

Gasoline Dealers Pass New Tax To Consumers'

Most retail gasoline dealers have hiked prices one cent a gallon to offset the increased state tax. Any increase in the retail price of gasoline at pumps beyond the new tax would depend upon price moves by wholesale suppliers, a number of retail operators explained. No price increase is contemplated at this time, according to one of the major wholesale suppliers.

MICHIGAN ATTORNEY General Frank Kelley said Jan. 2 that he believed the beer and wine license of the Greater Gardens, 582 Monroe, Detroit, should be suspended permanently. The State Liquor Control Commission temporarily revoked the license Dec. 20 on the basis that owner Cosmas (Gus) Colacascio pleaded guilty to five liquor-law violations.

RICHARD M. COOK, 38, deputy secretary of state, resigned Jan. 3 and will join the staff of the new federal safety agency in Washington. Secretary of State James M. Hare said he would name a successor within a few days.

THE FORD MOTOR Company raised its sticker price of its 1968 passenger cars by \$23 to \$32.40 to cover the cost of

installing two front seat shoulder harnesses required by federal safety standards. Ford follows General Motors and Chrysler in announcing price hikes because of the newly required harness.

RT. REV. ARCHIE Henry Crowley, suffragan bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan, has been named the new president of the 800-Church Detroit Council of Churches. He was elected at a secret meeting of the board of the council Dec. 14. The 61-year-old bishop and former president of the Michigan Council of Churches will be installed Feb. 2 at the annual meeting of the Detroit Council of Churches in St. John's Christian Methodist Episcopal Church in Detroit.

STATE ATTORNEY General Frank J. Kelley said that the tentative passage of a stop-and-frisk ordinance by the Dearborn City Council was "hasty" and a "flaming" of the U.S. Supreme Court. The ordinance was passed unanimously on the first reading by Dearborn Councilmen Tuesday night. Final action is scheduled for Jan. 16, Kelley said that his office will take no legal action against the city.

DETROIT'S MAYOR Jerome P. Cavanagh has canceled a majority of the city's police department for three main reasons. Cavanagh said several factors contributed to the decision and among them were the imminent appointment of a new police commissioner, the reorganization of the Police Department and the length and cost of the study. The study would have taken three years and would have covered all phases of the police in the city. Arthur F. Brandt, director of the Michigan State University school of police, would have led the study but Cavanagh admitted that he and Brandt did not see eye-to-eye on many points of the proposed study.

GORDON STAPLES, 38, has been picked to succeed Mischa Mishakoff as concertmaster of the Detroit Symphony Orchestra when Mishakoff retires in August. Mishakoff, 72, announced his retirement last spring, saying he would devote himself to teaching in Detroit. Staples is now an assistant concertmaster with the symphony. He will be the seventh concertmaster in the symphony's 54-year history.

JOHN B. MARTIN, chairman

of the Governor's Commission on Crime, said conclusions based on confidential reports by the State Police reveal that "organized elements" helped build a "limited incident of public disorder" in Detroit in the bloodiest and most costly riot in U.S. history. The conclusions also showed that failure of the police to provide enough advance intelligence information was a salient reason for the rioting exploded to tragic

proportions. The findings were in a 10,000 word report released by the commission Wednesday.

FRANK J. KELLEY, Michigan's attorney general, has requested the state Legislature to allot state funds to supplement local police salaries by 25 per cent or more. Kelley asked for a law setting police salary minimums for cities on a population basis and paying

60 per cent of city required increases out of state funds.

UNITED STATES gold losses in 1967 more than doubled those of 1966, largely because of the devaluation of the British pound, the treasury said. It said its monetary gold stock declined during 1967 by \$1.175 billion, compared with \$574 billion in 1966. The treasury said \$925 million of the loss came after Britain devalued the pound by 14.3 per cent Nov. 18. The move touched off speculation in London, Paris and Zurich, Switzerland and it continued until mid-December.

THE 236 RESIDENTS of Dunreith, Ind., began returning home after they had fled when

a train crash set off a wave of fire and poisonous gas. They were evacuated to other communities immediately after two freight trains carrying gasoline, cyanide, nitrate and ammonia collided. Chemical experts are checking waterways downstream from Dunreith for traces of gas which seeped into a creek and killed seven cows.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON chose Merton Peck, 42, head of the Yale University Economics Department, to fill a vacancy on his three-man council of economic advisers.

THE MASSACHUSETTS Senate voted, 20-15, on a roll call to kill legislation calling for a

\$41,600,000 stadium seating 50,000. "I'm extremely disappointed," said Gov. John Volpe. "We've got to have a stadium. There is no alternative now but to start encouraging private industry to build one."

DR. PHILIP BLAIBERG came through his first day of life with a new heart in "entirely satisfactory" condition, a Groote Schuur Hospital bulletin said Wednesday. The 58-year-old retired dentist received a new heart Tuesday in a five-hour transplant operation in Cape Town, South Africa. The bulletin said the Blalberg was resting comfortably in an oxygen tent in a specialized room. During the day he took glucose and water by mouth.

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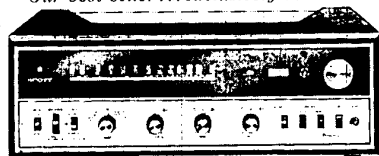
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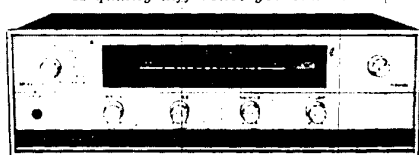
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