

# The Farmington Enterprise

## Quarantine On Dogs Is Lifted

The quarantine on dogs has been lifted, but Farmington dog owners are warned by authorities not to let their pets get out of control simply because the state has relaxed its dog laws. A dog should not be allowed to stray beyond his premises, and should be confined at night.

The lift of the quarantine ban came as good news to many Farmington hunters who were worried because under its ruling dogs could not be transported from one county to another.

The ban was lifted in Oakland County and 46 other counties after being in effect many months. This does not mean it will not be put on again if rabies spread, health officials and conservation men announced. They pleaded with every dog owner to "exercise common sense" in keeping dogs from straying at will to keep the rabies stamped out.

## Apks Cooperation

If all dog owners in the state would comply with regulations as set up in the Michigan dog law, said Agricultural Commissioner Edwin A. Beamer, it is quite likely that quarantine would never be necessary.

"Two very important parts of the law," Beamer said, "which would help in doing away with quarantines if complied with are as follows: It shall be unlawful for any owner to allow any dog to stray beyond his premises unless under reasonable control of some person—Every dog shall be kept between sunset of each day and sunrise of the following day be confined upon the premises of its owner or custodian, except when said dog is otherwise under reasonable control of some person."

These two small sections of the dog law were adhered to by all dog owners, the situation might be remedied completely in time.

## KIWANIS TO HEAR TALK ON INVESTMENTS

A speaker from Faine Weber, well-known Detroit brokerage firm, has been secured to address the Kiwanis club Wednesday evening. His topic will be "Investment Brokerage." The program will be under the direction of Delos Hamlin.

## Henry Otis Passes Away Sunday in Detroit

Services were held at the Scottish Rite Cathedral, Detroit, Wednesday, for Henry Otis, who died away Sunday at Harper Hospital. Mr. Otis was a brother of Amos Otis, and the uncle of Howard and Henry Otis, all of Farmington.

Born in Greenfield, Township, August 25, 1875, Mr. Otis had been a resident of Detroit for the last 52 years. He was a past president of the Michigan Retail Lumber Association, past president of the Builders' Exchange and president of the board of the Arnold Home.

He was a member of Palestine Lodge No. 357, F. & A. M., King Cyrus Chapter, No. 133, and Knights Commandery No. 1, Knights Templar.

Besides his brother and nephews in Farmington, Mr. Otis is survived by his wife, Mrs. Alice Green Otis, and a sister, Mrs. Alice Morrow, of California. He also leaves a niece, Mrs. Bud Percy, of Columbus, Ohio.

## SCOUT LEADERS TO MEET

Leaders of Farmington's Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts will hold a meeting in the high school gymnasium, Thursday, October 3, at 3 p. m. Anyone interested in Scout work is invited to attend.

## Slocum Reports Progress Of United Savings Bank



WILLIAM W. SLOCUM

Completing a long-range program of alterations, the United Savings Bank, Detroit, is now using, for the first time, all floors of its building at 1133 Griswold, reports William W. Slocum, president. Mr. Slocum is a resident of Farmington and is the third president the bank has had.

"Bill," as he is better known to his friends and associates in Farmington and Detroit, has been very active in the development of the United Savings Bank, which has placed the bank among the largest in Michigan.

"Older depositors recall when the bank's first staff, quarantined on the ground floor only," said Mr. Slocum.

The United Savings is the only strictly savings bank in Michigan with deposits over \$24,000,000. It is also the only savings bank here which checks accounts and conducting no commercial banking. It was organized over 38 years ago, and its resources total more than \$27,000,000.

Another well-known Farmington resident, Floyd H. Nichols, is one of the directors of the United Savings Bank.

The bank was one of the first seven in Michigan to open after the Bank Holiday in 1933. Since that time its deposits have more than doubled in size.

All mortgage activities, except the bookkeeping and clerical divisions, have been consolidated on the fifth floor, which has been rebuilt from small offices, some formerly occupied by rental tenants into a single modern banking floor, with indirect lighting, soundproof walls, new furniture and equipment.

Increasing business of the bank's personal loan department has led to the assignment of the entire fourth floor to the staff. Inauguration in 1936, this department has made a number of loans ranging through the files of automobile financing to modernization loans on residential property.

The sixth floor, formerly used by the personal loan department now has a private suite of offices for the president, executive and operation department personnel.

Letters to the Editor are always welcomed by this newspaper.

YOUNG REPUBLICANS PLAN ACTIVITIES

A meeting of the Young Republican Club held Monday evening at the Claude Haskins home on Farmington Road, a number of activities for fall and winter were discussed. Regular meetings will be held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month, with various social affairs throughout the winter.

The next meeting will be held Monday, October 14, at the home of Carl Smith on Nine Mile Road. Everyone cordially invited.

## Merchants Ready for Fall Line-up of Shopping Values

With winter just around the corner, folks will have to hurry to finish their fall housecleaning. Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, along with "Girl From God's Country" featuring Chester Morris and Jane Wyatt.

## School is Given NYA Allotment

Farmington high school this week received an allotment from the National Youth Administration for the purpose of aiding needy students. Sufficient funds to provide an education for three students were received, according to Superintendent Orville E. Dunkel. The cost for taking care of a student is set at \$18.00 per term, or a total of \$54.00 for the three students for the first term.

Farmington students who receive aid under the NYA are given jobs around the school, such as working in the library, or helping with the janitorial work.

In Oakland County, allotments of \$17,224 to 32 high schools for helping needy students to earn part of their expenses were distributed. Students earn \$3 to \$5.

This money, which will enable approximately 500 high school students to earn from \$3 to \$6 a month during the 1940-41 academic year, represents the county's share of the \$455,140 allotted to the Michigan National Youth Administration for helping students in secondary schools.

Individual fund quotas are based on the youth population of the local area, school enrollment, and relative needs of students attending the institution. This yearly allotment is apportioned to the schools in three installments of about three months each.

Local school officials are designated to administer the program in their particular schools, and theirs is the responsibility of assigning youth to the program and selecting jobs. Jobs to which students are assigned cannot in any way replace regular school employees.

## FORD MOTOR CO. EMPLOYEE TALKS ON USE OF RUBBER

Details concerning the program for the Exchange club meeting Wednesday noon have not been determined, but the activities will be under the direction of Maxwell Smith.

A representative of the Ford Motor Company, Mr. Deering, was the speaker at the club's meeting Wednesday. Mr. Deering is employed in the rubber department of the automobile factory and is an expert on the use of rubber in automobiles.

His talk dealt with the way in which the Ford Motor Company procures its rubber, prepares it for use, and how the rubber is fitted into various parts of the automobile.

Mr. Deering was a guest of Curt Hall, and the program was under Mr. Hall's direction.

## MRS. ALMA ELKIN DIES SUDDENLY AT HOME MONDAY

Funeral services were held Wednesday for Mrs. Alma McEwen Elkin, who died suddenly at her home, 22109 Haines, on Monday, September 30, the victim of a heart attack.

Mrs. Elkin was extremely active in community life. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, the Order of the Eastern Star, and the Parent Teachers Association. She leaves her husband, Charles; three children, Margaret, June, and David; her mother, Mrs. Margaret McEwen, and a brother, Wilfred.

She was born in Ontario, Canada, March 21, 1897, and had lived in Farmington about 17 years.

## Covert Road Bonds Being Retired at Fast Rate

Covert road bonds, holdovers from the former system of highway financing under which property owners paid special taxes for new roads adjoining their land, are being retired at a fast rate.

Several roads in Farmington Township, one of them bordering the Farmington city limits, were built and financed by the issuance of Covert bonds.

Callable Covert bonds, amounting to \$269,000 will be retired by November 1, according to Murray D. Van Wagoner, state highway commissioner. The highway commissioner acts merely as fiscal agent in retiring bonds remaining on all inter-county roads.

Counties and townships themselves handle retirement of bonds on purely local roads, and send Van Wagoner the money to pay on inter-county obligations.

The Covert law was repealed in 1932 and State gasoline and auto license taxes substituted for financing State, county and local road building.

Delinquencies on property taxes were widespread and many Covert bonds were in default. Therefore the legislature granted permission for use of gas and auto license tax money by counties in paying on Covert obligations.

At the same time, counties were obligated to apply up to 50 per cent of monies received from state license taxes to relief of Covert obligations. If such assessments were not able to maintain bond retirement schedules.

Subject to this 50 per cent clause, counties were allowed to determine how much shall be paid each year on bonds for local and for inter-county roads.

The November 1 retirement will bring to \$1,110,000 the total of inter-county Covert Bonds retired this year, said Van Wagoner. Bonds called for are eight counties, with Oakland, Monroe, Macomb, and Wayne having the largest amounts outstanding, and LeWelle, Saginaw, St. Clair and Washtenaw counties also participating.

## Gridders Open Season at Holly

The Farmington high school football team will open its league season Friday when it meets Holly. The Farmington team will be out to defend the Southwestern Oakland County League championship which it won last year after an undefeated season.

Coach Shoemaker will not have the same team to place on the field this year, however. Practically the entire personnel of last year's title winners graduated. With the exception of four players, Hugh Schram, Mark Ferrell, Ed Barrons and George Brykalski, the squad as a whole is green.

Shoemaker engineered a few changes in the lineup this year, however, and with it has won one game and lost four since the season opened. They won their opener from Redford Union 20 to 0, and dropped the second last Friday to Northville 7 to 6.

Starting lineup in the Holly game will probably be as follows: Mark Ferrell, tailback; Ed Barrons, punter; Derek Davidson, blocking back; Harold Beck, wingback; Ed Callan, right end; George Brykalski, right tackle; Charles Larson, right guard; Bill Campbell, center; Bill Holmes, left guard; Hugh Schram, left tackle; Arnold Verschlim, left end.

## Work Starts On City's New Bridge

Work on progressing this week on the Shawasssee street bridge and road repair program. The program, sponsored jointly by the City of Farmington and WPA, calls for the construction of a new concrete bridge over the Rouge River branch and the grading and straightening of Shawasssee Road both east and west of the new bridge.

The bridge will be 42 feet wide. In addition the road will be straightened, both at the top of the hill west of the bridge and at a point near the entrance to the high school athletic field.

Engineers have found it will be necessary to either re-route right-of-way outside along Shawasssee or sink them to a lower depth. Four standard catch basins will be installed in the vicinity of the bridge. Other constructions planned include installing 125 linear feet 12 inch catch basin leads; 170 feet of 15 inch storm drain, five feet deep; construction of a concrete headwall; removal of the existing 24 inch culvert across the river; and relocation of 500 feet of concrete roadway and grade change; 240 feet of wood guard railing; relocation of roadway and grade change requiring 3,500 cubic yards of excavation and 1,400 cubic feet of fill; placing of six inches of gravel on 26-foot traveled way.

To install guards, Cable Guards, 200 feet long, will be installed along the approaches to the bridge. Plans also call for the river bed to be straightened, a process requiring 225 cubic yards of excavation and 100 cubic yards of rip-rap. The river channel under the bridge will be cleaned out.

Excess fill will be placed on the playground nearby. Gravel from the existing roadway will be salvaged and stock will be piled and reused.

The existing bridge and approaches are narrow and unsafe for traffic using the road. Completion of this project will provide a graded, and adequate river crossing as well as properly graded approaches sufficiently wide to accommodate safely the heavy traffic on Shawasssee.

City Given Property

A strip of property near the top of the hill west of the bridge was deeded to the city by Clinton McCue, and another strip near the athletic field entrance was given by the Catholic diocese so that two ponds in the road could be eliminated.

Cost of the project will be divided between the City of Farmington and the Federal government, with the city paying 75 per cent and the government 25 per cent.

## MARY SHERMAN BECOMES BRIDE OF KENNETH OWEN

At a quiet wedding ceremony performed in their new home at 2011 Farmington Road, Miss Mary Sherman, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. E. J. Sherman, became the bride of Kenneth Owen, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Owen. Rev. Sherman officiated at his daughter's wedding.

The bride wore a lovely dress of inaron crepe, with matching accessories and a corsage of orchids, baby chrysanthemums and rose buds. Mrs. Norman Lynn acted as her sister's matron of honor and wore navy blue crepe with matching accessories and a corsage of yellow roses and baby chrysanthemums.

William Owen, brother of the groom, was best man. A reception for the immediate family and friends of the bride and groom was held at the Methodist church at Midland for the Sunday service on October 15.

## Girls Glee Club Sings At Church Dedication

The Girls' Glee Club of the Methodist Children's Home, under the direction of Miss Ernestine Pierce, will sing at the opening of the dedication services of the new Methodist Church at Ann Arbor Monday evening, October 7. Dr. Crane of Detroit will be the speaker.

The club has also been invited to the Methodist church at Midland for the Sunday service on October 15.

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## COUNTY OFFICIALS FIND DEFECTS IN CEMETERY TITLES

The Oakland County Prosecutor's Attorney office in an announcement this week declared that an investigation into the affairs of Grand Oakland Memorial Park, Inc., disclosed defects in the title of many of the lot purchasers.

The office advised certificate holders to be patient and give the present management of the cemetery, now known as Oakland Hills Memorial Association an opportunity to work out some of their difficulties.

The prosecutor's office announces that a personal check discloses that on October 1 of this year a warranty deed was filed in the office of the Oakland County Registrar of Deeds conveyed to the Oakland Hills Memorial Association the entire southwest quarter section 11, T 1 N, of R 8 E, Novi town, which covers the entire cemetery project. This deed is recorded in Liber 1255, on pages 366-7 of Deeds.

The prosecuting office expressed confidence in the present management of the cemetery and believes that it would work out of its problems.

## TWO BULLS SOLD BY SORESEN

The American Guernsey Cattle Club reports the sale of a registered Guernsey bull by Charles E. Sorensen, of Farmington, to Loren Brady of Unionville, Michigan, for \$2,000. The bull was born 290265. The club also reports another sale by Sorensen involving the registered bull, Cregor Noble, born 290263. The bull was sold to George Watts Hill of Rougemont, N. C.

## Civic Theatre Bowlers Win From Ramsey's

The Civic Theatre bowling team won two out of three games Monday night from Ramsey's "Reds," Ramsey's had been undefeated in the first three weeks of league play. The league is composed of six teams, Civic Theatre, Oak Pharmacy, Marion and Son, Ramsey's Market, and two unaffiliated teams, and bowls weekly at Walled Lake.

The Civic Theatre squad includes Earl Stevenson, captain; Don Oldenburr, Bud Auter, and Ed Zarkis.

## WOMAN'S CLUB TO RESUME MEETINGS

Farmington Woman's Club will hold the first meeting of the current season Wednesday, October 16, at the home of Mrs. H. V. Levinson, 22115 Prospect. Announcement of the program will be made next week.

Labor is discovered to be the grand conqueror, enriching and building up nations more surely than the prodigious battles.