



Citizens League (Continued from Page Two) 78% of sales tax collections go each year to cities, villages, townships and schools. Voters approved a \$5,000,000 bond issue to help pay for the bonds. In general, in recent years, the people have approved new debts without appearing new taxes to finance them. Thus the big deficit.

The answer is compromise. The governor, legislators and people must "give" on their pet projects. But how can it be done? Rep. Rolfe G. Conlin, Twp. 20, 1st Dist., has suggested in a bill to revise the sales tax diversion amendment by giving the public schools two-thirds of the three-cent sales tax and abolishing the state tax provided by the state. The one-cent sales tax boost would bring in \$80,000,000 annually, enough to wipe out the present accumulated budget deficit in one stroke. But the people must not follow the idea of tying down state revenue sources. The people must be willing to give back to the state some of the money they have earmarked for their purposes. It is a matter of compromise. It is a matter of a solvent treasury or financial crisis. It is a matter for sober judgment.

Air Force Headquarters Conducts Reserve Survey Tenth Air Force headquarters completed its Reserve Personnel Mail Inventory project this week in Oakland County, according to Major General Harry A. Johnson, Commanding General, Tenth Air Force, Selfridge Air Force Base. The mail inventory was conducted to contact all Reservists in this area who were unable to keep their interview appointments for personal or business reasons.

This quick reporting of fires made for low losses, department firemen say. The average loss per fire was less than eight acres and during the year only three fires burned more than 300 acres each. Firemen have another reason to be proud of their 1952 fire suppression record. For the fifth straight year, no deaths by forest fire have occurred.

Oil Not Discovered, Park Personnel Happy Roy Russell, manager of Island Lake recreation area, is happy to report that oil was NOT discovered in his area. A gum-looking oil crew finally shared his feelings. The roughnecks recently gave up efforts to produce petroleum, picked up their oil equipment and left the area.

There are 2,309 bituminous coal mines in Kentucky.



# BIENNIAL SPRING ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a Biennial Spring Election will be held in the TOWNSHIP OF FARMINGTON, STATE OF MICHIGAN, at

Precinct No. 1, FARMINGTON TOWN HALL, Precinct No. 2, FIRE HALL, Precinct No. 3, MIDDLEBELT SCHOOL, Precinct No. 4, BOND SCHOOL,

Within said Township on Monday, April 6, 1953

For The Purpose Of Electing The Following Officers, viz:

State Officers Two Regents of the University of Michigan, Superintendent of Public Instruction, Member of the State Board of Education, Two Members of the State Board of Agriculture, State Highway Commissioner.

Non-Partisan Officers Two Justices of the Supreme Court, Three Circuit Judges.

Township Officers Supervisor, Township Clerk, Township Treasurer, Four Trustees, Justice of the Peace (Full Term), Four Constables, Member of the Board of Review.

AND TO VOTE ON ANY AMENDMENTS OR REFERENDUMS THAT MAY BE SUBMITTED AT THAT TIME

Notice Relative to Opening and Closing of the Polls

ELECTION LAW, REVISION OF 1943 (3038) Section 1. On the day of any election the polls shall be opened at 7 o'clock in the forenoon, and shall be continued open until 8 o'clock in the afternoon and no longer. Every qualified elector present and in line at the polls at the hour prescribed for the closing thereof shall be allowed to vote.

THE POLLS of said election will be open at 7:00 o'clock a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 o'clock p.m. of said day of election.

HARRY N. McCracken, Twp. Clerk Mar. 19 - 26

## Ticklers By George



## Conservation Department Reports Forest Fires Worst Since 1949

A total of 1,624 forest fires burned 12,325 acres in 1952 for a timber loss of \$114,621, the conservation department reports. Sparked by the second driest October on Michigan record, 1952 was the worst year for forest fires since 1949, although the loss that year was nearly twice the 1952 loss. Nearly one-third of Michigan's loss last year occurred in October. Debris burners and smokers last year, as in the past, headed the list of most guilty forest users. Together, the two groups caused nearly 80 per cent of the fires. Camp fires, railroads and lumbering groups also caused their share of fires.

Strangely, most fire loss — 7,500 acres — occurred in the southern lower peninsula, more than the combined loss of the upper and northern lower peninsulas. The spring hazard period developed in April and extended through June. The April loss was most severe during this period, with a loss of 3,500 acres. Few fires were recorded after that until October. Area residents did yeoman service as a lookout force, reporting nearly half the fires to conservation units.

## LEGAL NOTICES

HOWARD L. RICHARDS, Attorney, 3720 Grand River Ave., Farmington, Mich. STATE OF MICHIGAN, THE PROBATE COURT, FOR THE COUNTY OF OAKLAND

In the matter of the estate of Clarence H. Richards, deceased. In the Court House in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 15th day of March, 1953.

Howard L. Richards, executor of said estate, praying for license to sell at private sale the real estate therein described. It is ordered, that on the 20th day of April, 1953, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Court, in said County, at said Pontiac, Michigan, at said place, to show cause why a license to sell the real estate of said estate in said real estate should not be granted. It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, once in each week for three weeks consecutively, previous to said day of hearing, in the Farmington Enterprise, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

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## WEEKLY CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for horizontal and vertical words. Includes a 'Bandleader' section with a list of words and a 'Here's the Answer' section with a grid of numbers.

## From where I sit... by Joe Marsh

"Biff" Falls for His Own Story Biff Morgan's four-year-old daughter Rusty is something of a night owl. Stays awake way past her bedtime. Every night Mrs. Morgan complained about how hard it was to get Rusty to go to sleep. Finally Biff decided to handle the situation. "Anytime can get a kid to sleep — takes a little patience! Here, hand me her storybook." He grabs the book and goes into Rusty's room. About an hour later Rusty comes padding out in pajamas and hands her mother the book. "Read it quietly," she whispers, "so we don't wake Daddy." From where I sit, Biff won't be so quick to be a "child-care specialist" the next time. If we could all just realize that such "know it alls," our neighbors would be better off. Take those who would deny me a glass of beer with my supper — well, I might not care for the buttermilk they like. We all ought to realize that we all have different abilities and different preferences, too.

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