

today's hot line

LIVONIA — City Administration must decide within a week whether to adopt the new district court plan, with two full time judges paid \$18,000 annually by the state, or retain the municipal court system of a \$15,000 judge paid by Livonia and permitted to practice law privately. Mayor Moelke and lawyers like the new state system and its benefits. Except for veto power, the decision is up to Council. If Council doesn't exempt Livonia, the new law becomes effective.

LIVONIA — Plymouth Road through town is finally being paved with asphalt, and a contractor is rushing the June 30 deadline. The work was expected last fall, but the State Highway Department had fixed a 1968 deadline and the contractors got busy elsewhere. If the five mile stretch is not completed by July 1, a penalty must be paid for each day of delay. Delays have brought much criticism, traffic problems and dust storms.

GARDEN CITY — Mayor Tim Murphy has announced his candidacy for a second two-year term in the Aug. 6 primary election. He is the first to declare his intentions for the city's chief executive post.

GARDEN CITY — The Garden City Education Association has stiffened its position in negotiations for a new contract for the district's 550 teachers. A new salary schedule and other non-economic issues are still unresolved, reported the faculty group.

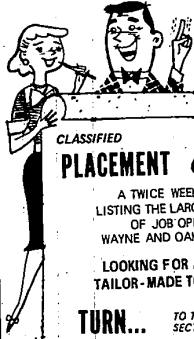
PLYMOUTH — The Plymouth Citizens for Peace was denied a request to stage a parade and demonstration on July Fourth on the grounds that the City Commission had given sole rights for the annual parade to the Jaycees.

REDFORD — A slate of township Democrats has filed suit in Wayne County Circuit Court in an attempt to insure that a Michigan Supreme Court ruling on an Oakland County appeal will apply to Wayne County as well, to determine whether or not their candidates can run for township supervisor and clerk this fall. William Wiley, supervisor hopeful, and Mrs. Virginia Alward, seeking to become clerk, have attempted to file petitions with the township clerk. Information that the positions are not on the ballot at this time, they went to court. In a blind draw for judges, they received Circuit Judge John B. Swainson, former state governor and a Democrat.

REDFORD — Negotiations have halted in both Redford school districts, with teachers declaring they won't return to the table until August 19 and 28. All economic items remain unsettled. Summer school teachers in South Redford, unable to get a promise that their wages would continue to be based on their regular annual salary, with retroactive increases as settled this fall, boycotted the school's summer program Monday.

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State Enters School Pay Talks

Farmington Superintendent of Schools Roderick J. Smith personally stepped into a fast-developing breach between administration and teacher wage negotiating teams Monday and kept contract talks alive after a threatened delay until August.

Dr. Smith announced Monday night that Robert Rombouts of the state labor mediation staff would be brought in as a third party to negotiations, with immediate effort being extended

to get the bargainers together again quickly.

"We recognize there's a partial stalemate and my main concern is that we keep on negotiating," declared the superintendent.

Earlier in the day the bargaining teams had met for two hours without progress.

In this session the Farmington Education Association representatives for the teachers withdrew a wage

scale plan previously submitted, and both sides presented new proposals which left them at such odds that an actual break-off of negotiations was announced.

The teachers are asking a 15 per cent package increase, 12 per cent in direct salaries and the remaining three per cent in fringe benefits.

The maximum which the Board of Education wants to give is a 10 per cent package.

President-elect Robert Newhouser

of the F.E.A. welcomed the information that Labor Mediator Rombouts would join the talks at the earliest possible moment, saying that his group will be willing "to meet anytime as long as there is a chance for making progress."

Rombouts is the same state labor representative who participated in Farmington bargaining last year and helped bring about a contract settlement in late summer when a teacher strike was threatened.



ROUGHING IT — These were four of approximately 25 Girl Scout Cadettes, all fourth graders at Middlebelt School, who participated in a recent overnight campout. Sharing the cooking assignment here are, from left to right, Laura Mac, Carol Gaskin, Marta Huntoon and Wynne Robinson.

District Judge's Salary Given Boost By Council

The newly created post of District Judge gained a new attractiveness Monday night when the Farmington City Council agreed to a proposal to help subsidize the position so that the salary would be set at \$27,500 per year. Township agreement to the proposal is expected.

This is the legal limit authorized by the state. Under the terms of the bill just passed by the state legislature a total of \$18,000 will come from state funds.

The remaining \$9,500 will be shared on a population basis by the city and township. The city's share was placed at \$2,500.

FARMINGTON city and township have been defined by the legislature as one district. Under the terms of the bill, the judge will have to hold

court in each municipality and City Manager John Dinan told the council that the court would probably meet in the township three days a week and in the city two days a week.

Currently the city council chambers double as a court room and the plans for the new township hall call for a combination board meeting room and court room. These facilities will be rented to the state for use as the district court.

In order to qualify for the full time position, one must be licensed to practice law in the state.

One candidate, Township Trustee Earl Oppenheimer, has already announced for the post. Other names mentioned as possible contenders include: City Municipal Judge Michael J. Hand; Township Justice of the Peace Robert Nelson; local

Attorney John H. Burke; Associate Municipal Judge Dennis Phenehy. Phenehy, however, is not expected to run if Hand decides to do so.

UNDER the existing system of a municipal court in the city the two judges are paid a total of \$7,500. The justices of the peace in the township—Nelson and Byron Walter—are paid on a fee system. The court reorganization was required under the new state constitution which abolished the justice of the peace courts. The new law takes effect Jan. 1, 1969.

Candidates for the post have until July 2 to either file nominating petitions or a nominating fee with the election commission in Lansing.

Civil Rights Conference Set For FJHS Sunday

Farmington Junior High School will be the setting for the community's first teach-in at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, June 23.

Sponsored by the Young Action Committee, college students from Western Michigan University, the University of Michigan, Oakland Community College and students from area

high schools, the stated purpose of the teach-in is to foster dialogue on questions of civil rights and racism. Attending will be a cross section of clergy, civil rights workers, laborers, members of the news media and various educators.

Arrangements call for a panel discussion followed by ques-

tions and answers and a five-item workshop.

Hayward Wilson, executive director of CORE, will set the pace with his keynote address.

Panel members will include the Rev. Joseph Pelham, of Trinity Episcopal Church, Farmington; Al Danmore, publisher of the Michigan Chronicle; Al McNeely, director of Detroit's Challenge program; and the Rev. Bill Willis, of the Detroit Council of Churches and member of Detroit's housing task force.

Moderator will be Dr. Ted McViney, executive director of the New Farmington Committee.

The vacancy before July 1. The next city council session is July 1.

Two names mentioned most frequently during the past weeks as possible successors have been Fred Seibert and Ernest Sauter.

BROTHERTON confirmed that these were the two main possibilities and termed both men "qualified."

Seibert of 21626 Birchwood, is chairman of the City Planning Commission. Active in local Republican politics, he is employed as a supervisor by the Ford Motor Co.

Sauter, a Michigan Bell executive, is currently a city representative on the Farmington District Library Board. He was an unsuccessful candidate for city council in 1965. He resides at 21323 Birchwood.

GOP Primary Fight Looms In Township

A donnybrook of a Republican primary election battle in Farmington Township took form this week when at least six hopefuls for the Board of Trustees got into the race when it was learned that three seats will be up for grabs instead of the anticipated two.

Accenting the legislative and judicial bedforddome surrounding statewide township election status was the revelation that Trustee Peter Kiopp must stand for reelection because he was appointed last year to fill

a vacancy in an office which was on the ballot in 1966. Originally, Kiopp thought he would serve the balance of a full term until 1970, but the Legislature mixed that in an 11th hour election law amendment before adjournment 10 days ago.

AS A RESULT the primary election Aug. 6 must nominate Republican and Democratic candidates for Kiopp's seat, and then in a completely separate contest for those seats

currently held by James Skillman and Earl Oppenheimer all are Republicans.

Kiopp will be a candidate to succeed himself, as will Skillman. Oppenheimer will not. Forcing a heated primary campaign within Republican ranks will be the candidacy of at least these four added starters:

Mrs. Mary Ann (Margaret) Schaffner, a Detroit law firm member who has served as legislative chairman of the

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ON THE JOB — Farmington co-op students Robert Shaffer (left) and Larry Stelter get on-the-job training as mechanics at O'Green Ford. Thirty-five boys are employed in the school district's expanding trade and industrial division of the co-operative occupational education program.