

## Local Votes Follow Trend Of County

That Farmington is a fairly accurate barometer in primary elections was again attested to at the polls in the city and township Monday. Although not as large a vote as cast as was expected, a total of 805 votes. This was at least that the total vote cast in the 1936 primary election.

On the Republican side 679 ballots were cast and 129 Democratic votes were cast.

Farmington Republican totals showed the same candidates in the lead as was shown in the County, except in the race for prosecuting attorney, where Archie Leonard outpolled Charles L. Wilson, the County winner, by a vote of 592 to 226.

**Greater Variation**

The local Democratic vote varied to a greater degree from the ultimate results. George A. Schroeder led for the nomination for Lieutenant Governor in Oakland County, but Leo J. Nowicki, won the state-wide contest. For representative in Congress in the Seventeenth District, Schroeder was given a slight lead in Farmington, over Samuel G. Backus, who led in the County. William R. Jewell won the County Treasurer nomination, but John H. Andrews led in Farmington by 20 votes; 43 to 42.

Returns from the City and Township polls show that Fitzgerald led Toy in Farmington by 503 to 352. George Dondero led his nearest opponent, Earl Smith, by 3 votes for State Representative. Farmington people cast 475 votes for George Higgins, to 217 for Theresa Lee.

Arthur Moore outdistanced the Judge of Probate field in the Farmington returns by a 10 to 1 margin, receiving 425 votes to 115 for George Sutton. For Sheriff Spencer Howard polled 423 votes to 211 for Frank Schram. Farmington cast 239 votes for Otto McQual for Registrar of Deeds, compared to 288 for John Lewde. Verne Hampton was ahead in the local vote for Circuit Court Commissioner with 448 votes to 373 for Madison F. Cole.

**Democrat Votes**

For Lieutenant Governor Farmington Democrats cast 75 votes for George A. Schroeder to 43 for Leo Nowicki, in the race for Representative in Congress Frank Schroeder polled 25 votes to 21 for Samuel Backus. John Brown received 80 total votes in the city and township to 27 for Fortino for town senator. Clayton Lilly led in Farmington for state representative by six votes, over both August Miller and Russell Webb, who each received 33 votes.

Franklin Morris polled 13 votes for prosecuting attorney. Victor Johnson obtained 37. Bernard Schrader led in Farmington for the sheriff race with 72 votes. Joseph Kesterlin received 24 and Edward Radford 22. Sixty-two votes were cast for John Andrews for County treasurer, and 42 for William Jewell. Henry McLaughan was Farmington's favorite candidate for Registrar of Deeds it was indicated by the 63 votes cast for him, in comparison to 46 for A. Charles Wilcox. Henry A. Kilgip polled 55 votes for county coroner, and Timothy McLean 52. Dr. Earl Purley received 35.

**Delegates**

Dr. Norman received 278 votes as delegate to the fall county convention on the Republican ticket in the City, and Norman Lee was unopposed on the Democratic ticket. Harry McCracken received 106 votes in Precinct 1 in the Township for Republican delegate. Two votes were cast each for Frank Steele, Paul Paré and Louis Hirsch by the Democrats.

For Precinct 2 Charles Heise was given 216 votes on the Republican ticket. Willard Campbell, Harry McCracken, Arthur Coe and Charles Wilson each received one vote by the Democratic voters. They are Fred Wilkinson, M. J. Belsner, Clayton Coers, William Wentland, A. Miller, Norman Lee, Paul Paré and James W. Roberts.

**FAMILY REUNION**

Mr. and Mrs. Franz Wadenster and children, Almer Rose and Lawrence, of Drake Road, among the 37 guests who attended the twelfth annual Large family reunion this week end at the home of Mrs. Cornelia Willes at Walled Lake. Other relatives from Pontiac, Birmingham, Grand Blanc, Brown City and Detroit attended.

## High School Officials Faced With Crowded Class Rooms

Registration is still in progress in the Farmington schools, and present indications are that 360 pupils will enroll for classes in the high school. This will have to be crowded into classes and assemblies this year than last year.

Superintendent Robert C. Burns announced Wednesday that to date 347 had registered in the High School and 351 in the Grade School. This brings the total attendance to 698, which is 51 under last year's final registration mark of 749 pupils in the Farmington schools.

The biggest gain made this year is in the Junior class, with 17 more students registering than in 1937. School officials planned on 80 students in this class, but because 99 pupils are enrolled, it was the biggest factor in upsetting the schedule outlined by school authorities.

**Additional Classes**

School officials stated that with a group of 30 Juniors two classes each in English and History could be divided into capacity classes of 40 students each. With 19 additional students, however, it became necessary to have three classes in Junior English and History. This means additional work for teachers, and threw not only the Juniors off schedule, but the other students were also affected.

The Industrial Arts Department also could not handle all the students who enrolled for that course. At present the Senior class has gained one student over 1937's enrollment of 76. An addition of 25 in Freshman and two less Sophomores have been listed, with the Freshman count totalling 93, and the Sophomore total being 78.

**74 Less**

A decrease of 74 pupils in the Grade School are shown by the figures released this week by Superintendent Burns. The 1937 total was 822, whereas this year's classes showing an increase. The greatest drop came in the sixth and seventh grades.

In the Kindergarten this year's mark of 30 is 2 less than last year's total. First grade shows a decrease of 13 children, with 35 enrolled now compared to 51 in 1937. A slight increase of four is seen in the second grade, where 47 pupils are attending. Third grade shows a decrease of five pupils, whereas there is an increase of the same number in fourth grade. In third grade 39 have been registered, and 37 in fourth grade.

**All Show Decline**

The four upper grades all show a decline in totals. In 1937 there were 12 more students registered in fifth grade than this year's total of 30. In sixth grade there are only 37 children compared with 55 last year, which is a loss of 18. Twenty-five have been enrolled in seventh grade. The total for 1938 in that grade is 46. In eighth grade there are 47 registered this year, or eight less than in 1937.

School officials are expecting a slight dip in the Junior class to help a keener interest in their work this year, due to the use of modern text books. They explain that for example the books for second and third graders in nature study carry attractive pictures of the pages and natural color photos which vividly portray objects that are being studied. Text book publishers are getting away from the drab appearance of old print, and the use of bright colors is expected to lighten the pupil's interest in his work.

**Patrons Approve Of New Fixtures**

Daily patrons of the Farmington State Bank wonder often why before they enter the building just what new form the equipment has taken on since the previous day.

Customers have nothing but commendation for the new equipment, but they do not seem practical to them, but it gives the bank a certain air of distinction, they say.

After inspecting the new set-up patrons have expressed the belief that the new fixtures should have a difficult time penetrating the stronghold, and certainly, they point out, the employees are better protected.

The teller windows are misleading in the people. Because a thick glass separates them from the employee their first impulse is to raise their voice when speaking. This is unnecessary, however, for the ordinary conversational tone can be heard by the parties on both sides of the window. Small slits on the sides of the window and an opening on the top permit the voice to carry readily. The slits, however, are so small, that they can be shoved through them.

Employees find an added advantage in these glass fronted cages. Each party is protected from the coughs, breath and smoke of the other person, a point which might be neglected by some people, but which is important to the teller, who faces this all day.

Next to each teller's window, and in the doors are small metal rings with glass in the center. The rings are placed in the holes in the glass can be raised from the inside, but not from the outside. These afford the employee a place from which to shoot at bandits, should any appear.

**Township Residents Attend Bible Institute**

Bryce and Clyde Greenman, of Parker avenue, Farmington Township, were listed on the attendance record at the Moody Bible Institute held Monday. Guests from 15 states and Canada were present. Capacity audiences greeted the well-known youth leaders who addressed them on life problem subjects. Leaders anticipate that the administration Building, now nearing completion, will make possible the care of more delegates at next year's rally.

Mr. and Mrs. Lemuel Irving and Chucker Roberts spent Tuesday evening with Dr. C. D. Haines of Nine Mile Road.

## Police Seek Gas Station Robbers

Police are seeking for thieves who broke and entered into two gas stations in this vicinity Wednesday night. Police who were notified Thursday morning believe that possibly the same gang perpetrated both jobs.

William Wislra, proprietor of a station at Twelve Mile and Orchard Lake Road, reported merchandise, tobacco, candy auto accessories, a table model radio, approximately \$25 in change, and miscellaneous items, stolen. Police stated that the thieves entered after breaking a front window.

The second establishment that was reported broken into was a station owned by Earl Vivier of Farmington, and managed by John McDowan, located at Grand River and Eleven Mile Road. Various odds and ends were reported stolen.

Another breaking and entering case, which occurred Tuesday morning, was brought to a conclusion the same day.

Jack Fitch, proprietor of the station at the Oddfellow Hall, St. Francis and Grand River, reported to Deputy Sheriff Joseph DeVriendt that \$10 in cash was stolen from his establishment Monday night after closing. DeVriendt learned that Harold Freedline, 17 years old, of Redford Township, had brought some change to be exchanged for bills at the A&P store on Eight Mile Tuesday morning. He was arrested by questioning.

Police report that he confessed, and the Deputy regained all the money, including the cash which was which Freedline had purchased a cheap wrist watch. The money was returned to Fitch, who preferred not to file a bill of complaint against the 17 year old boy.

This was the first time Freedline had fallen into serious trouble, police stated, and they believe him to be a victim of circumstances. The officer hopes to secure employment for him on a farm.

## TOWNSHIP MAN IS INJURED AS HE WALKS ON HIGHWAY

John Foy, 61 years old, who resides in Farmington Township, between Glenn and Middle Belt, is suffering from a possible fractured hip after falling from a car on the Grand River highway Wednesday night.

Police report that Foy was walking on Middle Belt Road north of Nine Mile Road at about 7:30 in the evening, when he was struck by a car driven by A. P. Mitchell, 334 So. Marshall avenue, Pontiac.

Judge John J. Schulte returned from his European trip, Friday.

## Commission To Discuss Ordinances

Members of the City Commission will hear and discuss the Zoning Housing Ordinances, which have been prepared by Paul Schreiber and Bayard Tupper, respectively, at a special meeting to be held Friday, September 23, in the clerk's office in the Farmington State Bank. This decision was reached at the regular meeting of the Commission Monday night when Schreiber informed the group that he would like to hear the Commission's opinion on the ordinance, before he proceeded any farther.

Sewerage disposal was discussed by the Commission. Members stated that they awaited word from the City of Detroit as to whether that municipality would permit the City of Farmington, Farmington Township, Redford Township, and Livonia Township to hook up pipes with their interceptor, and to treat the disposal. If Detroit approves the plan then the City of Farmington will prepare plans whereby they could join forces with the three townships, thus benefitting all and cutting expenses.

Members also mentioned at the meeting that two cases in which the City is involved are on the September Docket call. The Covert Road tax case is listed as number nine, and the Township Hall property suit is number 24.

A new gravel road on the Township Hall was approved by the City, who voted to pay one-third of the costs, which have been estimated at \$333.

## Mr. and Mrs. Eckler Honored By Friends

A large group of friends gathered in the dining room of the Mission Temple Tuesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. William Eckler, members of Farmington Chapter 239 O. E. S., who left Wednesday for Housheer Lake, where they will make their home. Followed by the Mayor, Mrs. Eckler was presented Mrs. Eckler with a gift from the chapter.

Mrs. Eckler tendered her resignation as Treasurer of the Farmington Chapter.

A hankerchieft shower was held in honor of Mrs. Eckler, Thursday by members of the Golden Rule Circle Ladies Aid and Mrs. Eckler's checkers. Entertained at a farewell luncheon and bridge party.

## PAST MATRON'S CLUB

Members of the Past Matron's Club will meet Thursday, September 22, at the home of Mrs. Mary F. Lytle, 17 Oneida Road, Pontiac. A potluck luncheon will be served at noon.

## Local Exchange Club To Hear Second Speech On Europe

Rev. John Larkin, pastor of Our Lady of Sorrows Church, who recently returned from a European tour and from the Executive Congress, has been asked to address members of the Farmington Exchange Club at their next meeting Wednesday noon at the Methodist Church.

Father Larkin's impressions of Europe will be the second address in two weeks by Farmington men who have recently crossed the ocean. Judge John J. Schulte, who returned to Farmington Saturday, from his voyage, told of his travels at Wednesday's meeting.

School of Whales

Judge Schulte related that his trip to New York from Farmington was uneventful, save for a storm encountered in the Catskill Mountains, and that his voyage across the Atlantic was not overly exciting. The water was remarkably calm. The Judge stated, and what little excitement was caused by the flying fish, and the school of whales, which were encountered the third day of the voyage. One unusual feature was that the passengers ate six meals a day.

Commenting on Germany Judge Schulte remarked that the country is "very prosperous, and everybody is working. It is a clean country, and any person caught throwing paper on the street receives a court ticket. The fine can be paid

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## Board To Discuss Property Issue

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The two boards met Monday to act on the issue, but the meeting was adjourned. Some objections were raised to the move and interested parties were given additional time to look into the matter.

The property in question is described as Lots 20 to 41 inclusive of an unrecorded plat of Section 34 of West Bloomfield Township on the west side of Orchard Lake Road.

Also meeting Monday night with the Farmington Township Board were members of the Townships of Novi, Commerce, White Lake and West Bloomfield. The Boards met on Jan 14 to set over some property formerly known as the Goulet Farm from the Nichols District to the Walled Lake District.

## IMPROPER PASSING RESULTS IN FINES FOR 3 MOTORISTS

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Driving the wrong way on the Farmington Cut-Off were the charges brought against Salvatore Narmo, 42, of 812 Sheldon, S. E. Grand Rapids. He paid \$5 costs Thursday.

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Ferris' customers will remember their baking chores, and workers who ask for heartier food for their breakfasts and other meals, will find the A&P has just the right foods for which they are looking.

## Justice Finds Hazel Park Residents Guilty

A Hazel Park resident and his wife were found guilty of drunk driving, which this week's Justice of the Peace Blanchard.

May Lavigne pleaded guilty to charges of being drunk and disorderly, and was assessed costs of \$10. Her husband, Angus Lavigne, paid a fine of \$50 and had his operator's license revoked for a year. He was charged with drunk driving.

They were arrested August 22 at Eight Mile and Greenfield Roads.

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