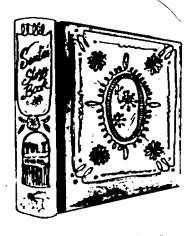
WILL SANTA SIT IN WORLD'S LARGEST BOOK?

As books go, the Guinness Book of World Records is among the widest read. But what is the widest and highest book in the world?

The directors of Livonia Mall think they hold the record. As the finishing touches are put on Santa's Storybook, Mall personnel have been poring through the "Guinness Book" to find out if the 14 ft. by 16 ft. structure that will house Santa and the thousands of kids who will line up to read him their Christmas lists, doesn't beat the world's record for the largest book in history.

Santa's Storybook, constructed of plywood, two-by-fours and an assortment of carpeting and Christmas trims is the brainchild of the Mall's executive director, Eileen Boze. In addition to seating Santa Claus and the kids, the 1975 edition includes photographic equipment, Santa's dressing room and Holiday decorations. Mrs. Boze's literary efforts took two weeks to complete.

When asked whether two weeks, compared with the many years that have gone into some of the



classics of literature, Mrs. Boze said: "There is as much human warmth, love and Christmas spirit in this book as you'll find in Dickens' classic 'A Christmas Carol."

Chris Gallagher, manager of the Little Professor Book Store in Livonia Mall, speaking of the crowds expected to line-up to see Santa this year said: "If every book in my store were as popular as Santa's Storybook, movies would be less popular and Neilson ratings would be very low."

The "largest book in the world" can be seen at Livonia Mall, 7 Mile at Middlebelt. Chapter One opens at 9:30 a.m. Friday, November 28.



