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CASS CITY, MICHIGA

Candidates answer questions

Berry vs. Clancy for Tuscola sheriff

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from the Army and Macomb County Community College. He and his wife, Grace, have three children and one grandchild.

THE QUESTIONS

O: Are you satisified with the operation of the sheriff's department at present? If not, what changes would you make? If those changes involve additional expense, for instance, hiring more deputies, how would you fund them?

Clancy: No. I believe the overall efficiency may be at an all time low. It reflects upon the way many of the deputies must be doing their jobs. For example, after nine months of operation in 1979, the total number for appearance tickets and citations stood at 2,843. Now, after nine months of operation in 1980, the total number

is 2,714. That is a drop of 129, which means that the tax-

payers of this county are getting the short end of the stick. If elected, I intend to improve efficiency. I will insist upon an honest days work for an honest dollar from all employees. And, I will be in the field setting an example for the men to follow. Berry: I am not satisfied

with the operation of the sheriff's department at the present time. Changes I propose to make if elected will hinge

quite heavily on the tax proposal issues before the voters and the resulting outcome as it affects the county budget. Several changes within

the department can be effected by moving some personnel to areas to better utilize their capabilities and experience.

It would be ideal if more help could be hired as it is sorely needed. However, I do not see this happening right away.

Q: This is a period when governments are having to

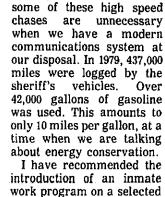
Foote vs. Riess for



Paul Berry

tighten their belts. What potential do you see within the sheriff's department for economizing? If it becomes mandatory that you had to make some budget cuts, what cuts would you make?

Clancy: I would recommend immediately the introduction of a few compact cars into the sheriff's motor pool. These cars could be used for many routine mat-



ters like serving papers, etc.

Also, I am convinced that

basis. This would involve the cooperation of an agency like the Road Commission. They could put inmates, under deputy supervision, to work on secondary road projects. Under such a program, I believe the judges might consider cutting sentence time for many inmates who volunteer to work for the public benefit. It would cut the soaring costs for board and room, now being absorbed by the sheriff's

department. If after every cost saving measure was taken and the



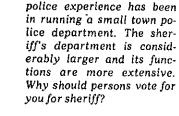
Herbert Clancy

budget still had to be cut, it would have to come from a layoff of personnel. This would be my last resort. I would do everything in my power first to convince the county commissioners that law enforcement should have top priority.

Berry: It has become necessary to reduce the department by one position already this month and it is quite likely that several more positions could be in jeopardy if the secondary road patrol funds and the federal revenue sharing money is reduced by the state and federal governments respectively. If these outs in funds come

about, the only alternative is for the board of commissioners to come up with local funding or lay people off. if layoffs occur, this will result in reduced services provided by the department. This will mean that services provided by the road patrols will have to be cut back as the state constitution mandates that the sheriff maintain the county jail. In maintaining a fully populated or overcrowded jail, it takes more manpower to handle these jobs and when this occurs, the road patrol and other areas of the department have to suffer.

Q (for Clancy only): Other than about a year spent with



1972-73, your entire civilian

Clancy: As I have already indicated, Undersheriff Bruce Tait will remain on the job, if I am elected. Together, we represent almost 60 years of law enforcement experience. I have worked as a county deputy, previous to accepting the chief of police position at Millington. I am very familiar with

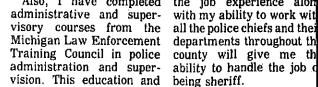
the operation of the sheriff's department, having assisted it on a myriad of occasions in my capacity as chief of police.

The Army Commendation Medal I received in 1965 while serving with the Military Police, I believe, speaks to my leadership ability. And, leadership is what this sheriff's race should be all about.

In conclusion, I believe that I am offering the people of this county a law enforcement team . . . a team that can deliver top notch law enforcement services. People don't have to vote for me and then wonder about who the undersheriff will be.

Q (for Berry only): Except for three years as undersheriff. from 1969-72, the rest of your 25 years with the sheriff's department has been as a deputy. Being sheriff is primarily an administrative job. Because of your minimal administrative experience, why should persons vote for you for sheriff?

Berry: My 25 years' experience has been in all phases of the department. I am totally familiar with the complete operation as it has grown in that time. My working in the complete operation can only be to my advantage.



Also, I have completed the job experience alo

He was to have been re

Charles O'Dell of 432

The excavation tools and

truck battery were valued at

\$125. Damage to three

trucks, apparently done with

a hammer, was estimated a

Richard Colling of Ash

Greenleaf township

Items stolen

Items worth more than with a revoked license. Mor day before District Judg Richard F. Kern, he pleade \$300 were reported stolen from a car last Wednesday parked in the rear lot at Cass guilty to the charge and wa City High School. sentenced to three days in Taken from his car, the county jail, fined \$33 and

James T. Crickon of 3918 N. assessed \$22 court costs. Cemetery Road told village police, were an AM-FM leased from jail if he posted radio with eight-track tape \$200 bond for the contempt o player, worth \$70; "several" court warrant and \$100 for cassette tapes and case, the business without \$200; two stereo speakers, license charge. \$50; one hub cap, \$25, and one eight-track tape, \$8.

Krapf Road, Cass City, re The vehicle had been ported to Bad Axe state locked. The incident was police Saturday morning reported at 6:30 p.m. that tools and a battery were Village police took Jerry taken and trucks damaged D. Worley, 23, of Detroit, to at the gravel pit he owns in

the county jail after they stopped his car at 10:20 p.m. last Thursday.

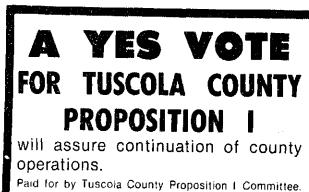
His vehicle was stopped after he failed to stop on Woodland Avenue before turning onto Main Street.

A check was made and it was discovered Worley was more Road, Unionville, tolo wanted on warrants from sheriff's deputies Monday Romeo state police for contempt of court and the Warren Police Department for engaging in business as an alteration contractor without a license.

afternoon that 50 gallons o fuel were drained from his combine over the week end while it was parked in a field off Seeley Road, north of Cass City Road in Elmwood

\$175.

Village police cited Wortownship. ley on a charge of driving





Sanilac commission seat In addition to taking min-

Countywide races in Sanilac county were supposedly settled in the Aug. 5 primary, but they weren't.

Only Republicans filed, so supposedly whomever won the primaries would take office Jan. 1.

However, County Clerk Lawrence R. Smith, loser to Deputy Clerk Delene Schultheiss by 197 votes, is running as a write-in or sticker candidate in a last-ditch effort to hold onto his job.

Smith was Sandusky city clerk for 13 years before being elected county clerk four years ago.

In his write-in campaign, he is crying foul-play, arguing that Mrs. Schultheiss misled voters in the primary by advertising she has 10 years' experience as a deputy clerk when in fact she has never worked in his office Mrs. Schultheiss has been the secretary for the county Board of Commissioners for 10 years, with one of her jobs being taking minutes at board meetings. State law requires that the county clerk or his deputy -- hence her title -- take the minutes. She has been endorsed for election as county clerk by four of the eight county commissioners, including Lloyd Severance of Decker.

utes and performing other tasks for the board, she said she helps township officials with filing of tax statements and warrants, a task normally performed by the clerk's office.

The other candidates, running without opposition, are: Prosecutor, Robert Barnes, who narrowly defeated incumbent J. Anthony Sykora in the primary; Sheriff, Ross E. Dundas, who has held the position since 1965; treasurer, Ken Rhead, in office four years; drain commissioner, Stuart Armstead, 25 years,

ice Turnbull, 19 years. COUNTY COMMISSIONER

and register of deeds, Maur-

Republican Eugene Foote, or, but isn't seeking re-52, of 5285 Freiburg Road,

Eugene A. Foote gyle township supervisor for sional District Steering

Foote served on the Sani-

run for county commission-

He and sons Dennis and

Dave farm 700 acres and

feed about 300 cattle. He has

been an Argyle township

resident since he was a

small child.

six years in the 1960s and has Committee. been its certified assessor the past 10 years.

She has been vice-president of the Sanilac County His wife, Hazel, is the Extension Homemakers present township supervis- since 1978 and will automatically become president in

June of next year. She is

vice-president of the Area 14

Homemakers Council since

1979 and will automatically

become its president in Jan-

Earlier this year, Mrs.

Riess received the extension

homemakers Silver Salute

office manager and sales-

person for a real estate and

investment company.

For 14 years, she was an

Eileen K. Riess

the sheriff's department in

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ESTIMATED RECEIPTS

| Local General Ed. Revenue | 1979-1980 Act. Rec. | 1980-1981 Est. Rec. |
|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Current Taxes | 1,531,749. | 1,787,267, |
| Delinquent Taxes | 13,505. | 5,000. |
| Interest on Delinguent | , - | -1 |
| Taxes | 2,217 | 1,000 |
| Other Taxes | 107. | 100. |
| Trailer Park Fees | 1,540. | 2,000. |
| Tuition | 70. | 70. |
| Interest from Investments | 17,495. | 15,000. |
| Rent - School Facilities | 910. | 1,000. |
| Miscellaneous | 5,517. | 5,000. |
| Special Education | 19,908. | 20,000. |
| Sale of School Property | 1,923. | 2,000. |
| Local Revenue | 1,594,941. | 1,838,437. |
| State General Ed. Revenue | | |
| State Aid | 1,126,680. | 1.058.079 |

1,058,079. **Drivers Education** Reimbursement 6,450. 9,675. **Vocational Education** Reimbursement 3,582. 3,116. Gas Tax Refund 5,676. 6,243. State Revenue 1,142,388 1,077,113. Total Gen. Ed. Revenues 2,737,329 2,915,550 **Community Education** Local Revenue Fees & Tuition 14,676. 10,000. State Revenue

Director's Salary 10,000. 7,000. Membership Reimbursement 34,341. 42,404. 44,341. 49,404. Total Comm. Ed. Revenues 59,017. 59,404. 2,796,346 **Grand Total - Revenues** 2,974,954

EXPENDITURES

The grand total of expenditures for the school in 1979-80 was \$2,847,358 and the estimated cost of running the school in 1980-81 is \$3,172,700.

Argyle, is running against election. Democrat Eileen K. Riess, 64, of 3820 W. Downington lac County Social Services Road, Snover, for District 1 Board for 12 years. He county commissioner. resigned in June in order to

The district consists of Argyle, Evergreen, Greenleaf, Lamotte and Moore townships. It is presently represented by Lloyd Severance, who isn't seeking reelection. Foote, winner of the Republican primary over two

other candidates, was Ar-

Mrs. Riess, chairman of the Sanilae County Democratic Party since 1974, un-

ago.

revenues.

successfully ran for county In District 2, which concommissioner two years sists of Austin, Minden, Marion. Wheatland and She is a member of the Delaware townships, Repub-Democratic State Central lican Donald Decker of Steering Committee and the Deckerville is unopposed for Democratic 8th Congresre-election.

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Award.

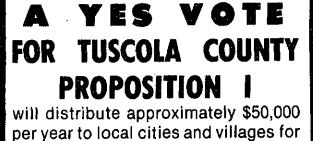
No one knows the impact of proposals

of total revenue received by What impact will passage of the Tisch Amendment the village. (Proposal D) or the other The Tisch proposal guarantees funding to state proposals have on Cass City schools at the 1980-81 level. village and schools?

No one knows. The problem, according to Cass City school Supt. Don-According to village Supt. Lou LaPonsie, the guess is ald Crouse, is that the that passage of Tisch would legislature has yet to apcut state revenue to the prove 1980-81 state aid to village by 20 percent, plus schools. When it does, because of there would be an additional loss in local property tax

the state's budget crunch, the amount could be less State revenues to Cass than received previously.

City make up about a fourth



street improvements. Paid for by Tuscola County Proposition I Committee.

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