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CLOSING REPORT PLACES UNITED FUND TOTAL OVER 76% MARK

Expect Call-Backs And Late Reports To Boost Present \$21,471 Figure

The last formal report of the Farmington Area United Fund and Community Chest, issued Monday, places the total collection of cash and pledges for the 1956 campaign over the \$21,000 mark.

Roger Walker, campaign chairman, announced that the actual total collected to date is \$21,471. The chairman added that call backs in the commercial and industrial sections as well as late reports from scattered residential areas is expected to boost the final total to approximately \$22,000. The latest report represents about 76 per cent of the \$28,000 quota set for the 1956 campaign.

Eight Injured In Five Area Auto Accidents

Four Injured In Two Crashes Early Sunday

Eight persons were injured during the past week in five separate auto accidents in the city and township of Farmington.

Four of the eight were injured in two separate crashes in the southeast section of the township early Sunday morning.

The first occurred on Grand River near Waldron around 12:30 a.m. when James Trent of Livonia, Michigan, apparently falling asleep at the wheel of his car, crashed into a tree. Trent, 31, suffered lacerations and bruises and Ray Turnbull, 18, also of Livonia, a knee injury.

The second accident occurred on Eight Mile Road near Brentwood around 2:50 a.m. Delbert Wallace of Livonia, apparently falling asleep at the wheel of his car, crashed into an oncoming vehicle operated by John Roemicke, also of Livonia.

George Johnston, a passenger in the Wallace auto, suffered head injuries and Patricia Roemicke, in the second auto, lacerations and bruises.

Shortly after 10 o'clock Saturday evening, James B. F. Davis, 15, of 2922 Wellington Road, Farmington, was injured when he lost control of his auto on Ten Mile near Inkster and ran into a ditch. The auto went into a skid after he applied his brakes to avoid hitting

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Plan To Adjust Parking Lot Fees

A re-examination of the meter set up in the city-owned parking lot is now underway, Earl Scherffus, City Manager, announced this week in an effort to encourage greater use of the facilities.

The lot, located south of Grand River and west of Precise Tool Company, has been almost barren of use since the meters were installed late last week. Scherffus stated that one of the difficulties seems to be the present rate which has been set for the all-day meters.

It was originally planned that the extreme west end of meters would be set to provide 10 hours of parking for 25c. However, because of delays in converting the meters, it was decided to install the units to provide 10 hours of parking for 50c.

Scherffus stated that in view of the lack of use during the past several days, it appears that the meters will have to be converted to the original fee schedule.

Builders Display Interest In Sewer

The future success of the proposed Farmington Sewer Project seems a little closer to reality this week as the result of a meeting of subdividers and builders held Thursday afternoon at the city hall.

Following a detailed discussion of the financing plan presented by Max Sheldon, coordinator for the project, the meeting resulted in the selection of a committee to explore the matter more fully. A second plan was also proposed and will be included in the committee's report.

Several of the 25 subdividers and builders present at the meeting stated that they were very much interested in the project and that it could be completed within two years. According to Sheldon's plan, the subdividers and builders would contribute approximately \$1,200,000 for the project. The balance would be raised by Farmington and West Bloomfield Townships through a bond issue.

The proposed area to be served would include the district bounded by Eight Mile on the south, Inkster Road on the east, Sixteen Mile Road on the north, and the Grand River on the west. Sheldon emphasized that the cost estimates are preliminary and cover only the main trunk line. The interceptor would be completed by December 15, 1957. The cost of the project can be estimated in the immediate future.

Floyd Cairns, Farmington Township clerk, and Hiland Thatcher, supervisor of West Bloomfield Township, are members of the group that they would cooperate in every way to get the project underway.

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NEWLY ELECTED president of the Farmington Township Civic Association, George Steinberger, (left), receiving the president's gavel from retiring president Arthur Bassett. Steinberger and other officers of the civic association for the coming year were elected at a meeting held last Thursday evening at the West Bloomfield Township Hall.

Farmington Included In Application For Increase Of Telephone Rates

Michigan Bell Cites Growth Of Local Area In Request To Public Service Commission

The Michigan Bell Telephone Company has filed a petition with the Public Service Commission for an intra-state rate increase calling for a five per cent increase in company revenues.

Maurer stated that the increase "is needed to cover two upward price adjustments for company employees and other increased costs. The pay adjustments were necessary to keep wages of our employees in line with those paid by outside industry so that we can continue to attract and keep the type of employees required to furnish good service," Maurer added.

APPROVE TIEING-IN OF SCHOOL SEWERS IN KENDALLWOOD

Approval has been granted by the State for tieing-in both the new Junior High School and new elementary school to be constructed in the Kendallwood area to the Kendallwood sewer system, Superintendent O. E. Duncel disclosed Monday.

Permission for connecting the school's sewer lines with the subdivision's sewer system was granted. Duncel stated, following conferences with State officials in Lansing last week.

Set Tentative Date Of Water Meeting

A special meeting of the Farmington Water Board has been tentatively set for Friday, November 23, to discuss plans and cost estimates on the proposed Township water system.

Farmington Township Clerk, Albert Ginn, stated that the date was tentatively set by Albert Ginn, Township Supervisor, prior to his leaving for Farmington, Mich., on Wednesday. Ginn is scheduled to return on Wednesday and will be present at the special meeting. Ginn stated that he did not know whether the meeting would be held in the afternoon or evening. He suggested that residents interested in the water plans contact the Township office Friday morning to secure details on the meeting.

Students Elected To City Positions

Members of the Farmington High senior class will take over the reins of governing the City of Farmington next Monday, November 26, as part of the second annual Student Government Day program.

Seniors were selected by the student body in a mock election Monday for all of the administrative and legislative positions in the city, except the mayor, who will be chosen from one of five candidates elected by the council. Elected to the council were Bob Arrington, Jane Boyce, John Cook, Dick Hoffman and Don Pemberton.

Students elected to the other governmental positions were: Fred Pepper, city manager; Lindell Ross, assistant manager; Fred Pepp, city engineer; Linda Chambers, treasurer and clerk; John Strickland, superintendent of public works; Jerry Stainbrook, chief of police; Jerry Forman, city clerk; Connelly, city attorney, and Steve McCane, municipal judge.

City Council Adopts New Parking Limits Adjacent To Commercial Area

Approve Resolution Setting Up Regulations In Northeast Section Of Warner Farms

The Farmington City Council, at its regular meeting Monday evening, approved by resolution a series of new parking regulations in the northeast section of the Warner Farm subdivision. The resolution provides for a no parking zone on both sides of Slocum for a distance of 50 feet west of Mayfield. It also establishes a two-hour parking zone on both sides of Slocum from the no parking area west to Frederick and for a distance of 200 feet south of Slocum on Mayfield, Manning and Frederick. The new parking regulations will take effect following publication and upon erection of the proper signs.

Study Formation Of City-Township Recreation Dept.

Discuss Plan At Joint Meeting Of Officials

The possible formation of the Farmington area recreation department under the organization of the City and Township government was discussed at a joint meeting of officials Wednesday evening at the Municipal Building.

The meeting was called by Earl Scherffus, City Manager, at the request of the Farmington Area Recreation Commission. Representatives of the City, Township, School District and F.A.R.C. were present at the meeting. The Recreation Commission, in a letter to the City Council, had recommended that such a meeting be called to discuss the possibility of the City and Township assuming the responsibility for the recreation program.

CITY ZONING BOARD HEARING EXPECTED TO ATTRACT CROWD

A large turnout of property owners is expected at the public hearing of the City Zoning Board. The hearing will be held Monday evening for the purpose of discussing the proposed granting of an exception or variance in zoning on four lots at the southwest corner of Alta Loma Drive and Farmington Road.

The hearing has been requested to consider the granting of a variance on lots 24-27 of the Assessor's Hattons Gardens Subdivision to provide for the construction of a gas station at the intersection. The property faces onto Farmington Road and is immediately south of Alta Loma. It is zoned as Residential One at the present time.

"Komet" Blocks Robbery Attempt

"Komet", a Doberman Pinscher belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Owen, is a hero this week which he is aware of it or not.

The act of a robbery took place Saturday night at the Owen Sporting Goods Store, 2904 Grand River. According to Mrs. Owen someone attempted to break through a huge rock through the glass door at the front of the building. Apparently that is all the thief got, thanks to "Komet".

AROUND THE BLOCK

ANOTHER OUTBREAK of the costly and embarrassing "trick" of ordering items of merchandise to be delivered to the home of some unsuspecting person seems to be on the rampage again. The trick is as follows: an unknown person fills a stack of lumber to be delivered to a specific address. It is easy to imagine the disgust and embarrassment that greets the driver when he finds the property owner when the materials are delivered to the front door. The principal target of activity seems to be centered along Fendt Road, as in the past. It is difficult to understand what delight this person gets out of pulling such a "trick", but as far as the people along Fendt Road are concerned it has gone far enough.

A LIFE-SIZED PICTURE of your lungs would never win a prize in a photo contest, but it might save you months and even years of pain and suffering in a tuberculosis sanitarium. That's why the current work of the Moberly X-Ray Unit in the Farmington Community is so important to you. Are you willing to lose a few minutes to save months, maybe even your life? Remember the X-Ray Unit will be at the Wheaton Street Fire Station on Monday, November 20 and at the Farmington Town Hall on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, November 27, 28 and 29. It takes only a few minutes and it's free to everyone over 15 years of age. What more could you ask for? Don't take a chance — take the nearest route to the X-Ray Unit and be sure!

DEER SEASON IS ON and if you doubt it, just wander into the backroom of Conroy's Market and have a look for yourself. We have just one suggestion, don't go in at once and stay clear of the freezer as they are being worked on. It's hard to tell how much will be stacked up by the time we get this column to press. We don't know whether this is a record or not, but it's an awful lot of venison no matter how you slice it.