

SCHOOLS TO OPEN SEPTEMBER 6 WITH RECORD ENROLLMENT

Township Hears Progress Report On Proposed Interceptor Sewer

Secure Cost Estimates On System To Serve Areas In Farmington And West Bloomfield

A report on the progress of negotiations for the proposed Farmington Township Sewer Interceptor was presented to the Township Board Tuesday evening by Max Sheldon, who is acting as coordinator between the various governmental units and affected land owners.

Sheldon stated that the proposed sewer district includes the area from Eight Mile Road on the north to Walnut Lake Road on the south and Inkster Road on the east to Drake Road on the west. This covers portions of both Farmington and West Bloomfield Townships. Sheldon added that the estimated cost of the main trunk line would be approximately \$2,000,000. It is proposed that the Interceptor would connect with the Detroit system at either South or East Eight Mile or Evergreen and Eight Mile after the Evergreen Sewer is completed.

Adopt Amended Bond Resolution At Clarenceville

Efforts are continuing to contact the owners of 20 acres of land to file the new bond resolution with the idea of securing an advancement of funds to help finance the project. It is proposed that the Interceptor would connect with the Detroit system at either South or East Eight Mile or Evergreen and Eight Mile after the Evergreen Sewer is completed.

Boost Interest Ceiling To Stimulate Building

The Clarenceville School Board last Thursday evening adopted a new revised bond resolution, setting the interest rate for sale of the \$750,000 issue to finance the first year of the new Clarenceville high school.

START ERECTION OF INTERCEPTOR PUMPING STATION

Construction work has begun this week on the new pumping station being erected near the intersection of Nine Mile Road and Grand River in connection with the Farmington City Sewer Interceptor.

WORK ON CITY SEWER PROJECTS TO BEGIN TUESDAY

Construction work on the proposed State Street storm sewer as well as a number of other small sewer projects is expected to start Tuesday, August 29, according to Earl Scherffus, City Manager, announced this week.

AROUND THE BLOCK

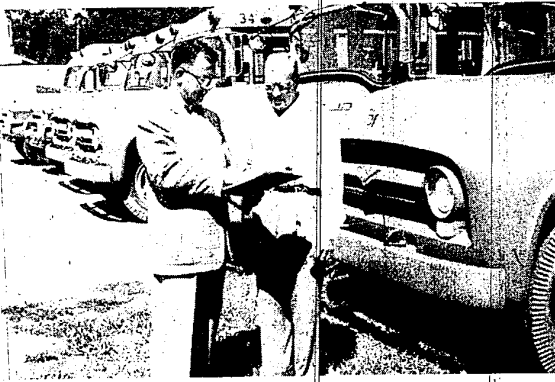
THE BIG TOPIC of discussion this week is back-to-school. For parents it means a last minute dash to get the younger generation groomed for the important day. For the small fry it means the end of another summer vacation and the beginning of a new routine. For the teachers and administrators it means a rest of a few days in preparation for the expected deluge of students. All in all it's a mighty busy and at times rather difficult period, but it has a way of smoothing out in a hurry. This is more than just a happen chance, it is proof of the many weeks and months that have been spent in the planning of the new school year.

BEGINNING THIS SATURDAY

The Farmington Community House Association launches its First Annual Membership Drive, with a goal of 1,000 members by September 15. This may appear like a mighty ambitious program, but it is essential nonetheless if a Community House is to become a reality. For many years the citizens of Farmington have been talking about the need for such facilities, but little has been done about it, until now. Thanks to a community-wide organization of civic-minded individuals, definite plans are being laid to take shape, and you are included in those plans. In fact, without you there can be no Farmington. So, resolve now to become a member of this new civic organization and take your place in building a Community House which Farmington so badly needs.

ANOTHER LABOR DAY WEEK END

is coming up. It undoubtedly means many things to many people, but foremost it means a last fling before summer fades over the horizon. To some it will truly be the last fling. Traffic safety experts are predicting that hundreds of Americans will never live off the Tuesday, September 4. Don't let this happen to you! Every effort is being made to insure your safety on the road. . . but the final answer rests with you. All the safety devices, the warnings and the patrolling will be there to go along with you, but it is up to you to take your life and the life of your family in your hands. It's the best insurance in the world!



THESE NEW school buses, delivered recently to the Farmington Public Schools, have been checked over carefully and assigned to regular runs. Shown running over a check list on the right are Assistant Superintendent James Read, left, and John Greeschover, bus supervisor, right. The nine additional buses will boost to 32 the total number of buses in regular service on runs throughout the School District. All buses have been checked over and put in top running order for the opening of classes in the various schools next Thursday, September 5. Bus run schedules have been completed.

Community House Question Original Plan For New Association Opens Grade School At William Grace Site Membership Drive

Subdivision Restrictions May Necessitate Modifications, Reduction In Size Of Unit

A complication in the proposed construction of a conventional type of elementary school at the William Grace School site was presented to the Farmington School Board at its regular meeting Monday night.

Superintendent E. E. Dunckel informed the Board that he was led to understand that the subdivision restrictions would prevent the erection of the previously approved ten classrooms, kindergarten room and multi-purpose room unit on that site.

Schedule Travel Series On Sunday

Plans for the 1956-57 World Travel and Adventure Series sponsored annually by the Farmington Kiwanis Club, were announced this week by Clifford B. Morehead, chairman of the program.

Morehead emphasized that this year's programs will be held on Sunday afternoons instead of the previous Saturdays during the school year. The chairman stated that during the past year, when the series was held on Saturdays, it was found that some of the younger children had difficulty staying awake because of the late hour. It is felt that the Sunday afternoon scheduling will be of more benefit to move people in the community.

The first presentation of the 1956-57 Series will be held on Sunday, October 14, at 4:00 p.m. It will feature the well-known team of Frederick and Sylvia Christian, who have proven to be a favorite with Farmington audiences in the past. Chairman Morehead stated that several new features will be added to this year's series, and he hopes that the 1956-57 season will be the best yet for local audiences.

Information on season tickets as well as Travelogue will be announced in the near future.

Police Set For Labor Day Traffic

Farmington City and Township Police, along with State Troopers, National Guardsmen and other law enforcement agencies, are bracing themselves for the final long week of the 1956 summer season.

According to City Police Chief Joseph DeVriendt and Township Police Chief Irving Yakes, all officers will be subject to call during the coming Labor Day Week. Regular work schedules will be maintained during the four-day holiday, but an officers' week end will be observed on Tuesday, September 4. Plans are being completed for extra heavy road patrolling throughout the City and Township area during the week end.

Both Police Chiefs emphasized that the volume of traffic will depend to a large extent on the kind of weather during the holiday period. DeVriendt stated that the traffic light in the center of the City business district, Grand River and Farmington Road, will be available in case of emergency. Plans are being completed for extra heavy road patrolling throughout the City and Township area during the week end.

The local police will be reinforced by State Police, Sheriff's

Eight Injured In Two Auto Crashes Sunday

Accidents Occur Less Than Half-Hour Apart

Five persons were injured about 6:25 p.m. Sunday in a two-car auto accident on Eight Mile at Hildebrand Road and three others were hurt in a three-car smash-up less than a half hour earlier on Middlebelt Road about 150 yards north of Astor Road.

The crash on Eight Mile occurred when George T. Crook of 37494 US-16 Cut-Off, Farmington, pulling a house trailer behind his car, entered the highway from Hildebrand Road. Another auto, operated by Robert E. Lafave of Detroit, was unable to stop in time and struck the side of the trailer.

Injured in the crash were: Marilyn Lafave, 8, head injuries; Candace Lafave, 9, bruises; Adeline Lafave, back injuries; Thomas Lafave, injured left arm and neck; and Robert Lafave, back injuries. All were taken to Redford Receiving Hospital for treatment.

The crash on Middlebelt, about 6:00 a.m. occurred when Edward J. Wagoner of Ferndale, while attempting to make a U-turn on the main highway, was struck by the side of the Wagoner car and struck a third vehicle being driven by Ronald E. McKenzie of 24025 Middlebelt Road.

Injured were Paul Porch III, 7, sprained neck; Freda Wagoner, 47, bruises about the head and neck; and Anita Quirk, 50, Detroit, cuts on right side of head and shoulder. All three were taken to Pontiac General Hospital for treatment.

Gerald Gilbert of Ekston, Michigan, suffered lacerations about the forehead about 7 a.m. Monday in a two-car collision at the intersection of Orchard Lake and Twelve Mile Roads. The crash occurred when a car operated by Robert Sherman of Roseville allegedly went through the red traffic light on Twelve Mile and struck the side of the Gilbert auto.

Catholic School To Open Sept. 6

Classes will get under way at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic School on Thursday morning, September 6, with a record enrollment of 1,120 youngsters in grades one through 11.

A total of 918 youngsters have been enrolled in the elementary and junior high grades and the remaining 212 students in the three high school grades. Instructions for these Catholic youngsters will be provided by 16 Sisters, regularly assigned to the Our Lady of Sorrows School and by five lay teachers.

City Paving Bids Due Tuesday

Sealed bids for the paving of Lila and a portion of Violet Streets in the Floral Park section of the City will be opened at 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 4, at the Municipal Building, officials announced this week.

Earl Scherffus, City Manager, reports that a number of inquiries have been received regarding plans and specifications for the project. The City Manager added that every effort is being made to let the contracts as soon as possible in order to complete the paving before cold weather.

The application for sale of the \$80,000 bond issue was filed with the Municipal Finance Commission on Tuesday. Permission must be secured from the Commission before the bond issue can be advertised and sold. It is hoped that the Commission will take early action on the City's application.

In the meantime, the construction contracts can be let subject to the sale of the bond issue. However, actual work can not be started until the bond issue can be placed in the hands of the City Treasurer. It is anticipated that negotiations can be completed and construction work started in time to complete the project this fall.

Farmington And Clarenceville Plan For 7,500 Students On Opening Day

Schools of the Farmington and Clarenceville Districts will officially open their 1956-57 year next Thursday, September 6, with an estimated record enrollment of 7,500 students.

Farmington school officials estimate that approximately 5,300 boys and girls will be enrolled during the opening week. This represents an approximate 20% increase over the same period a year ago. Officials of the Clarenceville District estimate that about 2,200 students will be enrolled during the opening week, which is approximately 6% more than the same period in 1955.

City To Lift Water Use Restrictions This Saturday

Officials Thank Citizens For Fine Cooperation

Restrictions on the use of outside water in the City of Farmington will be lifted as of Saturday, September 1, according to a joint statement issued Tuesday by Mayor Robert Lindbergh and City Manager Earl Scherffus.

The lifting of the restrictions marks the close of a controlled water use period which began on June 25. Both officials expressed sincere appreciation to the citizens of the City for their fine cooperation in observing the restrictions. Scherffus stated that in spite of repeated surveys, not a single violation was reported. As a result of this assistance, the City of Farmington was able to maintain adequate water pressure throughout the summer months, Scherffus added.

CITY OFFICIALS re-emphasized that the present water supply is adequate to take care of existing needs. They pointed out that the restrictions were necessary primarily because of limited water pressure and the resulting difficulty of maintaining pressure during peak demand periods. It is anticipated that with the coming of fall weather, these peak loads will taper off.

Township Seeks Water Meeting

Township officials reported Tuesday that efforts are now under way to arrange a joint meeting with officials of the City of Farmington and the Township of Southfield for the purpose of discussing the possibility of formation of a Water Authority.

Albert Gain, Township Supervisor, stated that contacts have been made with both the City of Farmington and Southfield. It is anticipated that a joint meeting will be held within the next two weeks. The session is being called to explore the possibility of establishing an Authority to facilitate the securing of water for portions of Farmington and Southfield Townships as well as the City of Farmington.

DEADLINE ON CITY TAX PAYMENTS SET FOR FRIDAY

City property owners are being reminded this week that the Annual Summer Tax Statement must be paid before 6:00 p.m. Friday, August 31, to avoid penalties.

As of Monday, approximately 64% of the total statement had been paid, Mrs. Kathryn Cotter, City Treasurer, announced. This represents \$77,528.38 out of a total bill of \$120,934.18. It is anticipated that collections will increase considerably during the next few days.

Taxes paid after September 1 are subject to a 2% penalty charge. The penalty increases to 4% on statements paid after November 1. Beginning March 1, 1957, all unpaid statements must be taken to the Oakland County Treasurer's Office in Pontiac.

List Bus Routes

The last of a series of detailed school bus routes and schedules appears on Page 3C of this week's issue of The Farmington Enterprise. The information is presented through the cooperation of the Farmington and Clarenceville School Districts.

The first of the series appeared in last week's issue of The Enterprise. Because of the large number of routes, it was necessary to publish the information as a series. Copies of the August 23 issue are available at The Enterprise office. We suggest that parents get the schedules from the publisher so that they will have them available for reference during the first few days of school.

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THE FIRST STRIP of paving to be constructed on the new Farmington-Bright Expressway was poured last week on the right-of-way northwest of the intersection of Grand River and Halsted Road. This is the initial section of the new limited-access highway which will extend west from Halsted Road to Kent Lake, bypassing Novi and New Hudson. The Expressway to the east will follow immediately south of and parallel to the existing Grand River Cut-Off.