

Millage Wins, Salaries Hiked

EDITOR: I would like to stand on the highest hilltop in Livonia and yell out with all my might, "I am a sucker!"

I just got through reading that the Livonia teachers, principals, administrators, etc. got raises AGAIN, and also big chief Rolland Upton, the superintendent, maintains the \$35,000 pay.

I voted "yes" on June 14, because the day before voting, the residents of Livonia received at our doors a green colored sheet of paper with children pleading for 3% mill renewal, and begging the residents to vote "yes" because cuts "hurt kids."

It is a well known fact that Supt. Rolland Upton and William Craft always used the "kids" to get what they want. It is also a well known fact that Rolland Upton and William Craft did everything possible to get support from every source including the League of Women Voters, Livonia Jaycees, Citizens Committee for Livonia Schools, teachers, principals, administrators, and etc.

According to the pleadings and cries of the "kids," the demand for the 3.5 mill renewal looked urgent and serious. Even a six-year-old can see that as usual, the school officials and teachers, and principals, and the superintendent were more worried about not getting the constant raises.

MRS. MARGARET OLSEN Livonia

River Dirty, But No Money

EDITOR:

I am writing to you in regard to the Rouge River which runs next to my house. It's so full of debris and trash thrown in the creek, the water is green and stagnant. Washers, water tanks, car seats, garbage cans; even old tree limbs are thrown in and start to grow.

READERS' FORUM

Letters must be limited to 300 words. Letters must be signed, with the writer's address. Names will be withheld only at the writer's request and for good cause. Please type or write plainly. The editor reserves the right to reject unsuitable letters.

I called Mr. Osborne's office and was informed he was on sick leave. A lot more of us are sick also and the children play in the slimy water. At night when the wind blows it close my windows, the smell is so bad.

Mr. Osborne's secretary informed me they had no money. They would like to pay for such when no one does anything about it but make excuses?

I have lived here since 1938 and the Rouge River has never been cleaned here. This pollution is at Angling Road and Bridge Street at the bridge where the children play.

MARY COLEMAN Livonia

Thanks For Indian Aid

EDITOR:

We of Indian Enterprises, Inc. have recently received a shipment of clothing, food, toys, school supplies, etc. through the efforts of Mr. and Mrs. Hank Christchurch and the Western Wayne County Conservation Assn. to be distributed to our needy Indian families along the west side of the state.

Over 50 per cent of our people here make under \$4,000 a year and have families to support on it. Any and all help that we receive from the wonderful group of people including Mr. and Mrs. Christchurch is so badly needed and very much appreciated. Let the folks who contributed to this service know

that it was well received and that our people are grateful to them.

MRS. DOUGLAS PIERSON Secretary, Indian Enterprises, Inc., Rothbury, Mich.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Our June 23 edition listed persons who took part in this work, but one was omitted. Rider Truck Rentals, which donated the use of a truck to make the deliveries.

ONI's Creative Atmosphere

EDITOR:

Fantastic! This is the kind of word I would have used to describe my visit to your new plant on Saturday, and it seems inadequate to the experience.

As a journalist and visitor to countless newsrooms in my time, I have always been amazed at the depressing, dull, lifeless atmosphere to be found in those newsrooms, almost without exception.

I could not agree with you more in your analysis of newspaper people as creative people...and in your perception that such creative people need - must have - a creative atmosphere in which to do their work.

My congratulations on breaking the mold and doing it right. If there was anything missing in the whole open house circumstance, it seems to me it was a Nile of application forms at the desk. Surely if you had put those application forms out, many of the visitors would have filed one out. I find it hard to imagine a work circumstance more desirable than the one you have constructed for your people.

It is in keeping, as I well know, with your general efforts at excellence of product. Again, congratulations on a really splendid step forward.

DOWN SHELTON Director, Citizen Information Division, Metropolitan Fund Inc.

Hudson's Promotes 2

Two executives at J. L. Hudson's Westland store have been promoted. Richard W. Augustine, previously upstairs sales manager at Westland, has been promoted to assistant to the executive vice president for merchandising and publicity. He joined Hudson's in 1956.

Fred E. Retzlaff Jr., most recently division sales manager at Westland, has been named buyer of men's outerwear and rainwear. He joined Hudson's in 1966.

Free Dances Begin June 29

The Northland Center Merchants' Association is sponsoring free square dances every Tuesday night from 9 to 11 p.m. on the terrace during the summer. Bill Peterson will be one of the callers.

Dates for the dances are July 5, 13, 20 and 27 and Aug. 3, 10, 24 and 31.

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Deaths And Funerals

MRS. IMOENE BICKING - Funeral services were held June 23 for Mrs. Bicking, 82 of 23815 Pioneer, Farmington, in the Thayer Funeral Home in Farmington with burial at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens, Novi. Officiating was the Rev. Howard Snel of the Farmington First United Methodist Church.

Mr. Bicking, who died June 19 in St. Mary Hospital in Livonia after a long illness, was founder and owner of Springbrook Gardens Flower Shop in Farmington and had lived here since 1938. He was a member of the Farmington United Methodist Church for 71 years, past pastor and life member of Farmington Chapter 239 of the Order of Eastern Star, a life member of the Order of White Shrine No. 44, member of the Farmington Veterans Club, and first president of the Farmington Garden Club.

Survivors include: daughters, Mrs. Alma Mae Turner and Mrs. Christina Brown; sisters, Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mrs. Alma Hogue and Mrs. Jeanne Malow; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

89, of Detroit, in the Thayer Funeral Home in Farmington with burial in Oakwood Cemetery, Farmington. Officiating was the Rev. Hugo C. White of the First United Methodist Church of Farmington.

Mr. Hedberg, who died June 13 in Central Hall after a long illness, had been in Farmington for 25 years before moving to Detroit. Survivors include son, Eric; two brothers in Sweden; five grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

MARGARET M. HUDSON - Funeral services were held recently for Mrs. Hudson, 82, of 23781 Newhall Circle, Farmington, in the Thayer Funeral Home in Farmington with burial in Brookside. Officiating was the Rev. Howard Snel of the Farmington First United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Hudson, who died June 18 in Roosevelt General Hospital in Farmington after a short illness, had lived in Farmington for the past five years. Survivors include husband, John; daughter, Mrs. Margaret Longmatt; son, James; and two grandchildren.

FRANK MARK KRITZMAN - Funeral services were held recently for Mr. Kritzman, 43, of 18753 Oakwood, Farmington, who died June 14.

Mr. Kritzman, 43, is survived by his wife, Mary, and three children. Also surviving is his mother, Florence Krizman; his brothers and a sister.

Services were held in Our Lady of Loretto Church. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

CHARLES C. MELOW - Services for Mr. Melow, 88, of 14353 Haggart Rd., Plymouth, who died June 27, were held June 30 in the Schroder Funeral Home with the Rev. Paul Cargio officiating. Interment was in Riverside Mausoleum.

Mr. Melow was a farmer who was a lifelong resident of the area. He was a member of the First Methodist Church of Plymouth. He is survived by his wife, Mary, and one daughter, Mrs. Claude Heiseck of Plymouth.

KARL F. SCHNEIDER - Funeral services were held recently for Mr. Schneider, 75, of 21512 Orchard Lake, Farmington Township, in St. Paul Lutheran Church with burial in Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia. Arrangements were made by Hunter-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington with the Rev. Walter R. Rutkowski of St. Paul's officiating.

Mr. Schneider, who died June 14 in Broad General Hospital in Detroit after a short illness, had lived in Farmington for many years, was a retired baker for A&P, and an active member of the Farmington Senior Citizens Social Club. Survivors include wife, Julia; sons, Karl F. Jr., Eric, Robert; three brothers; and three sisters; and 18 grandchildren.

GEORGE E. THRALL - Services for Mrs. Thral, 87, a former Plymouth resident who had lived most recently in Detroit, were held in the First United Presbyterian Church of Plymouth with the Rev. Lewis E. Brown officiating following her death June 23 at Presbyterian Village. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery and arrangements were handled by the Schroder Funeral Home.

Mrs. Thral lived nearly half a century in Plymouth and was a member of the Presbyterian Church, the Plymouth Historical Society, Red Cross and Plymouth Garden Club. She is survived by one son, Donald, and four grandchildren.

LYNETTE K. GRIFFITHS - Services for Mrs. Griffiths, 88, of 1212 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, who died June 24 in the Hendry Convalescent Home, were held in the Schroder Funeral Home with the Rev. Henry J. Welch of Farmington officiating.

Mrs. Griffiths was a native of Fayette, Ohio, and a graduate of the Fayette Normal College. She was a member of the Plymouth Women's Club, the Plymouth Birthday Ladies Hospital Group and Hawthorn Valley Country Club. Her great uncle was John Colter Meigs Lewis and Clark expedition.

Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Louis R. (Betty) Janet Bursa, of Ann Arbor; one brother, Don Fitzsimons, of two grandsons, Memorex; and one grand-daughter, Mary. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery and arrangements were handled by the Schroder Funeral Home in Farmington.

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CLARA A. HEDBERG - Funeral services were held recently for Mrs. Hedberg,

den Club. She is survived by one son, Donald, of New York City.

FLOYD G. WEBB, SR. - Funeral services were held recently for Mr. Webb, 55, of 28435 Riverchase, Farmington, in the Thayer Funeral Home in Farmington with burial in Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia. Officiating was the Rev. Carl H. Schults of the Salem United Church of Christ, Farmington.

Mr. Webb, who died June 19 in Sinai Hospital in Detroit after a long illness, had lived in Farmington for 14 years. He was a salesman for the Upton Coat and World War II veteran. Survivors include wife, Mary Ann; sons, Floyd G. Jr., Charles, Susan and Henry; and brother, Eugene and Edgar.

ELTON G. WILLIAMS - Services for Mr. Williams, 50, of 2181 N. Huron, Plymouth, who died June 24 in Veterans Hospital, Ann Arbor, were held in the Schroder Funeral Home with the Rev. Henry Welch officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery.

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