

Police Begin Crackdown On Unwanted, Big Trucks

FARMINGTON The City of Farmington is cracking down on truck drivers who disregard posted tonnage limits within the city, especially on Shiawassee Rd. from Farmington to Orchard Lake Rds.

Signs are now posted prohibiting trucks 2½ tons or heavier from using Shiawassee except for delivery or service to residents.

MONDAY NIGHT, the Farmington City Council approved purchase of two additional weight limit signs to provide better warnings to truck drivers to stay off Shiawassee in the city and Farmington Rd. from Shiawassee to 10 Mile.

Police have already started a program of increased enforcement and plan to continue ticketing violators. Between April 29 and May 2, police ticketed 15 trucks for violating posted weight restrictions.

The council has received a petition signed by 88 residents asking that all trucks be banned from Shiawassee except commercial trucks making deliveries or garbage trucks making pickups.

Councilmen explained it would be difficult to ban all commercial trucks because Shiawassee is classified as a major road by the state.

Because of this classification, explained City Manager John Dinan, the city receives four times as much in

gas and weight tax revenues from the state for Shiawassee than if it were classified as residential street.

Shiawassee is not a residential street and was designed to handle through traffic, added Mayor Wilbur Brotherton. The mayor said enforcement of the 2½ ton limit should rid residents of most of the nuisance.

Public Safety Director Robert Deadman commented that a ban on all commercial vehicles would include pickup trucks and vans which weigh only as much as the average passenger automobile.

Deadman said a survey indicated most truck drivers knew about the weight restrictions but were using Shiawassee as a shortcut. Enforcement, and better warning signs should solve most of the problems, Deadman added.

IN OTHER action, the council approved a traffic control order establishing a left-turn lane at Farmington Rd. and Shiawassee for northbound Farmington Rd. traffic.

Another traffic control order was approved prohibiting parking on the west side of Drake from

Grand River south to the city limits.

The city engineer was authorized to prepare plans to lay asphalt on the portion of James Ct. previously left out of a paving project at request of the residents.

The council also established 8 p.m. Thursday, May 13, as the date for its public hearing on the city's 1971-72 operating budget.

The proposed budget shows an increase in the city's tax levy of one-half mill (50 cents per \$1,000 equalized valuation). The final budget is expected to be adopted at the May 17 council meeting.

The council adopted a resolution in opposition to a State House Bill which would transfer 2 per cent from state gas and weight funds to townships.

An expenditure of \$200 was approved for a memorial plaque to honor city leaders who have died since 1960. The first names on the plaque will be W. Allen Nelson, D. Russell Milligan and Carl P. Boehmke.

The council is studying a recommended increase in fees for building, heating, electrical and plumbing fees and will decide before the budget is approved.

The council approved a bid of \$9,300, including trade-ins, from Town and Country Dodge of Farmington for purchase of four 1971 police cars and one 1971 station wagon. Also accepted was a bid of \$2,599 from Roger Peck Chevrolet of Farmington for a 1971 standard car.

Boys Launch Space Derby

FARMINGTON Farmington Cub Scout Pack 116 used the Ward Eagle Elementary gym as launching pad for its annual Space Derby.

Sponsored by the school's PTA as a father and son project, the contest involved "flying" 10-inch balsa wood rockets attached to guy wires down a 25-foot course. The rockets were powered by rubber band driven propellers.

Since all rockets were made from identical kits, performance advantages could only be achieved by the subtle ingenuity of obtaining the maximum number of windup turns short of breaking the rubber band.

The grand award ribbon for the fastest rocket went to Jim Collins. Runner-up ribbons were won by Randy Womack, Jeff Gibson and George Smith.

Adult supervision in "mission control" was supplied by Richard Lyons, Jim Ahlberg and Bendi Nielson.



HUMAN TEE — Robert Hall, Chairman of the board for the Farmington Area YMCA, volunteers as a human tee for PGA Instructor Bob Esler to publicize the "Hit for the 'Y' Weekend" May 7-9 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the Golden Tee Driving Range, 14 Mile at Orchard Lake Rd. Also shown are YMCA Board Member Allan Kenerson and YMCA Executive Director David Comfort (center). All proceeds will go to the 1971 YMCA Camp scholarship fund for Farmington youngsters. (Observer photo)

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legislative acts dealing with boundary changes need a complete overhaul to precisely define what can be done for individual circumstances.

THE APPEALATE decision a new city cannot be created through consolidation, Rozan said, is an entirely new position which was not discussed by Oakland County Circuit Judge Frederick Ziem when he ruled the commission was correct in rejecting the township's two-village incorporation request.

"If we go to the Supreme Court at all, it will be to get clarification for future cases the commission will be handling."

"We have absolutely no vendetta with Farmington Township and want to resolve its situation. This is not an adversary situation but one of getting the best procedure under the law for constructive growth in the Farmington area."

Although the appellate court said consolidation could not be used, Rozan added, "I am not sure the opinion said incorporation was a legal and proper alternative. The court



"An Evening with Hartley Thornton" will be presented at the Farmington Community Center Monday, May 10, at 8 p.m. Hartley Thornton's topic will be "Outdoor Education: Your Life."

Thornton, an outstanding speaker and lecturer plus naturalist educator, was the first naturalist to be employed by Michigan. He comes to us from the Proud Lake Recreation Area and resides in Farmington. He received the honor of the "outstanding naturalist educator of the year" by the Senate and House in Michigan. The fee for the evening is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children. All proceeds will be donated by Thornton to the Center.

Last month's program presented by the Naturalist Club was a huge success. Also at that meeting, election of officers took place. Heading the group this year as president is Dr. Robert Douglass and will be assisted by Hartley Thornton, vice president, Mrs. Fred

Harrison, secretary and Louis Gilson, treasurer.

Just a reminder to all that Thursday is May 6 and the Community Center is sponsoring a benefit bridge and lunch at 10 a.m. Donation is \$3 and includes prizes. Call in your reservations. Then the next day, Irene MacKinnon will present her "Magic Accessories" program at 1 p.m. at the Center.

Wednesday, May 12, another demonstration by Mrs. MacKinnon, also entitled "Magic Accessories," will

take place. Tickets still available for this program.

Please call the Center and make your reservations. Donation is \$2. Dessert and coffee will be served.

Join down May 14, 15 and 16 for the German Sale and Flea Market.

"Wildflower Walk" a delightful repetition of Betty Frankel's spring nature walk. Hikers in search of spring enchantment will leave the Center at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 15. Fee is \$1 for adults and 50 cents for children.

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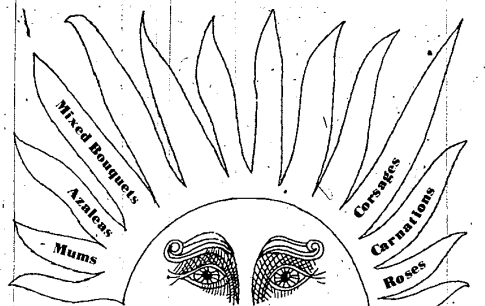
Man Charged With Assault

FARMINGTON A Hazel Park man has been arrested and charged with fleeing after a felonious assault, according to Farmington Township Police Chief Irving Yakes.

Robert D. Cromwell, 43, was arrested about 1:45 a.m. May 3 after a high-speed chase resulting from a call for assistance from the West Bloomfield Township police, Yakes reports.

Cromwell was arrested near 13 Mile and Farmington Rds. by Patrolman Guy Lasich, Cpl. Thomas Godwin and Officer Tim Ross but not until after two township police cars had been damaged.

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