

Local GM Payrolls: \$79 Million

Payrolls and payments to suppliers by General Motors' three Livonia operations set records in 1971.

A joint year-end statement by F. Harger Green, chairman of the GM Plant City Committee and Fisher Body plant manager; Walter O. Muller, Chevrolet plant manager, and Dick T. French, GM Parts Division manager, noted that payrolls totaled \$79.3 million in 1971, up more than \$7.1 million from the previous record of \$72.2 million paid in 1969.

An additional \$87.4 million was paid to more than 1,450 firms within a 75-mile radius of the city which supplied the GM plants with materials and services during the year.

The total of these two disbursements -- \$166,759,000 -- also established a record for the Livonia area.



AN ENERGY-ABSORBING bumper produced by Chevrolet's Fisher Body plant is examined by F. Harger Green (left), chairman of the General Motors Livonia Plant City Committee and manager of the plant, and Walter O. Muller, manager of the Chevrolet Motor Division plant.

MORE THAN \$155,515 was awarded to employees under terms of the GM suggestion plan for ideas to improve the quality and efficiency of GM's products and manufacturing operations.

During 1971, GM employees invested more than \$2,145,000 through payroll deduction in U.S. savings bonds. In addition, employees contributed more than \$246,000 to the 1971 United Funds in communities where they reside.

The 1.1 million square foot Fisher Body plant, located at 28400 Plymouth Road, fabricated nearly 36,000 tons of interior trim for GM cars during 1971. These included seat cushion covers, door trim pads and vinyl exterior roof pads for Buick, Cadillac, Chevrolet, Oldsmobile and Pontiac cars.

A weekly plant tour is available to the general public each Thursday at 1 p.m. The tour leaves from the main lobby and is about one hour in duration.

THE CHEVROLET PLANT, at 13000 Eckles, plays a major role in Chevrolet manufacturing. All springs and bumpers of current model Chevrolet passenger cars, including expanded urethane bumpers, are produced there, as well as most of the service parts for Chevrolet trucks.

Stabilizer bars, control arms, and various engine, bumper and spring mounting brackets are also made at the plant. A 212,000 square-foot addition has been completed and will be used to produce coil springs.

The GM Parts Division operation at 36667 Schoolcraft shipped more than 23.4 million pounds of material to approximately 1,200 GM dealers during the year.

Book Return Set At C'ville High

The book store in Clarenceville High School will be open every day the first two weeks in February from 11 a.m. until 1 p.m. for graduating seniors to return their textbooks. Seniors will receive their deposit if all books are returned in good condition and not marked or abused in any way.

In the event that some books are lost or in bad condition, the cost will be deducted from the deposit. If there is a balance due from the 1970-71 school year it will also be deducted from the deposit.

Dems Fill 2 Posts In Oakland

BY JACKIE KLEIN

Two Democrats -- one a former Southfield councilman -- will once again lead the Oakland County Board of Commissioners, reaffirming Democratic control of the 27-member board.

William Richards (D-Royal Oak) won his second term as chairman, and Alex Perinoff (D-Southfield) was elected to his fourth term as vice-chairman by a unanimous vote.

After a Republican caucus Thursday, Robert Palmisani (R-Royal Oak), former board chairman, was nominated by GOPs as a "token candidate" for the chairmanship.

RICHARDS was re-elected by a straight party 16-9 majority Democratic vote with Republicans Christian Powell (West Bloomfield) and Paul Kasper (Bloomfield Hills) absent.

Richards, 39, is in the floor covering installation business and has been active in civic affairs in Royal Oak. He is former chairman of the Democratic caucus and the human resources committee of the county board.

Perinoff, 59, an attorney, has been a member of the board of commissioners for seven years. He was a member of the Southfield City Council for eight years and served as the city's municipal judge for two years.

A former member of the Southfield Zoning Board of Appeals and tax board of appeals, Perinoff serves on the finance, legislative, and public protection and judiciary committees of the Board of Commissioners.

Perinoff said he will continue to do all in his power to cooperate with both Democrats and Republicans and thanked the board for again having unanimously elected him to the vice-chairmanship.

SOUTHFIELD Democrat Lawrence Pernick was appointed chairman of the board's powerful finance committee, replacing James Brennan (D-Berkley) who resigned to take a position on the board of auditors.

"The coming year will afford visible evidence of the superiority of the partisan system," commented William Mainland (D-Milford).

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