

Flum resigns after 9 years

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Managing the Plymouth Fall Festival is a year-round job and for the past eight years it has been handled by Tony Flum.

Flum says he quits every year, resigning from his post as festival manager, and this year is no different. What is different, however, is that he means it this time. This festival, his ninth, will be his last.

"I think nine years is enough for anyone," Flum says. "It's time for someone else to take over, make some changes and maybe bring about a different atmosphere."

Flum also says he's leaving due to job commitments as manager of the Instaloan department at the National Bank of Detroit on Sheldon and North Territorial Roads.

BUT IT'S HARD to imagine the fall festival with a different atmosphere. Each year the festival has enjoyed tremendous growth and success under Flum's management.

It is expected that Ed Page, currently assistant manager of the festival, will take over the job as manager as of Dec. 31, 1974. Flum's official resignation date. Page is the director of pupil personnel services for the Plymouth School District.

"I have no future plans at present,"

Page says. "I just hope to be able to keep up the tradition that Tony has set—to keep things running smoothly and efficiently."

Other than his duties as assistant manager for the past two years, Page has been involved with the Lions Club activities at the festival since 1967.

Flum, reflecting on his eight years as manager, says it was definitely worth all the hard work.

"Perhaps the hardest job is keeping the festival free from commercialism and political campaigning. But with so much cooperation from the community, we have been able to accomplish this every year."

FLUM SAYS another problem is the abundance of bees attracted to the festival every year because of the cookies, cakes, etc.

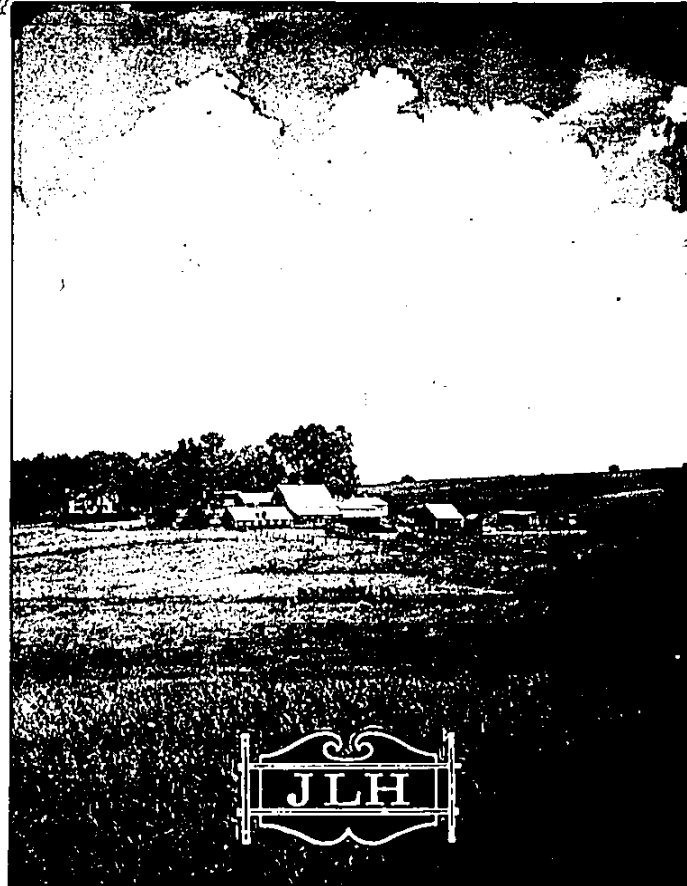
"Last year was the heaviest swarm of bees we've ever seen at the festival. That brings about a danger of bee stings, but there has never been any major problems resulting from this."

Flum says the festival continues to grow and to improve every year and this year's will be the best yet. Page will of course try to make next year's festival exceed this one.

"I'm really looking forward to being 'just one of the crowd' at next year's festival," Flum says, flashing a grin at Page.



AFTER NINE YEARS of managing the Plymouth Fall Festival, Tony Flum (left) will shift his duties to the current assistant manager, Ed Page, for next year's festival. (Staff photo by Bob Woodring).



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