

With No Rehearsal, Kadish Saves The Day

By DENNIS L. PAJOT
In a weird-almost disastrous-drama, a Livonia state senate candidate nominated his mayor for presiding officer of the Senate.

Edward McNamara was supposed to be nominated for lieutenant governor at the Democratic state convention Sunday by a pretty brunette who already holds a state office.

In addition to her charm, she was supposed to bring a measure of statewide stature and multi-factional endorsement to his candidacy.

Marilyn Jean Kelly, a member of the state board of education, could have done that because she is a member of the 13th Congressional District. That district, at the heart of Detroit's inner city, is

a traditional nominating group because of its mixture of black and European ethnic population.

INSTEAD the nomination came from McNamara's home district, the 19th, which is all-white and suburban with a smattering of Pontiac blacks.

And it was a none-too-assured newcomer to state politics who gave Miss Kelly's speech, 14th State Senate District Democratic candidate Paul Kadish.

Kadish was waiting at the stage steps to congratulate McNamara and get his picture taken when the 13th District chairman passed on the nominations roll call. A flurry of buzzing erupted in the cadre of Levin supporters milling in the same area.

Suddenly the speech was literally thrust at him. A Levin staff member dashed to the rear of the hall and talked to 19th District chairman Aldo Vagnozzi of Farmington.

"Mr. Chairman," Vagnozzi soon implored from a floor microphone, "the 19th District has someone on stage who will offer a nomination."

HIS VOICE ringing with conviction and enthusiasm as if he had practiced the speech for a week, Kadish bellowed: "I am pleased to offer a nomination for the past lieutenant governor the mayor of the City of Livonia, Edward H. McNamara."

He continued through the page and a half text almost flawlessly. The convention had buzzed at first. A black man

stroled across the floor in front of the stage yelling a derogatory remark about McNamara.

By the time Kadish had reached the midpoint, however, scarcely a sound could be heard except his round tones filling the hall above and around the 3,000 delegates and observers.

AFTERWARD KADISH told Observer Newspapers he was as surprised as anyone that he was called upon.

"I understand my name was under consideration last night by Sandy's staff, with other names. Who the others were, I don't know, other than Marilyn Jean Kelly of the 13th District," said Kadish.

"Just prior to the time the speech was scheduled someone asked me to give it, and I accepted."

Yes, he said, Levin's choice of McNamara had come as a surprise to him originally. But, he said, "I feel he will be a strong candidate. Sandy's selecting him as lieutenant governor is good enough for me."

"It is unfortunate that people are trying to spread rumors that Ed is something other than what he is," said Kadish, referring to claims that McNamara is conservative on race issues.

"IN MY EXPERIENCE with Ed McNamara, which is considerable, I have always found him honest and forthright on the issues, with the guts to speak out when perhaps it's not the politically proper thing to do. If it's an issue in which he believes,

"Conservatism, liberalism is quite a relative thing. I don't think Ed McNamara is conservative. He's open minded and speaks to the issues with understanding."



PAUL KADISH, with no chance to rehearse, delivered a stirring speech nominating Mayor Ed McNamara for lieutenant governor. (Observer photo)

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No Vision May Doom Detroit Metro Area

DEARBORN: Failure to perceive its metropolitan status may cost the Detroit metropolitan area its future, says a University of Michigan Dearborn Campus urban affairs specialist.

Dr. Robert Smock, director of UM-D's Center for Urban Studies and professor of sociology, criticizes the Detroit area for operating like the "Big City" of 70 years ago while growing 10 times as large (from 400,000 to 4,500,000 with at least 130 units of local government).

The urban expert made remarks on the urban situation to a touring group of foreign military officials from the Imperial War College in Great Britain. A briefing session for the group was held recently in the Fair Lane Conference Center on the UM-D campus.

"Metropolitan Detroit is growing at a rate that will double its population to eight million in about 50 years. Yet I see no way, under present governmental institutions, to double facilities for clean water, transportation, waste disposal and other public services in that time," said Smock.

"There is no local executive upper class in the metropolis capable of assembling the resources to solve problems in the way the city's upper class did 70 years ago," he pointed out.

Smock added that no seri-

ous important social reforms are being advocated by any national adult leadership group appealing to educated young adults.

"There is no disavowal of national sovereignty and no push for world government, although there is no other solution to continued wars; there are no serious programs to redistribute national income; and there is no national population policy to slow urban growth so as to pay the tremendous costs of environmental reform," said the UM-D professor.

He criticized those who still look to our "magnificent technology for solutions to social problems," adding that the nation's best hope lies in young adults who are "the only Americans in any number who correctly understand the need for large scale social change in the 1970s."

Smock cited the Transportation and Land Use Study (TALUS) as an example of how Americans rely upon technology to solve urban problems.

FORMER TALUS DIRECTOR, Irvin Rubin, who also attended the session, said the five-year study produced "the most comprehensive metropolitan planning study undertaken anywhere in the world."

Rubin explained, however, that the TALUS information and plans had been turned over to an advisory group, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG), which is unlikely to have any significant influence on the actual development of the region in direction suggested by TALUS.

Both Smock and Rubin agreed that under present institutional arrangements, the "master plan" for urban development suggested by TALUS has "little chance of being implemented." Rubin added that SEMCOG had "questionable distinction of having 'institutionalized a power vacuum' in the region."

She lives at 1706 Richard, Southfield.

Photographer At Seminar, Convention

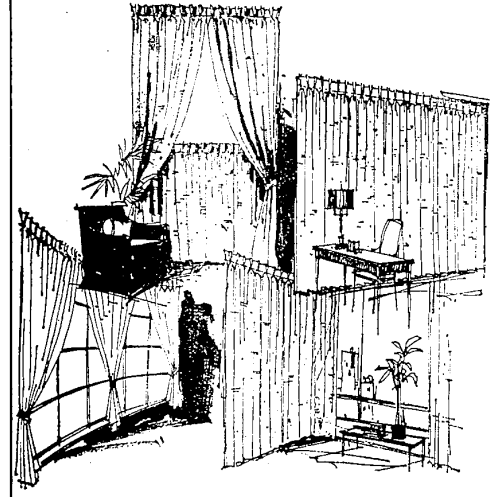
Marilyn Shapiro of Bel-Crest Photo, 33195 Grand River, Farmington, has returned from a one-week seminar at the Winona School of Professional Photography at Winona Lake, Ind.

While there she took courses related to studio management in business, advertising and photography.

Following the seminar she attended the national convention in Chicago of the Professional Photographers of America.

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