

Township Votes to Use Relief Labor

Farmington Township will receive the benefit of work done by an emergency welfare project, if satisfactory agreement can be made with the school board. It was decided at a meeting of the Township Board, Tuesday night.

The board was offered the use of men on welfare to build a bridge spanning the creek on the east side of the Clarenceville school by Robert Earle, of the Oakland County Emergency Welfare Commission, located at Pontiac.

Mr. Earle, who is a member of the school board, said that the work could be accomplished with relatively small cost to the Township.

A meeting of the School Board with Supervisor Arthur P. Coe and Clerk H. N. McCracken was arranged for Thursday night to consider the project.

Small Material Cost

The project would enable the children of the Clarenceville district to cross the creek, which will be spanned in three places, on the way to school, rather than going by way of Middle Belt and Grand River Roads. This would protect the children from hazardous traffic on these highways.

An estimated material cost of between \$600 and \$700 was given by Mr. Earle. It was suggested that this might be somewhat lowered by using dirt from the Edgewood playground, which needs leveling.

The work will prove an aid to those who are receiving welfare at the present time. The project was to be decided by adding ten per cent to the regular welfare budget of the worker. Workers are employed for periods of four hours a day at 40 cents an hour. The maximum total of any worker in a month is 144 hours.

At the present time about 30 men are available for welfare project work.

Another advantage of the project for the worker is that a cash wage is made instead of issuing a grocery ticket good only at a particular grocery store.

Must Have Supervisor

The Township will not have to keep men on the same project, but can shift them to other projects in the Township, which may be decided upon later.

The Township must furnish a supervisor for the project. It is possible that a person on welfare at the present time might be fitted for the position and thus reduce the welfare rolls. The supervisor's salary is left to the discretion of the Township Board.

The plan met with the unanimous approval of the Board members present and will undoubtedly be accepted by the School Board since a project of this sort has been used repeatedly.

DR. MILES GIVES TALK ON MORALS AT EXCHANGE CLUB

As a result of the recent moral controversy in Northville, the Rev. Gilbert Miles of the First Baptist Church led an expedition to Farmington to discuss the subject.

Dr. Miles gave their views on the subject. This led to a very interesting discussion.

Among the questions listed by Rev. Miles were: What is the Primary Function of the Church? How does the Church improve? How Would You Change the Church Services to Suit Your Own Needs? Is There Anything to Take the Place of the Church? Are There Too Many Denominations in the Church Keeping up with the Times? Are There Influences Outside the Church That Might Hurt Her? What is a Christian and How Does One Become a Christian? How is the Church Affected by Money? and What is the Future of the Church?

J. L. GOODENRATH TAKES OVER STATE INSPECTION

The State Electrical Inspection in the district of Wayne County, north of Joy Road, and part of Oakland has been taken over by J. L. Goodenrath who makes his headquarters in Farmington. Mr. Goodenrath was formerly of Benton Harbor and Shelby, Michigan. The district south of Joy Road has been taken over by Mr. C. A. Peabody in Wayne.

County's Youngest Model Just 4, Lives in Farmington

Meet Miss Margaret Clapp, Farmington's "model" young lady. Although she has just passed her fourth birthday, Margaret has already attracted wide attention through her work with a Pontiac photographer who calls her his favorite model. Margaret lives on River Lane road behind the Children's Hospital of Michigan, east of Farmington.

Margaret is expected to appear soon in connection with advertisements of a nationally-known coffee company. She has been modeled by Pontiac photographer to have a picture taken.

The pose shows Margaret, dressed in overalls, intently fishing. At her side is a can of bait, on which the name of the coffee company appears. The picture was taken on Margaret's face and the beauty of the child prompted the photographer to negotiate with the concern for national advertising.

Extend City Bus To Lahser Road

Commuters and others who have to depend on bus and street car transportation to and from Detroit will be pleased to hear of the extension of the Grand River City Bus line from Fenkell to Lahser Road in Redford this week.

The new service will shorten the time from Farmington to the City of Detroit since the bus service in the City is considerably faster than the street car.

Another time-saver is seen in the fact that now both the street car and the bus service connect directly with the Farmington-Redford line. Consequently, less time will be spent in waiting for transportation to the downtown area.

GROVES-WALKER POST CIRCULATES ANTI-WAR PETITION

Citizens of Farmington who believe in protecting and preserving American Democracy were urged this week by Frank Shoop, Commander of Groves-Walker Post No. 346, The American Legion, to sign petitions being circulated by an American Legion member in support of the Sheperd-Hill measures in Congress for the enactment of Universal Service Legislation.

Commander Shoop, in an interview with this newspaper, stated that since 1932 The American Legion has been definitely committed to a policy of securing the adoption by Congress of an adequate Universal Service Law.

"Increasingly throughout the years," the commander declared, "more and more support has been forthcoming from the American Public for a Universal Act. It appears that the time has come when the American Legion will see its desire fulfilled by this law being approved. This principal reason why success has not greeted Universal Service legislation is that the public has not been informed generally of the meaning of such a statute, nor has it been aroused to the primary necessity for universal service as the best practical means of winning the war, national defense in keeping this nation out of war."

For the information of local people who may desire to lend their support, Commander Shoop summarized Universal Service as follows:

1. It would help preserve peace by removing the profit motive from war. Universal Service means that practically all excess war profits would be confiscated by the government, as well as all prices being frozen by government control at the outbreak of war in order to prevent inflation.

2. In the event that war should again come to America, if Universal Service was in effect, there would not be more than 10,000 millionaires created in this country as there were in 1917-18.

3. Equal Service for all. Under the Universal Service plan, those who serve in the armed forces, those who labor at home in providing the essential materials of war would be on the same basis. Equal rights for all and special privilege for none is the best summation of Universal Service.

4. In the event of war, with Universal Service, both manpower and industry would be drafted to serve to best advantage in protecting the nation. The very presence of this law on our books, even though it is never necessary to use it, would mean much greater strength to our potential national defense system than the results which are doubtful if any nation would have the temerity to become embroiled in war with our country.

5. It is estimated that at least one-third of the cost of the World War could have been saved had we a policy of Universal Service prior to our entry into that conflict.

ling for more than a year for children's clothes, and is known as Oakland County's youngest model.

But the picture which has attracted so much attention was not meant originally to be a commercial pose. Margaret and her father planned to surprise her mother for Christmas and went to the Pontiac photographer to have a picture taken.

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Although Margaret had to go to Pontiac to pose several times for the picture, she did not reveal her secret to her mother.

Her mother, Mrs. John Clapp, said that Margaret started posing for the photographer, who is now sponsoring her career. About a year ago her father wanted to take her into Detroit to have her picture taken.

When she was in Pontiac, she suggested that the Pontiac photographer did good work, and Margaret and her parent went there. The photographer was immediately struck by the ease with which the child adapted herself to different poses and her genuine ability to register emotions. He asked the parents if she might pose for a few commercial pictures and the request was granted.

First Step Margaret's first step will be Margaret's first national advertising venture, but the photographer is confident that the little girl will develop into the heart of all America and become the nation's "model."

Margaret's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Clapp, are not particularly anxious for Margaret to succeed as a model, thinking it might spoil the loving nature and unselfishness that she now possesses. An example of her unselfishness is shown in a request she has made in support of the Sheperd-Hill measures in Congress for the enactment of Universal Service Legislation.

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City Files Suit in Road Tax Dispute

The City of Farmington filed suit Wednesday in the Oakland County Circuit Court to recover \$41,523.07 of Covert Road taxes from 1925 to 1931 inclusive.

The City named the Township of Farmington, the County of Oakland, Charles A. Sparks, Oakland County Treasurer and George T. Gundry, Auditor General of the State of Michigan in the suit. The law firm of Schulte & Pare and Earl Phillips of Pontiac are representing the city.

The suit is based on the fact that the City was assessed for 27 per cent of the Covert Road taxes during the period after it had become legally separated from the Township. The special assessments were made on roads not within the City.

Roads which were built after the incorporation of Farmington as a city, and on which special assessments were made include the Orchard Lake Road, Twelve Mile Road, Eight Mile Cement Road, West of Grand River, John Leathrup Ten Mile Road, west of Grand River, Ten Mile Extension, Thirteen Mile Road, Eight Mile Road, east of Grand River, Northwestern Highway and the Nine Mile Road.

The amount claimed to have been illegally assessed and in most cases involuntarily paid by the taxpayers:

1925	\$ 2,868.92
1926	5,637.47
1927	5,859.83
1928	8,606.36
1929	10,130.02
1930	11,415.42
1931	11,415.42
Total	\$41,523.07

The City asks that the special assessment of the taxes be declared illegal and void and set aside, and that the taxes be reassessed against the Township of Farmington.

A request was made for a complete accounting by the Court to determine the exact amount of taxes paid by the taxpayers of the City during the period after the return was made with a 5 per cent interest from the date paid.

The restraining, both of the Treasurer of Oakland County from collecting further illegal tax and of the Auditor General of the State of Michigan from selling any property in the City of Farmington on account of non-payment of the illegal tax was also asked.

Permission to examine the books and records pertaining to the illegal taxes at any time before or after the hearing of the cause is also sought.

An order requiring Mr. Sparks, the Oakland County Treasurer and Mr. Gundry, the Auditor General of the State, to show cause why further collection should not be discontinued was included in the City's petition.

One suit issued. Any other relief that seems just and equitable by the court was also sought.

The petition charges that the County of Oakland was without authority to levy these assessments on the City of Farmington and that the imposing of the taxes on the taxpayers of the City of Farmington without notice constitutes fraud.

The City is issuing the suit in the name of all taxpayers affected, since a separate suit by each taxpayer would bring about a multiplicity of suits.

Since the City has been unable to determine what portion of the taxes have been paid, a clause asking for the right to amend the original petition has been inserted.

Meanwhile, an order of the court has been discovered in the records of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors' proceedings for the year 1928. The supervisors' proceedings have been changed and approved by the board.

Notation is made. In 1928, there is a notation, accompanying the committee's recommendation for the tax upon Farmington City, of 27 per cent of the Covert Road tax, except Ten Mile Road.

It is interestingly indicated that it was the idea of the supervisors that the City should not pay any tax upon the Ten Mile Road because it was built after the change from

Grand Chapter Officers of O.E.S. Guests of Local Unit

Farmington Chapter No. 239 O.E.S. will entertain the officers of the Grand Chapter of Michigan O.E.S. officers of the Oakland County Association and guests from all chapters of the County, at 8:00 from Redford and Detroit, at a special meeting Saturday, January 22nd at the M. E. Church Community Hall.

Opening of the Chapter by the local officers, Mrs. Hazel Lynch, Worthy Matron, presiding, will be at 5:30 p.m. A short musical program will be given. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m.

The Grand Officers will confer the Degrees of the order on four candidates at 8 o'clock.

Grand officers who will be present are: Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Grace Catfield, Flint; Worthy Grand Patron, Milton Miller, St. Clair Shores; Associate Grand Matron, Mrs. Florence Ryckman, Detroit; Associate Grand Patron, Harry W. Lott, East Lansing; Grand Secretary, Miss Genevieve M. Nauman, West Branch; Grand Treasurer, Miss Gertrude Lewis, Ashley; Grand Conductress, Mrs. Elsie Ross, East Lansing; Grand Chaplain, Mrs. Margaret Jones, Osego; Grand Marshal, Mrs. Edna Grills, Flint; Grand Organist, Mrs. Elsie Hilliker, Detroit; Grand Usher, Mrs. Viola Walker, East Lansing; Grand Ruth, Mrs. Ella Har, Richmond; Grand Esther, Mrs. Adelaide Wylie, St. Clair; Grand Martha, Mrs. Nellie Horton, Mantion; Grand Warder, Mrs. Josephine C. C. Caldwell, Grand Sentinel, Richard Brown, Saginaw; Grand Electa, Mrs. Ivy Hoover of Grand Lodge, cannot be present; and the station will be filled by Past Matron, Mrs. Gertrude Heene.

County officers planning to attend are: Pres. Mrs. Glenn Hogle of Pontiac; First Vice-Pres., Mrs. Helen Stevens, Oxford; Second Vice-Pres., Henry W. Homier, Royal Oak; Sec'y-Treas., Mrs. Joy Freeman, Holly; Chaplain, Mrs. Helen Beckman, Orionville; Marshal, Mrs. May Mathias, Clawson; Organist, Mrs. Fern Benson, Rochester.

Honorary membership in Farmington chapter will be granted to the Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Grace Catfield and the Past Worthy Grand Matron, Mrs. Selma Burt.

Life membership in Farmington chapter will be granted to Miss Fanny Gray of Redford, and Mrs. Martha Power of Detroit, who have been members for thirty years.

A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the Order. Reservations may be made thru Friday, January 21, with Worthy Matron, Mrs. Hazel Lynch or Mrs. Ada Burt.

AUDITOR REDUCES STATE STAFF TO LESS THAN 350

Auditor General George T. Gundry, announced today that the consolidation of tax collection preparations March 1st, will be forced to reduce his staff by fifty per cent. This decrease in personnel becomes necessary as a result of the culmination of tax sale activities in his department.

In an effort to get the tax sale material to the County Treasurers and designated publishers' hands on time for the sale on May 3rd, the work of compiling the material must be finished by March 1st, it was stated.

Approximately two hundred and fifty employees will be affected by the reduction. Their status on March 1st will be determined. Those who remain unchanged, however, as they will still be considered for vacancies that may arise in State Department prior to their qualification examinations. Mr. Gundry stated that he expects to have the necessary personnel in place these employees in other departments when they leave his employ.

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Grand Matron MRS. GRACE CATFIELD

President's Ball Held January 29

A bigger and more enjoyable President's Ball is promised this year by the committee in charge of the annual dance, January 29, at the Farmington High School.

Members of the Farmington Exchange Club who are acting as a committee with Chairman Heeney are Ed Pierce, Cuyler Hall, Paul Pare and Mayor Howard Warner.

The Farmington Dance, which is only one of many held throughout the nation on the President's Birthday, will benefit crippled children in the community and in the country.

The orchestra for this year's dance, Longy Strahlen and his band brings one of the outstanding dance bands to Farmington. Mr. Strahlen, who is an outstanding musician, has played with many of the leading bands of the South. Several soloists also appear with the band.

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NEW DRIVER'S LAW TO PROVE BENEFIT TO FARMINGTON

Although the new driver's license law, which requires all drivers of Farmington Township and City to make application for their licenses at the Sheriff's office in Pontiac, is considered somewhat of a burden to most of the applicants, it is really a progressive step in regulating and improving driving in the State, as well as in the County.

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Catholic School To Open Jan. 31

The opening of a parochial school, known as Our Lady of Sorrows School of Farmington on Monday, January 31, was announced this week by the Rev. John J. Larkin, pastor of the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows.

The school, which will include pupils from the first to the eighth grade, inclusive, will be under the charge of the Dominican Sisters of Adrian, Mich. Sister Rose Xavier is the Superior of the school and Sister Edna, and Sister Raphael will teach. The Dominican Sisters are highly reputed for their educational system, which ranks with the best in the United States.

The transportation of 40 children will be primarily carried out by means of a new bus. Bus schedules will be announced at a later date.

The school, as is the policy of most Catholic schools, will be maintained and operated by the parish itself. This will be done for the most part by means of a tuition charge to the students.

Catechetical instructions will be furnished in the school, in addition to the regular Catholic school teaching. Instruction in the Catechism will also be held as usual after the 8:30 Children's mass on Sunday. However the pupils of the new school will not be required to attend this instruction period.

At the present time the school will accommodate about 150 students, but a proposed building program in the spring will extend the school's capacity for a greater accommodation of pupils.

"The opening of the school means a greater development of the City of Farmington, which is a natural outlet for the City of Detroit," Father Larkin stated this week. "Realizing the value of a Catholic school in a community, Detroit realtors are anxious to begin developments here."

"Since the City of Farmington has all the conveniences of a large city and Our Lady of Sorrows Church is the first parish west of Detroit, realtors look to Farmington for the future."

VAN WAGONER SUBMITS PLANS FOR CONSTRUCTION

State Highway Commissioner Murray D. Van Wagoner planned to submit to the U. S. Bureau of Public Roads this week a program of construction on county roads throughout the state.

Under the secondary road program, \$1,136,910 will be spent on county road construction while \$429,592 will be expended on secondary trunkline construction. The commissioner said projects will be announced as soon as the program is approved by the Bureau of Public Roads.

The commissioner, praising the cooperation of the counties in getting the program under way, said that only 16 of the 83 had declined to submit projects. Counties submitting projects must be prepared to match Federal funds available to them for this work.

Projects submitted by 56 counties were approved by the commissioner immediately. Further negotiations were necessary with 11 counties where the program was not approved. Projects that did not qualify on the program.

A well-rounded construction program is indicated from the approved projects. Of the various types of construction, base preparation and gravel surfacing is the most prevalent on the program. This treatment puts a road in condition for future surfacing with all aggregate.

Oil aggregate surfacing is the next most prevalent type with bridges third. Concrete pavement and grade separation construction are proposed in the metropolitan area.

"The counties have done a good job in submitting their projects," the