

Township's Salaries Too High For Budget

EDITOR:
Well, I see Redford Township is back at it, socking it to the taxpayers.
The recent salary increases are out of line with our size, wealth and authority as a township.
Livonia, with a budget that is more than twice as large as ours, pays their mayor \$19,510. We will be paying our supervisor \$21,000.
Livonia pays their clerk \$7,200 plus \$3,600 for sitting on the election commission; Dearborn's clerk receives \$9,800—our clerk will receive \$11,500. Is this difference justifiable?
The treasurer of Livonia receives \$6,500 plus \$2,700 in expenses. The treasurer of Dearborn receives \$10,300. Our treasurer will receive \$17,500. We should also remember that Mr. Kennedy also has an accounting business on the side.
Now we get to the trustees. Livonia councilmen receive \$100 per month plus expenses. Dearborn councilmen receive \$2,000 per year. Our trustees

READERS' FORUM

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will receive \$3,600 per year or \$300 per month. If we break that down even further, we could say \$75 per meeting. This is exorbitant!
Our supervisor will receive more money than our state legislators. The wage increases are retroactive to last April 1.
Trustees Robert Anderson and George Lloyd are to be commended on their no votes. Clerk Dawn Rice and Roger Handy should be commended for their yes votes. Trustee Don Christie and Treasurer Ed Kennedy should be termed weak for their abstentions, when their vote is considered a "yes" vote in case of a tie.
Maybe it's time to start a recall!

My list of people to be recalled is: Kennedy, Handy and Christie. Mrs. Rice will be spared because she will be out of office soon.
PATRICIA A. HARRIMAN,
Redford Township

Kadish Gets A Reminder

EDITOR:
Here's a letter to a loser, Paul Kadish in the 14th State Senate District.
Mr. Kadish, your action last May on Memorial Day brought a letter to this paper that said that political candidates that tried any hanky-panky with that parade al-

ways resulted in their losing the office they tried to be elected to.

You did try a trick after you were told by an officer that you were not to be in that parade with all that equipment you rounded up. You disobeyed. The veterans did get the word out, and you lost.

Amazing, what words will do when spoken true.
P.S. Mr. Kadish: Please clean up your signs, notices and litter bags that are spread all over this fair city.

W. MARTYNOW
Livonia

School Mess Gets Worse

EDITOR:
The defeat of parochial could mean that the beginning of deficit financing of public schools is a'hand.

Since the public school districts are not able to live within their income and are forced to borrow money on state aid anticipation notes at four per cent plus, perhaps the taxpayers should be given an opportunity to earn this interest by encouraging the payment of property taxes before they're due at four per cent discount. Why should the banks be rewarded with interest payments at the taxpayers' expense whenever schools run out of money?

It is no surprise that millions of people are beginning to have second thoughts about the separation of church and state as far as schools are concerned. It'll soon cost more to send a child to public school than to an exclusive private school.

Perhaps public schools should compete with private schools for funds by appealing to those able to pay from income instead of imposing indiscriminate taxes on the homes of those who may be least able to pay and who may get nothing in return.

Replacing the property tax with a tax on income may be

an answer to parochial and the separation of church and state.

STANLEY L. GLAMB
Garden City

No 'Comfort' In Winter

EDITOR:
I live in Livonia and attend Whitman Junior High School. A lot of my friends and I go to Hines Park all the time. And especially in the winter.

Why does the park have the lavatories open all summer and closed all winter? It seems the winter season is the most logical season to have the lavatories open.

Can't the county do something to have these facilities open during winter? I wish they would do something. Don't you?

FREZZING FRIENDS AND I
Livonia

EDITOR'S NOTE — The Wayne County Road Commission, which is in charge of the park, says it is unable to help you or your friends. A county spokesman says (1) it lacks the manpower to keep the comfort stations open in the winter and (2) declares there are not enough people using them in the cold months to justify a change.

Council Irks One Resident

EDITOR:
Why at a public hearing does the Livonia City Council have to defend or offer the side of the petitioners on the sidewalks for the Harrison Ave. area?

The council members are elected to weigh both sides of an issue, not to offer the pro side in absence of representation from whatever source the question came from.

Residents of Harrison Ave., from Five Mile Rd. to Lyndon, are in the majority against installing sidewalks, ruining the rural atmosphere that was the basic reason they chose in selection of their homes in the area.

When no representative on the pro side is on hand, the council should have no alternatives but to uphold the nay vote of the people.

If both sides are presented at one time, then the council can do the job they are capable of doing with the gratification to the voters that they were right in selecting them to represent the people of Livonia.

MRS. BRUCE WEBER
Livonia

Less Lard

Today's 230-pound market hog has 21 pounds of extra meat and 11 pounds less lard than an animal of the same weight would have had in 1960.

Is Money A Moral Issue?

EDITOR:
In the church paper handed out at mass Sunday, Nov. 8, in my family's parish in Livonia, the pastor wrote:

"Elections are usually a run of the mill thing, but when a particular issue or issues of great importance to minority groups come before the public, they generate great enthusiasm. We were pleased with the hard work of the Parish Council and all who helped on this serious issue; doubly pleased with the number who came to the polls. This gives credence to the adage — 'Catholics have always come to the front when moral issues are involved.'"

He was referring to the campaigning done for parochial in the Nov. 3 general election. I don't question the deserved thanks to the electioneers.

The colorful billboards on Catholic properties everywhere, proclaiming: "Vote No Proposal C." The large, prosperous ads constantly running in the metropolitan newspapers proclaiming: "Vote No Proposal C." The Michigan Catholic and other pieces of mail arriving regularly proclaiming: "Vote No Proposal C." The young ladies - in - pairs from the Catholic ladywood High School that stood at the Livonia polls (excused from county spokesman says (1) it lacks the manpower to keep the comfort stations open in the winter and (2) declares there are not enough people using them in the cold months to justify a change.

That was some campaign, all right!

But what moral issue is involved here. Does getting public money for the support of private schools constitute a moral principle.

The Archdiocese of Detroit endorsed "yes" votes on proposals A and B also; A, concerning low income housing; and B, the 18-year-old vote. They handled that campaign by sending memos out to the parishes a week or so prior, urging that they cooperate with the people working on these two issues.

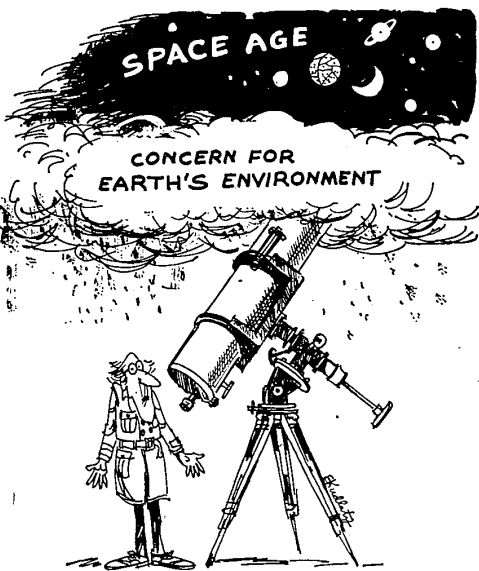
I saw no billboard, or ad, on those issues. The young ladies - in - pairs from the Catholic high school I spoke to didn't even know what the A and B proposals were.

(Although, in fairness, I must add that the parishes did cooperate with the people working on A and B, when asked, for I was allowed to pass out literature concerning both of those proposals at my family's parish the Sunday evening preceding the election, and the priest was cooperative, and even mentioned that he had dealt with the subjects in the church paper.)

Nonetheless, when you balance the moral intent of proposal A: "for the purposes of increasing the supply of decent, safe, and sanitary low income housing and eliminating slums and blight," against the "moral" intent of proposal C, or public money for the support of non-public education, it seems to me that you end with a most absurd comparison, which in no way justifies the work on the latter as a "moral issue."

JEANEANE HAYSTAD
Livonia

"Keeps Fogging Up"



Here's How To Record Yule Talk

Tape-recorded Christmas messages to servicemen overseas may be made free at the American Red Cross northwest regional office, 15420 Farmington Road, Livonia.

The Red Cross will mail the 15-minute recordings to servicemen and women. Foreign exchange students and families of Peace Corps members may also make the recordings free but are re-

quired to mail them at their own expense.
Appointments in advance are required, by calling 422-2787. They may be made Monday through Friday, Nov. 23-Dec. 12 from 8:45 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. If necessary, Saturday appointments may be arranged, said a Red Cross spokesman.

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One deluxe, fully-equipped Travco motor home will be awarded to the adult who estimates the number of plastic balls in the motor home. (Custom-built for the Detroit Auto Show, the Travco motor home includes: Color TV, stereo, three air-conditioning units, disposal and full carpeting.) To enter, write your name, address and answer on the appropriate section of your ticket and deposit at the motor home exhibit in Hall D. In case of tie, there will be a drawing to determine the one winner.

plus new car auction nightly.

Bid for cars like Vega, Pinto, Demon, Gremlin or Volkswagens. An auto auctioneer auctions off the hottest small-car attractions in town. One car auctioned each night, Monday through Friday, at 8 p.m.

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