

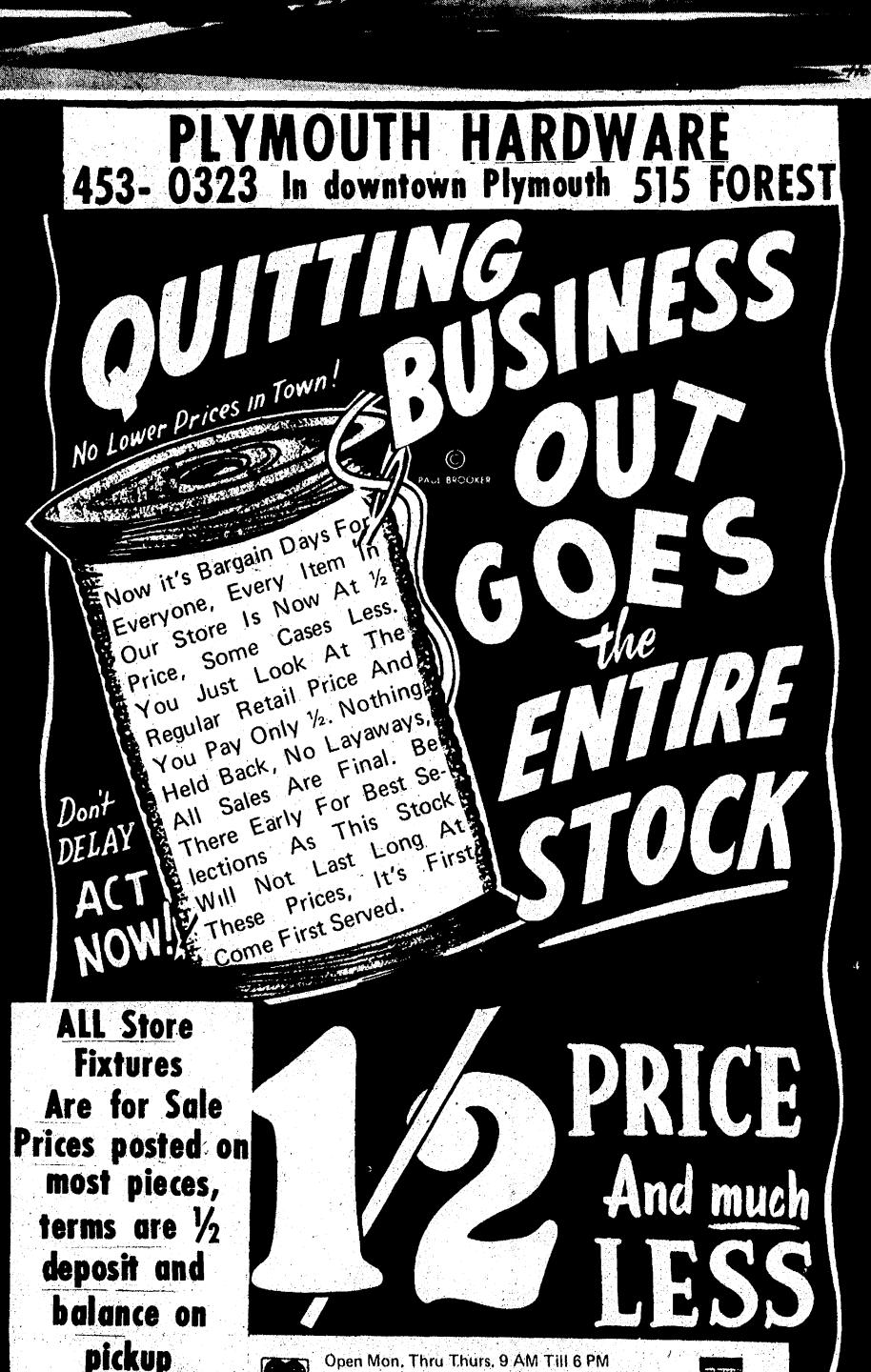
Residents of the Plymouth-Canton Community may enter The Crier's first Fall Foto contest by submitting their photos (slides are best, but prints may be used if the negative is available) to this newspaper by 5 p.m. Aug. 23.

The winning photograph will be run IN FULL COLOR on the Fall Festival edition cover and the winner will be featured in the paper. The runners-up will also have their pictures used and be mentioned. All pictures submitted become property of The Crier.

So dig through your color Fall Festival shots and bring the best in to The Crier at 572 S. Harvey St. before Aug.

# St. Michael's begins construction in Canton





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Members of St. Michael's Lutheran Church of Canton last Sunday marked a special event in the life of the congregation when ground was broken for a new church building, to be located on Sheldon Road south of Warren.

Pastor of the church, Robert Schacht, says he is "hoping to celebrate Christmas in the new building."

St. Michael's currently has some 200 members.

Although St. Michael's was officially organized in September, 1974, Pastor Schacht came to the congregation in February of that year.

"The whole structure of the new building was designed with 'multi-purpose' in mind," said Pastor Schacht. "We will provide a worship area, Sunday school rooms, two nurseries, offices and the usual necessary rooms such as kitchens."

Pastor Schacht says the sanctuary area will seat 160 persons.

"I have felt ever since I came here that the community was desperately in need of churches, and I'm glad to see that churches are finally going up in Canton," says Pastor Schacht.

Architect for the new structure is Stanley Tkacz of Plymouth T.H. Marsh Construction of Livonia will build the church.



by Earl Rafferty

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Despite all the innovations and gimmicks, the overwhelming favorite of RV buyers is still the traditional all-weather, detachable, full head room and full width travel trailer. The industry sold an amazing 250,000 of these the past year. The travel trailer can range in length from 10 to 35 feet, including the hitch. It has to be ruggedly built to withstand constant road stress, and weight considerations are far more important.

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best towed by full-sized cars.

When the 19-man executive board of the Police Officers Association of Michigan meets Friday near Houghton Lake, its agenda will include a discussion of the role of Canton Treasurer Carl Parsell, the POAM's executive director, in the creation of Canton's controversial reserve police unit.

Some POAM members have charged that Parsell's participation in votes on the reserves presents a conflict of interest with his POAM efforts on behalf of professional police officers.

Said one POAM board member, Wayne Hillier of the Flint Police Department, "I don't know exactly what the board will do. We've got to hear his (Parsell's )side before any action is taken.

"He's a good man at his job, but I feel it's a definite conflict of interest."

What critics point to is Parsell's part in deciding the fate of Canton's reserve police.

"I don't care if he voted for or against it, he shouldn't have voted at all," said Sgt. Carl Berry of the Plymouth Police Department. "I'm not after Parsell, but I would view it as a conflict. The philosophy of the POAM is to establish police officers as professionals. He's saying 'we're not professionals, we're a union."

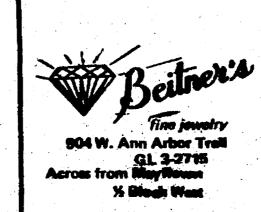
Parsell says his voting record

in Canton presents no conflict with his job as representative of the thousands of certified Michigan police in POAM.

"Certainly, I said when the reserves started that this was a stop-gap method of handling the police - I said that a year ago," Parsell stressed, "I said the best thing that could happen here was to establish a study to determine the best way of providing police protection. We could contract with the Sheriff or Plymouth or Westland police, or we could have our own department. Romulus thought it best to contract, but Col. Davids Plymouth Township conducted a study and said that starting a new police force was

in Canton presents no conflict more feasible. There has to be a with his job as representative of difference of opinion.

"We don't want the reserves taking away jobs from other police departments. In Canton I was very cautious this wasn't done. The Sheriff has continued to maintain 28 or 29 deputies jobs and the State Police have continued, too. Nor is the charge valid that these reserves are vigilantes.





# Paying bills poses challenge

BY DENNIS O'CONNOR

It was supposed to be a formality. But Plymouth School Board's special meeting Monday to pay bills turned into an hour long debate on the principles and procedures involved in paying \$143 for materials used in making uniforms for a new marching band rifle squad.

This special board meetings proceeded a workshop session at the administrative building.

At last week's regular meeting payment of the bills was rejected by Trustee Marcia Borowski. With only four board members in attendance, payment was defeated by a 3-1 'yes' vote.

"I had questions on eight of 10 of these bills and they didn't have time to answer all of them," Ms. Borowski said.

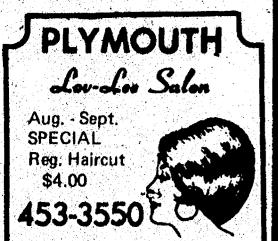
Ms. Borowski questioned bills on the CASTLES building and band uniforms.

"You have to remember that the majority of this board doesn't do its homework and doesn't like to be questioned," she said.

All the bills, except the one for the band uniforms, were passed unanimously. The bills for the CASTLES building will be put on the agenda of next meeting to see if the administration can pay the bill from building site fund IV, rather than the general operating fund.

Another motion, by Trustee George Lawton, will be placed on the agenda at next meeting asking the board president to appoint three two man audit committees that will report back to the board their findings of any questions on bills that must be approved.

A passage of this motion will avoid what happened last week with "uniformed" board members, Lawton suggested.



The eventual denial of the uniform bill sparked spirited debate. School officials said a parent purchased materials costing \$143, which she used for making the school rifle group uniforms.

Apparently, music director Jim Griffith didn't follow proper channels in getting a purchase order for the materials, officials said. The board concluded that he had the woman buy the material and later went to Salem High principal Bill Brown and asked for approval of the purchase. The assumed action prompted the board to deny payment of the bill.

Lawton said his intentions in making the motion to pay allbills but that one was derived from a different motive. "I hesitate to approve this kind of bill, which is implementing a new program at the same time water waves and other programs are being cut," Lawton said. "I could see more consistency after the millage vote."

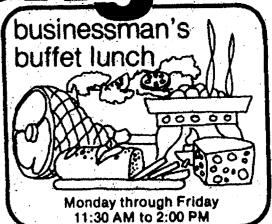
Treasurer Richard Arlen said the woman "acted in good faith" as a vendor in the project. He said it was the board' "obligation" to pay this bill so the woman would be paid for her purchase.

"Where the money comes from is an internal problem." he said.

Ray Hoedel, the district's assistant superintendent for business said the board's denial of payment through the general fund would pass the expense Griffith's internal music budget and the lady would be paid.

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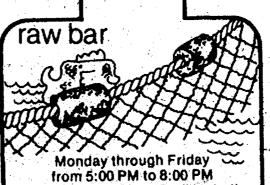
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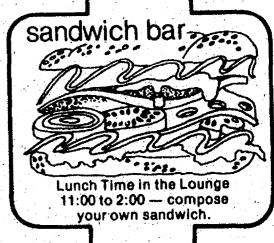




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# In his customary style

# Greenstein 'massaged' truth on CAC

Editor:

In his customary style Bob Greenstein has conveniently massaged the truth in the recent Canton Citizens Advisory Council dispute with Brian Foust. Greenstein would have us believe this involves no more than a personality conflict between himself and Mr. Foust.

And for the nonbelievers Greenstein has had current Chairman Tom Quinn parrot a denial of Mr. Foust's accusations of Greenstein's lack of cooperation over CAC appointments. Unfortunately in his denial and affirmation of Greenstein, Quinn neglects to mention he was not even a member of the CAC until February.

While I was Chairman of the CAC in December, I personally hand-delivered to Greenstein, with the agreement of the CAC, names which he never could quite manage to put on the agenda.

I had Greenstein accuse me of "trying to stack the CAC with business people" and pitch one of his customary temper tantrums.

Subsequently I asked several trustees if they had received a copy of the letter. I had purposely stressed from the CAC Guidelines that we were "reporting back to the entire township Board" because Bob Greenstein has interpreted "Board" as meaning "Bob" too many times.

Soon afterwards, Greenstein, also true to form, started playing political football with the Canton fire millage. In the ensuing nauseating scrimmage I became solely concerned with making certain Greenstein via a political patsy did not postpone the desperately needed Canton fire millage until August so he could claim some political points for its passage — or he didn't ask for more money than needed so he could later maneuver to somehow tie the fire monies which now come from the general fund to the millage freeing those monies in order that he and his cronies could fund a few more pet projects or hire a few more friends.

But the focal point of the Greenstein-Foust controversy

### Changes tune

Editor:

Mr. (Supervisor) Bob Greenstein has proved himself to be a hypocrite. Last May 18 when the citizens voted, with a 40% turnout, on two master plan concepts, (either 100,000 population or 200,000) he (Mr.

Now that he lost, in the Aug. 3 primary election, to Harold Stein, he whined and complained that a 35% turnout is not a true mandate of the

Greenstein) called it a mandate

of the citizens' viewpoint.

people's choice.

What a double standard! When he loses he cries "NO FAIR"! Face it, Mr. Greenstein, you Lost! and we the citizens WON!

MARGARET BRETZLAFF

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To the editor

should not be Greenstein's lack of respect for the truth and consequent avoidance of tape recorders. For the controversy vividly demonstrates the harsh reality of Canton preached according to Bob Greenstein — especially for those who choose to ignore the gospel.

When I first met Brian Foust last September, he was a politi-

cally naive resident, an average citizen with a commitment to making Canton an above average place to live. Today he is a disillusioned man who has learned for Bob Greenstein there can only be one way — his way.

But Canton cannot afford to lose interested residents like Brian Foust. And with Greenstein's defeat we have the opportunity to mark a new trend in Canton politics.

We must foster a government in which diverse philosophies will be represented — in which any and all issues will be tested on their merits rather than sanctified by the name of the man who proposed them — a government which openly welcomes all citizens without first extracting a pledge of allegiance.

Canton politics does not have to be vicious. Personally I am optimistic for the future because voters cast a ballot against selling Canton's soul to Bob Greenstein — because clearly that is the only price he would have accepted for his services.

E. A. HAMANN

# Il story project ignores scale Editor: As a practicing architect with tives in such a manner

opinions

As a practicing architect with offices in Plymouth, Michigan, I feel compelled to express my serious concern about the size of the proposed senior citizen housing project which would be built adjacent to Kellog Park on the now Wilcox property.

Community

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The developer's proposal suggesting an 11-story structure completely ignores any concern for appropriate scale of such a building as it may relate to the surrounding environment. This is a subjective evaluation perhaps. But other more tangible concerns are involved and they exist in the form of the Plymouth City Code's chapter on Zoning and Planning.

For one, the proposed project would double the maximum density as allowed by the RM zoning. For another, according to item 5.223, Planned Unit Development: "Any applicant shall present, in full, his explana-

tion of the compliance of his proposed plan with stated objectives in such a manner as to be, in his judgment, superior to a plan which could have been prepared under strict adherence to related sections of this Chapter." This requirement has not been fulfilled.

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I am fully in favor of housing for senior citizens. Indeed, there is a sorry lack of adequate and suitable housing for these citizens. However, the zoning and planning ordinances which exist are carefully designed to protect everyone's interests in the community and should be adhered to. Deviation from these guidelines, to the extent suggested by this proposal, would be crucial and destructive to the scale and fabric of the existing neighborhood structure.

I urge you to recommend a smaller project, one which would comply with the rules as they now exist.

TRIVADAR BALOGH, AIA

# 11 story tower would be mistake, eyesore

Do you nice people of Plymouth realize what a charming, delightful, interesting town you have? As former residents of Plymouth for eight years, and frequent visitors still, we always enjoy returning.

It has just come to our attention that the city planners are considering putting up an 11-story, 200-apartment building for senior citizens right in the heart of your downtown section. I can't help but feel that this would be a gross mistake, an eyesore, possibly even an atrocity, as it most certainly would change the atmosphere and appeal of the business section of the city.

I surely think the idea of an apartment building for senior citizens is a very good idea but not in the location that you are contemplating. My suggestion would be to find suitable ground even on the outskirts of the city where land could be purchased much more reasonably, and plan a place of two or three stories spread out over a larger area, but which would be in more accord with the atmos-...phere of your lovable town. Out in Arizona, where we spend our winters, a high-rise building such as you are talking about wouldn't even be considered except in the larger cities.

MILDRED WRIGHT

# An eloquent expression Ode helps woods

Editor:

Thank you Ella Schacht for "Ode on Miller Woods." The poem most eloquently expresses the feelings of all persons involved with Miller Woods. Perhaps your awareness of what could be lost through indifference will stimulate community pride and appreciation for this natural asset.

PENEPOLE WRIGHT MILLER WOODS COMMITTEE

# Twp. residents reminded: all fences require permits

Editor:

Attention Plymouth Town-ship residents:

Are you considering putting up a fence? If so, you need a permit from the Township Building Dept. Also, you may not know that fences may not exceed four feet in height. Any fence higher than four feet is in violation of the ordinance. (fences around a swimming pool must be five feet.)

To avoid a violation notice, may I suggest you contact James Briggs, the building inspector, for further information. (453-

If you feel that the ordinance imposes an undue hardship on you, you may appear before Board of Appeals to seek relief. The fee, however, is \$35.

It is my feeling that people installing these high fences are not aware of the ordinance.

I hope this information will help residents avoid costly mistakes.

Retail outlets selling six-foot stockade fencing please take note.

for further information. (453-BOARD OF APPEALS 3841)

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# Why I don't like high-rise

It is unusual for a city commissioner to express a point of view publicly in the press, in her or his own words. However, I have some compelling reasons for taking this method of addressing the public. Hopefully in this way, more persons will be informed of the issues underlying this decision, which may well be the most critical the city will make since it incorporated. Unless residents at large are now informed, the decision will be made and sealed before their views can be expressed.

Monday night the City Commission met with this agenda: the presentation of a package put together by the Forest City Dillon Co. and the Michigan State Housing Development Authority to build an 11-story senior citizen high-rise, on the Union Street - Kellogg Park -Penniman site. The city was asked to: 1) rezone the parcel from commercial to multiple residential (the purpose of the hearing,) 2) declare this rezoned parcel a Planned Unit Development (which means it can be exempted from standard codes and site restrictions), and 3) tax abatement, the exemption from all city, school and county taxes on this \$5 million project, (which if assessed at the regular rate would bring \$150,-000 yearly.) In lieu of this taxing power, the city will get 4 of a "service fee" of \$20,000 for all government units.

The city would provide all present services to such a 200resident building and would in addition soon find itself providing others. Specialized emergency services will be needed, also new fire and police protection as well as new recreational and social improvements.

Such a building would have to be tenanted from a much larger area than the 1½ mile of the City of Plymouth, while the increased taxes in inconviences would be shouldered entirely by city residents.

Already those making inquiries at City Hall, for themselves and

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### Community opinions

their parents, come from the city, Plymouth Township, Canton Township, Westland Livonia and elsewhere. This is natural and expected. The need is great for such federally, state and locally -subsidized housing, or so we are told. No surveys have been presented to the City Commission to document the

As an elected city official, it seems clear to me that residents expect those whom they elect to represent them fairly and honestly. However, between elections, your elected officials are heavily influenced by special interests to act in ways, which on certain key issues, are contrary to citizens' needs and desires. The highrise senior citizen apartment structure is a case in point.

Those who received the largest number of votes in the last election openly vowed to keep Plymouth essentially a city of homes and small shops, and openly opposed many-storied structures. Those who supported a loop road, parking structures and high rise development either lost or trailed behind.

The primary proponents of the 11-story high rise, who are vocal attendants at City Commission meetings, are realtors and land speculators, and frequently not city residents. Many of these are the same persons who have pushed in the past for a loop road and who are now also working for downtown parking structures.

What is proposed as "good" housing for older citizens becomes instead a stratregy to change the face of the city. If it succeeds, high rise offices and parking structures will soon fol-

This proposal did not originate from requests by groups of senior citizens nor from surveys

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of elderly residents. Indeed, it does not fit into, nor is it consistent with any long range city planning.

Why did this important decision have to be made in during prime vacation haste, and on an emergency time, basis?

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### Garber Farm barn razed

ONE OF THE HISTORIC Garber Farm barns on North Territorial has been torn down to make way for a new subdivision. One of the oldest barns in Plymouth Township its wood

will be used to build a covered bridge on property near Curtis and North Territorial belonging to Angelo DiPonio.



### Troopers cited

Citations for special or outstanding services have been approved by the State Police board of awards for several officers from the Plymouth Sub-Post.

Winners of the meritorious service citations were Detective-Sgt. Charles Anderson and Trooper Daniel Collins.

Unit citations were approved for Troopers Richard Bermingham, David Hawkins, Tehodore Nelson, James Besonen, David Sass, Gregory Crays and Phillip Maddox.

Life-saving citations were granted for Detective-Sgt. Gary Felske, while Detective Sgt. James Collins received an honorable mention citation.



# What's happening

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Plymouth-Canton Chapter of PARENTS. WITHOUT PARTNERS meets the first and third Thursdays of the month at the American Legion Hall, 888 Sheldon Rd., at 8 p.m. Speaker at the Aug. 19 meeting will be Rey Lannie of the Multi Lakes Chapter of PWP, who will explain the organizations aims.

REGISTRATION for the fall semester at Schoolcraft College will be held on Tuesday and Wednesday Aug. 24 and 25. Students register in the auxiliary gym, where fall semester graduates complete their schedules the first morning from 10 to 11. From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. is reserved for individuals with student numbers 10000 to 45499, 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. for numbers 45500 to 56099 and 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. for numbers 56100 to 59999. On Wednesdays individuals with numbers 60000 to 62999 registers from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; numbers 63000 to 99999 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. and new non-residents from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m. Students planning to attend the College for the first time this fall should contact the Admissions Office at 591-6400 ext. 228.

YOUNG BOYS AND GIRLS with dreams of gridiron glory should begin practicing now for the annual Punt, Pass and Kick competition. Local youngsters may register at Calhoun Ford on Plymouth Road if they're between eight and 13 years of age. Deadline for registration is Sept. 10. Competition will be held at 9 a.m. Sept. 11 at Central Middle School.

Thursday, Aug. 19, The City of Plymouth Recreation Department will sponsor PARTY BRIDGE from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Cultural Center, 525 Farmer.

The Cultural Center Ice Arena is now open for OPEN SKAT-ING every Monday through Friday from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m. and on Saturday and Sunday from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Teen night will be held Wednesdays from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday will be adult night, from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. For further information on any of these open skating sessions, contact the Recreation Department at 455-6620.

The new Plymouth EX-NEWCOMERS CLUB is still taking reservations for its FALL BOWLING TEAMS. The Women's League will meet every Friday at 9 a.m. starting Sept. 10. The Couples League will meet every other Sunday at 4 p.m. starting Sept. 19. Both leagues will bowl at Plaza Lanes. Anyone interested may call Joan Leary at 455 - 5138.

Through Sept. 5, the Plymouth Parks and Recreation Department will be extending its DROP-IN HOCKEY SESSIONS to Fridays from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. and Sundays from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Each person must provide his or her own equipment. This event is limited to persons 18 years and older. Anyone wishing to participate under the age of 18 must provide written approval from parent or guardian to the Recreation Department. Each session will be \$2,50 per person. For more details, contact the Department of Parks and Recreation Office at 455-6620.

Two live FARM ANIMAL SHOWS will be presented Friday, Aug. 20 at 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. in the Community Room at Northville Square Shopping Center, 133 W. Main in downtown Northville. The show, under the direction of Sugar Bush Farm of Ypsilanti, is free. Everyone is welcome. There's plenty of room for groups of children. For information, call the Cheese and Wine Barn at 348-9280.

PLYMOUTH HOCKEY ASSOCIATION will hold FINAL REGISTRATION on Saturday, Aug. 28 at the Cultural Center. from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$25 for the first child, \$20 for the second, \$15 for the third. There is no additional fee for four or more. Children must have proof of age and a parent's signature. A used hockey EQUIPMENT SALE will be held at the same time.



# Timbario's streetlighting charges disputed

BY KATHY KUENZER

In his recent letter to Canton Supervisor Bob Greenstein, Planning Commissioner Tom Timbario, while admitting that he had signed the "trailer trash" letter circulated in Canton mobile home parks the night before the Aug. 3 primary, raised questions concerning the township administration and this ordinance enforcement.

In the letter, Timbario said one of his reasons for signing the "trailer trash" letter was that he had been "told by a member of the administration that subdivision homeowners would have to pay almost a quarter of a million dollars for streetlight installation because of the administration's negligence in enforcing the township's current subdivision ordinance."

The ordinance, State Ordinance No. 32, section 11, states "Streetlights shall be installed in the appropriate locations at each street and at other locations deemed necessary by the Township Board throughout the subdivision. The subdivider shall conform to the requirements of the Township and the public utility providing such lighting."

Timbario has told The Crier he was told "by a member of the administration" of the township's negligence in enforcing the streetlighting ordinance after his (Timbario's) own subdivision had a hearing a month ago to "set up an assessment district for the installation of street lights."

Timbario said he had read the ordinance and questioned why homeowners had to pay the assessment for installation "when the ordinance clearly states it's the developer's responsibility.

"I said, 'tell me why - how come I have to pay for the lights if it's supposed to be up to the developer?" 'said Timbario.

"Well, I'll tell you," the administrator is said to have told him, "In the last couple of years, the township has been negligent in enforcing that ordinance."

Timbario said he would "rather not say who the member of the administration is.

"But he knows who he is, and one other person who was there also knows who he (the administrator) is."

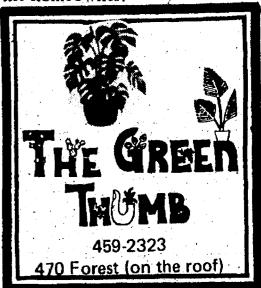
Township Clerk John Flodin said, "It's not my opinion the ordinance says what Tom (Timbario) is saying. There's no

other community that I know of where the subdivider pays for streetlight installation. I would have to take exception to his remark."

Flodin said that while the ordinance says lights are required at intersections and other locations, "the township has never required that the developer put them in."

Ordinance enforcement officer Bruce Phillips said he would "have to agree with John (Flodin.)

"There is nothing in the ordinance requiring the developer to put them in. Let's say Tom is correct. The cost of installation would still be passed on to the homeowner."





### Busy corner is crash scene

ONE PERSON WAS INJURED last Friday afternoon at Ann Arbor Road and Haggerty in Plymouth Township when a car driven by Debra Congdon, 22, of Plymouth, collided with a car driven by Sharon Kelly, 18, of Brighton, Wayne County Sheriff's deputies said Ms. Kelly failed to yield the right of way while making a left turn and was struck by the Congdon vehicle. Ms. Kelly received injuries, but said she would be treated by her own doctor. There were no tickets issued in the accident. (Crier photo by Hank Meijer).



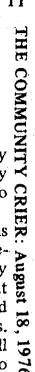
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LOCAL LEATHER CRAFTERS Jennifer Flora (left) and Fran Ciampa display several of the articles they have tooled for the Plymouth Community Arts Council's Arts and Craft Show, to be held Sept 11 and 12 in the Central Middle School cafeteria, Jennifer, Fran

and Kim Flora have been working for two years under the company name of "Artvark" producing hand-tooled leather belts, purses, wristbands and even chairs. (Crier photo by Hank Meijer)

# Leather look comes to Fall Fest

BY KATHY KUENZER

"Aardvaark" may be the first multi-letter word in the English dictionary, but "Artvark" is the "last word" in hand-tooled leather articles, according to Artvark co-workers Jennifer Flora, Fran Ciampa and Kim Flora.

The three young Plymouth women have been together producing leather items for two years now, and local residents and visitors to the Fall Festival can view some of their handiwork at the Plymouth Community Arts Council Arts and Crafts Show scheduled for Saturday and Sunday during the Fall Festival at Central Middle School,

Fran and Jennifer say the trio is self-taught, although Jennifer did lean toward art classes while in school.

While Artvark produces belts, purses, belt pouches, flight bags, wrist bands and even contemporary wood-frame and leather chairs, both Jennifer and Fran agree that special orders for particular tooling designs are the most interesting.

Kim, who is Jennifer's sisterin-law, is still a student at Canton High School, but the three have managed to put in many hours in Jennifer and Jim Flora's basement workshop, preparing for craft shows.

ding arts, and crafts, shows throughout Michigan and in Chicago since early June. Recently

# the Crier's triends& neighbors

Jennifer, Fran and their husbands branched into a beltbuckle distribution business which fits right in with the leather work they do.

Hours for this year's PCAC show will be 12 p.m. to 9 p.m. on Saturday Sept. 11, and 12 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 12.

### Newcomers welcome

Are you new to Canton? Been living there less than two years?

Then may be you would enjoy Canton Newcomers, a group of women eager to get acquainted with Canton – and meet other newcomers as well.

The first general meeting of the 1976-1977 year will be held Wednesday, Sept. 8 at 8 p.m. in Pioneer Middle School, on Ann Arbor Road west of Sheldon, Hospitality will begin at 7:30

Members will be paying their annual dues of \$5 that night and signing up for one or more of Artvark has been busy atten- more than 30 interest groups available.

> Included among the interest areas this year will be cards

(bridge and pinochle), crafts, tennis, macrame and roller skating. Most of the groups meet at night.

Speakers, luncheons and other social events are also planned throughout the year, with general meetings (with the exception of September) scheduled for the first Wednesday of each month.

Newcomers officers for the 1976-1977 year are: Virginia Koon, president; Ann Ward, president; Sue Miller, secretary; Sharon Spencer, treasurer; and Carol Shaw, interest group chair-

For further information, contact Virginia Koon at 43902 Cransford in Canton.

# Local librarians aid UM workshop

Marian West, Salem High School librarian, and Bertha M. Green, director of libraries for the Plymouth School District, years. are participating this week as resity of Michigan School of Lisity's Extension Service.

Dr. Helen Lloyd, professor of West and Ms. Green to share cutbacks. their experience in the develop-

ment of a district school library cost-analysis study which they ≺ have compiled over the past two 2

The purpose of this study is source consultants to a work- to identify the cost of all eleshop sponsored by the Univer- ments of school district library services, as well as establish what brary Science and the Univer- changes in program are indicated according to user preferences. ...

The two staff members will library science and one of the also be available, according to co-directors of the workshop, Ms. Green, to share with workentitled "Creative Problem Solv- shop members their efforts to ing for Media Specialists in maintain library services in the Times of Adversity," invited Ms. face of severe district budget

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# Parsell asks recount of primary ballots

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don't vote for the treasurer and supervisor," said Parsell.

Clerk John Flodin said Parsell filed the request with the clerk's office last week.

"To ask for a recount, one must write a letter and request it, giving the reasons and including \$5 per precinct for each precinct to be recounted," said Flodin.

Flodin said Parsell had paid \$50 and asked that all 10 Canton precincts be included in the recount.

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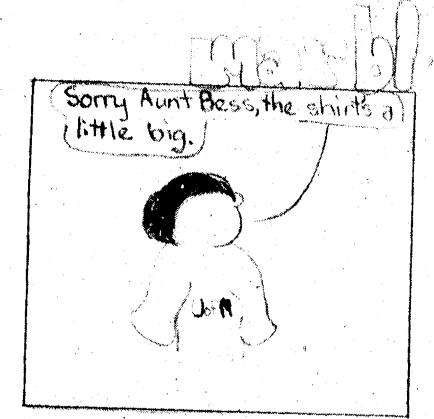
"The reasons given in the letter were that approximately 500 people had not voted for the office of treasurer," said Flodin. "The letter has been filed with the Wayne County Election Commission."

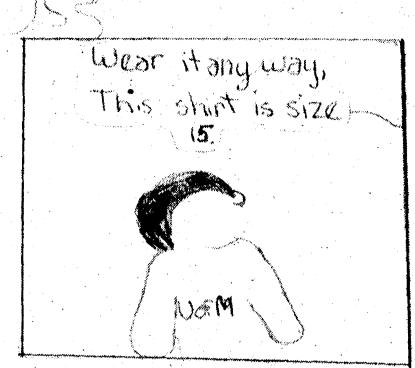
Flodin said the recount would not begin until the election had been certified by the State of Michigan "which will probably take about two weeks."

Anne Bradley has also been notified of the recount request, said Flodin.

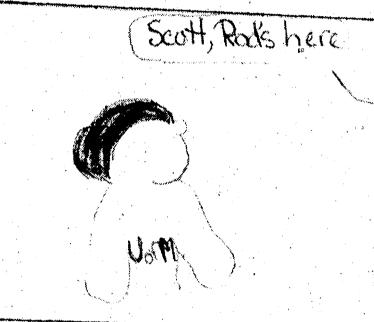
When asked if he thought the recount would change the outcome of the election, Flodin said, "I don't think so. He (Parsell) has a right to request the recount, but I think the system is such that it will show the returns were correct."

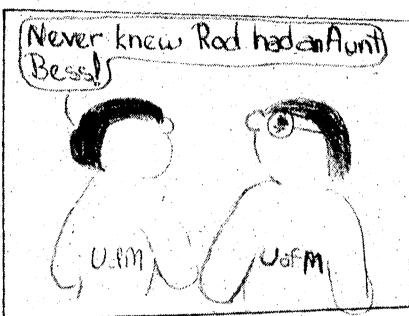
Flodin said the Wayne County Board of Canvassers will conduct the recount in the township and "any interested party could watch."





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# Jazz ensemble seeks musicians

Plymouth and Canton musicians interested in playing with the Schoolcraft College Jazz Ensemble are invited to audition between 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. Sept. 6 and Sept. 23.

According to Jack Pierson, who conducts the Ensemble, those auditioning should bring their own equipment, including amplification and drums, to Room 310 in the college's Forum Building on the Haggerty

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nounced its thanks to the fol-

lowing persons and firms for

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The float - a Mayflower on

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Receiving recognition were:

Carl Berry, Helen Bjornbak,

Doug Blunk, Jim Elias, Dolly

of July parade.

Road campus. They should also be prepared to play in an open rehearsal.

This year marks the seventh season of the Jazz Ensemble. The group rehearses from September through December on Thursday nights. From January through May the Ensemble will perform a series of Thursday evening concerts.

The Jazz Ensemble is com-

Mysona, Nancy Petrucelli, John

Rogin, Julie Thoman, Tex

prised of five saxophones, five trumpets, four trombones, tuba, guitar, bass, piano and two percussionists.

Further information may be obtained by calling Schoolcraft's director of fine arts, Richard Saunders, at 591-6400, ext. 342. The college is located at 18600 Haggerty.

### Willams enlists

The U.S. Air Force has announced the enlistment of James S. Williams, 18, of 41246 Russett Lane, Plymouth, into its Delayed Enlistment Program, He will enter the Air Force on active duty Oct. 28.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. Mert Williams of Plymouth is a 1976 graduate of Canton High School.

Williams will begin his tour with the Air Force by completing six weeks of basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

### Women to bowl

Canton township Recreation is sponsoring a Women's Morning Bowling League this fall at the new Superbowl lanes on Ford road, near Canton Center Rd. on Monday morning at 9:00 a.m. If you are interested contact the Recreation office at 397-2777.

### Tennis set

The Salem girls tennis team will begin its practice for the fall season on Tuesday, Aug. 24 An organizational meeting followed by practice will take place from 9-11 a.m. at the Centennial Park courts.

Any girls grade 9-12 interested in joining the squad should report with a tennis racket. In case of inclement weather, girls should meet at the Salem high girls locker room.

### Ettenhofer, Mike Ettenhofer, Leonard Evans, Joan Gerigk, John Gibson, Hazel Gibson, Dennis Golbesky, Bill Graham, Bill Hall, Elaine Hill, John Horton, Kurt Horton, Dan Johns, Barb Leclair, Barb Maier, Laura

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### Polish patron joins outing

AN EXCITING INTERLOCHEN WEEKEND was held recently by members of the Friends of Polish Art. The campus bench served as a meeting place for Polish pianist Andrzej Dutkiewicz, a faculty member of Interlochen's National Music Camp, and Henriette J. Kukasik, of Plymouth. (Interlochen photo by Myra Honey)

# Canton cops mark 1st week

Canton's new reserve police unit will mark its first week of patrolling tonight, and already it has been called to what Supervisor Bob Greenstein - also the units's police chief calls a "number of serious injury accidents.

"I am exceptionally pleased with how they are performing," said Greenstein. They have worked a lot of hours since they were confirmed by the board (of trustees) and I am extremely proud."

Greenstein said the reservists have been called to injury accidents, some neighborhood problems, threats, and have dealt

### Burglars strike construction firm

T.H. Prevo Construction Co. of 424 N. Main was robbed last week of merchandise valued at \$1,200

Edward Prevo of 40010 Cambridge told Plymouth police that cinder flooring at that address was scuffed from traffic when he came in to the office at 8:15 a.m. Monday.

Stolen were 1,300 2 foot x 10 foot planks and 10 steel and wood orange barricades with amber blinkers.

with a group of "kids and adults who have been meeting behind a subdivision and driving everyone there nuts."

"We have four cars on the road and we are able to get to anyone very quickly," said Greenstein.

He said he had been riding with the patrols himself every night but Saturday.

"The reception we have gotten on the streets has been exceptional," he said. "People stop and congratulate us, thank us and mention how much better they feel that we're out there. We haven't gotten one bad response on the street yet."

When asked how local resident in need of assistance might contact a reserve officer, Greenstein said while the reserves are "involved in the orientation phase" of the program, the township is "encouraging people to call the Wayne County Sheriff or the State Police.

"But if they have been waiting a while and no one shows up, they could try calling the regular township business number (397-1000) and someone in the office will answer."

Greenstein said a dispatcher is always on duty during patrol hours - 6 p.m. to 11 p.m. Weekdays and 10 a.m. to midnight weekends - and tat "as many as two or three office personnel" will also be present to assist the dispatcher.

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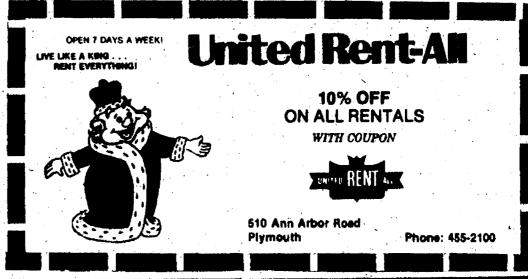
# Alcohol problem classes planned

Alcohol City Hall, 201 S. Main. Included in the program will be

four sessions all held on Wednesdays, beginning at 8 p.m. Topics for each session will be: Sept. Hollingsworth, "Pharmacology of Alcohol, Effects on the Body, Physical;" Sept. 15, Dr. Hollings-

Awareness worth, "Progression of Alcohol, Program sponsored by the 35th Disease Concept;" Sept. 22, a District Court has been sche-panel discussion by members of duled for the month of Sep- Alcoholics Anonymous and tember in the courtroom located. Alanon of how those organizaon the second floor of Plymouth tions helped them; and Sept. 29, a film entitled "The Other Guy."

The awareness program is open to the public. Anyone curious about alcohol or alcoholism and the effect it has on the mind, body and lives of people is welcome to attend.



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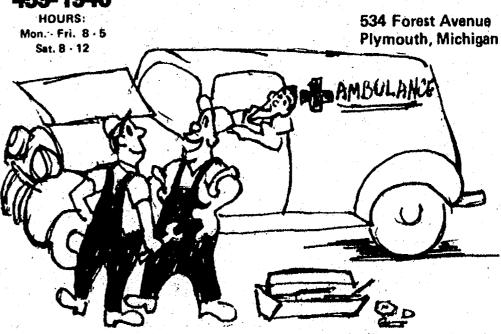
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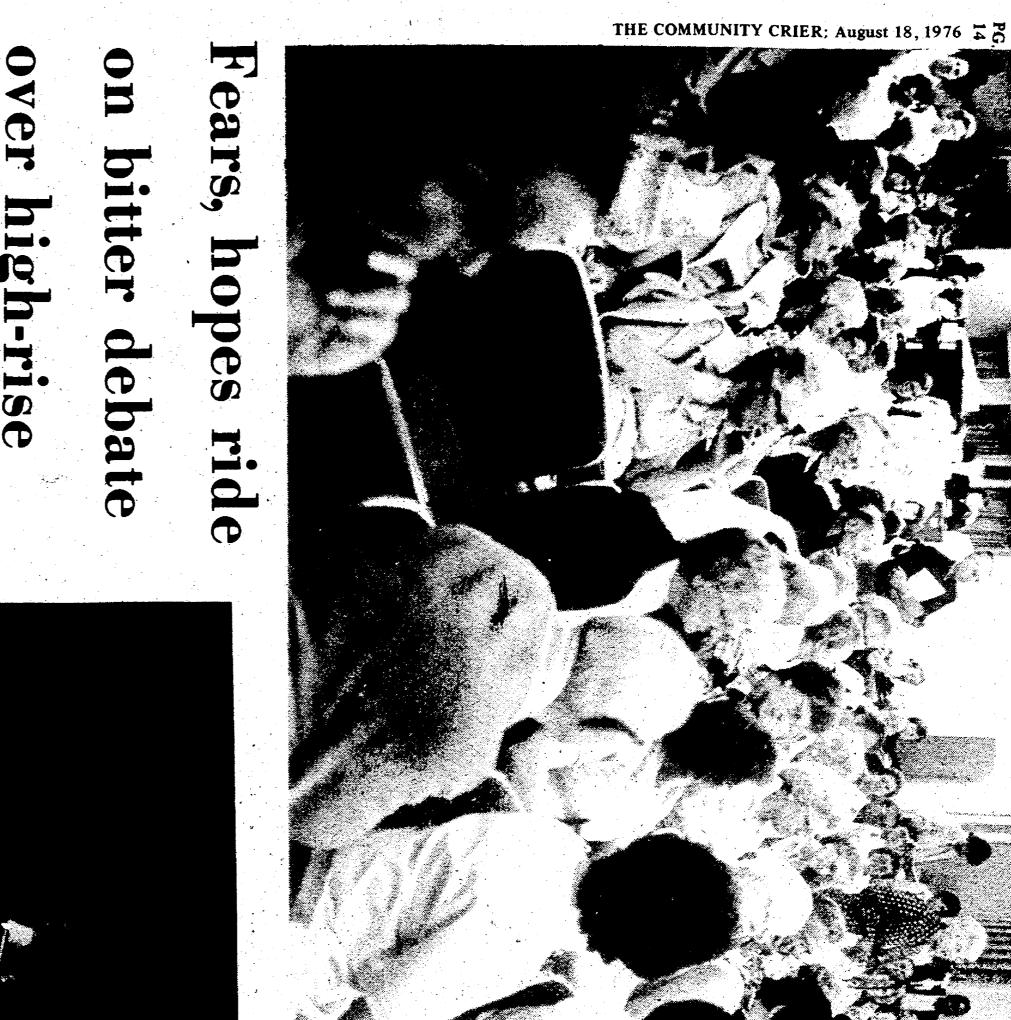
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# High-rise rezoning follows hearing

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opposed to the project and lone dissenter in the planning commission's recommendation that zoning on the site be changed, urged the commission to delay its decision until it could consider alternatives to the Forest City Dillon proposal. He asked city officials not to approve a planned unit development which contradicted city codes without considering its impact on the city's downtown.

Wright and most other opponents of the plan emphasized that their opposition was not to senior citizen housing, nor to the Wilcox site, but to the 11-story project proposed for that location.

Said another opponent, "Plymouth has a certain character that is very rapidly leaving the American scene. I do not like what you (commissioners) are intending. I hate to see Plymouth raped by the type of thing (high rise development) that happened in Dearborn. Senior citizens here tonight would echo that feeling."

Some senior citizens did indeed echo sentiments of those opposed to the plan, but others urged construction of the proposed building.

Said one Robert Simmons, "What is wrong with a beautiful building downtown next to a beautiful park? Since retiring, I've had illness and accident. I'm looking for an apartment in a senior citizen building that I can afford, I don't know a thing I can say wrong with this."

Other opponents of the proposal, some of whom vowed to undertake a referendum in the face of city approval of the rezoning, said the planning commission had acted in haste in approving the proposal and had not seen either a rendering or

Commissioner Moehle: "A lot of questions aren't answered yet...the fact that questions are raised makes some people very annoyed."

model of the Forest City Dillon

They cited efforts to bring housing for the elderly to Birmingham which included solicitation of several proposals from competing developers, and finally a decision to seek funding for a five and six story project. Height, more than any other consideration, was the source of opposition to the project proposed for the Wilcox site, many residents said.

Said one opponent, "I don't want to see changes here that I can see from my own house."

Decrying what she said was the commission's failure to consider all alternatives to the Forest City proposal, opponent Cheryl Nicholas quoted a federal housing document which said, "Safe and pleasant environment is not a haphazard affair." She added, "Rome wasn't built in a day, and Plymouth shouldn't be either."

She and others criticized the city's failure to seek an environmental impact study for the project. Bernard Harr, representing Forest City, said such a study, required by federal guidelines, would be premature before the project was confirmed.

Several older residents said preferred the site to any other in the city.

Countered one foe, Betty Zimmerman, "Let's not lose sight of the fact that we're not just talking senior housing, we're talking high-rise."

The criticism met with a challenge from Jim Hauk, chairman of a city campaign which tried for several years to bring senior housing to the city

through a project known as Pilgrim Towers.

"We've tried every site in this city, even something of a lower nature,,' he said. "Just try to put together three or four acres where something can be built on."

Said Margaret Dunning, a critic of the proposal, "The government has a big voice in how that project will be run. We should be very conscious of what we're getting into." She urged local funding of senior -citizen housing.

As with residents, planners and architects were split on the project's merits.

Norman Dietrich, president of the Plymouth Community Chamber of Commerce and himself a planner, reaffirmed chamber support of the project, and his own as well.

"The community has changed," he said. "We have to accept the fact that this community has very limited resources. This is an admirable way for providing for people in downtown Plymouth."

Added a representative of the city's planning firm, "This project would provide the vitally important element of adding activity to the downtown area. The business area is growing away from this sector of the central business district."

Ann Arbor architect and planner Richard Aheran, invited by foes of the proposal to present a counter-solution, sketched a plan on the commission blackboard which he said offered lower, more harmonious buildings and more open space. His proposal, which was interrupted by a three-minute, limit placed by the commission on remarks from the audience, called for partially-submerged parking built under a grouping of lower, slope roofed buildings. Both the Wilcox House and a second home could be saved, Aheran added,

Said former Mayor Jim Mc-Keon, "The need for senior citizens housing is the most unanswered social issue in this community. I would rather see something else ...but this is the best we have."

To opponents of the project who cite the historical and esthetic appeal of the Wilcox House, which must be torn down under Forest City plans, former Mayor Jim Jabara said, "Some day that house is going to come down, it can't stay forever." Added Cheryl Trip of Mc-Kinley Street, "I kind of dislike the emphasis on colonial architecture here when it's not even original to this area."

Penn Theatre owner Margaret Wilson urged the commission to support the development, as did former Mayor Harold Guenther. "The subject is aging people not 11 stories," he said. "Does this commission choose to accept responsibility for providing some sort of housing for its elderly? I hope we're not dealing in younger people's economic smugness."

throughout. City officials said existing sewer and water lines could handle the proposed building.

Moehle, who questioned aspects of the development for nearly an hour, insisted that more thorough planning precede city approval. "I hope we don't do our planning by watching what happens and then adjusting to it," he said, "Is this spot zoning? Is this good or bad? This commission approved the concept of the loop road. Are we throwing out the business concept on this site?"

Added Moehle, "Men shape buildings, and after they are built, buildings shape men. Other communities probably approach thing a little differently than Plymouth does. We expect high performance and high standards. May be collectively we

Chamber President Norm Dietrich: "This is an admirable way for providing for people in downtown Plymouth."

Said Planning Commission Chairman Alfred "Tex" Thoman, "If this project does not go forward, it will be the worst day in the history of Plymouth, both financially and socially."

Planning Commissioner Wright, along with City Commissioners Moehle and McAninch said the project was hastily considered. Other commissioners, notably Childs and Battermann, said the city had been studying alternatives for five years.

Countered Wright, "When you can't look at an alternative for more than six minutes (the time Ahearn for his presentation) how can you know what you have is the best?"

"You don't have to make a decision tonight. The project can' t legally have tax abatement tonight. Defer voting on site approval as well."

As debate approached midnight, Mayor Bida said, "It's all repetition, I'll close the hearing." Moehle, supported by Ma-Aninch and Dodge, opposed the cut - off of audience discussion, but was defeated by a 4-3 vote.

Commissioners proved the effects of the development on city services and the capability of the city to respond to fire in the high-rise.

Forest City's architect said the building would be sprinklered

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wered yet...The fact that questions are raised make some people very annoyed."

Commissioners McAninch and Childs debated the virtues of housing hundreds of elderly residents in one downtown building. To Ms. McAninch, the project would "estrange" seniors from the community, "filing them away" in their own building. Ms. Childs saw the project as a boon to senior participation in sity activities.

To opponents of the project's height, Bida said, "I don't care how high it is, as long as it does the job."

Concluded Moehle, "My count said more people were concerned about the project than were for it. We appear to be steamrolling something. I have not heard from the state housing authority that the urgency is there."

Said Commissioner Tom Turner, "Should this particular project not reach fruition, a new one would have to stand in line with those other communities already have in with the (federal subsidized housing) system. As nearly as I can determine, there are no feasible alternatives that would not jeopardize funding for the project."

# Community deaths Harold Carson dies

Harold E. Carson, 58, of 40320 Gilbert in Plymouth, died Aug. 12 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital in Ann Arbor, Services were held in the Plymouth Church of the Nazarene with The Rev. Carl R. Allen and The Rev. W.O. Welton officiating: Arrangements were by Schrader Funeral Home, Burial was in Oakland Hills Cemetery. Mr. Carson is survived by his

wife, Edith; sons, Donald of Plymouth, Mark of Livonia and Stephen and Randall at home; a daughter, Cynthia Roberts of Colorado Springs; a brother; two sisters and three grandchildren.

He had come to the Plymouth area from Kansas in 1936 and was a supervisor for the Wayne Gounty Road Commission.

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### Tax break nixed

The Plymouth City Commission Monday tabled a motion by Commissioner Jack Moehle to grant "tax forgiveness" for all city residents over the age of 62.

The move reflected Moehle's contention that those senior citizens who did not move in to the proposed high-rise project would also receive added tax relief.

Mochle and Commissioner Bev McAninch opposed the tabling motion,

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# High-rise foes plan referendum campaign

More than two dozen Plymouth residents who say they support senior citizen housing but oppose the high-rise apartment building proposed for downtown Plymouth have vowed to seek a referendum on public attitudes toward the controversial facility.

Calling themselves CORP -Citizens for Open and Responsible Planning - the residents must obtain the signatures of 508 Plymouthites to put the senior citizen tower question to

Among those spearheading the campaign is Roger Wright, the lone city planning commissioner to oppose a planning commission recommendation that the city re-zone a 2.3 acre parcel at the intersection of Union and

Penniman from business to multiple residential to permit the high-rise.

According to Wright, plans call for a development that would violate city zoning and planning ordinances that govern housing density and planned unit developments.

"The plans (for the seniors projects) was very quickly adopted by the planning commission," Wright said, "We never discussed its height and what it meant for the community. What kind of evolution might be set in motion?"

The issue at the heart of CORP's objections to the project is its 11-story height. Wright notes that a city ordinance says, "the total number of rooms in a multiple dwelling of over two stories shall not be more than the area of the parcel, in square feet, divided by five hundred." Under restriction, he says, the building could be no more than six stories high.

Beyond the ordinance, however, CORP members are fearful of the high-rise structure's effect on Kellogg Park and the surrounding area.

City officials estimate that the building will rise about 15 feet above thetallest trees in the park. While other planning commissioners say that height is close enough for trees to soften the effect of the building's height. Wright disagrees.

"I can't see that trees will hide it," he says,. "In fact, it will outscale the park entire-

Wright and his group says they

would support a six-story facility of similar design built on the site. He says there has been too little public discussion of the proposal, noting that the planning commission did not study either a rendering or a model of the high-rise before recommending its development.

"We want people in this community to exert control over their environment," he adds. "There isn't enough community input, Let's discuss it, it's a major turning point for the community."

While Wright admits that a referendum could jeopardize the commitments of both the project's developer, Forest City Dillon Co. of Cleveland, and the state Housing Development Authority; he thinks the risk is worth it.

"To say that this is our last

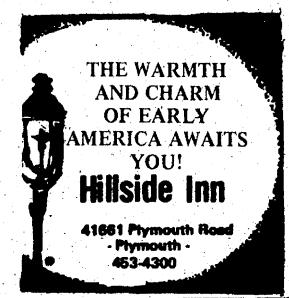
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chance to do anything of this sort is ridiculous," he says.

He contends that claims that a developer could not afford to build a smaller structure on the site are based on land prices which are acceptable to the developer only because he hopes to receive tax abatement on the



the Community

# Developers outline housing eligibility

Federal Housing Assistance Plan guidelines would provide housing for seniors 62 years of age and over. Income for one person must be less than \$10,200 for two persons less than \$11,700. Tenants cannot pay less than 15% nor more than 25% of their income in rent. Extra medical expenses will be deducted also.

To qualify, assets must also be calculated in this way: A flat 10% of assets (bank accounts, etc. ) will be counted as income, and added to other income (social security, etc.)

But when figuring rent, once a person has been accepted, the actual income on assets is used to determine rent levels with regard to income.

For example, if a person has a bank account with \$50,000

Seniors to bowl

Canton Township Recreation is

sponsoring a senior citizen bowling league this fall. The league will play at the new

Superbowl on Ford Rd. near

Canton Center, Rd. on Monday mornings at 9:30 a.m. If you are

a senior citizen of Canton

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10% of that amount - \$5,000 - is counted as income when application is made.

Once the person has qualified, the actual interest earned on the \$50,000, say simple 6.5% per annum, or \$3,250, would be considered in figuring out the

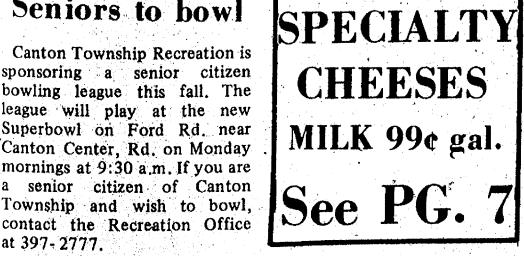
Average monthly rent would be between \$60 and \$70, with maximum rents between \$110 and \$120, developers of the project say.

### Pay water bills

Canton residents can now pay their water bills at Michigan Savings and Loan Association. 45001 Ford Rd. inside Thrifty

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# Massey cops playoff tourney

Don Massey Cadillac's men's slow-pitch softball team left no doubt it was indeed the best Plymouth softball squad in the league this season when it won the post season playoff competition Monday night with an 18-12 comeback victory over All Star sports.

Massey finished first in Division A, ahead of rivals All-Star. In world series play for the league championship, Massey defeated Gold Coin

lounge, winner of Division B, in the best two of three games. This time around, Massey competed in a double elimination tourney that featured the top four teams competing in

cross-divisional play. Massey swept through the playoffs without a defeat, beating Stahl Manufacturing, Cap 'N Cork, Oasis and All Star successively.

All Star earned the right to play Massey for the championship by bottling its way through the loser's bracket defeating Adistra, Cap 'N Cork, Golden Coin and Oasis.



All Star has lost its first round game to Oasis to drop to the losers bracket in a hurry.

After gaining that revenge victory over Oasis Monday 10-2, All-Star played mighty Massey and was ahead 10-2 after five innings in that finale. But Massey came to life in the top of the sixth, scoring 11 times and sending 14 men to the plate. Massey powered the ball in that inning to record 10 hits, two of which were homeruns by Dan McGrath and Louie Bryant.

Massey added salt to the wounds in the top of the seventh, with four more runs on homers by Bill Ventola, and McGrath and triples by Cal Glomski and Joe Kahanec.

A.J. Vaughn and Louie Brya led the Massey attack in the championship game with four hits each. Kahanec and Ed Dobbs added three safeties each, and Dave Broad, McGrath, Glomski and Ventola added two apiece.

Bryant knocked home four runs, and McGrath, with his two homers in two times at bat, added another four RBI's.

In playoff competition, Dan McGrath led the Massey hitters with a perfect six-for-six showing, including six RBIs. Bryant followed with an .833 mark with 11 RBIs and Vaughn added a .714 average.

For the season, Bryant hit for a .712 average with 38 RBIs, Leadoff hitter Jim Hauncher followed at .694, Vaughn hit for .639, McGrath batted .627 with 11 homers, and coach Jim Gignac notched a .625 mark.

Massey's awesome power was reflected in a .546 average for the season, with 71 doubles, 48 triples, and 50 home runs. Thirteen of the 18 players hit over .500 for the season.

The victory earns for Massey a sponsors trophy to add to individual awards given by Plymouth Parks and Recreation for the league championship.

After the playoff championship victory, the team voted to buy an additional trophy for Don Massey's support as a sponsor.

- Massey finished the season with a 12-2 regular season record, plus the six post season victories.

Golden Coin didn't live up to its division winning standards. losing to the third place finishers from Oasis in the second round. Oasis went all the way to the winner's bracket, finals beforel losing its first game to Massey and finishing third.

Cap 'N Cork, a second place finisher to Golden Coin, went down in two games, losing contests to Massey and All-Star.



OUT AT HOME Is a Massey runner against Cap 'N Cork in Plymouth men's slowpitch playoff action. Despite this last run, Massey won the playoffs as well as the league title, this season. (Crier photo by Dennis O'Connor.)

### set for CEP girls Tryouts 12:30 p.m.

Practice for this fall's Canton High school girls swim team will begin Monday, Aug. 30 at 9 a.m. at the Salem High pool.

Coach Anne Massey asks that all interested girls grades nine-12 attend this practice.

Salem High girls will hold their first session on Monday, Aug. 23 at 2 p.m. under new coach Chuck Olson.

Tryouts and regular conditioning sessions for both the Salem and Canton High girls basketball teams began last

Coaches Debbie Hatcher of Salem and Mike McCauley of Canton ask that all interested girls, grades nine-12, report to the Salem gymnasium for prac-

Salem will hold its practice session from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., while Canton girls will meet from 10:30 a.m. to

Canton High School girls tennis coach Cindy Burnstein has announced that tennis practice for Canton High girls in grades 9-12 will begin Monday, Aug. 23 from 10 a.m. until noon.

Interested girls should meet at the Centennial Park tennis courts dressed to play. Rackets will be provided for those who do not have their own. Experience in the game is not necessary, said Ms. Burnstein.

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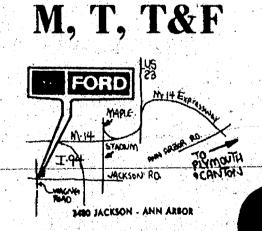
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# Alumni benefit set

The second annual Plymouth-Northville Benefit Football Game is only a few weeks away. This year's contest will be played at the Centennial Educational Park field Saturday, Sept. 11, during Fall Festival.

Game time is 8:30 p.m., with ticket donations set at \$2. A drawing to be held at halftime will award five different gifts.

Tickets for both the game and the raffle can be obtained from any member of the Plymouth High alumni team or at the gate on the night of the contest.

Proceeds of the game go to charity. This year's receipts will benefit the Plymouth Opportunity House and the Salem High football-program.

Last season, the game ended in a 14-14 tie before a capacity crowd at the Central Middle School field.

### Edwards travels to Iowa

Dave Edwards, a 1975 grad- football season. uate of Canton High School, will attend Iowa Lakes Community College on a football scholarship this fall.

Edwards was an excellent defensive tackle in the two varsity seasons he played at Canton. He attended Central Michigan University last year, sitting out the

Edwards, a 6-2, 210-pound player, will be positioned at center and nose-guard at the Iowa school, which has a reputation in the area for producing athletes who go on to Big Ten and Big Eight schools.

Edwards' major is special education.

### For upcoming sports seasons

# Athletic Boosters seek members

BY DENNIS O'CONNOR

The Plymouth Community Athletic Booster Club (PCABC) is in the midst of conducting its campaign membership before the start of 1976-77 school year at Centennial Park.

And if ever there was a year membership through financial participation was necessary, it's this season.

The athletic programs at CEP are hurting for money after the cuts made to the athletic budget in the wake of the June millage defeat. The middle school and freshman programs are wiped out completely.

The Boosters Club serves the financial needs of athletic teams at the two high schools through the cooperation of athletic director John Sandmann. As members, parents and boosters can serve in the Red Chapter (Canton High) the Blue Chapter (Salem High) or as an at large supporting member, schools.

The Booster Club began as a men's club that supported only football or basketball. But Booster Clubs of the past years support all sports, both boys and girls.

"We still find many people who don't realize what the Booster Club stands for - it's not just football," said Dick Mandle, chairman of the Red Chapter.

Membership in the Booster Club doesn't mean a person is involved in a "rah-rah" group. It doesn't require active members

continual involvement in the programs or projects that are undertaken.

Membership dues for the Boosters are \$8 per family. One of the dollars is sent specifically to the athletic team of the person's choice.

Ten dollars entitles you to a listing in the Faithful Fans section of football and basketball programs that are printed before each season.

Only \$14 pays for both the membership and the faithful fan announcement. Membership includes purchase of season tickets for home football games at a reduced rate for one chosen school.

There are about 600 families with students participating in high school athletics. The \$14 fee from each one of these families would be a welcome boost to the athletic budget to help restore some programs and give to others some added bonuses.

In past years, the Booster Clubs have been responsible for a number of helpful additions for the high school athletic teams.

The Boosters purchase all trophies (three for each sport) for banquet presentations, and arrange production of the football, basketball, swimming and wrestling programs, where most of its revenue comes from.

The Boosters have supplied the wrestling teams with oranges. purchased the girls locker room a whirlpool, bought film for

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PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY **ATHLETIC** Booster Club officers for this season include: (from left) Bill Parson, president; Orlean Baker,

Bill Lewelling, treasurer; and John Anderson, vice-president.(Crier photo).

Massey places 10th in tourney

Don Massey Cadillac's men's slow-pitch softball team represented Plymouth in the annual Tournament of Champions held the last two weekends at Softball City in Detroit.

Massey finished an outstanding 10th out of 60 teams from all over the state. The finals of this double-elimination В tourney will be held next week-

Massey made a respectable showing in the tourney, with eight doubles, 11 triples, and six home runs. The squad is champion of the Plymouth Parks and Recreation League and will represent the city in state competition in the Class B state tourney to be held Labor Day weekend in Mount Pleasant.

Joe Kahanec led the Massey hitting attack in Detroit with an .800 batting average, Bob Pinckey and Arnold Hallam hit for ,714 averages, while Dave Broad, Tom Battistone, Louie Bryant and Tom Marentette all batted better than .600 and Mike Griffin, Dennis Kesik, Ed Dobbs and Dan McGrath hit better than .500.

Massey also competed in the annual Thompson tournament in Northville last month.

This Class B Plymouth squad competed among Class A competition and fell in two straight games of the double elimination tourney.

The first game, Friday night, was a disastrous loss, but Massey came back on Saturday to lose a close game 27-22 in extra

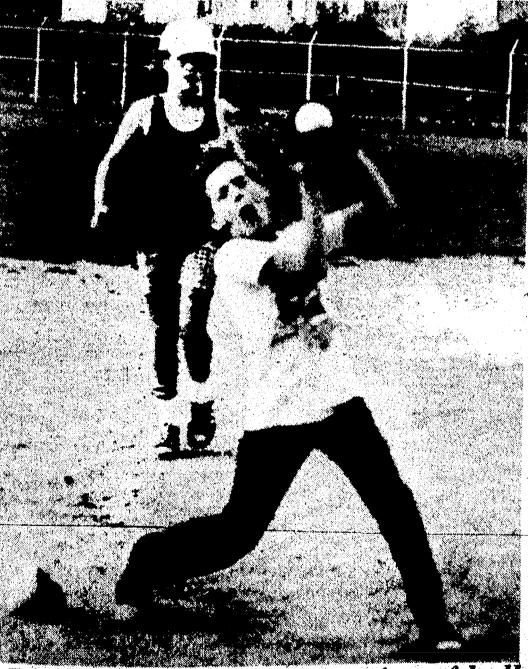
innings. Massey led in this contest 22-11 in the fifth before losing the game and falling out of the tournament.

Leading hitters for Massey included Mike Griffin, Dan McGrath and Jim Hauncher, Dave Broad and Griffin each belted four home runs.

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### Playground kids compete in softball

A GREAT CATCH at second base typified the plays made at the annual playground championship softball games held last Tuesday at Central Middle School. Children from the Sutherland playground beat their opponents from Auburn in the first game, while older kids from the Hamilton site likewise defeated an Auburn squad in the second contest. (Crier photo by Dennis O'Connor)



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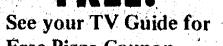
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Little Caesars got revenge on an old nemesis and now finds itself in the driver's seat after weekend action in the annual

American Softball Association (ASA) men's modified regional softball tournament hosted by the Plymouth Parks and Recreation.

Caesars drew Box Bar from the random selection of the 11team double elimination tourney in the first round. Caesars and Box were the two Plymouth league champions in regular season play. In the league showdown Box Bar beat Caesars handidly in two straight games to claim the title.

Both teams met again in the finals of Plymouth Modified Tournament three weekends ago, and for a second time, the Box came from two down to sweep a doubleheader and the tourney victory.

But in this competition, Caesars would not be denied, as it scored a 5-4 upset win over the favorites. The loss, only the second of the season for Box Bar in 40 games, sent that squad to the losers' bracket in a hurry.

Box was sailing along smoothly through the first six innings with a 4-0 lead behind the fivehit pitching of ace Al White.

Box Bar scored all of its runs in the first three innings.

Caesars finally came to life in the bottom of the seventh to score five unanswered runs and pull out the victory.

Dale Rumberger led off with a single and moved to third when White loaded the bases with base-on-balls to Buster Gaddey and Dennis Becker, After a strikeout, two more walks and a passed ball scored three runs Dave Schantz iced the game away with a two-run single.

Caesars went on to demolish Sands Bar and beat Livonia Lanes to reach a spot in the final winner's bracket contest.

Only four teams were left in the tourney after weekend action. Caesars, Fonte D'Amore, Master Collision and Box Bar.

The tourney is continuing the rest of the week with a winner to be determined on Thursday or Friday if necessary. The victor earns the right to compete in the national competition in Atlanta, Ga. on Labor Day week-

Fonte of Livonia was the other winner's bracket team that faced Little Caesars Monday night. Fonte beat Corsi's, Livonia Merchants and Master Collision to earn that spot.

Box Bar and Master battled in the loser's bracket contest last night. Master won over Bill's Market and St. Genevieve, with that Fonte loss sandwiched in between.

The victory over St. Genevieve saw Master battle from a 12-3 deficit after the first three innings to win 13-12.

Box Bar came on strong right from the start of loser's bracket play with three victories on Sunday. Box beat Livonia Merchants 5-1 and slaughtered Bill's Market 28-2 and Livonia Lanes 16-0.

The decisive victory over Bill's Market found Box scoring 18 times in the sixth inning, as the squad batted around more than twice in that stanza.

A MASTER COLLISION BATTER ducks away from a high inside pitch in last weekend's ASA modified softball tournament action. This tourney, hosted by Plymouth Parks and Recreation, will continue throughout this week at Massey Field, with game time at 6:30 p.m. (Crier photo by Dennis O'Connor)

# Merchants thanked

Coach Fred Crissey says he would like to extend thanks on behalf of his two summer baseball teams to area Merchants who sponsored the squads this season.

The following Merchants helped make this season a success for the Canton High players: Geno's Pizza, Mel's Golden Razor, Famous Men's Wear, Plymouth Sports Shop, Credit Union, Pick of the Wick, First National Bank of Plymouth, Wayside Gift Shop, and John Smith Clothing.

The Plymouth Merchants supported both the Connie Mack and Mickey Mantle affiliates of the Canton High summer program.

The Mantle squad just returned from Dayton, Ohio, where it finished second in a 19-team national tournament.

Crissey also said he appreciated the parents who helped him arrange the six-day trip, among them Ray and Alice Smock, Dave and Marley Albright, Jim and Renee Bruckner and Jim and Sandy Collins.

### Boosters seek members

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football games, golf bags and windbreakers for the golf teams, homecoming prizes for floats. refreshments and flowers for parents night each football season and many other things. This year's officers of the Booster Club include: Bill Parson, president; John Anderon, vice president; Orlean Baker, secretary and Bill Lewelling, treasurer.

Fred Hallway is in charge of membership and John Rumberger takes care of trophies. Members of the Blue Chapter board are Don Ellinghausen, Pat Marshall and Ben Wilcox. Red Chapter officers are Dick Mandle, Cindy Merrifield and Ron Myhus.

Last year, the Booster Club had a 125-family membership, with 50 merchants advertising in the programs. Boosters are looki looking for more participation this year.

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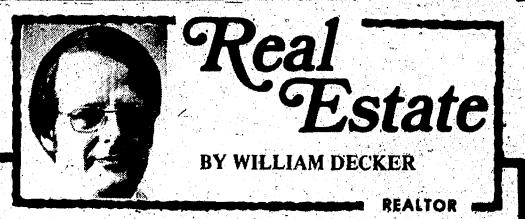
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Another season in the Plymouth Canton Junior Baseball League has ended, and with it, an idea has come to mind. How about the recreation departments in Plymouth and Can-

ton getting involved with the

junior league?

By involvement, I don't mean the recreation departments should take over all the duties the residents of this community have strived for in helping the children. The recreation departments are too busy in the summer months to do it all.

The involvement I'm speaking of is a helping hand in different areas of the organization. Plymouth's acting recreation director Chuck Skene says it best:

"I'm not interested in pushing my way in - let's just get the maximum use of the area involved,"

Maximum use of area resources includes use of three additional fields owned and operated by the Plymouth and Canton recreation offices.

The problem, as I see it, with the junior baseball association, is that only a few devoted, capable people that are willing to get involved with the league's functions and activities.

Because of this all the problems that surround operation of the organization fall in these people's laps.

While many parents are quick to criticize them, (but won't get involved) the volunteer parents shoulder a thankless burden all summer.

By getting the recreation departments involved, the junior association could branch out to help younger

children of the area. Skene says he would like to see this in the future. Canton director Brenda Pollack seemed to have no objection to the idea, My question is when will they get involved?

I'm not saying the recreation offices should take over and run the leagues like their organized men's and women's softball programs. That wouldn't be fair to hard-working parents.

But by having representatives from the city, Plymouth township and Canton, along with a school official, on an advisory board, the junior baseball program would benefit greatly.

In return for donations and use of recreation field, the junior baseball league would also be receiving advice from a group of representatives who are professionsal in recreation.

This benefits the organization in two ways.

City of Plymouth and Canton residents pay tax dollars for their recreation departments and the schools. Plymouth Township allows junior baseball to use its recreational land for diamonds.

It's time these sectors of government, with more participation from the schools, get involved with junior baseball and junior athletics as a whole.

The junior baseball season is over - election of new board officers and preparation for the 1977 season will come soon. Now is the time for the recreation departments to get involved.



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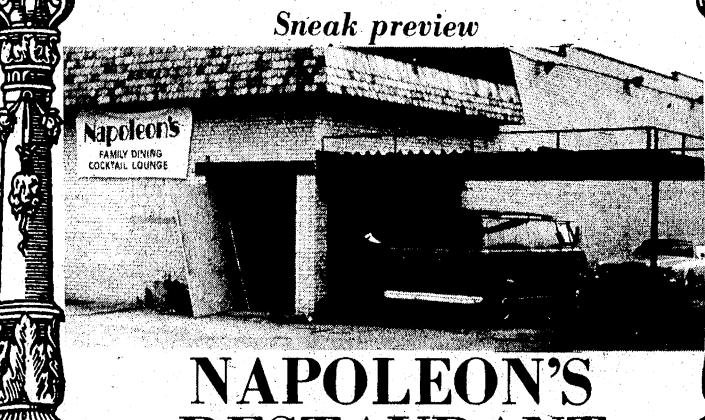
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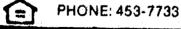


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DRAUGELIS, ASHTON AND SCULLY Attorneys at Law By: SCOTT H. DODGE

STATE OF MICHIGAN - The Probate Court for the County of Wayne. Estate of ISABELLA MALEN, Deceased, TAKE NOTICE: A hearing will be held on August 30, 1976, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon before the Honorable Ernest C. Boehm, Judge of Probate, Probate Courtroom 1301, on the petition of Elanor M. Howcroft a/k/a Eleanor M. Howcroft, executrix named, for probate of a purported Will dated April 30, 1965, and Codicil dated October 1, 1965, and for granting of administration to Elanor M. Howcroft a/k/a Eleanor M. Howcroft, or some other suitable person. Creditors of the deceased are notified that all claims must be filed with the Court on or before October 2, 1976. Notice is further given that the estate will be thereafter assigned to persons appearing of record entitled thereto.

Elanor M. Howcroft a/k/a-Eleanor M. Howcroft Petitioner 6095 Lotz Plymouth, Michigan 48170

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

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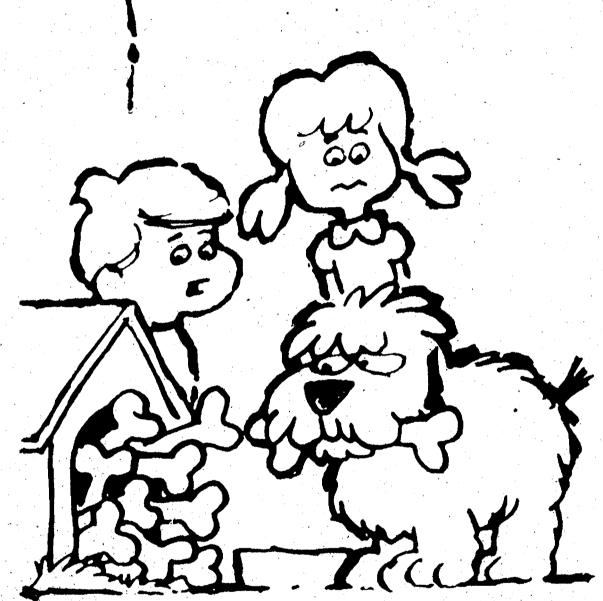
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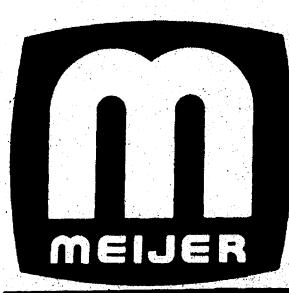
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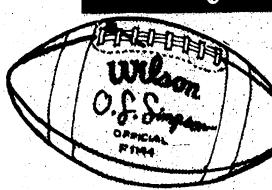
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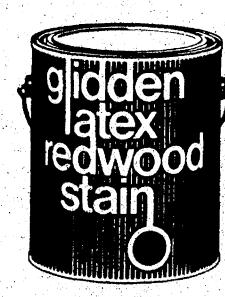
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