

Plymouth C Of C Manager Sees Nothing But Growth

by NORMA GREEN

PLYMOUTH

"Plymouth has grown about 10% in population and industry in the past year and I expect the community will continue to grow," said Lew Goddard, manager of the Plymouth Chamber of Commerce.

This month, a flower shop called Springbrook Gardens will open for business joining more than 40 other new enterprises that have settled in the Plymouth area within the past 14 months.

Some moved into old locations, including the business section on Starkweather and Mill Streets between Liberty and Wing Streets called "Old Village," while others took over new territory in a shopping center located at Sheldon and Ann Arbor Road and in the McCall Office Building on Wing Street.

The Corner Candy Shop, Little Angel's Shoppe, Harlow Tire Co., Dale Carlson Interior Designs, Diesing & Associates, Southern Way Restaurant, Farrell Gallery, The House That Mud Built and the Village Boutique joined the complex of stores in the old village district of Plymouth.

It's merchants are trying to promote the individual charm of the past specialty shops by restoration rather than new construction.

The fall of 1968 witnessed the opening of Koch's Ham Hutch, Sparling Plastic Industries, Con-

nie's Corner, Gallerie (12) and United Rent-AI.

The first half of 1969 heralded in Colony Car Wash, Stereorama, Holcombe Heating and Cooling, Michigan State Police Crime Lab, American Group, Inc., Baron Oil Co., Crankshaft Form Tool, Domino Pizza, Don's Austin Gulf Service, Nancy's Country Store and State Farm Insurance.

In July, Michigan Bell Telephone Switching Center moved into a new facility in Plymouth, as did Plymouth House Gallery.

The following month, Carpets of Plymouth and Howmet Corp. joined the community.

Since September, new businesses in Plymouth have been established including Kenny, Inc.,

Plymouth Eagle, George Smith, Real Estate, Task Purchasing and Leasing, Travel Trailer Storage, Damsel Beauty Salon and Dungeon Art Gallery. Also Pilgrim Tax Service, Kentucky Fried Chicken and Merle Norman, Inc.

All are listed as new members of the Chamber of Commerce. "When businesses come to us and ask for information, we try to furnish them with appropriate brochures showing our growth, the community tax structure and school system," Goddard said.

"We tell all prospective industries that Plymouth has a good climate," he said. "We are a balanced community with a good distribution of residential area, service and industry."

Filled With Nuts, Bolts

FARMINGTON

Punsters may quip about "nuts and bolts factories" but the Farmington Freeway Industrial Park includes a warehouse filled with more than 40,000 nuts, bolts and other fasteners.

Bamal Corp. occupied its new building in the FFIP last spring. The 46,000 square foot building includes 6,000 square feet of office space as well as electronic data processing equipment for material handling and bookkeeping.

The computers are necessary to keep track of where-about of over 40,000 nuts, bolts, screws, washers and other industrial fasteners supplied by Bamal to its industrial clients.



WILLIAM HENSHELL JR.

Henschell New Chief Of C & O

William Henschell, Jr. has been named general manager of the Northern Region of the Chesapeake and Ohio/Baltimore and Ohio railroads, it was announced by C. Vernon Cowan, C&O/B&O vice-president in charge of operations.

Henschell succeeds in the Detroit headquarters of the Northern Region Buford G. Nash, who has retired under the company's plan. Henschell has been assistant general manager in Detroit since May, 1969.

HE STARTED HIS career with the C&O as a switchman in Detroit in 1946. He moved through the operating department ranks, becoming assistant to the vice-president at Baltimore and later general manager - superintendent of the New York Terminal and the Staten Island Rapid Transit Railway.

In 1966 he was made assistant to vice president - operations in Cleveland and a year later moved to Baltimore as general manager - operations and planning.

Replacing him as assistant general manager of the Northern Region is James L. Alvord, who moves to Detroit from Baltimore where he has been assistant to vice-president - operations since July, 1967.

Alvord began his railroad career with the Pere Marquette Railroad, later merged into C&O, in 1936.

Perkins Set For Big Move

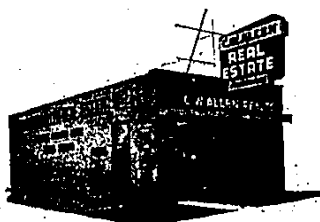
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Perkins Engines, Inc., will soon occupy its new plant in the Farmington Freeway Industrial Park, a Thompson-Brown development at 10 Mile and Grand River in Farmington Township.

The building, valued at \$2 million and covering 80,000 square feet, allows Perkins Engines to consolidate its 150-man staff under one roof.

THE NEW PLANT is on a 13-acre site and houses both assembly and warehousing operations. The move is "a vital segment in our overall expansion program" says G.E. Smith, chairman and chief executive for Perkins' North American operations.

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