

## today's hot line

### BULLETIN

The next sheriff of Wayne County will be William Lucas, currently undersheriff. Observer Newspapers has learned from an informed source. A three man selection committee is due to meet Thursday to confirm the choice. Lucas has been a frontrunner to succeed Roman S. Gribbs when Gribbs assumes the office of Detroit Mayor. He picked up important support from the Wayne-19th District Democratic party organization only last week. A strong unofficial swing of Democratic district leaders to Lucas has also occurred behind the scenes.

## what's inside

### Dollar-Go-Round.

Cost of living hikes leads to requests for more money, which leads to a debate, which leads to a committee, which could result in higher pay checks for administrators in the Farmington School District.

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### Well-Dressed Lassies

Farmington Goodfellows are filling baskets for delivery this weekend. Among items to be delivered are 150 dresses, some of which were modeled by local lassies at a recent fashion show. Pictures may be found inside with those pretty little gals with the pretty dresses.

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### Still On The Go

Helen Cope may be long retired, but she still is a busy woman on the go. You can read about her in the Women's Section.

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### Balance

The president of Metropolitan National Bank of Farmington has resigned, a Plymouth man has been hired to replace him, and the new president promoted a Farmington man and a Livonian to key posts. Here are details of the shakeup.

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## upcoming

IF YOU DECIDE to take a cab in the City of Farmington next year, you will have three more cabs to choose from, will be better insured, may have a young, handsome driver and, for all this, will have to pay more. Find out why in Sunday's Farmington Enterprise & Observer.

## THE GIFT SPOTTER



### BRIGHT GIFT IDEAS FOR CHRISTMAS SHOPPERS

You'll find a treasure chest of sparkling, practical gifts for everyone on your list in the "Gift Spotter" in the Classified Section. Pick the gifts, select the store, then be off on your whirlwind shopping tour. Check it now!

# City Adds 3 Cabs, All For Elsie Newberry

Authorization for three additional tax cabs to operate in the City of Farmington was given by the city council Monday night with all of the additional plates going to Mrs. Elsie Newberry and the Empire Cab Co. The council approved 14 cab bond plates, 11 renewals and three new ones for Empire Cab. The 11 renewals are divided between Suburban Checker Cab with six and Yellow & Red Cabs with five plates.

IT TOOK Mrs. Newberry some 10 months to operate three cabs in the city. She presently operates in Novi and Farmington Township and has offices in the township.

Mrs. Newberry first asked for bond plates last March. The council granted approval but then, at the next meeting, rescinded the action and voted denial.

The first denial by the council was based on a bad driving record by one of the company drivers. The driver is no longer employed with Empire Cab. Last July, another request was made for bond plates through attorney William Zabel. That request was tabled.

SINCE JULY, Mrs. Newberry has been granted a Western Union Station contract to deliver telegrams in the Farmington area.

The three cabs for which she will receive bond plates Jan. 1 are a 1968 Ford, a 1969 Plymouth and a 1967 Ford. The

vehicles will be insured for \$100,000 and \$300,000 liability and \$10,000 property damage.

The existing 11 bond plates were authorized in 1966, City Manager John Dinan recommended an additional three cabs after analyzing the city's growth during the past four years.

Since 1966, the city annexed 500 acres south of Grand River between Gill and Halsstead Pds. Thus, in the past four years the city's area has increased from 1.7 to 2.6 square miles while its population has gone from 9,000 to 12,000.

On a per capita basis, explained Dinan, the city has increased its population 33% and land area 35% during the past four years.

Dinan said he felt there was an increased need in the city for cab service, especially with addition of apartments which have resulted in an increase in senior citizens unable to drive.

DINAN ALSO reported that "for all intents and purposes" the Yellow & Red Cabs and Suburban Checker Cab firms are one organization.

"They utilize the same dispatching facilities, storage and maintenance for their vehicles," he said, Vern Foster is owner of Red & Yellow and general manager for Suburban Checker Cab.

Dinan observed that "fair competition is good in any free enterprise" when recommending approval.

FOSTER WAS present to convince councilmen the two companies he represented were providing adequate service.

Foster said the national average on cab service is one cab for every 582 persons. In the City of Farmington, the ratio is one to 1,000 persons he added.

If the ratio in Farmington were applied in Livonia, said Foster, he would have to operate a fleet of 132 cars just for Livonia.

Rarely is there a need for more than 11 cabs in one day in Farmington, Foster argued. In nine years of operation in Farmington, Foster said, he had received very few complaints about cab service.

"We go for years and years and no one is unhappy," said Foster. "Then suddenly last spring we have complaints and petitions. Frankly, I can't believe it was spontaneous."

There were two housewives from Farmington Township present to complain about the inadequacy of cab service in the city.



AMONG FINALISTS — Diane Ankele, Farmington Junior Miss for 1970, was among the 12 finalists selected in regional Junior Miss competition Saturday in Holly. Diane, a North Farmington High senior, will now represent Farmington during the upcoming state competition in Pontiac. (Ever photo)

# Goodfellow Paper Sale Exceeds 1968's Success

The Farmington Goodfellow Newspaper Sale Friday has been described as very successful as last year's receipts have been topped with money still coming in.

According to Friday's night, the sale raised more than \$3,500, and there were still some canisters left. Last year's paper sale raised \$3,100 for the Goodfellows.

The sale, without a doubt, was a huge success, reports Bruce Habermehl, chairman of the 1969 paper drive.

Habermehl expresses appreciation for all the Farmington organizations and the many individuals who volunteered as old newsboys. "We had more salesmen this year than ever in the past," he said.

Old newsboys were supplied by the Farmington Township Police Department, City of Farmington Department of Public Safety, North Farmington Kiwanis, Farmington Jaycees, American Legion, Exchange Club, Farmington Elks, Farmington Rotary Club and many individuals.

SUCCESSFUL RESULTS were also reported by Mrs. Shirley Richardson who headed the Goodfellow doll and dress drives.

Some 150 dresses were donated, an increase of 30 from

last year which was the first time the dress drive was held. The dresses are now on display in the National Bank of Detroit branch at Alta Loma and Farmington Rd.

OTHER PHASES of the Goodfellow Drive are still in progress. Over 80 boxes of toys have been turned in to the collection point by the Farmington Elks and U.S. Marine Reserve who are heading the "Toys for Tots" campaign.

In addition, 50 boxes of apples and 70 boxes of canned goods have reached the collection point with more coming in.

While shipments for the baskets arrive, general chairman Charles Williams reports there is still a need for names of local families who could use assistance.

Persons wishing to nominate a needy family should call 476-0190 as soon as possible. Name of the caller will be kept confidential.

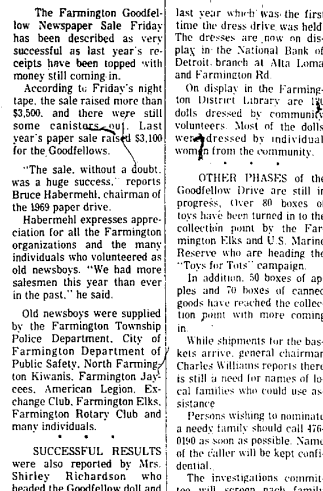
The investigations committee will screen each family nominated to see if the family is willing to accept help and to determine eligibility.



EARL LOUGH -- Rotarian



PAUL ALLEN -- Elk



JOHN RICHARDSON -- Exchangeite



BILL BOWMAN -- Exchangeite