

# Most believe in energy crunch

Energy crunch in Michigan? There sure is. That's the thinking of at least half the state's residents. And fully 75 per cent of Michiganders—including some of those who don't believe there is an energy crisis—say they've changed their use of energy in recent months. Such are the findings of a scientific survey conducted for the Commerce Department by Market Opinion Research of Detroit.

Save money too—takes various forms. Most popular among those surveyed was lowering the temperatures in their homes. Nearly 80 per cent said they'd done that this winter. In addition, the people said they: —Drive more slowly (76 per cent). —Use their cars less (60 per cent). —Use less electricity in their homes (45 per cent).

THOSE WHO DON'T believe there is a crisis say "big oil companies (are) rigging or raising prices," or the crisis is "just a way to make

money" (30 per cent).

Even so, the survey found Michigan residents more pessimistic this year about the energy situation getting better in the immediate future.

A similar survey in February 1974 showed 13 per cent of Michigan residents expected the situation to change by springtime. This year, that figure dropped to 4 per cent. And 18 per cent figure it will never change.

YOU'RE FLYING to London this Saturday and your passport hasn't come through yet? Don't panic. Just fly off to Chicago—or some other city outside of Michigan—where passports are issued directly through field offices. Lots of trouble for us in Michigan, you say?

Gov. William Milliken agrees. He's asked Secretary of State Henry Kissinger to approve establishment of a passport office in Detroit.

There already are 10 such offices in the country, but Michigan can boast nary a one of them.

Milliken figures a passport-issuing

office would be helpful to the estimated 90,000 Michigan residents who annually file for the documents. And, he suggests, opening an office in Detroit might mean up to 25 new jobs for that city.

MASS PLANTINGS of crabapple groves in Alamo Township, publication of a history of the City of Portage, restoration of a late 19th century time kiln and subsidy for the Neogametic Club of South St. Marie area to perform native dances at Michigan festivities.

Such is the preview of the Michigan American Revolution Bicentennial Commission.

The above named projects were among a recent batch formally recognized—and some were funded—by the commission as it continues gearing up for celebration of the nation's 200th anniversary.

MORE THAN \$275,000 in state and federal funds now have been allocated by the Michigan group to support and assist activities "directed at reviving, relieving and rededicating our faith in self-government."



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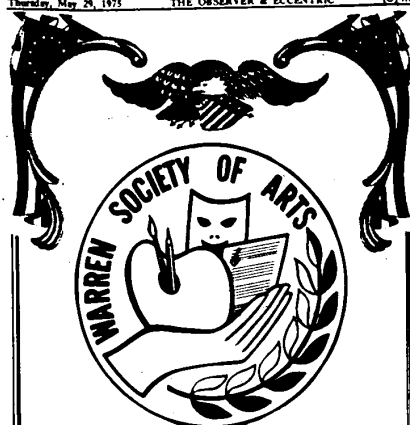
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