

Commission Told Of Demand For Paving Program

Members Report To Associates Sentiment Of Citizens, Budget, Tax Rate, Up Monday

That the proposed paving program is uppermost in the minds of Farmington citizens was indicated at a meeting of the City Commission Monday evening, when the Commission discussed again the adoption of such a program. The general opinion of some of the members was that no paving could be done this year but that a program should be mapped out for action next year.

Commissioners Carl Hogle and Harrison Johnson were appointed by Mayor W. D. Butterfield to visit other suburbs in this section which have put through paving projects and obtain as much information as possible on the procedure they have followed. As many Commissioners as could be were urged to accompany these men.

The paving question was brought up during discussion of the budget by Commissioner Olin Russell, who said that a lot of people around town who want some action on a paving program. Commissioner Harrison Johnson, in charge of streets, remarked, "It'll be hung to a sour apple tree" soon if there isn't some action taken.

"The town of Wayne has hardly a street that is not paved in the whole town," continued Commissioner Russell, "Instead of paying out money for gravel, I'd rather use it for a start on a paving program." Commissioner Johnson declared that he "would like to see about three streets picked out and let the people vote on a bond issue, to see what the real feeling is about paving."

The entire budget will be considered at a public meeting to be held next Monday night, when citizens may review the budget and suggest changes. If no objections appear, the budget will be adopted as made up by the Commission.

Indications are that the tax rate for the coming year will be \$18.60, or perhaps \$16.00. The former figure was estimated Monday evening, but a change may be made. At the former figure, the amount to be raised by taxation would be \$341,322. Valuations this year are \$2,972,085, as compared with \$2,925,225 last year, an increase of about \$47,000.

The Commission voted to purchase 25 tons of calcium chloride for use on the streets. Changes in the manner of accounting city work, with improved efficiency, were reported by Commissioner Hogle.

The sanitary ordinance, which had been read twice and was up for passage, failed, none of the Commissioners present caring to vote its adoption.

METHODIST DINNER FOR MOTHERS AND DAUGHTERS FRIDAY

Program To Be In Three Parts, Showing Relationships In Community, Church, Home

A large attendance of mothers and daughters of this community is expected Friday evening at the annual Mother-Daughter banquet of Farmington Methodist Church. The program arranged for the evening presents three relationships—mother and daughter relationships—in the community, the church, and the home. All on the program are Farmington residents.

The program is announced as follows: Invocation—Mrs. E. F. Dunlavy Introduction of Toastmistress Miss Emily Butterfield Toastmistress—Mrs. Wm. Irish "Mother and Daughter in the Community"

Mrs. E. N. Roos, the Daughter Miss June Johnson, the Mother Solo—Miss Ernestine Pierce "Mother and Daughter in the Church"

Mrs. C. R. T. to, the Daughter Miss Lucile Halstead, the Mother Reading—"Kiss Me Mama I Can't Sleep"—Miss Gladys Baker "Mother and Daughter in the Home"

Mrs. J. Greenman, the Daughter Miss Adaline Wixom, the Mother Music

Commissioner Fred Staman is recovering from his recent injuries and is now able to sit up.

One Hundred And Eighty Gather At Banquet In Honor Of Supt. Leonard



SUPT. A. G. LEONARD

Town Hall Share To Be Discussed

Committee Meets Thursday Evening; Suggest Equal Shares For City And Masons

An early determination of the shares in the Farmington Town Hall is anticipated with a meeting of the committees representing the three interest planned for Thursday evening in the Town Hall. The committees will take up the request of the Township that they first discuss, and decide if possible, what the respective shares should be.

Division of the Township and City's shares appears to be an agreed upon factor, on the basis of 73 and 27 per cent, in accordance with the division when the village became a city.

With this factor definitely fixed, there remains only the Masonic Lodge share to be determined. It has been suggested that the City and the Masonic Lodge should have nearly equal portions.

Calculation of the City's share on the basis previously suggested would give the City about 20 per cent, and the latest solution offered is that the City and the Masonic Lodge have declared each owners of approximately 21 per cent, with about 88 per cent going to the Township.

It is expected that the committee will take up this suggestion at its meeting Thursday evening.

FARMINGTON O. E. S. MEMBERS ATTEND COUNTY MEETING

Mrs. B. C. Banfield Acts As Conduress At Fifty-Fifth Gathering Of Chapters

The fifty-first annual meeting of the Oakland County Association of the Grand Old Women was held Thursday, May 17, in the auditorium of the Milford high school, under the direction of Mrs. Rie Sanderson of Pontiac, president of the Eastern Star, which was opened at 10 a. m.

Although the weather was unfavorable, there was a good attendance, about 400 being present. The Grand Chapter was represented by five Grand officers including the Grand Worthy Matron, Mrs. Mary R. Watson and several past grand officers. Farmington was represented by 21 members.

Cass J. Gittins of Milford gave the address of welcome and Mrs. Josephine M. Gee of Farmington, the response.

A beautiful Memorial service was given by 15 members of Whiting Chapter, Milford. Flowers were laid on the altar in memory of the chapters of the county. F. Homer Newton, Right Worshipful Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Michigan, gave an address in the afternoon session. Mrs. Watson conducted a school of instruction for the work of the Star. Mrs. B. C. Banfield of Farmington filled the office of Conduress.

The instruction work was given thoroughly and by the many new officers at the school.

The meeting was closed by singing "God Be With You Till We Meet Again."

The next meeting of the association will be held in Holly, October 18 or 19. The chaplain of Farmington is the selected officer.

Described by Mayor Wells D. Butterfield as "the citizen who has done more than any other to uplift this community and elevate its standards in the past seven years," Superintendent of Schools Archie G. Leonard was honored by 180 men and women of this section at a testimonial dinner Friday evening in Methodist Community Hall.

Tributes paid Mr. Leonard by representatives of many elements in the community life were climaxed by the presentation of a chest of silver, and a carving-set with a gift to Mrs. Leonard of a basket of roses.

Among the interesting features of the banquet was the presence of 7 members of the first class to go through high school and be graduated under Mr. Leonard. The members of this class, who sat a table set aside for them, were Viola Walters, Thelma Sawlow, Esther Middlewood, Florence Ross, Helen Steele, P. Owen Pauline, and M. Marie Walling.

The program proved interesting throughout. A brief invocation by Rev. Edward F. Dunlavy preceded the dinner, and immediately afterward, Principal A. R. Crews introduced the guest of honor, master, Principal Frank N. Steele of MacMillan School, Detroit, a long resident of Farmington, who quickly demonstrated that the choice of the program committee was a fortunate one.

Music by the Methodist Church quartet, included an encore which proved one of the "hits" of the evening. It was a song of which Mr. Leonard was the subject, and was composed at a school where he previously served as superintendent. Its title was "Archie Hadda," the song referring to a bald spot on Mr. Leonard's head, and that of the once popular "Ja-da."

Mayor Wells D. Butterfield, speaking under the title of "Archie and the City," lauded Mr. Leonard's activities and accomplishments as a citizen, and lauded Mr. Leonard to be of the type (Continued on Page Five)

WAYNE EASY, PLAY FOR CHAMPIONSHIP AT PLYMOUTH TODAY

Farmington Players Bunt Out Purposely To End Game Played In Drizzle

Farmington high school goes into the final baseball game of the season today for the league leadership by virtue of having defeated Wayne 13 to 4, and Dearborn's being vanquished by Plymouth 6 to 4 last Friday. The championship hinges on the final encounter today.

Farmington started well. Otis first up drew a pass. On the first ball pitched after Otis had stolen second, Cox smashed a high fly to deep left field, a really good catch, the circuit, scoring Otis ahead of him. Middlewood also scored in this inning.

In the third Farmington scored. Wayne was helpless before G. Rozenboom. Because of the drizzle Farmington resorted to bunting the ball to get the game over quickly.

G. Rozenboom starred at bat with three hits and a walk in four trips to the late. Otis scintillated on the field, taking four chances flawlessly.

Lineup: Otis, 2b; Cox, cf; Catherman, 5b; Middlewood, 1b; Nielsen, c; E. Rozenboom, ss; Turner, lf; J. Cox, lf; Starkey, rf; Taggart, rf; G. Rozenboom, p.

League Standing: Farmington 4 0 1.000 Plymouth 4 0 1.000 Dearborn 1 2 333 Northville 1 2 333 Ypsilanti 0 0 0.000 Wayne 0 3 0.000

EPIDEMIC OF COLDS AND "FLU" HITS POST-OFFICE; MRS. MIDDLEWOOD ILL

The epidemic of colds and "flu" has hit the Farmington postoffice in recent weeks. Mrs. Ethel Middlewood, carrier, is still recuperating from the illness, the latest reported on the sick list. Erskine W. Evans, Route 1 carrier, is still recuperating from the illness, which began several weeks ago. He hopes to be back on duty soon.

Nursing Service And Opportunity Room May Stay

Contract Signed By Board For Opportunity Room Head; 3 Teachers Resign

Indications that the school nursing service and opportunity room will be retained next year, and the resignation of two teachers, marked the monthly meeting of the Farmington Board of Education last Thursday evening. A third teacher is also known to have filed her resignation.

Instructions to seek a new teacher for the opportunity room were given Ralph B. Baker, new superintendent, the present teacher, Mrs. May C. Thomas, having been one of those who resigned. Mr. Baker was also advised to look out for worthy applicants for the position of school nurse, although not empowered to engage one.

Members of the Board, discussing the school nurse problem, indicated that a nurse would probably be engaged, but that they preferred an expression of opinion by citizens of the school district at the next meeting in June before entering upon a contract. "A nurse will undoubtedly be necessary in the school system," said Secretary Frank L. Macomber, and then adjourned.

In addition to Mrs. Thomas, Miss Charlotte Stanger, commercial teacher, resigned, the latter to return to school for further study. Miss Mary Moore, second grade teacher, also filed her resignation, although it was not presented before the Board at its meeting. Miss Moore is to teach next year at Oak Ridge, under Supt. A. H. Upton, formerly of Walken Laker, where she taught before coming to Farmington.

Mrs. Thomas gave as her reason for resigning "the publicity arising from the opportunity room difficulty," although the fact that she believed she had no enforceable contract with the Board of Education, although she had affixed her signature to a contract. The method of issuing contracts previous to this year, it is understood, has been the signing in blank by members of the Board, and turning over of the contracts to the Superintendent to obtain the signatures at the meeting Thursday evening.

Mrs. Thomas stated that she felt that during the month which elapsed between April and May meetings, while she had signed a contract but the Board means that she felt the pressure in her position, especially in view of the discussion concerning the opportunity room.

It is understood that Mrs. Thomas has been engaged by the Noble School to teach and also to be principal of the school, a substantial increase in salary.

New teachers for next year announced at the Board meeting are: Miss Emma Hyde, home economics; Edward C. Eaton, chemistry and mathematics; Alice Miel, Latin and French; Dorothy Ingalls, public speaking and English.

FARMINGTON WINS PLACES AT YPSI, GOES TO LANSING

Middlewood Wins, Mile Run And Is Second In Discus; Otis Ties For Pole Vault Lead

Saturday, May 19, Farmington took part in the regional track meet at Ypsilanti and placed fourth in competition with fifteen schools. Middlewood won the mile event, Otis tied for first in the pole vault and Middlewood was second in the discus throw and fourth in the javelin throw. McCullough won fourth in the 400 yard race, and the high hurdles and the relay team placed fourth, making a total of 16 points.

By these qualifications, each of the men go to the state meet at Lansing today and tomorrow.

Thirty members and friends of the Progressive Bible Class spent Monday at the fine farm house of Ed. Baker, near Walken Lake. A buffet pot luck supper was served in the evening.

Start Obtaining Releases For Grand River Widening

Representative Of State Highway Department Arrives In Farmington To Begin Work; Will Remain Until Task Is Completed

The first activity on the part of the State toward the paving of Grand River road to Farmington was begun Thursday morning, when a start was made on obtaining the right-of-way between the Wayne County line and Farmington, accompanied by the State Highway Department to obtain the frontage, went over the highway, accompanied by Supervisor Isaac Bond.

A few property-owners are understood to have been interviewed and four favorable, including one owner of a substantial amount of frontage who had previously been opposed to the project. It is expected that Mr. Newton will extend his activities on Friday or Saturday, and remain until the work is completed.

It is also anticipated that H. B. Lee, in charge of all right-of-way work in the State for the Highway Department, will visit Farmington within a day or two and confer with Mr. Newton and other officials. Mr. Newton, whose home is in Pontiac, will, it is understood, spend all of his time on the Grand River work until it is finished.

Securing of releases will start at the intersection of Base Line road with Grand River, and it is hoped that within a short time, the work will be so far advanced that arrangements may be made for preparing the road for concrete. It has already been ascertained that the Wayne County force at work east of the County line may continue their work westward to Farmington.

Supervisor Bond has been requested by Mr. Newton to aid him in the right-of-way work. Mr. Bond is scheduled to leave Saturday for the South with other supervisors, on a tour of institutions, but may give up the trip, because of the importance of the Grand River project.

Plan Flag Award On Memorial Day

Legion Post To Give Flag To Schoolroom With Most Students At Exercises

A special invitation to school children of Farmington Township to participate in Memorial Day observance has been issued by Groves-Walker Post of the American Legion, and to stimulate interest among the children the Legion post will present a large American flag to the school room in the Township which sends the largest attendance to the Memorial Day exercises to be held Wednesday morning at the Oakwood Cemetery. Children of all schools in the township are included in the invitation.

A march to the cemetery and a program there has been arranged. The march will start from the "log cabin" in Farmington's business section at 10:00 o'clock. At the cemetery, Rev. Elmer Palmer will speak. A salute will be fired in honor of the dead and "Taps" will be sounded.

On Sunday, the members of the American Legion post and Auxiliary will attend the Evangelical Church, where Rev. A. A. Schoen will deliver a sermon on "Did They Die in Vain?"

All are invited to participate in the patriotic observances.

WEST POINT PARK WINS AFTER BEING S RUNS BEHIND

Rochester To Be Opponent Sunday; East De-Ho-Co Team To Be Played Wednesday

After being shut out for four innings while Pontiac was securing eight runs, West Point Park's baseball team on Sunday suddenly "came to life" and scored seven tallies in the fifth inning, conquering their scoring in subsequent innings and defeating the visitors, 12 to 8.

West Point Park was without a hit until the fifth, but an error and several base hits started a rally. Otis of Pontiac was driven from the box and replaced by Stone. Carl Goers started poorly for West Point Park but held Pontiac scoreless after the fifth.

On Sunday West Point Park plays the fast Rochester team which comes to West Point Park and on Memorial Day, West Point Park journeys to Northville to play the De-Ho-Co team one of the best in this section. West Point Park has won one game and lost one in the Inter-County League, Sundays game being the third on the schedule.

A surprise dinner was given Sunday for Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Davis, celebrating their 25th wedding anniversary. There were about 40 present from Flint and Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. Davis received many gifts.

Program For Paving Already 2 Years Old

If and when Farmington achieves a paving program, it will not have been without exercise of patience. The present interest in paving, while perhaps keener and supported by a larger number of citizens, is not the first that has appeared. During the City Commission meeting Monday night, Commissioner Harrison Johnson discovered in the record of proceedings an item from the meeting of April 5, 1926, the minutes of which recorded appointment of a committee to investigate paving and report at an early date.