Oakland's growth problems to spread to '90s

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tical significance. "It meant that
judges wouldn't have to turn felons
loose because there wasn't enough
space to keep them in jail."
Lawrence R. Pernick, D-South
field, and John G. Pappageorge, RTroy, were both concerned about the
absence of a master plan or strategy
for dealing with growth and related
problems in the 1990s.

"We need to develop a countywide development plan so growth is
based on our ability to provide services," saul' Pernick. "Oakdand County is endowed with parks, open spacs and a good quality of life. If we
leave everything up to the develop-



crs we will lose all that."

COUNTY GOVERNMENT handles Individual Issues well, said Pappageorge. "Solid waste, for example," he said. "The county tackled that problem head-on.

"But as the 1990s approach, I worry that we don't have an overall plan or strategy," he said. "We can't have a master land use like Troy has. But we should have a general idea about where we are and where we're going. That way we can handle change better."

Donn L. Wolf, R-Farmington Hills, said growth was the dominant issue of the 1980s and consequently roads to the 1980s and consequently roads to the commodate that growth weare of the 1980s. "Pis a matter of catching up, especially in the southwest part of the county," he said.



Mark W. Chester, R-Troy, agreed that solid waste was an important issue of the 1990s. But an equally problem, in his opinion, is sexual abuse of children.
"That's Why! I think developing the child sexual assault unit within the prosecutor's office (rat a cost of about 1400,000) was equally important scale. But that's no a different scale. But that's no a different county can make an impact."

MARILYNN E. GOSLING, R. Bloomfield Hills, said one pressing and the pression of the press

Commissioners balked earlier this year when the projected cost of the new courthouse was more than \$130 million. Commissioners appointed a task force composed of Oakland circuit judges, the executive, the sheriff, the clerk, the treasurer and three commissioners to trim costs.

The new courthouse is an offshood continued growth, Goshing said, as Oakland County adds four new judges (and supporting staff) over the next three years to handled more civil and criminal cases.

David L. Moffitt, R-Bloomfield

Township, said the county's continued growth will force more and more people to live closer together and thus be more dependent upon each other.

"The problems of the 1980s related to growth," Moffitt said. "That's not going to change in the 1990s. Consequently we will need a more regional approach to solving problems.

"Communities are so close and our infrastructure is crumbling so badly that we will need new approaches and new solutions."

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tired. But the other five countywide officeholders all are in their mid-fios, so the rest of the county slate is likely to turn over, beginning in 1992.

1992. In the ,980s, Republicans gained a stranglehold on the country slate and county board, in part because they centrolled redistricting, in part because the computerized GOP machinery and volunteers were so efficient. Democrats have 45 percent or more of the vote — but can a weakening union movement help them

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win their proportion of the offices?

And then there were two extremely important nonpartisan institu-

ison Oshiand University. The economic boom occurred around what used to be considered a "regional" university, and also because of OU's president, Joseph Champagne, who says OU's product is "knowledge in the form of graduating students, knowledge in the form of research, knowledge in the form of application and service." OU scrambled for status (and state money) as a research universi-

ty. Although enrollment stabilized in the 12,000 bailpark, OU won funds for a major new library in the '80s. Its '90s target' a selence building, 9. Oakland Community College. Under former industrialist Robert F. Roeclos, the two-year college developed its vocational-technical offerings in the early '80s. It became a major player in Job-training for new and existing industry. Later in the decade, OCC developed a major new constituency women Displaced women. Women seeking to enter the market place and the professions. They became and the professions. They became a

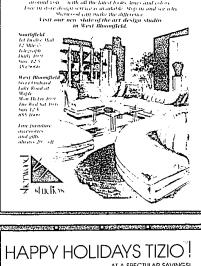
gave a lew lands to the following as the new chief executive in 1985. R. Stephen Nicholson came along as the new chief executive in 1985 and began adding still another thrust—computer literacy, emphasis on the arts and Oakland's role in a world economy. OCC made itself a wisible presence in downtown Pontiae. The changes are just beginning to show up.

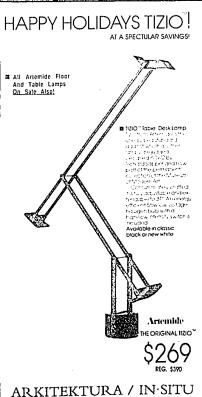
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