

Award Tentative Contract For Alta Loma Sewer

Approve Low Bidder Subject To Conditions

A contract for the construction of the Alta Loma Street sewer has been tentatively awarded to the Oak Park Excavating Company at a total cost of \$6,071, city officials announced this week.

The Oak Park company was low bidder on the project. According to specifications, a 21" relief sewer is to be constructed along Alta Loma Street with a tie-in at Farmington Road. The sewer will serve a large portion of the southwest section of the city. A total of ten bids were received on the project.

A slight variance was allowed on the proposal due to an error in computing the bid. Officials stated that the allowance of the variance still leaves the Oak Park Excavating Company as low bidder.

BIDS on the Alta Loma Park water main and sewer will remain on file until the subdivider has filed the engineering of the contract.

The city handled the receipt and processing of the bids but the entire cost of the work is to be borne by the subdivider. Included in the engineering supervision, contract administration, technical construction inspection and accounting record work.

Work on the Gill Road water main is expected to be started by November 1. The project includes the laying of a main along the east side of Gill Road from Grand River to Oakland Avenue. Work on the project is to be done by city employees under the supervision of a representative of the John-Manville Company, suppliers of the materials. The work is expected to be completed in about five days.

CITY TO CALL OUT EXTRA FORCES FOR HALLOWEEN

Special police details will be on duty throughout the city Halloween night to guard against possible vandalism, James Tennant, City Manager, stated Monday.

All members of the Farmington Police Department will be on duty Saturday evening. The duty will be supplemented by members of the Department of Public Works. Tennant added that two or three auxiliary policemen will also be pressed into service.

The police will use both cars for patrolling the streets and for trouble calls. Special attention will be paid to public parks and buildings, Tennant added.

Present First Concert Of 1953



The Farmington High School Falconettes are shown above as they were performing during the "Lullaby of the Leaves" concert at the high school auditorium last Thursday night. The concert was presented by the vocal music department. (See page 5 for review.)

U.F. Budget Quota Set At \$18,899

The goal of the 1953-54 Farmington United Fund and Community Chest has been set at \$18,899.95, according to a report from the Budget Committee. Of this total, \$14,174.95 is set up for United Fund agencies and \$4,725 for Community Chest organizations. The committee stated that just as living costs have increased, so have the operating costs of the various agencies and added to this is the inclusion, this year, of the Oakland County Chapter of the Red Cross.

Some of the United Fund agencies whose work is very much in evidence in the Farmington area are: Michigan Children's Aid, South and North Oakland County Girl Scouts, Oakland Town and County Y. M. C. A., St. Joseph Mercy Hospital and the Clinton Valley Council Boy Scouts.

Farmington Community Chest agencies include: the Farmington Area Recreation Commission with an allocation of \$2,250; the Clarenceville Recreation Commission with an allocation of \$1,100; and the Visiting Nurse Program with an allocation of \$1,375.

Campaign chairman Joseph Koehler states that the campaign is progressing as planned.

Citizens Group Hears Report On School Needs

Next Meeting Set For November 3

The Farmington Township School Board Monday evening presented a group of citizens its report for a building program with which to meet the needs of the District. The ingredients of the recipe include four new classrooms at Bond School, four classrooms at Middlebelt, twelve additional rooms at William Grace School or in that area, a new ten-room building south of the Grand River Cut-Off and a gymnasium-auditorium and four additional classrooms at the new high school.

THE CITIZENS were advised at the meeting that a millage increase vote to raise an estimated total of \$1,313,400 would have to be taken by the people between now and next spring if the program is to be realized.

Even if the program is put into effect by the people, first and second graders in the District will continue on half-day sessions in September, 1954. School officials estimate that by 1955 there will be a shortage of 29 elementary rooms, a shortage which would not be met by the proposed program. Even if the program is approved, there will be a shortage of ten elementary classrooms by September, 1955.

In view of a room shortage, in spite of the proposed building program, it was asked from the floor at the Monday night meeting, "Why plan building only 30 additional rooms when you know more will be required by 1955?" Superintendent of Schools O. E. Panckel assured the audience that the proposed program was necessarily within the borrowing limitation.

Two Persons Hurt In Seven Vehicle Pile-Up On US-16

Friday Morning Fog Blamed For Accident

Bad driving conditions in an early morning fog have been described by police officers as the primary cause of a seven-vehicle accident on Grand River near Haggerty Road on Friday, October 23. The accident occurred at approximately 6:45 a.m.

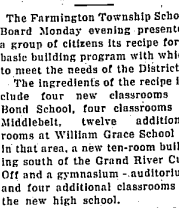
The mishap resulted in serious injuries to Mr. and Mrs. William A. Kuusisto of 25100 Meadowbrook in Farmington. Both were removed to Redford Receiving Hospital where Mr. Kuusisto was found to have suffered bruises and possible internal injuries. Mrs. Kuusisto suffered a possible fractured neck and skull, and was injured about the ribs and pelvis. The Kuusisto car was a total loss.

The chain of action started when a truck driven by Fredrick C. Raymond of Hillsdale jackknifed across the road.

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Township Reverses Decision On Use Of Town Hall For Dance Classes

Prompts Council Action



The moving of this house onto a lot near the intersection of Grand River and Pickett last Friday has prompted the Council to begin drafting an ordinance to prevent such action in the future. Under the present ordinance it is legal to move houses into or within the city. A mutual agreement was reached Tuesday between John J. Schulte, owner of the house, and a group of residents on Pickett and Grand River for the removal of the building.

The City Council, at a special meeting Tuesday evening, directed Paul Pare', City Attorney, to proceed with the drafting of an ordinance prohibiting the moving of houses into or inside the city.

It was suggested that a separate ordinance be drafted to cover the houses moving situation. Pare' indicated that he would begin at once on the draft of the proposal and submit it to the Council at an early date.

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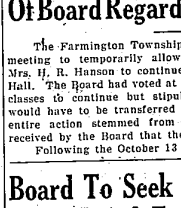
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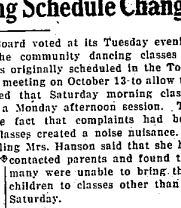
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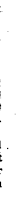
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FEW VIOLATIONS OF NEW HUNTING BAN REPORTED

Violations of the new Farmington Township Hunting Ban have tapered off to almost nothing, Irving Yakes, Township Policeman, and Thomas Schreiber, special deputy, stated this week.

According to the officers, no complaints have been filed in the past few days and no hunters have been spotted during patrolling activities. During the early hours of the hunting season a number of calls were received and several violators were summoned to appear in court.

Patrolling in the township will be continued by both Yakes and Schreiber through the bird hunting season.

WORK ON ORCHARD LAKE ROAD NEARLY COMPLETE

Widening operations on the Orchard Lake Road project have been completed on Orchard Lake Road from Elm Mile Road south to Grand River, with the exception of two culverts.

A concrete strip has been added to the present roadway preparatory to resurfacing. According to the contract, the widening is to be completed October 31. However, it may require a few additional days to finish up the work.

HAMLIN ELECTED CHAIRMAN PRO-TEM OF SUPERVISORS

Delos Hamlin was unanimously elected Chairman Pro-tem of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors at the annual election of the Board held Tuesday in Pontiac.

Hamlin has been a member of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors for the past 12 years. He is serving on the important Ways and Means Committee. Hamlin was named to the Board of Supervisors while serving as Mayor of the City of Farmington.

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New Church Holds First Service

The first service of the new Presbyterian Church in Farmington was held last Sunday at 10:45 a.m. in the auditorium of the new high school building on Sblawassee street. The room was transformed into a sanctuary for the service by the Rev. Richard Geiger, minister for the newly-formed congregation.

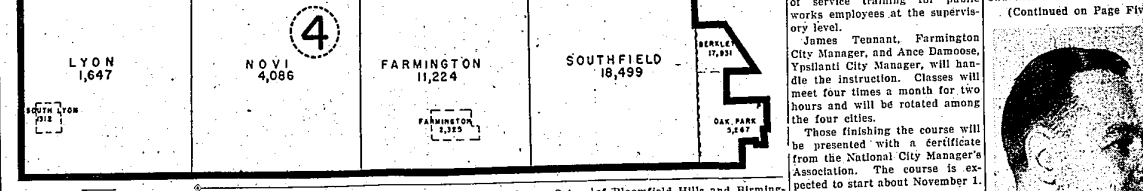
This new church is sponsored by the Board of Church Extension of the Presbytery of Detroit with the approval of the Detroit Council of Churches. While the adults were at worship in the transformed sanctuary, there were classes in Christian Education for the children. The Church School meets at 10:30 also in the new high school building. The new classrooms of the new building were used for the various classes.

This is not the first Presbyterian Church in Farmington. One of the earliest of Presbyterian Churches in Oakland County was (Continued on Page Five)



REV. RICHARD GEIGER

Farmington Included In New Reapportionment District



The Oakland County Board of Supervisors, at a regular meeting Tuesday, approved the recommendations of a special committee for the reapportionment of legislative districts in the county.

A report was filed by the special Reapportionment Committee, headed by David Levinson of Birmingham. The committee recommended that the adoption of the report stand as the action of the Board of Supervisors in establishing new legislative districts pursuant to the law. The report was unanimously approved by the seven-member committee.

Under the new proposal, Farmington City and Township would be in District 4, which includes Lyon, Novi and Southfield Townships as well as the cities of South Lyon, Berkley and Oak Park. This area has a total population according to the 1950 census of 62,291. District 1 includes the Townships of Addison, Oxford, Brandon, Grosseville, Holly, Ross,

Springfield, Independence, Orion, Oakland, Pontiac, Waterford, White Lake and Highland, as well as the City of Sylvan Lake. This area has a total population of 67,100. District 2 is composed of the City of Pontiac, which has a total population of 73,681 as of 1950. District 3 includes the following Townships: Avon, Troy, Bloomfield, West Bloomfield, Commerce and Milford as well as the Cities of Bloomfield Hills and Birmingham. This area has a total population of 63,881. District 5 is composed of the Cities of Clawson, Royal Oak, Huntington Woods and Pleasant Ridge with a total population of 64,337.

District 6 includes the Township of Royal Oak as well as the Cities of Ferndale and Hazel Park. This area has a total population, according to the 1950 census, of 68,411.

THE SUDDEN

rush on building permits is symbolic of the growth now taking place in Farmington Township. Thomas Tardy, zoning inspector, often having a tough time trying to keep up with the demand for permit forms. In a single case last week, 100 building permits were issued to one subdivider. This is in addition to the ever-increasing flow of individual applications. So it's little wonder that they are having difficulty keeping ahead of things at the township office these days. A brief tour around the township presents added proof that things are happening and fast. What were open farm lands yesterday are busy new subdivisions today.

WELCOME RAINS

The past few days have greatly reduced the fire hazard in both the city and township, and volunteer firemen are breathing just a little easier as a result. In spite of the unusually dry conditions during the past few weeks, grass fires have not been as frequent as they might have been. However, they came close enough to keep the firemen pretty busy. A lot of credit must go to the members of the community for their help in keeping grass

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