

Mayor Freeh Key Figure In "Fraud" Charges

Grand Jury Warrants Rock Election

Warrants issued by Wayne County Grand Juror George E. Bowles involving Garden City Mayor Edwin J. Freeh and two former city officials have rocked the municipal election campaign which will climax next Tuesday.

Because Freeh is seeking a second term in office, his attorney, Edward A. Koury, asked Wayne Municipal Judge John Seiler for an immediate preliminary examination and suggested last Friday, the day

following the arraignment of Freeh, Eugene Selva, District Chairman Jay R. Koury, former City Councilman, and Evan Callanan, former City Attorney at the time of the 1981 purchase of land where the Civic Center is now lo-

cal. Freeh was City Clerk-Treasurer at the time of the purchase and he stressed that he was in that office for only a few months when the City Council action took place.

Because of the nearness of the Nov. 8 elections and Freeh's election chances, Judge Seiler agreed to schedule the start of the preliminary exam for 10 a.m. today (Wednesday) in an attempt to finish the hearings and

make a ruling before the elections. However, Paul Komevis, special investigator for the grand juror, told Judge Seiler that the prosecution's side of the hearing would take at least three or four days.

In addition, Komevis said that Michigan Attorney General Frank Kelley is selecting a special assistant to handle the case and that person hasn't yet been picked. Komevis also said that even if the examination

opened this week, it probably wouldn't be finished by election day.

At that point, Koury commented on the propriety of the timing of Grand Juror Bowles' warrants. Seiler, in setting the start of the hearings for today, said that he may delay it if the special assistant named by Kelley is not yet available. However, he added that he would be willing to hold court sessions on Saturday to expedite the matter.

The Grand Juror's warrant claims that the three illegally loaned \$80,160 to William H. New, a Dearborn Heights realtor, whose wife bought the Civic Center land from his previous owners on the same day it sold the land to the City Council.

The warrant also claims that the three had a financial interest in the matter, violating the "conflict of interest" section of the city charter.

Bowles also said in his warrant that the three defendants also conspired to unlawfully obtain for themselves \$12,000 from city funds "with the intent to cheat and defraud" the city.

Scholar Honored

Stephanie Miquelon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Robert Miquelon, 11310 Hubbard, Livonia, was presented a certificate to honor underclass scholarship by Epsilon Delta Alpha, academic honorary, at Hillsdale College. She is a sophomore, and a graduate of Franklin High School.

Driver Fined \$300

A fine of \$300 was imposed on Harry F. Rippey, 30, of 22008 Huessner St., Warren, last week in Livonia Municipal Court where he was found guilty of driving on a suspended license. Judge James McCann suspended a 30-day jail sentence.



THE SILVER BEAVER, highest award of Scouting for an adult leader, is presented to two area men at the annual meeting of the Boy Scouts of America when Rodger Ketchman, 8355 Ridge Road, was honored at the annual meeting of the Sunset District at Franklin High in Livonia.

Each Receives Silver Beaver Award

Boy Scouts Honor Two Area Leaders

Plymouth became one of the few cities of its size in the United States to have five holders of the much coveted Silver Beaver award of the Boy Scouts of America when Rodger Ketchman, 8355 Ridge Road, was honored at the annual meeting of the Sunset District at Franklin High in Livonia.

Ketchman and Clay Thayer, of 1041 Cardwell, Garden City, were recipients of the award which is presented for outstanding service to boyhood of the community over a long period of time.

Ketchman thus joins Sid Strong, Kenneth Hulsing, Edward Miller and Ferris Mathias as winners of the Silver Beaver. Strong was one of the first in the area to receive the award.

At the same time Ketchman was honored, Ray Hulce, of 3275 McClumpha Road, Plymouth, was elected district chairman in the annual election. Hulce is purchasing a new car for the Ford Division of Ford Motor Co.

Ketchman is an executive engineer on the staff of Ford Motor Co. and Thayer is in executive roles for Milbrand Maintenance Co. Inc. of Warren.

Others elected are: Kenneth Humphrey, 32124, Roser, Garden City, vice chairman in charge of finance, health, safety and public relations; Richard Matson, of Ann Arbor, vice chairman in charge of leadership training, organization and extension;

Still Sailing - Or Home?

New listen carefully. Arman Clarence C. Baughman is no longer an inmate: he was discharged from the Navy in April after serving four years and four months.

He is now a civilian employed at the General Motors plant in Livonia.

Baughman didn't sail on the Attack Aircraft Carrier Coral Sea; he was aboard the U. S. S. Midway.

In one little paragraph which appeared in this newspaper Oct. 26, it appears that the facts were somewhat garbled.

Baughman, 23, called the Observer office to inquire how he could be at home and in the South China Sea at the same time.

Anyhow, he is at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence C. Baughman, 1715 Camden Road, Livonia, and with the printing of this story, the facts should stand corrected.

Meet Your Carrier

Mark Kowalski, the young lad who has been delivering the Observer for the past few months, has packed a lot of action into his 12 years.

The son of John and Nancy Kowalski, of 7614 Wendenburg Ave. in Redford, Town Kowalski ship has attained a "B" average at Our Lady of Loretto School, with math and science as his favorite subjects. Aside from that he plays baseball, football and basketball at school and at the Boys Club. He also played in the Little League in football.

He likes to tinker with sports cars and model cars and recently showed his athletic ability by winning second place in the Ford Motor Company's Putt Pass and Kick competition.

More than 200 attended the program for the presentation ceremonies and the election.



SPOOKS AND GOBLINS parade through the halls of the new Tanger School in late September. This group of gaily decorated youngsters stopped long enough for a picture and then continued their tour of the classrooms.

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Wonderland to Show New Checker Autos

A certificate worth 100 gallons of gasoline will be presented to the winner of a contest Saturday, Nov. 12 at Wonderland Center.

The gasoline bonanza will climax the showing of Michigan-made Checker passenger cars. Free entry blanks will be available at most Wonderland stores beginning today.

Checker, for 50 years America's leader in building rugged taxicabs, builds a four-door sedan and four-door station wagon for public use.

With a 110" wheelbase, and less than 200" overall length, the Marathon affords superb handling in both city traffic and country highways. Yet, eight adults can ride in luxurious comfort when the two optional fold-away seats are used.

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The vehicles will be on display on the Wonderland mall from today until Nov. 12.

Miriam Rakow Earns Award

Miriam Rakow, daughter of Mrs. W. C. Rakow, 7668 Fielding, Redford Township, has been awarded a scholarship from the AIA Association for Lutherans, a fraternal life insurance society with home office in Appleton. The scholarship will be used during the 1986-87 academic year.

She is a freshman at Concordia Lutheran College in Ann Arbor, having graduated from Utheran High West in Detroit.

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Bill Collectors With Bullets

The "shoot-em" up bill collectors who attacked the home of Raymond Griffen on Alpine for a debt of \$7,300 were bound over for circuit court by Judge James McCann. Released on bond were Charles Franchi alias Nicholas Bajone on \$20,000 bond and Marvin S. Mason on \$3,000 bond.

Charges were dismissed against Lawrence Near, owner of the Near Wholesale Supply on W. Eight Mile in Livonia to whom Griffen owed the money for materials he purchased for his roofing business.

Griffen's home was attacked Oct. 20 and again Oct. 23. Shots were fired at his house with bullets imbedded in the wall of the home, one in the bedroom of Griffen's teenage daughter.

The Livonia police caught the two "collectors" in Livonia, blocks from the Griffen home.

Wards Exhibits Revolutionary Nailing Device

A revolutionary portable nailing tool that drives regular 16 penny nails will be demonstrated tomorrow, Friday and Saturday at the Montgomery Ward store in Wonderland Center.

Called the "Station," the device is the first portable pneumatic nailer to drive regular nails. Manufactured by Paslode, the nailer saves time and effort, eliminates waste of nails and results in tighter joints.

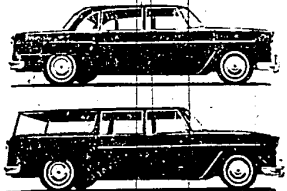
Cartridge-fed, the Station weighs just 11 pounds and operates on compressed air at 80 to 100 p.s.i.

The demonstrations will take place in Wards paint department on the first floor.



WHO WOULDN'T STOP and look at dogs when they run across this type of an appealing scene. This tiny miss was seated between the Scotties when the photographer happened by during the annual all-breed show at the Livonia Mall a week ago. We don't know whether the dogs won ribbons but this certainly is a blue ribbon picture.

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