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Coin dealer feared **'execution**



Armed robbery defendants Michael Alan Weaver (loft), 40, and Naal Ashak Butris, 18, at their preliminary exami-nation Friday before District Judge Margaret Schaeffer of Farmington. Schaeffer ordered the pair to stand

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By Casey Hans staff writer

Two men will stand trial on robbery charges following an April 9 incident in which a builet grazed a 15-year-old boy during an exchange of gunfire between a coin dealer and a man armed with a semiautomatic weapon in Farmington Hills.

One of the men also is charged with two counts of attempted murder following the incident outside Mercy Center, 11 Mille and Middleber words the need of the gen against the "The extra most the great grants the conditions of the country of the gen against the send of the gen against the send of the gen against the send of the gen against the great grants the grants grants the great grants the great grants the grants grants

Middlebelt.

"He slammed the end of the gen against the glass, like he was trying to break it. Then he stepped back and said he was going to shoot, said the 52-year-old Taylor coin dealer, who testiffed Friday about the attempted theft of his \$40,000 collection as he was about to leave the parking lot in his van following the coin, stamp and baseball card show. "I was afraid it was going to be an execution."

tion."
The other attempted murder charge involves the teenager, who was climbing out of

the Mercy Center pool when struck in the chest by one of three bullets fired by the gunman. He was not seriously hurt.

AT THE defendants' preliminary exam Friday, defense attorneys pleaded with District
Judgo Margaret Schaeffer of Farmington to
bar newspaper and television photographe
coverage of the preliminary caminating of
40-year-old Michael Alan Weaver of Madison
Heights and Evyacrold Nala Abak Buttis of
Detroit. But Schaeffer denied the motion, wayince it was not been allowed.

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media to be excluded."

The two men were brought to court Friday
under heavy police guard; courtroom visitors,
were screened for weapons and searched. The
men are being held in the Oakland County in
lieu of \$100,000 canb bond pending arraignment and trial in Oakland County Circuit
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ment and trial in Onkland County Circuit.
Weaver is charged with one count of armed robbery. Police suspect him of driving the get-away car following the aborted robbery.
Buttis is charged with two counts of assault with intent to nuncted, one count of armed robbery, two counts of assault with intent to nuncted, one count of armed robbery, two counts of possessing a finearm while

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Veteran judge to step down

☐ Judgeship hopefuls lining up, 4A

Veteran District Judge Michael Hand of Farmington has long been satisfied with being, as he puts it, a 'big frog in a small pond.' 'After 20 years as a district judge, the well-known, affable Hand, 70, will seek calmer waters with his an-nounced retirement, effective May 1, 1½ years before his fourth term ex-otres.

pires.

Watching district judge friends lose a happy and productive retirement because of illness prompted Hand's decision.

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"I've been looking at all the people around me . . . I figured why walt until something happens. I might as well retire while I have good health and I can enjoy it," said the 34-year Farmington resident.

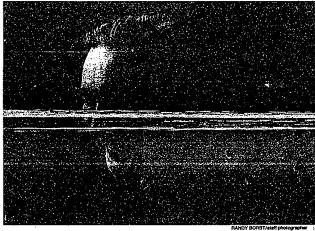
his planned retirement is that he will remain in Farmington. "I'm kind of going to survey the scene about what I want to do," he said.

Hand expécts quite a seramble for his \$40,004-7-7-27 ; ; ; bo to the !rwi-judge 47th District Court beach, and the won't make any recommendations to Gov. James Blanchard, who will be a blanch of the plant in blacking loge to the plant an blacking loge to the plant of the plant bearing loge to the plant of the plant in blacking loge to the plant in blanking loge to the plant in blacking loge to the plant in blacking loge to the plant in blanking loge to the plant in the plant in blanking loge to the plant in blanking loge to

"I know so many well-qualified people. If I were to recommend one and not someone else, it wouldn't be very fair," Hand said.

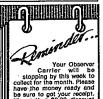
A SPOKESWOMAN for the gover-nor's personnel office said she is air-ready receiving applications for the appointment. Until someone is ap-pointed, visiting judges will take Hand's place. Though the state Supreme Court administrator ac-tually appoints a visiting judge, fel-

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District Judge Michael Hand of Farmington tooked back on his years of judicial service during an interview Thursday.

what's inside



Thirty-aine Farmington Public Schools teachers received pink aligs last week in the district's required annual notification of possible layoffs for the 1898-90 school year. Nino teachers are from the high sociol level, seven from special extraction and special services pro-grams and the remainder from mid-dle and elementary schools. The list

was approved by the school board April 18, as required by the collective bargaining agreement with the Farmington Education Association. If positions remain open in early June, teachers will be called back according to certification and seniority, according to personnel director Robert Coleman.

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rector Hobert Coleman.
Callbacks this year will be affected because of 12 high-seniority teachers returning from leaves and another 12 who are being trans-

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ferred involuntarily because of changes in school programs. They all have a chance at jobs before the 30 on the list are called back.

39 Farmington teachers pink-slipped

"This is the 15th year I've come to the board," said Coleman, in present-ing the information. "I like to call it a 'recall list."

COLEMAN SAID he could not speculate on how many teachers might be called back, because so much depends on situations in the district each year. "I prefer not to comment on it (because) you raise people's expectations," he said. "Any given day. or point in time, the number changes."

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Mayor's poll shows concerns

City hall to survey residents, 3A

By Joanne Mollezewski staff writer

Many Farmington Hills residents didn't mince words in expressing concerns about the city to Mayor. Terry Sever. "The city council has done little to change its poor public image developed over the last year. It seems not one mouth goes by without some contriversy, which draws attention to a council in troble with the poblic and themselves," said a Retto. "(Council members) seem to be

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Graphics arts teacher Denny Zaloski (left) works with student Eric Mort in the Farmington High print shop.

Teaching life skills **high o**n his agenda,

His work day is like a never-ending print

run.

In one corner of the room, students do typessetting and design. In another, the presses roll out a variety of Joba Other students are selecting grades of paper, contacting customers or handling a phone call. Jennis Zaleski is in the thick of it all.

Denni Zaieski is in the fuck of it all. The graphic arts veteran is supervising a besiness run completely by his students, to whom be teaches not only graphic arts but life skills. His base is at Farmington High School, but he has students from all three of the district's high schools.

"They learn to manage their time and basi-cally manage things — that's what life's all about," said Zaleski, excusing himself to bein

people

another student with a job order. 'I try to give them as many experiences as humanly

possible."

Zaleski was recently named Teacher of the
Year by an organization of secondary school
coordinators for special needs, the first time
he has received the award, which puts him at
the top of his field in the state.

IN HIS three levels of graphic arts courses, Zaieski works with all types of students — from these who will choose a career based on it, to others who simply want to learn graphic

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