

# Poindexter to Speak on States' Rights at Farmington Forum

Controversial Detroit Council member Thomas L. Poindexter will be on the panel when the Farmington Community Forum holds its second session, at the University-Unitarian Church of Farmington, on Thursday, Feb. 25. The subject for discussion is "States Rights—What is all the Fuss About?"

Others on the panel will be George Crockett, a prominent Negro attorney; a husband and wife team on writers, James and



Grace Lee. Poindexter is the editor of the Detroit Free Press, and the editorial staff of the Observer Newspaper. A sixth speaker will be added to the panel.

Crockett is a member of the Detroit law firm of Good-

man, Crockett, and Eden. He is being mentioned in the Detroit press as a possible candidate for the Common Council. He spent last summer in Mississippi, as co-chairman of "Legal Assistance in the South," under the auspices of the Lawyers Guild.

Boggs was born 46 years ago, in Marion Junction, Ala., a hard-core segregationist area of Dallas County.

He left the south as a young

man, hitch-hiking his way through the western part of the country; working as a field hand in Washington; and as an ice-cutting in Minnesota. He ended his journey in Detroit, where he worked in the WPA, until the start of the Second World War. When the War started, Boggs went into defense work. He has been a factory employee ever since.

By his own confession, he has also been a rebel. His militancy has earned him a reputation.

He was one of the original signers of a highly publicized document, "The Trade Revolution," along with Gunnar Myrdal, Linus Pauling, Michael Harrington, W. H. Ferry, Robert Theobald, and other luminaries of the intellectual left.

This document refers to the revolutionary changes in weapons, technology, and human

relations. One of its proposals is that there should be a guaranteed income to all—whether they work or not. The document sought to establish "the traditional link between jobs and incomes."

Mrs. Boggs earned a Doctor's Degree in Philosophy, from Bryn Mawr College. She has been a writer, and an editor.

Most recently, she was campaign co-ordinator for the "Freedom Now" Party. "Freedom

Now" is the most militant of the civil rights groups in Michigan. It demands greater speed in the progress of the movement, and exclusive Negro control over it.

The Boggs are unashamedly leftwingers.

Roosevelt earned a Master's Degree in History at Wayne State University. He worked as a journalist in Mississippi last summer. He describes himself

as "liberal and moderate."

Newly-elected Councilman Poindexter has been the subject of considerable public attention recently, as the result of his announcement that he may run against Mayor Jerome P. Cavanaugh.

About his appearance in Farmington, Poindexter said: "If they expect me to be 100% for states' rights, they're going to be disappointed."

## AT FARMINGTON TOWNSHIP SITE

# New College Campus Will Rise by 1967

Oakland Community College will open its Farmington Township branch, in the fall of 1966. Its campus will be completed exactly a year later—at a cost of ten million dollars.

When the campus is completed, in September, 1967,

## Fluoride Program Is Success

Three years ago, the Farmington Area PTA Council, with the cooperation of State and County Health Departments and the Board of Education, began the Topical Fluoride treatment program in the Farmington Schools.

According to the Council, the acceptance of this program last year surpassed all expectations, "and even though the percentage of participants has increased appreciably, there are still some children not receiving the benefits of tooth decay prevention. The cost is \$3 per child."

Each child's teeth are cleaned, then a series of four successive applications of 2 per cent sodium fluoride solution is applied directly to the surface of the teeth.

Tests have proven this technique will prevent tooth decay up to 40 per cent, and gives immediate protection. While the topical fluoride treatment both fluoridation of water is approved by Dental authorities, the full benefit of supplementing water with fluoride is realized unless the water consumed was fluoridated during the entire period of tooth development.

For this reason topical applications are needed for about five years after fluoridation begins to protect teeth that develop.

A question arises frequently about the application of fluoride causing discoloration.

Perhaps the reason for the question is that the benefits of fluoride in the reduction of tooth decay was discovered while dental scientists were searching for the reason some individuals' teeth were mottled with chalky white, brown, or black discoloration. It was determined through this effort the mottling of the enamel was limited to certain geographic areas, and was found only among those people who were born and raised in the area, or who became residents early in childhood. Although water was suspected as the cause of this condition, it was not until much later that a chemist was able to prove that water consumed in those areas contained fluoride.

It was also discovered that the prevalence of tooth decay was reduced among children with the mottling condition. After further research it was determined that water containing low amounts of fluoride would not cause discoloration, but would still reduce tooth decay. The 2 per cent solution is sufficient to reduce decay without discoloring teeth.

## Human Relations Group Meets, Changes Name

A regular meeting of the Farmington Citizens for Better Human Relations was held Jan. 28 at the Farmington University-Unitarian Church. It was unanimously agreed that the former, so meagre a name as some, organizational title be changed to Farmington Human Relations Council.

Guest speaker, Mr. Robert R. Tindal, executive secretary for the Detroit Chapter of NAACP, spoke of the differing roles and functions of civil rights groups such as CORE, SNCC (SNCC) and NAACP.

To rumors of great NAACP wealth available for forced integration in housing he replied that NAACP is chronically short of money for even office help and salaries and often solicits public subscriptions to remain solvent while such sums as a current \$300,000 are retained by Southern courts as cash bail.

In addition to their other activities the NAACP has begun an intensive educational program in the North to encourage Negroes to exercise their rights as voters.

He expressed particular appreciation for local human relations councils and their efforts to promote an atmosphere of peaceful recognition of equality in human rights.

## Inventors Class

Bernard J. Cantor, 29746 Greenwood, Farmington, will conduct a 12 week adult education course, at Wayne State University, designed for inventors, businessmen, designers, engineers, and others interested in new inventions, patents, and new product marketing. Cantor is a patent attorney. The class will begin on Monday, Feb. 8, at 8 p.m., at the Technology Center, 640 Temple, in Detroit.

## Oakland Co. Picks Officer Clare Gates

The Oakland County Community Mental Health Services Board soon will hire its first staff member to help operate the fledgling county-wide mental health program.

The Board authorized its staffing committee at a special meeting Thursday to complete negotiations with D. Clare Gates, of Pleasant Ridge, for the \$16,500 per year position.

Gates is public health consultant for the United Community Services of Metropolitan Detroit, on loan to the Board since last May for the purpose of helping to establish the county mental health program in Oakland County. He is expected to take his new job on February 8.

Gates 6 Woodland Court, Pleasant Ridge, has had 27 years of experience in public health planning and research. He holds a master's degree in public health from the University of Michigan. He helped lay the ground work in Oakland County for the community mental health program, which was approved by the State in December.

In 1953 he directed a survey of the health and medical care services in Oakland County at the request of the Board of Supervisors. The findings of the survey in the area of mental health prompted the development of the Community Mental Health Services program.

Gates will be responsible to the psychiatrist director for budgeting, purchasing and managing the non-medical services of the program. His duties include assisting the director in promoting and developing the program.

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Maurice Dever, foreman of delivery, gives credit for this to the public for mailing early.

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## Council Meets Plan to Widen Farmington Rd.

At its meeting of Feb. 1 the Farmington City Council voted on record as requesting the Oakland County Road Commission to proceed with engineering plans for the widening of Farmington Road to four lanes from Eight Mile Road to Nine Mile Road. Further, that the Commission inquire into the feasibility of widening the road to six lanes from Nine Mile Road to the city limits.

It was shown that the County would have bonding capacity from the motor vehicle highway receipts to cover their share, 25 per cent, of the project cost.

In other action, the Council refused to force the Mechanical Construction Co., presently working on the new Industrial Drive, to move its truckwell from the motor vehicle highway to the adjacent subdivision had complained about the noise problem.

On the proposed relief sewer for Valleyview Dr., the Council specified more study.

The Council authorized City Manager John Dinan to get bids on sewer and water extension for the new Industrial Drive.

The Council expressed disapproval of the Farmington Township's quick decision on how the proposed new library should be financed. It requested the Library Board a more detailed study.

## Bill Conroy Is Chairman

At its general meeting, on Tuesday, Jan. 26, the Farmington Board of Commerce elected its Board of Directors. On Thursday morning the Board of Directors met, and chose their officers. The following people were elected:

William Conroy, of Farmington Insurance, He has been a member of the Board, and had a year to go on a previous two year term.

Ken Ekstrom, of Ekstrom Electric, Vice Chairman. Dick MacPherson, of the National Bank of Detroit, Treasurer. He too, had a year to go on a previous two year term.

Frank Strye, Secretary.

The Board of Directors consists of Dr. Donald Krohn, O.B. Mike Kiley, of the Farmington Enterprise; William Bowman, of Thompson Brown; Ed Baldwin, Manager of the Farmington Center Corp.; and attorney Ned Ogelsby.

Ogelsby is the retired Past Chairman of the Board.



THE FARMINGTON LEAGUE OF Women Voters held a meeting at the home of Vern McHaney, 30323 Wicklow Rd., Farmington Twp., on Jan. 26. Among the participants, seated on the left, Mrs. McHaney, and Mrs. Charles Stevenson. In the rear, from left to right, Mrs. Howard Perry, Mrs. Walter Over-

## Planning Board Offers Changes in Zoning Code

The next meeting of the Farmington Planning Commission will be held on Feb. 8.

A number of changes have been suggested by the Commission members—a partial list of which is included in this article. The commission will vote to throw them out at its next meeting. It hopes to meet with the adjacent-property holders at that meeting.

With respect to the property located on the west side of Farmington Rd. north of Freedom Drive, which is to be rezoned from R-2 to the new ERO (Education Research Office), the Planning Commission reached the consensus opinion "that the setback requirements in this proposed regulation could be strengthened considerably because of the size of the property in question to insure more protection to the adjacent residential properties."

Specifically, they find that: "The setback should be increased from 50 to 150 feet and that 50 feet adjacent to residential properties be left in its natural state for the landscaping, with no parking allowed."

"That the side yard be increased from 40 to 75 feet adjacent to residential properties with a combined side yard of 100 feet between buildings, 50 feet retained in its natural state for landscaping purpose with no parking or driveways allowed."

"Front setback be increased from 40 to 100 feet for landscaping purpose with no parking allowed."

"Under Section 7, Uses Requiring Zoning Appeals, ERO and Permit relating to manufacturing when incidental to the principal use be deleted so that manufacturing is allowed."

## Town Club Meets Feb. 3 Hears Lawyer

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Mr. Berrien C. Eaton, Jr., attorney for Munir, Canfield, Eccles and Stone, will be the guest speaker. His talk will be "Wills and Legal Matters a Wife Should Know About."

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Commission "that traffic could be controlled so that it would only have ingress and egress from Grand River and not Thomas St. That the properties on Thomas St. could not be developed for commercial purposes without being tied in with the frontage on Grand River because of the minimum lot area for 22,000."

The Commission also reached the consensus, with regard to this area, that the proposed rezoning could be controlled to avoid all of our problems of traffic, split use of property and increased taxation on the residential properties."

## Nolan Blasts Twp. Dems

Tom Nolan, chairman of the Farmington Township Democratic Party, has issued to the Observer a follow-up on a recent criticism he leveled at the Township Democrats.

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## To Speak at Church

On Thursday, Feb. 4, Rev. James Savage, Missionary from Venezuela, will be guest speaker at Bethel Baptist Church 21401 Farmington Rd. at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Savage is the son of Dr. H. H. Savage, former pastor at the First Baptist Church of Pontiac. The public is cordially invited.

## Econ. Board Criticized

At the Feb. 1 meeting of the Farmington City Council, the City's Economic Committee came in for some criticism. It was inspired by the fact that the Committee, which once met monthly, now meets only quarterly, and that at its last meeting on Jan. 27, only four members showed up.