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Farmington Goodfellows To Hold Annual Paper Sale Friday And Saturday



These Farmington Goodfellows, along with many more, will be back on the street corners this Friday afternoon and Saturday in the annual Goodfellow paper sale. Proceeds from the sale will be used to purchase food, clothing and other necessities for needy families in the Farmington area. These paper sales, taking during last year's paper sale, show Dr. Fred

Fifty-six Farmington business men and civic leaders will be on the streets this Friday afternoon and Saturday in the annual Farmington Goodfellow Paper Sale. Fred Menke, Jr., president of the 1952 Goodfellows, stated Monday that plans have been completed for the annual campaign to bring Christmas to every home in the Farmington area. The paper sale will begin Friday afternoon and will continue through Saturday. The special Goodfellow edition will be sold at the main corner in the city, at Eight Mile and Grand River in Clarenceville, and in Novi.

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United Fund Drive Hits 68% Mark In Fourth Week



Vern Willard, chairman of the 1952 Farmington United Fund and Community Chest Drive, announced Tuesday that a total of \$5,886 has been collected thus far in the annual drive.

The new total is approximately 68% of the \$8,654 quota set by the Farmington United Fund administrative board. Willard emphasized that this figure represents actual money and pledges collected. He added that not all of the captains could be reached for the latest report.

Willard stated that the door-to-door canvassing for funds is continuing in an effort to reach all residents of the Farmington area. Willard indicated that the canvassing would probably be completed within the next week. The chairman urged all volunteer collectors to turn their money and pledges over to their area captains or to John Hunt, treasurer, at an office which should have an accurate check can be made of the progress of the drive.

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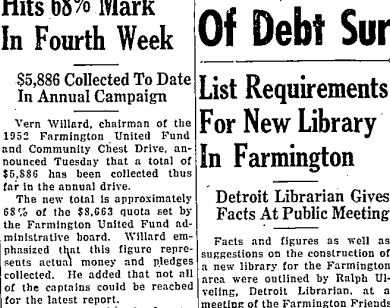
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School Board Clears Way For Transfer Of Debt Surplus To Building Fund



The Farmington School Board voted unanimously at its regular meeting Monday evening to place in escrow \$73,620 needed to meet the obligations of the 1948 Debt Retirement Fund.

The action was taken at the suggestion of the Municipal Finance Commission and thus clears the way for the transfer of the \$47,865 surplus in the Debt Fund to the Building and Site Fund. Formal action is expected to be taken by the Commission Monday that the Board has placed the obligated amount in escrow. The motion by the Board also carried the authority to pay a small escrow fee which would be charged for such services by the Detroit Trust Company, paying agent.

At the request of the Board, the Commission two weeks ago expressed its willingness to approve such services by the Detroit Trust Company, paying agent. The Board either place the \$73,620 in escrow or pay the issue in full. The Board decided to place the money in escrow as it would be extremely difficult to locate all of the bond holders.

Transfer of the money is being requested by the Board to help pay for the purchase of equipment for the new Farmington High School. The \$47,865 surplus from the Debt Fund will not meet the expected total cost of the equipment but will help measurably. This amount plus the present \$17,000 in the Building and Site Fund as well as some money which can be secured from the current budget is expected to be sufficient.

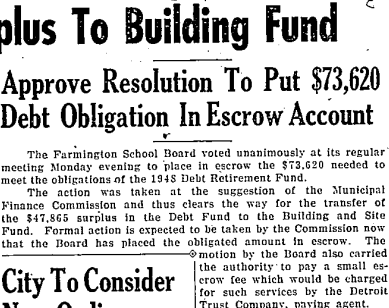
The School Board also approved payment of travel and expenses for Miss Jacqueline Buck, Farmington, for the trip to the 1953 convention of the American Association of School Administrators. The convention will be held in Atlantic City, New Jersey, in February and Miss Buck has been requested to present a report before the National Council for Research in Science Teaching.

Some implications and practical applications of recent research in the Teaching of Science at the Elementary School level.

The Board tabled for further study the quotations by various appraisal companies in the matter of appraising school buildings and equipment at the Detroit Superintendent O. E. Dunkel was requested at the last meeting of the Board to secure quotations on the cost of appraising the buildings and equipment. The appraisal is being considered in order to establish more accurate values on the property for insurance purposes.

The Farmington Drivers' License Bureau has been moved to the second floor of the City Fire Hall Building, James Tennant, City Manager, announced Tuesday. The new office is located in the building behind the police department on the ground floor of the Fire Hall Building, Liberty Street just south of Grand River. Persons are requested to use the door and stairs at the front of the Building leading to the Justice Court to reach the new driver's license office. The new office is located in the building behind the Court Room on the second floor.

City To Consider New Ordinances Monday Night



The City Council is expected to take action at its regular meeting Monday on both the proposed truck weight restriction ordinance and the proposed planning commission ordinance.

Final drafts of both proposals are now being completed by City Attorney Paul Pare, and are expected to be presented for consideration by the Council Monday evening. Tentative drafts of the two ordinances were read at the last meeting but action was delayed pending changes in the proposals.

Under the proposed weight restriction ordinance, through trucks of certain weights would be restricted from secondary residential streets. This proposal has been under discussion for a number of months. Recommended weight restrictions were secured after the last meeting and are expected to be incorporated into the proposed ordinances to be presented Monday.

The proposed planning commission ordinance would provide the machinery for the establishment of a planning group in the city. This commission would be composed of nine men, two from the Council plus the City Manager and six members to be selected by the Council. They would be charged with the setting up of a master plan for the City subject to the approval of the Council.

Applications open for Little League Managers' Posts. Applications are now being accepted for managers' positions in the Farmington Little League, and six members to be selected by the committee, announced Tuesday.

The deadline for receiving applications has been set for December 31. Four managers will be selected from the list of applicants to lead the individual teams during the 1953 season.

Farmington area men interested in becoming team managers are requested to send their applications to Mr. John Anderson, 2315 Grand Street, Farmington, Michigan.

Farmington Debate Team Warms Up. Members of the Farmington High School debate team engage in a little friendly argument while polishing up for the opening round of the Farmington High School Inter-Little League debate of the season which was held last Monday at the Farmington High School. The negative team won their debate from Southfield while the affirmative team was losing to Plymouth. Pictured left to right are Lee Barthel and July Milner, affirmative team; Tom Isley, chairman; and Lou Dowling and June Turner, negative team. The next League debate will be held January 12 at Wall Lake.

Board Considers Application For Transfer Of Funds

Proposal To Be Given At Meeting Thursday. A resolution will be presented to the Clarenceville School Board at its regular meeting Thursday evening requesting that an application be filed with the Municipal Finance Commission asking permission to transfer the surplus from the 1948 Debt Fund to the Building and Site Fund.

If the Clarenceville School Board approves the resolution, the application will be filed with the Commission this week end. Louis Schmidt, superintendent, stated. At the present time there is a surplus of \$35,921.48 in the 1948 Debt Fund. This is the amount over and above the principal interest due on the issue. Schmidt stated that the surplus is the result of increased valuation in the District, interest on a portion of the surplus has been invested, and the saving resulting from the purchase of some of the bonds ahead of maturity.

The original tax levy on the 1948 Debt Fund was 13 1/4 mills. However, only 8 1/2 mills were levied last year and no levy was spread this year. The issue was (Continued on Page Ten)

March Of Dimes Group To Meet December 29. The Southwest Oakland County Chapter of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis will meet Monday at the Municipal Building, James Tennant Building, announced Tuesday.

Tennant explained that the purpose of the meeting was to organize for the 1953 March of Dimes Campaign which will open in January. The Southwest Chapter covers Farmington City and Township, Clarenceville, Novi, Wall Lake and South Lyon.

Seek Cooperation. Farmington Police Launch Traffic Safety Drive Against Drunk Drivers. In an all-out effort to keep death and injury from darkening the Christmas holidays, the Farmington police department is launching an aggressive traffic safety campaign designed to reduce automobile accidents caused by drunk driving.

Police Chief Joseph DeVriendt stated Monday that from now until the first of the year police officers will check all bars and taverns in the city just prior to closing time to remind patrons of the seriousness of drunk driving. In addition, large posters with the words "Drunk Drivers Go To Jail" will be put up in all bars.

Due January 20 Tax Time Comes Early In 1953

Things are going to happen early in 1953... the things being namely taxes. At least that is the word out of the City Hall this week. According to Kathryn Cotter, City Treasurer, the winter county and school tax must be paid on or before January 19 to avoid penalty. From January 20 to March 1 without penalty. The winter tax will cover school and county taxes and 50% city taxes.

The property owner gets one break under the new regulations. No collection for tax will be charged for the 1953 tax billing. Previously a 1% fee was collected by the city for handling the billing and the tax money. This will result in a slightly lower tax to the property owner.

Crash Injures Four Persons. Four persons were taken to Redford Hospital as a result of an accident on U. S. 16 west of Highway Road. The injured were: John Francis Miller of East Rapids, John E. Hollingsworth of 9655 Whitcomb, Detroit; Beatrice Hollingsworth, same address; and Charles Miller Smith, a passenger in the Miller car.

According to State Police, Miller's car was traveling west on U.S. 16 when he attempted to pass a slower moving car. The car was struck on by Paul H. Helms of Perrinton, Michigan.

Helms, at the same time, started to pass an automobile car. As the Miller's car struck the back end of the truck, swerved to the left and ran head-on into the vehicle driven by Hollingsworth. The collision caused back and neck injuries. Hollingsworth was injured about the head while his wife received abrasions to the head and neck.

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AROUND THE BLOCK

A FEW CHANGES... have been made in the front page this week as you no doubt have noticed by this time. The "Around the Block" column has been moved from its former position in the upper left hand corner to the lower part of the page. This has been done to allow better positioning of stories and a more attractive display of pictures and news. This is the first time in a number of years that a full eight-column spread of news has been available across the top of the front page. An additional news item has been added in the upper left hand corner next to the "new look" is pleasing to you. If you have any comments or criticisms we would like very much to hear from you. It is the shortest way we know to building the kind of paper you, the people of the Farmington community, want.

THIS WEEK END... to be exact, the Farmington Goodfellows will be out in force selling their special Goodfellow papers. But they will be doing more than selling newspapers, they will be bringing cheer to some Farmington area homes that might otherwise be pretty dreary this Christmas. The only reward they ask is that you lend a hand, too. They know that their Christmas, and yours, too, will be much warmer and brighter because you helped a less fortunate neighbor. So please don't forget the Farmington Goodfellows this Friday afternoon and Saturday. Buy a paper and make it a real Christmas for everyone.

IMPRESSIVE WORDS... center back to us this week from the Ground Observer Corps Filter Unit in Grand Rapids by way of two members of the Farmington Air Spotters Corps. Mary Leas and Irene Krueger made a trip to the Christmas tree last week and came back inspired and impressed. Mrs. Leas stated that she only wished that every Farmington citizen could go through the Center. "We wouldn't have any trouble getting volunteers after that," she said.

MORE CHANGES... are taking place around here than we can keep track of. The latest addition to Farmington's main street is the new office of the Farmington Bookkeeping Service. They are moving Saturday from their Christmas office at 30300 Grand River to their new quarters in the Warner Building next to Precise Tool Co. Two accounting divisions will operate from the new office, one for Oakland County, handled by Norbert Schellaf, and one for Wayne County, handled by William Sawlett. Not all the changes are now being built on Power between Grand River and the Cut-Off in addition to several new homes on Maple. Things are really bustling, aren't they?

DON'T FORGET... the Farmington United Fund and Community Chest campaign is still going full blast, and will continue until the entire Farmington area has been covered. As of Tuesday, a total of \$2,777 is still needed if we are to reach our quota. Enough has already been said about the importance of fulfilling our obligation to our boys and girls and to our community. The \$8,662 set for the 1952 campaign is urgently needed by the various state, county and local agencies if they are to do the job expected of them. If you haven't already contributed, give to the United Fund and Community Chest today and help put Farmington over the top!

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