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today's hot line

State

As Detroit's Mayor Cavanagh decried rumor-mongering about predicted riots, his city set up a Rumor Control Center in its Community Relations office to receive and investigate the public's calls. (For a related story on rumors and guns in the suburbs, please turn to Page 9A.)

observerland

REDFORD — Township officials and citizens will testify in Lansing Wednesday, March 13, on State Rep. John Bennett's D-34th District (Redford) bill to divert four per cent of state gas and weight taxes to townships for local street improvements.

REDFORD — Pfc. Douglas Burdick, 16510 Brady, became the township's second casualty of the Vietnam war Feb. 27. He had been in the war-torn country scarcely a month.

REDFORD — Rescue efforts to help save several high-ranking officers downed in Viet Cong territory earned Warrant Officer Randy Maltby, 19702 Denby, the Distinguished Flying Cross.

LIVONIA — A parents' group, angered over the transfer of their children to another school next fall, the fifth such transfer in the last three years for some of the students, this week pushed a 7,482-signature petition drive to recall five members of the seven-member Board of Education. In the meantime, Mrs. Hilda Varbedian, president of the Livonia Council of PTAs, announced Friday the council's vote of confidence for the board and the school district's administrators headed by Supt. Benton Yates.

LIVONIA — The mayor and Council met in weekend discussion of the Police Department's request or \$3,000 for riot-control equipment. The fuxiliary Police want \$5,000. The idea is approved, the Council will have to idea is approved, the Council will have to find the money in the face of a threatened deficit in the \$6,000,000 budget long before Den. 1

PLYMOUTH — The C i t y Commission comes face to face with one of its most difficult problems in years Monday night when it must decide whether to levy a two mill tax increase to finance a street program.

PLYMOUTH — Robert Boatman, of the State Highway Department, informs Plymouth area businessmen that planning to take advantage of the two new expressways—1275 and M-14 — must begin now. The freeways could be a blessing or a curse, he told them.

What's Inside

Clarenceville High School has a breath-ing new auditorium, named after former Supt. (now State Rep.) Louis Schmidt. Picture story on Page 8A.

The University of Michigan's new president is a professional conflict-settler who is also concerned with the orderly growth of one of the nation's most prestigious institutions. Interview on Page 1B.

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Civic Groups Push Center

A tentative plan to convert a portion of the Farmington Rd. "Longacres" estate of the late Luman Goodenough into a Greater Farmington commu-nity center received the en-thusiastic endorsement of ap-proximately 200 organizational representatives Wednesday nitett.

night.
The Goodenough family home, and five acres of the surroundand five acres of the surround-ing land at 24705 Farmington Rd., have been offered as a

profit, non-governmental entity is established to maintain and operate the facility. Attorney Daniel Goodenough,

speaking for the family heirs speaking for the family heirs who have made the offer, specified that it would be the function of a board of trustees to hire a full-time director and caretaker as well as plan the financing of the project.

It is estimated by David Millis, who served as chairman of the Wednesday gathering, that it would take an annual

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House program effectively.

ANOTHER GENERAL

are to explore such topics as: Financiae, physical plans for house and grounds, a basic program of activities, organ-izational structure of a hon-profit group to have charge of the enterprise, nomination of prospective trustees and offi-cers, and the recruiting of vol-unteers to assist in over-all planniar.

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to supplement, not duplicate" other existing services and activities in the area, and offered the following as possibilities for exploration:

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Renting space in the house for meetings, senior citizen activities, scout leadership training courses, youth employment service, baby sitter's registry, classes for young married people, nurses for young married people, nurses service, baby sitter's registry end folk singing classes, art appreciation lectures, forms and other lectures, youth dances, liker's club, rider's club, bridge classes, dance clubs, investment clubs and group meetings in creative arts. "We want a large part of the program to Involve youth, we do not want it dominated by one two groups, and we do not

do not want it commared by the or two groups, and we do not want operating funds to come from taxes," Goodenough told the group.

AMONG THE MAJOR points made by Mills were these:
A preliminery architectural study has demonstrated that the building is structurally sound and would not need radical changes.

PTA-MSU Set Clinic

A 17-tiem Problems Clinic will be co-posnored by the Michigan Congress of Parents and Teachers and Michigan State University at MST 1.08-10.

Included in individual clinics will be discussions on such things as meeting the emotional results of the management of th

appear necessary.

The project could not be operated as a function of the Farmington District Library Board, state legislation not giving the

ington District Library Bozen, state legislation not giving the board such scope. Facilities need not be limited to use by Greater Farmington and the such state of the such states of t

Council OKs \$666 For Lights

The first portion of a three-The first portion of a three-phase program to improve street lighting on Grand River from Orchard Lake Nd, to Farmington Rd, was given the Go-ahead this week by the Farmington City Consult. "Illumination is not ade-quate," City Manger John D, Dinan told the council as ac-tivation of the first phase which will call for conversion to mer-

tivation of the first phase which will call for conversion to mercury vapor lamps at 23 sites,

The council approved an allocation of \$666 to be included in the 1968-69 budget for this purpose,

purpose.
The of lamp to be in.
The of 'well doubte the intamination,' said Dinan,
Included will be 19 lights
between Liberty and Grove Sts.,
plus four east of Grove in
front of the new Federal department store.
Second and third phases are
to be weighed in future intel years. Dinan said second
priority should be given the
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priority should be given the improvement of lightin, between Orchard Lake Rd, and Lakeway, The third phase would be along that portion of Grand River between School St, and Lakeway.

Lakeway.

"The advantage of doing this street lighting program in phases is not only the economies involved, but it gives the city an opportunity to weigh the merits of the increased lighting before proceeding with the whole program."



ASSESMENT BLUES - This was the scene in Farmington Township hall Tuesday when the Board of Review convened to hear protests of 1968 property assessments. In contrast to the township's "standing room only" turnout, the city's Board of Review heard only a handful of cases. Shown in the second photo is gith pearly mapple Harrison Johnson Hefth with is city board member Harrison Johnson (left) with Arthur Rutenbar, of 22850 Maple, in one of the audien-ces granted by the board. Both boards will continue hearings Monday, March 11.



At Township Hall Tuesday, they hung out the "standing room only" sign early in the day as property owners converged to question their 1988 property assessments. An accompanying photo shows part of the crowd which was on hand, waiting to be heard. Before the day was over, 46 cases had been heard by the board, with a number of other land owners being assigned specific appointments for later dates.

The City Hall situation was quite the reverse.

Study In Contrast

The Board of Review story in the Farmington area this week was one of contrasts.

The municipal Board of Review received only 13 petitions to reconsider assessments, and two of those were by mail with 11 property owners appearing in person. One of those, Arthur Rutenbar, of 22850 Maple, is shown in the second accompanying photo with board member Harrison Johnson (left).

Both boards will meet again Monday, March 11. The township group knows ahead of time it will have a busy day. The city trio may have time to spare.

Work Starts On Township's Second New Industry Of '68

By SUE SHAUGHNESSY

Farmington Township of-ficials were on hand Thursday to participate in the second ground breaking of 1968 for a new industrial plant.

Ground was formally broken for a new \$200,000 head-quarters building for Carter, McCormic & Peirce, inc., engineering representatives servicing the aerospace, numerical control, automotive, consumer electronics and computer industries. Completion of the new plant is scheduled for early fall.

AF Recruiter Visits City

Tech. Sgt. Donald I. Calvin, Air Force recruiting represen-tative for the Farmington area, will be at the Farmington Sel-ective Service office, 22504 Or-

Complete details on joining the Air Force may be obtained from the Air Force recruiter, 123 S. Main St., Royal Cak, telephone Li 7-4140.

The building has been set on a site overlooking the main entrance to the Thompson Brown developed Farmington Freeway Industrial Park. The plant has been designed to allow for future expansion by way of an additional 10,000 square (out facility on an adjacentistic. foot facility on an adjacent site. . . .

CARTER, McCormie & Peirco, operating us a sales engineering firm, sells electronic test systems, electronic test systems, electronic components to original equipment manufacturers of both industrial and military products as well as to production test facilities including all major automotive companies and research laboratories.

With additional offices in Cleveland and Dayton, it rep-resents firms in the Midwest resents firms in the Midwest including the Remex Electronics Division of XLO, Union Carbide Electronics Division, R.I. Controls, MTS Systems Corp., Montery Research,

The new 7,200 square foot facility will allow the firm to expand its activities in instrument service and modifications and in assembly of special instrument test systems.

Bourns Instrument Division, formad Pulley & Hardware Corp., Anadex Instruments, Inc., and the corp. Instrument to the corp. Anadex Instruments, Inc., and the corp. Instruments Instrumen Corp., Anadex Instruments Inc., Christie Electronic Corp., Howell Instruments Inc., and Precision Instrument Co.

The highly specialized man-ufacturers representative firm, established in 1961, had sales in 1967 that were in excess of \$5 million.

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The new plant will take advantage architechinally of its natural slope site to screen the parking area and ground floor rear service door and will have a mid-floor main

THE BUILDING'S upper level will provide space for a reception lobby, three executive offices and conference room for principals of the firm, and offices for sales, accounting and secretarial personnel.

and secretarial presonel. The lower level will be used for additional conference and demonstration purposes, and the receiving, storage and shipping of considerable quantities of electronics instruments and components sold through the firm. An al-grade nutrance will enable vehicles to enter directly from the service drive into the building.



UP GOES THE DIRT — As the first step in building a new \$200,000 plant in Farmington Township's booming Industrial Park the dignitaries broke ground Thursday. The firm moving into the park is Carter, McComic & Peirce, Inc., regineering representatives. From left are, William W. Bowman, chairman of the township industrial development commission; Alfred L. Carter; Henry B. McComic, Jr.; James L. Peirce; and Farmington Township Supervisor Curtis H. Hall.