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## Continue Effort To Get Children Transported

Representatives for parents living on Botwick, Longwood and Stocker streets appeared before the Farmington Board of Education for a second time Monday night in a determined effort to get their children transported to the Gill elementary school.

These streets, located on the west side of Farmington Road just south of Westville, are all dead-end streets making it necessary for the youngsters to walk out to Farmington Road and then travel on the shoulder of this main roadway.

Until this year they were taken to school on a bus but under the newly adopted school transportation policy they are now required to walk. The parents contend that both Farmington and Nine Mile Roads are hazardous for children to walk along.

At the last School Board meeting, a committee was appointed to study conditions in this area and decide whether they were hazardous enough to warrant busing of the youngsters. Following investigation, it was the committee's feeling that they were not.

Monday night the citizens appeared with police claims to support their feeling that hazardous walking conditions do exist. They said that both the township police chief and a city policeman had agreed with them. The residents also reported that they had contact Sgt. Michael Sibel, safety officer with the state police, and that he had told them their youngsters were required by state law to walk against traffic. This means they would have to cross Farmington Road twice to get to the school, they emphasized.

It was pointed out in discussion that the additional children could be picked up at no added cost since the bus stops there to pick up some children now and that there is room on it for all the added youngsters. The Board agreed to have the committee take a second look at the situation.

## See 14 School Will Be Named Beechview

The new Section 14 elementary school will be called Beechview.

This name was selected in view of the fact that the school site is adjacent to one of the few good stands of beech trees remaining in the entire State of Michigan.

The action was taken at a short special session Tuesday night called to complete items on Monday night's regular meeting agenda.

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## Exalted Ruler William Everhart, left, Farmington Elks, is shown accepting the first 50-star flag ever flown over the Capitol building in Washington, D.C. from J. H. Cooper, Past District Grand Exalted Ruler, Royal Oak Elks No. 1523.

Cooper, acting for Congressman Bloomfield, made the presentation to the Farmington Elks during a special ceremony last week. The new flag is now flying over the Elks Lodge. Local Elks officers are shown in the background.

## Peanut Sale A Real Success

A "thank you" was extended Farmington area residents this week for their fine response to the Kiwanis Kids Day Peanut Sale held recently.

A total profit of \$362.00 was realized, it was reported. The money will be used to provide entertainment, programs and refreshments for children in hospitals throughout this area during those at Farmington Children's Hospital, a Kiwanis Club spokesman said. Special motion pictures will be shown youngsters as well as other forms of entertainment being provided.

Local Kiwanis Club members had a real treat at their regular Tuesday night meeting this week. Dr. Ronald Clark showed slides of recent vacation trip to the Virgin Islands and other points of interest in that vicinity.

## Present Data

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Teachers on her staff were also asked to be informed by parents about any teachers they felt were not cooperative.

During the course of the report a citizen in the audience raised the question as to whether there is any standardization for grading in all schools in the district.

Van Ameyde pointed out that the present system has a little different system of marking and that any standardization is almost impossible. But, he was quick to add that this marking difference is on an individual teacher basis and no pattern of different marking practices from one school to the next can be found. Sup. G. V. Harrison added that he agreed with Van Ameyde on this and was certain that statistics would show a pretty even balance from school to school, despite the marking differences among teachers.

More than half the difficulties of the world would be allayed or removed by the exhibition of good temper.

## Special Assessment

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iod, some agreed to make their total payment right away in order to provide the city with funds to start making property purchases.

The special assessment roll for Parking Area "A" were set up October and after a couple of hearings in November and a few minor changes in original arrangements, the plans finalized. On February 1 of this year the special assessment roll was confirmed with the stipulation that the funds be marked to purchase 155,000 square feet of land for free parking and improving it to obtain the necessary right-of-way for ingress and egress.

Between the time that the voluntary assessment plan was proposed and the time the assessment roll was actually confirmed, a group of local businessmen and property owners, having faith in the future of the downtown area, were in the process of forming a corporation to carry out the proposed commercial development. On February 12 the Farmington Center Corporation received its charter.

Around this same time the city began buying properties in the area to be developed. A sum of \$31,200 was authorized for the purchase of three lots.

At a special meeting on April 2, general agreement was reached between officials of the Farmington Center Corporation and city officials on arrangements relative to the commercial development. Agreed to was that the corporation purchase 77,000 square feet of land in the southeast quadrant for commercial buildings at a price of \$449 per square foot. It was further agreed that, in lieu of paying the \$425 per square foot, the corporation be given the privilege of exchanging on a square foot for square foot basis, any property it owned in Area "A" for property acquired by the city.

Another point agreed on was that the corporation have the right to proceed with the development in stages, but that the total commercial development be completed in a reasonable period of time.

In June of this year it was deemed necessary by the City Council to borrow \$90,000 just issue bonds in anticipation of collection on the special assessment roll in order to keep progressing on the Parking Area "A" redevelopment plan. On July 13 the city agreed to sell the Farmington Center Corporation all properties in the area under redevelopment proposed for commercial use and at the exact price that the city paid for it.

Ground leveling operations were now in full swing and old residential homes coming down. In mid-August construction was started on the new A & P Food Store and six smaller garage type stores. Construction work on these buildings is now moving ahead rapidly.

Nearly all of the old buildings in the area being developed are now being torn down. Some of the old buildings are being saved for use as parking areas.

## Attorney Will Check on Twp. Property Claim

Township attorney Joseph T. Brennan will dig back in the Township records before the next regular meeting of the Township Board, October 11 to determine whether the Township has any claim to property reportedly decided to it by the Henry Ford family in October, 1925.

Brennan's task was brought about when Clarenceville's superintendent of Schools Louis Schmitt along with the School Board appeared at Tuesday's meeting of the Township Board seeking a release from the Township of any claim on the 30 x 2450' parcel adjoining the Bedford Inn property on Colwell.

The Clarenceville attorney pointed out that the property was decided to the Township for use as a highway with a provision that, if the property were not used as such within 25 years it would revert back to the Ford estate.

He stated further that there is no record that the township ever accepted the deed and that there was no such recording with the Oakland County Register of Deeds.

AS THE SITUATION now stands, according to the attorney, the property belongs to the Ford estate, which is willing to donate the parcel to the Clarenceville School District. However, administrators of the estate have requested the Clarenceville School Board to clear any claim by Farmington Township before they will proceed to surrender the property.

The Farmington Township Board passed a motion to table the issue for two weeks pending the results of Brennan's findings. Trustee Wendell Brown abstained from the vote.

A large portion of human beings live not so much in themselves as in what they desire to be.

## PTA Open House

The Longacre PTA open house will be held Thursday, October 6 at 8 p.m. in the multi-purpose room of the school. The program will feature the introduction of teachers and a tour of the school.

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## Water for Twp.

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Plans on Grand River Township there are "no parking" restrictions on Grand River in the southeast section of the township. The civic association, working to get these restrictions eased, has had some success, it is reported.

Still another report will be made on the financial success of the horse show held recently under the joint sponsorship of the South Farmington Civic Association and the Clarenceville Methodist Church. Making the report will be Ralph Stuller.

Any other matters presented by members of the association will likewise be discussed.

## Seek Regulations For Street Vendors

Township Clerk Floyd Cairns has been designated by members of the Township Board to present a resolution to be prepared by the Township attorney to the Michigan Township Association asking legislation giving the township power to regulate its street vendors.

The action followed discussion of a letter submitted recently by Judge Robert H. Nelson citing the traffic dangers to children caused by street vendors. Township attorney Joseph T. Brennan commented that under the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code a vendor may sell his wares on streets if he does not display what he is selling.

## Twp. Agenda

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volunteered to prepare an agenda that he felt the other board members would find more useful.

The agenda for Tuesday's meeting read as follows: (1.) Call meeting to order; (2.) Roll Call; (3.) Minutes of Previous meeting; (4.) Approval of the agenda; (5.) Communications; (6.) Report of Attorney; (7.) Report of Planning Board; (8.) New Business; (9.) Question and answer period; and (10.) Adjourn.

The above agenda is shorter than the average for a regular township meeting as cited during the discussion, and Tuesday's meeting was the shortest in recent months.

I find the Great thing in this world is not so much where we stand, as in what direction we are moving.

Man lives by affirmation even more than he does by bread.

## Fete New Teachers At Dinner Tuesday

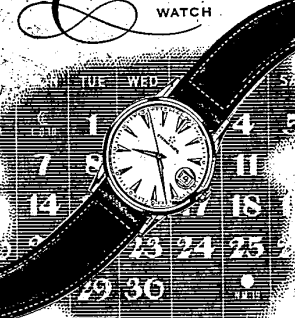
New teachers in the Farmington public school system were entertained by a short program including musical entertainment and group singing.

The dinner, given at the senior high school, was followed by a social hour in Friendly Farmington.

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