

## Last P W A Job Is Near Completion

Completion of the water mains being built on Nine Mile Road to connect the two dead ends on Power and Brookside avenues is a matter of days according to City Commissioner of Streets, Emory O. Hatton. The finish of this work will see the end of the scheduled P. W. A. projects in Farmington. Twelve men are at work on the project laying the remaining 575 feet of water main. The project was undertaken in an effort to eliminate the dead ends of water mains at the location of the work. Four inch mains are being laid a total of 1200 feet, the work having started early in the year.

Installation of the mains had been planned for several years but it was not until federal assistance was offered the city that the work began.

City of Farmington has faced unusually few in the number of projects approved by and completed with the assistance of the federal government through the Public Works Administration.

Alertness of city officials at a time when small municipalities were competing for federal grants resulted in the financial assistance of the P. W. A. in the undertaking of the projects now completed.

While none of the Farmington projects has been of great size, the community has benefited by completion of an unusually large number and variety of needed improvements.

## Undeclared FHS 9 Meets S. Lyon

Farmington High School's baseball team is preparing to meet the South Lyon nine Friday at South Lyon. In what should be the hardest remaining game of the league schedule. Showing steady improvement, the boys have romped through their last two games, winning over Milford Saturday 7-0, and then beating their traditional rivals from Walpole Lake 14-0, in a game played Tuesday afternoon on the local diamond.

In the Milford game, Stan DeYoung, muffed their last out, the faith of Coach Kammerer, who has been predicting that Stan would make good as a pitcher. He allowed Milford only three scattered hits and had good control, walking only one man. This was walking to only the fourth inning was the only Milford player to reach third base and he arrived there after two were out. Stan's curve ball had the batters popping up or hitting easy rollers to the infield. Captain Bob Werschlin hit his second home run in as many games when he laced one into the creek on the fly, the first time this has been done in three years.

Tuesday afternoon the Blue and White completely outclassed their Walpole Lake rivals. Clark, who was outdone by his teammate Stan DeYoung, allowed only two hits. He started the game in great style, striking out the side without a man so much as fouling off a ball. His support was good featured by what the coach terms the best fielding play of the season. Don Lee made the play, the barehanded spearing of a line drive just over second base. Walpole Lake used three pitchers in an attempt to stem the tide of Farmington hits, but to no avail.

With only two remaining league games, in addition to Friday's tilt, to be played, the Farmington lads have a chance to win an undisputed league championship. They are alone in first place at the present and can remain there if they keep hustling, the coach says.

Frank Cameron will pitch at South Lyon Friday, with Stan DeYoung in reserve and Warren Werschlin and Tace McKelvey will share the catching.

Scores of other league games played:

	Won	Lost	Pct.
Farmington	4	0	100
Keego Harbor	1	2	.333
Milford	1	2	.333
Walpole Lake	1	2	.333
New Hudson	1	2	.333
Clarkston	1	2	.333
Brighton	0	2	.000

## Farmington Friends Attend Funeral Of Norman C. Orr



NORMAN C. ORR

Friends of Norman C. "Mickey" Orr, former Oakland County Prosecutor and Circuit Court commissioner, in the Farmington area were shocked and grieved to learn of his taking his own life in his Pleasant Ridge home early Tuesday. Mr. Orr always received good support from the people of this area when seeking public office and was well liked. A number of his friends arranged Thursday to attend the funeral in the afternoon.

It is said Orr's act was prompted by ill health and grief brought on when he learned of the divorce action filed by his wife Monday afternoon. For the month previous to the time of the shooting Orr had been missing from his home and upon returning, informed his wife Florence he had been away for a rest.

Bay City, Michigan was the birthplace of Norman Orr, May 22, 1885. Spending his boyhood in that town, he later moved to Big Beaver, and enrolled in the Detroit College of Law. Graduating from that school in 1925, he embarked upon his career as an attorney and in a few months was named assistant prosecutor. Born to the legal profession, his court room tactics proved, Orr stuck to his task and within three years was elected prosecutor. Further honors were bestowed upon him by the Circuit Court commissioners in 1934. He was defeated in his attempt for reelection to that office last year.

Orr exposed the activities of the Black Legion in 1935 and his findings were looked upon with ridicule until a Grand Jury revealed facts a year and a half later that not only substantiated Orr's claims, but showed he had merely scratched upon the surface of the vastness of the organization.

Puneral services were held Thursday afternoon at the S. O. Wylie Bell Funeral Home in Birmingham. Oakland County Bar Association members attended the services in a body. Burial was in the Evergreen Cemetery at Detroit.

Survivors in addition to the wife Florence Orr, are three children Shirley, 19 years; Brakle J. 18, and Elsie Hopkins, 17; his sister, Mrs. Brakle J. Orr, and four sisters, Mrs. Queenie Buck, Detroit; Mrs. Ruth Healey, Pontiac; Mrs. Francis' Child, Elizabeth, N. J., and Miss Hildah Orr, Chicago.

## Clarenceville Resident Taken By Death

Clarenceville lost one of its best liked residents with the passing of Daniel Layland, 28625, Gregg's avenue, early Saturday. Mr. Layland was born November 17, 1886 and was 71 at the time of his death due to heart trouble. Burial was in the Grand Lawn Cemetery.

Mr. Layland is survived by the following children; Herbert, Vern, Gladys, Shirley, Raymond, Myrtle, and Dorothy.

## Anniversary And Spring Specials Feature Maytime

One candle adorns the birthday cake of the Smith-Bradley Drug Company, celebrating its first anniversary in Farmington. "It is a most pleasant surprise that to receive" is evidenced by the number of birthday values being offered the people of Farmington by the store. Free ice cream comes to the kiddies all day Saturday is a part of the program. June brides in particular will do well to study the Hatten Hardware offerings and then put into practice what they have studied. Official baseballs are waiting for three lucky Farmington boys or girls at the Burnett Brothers Service Station, details of how to receive them are elsewhere in this issue. Phonograph Golden Rule Upolstering will mean a bottom price in the repair work on that chair over in the corner.

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## Peddler Gets License For 6 Weeks

Denied a writ of mandamus in Circuit Court, Pontiac, in his action brought in an attempt to compel the City of Farmington to grant him a peddler's license, Harry Flannigan of Plymouth, complied with the provisions of the earlier peddlers' ordinance Monday and received his license to peddle in this city for the coming six weeks. The license was granted for the remainder of the fiscal year and to renew the license, Flannigan must comply with the requirements of the new ordinance, passed by the city commission a short time ago.

The new ordinance became effective Wednesday of this week, and Flannigan just beat the dead end by obtaining his license Monday for the remainder of the City's fiscal period.

Flannigan received the license free of charge inasmuch as he is a veteran and under the 1933 ordinance veterans are licensed without charge. Renewal of the license under the new ordinance, will require the payment of a \$50 fee as the veterans privilege section has been changed, allowing only a reduction instead of full exemption from the fee.

Circuit Judge H. Russell Holland, sitting in Circuit Court held Flannigan had failed to comply with all the provisions of the present ordinance when making application for a license and denied his writ of mandamus.

Refusal of the city commission to grant the license originally, was the result of attempts by large companies to peddle in Farmington without the payment of the usual license fee. Schulte and Pare representing the city maintained Flannigan was an employee of the Mills Baking Company and as such was not entitled to the benefits of the veterans provision contained in the 1933 ordinance.

## Senior Prom To Be Held Friday At Meadowbrook

Friday evening, May 14, will find the Farmington High School Seniors "swinging" to the swing band of Earl Childs at the Meadowbrook Country Club, the event being the annual Senior Prom.

Due to the unusually large crowd in attendance at the J-Hop it was decided to limit the prom to 100 couples. Attendance is by invitation only, members of the graduating class and their friends being accorded the opportunity to secure tickets first.

Featuring the event will be the Senior Dance, to be staged just before intermission by members of the class and their friends.

There is a possibility that alumni or their friends who might wish to attend the prom could be ticketed as a result of any last minute cancellations, by contacting some member of the Senior Class not later than 8:00 p. m. Friday.

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## Former Farmington Girl Has Close Call, Husband Killed

Reberta Baker Bell, former Farmington resident, narrowly escaped death and her husband was killed when the car in which they were riding was struck by a huge rock, 400 miles from Monterey, Mexico late Friday. Mr. Bell was killed outright as the rock, apparently loosed by the heavy rains, plunged through the top of the automobile in which the young couple were returning from a man's vacation trip.

In some miraculous and unexplained manner, Mrs. Bell, who was riding beside her husband, escaped injury when the boulder struck the car.

Mrs. Bell is the former Reberta Baker, a graduate of Farmington High School in 1926, and the daughter of Edward and Mrs. Baker who make their home on Haggerty Highway.

The victim of the tragedy was the vice-president of the Houston, Texas branch of a world-wide cotton brokerage concern. Mrs. Bell

is employed in the Houston office as a stenographer. Under regulations of the Mexican Government have resulted in the removal of her husband's body across the border.

The Bells were married two years ago, having met when the future Mrs. Bell was attending school in Houston. They have made their home in that city since their marriage.

When the tragic happening arrived at the Baker home the early part of the week and was a great shock to the Bakers. The parents of Mrs. Bell, had visited the young couple shortly after their marriage and spent some time touring Mexico. Mr. Baker expressed the belief that while the fate befell his son-in-law was not a common occurrence in Mexico, it is the fate of a number of motorists in that country every year.

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Driver of the motorcycle was Thomas Lout 20, 3804 Bridge Street, Garden City. His injuries consisted of a broken right arm and a broken leg.

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## High School To Graduate 60, June 16

Farmington High School will graduate 60 students at the Commencement Exercises scheduled for Wednesday night, June 16. Arrangements are not completed as yet but those in charge plan to complete them at an early date.

The complete list of those graduating is as follows:

Faye Beagle,  
Joyce Billing  
Patricia Cain  
Virginia Coolman  
Eveline Dake  
Lorraine Fawcett  
Ann Franchuk  
Lucille Gestler  
Florence Gravell  
Virginia Griseld  
Edith Kahrl  
June Kiger  
Dorothy Lahr  
Bertha Lockridge  
Jeannette Lutz  
Ruth McCartney  
Violet Nett  
Mary Jeanne Parent  
Mary Powell  
Ella Randall  
Faith Riback  
Elizabeth Seasons  
Virginia Seebald  
Betty Smith  
Lois Storms  
Koreen Van Slyke

Jabe Bacon  
Frank Brown  
Bob Earmann  
Joseph Collins  
Robert Cartwright  
William Chapman  
Raymond Clark  
Walter Durham  
Bud Davis  
Robert Davis  
Stanley DeYoung  
James Everl  
Gerald Grace  
Ernest Ham  
DeWayne Hoffman  
Corinne Johnson  
Norman Hunt  
Floyd Kupsky  
Howard Legg  
Dale Marr  
Douglas McArthur  
William McDonald  
Eugene McNeely  
Arnold Miller  
Lewis Newlin  
Paul Pare  
John Post  
Robert Price  
Vlad Resnick  
Leon Robinson  
Robert Schulkins  
Ernest Smith  
Robert Werschlin  
Marshall Wikom

## Electrical Service Replaces Hardware

Eric Hedberg announces the opening of the Hedberg Electric Service in the building formerly occupied by the Kenn Loomis Hardware. Saturday, May 15, has been set as the date.

For the past two years Mr. Hedberg has made his headquarters in the store and upon the withdrawal of Kenn Loomis from the site decided to take over the entire store. He plans to carry a complete stock of electrical appliances, as well as refrigerators, radios, stores, and to offer a general electrical service.

The Boydell line of paints is to remain in stock and in addition a number of new, different items are to be carried.

## GERMAN UNION DANCE SET FOR MAY 22

The German Beneficial Union will conduct a dance to be held at our Lady of Sorrows School, Saturday, May 22. The location of the school building is Grand River avenue near Orchard Lake Road.

## SOPHIE FENDT HONORED ON 90TH BIRTHDAY

Ladies of the Salem Evangelical Church gathered at the home of Mrs. Sophie Fendt Wednesday to honor Mrs. Fendt on her 90th birthday.

Mrs. Fendt, ill with a cold at the time of the party, has since been confined to her bed, the cold having developed into pneumonia. She is reported as gaining at the present time.

Mrs. James Eastman is confined to her home because of illness.

Mrs. Joan Wondergren is entertaining petite Joan Bower of Brown City, for a few weeks.