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Many Special Assessment Bills Delinquent

The failure of a substantial number of home and property owners in Farmington Township to get special assessment payments which they owe prior to the August 31 deadline without penalty date, is one of Township Treasurer Elise Avery's chief concerns presently.

She revealed this week that an exceptionally large number of special assessment improvements such as water and sewer facilities had just not come in well at all with their payments.

Those who owe for special assessment improvements who did not get their payments in by Sept. 1 will now have the amount owed for the special assessment improvements added to their regular tax bill, Mrs. Avery pointed out.

In commenting on the rather poor record of getting special assessment payments in on time in the township, Mrs. Avery stated that a lot of trouble is being experienced in finding the official owners of property in a number of subdivisions and areas.

It seems that many people are selling their homes or property to others and not seeing to it that the names of the new property owners are properly recorded at the treasurer's office, she said.

Treasurer Avery urged all to make sure that the names of official owners of property are kept up to date in the township treasurer's office unless tax and assessment payments are being made by a mortgage company. The responsibility is with the property owner and not with the treasurer's office in this matter, she concluded.

3 Governing Bodies To Meet Next Monday

Because of the Labor Day holiday, three governing bodies of the area will be in session on Monday evening, September 14, at 8 p.m.

The Farmington City Council ordinarily meets the first and third Mondays of each month, but postponed their meeting a week.

The Farmington Township Board and the Board of Education of the Farmington Public School District will both be holding regularly scheduled meetings which are held on the second and fourth Mondays of each month.

In the hotly contested GOP race for nomination for State Senate in the 14th District, Farmington voters in the city and township combined favored Fitzhugh Prescott of Farmington over 150 votes.

Both Republicans and Democrats of Farmington City and Township went with the winners for the 6th District State House nomination.

John I. Bain walked away with the nomination for the township for this same position not only in Farmington but district-wide.

The favorite candidates of a majority of the Farmington voters in last week's Primary Election were not the favorites of the majority district or statewide, final election figures disclosed.

For the U.S. Senate nomination on the GOP ticket, Farm-



THE AAUW BOOK SALE planned in Farmington September 24, 25 and 26 is getting a big assist from youngsters in the community as children's books are plentiful among the contributions received to date at the Farmington District Library's AAUW used book depot.

Detroit Water to Flow In Twp. Within a Week

As was announced two weeks earlier by The Farmington Enterprise, it appears that nothing should now stand in the way of pure, soft Detroit water, under a good head of pressure, flowing into the first of the seven special assessment water districts in Farmington Twp. on or before September 15.

After making a check with Oakland County Dept. of Public Works officials Tuesday, Township Supervisor Curt Hall stated that there might even be a possibility of the Detroit water being turned on for District 7 before the end of this week. He quickly added that he was making no promises of it flowing before the middle of this coming week, however.

DISTRICT 7 takes in that area of the township between Middlebelt and Farmington roads northward from E 2 1/2 Mile Road to Grand River Avenue.

Teen Leukemia March This Sunday, September 13, Farmington area young people will be conducting the "Teen Leukemia March" against Leukemia.

Anyone who is not contacted and would like to contribute is asked to call Miss Barbara Alton, 476-3182.

Gas Station in Twp. Hit by Burglars

The Sinclair service station at 7th Mile and Middlebelt Road in Farmington Township was broken into in the early morning hours of September 5.

Farmington Township Police Officer Rusty Newell and Detective Vic Conway found lockers and cabinets had been forced open in addition to several vending machines and an unknown amount of money taken.

Entry to the garage was made through a window that had been broken on the east side of the building.



BUILDING A GOOD citizenship record in last week's Primary Election was 21-year-old Robert Bush of Farmington, pictured above signing up to vote for the first time. The young man was the first person to cast his ballot in Farmington Township, Precinct 5, which had a

Nearly All City Tax Bills Paid Before Deadline

Again this year, City Treasurer Kathryn Cotter reported an exceptionally good percentage of collection on City of Farmington tax bills prior to the deadline for payment without penalty.

The payment deadline date was Monday, August 31. Mrs. Cotter reported that a total of \$256,774.16 had been paid against the total billing of \$275,215.47 for the current year, leaving only \$18,441.31 against the total billing delinquent.

This figures out to an approximately 93.3 percent collection prior to the payment deadline. It is a percentage of collection which few cities can equal.

WHILE THE payment percentage is very good, it was found to be slightly below last year's record of about 94 1/2 percent of collection of taxes by the end of August. As is the pattern nearly every year, payments seem to be going very slowly until the last week to ten days prior to deadline when there is a big rush to avoid penalty payments not only by individual taxpayers but by the big mortgage companies paying homeowners taxes out of their escrow funds.

CITY OF Farmington tax bills may still be paid at the City Hall treasurer's office on Liberty St. any time during regular business hours through the balance of this year and until the end of February in 1965 but a four percent penalty on the amount of the bill will now be added.

Name President For Oakland Comm. College

Dr. John E. Tirrell, Vice President for Instruction of the St. Louis, Missouri Junior College, has been named the first president of the newly-named Oakland Community College.

The appointment is effective October 1, according to the announcement by the Board of Trustees.

The Oakland Community College was established last June and current plans call for the beginning of classes in the fall of 1965.

Dr. Tirrell, 38, was born in Muskegon, but soon after moved with his family to Holland. After service in the U.S. Air Corps during World War II, he was graduated from Hope College in 1949. He received a master's degree from the University of Michigan in 1951, attended Massachusetts Institute of Technology and received his doctor's degree in education from Harvard University in 1954.

HE HAS BEEN a teacher and principal in Michigan public schools, assistant director of the Harvard Center for Field Studies, and was dean of the Grand Rapids Junior College from 1955 to 1958. He also served as general secretary of the National Education Association.

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More New Industrial Development In City Industrial Park Announced

Announcement was made this week by City Manager John Dinan that permits had been taken out for substantially more industrial development in the City of Farmington Industrial Park at the northeast corner of Farmington Road and Eight Mile Road.

Mill's Products Co. of Walled Lake, for which an 11,000-square-foot building was started on Eight Mile Road earlier, has now decided to greatly expand its originally planned operations here and has taken out a permit for an approximately 22,000-square-foot addition to its present building.

THIS BRINGS the total size for this company's building to 34,000 square feet making it one of the larger manufacturing plants in the small city industrial park. An exact valuation on this plant has not yet been established but it will be substantial and a big help to not only the City of Farmington's tax base but also to the school district's tax base.

Another plant nearing completion on Eight Mile in the industrial park, approximately 7,200 square feet in size, is Reuter Manufacturing Co. The valuation placed on this new industrial development is \$55,180.

The newest plant to be announced as about to go under construction is for Snap-On Tool Co. which will have an approximately 10,000-square-foot plant on Chesley Drive at the eastern end of the industrial park. The valuation on this new industrial plant has been set at approximately \$65,000.

TOWNSHIP Supervisor Curt Hall also reported this week that the possibility of signing up more new plants for the township's industrial park in the west-central portion of the township very soon now appears quite promising.

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Explorer Scouts From Farmington Attending New York World's Fair

The only Explorer Scout delegation to attend the World's Fair from the entire Clinton Valley Council of Michigan, ten scouts from Farmington Explorer Post 45, received an official send off September 7 at a ceremony in front of the City Municipal Building.

The ten specially selected Honor Explorers from the Farmington Post were scheduled to take part in several notable activities planned at the New York World's Fair. The scouts, who earned their own money to finance the trip, will serve as aides for visiting dignitaries at the Fair, serve as honor guards at many state, federal and international pavilions in addition to maintaining their own exhibit on physical education.

THE SCOUTS WILL have active roles at the World's Fair. They will be in charge of international visitors to the World's Fair. Other highlights of their trip include planned visits to Niagara Falls, a trip over at Hancock Air Force Base and quarters just twenty minutes from the Fair at the Fort Totten U.S. Army Base.

Rev. David Stone, associate minister of the First Methodist Church of Farmington which sponsors Explorer Post 45, was present at the send-off last week to take part in the ceremonies, under the direction of the Farmington Post.

These are special registration times. All are reminded that they can register anytime during regular office hours at the township clerk's office at the Township Hall on 11 Mile Road just west of Orchard Lake Road.

The township's special times and places registration schedule follows:

Sept. 11 - William G. Frace School, 22010 Shiawassee Road, 7 to 9 p.m. Sept. 18 - Gill Road School, 21195 Gill Road, 7 to 9 p.m. Sept. 25 - Dunchee Junior High, 32800 Twelve Mile, 7 to 9 p.m.

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Cooper emphasized that no personal interviews will be made until after date. Only mail applications will be accepted at this time.

A complete list of the application openings to be filled will be published in next week's Enterprise.

Extra Voter Sign Up Hours Set in City, Twp.

Residents not now registered to vote locally are urged to clip the schedule of special registration hours printed below and get signed up prior to Oct. 3 if they find it impossible to get in for registering during regular City Hall, Township Hall "office hours."

A service to newer Farmington Township voters and any others not duly registered to vote in the important November 3 election, Township Clerk Floyd Cairns has set up special times and places for voter registration.

Sept. 26 - Farmington Twp. Hall, 11 Mile west of Orchard Lake Road, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Oct. 2 - North Farmington High, 32900 Thirteen Mile Road, 7 to 9 p.m.

Oct. 3 - Farmington Twp. Hall, 11 Mile Road, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Oct. 5 - (Final day for registering for Nov. 3 election), Township Hall, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

In the City of Farmington, Mrs. Trina Quinn, clerk, stated that she would maintain special hours on Saturday, Oct. 3, and be at her office in the City Hall from 8:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. for those who find it impossible to get in and register during regular Monday through Friday office hours.

She also stated that she would go directly to the homes of those ill or who otherwise might find it completely impossible to get to the City Hall to sign up.

As required by state election laws, her office will be open on the last day for registering, (Monday, Oct. 5), from 8 a.m. until 8 p.m.

Democrats Officially Open Headquarters

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