

# Second Half 1958 News Hi-lites

# Public Letter Box

# Woodbine Sub. News

# Annual Baseball Meet Tuesday

(Continued from last week)

## July

Unable to get an attorney general's opinion within a long wait and having failed to receive an increase in the millage rate from the county allocation board, the Township Board has cut the current budget back \$5,825 to about the same figure as in last year.

Two municipal government committees have been formed by the township to make a fast, impartial survey of the effects of the proposed annexation of approximately eight square miles of the township to the City of Farmington.

By a slim 90 vote margin 2,368 voters turned out to approve a five mill (\$5 per \$1,000 equalized valuation) school operating tax levy for a five year period. This boosts the total school operating tax levy for 1959 to \$16.52 per \$1,000 equalized valuation.

Downtown Farmington will not again become a legal, healthy business area without enlarged parking areas and cooperation of private and municipal interest, planning consultants tell the City of Farmington planning commission.

Howard M. Warner, prominent Farmington planning

nessman and leader, dies.

Whether his Sunday traffic jam, when the expressway dumps more cars on Grand River than it can handle, should mean a parking ban on Grand River seven days a week has become a bitter issue. Fifty businessmen have filed a protest.

## August

Although Farmington City voters approved annexation of almost eight square miles of the township, voters in the affected area turned it down by almost a 5-1 margin.

Voters of the Village of Quakertown, however, overwhelmingly approved incorporation and elected a five-member charter commission.

The organization of a swimming club for Farmington area residents, to be known as the Kendallwood Swimming Club, has been announced.

The blocking of streets (Violet, Lilac and Hawthorne) at the northern limits of Farmington City in Floral Park subdivision is being challenged.

Considerably stricter dog ordinance passed by City of Farmington.

An estimated increase of over 800 students is expected in the Farmington public schools.

Petitions calling for stronger controls on the operation of gravel and dump pits in the township, opposing the 1 1/2 mile expressway and setting reduced speed limits throughout the township, are now being circulated by the League of Subdivision Associations.

## September

Signatures on petitions are needed badly if Detroit water is to be brought to the "dry areas" in the south and southwest portions of the township, officials report.

A citizens committee, known as Farmington Township Citizens Committee, Inc., has been formed to oppose the proposed incorporation of Farmington Woods.

Farmington City and Township have ranked among the top ten fastest growing communities in Oakland County during the past eight years, according to figures released by the Detroit Metropolitan Area Regional Planning Commission.

A start is being made on the City of Farmington's troublesome off-street parking problem was made possible Tuesday when the city purchased the John Lutz property east of Farmington Road across from Food Fair supermarket.

Effective immediately are new township regulations on disposal of rubbish and garbage. The regulations are specifically aimed at curbing illegal dumping of rubbish without a permit, costing \$100 annually, is prohibited.

## October

A total of 6,767 students are now enrolled in the Farmington School District. This is 647 more than a year ago.

A private meeting between city and township has been held to discuss the possibility of joining in a Water Authority to bring Detroit water to the entire area.

A formal debate on the Farmington Woods incorporation proposal has been set for October 27.

Formal dedication ceremonies for the new Farmington Post Office will be held Saturday, October 25. Considerable information on the Farmington Interceptor Sewer was given at a public meeting by state and county officials but only a small group turned out to listen.

Distribution of books from the Farmington Library will be halted at the end of this month in order to permit the library staff time to get work done for the opening of the new Farmington City and Township Library.

## November

Both proposals to incorporate two cities from within the township were badly beaten at an election on November 3. The Farmington Woods proposal was beaten by a 90 to 1,367 and the proposal to incorporate a city of Clarenceville, 1,061 to 342.

With a slow start underway and the city attorney's opinion giving little support to the city's right to barricade three streets at the north end of the city limits in Floral Park, the city council unanimously approved taking all three street barricades down.

An immediate program of action against ordinance violators in connection with excavations of sand and gravel and a dump has been undertaken by the Township Board.

A public hearing on the proposed 1 1/2 mile expressway has been set by the State Highway Dept. for November 20.

Work will be getting underway shortly on another new elementary school, the Longacre school, just west of Woodcroft subdivision. Construction bids were highly favorable.

The Farmington Falcons wound up the 1958 football season undefeated and untied champions. Farmington township is going to court to see if it can stop, at least in part, some sand and gravel pit operations.

A public hearing on petitions filed for the proposed Village of Woodcroft has been scheduled by the county boundaries committee of the Board of Supervisors for September 11.

Approximately 250 people were in attendance at a public hearing on the proposed 1 1/2 mile expressway and nearly all present were there to voice their opposition.

## December

Debt retirement charges for patrons of the Section 36 Water System were ended last week by action of the township board.

A proposed charter for the Village of Quakertown will be placed to a vote of residents on Feb. 16, 1959.

An open site for a fire station in the southwest portion of the township has been ordered purchased and a request made by the township planning board to have other sites in the township purchased.

## Public Letter Box

Letters submitted to The Editor for publication will be withheld upon request. Names will be withheld upon request. The column is for those of the writer and not for the editor. The editor reserves the right to edit letters for clarity and brevity. Maximum length is 1,000 words.

## Public Thank You

Dear Readers: I would like to at this time thank all the people who offered a helping hand when a helping hand was in need.

I would like to personally thank the Morgan family and the McKenies; also my wife and son and all the members of the Township Police Department who assisted us in our time of need.

Thank you — one and all. Tom O'Hara

## P.O. Suggestions

Dear Sir: We have a fine, up-to-date, efficient post office, now and tip our hat to the employees who helped the Christmas mail so beautifully.

However, we wonder if it wouldn't be better to have the regular partition in the lobby, and the usual post boxes with doors? That would eliminate the baggage-room appearance, afford more wall space, give more privacy to workers, and help the mail safer, would it not? Also, it would be convenient to have a parking lot on the west side of the building.

A Patron

## Obituaries

**Arthur R. Johnston** Arthur Ray Johnston passed away December 31 following an illness of several months in Bloomfield Hospital.

He was born August 26, 1884 in Fulton County, Ohio, the son of U.S. Senator John W. Johnston. He had resided in Farmington twenty-five years.

Mr. Johnston leaves three daughters and two sons: Virginia Johnston of California; Virgil Johnston of Eaton, New York; Mrs. Mildred Gaffney; Norman Johnston, both of Farmington; and Mrs. Ernestine and Grandchildren: eighteen grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren and two brothers.

Funeral services were held Monday at 10 a.m. at the Church of the Salem Evangelical and Reformed Church officiating. Interment was in Oakland Hills Memorial Cemetery, Novi.

**Mrs. M. Thompson** Mrs. Marguerite G. Thompson, 3245 Clarenceville, died Tuesday, January 4, at Veterans Hospital, Dearborn, following an illness of several months.

She was born November 1, 1888 in Elora, Ontario, Canada, the daughter of Charles and Rose (Halley) Clark and united in marriage to James Brown Thompson, M.D., August 25, 1918 who preceded her in death August 15, 1954.

Mrs. Thompson leaves a nephew, Richard Clark, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Hazel Clark of Galt, Ontario.

Mrs. Thompson served as a nurse in the United States Army during World War I.

A rosary service was recited at the Spencer J. Heene Funeral Home at 10:00 a.m. Thursday with Rev. Carl H. Schultz, of the Salem Evangelical and Reformed Church officiating.

**Walter A. Reynolds** Walter A. Reynolds of 3799 Woodcroft Rd. a Farmington Township, passed away on Monday, January 5.

Reynolds was born in Emmet, Michigan on June 8, 1882, the son of George E. and Emma Jane Adams. He had been a farmer in Caro, Michigan before coming to Farmington.

Funeral services will take place on Thursday, January 8, at 1:00 p.m. from the Thayer Funeral Home with Rev. Frank Cozad of the Orchard Hill Methodist Church officiating. Interment will take place in Glen Eden Memorial Cemetery.

Surviving besides Mrs. Reynolds are five sons, Daniel D. Ross, Ed and Mory of Farmington, Bruce of New Jersey and Tom, Calvert of Union Lake. He also leaves one daughter, Mrs. Eunice Heene of Alva, Okla. and one grandchild and one great-grandchild.

Michigan State University extension home economists suggest a way to "stretch" a pork loin to have a rib end and a cut in two, then have the remainder cut into chops. The chops can be wrapped in meal-size packages for storage in freezer or refrigerator.

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**LOIS HOELSCHER GR. 4-01460** The school kids and I have had a long vacation and now it's time to get back to the grind.

Joyce Tanssen was Godmother for her nephew Allan (Tom) Tanssen of Tom Tanssen's brother. The christening was a followed by dinner.

Connie and Jim Smith invited some friends in during the holidays to visit with his folks, Mary and Harold. He attends Houghton College of Mining and Engineering and when he left to spend his winter in 82 inches of snowing up there.

New Year's Eve was not too happy for Maureen and Morley Godley. They spent the day at a funeral for Maureen's mother. Several of Maureen's relatives, her brother and wife, and an aunt and two uncles from Alma, Michigan, came back to Godley's after the funeral and spent the night.

Nell and Bob Donovan had their annual New Year's Eve open house this year, and it lasted quite a bit longer than the holidays. Several of Maureen's relatives, her brother and wife, and an aunt and two uncles from Alma, Michigan, came back to Godley's after the funeral and spent the night.

Joey and Bill Gidday flew to Boston, where is Jessie's home city, for Christmas, and they had a wonderful time. Jessie has the cast off her leg now but she is still encumbered with the monstrous boot and arm cast she's been wearing for the last several months. But she is feeling much better and is in much better spirits since her visit home.

Elv Hilliard ran into some very bad luck the first day of the New Year. He was out helping push his car when he slipped and fell and fractured his knee cap. He will be laid up for a month.

Joyce Ann Bob Dingman and a house full over the holidays. Joyce's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hensell from Augusta, Michigan came to spend some time with the Dingmans.

There will be a meeting of the Woodbine Improvement Association coming up in the next week or so, and if you are at all interested in what's going on in your subdivision I'm sure you will want to come. So look for the notice which will tell you the date and place and join the rest of your neighbors.

There will be a meeting of the Cancer Pad sewing ladies' next week. It will be held on Tuesday, January 13, at 8 p.m. at the home of Mrs. B. H. Hill. If you have any white material please bring it along. The ladies will be sewing any time from 12:30 p.m. on.

Mr. Ferdinand Belle is in the hospital and has been since before Christmas. I understand she is quite ill and the doctor's don't know when she will be able to come home. Why not send a card?

Shop in Friendly Farmington!

## Annual Baseball Meet Tuesday

Parents of boys who will be playing on for the various League and Babe Ruth League baseball teams this coming summer are urged to attend the annual meeting of the Farmington Baseball for Boys organization next week.

The meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 13, starting Tuesday, January 13th at 8 p.m. It will be in the band room at the Farmington Senior High on Shilavasse Road between Orchard Lake and Power roads.

Election of officers for the 1959 season will be conducted. Preliminary plans for an even bigger and better program than last year will be outlined.

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ELECT

# CURT HALL

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# ALL Buses for Children Must Have Flashers

Admiral General Paul L. Adams has ruled that school buses used to transport school children, full time or part time, whether the school buses are publicly owned by the school district or privately owned, must be equipped with flasher lights in accordance with Section 882(e) of Michigan Vehicle Code.

Subsection (e) of Section 882 of the Michigan Vehicle Code reads as follows:

"Every school bus shall in addition to any other equipment required by law, be equipped with signal lamps mounted as high and widely spaced laterally as practicable which shall be capable of displaying to the front 2 alternately flashing red lights located at the same level and to the rear 2 alternately flashing red lights located at the same level. Said lights shall be no less than 6 inches in diameter and shall have sufficient intensity to be visible from a normal distance of 500 feet in normal sunlight and shall be actuated by the driver of said school bus whenever but only whenever such vehicle is stopped or is about to stop for the purpose of receiving or discharging school children."

Violation of this section is punishable as misdemeanor.

Section 57 of the Michigan Vehicle Code defines school bus as including privately owned as well as publicly owned buses used in the transportation of children to and from school. It contains the following proviso:

"This section shall not include buses operated by a municipally owned transportation system or by a common-carrier carrier certificate by the public service commission."

Three Registered As Pro Engineers

Three Farmington men were listed among the group of 599 newly registered professional engineers in Michigan by the State Board of Registration for Architects, Professional Engineers, Land Surveyors and Professional Geologists. Local men are Sam S. Begian, Albert A. Darlan and Clarence C. Schultz.

John Clappin Sells Insurance Phone GR. 4-3111

# REGISTRATION NOTICE

For GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION Monday, February 16, 1959

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Farmington, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that in conformity with the Michigan Election Law, the undersigned Clerk, will, upon every day, except Sunday and a legal holiday, the day of any regular or special election or primary election, receive for registration the name of any legal voter in said Township, City or Village not already registered who may APPLY TO ME PERSONALLY for such registration. Provided, however, that I can receive names for registration during the time intervening between the Thirtieth day before any regular, special or official primary election and the day of such election.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I WILL BE AT THE

Farmington Township Office 23715 Farmington Road ON January 19, 1959 - Last Day The Thirtieth day preceding said Election

As provided by Section 10, Chapter 1, Part 2 (e), Act No. 308, Public Acts of 1927, as amended, and Act No. 291, Public Acts of 1945 and Act No. 108, Public Acts of 1951. From 8 o'clock a.m. until 8 o'clock p.m. on each said day for the purpose of REVIEWING THE REGISTRATION OF ALL REGISTERING such of the qualified electors in said TOWNSHIP AS SHALL PROPERLY apply therefor.

The name of no person but an ACTUAL RESIDENT of the precinct at the time of registration, and entitled under the constitution, if remaining such resident, to vote at the next election, shall be entered in the registration book.

ELECTOR UNABLE TO MAKE PERSONAL APPLICATION, PROCEDURE

SEC. 16. Any elector who is unable to make personal application for registration because of physical infirmity or absence from the Township, City or Village in which his legal residence is located, may be registered prior to the close of registration before any election or primary election by securing from the Township, City or Village in which is located his legal residence, duplicate registration cards and executing in duplicate the registration affidavits before a notary public or other officer legally authorized to administer oaths and returning such registration cards to the Clerk of the Township, City or Village before the close of registration.

UNREGISTERED PERSONS NOT ENTITLED TO VOTE

SEC. 17. The inspectors of election at any election or primary election in this State, or in any District, County, Township, City or Village thereof, shall not receive the vote of any person whose name is not registered in the registration book of the precinct in which he offers to vote. (As provided under Act No. 109, Public Acts of 1951.)

(TRANSFER OF REGISTRATION) APPLICATION, TIME

SEC. 19. Any registered elector may upon change of residence within the Village or Township cause his registration to be transferred to his new address by sending the Clerk a signed request, stating his present address, the date he moved there, and the address of his new residence, and by applying in person for a transfer. The Clerk shall strike through the last address, ward and precinct number and record in duplicate registration cards, and shall place the original registration card in proper precinct file. Such transfers shall not be made within 30 days preceding any election or primary election, (unless such 30th day shall fall on a Saturday, Sunday or legal holiday in which event registration shall be made on the next full working day.) provided that no such transfer shall permit any person to vote in any Township, City or Village in which he had not resided 30 days next preceding any election or primary election.

(TRANSFER OF REGISTRATION ON ELECTION DAY)

SEC. 20. Any registered elector who has removed from one election precinct of a Township, City or Village to another election precinct in the same Township, City or Village shall have the right to make application to have his registration transferred on any election or primary election day by executing a request on his or her signature for such transfer and presenting the same to the election board in the precinct in which he is registered. Upon receiving such request the election board shall compare the registration record and if the signatures correspond and the inspector shall certify such request to the Clerk of the Township, City or Village who shall transfer such voter's registration in accordance with the application. When the name of any street in any Village or Township, City or Village Clerk to make the change to show the proper name of street in the registration record and it shall not be necessary for the elector to change his registration with respect thereto in order to be eligible to vote. When the resident house numbers of any section of a Township, City or Village have been changed such a change shall not affect the right of such voter to cast his vote. Corresponding changes in the registration records may be made by the Clerk or upon election day upon proper showing.

FLOYD A. CAIRNS, Township Clerk Jan. 4-15-1959