

Carol Ann Progresses Well, Suffers Occasional Relapse

The battle for the life of four-year-old Carol Ann Donnelly has been waged for over a year now, since dread leukemia was first detected in the little blonde in May, 1956.

The Water That Satisfies

Jesus was tired and thirsty. He sat by the well near the ancient city of Samaria.

While the disciples went into the well to draw water, a very interesting conversation started when Jesus asked her for a drink.

Bible School ... 10 a.m. Morning Worship ... 10:30 a.m. Evening Worship ... 7:30 p.m.

Readers Speak Up: SAYS HE PAID FEES HIMSELF

In regard to the letter last week which asked certain questions about my suit, to halt undue expense and avoid litigation during the winding up of my estate, I wish to point out the following facts:

When a relapse is foreseen, Mr. and Mrs. Donnelly must give Carol Ann several prescribed medicines more than the usual amount every four hours around the clock.

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Novi Highlights ...

Linda Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Cook, is spending this week with her friend Janis Whitson in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Rik and their guests Mrs. Ruth Starkweather of Northville and Mrs. Edith Eaton of Lansing, returned home Monday evening after spending five days at the Rik cottage at Putty Lake, Mecosta County.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lise and daughter, Donna Mae and son, Tom, spent the Fourth of July weekend with friends at St. Helens near Fort Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Taylor and Mrs. Russell are spending this week vacationing near Lewiston.

Novi Police Seek Daylight Car Thief

Novi police this week were investigating the daylight theft of an automobile from in front of the Walled Lake Casino restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kirkwood are entertaining the latter's sister, Mrs. Helen McGlynn, who arrived this week from National City, California.

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JP's Fee Problem Nearing a Solution

The question of whether Novi's two justices of the peace should pay for clerical help and for use of the township hall may be resolved before long.

Novi Had Doctors In Those Days, Too An almost-remembered era of Novi history came to light this week—an era of county doctors, black leather instrument cases, and horse-and-buggy rides to their patients' homes at night.

Drowning Prompts Novi Board Study Distraught over the recent drowning of a Detroit boy near the Novi township park on Walled Lake, board members Monday night began looking into ways to prevent a recurrence.

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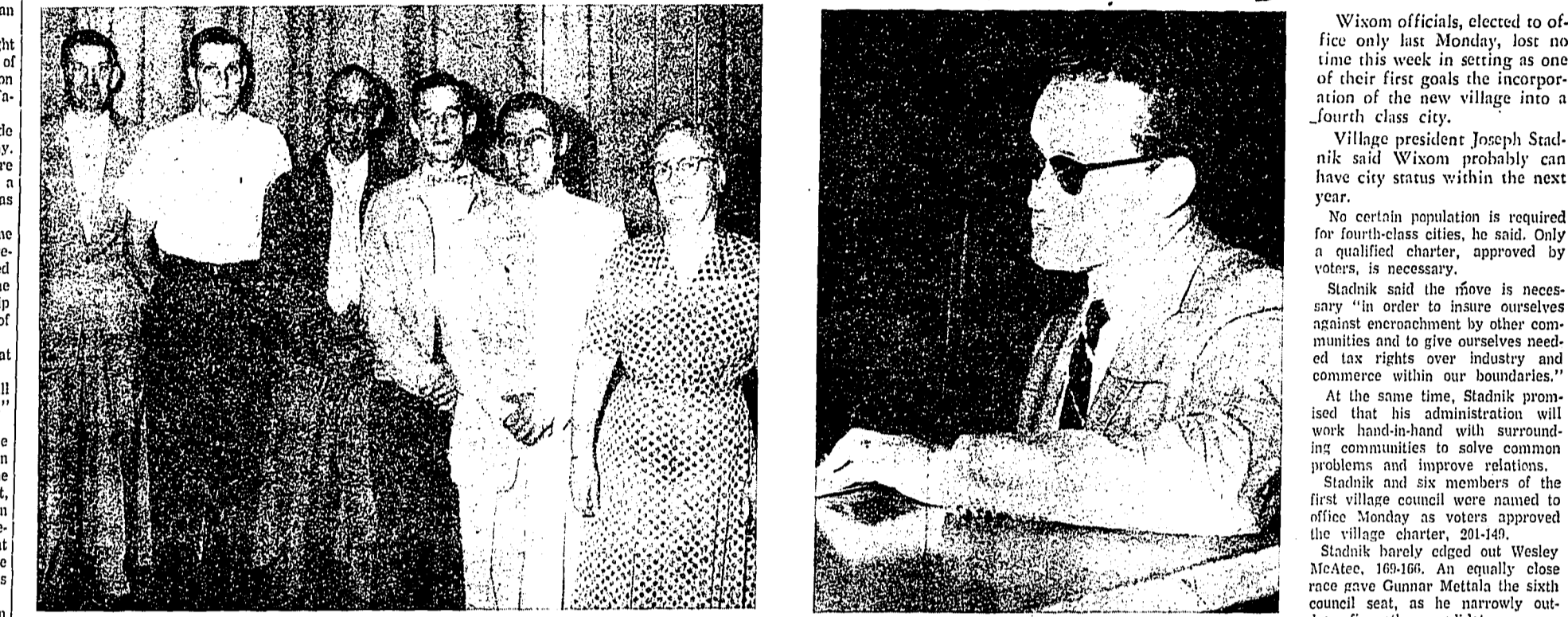
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THE NOVI NEWS

YOU KNOW WHAT'S HAPPENING IN NOVI TOWNSHIP IF YOU READ THE NEWS



WIXOM'S FIRST COUNCIL — The huge responsibility of running Wixom's affairs for the new two years will fall to this group of council members, elected Monday by 48 village voters.

Wixom Inherits Novi's Problem Of Bar Licenses In one respect, the approval of Wixom's new charter was a blessing in disguise to Novi township board members.

Beck Road Has Its Troubles A dozen residents of Beck road are getting fed up with dirt, chuk holes and heavy traffic on their road.

Old US-16 to Have Fourth Lane Soon To Relieve Traffic After weeks of three-lane treacherous, Grand River is about to become a four-lane highway through Novi.

Frank Clark Home After Hospital Stay Novi trustee and long-time supervisor Frank Clark returned to his home last week after spending three weeks in a Northville hospital undergoing treatment and recuperation.

How Wixom Voted Charter Yes ... 201 No ... 109 President Joseph Stadnik ... 169 Vice Mayor ... 108

Residents Plan Vacations The Frank Nelsons of Malott drive have just returned from two weeks' vacation in the Laurentian Mountains of Canada.

Worst Accident in Months Kills Three on Grand River The driver of the truck, Stanley Duncan, of Brighton, was treated for slight injuries and released from Sessions hospital in Northville.

Replicans to Meet Fred Ziem, Oakland county prosecutor, and other officials of the Republican party in Oakland county will attend a meeting of the Novi Republican club this evening (Thursday).

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State Denies Tax Equalization Appeal

South Main Street Replaces City's Plymouth Avenue

After learning that an appeal for tax relief for residents of Oakwood subdivision had been denied by the state (see story, col. 8) the city council got down to an agenda of routine matters Monday evening.

In rapid order they renewed the garbage contract at the same terms as prevailed last year, heard a report on a city engineering work by the city manager, approved a resolution authorizing the city to acquire the site of the city's new recreation center, made two appointments and renamed Plymouth Avenue.

The council, hearing that they are about to hire an engineer on a retainer basis, listened to a report by the city manager on work currently being done by the city by an engineering firm. The council has more than casual interest in a suggestion that a local engineer be hired on a retainer basis. They had instructed the city manager to outline the present work being done by engineering consultants and suggest a "breaking-off" point.

Councilmen officially approved the changing of Plymouth Avenue to South Main Street between Park Place and Seven Mile Road. The change was made to conform to petitions of residents of the area who claimed their mail was being misdirected to Plymouth Avenue.

At their annual exchange student dinner Monday night, the Rotary club of Northville will honor four exchange students who have been studying for the past year in Michigan.

Included in the group is Hedi Trithart, who has been living with Mr. and Mrs. Al Jones and family of Horton Street since her arrival in Northville last September.

Hedi Says 'Auf Wiederseh'n' Leaves Tuesday for Austria

Many goodbyes will be said between now and next Tuesday morning for four Rotary exchange students who will leave for home and more than a few tears will be wiped away by their foster parents and families when they take their final look.

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Students to Receive Rotary Farewell

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McLeod Joins Schools As Administration Aide

Approval was given by the Northville board of education Monday afternoon for the hiring of a former college instructor and holder of a doctor's degree as an administrative assistant in the Northville school system.

He is Dr. Kenneth McLeod, now a resident of Dearborn and a stockholder in an office supply concern.

Main duty of the new assistant will be in all areas of curriculum, especially implementing the committee's recommendations for courses of study in the new high school.

Personnel work and child accounting (school census records) will be Dr. McLeod's other main jobs. He will be in charge of all personnel records, though he will have no authority to hire or dismiss.

P-TA Committee Seeks Answers

A meeting to discuss bus transportation for the coming school year was held Wednesday evening between the Parent-Teachers Association and representatives of the Northville board of education.

A new school state aid law passed this summer in Lansing states that the school district will not be reimbursed for transporting students who live within one and one-half miles of school.

Target of many complaints last year when the limit was set at one mile, the school board has asked the P-TA committee, headed by Kenneth Conley, for recommendations and suggestions as to how to handle the problem.

The board has asked that suggestions be submitted before August 15 when transportation schedules must be worked out.



Dr. Kenneth McLeod



NORTHVILLE township will soon have its first subdivision with sanitary sewers. Connection to the Middle Rouge Interceptor is already underway on Bradner road through property owned by Russell Rinehart, shown above (left) meeting to the north of the connection. Rinehart, 1577 Bradner, donated an easement to allow sewer facilities for a proposed 275-home development by the Gordon and Scheurman company of Detroit. Will Rinehart are: (l. to r.) Howard Bowring, owner of a section of the land sold for development, D. J. Siark, township clerk and realtor handling the transaction, and Mrs. Mollie Lawrence, township supervisor.

New Sewer Line a Milestone

A milestone in Northville township progress was reached last week when construction began on the first sewer line designed specifically to serve a township subdivision.

The subdivision itself — a 370-home development southeast of Bradner and Franklin roads — will be the first complete commercially-built project in Northville township. The sewer line extends eastward for 1,800 feet from the Middle Rouge Interceptor to the site.

The new subdivision will feature all-brick ranch homes in the \$18,000-\$23,000 bracket. Approximately 50 of them will be built this year.

The subdivision will be built on an 80-acre site formerly owned by Archie Herrick, 1574 Bradner. The transaction was handled by Northville realtor D. J. Siark.

The homes will be constructed by Gordon-Scheurman, Inc., long-time Detroit builders with more than 20 years of building experience.

The project may be named "Rinehart Subdivision" in honor of Russell Rinehart, 1577 Bradner, who donated a 20-foot easement to connect the sewer with the interceptor.

The sewer line will be large enough to handle a second subdivision scheduled to be built on 33 acres across Bradner road from the present project. The site is owned by Howard Bowring and Mrs. Eva Herrick.

Alex Gordon, of Gordon and Scheurman, said construction of the homes will begin as soon as legal and technical details are approved by county and township officials.

Little Hope for Relief In City's Oakland Area

An appeal by the city of Northville protesting the equalization factor applied in the Oakland County section of the city has been denied by the State Tax Commission.

The denial for a hearing apparently kills any hope that consideration will be given to a situation pointed to as inequitable by the city council.

In dollars and cents it means that homeowners in the Oakland County area of the city will pay nearly double those of residents in the Wayne County area of the city.

Mow 'em Down

An appeal to owners of vacant lots to keep them properly mowed was issued this week by John Robertson, city manager.

Robertson reported that a number of complaints from citizens had been received concerning heavy weed growth on public and private vacant lots. He added that both the city and the county were making every effort to mow the weeds.

"Private lot owners should also be urged to mow their lots for the sake of appearance, but to prevent excessive pollution in the neighborhood by fever season," Robertson said.

Investigators Seek Someone to Blame For Hospital Escape

The decision of six mentally disturbed teenagers to gang-up on an attendant and escape from the Northville hospital last Saturday has thrown the Seven Mile road institution into the center of a hot political controversy.

Although the patients are again under confinement, it appears that the incident will not be forgotten until the blame has been placed either at the door of the institution or with the state legislature.

The argument centers around the decision of hospital administrators to reduce the number of attendants caring for teenage patients from three to two. Legislative investigators, including Senator Elmer Porter, chairman of the appropriations committee; Representative Harry Phillips, chairman of the house ways and means subcommittee; and Sterling Eaton, representative from this district, charged that a sufficient operation was to blame for the outbreak.

Another story, one of financial shortages, came from hospital administrators.

Dr. Robert Yoder, assistant superintendent, said that the hospital administrators were "trying to do a job as best we can and would welcome any suggestions from the legislature for improvement." These facts were indisputable, however, Yoder pointed out:

Before the fiscal year began (July 1) the hospital requested sufficient funds to employ 1,181 persons. The department of the budget reduced this number to 1,029; the legislature further cut the number to 882.

"It was necessary for us to operate the hospital with 292 positions less than we thought were needed," Dr. Yoder stated.

Speaking of personnel shortages, Dr. Yoder said that in addition to releasing 88 attendants the hospital had recently lost four doctors who had completed their training. "We have had eight applicants for positions on our staff but have not interviewed them because we cannot afford to pay them," he added.

Referring to the condition of other patients in the hospital, Dr. Yoder said the teenagers are more likely to "gang-up" than older patients. He said that one disturbance in another ward had been avoided because it got underway and that little uneasiness now existed as a result of the teenage escape.

Amerman Reported To Be Improved

Superintendent of schools R. H. Amerman sent word to Northville this week that he is now improving under treatment at the Mayo clinic for what doctors have found to be a bone injury.

Amerman left for the well-known Rochester, Minnesota hospital last week after having an attack that kept him from his job.

High school principal Elroy Ellison has been appointed acting superintendent in Amerman's absence.

Garbage Collections

Twice a week garbage collection will begin in Northville on July 29. The double service will continue through September with pick-ups being made on Mondays and Thursdays.

The extra service is being provided because of heavier usage during the camping season. City Manager John Robertson said.



THREE VICTIMS of Grand River's worst accident in more than a year are searched for identification by State and Novi township police. The trio of teenage youths were killed instantly when their car skidded into the path of a truck last Thursday morning during a heavy rainstorm. See story and picture elsewhere.

Novi Man to Attend Church Convention

Wilfred Steiner of 46550 11 Mile road, Novi, has been invited to attend the fourth annual campus convention of the Valparaiso (Ind.) Advisory Council July 19-21 as a representative of St. Paul's Lutheran church in Northville.

Dr. O. P. Kretzmann, president of the university, will address the group who serve as key lay advisors for the university in their respective locations in the country.

Election Upheld; Protest Continues

The recent Novi school bond issue election was upheld by at least one authority this week but a taxpayer's challenge of the vote still stands.

Herbert Koester, 6270 Eight Mile, said he will still request a review of the voting records against school district assessment rolls.

Earlier this week, Koester received a reply from Berry, Stevens and Moorman, school bonding attorneys, upholding the election.

The firm stated that sufficient notices had been given to voters that absentee voting is illegal in non-registration districts, that election inspectors certified that only qualified electors voted, and that it appears that the election was held and conducted in an entirely legal manner.

Koester had challenged the election on these three points.

He has yet to hear from state superintendent of public instruction Lynn Bartlett about his protest.

In the election, an \$825,000 bond issue for a new elementary school, future sites, and improvements of the present building was approved by voters.

Reward Offered For Washline Thief

Northville police are offering a reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of a thief who is apparently fussy about the condition of the clothes he steals — he wants them to be clean.

According to police, the first item taken from the clothesline of Mrs. Freda O'Leary, 244 South Wing street several weeks ago was a white woolen jacket.

A week later, a pair of black and white shorts and a blouse with white trim were taken from the line.

Police said the jacket suit is valued at \$25.

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Regular Meetings: First and Third Tuesday of Each Month

AMVETS Meeting Perry Kenner Post 76 8:30 P.M. 2nd & 4th Mornings Novi Pizzeria 44475 Grand River

Willowbrook ...

Eleanor Freytag held an informal meeting of her coffee club last Thursday morning. Those who gathered for coffee and doughnuts included Ben Diem, Jenn Radtke, Pat Pinner and Jackie Moritz.

Chuck and Jennie Dupray gathered up their children, Craig and Denise, and spent the week end at their cottage at Runyon lake.

Two young boys from Canada are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Callaghan. The boys, Richard and Mitchell, will be here for about a week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lees of Mooringside drive also have a house guest. She is Marion's mother, Mrs. Thomas Council of Florida. Mrs. Council will be here for most of the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Barnes of Mooringside had dinner guests last Wednesday. Nancy Barnes had her cousin, Dime, as a house guest for three days, while Nancy's brother, Jimmy, had been staying with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. George Barnes, of Detroit. Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. George Barnes brought Jimmy home and picked up Dime. They and their children, Diane, George, Steven and Jeffrey enjoyed a picnic supper before they left.

Kay and Bill Reis went to see "Around the World in Eighty Days" last week.

Out-of-town guests of the Bud Bauer family of Mooringside drive were Bud's mother, Mrs. John Bauer, and his sister, Margaret. When they returned to Toledo they took the four younger Bauer children, Debby, Tommy, John and Teresa, with them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Braden of Mooringside road spent the Fourth of July week end camping at Wilderness State park, west of Mackinac City. They were accompanied by their sister and husband, Mrs. Braden, and their children, Betty and Bill Smith of Redford.

Joe and Gil Ardito spent Sunday at a family picnic on Kent beach. Those present included Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lamb of Southfield, Mrs. Philip Garofalo, Mrs. Ardito, Sr., Jo Ann Ardito and George Ardito. They all came back here for a back yard barbecue in the evening.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Lamb of Southfield, who have a new baby boy. His name is Michael Gerald and he weighed eight pounds and six ounces when he arrived at New Grace hospital July 7.

More congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Gonn of Makot drive on the birth of a baby girl, Marion Beth. Her name and she weighed seven pounds 15 ounces when she was born at New Grace hospital July 12.

Fred Campbell had a meeting of her bridge club July 7. Guest players included Fran Peterson and Barbara Rose. First prize was won by Charlotte Rasmussen, second by Charlotte Rasmussen and Barbara Rose won the booby prize.

Novi Highlights ...

Carol LaPlante spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Jackie Wilcox in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Holmes' daughter, Mary, underwent a tonsillectomy at Sessions hospital last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Rix and son, Leon, and daughter, Beth Elaine, of Washington, D.C. are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Rix on Florida street; also the former's sister and family, the David O'Learys of New Hudson, and the brother's family, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Rix of Plymouth. The Victor Rix family left Tuesday for the 16-1900 miles of streams.

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State Denies Tax

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12 YEARS as secretary of the Northville Rotary club ended recently for E. M. Bogart (center) but before retiring he took time to show some of his fellow officers what has gone into the record. At left is A. H. Schmitt, who will continue as treasurer, E. L. Devine, new club president; Bogart, R. D. Lorenz, vice president, and Leiland Smith, retiring president. Rev. John Taxis will take over for Bogart.

To Hold Try-Outs For Midget League

Tryouts for two wanted positions on Northville midget league teams will be held Monday for boys who were unable to join a team previously. The tryouts will be held at the midget diamond at Cass Benson park at 9 a.m. The vacancies arose when two boys went on extended vacation.

Attends Meeting

Mrs. Mollie Lawrence, Northville township supervisor, joined other Wayne county officials Wednesday evening in honoring Alfred H. Polham, retiring county budget director, at a banquet in Highland Park. Polham will leave his post to take up duties in the field of education. Revival meetings will be held nightly beginning next Tuesday, July 23 at the Church of Jesus Christ on the corner of Canton Center and Cherry Hill roads.

Lack of Chaperone Keeps Local Scouts From Big Jamboree

Four Northville boy scouts who were scheduled to attend the national scout jamboree in Valley Forge, Pennsylvania this week were unable to get to the big scout gathering because of a lack of an adult companion. Richard Horton, Tim Wells, Gary Holman and Murray Lyke were to be accompanied on the trip by former scoutmaster Monroe Weston, who became ill and was unable to chaperone them. Efforts at the last minute to locate an adult who was able to go were fruitless. Also suffering from a lack of adult personnel who could attend the jamboree, local troops had made no arrangements to make the trip.

TRUE LIBERTY

Liberty is not the wholesale right to do as we please! We are at liberty to do everything that is right, but we are not at liberty to do what is wrong. There are always some who abuse the privilege of liberty and for this reason we must have laws with penalties attached to them. I Tim 1:9 says, "Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners..." A good example of how liberty is being abused will be found in the printing of all sorts of literature. Some of the latest novels are nothing more than cesspools which contaminate the minds of those who read them. Comic books for children contain cartoons depicting sadism, sexuality, and vulgarity in any form. Judge Murphy, administrator of the strict code adopted by the City of New York, said that more than 5,000 lurid drawings and 120 suitable stories have been thrown out in a two month crack down on comic books. Yet, when the Detroit Police Department banned a certain book a few months ago, a clamor went up from citizens who thought their liberties were being violated. True liberty is to be found within the dimensions set by the will of God.

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Peter F. Nieuwkoop, Pastor
First Baptist Church
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Phony Check Artist Hits Local Stores

A phony-check artist was brought before Northville Judge E. M. Bogart last week on charges of cashing \$35 in bad checks with local merchants. William Reector, of the University hospital in Ann Arbor, was found guilty of cashing a check for \$15 at Lila's Flower and Gift shop and another for \$20 at the Famous store. Reector was sentenced to pay a fine of \$35 and to make restitution on both checks.

In another case last week, Louis B. Daniel of 1837 Grandview, Detroit, was fined \$35 for operating a motor vehicle without ever obtaining an operator's license, and an additional \$5 for running a stop street.

Police Caps, Badges Taken Last Week

Theft of four police caps, four police badges and several outstanding warrants occurred last Wednesday night when burglars entered the Northville police department. According to chief of police Joseph DeLeon, entry was made through a window in the office. He said that two caps, two badges and some of the papers had been returned. Caps and badges were recovered by local residents who found them in their front yards, and a motorist returned some of the warrants after finding them on a street in Livonia.

Northville 4-H Club Winner



NORTHVILLE WINNER of one of the 10 Prairie Farmer awards at the annual 4-H Club Week at Michigan State university was Nancy Mae Cort, of Six Mile road (second from right). The award is presented by Kents Vining, editor of Prairie Farmer magazine, on the basis of outstanding scholarship records. Other winners are from various Michigan 4-H clubs.

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Shades of the Old Wild West



QUEEN OF THE RODEO — Joan Dagan of Northville receives a trophy for collecting the most points of any girl in the show. Representing the Northville Optimists is rodeo finance chairman Adrian Willis, right. Joan will reign over the show next year.



FIVE-TIME WINNER — Chuck Erlanson had to make five trips to the winner's stand to pick up trophies. The Birmingham boy won every event he entered and was by far the outstanding rider in the competitive events. In all, eight events were run off.

The wild west came to Northville last week end for the first time in many years, bringing with it a troupe of derring-do bronco-riders and a score of talented young junior riders. A Northville girl and a Birmingham boy rode off with top honors in the eight competitive events.

The show, sponsored by the Northville Optimists, also saw the appearance of "Sagebrush Sherry", Detroit television cowboy, who more than lived up to his billing as far as scores of wide-eyed youngsters were concerned. Joan Dagan, 17, of Wrenner's Ranch at 6070 Nine Mile, rode her mounts to successful finishes in three events and was named queen of the rodeo. She will preside over the show next year.

Chuck Erlanson, 15, of Birmingham, was without doubt the outstanding rider, as he entered five events and took first place in all of them. In addition to the competitive events for riders under 17, the show featured a professional rodeo troupe that dazzled the several thousand fans with hard-riding exhibitions of bronco-riding and calf-roping.

Optimist officials were well satisfied with the show, which replaced their traditional equitation show of the past eight years. They noted that spectators not only came, but stayed until the end, and that enthusiasm was high throughout the show.

General chairman for the rodeo was Max Austin, while Lincoln Friend served as rodeo manager.

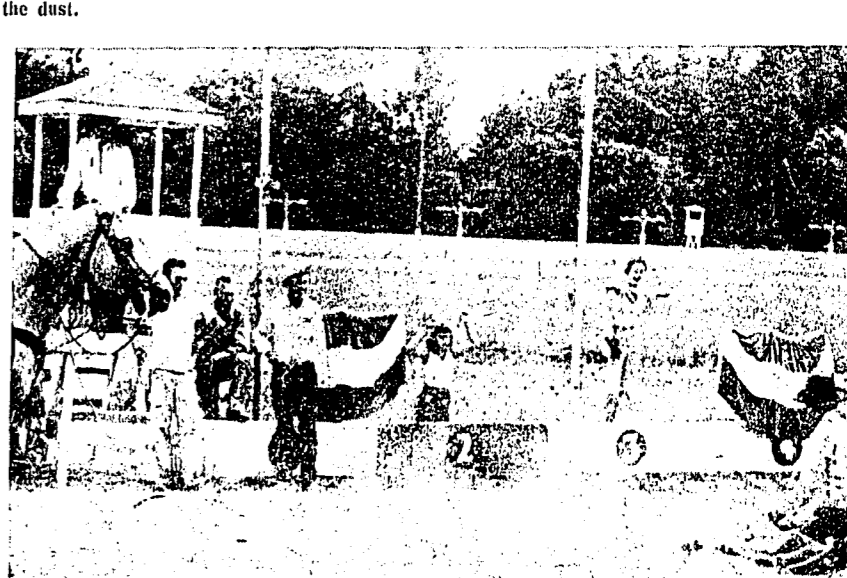
Little Judy Williams, seven-year-old Northville girl, presided officially as princess of the rodeo. The winners in the competitive events: rescue race—Chuck Erlanson; boots and saddle—Chuck Erlanson; bending race—Joan Dagan; 4-H horsemanship—Chuck Erlanson; musical chairs (13 and under)—Joyce Whalen; musical chairs (14-17)—Chuck Erlanson; quarter horse race (12-14)—Vern Geack; quarter race (14-17)—Chuck Erlanson.

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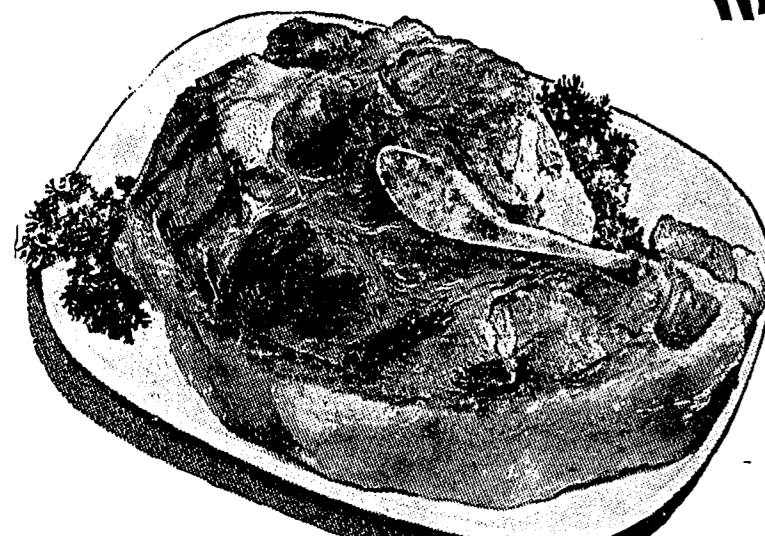
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DEATH CAR? NOT QUITE—The rumor was going around last week that the driver of this car, shown here after a smash-up at the Northville '100' two weeks ago, was killed the following night in a Toledo race. That's not so. The ill-fated driver was actually Ken Nempe who was scheduled for the '100' but didn't make it. The driver of this car, Clyde Parker, is still alive, racing and flipping — for he rolled again in Toledo and recently in Detroit.

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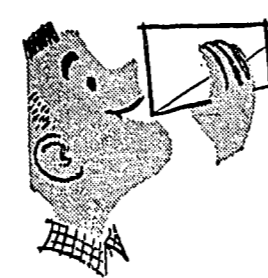
Coming Up Next: Turtle Time

It's just one race after another in Northville. The high school track team... the harness ponies... the autos... and the quarter horses have all had their chance. And now it's time for one of nature's more leisurely breeds to seek the winner's flag and the glory that goes with it. For the fourth consecutive year, the Tony Turtles and the Tilly Tortoises will aim for the annual turtle championship offered by the Northville recreation department.

Kensington Extends Nature Center Hours

The nature center building at Kensington Metropolitan park is open daily from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. for the summer season. Exhibits cover flora, fauna and geological formations of the area. Children of all ages may enter turtles in the race. The turtles will be turned loose at the center of a 20-foot circle. The first to cross the outside line will be the winner. In the past, the turtles have

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Hey, Young Tiger Fans: Sign Up for That Game

There's still plenty of room on the bandwagon that will take 100 Northville youngsters to a Detroit "Tiger" game next month. Recreation director Stan Johnson said nearly 50 seats are still available for the August 8 game. In addition, Johnson sent out another call for adult supervisors to attend the game. Johnson noted that Detroit and

Recreation Schedule

RECREATION EVENTS
Day Camp — Arts, crafts, games at Ford Field daily from 9 a.m. to noon. For elementary school boys and girls. Registration every day at Scout hall.
Day Swims — Daily at Whitmore Lake. Buses leave high school at 6:15, return at 9:30 a.m. Must be 13 years old at least. Charge of 30 cents for beach admission.
SPECIAL EVENTS
August 8 — Detroit Tigers versus Cleveland Indians. Sign up now. Room for 100 boys and 10 adult supervisors.

Men and Women In Uniform

Army Pvt. Ronald Moody, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ora K. Moody, 19631 Maxwell, Northville, recently arrived in Alaska and is now a member of the Yukon Command's Headquarters Company at Lead Air Force Base. Moody entered the Army last January and completed basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. He is a 1956 graduate of Northville high school.

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Tags Now Required For All Small Game

Small game hunters will have to wear back tags at any time they are hunting wild birds or animals in Michigan, the Michigan Conservation Commission decided at a recent meeting at Higgins Lake. Previously, commission policy required a hunter to wear a back tag through December 31 in the upper and northern lower peninsula and through January 31 in the southern lower peninsula. Now, however, hunting for varmints, predators and other types of off-season targets fall under this rule.



Station W H V 9:00 A.M. Sunday 1600 K.C. Also on CKLW at 9:45

Three Northville Teams Still Lead Their Leagues

Three Northville recreation baseball teams are the class of their leagues this week. All three have perfect records so far this season and are riding high in first place in their respective leagues. The Northville Braves (6-0), the Class E Northville squad (3-0) and the Class F Northville team (4-0) added to their victory strings last week against some of the toughest competition they have faced yet.

The Braves downed the Jefferson Yankees, 4-0, on pitcher Danny Brown's masterful two-hitter and added a second win when they dumped Wilcox, 8-3. Brown also starred at the plate, belting out triples in both games. Jim Jander joined him with a triple in the Wilcox game, with Craig Bell slugging out a home run. In other midweek league competition, the Northville Orioles took only one of three contests this week but held on to third place in the American league with a 3-1 record. The Orioles lost to Wilcox (4-1) and Lavonia Center (3-3) but count-

Water Ski Show Planned Sunday

For the fifth consecutive year in international water ski championships in Michigan will present a water ski exhibition at Metropolitan Beach on Lake St. Clair this Sunday, starting at 2 p.m. Dick Sligh, second generation of the famed Sligh skiing family who has conducted shows and a ski school at the beach for five years, said, "In addition to precision group skiing, double and triple and quadruple jumps, barefoot skiing and other trick performances a ten-foot ladder would be used on the 'flying saucer' disc."

Pinson a Member Of Breeders Group

Harry Pinson of Northville has been accepted as a member of The Holstein-Friesian Association of America by action of the board of directors at their recent meeting in Indianapolis. The association is the world's largest dairy cattle breeders' registry organization, with nearly 48,000 members throughout the nation.



Fiberglass Sluggers Roll To Sixth Straight Victory

The rampaging Fiberglass Sluggers continued their surge toward first place in the Novi Little League last week by winning their sixth straight victory.

At the same time, the National Bank Bandits — who had led the league with an undefeated record — dropped their fifth in a row and fell deeper into third place.

Fiberglass, which lost four in a row before embarking on its current six-game winning streak, now is only one-half game out of first place.

The Sluggers closed in on league-leading Paragon by downing the Stealers, 9-3, Monday evening. Randy Calligari hurled Fiberglass to the victory allowing six hits and striking out six. He helped win his own game by slugging out three hits.

The Sluggers also had help from Carl Neely, who picked up two safes and Ron Beardson, who rapped out a long triple.

Fiberglass also dropped Young Door last week, conquering the Tigers, 2-1. Paul Rose struck out 10 Tigers in racking up the victory.

Young Door bounced back two days later to tumble National Bank, for its second win of the season. Dennis Marshall gave up only two hits, and struck out 11 in winning the game. He and Walter White each knocked out two hits. National Bank's Jack Boyd was almost as effective even in defeat, as he whiffed 14 and allowed only five hits.

The standings as of Monday:

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Young Door	2 8

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The Lincoln plant took a second place in the "best record—large plant" judging. Ford's Monroe plant was first, and General Motors Research was third.
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Canadian Investments

Toronto, Canada — I am getting a lot of inquiries regarding cheap stocks listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange that I have come up to Toronto to make some inquiries. There certainly is great interest in these cheap stocks. So much money is being sent to Canada by American investors that the Canadian dollar is now worth a premium of 15 per cent over the American dollar.

Different Kinds of Canadian Investments

The safest is probably an investment in the producing oils which are more or less controlled by the larger American companies. These are selling on a fair basis and share have even greater growth. There are also large fields of natural gas, but these also are awaiting pipe lines. Oil can be put in barrels and transported by truck, but natural gas is absolutely dependent on pipe lines or else upon very expensive compression.

The most popular investments are in metal-mining companies, including gold, copper, zinc, lead, uranium and even the rare metals. Most of these stocks do not now represent producing properties, although many of the non-producers are building mills or refineries.

There are probably many that are now selling for less than a dollar and which will soon go up to \$10 for many times this. But only experts can pick them at this time. For the ordinary investor to buy them at random is a good deal like betting on a horse race.

Relation Between Price and Reserves

Even if a mining stock is selling cheap, that is, below a dollar per share, yet one should first find out how many shares are outstanding. The brokers here tell me that most of the buyers look only at the price and do not consider the number of shares outstanding. Of course the number of shares should be multiplied by the price to see what the mine of the prospect is selling for. Certain stocks which now pay no dividends are probably the best.

The most important thing for the investor to know is the amount of real reserves, whether iron, copper, lead, zinc, uranium, nickel or whatever the metal may be, determined pretty well by diamond drill logs. The amount of metal may be approximately the amount of the reserves. In addition to knowing the quantity of the reserves, one should know the percentage of ore to a ton of earth. With this information the investor can divide the price at which the mine is selling by the reserves and secure a rough

Michigan Mirror

State Studies Taxes

TAXPAYERS will be in a goldfish bowl this summer and into the winter. State government's major problem at the moment is how to finance its services and agencies without bankrupting the voter.

As the search for cash started, the state faces a deficit of more than \$16,000,000 next year under a budget that does not include much needed new buildings. A partially completed 600-man prison at Inonia will stand unused for lack of money. It will house inmates, but the main functions of the training and educational phases will be shelved.

Both Democrats and Republicans agree Michigan's colleges and universities must have more money. There are needs in mental health that must be met. This year's legislature failed to find a way to provide for these needs, which means that they will become more acute next year.

At the same time, business and industry is feeling the pangs of a heavy tax burden. For a year, they have been saying they would like to stay and expand in Michigan, but the "tax climate" of other states gives them more of a chance at a profit.

Some already have left or have expanded in other states, Republicans charge. They claim that business and industry is carrying its limit in tax burdens now and the threat of a new six per cent corporate profits tax proposed by Gov. Williams is the last straw.

Republicans have set up two tax studies — one, headed by Rep. John G. Conlin (D-Flint) to revamp the state's entire tax structure and spending policy. The second, headed by Senator Clyde H. Geerlings (R-Holland) will investigate the effect on business and industry of present and proposed taxes — including Williams' idea.

Williams is critical of the Republican tax studies and is preparing to name his own "blue ribbon" citizens' committee to make an "impartial, unbiased" study. He said he would cooperate with the Republicans, but noted that their committees are both headed by legislators.

Conlin said he would name a citizens' advisory committee to make the investigation. The main thing to keep in mind is: Buy reserves of ore and study the price you are paying for these reserves. Forget the stock market and imagine that you are merely a metal merchant buying copper or one of the other metals. For instance, if you are studying a coal company, instead of figuring too much on the price of the stock figure how much you are paying for a ton of coal.

Investors who take the trouble to get this information should be able to make a lot of money. There will probably be three sets of facts for the legislators to study next year. The first is to find out how much money the state will have next year. The second is to find out how much money the state will have next year. The third is to find out how much money the state will have next year.

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DELIVERY OF A NEW 1957 Ford Tudor sedan as first grand prize in the \$3,500 Novi News Contest. The car is shown being driven on a road. The contest is open to all subscribers and offers a total of \$3,500 in prizes.

'58 Lincolns to Roll At New Plant Soon

The new Lincoln plant is set to get down to brass tacks. Production of 1958 Lincolns will begin in the new plant in Wayne, Michigan. The plant is a state-of-the-art facility and will produce 1958 Lincolns at a rate of 1,000 per day.

Carol Ann Is Resting Now

Carol Ann Donnelly, her blonde hair still in pretty curls, died Tuesday. She was a young girl who had been ill for some time. Her family is mourning her loss.

She asked her father to be sure to care for her little pup, and told her mother with a hug that she really loved her. But she took a nap. She didn't know it, but she took a nap. She didn't know it, but she took a nap.

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National Bank Plans Permanent Office

Novi moved a step nearer its destiny as a modern suburb this week with the announcement that the National Bank of Detroit will soon begin construction of a permanent branch office in Novi.

The new building, to be located on Grand River near the present temporary office, is scheduled for completion early next year. It will bring to Novi the latest in banking facilities, the resources of one of Michigan's largest banks, and a beautiful new structure of contemporary design.

Supervisor Fraser Staman called the announcement "one of the most significant developments in Novi's history, an indication that progress in Novi is fast becoming a fact and not merely something to talk about around the breakfast-barrel."

National Bank officials were just as enthusiastic. "The erection of this new National Bank office is tangible evidence of our faith in Novi's future, and we will do all we can do to encourage the solid, balanced growth of this progressive community," said Floyd A. Kohn, vice president in charge of the bank's Novi-Livonia-Plymouth operations.

"It has always been our policy to make our banking services as convenient as possible to our customers, even as they move to outlying areas," he said. "It is also the purpose of the National Bank of Detroit to become a part of and grow with the community."

A contract for the new building was awarded last week to the Cunningham-Limp Company of Detroit. Construction is expected to begin within the next few weeks. The building will feature a graceful and contemporary design similar to that found in other National Bank branches in the area. It will cover nearly 40,000 square feet, will be 32' by 98', and will be constructed of concrete block with aluminum trim.

Wixom's president and village council — the newest governing body in the state — assumed office Monday night with plans for unity within the infant village and for cooperation with neighboring communities.

Whatever differences may arise in the future, Wixom's new officials were agreed on two things Monday night: that the new village is on the threshold of an era of progress, and that it will take unity and plenty of hard work to reach that goal.

Among their comments to the assembly of fellow Wixomites: "We have a new baby here, and it will take the joint efforts of all of us to raise that baby. We ask that you show patience and forbearance; we are new in office and need your help. And let us remember that one good solid step is better than a dozen ones that we must fall back."

Councilman Gerald "Bill" Abrams: "We have a lot to do, and frankly I'm afraid. But with the help of everyone, we can do it."

Councilman Robert Wagnitz, youngest member of the body: "Let's remember that we are, so to speak, all members of the same team, not two or three teams."

Everett Benson, charter commissioner and president of the Wixom Civic Association: "We have a lot to do, and we are the bloomers people! and that our affairs depend on how we ourselves handle them."

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Modern Church To Rise Soon

The Willowbrook Mission will break ground for its new church next Sunday afternoon, July 28 at 2 p.m. The church is a modern structure and will be a landmark in the community.

Those taking part in the ceremonies will include conference superintendent Norman W. Klumpp, Pastor Roy Gustafson, Conference Treasurer Dr. W. H. Watson, President of the Willowbrook Mission, Byron B. Chapman, and the members of the Administrative Council of the Willowbrook Church.

The first unit of the church is to consist of approximately \$60,000 and will include a chapel, fellowship hall, new Sunday school rooms for preschool children, rest rooms, kitchen, furnace room, pastor's study, and choir room.

The architecture is of modern design on one level. The chapel is of open beam construction — an unadorned wood arch. The entire building is to be of masonry construction with light-colored exterior and will be located on a 5-acre site just west of Willowbrook Village on Ten Mile Road. The building is located a mile west of Farmington on Ten Mile at Meadowbrook Road.

SPEAKING for the Record

By BILL SILGER

If there's anything that's marred in total confusion, it's Michigan's tax picture (see Michigan Mirror on this page). Already two legislative committees are at work this summer seeking new and better means of taxation. Governor Williams, not satisfied with these committees, threatens to add a third study group.

To make the confusion 100 per cent and bring it right down to the local level, we'll try to explain the tax situation as it applies to you and me.

In the city of Northville taxes are paid twice a year. The city taxes, mailed out July 1, are due August 31. Little change will be noted here. The same millage (19.5) will be applied. The increase in tax revenue will be due mostly to greater valuation of the community — new homes, the enlarged Ford plant, new barns built on the St. Lawrence property, etc. Some property valuation increases have been made, but these are slight.

But because the city applies its tax levy to its own assessed valuation AND NOT the STATE EQUALIZED valuation, city taxpayers will get off with approximately the same bill as last year.

Before you start breathing any sighs of relief we'd better take a look at the county and school tax situation. Here's where the hitch comes in.

County and school taxes are collected and the millage levied on the basis of the STATE EQUALIZED VALUATION of the school district.

And here's what that means: The city of Northville has an assessed valuation of \$1,657,095; Wayne county says it should be \$7,381,000; the state says it should be \$8,108,950.

Going right down the list of governmental units within our school district, here's how the local, county and state valuations compare:

City of Northville (Oakland county) \$327,570 — \$7,108—\$790,568; Novi \$2,220,000—\$1,999,414—\$1,894,619; Northville township \$3,461,930—\$5,933,904—\$6,519,150; Lyon \$103,950—\$178,809—\$189,307; Salem \$31,900—\$47,335—\$515,644.

Adding these figures up we find that the local governments say they have a school district that's worth \$10,089,845; the county says it's worth \$16,518,634; and the state says they're both wrong, it's really worth \$18,018,257.

Last year the state equalized valuation of the school district was approximately \$12,000,000.

To the taxpayer this means an "equalization factor" will be applied to this valuation to bring it up to the state level.

For example: In Northville township if your home is valued at \$3,000 and the levy is roughly 27 mills your tax bill would be \$81 multiplied by 1.87 (the equalization factor or difference between the state and township assessed valuation of your property) for a total of \$151.47.

In each area the equalization factor varies with the difference between the local and the state assessed valuation.

It appears likely that the school board will seek 20 mills from local taxpayers this year. Actually, this is a decrease of 2.5 mills. But because of the jump from \$12 millions to \$18 millions in valuation, the 20 mills will bring in approximately \$50,000 as compared to \$23,000 with 22.5 mills last year. The board is well aware of the heavier tax burden that will be placed on property owners in the area and is therefore attempting to operate at the lowest millage possible.

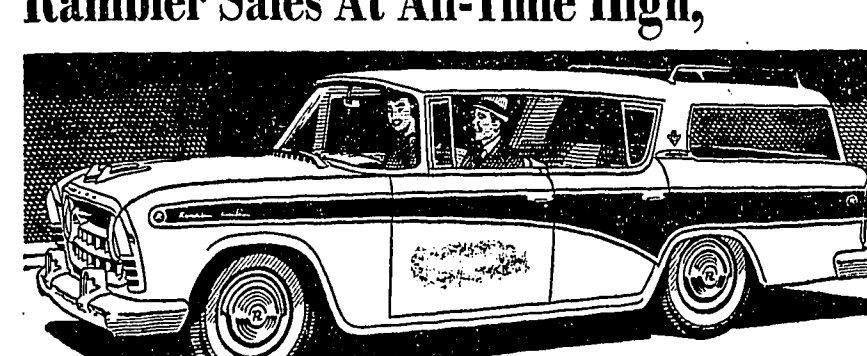
Because of operating fund shortages last year, however, the board faces the payment of bonds totaling \$50,000 now and possibly \$37,000 more. These bonds must be paid from tax receipts.

Also included in this year's budget is the payment of the \$300,000 bond issue for an addition to the American elementary school. The other \$2.4 million was for a new high school and other improvements is not included in the budget. If building could get underway this year at the high school, additional mills would be needed.

Only residents in the Oakland county section of the city of Northville can hope for any change in their assessed property valuation. The city council has appealed to the state to review Oakland subdivisions. A hearing is already scheduled in the area and a hearing is expected in the near future. Someone has to explain to these residents why they must pay more taxes than their neighbors in the same city.

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