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## Commission Votes Change in Zone Law

Forfeiting an expansion of the Farmington business section, members of the City Commission Thursday evening voted to change the zoning restrictions which apply to that portion of Grand River avenue between Warner avenue and School street.

This section was designated as a residence "A" district under the city's zoning ordinance. This rating will be changed to that of Commercial "A" to permit the location of business and commercial houses.

The proposed change was placed on its first and second reading on motion of Commissioner Max Hulet.

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## P.T.A. TO ELECT NEW OFFICERS TUESDAY EVENING

The Farmington Parent Teachers Association will hold its final meeting for this year on Tuesday evening, May 20, at eight o'clock, in the High School Auditorium, with a convention and reading of annual reports.

A one-act play will be presented by the members of the Senior Class, and a tumbling exhibition by the 7th and 8th grade boys, under the direction of Robert Chapman, will constitute the program.

Last Friday the Farmington P.T.A. was hosts to the Oakland County Council, with 13 schools represented at the gathering.

The program was under the direction of Mrs. Stanley Kipp, and a play entitled "Homestead" was given. Those from Farmington participating in the skit were Mrs. Earl Whitman, Mrs. Lee Moates, Mrs. Albert Beals, Mrs. Albert Koss, Mrs. Richard Erickson, Mrs. Paul Slocum, Mrs. Earl Redding, and Mrs. Edward Faulkner. Officers for the County group were installed and among them was Mrs. F. J. Nash, as one of the vice-presidents. Tea was served at the close of the afternoon.

The program will include harp solo, a duet and several numbers using marimba, violins, cello and flutes.

The concert is free and the public is cordially invited.

## CLUB HELP ASKED IN DRIVE FOR ARMY RECREATION FUND

An appeal for aid in a drive for funds with which to provide proper recreational facilities for men in the United States Army camps was made before the meeting of the Farmington Exchange Club Wednesday noon by Frank Ruff of Pontiac. The drive is nationwide in scope and Oakland County has been given a quota to be raised. Mr. Ruff is connected with the Y.M.C.A. in Pontiac and is giving his full time to the drive.

He was assured that the Farmington club would cooperate fully in getting the drive started in Farmington, and a committee was appointed from the club membership to start the campaign.

A committee was appointed to handle the preparations for the annual "Sunshine Special." The Farmington club cooperates with all clubs of the Detroit metropolitan area in this project, sending thousands of underprivileged boys and girls to Edgewater park for a day of fun and thrills.

A demonstration of modern electric lighting was given by Henry Clark of the Detroit Edison Co. Mr. Clark brought with him samples of fluorescent tubes and other recent developments in lighting. Included were infrared bulbs, a replica of the first filament bulb, and a newly developed bulb which has bug and insect-killing power.

## Mayor Issues Proclamation For Poppy Days, May 23, 24

Friday and Saturday, May 23 and 24, were proclaimed as Poppy Days in Farmington, in a proclamation issued by Mayor Leo F. Gildemeister. The Mayor called upon all citizens to observe the days by wearing the memorial poppy of The American Legion and Auxiliary.

The proclamation stated:

"Whereas, the wearing of the memorial poppy is a fitting and effective way of keeping bright the memory of those young men who gave their lives in America's service in the World War, and

"Whereas, the men of Farmington served gallantly in that war, some being called upon to sacrifice their lives in that service, and

"Whereas, the present national emergency requires the same type of unselfish patriotism displayed by the men and symbolized by their memorial flower, and

"Whereas, the women of the American Legion Auxiliary will distribute veteran-made memorial poppies throughout the city on Friday and Saturday, May 23 and 24,

"Now, therefore, I, Leo F. Gildemeister, Mayor of the City of Farmington, do proclaim Friday and Saturday, May 23 and 24, to be Poppy Days in the City of Farmington, and urge all citizens to observe the day by wearing the memorial poppy of The American Legion and Auxiliary."

DeVriendt Asks Help

An appeal to all patriotic citizens to wear a poppy was issued by Joseph DeVriendt, Commander of Groves-Walker Post of The American Legion.

In his appeal DeVriendt said:

"The poppy is the memorial flower of our comrades who fell in France. We wear it to honor their memory and to aid those who were disabled, their families and the families of the dead. Wearing the poppy is our individual way of showing that we remember and are grateful for the sacrifices made in the cause of patriotism.

"The poppies, which have been made at Veterans' Hospital will be distributed throughout the city Friday and Saturday by volunteer workers from the American Legion Auxiliary. All money contributed for the flowers will go into the Legion and Auxiliary welfare funds.

## MEAT SPECIALIST TO SPEAK BEFORE KIWANIS CLUB

Les Hebl, of the Kroger Co., will give a talk before the Kiwanis Club Wednesday night. His topic will be the treatment of meat in the "Tenderloin" process featured by the Kroger Co. Mr. Hebl is a meat branch manager in the company. Special interest in his talk will be given by the wives of the Kiwanians, who will be present at the "Ladies' Night" meeting. Also Johnson will have direction of the evening's program.

The Kiwanis have heard a very enjoyable talk Wednesday evening by Al Dunham, of Royal Oak. Dunham is well-known to a number of the Farmington members and his talk, dealing with the relations of the Kiwanis to the community, was of especial interest. Dunham is district chairman of the Kiwanis district relations committee. In his talk he emphasized the support which should be given to the church, regarding the individual member.

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## Bank Will Increase Its Capital

The Farmington State Bank will add another milestone to its record of progress on Wednesday, May 25, when the stockholders will be asked to approve an increase from \$25,000 to \$50,000 in the bank's capital of common stock.

All stockholders will be notified of the meeting at the offices of the bank, said Howard C. Klukenbaker, cashier. They will vote on the proposition to amend the Articles of Incorporation to stock to provide for the increase in common capital through the declaration of a \$25,000.00 dividend.

Two-Thirds Vote Needed

An affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the number of shares of each class of stock outstanding is necessary to effect such an amendment, and all stockholders are urged to be present. Any stockholder who is unable to attend the meeting may appoint a proxy, by filling out the proxy blank attached to the notice which each stockholder will receive.

This is the first capital increase that the bank has had since it was established. It means, Mr. Klukenbaker said, that each stockholder's shares will be doubled without any cost to the stockholder.

Butler Hearing Set For June 6

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Butler is charged with disregarding a "stop" sign at Ten Mile and Orchard Lake Roads.

Dr. Thomas was assistant superintendent of Detroit schools and president of the Michigan Education Association.

## MRS. ADA BOND AGAIN HEADS WOMAN'S CLUB

The annual meeting of the Farmington Woman's Club was held at the home of Mrs. Frances W. May 7. Members enjoyed not just luncheon at one o'clock. The following officers were elected for the coming year: Mrs. Ada Bond, President; Mrs. Ruth Miles, First Vice President; Mrs. Grace Arden, Second Vice President; Mrs. Mabel Leonard, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Alice McDonald, Corresponding Secretary; and Mrs. George Ann Bagall, Treasurer.

The next meeting will be held on May 21 at the home of Mrs. Mabel Leonard. Mrs. Mabel Leonard will give a book review of Jan Struik's "The Saint in Palm Springs." Mrs. Ernestine Pierce will conduct memorial services for members who have passed away this year.

## Civic Lists Starting Times of Movies

To accommodate those moviegoers who like to plan their evening hours ahead of time, Manager E. J. Hoffer of the Civic Theatre, has released the following list showing the starting times of all movies to be shown at the Civic during the coming week.

Friday, May 16—"Hell Below" 7:30, 9:15 and 10 p.m. "Six Lessons From Madame LaZonga"—9:25 p.m. Final exit—12:14 a.m.

Saturday, May 17—"Six Lessons From Madame LaZonga"—9:25 p.m. Final exit—12:14 a.m.

Sunday, May 18—"Michael Shayne"—2:35, 5:55, and 10:15 p.m. Serial—5:35 and 8:55 p.m. Final exit—12 midnight.

Monday, Tuesday, May 19, 20—"Philadelphia Story"—7 and 10:25 p.m. "Michael Shayne"—9:06 p.m. Final exit—12:14 a.m.

Wednesday, Thursday, May 21, 22—"Saint in Palm Springs"—7 and 9:32 p.m. "Meet the Champ"—8:08 and 10:40. News Wednesday only—9:23 p.m.

## George Gullen to Speak At Townsend Meeting

Attorney George E. Gullen will be the guest speaker at the Townsend Mass Meeting to be held Sunday afternoon, May 18, at 2:30 at 5045 Fourth avenue, in Sarnoff Hall. Special music will be provided.

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## News Items always welcome.

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## Freshmen Capture Study Honors for Second Time

Members of the Farmington high school freshman class again took over the reigns of the school's honor roll, winning a very close contest. The fresh achieved study supremacy as 18 of them scored a "B" or better average in their studies during the past term.

They barely nosed out the Juniors who placed 17 on the roll. Next came the Seniors, with 15, and the Sophomores with 15.

Concerning the rivalry between the boys and girls, it was the same old story. The fellows came in second with 15, and the girls with 15.

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## Set Budget Hearing For May 28

A public hearing on the city's budget for 1941-42 will be held at the City Hall Wednesday evening, May 28. At this time members of the City Commission will draw up a plan of expenditures for the coming fiscal year. Mayor Leo F. Gildemeister has requested all citizens and taxpayers who have suggestions regarding the budget to attend the meeting.

Chairmen of the various municipal committees have been asked to have ready reports listing the approximate amount of money it will take to run each department during the coming fiscal year.

A report suggesting a number of changes and improvements in the city's financial set-up was read in the April meeting by Fred S. Bagall, chairman of the Finance Committee, and it is expected that the Commission will use this report as a guide while drawing up the budget.

## Review Board Meets

Clerk Harry W. Moore announces that the Board of Review will meet June 3 and June 4 at the City Hall. The Board will inspect the City's assessment roll and will hear any complaints from taxpayers relative to property assessment.

After the roll has been inspected and corrections made, the roll will become the City's official assessment roll for 1941.

## RED CROSS PLANS FIFTH WATER SAFETY PROGRAM

The summer water safety program of the Oakland County Chapter, American Red Cross was discussed Wednesday evening by Kline B. Hartman and his committee at a meeting at the Birmingham Community House. According to Mr. Hartman the Chapter plans to continue its usual program at Oakland County Chapter. For the fifth year an opportunity will be given children and adults to complete the various tests for which certificates will be given. Instruction will be free. According to Mr. Hartman knowledge of personal safety in the water as well as saving technique will prevent much loss of life in the water. Each year total attendance at Red Cross classes amounts to thousands of participants. Water safety instructors or under his agency services may appear to Mr. Hartman or to the Chapter office, 12 Seneca St. Classes will be distributed throughout the county.

Last year the Farmington Club ranked high in the number of children sent to the park and this year an equally good record is expected.

Four Oakland County individuals recently passed their Water Safety Instructor's course at the University of Michigan under a representative of the National staff at Midwestern Center, St. Louis. They are Charles Blake, Franklin Whitney, Harriet Skidmore, and Robert Fairbrother.

Mr. Hartman's committee consists of Mrs. Pearl Moore and of Royal Oak, Franklin Whitney of Birmingham, and Miss Irma Sundling of Pontiac. Miss Ruth Kinnabell, Executive Secretary of the Chapter, and Miss Dorothea Lawrence of Royal Oak, Water Safety Director, were also in attendance at the meeting.

## Sorensen Guernsey Cows Set Production Records

Two Guernsey cows owned by Charles E. Sorensen of Farmington, have just finished new official records for production of milk and butter in a year in the Advanced Register of The American Guernsey Cattle Club. These animals included two year old Cesar Bon-Ton's Beatrice 698827 producing 11675.1 pounds of milk and 585.0 pounds of butter fat in class G, and two year old Cesar Noble's Bonnie 61236 producing 10732.2 pounds of milk and 479.9 pounds of butter fat in class G.

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