

## Unemployed Will File Next Month

Totally unemployed persons of Farmington who are covered by Michigan's job insurance law may apply for benefits after July 1. In all probability claims by the local residents will be filed in the month of August, according to the officials of the Michigan Unemployment Insurance Commission.

It was announced as recently as Wednesday that people in this area would have to make application in Redford. Farmington High School was also mentioned as a probable site for registration.

Acceptance of the Town Hall is almost assured according to City Commissioner Emory Hutton, who informed the Detroit Commission that the use of that site was granted them. It is expected that the unemployment commission will give its approval.

"You are eligible for benefits," according to a statement by the Commission. "If you earned \$50 in each of three of the calendar quarters between April 1, 1937 and June 30, 1938, or the total of \$250 in any one, two or three of the quarters, and meet other requirements, if you worked for an employer of eight or more, in covered employment, you were insured."

"If you have not had the above earnings, you will not qualify, in that case, DO NOT REGISTER. Persons who voluntarily resigned from their work are not eligible for these benefits. Also no benefits are payable for partial unemployment before next January."

## EXCHANGE CLUB TO HOLD ELECTION AT LAST MEETING

Members of the Farmington Exchange Club will vote on the candidates recommended by the board of control, at their final meeting this term, Wednesday, June 23, at 8 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Curtis Hall, the vice-president, has been nominated as president.

Other members whose nominations are equivalent to election are: V. R. Blakeslee, vice-president; George Checketts, secretary; E. O. Hutton, treasurer; and Robert Burns, Rev. Carl Schultz, and Dr. Lee Halsted, board of control.

Unless a new precedent is established these members named by the board will be elected by the group.

**Award Prizes**  
Howard Otis, retiring president, asks all members to be present at the final meeting before the summer recess next Wednesday. Prizes will be awarded to the chairman and committee adjudged to have presented the best monthly program during the term.

Each of the competing chairmen will have five minutes to tell the group why he thought his monthly program was the best. Floyd Nichols, George Checketts, and Walter Coon will be the judges.

Walter B. Redman, manager of the Pontiac Social Security field office, addressed the club members at Wednesday's meeting. He discussed the theory of Wayne County phases of the Michigan Unemployment Insurance act. He stated that the insurance was a protection against old age, and cited several examples wherein the insurance would aid distressed people.

## Trinity Shrine To Hold July, August Outings

Members of Trinity Shrine No. 41 will hold several outings during the months of July and August. It was decided at a recent meeting. Business meetings for those two months will be suspended.

A special meeting of Trinity Shrine No. 41 was held in the Farmington Masonic Temple recently to celebrate the Shrine's eleventh birthday. Guests from Windsor and several Wayne County shrines were present. Also present were Mrs. Peg Williams, Supreme Handmaid, Frank Crockett, Vice President of the Michigan Ontario Association, and Mrs. Carrie Hillner, a member of the Shrine.

Harry Allen Seebaldt was meeting in the order at this meeting. The business session was opened by Edith Strautz. The birthday cake was donated by Betty Rice.

Howard Catherman, Miss Eleanor Grosvenor, Elmer Catherman and Miss Betty Gary helped Drayton Holcomb celebrate his birthday Sunday at his home on Grand River.

## Library Representative



Loretta E. Cox will represent the Township Board on the Library committee, according to a decision reached at the meeting Tuesday night.

## Franchise Vote To Be June 29

Voters of Farmington Township will go to the polls Wednesday, June 29, to determine whether or not the Detroit Edison Company will be granted a franchise for the purpose of the erection, construction and maintenance of towers, poles, lines, wires, pipes, conduits, apparatus, etc., regulate for the transmission and distribution of electricity for public and private use.

The Township Board at a special meeting held May 31 passed on the franchise, subject to the approval of the voters. The law makes it obligatory for the people to vote on such a franchise, after a board has given its approval. All costs incidental to the election are paid by the Edison Company.

If the franchise is approved by the electors it will be in effect for 30 years. A copy of the document is on file with Township Clerk George Checketts, and is open to the inspection of the electors. Copies will be placed at the two precinct polls.

Polls will be held from 7 a. m. to 8 p. m. at the home of Mrs. Curtis Hall on Grand River and Farmington Roads, and at Precinct Number 2 located at the Township offices, 2534 Grand River Road.

Serving on the election board for Precinct Number 1 are: Stephen Mrs. Little McHenry; William Morris, Ernest Blanchard and Ward Eagle. On Precinct Number 2 board are Francis Billings, Louise Brown, Willis T. Roberts, M. Durham, Charles Heise and Walter Headerle.

## BOYS STATE INC. GROUP TO HANDLE LANSING AFFAIRS

Members of the mythical Wolverine Boys State, Inc., will have charge of the Lansing affair for themselves what sort of government the 539 youths in attendance, had set up.

Several Farmington residents visited the Wolverine Boys State at East Lansing, Sunday, to learn the details of the Lansing affair when they conduct the business of the State officials.

Held for the first time this year the Boys State is being sponsored by the American Legion, in an effort to develop an interest in Michigan governmental affairs on the part of those who in a few years will be at the helm of the State.

Actual operation of the Boys State is entirely in the hands of the youths who are participating in the activities. Following the opening Thursday, the group formed two parties, the Trojans and the Athenians, and have since elected their officials, provided for the handling of these officials, and are enacting, and enforcing their own laws.

At official visiting day Sunday, a special program was arranged for interdenominational service in the morning at Demonstration Hall, led by Father Frank Lawler, National Chaplain of The American Legion. In the afternoon, a program was presented at the stadium, with several musical organizations taking part. As a surprise, came the appearance of the Boys State's own band, organized only since Saturday morning. About 50 members turned out to play and march.

The three boys attending from Farmington are Donald Lee, Joseph "Bud" Norton and William Campbell, the latter being from the Township.

Letters to the Editor MUST BE SIGNED.

## \$300 Voted For Library At Meeting

Loretta Cox will serve as the Township Board representative on the City-Township Library committee, it was decided at the board meeting Tuesday night. Delos Hamlin had previously been appointed by the City Commission to act in a similar capacity.

Members of the Board voted at \$300 appropriation for the library, following a request by Mrs. Fred Cook, general chairman of the committee, that a sum be stipulated, as required by the State Library Association. The City set aside a similar amount in the budget, and it is estimated that State will furnish approximately \$550.

Other business conducted by the group included the passing of a motion to set over 44 acres of property to the Walled Lake Rural Agricultural District. The motion was carried by a vote of 4-1. The Walled Lake District, was recently purchased by R. J. Bowerman, who made the request.

**Nichols District**  
Located in the Nichols District, Bowerman asked to have the property set over because under the present setup his two small children would have to walk a mile and one-half to school, whereas under the new arrangement, his children would be picked up by a school bus.

The Walled Lake Board approved the acceptance of the District. Before the property can be definitely set over clerks of the Townships of Farmington, New Commerce, West Bloomfield, White Lake, which are fractional with Walled Lake, will hold a joint meeting.

Township residents who were present at the meeting asked Supervisor Arthur Coe to investigate why more Farmington men had not been placed on the new Township project. The Supervisor stated that he had been informed by authorities that the various projects were due to be transferred after July 1.

**Blanket Project**  
The project in question is a blanket Township road project recently started, which calls for ditching, grading and widening the roads. The project will cost about \$15,000 appropriation, the work to last six months. Fifty-two men, including four Township men, have been working on the project. The roads will be 50 feet wide from the outside edges of the two shoulders, with 20 foot tops.

Board members also voted to purchase two dozen folding chairs to accommodate visitors. They attend the public meetings. A license was granted I. Greenberg of Detroit, permitting him to have a fireworks display at Camp Liberty.

## ONLY IN EMERGENCY

A standard drivers' license law would not compel police to stop every driver to learn if he has a license. Drivers will be stopped only for ordinary violations. However, the penalty is heavy if they are unable to produce a license card.

## Playground Board Announce Field Day For August 2

Plans for an open field day, to be held in conjunction with the newly inaugurated Farmington playground, will be worked out in the near future, according to Supervisor Paul Shoemaker. Running events and ball games will be the main features, with other sports, he announced.

To date the tennis courts and the city ball park have proven to be the most popular spots on the playground. The grounds west of the grade school building and the newly opened picnic grounds were also in use during the week.

Finishing touches on the horse shoe courts are expected to be completed by the end of the week. The projects, but the children are Shoemaker anticipates these courts will see plenty of action from the adults. Tennis courts are being used, but the coach and his workers are continuing to finish the playground surface, and the bordering grass.

**Baseball Practice**  
Many of the older boys are practicing baseball two afternoons a week, and hope to schedule a game on each Saturday. This coming Saturday they will play the

## DeVriendt Warns Against Fireworks

Drastic action will be taken unless the shooting of fireworks is discontinued in Farmington, Deputy Sheriff Joseph DeVriendt warns local residents.

The Deputy reminds all citizens that the possession of fireworks is a violation of a State statute, and several youths in this vicinity have been known to have set off fireworks. Various complaints have been made to DeVriendt this past week.

Deputy DeVriendt asks that all residents cooperate in snuffing out this annoyance and illegal shooting.

## Band Concerts Begin June 30

Farmington High School band members will play the first of a series of weekly concerts Thursday, June 30 starting at 7:30 o'clock. Under the direction of Alvin N. Deener, the summer series will be presented from the new band shell, located at the west end of the Farmington High School athletic field.

Fifty members of the band have been in rehearsal for the opening concert since the first of the month. Robert Ham, eighth grade pupil, will be the featured soloist on Thursday's concert. He will play as a baritone solo, "Gaiety Polka" by Haverly.

A varied program is being offered. A special arrangement of Carlisle's "Star Dances" will be one of the concert's highlights.

**Beginner Class**  
Director Deener announced that beginner instrument classes will be held throughout the summer, and those who show sufficient advancement by fall will supplement the second band. Seniors and alumni are invited to join the regular band for the summer concerts.

Two special concerts have been booked for the band. On Tuesday, June 28, they will join the "Sunshine Special" and on August 2, they will give a concert following the special field day.

**Thursday night's program follows:**  
"The Stars and Stripes Forever" March Sousa  
"Komm, Süsser Tod" Choral Bach  
"Merry Men" Selection Thomas  
"Semper Fidelis" March Sousa  
"Gaiety Polka" Haverly  
Baritone solo, Robert Ham, soloist  
"Sir Galahad" Overture Hildreth  
"In a Polka" Kotelbey  
Intermezzo  
"Anchor's Aweigh" March Zimmerman

"Star Dust" (special arrangement for symphonic band) Carlisle  
"The Footlighter" March Fillmore  
"The Star Spangled Banner"

## DANCE, JUNE 24

A dance and card party sponsored by Evangelical Girls Club members will be the attraction at the Farmington Dairy Garage, on Grand River Road, at 10 o'clock. Don Patterson and his orchestra will entertain the dancers. Refreshments will be served and prizes are to be awarded.

## Lift Telephone Installation Severs Link Of Earlier Days

One more link with the earlier days of Farmington is severed, as residents of this area now merely lift the receivers of their telephones to make a call instead of reaching over to turn the old-type cranks. Thus a modernization awaited for years has this week come to pass.

And, although probably every resident of the Farmington territory has used the lift-the-receiver type of phone in other localities not once but numerous times, there still were scores of calls Tuesday evening and Wednesday, following the change by people who called their friends and neighbors "just to try it out." Thus do grown folk recapture occasionally the spirit of childhood.

**Presses Button**  
Pressing of a button atop a bell-shaped pedestal at nine o'clock Tuesday evening in the new offices of the Farmington exchange, by Mayor pro tem Emory Hutton, signified the "cut-over" from the old to the new equipment. J. R. MacLachlan, manager of the Farmington exchange, then asked Mr. Hutton to place the official "first call" on the new system. Mr. Hutton lifted the receiver and called the home of a friend in Lansing, the secretary of the Michigan Retail Hardware Dealers' Association, of which Mr. Hutton is an active and prominent member. He said he desired to make the first call to his mother, but deafness would have prevented her from hearing.

## Company Officials Urge Directory Consultation

Because a large percentage of all the numbers in the Farmington exchange have been changed coincident with the cut-over to the new telephone company, officials of the exchange urged subscribers consult the new directory before making any telephone calls.

All rural numbers and many in the city have been changed.

Looking up the number will save effort for the operators and time for the subscriber. It is pointed out that the new directory will be in the hands of the subscribers by Thursday night.

Meanwhile three operators supervised by a veteran of other cut-overs, and under the watchful eyes of a score of telephone company men, were kept busy handling the calls of the cut-over. The work was considerably complicated by the switch from one system to another. New Signal System.

The new switchboards, three in all, are being changed. The old ones in which a brass piece dropped down when a call was made. Operating will be faster.

In addition to the convenience of the elimination of the crank, is the elimination of the ring, whereby a user can follow the ringing of the number called.

The attractive new offices, complete with modern equipment, will be in use by Thursday night.

## West Farmington Pupils Enjoying Vacation Days

Children of the West Farmington district who are attending the Walled Lake Consolidated school are enjoying their first days of the summer vacation.

Commencement exercises for the graduating class were held last week. Dr. Harvey E. Turner, of the Teachers Training Department, of Michigan Normal College, at Ypsilanti, was the speaker of the evening. He was introduced by Superintendent C. A. Hoffman. In voice was said by the Rev. Frank Miger.

The high school orchestra played several selections. A vocal solo was sung by Hazel Atkinson and a piano solo was given by Grace Bach.

Principal George Carpenter presented the diplomas. The Rev. Frank Miger said the benediction.

## Manager Suggests Light Lunches, Cool Drinks

Light lunches and refreshing drinks are the order of the day on most family menus at meal time, and M. K. Ferrier, who at present is managing the Farmington Atlantic and Pacific Store, says he has an imposing array of goods to choose their own subjects. Selections may be made from such articles as sandwiches, book ends, tie racks and the like.

Mrs. Dorothy Hamilton, who is assisting Supervisor Shoemaker along with Harold Knapp, will conduct a Story Hour in the school library for the younger children. She will read stories to them, and hopes later to have the group produce several plays.

Mr. and Mrs. Drayton Holcomb spent Wednesday and Thursday in Detroit.

## Board Adopts Town Hall Resolution

Hopes are at a new level now for the Farmington Township residents who are in favor of the much discussed erection of a new Township Hall following a resolution adopted by the Board at the regular meeting Tuesday night.

"Resolved that the Township Board engage the firm of Lyndon and Smith, architects, to draw up plans and set up a WPA project for a new Township Hall," was the motion made by Walter Headerle and seconded by Loretta Cox. It passed by a 3 to 2 margin.

Much debating ensued among members of the board and the 30 visitors present when the matter was brought up for discussion. Before the resolution was passed Walter Headerle introduced Highland Park Architects Lyndon and Smith to the Board members. Blue prints of the floor plans and a sketch of the exterior of the building were explained by the architects.

## One Story High

Plans as outlined at the meeting call for a building approximately 30 feet square, one story high, and including a basement. The exterior calls for reinforced concrete, making it a fireproof building. Set up as a WPA project, the architects estimated that the cost of the project would be approximately \$25,000. The Township's share, it was estimated would be about \$10,000 or \$11,000. When asked what the architect's estimate was for securing the project under a WPA grant the architects stated the Township's share would be approximately \$14,000, and such a WPA grant would be more difficult to put through.

Sketched out the first floor blue print were a room for the fire apparatus, offices for the Superintendent and Clerk, with lobbies, a Justice court room, an assembly hall with a raised stage, and a speaker's room. The basement plans called for living quarters for an attendant, boiler and fuel rooms, and a room which could be used for recreation or meetings.

**Flexible Plans**  
The architect stated that as the plans are worked out, changes can readily be made before construction begins, if the project is approved, and if the residents vote in favor of it. Also, if the building is erected according to the present plans, additions can readily be added or the office arrangements can be altered without much additional expense.

If the project is approved by WPA officials Architects Lyndon and Smith will be working with the Township Board. If the Board at such a time decided to go through with the proposition, a vote of the people will then be called.

Lyndon and Smith are familiar with WPA approved projects, including the one at Northville. They stated that the Township Hall plans compare favorably with the Northville building, excepting that reinforced concrete walls will be used in place of the school's brick walls.

In connection with the Township Hall proposition the Board made a motion that the firm of Holden and Reaume, Inc., of Detroit, be engaged to set up an appraisal of the Township's share of the property at the Town Hall at the intersection of Farmington and Grand River Roads. This firm, which is governed by the Detroit Realty Board, informed the Township representative that their estimated fees would be approximately \$100. This amount would not include fees covering any possible services in court, they said.

## FAREWELL PARTY GIVEN FOR MISS JOAN WUNDERGEM

Miss Joan Wundergem, who will teach in Saline, Michigan, next year, was the guest of honor at a farewell party held Thursday at Mrs. William Eckler's Tea Room on Shawwassee avenue. Eighty-two women were in attendance. A petit point bag was presented to Miss Wundergem by friends.

The committee in charge included Mrs. R. E. McCurdy, Mrs. Archie Leonard, Mrs. Carl Goers, Mrs. George Checketts, Mrs. Joseph DeVriendt, Mrs. Warren Joy, Mrs. Mark Daines, Mrs. Fred Maas and Mrs. John Lapham.

Mrs. Edgar Pierce and Mrs. F. J. Nash poured tea. The floral center was arranged by Mrs. Clarence Bickling.

## Girl Recovering From Injuries

A Farmington girl is recovering from injuries received in an accident 500 feet from her home as she returned from Our Lady of Sorrows Children's Mass Sunday morning.

Yvonne Parent, 11 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Parent, a 6025 1/2 High Street, alighted from the church bus, when, according to witnesses, she attempted to cross Eight Mile Road behind the bus, big ran in front of a truck driven by Gordon Hartford, and was struck to the ground.

Yvonne was rushed to the Redford branch of the Receiving Hospital by Pete Derrick, an across the street neighbor, who was among the first to reach the scene of the accident. Attending physicians stated that the girl received a possible skull fracture, many bruises and cuts, and was severely shocked.

The accident occurred at 10 o'clock on the corner of High Street and Eight Mile Road, two doors away from the Parent home. Robert Davis, of Power avenue, Farmington, driver of the bus, was traveling west on Eight Mile. Gordon Hartford, of 632 N. Harvey, Plymouth, who witnesses said, had just started away from a nearby gasoline station, was driving east.

## GRADUATES MUST FACE TURBULENT WORLD SAYS DEAN

That graduates of 1938 will find it a turbulent, topsy turvy world they are entering now that their high school days are completed was the warning sounded by Dean W. W. Whitehouse to graduates of the Farmington High School class Thursday night.

The Albion College dean and sociology professor stressed the fact that the economic conditions have planned a new construction of lives of young people. He pointed out that several years ago many students who entered colleges and universities had a position waiting for them before they received their diplomas, whereas today most students find it almost an unmountable task of locating any sort of position after they graduate.

Dean Whitehouse, an interesting and experienced lecturer who has traveled extensively in nearly every country in Europe, spoke briefly of his combined four years. He narrated the conditions existing in Russia and Germany, and related his own experiences there.

Capacity Crowd  
A near capacity audience crowded into the Methodist church to attend the exercises. A loud speaker was in use in the rear portion of the room. They saw the largest class ever to graduate from Farmington High School, as 73 seniors received their diplomas.

Presentation of diplomas was made by Superintendent Robert Burns, Principal Max Thompson introduced the Rev. Carl Goers, the Rev. Delmore Stubbs, pastor of the Methodist church, said the invocation, and the Rev. Carl Schultz, pastor of Salem Evangelical church, the benediction. Senior President George Walker gave a brief address.

Music was furnished by the High School orchestra, and members of a wood wind quartet, played several selections.