

Farmington Grad Aids WSU Drive

A noted Detroit physician and an executive of the Automobile Manufacturers Association have been elected by the Wayne State Fund board of directors to lead its campaign during 1965.

Chosen as chairman of the board is Dr. Don W. McLean, 26760 Bloomfield Drive, Labrosse Village. A graduate of Wayne State's School of Medicine, he has been president of the Wayne County Medical Society and is currently serving as chairman of the Michigan State Health Fair. Dr. McLean succeeds Samuel N. Gershenson, 19565 Cumberland Way, president of Golden Key models.

Promoted to the presidency of the Fund is Dr. Robert C. Lusk, director of Educational Services for the A.M.A., who received both his master's and doctoral degrees from the University of Michigan. A former president of the University Alumni Association and winner of an alumni award in 1963, Dr. Lusk is also chairman of the Michigan Department of Public Instruction Curriculum Planning Committee.

Leslie R. Schmeier, 15935 Lauderdale, secretary of the Hamilton Construction Company, is the new first vice-president. Other alumni elected as vice-presidents are Robert W. Hagen, 58 Manor Road, Birmingham, comptroller of Federal-Mogul Power Bearings, Inc.; Maxwell Joseph, 8251 Lincoln Drive, Huntington Woods, general manager of Production Steel Strip Corporation; Dr. Robert LeAnderson, 10712 Edinboro, enough, assistant superintendent in the Detroit Public Schools; and Hans A. Matthias, 2555 Eddleburgh Drive, Birmingham, chief engineer of Ford Division.

Named as secretary is Mrs. J. Edwin Dworkin, 31401 Stonewood, Court West, Farmington, secretary and treasurer of the Dore and Rose-View Building Company. Seven new directors elected to six-year terms on the board are: Mary G. Ball, 15892 Rose-

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What's Burning?

The Livonia Fire Department has responded at 2147 West. There were 12 rescue runs this week's period and thus far this year there has been over 350 rescue runs.

Last Saturday night, a house fire in the northern part of the city pointed up one of the Fire Department's contentions. Here are the ingredients: The parents are going out for the evening and a babysitter is called in. Four small children are involved. A fire occurs in the rear of the home at 11:30 p.m. The babysitter called the Fire Department; however she knew only the street name and described the street in front of the home. She did not know the exact address. The Fire Dispatcher instructed her to get the children out of the home first. She did so. The fire was brought under control with no injuries to firemen reported.

The Wayne State Fund was created in 1954 by a distinguished group of former students to encourage alumni giving by alumni and friends who wished to share in the progress of the University which has now grown to an enrollment of 25,000. Since its establishment, the Fund has raised over \$700,000 and has assets of almost a quarter-million dollars. Its main objectives are the support of scholarship and other funds, faculty research and recognition awards, and programs to promote University interpretation to the community.

Hudson's Picks Harms To Direct Branch
Promotion of John W. Harms to the position of Vice President and Manager of Branch Stores was announced by Joseph L. Hudson Jr., President, The J. L. Hudson Company.

Manager of Hudson's Eastland store since August, 1959, Harms will assume his new position on Feb. 1. He will be responsible for directing the management of all Hudson's branch stores.

The chap who fails to bridge his tongue is apt to be saddled with many troubles.

\$1 Minimum Wage Started January 1

BY ATTORNEY GENERAL FRANK J. KELLEY

(This is one of a series of public service articles explaining in general terms a provision of Michigan law which will take effect on Jan. 1, 1965. It is not intended to determine the effect of any law upon their private legal affairs should consult a private attorney.)

With all the attention being given to wage negotiations in Michigan industries, little attention has been paid to Michigan's new minimum wage law which goes into effect on January 1, 1965. There are several items in this new law which are important.

1. All employers in the State, who are not subject to the provisions of the federal minimum wage law and who employ four or more persons between the ages of 18 and 65 at any one time are covered.
2. Any employee between the ages of 18 and 65 who works for an employer for more than 13 weeks in any four consecutive three-month periods is entitled to be paid the minimum wage.
3. Seasonal as well as permanent employment is included.
4. Room and board provided to the employee by an employer may be determined by the Wage Control Board to be a part of the minimum wage paid to such employee.

The new law applies to all types of employment, including service establishments such as hotels, motels, nursing homes, dry cleaners, laundries, retail stores, gas stations, etc. Farm employment is also included.



LIVONIA FIREMEN EXTINGUISHED A blaze that destroyed the upper floor of a glass firm at 25780 Plymouth Rd. shortly before midnight Monday. The fire was brought under control with no injuries to firemen reported.



By JOHN MILLHONEY
Chairman, Farmington Citizens For Human Relations
There is a phrase that has become common usage in the press. It is "white suburbia." It creeps into reports, news stories, books and conversations.

It should make any suburbanite, with any feeling of love or sense of fairness toward his fellowmen, cringe with shame. It means the suburbs have failed to perform a vital democratic role—that of intermingling Americans of different backgrounds into a nation that gives meaning to such words as freedom and justice.

Our Marlon Blue conformity has lost us more than it has gained. It has cost us a chance to participate thus far in the exciting drive for equal human rights that is reaching a climax in the mid-60's.

It has cost us the pleasure of friendships with many of our fellow citizens because of differences in skin pigmentation which should be insignificant. But, worst of all, it has cost us our consciences, because we profess fairness and equality from a sanctuary that makes a life of such glib words.

Fortunately, there are encouraging signs of protest against this suburban contradiction. There is widespread acceptance by religious leaders that it takes positive action to make the "brotherhood of man" more than a glib cliché. There is the sudden springing up of some 30 suburban human relations councils like those in Farmington, Livonia, Plymouth and Northville.

No one can speak for their collective view, but I see in them a recognition that changes will and should take place in the housing, education and employment practices of suburbia.

That these changes are coming was the message of the demonstrations of the past two years—children facing police dogs and fire hoses with the rhythmic chant, "We shall overcome."

One tenth of the nation is tired of being denied its rights to equal citizenship. The suburban human relations groups have, I feel positioned themselves in the turbulent and challenging middle ground between these demands for equal rights and suburban communities which hear these demands, all too distantly.

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Michigan Freshman Know Their English

ANN ARBOR—The University of Michigan is finding its freshmen better prepared in English than ever before.

So pronounced has been this improvement that a Michigan's College of Literature, Science and the Arts recently announced a reduction of the requirement of freshman English for its students from six hours to three.

"We at Michigan would appear to be in a more fortunate position than is the case of several other universities which have been complaining that their entering freshmen are woefully ill-prepared in English," notes Dean William Haber.

However, the U-M dean continues, the Michigan decision to require only one term of freshman English instead of two was made after long study.

Says Dean Haber: "Factors determining this decision included the continued and substantial improvements in programs of high school English, the increasing stringency of admission standards in the college, the improved performance of entering freshmen on scholastic aptitude and other tests, the rising grade average of the college population, the decrease in freshman attrition, and the rising level of competence demonstrated by students in freshman English courses."

Though the English requirement has been reduced, Prof. Warner G. Rice, chairman of the English department, points out, it has not been abolished. A second term of English will also be available for those who desire it, as well as for those who require six hours for graduation, to a professional school.

One thing that is most clearly evident, Dean Haber says, is that "instruction in

high school English for the college-bound student has improved considerably during the past decade. Accordingly, one term's work in freshman composition which stresses rhetorical principles seems sufficient for a majority of students."

Professor Rice reveals that the English department has proposed that the college set up a writing laboratory where students with serious problems to overcome could be given special direction and supervision.

"The charges that high school students learn little English is true when they are directed toward those who are not being prepared for college, and those

in the lower quarter of their high school class," he says.

"There is of course a considerable difference between the best-prepared and the worst-prepared in the college group. But almost none who come to Michigan are inadequately trained in spelling and the 'decencies' of punctuation, usage and grammatical structure."

Writing, however expertly it is taught, is learned only through years of practice, Rice states. "The department cannot make a finished writer in a one-term course; if it insures a good beginning at the college level, teachers in other departments must carry on with frequent written assignments."

Motorists Warned to Halt Winter 'Driving Blunders'

Motorists make more driving blunders in winter than at any other time of the year, according to Professor A. H. Easton, Director, Motor Vehicle Research Laboratory, University of Wisconsin.

"This is because motorists do not adjust to winter's twin accident-producing conditions—reduced visibility and inadequate traction," the nationally known traffic safety expert said.

As Chairman of the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards which annually conducts extensive tests of vehicle equipment, Easton enumerated the Committee's recommendations as follows:

1. Get the feel of the road by accelerating carefully to see if the wheels spin then brake to see if they skid. This should be done at low speed and away from other traffic. If the car doesn't respond as expected, reduce driving speed, steer gently and smoothly, use gas and brake pedals sparingly.

2. Increase your following distance. Never tailgate. On clear dry roads a safe following distance is one vehicle length for every 10 miles per hour of speed. On snow-and-ice-covered highways it takes 3 to 12 times as far to stop, so lengthen your following distance accordingly.

3. "Pump" your brakes when you see you have to stop or slow down—don't jam them on. Slamming on the brakes may cause you to lose control. To pump brakes properly, press and release the brake pedal rapidly one or twice a second. This pumping action lets your wheels roll and allows you to maintain steering control. This prevents skids.

4. Have good tires with good treads. In more than 25 years of traction testing, the Committee has found that good tire treads are always superior to smooth treads. Even better are

snow tires which provide half again as much pulling power in snow as regular tires.

5. Always carry, reinforced the chains in the trunk of your car and put them on when conditions are severe. These provide four to five times as much traction on snow or ice as regular tires. After putting on the chains, drive a few blocks to allow them to adjust themselves. Then stop and take up the slack. This assures a snug fit which is best for maximum performance and maximum mileage. Take time to remove chains when they are no longer needed.

6. Keep your windshield and windows clear at all times. Replace wiper blades that may have been baked dry by summer sun. Fanscure on blade arms should be at least once an ounce for each inch of blade length. See that your windshield washer solution contains anti-freeze.

"Wise winter motorists who follow these simple rules," Prof. Easton said, "will preserve the traction and visibility needed for safe winter driving."

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