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Plan New Driver License Bureau In Township

Survey Shows Need For Local Service

Establishment of a driver's license bureau to serve the residents of Farmington Township is now under way, Clara Hubbell, Oakland County Sheriff, announced this week.

Hubbell stated that a survey of licensing needs in the township shows that local service is needed. The sheriff stated that details of the program are expected to be completed in about a week. Hubbell indicated that similar bureaus would be set up in other townships throughout Oakland County. It is expected that examiners from the Sheriff's Office will circulate among the communities.

Hubbell stated that details of the program are expected to be announced as soon as final arrangements have been completed. The establishment of a driver's license bureau for township residents has come about as a result of the closing of the Farmington Bureau to all but city residents.

The township is now in the process of a survey of existing needs was conducted by the sheriff.

U. F. TO NOMINATE BOARD CANDIDATES ON APRIL 29

Members of the Administrative Board of the Farmington Area United Fund and Community Chest will meet next Thursday evening, April 29, at the new Building to nominate candidates for the new board.

A total of 21 candidates are to be elected to the Board under the provisions of the new constitution and by-laws.

The proposed constitution is to be considered at a public meeting to be held Friday, May 7, at the Town Hall.

AROUND THE BLOCK

AFTER ALL OUR WORDS... we still have a few copies of the latest 1954 State Highway Department maps sitting around. Maybe we frequented some of the ways with our cars, but these maps were crumpled up. They do a warping and we didn't want to disappoint anyone... thus the hurry to act and fast. The same advice still stands. We do have a few maps left, but for how long, we don't know. So get yourself down here right away. If you're a little late still in response, we may still have one for you. They're a mighty handy thing to have in the car or at home, and remember - they are absolutely free!

TWAS A LONG... night over at the Municipal Building Monday and Tuesday with the bright lights in the Council Chamber burning until the wee hours. The session opened at 8 p.m. Monday and continued in full force until 1:30 a.m. Tuesday. So if there are a few sleep-deprived people wandering around town this week, you'll know why. We know that the matter has been discussed at considerable length in previous meetings, but it is our opinion that there is sufficient business to require the Municipal directory will show that the vast majority of cities in Michigan, some even smaller than Farmington, hold two meetings during the month. We don't know as it would save any on the light bill but it would spread it out a little.

HAVE YOU REGISTERED... for the Red Cross Mobile Blood Bank? If your name isn't on the dotted line you're better off, if there are any more spots left around the corner. Blood is as urgently needed now as ever before, and only you can supply it. During the past six months a large number of Farmington residents have drawn on the local credit bank. This Bank wouldn't have been here at all if it had not been for the generosity of so many residents. Remember, that blood we give may save the life of a friend or neighbor... or, yes, even yourself!

LET THIS NOTE... be announced in case you have ideas about dumping rubbish in the township. Charlie D. Richardson, 17240 Omira, Detroit, was fined \$50 by Justice R. C. Ingle this week for dumping along Silvassee. The license number of a car from Detroit was also reported to police. Ingle pointed out that residents should call the police first if possible before securing the auto license number, since positive identification of the person is necessary. Dumping on the roadway can be expensive... so don't try it!

Business Picks Up For Blood Bank Board Approves New School Bond Resolution



Registration for the Red Cross Mobile Blood Bank is picking up rapidly as the April 26 visit date draws near. The committee making every effort to secure at least 150 possible donors for the Bank. James Tennant, right, hands his registration card to Elizabeth Schenappert representing the American Legion Auxiliary at the special booth in the lobby of the Farmington State Bank. Joseph Koehler, left, representing Our Lady of Sorrows Church, is busy totaling up the latest list of registrants.

Council To Hold Special Meeting

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council will be held Thursday afternoon, April 29, for the purpose of considering the proposed budget for the year 1954-1955.

In addition to the budget, the Council will discuss the proposed off-street parking program, the codification of ordinances and the installation of water and sewer lines up to the new Hot-Air Subdivision in the northeast section of the city.

James Tennant, City Manager, who is responsible under the charter for the preparation of the budget, stated that this year's budget will be the largest in the history of the city. The record budget is due to an increase in the amount of revenue to be received as well as an expansion of public services.

The Council will convene at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 29, at the Municipal Building.

NEARLY 800 VISIT CIVILE SCHOOLS DURING OPEN HOUSE

Approximately 800 persons attended the Clarenceville (School District) open house held on April 15. Officials announced this week it was the largest attendance recorded to date for an open house in the District. The program was sponsored jointly by the Clarenceville Fire and the schools. All five buildings were open for public inspection.

A special meeting of the Farmington Planning Commission will be held Wednesday, April 28, for the purpose of discussing a simulation program designed to stimulate interest in planning. Louis Nijhan, chairman of the Commission, named a three-man committee at the regular meeting last Wednesday evening to study the program. The committee consists of James Cavanaugh, chairman; Donald McEvoy and Frank Nicholls. Members of the committee are expected to meet and draft recommendations prior to the April 28 meeting.

It was suggested at the Wednesday evening meeting that a public session be held to review the work of the commission as well as discuss major planning proposals. A second purpose of the meeting would be to determine the desires of the public in regard to future planning.

The Commission discussed in detail the first sections of a new proposed zoning ordinance for the City of Farmington.

Discusses Possible Sites For Elementary Units

At a recessed session of the regular April 12 Board meeting Monday night, April 19, the Farmington School Board approved the school expansion bond resolution and took further steps in preparation for construction of three additional elementary schools and the addition of classrooms and a gymnasium to the high school.

The bond resolution, as drawn up by the school attorney was approved by the Board without dissent. The resolution will now be forwarded to the State Municipal Finance Committee for approval.

THE DATE for the sale of bonds will not be set until the equalization of the 1954 tax evaluations, to be completed sometime in May. Superintendent of Schools O. E. Dunkel stated in order to prevent any delay in proceeding with construction plans, the resolution will be forwarded using 1953 evaluation figures. The 1954 evaluation figures will be available, Dunkel added.

The Board held a further discussion on the subject of bonds. (Continued on Page 6A)

X-Ray Unit Starts Week-Long Visit

The mobile X-Ray Unit rolled into Farmington early Wednesday morning in preparation for a week-long visit to both the city and at Clarenceville.

The unit will be located at the Town Hall, Farmington Road and Grand River, Tuesday, April 22, 23 and 26. It will move to the Clarenceville Fire Hall on Wheeler Street Tuesday, April 27, and remain through Wednesday, April 28. Examinations will be taken on Thursday and Monday from 12 noon until 8:00 p.m. and on Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Examinations will be taken at the Clarenceville Fire Hall both days from 12 noon to 8 p.m. The Fire Hall is located one block east of Middlebelt and just north of the intersection.

All persons in the Farmington area 15 years of age or over are urged to participate in the program. Registration will be on a first-come, first-served basis. Officials point out that it requires only a few minutes of time and no underpadding is required.

AWARD CONTRACTS FOR NEW BUSES AT FARMINGTON

Following careful consideration of bids from five agencies for three new school buses, the Farmington school system, the Farmington School Board awarded contracts to Berling-McHugh, Inc. Ford agency in Farmington. The buses will be delivered on Monday, April 19.

The buses will cost \$5,544.09 per unit. This is the lowest of four bids received in the bus style depicted under the contract. The buses will have a passenger capacity of 20, including all of the school's required specifications.

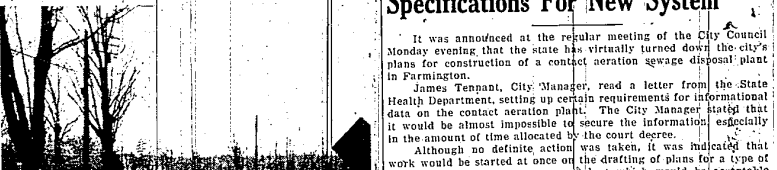
Interested agencies submitting bids were: Curt Hall, International; Howard Otis, Dodge; Earl Vivier, GMC; and Bell's Garage, Reo.

Answers Four Questions

A considerable amount of confusion has arisen over the Polio Vaccine Program which is scheduled to open in Farmington and Clarenceville during the week of May 5.

State Withholds Approval Of City Plans On Type Of Sewage Disposal Plant

City To Correct Dangerous Corner Work To Begin At Once On Drafting Specifications For New System



It was announced at the regular meeting of the City Council Monday evening that the state has virtually turned down the city's plans for construction of a contact aeration sewage disposal plant in Farmington.

James Tennant, City Manager, read a letter from the State Health Department, setting up certain requirements for informational data on the contact aeration plant. The City Manager stated that it would be almost impossible to secure this information, especially in the amount of time allocated by the state. Tennant stated that although no definite action was taken, it was indicated that the drafting of plans for a type of plant which would be acceptable to the state would be completed by the present plans could be converted without too much delay. According to the court decree, the plan must be completed and in operation by March 1, 1955.

The City Manager stated that the conventional plant would cost more than the contact aeration system and would require more attention. Tennant added that after exhaustive study he is convinced that the contact aeration plant is the only one on an excellent job in Farmington.

THE COUNCIL adopted a resolution to vacate all alleys in the residential section of Farmington and to continue the use of an easement for public utility purposes. The alleys in the rear of the business places on Grand River and in rear of the commercial property on Orchard Lake Road from Silvassee to Grand River are to remain. The resolution was introduced at the last regular meeting and a hearing was set for Monday night. There were no objections to the vacating of the alleys.

Action was taken to fill one of the two vacancies on the City Police Department which would set the personnel at seven men including the chief, for the balance of the fiscal year. The salary of the eighth man would be divided among the staff, allowing pay increases of \$7.50 to \$10.00 each half month. A re-evaluation of the Police Department salary schedule prior to the adoption of the 1954-55 budget.

Authorization was given to the city to purchase a new police car. (Continued on Page 3A)

Man Hurt In Auto Accident Monday

One man suffered minor injuries and five autos were severely damaged in an accident Monday evening on Grand River in front of the Farmington Recreation building.

James Carson Weckley, 12550 Baylis, Detroit, received minor cuts and bruises when the car he was driving plowed into a group of cars parked on Grand River across from the bowling alley. According to police, Weckley was driving west on Grand River and collided with the cars parked on the highway.

Weckley was taken to Pontiac General Hospital for treatment and was later booked at the Oakland County Jail on charges of intoxicating liquor, police stated.

The parked cars damaged in the accident were owned by N. J. Pimpfner, 722 Colgate; John Miller, 4165 Grand River; Leo Meagher, 29057 Uley Lane; and Daniel Duquet, 2434 Orchard Lake Road. The accident occurred about 9:30 p.m. Monday.

State Health Officer Gives Facts On Polio Vaccine

Representatives of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis and others.

THE HEALTH commissioner stated in his letter to the society that the major points raised by its executive committee were brought up for consideration: (1) the safety of the vaccine (2) its ability to stimulate the formation of antibodies (3) legal responsibility. A fourth question - availability - was raised by health officers of the counties planning to take part in the trial. In regard to assurances of safety, the commissioner stated that he will not get directly from the testing laboratories the certificates of safety, but that these will be sent to a committee headed by Dr. Thomas Rivers, International authority on virus diseases. Dr. Rivers' committee, which is composed of some of the outstanding medical authorities in the nation, will review the certifications from the three testing laboratories (the manufacturer's, Dr. Salk's, and the Federal Health Service) and Dr. Rivers will certify to the health commissioner in writing as to the safety of each lot of vaccine sent to Michigan.

The Commissioner's letter also stated that in regard to the question of whether the vaccine would "sensitize rather than immunize," there was well-documented evidence that it would produce a good antibody response. The vaccine has been demonstrated to be capable of stimulating the body to produce these protective substances called antibodies in the blood of a high degree, raising the possibility of the vaccine making a person susceptible to paralytic polio - but rather, offering a strong hope of protection against the disease.

THE QUESTIONS on whether might damage the kidneys of vaccinated children or whether the Rh factor in monkey tissue would harm the youngsters were answered to the satisfaction of the group. Dr. Alex Wiener, the Rh factor pioneer, said that he has stated in writing that there is no danger from that source. Extensive tests conducted on children (Continued on Page 6A)

Special Education Levy To Be Voted Upon In June

Election To Be Held Throughout County

Two special questions to determine whether or not a program of special education for handicapped children will be originated in Oakland County will be placed before a vote of the people at the Annual Election of the Farmington Township School District on June 1, Superintendent of Schools O. E. Dunkel disclosed Monday.

The two proposals to be decided upon will be one, will the County School District, under the provisions of the special education act passed during the 1951 session of the State Legislature, initiate the program; and two, will the district approve an increased tax levy for this purpose.

THE VOTE will be county wide, calling for an increased tax level of one-half mill. The money would be used for buildings, equipment and instructors to provide educational facilities for any handicapped child in the county.

According to a report from the County Board of Education, which will be in charge of the program if approved, special education classes and teaching personnel would be scattered throughout the county at places where needed most. Whenever possible, existing school facilities would be utilized and no new buildings would be constructed.

Special transportation and direct calls to homes for training would be made when needed, the county board stated.

Falcon Nine Set For First Game

The Farmington Falcons will open their 1954 baseball season this Friday, April 23, in a co-sponsor game at Berkley with the first home game of the season scheduled against Van Dyke on Tuesday, April 27.

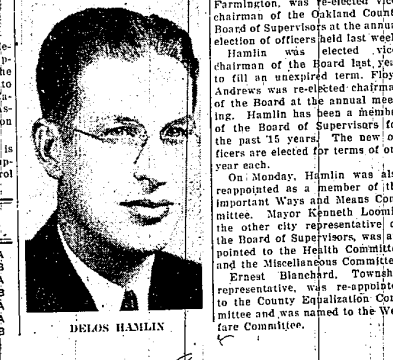
The season opened last week for the Clarenceville Trojans with a game at Brighton. The Trojans lost the low hitting contest 2-0 as they committed five errors, permitting Brighton to cross the plate with both their runs unearned. This Thursday, April 22, Clarenceville will play Keego Haroon with a win.

The Falcons have 11 contests scheduled for this season. The Clarenceville Trojans will play a 13 game slate.

Hamlin Re-Elected Vice-Chairman Of County Board Of Supervisors

Delus Hamlin, former Mayor of Farmington, was re-elected vice-chairman of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors at the annual election of officers held last week. Hamlin was elected vice-chairman of the Board last year to fill an unexpired term. Floyd Andrews was re-elected chairman of the Board at the annual meeting. Hamlin was also re-elected to the Board of Supervisors for the past 15 years. The new officers are elected for terms of one year each.

On Monday, Hamlin was also reappointed as a member of the important Ways and Means Committee. Mayor Kenneth Loomis, the other re-elected representative to the Board of Supervisors, was appointed to the Health Committee and the Miscellaneous Committee. Ernest Blanchard, Township representative, was re-appointed to the County Equalization Committee and was named to the Welfare Committee.



DELUS HAMLIN

BOTSFORD PATROL CAPTAIN GETS TRIP TO WASHINGTON

Gene Scholes, Botsford Elementary School safety patrol captain, has been selected by the Automobile Club of Michigan to represent Clarenceville at the National School Safety Patrol Assembly in Washington, D. C., on May 7 and 8.

The all-expense paid trip is awarded to the safety patrol captains who have the highest patrol activity ratings.

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