

Seeking City Council Seats



FRANCIS A. NICHOLLS

Born and raised in Detroit, Francis A. Nicholls, 30, has made his home in Farmington at 2324 1/2 Violet for the past five years. He is married and the father of three children: Suzanne Marie, 7; Nancy Ruth, 4; and Francis Keith, 2.

Mr. Nicholls has been employed with Michigan Corporation for the past five years. Interested in the general and development of Farmington, he has served on the City Planning Commission for the past two years.

Many problems face the rapidly growing City of Farmington today. Nicholls stated. Reconstituting the Planning Commission under the existing charter and enacting the proposed Zoning Ordinance is called for by Nicholls.

He also feels that enclosed City Park should be improved. Establish in Farmington, a public library and annexes adjacent to the city center.

Establish playgrounds in neighborhood playgrounds where possible. A public library and annexes adjacent to the city center.

State Candidates

Candidates for state offices to be elected at the April 1 Spring election are as follows:

GOVERNOR OF MICHIGAN
INSTRUCTION
— Clair L. Taylor

COMMISSIONER OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION
— Lynn M. Bartlett

STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURE
— Dale Stafford and Sarah Van Buren Jones

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
— Connor D. Smith and William E. Baker

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
— John M. Veslo

BOARD OF REGENTS
— Stephen S. Nix

BOARD OF REGENTS
— J. Joseph Herbert and William B. Collins

BOARD OF REGENTS
— Paul L. Adams and Eugene B. Power

BOARD OF REGENTS
— F. Black and Stephen J. Booth



SYLVESTER J. PHONEY

Sylvester J. Phoney, 2310 Maple, running for a City Council seat, is a professional attorney who has made his home in Farmington for the past four years.

Mr. Phoney, 45, is married and the father of four children: Dennis, 16; Michael, 14; Timothy, 4; and Patrick, 2.

He holds both a bachelor's degree and a law degree from the University of Detroit. Professional organizations in which Phoney is a member include the State Bar of Michigan, Oakland County Bar Association, and Delta Theta Phi legal fraternity. He also belongs to the Farmington Exchange Club.

It is Phoney's belief that Farmington is suffering normal growing pains like the many other suburban communities around Detroit. The problems are to supply an adequate water supply, housing facilities, parking facilities, school and recreational facilities, and make necessary provisions for new business and industry.

To provide these and many other needed facilities, he stated, requires money which must be obtained through taxes. "I feel that we should offer inducements to business and industry to come into our city to provide this additional tax revenue. Statistics show that one business or industry provides taxes equivalent to many residences, as well as inducements to attract shoppers to our local merchants."

John K. Hyde Receives Fulbright Scholarship

John K. Hyde, 2700 Spring Valley Drive, Farmington, a student at the University of Michigan, has been awarded a Fulbright Scholarship for study at the University of Lyon, France, for the 1955-56 school year. It was disclosed by university officials.

A student in the College of Literature, Science and the Arts, he will study French literature at Lyon.

Fulbright scholarships are given to American students for 23 countries to increase understanding between the people of the United States and other countries.

John Chapman Sells Insurance

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HARVEY E. CHAPMAN

Harvey E. Chapman of 33624 Hillcrest has made his home in Farmington for the past four years, moving here from Dearborn, where he resided for 12 years prior to that time.

Mr. Chapman, 43, is married and the father of three children: Pamela Gay, 14; Harvey Edwin, 12; and Robert Meyer, 7.

A graduate of the University of Michigan, Chapman has been a traffic manager since college, and has been employed for the past 17 years.

He is with the Transportation Bureau of the Detroit Board of Commerce and was formerly in the Detroit Board of Commerce. Chapman is also a member of the Transportation Board of the American Retail Federation, National Industrial Traffic League and the Board of Directors of the Transportation Association of America.

The rapid growth of the city, in Chapman's opinion, presents the major problems to be faced by the community. Present and future residents must be assured of good roads, adequate water, and proper sanitation in keeping with the demands that will come with the continued growth. Chapman stated. Proper recreation facilities for the youth of Farmington must be assured, he added. "I feel that the citizens should have representation on the Council to see that these interests are developed and protected," Chapman concluded.

Gary Walters Promoted To Pfc. In R.O.T.C.

Gary Walters, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harley B. Walters of 34023 Oakland, was promoted to the rank of Private First Class in the ROTC Detachment of Western Michigan College, Kalamazoo, recently.

Walters was among 146 cadets promoted. It was disclosed by commanding officer Lt. Col. Cimet Gibson.

The act establishing Michigan State College was signed February 12, 1855.

Four Amendments To Constitution On April 4 Ballot

Voters at the Spring Election on April 4 will be asked for their approval or disapproval of four proposed amendments to the State Constitution. A summarization of the four proposals follows:

PROPOSAL NO. 1

It is proposed that an amendment be made in the State Constitution providing that the conduct of all non-partisan primary elections and elections for judicial offices shall be prescribed by law. Elections of justices of the supreme court, judges of the circuit court, judges of probate courts and all county judicial officers shall be strictly non-partisan.

The amendment would require that all petitions for candidates for offices mentioned above be filed at least 35 days before an election. Petitions would be required to contain the names, addresses and dates of signing of a number of qualified voters equal to not less than 2 per cent, nor more than 4 per cent, of the total number of votes cast for the secretary of state at the last preceding November election in the judicial district of county as applicable.

A separate judicial ballot containing no party designation would be used for these primary elections. Under the name of the incumbent judicial officer would be placed the designation of that office to which he is seeking reelection.

No opposition is offered for a judicial office, the name of a candidate for whom a petition has been filed shall be the nominee for that office. No primary election shall be held in this case for the judicial office having no opposition.

PROPOSAL NO. 2

It is proposed that an amendment be made to the constitution relative to the qualifications of supreme court and circuit and probate court judges. The revision would be made to stipulate that after July 1, 1955, any judge elected or appointed would be required to be under 70 years of age and be licensed to practice law in this state.

PROPOSAL NO. 3

Proposal No. 3 calls for an amendment to the Constitution authorizing the bonding of the State for loans to School Districts at a figure not to exceed \$100,000,000 for purposes of new school construction and the acquiring of additional school sites.

If approved the amendment would authorize the state to borrow such amounts as may be required from time to time, pledge full faith and credit, and issue notes or bonds for the purpose of making loans to school districts. Loans would be made for the payment of principal and interest on school bonds herebefore or hereafter acquired for additional schools, additions, improvements and other school purposes.

School districts facing classroom shortages will be forced to levy up to 13 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation before funds will be paid off and the money advanced to the district from the state. The amendment would also permit the use of state funds to refinance existing bond issues, thus cutting present interest rates. School districts would be required to continue the 13-mill per dollar levy until such time as both the bond was paid off and the money advanced to the district was approved.

PROPOSAL NO. 4

The fourth proposal to be put to a vote of the people will call for the establishment of a state board of canvassers. The board would be made up of four members, with the majority of the board not to be composed of a majority of adherents to the same political party. A candidate for an office to be canvassed by the board would be eligible to serve on the canvassing board.

Allegations in an article now existing relative to this would also be made. The revisions would set up the secretary of state, state treasurer and commissioner of the state land office as a board of state auditors. Previously the land office commissioner was not included in the group.

Along with previous duties, the board of auditors would also become a board of state canvassers to determine the result of all elections for governor, lieutenant governor, state officer and other officers referred to them by law. It is further stipulated that in the event the office of commissioner of state land office is abolished, another state officer will be appointed to the board of state auditors.

Serving With Field Artillery In Germany

Army Private William T. Hein, Jr., whose parents live at 31310 Rexwood, Farmington, is now a member of the 288th Armored Field Artillery Battalion in Hanau, Germany.

Private Hein, a personnel administrative specialist with the battalion's Headquarters Battery, entered the Army in August, 1954 and arrived overseas in January. He received his basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

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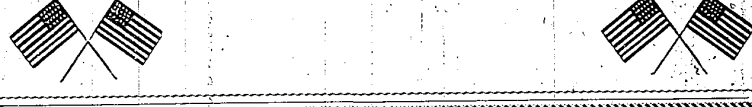
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- THANKSGIVING DAY — November 25
- CHRISTMAS DAY — December 25
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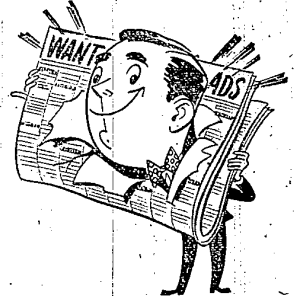
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