## Accused rapist waives examination

SZEMAN IS charged with attacks on 10 females, ages 12-81, from April 1987 to March 1988 in Farmington Hills, Bicomifield Township, Birmingham. West Bloomfield Township and Independence Township and Independence Township and Independence Township.

He is being held in an individual cell at the Oakland County Jail on a 47.9 million cash bond, which was continued last week by the district judges.

judges.
Circuit court clerks said they expect the cases involving Szeman to be grouped and handled together at the county level.

KALUZNY SAID he is preparing a defense by obtaining psychiatric re-ports from Ohio — where Szeman pleaded guilty to a rape Jan. 4 — and obtaining necessary evaluations

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He also expects to request a hearing to determine the admissibility of dooxyribonucleic acid (DNA) evidence. DNA is an organic substance used by testigators to analyze the state of th

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- Richard Thompson Oakland County prosecutor

Szeman's attorney approximately a week ago, "I don't know if I'll be ready. I'm not trying to speed things up or slow them down."

THE MEDIA have closely scruti-nized the Oakland County cases throughout the investigation and ar-rest. They were present during last week's appearances when Szeman walved preliminary exams in three district courts.

Metal detectors were used to screen those entering the court-rooms to ensure the defendant's safety. He was brought to court un-der police guard.

Szeman came to Farmington's

47th District Court Wednesday,

waiving his rights to examination in a three-minute appearance before District Judge Michael Hand. Hand aid the defendant appeared "very calm, very collected."

The same procedure was followed Friday morning in district courfs in Bloomfield Township and Independence Township.

AT BLOOMFIELD'S 48th District AT BLOONFIELD'S 48th District Court — where employees were or-ganizing the opening of a new court-house — District Jodge Gios Cifelli detailed each of the six cases and asked Szeman If he understood his right to examination. The defendant uttered a "yes six" to each question, as he walved the exam. Szeman pleaded guilty in January for the rape last November of a 24-

year-old suburban Cleveland won-an. He is expected to begin serving his 58-to-140-year sentence in the Chillicote Correctional Institution, a

Chillicote Correctional Institution, and institution, and when Michigan court proceedings end.

"We understand that be will be eligible for parole in 10 years (in Ohio), and that's the reason we want to go abead with our prosecution," Oak land County prosecutor Richard Thompson said. "He will serve his time in Ohio tirst and then, if covicted here, will serve his time here." Oakland County investigators linked Szeman, an Ohio trash haulej company salesman who once held jobs in Troy and Southfield, to several local attacks through fingerprints found on a Farmington Hills victim's found on a Farmington Hills victim's

A wallet, purse and undergar-ments belonging to the last Farm-ington Hills victim were found April 2, 1988, in a dumpster in Westlake, Ohlo, 3½ mile from Szeman's Rocky River townhouse.

He had moved to the Ohio town from a rented room in West Bloom-field where he lived for approxi-mately two years. The last Oakland County victim was attacked March 31, 1988, in her Farmington Hills

The Associated Press contributed to this story.

#### Breakdown of charges

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• An armed robbery in West Bloomfield.

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Charges relate to:

• Three rapes in Farmington Hills

• Three rapes in Bloomlied Township.

• A rape and attempted rape in Birmingham,

#### Hills aide has twins

Karen Birkholz, on leave as as-sistant to Farmington Hills city manager William Costick, gave birth to twin boys Wednesday in Botsford General Hospital, Farm-

Botsford General Hospital, Farmington Hills
"Everybody is fine, Karen is very bappy," said Pam Wright, secretary to the city manager.
Mark weighed in at 8 pounds, 1 ounce shortly before 7 am. Kevin followed about 20 minutes later, weighing in at 8 pounds, 3 ounces. They were born within a week of their due date.
Karen and her husband, Al, albo have another son, Paul, 2. They live in Millord.
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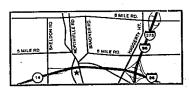
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