

# Big Brothers Seek Volunteers

A combined effort to recruit more Big Brothers—adult men who will volunteer to become friends on a one-to-one basis of young, fatherless boys in the Observer area—has been launched by three Torch Drive services.

The drive for additional volunteers considers with plans to observe "Big Brother Week," Jan. 8 to 14. The Torch Drive services involved are Big Brothers of Oakland County, a secular group; Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Detroit,

# Ford Gives Workers Yule Gift

Ford Motor Company will distribute checks for \$53.38 each to approximately 132,000 eligible hourly employees on the last pay day before Christmas from an account set up under terms of the 1964 Ford-UAW agreement.

The money will be withdrawn from a Contingent Distribution Account which reached \$7,058,000 on Dec. 4. No payment was made in 1965 because the account had not reached a level to provide for a distribution. To be eligible for the 1966 payment, employees must have had at least one year of seniority, have been on the active employment rolls of the company and in the UAW contract unit on Dec. 4.

The amount of the Contingent Distribution Account depends on the condition of a fund established under the Ford-UAW Supplemental Unemployment Benefit (SUB) plan, created in 1955.

Under the SUB plan, the company contributes five cents for each hour for which an employee receives pay. When the SUB fund reaches a maximum funding position, the five cents an hour is accrued in the separate Contingent Distribution Account. The maximum funding level varies from month to month because of employment and average benefit payments.

The number of eligible hourly employees is divided into the amount in the account on the last day of the first pay period in December. If the resulting payment is less than \$25, no distribution is made and the account continues to build. The maximum payment in any one year is \$100. Approximately \$4,000 Michigan Ford hourly rated employees will receive the 1966 payments.

# Fines Help Send Police To School

The first police training school to be conducted under the provisions of the new Michigan Law Enforcement Training Council is under way at Traverse City.

According to Noel C. Bufe, executive manager of the council, there are 34 students representing police departments in 14 communities and counties.

Called the Northern Lower Michigan Regional Police Academy, the police officers will have 120 hours of instruction in basic police work and 10 hours in first aid.

The school was coordinated by Sheriff Richard Weiler, Grand Traverse county.

Each community or county pays one half of the cost, with the remainder to be paid up to one half by the state.

The state money is raised by an assessment of 10 per cent of every fine, penalty and forfeiture imposed by the courts for criminal offenses other than fines for violation of the motor vehicle code or local ordinances relating to vehicle operation or for a violation of the conservation laws.

Bufe said other schools are now in the preparation stage. The council was set up to provide training for police officers throughout the state.



PLYMOUTH ROCK Lodge No. 47 F & A M. held its annual installation of officers on Saturday, Dec. 10. Installed in a public ceremony at Worshipful Master was Donald J. Beaver of 7550 Gary, Westland. Donald was presented with his "Gavel of Authority" by his father, Clyde T. Beaver of Pontiac and his Master's Hat by his brother Donald E. Beaver, retiring Worshipful Master.



MOVES UP: Donald C. Frigon has been installed as High Priest of Colonial Chapter #187 Royal Arch Masons of Plymouth. The installation followed time honored tradition. Others installed included: Ervin Bricker, King; James Hollington, Scribe; Richard Straub, treasurer; Richard Gallatin, Secretary and Harry Turner, chaplain.



PROMOTED: Charles E. Exley, Jr., has been promoted by the Burroughs Corporation. According to an announcement made by Ray R. Egbert, he has been named Vice President and Group Executive of the Graphic Systems Group.

Friday, Dec. 23 there will be an Alumni day from 3 p.m. in the South Cafeteria of Franklin High School sponsored by the Senior Class. Franklin Alumni and friends are invited to attend.



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# YMCA Winter Camp Opens Dec. 28 for 170 Campers

Area members of the YMCA are invited to participate in the Camp Ohiyesa Winter Camp Dec. 28 through 31 under the direction of the YM of Metropolitan Detroit.

beautiful setting for a variety of outdoor sports. Campers must be eight years old and not more than 15.

The program includes bogganing, ice skating, hiking, ice fishing, camp fire programs and stories. A special ski trip is planned for

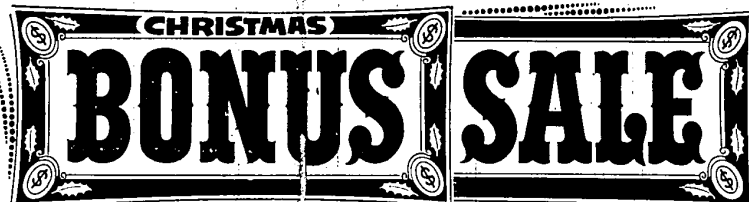
the older campers, while the younger set will take a surprise trip.

Cost of the session is \$35 plus a current YMCA membership. A \$10 non-refundable deposit is required at the time of registration and the balance is due before Dec. 28.

For further information or a registration form contact Dearborn, 584-6200; North- western, 533-3700; and the area are: Farmington, Wayne, 721-7044.

## Livonia Soldier Returns

Aviation Fire Control Technician Third Class Ronald F. Warncke, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert J. Warncke, of 34198 Yale, Livonia, Mich., has returned to the United States aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Constellation.



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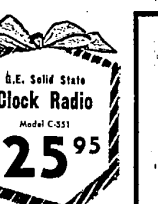
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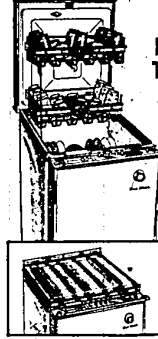
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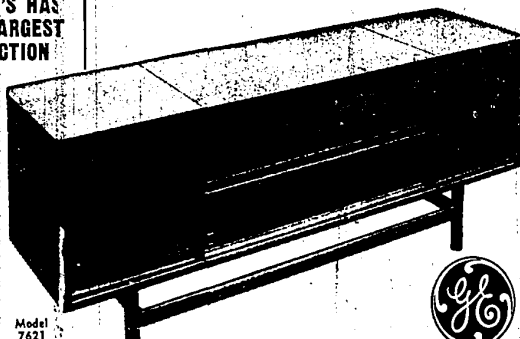
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