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City Teachers Charge "Bad Faith"

Candidates Quicken Pace For "Last Long Mile"

Both Parties Open Battle Headquarters

As the candidates enter the home stretch the pace is quickened in the 1966 election campaign. And no where in the area are the verbal exchanges getting any hotter than they are in the Farmington Community.

Both parties ushered the "last long mile" by opening offices in Farmington and the campaign workers set about the task of "selling" their candidate to the voters.

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James A. Biddinger, sales manager of the Star Cutter Company for the past 12 years, has been named general manager of StarCutter Sales, Inc., a new sales and marketing organization formed by the Star Cutter Co.

On every hand there were claims, "This is a Republican year," and both Governor Romney and Lieut. Governor Milliken, along with Senator Griffin, smiled down from their pictures on the wall.

The Democrats took over on Sunday when John Bruff, candidate for Lieutenant Governor, officially opened the headquarters on Farmington Road.

Among the outstanding candidates who paid calls were Billie S. Farnum, running for re-election to U.S. Congress, and Paul Lauder, candidate for the State Senate.

The two openings were just fancy fronts for the verbal battles being waged.

The Democrats wasted no time in hurling charges.

Only a week ago, Aldo Vagnozzi, candidate for Township Supervisor, and the other candidates on his "team," invited Curt Hall, incumbent supervisor and his Republican cohorts to join them in meetings to present the facts to the voters.

The Republicans smiled and claimed, "This is one of the oldest tricks in the game."

The Democrats came right back on Monday charging the Republicans with a "Conspiracy of Silence."

This is just a start. The remainder of the month should be most interesting.

"These Boots Were Made For Walking"

Defendant Takes A Stroll

Nancy Sinatra has at least one convert to her plea. "These boots were made for walking."

He is Jeffrey Kramer, who with William Morris, has been accused of breaking in-

to the Knights of Columbus Hall on Monroebelt Road several weeks ago.

Sitting in the Oakland County Court House in Pontiac waiting to be arraigned last Friday morning, he suddenly got up and announced that he was going for a package of cigarettes. He was joined by a girl friend and they strolled right out of the court house.

Oakland Calls All Writers To Conference

More than 500 beginners and established writers are expected to participate in the fifth annual Writers' Conference at Oakland University, Saturday, Oct. 16.

Cosponsored by the university's Division of Continuing Education and the professional Detroit Writers' Club, the Conference will be packed from the 8:30 a.m. opening registration to the closing at 4:30 p.m.

Gunman Still at Large

The Farmington Township Police still are searching for the daring gunman who fired seven shots through the front door of the Earl Stamper residence at 21713 Roosevelt a week ago. Several clues are being pursued, but as yet the culprit is at large.



Dog Flies Right Into Three Girls' Hearts

"I just can't believe my eyes—he looks so much like Duke."

This was the manner in which Sue Andrews, 22-year-old blond of 20794 Pearl Street, introduced the new family dog that became famous over the past week-end.

The little black part Doberman, that jumped from the obituary of Port Lauderdale, Florida dog pound to the role of a special airline passenger and a national celebrity in a week, seemed to like the environment of Farmington, too, as it made the rounds of all the Andrews' friends.

The story of "Duke," the new Farmington resident, is one of those tales that happens only once in what they call a "blue moon."

This is just a start. From a pound in Port Lauderdale, was featured in an Associated Press photograph with

TWO OCTOGENARIANS SET FINE EXAMPLE FOR SENIORS

Every Monday morning two venerable old gentlemen, each of whom has passed the four score mark, proudly walk into Farmington Lanes, change shoes, and start bowling.

Unlike Ponce de Leon who claimed the discovery of the Fountain of Youth, these two friendly lads are setting an example for the many Senior Citizens who admit they are joining the Battle of Boredom.

The two octogenarians are Harrison Johnson, 81, of 24373 Liberty, Farmington, and John C. Clark, who lives at 25579 Whittaker and admits to being "in the eighties."

"We've been bowling each Monday for years," Clark confided, "and sometimes we bowl again on Wednesday, and Harrison, here, also bowls in a league. We find it great fun and it is the answer to those who claim the Senior Citizens have a tough time of it."

And despite their age, each carries a very respectable average. Johnson is carrying a 150 average for the moment and smilingly says, "That isn't bad for a fellow who has been bowling for more than 45 years."

He started in the old Travelling League and never lost his lust for the game.

Aside from bowling (Continued on Page 10C)



HARRISON JOHNSON JOHN CLARK

Township Asks Action In Botsford Apt. Case

Heeding the pleas of dissatisfied tenants before he had obtained a certificate of occupancy, And it further was claimed that he refused the return of monies when folks moved.

For the greater part of the past six weeks the management of the apartment has been under fire. First, it was for renting units and permitting families to move in without the certificate of occupancy; Second, the swimming pool was being used before it had passed inspection and in violation of several health standards.

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It was this advice coupled with the pleas of the tenants that finally caused the board to act, against the owner, Irving Stollman and his manager.

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Row First Under New Contract

Charges of bad faith and poor teacher morale were leveled at the Farmington Board of Education and administration Monday evening in the first grievance of the new contract with the Farmington Education Association.

The disagreement arose over Article V. (Working Conditions) which states that "the normal teacher's class day shall be 7 1/2 hours."

The FEA charged that all secondary teachers must work 7 1/2 hours whereas their elementary counterparts are only working 7 1/2 hours, in airing their grievance letter before the Board.

In a letter dated Sept. 16 to Gene Severson, FEA President, School Superintendent Gerald V. Harrison stated that "we do not agree with your interpretation of the Master Contract that the teacher's class day of 7 1/2 hours is synonymous with teacher's work day."

The FEA interprets the contract to mean 7 1/2 hours in school while the school administrator interprets the position that the 25-minute free-duty hour lunch should not be included in the time.

Harrison's letter continued, "It is our interpretation of the contract that the teacher's work day in the secondary schools of seven hours and forty-five minutes is not in conflict with the (Continued on Page 10C)

School Aides Given Raise

The Farmington School Board took action Monday night on contracts for all school administrators except the superintendent and his two assistant superintendents.

These administrators have been working since July 1 without a contract.

Four levels were set up with personnel in each group receiving salary increases. Salary rates were established for one to ten years of experience.

Pay for administrators in Level I (Senior High Principals) was raised from \$11,905 to \$13,034 for five years experience. The jump for eight years experience was from \$13,035 for the 1965-66 school year to \$14,534 for 1966-67. Increases for other years of experience were established on a similar scale basis.

Level II, including Directors of Secondary Education, Elementary Education, Personnel, Building and Grounds and the Administrative Assistant, will receive increases of approximately \$1,000. For example, at five years experience the pay will be \$12,828 over the 1965-66 rate of \$11,905.

Level III, including Directors of Secondary Education, Elementary Education, Personnel, Building and Grounds and the Administrative Assistant, will receive increases of approximately \$1,000. For example, at five years experience the pay will be \$12,828 over the 1965-66 rate of \$11,905.

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POLITICAL CANDIDATES On Parade—With the opening of campaign headquarters by both the Democrats and Republicans there was a parade of candidates through the Farmington area over the week-end. In the picture on the left (from left to right) are Aldo Vagnozzi, Democratic candidate for Supervisor, John Bruff, who is seeking the office of Lieutenant Governor, and Billie S. Farnum,



bidding for re-election to Congress. The Republicans, in the picture on the right, are (left to right) George Kuhn, candidate for the State Senate, Jack McDonald, who is opposing Farnum for Congress, Tom McMillan, chairman of the G.O.P. in the area and Mrs. Helen Davidson, in charge of the campaign workers.

Vandals Crash Adler Agency

Vending machines have become the latest targets for thieves in the area.

Some time Friday night, according to the report by Officer Sonnenberg, of the Farmington Township Police, they broke in the show room of Leo Adler, auto dealer, 28001 Grand River, and emptied all of the vending machines in the place. The amount of the loss was not determined.