

## Downtown plan slammed

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was developed from a state law. "I have to agree with the city for the first time in my life," he said, pointing out the authority could be useful in preventing decay in the district. "We ought not to be in the position where Detroit has gotten itself."

"We don't want to jam this down your throats," he added.

Responding to one resident who asked why current government machinery couldn't handle problems, Deadman said that empty and/or deteriorating buildings cause the city problems.

"We can't move until they're bad," he said. The authority, however, could step in at the initial stages of a problem.

City Attorney Robert Kelly pointed

out that millages would not raise the kind of funds needed for extended improvement.

"I like the majority of the executive board — the property owners," he said. "No board is going to push any millage unless it's worth it."

Dick Kelly, representing the Farmington Development Corporation, which owns the property leased to the U.S. Post Office and Ray Interiors on Slocum, objected to the inclusion of the property in the downtown business district.

A Masonic Temple representative also objected to its inclusion in the district. Gregg Holtzer, representing the Civic Theatre, is for the authority, if it could alleviate the downtown parking situation.

"Fix up the parking situation and rejuvenation will come," he said.

## Conway is included on Northwood list

Shawn T. Conway, of Farmington, has been named to the Dean's List for the spring term at Northwood In-

stitute. A student must earn a 3 point average or more to be included on the list.

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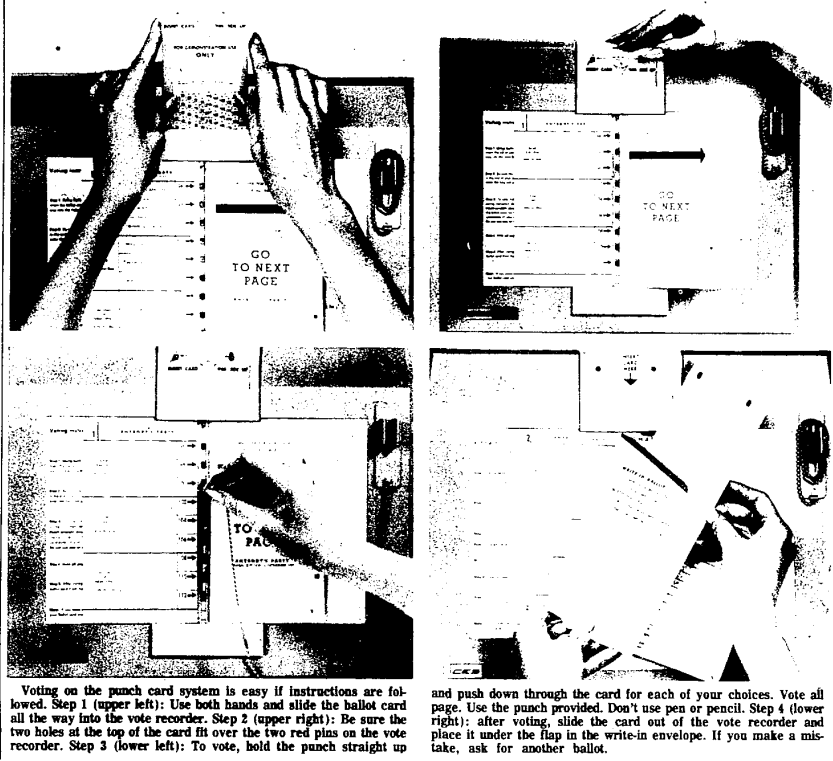
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## Legislature eyes salary hike

## Business fights minimum wage hike

By MIKE GALLAGHER

A bill presently being considered by Congress that would raise the minimum wage from \$2.30 an hour to \$3 an hour has many area businessmen up in arms.

Although the bill is still under investigation by the Labor Standard Committee for Minimum Wage and many small businessmen are opposing the issue, local congressmen feel the passage of the bill is a good idea.

U.S. Rep. William Ford (D-Taylor), whose district includes Garden City and Westland, said he believes \$3 an hour is a reasonable wage.

"This only amounts to \$120 a week," said Ford. "The present minimum wage of \$2.30 an hour makes the yearly wage on a 40-hour week \$1,262 below what has been recorded as the poverty level."

Ford feels "it doesn't make sense" if a minimum wage doesn't compete with welfare payments.

"Employment should be made meaningful to everyone," Ford said. "If a person can get more from welfare than from working, where is the incentive?"

Many small businessmen complained that an increase to \$3 an hour would prevent them from hiring high school students.

"MAYBE AT \$3 an hour they would hire someone with a family who is on welfare instead of kids," added Ford. Jim Bortall, legislative aide to U.S. Rep. William Brodhead (D-Detroit), whose area also covers Redford, says Brodhead is very supportive of raising the minimum wage to \$3 an hour.

"Congressman Brodhead is generally in support of sub-committee action," said Bortall. "As of now he is supporting the minimum wage increase."

One area congressman who has made no decision on the proposal, U.S. Rep. William Broomfield (R-Oakland County), is waiting for all the facts and reports to come in before he finally decides.

Ken Nakamura, Broomfield's legislative aide, says the congressman is still considering all facets of the proposal.

"Congressman Broomfield likes to listen to all the debates on an issue," Nakamura said. "He talks to respective committees, different congressmen and listens to what local people have to say. He usually makes up his mind right before voting time."

On the other side of the coin, U.S. Rep. Carl Pursell (R-Livonia), is drastically opposed to any increase in the minimum wage.

Pursell said, "It is clear to me that the proposed adjustment is counterproductive to the encouragement of additional hiring."

"When we see unemployment rates hovering over seven per cent nationally and nearly 19 per cent among our young people, it becomes obvious that a hike in the minimum wage is not in the best interest of the country as a whole."

PURSELL FEELS there is a need to encourage private businesses to employ more people.

"We must not make it more difficult for small businesses," said Pursell, "who are more than likely employing people at the minimum wage level, to hire additional persons."

Bill Kerans, Pursell's news secretary, says everything is still up in the air as far as everyone is concerned.

"President Carter originally proposed \$2.50 an hour as the new minimum wage," Kerans said. "Con-

gress' original proposal of \$3 an hour still stands. Carter has agreed to compromise by going up to \$2.60 an hour. He is asking Congress to come down on their proposal."

"There is a proposal of \$2.65 an hour floating around the House, so you see, there is still a lot of compromise to do."

Kerans says Democratic Leader John Dent, head of the Labor Standard Sub-Committee for Minimum Wage, is aiming for \$2.85 an hour.

"All in all," said Kerans, "There is a lot of work to still do."

On the home-front, area businessmen are anxiously awaiting the outcome.

William Stewart, owner of Hinkle Fabrics, 2332 Farmington Road, says the increase will just put prices higher everywhere.

"If it passes," Stewart said, "I'll have to start laying people off. I have a fixed payroll. If it goes over that, I let people go. And that's bad. Because when I lay them off, I have to go to work," laughed Stewart.

Stewart says the increase is just another way of keeping the inflation going.

Michael Rucker, an employee of Nobil Shoes in Redford, feels the increase is a "good idea."

"They have to give a raise," Rucker said, "just to keep up with inflation."

"What they should do is give everyone a cost-of-living raise. That would help some of these guys who have a wife and children to support and not just themselves."

The response from employees as to whether they liked the idea of an increase, was summed by Roger Simpson, a Ford Motor Co. assemblyman.

"Hell yes, I'd like to make more money," smiled Simpson. "I hope they put it up to \$5 an hour."

## Teeples is promoted to vice presidency

John Teeples, a graduate of North Farmington High School has been promoted to the vice president of the Atlas Supply firm. Mount Pleasant. The firm supplies the oil and gas drilling industry in central and southern Michigan.

Teeples, a Central Michigan University graduate, is married to Lynn Schwarz of West Bloomfield. They have two children.

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