No More Closed Meetings?

A breath of fresh air was wafted when Warren L. Spurlin, new president of the Wayne Board of Education, said recently that the board would hold fewer recentive sessions.

"We have found ourselves duplicating our work," he said, "by meeting in executive session to discuss a problem and then finding that it was meetsary to have an open meeting discuss the same problem." The work of the same problem will be said to be

hing or former tessouan version E. Cape-hart. P. Why do school boards insist on arriving at their decisions in private? This case was important to many people and the board spill 4 of 3 in its decisions. Once not styl tocked up. Board members come out and styl tocked up. Board members come out and styl tocked up. Board members come out and their disce associates, the control of the public is entitled to knowly too. Garden City's board gooled recently on-

an appeal brought to it by a teacher. Hos-sain Mosavat.

His friends were there to hear why the board would not grant a tenure contract.

But the board held a private half-hour ses-sion of its own members, then met for an hour and one-half with Mosavat, and finally talked the matter over in public for a half-hour.

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There is still innuendo being brought to bear in this case and nobody really knows yet in the board feels Mosavat does not qualify.

Board me m bers and administrators claim that each teacher's file contains private information which might be firmful to the deacher were it to become pipilic. But when a teacher questions the judgment of his superiors, it becomes of public concern to know all sides to the story, Apparently all sides were not to be made known in both of these cases.

School boards will subject themselves to less criticism if they will try to conduct their meetings with the doors open.

—Bill Gall

LBJ Wrong On "Yankee Stay Home" Request

Lyndon B. Johnson is doing all right as president in most departments, but he gets a thumpipe no-confidence vote from this quarter in his pleat that Americans to their traveling a pitch on the grounds that it helps our trade balance if we spend our tourist gold in our own U.S.

at home. He gets even tess when he means made highligh on the grounds that it helps our trade balance if we spend our tourist gold in our won U.S.

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No and No and No!

If Americans should take to staying home, a few dollars would perhaps be saved. The trinke balance, or gold balance, or whatever the sain of the sain

A Quaker Heritage

On July 29, 30, and 31, the Farmington area will celebrate a Founders' Festival. The community has a past that is well-worth celebrating.

It was founded in 1994

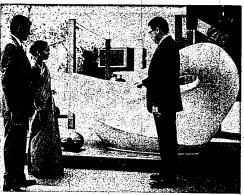
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It was founded in 1824, as the first official meeting in Michigan of the Society of Friead, and the price of the price of the society of the price o

About A Quaker

At the Farmington Township Board of Trustees meeting on Monday evening, July 28, Rev. Robert Eddy, of the Universalist-United Church of Farmington was the target of very strong criticism.

Rev. Eddy is no stranger to controversy. In recent months the has taken strong positions on American participation in the war in Yettama, and on a even more touchy and the Yettama and on a even more touchy and the Yettama and the Popular and the Yettama and



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FARM BUREAU INSURANCE

Observing the Scene ...

By MYRA CHANDLER

This week hardly a man, woman, or child is unaware of what is happening Thursday, July 29. Westland Center in Nankin Township will open its doors to the panting

in Nankin Township will open its doors to the panting public.

We of The Observer staff also wish to extend a welcome tol. I. Huison Company and the complex of over 50 stores in the Center.

As a suburban publisher of a newspaper, depending on advertising to get across my pearls of wisdom each week, it is always gratifying to see improvement in the varea—upgrading so to speak.

Anything new, progressive and sparkling will draw people who might never have ventured into the rural community of Nankin Township and sutrounding areas. Other business people in the community will benefit from this development of Westland. Of course, there are the many community men and women who will find their mainstay of employment here as well as supplementing their income for contingent work—and their children working their way through college. For these things we thank Westland. They are meaningth!

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thank Westland. They are meaningful.

The real estate people will benefit, the car dealers, the factors parlor, the grocer, the restaurant, yes, even the other parlor, the grocer, the restaurant, yes, even the other parlor, the grocer will be the grocer will be the grocer will be a supported by the grocer will be grocer wi

be worth anti oxac nome compete with souvenirs. Doyou suppose that is true?

Beauty is brought to the suburbs too by Westland.

The Goose that laid the Golden Egg designed by Samuel
Cashwan| of Farmington; the clear glass elevator; the 12copper sculptural figures depicting the signs of the
Zodiac, wall clock by Narenda Patel of Detroit—something to behold; the pool and fountain; The Acrobats, a
sculpture by Earl Krentzin; the ornamental bird cage;
the colorful aquarium; Jack in the Benarlalk, a sculpture
also by Gashwan; Girafte family, Fish Group by Richard
Jennings of Ann Arbor; all there to provide background
and delight for families to browse in colorful, musical
contentment.

Developers of Westland say the basic difference between Westland and its famous sisters Northland and
Eastland is that it is completely enclosed, all under one
foot. This is true and the result is one of complete comfort.

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roof. This is true and the result is one of complete confort.

There is another basic difference, I trust the powers that be have not overlooked. They have become a commercial neighbor. They are part of suburbia as they have not been in their other two locations so closely associated with the metropolitan area. Here they are suburbia.

In becoming a part of the community and social activity of the area we-trust, that like their giant neighbors in Wonderland and Livonia Mall, they will particulate the state of bringing to the community the weekly with their stories to tell, people to inform, battless to wim—is all part of a new part of the proposed of the people to inform, battless to wim—sall part of a near area—to which we welcome our new neighbors—Westland.

Crime: To Summarize

The Observer newspapers started this series with the first article calling attention to the magnitude of crime, and the possibility that our country may have the doresight, will power, and skill to reverse the increasing downgrading of moral conduct in America.

In the second article we pointed out that the human brah is the most important thing that a person possesses; it is the instrument of his mind, of learning, and of human behavior, and many forces are constantly and selfishly weiting to destroy it for cash and for power.

The third article pointed out that one of the greatest single causes of crime, premature death, and juvenille and adult delinquency is alcohol. The effect of this habit forming narcotic on the brain and the financial power of the start from bars at every possible corner where people air sentent from bars at every possible corner where people air of our prison populations being alcoholic emphasizes this dangerous problem, as does a fact that one out of every seven and one-half of our chart that one out of every seven and one-half of our chart that one out of every seven and one-half of our chart that one out of every seven and one-half of our chart that one out of every seven and one-half of our chart that one out of every seven and one-half of our chart had to every seven and one-half of our chart that one out of every seven and one-half of our chart had not one either a chronic alcoholic with a pathologic will be considered and the constant in pain, and in such numbers that the cause of death is not mentioned on the death certificate, nor in the Public Health vital statistics.

Our fourth article concerned the economics of crime, noting that the F.B.I. reports that crime in the United States in 1983 was estimated at 27 billion. In contrast we spent only 18 billion on on upblic schools to educate our children. Alcohol — the great tranquilier, helps a massive part of our adult population to ignore its responsibilities to family and to our country. When we hold a panel session on how many

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