

# The Farmington Enterprise

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## Work Begins On WPA Projects

With work in progress on the first of three public WPA projects in Farmington, the city is awaiting the release of several more public improvements for which federal funds have been allotted but which require the approval of the state.

Scheduled to begin work Monday on 1,650 feet of interceptor line consisting of 3 pieces, the 26 men employed for the purpose were forced to wait until Tuesday owing to bad weather.

Upon the completion of this project, the workmen will proceed to the second job which will be replacing 310 feet of 12 inch sewer in the park. This will be followed by another sewer job to be 620 feet in length on Power avenue.

It is expected that the three projects will be completed in the spring, by which time Commissioner Emory Hattis has expressed the hope the approval for the other WPA works will have been obtained.

## COMMISSION APPOINTS NEW JUSTICE OF PEACE

With the appointment of Lloyd S. Gullen as Justice of the Peace in Farmington, a vacancy in that office which has existed since last July has been filled. The appointment was made at the City Commission meeting Monday night.

Although elected to the office in April of this year, Byron Lapham did not qualify because he did not wish to furnish the bond required by the constitution. He was elected to the office but failed to take office.

Other business and the fact he intended to move to another county are thought responsible for his action. Mr. Lapham has been Justice of the Peace four years previous to the time he was re-elected.

The Commission draws its power of appointment from the Charter of the City of Farmington: Chapter XVII, Section 12:

In case of vacancy in the office of Justice of the Peace, by reason of death, resignation, removal or otherwise the Commission of the City shall fill such vacancy by an eligible elector of the City, by appointing and electing a Justice of the Peace, who shall hold the office of Justice of the Peace by virtue of such appointment only, until the next succeeding city election."

Mr. Gullen's application was accepted by the Commission and made to expire the second Monday in April, 1937.

## Furniture Wrecked As Moving Van Capsizes

Gill road and the Cutoff will very likely remain in the memory of James Hunt, formerly of Fremont, as the scene of the mishap which prevented his getting settled in his new home in Ferndale as soon as he had planned.

The Hunt furniture was being moved from Fremont to a van driven by John Opper, also of Fremont, on Sunday afternoon. When the load reached Gill road and the Cutoff, the driver declared a tire blew out, causing the truck to capsize.

The contents of the truck, dishes, furniture and everything else which had been so carefully wrapped were strewn all over the place. Traffic was stopped for over an hour while Mr. Hunt's possessions were being collected for delivery.

Anyone who has moved knows that it is a job requiring a lot of work, what with packing things so that they won't get broken or scratched. And when you are moving to one city from another, the added effort required at both ends is such that it makes one particularly anxious to move again. Mr. Hunt will probably be less anxious than anyone else because of the accident which ruined his furniture.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lamb and daughter Marjorie visited Mrs. Lamb's mother, Mrs. Blachlor, at Walled Lake, Sunday.

## "I Drive Safely"

PLEDGE

In cooperation with the State of Michigan Safety Campaign and in the interests of safe driving, I pledge myself to:

1. Drive carefully and at moderate speed.
2. To observe traffic signals and stop signs.
3. Not to pass on hills and to take the curves cautiously.
4. To signal my intentions before turning or stopping.
5. To be constantly watchful for unexpected moves of pedestrians or cars.
6. Not to take chances.
7. To be courteous and considerate of other drivers.

A Human Life Is More Important than a Few Seconds of Time

## FARMINGTON ENTERPRISE SAFETY CAMPAIGN

Co-operating in the State-wide safety drive to reduce the slaughter of people by automobiles, The Enterprise has arranged to issue to motor car owners of Farmington and vicinity the "safe-driving stickers" which will be provided those who sign the pledge of careful driving printed above.

If you wish to join the movement to save lives and suffering, just sign your name and address and bring or send to The Enterprise office, and a sticker will be issued to you. Then you may place it on your car as indicating that you are among those conscientiously interested in the great movement.

## GARDEN CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

Officers of the Farmington Garden Club who will take over their duties at the next meeting, following their election November 5 are:

Mrs. Robert Fredericks, President.

Mrs. Clarence Johnson, Secretary.

Mrs. Elmer Dohoney, Treasurer. Mrs. Edwin Tamm, Board Member. Mrs. Tuttle, Board Member. Mrs. Fredericks succeeds Mrs. Betty Ritter as president; Mrs. Johnson was re-elected and Mrs. Dohoney takes the place of Mrs. Warner. Mrs. Tamm serves her second term as board member, while Mrs. Tuttle is newly elected.

The November 5 meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Neilsen on Orchard Lake road. A community luncheon was served after which the regular meeting, consisting of annual reports and the election of officers, was held.

The next meeting of the Club will be held December 3 at the home of Mrs. Betty Ritter.

## Delivery of Legion Awards Expected Soon

The executive committee of the Groves Walker Post of the American Legion is waiting the delivery of two medals which will be presented to the two outstanding pupils in the graduating classes of Farmington schools. The decision to award the medals was made by the new executive committee at its first meeting October 16, when the committee was appointed to send for the awards.

The Legion plans to make the awarding of the medals an annual event. In the past, one award has been made to the outstanding boy. Under the new system a boy or girl will receive the distinction.

The awards will be made on the basis of courage, companionship, character, service and scholarship. Plans for presenting a plaque to the high school and one to the grammar school to contain the names of the winners of Legion medals have been discussed by the Legion members but no action on the proposal has been taken as yet.

Mrs. C. F. Smith, Mrs. Finn and Mrs. George Davis will be the hostesses at a card party to be staged by the ladies of the A. O. U. E. on Thursday, November 14, at 8 p. m. Tables for pedro, "600" and bridge. Door and table prizes.

## TRAFFIC SIGNAL BLAMED FOR FATAL ACCIDENT

A defective traffic light at the intersection of Ten Mile and Telegraph road is blamed for a traffic accident at that point Sunday afternoon which resulted in the death of one man and in serious injuries to three other occupants of motor cars.

That the light had not been functioning properly claimed by two business men in the vicinity. The trouble was first noticed by L. C. White, proprietor of a gasoline station at the corner, Saturday afternoon. A. G. Herbach, Telegraph road and Northwestern highway, said he noticed the light was out of order when he passed it twice during the same day. Neither reported the trouble and both claimed they had not noticed it before Saturday.

Mr. White and Mr. Herbach said that they had never been asked to report on the light at the Telegraph and Ten Mile intersection. The accident occurred when an automobile driven on Ten Mile road, by Frank Lewis, 47, 7465 Woodward avenue, Detroit, collided with a machine operated by Martin Pollter, 42, 16855 Brammel avenue, Redford, who was driving north on Telegraph road.

The light was green for Ten Mile road, but, according to reports, it was not functioning on the side facing Telegraph from the south. It is believed Mr. Pollter assumed the light was not working in any direction and that he did not see the Lewis machine when he emerged from Telegraph road, into Ten Mile road.

Courtney Cardinal, 24, Birmingham, who was riding with Mr. Lewis was killed instantly. His wife, Sue, suffered a broken right arm and several fractured ribs. Their daughter, Thelma, 19, received internal injuries.

Mr. Pollter suffered a fractured skull and a broken wrist. His wife, Julia, suffered a broken right arm and several fractured ribs. Their daughter, Thelma, 19, received internal injuries.

## Police Investigate Mystery Shot

An investigation is under way to solve the mysterious firing of a bullet into the gas station operated by Doc Bailey at Fourteen Mile and Northwestern highway, narrowly missing Mrs. Bailey and Velma Seeley, Farmington, Tuesday night.

Miss Seeley, who was visiting at the Bailey home, and Mrs. Bailey claim the shot was fired from a passing automobile while they were talking in the gas station which adjoins the living quarters. When they went to the window they caught only a glimpse of the car as it sped away. They saw nothing which might be used as a clue to the mystery.

When Deputy Sheriff Joseph DeVriendt of Farmington arrived he removed the bullet which had penetrated a wooden partition three inches thick embedding itself in the wall. The bullet is said to be the steel jacket type fired by a .25 calibre revolver.

In an attempt to locate the owner of the gun, Deputy DeVriendt has sent the bullet to Lansing where it will be examined by ballistic experts, the assumption being a record of the gun's registration is on file and that it can be identified by the markings on the bullet. Police explained that no two bullets are marked alike unless they are fired by the same weapon. If the gun had been registered, Deputy DeVriendt said, a specimen of the type of cartridge is on file which can be compared to the bullet which was fired into the Bailey home.

Neither Mrs. Bailey nor Miss Seeley could give an account of the shooting. Mr. Bailey believed it might have been intended as a joke.

This is the third shooting for which no explanation can be found that has been reported to police within the year, the most recent report coming from Union Lake last summer, while the first occurrence was reported at Twelve Mile and State street last fall. In no case was there anyone injured.

## HEART TROUBLE FATAL TO MRS. THOMAS TRACY

Funeral services were held for Mrs. Thomas Tracy, 61, north Farmington, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Tracy died November 1 of heart trouble after a brief illness. Originally from Tuscola county, Mrs. Tracy lived in Oakland county for the past 30 years.

Surviving Mrs. Tracy are her husband; three sons: Glenn, who lives in Redford; Francis and Harry, Farmington township; and one daughter, Pearl, also of Farmington township.

Interment was in North Farmington cemetery following services conducted by Rev. S. H. Heaney undertaking parlors.

## MERTON WHEELER SUFFERS STROKE DURING SPEECH

Merton Hubbard Wheeler, Farmington, is reported recovering in University hospital, Ann Arbor, where he was taken after suffering a stroke while speaking at the meeting of the Women's club of Farmington, held at the home of Mrs. Johnson on Farmington road, Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Wheeler had been speaking for about 20 minutes when he was stricken. Club members who were sitting near him rushed to his aid when he started to fall.

Several members remarked Mr. Wheeler was having difficulty in his speech but that he made a desperate attempt to continue before he collapsed.

Mr. Wheeler is not known to have suffered from a previous stroke, but close friends say he had been under a severe mental strain during the past few weeks.

Mrs. John J. Schulte, Jr., spent from Wednesday to Sunday two weeks ago in Detroit in the absence of Judge Schulte, who was hunting at the Schulte summer home at Russell Island, while in Detroit, she attended a miscellaneous show given by Mrs. Edward Campau at her home in honor of Miss June Kemp.

## New Justice



Lloyd S. Gullen is new Justice of the Peace of the City of Farmington, having been appointed by the City Commission Monday evening.

## New License Branch is Open

Buyers of new cars at the various Farmington automobile agencies have been the first to benefit from the convenience afforded by Farmington's new branch of the office of the Secretary of State, for issuing motor licenses. Equally pleased are the dealers, who have been able to save numerous trips out of town when they have new cars to deliver.

The great number of auto owners will fully appreciate the new branch office, says a representative of the branch, who said that the branch office is open for a week or ten days to assist new licensees.

The branch office was officially opened last Friday and is now fully equipped to supply plates for passenger cars, commercial vehicles and trailers. John Schenck of the Detroit branch office, of the new branch at the George F. Coon, Inc., Chevrolet sales and service on Grand River last Friday. He will remain in Farmington for a week or ten days to assist new licensees, in charge of the office, to carry on the work. It is the policy of Orville W. Atwood, Secretary of State, to place a branch office in each branch office and have him remain until the manager is thoroughly familiar with every phase of the management.

Hours of the office are 8:30 a. m. to 5:00 p. m. daily except Sundays and holidays.

Pat Gaffney of Novi walked off with the honor of purchasing the first set of plates from Mr. Blakeslee in the new branch office. It was reported that Pat appeared to be in a good deal with pride as he stroled out the front door with "set number one," regardless of what the numerals on the plates happened to be.

## New Law Office To Open In Farmington

Following Glenn H. Leland to Farmington where he will occupy the remodeled Shell Gates house at 36104 Grand River near Halstead road, a new law office will be opened in Farmington.

Mr. Leland, of the firm, Mann, Gahan, Weldon and Leland, attorneys in the David Stott building, Detroit, will open a law office in the building occupied by Lloyd Gullen at 32221 Grand River. He will join Farmington residents on Saturdays and by appointment.

Mr. Leland is well known in law circles, having practiced in all courts including the United States supreme court. He is also a certified public accountant, specializing in federal tax matters.

## Chicken Thieves Active In Farmington District

A warning is issued to farmers in Farmington and vicinity to be on the lookout for chicken thieves whose activities have been reported to police within the past few weeks in this vicinity. These are the first reports of this nature which have been received in three years, in this community.

Chickens have been stolen from a farm on Telegraph and Nine Mile road, Farmington, Wednesday and Saturday. The thieves came from the Middlefield farm at Twelve Mile and Middlefield road.

## Southfield Man Held in Shooting

### Five Chosen to Serve On Election Board

Five Farmington citizens have been appointed by the City Commission to serve on the election board in Farmington for the special county election which will be held Monday, November 25. They are Mrs. Anna Brown, Ralph Aulen, Fred Stummann, Harry Moore, and N. H. Power.

The election will be on the question of Oakland County issuing bonds to the amount of \$129,000 for the purpose of financing the construction of a new county building which would be erected in Pontiac. If property owners are in favor of the project, the government has agreed to furnish \$106,000 of PWA funds as its share of the cost.

## Farmington to Play Walled Lake

With four victories and one tie score to its credit, Farmington High School football team will meet Walled Lake in its last league game of the season Friday, November 8 at Walled Lake.

Defeating Northville by a score of 28 to 12, Farmington proved it was a worthy opponent to Northville in its last game. In the latter team making 13 first downs to Farmington's nine. However, almost every time the Northville passes seemed as though they would be intercepted. Farmington men were there to intercept them.

Farmington substitutes started the game in the second quarter. In the third quarter, Farmington substituted its passing attack. Turner intercepted a Northville pass in the Northville territory but Northville held for downs.

After making several good gains, Northville again passed. This time it was intercepted by Lee who ran the ball back into Farmington territory. A long pass to Bandfield put the ball on the Northville yard line. Himmelsbach carried it over for a touchdown after making an end run. He also kicked the ball for extra point.

Early in the second quarter, Northville drove deeply into Farmington territory. The regulars were sent in to stop the drive, but Northville, inspired by its nearness to scoring, forged ahead to score. The game then was a kick for goal was kicked.

Farmington scored near the end of the half when Himmelsbach passed to Davidson. Himmelsbach succeeded for the fourth consecutive time in kicking for extra point.

In the third quarter Farmington made its third touchdown after a pass from Hamilton to Himmelsbach who made a 40 yard run through a broken field. The ball fell to clear the bar when Himmelsbach kicked for point after touchdown.

Later in the game Northville blocked a Farmington kick and recovered the ball over the goal line for its second touchdown. Thus the scoring ended with Farmington 20, Northville 12.

Himmelsbach played an exceptionally good game on offense, while Hamilton, Rose, Linklater and Smith starred on defense.

Farmington's starting lineup consisted of the following players: Bandfield—r. o. Cardinal—r. t. Linklater—r. e. Hunt—e. Day—l. e. Mahoney—l. t. Mitchell—l. e. Lee—o. Turner—h. b. Himmelsbach—f. b. Coach Kammmerer made the following substitutions: Hamilton—q. Gary—h. b. Rose—r. t. Smith—l. e. Robinson—l. t. De Young—r. e. Harrington—f. e.

The Salem Evangelical church will hold its annual bazaar on Thursday, Nov. 14, sponsored by the Ladies Aid Society. An apron bake, cake sale, a country store and a supper in the evening are some of the features planned. Mrs. Tatum, president of the Ladies Aid, will be in charge.

Facing a charge of felonious assault with intent to do bodily harm, Mark Anderson, 30, truck driver, 27035 Sedalia avenue, Southfield township, is being held in Oakland county jail in connection with the shooting of James Rose, 17, 22060 Polcelana boulevard, Southfield township, which occurred Halloween night.

The victim is in temporarily serious condition in Redford Receiving hospital, suffering from the effects of a charge of shot fired from a distance of 40 feet from a 12 gauge, double barrel shot gun. Of the two charges fired, one entered the boy's chest, thigh and right side. X-rays disclosed the presence of 160 shot in his body.

Anderson had been annoyed by boys at his home in the vicinity of Grand River and Eight Mile road on two occasions previous to Halloween, police said. Anticipating their third appearance, he lay in wait for them armed with a shot gun Thursday night.

As soon as the boys arrived and had begun their pranks, Anderson opened the window where he was sitting in his house and fired without giving them a chance to get away. The first charge hit Rose who, according to police stumbled and fell a short distance from the house. The second shot was fired into the air, Deputy DeVriendt said.

Neighbors summoned police who took the boy and Anderson to the hospital. From there, police called Chief Deputy John C. McIlroy and Deputy Leonard Schnell to take Anderson into their custody.

The assault did not result in arrest since Anderson appeared undisturbed as he was taken to the station. Police, deputies said.

Arraigned Friday morning, his trial has been set for Wednesday, November 13.

## STABBING VICTIM TESTIFIES AGAINST HER ASSAILANT

Concluding the examination of Lewis Clower, 46, Novi township, who has been held in the County Jail since October 1 on a charge of attempted murder for attacking Mrs. Ruby Canady, 32, who lived with him at Eleven Mile and Seeley road, Judge Milton F. Cooney today the assailant over for trial in circuit court following the testimony of Mrs. Canady taken in a room at the Oakland County Tuberculosis Sanatorium Wednesday. His bond has been set at \$100,000.

Mrs. Canady testified that she had been attacked by Clower several weeks ago after recovering from an attack of pneumonia, testified she had been living with Clower and they were not legally married. On the morning of October 1, she followed the testimony of Mrs. Canady taken in a room at the Oakland County Tuberculosis Sanatorium Wednesday. His bond has been set at \$100,000.

Mrs. Canady said that she and Clower quarreled the afternoon before the attack over a proposed trip to Farmington. She attributed the quarrel to his jealousy. Although the trial was postponed from October 22 to a week later, Mrs. Canady's condition would not permit her to testify at that time. However, the testimony of several witnesses was heard, including that of Charles Lankford, a neighbor of Clower, who said the victim's brother, and Grace, Aaron and Charles Oliver who occupied the house where Clower and Mrs. Canady lived, and Deputy Sheriff Joseph DeVriendt.

## Exchange Club Hears Talk On Bond Issue

Paul W. Eaton, city clerk of Pleasant Ridge and member of the Oakland County board of supervisors, spoke Wednesday noon to the Exchange Club on the proposed new county building to be built with federal aid — the bond issue to be voted on November 25. Mr. Eaton left no doubt in the minds of his audience that, having made a remarkably exhaustive study of the subject, he knows more about the proposed building than anyone else in the county. His detailed study will be available to the public next week.