

## Detroit Bank and Trust Opens New Township Office

Detroit Bank and Trust has announced the opening of a new office for its 12 Mile-Orchard Lake branch in Farmington Township on July 18.

Announcement of the move of the branch into new quarters was made jointly by Chairman Raymond T. Perring and President C. Boyd Stockmeyer of Detroit Bank and Trust.

The new office is located on the northwest corner of 12 Mile and Orchard Lake Rds. and features two drive-in windows, safe deposit facilities, a night depository and parking for 40 automobiles.

The building was designed by Swanson Associates and built by Chisus Construction Company. The building features wide use of buckskin brick both on the exterior and interior.

### Polination Is Very Important

Why should corn be planted in several short rows rather than one long one?

A good crop of corn depends on good polination.

If other factors are equal, the distance between the tassels of the corn plant, which are the male flowers, and the silks of another (which lead to the female flowers) will decide whether you have an abundant crop or not.

Perring and Stockmeyer observed: "As soon as we established our 12 Mile-Orchard Lake office, we began plans for a permanent banking center to serve the growing north Farmington Township area. We believe that this already flourishing area will prosper even more in the immediate future and we are proud Detroit Bank and Trust is a part of this promising community."

During regular banking hours from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., the office will make the opening with a public open house. A token "collector's item" will be given to all those visiting the new office during this week-long celebration.

Hours for the office will be 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Friday. The bank is extending its closing hour Friday by half-hour with its move into permanent quarters.

Manager of the office is Edward Kempel.

### Southern Pine Becomes Source Of New Industry

Southern Pine provides a larger percentage of the nation's total harvest for forest products than any other species. It accounts for:

- A sizable share of U.S. Construction lumber.
- Sixty per cent of the nation's pulpwood production.
- A majority of the country's wood poles and pilings.
- An important part of the Atlantic archery beams made by bonding and building up standard lumber with powerful adhesives.

Recently it became the source of a new wood industry. It also provides chemicals and naval stores. The potential of "silvicultural" products derived from chemical extraction of the trees is immense.

It is remarkable that with all these industrial demands, the forest source is steadily increasing.

Current annual growth of Southern Pine lumber is an impressive 10 billion board feet—well above the rate of harvest and three times the growth of any other species in the nation.

**Tricks for Flat Lot**

Want to get away from the monotony of a flat lot? Build a slightly elevated wood deck in the back yard, bordering it with soft plantings and rock.

In other parts of the yard, raise planting beds with earth fill to give them a mounded look. Introduce hardy evergreens so that the beds retain shape and form year-around.

## All Lawns Face Long Dry Spell

You can still keep your lawn green and attractive if you are allowed only a small amount of water.

First, you must encourage the roots to forage deeply, not come up to the surface.

This means waiting the soil less often but deeply when you do. If rationing prevents watering long enough to cover the entire lawn this way, do it one section at a time.

Another idea is to take advantage of whatever light showers you might get. Don't wait until the little bit has dried up.

Rather, while the surface is still moist, do your watering, too, to get the deep wetting required.

Again, don't waste dish or bath water if you can help it. Put it on the dry spots. The small amount of detergent present won't do any harm.

If your soil is heavy, clayey and compacted, rent an aerator, or go over small areas with a spike trowel to loosen the surface and let the water in readily.

In drier than usual seasons it also pays to let grass grow longer.

A little light feeding with about one-third to one-half the amount used in the spring will also help keep grass thick without calling upon the roots for more than the added shading saves.

Under normal conditions some experts recommend removing all clippings to prevent the building up of a thatch-like layer on the surface of the soil.

If you have a deep thatch, it should be removed with a special thatch machine to let the moisture in.

However, leaving a light layer of clippings on the lawn helps retard evaporation from the soil.

Extra effort and know-how will keep your yard living green, drought and all.

### Hedge Trimmer Edged on 2 Sides

A hedge and shrub trimmer with cutting edges on both sides of the long cutter bar is on the market to accelerate gardeners' work.

The tool is double insulated and housed in breakproof thermoplastic to protect against electric shock.

It weighs only 5½ pounds, is powered by a ½ horse-power motor.

The trimmer has a pruning saw attachment that makes quick work of branches up to 1¼ inches thick.

## Businesses Praised For Keeping Area Up

'A Pat On The Back' was given Sheldon Shopping Center Merchants from Mrs. Sofia B. Anderson, Chairman Keep Livonia Beautiful Committee. Their cooperation in cleaning the whole center was noticeable. "It is swept daily and most of the merchants have commercial receptacles for their refuse. The custodian also mows the

grass and cleans the parking lot.

Everyone enjoys clean surroundings in which to shop, work and live. This could be a great suburb if all our shopping centers and merchants joined "The Civic Pride Parade," commented Mrs. Anderson.

A vacant lot cleanup project on Loveland, south of Plymouth Rd., encouraged by Keep Livonia Beautiful Committee produced a truckload of debris for the city disposal area.

Mrs. Robert Stratton, 11508 Loveland and Mrs. Robert Sellers, 10000 Loveland, with the help of their children and neighborhood playmates took rakes, shovels and lawn-mowers across the street from their homes. They gathered sticks, grass clippings, chunks of cement and junk to the roadside and helped load the truck.

"The residents will enjoy a more pleasant view from their front windows. It is the best safeguard is to keep plants in unglazed red clay pots which drain excess water through their porous walls."

**Good Drainage Needed For Thriving Begonias**

Good drainage is a necessity in growing begonias, otherwise the plants will become waterlogged and die. The best safeguard is to keep plants in unglazed red clay pots which drain excess water through their porous walls.

**Color Adds to Floor**

Wood floors washed with brilliant colors are for bold decorators—but they're exciting news, and a grand way to perk up a room without the cost of full carpeting. Color-kept area rugs may be used, too.

hope of these clean-up people that the area will no longer be used for dumping," said Mrs. Anderson.

Keep Livonia Beautiful Committee is anxious to submit more projects of this nature in the entry for the National Cleanest Town Contest. Please call Mrs. Sofia B. Anderson at GA 1-0458.

Boxwood and Yew Do Well in Salt Air

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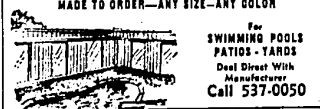
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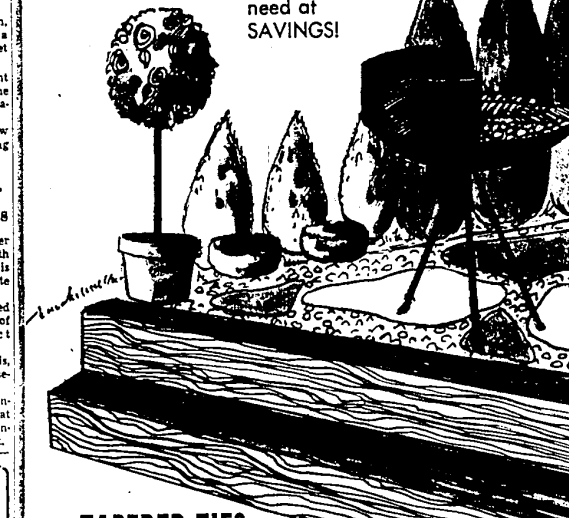
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