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In Our Opinion

Additional Services Always Cost Money

We are somewhat distressed at the apparent lack of interest on the part of the general citizenry of Farmington Township with regard to the important special election coming up on Monday.

Voters will be asked to approve a special \$2 per \$1,000 equalized valuation tax levy to permit expansion of a very much undermanned police department and to fund a fund to provide necessary equipment and buildings for the operation of a fire department that can provide adequate protection to its citizenry.

Approval of the proposition on Monday's ballot will take a fairly deep additional tax bite with local taxes to township property owners already running pretty high due to high school taxes. Of course, many township residents also have the added obligation of paying special assessments for adequate water and sewer facilities to think about and many more will have to be concerned about these additional expenses in the years to come.

But, the matter still remains plain and simple: that township citizens are presently paying very little for community services such as adequate police and fire protection and the like.

Many moved and are continuing to move to Farmington Township to get away from cliffed living and the added expenses that go along with such living. The one thing that can't be escaped from, however, is the need for good police and fire protection and particularly in a rapidly growing township such as ours.

Compared with just about every other community around us, Farmington Township is critically light on the amount it is spending for police and fire services. Cases of burglary, malicious destruction of property, vandalism and all other types of crime are on the increase in the township and the present staff is just too small to hope to reverse

Those Directly Affected Should Be Heard

Like most newsmen, we have always been opposed to decisions being made by governmental officials in private or "executive" sessions. We have, in fact, however, that some matters must be taken up privately because of their nature.

All local governing bodies have in the past and are continuing to hold "executive" sessions on occasion but we feel, for the most part, that they have not been abusing this right. Whenever we have felt that something was done or discussed privately by our governing boards which the general citizenry should know about, we have made our feelings known about it editorially. We will continue to do so in the future.

Last week heated discussions flared up at the regular city council meeting on the granting of a building permit to the Farmington Center Corp. to expand its shopping center to the extent it did. There was a legal question as to whether the corporation could add as much

Looking Back in the Files

5 Years Ago MAY 14, 1963	10 Years Ago MAY 13, 1958	15 Years Ago MAY 12, 1949
More Teachers The appointment of 18 more teachers to the Farmington School District staff for the 1963-64 school year was approved by the School Board at their regular meeting Monday night.	Record Budget The Farmington City Council staged its first public hearing on this week on the record \$238,324 budget proposed for the fiscal year 1954-55. The budget tops last year's by \$44,000.	Dedicate School Edward Cardinal Mowbray, of the Detroit Archdiocese, dedicated the new grade school and church of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish, Farmington, at special services held Sunday, May 8.
School Election There will be three candidates running for election to the two available seats on the Farmington School District Board of Education in the June 8 Election. Incumbents are Daniel C. Clifford, Treasurer, and Vernon P. Fisher, Trustee, are seeking re-election. The third candidate is William A. Tildes.	First Presbyterian Church of Farmington will be organized on Thursday evening, May 20, during the 160th General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church.	Approve Stop Light Approval has been granted by the State Highway Department for the installation of red and green regulated traffic light at the corner of Farmington Road and the Grand River Cut-off. It was announced this week by Kenneth Loomis, Farmington City Police Commissioner.
Harris Perfect Game Darryl Allen, a standout Little League and Babe Ruth League baseball player in the Farmington area in past years, was really showing the fruits of his earlier training last Friday when he pitched a perfect game in the Farmington High School baseball team as they blanked Port Huron 16-0 to chalk up their 17th straight victory in seven contests this year.	FIS Discontinued The Farmington High School football team, which had been playing the fine six-man football of see Falcon bunter Wayne Dryden. Dryden also drove in three runs in appearances at the plate to aid in the win.	Plan Fun Bowl The Third Annual Junior Chamber of Commerce "Fun Bowl" will be held this Friday, May 16, at Farmington Recreation Center. Kenneth Chappell, chairman of this year's event.
	Flinted For Dumping Robert J. Frederickson of Farmington area in past years, was really showing the fruits of his earlier training last Friday when he pitched a perfect game in the Farmington High School baseball team as they blanked Port Huron 16-0 to chalk up their 17th straight victory in seven contests this year.	The Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6033 of Farmington announced this week that Sally Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Smith, of 22834 Riverview Avenue, is the first place winner of this year's local VFW Essay Contest.

Judd Arnett Says Requiem for a Friend

(Editor's note: This article is reprinted from the May 6 issue of the Detroit Free Press.)

BY JUD ARNETT

A DEAR FRIEND died on Tuesday's early hours, slipping away in what must have been the stark loneliness of a hospital room after an illness of only three days, and in a strange way this will be a tribute to her.

Most of you never heard of Louise Grimm, for understandable reasons. On all of her life, which was about 50 years, give or take a few—how many women are about such matters who never flew around the world, or scaled a mountain, or splashed across a channel, or ran for the Senate or did anything else bordering on the sensational.

From the standpoint of headlines or notices in the society section, she was just a quiet girl, Louise Grimm was, principally the wife of Fred, the mother of two, a teacher in the Farmington school system. No wonder you didn't know her.

Still, it is a shame you didn't. For in the quiet way, in the way that life is best spent, for the benefit of all concerned, Louise Grimm was a VIP—Very Important Person. Perhaps if you hear a bit about her you will recognize some people you know and know more about her than you do.

Louise Grimm was a woman who was playing golf and now she died in a hospital, or call upon heaven to witness her travail, or threaten to quit the ally game for once and all. Perhaps she was more apt to find supreme joy in the sunshine, the fresh, clean air, the song of a bird.

... was important to the Society in which she lived because she never had a deliberate bad word to say about anything or anybody.

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Representation has never

PUBLIC LETTER BOX

Letters submitted to the Editor for publication must be signed. Names will be withheld upon request. Opinions expressed in this column are those of the writer and do not necessarily represent the policies of this newspaper. Maximum length is 1,000 words.

Tribute to Teacher

To the Editor:

Louise H. Grimm was a rare individual, a person who was always giving to her students, her colleagues, her many friends. Our present English program at the Farmington Junior High School should have been possible without her. She taught not because she had to, but because she wanted to. One might almost say she gave her life in the service of this community.

I think that Farmington would do well to name a school after her. A school is more than steel and brick; it is a living thing. I doubt that Louise Grimm would care much for any other sort of monument.

Sincerely,
Ronald S. Larcziere

Express Gratitude

To the Editor:

We wish to thank the officials of the City of Farmington, the business and professional people and the community at large for their wonderful support of the recent campaign to replace the ornate feeding trough the historical Quaker Cemetery on Gill Road in Farmington.

The success of this recent undertaking could not have been possible without the rapid cooperation of the following individuals in particular:

City Manager John Dinan; Ed Baldeen, the Downtown Farmington Center Corporation; The Pines Convalescent Home; Councilman Henry Forrest; Mrs. E. McCollie; The Quakers; the committee of Mrs. Blaine Ford; and Mr. Isley and Mr. Kiley of the Farmington Enterprise.

It might be added that anyone still wishing to contribute to the restoration fund of the Quaker Cemetery can still do so and their financial support would be greatly appreciated, since the committee has plans to restore some of the broken and deteriorated grave markers and erect an historical land marker.

Respectfully,
Robert Power
Chairman - Quaker Cemetery Committee



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In Michigan... beer goes with fun, with relaxation

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St. Police Post Plans May 19 Open House

Sgt. Adolph Ploehn, commanding officer of the Detroit post of the State Police, has issued a reminder that the open house will be held at the post Tuesday, May 19, Hospitality Day of Michigan Week.

Visiting hours will be from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

"Everyone is invited and we hope there will be a good turnout," Sgt. Ploehn said. "This is a special opportunity to see how a post operates and the services performed. Officers will act as guides and answer questions or supply any information desired."

In addition to the reception, there will be an exhibit. The post is located at Grand River and Seven Mile Rd., and is easily identified.

Similar programs are being held at all other posts.

Gas and Weight Taxes Split

The State Highway Department has started distributing the quarter Motor Vehicle Highway Fund collections to Michigan counties and incorporated cities and villages.

State Highway Commissioner John C. Mackie said net receipts of the Highway Fund during January, February and March of 1964, amounted to \$91,938,815, an increase of \$2,077,070 compared to the same period of 1963.

FARMINGTON received \$19,740 as its share of the gasoline and weight taxes.

The Village of Wood Creek Farms in Farmington Township received \$3,106 and Quakerstown Village in the township received \$2,322.

All state gasoline and diesel fuel taxes and license plate fees go to the Motor Vehicle Highway Fund.

After deduction of collection costs and the Waterways Commission's share, the money is distributed under provisions of state law which provide that 47 per cent goes to the State Highway Department for use on state highways, 35 per cent to the State's 83 counties for use on county roads, and 18 per cent to 519 incorporated cities and villages for their roads and streets.

Under this formula, the State Highway Department will receive \$42,211,243 as its share of the first quarter collections, while the counties will receive \$32,179,585 and the incorporated cities and villages will get \$16,548,987.

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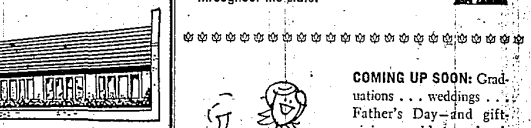
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More than 250 women bankers from all over Michigan are expected to attend the 10th annual Bank Women's Conference sponsored by the Michigan Bankers Association at Boyne Mountain Lodge Wednesday and Thursday, May 20-21.

Dorothy M. Smith, Farmington Office, National Bank of Detroit, is a member of the Bank Women's Committee and will introduce one of the speakers.

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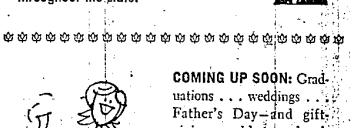
By HUGH BRONAUH, Mgr.



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