

## Township Ups Supervisor's Salary

Farmington Township Supervisor Curtis H. Hall received a \$2,000 raise Monday night when the township board approved the tentative budget for the 1968-1969 fiscal year.

Boosted to \$15,750, Hall's salary was pegged at \$13,750 slightly more than a year ago.

**SALARIES** of Township Clerk Floyd Cairns and Township Treasurer Elise Avery remained at last year's level of \$11,000 and \$10,000. Trustees Thomas Nolan stated the reasoning behind the failure of the board to grant an across the board hike was the fact that both Cairns and Mrs. Avery have been ill

for some time and absent from the office.

**THE BOARD**, in granting Hall's salary boost, took away the \$1,500 annual expense allowance. It also canceled Cairns' \$1,500 annual expense allowance and Mrs. Avery's \$500.

From now on the expenses of the elected officials will be paid on a voucher form and thus will have to have the approval of the township board.

The four township trustees also received pay hikes of \$800 each. Their salaries were boosted from \$500 to \$1,200 annually.

## Police Budget Up 30%

A million dollar budget—the first in history—was approved by the Farmington Township Board Monday night for the fiscal year which began April 1.

The budget is tentative because township budgets must be submitted before the allocation rate from the county is known of the total equalized valuation is completed.

Because of this the township operates under a tentative budget and makes revisions when the final figures are all available. At this time a public hearing is also held on the budget.

**TOTAL OF THIS YEAR'S** budget is \$1,050,000 as compared to last year's \$808,000. This is an increase of \$242,000.

In addition to the salary hikes for the elected officials (see related story on page one) the township police force received a 30 per cent pay boost, while the remainder of the township employees received an average of seven per cent to raises.

During the past fiscal year the total salaries for the township police department were \$256,126 while this year's total is \$335,460.

In a prepared statement Township Supervisor Curtis H. Hall defended the police pay hike asserting that: "We are proposing some above ordinary budget increases in our Police Department. This has been necessitated by the need to remain competitive with salaries offered in neighboring Police Departments. We believe it would be false economy not to be competitive, because the loss of good, experienced officers cannot be afforded. This is particularly true at this time when civil disorders threaten our community."

Just recently the Detroit police force received a pay raise bringing the salary for the experienced officer to \$10,000 per year—the highest in the nation.

**NEW FROM LAST YEAR'S** budget is the inclusion of \$34,000 in a matching fund for road improvements in the township. The township has had a matching fund for county projects in the past, but the itemized breakdown was not listed in the 1967-68 budget.

Hall's prepared statement asserted that: "Our road improvement matching fund has been expanded by using a major portion of our State Income Tax revenue. Under the program we have proposed, Farmington Township roads could benefit to the extent of \$180,000 to \$220,000."

"It should be understood by all of our thinking citizens that the township does not have any authority over, or any responsibility for, any of our roads. All tax moneys collected for road purposes go to the State of Michigan. As a city, we would get road tax moneys—as a township we get none. Thus, any money we put into roads must come from other tax sources."

"Nevertheless, we have planned the expanded road improvement matching fund to take advantage of county road funds available to us on a matching basis, and also to aid groups of concerned citizens to obtain maintenance of local road conditions by matching funds raised by them for such purposes. These funds will be available on a matching, first come, first served, basis."

The budget estimates that a total of \$66,000 will come to the township as its share of the state income tax. The \$32,000 difference between the matching road fund and the income tax revenue has been eaten up by the increased ad valorem and salary costs of the township.



READY FOR EASTER — Mrs. Naomi Schwinck's first grade class at the Bond School constructed an Easter bunny of their very own. With the rabbit are Billy Taylor and Karen Bauer.

## Harrison High School Boundaries Approved

Tentative boundary lines for the district to be served by Farmington's third high school when it opens in the 1969-70 academic year were drawn by the Board of Education Monday night in a meeting held with special police approval in face of emergency curfew regulations.

Harrison High School, to be located on 12 Mile Rd. west of Middlebelt Rd., essentially will accommodate students living in the eastern third of the school district.

The attendance area will be bounded on the east by Inkster Rd., on the north by 13 Mile Rd., on the west by Orchard Lake Rd., and then by Middlebelt from 10 Mile south to Independence St.

Independence then will serve as the southern boundary on a line from Middlebelt to Inkster.

The area includes Sections 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, 24, 25 and 36 of Farmington Township. Meanwhile, a special policy will be worked out pertaining to next year's district of 10th, 11th and 12th graders from this area between the two existing high schools. School officials will advise families individually of these designations.

Detroit's troubled races stayed under police and National Guard watch today with an 8 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew still in force after the funeral of Dr. Martin Luther King in Atlanta.

The suburbs, prepared and tense at the threat of unrest flowing from Detroit, waited it out.

Gov. Romney and Detroit's Mayor Clavough told news conference that while the danger of an explosion was subsiding the curfew and executive

order would remain in effect until today at least.

HE SAID the credit for keeping the nation's fifth largest city under control following Dr. King's assassination in Memphis six days ago must be shared by the people and the police forces.

"These are fundamental," he said.

During the period, police made nearly 1,100 arrests, including 532 for misdemeanors such as curfew and executive

order violations, and 172 for felonies.

Recorder's Court Executive Judge Vincent Brennan said his court is handling cases speedily.

"The citizen has got to be commended for staying off the streets and cooperating with police," he said.

Most schools opened their doors today after being closed either Monday or Tuesday or both.

On Monday night, Romney said that "the situation re-

## Trustees Urge National Action Against Racists

Farmington Township Trustee Earl Oppertbauer asked the Township Board for and got a condemnation of both white and black racism Monday night.

Noting the existence of the curfew and emergency measures enforced in the metropolitan area, Oppertbauer asserted that he thought that it was time for the township to use its influence "no matter how small" to try to correct the problem.

**THE RESOLUTION**, which passed the board by a unanimous vote, calls for The President, U.S. Attorney General, and the U.S. Congress to:

"Seek the immediate and forthright enforcement of our federal criminal laws against incitement to riot, sedition, treason and insurrection."

"Seek the immediate passage of legislation making it a federal crime to incite, advocate or perform any act of violence against another person or his property because of his race, creed, color or national origin."

In introducing the resolution Oppertbauer cited as racial extremists: Stanley Carmichael, past leader of the Congress of Racial Equality (CORE); H. Rap Brown, head of the Student Non-Violence Coordinating Committee (SNCC); and Donald Lobsenz, head of the Detroit based Breakthrough organization.

CORE and SNCC are civil rights organizations which are currently in the forefront of the more militant wing of the movement, while Breakthrough is a far right wing organization.

**THE INTRODUCTORY** paragraph of the resolution stated that: "The people of Farmington Township are deeply shocked and with great deplore the untimely death of the late Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and the insidious expressions of racial hatred which have been sweeping the nation unchecked and which probably inflamed the untold passions of his cowardly killer."

Copies of the resolution will be forwarded to The President; Attorney General Ramsey Clark; the state's U.S. Senators: Philip A. Hart (D) and Robert P. Griffin (R), and 10th District Congressman Jack McDonald (R).

A formal decision by the Farmington Township Board on the proposed apartment and single family home project at the corner of Middle Belt Rd. and Northwestern Highway was delayed for a month Monday night, but the board indicated that it will probably overturn the Planning Commission's unanimous recommendation to rezone for the project.

Developer Ivan Frankel was granted the 30-day stay when he told the board that he wished to document some of the factors on the roads which had caused the most vocal opposition from the neighbors.

Complete details on the proposal and the board's action will appear in Sunday's edition of The Farmington Enterprise & Observer.

Other actions of the board set for study for the library resource center at Grace School at \$135,000, architectural fees included.

**Spring Vacation** Begins Friday

Spring vacation time is at hand for the more than 15,000 pupils of the Farmington public school system.

Friday, April 12, is scheduled as the last day of classes until Monday, April 22.

In addition, students received an unexpected extra day free from school this week when the system was closed Tuesday in tribute to the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Upon their return to the rigors of the classroom on April 22, students and teachers alike will have only eight weeks to await the summer vacation dismissal which will come with the close of school Friday, June 14.

Under the order, all liquor sales were banned, gasoline could be sold only during the non-curfew hours and poured only into vehicle tanks, places of amusement were closed and gatherings of more than five people were banned, except for church services.

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## BULLETIN

Democratic Presidential hopeful Senator Robert F. Kennedy will pay a visit to Michigan tomorrow.

Kennedy's suddenly scheduled trip will be to Lansing and to several unannounced southwestern Michigan cities.

He will appear at a luncheon scheduled for 1 p.m. in the Jack Tar Hotel in Lansing, sponsored by the Sixth District Alliance for Kennedy, headed by Win Rowe, Professor of English at Michigan State University, and Joel Ferguson, Lansing City Councilman.

Tickets will be made available to the public, although Democratic officials setting up the trip said that their number would be limited owing to the small size of the dining room. Democratic State Chairman Sander Levin said, "We welcome the visit to Michigan of Senator Kennedy. We are looking forward to hearing his views on the issues of our time, just as we look forward to hearing from all other candidates for the Democratic nomination for President."

Kennedy is expected to return to Indiana Thursday evening to resume his campaign in that state's primary election.

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**LIVONIA** — Classes in all of the city's public and parochial schools were canceled yesterday as a memorial tribute to Dr. Martin Luther King. Students were urged to "remain home and observe services for Dr. King on television if possible." Classes resumed today.

**LIVONIA** — Formal installation ceremonies for Livonia's newly elected public officials were dispensed with this week because of the 8 p.m. Wayne County curfew. Instead, Mayor Harvey W. Moolke, beginning his fourth term of office, took the oath at informal ceremonies Monday noon in city hall. Councilmen and constables took their oaths Monday night at a special 7 p.m. meeting.

Livonia's Council has a new president — Edward H. McNamara, and a newcomer steps in as vice president — Robert E. McCann, a teacher just elected councilman. The Council assigned displaced president Peter A. Ventura and Councilman Edward G. Milligan as its representatives on the Wayne County Board of Supervisors. Ventura, a third term, has served two years as president before the reorganization this week.

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