

# Agency Aids Communities In Seeking Federal Funds

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Reports from Washington indicate Michigan communities have applied for more than twice the maximum sum the state could receive under the program. The maximum Michigan share of the program would be \$40 million under the Congressional act.

The state already has been given \$16.1 million in grants from the Community Facilities Administration, Department of Health, Education and Welfare and National Forest Service under the program.

secretary to former Gov. G. Mennen Williams.

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The total amount sought in some 300 applications sent to Washington agencies through late December was reported at more than \$81.5 million.

GROWTH OF THE institutions known as savings and loan associations has been steady and strong during the 75 years since the first law was enacted to permit their operation in Michigan.

Secretary of State James M. Hare, whose office oversees the operations of the associations and receives their financial reports, notes "commendable financial stability" in the Michigan groups.

"Michigan citizens can be sure that these institutions are sound," said Hare when he reported assets totaling more than \$734 million in savings and loan associations in Michigan.

AMONG THE 35 institutions of this type at last report a Detroit association counted as the largest. This one listed assets of \$132 million.

"At the end of the last fiscal year there were no associations in liquidation, dissolution, or inactive status," Hare said.

The Secretary of State credits the associations with "performing an increasingly important dual function to the public by providing safe and convenient savings and investment plans, and long-term, monthly payment home loans to families seeking to purchase, build, or repair their homes."

WINTER CAN cause property owners problems which do not show until after the spring thaw, according to the Portland Cement Association.

"Traditionally used ice melting salts will not harm quality concrete, but some new types of chemical ice melters may cause surface damage to concrete driveways and sidewalks," says J. Gardner Martin, Michigan district engineer for the firm.

The use of sodium chloride and calcium chloride for snow and ice removal in Michigan has become accepted practice.

Even these salts may cause some surface scaling of certain types of concrete, Martin said, but they will not affect most concrete.

In recent years, however, several new types of ice melting chemicals using large quantities of ammonium sulphate or ammonium nitrate have appeared on the market.

Martin said tests showed these substances are extremely corrosive to even the best quality concrete.

## Romney Accepts Post as Chairman On Emancipation

Governor George Romney has accepted an invitation to become honorary chairman of the Board of Directors of the Michigan Division of the American Negro Emancipation Centennial Authority, it was announced by Ulysses W. Boykin, state director.

"I am most happy to accept this honor," the governor said.

The Michigan Division of ANECA will plan and coordinate the celebration of the 100th Anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation throughout 1963.

Fred M. Alger, Jr. is chairman and Louis C. Bloom, insurance executive, is co-chairman.

his coming two years as Governor of Michigan.

The Capitol City and environs have a number of large homes, many of which can be rented on lease agreements if you have the finances.

But it seems when the Republican chief executive and his wife were shown the homes, the rental prices were boosted sometimes to double the normal amount when the owners learned who the prospective tenants were.

More than one of the home owners asked \$1,000 a month from the Governor. The Romneys finally settled on one at \$400 a month, figuring this was enough to pay even at the Governor's annual salary of \$27,500.

## Revenue Director Gives Advice to Taxpayers

Taking note that tax time is at hand again, R. I. Nixon, director of Internal Revenue, has this early advice to taxpayers in the Detroit District:

"In 1963, accuracy and completeness in filing out Federal income tax returns is more important than ever."

He says Internal Revenue's conversion to an electronic computer-maintained account system precludes manual correction of deficiencies in returns which may have been acceptable in the past.

NIXON EMPHASIZES THESE points for both individual and business taxpayers.

All applicable items on the return form must be filled in and in the proper sequence. This means totals from attached schedules must be carried forward to the face of the return.

If schedules in the return are not sufficient for the needs of the taxpayer, substitute schedules must follow the official format, contain all the required information, and be attached in the same sequence as on the tax return.

Returns or schedules reproduced by copying machines and other devices should meet the standards of paper quality and legibility of the official forms.

Taxpayers receiving pre-addressed forms should use these forms where possible to minimize chances of error in identification.

Director R. I. Nixon says computer processing of returns is on an assembly line basis with data converted first to punch cards and then to magnetic tape. Anticipated benefits and economies for Internal Revenue and the public cannot be realized if any extensive editing or other manipulation has to be done.

## Coast Guard Seeks Pilots For Stations

The United States Coast Guard Reserve is seeking qualified aviators to serve on active duty in a flying status in the commissioned grades of ensign or lieutenant (junior grade).

To qualify, applicants must be under age 30; be graduates of U. S. Naval or Air Force flight training programs (heavier than air); and have served on active duty as commissioned officers in the Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps or Coast Guard, or their reserve components.

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In the capacity of an aviator/pilot for a minimum of two years.

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Persons who do not already have numbers should apply at once to the District Director of Internal Revenue, or to the District Director of the Social Security Administration.

Or, they may write to the Internal Revenue Service, Box 211, Baltimore, Md.

Business taxpayers will enter their regular Employer Identification Number on their returns and related documents.

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## Once Over Lightly

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daughter does hang her clothes—on the floor—and junior's idea of a laundry hamper is limited to any place where he can drop his dirty socks.

You can be sure of one thing, though. The young man has a good thing when he sees it as witness Dad's howling. "Has that kid got my tie again?"

HAVING survived to this point, old timers won't be phased by the "can I have the car to-

night" routine and the "oh, Mother," tune. They might, in fact, even be half-way prepared for the traditional phone calls from college-age offspring.

No matter how it's said, the message from the campus inevitably has a ring of "hi folks, how are ya, I'm broke."

The wise parent takes it all in stride, however, knowing that his day is yet to come.

When that first grandchild arrives, he can always claim, "My, he looks just like my cousin Luke."



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MARTIN'S ADVICE is to select ice melters which will not harm the concrete, if you want to avoid replacing your sidewalk or driveway next spring or summer.

This precaution will involve reading the contents listed on the package before you buy, and avoiding the de-icers which contain ammonium sulphate or ammonium nitrate.

The old standbys sodium chloride or calcium chloride are just as effective as the new chemicals, according to the industry spokesman, but do not carry the harmful effects of the new products.

DID YOU ever have the difficulty while house-hunting of trying to find a residence to buy or rent within your price range? Almost everyone has.

Consider then the plight of George Romney and his wife, Lenore, who recently found an 11-room home in Lansing to rent during



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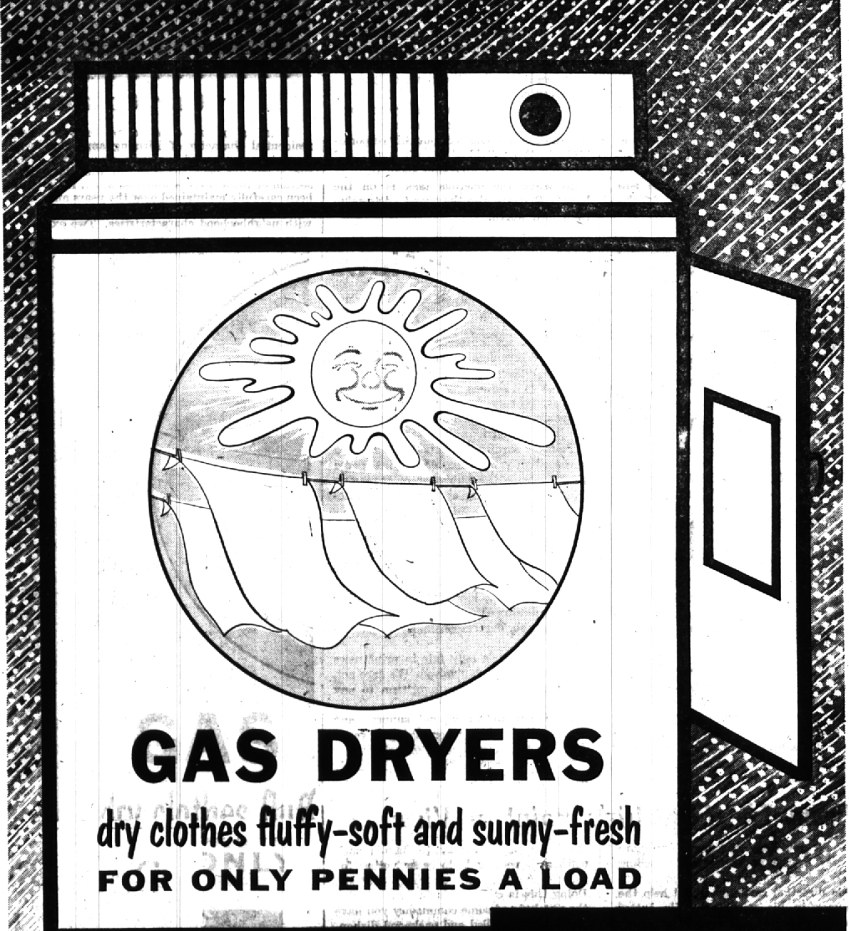
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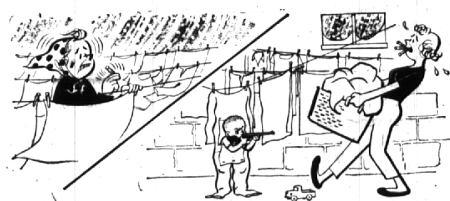
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