

# Tax Cut Hits Income Of Two Local Schools

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REDUCTIONS granted Detroit and Michigan Consolidated will affect more than 100 communities in Oakland, Wayne and Macomb counties, but the total will not reach \$1,000,000 for the whole area.

AN OFFICIAL in Redford explained the procedure which he and other communities had followed. He said that the State Tax Commission equalized the assessed valuations and told the communities they were to receive a certain revenue. He said as a result of the successful appeals the towns must still raise the revenue, which was irrevocably set by the commission. Only way to do this is raise the tax rates to all residents.

There was still uncertainty Wednesday, however, as to what might eventually happen. In Detroit valuations of real and personal property for 1958 were lowered in recent months, because it was felt that they had been taxed too heavily. Other decreases have been forecast.

The trend may be entirely fair to industry, but it leaves schools in a steadily worsening financial condition.

# New Phone Directories Coming; You'll Get 3 Sections This Year

Distribution of new telephone directories to Farmington users will begin next Friday, according to Michigan Bell Telephone Company disclosed this week. Two sections will be distributed this year—a separate alphabetical white pages book and yellow pages book headed by a fact finder, Bell officials said.

"Printing a separate yellow pages book is another step in our continuing effort to improve our directory service to our customers," John Kamego, district manager for the company, stated.

EACH BOOK, alphabetized and classified, can be used independently or either added to the new feature of the yellow pages is the many items of everyday interest which are scattered throughout its pages.

Women readers can keep a beef card in their car to carry a copy of the new directory. Men can find a formal wear chart or Babe Ruth's record.

Answers are given to "If I should be the nursery?" or "What goes into a good barbecue sauce?"

The key to such miscellaneous facts is found near the front of the directory. The new feature of the yellow pages is the many items of everyday interest which are scattered throughout its pages.

"We believe that the addition of these general interest items will greatly increase the frequency of the directory's use to the people who are receiving the new directory," Kamego said.

The appearance of both books has been changed. The green-covered white pages and the yellow pages section contain four columns of listings instead of three.

Kamego said that about 20,000 copies of the new directory will be delivered here.

The Farmington Township Lions Club will be mailing Blind Aid Seals to residents of this area during the coming week. Arthur Ralston, chairman of this year's campaign, announced this week.

The theme for this year's fund raising is "Be Thankful to the Con-Son." Conducted annually, the drive is made to raise funds for leaders for blind people and to assure that neighborhood groups and the community's schools will fall behind in their school work because of faulty vision. This service is made available to students attending both public and parochial schools, Lions Club officials stated.

NONE OF the monies raised from the sale of Blind Aid Seals is used for administrative purposes. Lions officials emphasize that the monies are used for the benefit of the blind.

Ray Granston, president of the Farmington Lions, pointed out that because of current business trends and the present state of the economy, the needs are greater than ever.

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# Township Asks Court Aid on Pit Operations

Farmington township is going to court to see if it can stop, at least temporarily, some sand and gravel pit operations.

Supervisor Frank Stephenson and the township board have tried to gain some control over such operations, but have recently strengthened existing ordinances to this end.

DACHILLE Trucking Company is now stopped from operating on Halstead north of 12 and under a restraining order issued by the courts.

Attorney Brennan says he will file a motion on this old suit the end of this week, to determine if the court's earlier conditions were fully met.

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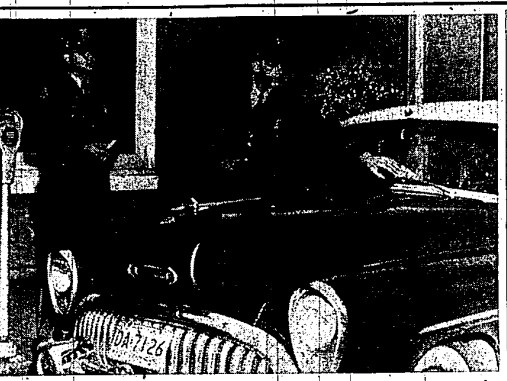
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OVER-PARKING at a meter in the downtown Farmington business district when you come in to shop still subjects a "nice kind" such as the owner of this car is getting.

Don't think that these courtesy parking tickets give you the right to over-park consistently or park at the same meter without paying for as long as you like.

SAFEGUARDS have been provided for a courtesy ticket is put on the first time the officer comes by. If you come around an hour later, then the ticket that costs goes on.

A RECORD is also being kept on license numbers of cars being given courtesy tickets. Should the courtesy tickets begin to stack up for the same car then regular violation tickets will be given instead.

# Jackie Huber 'Clean Out' Furniture in Model Best Guesser

The girls have done as well or better than the men and boys in the weekly football contest sponsored by Farmington Merchants.

Last week's winner is Jackie (Jacqueline) Huber, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Milton Huber. Dr. Huber is head of Boys' Republic, and while Jackie's entry was not one by her father, it's a pretty safe guess he helped a little in determining the scores.

You see, Jackie is 7 years old, a second grade pupil in a 4th n Grace school of Southfield.

THERE WERE seven entries with only two misses for last Saturday's games, but the winning breaker! Total score of the Iowa-Ohio State game was 42 points. That breaker is a 42-point game.

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# Political Races Off To Fast Start in Township

The majority of jobs on the Farmington city council and Farmington township board will be at stake in the 1958 spring election, and there appears to be a great deal of interest already in the township elections.

NOMINATING petitions are now available at both the township and city halls, and must be filed by Monday, December 29 for the township. City petitions are to be filed in a period from 35 days to 25 days before the election.

THE SPRING primary election is Monday, Feb. 16 while the spring general election is Monday, April 6. Only the township holds a primary, however.

SUPERVISOR Frank J. Stephenson has announced that he will be asking for a second term. It is expected the Democratic ticket for all township offices which are to be filled. However, none has yet made formal announcement.

TWO OTHER incumbents, both Republicans, have already indicated they will seek reelection. They are Clerk Floyd A. Cairns and Treasurer Elsie Avery. Both terms are also for two years.

IT APPEARS that there will be a contest in the Republican primary for the supervisor position, at least. CURTIS H. HALL has taken out nomination petitions, and supporters are already circulating them. Mr. Hall has lived here since 1927, and was an automobile dealer 22 years.

HE HAS been on the township board of appeals, was a member of the school board three years, and its president two years. He also was a teacher and a coach here seven years.

JOSEPH T. BRENNAN, present township auditor, is giving serious consideration to the supervisor race, but has made no announcement. A resident of the township since 1952, he is a 1954 graduate of University of Detroit, and is a member of the Farmington Republican Ass'n, and Curt Hall is treasurer. Mr. Brennan said that so far as Redford County Tuberculosis Ass'n is concerned, there is now a united Republican party in the township, and there would be no split in the party.

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THE BOARD will discuss the plan and submit it again.

HE URGED generous support of the Christmas Seal Sale of the Oakland County Tuberculosis Association to finance its year-round activities to check the spread of tuberculosis.

IN THE CITY terms of three councilmen will end. They are James Cavanaugh, who has been a member since 1951; Tom Barber, who was elected a year ago; and V. O. Bates, mayor pro tem, who was first elected in April 1955.

TERMS of Mayor Bob Lindbert as Wilbur E. Edstrom do not expire. Mr. Brotherton was appointed last summer to fill the unexpired term of John Lapham, who resigned in June.

THERE will be no election for municipal judge, as Judge John J. Schulte is just starting a new six year term.

NOMINATING petitions for township offices must have signatures of not fewer than one percent of the registered electors (95 or more than four per cent (37).

THERE is not expected to be much interest in the city election. This is a non-partisan election, so no primary is needed. At the election two high candidates receive four-year terms, and the third gets five the two-year term.

WHEN the petitions are filed in the city election they must have not less than 50 nor more than 75 names.

Council Meeting

Next meeting of the Farmington city council will be Monday, Dec. 1, at which time bids will be opened on the \$65,000 1958 Motor Vehicle Highway Fund bonds, at 8 p.m.

# Joint Service Slated Nov. 26

At a recent meeting, ministers of cooperating churches of Farmington Township decided to have a community Thanksgiving Service which will be held Wednesday, November 26, at 7:30 p.m. in the First Methodist Church of Farmington.

THE MINISTERS of the several churches cooperating will share in the service and the First Methodist Church choir will have an anthem.

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# Early Copy

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IN ORDER to do this it will be necessary to move the publication date of the paper up one day.

THE PAPER will be printed on Tuesday and delivered to you on Wednesday. Declines for both display advertising and news material will, therefore, have to be moved up one day to 12 noon Monday. Classified advertisements will be taken until 10 a.m. Tuesday.

WE REQUEST that as many advertisers and people handling publicity, as possible, try to get their material in prior to noon Saturday.

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Like fruit cake? If you do, then here's an opportunity you shouldn't pass up. In conjunction with a P.A. Christmas Sale at the Farmington Plaza Friday from 9 p.m. to 12 midnight, 2 pound fruit cakes will be offered for only 25 cents.

THE CAKES are being donated by Farmington Plaza merchants for sale by the Farmington Little League and proceeds will go for the purchase of Little League equipment.

ONLY 350 cakes per-hour will be available, however. They will be sold on a first come, first serve basis.

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COMPLETING preparations this week for the Red Cross Blood Bank to be held Friday at the Farmington Junior High on Thomas St. are members of the Town Club, sponsoring organization. Blood donors will be taken from 3 to 5 p.m. and from 8 to 8:30 p.m. Taking notes on procedure to be followed is Mrs. Earl Scherffius (in white nurses uniform, seated right). Outlining the program, left to right, are Mrs. Charles Binschler, publicity chairman; Mrs. Charles Binschler, co-chairman; and Mrs. Donald Wingard, co-ordinator for this year's bank.

ALL PERSONS between the ages of 18 and 65 who are in good health are eligible to give blood. It was emphasized.

ANOTHER bank has been scheduled for Tuesday, November 24, for residents living in the north Farmington area. Blood donors will be handled at the West Bloomfield Township Hall from 2:30 to 5 p.m. and from 8 to 8:30 p.m.