

OUTSTANDING FLOAT in the North Farmington High homecoming parade is this one exhorting the Raiders to knock the opposition dead. North Farmington blasted Oak Park to continue its undefeated string. The headstones on the float represent the "dead" victims of the Raiders thus far.

LWV Hears Speaker

Supervisor of the Oakland County Bureau of Social Aid, Miss Ora Hinkley, will be the guest speaker for the Provisional League of Women Voters of Farmington on Tuesday evening October 27th.

Miss Hinkley will discuss the Public Welfare System and its method of operation in Michigan. Her most effective service and vast experience in the field of social work in Oakland County should provide an interesting program on the much discussed subject of Welfare.

The meeting is open to the public and will be held Tuesday, October 27th, at 8 p.m. First Farmington Savings and Loan Bldg., 22725 Orchard Lake Rd. Interested citizens may receive further information by calling Mrs. Warren Messer, 474-1874.

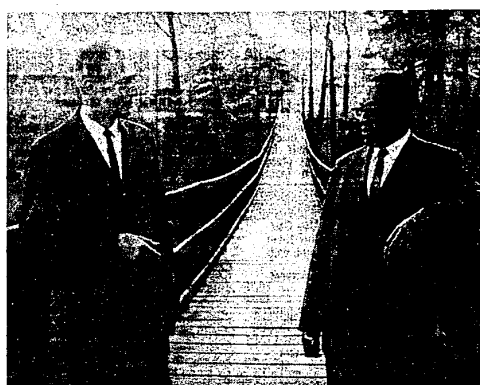
The League of Women Voters of West Bloomfield will be holding a Candidates Meeting October 23rd, 8 p.m. at the West Bloomfield Township Library,

5030 Orchard Lake Rd. Candidates have been invited to speak from the three districts. 19th Congressional District which includes the city and township of Farmington, 18th State Senatorial District and the 64th State Representative District.

The public is cordially invited to attend and meet the speakers.

Candidates to Debate

The St. Francis Council #4401, Knights of Columbus, will present a debate between the Republican and Democrat candidates for Congress from the 18th district at their meeting October 21. The debate will begin at 9 p.m. at the Council Hall, 21800 Middlebelt Road. The candidates are: Richard Kuhn, Republican; and Billy Farmum, Democrat.



CLINICAL Psychologist Chris Larssen (left) discusses the troubled youth of Boys' Republic with Thomas Hughes, the institute's Director of Public Services.

Boy's Republic Helps Youth

At a time when the emotional stability and moral character of American youth is being viewed with growing alarm, Boys Republic in Farmington Township is helping many troubled boys grow into well-adjusted and constructive adults.

Boys Republic is a home and school for troubled boys. Its staff consists of psychologists and social workers—no full-time staff doctors or psychiatrists. At present, therefore, it is unable to deal with extremely disturbed youngsters.

In this respect, it differs from Northville's Hawthorn Center. But the two institutions complement each other. Boys Republic is able to deal successfully with severe academic problems from the fifth grade on; and Hawthorn has sent many of its patients to school at Boys Republic from the fifth grade on.

Boys Republic provides schooling through the 12th grade. But its science facilities are limited. Therefore, it encourages its most gifted students—those who are stable enough to take the 12th grade elsewhere. Boys are not accepted at Boys Republic unless they are of at least normal intelligence.

These limitations are due to no spiritual flintiness on the part of the institution. They are enforced by budgetary limitations. Thomas E. Hughes, Director of Professional Services at the Republic, regards it as ironic that money for highway provisions, Hughes take a refreshingly bright view of the world around him.

A Negro, directing a bi-racial problem-school in the middle of an upper-middle class community, Hughes has nothing but praise for the people of Farmington and Farmington Township. Asked what more these people can do to help, he answers: "Nothing. They are already cooperating with us perfectly."

The young men of Boys Republic attend many of the churches in the area. In the past, many of the boys who had no outside funds, were given jobs nearby. The local Jaycees have volunteered to act as social workers. The Lions Club takes care of the optical needs of the students. Numerous other community groups also make important contributions.

Boys Republic is a pioneer effort. Founded in 1907, it was the first institution of its kind this side of the Appalachians. It occupied 85 acres, near the street from its present location, at 22350 Inkster. Now it covers 88 acres with well-kept lawns, beautiful maples, pretty oaks, and an acre of pines. Most of its funds come from

the Torch Drive. However, there have been other contributors. For instance, a ladies auxiliary recently contributed money for new drapes and bed-spreads.

Right now, there are 75 pupils in the Republic. They are housed in three buildings called cottages. There are 25 boys assigned to each cottage. Each has its own dining room; since many of the boys get quite excited around food, having just one big mess hall for these boys would be too disturbing an atmosphere.

The most popular spot on the campus is the Cafeteria, which is the equivalent of an Army PX. The prices are even lower than at a PX. Candy bars, for instance, cost one cent.

The athletic facilities are excellent. There is a modern field-house and an outdoor swimming pool.

There is a regular movie program. Surprisingly, these insecure kids like horror movies the best. But they do get frightened and stick close to the counselors when these films are shown. The day this reporter was there, the movie was "Snake Woman."

Water Saved

Prompt action by the Farmington Township Police and the Oakland County Department of Public Works saved Township residents from facing waterless days.

Len Kopicko of Hawthorn Road spotted water slowly seeping into ditches on October 16. He remembered warning signs before the three waterless days suffered by the area residents during the last Christmas holidays. When this in mind he called the Township Police who examined the seepage and contacted the Oakland County Department of Public Works.

The main was repaired that same night and by dawn all traps of the crew had disappeared. Area residents were grateful for such prompt action as they said after the previous experience that if life in an atomic shelter was anything like the three days they had undergone they would choose instant extermination.

Farmingtonites To Sing in Choir

David Kelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kelly of Farmington, will sing a solo part in one of the choral anthems, during an evening of hymn singing presented by the Methodist Men's Clubs of Detroit, on Sunday, Oct. 25, at 7 p.m. The affair will be held at the First Methodist Church, 1589 W. Maple, Birmingham.

Kelly, a graduate of Farmington High, is a member of the choir of the First Methodist Church of Farmington. He is one of several members of that choir who will be singing in the Birmingham concert.

There will be no admission, but a free-will offering will be taken.

Harry Wiggle Aids Retarded

Harry Wiggle, of Farmington, was recently named President of the Howell Parents Association for Retarded Children. The next meeting of the group will be held at the Hospital in Howell, on Nov. 8. It will include a film entitled "Wings to Hawaii."

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