## Dissidents dominate internal board election Trenton, was elected chairman of SEMCOG, succeeding Oak Park Mayor board already has two representatives from north Oakland. THOMAS FEOAN, director of planning for Washtenaw County, was elected to another SEMTA seat representing the four small counties in the region. He replaces Marilyn Thayer of Ann Arbor who diel shortly before her term expired. Fegan collected 50 votes, with the region of the control of the control of the region of the control of the region. He replaces Marilyn Thayer of Ann Arbor who diel shortly before her term expired. Fegan collected 50 votes, with being cast for Yesti-

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victory in the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG). Although Case Is a member of SEMCOG's mainstream establishment, the regional planning agency's annual meeting June 21 was marked by strong participation from previous dissidents. One even won a SEMCOG' chairman, got 70 of the 90 votes cast to win a three-year term on the transit authority board. The remaining votes were split between Southfield Mayor, Donald Francest and Royal Oak City Commissioners and Royal Oak City Commis

ALL THREE candidates for an Oakland County seat on the 15-member SEMTA board were unfavorable in some degree to SEMTA's tentative plan to put at least part of a Woodward Avenue light rail line underground.

Case replaces Joseph Bianco Jr. of Bloomfield Hills. Blanco stepped down after serving on the SEMTA board since it was formed in 1987. A JL. Hudson Co. executive, Blanco had been torn between his downlown business interest and his county's anti-subway majority.

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Oakland's other two SEMTA directors—retired engineer R.J. Alexander and former publisher Henry M. Hogan Jr.—and said he represents the county's "emerging, developing areas — the townships." Fracassi was nominated by Troy Councilman Peter Taucher, who said

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Fegan collected 50 votes, with 18 being cast for Ypsilanti Counciliman Tom Moors and a pair for St. Clari Township Trustee Jean Tabor.

Washienaw political leaders draftef Fegan in a stop-Moors elfort, seeing Fegan as one who would consult them more closely. Fegan said he was uncommitted on the subway question, while Moors said he was subjected and called the downtown Detroit people move "a frilly to."

Robert Bovitz, mayor of downriver

E. Manning, chairman of the Wayne County Board of Commissioners; Wil-liam E. Smiley, St. Clair County com-missioner, and Robert D. Smith, presi-dent of the Livingston Intermediate School District.

School District.

SHEPHERD SAID the last two years were the most exciting of SEMCOO's decade because of such accomplishments as the adoption of a water quality plan, a regional bikeway plan and small area forecasts.

The water quality plan was one important reason many formerly anti-regional communities joined the seven-county planning agency. They want an audible voice, 'said Sepherd.

Fifteen of the region's most populous 20 cities are SEMCOG members, including previously dissident Dearborn, he said. The five holdouts are all in Macromb County, still an anti-regional hotbed.



HOMER CASE

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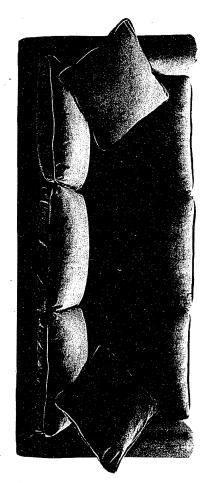
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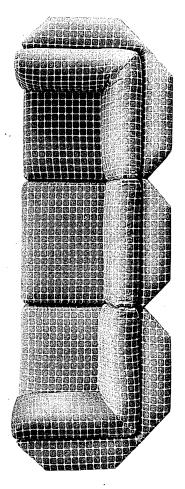
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