

In Murder of Dentist
Jury Finds Farmington Man 'Not Guilty'

The jury in the Welles Herrington murder trial, after hearing testimony for almost a week, deliberated for about two hours on Tuesday and found the Farmington brewery executive not guilty. His wife burst into tears at the verdict. And Judge Stanton C. Dondoro congratulated both the defense attorney, James Lawson, and the Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor James Roberts on their brilliant legal duel.



FRIENDLY ANTAGONISTS, Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor James Roberts and James Lawson, attorney for murder defendant Welles Herrington, discuss the case. The two attorneys carried on a tense and brilliant duel. Of Roberts, Lawson said: "He is as good a trial lawyer as there is."



WELLES HERRINGTON is seen here with members of his family, outside of the Court Room, immediately after Assistant Prosecutor James Roberts had urged the jury to find him guilty of murder in the first degree. From left to right: a friend of his daughter Danielle; Danielle herself; Mr. Herrington; and his wife Betty.

MSU Pays Honors to 9 in Area

Nine area students were among 545 receiving degrees at Michigan State University's winter term commencement exercises.

The graduates included 49 candidates for Ph. D. degrees, 216 for master's and 630 for bachelor's degrees. Another 23 were candidates for the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree and five for diplomas for Advanced Graduate Study.

The list of area graduates included four each from Farmington and Plymouth and one from Livonia.

The graduates were:

FARMINGTON — Thomas Bennett, 23808 Fleming Drive; William Bowman, 2282 Maple Ave.; Susan Cross, 3171 Belmont Drive and James Zacklan, 21218 Middlebelt Road.

PLYMOUTH — John Davis, 574 Sheldon Road; Tanya Gilmore, 1472 Shadyside Drive; D. R. Gulbrandsen, 324 Irving; and Joseph Svoboda, 41257 Crestwood Drive.

LIVONIA — Stephen Crick, Jr., 16544 Merriman Road.

First Phase Approved Of Township College

The first phase of the proposed \$10 million development of the 147-acre Orchard Ridge Campus of Oakland Community College in Farmington Township, has just been approved at a special meeting of the College Board of Trustees.

Final development of the campus, scheduled for September 1967, will include the construction of eight additional structures: student center, instruction center, lecture hall, theater, two academic buildings, physical education building and pool.

Six Area Students Win Branstion Awards

Six students from Livonia, Plymouth and Northville were among the 355 freshmen at the University of Michigan named to receive the William J. Branstion Prize for Scholarship.

Branstion prize winners rank in the top seven per cent of their class. Each qualifies to select one of 27 deluxe volumes of selected books, gold-stamped with the U-M seal and marked with a special bookplate.

The presentation of prizes will be made April 7 in a special 2 p.m. convocation in Lydia Mendelsohn Theater on the campus.

Donor of the prizes is William J. Branstion, who is well-known as a philanthropist and attorney.

The area winners include:

LIVONIA: Barbara Bond, daughter of Howard Bond, 35516 Parkdale; Charles Pollock, son of Charles Pollock, 30505 Roy; and Wilma Wetterstrom, daughter of Elmer Wetterstrom, 1584 Greenlane.

PLYMOUTH: Paula Koepke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell Koepke, 1616 Sheridan.

NORTHVILLE: Robert Bosak, son of Frank Bosak, 43000 Nine Mile Road, and Anne Hembrey, daughter of Fred Hembrey, 6030 Napier Road.

Governor in Livonia To Speak for Roberts

Governor and Mrs. Romney are both coming into Livonia to campaign for the election of Farrell E. Roberts, Republican, for the 14th district Senatorial seat vacated by the death of Paul M. Chandler.

The Governor will be the keynote speaker at a dinner on Tuesday, March 23 at 6:30 at Roma Hall in Livonia.

James O'Neill, Dinner Chairman is taking reservations and has tickets for the event. His number is 322-8358.

O'Neill is also Finance Chairman of the Livonia Republican Club.

Lenore Romney, the Governor's wife, was the guest at a group of coffee hours in Livonia, Plymouth and Farmington on Tuesday along with Mr. Roberts. She spoke on the candidate's previous record in the Senate. Among the examples she stated of Robert's leadership was his work in aiding the

Boy Hits Car

Thirteen-year-old Edward Cole of 26012 St. Francis, in Farmington Township, ran into a car and was injured, at Eight Mile Road and Pearl, on March 11. According to Township Police, the east bound traffic was stopped for a light, and the boy crossed into the path of the westbound traffic while moving. He was taken to Botsford Hospital.

Self-appraisal doesn't count — you must prove it.

'Y' Backers Call Meeting In Livonia

Should There Be a Y.M.C.A. in Livonia? What would be its unique contribution to the area? These questions will be answered Tuesday, March 23 in the Rosedale Gardens Presbyterian Church when those interested in organizing a "Y" will meet.

The meeting is scheduled to start at 7:30 p.m. with Glen McAdams, vice principal at Franklin High, as the moderator.

The purpose is to have those who feel there is a need for a Y.M.C.A. program in Livonia to have an opportunity to explain their views.

The Metropolitan Detroit "Y" will have representatives present to listen to the comments and to receive an idea of what the residents think of the project.

If you're interested in a Y.M.C.A. in Livonia, then attend the meeting and put yourself on record.

Reports for Duty

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Community Mental Health Bill to Pass

In addition to James O'Neill, tickets may be obtained by calling Roberts Campaign Headquarters, 35156 Grand River at Farmington Road, 476-5550. Members of the committee are asking reservations be in by Friday, March 19.

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Praised For Fine Work

Schoolcraft Gets Boost; State OKs Accreditation

Accreditation by the Michigan Commission on College Accreditation has been approved for Schoolcraft College on the basis of its curriculum and performance during its first semester of operation.

That was the good news telephoned to the college administration by Dr. Ferris Crawford, secretary of the Commission, when he called to report the Commission approval and offer his congratulations.

The news was hailed as the most significant step in the development of Schoolcraft College by President Dr. Eric Brander.

"This accreditation permits not only easy transfer of credits within the State of Michigan," Dr. Brander said, "but it also facilitates transfer outside the state."

Dr. Brander indicated the college administration had been hoping for affirmative action by the Accreditation Commission, but was a bit hesitant about making application after only one semester.

"However, we thought we would take the ball by the horns and ask for action by the Commission," he stated. "A committee from the College Accreditation Commission visited the campus on Dec. 21 for the study and recommendations. We are very happy they found us suitable and in satisfactory condition."

The committee was headed by Dr. Joseph Berkowski from the University of Detroit. Other members were: Dr. Donald O'Dowd, Oakland University; Dr. Wilfred Erickson, Eastern Michigan University; Dr. Max Smith, Michigan State University; and Dr. Clarence Haines, Flint Community College.

At the conclusion of the visit, the committee was unanimous in expressing its satisfaction in the development of Schoolcraft and felt the Board of Trustees, faculty, administration, staff members and students should take great pride in the accomplishments up to that time.

It reported that all aspects of the entire program showed that time and thought had been given to put the College on a sound academic and financial basis.

Now, Schoolcraft officials are aiming to get accreditation from the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools. The preliminary studies for this accreditation already are underway.

And there was additional good news from the athletic department when Athletic Director Marvin Gans received word that Schoolcraft had been accepted for membership in the Michigan Community Junior College Athletic Commission.

This means that Schoolcraft will compete on a regular schedule basis with other two-year colleges in the State starting next September.

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But, according to Herrington, his wife was shaken by the finality of divorce, and a mutual desire for reconciliation arose between them.

So, when he returned to the City on the fateful day of Sept. 16, she picked him up at the airport, and they agreed to go to dinner and talk things over.

From this point, Herrington's story is confirmed by Danielle, in sworn testimony at the trial. According to this version of events, Danielle agreed to baby sit while her parents went to dinner.

While she was there, Foster called, asking for Mrs. Herrington. Danielle said she did not think her mother would be home that evening.

Foster is said to have insisted that she drive to the Farmington West apartment and bring her mother back. The couple had gone there after dinner. He said that he would baby sit while she was gone.

Seeing that her parents were upstairs in the apartment, Danielle dozed in the car. She says she was awakened by the noise of Foster running past the car, and into the apartment.

The Herringtons were in bed when Foster arrived at the door. He is said to have threatened to break it down. According to Herrington, he told his wife to call the Police. But she said: "No need, he's going away."

Unfortunately for him, he did not go away. He went back to the car, and forcefully got the apartment key from Danielle.

Foster reentered the apartment building. And Herrington says he heard Foster say: "I'm going back upstairs, and settle him once and for all."

He says he warned Foster that he had a gun. And Foster said: "I'm not afraid of a gun."

Herrington is big. Foster was bigger and younger.

"I yelled at him. 'John, don't come in here. I've got a gun, and I'll use it.'"

"He opened the door, and started at me, with his fists up... to swing at me... and I said stay back... and shot him... and he kept coming... and I shot him again."

The Farmington Police arrived minutes later. There followed six months of hard investigation by them, climaxing in last week's trial.

More about that in our next issue.

First Girl in 85 Years

Tiny Julie Shatters An All-Male Tradition

Julie Elizabeth Anderson isn't aware of it but she shattered a tradition of 85 years standing when she was born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Anderson, Jr., of Minneapolis, 10 days ago.

Tiny Julie became the first girl member of the Andersons since her great aunt the Carl O. Anderson family.

Great grandfather was the father of two sons and they in turn had sons. So there was joy on all sides when Carl Jr. made the happy announcement. Mother and daughter are doing fine in their home in Minneapolis. Papa is still in a daze and the grandparents and great grandfather haven't stopped smiling yet.

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