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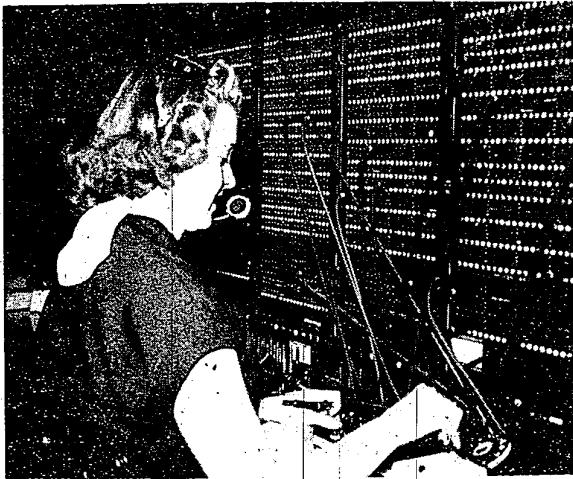
Terms Of Members Set At First Meeting

Louis Nolan was appointed chairman of the newly created Farmington City Planning Commission at the first meeting of the group held Monday evening at the Municipal Building.

Other officers appointed at the organization meeting were James Tagg, secretary, and V. O. Bates, treasurer. The commission also set the terms of office of the various citizen members. Frank Nichols and James Tagg were appointed for terms of three years. Louis Nolan and V. O. Bates were named for terms of two years, and Raymond Fendt and Bayard Tupper for terms of one year.

THE MEETING was called to order by Mayor Kenn Loomis, after which the paragraph of the ordinance pertaining to the organization of the Commission were read. A motion was made and approved naming Loomis as temporary chairman and James Tagg as temporary secretary. The appointment of the permanent officers as well as the establishing of the respective terms of office followed.

Chairman Nolan presented his views on the general objectives which he felt the Commission should strive for and asked for expressions from the other members. In general the Commission is responsible for the establishment of a suggested master plan for the city. Nolan pointed out that the Commission should take (Continued on Page Ten)



QUICK ACTION By Ruth Wilkinson, Farmington Bell Telephone operator, was a major factor in the capture early Thursday of two men who broke into the Ten Mile Elementary School. Miss Wilkinson, on duty at 4:00 a.m., noticed a flicker of the signal light on the school phone and immediately notified Farmington police.

In a matter of a few minutes, police had captured one man in the building and had learned the identity of the second man. He was picked up later in Pontiac. An envelope containing \$20.00, which had been taken by the men, was recovered.

Alert Farmington Phone Operator Aids Police In Capture of Robbers

Trap Men In Hall At Ten Mile School

It was 4:07 a.m. Thursday, February 19, when Ruth Wilkinson, Farmington Bell Telephone operator, noticed the signal light flicker on the Ten Mile Road School phone.

Knowing that no regular personnel was at the school at that hour, she immediately notified the Farmington City Police. These events led to the capture of two men who had broken into the Farmington High School earlier in the evening. George Schooley, 5655 Eldridge, Pontiac, was arrested in the hallway of the West Ten Mile School by officers Arth-

ur Holmes and Ralph Hunt a few minutes after the call came in from the Farmington Bell switchboard. Max See, 2025 Clairmont, Pontiac, escaped the Farmington police but was picked up by Pontiac Police a little later near his home.

THE TWO MEN broke into the Mitchell School first and when they were unable to find any money they went to the newer Ten Mile School, where they forced a safe and secured an envelope containing about \$20.00. Both Schooley and See then entered the older Ten Mile School, where they evidently tipped the phone, lighting the Farmington switchboard. In escaping from police, See tossed the envelope containing the \$20.00 in the field. It was later recovered by Farmington police. Schooley, under questioning, implicated See and Pontiac police were advised to pick him up.

The two men waived examination in Justice Court and were bound over to Circuit Court with (Continued on Page Ten)

F.A.R.C. TO ELECT NEW OFFICERS AT MARCH 4 MEETING

The annual meeting of the Farmington Area Recreation Commission will be held Wednesday evening, March 4, at 8:00 p.m. at the Farmington High School, Ilbrary, V. O. Bates, president, announced Monday.

Main purpose of the meeting will be the election of officers for the coming year. Bates stated that a discussion of general policy will also be held with the view of making any changes that the group feels are necessary.

Add Finishing Touches

Farmington Players To Present Broadway Hit On March 6, 7

Councilman Jim Cavanaugh lost his balance and fell off his chair smack on to the floor in rib-ticking hysterics as he watched rehearsals of "The Torchbearers" the other night. Councilman Jim says the play is going to be one smashing success come next week Friday and Saturday nights, March 6 and 7, at the Methodist Church.

Not just because he plays the part of the stage hand, does Jim feel this way about the matter. He was laughing at the antics of Ernie Hickman and Gene Walte who were taking turns portraying the part of "Clara Shepherd," a weeping widow. "The part will be played by Mrs. Robert Cassatt, a certain time, but Hickman and Walte were filling in in her absence."

All actors are doing great justice to their parts, according to Cavanaugh. He said the group, who predicted a good job done by the newly organized Farmington Players in their first effort. Tickets are going very nicely and may be obtained from members of the group, Phil Thomas

Open Registration Books For April 6 Election

Set March 9 As Final Day Of Registration

New vote registrations are now being taken in both the township and city for the coming April 6 General Election. Township Clerk Harry McCracken and City Clerk Harry Moore announced this week.

Township residents may register any week day except Monday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Farmington Town Hall and on Saturday mornings from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. City residents may register any day, Monday through Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building and on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. until noon. All petitions are required to be registered in either the city or township need to register.

Monday, March 9, has been set as the final day of registration. On the last day, both the township and city offices will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of taking new registrations. Persons not registered at the close of the final day will be ineligible to vote in the Spring Election, April 6.

IN THE CITY, nominating petitions for public office must be filed with the City Clerk between March 2 and March 12 at 5:00 p.m. All petitions are required to carry not less than 10 and not more than 75 registrations. Election of candidates for the following city offices will be made on April 6: three Councilmen, one Municipal Judge and one Associate Judge.

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Jewelry, or Charity Crooks' Antique Shoppe. There are no reserved seats and the sale of tickets will continue until the seating capacity is exhausted.

The American Association of University Women started the project with a view to developing a permanent dramatics group in this area and also raising funds for aiding research in science and education.

"The Torchbearers" was written by George Kelly and it is published by the Samuel French Company, which has kindly given the group special consideration on royalty payments.

The Farmington Players had a second business meeting last Saturday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stoll. A constitution prepared by Howard Richards was adopted, and a permanent board was elected. composed of Jim Cavanaugh, Mrs. James Luker, Mrs. George Nahnt, Mrs. John Perry, Mrs. Howard Richards, Horace Stevens, Clarence Stoll and Dick Stuntz.

Board Rescinds Action On Two Proposed Amendments To Township Zoning Ordinance

Annual Red Cross Campaign Ready To Open Monday

Drive To Continue Through March 31

Volunteer solicitors have just completed final plans for the opening of the 1953 Farmington and Clarenceville Red Cross Drive, which will jump off on March 2.

Charles Stuart and Mrs. Mel Stevens are co-chairmen of the Farmington campaign with Fred Menke heading up the Clarenceville drive. The goal for the Farmington City and Township area has been set at \$5,526.43. This is approximately \$2,000 more than last year's quota. Clarenceville's campaign quota has been set at \$1,000. This is the first time that a separate organization has been set up in the Clarenceville area for the Red Cross campaign.

FINAL PLANS on the month-long drive were completed Tuesday noon at a special kick-off luncheon held in the Farmington Town Hall. Area captains reported on the organization of their respective districts and the co-chairmen emphasized the importance of complete coverage of the community. The volunteer solicitors will, during the month of March, make a door-to-door canvass of the entire area in an effort to reach the quotas established.

In addition to the canvass of business and residential areas, a special booth will be set up in the lobby of the Farmington State Bank for the taking of contributions for the Red Cross. The booth is expected to be open on Monday during regular banking hours.

Question Suspect In Saturday Hit-Run Accident

Man Injured On 8 Mile While Repairing Car

Farmington and State Police are continuing their investigation of a hit-run accident Saturday night in which Gerald Lord, 2829 Peck, Canton, Mich., was injured. Irving Yakes, Township Police Officer, stated Monday that they have what is considered a "very good" suspect in the case. A theater which was torn off the scene of the accident matches the suspect's car. The prosecuting attorney took statements from the various persons involved on Sunday. Additional witnesses are expected to be secured this week. The name of the suspect is being held until definite charges are made.

was ACCIDENT occurred about 7:00 p.m. on Eight Mile Road near the Central Elementary School. Lord was working on his car, which was parked off the north side of the pavement, when the accident took place. A second car, traveling west on Eight Mile, struck Lord and throwing him to the ground. Following the accident Lord stumbled to the gas station at Eight Mile and Middlebelt where the police were called.

Lord was taken to Redford Receiving Hospital by Yakes. He is being treated for leg injuries as well as cuts and bruises. A road net composed of police from Farmington and Livonia as well as the State Police was put out immediately following the accident.

FINAL UNITED FUND TOTAL OVER \$8,700 MARK

Farmington's 1952-53 United Fund Drive was the top by about \$100, John Hunt, treasurer, announced at an administrative board meeting held Monday evening at the Farmington Town Hall.

Fun was held that a total of \$8,755.53 in cash and pledges was collected during the drive which ended in January. Of this total, \$8,191.34 was in cash and \$564.19 in pledges. This is the first time in the history of the Farmington United Fund cam-

Begins March 1 Visiting Nurse Service Set Up

Effective March 1, a new and vitally important service will be made available to the citizens of the Farmington community.

On that date a visiting nurses service will be inaugurated in the city and Township of Farmington. The announcement on the initiation of the new service was made at a meeting of the Farmington Visiting Nurses Committee held February 23. This group will serve as the sponsoring committee for the service in Farmington.

The new officers of the Farmington committee are: Mrs. Tracy Conroy, chairman; Mrs. William Aulley, vice-chairman; Mrs. James Cunningham, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Fred Harrison, publicity chairman; and Mrs. Walter Coon, nominating committee chairman. The new group is an agency of the Farmington Community Center.

Included in the new service is bedside care for those confined at home, maternity service, diet therapy and nutrition service, industrial nursing service and physical therapy. The Visiting Nurse Association collects fees from individuals able to pay in part or in full for the service. However, because it is a United Fund agency, service will be rendered to anyone needing it whether they are able to pay or not.

One requirement for the service is that the patient be under the care of a doctor. Local calls are being taken at Farmington 0272.

J. C. C. Begins Show Rehearsals

Residents of the Farmington area have only 22 more days in which to purchase tickets to the forthcoming Midwest and Variety show which will be produced by the Farmington Junior Chamber of Commerce.

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Co-directors Art Mann and Jim Warner presided over the first rehearsal held on Sunday, February 22, and both agreed that this (Continued on Page Ten)

BOARD OF REVIEW MEETINGS SET FOR MARCH 3

First sessions of the Farmington City and Township Board of Review will be held next Tuesday, March 3, beginning at 9 a.m. and continuing to 5:00 p.m.

The Township Board of Review will meet in the Township Offices at the Farmington Town Hall. Members of the City Board of Review will convene at the Municipal Building.

New Proposal To Be Drawn Up On Re-Zoning Of Anhut Property

Two suggested amendments to the Farmington Township Zoning ordinance were rescinded by action of the Township Board at regular meeting Tuesday evening with the provision that one of the amendments be re-drafted.

The action was taken after it was disclosed that there was considerable opposition to the two proposals. The amendment which was dropped completely pertained to the re-zoning of the south side of Grand River from Heise Street to Middlebelt Road from commercial to light industrial. Objection to this proposed change was heard at the last meeting of the Township Board.

Action was also taken rescinding the proposed amendment which would change the entire Anhut Hotel property to commercial. However, the Board agreed to draft a new proposed amendment which would establish a commercial zone to a specified distance back from Grand River. John Anhut, appearing at the meeting, stated that the desired area would extend back approximately 600 feet on the Oxford Road side of the property and about 1,200 feet on the Clivell Street side. Anhut agreed to have a survey made of the area so that a definite line could be established. A strip of the property along Grand River is zoned commercial at the present time.

It was pointed out that as soon as the new suggested amendment is drafted and the Board has an opportunity to act upon it, the remaining proposals will be officially turned over to the Zoning Board for recommendations. The Zoning Board must then call public hearings and within 60 days from the date they receive the suggested changes, file their recommendations with the Township Board. Final action must be taken by the Township Board.

City Hopes To Let Sewage Plant Contract By May 1

Early construction of the proposed sewage disposal plant for the City of Farmington was assured Saturday when the City Council, in a special session, approved a resolution to let the contract for the construction work by May 1 or as soon thereafter as possible.

James Tennant, City Manager, stated that he had tentative approval from the state to proceed with the project. At the present time the state is concluding its study of the plans and specifications for the plant as submitted by the city. Various sewage disposal plant companies are filing proposals with the state on the project. As soon as the proposals are in, the state will issue a construction permit to the city, along with a list of approved construction companies. This is expected to be done in the next few weeks.

THE COUNCIL also approved a resolution to proceed with the extension of sewer trunk lines and necessary water mains to the proposed Kelly property development. The resolution provides that the contracts for the work be awarded by May 1 or as soon thereafter as possible. The Kelly property is located in the northeast section of the city and is bounded by Power Road, Ten Mile, Orchard Lake Road and Shawanawasee Street.

Tennant stated that the present plan calls for the financing of the sewage disposal plant on a general obligation bond basis and the sewer and water mains to the Kelly property on revenue bonds.

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BOARD TO OPEN BIDS ON SCHOOL NOTE SALE MONDAY

A special meeting of the Farmington Township School Board will be held Monday evening, March 2, for the purpose of opening bids on the sale of \$50,000 in tax anticipation notes.

The meeting is scheduled for 8:00 p.m. at the Farmington High School. Money from the sale of notes will be used by the District to meet current operational expenses. The money is being borrowed in anticipation of regular tax receipts.

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CANCEL DANCE THIS SATURDAY AT CLARENCEVILLE

The next square dance, sponsored by the Clarenceville Recreation Commission, will be held Saturday, March 7, at 8:30 p.m. in the Clarenceville High School gym.

Joe Markell, director of the Commission, stated that the dance originally scheduled for this Saturday, February 25, has been canceled. Markell added that there will be no charge for the dance on March 7.



AROUND THE BLOCK

NEXT MONDAY . . . marks the beginning of the 1953 Red Cross Drive in both the Farmington and Clarenceville areas. The goal of the drive is to raise \$5,526.43 in the Farmington area and \$1,000 in the Clarenceville district. It is a real challenge, not only to the volunteer workers but to the residents as well. We, the people of this community, have been given a job to do. . . . It's going to be easy, but nothing worthwhile is very easy. We hope to reach our goal and if the people of this community get behind this drive as they have other campaigns in the past, we will be sitting on top come March 31.

SOMETHING NEW . . . has been added in the Farmington area . . . stop. It is now operating at full force . . . stop. It is something that the residents of Farmington have wanted and needed for a long time . . . stop. Have you guessed what this new service is by now? That's right, it is a new telegram delivery service and it is being handled by the Grand Cab Company, 23029 Farmington Road. According to representatives of the Cab Company, telegrams received at the Farmington office are being delivered within the hour. So here's to another new advancement for our community . . . let's hope it speeds lots of good news to lots of good people.

DON'T FORGET . . . to mail in your contribution to the Netherlands Emergency Relief Fund. The headquarters for the collection of donations is at the Holland home of the front pages, but the tough back-breaking job of rehabilitation has just begun. Money is urgently needed to provide the necessities of life for these flood victims. You can help them tremendously by mailing your contribution today to THE NETHERLANDS EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND in care of The Farmington Enterprise, Farmington, Michigan. If you wish you can make your contribution in person at either the Municipal Building or The Enterprise office.

IT ISN'T SPRING . . . according to the calendar, but as far as the Farmington firemen are concerned it is getting mighty close. The sure sign developed this week end when both the firemen and the fire sirens got a pretty heavy workout on . . . believe it or not . . . grass fire. This was a real practice session for the big season ahead . . . but we hope not, and we are sure the firemen hope not, too. You can help yourself and the firemen, too, by taking extra precautions when burning rubbish. Every time that fire siren blows it costs the township and city money. That's money that could be used for constructive purposes. So let's everyone of us resolve here and now to be careful with fire . . . let's keep that siren quiet.

HERE'S A REMINDER . . . to Farmington Township property owners. The deadline for taxes has been set for this Saturday, February 28, so you have just a couple of days to get in under the wire. Clayton Goers, Township Treasurer, is going to do everything he can to make it as easy as possible for you. He will be at the Township Office until 7:30 p.m. both Friday and Saturday evening to take care of those who can't get in during the day.

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