

## State Highway Fund Boosted 8½ Per Cent

Michigan's Motor Vehicle Highway Fund received \$244,414,190 from state gasoline taxes and license plate fees during the fiscal year that ended June 30, the State Highway Dept. reports.

This represented an increase of 8½ per cent compared to \$225,245,907 received during the 1962-1963 fiscal year.

STATE HIGHWAY Commissioner John C. Mackie said the Highway Dept. received \$111,885,735 from the fund while the state's 83 counties shared \$82,946,824 and the 520 incorporated cities and the villages shared \$42,990,926.

By law, the Highway Dept. receives 47 per cent of the money deposited in the Highway Fund while the counties received 35 per cent and the cities 18 per cent.

The money is distributed to counties and cities on the basis of population and county road and city street mileage.

Nineteen counties received \$1 million or more from the Highway Fund during the 1964 fiscal year. The counties and amounts they received include:

WAYNE, \$16,225,491; Oakland, \$1,574,214; Kent, \$3,500,789; Genesee, \$4,058,195; Macomb, \$2,887,939; Saginaw, \$1,952,395; Ingham, \$1,887,189; Berrien, \$1,073,922; Kalamazoo, \$1,584,419; Muskegon, \$1,452,555; Washtenaw, \$1,475,960; Jackson, \$1,280,820; Calhoun, \$1,384,436; Ottawa, \$1,296,530; St. Clair, \$1,274,131; Monroe, \$1,228,520; Bay, \$1,142,501; Lenawee, \$1,048,974; and Allegan, \$1,020,277.

## German Visitor Finds Hospitals "More Relaxed"

Strict organization and rigid enforcement of rules are customary in European operating rooms, according to a new member of the OR nursing team at University Hospital—a German nurse who's been in this country for three years.

Miss Maria Weh came to Detroit in 1961 to learn more about surgical nursing practices in this country. She was a supervisory instructor of surgical nursing at Erlangen University Hospital in Nuernberg, a 3,000-bed hospital with more than 900 registered nurses.

"THERE IS a more 'relaxed atmosphere' in the American hospitals she has seen, says Miss Weh. She also noted other major differences in nursing as practiced in the two countries:

- In Germany all nurses' training is paid for by the government. Courses last for three years.
- Once a German nurse receives her registration, she must complete two years of special training before she can work in an operating room.
- There are two major nursing organizations, "run on a military basis." All registered nurses belong to either the German Red Cross or an organization called "Agnes Karll Verband" and wear the distinctive uniform and cap of their unit.
- There are no nurse aides or practical nurses in German hospitals.
- Physicians associated with German hospitals do not have private practices.
- In the larger German hospitals, each surgical service has its own operating room.

MISS WEH, who knew no English when she arrived three years ago, found the language "a little difficult at first" but no longer has any serious problems. She worked at Saratoga Hospital in Detroit until last June, when she moved to the U-M Hospital.

Miss Weh hopes to remain in the United States for at least another two years—if "world politics" do not call her back to Germany sooner.

## Community College Receives State Aid

The Oakland Community College Board of Trustees was notified recently by the State Department of Public Instruction that the college has been allotted \$415,650 as Oakland's share of the Capital Outlay Matching Fund.

This is part of the \$4 million package appropriated by the State Legislature and parcelled out by the State Administrative Board at its meeting on Sept. 1.

ACCORDING TO the rules governing allocation, the money must be used on a matching basis for costs of construction including building planning, service utilities and necessary furnishings and equipment; costs of remodeling or alterations and other projects approved by the State Department of Public Instruction.

George Mosher, chairman of the College Board of Trustees, commented, "This type of assistance will give real impetus to the community college development."

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