



PRIVY ATTENDANT - Charles Williams, former Farmington Township Trustee and chairman of last December's Farmington Goodfellow drive, is shown making an exit rather publicly during the Farmington Jaycees showing of the "Destitute Distillery" last weekend in Farmington Senior High. Williams is a local CPA, initials which stand for Council of Privy Attendants. (Ever photo)

McDonald Urges Immediate Mediation, Return To Work

Congressman Jack McDonald (R-Farmington) was among a group of Michigan congressmen who wired President Nixon Monday morning urging immediate action on the mail strike.

The telegram urges the President to appoint a high level mediation panel composed of citizens recognized as broadly representative of the interests of the public, postal management and postal employees.

McDonald, among other congressmen, is calling upon postal employes to return to work immediately and restore postal service once Nixon gives the assurance he will give full and prompt consideration to the findings of the media panel.

The telegram urges Nixon to implement promptly the mediation panel and support all reasonable actions to secure immediate implementation of any recommendation made by the presidential-appointed panel.

Spokesmen for the Farmington letter carriers

expressed appreciation Monday for McDonald's efforts in sending the telegram.

BILL RENCE, local carrier representative, notes the current strike is the first ever experienced since the Post Office was organized in 1775.

"This fact itself speaks for the patience, loyalty and dedication of a group of men depending on Congress for its salary and pay raises," says Rence.

Carriers presently earn a starting wage of \$6,100 and climb to the top level of \$8,200 after 21 years.

"The turnover rate among employes is 107%," says Rence. "People just cannot live on less than \$100 a week."

For the past 18 months, the carriers have been negotiating with Congress for a 5.4% pay hike this year and 5.6% for the following year.

Carriers must also pay their own hospitalization, life insurance, retirement and holiday compensation, adds Rence.

Residents Fear Anti-War Group Will Disrupt North

by WYLIE GERDES

FARMINGTON

The Farmington Board of Education received backlash at their regular meeting Monday night from the controversy concerning the Student Mobilization Committee at North Farmington High School.

The board received four letters from district residents urging that the group not be

allowed to form at North Farmington.

A GROUP OF North Farmington students recently

appealed to the board of education for help in forming a student mobilization committee.

They and their parents said the school's administration was hindering the group in its efforts to organize.

The board promised to treat the anti-war group as any other trying to gain recognition.

The SMC reportedly is making

progress towards gaining official school recognition, as is a similar group at Farmington High School.

LETTERS ON the subject Monday night were against the group, but comment from the audience was split.

One letter questioned whether the group would help form better American citizens.

A second letter called the group "just another pious cover-up for communist infiltration."

"Let's not allow these de-

stroyers of God, youth and freedom to bully their way into our schools," Board Secretary Aldo Vagnozzi read from the letter.

Another letter said the group is "not one which will create peace and tranquility at North."

The final letter charged that the SMC is dominated by subversives and said other schools had outlawed such trouble-making organizations.

VAGNOZZI URGED that the local group be treated on its

own merits. He said he knows some of the parents and students involved and "none of them fit the descriptions that some of the letters give."

A man in the audience commented that the discussions on the war will continue whether or not a sponsored group is allowed. The sponsored group will answer questions "in a manner in which we want them to be answered," he said.

However, a woman in the audience said the group would lead demonstrations.

Governor's Wife Urges Revolution Of Values

by WYLIE GERDES

Mrs. William G. Milliken, wife of Michigan's governor, urged each person to change his values to combat pollution.

Mrs. Milliken spoke after a Thursday noon luncheon of the Beautification Council of Southeastern Michigan in the Farmington Elks club.

EACH ONE OF US is faced with the critical question of "What do I value most for myself and mankind?" the governor's wife told the audience of 150.

Solving problems of the environment will require a revolution in values, she said. Persons will have to decide whether they place more value on the use of a miracle detergent or having fish in streams and between having a crabgrass-free lawn or robins, she said.

"Progress extracts its price," Mrs. Milliken

commented, noting the technological and natural systems are interrelated.

"The evidence of man's pollution is pressing upon us. Man has disrupted this ecological balance at the peril of his own environment," she said.

AIR POLLUTION in New York, she commented, has become so bad that breathing the air is like smoking 1 1/2 packs of cigarettes a day.

"Our auto-oriented society is probably the major air polluter," the state's first lady said.

The automobile industry is pouring energy and millions of dollars to attempt to halt pollution, she said.

However, the ultimate question might be "How many cars are we willing to allow to cover our land?" she added.

She pointed out that DDT, an insecticide which has been widely used to increase farm production, kills useful insects along with less desirable ones.

The insecticide, she said, takes more than a decade to lose its potency and circulates world-wide like fallout. The substance enters the food cycle at its lowest level, plankton, then accumulates in the fat cells of higher animals, she added.

"AN AVALANCHE of waste encroaches daily on man's living space," the governor's wife said.

Every person in the U.S. contributes six pounds of solid waste a day, she noted. Unlike natural wastes, she added, not all man-made waste enters the natural system.

She said substances such as nylon and other

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"PROGRESS EXTRACTS ITS PRICE" - Mrs. William Milliken, wife of the governor, told the Southeast Michigan Council of Beautification Committees Thursday that the price of progress has been pollution. (Ever photo)

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Name 4 Area PBK Members At Michigan

FARMINGTON

The University of Michigan chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, initiated four students from Farmington recently.

Membership in the society is open to the top 5% of graduating class in the liberal arts. This year, seniors with grade-point averages of 3.60 or higher were eligible.

Those from Farmington initiated included Robert A. Westbrook of 24576 Lincoln Ct., David W. Cornwall of 20450 Grand River, James S. Schreier of 29400 Minglewood, and Dorothy L. Bean of 20918 Botsford Dr.

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