

### today's hot line

#### BULLETIN

Detroit Mayor Jerome Cavanagh Friday declared a "state of emergency" existed in the city following a series of demonstrations and some street fighting in the wake of the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Thursday night in Memphis, Tenn.

Cavanagh ordered a curfew from 8 p.m. to 5 a.m., effective immediately, closing all bars and taverns, banning public meetings and closing gasoline stations during the curfew.

The Mayor asked Gov. George Romney for assistance of the National Guard and the Governor ordered troops dispatched to Detroit, Hamtramck, Highland Park and Grosse Pointe. More than 9,000 guardsmen were affected by the order.

Compliments of the Michigan State Police, under the personal direction of Col. Frederick Davids, arrived in the disturbed area Friday afternoon.

The Michigan Liquor Control Commission ordered all bars closed in Wayne County.

At the same time, Livonia, Garden City, Westland, Redford Township, all of the Pointes, Highland Park, Hamtramck, Manassas Heights, Dearborn Heights and Dearborn joined in the curfew for the duration of the emergency.

Mayor Cavanagh called up all auxiliary firemen and reserve policemen for immediate duty, cancelled all leaves and placed all police and firemen on 12 hours of duty.

Mayor Cavanagh appealed for all to remain calm but warned the city would "demand full respect of the law."

Demonstrations were reported in other cities throughout the land where trouble was reported in Minneapolis, Boston, Memphis, Chicago, Cleveland and Washington, D.C.

Most stores will be closed Sunday in compliance with the request of President Johnson to observe a day of mourning for the murder of Dr. Martin Luther King.

Readers please note: It will make advertisers unable to follow through on special offers on that day.

### observerland

Two community memorial services for Dr. Martin Luther King have been announced.

Livonia clergymen of varied faiths will sponsor one at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 7, in St. Michael's Catholic Church, Plymouth at Hubbard. The program was described by the Rev. Carl Gundersen, of the Timothy Presbyterian Church, as "an ecumenical service of hope and courage in the time of crisis."

The Rev. Joseph Ferrinino, of St. Edith's Catholic Church; the Rev. Thomas Estes, of St. Paul's Presbyterian; and the Rev. Ronald Starekno, pastor of Faith Lutheran, will preach.

In Farmington, the Universalist-Unitarian Church will sponsor a memorial service between 2 and 3 p.m. Good Friday in the church on Halstead Road.

### What's Inside

The South is tense after the slaying of Dr. Martin Luther King, and the hospital where he died was the scene of grief. Special stories from Memphis on Page 5C.

The State Senate passed a "fair housing" bill last week, but not before opponents had offered a host of amendments and substitutes. The pros and cons are detailed on Page 1B.

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# King's Death Stirs U.S.-Calm Urged

Dr. Martin Luther King is dead.

Shock waves fanning out from a sniper's rifle in Memphis, Tenn., brought the nation up tense over its domestic future even as desperate efforts went forward for world peace in the world.

President Johnson Friday urged the nation to be calm, to help its leadership develop solutions to the troubles which climaxed tragically in Dr. King's death.

He urged the nation to observe Sunday as a national day of mourning.

The president said he would make his recommendations about the future of the domestic crisis in an address to the nation at 9 p.m. Monday.

In Washington, D.C., police put down disturbances within sight of the nation's capitol. National guardsmen were called back to patrol the streets of Memphis.

Hundreds of Negroes congregated along Detroit's Twelfth Street, scene of last July's rioting, but there was no violence.

Detroit's Mayor Cavanagh ordered flags flown at half staff in mourning for the 39-year-old civil rights leader, who preached nonviolence but died violently.

Tension grew in suburbs.

In Livonia, Mayor Harvey W. Moulke pressed for council approval of the purchase of \$40,000 in police equipment to control unrest. Plymouth is preparing to vote April 29 on open housing.

President Johnson postponed temporarily his trip to California to confer on Vietnam peace feelers with former President Eisenhower. He was scheduled for later talks in Hawaii enroute to the peace table with the north Vietnamese.

Domestically, the nation fought frustration and bitterness.

Dr. King, in Memphis to lead demonstrations on behalf of striking garbage collectors, fell from a sniper's bullet in the neck as he stood on the balcony of the Lorraine Hotel chatting with aides.

Police descended on the scene from all directions as more than 150 million in the street below. The area was sealed off as the description of the assassin was broadcast.

Dr. King was taken to a hospital where he was pronounced dead.

His last words were in reply to his chauffeur who yelled up at him from the street, advising him to wear a topcoat.

"OK, I will," Dr. King replied.

Then came the shot.

**THE FIGHT** to save his life ended two hours and 45 minutes later in the emergency room at St. Joseph's Hospital in Memphis. A terse announcement from Assistant Hospital Administrator Paul Hess:

"At 7 p.m., Dr. Martin Luther King expired in the emergency room of a gunshot wound in the neck."

Reaction started immediately.

Violence broke out in Memphis, Birmingham, Ala., Raleigh, N. C., Washington, New York and other cities.

Senator Robert F. Kennedy, campaigning in Indiana, offered his airplane to Mrs. King in Atlanta. President Johnson extended his condolences. Gov. Romney expressed the sorrow of the state.

There were reports out of Lansing that Michigan National Guard units, including those in Jackson and Benton Harbor, were being mobilized. However, as of Friday afternoon, no direct word had come from the office of Gov. Romney.

The Observer Newspapers, sensing the importance of the developments, put together the story with the help of two staff reporters on the Memphis Commercial Appeal. They are published on inside pages of this edition.



## School Board Pair Seeks Third Terms

By FRED DeLANO

Incumbents Richard H. Peters and George A. Knoll announced Thursday that they will be candidates for reelection to third terms on the Farmington School District Board of Education. Both were first elected in 1960.

Their seats are the only ones which will be at stake in the June 10 balloting, and the presence of both incumbents in the race is seen as a deterrent to trial-balloon candidacies such as those which marked the school board campaign a year ago.

At that time Dr. Sanford Elmhurst, candidate for the only vacancy by pulling 598 votes, while George R. Adams, a Detroit school administrator who lives in Farmington Township, ran second with 522.

Mrs. Glenn R. Johnson was third with 445 votes, and three other hopefuls trailed far behind.

### analysis

JAMES PIATT, city planning commission member who spearheaded the opposition forces who defeated the millage boost in November, minimizes the likelihood of his own candidacy for the school board, as suggested by some observers.

At the same time, Piatt said that he knows of no candidate who has yet come to light to whom he is willing to throw his support, adding that this includes both of the incumbents whose terms are expiring.

Adams, the unsuccessful runner-up in the last board election, has not made his decision known whether to make a second try. Mrs. Johnson, however, has stated positively that she will not be a candidate this year.

**NEW PARENTS, ALL**—Seven Farmington school music consultants, who have adopted a nine-year-old Filipino child, never felt happier than when the papers arrived telling them about their foster child. Left to right in front are Mrs. Kay Johnson, Mrs. Sue McCallum and Mrs. Millie Bennett. From the left in back are Mrs. Amy Adelman, Ron Freudenberg and Mrs. Marilyn Van Wagner. Not present is Mrs. Margaret Raeside, the seventh consultant.

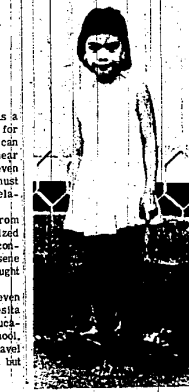
## Happiness Now Is Teresita Jimenez

By ELIZABETH WISSMAN

Because seven Farmington music consultants believe "nothing is as important as the happiness and well-being of a child," a little girl in the far off Philippine Islands is going to find life a little easier from now on.

The seven have adopted nine-year-old Teresita F. Jimenez, of Manila, through the Foster Parents Plan, Inc., and have been feeling wonderful ever since.

Teresita's seven new "parents" are Mrs. Amy Adelman, Mrs. Millie Bennett, Mrs. Kay Johnson, Mrs. Sue McCallum, Mrs. Margaret Raeside, Mrs. Marilyn Van Wagner and Ron Freudenberg.



TERESITA JIMENEZ  
Home is a Shack

Freudenberg, whose brother is a Lutheran missionary in New Guinea, was a motivating force behind the adoption.

He didn't have to work hard at selling his teacher-colleagues on the idea. Each teaches music to about 1,000 Farmington children and each agrees with Freudenberg's thought, "This is a wonderful way to live your philosophy of loving children."

The cost of caring for Teresita is \$100 for a year. Her seven sponsors each contributed \$25.72.

Freudenberg is custodian of all the information on the consultants have received about Teresita. Most cherished image is the picture of the small Filipino child which shows her as a dainty, pretty youngster.

According to her dossier, Teresita is a diligent and helpful child to her widowed mother.

life and family. All seven of the teachers have children and plan many letters from child to child.

### NAHSTOLL, A FORD MOTOR

CO. executive, currently is treasurer of the board, while Peters, a J. I. Hudson Co. official, is former president of the body.

Both men strongly supported the ill-fated November proposition for a five-mill increase in school operating taxes, and are equally dedicated to pushing for passage of a revised millage measure which is inevitable for voter consideration at the same June 10 election.

The current tax that resubmission of the millage question is such a certainty possibly holds the greatest source for emergence of one or more strong opponents to run against the incumbent board.

If millage opponents concentrate their efforts behind any one or two challengers, both Peters and Nahstoll could find reelection difficult.

It is obvious that any candidate will be linked first and

### NOMINATING PETITION

forms now are available at the school administration offices. Deadline for filing them to gain listing on the June 10 ballot has been set at 4 p.m., Friday, May 10.

Meanwhile, as the election flames started coming to life, the existing board met in a lengthy session Thursday night to wrestle with budgetary problems and make an actual determination of millage necessities.

The current operating levy is 22.4 mills, or \$24.00 per \$1,000 of assessed valuation. Added to that is a nine-mill debt levy, or \$9 per \$1,000, bringing the present school tax to a total of \$32.40 per \$1,000.

A regularly scheduled public meeting of the board is to be held Monday night, and the administration is hopeful of pin-pointing the election request at that time. If this is not possible, then it would mean postponing a decision until April 22.

## 'Long Range Plans To Finance Road Repairs'

Members of Farmington WHAR (Why Have Any Roads?) got no ready answer about what immediate action can be taken to solve township road problems from the Farmington Democratic Club at a meeting Wednesday night in City National Bank.

As outlined by Aldo Vagnozzi of Farmington, chairman of the 19th District Democratic Committee, most workable plans to finance remedial road repair are long range.

Vagnozzi cited the Federal Supreme Court's recent affirmative decision supporting a one-man, one-vote case as the most potent argument yet that the redistributing rule may be put into effect in Michigan in the near future.

If redistributing takes place

in the state, Vagnozzi pointed out that the County Board of Supervisors would then be elective, with the vote determined on the basis of population.

Noting that the supervisors appoint the Road Commission,

### Petition Drive Kickoff Set

Glenn Swindler, president of the Oakland County Home-owners and Taxpayers Association, will speak at the April 9 meeting of the Farmington Township Volunteer Road Committee.

The Kickoff of the road protest group's petition drive will also take place during the meeting in East Junior High School on Middle Belt. Starting time is 8 p.m.

Vagnozzi said, "The road supervisors are unresponsive to your problems because the group that appoints them is unresponsive."

Vagnozzi described his discussion of how to finance road repairs last week. "Four Freedoms road program."

FOR HIS SECOND point he said that the legislative bill calling for raising of four percent of state highway funds to townships that had ended up in legislative committee, may be backed on to another bill. Legislators plan to give it further study.

More hope for money for roads, Vagnozzi said, could come from the Township Board adopting a housing code.

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