

## Worker Number Under Average

Municipal workers in Farmington number quite a little under the national average. City Manager Earl Scherffus told the Farmington city council last week.

In the public works department (water and sewer) the national average for cities over 5,000 population is 3 per 1,000 population. This would give Farmington 18 such employees, but there are only eight.

There is a total of 37 Farmington city employees in every department. Nationally the average for cities from 5,000 to 10,000 population is 58 to 60 employees.

## Want Royal Oak As County Seat

A request has been made by Royal Oak to the Oakland County Board of Supervisors asking that a special election be held on the question of moving the County seat from Pontiac to Royal Oak.

The request was turned over by the Board of Supervisors to its County Building Committee.

The Royal Oak City Commission also wants funds freed so that a new courthouse can be built. At the present time \$1,400,000 County Courthouse project is tied up by a Circuit Court ruling saying that the County acted illegally in stockpiling this sum. The matter has since been appealed to the Michigan Supreme Court.

The supervisors had planned to build the courthouse at the County Service Center on Telegraph. The present courthouse site is in downtown Pontiac.

## Propose New Highway West in Township Connecting Northwestern to Expressway

Farmington Township may end up with a new east-west highway on or about 11 Mile Road, as a replacement for the old state highway plan recently sketched by Highway Commissioner John C. Mackie.

Emphasis, however, is being placed on a new U.S. 10 as an expressway from Detroit past Pontiac to Flint.

THE NORTHWESTERN Highway extension to Farmington is not exactly abandoned, but the announced intention now is to use much of the \$25 million in bonds already sold for the project to improve Northwestern expressway standards from the present terminus of the Lodge expressway northwest to Telegraph, plus a connection with the Brighton-Farmington expressway.

This connecting link would run from just south of Telegraph westward in the vicinity of 11 Mile, and probably connect with the expressway at about Haggerty Road a bit farther west.

IN THE FUTURE tentative plans, mentioned some time ago in the outline of a second five-year plan, are for a north-south highway, probably at Haggerty Road, possibly on Halsted, leading north to the Mackinac bridge.

This may be the reason the highway commission now plans the connection along 11 Mile Road.

In the past, however, there have been announced highway plans with changing viewpoints. Commissioner Mackie recently stated that so far as he is concerned the "U" that that squiggly line would be the first to get off "H" does not apply to state highway construction.

THE NEW U.S. 10 project is favored, said Mackie, because it would cost fewer state dollars, would cost drivers, and connect more cities than Northwestern Highway.

Saying the new U.S. 10 project would fit better into the proposed new arterial trunkline system covering the entire state, Mackie made these points:

- 1 - The Hastings-Oakland route would serve more communities and is qualified for 50 per cent federal aid. The Northwestern extension would not serve any major Oakland County cities.
- 2 - Projected traffic volumes along the Hastings-Oakland extension would have an average daily traffic potential in 1977 of 160,000 vehicles compared to a peak of 200,000 for the Northwestern extension.
- 3 - The Northwestern extension to Pontiac would cost over \$40,000,000 and would have to be built almost entirely with state funds. Unless our entire state federal primary allocation for the next two years is used on a 50-50 matching basis.
- 4 - He does not intend to abandon the Northwestern extension, and will use \$25,000,000 in bonds already sold for the project as part of a plan to improve the Northwestern highway to expressway standards from the present terminus of the Lodge expressway northwest to Telegraph and a connection with the Brighton-Farmington expressway.
- 5 - To try and construct both the Hastings-Oakland extension and the Northwestern extension in the first five years "would deprive the state of a million dollars of a meaningful arterial highway program."
- 6 - Northwestern highway extension will not be sacrificed to enable construction of a proposed south toll highway.
- 7 - Departmental engineering studies on the Northwestern extension will be of a continuing value when the extension is finally constructed.
- 8 - Only \$25,000,000 of the \$25,000,000 Northwestern bond issue has been expended. \$22.9 million has been reinvested at a favorable rate of interest, and the remainder is cash on hand.

## Kiwanis Handle Polio Canisters

Distribution of March of Dimes canisters to business places in Farmington City and Township will be completed before the first of January by members of the Farmington Kiwanis Club, Mrs. Mel Stevens, area chairman, stated Monday.

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On Monday, December 23, Jimmy Conklin of Dohany Drive had a party in the basement recreation room to celebrate his ninth birthday. After a busy afternoon of games, refreshments were served, which included roasting hot dogs over the open fireplace, and the very important birthday cake.

## Grant Enlarged School Site Size

A request calling for a slight increase in the size of a parcel of land now under negotiations for purchase in Section 13 by the Farmington School Board for a new elementary school site was unanimously approved Monday night.

The property owners requested that the size of the parcel be increased slightly to eliminate the leaving of a small strip of land owned by them to the east. The parcel is 8.6 acres. The sale price for the land has been set at \$2,600 an acre.

Approval was also given by the School Board to an agreement drawn up by Robert Kelly, school attorney, spelling out conditions for a right-of-way across Trinity Episcopal Church property adjoining another elementary school site in Section 14. Kelly indicated that the agreement had been submitted to church officials for their consideration also but that no reply had as yet been received.

## Mayfair Co-Op Nursery Meeting Set for Jan. 6

A general meeting of the Mayfair Cooperative Nursery Group will be held Monday, January 6, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. Joyce Lint, chairman.

It will be a TV meeting as well. A talk will also be given by Mrs. Emma Shiefman.

## Special Feature Next Week Authority to Give Outlook for '58

Roger W. Babson's Business and Financial Forecast for 1958 will be carried in the next (January 2) edition of The Farmington Enterprise as has been the annual practice for the past several years.

A check of the Babson predictions made in his Business and Financial Forecast for 1957 proved 88 per cent correct. During the past 19 years his predictions have run no less than 76 per cent correct in all but one year. One year have been better than 80 per cent correct. His predictions for five of these 19 years ran over 90 percent correct.

Babson is an internationally known business commentator and investment adviser. An outstanding feature of his philosophy has been his lifelong insistence on the importance of both religion and advertising in business.

Born and reared in an old-fashioned atmosphere in a hard work and hustle on a farm in Gloucester, Mr. Babson went to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Upon graduating, he turned instinctively to finance and business activities in which his father was engaged.

His exertions, however, undermined his health; he contracted tuberculosis and he was sent West "as good as dead." It was while he was convalescing from this dread malady that he worked out some of the possibilities and problems of business forecasting. His columns on business are used by over 400 newspapers and his financial reports by 20,000 corporations and estates. His research work is carried on by a large staff of experts. Mr. Babson founded Babson In-

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## Browsing Through Farmington Hills

MRS. DAVID KRINGS GR. 4-9644

Home to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Himmeler of Dohany Drive, is Frank Nelson, as well as Berry Beals, son of Mr. and Mrs. Beals of Broadview, both from the University of Michigan. Also enjoying a vacation from study is Roy Doonan of Powers Road and Joseph Evangelista of Dohany Drive, who attend Lawrence Institute of Technology.

Karen Maneeck, Lynne Chamberlain, Michael Evangelista, all of Dohany Drive, and Jill Slingerland, Shirley McAdams, and Ray Arvidson, all of Glen Orchard Subdivision, were among the teenagers from this area, who attended the first dance held in the Gym of the new O.E. Dunkel Junior High School, last Wednesday afternoon.

Pack 110 of the Our Lady of Sorrows Cub Scouts had their annual Christmas party last Thursday evening. Bruce Johnson and Michael Blouin received their Bear badges and one year pins. Terry Burke was awarded a gold and silver arrow; and Michael Gregory received his two year pin, Bear badge and gold arrow. After exchanging presents, a movie was shown and refreshments served.

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Residents of the subdivision attending the Farmington Masonic installation dinner and dance on December 14 were Mr. and Mrs. William Carpenter and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Thomas. Both families also took their children, Sharon and Judy Thomas and Linda and Janet Carpenter, to the Masonic Christmas party held last Saturday in the Masonic Temple.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Hoeft, took their youngsters to the Knights of Columbus party, held Sunday, December 22nd, at Monahan Hall in Detroit.

Mrs. David Krings entertained 20 members of her circle from the Redford Avenue Presbyterian Church last Wednesday for luncheon, a Christmas program and gift exchange. Music and singing was furnished by Carol Robb and story-telling was done by Violet Jackson.

Whenever you hear the basic requirement of meat to have in the daily diet of an adult person, you probably hear it expressed in one of two ways. "You need more meat," or "You need more meat." Consumer Marketing Information Agency explain that one serving of meat means three ounces of cooked weight of meat. An average piece of meat will lose about one-fourth of its raw weight during cooking. So, in order to have three ounces of cooked meat, you need four ounces of raw meat.

I am a man of peace. God knows how I love peace. But I hope I shall never be such a coward as to mistake oppression for peace.

— Louis Kossuth



MRS. EDITH BELL

Mrs. Edith Bell, a former resident of Livonia, passed away on Sunday afternoon, December 22, at her home in Vienna Township near Gaylord, Michigan, following an extended illness.

Mrs. Bell was born in St. Louis, Mo. on March 13, 1898, she attended school in St. Louis but had spent most of her lifetime in Livonia before going to Gaylord eleven years ago.

Funeral services took place on Thursday at 2:00 p.m. from the Thayer Funeral Home with Rev. Walter E. Kellison of the Farmington Universalist Church officiating. Interment took place in the Highland Cemetery.

Surviving besides her husband, Edward Bell are two sisters Mrs. Millie Hubenschmidt of Livonia and Mrs. Gertrude Zavidel of St. Louis, Mo.

## Obituary

## Nine Evening

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Mrs. Patricia Nuttall; and upholstering, Mrs. Arno Whitbread.

REGISTRATION will be taken during the week of January 6 through 10 at the Board of Education offices from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. by messenger or in person. Registration may also be made by directing a letter to Mr. VanAmeyde at the Board of Education offices indicating the name of the course and enclosing the appropriate fee.

A special evening registration period has also been set up for Tuesday, January 7, at 8 p.m. at the Senior High school office.

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