

# Livonia Eases Ticket Threat On Corner Parking

By RALPH R. REED

Faced with complaints that the "no parking" signs are too close to corners, Mayor Harvey W. Moelke has instructed the Police Department to

wait until street intersection warning signs are installed before issuing tickets for parking too close to corners.

That, the mayor said, does not exclude the ticketing of tall

trucks that would obstruct the view of "stop" signs.

It does mean that the modern low parked cars do not block a driver's view of the "stop" sign at the top of the post.

Also, the mayor believes that an automobile driver smart enough to get a license isn't likely to swing into a busy road without stopping for a "look and listen" at moving traffic.

It won't be long before such "no parking" signs are erected, the mayor said, in the more critical areas. A survey has been ordered.

They would probably read "No Parking Here to Corner" and to comply with the city ordinance, would be erected 30 feet from the intersection.

It is within that 30-foot zone that parkers, unfamiliar with the ordinance, have been finding violation tickets under the windshield. Violators pay \$4, or \$3 within 48 hours.

The complaints are justified, the mayor said "because the average person doesn't know about the 30-foot rule and there are no signs to warn the parker. They have no copies of the ordinances to read."

Neither are there curbs along the side streets that can be painted yellow as a warning of No Parking areas.

Certainly we can't afford to pave all the side streets so that curbs can be painted, and I don't know what it would cost to put up signs all over the city advising drivers of parking regulations.

## Moelke Fete Set May 17

They're going to strike up the band a little late in celebration of Mayor Harvey W. Moelke's election to a fourth term in the executive office of Livonia.

He was renominated at a primary election on February 19, reelected by a landslide on April 1 over Council President Peter A. Ventura, who hoped for elevation to the city's top job.

The celebration is planned for May 17—a Friday night. The place is Roma Hall,

Dress is informal.

THE DINNER is buffet—the price \$6. per person, \$12. a couple.

Beer, and the setup, are included. The bottle of hard liquor—if you want it—is your own.

There will be champagne at "so much" a glass—depending on the purchase price to the promoters.

Tables will be reserved for parties of 10. Others will sit at tables where everyone, being friends of Moelke, are expected

to be friendly.

Last time—the third term celebration—400 went to the party, delayed until June because of space accommodations. This time the arrangers plan for 50 per cent more.

To keep things in order, a one-day license will be obtained to cover the beer, wine and drinking privileges.

Mrs. Eleanor Jacobs, the mayor's executive secretary, said the \$5 is a donation, rather than a price.

Mrs. Jacobs is handling the ticket sales. All of donation reservations. Calls to GA 2-6480 days, GA 7-0899 evenings, will speed delivery of tickets to the purchasers. Also, will arrange for tables for the groups of 10 or more.

THE KICK-OFF comes at 7:30 p.m., with self service dinner about 8 and dancing will begin at 9 and continue until the orchestra's contract time runs out at 1 a.m.

Who's playing? The decision hasn't been made.

The plans for the party are being made by such City Hall inhabitants as Robert A. Shaw, director of Public Works and a Moelke campaign advisor, and Steve Polgar, the head of Moelke's Legal Department and another adviser, as well as by Mrs. Jacobs.

The crowd will include most city officials, a lot of city employees, and a number of Moelke supporters and admirers.



TEEN BALLERINA — Miss Cathy Shepherd, 17, ballet pupil with the Rosedale School of Dance, will be one of many young dance devotees performing this Sunday, April 28, at the Livonia Artists' Club's Seventh Annual Festival of the Arts, 1-9 p.m. at the Carl Sandburg Library. Cathy, a ballet student since the age of 6, is a Bentley High School senior and the daughter of the George Shepherds, 30370 Oakview Dr.

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required to properly post all intersections—where "stop" signs already are installed.

Shaw said his department could make and put up the signs when they are ordered by the Police Department.

Where the money will come from to pay the bill is undecided. The city is pinched for funds, under the six mill limitation that includes one mill for police—beyond its council appropriation.

Moelke pointed out that other cities post the "No Parking Here to Corner" signs near busy intersections—whatever distance from the corner the local ordinance may specify.

The mayor said that in view of the higher salaries that the police may receive in the present negotiations with the city's bargaining team, he had asked Safety Director Donald Nicholson to look into the possibility of hiring civilians—probably meter maids—to take over the parking violation ticket problem.

That, he said, would require the setting up of a new classification by the Civil Service Commission, since all police except the civilian commissioner are chosen through that system.

He believes this would free unformed patrolmen, in Livonia's "courtesy is our motto" cars, to pay more attention to speeders in the residence sections on highways, and to other police work.

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