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Will population triple?

Twp. readies new land use plan

BY HANK MEIJER

Plymouth Township may someday be home to upwards of 60,000 people - the township's population has only recently exceeded 20,000 - and with that in mind, township planning commissioners are expected in the next few weeks to propose a new master plan governing zoning in the township.

The commission has been at work on the new plan for more than a year. According to township officials, a public hearing on the plan is expected in mid-February, following a joint workshop session between the planning commission and the township board which will likely be held later this month. The township board must grant final approval to any zoning changes which would grow out of the new plan.

According to Township Planner Jim Anulewicz, the work on the new plan has meant a "re-evaluation of both the eastern and western portions of the township. The planning commission," he said, "is starting a thorough investigation of the community's goals and policies and developing guidelines within the land use categories." Among categories of land use are recreation at residential, commercial, and industrial.

The current zoning plan was adopted in 1969 and updated in 1974.



Schools, secretaries close to salary pact

Negotiators for the Plymouth-Canton School District and its secretaries have agreed to a new salary and benefit schedule and the full membership of the secretaries association will vote on the proposed settlement tomorrow.

Both sides agreed not to release the terms of the agreement before the secretaries have voted, but the main discussions

were over three issues: pay rate, cost of living and a dental plan. If the 76 secretaries approve

the settlement, it will then go before the Board of Education for final approval.

According to Walter Bartnik, negotiator for the schools, the secretaries' present pay ranges from a low of \$4.58 per hour to a high of \$5.49 per hour.

City senior citizen report gives 6 options for housing

After more than a year of study, the City of Plymouth Blue Ribbon Committee on Aging last night unveiled its final report to the city commission.

The 39-page report includes a synopsis of the door-to-door survey of senior citizens taken last year, and summaries of the housing, transportation, health and community resources available to local senior citizens.

Details of the report are available at City Hall and the Dunning-Hough Library and will be published in The Crier.

Six alternatives to providing senior citizen housing are studied in the report. They are: cooperative housing, rental allowance, expanding Tonquish Creek Manor, using the state housing development authority, local bonding for a development and the "do-nothing option."

Plymouth-Canton farmers protest prices

BY MIKE CARNE, BILL BRESLER AND W. EDWARD WENDOVER

SEVENTY LOCAL FARMERS paraded their tractors and combines down Ann Arbor Road and into downtown Plymouth yesterday afternoon to protest farm prices and national farm policies. The group backed up traffic for several blocks. Spokesmen for the protestors said the demonstration is the first of many activities they hope will make local residents aware of their plight. City police who escorted the caravan of 17 farm machines and a half dozen pickup trucks, said they had no advance notice of the "parade" and no permit was obtained. "The city's always been cooperative on this sort of thing," said Police Chief Timothy Ford, who added that the only incident connected with the protest involved a woman who fell in the street while trying to cross between the tractors near Linden. She was not hurt and no ticket was issued, Ford said. The coldest of the protesting farmers was Roger Bordine, (lower left) of 48641 Saltz Rd., Canton, who rode an open tractor. (Crier photos by Bill Bresler.)



GROWTH

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Twp. residents oppose N'ville Rd. development

Following Plymouth Township public hearing recently jammed with nearly 90 township residents on the rezoning of parcels of land on a 15-acre site on Northville Road between Hammill and Clemons, the township Planning Commis-

sion tabled action on the rezoning until Jan. 18.

The hearing almost wasn't held. Developer Art Kobierzynski's lawyer asked the commission to table the hearing until their architect from Traverse City could be present. He was not present that night

because of the snowstorm, said Kobierzynski's lawyer. Planning Commission members voted to hold the public hearing anyway, and tabled a decision on the rezoning until Jan. 18, when Kobierzynski's planner could be present.

One resident said "we are opposed to it being zoned commercial. We don't need questions answered by architects."

A representative of residents on Hammill and Clemons streets said to the commission, "we're against it."

"There's no need for commercial development there," said Allan Stewart of Clemons Street. "It will increase traffic on Clemons, create a safety hazard for children who wait for school buses and it would destroy the rural setting and destroy residential property values."

He said to grant the proposed C-1 commercial zoning would only lead the way to more intense commercial use (C-2) and further "degenerate our area."

The site is located across from the Plymouth Hilton on Northville Road. Proposed for the site is a shopping center, restaurant and apartment complex.

The developer, former Thunderbird owner, Arthur Kobierzynski, has asked that property be zoned from residential to C-1 commercial. He plans to build, along with the restaurant and lounge, a branch financial institution, a 24-hour restaurant and a small shopping center with grocery, hardware and perhaps 10 other stores. Township officials have said portions of the complex would require C-2 zoning, for which Kobierzynski has not yet applied.

Leroy Bennett a resident on Northville Road, said he was opposed to it because "the plan destroys the buffer zone of the township (master) plan. There is already sufficient acreage there."

Others said they had received calls from real estate agents "pressuring them to sell before it's too late," meaning, the residents said, before the land turned commercial.

Another said a commercial development was scheduled to be built on the east side of Sheldon and Five Mile and that the proposed Kobierzynski project wasn't necessary.

The township planning firm of Norman Dietrich and Assoc. said that alternative water and sewer outlets were necessary but probably available and that

the land could be serviced if rezoned.

However, the planners recommended denial of the rezoning because it would result in "surplus" commercial property, and it would encourage strip zoning. Township planners also said rezoning would not be compatible with the master land use plan of 1976 of the township that requires a transition stage (buffer zone) between residential and commercial development, and the rezoning would have an adverse impact on families in the area.

Planning Commission secretary Tom Sullivan moved to table action on the rezoning until Jan. 18. The commission unanimously agreed and no official action was taken following the public hearing.

City still needs firemen

The City of Plymouth Fire Department is still looking for four or five volunteer firepersons, says City Fire Chief George Schoenneman.

The volunteers must be between the ages of 18 and 35, said Schoenneman. They must pass a physical (for which the city pays) and live within "reasonable limits" from the City Fire Station.

The City will furnish firefighter equipment, said Schoenneman. The City will also train volunteers four hours each month.

Call 453-1234 for further information on being a firefighting volunteer.

Jen Shrewsbury out of hospital

Jennifer Shrewsbury, 8 of Erik Pass in Plymouth Township, was released from University of Michigan Hospital a few days after Christmas, hospital officials say. Her brother, Jeffrey, 11, is in the hospital in "good" condition, hospital officials said.

Both children survived a plane crash several weeks ago

in the Great Smoky Mountains just outside the Tennessee border. Their father and sister were killed in the crash.

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Meetinghouse oven sets ballroom rafters smoking

BY CHAS CHILD

A potentially dangerous fire in the floorboards of the Mayflower Meetinghouse on Main Street in downtown Plymouth the afternoon before the annual Chamber of Commerce New Year's Ball proved tricky to quench but was extinguished after only minor damage.

A thermostat in the establishment's oven failed, causing the oven to stay on. The oven heated its concrete base which ignited the wood floorboards

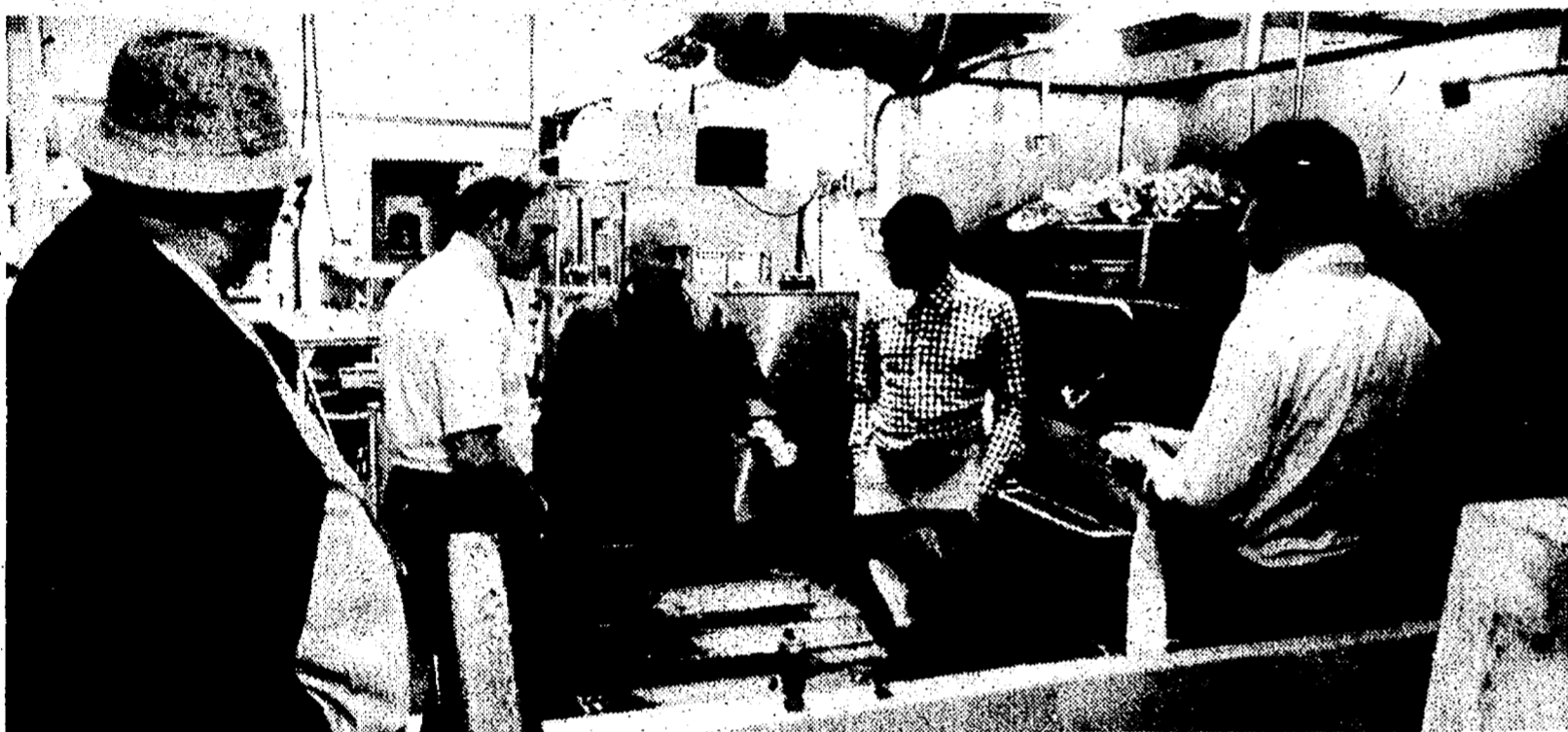
PLYMOUTH FIREFIGHTERS searched for smoke beneath the Mayflower Meetinghouse ballroom Saturday after a hot oven (below left) apparently ignited the wooden floorboards. Studying the damaged oven are (from left) Mayflower Hotel owner Ralph Lorenz and son, Kirk, and (second from right) manager Creon Smith. (Crier photos by Bill Bresler and Hank Meijer.)

underneath to a slow, smoky burn, according to Kirk Lorenz of the Mayflower hotel.

"It never really caught on fire, there was just a lot of smoke," Lorenz said. "It was hard to get at, but the Plymouth Fire Department did a

good job. They responded in 45 seconds."

Lorenz estimated the fire caused about \$400-\$500 damage. "But it didn't interfere with the New Year's Ball. We just cleaned up the mess," he said.



New industry sought to fill empty plant

A Farmington firm has purchased the former Evans Products building on Plymouth Road and hopes to fill it with industrial tenants within six months.

The 80-acre site is on the corner of Eckles and Plymouth roads in Plymouth Township.

James Schlesinger, attorney and business manager for the firm, said he already has a firm commitment from Flairs Floors, a carpeting and hard-floor covering company, to occupy some of the warehouse space in the 705,000 sq. foot facility.

Negotiations are underway with other firms to occupy the rest of the building, Schlesinger said.

"The demand for industrial space in Plymouth Township is very good, mostly from the highway situation," he said. "The site is an excellent one for light manufacturing and steel warehousing."

Purchased Dec. 14, the name of the site will be the Plymouth Industrial Center, Schlesinger said. "We have crews working around the clock fixing up the building. It hasn't been occupied in about two years."

Gordon Grossman of Farmington is the managing partner of the firm.

Hope dims for AMC in Twp.

A rumor that American Motors will be moving into the former Whitman-Barnes plant on Plymouth Road was quashed yesterday by one of the Detroit investors who recently bought the facility.

Mark Kahn, one of the investors who purchased the building from Whitman-Barnes, said his group had talks with American Motors, but no leasing agreement has been signed. "And it's getting dimmer and

dimmer," Kahn said.

The plant was vacated nearly two years ago by Whitman-Barnes and has been unused since then. "We are looking for a tenant or tenants," Kahn said. "It would be excellent for light manufacturing or offices."

The 260,000 sq. foot building is located on 30 acres in Plymouth Township.

Canton OKs golf course purchase

The Canton Township Board of Trustees Dec. 20 approved the purchase by the township of the Fellows Creek Golf Course on Lotz Road along the township's eastern boundary.

Lone dissenter when the votes were cast was Trustee Bob Myers, who said better uses could be found for the more than \$1 million estimated cost of purchasing the 18-hole course.

The Federal Bureau of Outdoor Recreation has offered the township a \$200,000 grant earmarked to help defray the purchase cost.

Murderer still at large

Washtenaw County Sheriff's detectives are still searching for clues in the slaying of a Superior Township man whose body was found in a snowbank on the grounds of the Seventh Day Adventist Church on Napier Road several weeks ago.

David L. Cischke, 26, was found 200 yards from his

yellow cinderblock home on the church grounds by a team of Sheriff's detectives and tracking dogs Thursday, Dec. 15.

Det. Charles Anderson said they "were following leads" in the case, but refused further comment.

Detectives said the former Air Force veteran died from gunshot wounds.

Cursing woman kicks trooper

A woman apparently intoxicated by alcohol and Darwin shouted obscenities and kicked a police officer when he tried to arrest her Dec. 23 at the Plaza Lanes parking lot in Plymouth Township, according to State Police troopers.

The State Police said that the woman will be charged with obstructing a police officer on duty.

The police originally responded to a call to help a friend of the woman who was hysteri-

cal in the bowling alley's parking lot. The woman started shouting obscenities at the officers when they tried to help her friend, according to the police.

The woman's friend was sent by ambulance to the hospital but the woman became increasingly violent and kicked one of the officers, the police report.

Due to her violent condition, the police took her to St. Mary's hospital and en route she kicked an officer again, said the police report.

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SOUND BARRIERS are being installed on I-275 by Bradbury Condominiums to decrease noise from the freeway for residents who live in the Canton development. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler).



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Devilish shutterbug scares would-be 'wet look' model

A 23-year-old man saying he was a photography student at Schoolcraft College, tried to persuade a Canton woman to pose semi-nude in her home on Dec. 20, before she got scared and called the police, State Police report.

No charges were filed against the man, who later told State Police troopers that "God had let his guard down and Satan had tempted him."

The 28-year-old woman said

the man, also from Canton, struck up a conversation with her at the United Parcel Service in Livonia. He claimed he was a photography student at Schoolcraft and asked her if she would model spring clothes for him, the police report.

She agreed and he met her at her house in Canton later that evening, the police said. After he arrived he asked her if she had any tube tops, halter

tops and short shorts, according to police.

She said "yes", and he then asked if she had any lingerie and sexy underclothes and whether she had a swimsuit, the police report.

She said she had a one and a two-piece suit and the "photographer" asked her to shower with just the bottom of the two-piece suit so he could get "the wet look," according to the police.

At this point, she became frightened and called her ex-husband, who advised her to call the State Police.

The man left. Later, at his home, he told troopers he was a Baptist Christian, and that "God had let his guard down and Satan had tempted him." He said God was testing him, the troopers reported.

During the interview, the police said that the 23-year-old's mother interjected many quotations from the Bible and tried to explain her son's behavior.

The officers said the mother seemed to dominate her son and that he seemed to have "psychological problems."

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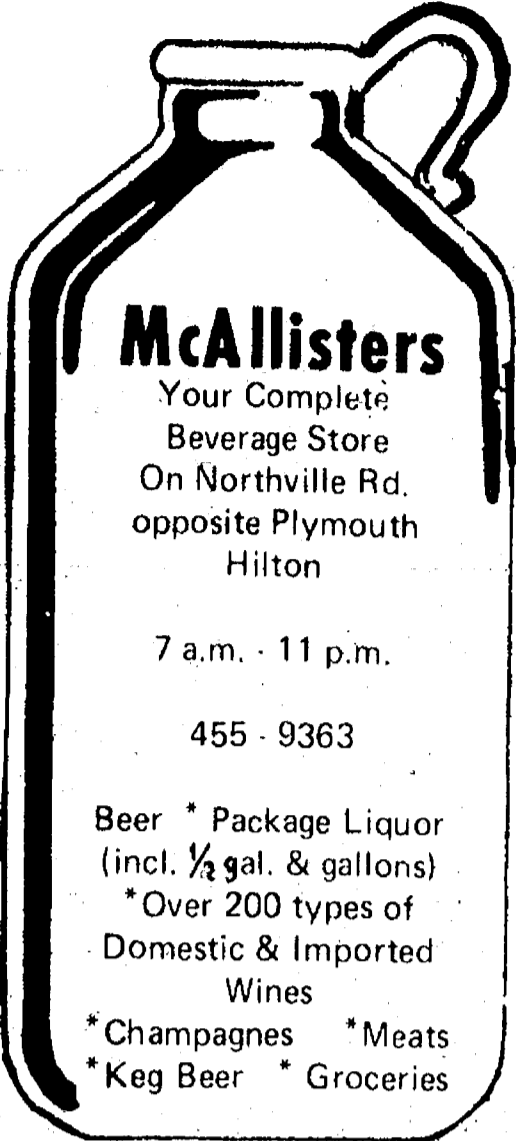
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Although the Canton volleyball team finished third in the Western Six last year they ended up the league campaign with a clean sweep over all five other teams in the league meet.

And this year they hope to pick up where they left off. "No one has more talent than we have," said Coach Cindy Burnstein. "We're shooting for first."

The team leader for this year's squad will be Captain Sue Rekuc. "She's a fantastic setter and a good spiker," her coach said. "And I'm also counting on her power serves."

Another setter back for her third year on the team is Laurie Beck. "She's strong all-around and has improved her spikes a lot," Burnstein said.

Senior Judy Freiman, rookie of the year last year, will be counted on for her spiking ability and Kathy Sochacki

for her aggressive net play and blocking.

The Chiefs' top spiker will be Kelly Heaton, a junior playing her third year on the team. Also starting will be Sophomore Jill Pedersen a junior varsity mainstay last year. "She has good court sense and is good all-around," her coach said.

Also seeing alot of action are the three other members of the team: Tina Decker, Amy Akers and Claudia Williams.

Overall, Canton finished 8-6 last year with a third place in the Western Six behind Churchill and Northville.

"Churchill looks strong again. They're not that tall but they're fast and they jump," Burnstein said.

The Chiefs' first home game is Monday against a tough Franklin team starting at 7 p.m. At 6 p.m. the team will stage a demonstration and discussion session for those who want to learn more about the game.

Sochacki earns all-state

Kathy Sochacki, who led the Chiefs to a 20-1 season, was named to the Class A all-state basketball team last week.

Her clutch free throws defeated Waterford Mott twice during the season helping the Chiefs to the Western Six Championship and an undefeated regular season.

Sports happenings

BOYS BASKETBALL			
Fri., Jan. 6	Canton vs. Northville	H	6:30 p.m.
	Salem vs. Trenton	H	6:30 p.m.
Tues., Jan. 10	Canton vs. Farmington	H	6:30 p.m.
	Salem vs. Bentley	H	6:30 p.m.
VOLLEYBALL			
Thurs., Jan. 5	Canton vs. Harrison	T	7 p.m.
Mon., Jan. 9	Canton vs. Franklin	H	7 p.m.
Tues., Jan. 10	Salem vs. Churchill	T	7 p.m.
SWIMMING			
Thurs., Jan. 5	Salem vs. Ypsilanti	T	7 p.m.
	Canton vs. Redford Union	H	7 p.m.
WRESTLING			
Thurs., Jan. 5	Salem vs. Bentley	H	6:30 p.m.
	Canton vs. Water'd Mott	T	6:30 p.m.
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Seniors to lead Rock spikers

With three returning starters, the Salem volleyball team is looking forward to winning another Suburban Eight championship.

"I'm optimistic," said new coach Cathy Himes. "The girls are working hard."

The three returning from last year's team that tied Dearborn for the league championship are all seniors: Karen Prikosovits, Clarisse Hartnett and Kathy Dillon.

"Dillon is an excellent all around player. She's good on both the back and front row," her coach said.

Prikosovits and Hartnett are both good spikers and will see alot of action on the front line.

Beyond these three, Himes has two good setters, Chris Ann Minoff and Sue Busha. "Chris is very consistent, an excellent setter," Himes said, "and Busha is experienced and has good game sense."

In the back row, Cindy Leveillie and Monette Recto are ready to play. "Monette is a good digger, and Cindy hustles all the time." Doris Hoelscher is also coming on, Himes said.

Rounding out the squad are two spikers, Patty Radzik and Betty Delano and Mary Kleas, a transfer student from Ohio.

Looking to the upcoming season, Himes said Dearborn will be the toughest competition in the Suburban Eight. "Edsel Ford looks good, too."

Himes, herself, is in her first year as coach. Last year she was the junior varsity coach. She teaches physical education and graduated from Eastern Michigan University.

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Side St. Pub, 59, Bee Chemical, 49; Century 21, 67, Pacemakers, 24.

Disc jockeys versus Jaycees

The Canton Jaycees versus WDRQ radio disc jockeys basketball game to benefit the Canton library fund has been re-scheduled to Jan. 18.

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In the haste to complete the I-96, I-275 and M-14 expressways in our community, the construction companies and the State of Michigan Highway Dept. have often overlooked the need for safety.

Improperly marked detours, unguarded chasms, signals which don't work, unnecessary traffic disruptions and other highway hazards abound along the expressway construction sites.

It is the responsibility of the state to police the many construction companies at work on the projects -- and it would appear that no one is fulfilling that responsibility.

Take for example the M-14 overpass at Sheldon Road, where the original lane stripes remain although if a driver followed the existing lanes, he'd hit a concrete barrier.

Along Schoolcraft Road where it bends west just north of Wilcox, a single oil drum with a faint blinker atop it is all that stands between traffic and a 20-foot ditch.

It is a miracle that no major mishap has wiped out the gas station and party store on Northville Road, south of Five Mile, where a poorly marked detour directs traffic straight at them. That detour is one of the most heavily travelled, yet poorly marked of all those left by construction workers.

To the south of that detour, an unnecessary oil drum with a directional arrow sign unnecessarily sits in the middle of the road. Its blinker light rarely works and the whole barrier has been knocked down several times by unsuspecting motorists.

The biggest drop-off threatening drivers is the canyon where

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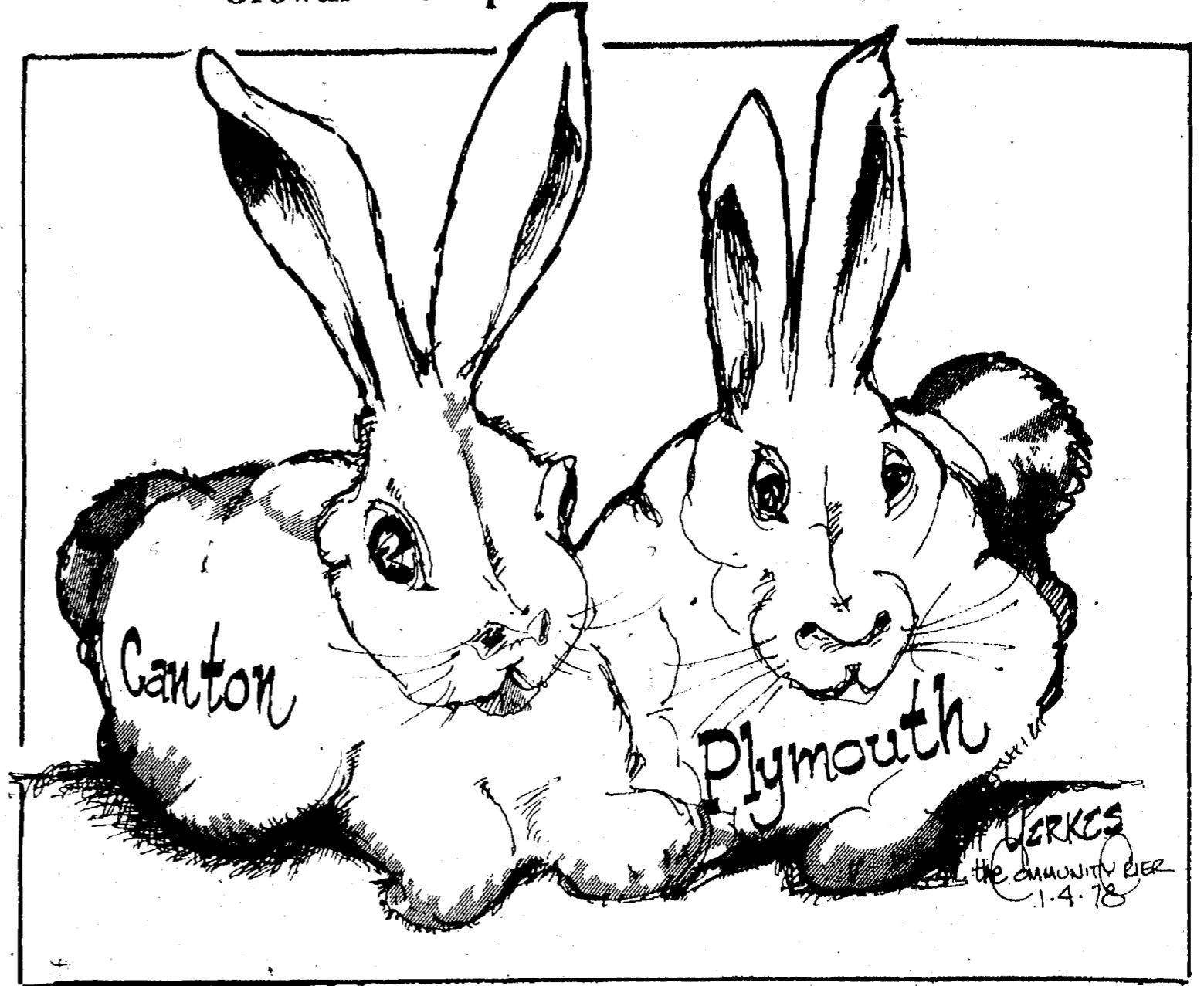
Five Mile Road empties onto Northville Road. If a driver didn't stop in time there, it's 50 feet down. In fact, a Plymouth-Canton School Bus recently slid on the ice at that intersection -- fortunately without mishap. A guardrail is clearly needed there.

In the interest of making a buck, the construction companies involved in road projects may try to cut a few corners by reasoning that it's too expensive to build a temporary guardrail or maintain blinker lights when the road is going to be moved later on anyway.

Local governments face jurisdictional problems in attempting to enforce safety on these construction sites, since the state oversees the highway projects. But they must insist that the state live up to its responsibility.

With luck the construction companies may even realize that the potential dangers pose serious liability questions and move to correct the unsafe conditions.

Will it take a major accident to bring the issue to the attention to resolve the problem? Let's hope not.



Except for politicians

The windy city we're not

for what it's worth

BY DONNA LOMAS

Spring is dreadful. It's tornado season.

Every March first, I sit on the edge of a chair, distraught and chewing finger nails until the middle of July. I always wonder if that heinous funnel cloud, 'moving towards western Wayne County' has my name on it.

This fear has me in its grip all spring. I'm suspicious when it rains and jumpy when a mild wind gusts.

So it wasn't all that surprising when the City Commission recently decided, by a 5-2 vote, to buy a tornado siren.

It will cost the city half of \$13,500 to pay for and install the new siren. Canton and Plymouth townships recently installed similar sirens. There is even talk of tying in all three systems someday.

With the exception of Mayor Tom Turner and Commissioner Scott Dodge, who voted against the purchase, I suspect other commissioners voted "yes" because they think the same way others do every spring.

One commissioner more fearful than the rest apparently -- even said to vote against the purchase was to vote "against motherhood and apple pie."

Politicians leave nothing to chance -- and if it can be helped, not even to nature. By deciding to buy the tornado siren, the city commission also made sure they would not be politically blamed if one of those catastrophic funnels ever did hit the quiet hamlet of Plymouth.

Those who were not gripped by "tornado paranoia" said the city was wasting its money and playing with gadgetry.

An 80-year old man stood up and said he had lived in Plymouth all his life and had yet to see a tornado hit this town.

Besides, someone else said, we all listen to radio or watch TV to see what foul weather is coming our way.

But it is the city's duty to protect its citizens, said Fire Chief George Schoenneman and Police Chief Tim Ford.

The new siren will reach 95 per cent of the city, the fire chief said, while the older one (not a real tornado siren at all) couldn't be heard by many if the wind was blowing the wrong way.

While it's nice to know Plymouth takes good care of its residents, common sense and the facts indicate the purchase was based on too many "what-ifs" and mis-guided good intentions.

With new sirens in both Canton and Plymouth townships, it seems as if the two-square mile city could rely

on its older siren and the other two systems. The money could have been better spent elsewhere.

For example, city residents could take some responsibility for their own safety during tornado season. Perhaps the city (the townships, too) would have done better to educate us on tornado dangers with the money spent on the sirens. The schools too, should have a part in that.

With any luck, the siren will never be used -- except on noon Saturdays when it will be tested.

If a tornado does hit, we can place the blame (if blame can be placed for such natural disasters) where it belongs: on nature.



THIS CURVE of Schoolcraft Road by Wilcox passes along a 20-foot ditch with no barrier protecting the drop off. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler.)

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Naturally enough, when you're not a city, you don't get to put up signs that say "Canton City Limits." If you're a thrifty township government, you don't spend taxpayers money to slap up "Welcome to Canton" signs at every intersection. Until the service clubs have been around for awhile, they do without roadside placards which announce the presence of their Canton chapters.

But what about out on the interstate highways? Canton residents have paid their Michigan taxes like everyone else, but you can drive the length of the township at 55 miles per hour and not even know what you've missed.

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I would like to personally thank the following people who helped to make our marathon relay a reality! Mrs. Ginny

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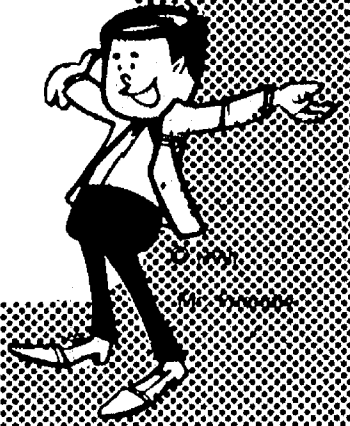


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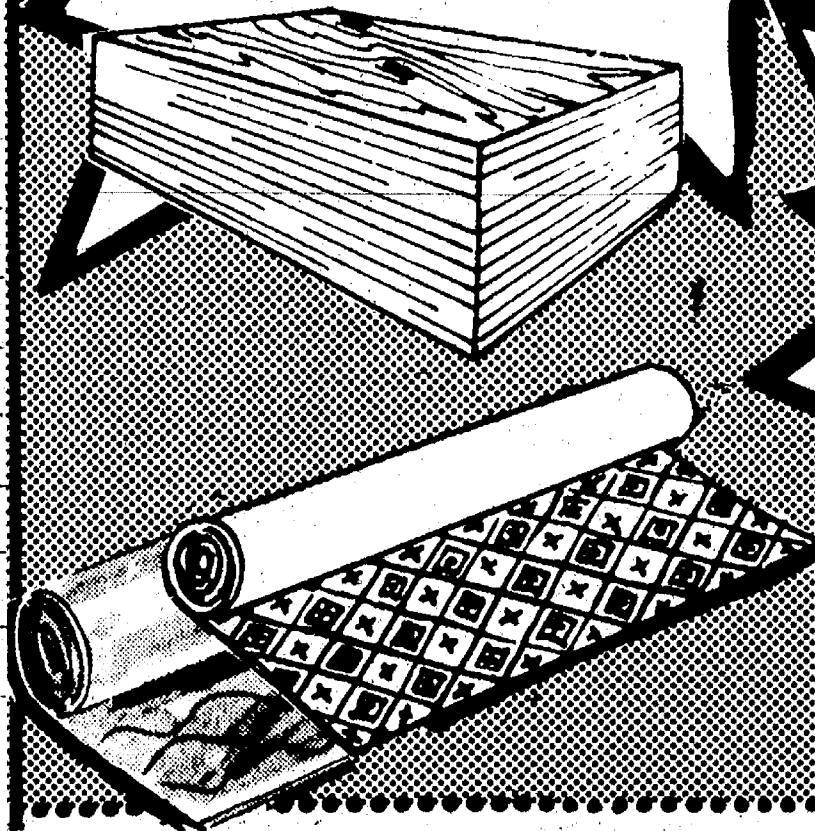
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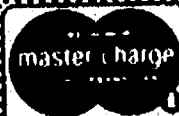
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A program geared to "help the busy or working parent", after school Y will begin Jan.

23. Four four week sessions will be held. Fitness, sports, arts and crafts are featured. Fee is \$24 for all four weeks or \$6 per week for members. For non-members, fee is \$32 for four weeks or \$8 per week. The sessions are for five to seven year olds and for children eight to 10.



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Library continues story time

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Registration is open to children aged three and one-half to five years old who live in Plymouth, Plymouth Township and Canton. Parents are asked to register their own children in person on Monday, Jan. 9. Parents who had children enrolled in the fall session are asked to wait until Thursday, Jan. 12, when they may register their children by telephone if there are any vacancies.

There will be two Story Time sessions at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Monday mornings beginning Jan. 16. The sessions will last from 30 to 40 minutes and will be held once a week for six weeks. Story Time will include picture books, songs, and fingerplays. Ms. Rawlinson will be the story teller.

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Puppeteers stop home here on 10-state tour

Raymond Masters, professional puppeteer for Theatre West Virginia, who grew up in Plymouth and recently moved to the mountains in West Vir-

ginia, created, wrote and produced the recent production of "The Firebird," a marionette show shown Thursday in Plymouth.

The show is touring 10 states and by May will have performed for 84,000 people a spokesperson for the Virginia theatre company said. The show in Plymouth was sponsored by the Plymouth Theatre Guild and featured 27 puppets.

Masters former home in Plymouth was described as "a lovely place, filled with antiques and things," by the theatre's photographer, Betty Benjamin. Masters' workshop in his Plymouth home was where the puppets for "The Firebird" were put together.

Masters and another Plymouth resident, Don Watkins have logged 6,500 miles since August in West Virginia, performing the show for hundreds of West Virginia schools.

"Yeah, it's a nice place," Masters said of his former Plymouth home and workshop. "But it doesn't seem like home to me anymore. It was like exit 28 on the interstate. A vast change. Unfamiliar territory. Isn't that terrible."

"I'm always in transit, always been somewhere else. My family moved a lot," Masters said.

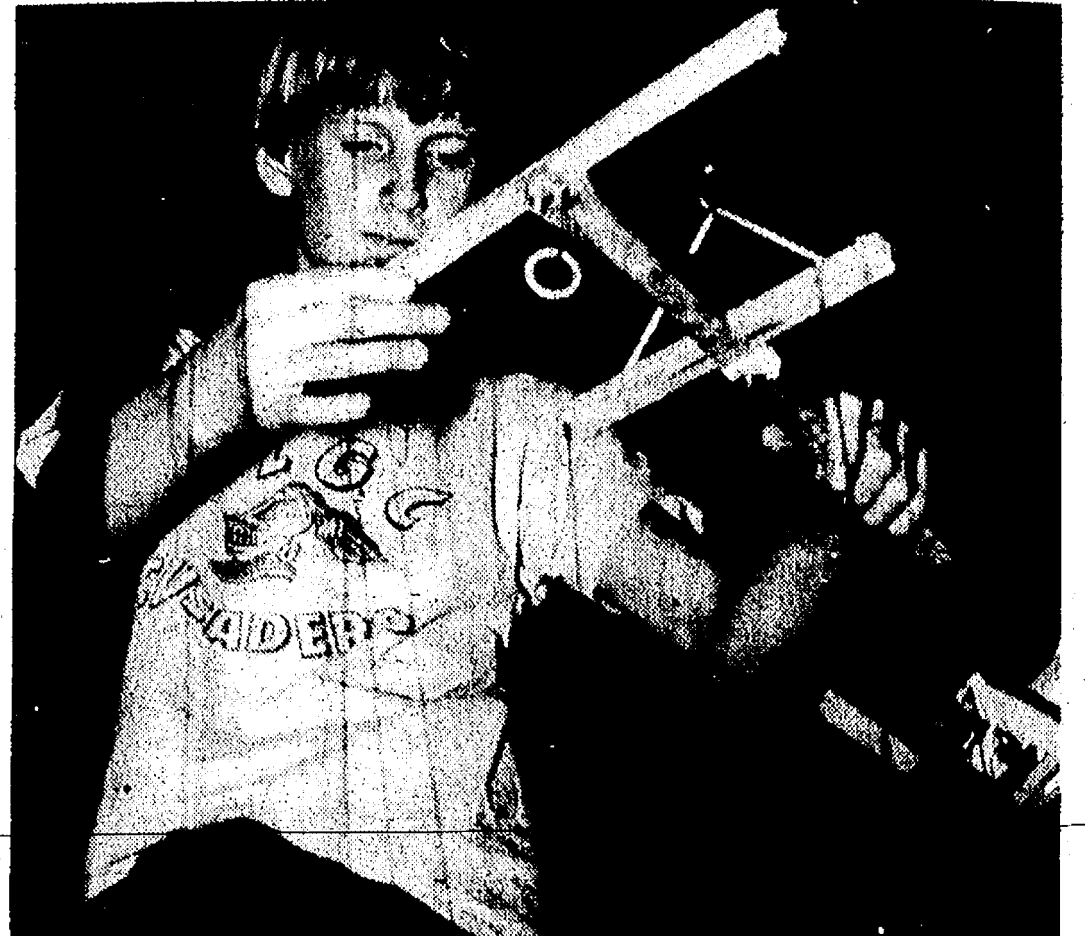
Masters and Watkins and their 27-puppet entourage spent Christmas and New Year's in Plymouth, with most of the time spent repairing the hinges on the puppets, with the exception of one performance for Plymouth-Canton school-children Thursday.

Today, the group will perform in a school in Portland, Indiana. Neither Masters or Watkins think too much of the "glamour" of touring on the road.

"One of the most exciting things we do on the road is our laundry," Master said. "We take it with us to have something to do." But then, he talked about the pleasures of performing "The Firebird" before school children, his favorite audience.

"Even before the show, when they see the deep blue velvet curtain with its red insignia under the lights, they think 'what is this?' We can feel the excitement building, and we feed off that."

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BACKSTAGE after Ray Masters' puppet show at the Plymouth Community Cultural Center Thursday, Paul Cyburt (above) and Amy McElroy (below) were among the 50 youngsters who got to try the art of puppetry. (Crier photos by Bill Bresler).



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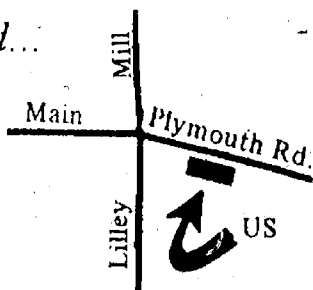
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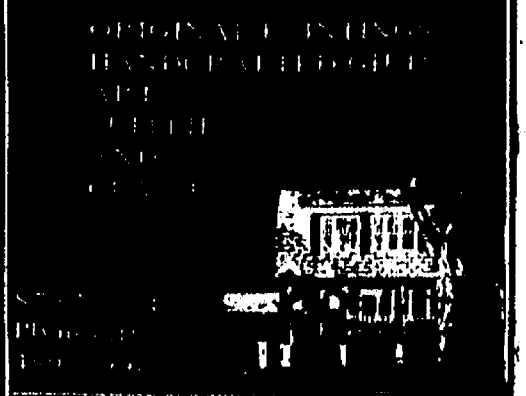
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Scott Ryan Bruce was born Dec. 14 to Dave and Cindy Bruce of Redbud Street in Plymouth.

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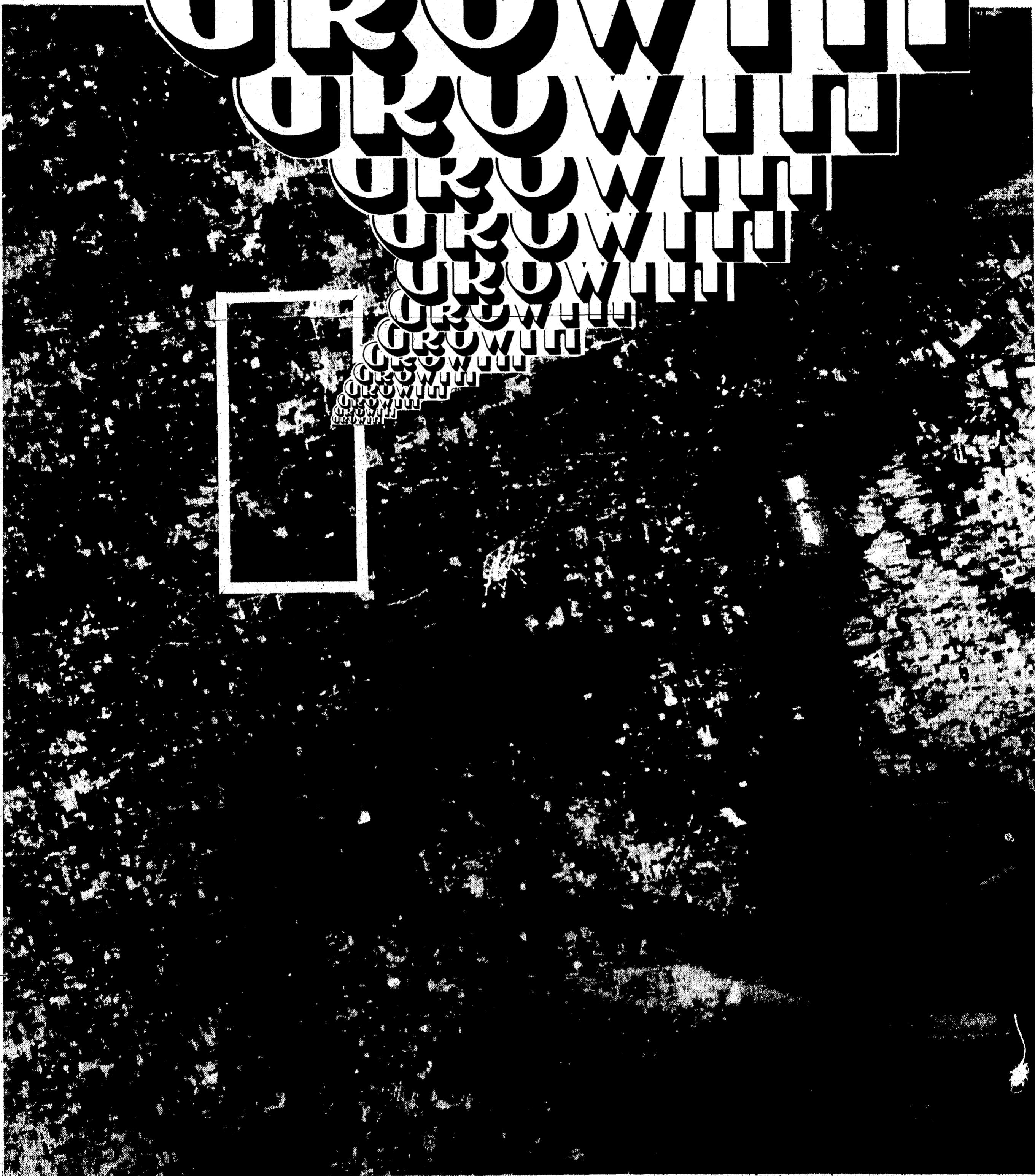
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AS VIEWED by satellite, The Plymouth-Canton Community can be identified by the intersection of I-275 and the Jeffries Expressway. Last year marked the completion of those interstate highways, and suddenly our community (which was already the fastest growing community in Wayne County) became easily


accessible from every direction. The M-14 Expressway, which will follow through the Jeffries route to Ann Arbor, is scheduled for opening in 1978. (This satellite photo, courtesy of John Barton, was taken in 1973, when I-275 and the Jeffries Expressway were under construction.)




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We're no longer just a 'dusty stop' on the road

BY W. EDWARD WENDOVER
 One town was used to describe our community as "a dusty stop on the road between Detroit and Ann Arbor."

But that was back when many of our roads were dusty lanes. It was before the six lanes of expressway concrete opened the Plymouth-Canton Community to the world.

The past year has put Plymouth-Canton on the map by virtue of its hosting a spur of the nation's first coast-to-coast expressway (I-75) and its intersection with southeastern Michigan's newest east-west expressway (the Jeffries).

Our community, already noted as the fastest growing community in Wayne County, became an easier, faster drive to downtown Detroit and its suburbs as well as to Ann Arbor, Lansing and other points in almost every direction.

Undoubtedly, the growth we have seen thus far is only the tip of the iceberg which lies ahead.

Growth has meant many changes for the Plymouth-Canton Community, which used to be just the Plymouth Community -- a town center established in the early 1800s serving miles of surrounding farmlands. (The Plymouth School District, now the Plymouth-Canton

School District, once served farms along Telegraph Road.)

Then, in the 1950s and 1960s, Livonia became more than the apple orchard it once was and, suddenly, we were at Detroit's door. Those who were unfamiliar with our community's past viewed us simply as another overnight suburb of the Detroit megalopolis.

Our growth has brought fond memories from those who remember the way it used to be -- the pleasant hunting in corn fields where shopping centers now stand.

Ten years ago the high school was downtown, there were one or two of each kind of store, many of the new roads now were only bridle paths and there weren't nearly as many folks around as there are now.

High school frolickers were enjoying lovers' lanes where many a subdivision now stands. Where many of the commercial centers and fast food restaurants now light the sky with neon, stately old farm houses lorded over the view. Where the area's largest pumpkin patch once presented an easy target for Halloween pranksters, a Kresge regional warehouse facility now flourishes.

Back before the growth really all started, things were quiet. The school system grew slowly,

building new schools by ones and twos. Politics were serene overall. Services like police and fire protection and garbage pickup and road maintenance by and large kept pace with the growth.

But, when the lid blew off, everything changed.

The schools became overcrowded and new schools were full the minute they opened their doors.

The area where major growth was seen -- Canton -- felt political upheaval as new and old residents searched for a new identity and the leaders who could lead them to it. Governmental services could not keep pace with the needs of a burgeoning population.

Many feel that the changes accompanying our community's growth have not been good. Attempts have been made to slow or completely stop further development, but rarely have met with success.

One such effort that did, however, was a campaign to stop a regional shopping center proposed for Joy and Sheldon roads. Overwhelming public opposition blocked the proposal and caused an upheaval in Canton politics.

Growth, in itself may not be bad, many critics here say, as long as the growth is well planned

and consistent with the community's feelings.

The growth issue split many newcomers and old time residents -- many of them farmers who feel their only retirement hope lies in selling their farmlands and they resent newer residents trying to put the brakes on against further development which keeps land prices high.

These resulting political struggles are just one of the many ramifications seen over the last decade here.

But what will happen from here? It is almost certain that the future growth will bring as many or more changes than we've already seen.

The great blue herons which roost each year on the pond along Napier Road will likely not return anymore after the opening of the M-14 expressway some 100 yards away from the pond.

Just as the suburbs closer to Detroit have filled up, we'll probably see the remaining open spaces -- except those preserved as recreation sites -- disappear as thousands more residents are attracted to our community.

However striking the last 10 years' growth and change has been for the Plymouth-Canton Community, "we ain't seen nothing yet."



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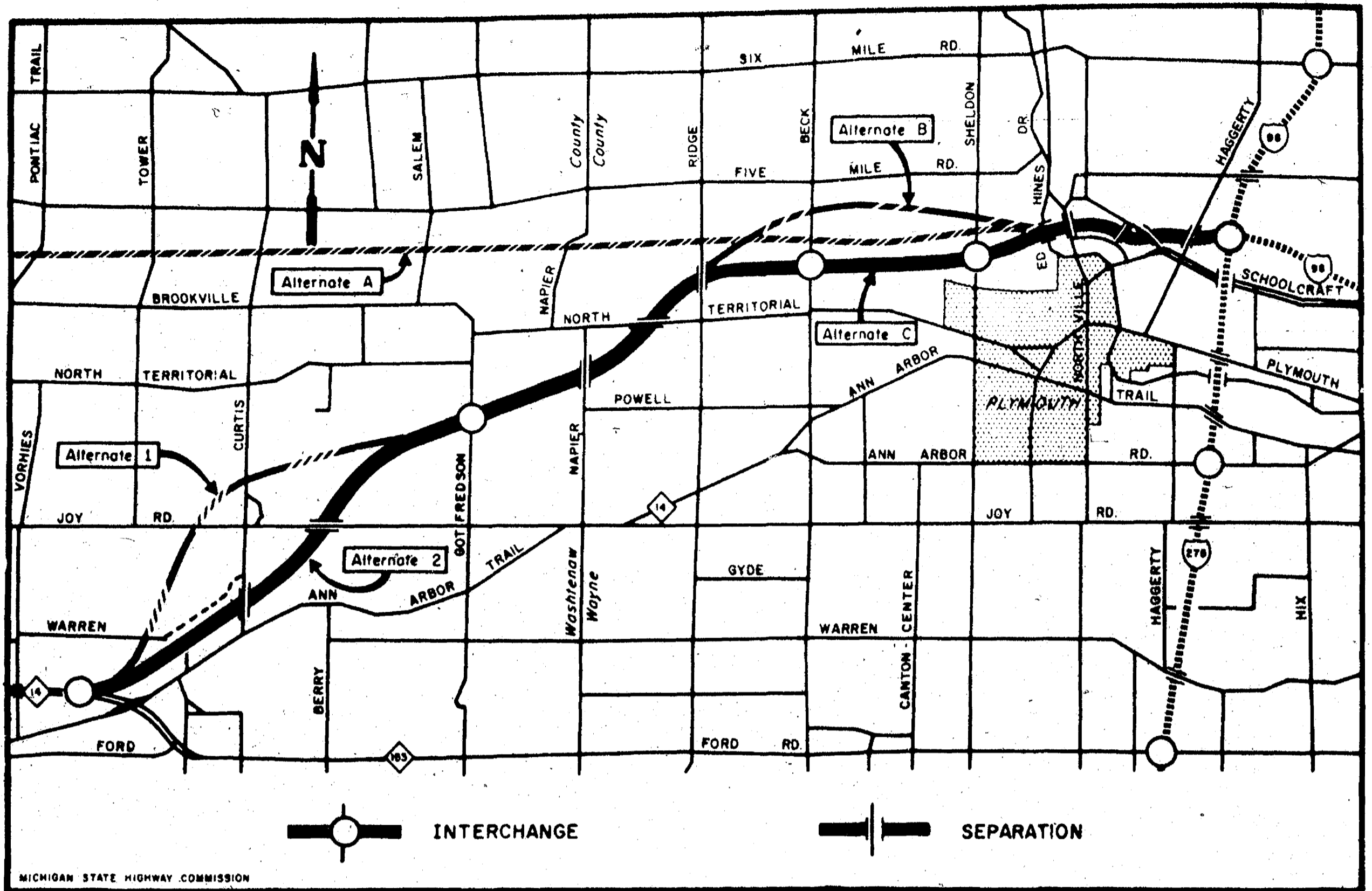
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M-14 opening this fall, will bring more traffic to Plymouth-Canton

With the completion of two major freeways last year -- Jeffries I-96 and I-275 -- the next step linking the Plymouth-Canton community even closer to metropolitan Detroit will be the completion of M-14.

When M-14 is finished, the Plymouth-Canton community will be directly linked to Ann Arbor on the west and Detroit on the east. An interchange at Schoolcraft just slightly east of Haggerty will hook up the three freeways, making Plymouth a major intersection in the expanded freeway system.

Three plans were rejected before the final route of M-14 was accepted. The final route begins, for the Plymouth-Canton area, at the cloverleaf junction above Schoolcraft Road at M-14 and I-275. M-14 passes north of the City of Plymouth and Canton above North Territorial Road. It dips south by Ridge Road, Napier, Gotfredson and Curtis roads before going into Washtenaw county.

New interchanges -- at Michigan Avenue and Ford road, Ann Arbor

Road, Gotfredson Road, Beck and Sheldon Roads will all bring additional traffic into Plymouth and Canton.

Highway officials say they expect M-14 to be finished late this fall -- earlier than past projections, which said it would be finished in the summer of 1979.

Warren Cox chief construction engineer for the Michigan State Highway Department, said construction has not encountered any "unusual difficulties."

"The construction of M-14, when finished, will affect people in Plymouth-Canton," he said. "When it is finished, M-14 will take away much of the traffic from Plymouth Road that cuts through downtown Plymouth. It will also slightly affect Ann Arbor Road and Ford Road traffic."

Opening of the freeways will likely spur rapid growth, highway experts agree.

"Whenever people get on and off the interchanges, they'll be building," said state highway engineer Stephen Kessler. "They may have to re-zone. The pressure will be there."

Growth makes planning hard for school district

BY CHAS CHILD

As officials in the Plymouth-Canton School District try to accommodate our growing student population, an irony becomes clear: The more the district needs planning, the harder it is to plan.

Rapid growth means more classroom space is needed fast, but it also makes it difficult to estimate where in the district it will come and how soon.

Without answers to these questions, the high-stakes game of where and when to build new schools inevitably has some guesswork in it.

And any planning error can be magnified by the years it takes to build new buildings. "Beyond two or three years, we do a lot of guessing," said School Board President Tom Yack.

Most persons agree that the district will need to absorb a large number of students in the next two or three years, probably around 800 to 1,000 per year.

Where the pupils will live and where best to build the new schools is far trickier to assess.

Subdivisions, the large units of growth in the district, are laid out well in advance of when the families move in, but construction schedules can change easily. How fast a sub will be filled with newcomers is difficult to predict.

How many children per house is also hard to judge, depending on the house's size and cost.

Besides predicting how many students will be coming in and where they will live, the district is faced with the problem of trying to accommodate a large number of students now who may not be here, say, 10 years from now.

The "egg through the snake" problem may leave a lot of empty classrooms in the future when the children graduate. This phenomenon has saddled a number of school districts, including Livonia, with empty schools.

The Plymouth-Canton School District's main answer to this problem for now has been the Extended School Year (ESY) program. ESY can boost a school's capacity 33 per cent, and five of the district's elementary schools and one middle school are on the ESY schedule.

ESY is not a panacea, however, for the district's growth. Bus transportation for the program is complicated and expensive, and many observers doubt whether the whole district should go ESY.

Basic operation costs are higher with ESY, also, and some school officials say that this money should go toward building new schools in the first place.

Also, since ESY divides the students

into four separate tracks, the program doesn't work as well in middle school as elementary schools. Electives and extra-curricular activities are disrupted by the tracks coming and going.

There's no doubt ESY works now but there will come a time when new schools will have to be built in the Plymouth-Canton district. How to balance ESY with new buildings is something the Board of Education and the voters are struggling with now and will for years to come.

For the upcoming election in the spring, Superintendent Mike Hoben said that he will recommend to the board that the voters be asked to approve two or three new elementary schools.

Up to now, the main growth in the district has come at the elementary school level. These kids will eventually be high school students and plans to accommodate them are being discussed, although there hasn't been much public debate so far.

An extended day, shifting to junior highs (grades 7-9 at junior high, 10-12 at high school; and building a plain classroom building at CEP, are all possibilities, Yack said.

A report on an alternative high school is expected in late January, however.

Besides the nuts and bolts problems of housing the new students, growth also creates, in some ways, trickier problems.

One of these is educating not the new students, but the new voters who are asked to decide questions for which they often have little background. "We are always behind in educating the newcomers," Yack said.

The growth also brings in a more diverse student population, which, according to Yack, increases pressure for new programs like bilingual and remedial reading courses, which can siphon money from other more basic offerings.

Some observers also believe that the rapid growth in the district has led to political instability, which has contributed to a large turnover on the Board of Education.

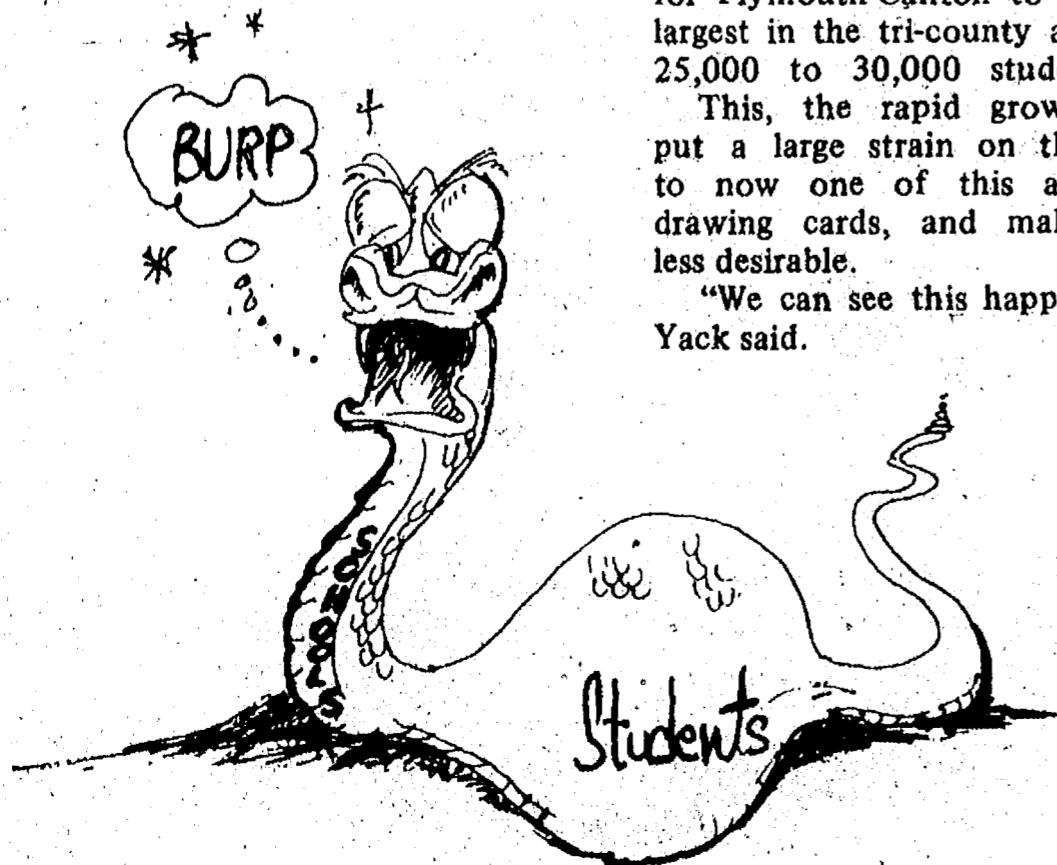
For those who want an alternative to the public schools there are the various religious schools -- Our Lady of Good Council, St. Peters Lutheran School and Calvary Baptist School -- but space is limited.

A Lutheran group recently announced that a new high school will be built on Prospect Road on Frains Lake, but a spokesman said it will "not have a marked effect," on the Plymouth-Canton School District. It is scheduled to open in 1982.

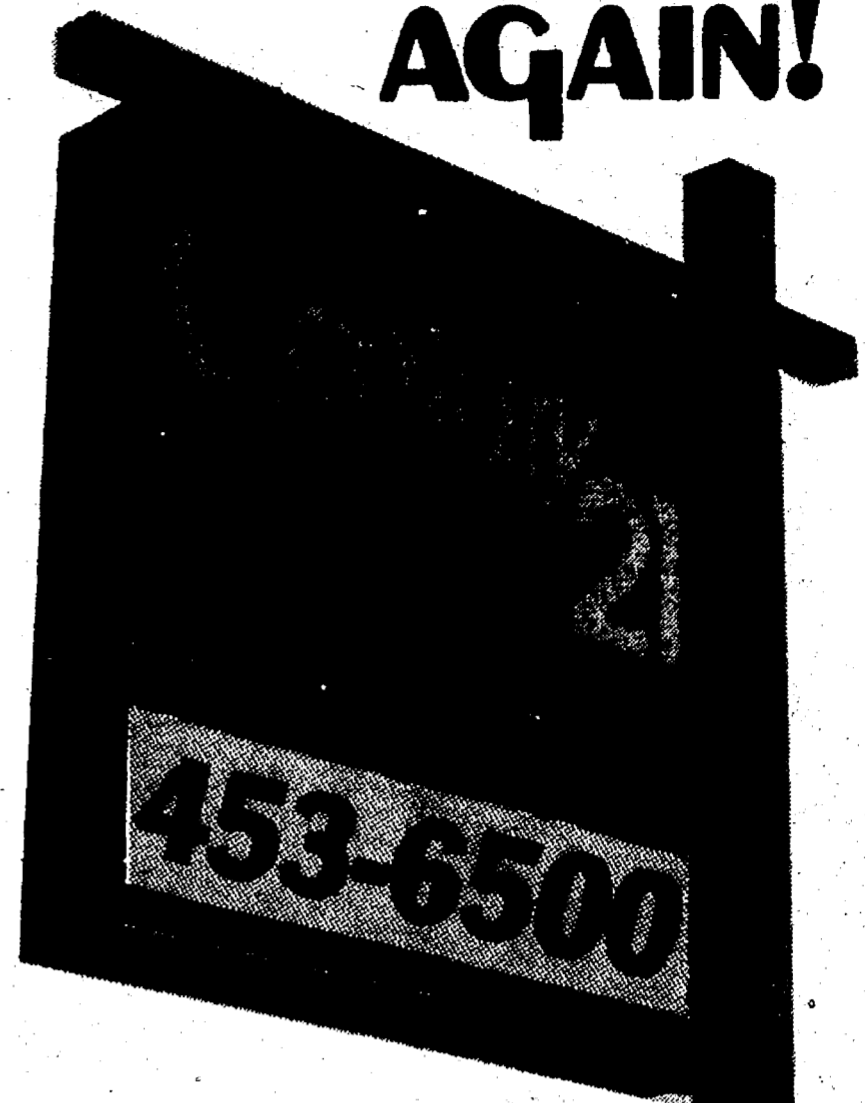
How big can the district eventually become? Yack said the potential exists for Plymouth-Canton to be one of the largest in the tri-county area with about 25,000 to 30,000 students or more.

This, the rapid growth made will put a large strain on the schools, up to now one of this area's strongest drawing cards, and make living here less desirable.

"We can see this happening already," Yack said.



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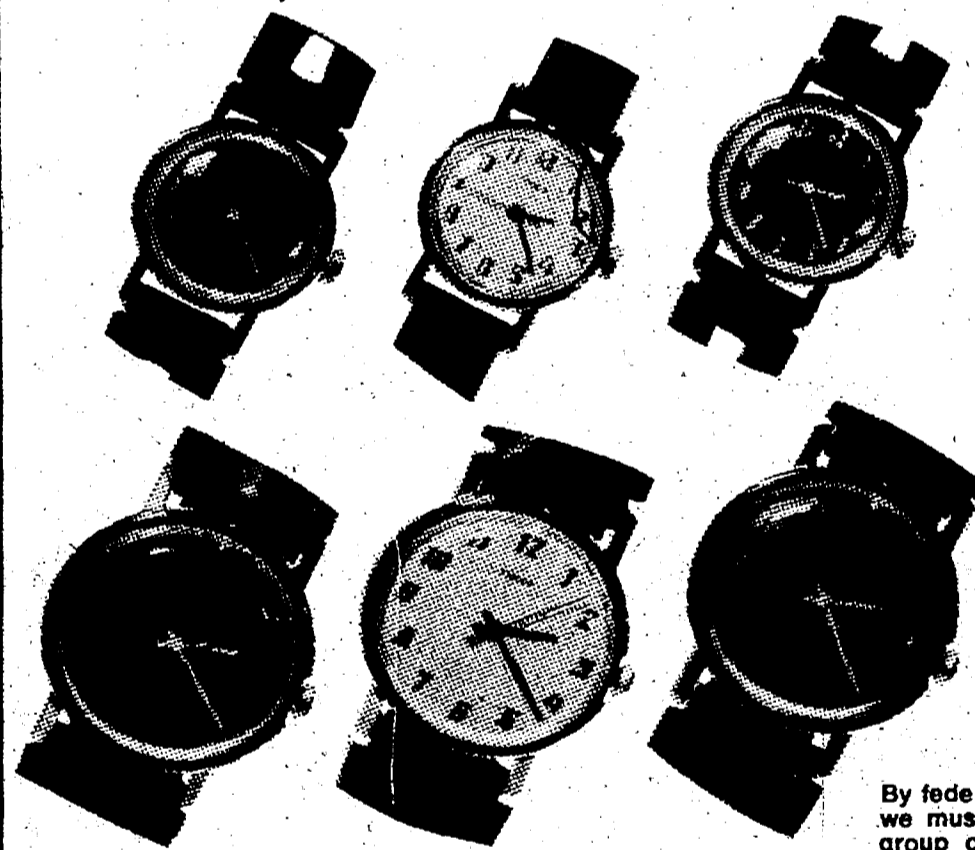
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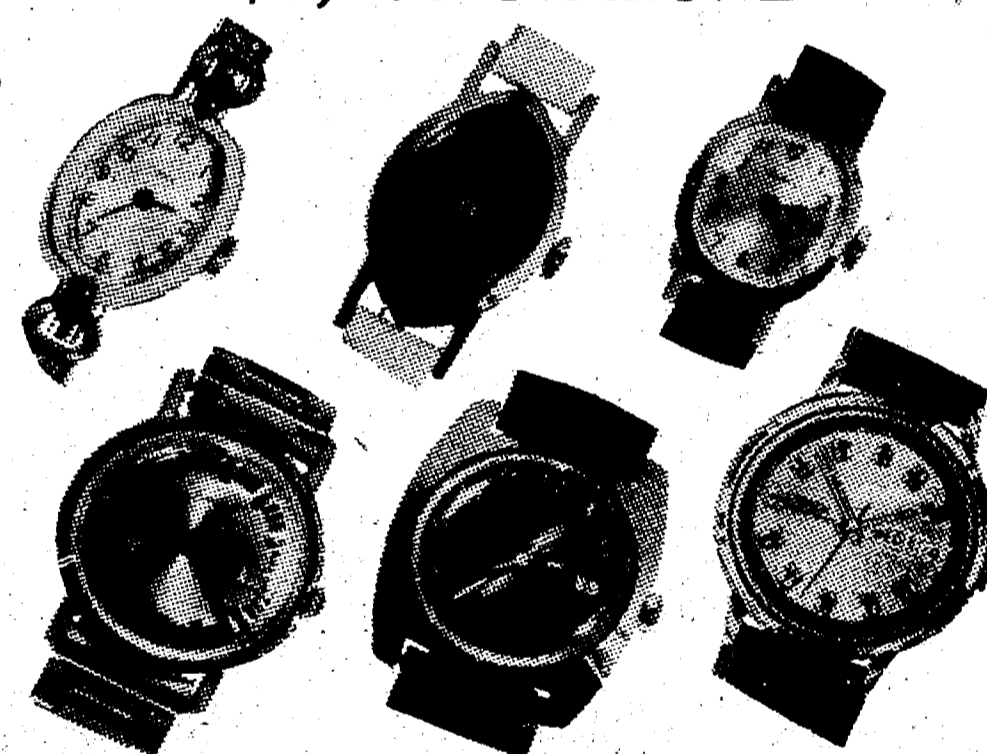
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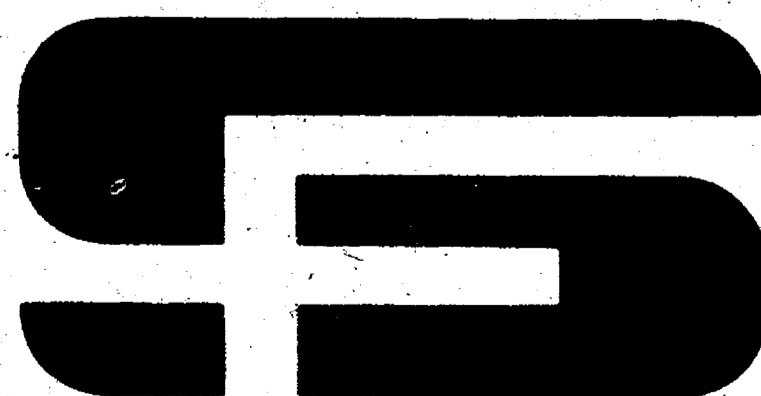
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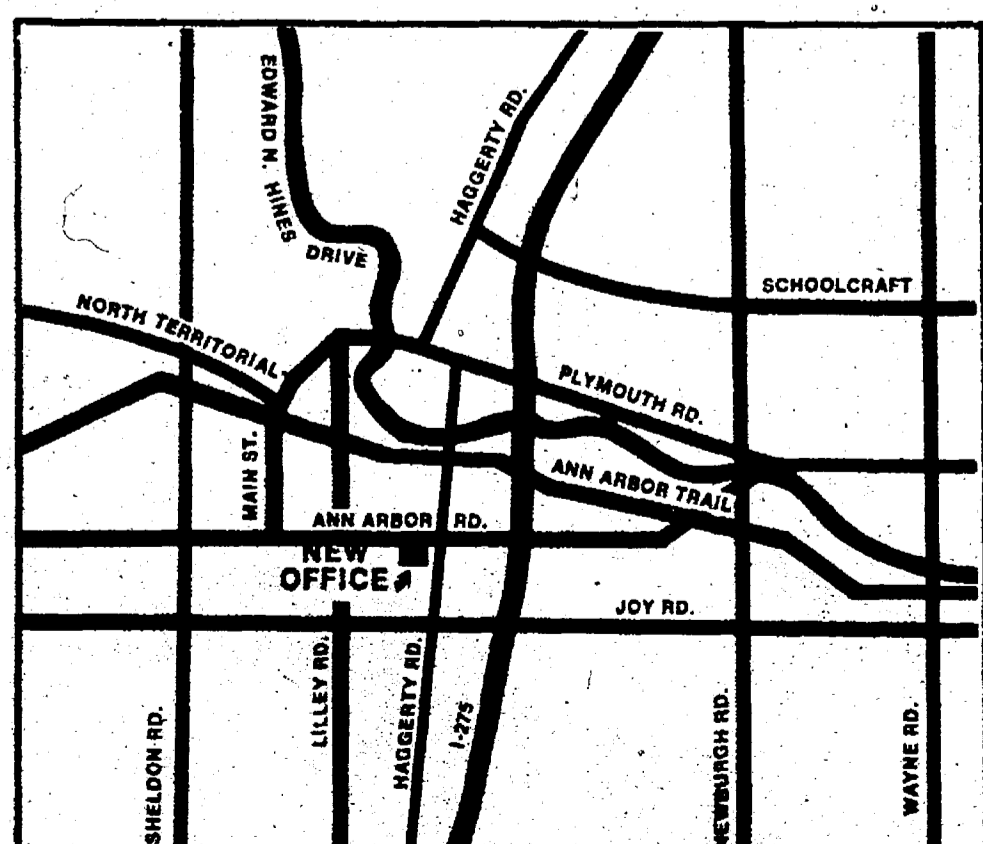
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Twp. expands recreation to serve its growth

BY HANK MEIJER

A slice of rolling farmland in western Plymouth Township now occupied by some baseball diamonds and a few picnic tables is on its way to becoming something of an oasis in the midst of burgeoning subdivisions.

The township several years ago purchased a nine-hole golf course and some 63 adjoining acres on Ann Arbor Trail east of Beck and called it the Township Recreation Site. Although things were changing all the time, to most passersby the named remained an optimistic one. Where were the tennis courts? The swimming pool?

Little by little, however, the site is being improved — no longer

as a haphazard mishmash of ball fields and play areas, but according to a plan designed to provide something for almost everyone in a setting that doesn't hint at the tens of thousands of people who live within half a dozen miles.

The township board in late 1976 agreed to develop the recreation area according to a master plan created by a township recreation committee under the volunteer guidance of planner Jim Anulewicz, a partner in the township's planning firm of Norman L. Dietrich Associates of Plymouth.

Anulewicz studied the contours of the 52-acre park site (the adjoining golf course is 63 acres), its water run-off, its trees. An earlier

plan that called for recreation buildings to be built through the middle of the property was scrapped.

As Anulewicz sees it, "The land tells you what to do." Tonquish Creek runs through the site, and that said something to the planner. A detention pond could be set up for storm run-off and double as a skating pond. Picnic areas could be created on both sides of the stream, within earshot of the water and connected by pedestrian bridges. The Plymouth Lions Club put the bridges in this year; the pond will come.

On one side of the pond, the planner proposed a multi-purpose recreation hall that could be used

for senior citizen groups and other local organizations. Construction of the \$80,000 facility is expected to begin this spring. Funds for much of the development of the park have come from the Federal Bureau of Recreation, often on a 50-50 matching basis with township expenditures.

Engineering drawings have been authorized to alter the drives that cross the site. The road that now runs along its eastern border, behind the backyards of a new subdivision, will be moved in, and a buffer created between the houses and the park — so that park visitors and neighboring residents alike will look upon the

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Plymouth Twp. Rec site preserves open space

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recreation site as a wooded area set apart from surrounding developments.

Plymouth Kiwanians two years ago donated a picnic shelter they built on the site -- with a craftsmanship township officials say a private contractor would be hard put to match.

In the past two years, more than 2,000 seedling pines, obtained through a special purchase for \$200, were planted throughout the rec site and golf course. Some have already been transplanted along the eastern boundary to create that buffer effect.

More trees will be added there, as well as around the picnic area in the center of the site. As Anulewicz envisions it, picnickers will park by the Kiwanis shelter and enter the picnic area through a canopy of trees. "You'll walk through a tunnel," he said.

Two to three years off, he predicts, are tennis courts to be located close to Ann Arbor Trail in the southwest corner of the site, adjacent to the golf course. And alongside the tennis courts, the planner has proposed a playground area, to occupy the kids while their parents are on the courts.

The slope that separates the baseball diamonds at the back of

the site from the picnic area down is suitable for sledding, provided the access road is passable.

Up on the hill, the baseball diamonds have already proven popular, but township officials and planners alike rue the number of light poles which crown that highest part of the recreation site like giant toothpicks. Eventually, a couple of poles with more powerful lights may replace all the others, but in the meantime, trees will be planted on the hillside to soften their impact.

Instead of just adding more swings and slides to the picnic area and playground, Anulewicz wants sandlot play areas with the shapes of boats and forts, a small hill, perhaps, with a cluster of big stumps -- play areas that challenge a child's imagination.

For adults, shuffleboard courts,

approved by the township last fall, are going into the picnic area. Instead of three parallel slabs of concrete, however, these courts will form their own little square, surrounded by berms that will give the courts an amphitheatre effect.

Township officials have already discussed the possibility of adding some 33 acres to the total property by purchasing additional farmland north of the golf course. If they do, the course, now occupying 52 acres, could be expanded to 18 holes, an improvement some officials say could make the facility more self-sufficient. Also called for in the master plan is a new clubhouse for the course, with the existing building converted to storage.

Storage facilities on the rec site consist of farm buildings which

were once part of the original Amrhein farm on which the rec site is located. They've been upgraded, stained, and, according to Anulewicz, "couldn't be duplicated."

Finally, what of the swimming pool? Residents throughout the community have talked for years about a public outdoor pool, and the township's master plan for the rec site includes one, to be built adjacent to the planned multi-purpose building.

The costliest option of the entire scheme, the pool would likely be the last part of the plan to be realized.

But officials agree the changes can't happen overnight. Said Anulewicz, "I think they've come a long ways from what they had (two years ago). I see it growing in value."

And the ultimate goal is not simply to fill the site with courts and pools and organized play areas. There's also the need for open space, pure and simple. Especially when suburban growth removes woods and farmlands.

Notes Anulewicz, "We'll have some kind of activity for the entire family. Part of a park is that you've got to have spontaneous activities -- a contrast between high-intensity uses and other alternatives -- you've got to have a place to throw a frisbee."

Sewer project spurs growth

Construction of a massive sanitary sewer in the western half of Plymouth Township may still be months away, but once the project is completed greater growth in that still partly-rural section may be inevitable.

According to Township Supervisor Tom Notebaert, the sewer project, with an estimated cost of \$2.8 million, might spur development of a new industrial area along the east side of Beck Road north of the C&O Railroad tracks.

With an arm of the new sewer reaching out Powell Road to the Plymouth

Hills subdivision, Notebaert said, "I suppose there will be a moderate increase in development" in that direction.

Planned in conjunction with the massive westerly sewer extension is the Sligh Drain, which will serve part of the Lake Pointe area in the northeastern section of the township.

Township officials are currently awaiting proposals from the county road commission and the county Department of Public Works, both of which have expressed interest in building the project.

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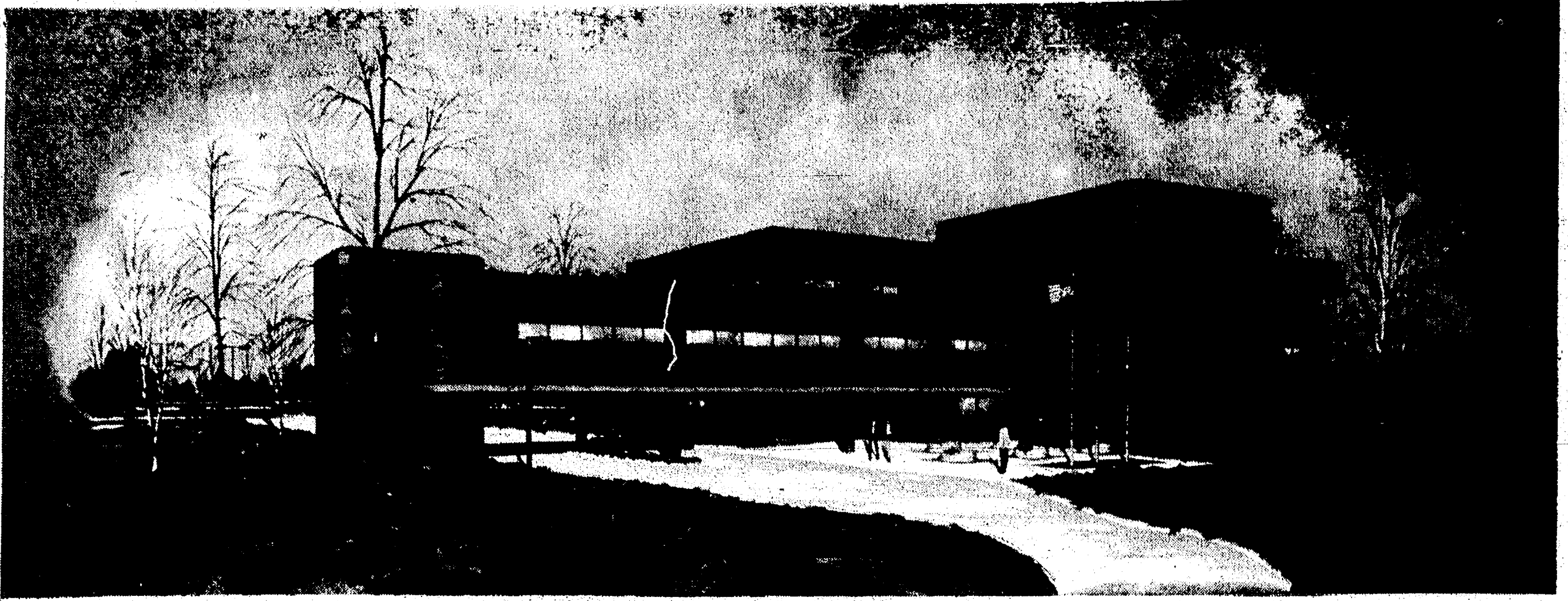
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ARTISTS'S RENDERING of new Canton hall. (Ralls, Hamill Associates Architects.)

Hall construction 'on schedule'

BY DONNA LOMAS

A year after Canton Township received a \$2.7 million grant from the Federal government to build a township hall, construction is progressing on schedule, township officials say.

The three-story building is located on township property just south of Proctor on Canton Center Road.

The hall has 14,000 square feet of space on each of its three floors, plus a basement.

The building will house all of Canton's administrative offices, the building department, recreation department and the new library, as well as storage and an emergency preparedness center in the basement.

Tentative plans for the first floor, said Canton Supervisor Harold Stein, include a meeting hall and recreation area, an employe lounge, the clerk and treasurer's offices and supervisor's office.

The second floor will house the building department, along with the building inspector's office, an engineer and planner's office, the water department and

offices for the Recreation Director and his assistant, as well as a lobby.

The third floor will be home to the new Canton library and a children's

study area. A senior citizens recreation area will also be part of the new administration building.

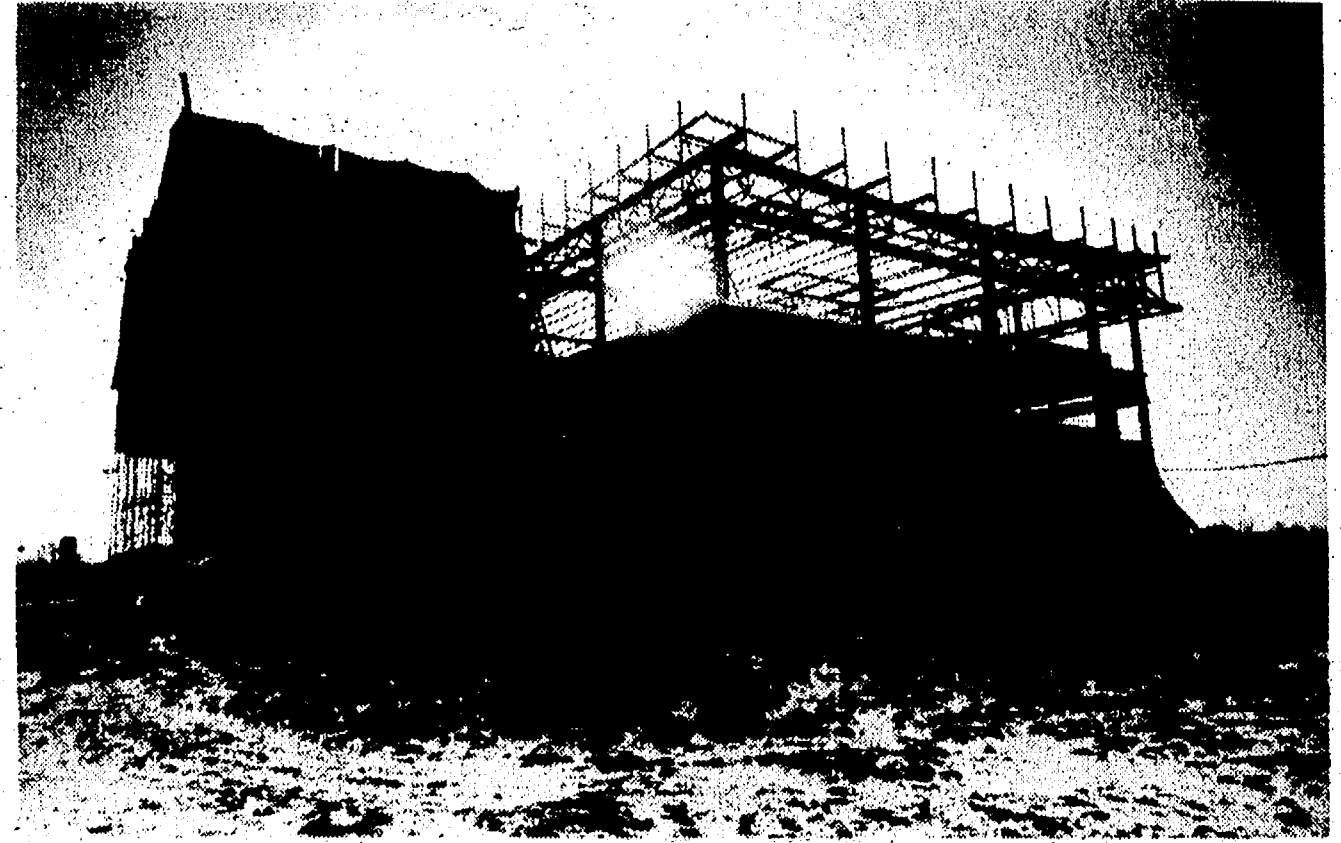
Stein says the building is scheduled to be finished by this spring, "if construction stays on schedule and the spring weather is good."

Part of growth includes a rise in crime statistics. Township officials have said that Canton police officers spent too much valuable time in district court, currently located in Plymouth. In light of that, a court feasibility study has been made for the township.

The study estimated total operating costs for a courtroom in Canton at between \$88,000 and \$101,000 per year. Included in the study was \$20,000 to convert the existing township meeting hall (on Canton Center and Cherry Hill roads) into a court facility.

The court would be used a few days a week according to Stein, and initial start-up costs would quickly be made up in fines for fees. Canton's own court would cut down on time spent travelling to and being in other courts, said Stein.

Should the Canton Township Board approve the existence of such a courtroom, it could be in operation by July, the supervisor said.



THE NEW ADMINISTRATION building for Canton Township now under construction will have three floors and a basement to house township offices and departments. Canton officials say construction is on schedule and is expected to be finished by this spring. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler.)

After eight years growth Face of Canton changed forever

BY DONNA LOMAS

Less than 10 years ago, most of the 36 square miles of Canton Township were devoted to farming, raising some of the best corn in the midwest.

Today, following nearly eight years of explosive residential construction, the face of Canton Township has changed forever.

Land east of Canton Center Road will be keeping developers busy with residential construction for the next four years as long as no economic crises occur, township building officials say.

The future of land west of Canton Center - as yet undeveloped farm land - with the exception of the Sunflower Village subdivision, remains a question mark.

"What happens to the western half of Canton Township (west of Canton Center Road) and the availability of

sanitary sewer capacity - those two factors will be critical as to what takes place in Canton next," said Township Planner George Peek.

The stage was set for Canton growth to snowball back in 1970. A few years before, four developers had inquired about the future of Canton as a residential area. By 1970, things were starting to happen.

"Canton had the utilities, the flat land and favorable zoning for residential development in the late 1960s," said Peek. "Large parcels of land (from farms) were available. Centennial Educational Park (Plymouth-Canton high schools) was being built on Joy and Canton Center roads, and sewer lines were built out to there."

A building boom in 1971 began the home buying. That year, 528 single family building permits were issued, in

contrast to only 116 the year before. In 1973, building permits reached a high of 903 before falling to 751 in 1974. After economic slowdown in 1974 and 1975, (reflected in the housing market) building activity was higher than ever in 1976 - 984 permits were issued. In 1977, Canton officials estimated they issued 1,150 permits, the highest ever.

Multiples, which were in great demand in the early 1970's, have slacked off in Canton. In 1977 only a few permits were issued for multiple residential dwellings.

"What makes the pattern of growth in Canton unique is that its buildings are primarily residential," said Canton Township Planner George Peek. "And most of that is single-family housing."

While growth in Canton may seem staggering at first glance, it is actually less than what occurred in surrounding

communities in the late 1960s, says Peek.

Canton has averaged 3,500 new residents each year since 1970, while in the late 1960's Warren averaged 9,000, Livonia 4,300 and Westland 2,900.

The growth is only high if you can't keep up with it. Canton will be playing catch-up on providing amenities for its 35,000 residents for awhile, Peek said.

"Eight years ago, there were only 8,000 people living in Canton," said Peek. "Today, there are 35,000 and it is still growing. What it must do is make Canton worthwhile for its residents to live there, and at the same time, attract industry to keep taxes down."

"Without continued capital investments to maintain roads, sewers, schools, police, fire protection and other facilities, it will be just like anywhere else," Peek said.

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Cantonites can voice ideas on Ford Road

Next Wednesday, Canton residents and officials can tell the Michigan Department of State Highways and Transportation what they think should be done to improve Ford Road in Canton.

An informal meeting has been set from 4 to 8 p.m. at Canton Township Hall Jan. 11 to hear specifically from Canton residents. Representatives from the state highway department will be on hand for discussion and to answer questions.

According to Harold Stein, Canton Township Supervisor, the meeting is not a public hearing, but a public meeting, giving Canton residents a chance to voice their opinions of the proposed project.

Improvements are slated for Ford Road from east of Canton Center to I-275 in Canton. Possibilities range from leaving Ford Road as is to construction of a five-lane highway with right-turn lanes to a seven-lane highway, the state highway department reports.

Gerald McCarthy, Deputy Director of Highways for Michigan said the state is "aware of the development taking place in Canton and are concerned with the traffic problems along Ford Road."

McCarthy said tentative letting dates (awarding of bids for construction) are as follows: Canton Center to Sheldon - May 1979; Sheldon to I-275 - February 1981; and I-275 to Venoy (in Westland) - April 1980.

Congressman William D. Ford, in a letter to Director John Woodford of the State Highway Department, said he was concerned over the mid-1980's construction dates for the improvement of Ford Road.

"This improvement is desperately needed to meet the increased traffic and transportation problems in Canton," he wrote. "I am concerned, however, that this improvement will not take

place until the mid-1980's. Because of Canton's projected growth and the increased use of Ford Road, I believe the road should be widened as soon as possible."

Ford also said Canton has reserved land and banned building along Ford where construction is anticipated.

The state highway department said the accessibility of traffic to local businesses and ease of movement for through traffic would be project considerations.

It described the present Ford Road as a "major east-west arterial serving the western portion of the Detroit metropolitan area."

It also said Ford Road presently "does not provide for efficient traffic operations" and projected business developments and the ensuing traffic volumes would require Ford Road be widened.

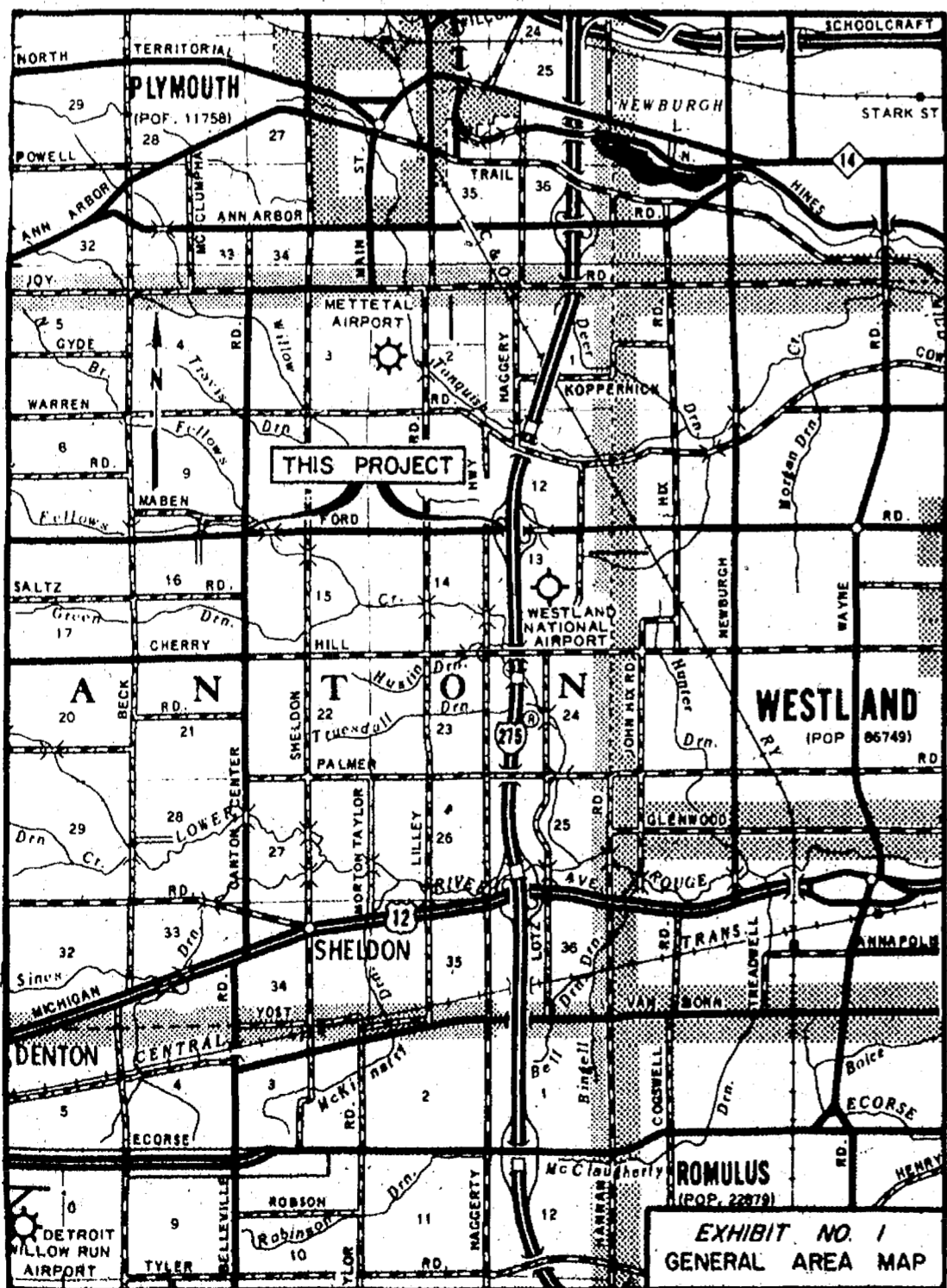
"To provide the needed capacity," the state highway department said, "a seven-lane section or a five lane section with right turn lanes will be required."

The state highway department says they want to ensure the proposed improvement of Ford Road will have "minimal" environmental, social and economic impacts on existing residential areas.

Two apartment complexes directly abut Ford Road in Canton Township - Fellows Creek on Sheldon and Fordham Green just west of Lilley Road. A single residence subdivision, enters directly off Ford Road.

The meeting is being held, according to the state highway department, to "neither overemphasize, underemphasize nor overlook any significant factor."

A former Canton supervisor had proposed at one time that Ford Road be turned into a boulevard with traffic islands in the middle.



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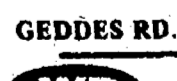
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Commerce, industry here a study in contrasts

Commercial and industrial growth is beginning to establish itself and appears to be on the upswing for the city of Plymouth and Plymouth Township.

Canton has been an area of primarily residential growth, but industry and commerce there is catching up, according to Canton Planner George Peek.

"Compared to residential construction, industrial growth has been modest," he said. "Part of the problem has been the lack of appropriate sites and utilities.

"But Canton is a good location for light industry," he added. "Heavy industry won't happen in Canton because the factors that make it viable aren't there. But for light industry, Canton is easily accessible from the freeways and Michigan Avenue, is within easy distance for its markets and has 2,500 acres of industrial land."

Another advantage to industrial growth in Canton is that it provides jobs for teenagers and part time workers, Peek noted.

"The absence of jobs for that part of Canton's population -- and it is a large segment because Canton is primarily residential -- has created a problem. The commercial growth is helpful to an area like Canton because it promotes employment."

Canton has an industrial area on Lilley and Joy Roads that is almost filled to capacity and construction on an approved light industrial park on Warren Road between Joy and Ford will begin next spring.

Canton also hopes to develop the Michigan Avenue corridor into a viable industrial and commercial strip.

A large entertainment-sports complex, including bowling lanes, tennis courts, four restaurants and possibly four theaters was recently approved by the Canton board of trustees.

Mary Dingeldey, president of the

"Things are starting to look good for business in Canton," said Canton Chamber of Commerce President Mary Dingeldey. "...They are starting to take off."

Canton Chamber of Commerce, reports that 12 businesses joined the chamber in 1977.

"Things are starting to look good," she said. "It takes a few years but now businesses have a firm foothold in Canton and are starting to take off."

Plymouth Township approved four commercial and two industrial sites in 1977. The township has limited lots in its commercial zoning area yet still has room for more industrial growth, township officials say.

"Canton has more area than we do," said Joe Attard, electrical inspector for the township. "They are twice as big as we are."

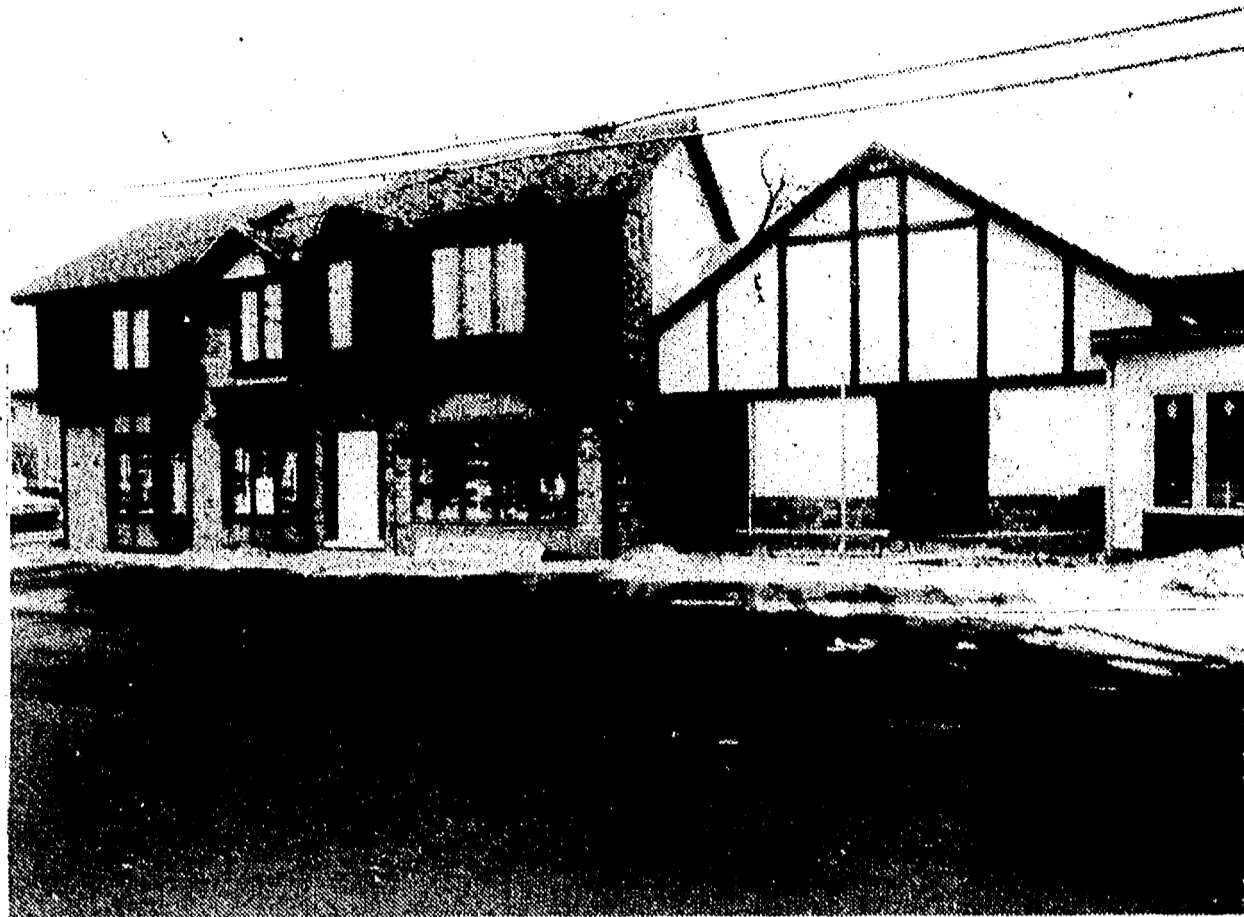
Business in the City of Plymouth is not so much new construction but re-using and renovating what already exists.

Several new businesses have opened in downtown Plymouth; with two notable developments on Penniman Street in the heart of downtown. Government grants have made beautification and new construction possible in Old Village.

Other new shops have been built where blighted houses once stood in downtown Plymouth. A controversial nine-story high rise was proposed for downtown, its future is still a question.

"With limited space, high density uses will increase," city officials note.

The three communities reveal the variations of growth -- from the established, older city renovating its existing buildings and building a few new ones, to the townships: one where growth is explosive, the other where growth is slower but steady.



IN THE CITY OF PLYMOUTH, business and commerce is a study of contrasts. New buildings for residents and businesses highlight the rejuvenation of Old Village, while the empty building on Main Street, below, reflects the other side of business - the problem of keeping the community attractive to commerce. (Photos by Bill Bresler).



New township hall highlights growth of Canton

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"It is a must to preserve open land," he added. He said Canton should continue its street-tree planting, develop neighborhoods and provide recreational opportunities within walking distance for residents.

During the past year, Canton has apparently recognized the need for some of those amenities.

A \$2.7 million federal grant enabled construction to begin on a 40,000 square foot, three-story township hall, which will house all phases of Canton Township's administration as well as a library, a meeting hall, storage space and even an emergency preparedness center.

The 'old' township meeting hall may be revamped for use as a courtroom. The Canton police force, scheduled to go full-time in March, will expand its office space in to what is now the township business office.

A second fire station opened last year on Warren Road near Haggerty.

Canton last month voted to purchase an 18-hole golf course with the help of a \$200,000 grant for recreation purposes and to alleviate tax pressures on Canton citizens, township officials say.

An Economic Development Committee was formed to attract new business

and industry to Canton, especially along the Michigan Avenue corridor. The industrial park at Lilley and Joy is expected to be full this year. A new industrial area, Pilgrim Park at Lilley

and Warren, is expected to be underway this spring.

A Beautification Committee was formed to rid Canton of "blight," said

Canton Supervisor Harold Stein.

A hospital has been proposed (but was not accepted by the township board), senior citizens have benefitted from a large-print library at the Canton Recreation Hall on Michigan Avenue and have participated in a hot-lunch program. The township now has \$1,000 donated to its library fund to help offset starting costs.

Recreation sites in the township have been upgraded and the position of a full-time recreation director is impending.

Politics in Canton remain an essential part of its future. Whatever political bodies decide within the next two years will have a long range effect on Canton Township, said Peek.

Canton is still revising its 1976 Master Land Use Plan. A study on acquiring developmental rights of the farmlands left in Canton Township is due to be finished this month.

The growth that has occurred in Canton during the past eight years has shaped the township of today. That cannot be changed.

What future growth Canton will experience these following years will determine its future and even those of surrounding communities.

Cost of homes here skyrocketed in last year

Prices on existing homes that were bought in the Plymouth-Canton area this year have, according to a small survey taken by the United Northwest Realty Association (UNRA), jumped by about \$6,000 in 1977 for both communities.

Last year, for the first 11 months, the average price of a home in Plymouth-Canton was \$44,000, said Duane Dub of UNRA. He said the survey was taken of existing homes and of those listed with a multi-list realtor.

Nonetheless, the small sampling gives an indication of the growth typical in Plymouth-Canton.

This year, a home in the Plymouth-Plymouth Township area (north of Joy, south of Five Mile, west of Haggerty and east of Napier) went for \$49,924, up from \$43,925 last year. Some 500

sales of existing homes were involved in the Plymouth survey.

In Canton, the average price for an existing home this year was \$47,922. (New construction not included.) Some 580 sales were computed in the Canton survey sample. The boundaries for Canton in the sampling were south of Joy, north of Van Born, west of Haggerty and east of Napier.

Conrad Jakubowski, 1978 president of the Western Wayne Oakland County Board of Realtors said there has been a slackening of net new deposits in thrift institutions but a plentiful supply of mortgage money should be available in 1978. Mortgage interest rates may climb as much as a half-percent higher than those prevailing through most of 1977 but the rise is not expected to be a significant buying deterrent, he added.

Plymouth-Canton Community obituaries

Bradner

Edna Irene Bradner, 80, of 273 Prospect, Ypsilanti, died Dec. 29 at Parkview Convalescent Home in Ypsilanti. Funeral services were held at Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Vincent Vloch officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

Mrs. Bradner is survived by sons, Joel of Plymouth, Glenn of Whittaker, Bert of Milan; 14 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren.

She was a homemaker.

Koss

Frank Koss, 92, of 41494 Joy Road, Plymouth Township, died Dec. 27 at Nightingale Convalescent Home in Westland. Funeral services were held at Our Lady of Good Counsel Church with the Rev. Fr. Kenneth MacKinnon officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Southfield.

He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Marie Sattler of Plymouth.

Mr. Koss was a long-time resident of Plymouth and a carpenter in the building trades. He was a member of Our Lady of Good Counsel church and the Knights of Columbus, Plymouth 3292.

White

Myrta White, 99, of 7777 Sheldon Road, Canton died Dec. 26 in Nightingale Convalescent Home in Westland. Funeral services were held at Schrader Funeral Home with the Pastor John Walaskey officiating. Burial was in Acacia Park Cemetery, Southfield.

She is survived by sons, Norris White of Canton, Maynard White of California; five grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Mrs. White came to Canton 14 years ago from Detroit. She was a licensed practical nurse.

Strauss

William B. Strauss, 77, of Plymouth, died Dec. 23 in St. Mary's Hospital, in Livonia. Funeral services were held at R.G. and G.R. Harris Funeral Home with the Rev. Henry Guikema of the non-denominational Gospel Chapel officiating. Burial was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mr. Strauss is survived by his wife, Lillian; son, C.W. of Canton; daughters, Mrs. Betty Pheley, Mrs. Shirley Grant, 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

He came to Plymouth 47 years ago and was a supervisor of maintenance for Ford Motor Co. in Highland Park.

Reece

Eva Marion Reece, 73, of Rt. 1 Realfoot Lake Dr. in Hornbeak, Tenn., died Dec. 17 there. Funeral services were held at Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Fr. Robert S. Shank officiating. Burial was in Oakland Hills Cemetery.

She lived in Plymouth for 15 years and was a secretary for a construction firm.

Lusk

Monita K. Lusk, 58, of 9090 Sheldon Road, Plymouth Township, died Dec. 20 at Garden City Osteopathic Hospital. Funeral services were held at Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Pastor Headley Thweatt officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

She is survived by her husband, Horace W. Lusk; son, Clarence Wilson Lusk; four brothers; three sisters and one grandchild.

Mrs. Lusk was a long time resident of Plymouth and was a housekeeper at Hendry Convalescent Home.

Pelley

Ronald R. Pelley, 44, of 1134 Sutherland in Plymouth died Dec. 21 in a truck accident in Ohio. Funeral services were held at Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Peter D. Schweitzer officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

He is survived by his wife, Naomi Mishler Pelley; his mother, Mrs. Fern Burleson of Fla.; sons, Kevin of Plymouth, David and Ronald at home; daughter, Sharyl at home; sister, Mrs. Lillian Batterton of Plymouth; step-brother Harry A. Burleson of Plymouth.

Mr. Pelley was a life-long resident of Plymouth. He was self-employed in trucking and had worked for 26 years for Consumers Power.

Tobey

Gerald E. Tobey, 71, of 158 N. W. Mehan Ave. Port Charlotte, Florida, formerly of Plymouth, died Dec. 22 in St. Joseph's Hospital in Port Charlotte.

He is survived by his wife, Mary N. of Port Charlotte; sons, Gerald A. of Port Charlotte, William C. of Punta Gorda, Fla., Philip A. of North Port, Fla., Rodger F. of Plymouth; brother, Burton of Northville; sisters, Mrs. Merle Stevens of Cape Coral, Fla., Mrs. Gwendolyn Holcoma of Freesoil, Mi., Mrs. Marion Wilsee of Fremont, Mi.; and six grandchildren.

He worked in refrigeration and air conditioning for the U.S. government.

Spaller

Evelyn Dorothy Spaller, 63, of 633 Eola Road, Hayes Township, died Dec. 18 at Clare Nursing Home. Funeral services were held at Schrader Funeral Home with the Rev. Kenneth Zielke of the Church of the Risen Christ officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

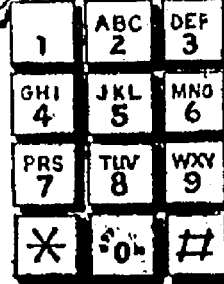
She is survived by her husband, Howard of Harrison; sisters, Mrs. Margaret Albright of Gaylord, Mrs. Albertine Bauer of Plymouth.

Mrs. Spaller was born in Plymouth and moved to Harrison in 1961. She was an assembler in manufacturing.

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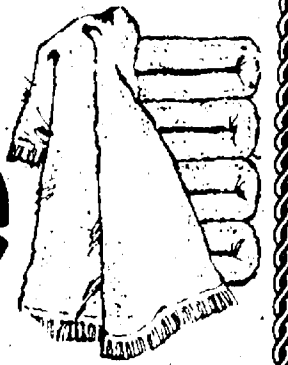
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TUESDAY

Sloppy joes, vegetable, fruit cup.

WEDNESDAY

Oven baked chicken, candied sweet potatoes, fruit cup, bread & butter.

THURSDAY

Hot dog on a bun, relishes, vegetable, jello with fruit.

FRIDAY

Tacos, meat, cheese, lettuce, vegetable, bread & butter, fruit cup, chocolate pudding.

BIRD

MONDAY

Chicken Noodle soup, peanut butter & jelly sandwich, fruit cup.

TUESDAY

Beef bar-b-que on a bun, pickle slices, buttered green beans, fruit cup.

WEDNESDAY

Beef in gravy o/mashed potatoes, hot roll, butter, fruit cup.

THURSDAY

Hot dog on bun, catsup, mustard, buttered hot vegetable, fruit cup, chocolate cake.

FRIDAY

Fish sticks, catsup, tartar sauce, french bread, buttered vegetable, fruit cup.

ERIKSSON
MONDAY

Home made chicken noodle soup, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, fruit cup, cookie.

TUESDAY

Hamburger on a bun, relishes, vegetable, apple crisp.

WEDNESDAY

Pizza with meat and cheese, tossed salad, fruit cup, cookie.

THURSDAY

Hot dog on a bun, relishes, vegetable, fruit cup, cake.

FRIDAY

Macaroni and cheese, hot buttered roll, vegetable, fruit cup.

FARRAND

MONDAY

Peanut butter & jelly sandwich, vegetable soup, cheese sticks, cake, fruit.

TUESDAY

Hamburger on bun, mustard & catsup, buttered vegetables, apple crisp.

WEDNESDAY

Turkey in gravy over mashed potatoes, green vegetables, hot rolls, jello w/fruit, cake.

THURSDAY

Hot dog on bun, mustard or catsup, buttered vegetables, cookie, fruit.

FRIDAY

Fish sticks, bread & butter, tartar sauce, buttered vegetables, cake, fruit.

FIELD

MONDAY

Cheese delights, chicken noodle soup, crackers, fruit.

TUESDAY

Hamburgers on bun, pickles, vegetable, fruit, cake.

WEDNESDAY

Bar-b-q chicken, vegetable, potato stix, fruit, bread.

THURSDAY

Tuna noodle casserole, salad, bread, fruit, cookie.

FRIDAY

Fish, tartar sauce, cole slaw, french fries, bread, jello.

FIEGEL

MONDAY

Vegetables beef soup, grilled cheese sandwich, apple crisp, celery stix.

TUESDAY

Hot dog on bun, mustard, catsup, vegetables, fruit, peanut butter bar.

WEDNESDAY

Open face hot beef sandwich, gravy over mashed potatoes, fruit, jello.

THURSDAY

Spaghetti with meat sauce, vegetables, buttered bread, fruit, chocolate pudding.

FRIDAY

Pizza burgers, vegetables, fruit, cookie.

GALLIMORE

MONDAY

Veg. Beef soup, peanut butter sandwich, fruit, cake.

TUESDAY

Sloppy joe o/bun, buttered corn, fruit, butterscotch bar.

WEDNESDAY

Oven fried chicken, mashed potatoes, gravy, hot biscuits, jello w/fruit, cake.

THURSDAY

Hot dog on bun, catsup or mustard, buttered peas, applesauce, cookie.

FRIDAY

Fishwich, tartar sauce, buttered mixed veg., fruit, cake.

HULSING

MONDAY

Ravioli w/meat, cheese stick, peas & carrots, garlic bread, fruit cup.

TUESDAY

Weiner & pork & beans casserole, hot roll, butter, pickle slices, pineapple chunks, frosted cup cakes.

WEDNESDAY

Pizzaburger, buttered corn, applesauce, jello cup.

THURSDAY

Rice, turkey & gravy casserole, cranberry sauce, buttered green beans, chocolate cake.

FRIDAY

Hot dog, relishes, tater tots, fruit cocktail, chocolate pudding.

ISBISTER

MONDAY

Bean soup, crackers, toasted cheese sandwich, pineapple, cake.

TUESDAY

Pizza puff, corn, pears, butterscotch bar.

WEDNESDAY

Spaghetti with meat sauce, buttered cornbread, green beans, vanilla pudding.

THURSDAY

Hot dog on bun, buttered beets, peaches, cake.

FRIDAY

Sloppy joes, mixed vegetables, fruit cup, tollhouse bar.

MILLER

MONDAY

Turkey & gravy, whipped potatoes, peaches, buttered biscuits.



Variety is supposedly the 'spice of life' and it appears that with a vacation from their jobs our cooks are able to add a little to the lunch menu. Cornbread, bar-b-que chicken, wieners, pork and bean casserole and glazed carrot dollars have all emerged from the Christmas break.

However many of the 'old standbys' remain; probably with little complaint from the students. The simplicity of a cold sandwich and a piece of fruit is probably in order. Our stomachs could use a rest from all those spicy, starchy and high calorie delights that are associated with holiday dinners.

TUESDAY
Hot dog on a bun, glazed carrot dollars, pineapple chunks, cookie.

WEDNESDAY
Tacos, buttered corn, applesauce, bread & butter.

THURSDAY
Ham & cheese on bun, french fries, fruit cocktail, cookie.

FRIDAY
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MONDAY
Toasted cheese sandwich, carrot sticks, soup, crackers, peaches, cookie.

TUESDAY
Tacos, buttered bread, tater tots, pears, cookie.

WEDNESDAY
Lasagna, bread, butter, peas, applesauce, cookie.

THURSDAY
Hot dog, catsup, mustard, french fries, cheese sticks, jello w/fruit, cake.

FRIDAY
Pizza w/meat & cheese, corn, peaches, cookie.

STARKWEATHER
MONDAY
Tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich, fruit cup, bars.

TUESDAY
Spaghetti with meat sauce, green beans, sliced peaches, chocolate chip bars.

WEDNESDAY
Tacos, celery & carrot, fruit cup, peanut butter cookies.

THURSDAY
Oven baked chicken, mashed potatoes & gravy, rolls, fruit cup, cookies.

FRIDAY
Fish sandwich, tartar sauce, catsup cup, fruit cup, cookies.

CENTRAL MIDDLE
MONDAY
Chili & crackers, p. butter & jelly sandwich, fruit, cookie.

TUESDAY
Chicken & biscuits, mashed potatoes,

buttered carrots, jello.

WEDNESDAY
Pizza, b. corn, fruit cup.

THURSDAY
Sloppy joe hamburger, green beans, pineapple upsidown cake.

FRIDAY
Fish burger, oven fries, choice of cabbage salad or fruit.

EAST MIDDLE
MONDAY
Tomato soup, grilled cheese sandwich, fruit, cookie.

TUESDAY
Spaghetti with meat and sauce, green beans, rolls and butter, fruit.

WEDNESDAY
Pizza with meat and cheese, orange juice, apple crunch.

THURSDAY
Hamburger on bun, relishes, french fries, fruit cup, toll house bar.

FRIDAY
Macaroni and cheese, biscuit and butter, fruit, peas and carrots.

PIONEER MIDDLE
MONDAY
Spaghetti w/meat sauce, homemade roll, butter, buttered green beans, choice of fruit.

TUESDAY
Homemade chili, crackers, hot dog on bun or peanut butter & jelly sandwich, choice of fruit, cookie.

WEDNESDAY
Open face turkey sandwich, mashed potatoes, gravy, buttered carrots, choice of fruit.

THURSDAY
Hamburger or cheeseburger, french fries, choice of fruit-cookie.

FRIDAY
Pizza w/meat & cheese, buttered corn, choice of fruit, spice cake.

WEST MIDDLE
MONDAY
Hot dog on bun, trimmings, hash brown triangles, choice of fruit, peanut butter cookie.

TUESDAY
Sloppy joe, whole kernel corn, choice of fruit, banana cake.

WEDNESDAY
Hamburger gravy o/mashed potatoes, fresh carrots, hot rolls, orange pineapple jello.

THURSDAY
Hamburger w/trimmings, french fries, choice of fruit juices, chocolate cake.

FRIDAY
Fishwich, tartar sauce, french fries, choice of fruit, chocolate chip cookie.

SALEM-CANTON HIGH
MONDAY
Hot beef sandwich, potatoes, gravy, vegetable, jello.

TUESDAY
Hot dog on bun, relishes, baked beans, potato chips, orange juice, dessert.

WEDNESDAY
Lasagna, salad, hot roll, butter, jello.

THURSDAY
Hamburger or cheeseburger, french fries, vegetable, jello.

FRIDAY
Fish on bun, taters, vegetable, jello.

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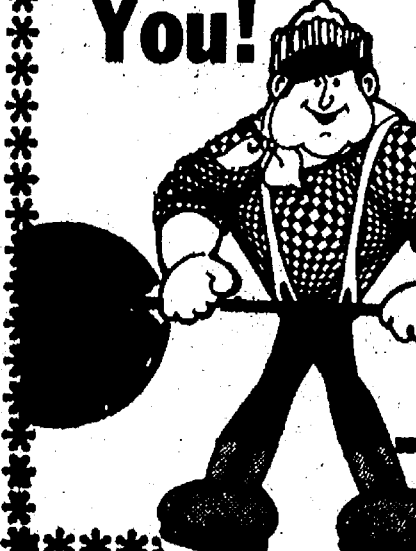
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The winter snow ushered in 1978 with a clean snow-white blanket over everything. The start of a new year brings many beginnings. The beginning of a new season - after the Christmas decorations are put away. A fresh new calendar - before all the dates have been marked with reminders. And, of course, the start of the new year's resolutions.

Many people who make resolutions on New Year's resolve to start or stop something but they don't have the willpower or whatever it takes to follow through. So with that in mind I took a coward's way out and didn't make any resolutions (I didn't want to disappoint myself). I wish all of you a very Happy New Year.

Renay and Michael Nowosatko of Plymouth are the proud parents of a daughter, Tennille Rachelle. Tennille was born Sunday, Dec. 18 weighing five pounds, eight ounces. Joining in the excitement are her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Nowosatko and Mr. and Mrs. E. Marski.

Joel Kyle Ebersole has been named director of church music of Plymouth First United Methodist Church. He comes to Plymouth from Mercy College where he was chairman of the music department. He will direct the chancel choir for the first time this Sunday, Jan. 8.

Happy Birthday Joan Leary. Joan was honored at a surprise birthday party last week when 40 of her friends gathered to help her celebrate. Joining the festivities were Ray and Ann Canafax and family from Newburgh, Ind. who were in town to add to the surprise.

Plymouth Newcomers will hold their first luncheon of the year Jan. 5 at the Northville Parkhaus. Hospitality begins at 11:30 with lunch being served at noon. The program will be on lace making and weaving.

Plymouth Canton Welcome Wagon will hold its January meeting Jan. 5 at 7:30 p.m. at the Credit Union on Harvey Street. The speaker will be Pat Holden, a residential service advisor for the Detroit Edison Company. Her topic will be "how to use our electricity wisely".

Scott LaRiche, a freshman at Eastern Michigan University is a member of the forensics team that won a tournament held at Parkersburg Community College in Parkersburg, W. Va. Scott received a first in prose and a first in improvisational pairs.

Anne Vinnes of Canton and Anne Sullivan of Plymouth have been named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges for 1977-78.

Ron and Joyce Wohn of Plymouth are in the process of packing and getting things ready for their move to Gastonia, North Carolina. They will be joined by their two children, Darlene and Brian. All of their friends wish the Wohn's luck in their new home.

Carol Wall held a cookie exchange in her home during the holidays. Besides sharing cookies the women also took time out of the busy season to enjoy friendships and learn some interesting facts about Jesus taken from manuscripts found in the libraries of the Vatican in Rome.

Plymouth history gets rave review PG. 25

The 233-page history of Plymouth written by Sam Hudson a City of Plymouth resident, has received a favorable review in a recent issue of Michigan History, a magazine published quarterly by the Michigan Department of State.

"The Story of Plymouth: a Midwest 'microcosm' by Hudson was published nearly two years ago and contains, according to the reviewer, "a well-rounded view of the community from 1825 . . . to the middle of the 20th century."

The reviewer said Hudson's book said Plymouth was the "epitome of most small communities in midwestern United States . . . it has had its share of pioneer hardships, founding fathers and early industry.

"It is this potentially dull and overworked story, however," the reviewer wrote, that Hudson takes and moulds into something unique. . . . He brings to light the unusual aspects of Plymouth's past."

The reviewer also praised the many extras in Hudson's account. His "detailed accounts of Indian-white man interaction

and native wildlife pioneers encountered and eventually conquered" are praised, as are reports of what kinds of accidents and diseases that killed people during the last century.

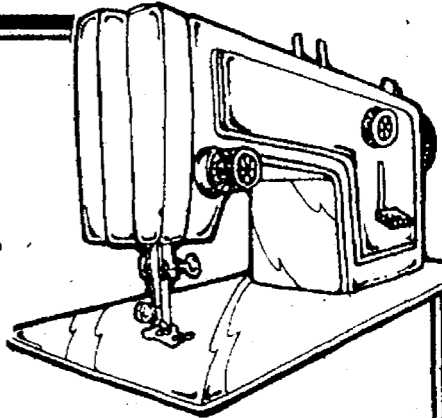
The review cites Hudson's close attention to detail as one of the attractive features

of the book that makes the reader "very involved with the characters of the story."

The book is for sale at the Plymouth Historical Museum on Main Street. Museum hours are Thursday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m.

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Rocks win at buzzer!

John Broderick's tip-in as time ran out in the game gave Salem a 46-44 win over Suburban Eight foe Dearborn last night.

The game was the Rocks' second low-scoring, two-point victory in a row, and boosted their season mark to an unblemished 7-0.

With a two-point lead and three minutes on the clock, Salem went into a stall offense, but the Pioneers got the ball back and tied the score at 44-44 with only 41 seconds remaining.

Dearborn stole the ball with nine seconds left as Salem worked for the final shot, but a Pioneer was called for traveling, giving the ball back to Salem to set the stage for Broderick's dramatic tip-in.

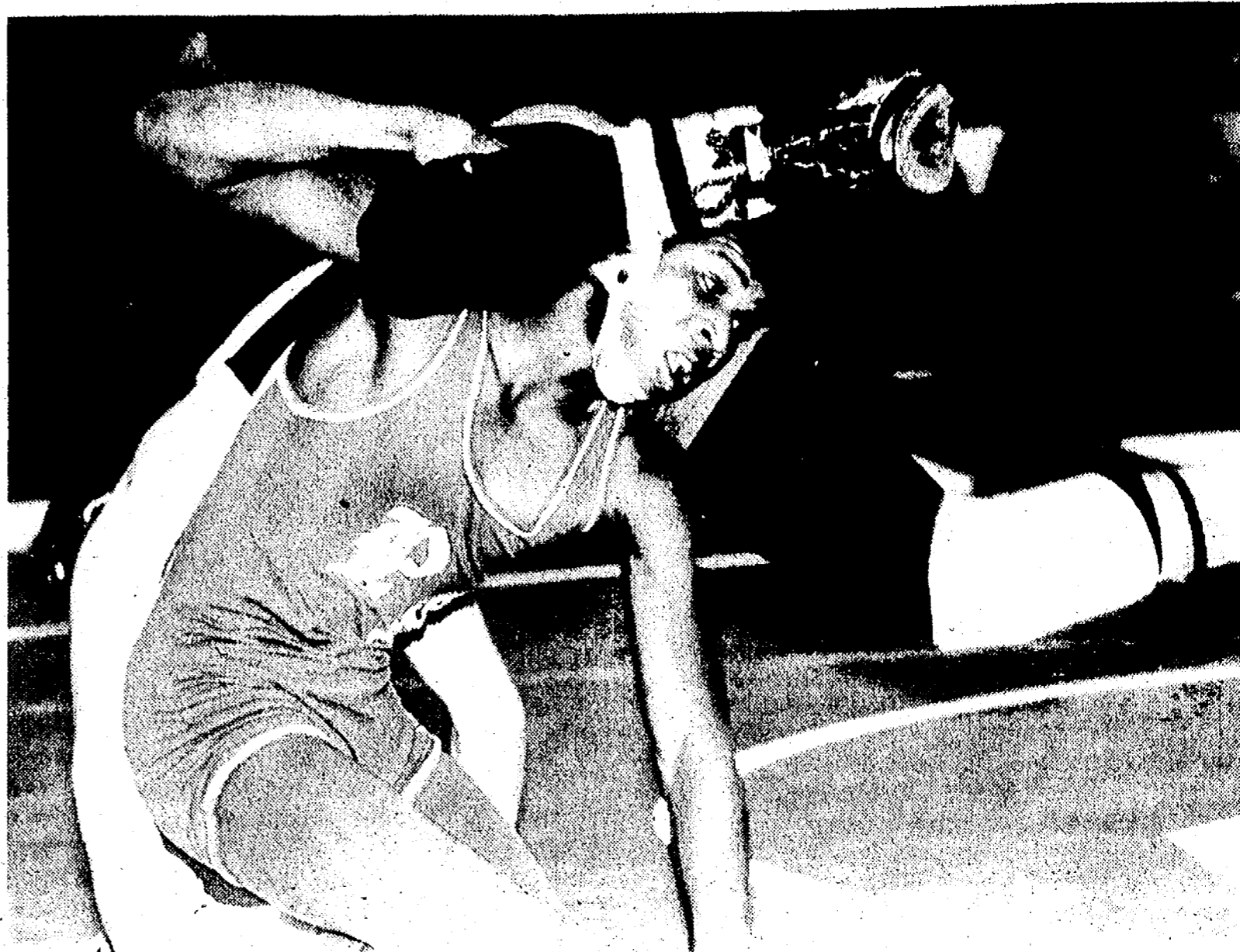
Rich Hewlett was high scorer with 14 points.

OT sinks Canton

Livonia Franklin's Jeff Reich tipped in two points in the final seconds to tie Canton 68-68 to send the contest into overtime and the Chiefs came out on the short end, 76-72, last night.

"We played very well offensively and defensively," Canton Coach Casey Cavell said. "They just came out ahead."

Kurt Herbert led the Chiefs with 28 points and Butch King, fighting off a pressure defense, followed with 14. The non-league loss drops Canton's record to 2-4.



SALEM GRAPPLER Jeff Brown flips his opponent over his back in action in the Canton Invitational Thursday. (Crier photo by Bill Bresler.)

Rocks nipped by Thurston

"I don't know what more we have to do to win," said a somewhat disbelieving Coach Ron Krueger. Twelve out of 13 of his Salem wrestlers placed in the top four in the Canton Invitational, but the Rocks were still edged out of first place by Thurston.

"I was very pleased with the way we wrestled," Krueger said. "I just wish we'd gotten some help from some of the other schools to overcome Thurston."

Thurston's deciding points came in the second to last match of the day. At the 191-pound weight class, the Thurston grappler pinned his Dearborn opponent to give his team the winning margin over the Rocks.

The final standings looked like this: 1) Thurston, 187½; 2) Salem, 185½; 3) Warren Lincoln, 124; 4) West Bloomfield, 84½; 5) Canton 77½, 6) Dearborn, 54; 7) Birmingham Seaholm, 42; 8) Taylor Truman 9½.

Salem's Rene Leist was named the outstanding wrestler of the tournament as he swept to the championship of the 126 pound weight class.

"He's come a long way," his coach said. "I'm hoping he'll be a state placer this year." His season mark is now 20-1.

Sophomore Jeff Brown also did an excellent job. He won the 105 pound championship by beating the two finalists of the recent Wayne Memorial tournament. "He did a real nice job," Krueger said.

At 132 pounds, Jimmy Ross totally blanked his three opponents to cop first. In the finals he pinned Jeff Petrollo of West Bloomfield at 5:47, and won the two other matches 10-0 and 13-0. Like Leist he is now 20-1 on the season.

Wally Brown stayed undefeated this year (17-0-1) by rolling to the 165-pound title. He got a bye in his first round; won 10-3 in the semifinals;

and beat Todd Novak of Warren Lincoln, 8-3, in the finals.

In a very tough heavyweight field, Bob Dasher scored two pins in the early rounds and blanked Matt Barber of Thurston, 4-0, in the finals to finish first.

At 112 pounds, Randy Viperman beat Thurston's Jim Boyer, 5-2, in the finals to wrap up another crown for the Rocks. Boyer was a regional winner in last year's state playoffs.

Bruce Piper was the only second place finisher for the Rocks. He scored a pin in his

first match; won his second match, 14-5; but lost in the finals, 6-2, to Bob Kutsinger of Thurston.

Steve Ernst came in third at 119 pounds, while Joe Piccola (155) and Roger Penix (138) wrapped up fourths for the Rocks.

Early in the Christmas vacation period, Salem lost their first and only dual meet of the season, falling 26-23 to highly-regarded Ypsilanti. In the quadrangular at Walled Lake Western, the Rocks did salvage victories over the other two teams, Ann Arbor Pioneer and Western.

Canton cops fifth

In the first annual Canton Invitational Wrestling Tournament, the host Chiefs came in with a solid fifth place finish out of eight teams.

Six Chiefs earned spots in the consolation finals and five of them won those matches for third place finishes. Canton Coach Dan Chrenko was disappointed that not one of his men got into the finals, but the fact that five of the six won their last matches pleased him a lot.

"It showed a lot of pride to go out and win those consolation matches," he said.

Tommy Harreld at 98 pounds had a chance to get to the finals but a shoulder injury kept him out of one match. He came back, however, to win his consolation final for third place.

At 138 pounds, Jeff Rey also copped a third with a 3-1 day.

Kyle Heaton was surprised by Brian Faudman of West Bloomfield who beat Heaton, 3-2. Heaton had pinned Faudman just a week before in the West Bloomfield Quadrangler.

Bouncing back though, Heaton finished the day with

a pin and two victories, 13-0 and 11-3, for third place.

The loss was Heaton's first of the year. He is now 14-1 overall.

Dennis Howell at 165 pounds also had some close matches with a West Bloomfield opponent. Howell lost to Mark Haydu of Bloomfield 10-8, in their quadrangular but Haydu beat him in overtime Thursday. Howell got his revenge, though, by beating him in the consolation finals.

Canton's final third place finisher was Heavyweight Chuck Walker. "He had a real good day," Chrenko said, referring to his victory over the tournament's No. 2 seed.

Craig Lee at 126 pounds was the Chiefs' lone fourth placer as he finished the day with a 2-2 mark.

"All in all I am real happy with the tournament," Chrenko said. "We had a very large crowd with many excellent matches. I'd also like to thank Athletic Director John Sandmann and many parents for their help in running the tournament. Many people commented how well organized it was."

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Rock cagers squeak by Spartans, 37-35

BY MATT NORRIS

The Salem Rock cagers had to battle stubborn Livonia Stevenson down to the last seconds of the CEP tournament championship before the Spartans finally succumbed, 37-35. The victory in the holiday tourney marked the fourth consecutive crown for Salem, and their sixth out of seven played.

The four-team tournament, hosted by the Rocks in the Salem gym, was held on Dec. 22 and 23.

Salem defeated Livonia Churchill 76-60 in the opening round Thursday, after Stevenson had qualified for the final by handling Redford Thurston a 60-

45 loss. In the consolation contest Friday, Churchill beat Thurston for third place, 47-42.

The Rocks held a seven point lead through most of the championship game with Stevenson, and led 31-24 after three quarters. Stevenson's 2-1-2 zone defense stymied Plymouth early in the quarter, as Tom Ellinghausen's two freethrows were the only points for the Rocks in the first four minutes on the stanza.

A pair of clutch steals by Stevenson guard Jim Spala helped the Spartans sink three buckets, making the score 33-30 in Salem's favor. After three missed shots, Jack Lang tipped

in a rebound for Stevenson to close the gap at 33-32.

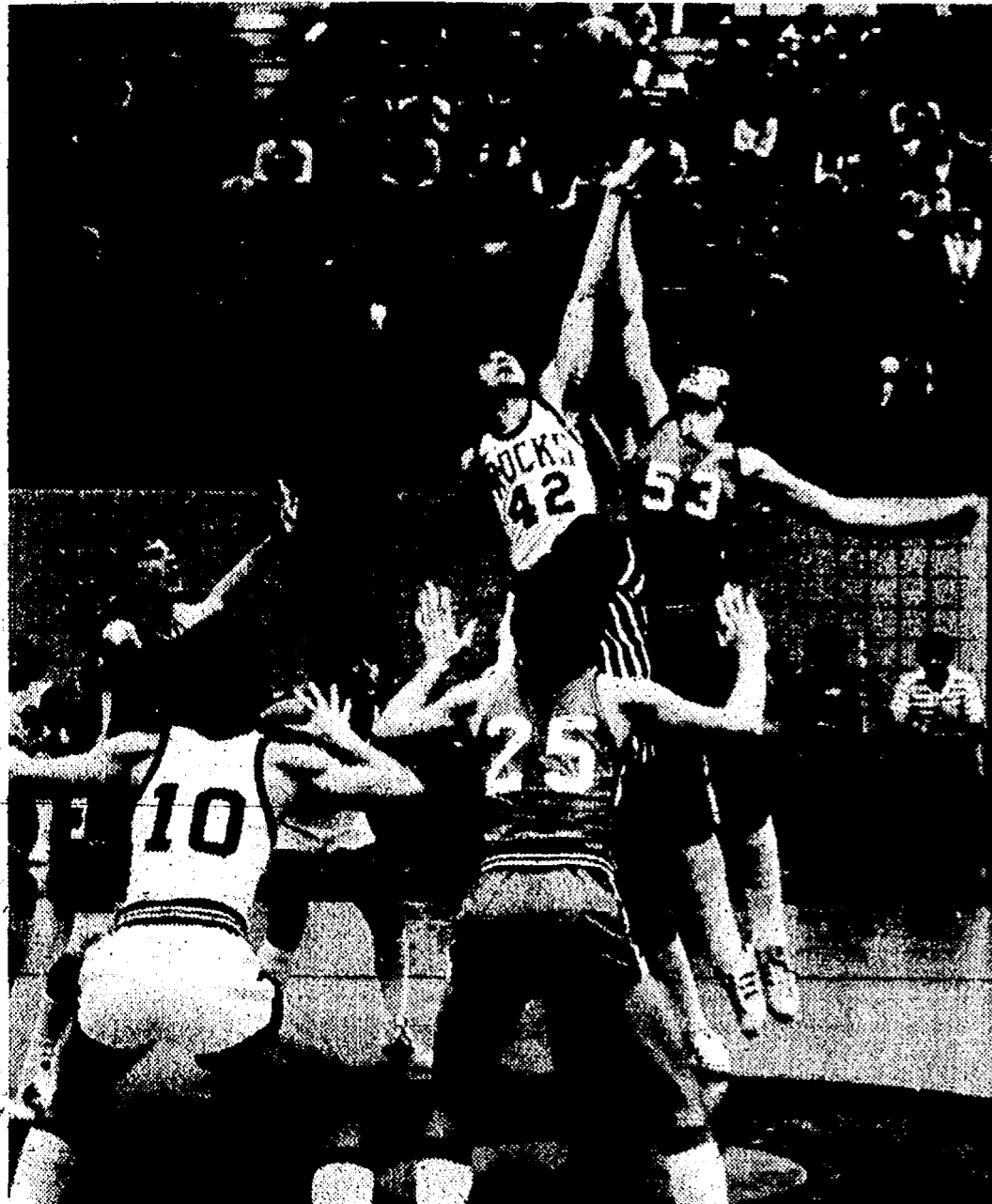
Ellinghausen worked free for a Salem two-pointer and Stevenson added a basket to make the score 35-34. Rich Hewlett sank two freethrows for Salem with a minute left in the game, 37-34. The Spartans gained a point on a free throw with 18 seconds left, and Doug Agnew went to the charity stripe for Salem six seconds later.

When Agnew missed a free throw, the Spartans had three shots to tie the game at 37, but all three missed, and Ellinghausen forced a jump ball at the top of the Stevenson key with three seconds remaining. The ball was tipped to the far end of the court, and time expired before any player could reach it, and Salem preserved a 37-35 victory.

Salem had a slim 8-6 lead after one quarter, and led 23-16 at halftime. The Rocks led by seven after three quarters, 31-24, before Stevenson's attempted comeback. Ellinghausen led all scorers with 14 points and six rebounds. Hewlett had six points, and Mike Christie, Matt Etienne and Steve Horton each added four.

The Rocks jumped to a 19-12 lead in the opening period of their first-round game against Churchill, and the Chargers never got closer than six points. Salem led 38-31 at intermission, and had a 53-45 advantage after three quarters. Rock Coach Fred Thomann used all of his players in the fourth quarter, as the Rocks ran away with a 76-60 win over the Western Six school.

Salem shot 49% from the floor against Churchill, as Ellinghausen had 26 points and five rebounds. Broderick and Hewlett also broke into double figures, with 14 and 11 points. Mike Christie and Dave Monk each had eight points for Salem in the victory.



ROCK Tom Ellinghausen goes up for the tip in the championship game in the Salem Christmas Tournament Dec. 23. The Rocks won, 37-35. (Photo by Craig Brass.)

Ex-Rock on to Bowl

Viewers of Sunday's American Football Conference championship game saw Plymouth High grad Ron Egloff playing for the Denver Broncos. Wearing number 85, Egloff played tight end on short yardage situations, and played on kickoffs and punts.

A graduate of the PHS class of 1973, Egloff played football for the Rocks, and played collegiate football at the University of Wisconsin.

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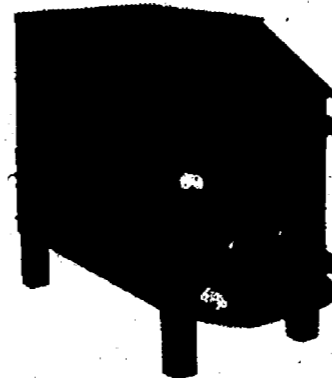
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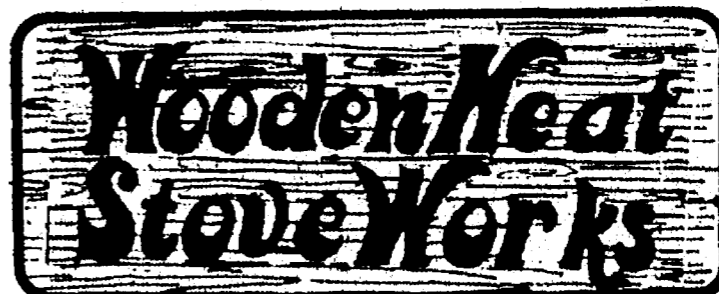
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Royce snares DPW post

Next Monday, Royce Smith will officially assume the chair of managing director of the Wayne County Department of Public Works.

Smith, whose district will include Canton and Plymouth Townships will be paid \$35,204 per year. The vote to grant him the post was unanimous, with all but one of the seven members of the Public Works Board voting to approve the former county commissioner to the post.

"First thing I'm going to do is get my feet on the ground and move from there," said



ROYCE SMITH

Smith. "I plan to look into the condition of the DPW financial fund and see if an enormous sewer rate increase is necessary. "If I hadn't taken the job,

a non-Wayne County person would have taken it," Smith said. "I think perhaps a Wayne County man will take my place as commissioner."

Smith said, however, that the person replacing him as county commissioner will "have his complete cooperation and help. I will help wherever possible," he said.

Smith doesn't foresee any "big problems" in assuming his duties as director of the DPW.

"I think I can help the people I represent in this position," he said. "It will help our area to have a bigger say in the matters that affect us."

County mulls successor

Wayne County Commissioners may soon be faced with finding a replacement for Commissioner Royce Smith, whose district includes Plymouth and Canton, and most commissioners apparently hope to avoid the cost of a special election.

Smith, who has won an

appointment as head of the county's Department of Public Works, is expected to resign his county commission seat soon.

Under current state law, the board of commissioners can appoint a temporary replacement, but if more than 180

days remain before the next regular commission election, a special election must be held to fill the vacancy.

Smith's term expires next November, with the next regular commission election a primary scheduled for August.

County officials place the cost of a special election in Smith's western Wayne County district at about \$60,000, and the predominantly Democratic board appears inclined to appoint the successor rather than allocate funds for a special election. Officials say a bill is currently pending in the state legislature which would remove the special election requirement and enable the county commission to fill the post with an appointment until the regular election next fall.

Library fund at \$1,000

Almost \$1,000 has been donated to the Canton library fund by Cantonites to help offset the start-up costs of the library, according to Canton Township Supervisor Harold Stein.

Canton currently pays about \$50,000 to participate in the Plymouth library program at Dunning Hough. The cost to

operate new library in Canton the first year would be around \$76,666, including a continued contribution to the Dunning Hough library.

Initial start-up cost of the Canton library is estimated at \$163,000. To buy a recommended stock of \$30,000 books alone will cost the township \$150,000.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR GRANTS COORDINATOR

Minimum Qualifications
Applicant must have a college degree or equivalent. Equivalency is measured by a combination of college and/or work experience in the grant field. Each one and one-half years of work experience will be equivalent to one year of college.

Applicant must submit documentation showing his/her success in securing grants.

Salary Range

Salary will be commensurate with experience and the range for this position will be \$14,000 to \$18,000 annually.

Description of responsibilities will be available with job application at:

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON

44508 Geddes
Canton, Mi. 48188

Applications will be accepted until 4:00 P.M., January 27, 1978. Testing will be done after application deadline. The Charter Township of Canton is an EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER.

JOHN W. FLODIN
CLERK

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR SUPERINTENDENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Minimum Qualifications
Applicant must be a graduate from a recognized college or university, with a minimum Bachelor's Degree in recreation or physical education fields and a minimum requirement of two years experience in the area of Parks and Recreation or physical education supervision and some experience in administration. (An equivalent of 10 years Parks & Recreation supervision or administration would be considered).

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IMMEDIATE OPENINGS for cook. Apply in person West Trail Nursing Home, 395 West Ann Arbor Trail.

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Minimum Qualifications
Applicant must be a graduate of a recognized college or university with specialization in urban and rural planning and considerable experience, of a responsible nature, in community planning.

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Salary will be commensurate with experience and the range for this position will be \$15,600 to \$21,100 annually.

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CURIOSITIES

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NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION: "If you've got a job to do, get out of bed and do it!" This is a reminder to D.W.B. who probably forgot already.

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CANTON TOWNSHIP PLANNING COMMISSION
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, WAYNE COUNTY, MICHIGAN.
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Act 184 of the Public Acts of Michigan as amended, and pursuant to the Zoning Ordinance of the Charter Township of Canton that the Planning Commission of the Charter Township of Canton will hold a public hearing on Monday, January 9, 1978, at the Canton Township Hall, 128 Canton Center Road at 8:00 p.m. P.M.T. on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning Ordinance: Consideration of a proposed amendment to the Sunnyside Planned Unit Development agreement. This property is located at the northwest corner of Lilley and Palmer Roads. The amendment would allow construction of a single family subdivision in lieu of a proposed school site, multiple family site and a portion of a planned commercial site. 113 single family lots 60 feet in width.
Comments on the proposed change may be made in writing prior to the scheduled hearing date, and submitted to the Township's Administrative offices at 44505 Geddes Road and/or comments may be given at the time of the hearing.
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
PLANNING COMMISSION
ROBERT FAJNET
CHAIRMAN

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
On Tuesday, January 10, 1978, at 7:00 P.M. there will be a public hearing on the COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM. All interested citizens are invited to attend and submit views and proposals concerning potential programs for the year 1978-79, which will begin July, 1978.
A second public hearing will be held on January 24, 1978, at which time the Township Board will announce the Community Development projects to be submitted to the Wayne County Office of Program Development and Coordination.
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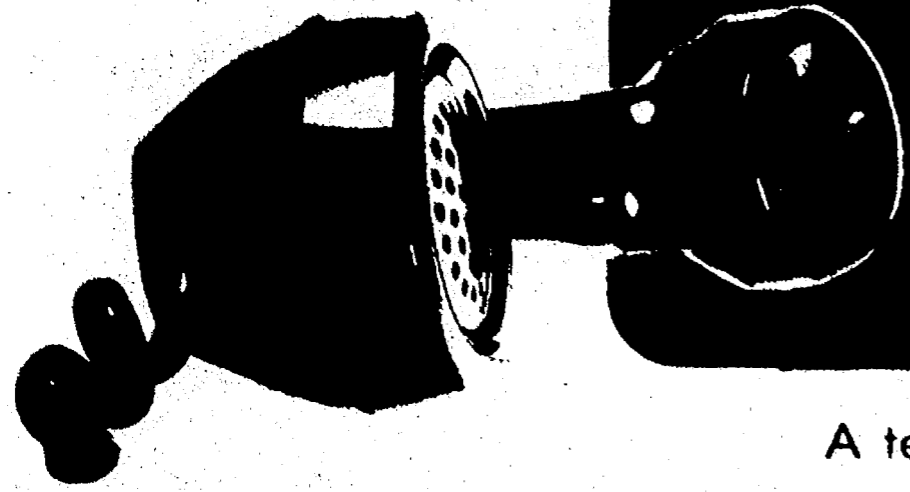
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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
The Board of Trustees of the Charter Township of Canton Community Schools invites the submission of sealed bids for the GENERALIZED ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL AND ENERGY MANAGEMENT SYSTEM for use in the schools of the Charter Township of Canton. Bids will be received until 10:00 A.M. on the 15th day of January 1978, at the Office of the Charter Township of Canton, 454 South Third Street, Plymouth, Michigan. Bids must be sealed and clearly marked "Bids for Environmental Control and Energy Management System" and must be obtained at the Purchasing Office, 128 Canton Center Road, Canton, Michigan. Any bid submitted will be binding on the bidder subsequent to the date of bid opening.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO EXPIRE INTO TAX SUPERGRANT CONTRACT AND TO EXERCISE RIGHT TO RETURN TO THE PRINCIPAL AND TO THE TAXPAYERS AND TO THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF CANTON, MICHIGAN.
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Charter Township of Canton has approved and executed a joint joint credit Grant Obligation Contract of Lease with the Charter Township of Canton Building Authority pursuant to Act No. 11, Public Acts of Michigan, 1965 (First Extra Session), as amended. Such contract provides, among other things, that said Building Authority will acquire a full release and related appurtenances for recreational use by the Township and will issue its BONDS TO FINANCE THE EXPIRATION OF THE CONTRACT FOR SAID TOWNSHIP IN THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$1,000,000.00. Said bonds will mature evenly from 1978 to 1986, inclusive, and will bear interest not exceeding six per centum on the outstanding principal balance.
The Contract further provides that the Township will lease said facilities from said Building Authority and will pay AS RENTAL TO SAID BUILDING AUTHORITY ALL SUMS NECESSARY TO REFIRE THE PRINCIPAL OF ANY OBLIGATION ON SAID BONDS, TOGETHER WITH ALL COSTS OF OPERATING AND MAINTAINING SAID FACILITIES AND ALL COSTS of said building authority in connection therewith, regardless of whether the facilities are available or available. The principal amount to be borrowed by the Building Authority will be indebtedness of the Township for purposes of Township debt limitations, and said principal amount, together with the Township's rental obligation for payment thereof, may be increased in other increased costs of the facilities.

TOWNSHIP'S CONTRACT OBLIGATION
BY VIRTUE OF SAID CONTRACT AND ACT 11 OF THE TOWNSHIP'S REQUIRED PAYMENTS BY THE BUILDING AUTHORITY WILL BE FULLY PAID AND THE GENERAL OBLIGATIONS OF THE TOWNSHIP PAYABLE FROM ANY AVAILABLE FUNDS OF THE TOWNSHIP AND THE TOWNSHIP WILL BE REQUIRED TO LEVY AD VALOREM TAXES ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN ITS BOUNDARIES, WITHIN THE LIMITS AS TO RATE OR AMOUNT AND IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER TAXES WHICH THE TOWNSHIP IS AUTHORIZED TO LEVY, AS THE EXACT NECESSARY TO MAKE THE PAYMENTS REQUIRED TO REFIRE THE BONDS AND INTEREST THEREON, IF OTHER FUNDS FOR THAT PURPOSE ARE NOT AVAILABLE.
SAID CONTRACT SHALL BECOME EFFECTIVE WITHOUT VOTE OF THE ELECTORS OF THE TOWNSHIP, AS PERMITTED BY LAW, UPON THE EXPIRATION OF SIX DAYS FOLLOWING THE DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE, UNLESS A PETITION REQUESTING AN ELECTION ON THE QUESTION OF WHETHER SUCH CONTRACT SHOULD BE ENTERED INTO, SIGNED BY NOT LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE TOWNSHIP, IS FILED WITH THE TOWNSHIP CLERK WITHIN SAID PERIOD. If such petition is so filed, said Contract shall not be effective without an approving vote by a majority of electors of the Township voting on the question.
This Notice is given pursuant to the requirements of Section 8(b) of the aforesaid Act 11, as amended. Further information concerning the details of said Contract, the facilities being financed and the matters set out in this Notice may be secured from the Township Clerk's office. A copy of said Contract is on file in the office of the Township Clerk for public inspection.
JOHN W. FLODIN
Clerk, Charter Township of Canton



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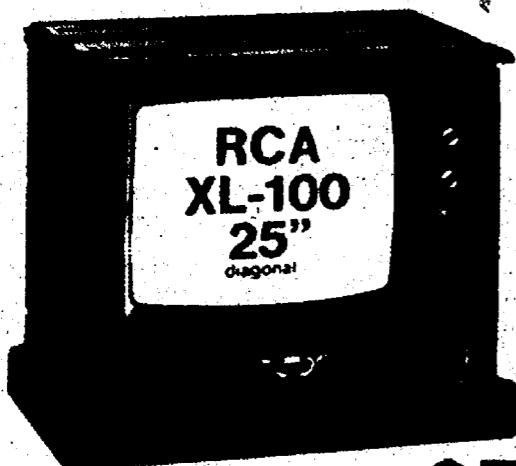
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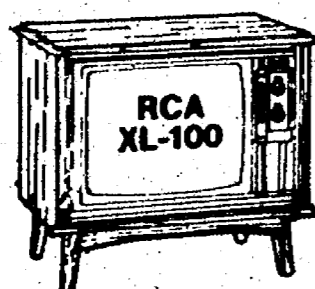
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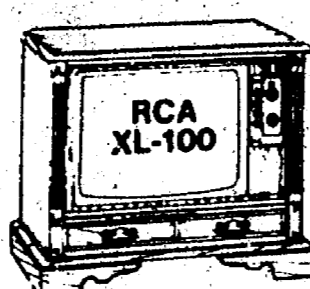
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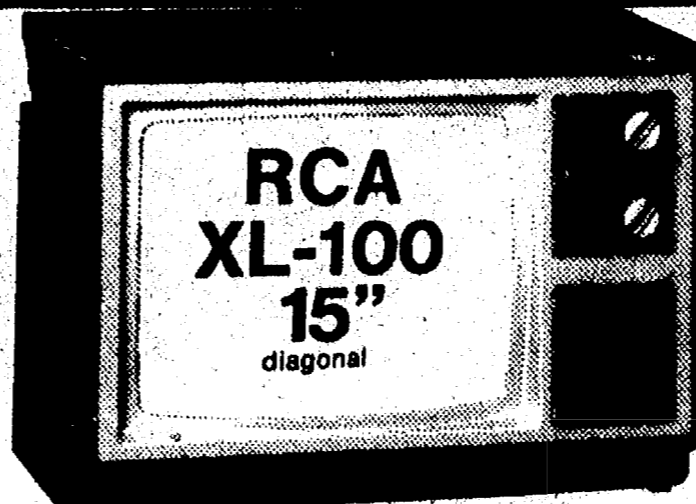


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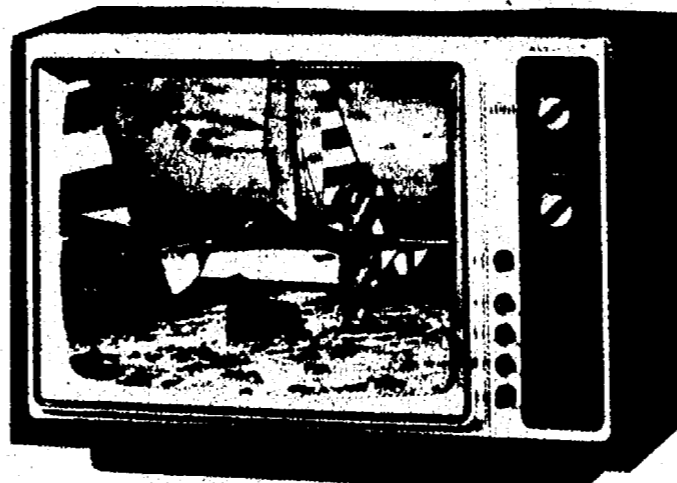
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