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Over 150 Youngsters Taken To Shrine Circus



A lot of happy faces could be seen at Bond School last week as another group was loaded into a bus for a trip to the Fair Grounds to see the Shrine Circus. Two bus loads of youngsters from Farmington's four elementary schools were treated to the thrill of seeing a big-time circus.

Township To Proceed With Erection Of Temporary Offices In Town Hall

Supervisor Authorized To Secure Specifications For Three Additional Offices In Main Hall

Action was taken by the Township Board Tuesday evening authorizing the Supervisor to proceed with the securing of plans and specifications for temporary offices to be set up in the main portion of the Town Hall.

AROUND THE BLOCK

THE ANTICIPATED
The heavy vote in the Farmington Township Primary on Monday didn't leave any doubt in the minds of the eligible voters that the Republican Ticket for most of the major township offices. We repeat that the comparatively light vote is unfortunate since once again a minority of the registered voters have been left to make the action count. It is hoped that the next election will not have affected the outcome materially, but the democratic principle of majority action suffered another setback. The fact still remains that rights and privileges can not stand alone forever without the firm support of individual obligation and responsibility.

TRAFFIC SAFETY
In the City of Farmington is about to receive an important boost, based on recommendations presented to the Council Monday by the City Manager and Chief of Police. The recommendations, which will be drafted by the City Attorney, will establish "no parking" zones on Grand River in the vicinity of the intersections with residential streets. This should go a long way toward easing the present hazardous job of trying to get off from and onto Grand River all in one place, especially at such streets as Mayfield, Maple, Powers and Brookdale, as well as the streets in the Floral Park section. We hope for Mr. Safety's sake that the recommendations will become law in the very immediate future.

THE CALENDAR
As still say February, but the evidence of muddy roads and rising streams are true signs of Spring. Maybe this statement requires a stretch of the imagination, but a glimpse of the Rouge River and a stretch of the sidewalks during the early part of the week made it seem very real indeed. In our enthusiasm, we even sensed a little color in some of the trees and bushes along the way. Probably we were just carried away by the touch of early spring fever. It was fun while it lasted. Knowing Michigan as we do, "White Ice" is about right, because there is no telling what the weather will stir up next.

THIS TIME OF THE YEAR
This time of the year is made up of one deadline after another. In spite of the fact that February has only 28 days, the month is packed full of deadlines. Take next Monday, for example. It's the final day for purchase of auto license plates, final day for securing of dog license taxes in the city and township. So it's an important day to keep in mind, especially if you are interested in saving money, and who isn't these days?

City Sets Hearing On Two Proposed Zoning Changes

Plan Industrial Zone South Of Cut-Off

The City Council Monday evening declared its intent to consider the two parcels of property east and west of Farmington Road between Nine Mile and the U. S. Cut-Off from suburban to light and semi-industrial.

Officials emphasized that the declaration of intent is the legal process for getting the proposals before the public at an open hearing. The proposed rezoning includes two separate rezonings. The first involves the rezoning of the area east of Farmington Road between the Cut-Off and Gill Road. Nine Mile Road and Farmington Road from suburban to general industrial.

A preliminary plat for Alta Loma Park Subdivision No. 3, was presented to the Council by Lawrence Kelly and by Vera Gendron. This section of the subdivision is adjacent to the Cut-Off and extends west to Gill Road. The Council referred the plat to the Planning Commission for study and recommendation.

Complete Plans For High School Construction

Await Approval At Our Lady Of Sorrows

Word is now being awaited at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish granting authority to the church to proceed with plans for the construction of a Catholic high school in the Woodcreek area.

POST REGISTRATION NOTICES FOR SPRING ELECTION

The deadline on vote registrations for the April 4 Biennial Spring Election has been set for Monday, March 7.

Persons who are not already registered in the city or township may register at the City of Farmington City and Township Clerks announced this week.

Services Planned Friday

Mayor Proclaims Day Of Prayer

In a special proclamation issued this week, Tracy Conroy, Acting Mayor, has designated Friday, February 25, as World Day of Prayer in the City of Farmington. The proclamation states that "Whereas, World Day of Prayer will be observed this year in many places throughout the world where the humble people, living against a background of universal tension and uncertainty, will bow their heads and lift up their hearts to Almighty God in prayer; and whereas, the Farmington Church women will join on this occasion with church women in other communities throughout the world in the world-wide prayer for an articulate and inspiring chain of human prayer; and whereas, all people need Divine Guidance as never before, especially as this is stimulated through prayerful converse. Now, therefore, I, Tracy Conroy, Acting Mayor of the City of Farmington, do hereby proclaim

Major Township Officers Renominated In Light Primary Election Vote Monday



ERNEST BLANCHARD HARRY MCCRACKEN ELISE AVERY

Neighbors Aid McLaughlin Family Following Daughter's Tragic Death

Following a Requiem High Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Church Monday morning, near year old Kathy McLaughlin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John McLaughlin of 2940 Gilchrist, was laid to rest in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Woodbine Election Set For Friday

Seven candidates have filed petitions for the five Water Commission posts to be filled at the special Woodbine Subdivision election scheduled for this Friday, February 25, at the Middlebelt School.

Monday Deadline For Auto Licenses

A busy week end is being anticipated at the Farmington Branch of the Secretary of State's deadline on receipt of 1955 auto licenses draws near.

Plan To Improve 9 Mile To Cut-Off

Plans for the development of Nine Mile Road from Grand River south to the U. S. 16 Cut-Off are now being studied by State and local highway officials.

Tabulation Of Township Voting

REPUBLICAN TICKET	Township Precincts	Total			
	1	2	3	4	Total
Supervisor	99	180	277	316	872
Ernest Blanchard	31	85	69	26	211
William James	118	264	171	63	616
Fred G. Menke	65	119	99	28	311
Clark	182	417	453	342	1374
Board Trustees	91	164	207	91	553
Ernest Avery	73	137	142	205	557
Robert Eagle	64	185	148	65	462
Earl D. Marks	82	174	145	67	468
Ross S. Patterson	58	116	147	131	512
Edward Shafer	82	200	114	71	467
John H. Spiller	82	135	202	234	653
Thomas Tardy	128	303	277	232	940
Fred Westlake	72	117	170	110	423
Howard West	59	120	204	136	519
Justice of the Peace (Short Term)	123	318	230	170	721
Allen C. Inglo	58	179	254	205	696
Margaret G. Schaeffer	100	305	245	185	841
Justice of the Peace (Long Term)	93	168	243	189	693
Ernest Avery	133	311	273	218	935
Godfrey Gagnon	134	324	277	228	963
Thomas Schreiber	143	281	237	205	866
Elise Avery	143	281	237	205	866
Board of Review	7	3	6	1	17
Robert Harris	0	20	8	1	38
Joseph DeMarco	6	1	1	1	9
Ernest Avery	3	13	1	1	16
Police Commissioner	1	2	3	4	10
John Spicer	248	542	661	418	1769
Total Votes Cast	248	542	661	418	1769

Mrs. Avery Wins Board Nomination By Slim Margin

Approximately 27.6% of the registered voters of Farmington Township went to the polls Monday in the Biennial Primary Election to renominate the principal township officers.

Ernest Blanchard, Supervisor, and Harry McCracken, Clerk, outdistanced strong opposition to win renomination while Clayton Goers, Treasurer, was unopposed. One new member, Elise Avery, was nominated as Board Trustee, unseating incumbent Edward Shafer by the slim margin of three votes. The other three incumbents Board

Edward Shafer stated Tuesday evening that he had requested the Township Supervisor to check on the accuracy of the Board Clerk on the procedures involved in a possible recount of the vote for Trustee in Monday's Primary. Shafer was defeated, for renomination by a margin of three votes.

Although no petitions were filed for Board of Review, four candidates received write-in votes. Joe DeLoane led the field of candidates to win the nomination. In Scriber received the highest number of votes with Godfrey Gagnon and Irving Yakes close behind. All three candidates were nominated. John Spicer was unopposed for the position of Parks Commissioner.

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