

### Bank Income On The Rise

Net income of Manufacturers National Bank of Detroit for the third quarter amounted to \$3,412,530 or \$2 per share on the 1,709,382 shares outstanding, it was announced by Roland A. Mewhort, chairman. This compares to net income of \$3,068,242 or \$1.79 per share for the third quarter last year. Cumulative net income for the first nine months of 1970 was \$9,978,245 or \$5.84 per share compared to \$8,544,238 or \$5.00 per share for the first nine months of 1969. Income before securities gains (losses) for the nine-month period amounted to \$9,981,171.



WAYNE COUNTY lady Democrats, represented here by Mrs. Maxine Brodsky (left), chairman of the 19th District-Wayne party organization, turned out in force last weekend to hear the live-wire Miss Mary Lou Burg, vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee, in a speech to the Wayne County Federation of Women's Democratic Clubs in Taylor. (Observer photo)



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### Geake Opposes School Bussing

"Bussing children out of their neighborhood school districts is an expensive and artificial contrivance which attempts to achieve integration without improving the quality of education for anyone." This was part of a recent presentation to an audience at the Northville Presbyterian Church by Dr. R. Robert Geake, Republican candidate for the State Board of Education.

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opportunity and supports extra grants for enrichment of educational programs in culturally deprived areas. "I abhor the failure of our schools to meet the educational needs of minority groups," Geake said, "not only blacks but the large number of Mexican-Americans and American Indians in Michigan," said Geake, a Schoolcraft College trustee currently. A member of the State Board of Education's ad hoc committee on equality of access to higher education, Geake declared that he believes the answer to that access of minority groups is improvement of the quality of elementary and high school education. "Adequately prepare those with college ability and it will be unnecessary to water down entrance requirements and set quotas for admission."

**No C'ville Classes Oct. 28**  
There will be no classes in Clarenceville School District on Wednesday, Oct. 28. The elementary staff will be conducting parent-teacher conferences while staff members at the secondary level will be making a comprehensive study of curriculum by department.

The secondary level staff also will continue work in preparation for North Central accreditation which is scheduled for completion by April 1971.



## The Stroller... From A Poor Family

By W. W. EDGAR

Years ago, when The Stroller was taking his first steps in the journalistic vineyards, his old editor took him aside one morning and confided that he'd be finding some very interesting people along the way.

He couldn't help recalling the editor's words the other morning while seated in the auditorium of Northville High School to hear Sam Levenson, the former Brooklyn school teacher who helped the Town Hall celebrate its tenth birthday.

Not since the days of the late Will Rogers, the Oklahoma Cowboy, has he heard a more interesting comedian-philosopher than Levenson, who interspersed his hearty laughs with some of the finest home spun philosophy that has rent the air in these parts in years.

After explaining that he was not a high school dropout, but a teacher dropout, who was forced to make the move to earn a living, he revealed some deep-seated philosophy, the type of which one never would learn in school.

"I come from a family," he said, "where my mother was a sort of kitchen magician. She could make 10 pounds of food out of a single pound of hamburger."

"And my father never paddled us," he went on, "but he had the fastest back hand forward swing with a wet hand of anyone I ever have known."

"Mother was a philosopher, too," he confided, "When it came to taking care of us kids. Knowing that we'd fight her when it came to taking medicine, she'd throw the medicine on the floor. She knew we had a habit of picking up everything we'd find on the floor and try to eat it."

As the several hundred women who comprise the Northville Town Hall rocked with laughter, Sam turned to a bit of philosophy on his own.

"We came from a poor family, he said, "and you don't know what it is to be poor until you're poor in Brooklyn. But it's never know it by listening to my mother—and she had a remedy for everything."

"For example," he said, "after my sister got married and her youngster swallowed an aspirin tablet, she panicked and called my mother."

"What will I do?" she appealed over the phone, and mother, who never got excited, calmly answered, "Give her a headache."

As the Stroller sat there enjoying this homespun philosophy through the mist of years came memory of some of his own mother's teaching.

The Stroller was a tender age when she became a widow. But while most folks would have been deep in thought over the misfortune, she called us all together for a little family get together that has lived with him through life.

"We'll just have to work that much harder—all of us," she said "and we'll have to make up our minds that we can't have what other folks have."

Then, when that thought sank in, she added—"But there'll be a lot of satisfaction in life if we just make the most of what we have. If we can just learn to appreciate no matter how small things, we'll be all right."

What philosophy: It has carried The Stroller over many a tight spot.

Sam Levenson touched a like subject when he told his audience, "It is a joy when you can build something from nothing. But what fun is it when you start with something."

Then he added—"some of us give our youngsters too much. I didn't."

"For instance," he pointed out, "I didn't buy

### 129 Join PTO At Edgewood

The annual membership drive of Clarenceville's Edgewood PTO was concluded recently with 129 new members enrolled.

The class with the highest percentage of parents enrolled was Miss Anne Harrington's with 62 per cent. The class was named winner of a train trip from Detroit to Royal Oak on Nov. 12.

The next meeting will be a Nov. 11 open house for parents and students beginning at 7:30 p.m.

my son his first automobile. I wanted him to have the joy of acquiring it!"

"Will Rogers never was better. Sam has a humorous way of dealing with today's problems. Asked about the change in young folks today, he answered—

"One of our neighbor's youngsters got mad and, racing up to his father, shouted, 'I'm going to run away from home—call me a cab.'"

Yes sir, my old editor was right.

You do meet some interesting people and Sam Levenson was one of the most interesting encountered along the trail in years.

### 380 At C'ville Hear Choruses

More than 380 parents and students attended the recent all-choral banquet in the Clarenceville High School gymnasium.

Following a potluck dinner, the six Clarenceville choruses performed under the direction of Miss Carol L. Horning.



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