



BOTTOMS UP — No room in a college dormitory is complete without a campus mug. Gina Parsons (left), of Farmington, fills freshman Camilla Cooley as the semester begins at Northwood of Indiana. Gina is the daughter of William R. Parsons, 25345 Ridgewood, and is a major in performing arts.

Plunkett Issues Guidelines To Detect Drug Users

Thomas G. Plunkett, Oakland County chief assistant prosecutor, has issued guidelines for parents, teachers and interested citizens to assist them in recognizing the danger signals of drug abuse and illegal possession of drugs.

Plunkett stated that recognizing these warning signals is important to law enforcement efforts to end illicit drug traffic.

"I also believe that parents can save their children from the serious and even tragic consequences of drug experimentation by being alert to the symptoms of drug abuse," he said.

Plunkett said that major abuse occurs with marijuana, amphetamines and hallucinogens.

"MARIJUANA cigarettes," Plunkett stated, "are rolled in a double-thickness of brown or off-white cigarette paper. These cigarettes are smaller than a regular cigarette with the paper twisted or tucked in at both ends and with tobacco that is greener in color than regular tobacco.

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like state. Users may become fearful and experience a degree of terror which makes them attempt to escape from the group. The drug primarily affects the central nervous system, producing changes in mood and behavior. These mental changes caused by this drug involve senses of sight, hearing, touch, body-image and time."

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Further information on identification of drug abuse involving other agents such as hard narcotics, barbiturates and glue are available by contacting the Prosecutor's Office, Court House Tower, Pontiac, 46053.

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FHS Students Talk On 'Busy' Subjects

"Busy" is the best way to describe the speeches being made in classrooms at Farmington High this year.

Student speech subjects have dealt with every type of activity from shoe polishing to penmanship, from weight lifting to making popovers. Senior Carol Seeburger even showed a class how to pierce ears. All this effort, which is receiving added emphasis under the new English curriculum instituted in Farmington schools this fall.

Teacher Mary Selma feels these off-beat demonstrations are a good introduction to speech making because they give the novice speaker something to do with, not have.

Extracurricular activities, such as chess, were shown slides of the Netherlands to classmates and Bob Larson was occupied demonstrating a Ouija board.

Pylar Trains

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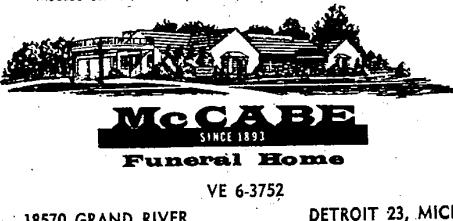
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Halloweeners Postal Tampering Gets Big Charges

The ghosts and goblins are after Farmington area mail boxes again, but post office officials warn that tampering with street or house boxes is a serious crime.

"It's a Federal offense," said Farmington Superintendent of Mails, Marvin D. Rice. "And anyone tampering with private house boxes or collection boxes could be subject to Federal court action."

"Residents should watch each other's boxes to report any tampering to the police and the post office."

Dever said that local police should be contacted so that immediate action could be taken.

The Oakland County postal inspector is notified, but heavy caseloads prohibit the post office department from investigating random mischief reports, he said.

Dever said that street collection boxes could be removed from areas where mischief could not be curbed.

"If the people watched the boxes, and reported vandalism or suspicious persons, it would help curb the problem," Dever said.

Several cases of vandalized mail boxes have been reported to Farmington area police, but lack of specific information has hindered investigations.

"Neighbors should watch for each other and notify parents when vandalism occurs," Dever said.

"Sometimes, immediate attention to the kids' boxes help stop the problem, too," he said.

Beechview Invites 2 Guests

"New Approaches in Education" will be the topic at the Beechview PTA meeting to be held at 8 p.m. Oct. 21.

The program has been arranged by Dr. Hector-Neri Castaneda, program chairman. It will include William T. Rice, director of Michigan Department of Education, and Mrs. Ruth B. Bensmiller, Cranston Paint Shop

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Other dates for Beechview meetings are Nov. 18, Jan. 20, Feb. 17, March 17 and April 21.

Judge's Role Different From Police

"Beware of the judicial candidate who sounds like he is running for police chief."

The statement was made by John F. Foley, candidate for judge of the Michigan Court of Appeals, in a speech to the Human Relations Council of Royal Oak.

He told the Human Relations Council that a "vital and moderating influence in the United States is the confidence with which individual groups generally hold in the courts for protection. This confidence has been usually well founded and the courts must continue to provide minorities with protection from repression by the majority."

Foley added:

"Discouraged persons in the black minority today say their old leaders placed too much faith for protection in the

courts. They call now for self-protection in the streets. The courts must demonstrate that every person can count on them to see that he is not repressed. A judicial candidate can promise to be fair and to guard zealously the rights of individuals. Beyond that, other promises are more appropriate to executive and legislative candidates."

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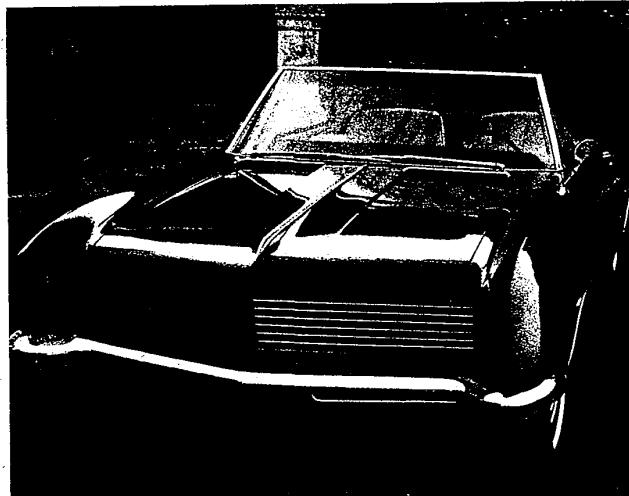
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