

Poor People March On . . . . .

Melee Blocks Plymouth, Livonia Hosts

Suburban efforts to give members of the Poor People's March a night's sleep and a hot breakfast in Livonia and Plymouth blew up in a police-citizen melee at Detroit's Cobo Hall Monday.

Hosts who had gone to Detroit to bring marchers back to their homes were locked inside the building for three and a half hours.

St. John Catholic Seminary on Five Mile in Plymouth Township was reported ready to take an overflow of up to 30 persons.

Madonna College had made similar arrangements. But the marchers abandoned their plans to stay with suburban families after 15 to 20 Detroit mounted police rode into the crowd outside Cobo Hall "swinging their clubs," according to Russell Koepke, of Plymouth, an eyewitness.

James A. Shaughnessy, one of the leaders of the Livonia group, said the car bearing Wisconsin plates was illegally parked and it was uncertain whether the battery was dead or whether it was otherwise disabled.

Shaughnessy was inside the building from 8 to 11:30 p.m. He and others had gone to the hall to accompany their guests back to the suburbs.

The marchers then decided to reassemble at the New Bethel Baptist Church at Philadelphia and Lincoln, and to stay inside the city for the night.

FATHER JAMES GROPPY, the Milwaukee priest, tried to calm the people.

Wayne County Civil Service Raps State Bias Report

A Michigan Civil Rights Commission report on employment practices in Wayne County government "is based in large part upon hearsay" and conflicts with state laws governing county civil service procedures, the County Civil Service Commission says.

Dr. Clark Charges Police Harassment

Dr. Ronald E. Clark, the Farmington Township physician who faces trial June 4 on a manslaughter charge stemming from a patient's death in his office last November, has complained to the Michigan Civil Rights Commission that he is being harassed by police "because of my religious beliefs."

The Enterprise & Observer has learned that on April 26 Dr. Clark filed an official complaint with the Commission, in which he declared: "I believe I have been subjected to illegal search, seizure and harassment, and denied return of my property, because of my religious beliefs."

Treasure Hunt Plans Slated At Wonderland

Failure to reach a settlement of the Detroit telephone strike has put a crimp in Wonderland Center's plans for a city-wide hunt for a \$1,000 hidden treasure.

A CARICATURE-TYPE map of the "Isle of Livonia" which shows many of the city's most prominent landmarks has been prepared to assist treasure hunters.

Copies of the map will be available at most Wonderland stores beginning at 10 a.m. Thursday. Also available will be the first of 28 clues which are designed to lead searchers to the cache.

conservative community in which practice. "I treat Negroes and other minority group persons, and my wife and I hold religious meetings which Asians, Africans, American Negroes and various ethnic groups attend.

"My wife and I are members of the Bahai faith and believe in the oneness of humanity."

THE SPOKESMAN for the Civil Rights Commission who confirmed the petition said that it evidence is found to support Dr. Clark's allegations to the normal procedure would be "to seek adjustment through conference."

Township Police Chief Irving Yates, when informed of the action started by the physician, said he would await further developments before commenting.

Dr. Clark was arrested on the manslaughter charge Nov. 16. He is accused of causing the death of Mrs. Grace Neil, 43, of Livonia, in his office on Nov. 3 through an over dose of sodium penthal.

Telephone Company has delayed the installation of the equipment for this year's contest. Once the strike is settled, the telephone company has assured Wonderland that the automatic answering devices will be installed and the clues will be available via telephone.



MANAGEMENT GRADUATE — It's graduation season at many Michigan colleges and universities and Mrs. Shirley Kincade, manager of the Schoolcraft College bookstore, is in step with the times.

of preference for a particular group. "The report is based in large part upon hearsay—specious charges which it admitted were not investigated and the validity of which is unknown. This fact makes many of the 'conclusions' and 'recommendations' questionable."

THE COUNCIL of Civil Service Commission made four general observations in its review of the report from the state rights agency:

"1—The report, and recommendations, completely fail to comment on, or apparently even take into consideration, the provisions of (state) law under which the Civil Service Commission is required to operate.

"2—As a result, there is a direct and irreconcilable conflict between that law and some of the policies recommended by the Civil Rights Commission.

"3—The report proposes to abandon the policy of non-discrimination provided in the County Civil Service Act and to establish in its place a policy

communication and Data Processing Center for Ford Motor Co. He has held numerous offices in the Westland Jaycees and has been active in the Wayne-Ford Civic League, Boy Scouts, advisor in Junior Achievement and at the time of his recent election was a national director for the U.S. Jaycees and was responsible for all 27 Jaycee chapters in Wayne County.

Westland Jaycee Elected State Head

A Westland man has completed his presidential campaign with a victory. Robert Padgett, 28, of 277 N. Wildwood, was elected president of the Michigan Jaycees organization at the group's state convention last week-end in Grand Rapids.



JACK SHENKMAN, one of the pioneer developers of covered shopping malls and Michigan State Director for International Council of Shopping Centers has been named Dean of the School of Regional Center Development and Operation for the Chicago Convention of ICSC. He is the owner and developer of the Livonia Mall in Livonia and one of the "first" developers of a covered "side-walk" shopping center, Harvard Row, in Southfield.

"We believe, further, that the County of Wayne is generally recognized in the non-white community as offering equality of opportunity," the Civil Service Commission continued.

Padgett's accomplishments include negotiating with city and school officials to acquire the 21-acre park at Wildwood and Hunter; serving as a Good fellow newspaper salesman; and helping other Jaycee chapters in the collection of more than 100 boxes of drugs and other articles for South Vietnamese refugees.



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Second Front Pa

The Rev. Roy Abernathy, successor to the late Dr. Martin Luther King as president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, was flying into Detroit to investigate the incident.

Earlier in the day, Detroit's Mayor Cawangan had welcomed the marchers and the New Detroit Committee had earmarked \$19,000 for their expenses.

"This is the high point so far," said one marcher. "The other cities have been indifferent at best."

BUT IT ALL came tumbling down during the melee in front of Cobo Hall. Some called it a misunderstanding, others described it as "hittery police."

The suburban groups acted through the Livonia Citizens For Better Human Relations and the Christian Family Movement, an organization originating with the Catholic Church but non-demonstrational in the housing field.

Mrs. Koepke said she became involved in the housing movement through participation in the "Homes by Christmas" committee that was begun after the July Detroit riot.

Mrs. Koepke said she was unable to form an opinion as to whether the marchers were justified in rejecting the offers of housing in the suburbs for the night. The marchers' first concern, she said, was to reassemble somewhere "where they could talk their own language" and see how they would deal with the Detroit police.

Shaughnessy said the housing committee deliberately sought no publicity for their efforts, preferring instead to work through personal contact by telephone to make arrangements.

In the Detroit metropolitan area, 1,852 beds had been arranged for, he said. Only Plymouth and Livonia, of the Observerland suburbs, were involved, as far as he and Mrs. Koepke knew.

NOTICE! TO ALL TREASURE-HUNT CONTESTANTS: Due to circumstances beyond control, Wonderland Center has been unable to acquire special telephones for its "Treasure Hunt" contest which commences tomorrow. Until such time as this equipment can be installed, clues to the location of a \$1,000 check which has been secretly buried in Livonia can be obtained daily. Be sure to get yours today at the following Wonderland stores: AAA Bird Store, Artist Beauty Salon, Associates Loan, Audvox Of Wonderland, Baker's Shoes, Burton's Gal, Cards 'n Things, Children's Fashion, Coney Island, Cosmetic Shop, Cunningham's, Elliott Travel, Fanny Farmer, Father & Son Shoes, Federal Dept. Store, Good Housekeeping Shop, Griswold Sports, Hughes-Hatcher Sufirin, Kinney Shoes, K.S. Kresge, Leib Brothers, Lerner Shops, Livonia National Bank, Macauley's Inc., Mary Jane Shoes, Montgomery Ward, Moore Furnace, Mr. Klean Kwik, Packer Food Store, Rashti's, Red Barn, Richman Brothers, Rose Jewelers, Sanders, Singer Sewing, Thom McAn, United Shirt, Winkelman's, F.W. Woolworth, Wonderland Barber Shop. New clues will be posted in the windows of these stores at 10 a.m. daily until the check has been found. Complete contest instructions and a "Treasure Island" map are available now at the stores shown above. AT WONDERLAND.. IN PERSON DETROIT TIGER STAR MICKEY STANLEY SATURDAY MAY 18 9:30 a.m. WONDERLAND CENTER PLYMOUTH ROAD at MIDDLEBET