

# Livonia, Townships Populations Boom

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Like ripples on disturbed water, the population continues to spin outward from the central city to ever-wider tiers of suburbs in a concentric pattern.

This is revealed dramatically in preliminary census figures reported this week for most of Schoolcraft's communities.

The 36-square-mile City of Livonia boomed most dramatically to a new high of 106,746 persons, a 7.2% increase from 1960.

Meanwhile, one tier closer to Detroit, Redford Township, which exploded in the previous decade to 71,304 persons, gained a net of only 31 persons in the 1970 count.

The 10th largest, the City of Plymouth and the townships of Plymouth, Canton and Farmington, meanwhile showed the tide of things to come — a near doubling in the past 10 years.

OTHER THAN LIVONIA,

area cities in general showed moderate population increases.

The townships, however, witnessed "fantastic" increases; some more than doubling.

Living Siviter, Livonia area district census director, released preliminary data this week, spelling out actual figures for those he could.

Definitive reports on others will have to come from the U.S. Census Bureau. The census later this year, Siviter could not release any information other than population statistics.

WESTLAND, WHICH became a new city during the past decade, established its first official head count of 86,291.

Neighboring Garden City grew little, to 41,533 from about 38,000.

Another neighbor, Wayne County, jumped 29% from about 16,000 persons to 21,223.

The City of Plymouth grew from 8,766 to 11,394.



JOHN SIVITER  
No House Race

The City of Farmington, which had about 6,000 persons in 1960 now has "less than 10,000."

Canton Township with 5,313 in 1960, Plymouth Township

with 8,384 then, and Farmington Township, 25,500, can now be expected to be about doubled in density.

THE WORK done by Siviter and his staff and their computers will have political implications.

With the census figures, the Legislature will reapportion the state's congressional districts, and the indications are that Michigan may lose one seat. It will be important, then, to know which party controls the Legislature.

The state Apportionment Commission will use the census figures to reapportion the Legislature, which has 38 Senate seats and 110 in the House.

SIVITER WON'T be running for a seat in the House this year, despite having pulled off a political plum, because "it's unrealistic to think I could overcome work that's been done for other candidates."

His office was one of the first of the decentralized mail-in types in the country to finish, second only to a district in Texas.

And his district underwent its \$500,000 budget by between \$30,000 and \$50,000, "making savings in almost every category."

Siviter said he had been eyeing a challenge for a seat in the 11th District state representative seat in the Republican ticket. The district, which includes Livonia, is now represented by Democrat Marvin Stempel of Livonia.

"I don't think I can afford a bloody primary and then realistically expect to have a chance to win the general election," said Siviter.

ANOTHER LIVONIAN, Robert Swanson, filed as a Republican candidate two weeks before Siviter wound up his "no politics" census job.

Siviter admitted he and some party leaders have been gearing up for his own candidacy, the seat for a year and a half.

Siviter won a Republican primary for the 17th District seat in Congress in 1966 but was defeated by Democratic Congresswoman Martha Griffiths. He has sought no other political office.

Swanson's only foray was a shot at Schoolcraft Community College trusteeship in 1969, which was unsuccessful on a non-partisan ballot.

Siviter, who was appointed census director through the sponsorship of 19th District Rep. Jack McDonald (R-Farmington), said his chances of getting money for a campaign compared to Swanson's are negligible.

Asked if he'll support Swanson, Siviter said, "I'll reserve my judgment. I'd like to see where he stands."

With a few minor provisos William Bannan, superintendent of the Detroit House of Correction, would favor the establishment of a Drug Rehabilitation Center at the institution on Five Mile Road.

The idea of using the facilities for a drug center was approached a year ago by Livonia, the district judges, James McCarr and James Mies. They also suggested that the Dehoco facility also be used as a counseling center.

The two judges made their presentation after several meetings with Dr. Ralph B. Rabinovitch, of the Hawthorne Center. And their presentation also set up a hypothetical staff with an annual payroll of \$474,000.

"WE CAN DO THE job out here at Dehoco right now," Supt. Bannan stated, "and we won't need anywhere near that kind of money... provided two things."

"First," he said, "the drug users would have to be committed here as addicts, not on other charges as they are now."

"Second," he went on, "I would want a good supervisor to oversee the work in the three barracks that are now available."

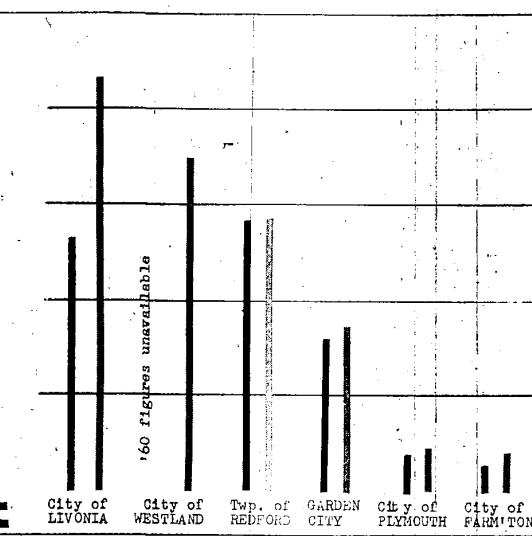
"And, of course," he added, "the political subdivision that committed them would have to pay the room and board rate of \$45 per day. And maybe we'd have to add another \$1 a day for medicine. But for \$55, we could do the job."

BANNAN WAS moved to make his remarks by the report from the inner city that the methadone treatment was proving successful.

The methadone treatment, according to Bannan, is the use of another drug to get the addict off heroin.

"He works down there," he pointed out, "there's no reason why it can't work out here at Dehoco."

The genial superintendent



## Regional Affairs

### Schoolcraft's Summer Registration June 29

Registration for the eight-week summer session at Schoolcraft College is scheduled for Monday, June 29. Registrar Norman E. Dunn has announced.

Classes begin Tuesday, June 30 and the session ends on Aug. 20. Fall semester will be a holiday, Dunn said.

Students who have arranged with a counselor or arranged to take day classes or a combination of day and evening classes are to register at the Library according to the following schedule:

8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Students who plan to complete graduation requirements at the end of the summer session. These students must present a completed "Notice of Intent to Graduate" and be prepared to pay the \$5 commencement fee. 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Students who last names begin with U-Z.

9:30 a.m.-1 p.m. P-R  
10:30-11 a.m.-M-O  
1:15-3 p.m.-K-L  
1:30-2 p.m.-H-J  
2:20-3 p.m.-E-G  
2:30-3 p.m.-C-D  
3:30-3 p.m.-A-Z

STUDENTS MUST have two copies (white and yellow) of their "Course Enrollment Form" and be prepared to pay tuition and fees in full.

Students who have not yet arranged to take day classes or a combination of day and evening classes are to call the college for a counseling appointment before June 29. Students will complete the "Course Enrollment Form" at

the time of their appointment with a counselor. Appointments can be made by calling the Counseling Office at 591-6400.

Students who have arranged with an advisor or counselor to take only evening classes may register either by mail or at the college registration office between 7 and 9 p.m. on June 29. The SUMMER session schedule of classes shows 71 courses in 15 departments will

be offered for the eight week period.

These are: Biology, two courses; business, one course; chemistry, one course, economics, two courses, English, 20 courses; geography, one course; health education, physical education, three courses; history, four courses; reading, three courses; sociology, three courses; and speech, three courses.

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Selected as outstanding faculty-at-large were: Mrs. Sandra L. Sutherland, English; Mrs. Betty R. Dimtry, library technology; Pleasant Ridge; and Curtis Anderson, history, Detroit.

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