

today's hot line

Sen. Muskie Due Here To Campaign

Democratic Vice Presidential candidate Edmund S. Muskie will fly into Michigan for a campaign swing Thursday with a stop in Livonia.

It will be the first visit of the lanky Maine Senator to the state since his nomination as No. 2 Democratic candidate.

"The schedule hasn't been firmed up yet," said State Democratic Vice Chairman Patti Knox. "We don't know exactly how much ground he will be able to cover."

"We want him to go as far and see as many people as any man with two legs."

Muskie, 54, has been a Democratic political star since he went to the Maine House of Representatives in 1947. He was governor of Maine from 1955 through 1959 and went to the Senate that year.

Muskie went to the National Democratic Convention in Chicago as a favorite son and was tapped by Vice President Hubert H. Humphrey as his running mate.

Muskie will be the star of a giant rally at Wonderland Shopping Center on the Plymouth Rd. side at 6:30 p.m. Thursday. He plans to spend an hour on the scene.

He will be accompanied by Michigan U.S. Senator Philip A. Hart and Atty. Gen. Frank J. Kelley.

The area delegation will be headed by Democratic candidate Gary Frink, running for the 15th District seat in Congress; Legislative candidates Marvin R. Stempien, James Tierney; Board of Supervisors candidate Donald Friedrichs; Dearborn Heights Mayor John L. Canfield and Westland Mayor Tom Brown.

The spokesmen for local political figures will be Livonia Councilman Jerry Raymond, chairman of the Wayne-19th Congressional District.

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REDFORD — South Redford Schools, which have been in session despite lack of a ratified contract, have one now. Board and Teachers' Association representatives signed Thursday.

LIVONIA — Two record-high alternate city budgets of \$7,825,028 and \$6,512,709 for the 1968-69 fiscal year were submitted by Mayor Harvey W. Moelke to the City Council for consideration. The mayor recommended the lower budget and termed it an "austere" budget calling for curtailment of some city services. Submission of two budget figures marked the first time in the city's history that such action has been taken.

What's Inside

THE TIGERS will face the St. Louis Cardinals in the '68 World Series, just as they did in '34, and columnist W. W. Edgar recalls that strange and wild confrontation. He also probes the mind of the Tigers' key man, old pro Al Kaline. Story and pictures on Page 15.

MOSQUITOES, SLEET — you name the obstacle, but it doesn't stop our high school cheerleaders. Teen Editor Dianne Zlesow asked them why they do it—and how. Pg. 11A

LIVONIAN JOE Sparrma was in Tiger Manor last week Smith's doghouse for three weeks, but last week he became a hero when he pitched the pennant-clincher. Sports Editor George Maskin has an exclusive inside view. Page 4B.

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE unionism got a boost in Michigan in 1968, but there are a lot of unresolved issues that city officials are studying. Tim Richard reports on the Michigan Municipal League convention on Page 2B.

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County Candidates Debate

By ELIZABETH WISSMAN

The age-old nonpartisan operation of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors will be changed considerably after the November election, if a statement made Tuesday night by the incumbent chairman, of the board is taken at face value.

Appearing before a Farmington Township Road Association meeting with Democratic candidate Gerald Freedman, incumbent Republican Delos Hamlin said in answer to an audience query, "I think with 27 elected supervisors, the legislators will listen more. I didn't feel the old board had any strength politically."

IT'S DEBATABLE whether Hamlin thinks this will be a change for the better or not. He showed some touches of nostalgia for the format of the supervisors' board before the federal court ordered a supervisors' election on a one-man, one-vote basis.

He said, "I do not think this old unwieldy body is one that I can be apologetic about, comparing it to other large counties in the state. Someday they may look back and say, 'They had a bargain after all.'"

FREEDMAN capitalized on the equal representation theory. "Any legislative body that represents the people must represent the interests of the people. Experience does not mean excellence. The issue is -- Do the people speak? That's the issue I'm running on."

In answer to this, Hamlin stated, "I would hesitate to have

too strong an opinion on this when our own state Supreme Court was split on the matter four-to-four."

"Farmington Township Supervisor Curtis Hall was able to help Farmington Township grow into one of the finest communities in southeastern Michigan on the old county board," he added.

DURING the question and answer period, these further queries were made of the two candidates:

ALDO VAGNOZZI "Why was the \$2 million raised in the come tax not allocated to the road program?"

Hamlin: "The supervisors have felt that when money is appropriated, the board should have some control over where the money is spent. The road commission is autonomous. While there has been some cooperation from the road commission, it has been felt the only time there is cooperation is at appointment time. (The road commission heretofore has been appointed by the supervisors.)"

LEN LEMANSKI "Have you or do you support the Orion Township Airport?"

Hamlin: "Yes, You're not going to get general growth in an area without aviation services. The county has lost business because it does not have sufficient aviation services."

Freedman: "I'm opposed to the airport and the county's building of big public buildings because there are other problems,

There are the bad roads, there are pockets of poverty. The question is -- do we allocate money for human beings? Why do we get surpluses when earmarked funds run out?"

TERRY VIGNON "Why, when there was a budget surplus, was it so necessary to build those buildings on Telegraph

Rd? Why not give it to roads?"

Hamlin: "It was the judgment of the 87-member board to build a public works building to house equipment that is now sitting out-of-doors."

Freedman: "Those 87 men are one of the points to which I have alluded. That 87 number has been one of the detriments to the townships."

LEO DEVINE "You've been in office for 20 years -- we've had bad roads for 20 years. Why?"

Hamlin: "The road commission is an autonomy. The board cannot tell it what to do. I think the county roads are the worst in the state. The money formula the legislature has set for roads has penalized Oakland County. Wayne County gets \$3 for every dollar Oakland County receives for roads."

The question - and - answer period ended on a note of agreement with both Hamlin and Freedman pledging to work for more cooperation on road between the state, the county and local school districts.



CAMPAIGN TRAIL — Opposing candidates for the 17th District post on the Oakland County Board of Supervisors attended the Farmington Road Association meeting Tuesday night. From

the left at the speakers table, Gerald Freedman, Democratic candidate; Delos Hamlin (standing), GOP candidate; and William Hutton, president of the road group.

Planners: 'Communication Stinks'

By DAVID SARTIN

"The communication in this township stinks."

So says L. David Slader Jr., executive secretary of the Farmington Township Planning Commission.

Slader's comments were made this week when the Planning Commission heard a proposal to construct a 100-unit apartment complex on the triangular bounded by 13 Mile, Middle Belt, and Northwestern.

Developer Bob Rosin told the commission the consent decrees had been signed in December, 1967 by Township Attorney Joseph T. Brennan and Oakland Circuit Judge Philip Pratt, directing that the prop-

erty was to be used for any thing other than residential purposes.

THE TOWNSHIP had refused to change the zoning in the 19-acre parcel in 1967 and Rosin told the decision to court. The consent decree was an out-of-court settlement of the case. Brennan was not available for comment.

Further action on the preliminary site approval was tabled by the commission until the members can contact Brennan. Slader told Rosin that the commission was not trying to stall the development but wanted more time.

"I think we had better hold off on this," Slader said, "until we can hear from the township attorney."

ROSIN, who told the commission that rent on the proposed apartments started at \$25 per month, said:

"After the court ruled in favor of something other than single-family residential, we drew up this plan for your approval."

The immediate response of one commission member was:

"What court?"

Another member pointed out that the zoning map designated the property one-family residential.

Meanwhile the planning commission members asked Slader why the agenda rescheduled because I had no other information," Slader said.

Another member said, "The plat book calls it residential and the assessor's office calls it residential, so how can it be zoned multiple?"

TOWNSHIP Assessor Robert Romer told The Enterprise & Observer Thursday that the assessment roll listed the property as residential because they

had been informed of the court decision after the January assessment roll deadline.

"We only heard about the change a week or so ago," Romer said.

Romer explained that the assessment would be changed for next year's taxes after the property has been officially zoned for apartments.

Following 12 minutes of discussion at Tuesday's Planning

Commission meeting, it was determined that three members of the nine-man board knew something about the court judgment.

After searching through his own records, Douglas Mann found that the commission had originally denied a request to change the property's zoning from one-family to multiple and the petitioner had planned to go to court.

Can Revoke Clark's License Says Bronson

By BUE SHAUGHNESSY

Oakland County's Prosecuting Attorney S. Jerome Bronson re-opened his efforts to deprive Dr. Ronald E. Clark of his medical license Thursday when he formally called upon the State Board of Registration in Medicine to meet to consider the case of the Farmington Township physician.

Clark, 37, was found guilty of manslaughter in the death of his part-time nurse, Mrs. Tharon E. (Grace) Nell of Livonia in June. He is currently serving a three-to-18-year sentence in the state prison at Jackson.

Prior to setting up his office at 30735 Grand River, Farmington, in the mid-80's, Clark practiced in Redford Township.

THE STATE BOARD has the authority to refuse to continue a certificate of registration or license to any person "guilty of grossly unprofessional and dishonest conduct."

Conviction of a crime has been held specifically by the courts as being sufficient cause for suspension or revocation of a medical license.

The state board, however, has said that its attorney, Florence Clement of the State Attorney General's staff, has ruled that the Board can not act until Clark's conviction is "final."

Oakland Circuit Judge William J. Beer denied a motion for a new trial in the case on Sept. 5. An appeal on the ruling must be filed by Nov. 4.

The case could be appealed to the State Court of Appeals

and eventually to the Michigan Supreme Court.

BRONSON SAID Thursday that he believes the state board has the authority to act on the case since the doctor has been convicted.

He added that if the Board refuses to meet to consider the matter he will petition the Ingham County Circuit Court (Lansing) to either order the Board to meet or to take away the doctor's license.

According to Charles Holton, an investigator for the state board, the board was scheduled to meet Oct. 17. However, the meeting on that date has been canceled and the board is currently deciding on a new date. It was expected that the meeting will be held sometime in November.

DR. IRVIN J. KURTZ, medical director of the Redford County Hospital, is the current president of the state board.

In July he told The Observer that "We have been waiting for Dr. Clark's trial before taking any action."

Kurtz, who could not be reached for comment Thursday, said in July that the Board would probably consider the question of revoking Clark's license in September.

What delayed the action was the request for a new trial and the board's opinion that the conviction must be "final" before acting.

Clark was first licensed to practice medicine in 1943. His license "has been officially revoked by the state board twice -- and restored twice.

A Letter FROM The Editor! Eddie's Back With The Tigers

W. W. Edgar had to be at Tiger Stadium the night Don Wert singled home Al Kaline to win the first Detroit pennant since 1945.

This will be his fifth Detroit World Series and you couldn't keep him away with an army.

Eddie covered the 1934 and 1935 World Series as sports editor of the Detroit Free Press. He wrote the 1940 and 1945 series for the same paper as a feature writer.

Now, Eddie, who discovered Lou Gehrig who rode with Gar Wood the morning he set a new world speed record on water, is somewhere with the Tigers.

The night they clinched the pennant, Eddie sat in a box seat next to owner John Fitzer and General Manager Jim Campbell. He chatted later in the dressing room with Kaline and his other friends. It was their night and it was Eddie's night.

We don't know where Eddie is at the moment. We do know he's helping Observer Sports Editor George Maskin cover the last games of the Series.

The Observer Newspapers have turned over Eddie and his memories of other pennants and other series, and his sharp-as-a-tack observations of the new Tigers to the sports section.

As we say, we don't know where Eddie is right now, but his copy is on Page 1B with exclusive pictures by Observer Photographer Vince Witke.



W. W. Edgar

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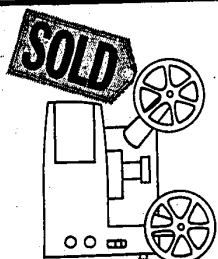
Meet Diane Zlesow, the Observer Newspapers' new Teen Editor. Diane will be chatting with you to find out how you feel about life and what you're doing about it. Diane says: "We want to give the world a better idea about teens." Diane went to William Woods College at Fulton, Mo., has lived in the suburbs all her life. She'll be around to your school looking for your side of the story.

Our Own New Look

Maybe you've noticed the changes taking place in the Observer Newspapers. There's more local news and better display with Page 3 on Wednesday being converted to strictly local news. We've dressed up the editorial page to make it more readable and there's more and better sports coverage. There will be other improvements to make the Observer Newspapers bigger and better than ever for the people in the suburbs.

Hixson At Large...

Dumont F. Hixson, Jr., a professor at Schoolcraft College, will start a new column on Page 2 of the Observer Newspapers on Wednesday. Hixson will be "At Large" and Watch for Hixson at Large on Page 2 every Wednesday.



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