



TWO OBSERVER EDITORS, Sue Shaughnessy (center) and Bill Gail, read the citation the Redford Observer received from the Michigan Education Association for "strong and comprehensive 12-month coverage of public education during 1965." Mrs. Lois Redford, of Centerline, chairman of the MEA public relations commission, rings the "school bell" which accompanied the plaque.

### Hare Backs Voluntary Inspection Programs

LANSING—Michigan's No. 1 proponent of mandatory motor vehicle inspections had endorsed a state-wide voluntary program "as helpful in getting many cars road-worthy" for warm weather driving.

The chairman of the Michigan State Safety Commission James M. Hare said he favored volunteer programs in Michigan communities this year.

"Even if the Legislature passes a mandatory vehicle inspection law during its current session, the program couldn't be started this year anyway," said Hare, "and although this is a limited substitute, it will certainly be helpful in getting a small percentage of vehicles which need repair in for service."

Last year in Michigan, more than 90,000 autos and trucks were checked in community volunteer programs, Hare disclosed.

### Name Cancer Drive Heads

Mrs. John Bennett, Nankin Township, Western Wayne Regional Chairman for the American Cancer Society announces the list of community chairman for the American Cancer Society's educational and fund-raising crusade to be conducted during the month of April.

Names of the chairman include: Mrs. Murray Cohen, 18115 Middlebelt and Mrs. Richard Marshall, 14021 Mayfield will serve as co-chairmen for Livonia; Mrs. Edwin Isaacson, 33223 Hennepin, Garden City and Mrs. Louise Pollack, 33731 Forest, Wayne.

During April the Society conducts its once-a-year campaign to raise funds for its programs of research, education and service. The 1966 crusade will be climaxed by a house to house visit by volunteers on Tuesday, April 26.

### Pair Fills Vacancies

Carl W. Dobos, general manager of the GM Assembly Division, today announced two appointments to Personnel Staff vacancies created by the transfer of John Holmes, Jr., to General Motors Overseas Operations as personnel director.

Vernon M. Schneider will succeed Holmes as GMAD director of personnel and Frank J. Schotters will assume the position of director of labor relations succeeding Schneider.

### Dodge Promotes Coley

The appointment of William R. Coley as owner relations manager for Dodge Division of Chrysler Motors Corporation was announced today by J. J. Johnson, dealer development manager. Prior to his appointment, Coley was warranty and customer service manager for Dodge.

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# Suits Seek \$2.5 Million in TB Case

The outbreak of a tuberculosis epidemic at the Hanel & Gretel nursery in Garden City has resulted in two separate lawsuits being filed seeking a total of \$2.5 million in damages on behalf of 11 hospitalized children hospitalized for treatment of TB.

A \$340,000 suit filed by the parents of two children hospitalized at Maybury Sanatorium in Northville was followed by a \$2.2 million suit filed by parents of the remaining 11 hospitalized children.

The \$2.2 million suit seeks to collect \$150,000 for each child and \$50,000 for each child's parents. Both cases have been filed in Oakland County Circuit Court which has an eight month backlog of cases compared to a three year backlog in Wayne County.

Named as defendants for both lawsuits are: Mrs. Marie Gaylord, operator of the Garden City nursery; Dr. Leo Sheiner, D.O.; Dr. John Paver, D.O.; and Zelger Osteopathic Hospital, owner and operator of Botsford General Hospital in Farmington.

The \$2.2 million suit filed by attorney Gilbert E. Metry on behalf of the 11 children makes the following charges:

- The middle aged woman who allegedly infected the children is believed to have had active tuberculosis while working at the nursery from September to January.
- The woman was allowed to leave Botsford after an X-ray showed no active tuberculosis.
- The woman's physician, Dr. Paver, certified the woman was able to work at the nursery.
- The woman's physician completed a sputum test in August.

- Dr. Sheiner, a radiologist at Botsford failed to report a chest X-ray of the woman showing possible TB to either the hospital or the County Health Department.

- Knowing the woman had a former history of TB, Mrs. Gaylord is charged with negligence for allowing the woman to work at the nursery and come into close contact with the children.

- Metry claims Botsford and the two doctors did not discover an active case of TB the woman supposedly had in August and released her from the hospital on Sept. 3 to resume work twelve days later. The suit alleges the woman infected the children between Sept. 15 and Jan. 1. The alleged carrier is still hospitalized at Hiram Keiffer Hospital and ten of the children remain under treatment at Maybury.

When the first two cases of TB were discovered at the nursery last December, the County Health Department took sputum tests of nursery employees. The sputum tests of the alleged carrier came back from Lansing on Jan. 13 and the nurse resigned her job immediately when the test showed active TB.

### Contest Saturday At Wonderland Center

Judging of the Livonia Recreation Department's annual Easter Egg coloring contest will be held at 4:30 p.m. on Saturday (April 9) in the Civic Room of the Wonderland Shopping Center.

Entries may be registered between 6:30 p.m. and 9 p.m. Friday (April 8) or up to 4:15 p.m. on Saturday.

Age groups are: adults, 13-17 years, 9-12 years, 6-8 years, and 3-5 years, with categories in both creative and unusual, prettiest, and non-shell retaining an oval shape.

Prizes will be awarded by the Wonderland Shopping Center. Judges will be Lee M. O'Connor, Jr., chairman of the Parks and Recreation Commission; Walter Maurer, Livonia Board of Education teacher, and Katherine Warren, Clarenceville Board of Education art consultant.

### Meet Your Carrier Boy

Michael DeBoe, 14, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lindy DeBoe, 8350 Henry Ruff, Nankin Township, has been an Observer carrier since 1961. He is a ninth grader at Whitlister Junior High where his favorite subject is typing.

His route covers Donna, from Joy to Ann Arbor; Trail, Henry Ruff from Ann Arbor to Gladys; Michael Hillcrest from Lonnie to Henry Ruff; Gladys from Flamingo to Randy; south side of Joy from Donna to Flamingo.

The second child inflicted with TB at the nursery was discovered to be infected on Dec. 31, the first inkling the County Health Department had of a common source and possible epidemic. It was not discovered by the County the nurse had active TB until Jan. 13 and

the suit contends the children would not have been infected if report of the woman having active TB was made in September.

An investigation into the X-rays taken at Botsford by Dr. John Hanlon, head of the County Health Department. Undertaking the review were: Dr. John Isbister, chief of the TB section of the Michigan Department of Health and Dr. Paul Chapman, TB consultant of the Health Department. Attorney General Frank J. Kelley has been requested by

Dr. Albert E. Housis, state director of public health, to consider if any further legal action should be taken pending the Hanlon's report on the Botsford X-rays.

In total, 17 children enrolled at the nursery contracted the tuberculosis germ with 13 re-quiring hospitalization. A number of children and parents have taken TB tests and the state legislation is being discussed to require tighter controls over nursery homes and public schools to prevent if possible a nother similar TB epidemic.



REFINISHING DESKS for the Livonia School system are two workers at the Community Opportunity Center. It is contracts of this type that keep the Center going — but Director Ernest Moran needs additional work if he hopes to keep his crew of 15 employed.

### Sheltered Workshop Builds New Spirit Among Retarded

Started last September as a project to help many of the area's mentally retarded and handicapped adults to become self-sufficient and better members of the district, the four-community Community Opportunity Center at 9901 Newburgh Road, Livonia, finds itself in need of contracts to keep the workers busy.

The Sheltered Workshop, located in the old Newburgh elementary school through the efforts of the Livonia School Board, has built up a staff of 15 workers with an additional 25 on the waiting list—but Director Ernest Moran is having difficulty getting contracts for his crew.

"We bid on jobs just as any other company," said Moran. "But we are in a slightly different position than others since we can bid on only certain types of work that our personnel can handle."

"Mostly these jobs are for the unskilled, for the kind that most large plants consider as necessary nuisances and we would certainly like to take these men a piece off their hands and keep our folks working."

As he said this, Moran pointed to the group of four working on a project for refinishing desks for the Livonia School system. It is the only contract in hand at the moment.

He pointed to John, 19, of Northville, who spent most of his life at the Wayne County Training School. John was adequate there but he didn't have enough to do to build up his self respect and devoid all of his spare time to sitting around his home and watching television.

"We realized that John could be helped considerably by the Community Opportunity Center," said Moran. "We knew that the fact he was taking home a weekly check would give him a building his confidence."

"Certainly, he isn't the most efficient worker but he has come a long ways since he started working us. He is a far cry from the fumbling, shiftless, always weary person that first reported."

Then there's 25-year-old Joe, a likeable chap from the Plymouth area, who was doing nothing but sitting around the house. He attended Plymouth High in the days when special classes in shop were available at that level.

He was unsure of himself and ready to run for cover when visitors came around. Now he is able to ride to work by bus, carry a dinner pail and do a full day's work as well as he is capable.

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### Jaycees to Aid Mentally Ailing

Area Jaycees will begin an educational campaign this month to help the public better understand the critical need for treatment and prevention of mental illness and mental retardation.

Over 250 chapters in Michigan consisting of more than 8,500 men are combining to help assist, stimulate and channel public energies in attacking mental health problems at local levels.

This goal to promote public understanding and concern for mental health has already resulted in a concrete project, the Community Opportunity Center at 9901 Newburgh Rd., Livonia. The Center is a sheltered workshop for the employment and training of mentally retarded and handicapped adults of Livonia, Northville, Plymouth and Redford.

Today, the Community Opportunity Center stands out as a glaring example of what can be done at the local level if communities are determined to combat mental health problems.

During April and May, the Nankin Jaycees will conduct an educational campaign by setting up a speakers bureau to speak on mental health and retardation. Any group wishing to arrange for a presentation may contact: Project Chairman Darrell Loscy, 427-6026; Lawrence Wright, 722-8220 or James DeBloss, 422-0626.

In conjunction with speaking engagements, the Nankin Jaycees will be presenting to the community a record that was recorded to raise funds to implement their mental health programs.

The "Jaycee 3," a folk trio from Livonia, have recorded a disc entitled "Sleeping in" which is on sale at the Plymouth Observer and area businesses.

A record selling campaign will be initiated at a hostess party at the Woodland Shopping Center on April 16 from 1 to 4 p.m.

Ralph Mossman, Eric Cornack and Don Harris, members of the "Jaycee 3," have performed extensively throughout Michigan, Canada and Kentucky. Their program ranges through Folk, Swingin', Up-tempo, Old Mountain Ballads, Sing Alongs, Contemporary Folk Ballads and some Island Humor.

Also appearing at the Woodland hostess party will be "Stack Ray" who for the past three years has been performing at the Colonial Lounge. His style of music ranges through Flamenco, Driving Flat Pickin', Southern Blues and parodies of popular music.

Marty Cayley, a Blues Guitar man from Northville, is another scheduled performer for the Nankin Jaycees to other Jaycee members in District 6 which includes Livonia, Plymouth, Nankin, Garden City and Redford.

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