



AROUND THE BLOCK

AS WE SAID . . . last week, the lead off of this column up to election day is going to be devoted to you and your ballot. And, incidentally, that vital date is only 15 days away. On Tuesday, November 4, more Americans than ever before in our history are going to exercise their rights as free people. Will you be one of them? Will you be an American voter on election day? Only you can supply the answer! In America no one can do it for you. . . it's your individual responsibility and obligation. Rights and privileges are not just a hand-out in a democracy. They are ours to enjoy and to use, but they are also ours to protect and strengthen. Cast a ballot for democracy. . . vote on November 4!

ANOTHER REASON

For joining the Farmington Ground Observer Corps was brought to our attention this week by air spotter Mrs. Earl Milburn. She reported seeing several large flocks of ducks heading in the direction of you know where, while she was standing watch in the observation tower on the hillside. And if our memory doesn't fail observation tower was pretty good and pretty chilly fall wind, too. So now we have had reports of "flying saucers" and flocks of ducks, not to speak of all sizes and varieties of aircraft. Which only goes to prove that if you really want to see what's going on, join the Farmington Ground Observer Corps. . . today they need your help is badly needed if Farmington is to do this job so vitally important to the security of our homes and our nation.

SPEAKING OF DUCKS . . .

Several of the ever-increasing number of complaints being registered with The Enterprise and the City and Township Police about hunters. The situation seems to be getting worse instead of better, in spite of repeated pleas in the newspapers, and on radio and television. Not only is a lot of property being destroyed and privileges abused, but throughout the state persons are being killed and maimed. And that is someone's idea of good sportsmanship. . . but it isn't ours. We don't like to get these complaints and we are convinced that most of the property owners in the Farmington area don't like to give them out, either, but they have real and fearful reasons. So once again we urge every hunter to be a good sportsman. . . then you can protect for the other fellow and his property. . . look before you shoot and don't have an accident.

THOSE VOTING MACHINES

at the Town Hall are attracting quite a bit of attention these days and it is little wonder. They are mighty intriguing to say the least. We had the pleasure of looking into the back of one of them Tuesday and we decided right then and there that we would confine our attention to the front end only. Actually they are not at all complicated to operate and as one official said, "You just can't spoil your vote". A sealed down model of the voting machine panel is set up in the township office so why not go in and try your hand. It is the best way to get acquainted with it and we are sure someone in the office will be glad to answer your questions.

THE FIRST SNOW . . .

of the season hit the Farmington community last week end even though you could hardly see the spot where it hit. A snow with extra special bigflakes could pick it up pretty good and we had our extra special ones on, too. According to some of the old time weather experts this is a sure sign of something, but there hasn't been enough of a sampling yet to reach a definite conclusion. Probably it means that we are in for a hard winter, or like for the attic to drop out those red flannels, you had better get a few more options. At least, that is what we are going to do. Besides, we haven't found any way to get off long enough to get south and we don't have any red flannels.

CONGRATULATIONS . . .

to the Farmington and Clarenceville Girl Scouts on this, the eve of Girl Scout Week. "A Growing Force for Freedom" is the theme of this Girl Scout Week, which opens Sunday, October 20 and continues to November 1. No theme could better symbolize the true purpose and result of this great movement. The Girl Scouts in this community, as in similar communities throughout this nation, are making freedom and the ideals of Americanism work. They are learning by doing and at the same time are building leadership and character among the future citizens of our country. What a contrast this is to the youth movements now being forced upon the boys and girls of dictatorship nations. We are glad to see our own leaders, who are building a constructive force based on love of God and belief in the principles of freedom and democracy. It is not just idle words. . . but living proof. Here is the future of America. . . we have nothing to fear.

FINISHING TOUCHES . . .

were added to South Farmington Road this week and now the long-awaited project is completed. The finishing touches were supplied by city employees which they marked off with straight white lines the street and parking. The work was being very useful, the white lines add a touch of contrast to the smooth black pavement.

Body Of Woman Found Near Road

Detroit police are holding a hospital autopsy on the body of a woman who was found near a wooded area on the Grand River. The body was discovered by a hiker on the Grand River Road after it had apparently died of natural causes. James J. Pongratz, 691 Delaware, Detroit, an orderly at the Grand River Hospital, was taken by Detroit and State Police Monday. He admitted taking her to the woods in Farmington after she had died in a room he had rented for her. The body was found early Friday morning on two Walled Lake men who were on their way to work.

United Fund Board Holds First Meeting

The newly organized Executive Board of the Farmington United Fund and Community Chest held its first meeting Wednesday evening in the Municipal Building. Purpose of the Board is to name a chairman for the 1952 campaign, appoint the budget committee, and the first step will be to set up the drive, and draft objectives and policies leading to the formation of a permanent body. The establishment of an executive board is necessary when an insufficient number of persons appeared at the two previous meetings called to organize the campaign.

STUDENTS JOIN VOTE CAMPAIGN AT CLARENCEVILLE

Students of the Clarenceville High School have joined in the state-wide "Get-Out-The-Vote" campaign, Max Gilford, principal, announced this week. In an assembly held October 20, a contest was begun to determine which classes and which individual students could encourage the most adults to vote on November 4. This contest is called the "Ballot" and is sponsored in this area by the Livonia Chamber of Commerce and the Myron Beals Post 28, American Legion. Students will be ringing doorbells and asking adults throughout the entire School District to sign a pledge card that they will vote on November 4. (Continued on Page Eight)

ANNUAL TOWN CLUB HELD SALE TO BE HELD FRIDAY

This year, shoppers at the Town Club's Annual Sale to be held Friday, October 24, at the Farmington Town Hall, will find all the conveniences of a modern super market. Items will be arranged in aisles with individual sections devoted exclusively to men's, women's and children's clothing. There will even be a check-out desk where customers will be charged. The doors at the Town Hall will be open from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The hours were selected for the convenience of busy housewives who either like to shop or on Friday or wait until evening. The club announces that this year's collection of sale items is one of the finest they have ever offered.

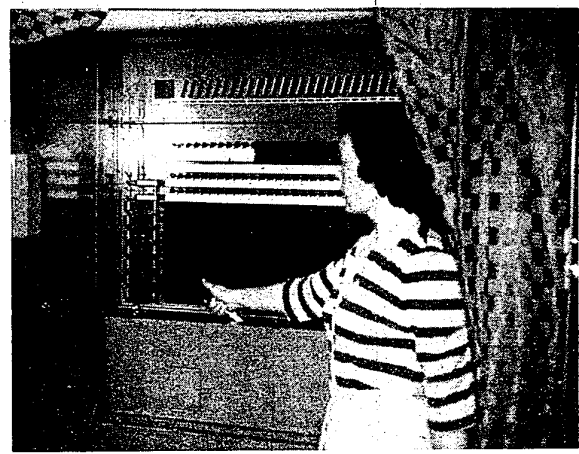
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CITY TO DRAFT PROPOSED TRUCK WEIGHT RESTRICTIONS



THE FIRST STEP in the operation of the new Farmington Township voting machines, the pulling of the big lever which closes the curtain, is being explained by Mrs. Earl Milburn, clerk in the township office. The machines will be used for the first time in Farmington Township during the General Election November 4. A total of 12 voting machines

will be used in the four township precincts. All of the machines have been set up and efforts are being made to arrange meetings where voters will be instructed in the procedures of voting. The machines have been secured to facilitate voters and to speed up the counting of the votes following the balloting.

New Township Voting Machines Set Up For November 4 Election

Special Instruction Meeting Held Tuesday For Election Officials, Public Meetings Planned

All 12 of the new Farmington Township voting machines have been set up and are now ready for operation, Harry McCracken, Township Clerk, announced Tuesday. An erector from the voting machine company set up all of the machines Tuesday at the Farmington Town Hall. On Tuesday evening an instructional meeting was held to familiarize election board personnel with the operation of the machines. McCracken stated that plans are now being made to set up special meetings at which time township voters will receive instructions and will be given an opportunity to use the new voting machines. These dates will be announced as soon as they can be set.

The machines will be transported to the four precincts just prior to the November 4 election, McCracken added. Distribution to the various precincts will be based on the number of registered voters in each. This will be the first election in the township in which machines have been used for voting.

EXPLAIN OPERATION

McCracken stated that the machines are designed to speed up the balloting and to facilitate the tallying after the polls are closed. (Continued on Page Eight)

City Planning Discussion Held Over By Council

Discussion on the formation of a proposed planning commission for the City of Farmington has been delayed until the next regular meeting of the City Council. The question came up for discussion just prior to the closing of the meeting. Mayor Kenn Loomis suggested that the planning commission be discussed at the next meeting. He also suggested that the Council review the findings already presented to them on the question, and indicate those parts which they feel should be incorporated into the proposed city planning group. Loomis asked the Councilmen to prepare a suggested list of personnel to serve on the commission.

HOW MUCH IS FREEDOM WORTH

. . . to you? A few cents in gasoline, a few minutes of time? You and your neighbors will give the answer on Election Day, November 4!

Freedom can not be bought and sold on the open market. It must be secured by toil and sacrifice and must be strengthened by vigilance and responsibility. Americans have given their lives for freedom. . . the least we can do is give a few minutes and vote!

THE DATE TO REMEMBER IS THE 4th OF NOVEMBER

Board To Consider Sewer Resolution At Clarenceville

Livonia Presents Plan To School Board

A proposal regarding the financing of the new sewer line to the new Lathers Street elementary school will be considered by the Clarenceville Board at its regular meeting Thursday evening. The proposal, in the form of a resolution, has been approved by the Livonia City Council and forwarded to the Clarenceville School Board for action. The School District in the form of a resolution, which was dated October 13, 1952, was passed on October 13. According to the resolution, the cost of the installation of the sewer line for Section One is estimated at \$44,000. However, the School District is only being asked to pay \$10,000 toward the cost.

Falcon Gridders Down Trojans 28-0

Farmington High School's football team defeated the Clarenceville Trojan eleven 28 to 0 last Friday afternoon before a large crowd on the Clarenceville gridiron. The Farmington defense held the opponents scoreless for the fourth consecutive game with the offense plugging up all of their points in the first three quarters. Clarenceville fought vainly throughout the entire game to score against the Farmington team. Farmington scored two touchdowns in the first quarter to take a commanding lead. Dave Wyman elminated a 60 yard drive with a 20 yard punt and Larry Staley added his first of four extra points and Farmington took the lead 7 to 0. Minutes later Farmington moved into scoring position after intercepting a pass on the Trojan 26-yard line. Staley carried the ball to the two-yard line and Larry Pink drove over for the score. Pink plunged to the 20-yard line and then passed 20 yards to Staley for the touchdown. The kick for the extra point was good and the Falcons led at the half 21 to 0. Clarenceville's defense tightened in the second quarter as they held the Falcons to one touchdown. (Continued on Page Eight)

CITY ANNOUNCES NEW PLAN ON GARBAGE PICK-UP

That old problem of citizens neglecting to separate rubbish and garbage has in recent cases resulted in the material not being picked up, according to the City Manager, Farmington. Because of health reasons, stated Tennant, rubbish which contains garbage cannot be dumped in the open and such action has been picked up by the department of public works. For the same reason, Tennant said that the McGreedy garbage collection service could not pick up material which included such solids as glass, cans or paper. The reason for this, continued Tennant, is that the garbage is fed to animals and such action has stemmed from a state health department complaint that such material should not be included in garbage containers. Tennant intimated that the city has a plan under way which will be put into effect in a few weeks. As the plan has been set up, each time garbage or rubbish is not picked up because one of the above-mentioned violations has been committed, a red tag will be attached to the container. The third violation is that if the city is not notified when the collection was not made.

Officials Prepare For Record Vote On November 4

Set Hours And Location Of Election Polls

Plans are now being made by both the Township and City Clerks in preparation for the November 4 election which is expected to attract the largest total vote in the history of the Farmington community. On Tuesday all of the 12 new voting machines in Farmington Township were set up by special installation men. One machine was temporarily set up last week to show township officials how the new machine operates. Tuesday evening an instructional meeting was held in the Town Hall to familiarize election board officials with the new machines. This will be the first election in which voting machines have been used in the township. Both City Clerk Harry Moore and Township Clerk Harry McCracken have been busy during the past several weeks sending out absentee ballots to servicemen, electing Farmington voters who are away from the community. **POLLS OPEN AT 7:00 A.M.** The polls will open Tuesday, November 4, at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 p.m. City voters will cast their ballots in the Town Hall while township electors will vote in their respective precincts. Precinct One voters will cast their ballots at the Town Hall, Precinct Two voters at the new fire station on Wheeler Street, Precinct Three voters at the Middlebelt School and Precinct Four voters at the Bond School. Voting machines will be set up in all four of the township precincts. Farmington area voters will go to the polls to elect the President and Vice-President of the United States, as well as the following state officers: Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Treasurer, Auditor General, U. S. Senator (full term), U. S. Senator (to fill vacancy), Representative to Congress, State Senator, Representative to the State Legislature and Justice of the Supreme Court (to fill vacancy). County officers to be elected include: Judge of Probate, Prothonotary, Clerk of Court, Sheriff, and Coroner. (Continued on Page Eight)

Proposal Would Affect Only Thru Trucking On Secondary Streets

A motion directing the City Attorney to draft a proposed ordinance governing truck traffic on secondary streets in the city was approved by the Council at its regular meeting Monday evening. The motion followed a lengthy discussion by the Council pertaining to the problem of through trucking on city streets. A legal opinion on the question, prepared by Paul Fara, City Attorney, was read to the Council by Mayor Kenn Loomis. It was emphasized by a number of Councilmen that if restrictions are enacted that they should cover all secondary streets. The City Manager recommended some time ago that weight restrictions be considered on all secondary streets.

The Council approved a motion accepting as a recorded part of the Warner Farm Subdivision No. 1. Also approved was the statement presented by the Farmington Development Company for the installation of 135 feet of 12-inch sewer on Cloverdale and the installation of 140 feet of water line on Cloverdale west of Maple. The Farmington Development Company is handling the new Warner Farm Subdivision.

Police Uncover Gambling Resort In Township

Raid Castle Mansion On Middlebelt Road

Hilltop Gables, the huge castle-like home on Middlebelt at Eleven Mile Roads, was raided early Saturday morning by State Police, knocking one of the largest gambling resorts to be discovered in Michigan in many years. A total of 46 men and women were arrested in the surprise raid which climaxed weeks of secret investigation by State Police, A. J. Allen C. Ingie, Farmington Justice of the Peace, tried 34 of the patrons in one of the gambling rooms. None of the persons picked up in the raid were from Farmington. When arraigned the 11 men charged with operating the gambling resort pleaded innocent before Judge Ingie. Bond was set at \$500 each pending examinations set for Friday, October 24. **TOWNSHIP LANDMARK**

The castle-like building is a prominent Farmington Township landmark, located on the southwest corner of Middlebelt and Eleven Mile Road. It sits back from the road and has many trees and much shrubbery on the grounds. According to police, a smaller house on the property was the one used for gambling. Both buildings contain secret panels and stairways which were used by the operators for hiding gambling supplies and money. Forty state troopers, hidden in the orchard surrounding the buildings, moved in quickly to confiscate gambling equipment and round up the operators and patrons. The troopers were led by Sgt. Fred Davis, head of the State Police Racket Squad, and Captain Howard Sitter, commander of the Redford Post of the State Police.

In an effort to reduce speeding on the most congested section of the city, three and four-way stops have been set up on Maple, Power, Brookdale, Nine Mile and Cloverdale. Drivers must stop at any of these intersections regardless of the grade of the streets they are traveling on. It was disclosed at the meeting that the Farmington State Bank is in the process of purchasing the Farmington Municipal Building for a loan office. They suggested that an independent appraisal be made of the building to determine the value.

Full Public Works Staff To Be On Duty Halloween

Farmington City Manager James Tennant has asked Halloween parades to avoid acts of destruction during festivities Friday evening. Tennant warned that all members of the city department of public works will be on duty that evening and each will be empowered with the authority to apprehend malicious pranksters.

New Episcopal Minister Named

The Reverend James Gulman of the Episcopal Church has been appointed by Bishop Richard A. Emerick as vicar of the Trinity Episcopal Church of Farmington. It was announced this week. Though less than a year old, the church has increased its membership to such an extent that both the Bishop and his committee decided that a full-time Episcopal minister is needed in the Farmington community. The committee also expressed its confidence in the future growth of the parish. Rev. Gulman will be formally introduced at a meeting to be held on Thursday evening at 8:00 p.m. at Adams Hall in the Universalist Church. A reception will follow the meeting. Rev. and Mrs. Gulman and their three children will make their home at 32614 Grand River, Farmington. Through the generosity of the Episcopal Church, the Trinity Universalist Church building on Warner Street. Services are held every Sunday morning at 9:30 a.m.

Trojan Back Off For A Short Gain

Trojan fullback Ed Gilmore sweeps wide around end for a short gain before being brought down by two Falcon tacklers in the Clarenceville - Farmington game held Friday on the Trojan field. Farmington was a hard-fought 28 to 0 victory in the annual contest to rack up their fourth straight win. Clarenceville was in the game all the way but they couldn't stop the strong Falcon offense. Farmington scored two touchdowns in the first quarter, one in the second quarter and one in the third quarter. A second score by a cold, damp wind to see the annual inter-community contest.

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