

Livonia School Officials Eye Direction of Federal Aid

Local education throughout the country faces the twin problem of spiraling costs and enrollments.

Due to the inability of the local tax base to assume the entire cost of education both the state and the federal government have stepped into the picture.

This is a two pronged sword, however, because with financial aid comes control.

The Livonia Board of Education has been outspoken about the problem of retaining local control over its education. The Board of Education is not alone in this feeling—just about every

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Board of Education feels the same way. They believe that increased communication among the agencies would help.

Livonia Board of Education President Strela Schreiber and Superintendent of Schools Benton Yates recently participated in a regional conference sponsored by the National School Boards Association on "The Challenges Facing Local Control of Education." The need for better communication was agreed among all the participants.

Mrs. Schreiber said that the first of five regional conferences drew some 200 individuals from nine midwestern states.

They discussed two basic questions: "What are the proper roles of local state and federal educational agencies?" and "What are some promising courses of action for state and local educational agencies to employ in correcting identified areas of weakness?"

As a consensus the Conference defined the responsibilities as:

The local Board should have leadership in assessing needs and establishing goals and adopt policies and then assume the responsibility of strengthening state and national associations of social boards and state departments of education; The state should provide

T. M. Butler Named Burroughs' Top Aide

T. M. Butler, who joined Burroughs Corporation in 1919 as an apprentice tool designer, has been elected vice president—engineering.

Butler, who has held several management positions in research, design and engineering, has made many significant contributions to the company in the area of product engineering.

He was in charge of the engineering group which developed the Semimatic accounting machine, a revolutionary new concept when marketed in 1950. The Semimatic was the parent of today's electronic Series E and electromechanical Series F accounting equipment which has set industry sales records.

Prior to this promotion Butler was director of engineering—general products, manufacturing and engineering division.

Butler is a member of several committees and subcommittees of the Business Equipment Manufacturers Association working on various phases of standardization of office machines.

He also is chairman of a subcommittee continuing the development work of the American Bankers Association committee on the common language for mechanical check handling. This group was influential in the adoption of the Magnetic Ink Character Recognition system now universally used for sorting checks and other bank documents.

Butler is a member of the industrial advisory board at Wayne State University's Center of Application of Sciences and Technology. He is a member of the board of regents of the Engineering Society of Detroit. Butler also is a member of the Detroit Chapter, American Society of Mechanical Engineers and the Economic Club of Detroit.

In 1965 Butler was honored as one of the state's outstanding living inventors by the Michigan Patent Association.



Lutzeier Named Michigan Week PR Chairman

Dan P. Lutzeier, director of public affairs and special events for the Burroughs Corporation, last week was appointed chairman of the public relations board of the 1966 Michigan Week program according to Paul Penfield, general chairman.

A member of the Burroughs staff since 1953, Lutzeier previously served two years in the armed forces in Japan. He was graduated from Princeton University in 1949.

In the 1965 Michigan Week organization, Lutzeier, who lives in Birmingham, was executive secretary of the state committee in charge of the product-of-the-year and agricultural-development-of-the-year awards.

As chairman for all the Michigan Week public relations programs, he succeeds E. T. Burroughs, assistant vice-president of Michigan Bell Telephone Co., who served for three years.

Lutzeier is the nephew of Paul Lutzeier, Livonia School Community Relations Director. The senior Lutzeier is a member of the advertising staff of The Melius Newspapers.

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