

PREDICT RECORD TURN-OUT OF VOTERS AT ELECTION TUESDAY

Plan To File Revision of Township Subdivision Regulations With Board

Planners Expected To Urge Immediate Action On Proposal At November 13 Meeting

A request for immediate action on the revised draft of the proposed Subdivision Regulations for Farmington Township is expected to be filed with the Township Board at its next regular meeting, November 13. Harvey Freeman, secretary of the Planning Board, indicated at a joint conference Friday evening that such a request would be filed at a conference, called by Albert Gain, Township Supervisor, was designed to review and discuss the proposed regulations. Those attending the conference, in addition to Gain and Freeman, were Ed Schmidt, chairman, Zoning Board; Charles Leman, Planning Consultant, and Ross Campbell, subdivider.

A detailed discussion of the entire proposal was conducted by the group. Leman emphasized that a Master Plan is simply a guide for an orderly development of the community. He added that zoning is one of the subdivision regulations and is one of the tools of the overall master plan. It was also emphasized during the discussion that the Planning Board is an advisory body to the Township Board. While they can draft planning proposals and submit recommendations, final action rests with the Township Board.

CHEST X-RAY UNIT SETS NIGHT HOURS FOR LOCAL VISIT
The Oakland County Health Department announced this week that the mobile X-ray Unit which will visit the Farmington Township area has scheduled evening hours on three of the five days in which it will be located in the community. The unit will be stationed at the No. 3 Fire Station on Wheeler Street on Friday, November 23 from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m. and on Monday, November 26 from 12 noon until 8 p. m. The unit will move to the Township Hall, Grand River and Farmington Road, on Tuesday, November 27 and remain through Thursday, November 29. On Tuesday, November 27 the unit will be open from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m. while on Wednesday and Thursday it will remain open from 12 noon until 8 p. m. The evening hours are being provided as a convenience to persons who can not visit the X-ray Unit during the day. The service is provided free of charge for all Farmington area residents 15 years of age and over.

School Sets Vote On Transfer Of Debt Reserve

Proposal To Be Placed On June Ballot

The Clarenceville School Board, last Thursday evening approved a resolution to place on the ballot at the regular June election a proposal for the transfer of reserve moneys from the 1948 Debt Fund to the 1956 Debt Fund. School officials stated that the reserve in the 1948 fund amounted to \$5331.50. It was explained that the money represents delinquent tax receipts which have been received since the debt fund was paid off. The only way in which the money can be transferred is through the approval of the voters.

HERE'S WHAT HAPPENS when a 230-pound chunk of metal falls off a jet plane and plows into a parked car. It all happened last Saturday afternoon in the heart of Farmington's business district. By some miracle, no one was injured, but the car owned by William DeSott was severely damaged. The car was parked in the rear of Dr. M. L. Hutton's office; at the time of the accident. Other portions of the canopy, which broke loose from the jet airplane, were scattered over the business and residential areas.



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Farmington Business Area Sprayed With Parts From Damaged Plane
No One Injured As Canopy Of Jet Smashes Into Parked Car Near Stores On Grand River

Tragedy was miraculously averted last Saturday afternoon when the canopy of a streaking jet airplane suddenly broke loose, scattering pieces of metal and plastic over Farmington's business and residential areas.

The main portion of the canopy smashed into a parked car owned by William DeSott, 2810 Halsted Road. The car was parked in the rear of the office of Dr. M. L. Hutton, 3425 Grand River, just west of Farmington Road. DeSott, who is employed at Phil Thomas Jewelers, stated that the roof of the car was smashed in by the canopy, the door and hood were sprung and the windshield was shattered.

Other pieces of the canopy were found near two parked cars on the east side of Farmington Road as well as on the roof of Jason's Hardware. Several pieces of plastic also tore off some shingles from the roof of the Lewis Austin home, 5353 St. George Street. Miraculously, no one was injured during the falling pieces. All of the parts were collected by the Farmington police and turned over to Air Force officials.

The initial call reported to the police came from an eyewitness, who stated that a plane had exploded over the city. Shortly thereafter, a flood of calls came, which reported that a canopy had plowed into the DeSott car. According to Air National Guard officials, the plane, piloted by Lt. Keith Bordin, 27, of Dearborn, suffered facial lacerations when it crashed into a gunnery missile car in which she was riding inside upon Lake Huron when the turn into a private drive at 25-250-pound canopy flew off the 142 Steal Road and ran into a plane. Although suffering from temporary blindness and deafness, Bordin managed to land the F-89 jet safely at the Wayne County Airport.

Bordin stated that he was flying at approximately 500 miles per hour when the canopy fell off. (See PLANE, Pg. 8A) Three persons were injured slightly in two separate auto accidents in the area over the week-end. Saturday afternoon around 4 p. m., two were injured when a 2-10 operated by James Plourde of Millford ran through a red light and crashed into the front end of a Buick operated by Dorothy Marie McNiel of 3429 Fenndt, Farmington. The McNiel car was proceeding on Eight Mile and the Plourde vehicle was on Grand River.

Speed Construction Plan Temporary Closing Of Cut-Off
Officials of the State Highway Department reported this week that plans are being made for the temporary closing of the Grand River Cut-Off at various intervals during the winter months. This is being planned to allow for the surface grading on the right-of-way south of the Cut-Off. The initial concrete strips have been laid on the new road bed from Halsted Road northwest to a point between the approaches to the various bridge structures. It is anticipated that the first closing will take place shortly after the grade separation is completed at Ten Mile and the Grand River Cut-Off.

At that time east-bound traffic will be re-routed on Grand River through the City of Farmington. Officials indicated that the re-routing of traffic will be intermittent and on a temporary basis. Notice of any changes in the existing route will be published in advance of the temporary closing of the Cut-Off. In the meantime, work is progressing on the bridge structures along the new expressway as well as the surface grading on the right-of-way south of the Cut-Off. The initial concrete strips have been laid on the new road bed from Halsted Road northwest to a point between the approaches to the various bridge structures. It is anticipated that at least a portion of the new expressway will be ready for use by next summer. At the present time, work is being concentrated on the completion of the bridge over the Expressway at Ten Mile Road.

Council Orders Meters For New City Parking Lot

Authorize City Manager To Buy 75 Meters

At a special meeting Monday evening, the City Council authorized Earl Scherfuss, City Manager, to proceed with the purchase of 75 meters to be installed in the city-owned parking lot south of Grand River and west of the Precise Tool Company. The meters are to be purchased from the Park-O-Meter Company at a bid price of \$65.50 each. One-half of the revenue received from the meters will be forwarded to the Park-O-Meter Company until such time as the units are fully paid for. Scherfuss stated that these are the same meters as are now being used in the City and recommended that the Council accept the proposal.

The Manager added that work on the surfacing lot is nearly completed and that the meters can be installed in approximately 30 days. He suggested that one row, consisting of 21 meters, be set up along the parking lot at the corner of the balance of the meters will be keyed for parking up to one hour and will take both pennies and nickels.

WALKER urged that concentrated efforts be going to have to be made within the next two weeks if the \$28,000 goal of the campaign is to be reached. He urged all volunteers to step up their efforts. Walker added that unless we make more progress than we have thus far, a great many community chest or Chest agencies are going to be seriously affected.

The chairman also appealed to the residents of the Farmington community to contribute generously to this local campaign. He stated that the five Community Chest agencies are dependent to a large extent upon the success of this drive. "They cannot hope to continue serving the people of Farmington unless they get local support," Walker added.

Open Registration For Special Vote

Vote registrations are now being taken at the City Hall for the Special Consumers Power Company Gas Franchise Election to be held on December 12, Kathryn Catter, Clerk, announced this week.

Only persons not already registered in the City need to make application. Mrs. Catter stated that the open registration is open to all qualified electors of the City. The final date of registration has been set for Monday, November 12. Persons may register any weekday from 9:00 a. m. to 4:30 p. m. and on Friday from 9:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m.

The special election is being called to confirm a 30 year franchise ordinance recently adopted by the City Council. The ordinance would allow the Consumers Power Company to install facilities and operate a gas business in the City of Farmington for a period of 30 years.

Voters To Cast Three Separate Ballots In Tuesday's Election

The qualified electors of the City and Township, who will be voting in next Tuesday's election, will cast three major sets in casting their ballots. The first set involves a vote on a proposed amendment to the State constitution relating to additional qualifications for members of the State Legislature. The provision would provide that no person who has been found guilty of subversion or of felony involving a breach of public trust is eligible for the Legislature.

The second set consists of voting for the various party candidates, including national, state and county officers. Persons can vote either a straight party ticket by pulling the master lever at the left of the board, or may split their ballot by pulling down the small levers above the names of the candidates for whom they wish to vote. Biographical sketches of all the congressional candidates as well as State Senator, State Representative and the various county candidates appear on Page 5C of this week's Enterprise.

The Supreme Court will hold a judicial ballot in the final step of the procedure. The only justices on this ballot are for Justices of the Supreme Court will hold four candidates running for two offices. The other officers include Judge of Circuit Court, Judge of Probate and Circuit Court Commissioners.

City And Township Polls To Be Open 7 A.M. To 8 P.M. On November 6

Farmington City and Township officials confidently predicted this week that a record number of qualified electors will cast their ballots in the General Election next Tuesday, November 6. The prediction is based on the record registration which was conducted last month, as well as the unusual number of applications for absentee ballots. Kathryn Catter, City Clerk, reported Monday that 73 absentee ballots have been issued thus far, which is the highest ever recorded in the City. At the same time, 185 applications have been received by Floyd A. Cairns, Township Clerk, which is also a new record.

Hopes For New Grade School In City Now Slim

Pro And Con Stands On Rezoning Firm

Statements made last week have dimmed considerably any hopes for the construction of a new elementary school on the south side of Grand River Avenue in the city of Farmington in the event of a rezoning of the school building property. After several months of fruitless negotiations by the School Board for sites in the City in this locality, a sizable piece of land was finally found south of Warner Farms Subdivision and just east of Farmington Road. Sale of the property to the School District by Owner Lawrence Kelly was hinged, however, on whether or not the property adjacent to it at the corner of Farmington Road and the Grand River was rezoned for residential commercial. The City recently rejected the request for the rezoning of this property.

DESPITE the City's action, the School Board still held out hope that the site might be obtained. In a conference the latter part of last week, however, Kelly again affirmed that he would not sell a school nearby for their children's property to the west could be made useful by being rezoned to commercial.

Hope by the School Board that Warner Farms residents might join together to express a majority voice in favor of rezoning the property to commercial was apparently squelched last week. Mrs. Catter stated Monday that there is a record of 5,134 registered voters in the City. According to Cairns, the total registration figure in the Township is slightly over 9,600.

Library Board Elects Officers

C. Goddard Smith was elected president of the newly created Board of Trustees of the Farmington City and Township Library District at the first meeting of the group held last Wednesday, October 25.

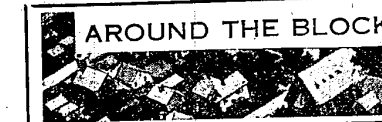
Other officers included: Edward Moseman, vice-president; Howard Taylor, treasurer and Ethel Gibson, secretary. The present Library Board has been instructed by both the City Council and the Township Board to transfer the control and operation of the Library to the new District Library Board on Thursday, November 1.

The District Library Board will meet regularly at 7:30 p. m. on the second Tuesday of each month at 2645 Farmington Road. Preparations are being made by the Board to appear as a group before any club or association in the City or Township to explain the proposed plans of the new library. The explanation will include a report in words and pictures on the progress which has been made thus far as well as what the Board has in mind for the future.

Any organization desiring to learn more about the proposed library program are requested to contact Mrs. Ethel Gibson at GR. 4-3199 and arrange a date for meeting with the Library Board.

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AROUND THE BLOCK
HE'S A JOLLY GOOD FELLOW who nobody can deny. In case you're wondering just whom we are talking about... it's the weatherman. Right now he's the man of the hour and the most talked about person in town. And it's little wonder. In the hour and the most talked about person in town. And it's little wonder. Our only hope is that all these compliments don't go to his head. It would be a shame to spoil the record he has built for himself. Yet, you had better enjoy it while it lasts. At least it will give us something to remember when the cold wind begins to blow and the snow comes tumbling down.

THE BIG CLIMAX is almost here. By next Tuesday, November 6, the political winds will suddenly disappear and the quiet task of writing the final decision will be underway. We sincerely hope that you will take a part in writing that decision. Throughout this week's issue are reviews, editorials and information designed to encourage you to participate in this, our American way of life. The question of how you vote is strictly yours, but the question of whether you can't afford to forget your vote unless you can afford to forget your rights as a free American.

THERE'S A LOT of things to be made within the next two weeks if Farmington is to achieve its objectives in the 1956 United Fund and Community Chest Campaign. We cannot argue too strongly the necessity of giving at least a portion of your contribution at home. Farmington, like all other communities, has definite obligations which it must meet if the people are to be properly served. These obligations cannot be fulfilled unless the citizens of the community share in the responsibility. We as a community have a job to do. Let's all pitch in and get it done!

Let's Put Farmington's United Fund Campaign Over The Top!

\$4,000 \$8,000 \$12,000 \$16,000 \$20,000 \$24,000 \$28,000

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