

Millage, Bond Proposals:

Two Ballot Issues to Face Clarenceville Voters on March 29

A millage increase and a bond issue will face voters in the Clarenceville School District on March 29 when they go to the polls in a special election.

The Board of Education voted unanimously Thursday to ask voters to approve a four-mill tax increase —

Farnum Wins Appropriations Committee Seat

Billie S. Farnum's reputation as Michigan's "Watchdog of the Tax Dollar" has won him an honor rare for a freshman Congressman—a seat on the powerful Appropriations Committee of the House of Representatives.

Farnum represents Michigan's new 19th district, which includes Farmington, Livonia and Redford Townships.

As Michigan's Auditor-General, Democrat Farnum had uncovered mismanagement and loose practices in government throughout the state. His final investigation of National Guard accounting practices attracted national attention.

Rep. Martha W. Griffiths, members of the House Ways and Means Committee, led other Michigan Democrats in a concerted drive to see that Farnum get a chance in Washington to continue his drive to tighten up on government spending practices.

The Appropriations Committee reviews all recommendations for expenditures of tax money made by other committees. His new post thus gives Farnum a chance to take as little off the "fat" in any expenditure voted by Congress.

"It is a great honor to have had the unanimous support of the Michigan group for such an important post," Farnum said. "My hope is that I will prove worthy of the faith put in me."

Congressman Farnum began his "watchdog" chore in 1951 when, as a Michigan State Fair commissioner, he helped introduce economic measures that made money available for what was called "rejuvenation" of the fair.

Appointment as Assistant Secretary of State for Michigan followed. He was promoted to Deputy Secretary of State in 1957.

He was appointed in 1961, as State Auditor General, to fill a vacancy. Election to the post followed in 1962.

'Long Life' Seen for Townships

If Executive Director of Michigan Townships Association Joseph A. Parisi, Jr., has anything to say about it, Plymouth, Farmington and Redford Townships have a long life ahead of them.

Parisi, who says his life is devoted to fighting for the survival of the township system, in an address before the association last week that "a strong, centralized government runs a greater risk of collapse than does a diffused government, with diffused powers, at the local level."

Although, says Parisi, townships face annexation constantly, since 1953 only 12 townships have been lost in Michigan. There are currently 1,254 in the state.

Parisi cited several problems of townships, including equal representation, fiscal and administrative restrictions, highway accidents (70 per cent of the highways and freeways in the state are in the townships, according to the director), zoning and planning. However, he feels that the Townships Association and other backers are solving these problems and the future is bright for the local governments.

Four Injured in 4-Car Crash on Plymouth Rd.

A 19-year-old Plymouth youth faces a charge of failure to yield to through traffic and a Livonia mother and three children narrowly escaped death in a spectacular three-car and truck-trailer collision Saturday on Plymouth Rd. near Wayne Rd. in Livonia.

Livonia police reports show that James Tye, 19, of 412 W. Ann Arbor Trail, Plymouth, allegedly drove out of a parking lot into westbound traffic, striking a car operated by Mrs. Rosalie Duty, 23, of 34800 Standish.

Mrs. Duty's auto spun into a truck-trailer, driven by Howard Kelley, of Oxford, Mich., in the eastbound lane, then swerved into a west-

bound vehicle driven by Richard Davis, 18173 Lathers, Livonia, and then swung back into the side of the truck-trailer.

The Duty car was demolished in the series of crashes and Mrs. Duty and three children, Larry, four months; James, 3; and Yancy, 2, were rushed to St. Mary Hospital.

Mrs. Duty, Larry and Yancy suffered serious injuries and were held for additional examination while James was released, according to the police reports.

Mrs. Allison Davis, who was riding with her husband, suffered minor injuries and Kelley and Tye escaped unscathed, according to the report.

Two of which may not have to be levied—a \$3.5 million limitation bond issue.

The Board's proposition for millage would boost by five per cent the amount of money behind each child in the district's budget.

"The tax valuation in back of each pupil has dropped about \$1,000 in the last three years,"

school officials explained. "We have found ourselves facing problems in meeting the increased costs of operation and to provide the expanded program desired by the people."

The district faces a \$40,000 deficit in disbursements over receipts this year.

School officials will put a four-mill proposition on the

ballot, keeping their fingers crossed that only two of the four will have to be levied.

"It's conceivable," they explained, that the district could be levied this year which has been levied this year as a result of changes in interpretation and effect of the state laws.

"The Clarenceville School District feels it imperative that we be protected so that the two mills can be levied should an adverse ruling be received from any state agency or unit of government." A decision on the new interpretation by the State Allocation Board is expected later this year.

The other two mills will add some \$52,000 in annual revenue to the district. "This is the minimum we can go for now—it's almost an absolute must," Board member Ray Chalken told Thursday's meeting.

The millage increase is proposed for a five-year period. Board members agreed that the \$3.5 million bond issue, which will meet the district's total building needs—will not all be bonded at one time.

"My feeling is that we should vote for the total package—then stipulate that we'd bond that portion only immediately needed," Chalken told the Board, who agreed.

Approximately \$1.25 million is needed for current projects, Superintendent L. E. Schmidt estimated. Among

projects under consideration are an auditorium, additions to present school buildings and site improvement.

In other business—

• The Board voted, 6-1, to underwrite the cost of cleaning band uniforms for members of the Clarenceville High School band;

• Resignations were accepted from Constance Zich, Botsford first grade teacher; Hattie Burt, Edgewood Second grade; and Alvin Klumpp, high school history.

• New teachers hired include

Jaqueline M. Flowers, elementary art; Susan Smith, elementary physical education; Warren Francis, Botsford first grade; Dorothy Sandler, Botsford kindergarten; M. Elsin Jacobs, elementary librarian; and Dorothy L. Bennett, high school English.

Livonia Boy Is Entering Med. School

ANN ARBOR — Douglas Miller Stetson, 20, of 31809 West Chicago, in Livonia, plans to enroll in the University of Michigan Medical School in September, 1965.

Stetson, a June, 1962 graduate of Bentley High School, is presently attending the University of Michigan. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stetson.

The U-M Medical School expects to admit about 200 persons next fall at its Medical Center in Ann Arbor. Of these, about 170 will be Michigan residents and 30 will come from out-of-state. The U-M annually accepts one of the largest entering medical classes of any school in the nation.

Successful students entering in the fall of 1965 will receive their M.D. degree in 1969.

Collects All A's

Plymouth Mom Tops Schoolcraft Scholars

A petite Plymouth Township mother of four has the unique distinction of becoming the first Schoolcraft College student to receive a perfect 'A' rating for 14 hours of study in the day and evening courses.

Mrs. Marilyn Wright, 41611 Greenbriar Lane, was the only member of the student body to

receive all A's in the college's opening semester, according to the first Dean's Honor Roll released by Dean of Students Miss Lois Waterman.

Mrs. Wright was graduated from Miss Newman's School in 1951, attended Michigan State University for one semester and then dropped out to marry.

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Symphony Eyes Top Crowd for Family Concert

With the traditional family concert slated for Sunday, the largest crowd of the season is expected for the fourth offering of the Plymouth Symphony Orchestra in the senior high auditorium, at 4 p.m.

The family concert is geared for the young folks and Conductor Wayne Dunlap believes this year's presentation will be one of the best in the Symphony's 19 years.

Dunlap urges all planning to attend to arrive early—perhaps by 3:30 p.m. if possible—since he anticipates an overflow audience.

Invitations have been extended to more than 35 schools in the area, asking officials to urge their pupils to attend.

Louis Stout, associate professor of French Horn at the University of Michigan and a member of the Symphony, will demonstrate the French Horn and many other related instruments as the highlight of the afternoon.

Stout has played first horn for the New Orleans Symphony, Kansas City Philharmonic, Radio City Music Hall Orchestra and the Chicago Symphony. He has had teaching assignments at Ithaca College, Chicago School of Music, Kansas City Conservatory of Music and the New England Music Camp.

The concert will feature Hayden's Symphony No. 45 "Farewell" in which the musicians gradually leave the stage until only two violinists and the conductor remain as the final notes are played.

The remainder of the program: Chabrier's "March Joyeuse," Britten's "Young Person's Guide to the Orchestra," and Grieg's "Peer Gyt Suite No. 1."

Britten's "Young Guide to Music" is a combination of narration and music which gives the listener an introduction to the various instruments of the orchestra.

All concerts are open to the public without charge and baby sitting services are available.

Feeless is the man who tries to divide his acquaintances into assets and liabilities.



PROUD OF THEIR MOM are the four children of Mrs. Marilyn Wright, 41611 Greenbriar Lane, Plymouth, who watch while she studies for classes at Schoolcraft College. Mrs. Wright was the only student to get all A's in the first semester. The youngsters are: (from left) Nancy, 6; Paul, 9; Mike, 11; and Kevin, 4.

State Jaycee Heads Meet At Schoolcraft

Top Junior Chamber of Commerce chapter and state officials will attend an all-day Jaycee Motivational Institute starting at 9 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 23 at Schoolcraft Community College, according to Joseph Fletcher, Plymouth Jaycee president.

More than 160 Jaycee officers from this portion of the state will attend the institute at Schoolcraft College, hosted by the Plymouth Junior Chamber chapter.

Other institutes will be held simultaneously at Delta Community College in University Center and at Hope College in Holland, Fletcher added.

Dr. Richard Schmuck, Assistant Professor of Psychology and Lecturer in Education at the University of Michigan, will serve as institute leader.

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