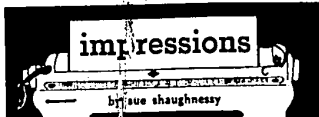


Legislative Record Shows Development

By **RAYMOND L. BAKER** has been restored to our budget considerations. The general fund, originally estimated at \$1,045 billion, is now \$1,019 billion, has now been reduced to below the billion dollar mark. Tentative figures put spending bills at about \$975 million, still a good \$30 million over Governor Romney's recommendations.

Advocates of a strong traffic safety program have not given up despite continued setbacks. They were successful last week in passing a mandatory motor vehicle inspection bill in the Senate. House concurrence will not come easily considering the fact that majority Democrats in the House have defeated similar proposals several times in the past two years. Measures passed by both the Senate and House will flow into the Governor's office for his consideration. So far, he has signed 78 bills, most of which are of a non-controversial nature.

While it is difficult to make an overall assessment of the past six months before the calendar is closed, there have been some recent developments worthy of reporting. It appears as though a certain amount of fiscal sanity



The office of precinct delegate, while important, is often a thankless task. Thus it does our heart good to see competition for the post. It's even better when the competition comes from two fairly well known individuals both of whom have been active in community affairs and politics.

Such a contest will be decided in the August primary by the Republican voters of the fourth precinct in the City of Farmington.

The two seeking the post are: Fred M. Seibert of 21625 Birchwood and John Platt of 21039 Meadowlark. Seibert, of course, is chairman of the City's Planning Commission, while Platt is a member of the commission.

Both make no secret of the fact that they want the job. Both have been active in the local Republican organization.

Seibert, who was named precinct captain last fall, points out that it is "customary" for the precinct captain to run for the delegate post.

Platt, a past precinct captain, says that he has been active in working for the party on the local level and asserts that its about his turn for a crack at the job and a chance to go to the county convention.

Precinct delegates attend the county or district convention which nominates the county or district delegates to the state convention.

Both men contend that they belong to the more moderate wing of the GOP. Seibert terms himself as a "moderate-conservative" and Platt disclaims any affection for labels. He asserts, however, that "support your local police is fine, but impeach Earl Warren is going just a little too far" in an obvious reference to the tenets of the John Birch Society.

Platt asserts that there is a "real dearth of knowledge among the public about how the party organization works" and points out the people in the area have not always been in communication to the local Republican organization to know what's going on. He proposes to keep the people in his precinct informed as to what is happening in the local organization and what's being done.

Seibert noted that he supports Romney, stated that he would like to see a middle of the road course taken by county Republicans and cites this as one of the basic reasons why he filed for the office.

The City's fourth precinct includes Farmington Oaks and Farmington Acres and runs north on Farmington Rd. to Slocum and then east to Mayfield.

Musical Production Is Work of Many

"South Pacific," the Livonia Summer Musical Theatre 1968 presentation at the air-conditioned Franklin High Auditorium, opens July 26 for a six-performance run.

Reserved tickets are currently on sale at the high school at Joy Rd. and Merriman in Livonia. Reservations may be made by calling GA 5-1500.

The cast, choruses, orchestra and working committees for the production are made up of junior and senior high students from all corners of Livonia.

Proof of the mixture of schools in the production is evident in the four leads. Georgia Buttigieg (Nellie Forbush) attends Franklin High School, Bill Roberts (Emile de Beque) and Bev Bettaso (Liat) are from Bentley, while Harry Cadieux (Lt. Cable) attends Stevenson.

Other members of the cast are: Jan Fletcher, Robby Miquelon, Judy Hardin, Kay Crismer, Charles Pope, Les Halasi, Tom Nedau, Kathie Hawley, Pat Williams, Dale Hindmarsh, Tom Natus, Dan Vigliarolo, Steve Antonishek, Gary Greeing.

Lee Burgess, Linda Eagle, Anita Balla, Crystal Premo, Sue Fedraw, Peggy

20 New Cadettes
Members of Farmington Junior Girl Scout Troop 355 conducted a recent fly up ceremony for those who were becoming Cadettes.

The new Cadettes are: Cindy Arauz, Wendy Dawson, Mary Ann Lueder, Dawn Devroy, Mary Jo Fear, Susan Green, Kathleen McKay, Karen Larsen, Jean Walde, Debbie Carruthers, Carol Jackson, Debbie Waskowski, Debbi Marzinske, Barbara Kleinhaus, Gail Denere, Robin Roe, Laurie Daggett, Elizabeth Leebel, Nancy Herman, and Cindy Fay.

Police Nab Two at Store

Farmington Township police apprehended two men in the display area of the Grand River Boat Store, 28928 Grand River in the early morning hours of June 22.

The two, James G. Bakka, 27, of 36618 Dowling, Livonia, and Ronald Montoya, 25, of Southfield, were tried in the Township's Justice court and were fined \$25, charged with \$10 in court costs and sentenced to five days in the Oakland County jail. If the fines and costs are not paid, the pair are to serve a 30 day sentence in the jail.

Attends Institute
James B. Tomlinson of Farmington is attending the Science and Mathematics at the University of the South in Seawater, Tenn. This summer he will be attending a 30 day sentence in the jail.

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Look, Grandma Can Do It--So Can You

Among the 51 teachers attending the Community Resources Workshop at Franklin High School in Livonia is a grandmother, Mrs. Paula Brown. This past year Mrs. Brown completed her first year of teaching in Farmington receiving a Bachelor of Science Degree from Eastern Michigan University in June, 1985, 34 years after graduating from high school.

Mrs. Brown has a rich background of experience to bring to the teaching field. She and her husband, Kenneth, have worked for many years with children and young people through their interest in church work. Mrs. Brown's life has included raising four children: Ken, Jr., 25, Barbara, 23, Carolyn, 21, who is presently a college student, and Dwight, 19, who attends Bryant Junior High School in Livonia. The Browns also have a grandchild, one year old.

She feels an urgency in her teaching job in the Middlebelt School in Farmington. She says she applies in the classroom many of the methods she used in bringing up her four children and in working directly with young people. "I find the classroom a good place to teach honesty and respect for authority," she says. "It's my experience that children want me to trust them," she adds.

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