

County Safety Program Praised By Expert

"Evaluating Highway Safety Programs -- County Progress" was the topic of an address delivered today by Bruce B. Madson, Managing Director of the Traffic Improvement Association of Oakland County (TIA), before the opening session of the Traffic Section of the 58th National Safety Congress.

Stating that the administrative complexity of county government makes it more difficult to establish safety program priorities in counties than at other governmental levels, Madson cited Oakland County as an example of a dramatic breakthrough.

He told her a comprehensive study by a citizen group provided a basis for a 12-point, countywide program of traffic priorities.

"Accident statistics in Michigan, a year or so ago, revealed that, of all rural miles traveled, 42 per cent were on county roads. Yet, these miles accounted for 48 per cent of rural traffic deaths, 52 per cent of rural traffic injuries and 84 per cent of rural property damage accidents.

For counties in particular, an obvious need is that of establishing a workable system of traffic records maintenance, analysis and use, along with a sound program of identification and surveillance of accident locations.

Madson called attention to a survey of traffic operations conducted in more than half of Michigan's more populous counties by the Michigan State University Highway Traffic Safety Center.

Of the counties surveyed -- some 50 of them included in this study -- there were only five in which accident records were being used by engineers to identify high hazard locations.

None of the other engineers regularly received copies of the reports of accidents occurring on the road network over which they had jurisdiction. None of the other county engineers maintained location files of accidents.

None of the other county engineers maintained traffic accident spot maps, or even had traffic accident summaries available in their offices.

Madson described the current traffic activities in many of the nation's larger counties as "extremely fragmented."

WASHINGTON -- This year's cost of living which is the highest since the Korean War, has dropped two-tenths of one per cent according to the Labor Department.

Prices of groceries, used cars and home mortgage interest rates dropped in September, while clothing, housing and medical costs rose.

Predicted monthly rises in the last quarter of this year are almost certain to push the total 1968 cost of living up more than four per cent.

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ELECTION DAY TUESDAY, NOV. 5th



HIS DREAM -- Russ McQueen, president of The Vendettas Motorcycle Club, has one aspiration in life -- to do as he pleases within the limits of the law and be left alone by other people.

Cycle Club President Says, 'Leave Us Alone, And We'll Do Same'

By DAVID SARTIN

Man is a social being. He surrounds himself with friends that believe in the same ideals, with people who provide security from foreign thinking and with people who look and act like himself.

There are Democrats and Republicans and Elks and Moose and Masons and Jaycees and Auxiliaries and Eagles and Golden Eagles.

Some groups are socially accepted by others and some are not, depending to which group the particular person belongs.

According to a 26-year-old Farmington truck driver and father, one group will never be accepted by anyone other than the members.

"MOTORCYCLE riders are just not understood," Russ McQueen said.

"We're not hippies or anything else -- just people who ride together because drivers don't have respect for motorcycle riders.

"It's just as if soon you run off the road as look at you."

McQueen, who is president of "The Vendettas," an 18-man motorcycle club based in Redford Township, said that motorcycle riders are not against anyone, but want to be left alone.

"I was always taught that you can't judge a person by how he talks, or looks -- but how he acts," McQueen said.

"I think highly of a person until he proves me wrong, then I don't have anything to do with him.

"Everybody in the club works, and pays taxes and nobody is in trouble with the police."

McQueen told the Farmington Enterprise & Observer that the Vendettas is an organized club with bylaws and regulations, just like any other social group.

Club members have to earn 80 points a year to remain an active member. Fifty miles of group riding is worth one point, he said. The club has 18 active members.

McQueen was invited to the office on two separate occasions for interviewing and pictures. He did not want his home address identified and chose to come to our office rather than meet the reporter on neutral grounds.

FOR THE FIRST meeting, he wore clean, blue denim pants, leather, calf-length boots and a western cut, denim sleeveless jacket. His handshake was firm and greeting sincere. The interview lasted for more than two hours and his grammar was casual, but accurate.

He brought two club members with him. One identified himself as Dale Bennett, from "around everywhere."

Most of Bennett's answers to direct questions were contradictory to McQueen and some were later qualified.

"It took me two years to get this jacket as dirty as it is," the 19-year-old cyclist said.

"I do things to make people mad, just because I know that I can make them mad. If people would let me alone, then I'd be different."

Without interrupting Bennett, McQueen said:

"You've got to remember that he's one of the younger members."

THE VENDETTAS have been accused of harassing the Redford Township neighborhood where the club meets. Residents went to the Redford Township Board of Trustees meeting earlier this month asking that the club be banned from the township.

"The police have ticketed riders and people who came to our meetings for not having a light over the vehicle's license plate," McQueen said, "but no other charge has been good."

"It seems that police would rather set in front of the meeting and wait for one of us to do something wrong, than stop people for running stop signs."

McQueen said that he had seen police watch motorists run a neighborhood stop sign while watching club activity.

"Now which is more important," McQueen asked, "a ticket for no light over the plate or a ticket for running a stop sign?"

Stamen Student Receives Support Art On Display

Reappointment of Fraser A. Stamen as chairman of the Oakland County Road Commission to another six-year term has been recommended by the roads committee of the County Board of Supervisors.

A vote on the recommendation will be held by the entire board at its meeting Nov. 12.

At present, the chairman post on the three-man commission pays \$12,000 per year.

Also to be considered on that date is the salary for the commission chairman.

The supervisors Ways and Means Committee has recommended reducing the pay to perhaps as low as \$4,000, in effect making the position part time. The roads committee disagrees with this proposal.

Stamen was appointed in 1963 to his first six-year term. For 10 years prior to that, Stamen, 64, was supervisor of Novi Township. He resigned that post to become road commissioner.

Under its present format, the Board of Supervisors makes road commission appointments every two years, with each of the commissioners serving six-year terms.

Named Queen

Farmington, a former resident of Farmington, has been chosen Homecoming Queen at Eastern Michigan University. A 1966 graduate of Farmington High School, she was the 1966 FIS Homecoming Queen.

Art works by many Farmington students are represented in the traveling art exhibition currently on display at Farmington's school administration building. The exhibit has been arranged by the Oakland Art Education Association.

Purpose of this ninth annual exhibit is to acquaint Oakland County residents with timely examples of art education within public schools.

Mrs. Beverly Ellis, art consultant at Woodlands and Forest Elementary Schools, was responsible for bringing the collection to Farmington after its appearance at Northland.

The cover of the exhibit's brochure was designed by Lynn Lower, 12-year-old Farmington student.

Other local children with works on display are Joan Daly, Kathy Randall, Mike McGoughan, Leslie Spoutz, Jerry Starny, Jeff Powers, Debbie Grozo, Nancy Postiff, Cynthia Frey and Meredith Flie.

ANN ARBOR -- Students of the University of Michigan met to discuss a proposed boycott of classes on Nov. 2 and 5 as a protest over what organizers call "three pro-Vietnam war presidential candidates."

On Nov. 5, striking students from other Michigan universities will join U-M students on Eastern Michigan campus in what organizers call a "mass action and confrontation with the University."

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- National Joint Committee on Uniform Traffic Control Devices, Member
- National Joint State-County Highway Committee, Member
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OFFICIAL NOTICE OF SALE
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OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN

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Said bids for the purchase of the heretofore described bonds to be issued by Farmington Public Schools, Oakland County, Michigan will be received by the undersigned at the office of the Board of Education, 2324 Shawanee, in the City of Farmington, Michigan, until 12:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time, on Tuesday, the 12th day of November, 1968, at which time and place said bids will be publicly opened and read.

The said bonds will consist of two issues to be awarded together as a unit, as follows:

(1) "Building and Site Bonds, Series 1968 A" in the aggregate principal sum of \$100,000.00, which will mature on May 1, 1972 and principal amount of \$100,000.00 in each of the years 1972 to 1982. \$100,000.00 in each of the years 1972 to 1982. \$100,000.00 in each of the years 1972 to 1982. All years inclusive. The said bonds were approved by the Board of Education on June 11, 1968, and the cost of preparing, printing and distributing the same is estimated to be \$10,000.00. The said bonds are to be used for the purpose of defraying the cost of erecting, furnishing and equipping an addition to the Farmington Senior High School building and as part of the new Senior High School building, a new Junior High School building, a new elementary school building, and additional site and building improvements including school buildings and the furnishing and equipping thereof, and acquiring and developing site and making other improvements.

The bonds of each issue will be dated as of September 1, 1968, will be negotiable as to principal only on the bonds of the par value, and will bear interest from their date at a rate of rates as follows: 5% per cent per annum, payable on November 1, 1968, and thereafter semi-annually on May 1 and November 1. Each bid shall state the interest rate or rates upon which it is submitted, expressed in multiples of 1/8 or 1/16, or any combination thereof. The highest bid shall be of either said issues shall not be more than twice the lowest bid of either said issues. The interest on the bonds shall be at one rate and shall be represented by only one coupon each coupon period and all bonds of the same issue shall be of the same year shall carry the same interest rate. Accrued interest in date of delivery of the bonds must be paid by the bidder at the time of delivery.

Bonds of each issue maturing in the years 1968 through 1969 will be subject to redemption by the school district prior to maturity, in inverse numerical order, in any one or more interest payment dates on or after May 1, 1968. Provided, however, that the school district shall have the right to call for redemption, in inverse numerical order, any said bonds of either issue which bear interest at a higher rate before the maturity of the bonds, and which shall be called for redemption. Bonds so called for redemption shall be redeemed at par and accrued interest plus a premium on each bond in accordance with the following schedule:

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Notice of redemption shall be given by publication not less than 30 days prior to the date fixed for redemption, in at least one in a newspaper or publication circulated in the City of Detroit, Michigan, and in one issue of the regular service, notice of the rate of maturity of bonds, and the date and method of redemption, by sending such notice by registered mail to the registered holder at his registered address, not less than thirty (30) days prior to the date fixed for redemption, and the holder of such redemption shall not bear interest after the date fixed for redemption provided funds are on hand with the paying agent at the time of redemption. The remaining bonds will not be subject to redemption prior to maturity. All bonds of the same issue (but not necessarily the same issue) shall be payable at the same bank or trust company, which shall be designated by the original purchaser of the bonds, and which shall be payable as per the designation under the laws of the State of Michigan or the Federal Government. Likewise qualified co-operating agents may also be designated. The designation of paying and co-operating agents shall be subject to the right of the school district to discontinue the same by resolution of the Board of Education adopted, not later than the third day after such designation.

The said bonds of each issue will be the general obligations of said school district, which is authorized and required by law to levy upon all the taxable property therein such ad valorem taxes as may be necessary to pay the bonds and the interest thereon, without limitation of the amount or amount, as provided in Section 16, Article IX, of the Michigan Constitution.

For the purpose of awarding the bonds, the interest cost of each bid will be computed by determining, at the rate or rates specified therein, the total dollar value of all interest on the bonds of each issue from December 1, 1968 respectively maturing and due the interest on any given date. The bonds of both issues combined will be awarded to the bidder who bid on the above computation and propose the lowest interest cost to the school district for the bonds of both issues. No proposal for a bid in excess of less than all of the bonds of both issues or at a price less than their par value will be considered.

A certified or cashier's check in the amount of \$10,000.00 drawn upon an incorporated bank or trust company and payable to the order of the Treasurer of the school district, must accompany each bid as a guarantee of good faith on the part of the bidder. To be furnished upon award of the bonds, the bidder will be allowed to be furnished with a copy of the County of Michigan, Chicago, Illinois, or New York, New York, at the expense of the school district. Payment shall be made in Federal Reserve funds.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

Envelopes containing the bids should be plainly marked "Proposal for bonds."

SANFORD BLOMBERG, M.D.
Secretary, Board of Education

APPROVED: OCTOBER 22, 1968
STATE OF MICHIGAN
MUNICIPAL FINANCE COMMISSION

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT the above-mentioned issue of bonds has been qualified to the extent of 100 per cent by the Michigan Department of Public Instruction pursuant to Act 124 of the Public Act of 1961, as amended.

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