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FARMINGTON FOUNDERS' FESTIVAL
Co-Chairman John K. Cotton is pictured above placing one of the new Festival bumper stickers on Mrs. Eugene Letourneau's car. The Letourneaus' children, David, 12, Dick, 11, Mary Beth, 8, and very little baby, Paul, 2, get into the spirit of things. The Letourneaus live at 28272 Meadowlark in Farmington. From now until Festival time, July 28,

29 and 30, you will be seeing a lot of blue and white vinyl stickers which are available from the Farmington Board of Commerce members. Ed Balden, who is in charge of distributing the bumper stickers, also states that stickers are available at the City Hall and Township Hall and Board of Commerce Building at 33111 Grand River.

Lunch Study Tabled by Bd

Tabulation of results on the recent noon hour survey for Farmington elementary children was made today by the Board of Education at their meeting on May 9, but the board decided to table any decisions regarding the survey until such time as the administration should have concluded the negotiation of contracts with the Farmington Education Association.

Participation in the study ranged from 50 per cent to 90 per cent with Cloverdale a D Highmeadow both sharing the high figure. This is considered a very substantial rate of return on such a poll.

According to the noon hour study, parents are overwhelmingly in favor of having the children remain at school for lunch. Questions one and two were answered with a resounding "No."

They posed the problems "Would you prefer a single noon hour rather than our present schedule?" and "If a single noon hour were arranged would you agree to have your children come regularly for lunch with exceptions as mentioned?"

In replying to question three as to what they considered a reasonable distance for children to return home for lunch, the majority replied with some other suggestion than the 3/4 or 1 mile set down on the questionnaire.

As to what length of time should be established for the noon period, the greatest number felt that the hour should be adequate.

Most people agreed in replying to question five that since circumstances differ at various schools there would be no objection to differences in starting and closing times and in the length of the noon periods.

Attend County Meet
John Washburn III and William B. Smolek, alternate, were appointed to attend the annual election of the county board of supervisors. Appointments were made at the May 9 meeting of the Board of Education.

Farmington JCs Win Top Honors In State

BY JOHN BAILEY
The Farmington Jaycees are the finest Jaycee chapter of the over 220 in the State of Michigan. This honor was bestowed upon the Farmington organization at the Michigan Jaycees forty-first annual convention held last weekend in Lansing.

The award, the William Otto award, is presented each year to the Jaycee chapter that has demonstrated the finest capabilities in all areas of Jaycee activity. Internal activities, external activities, chapter development, and community development, are some of the points observed which determine the recipient of the Otto award.

TO QUALIFY FOR THE Otto, the Farmington Jaycees first had to earn the Geisenberg Award, an award presented to the outstanding chapter in each of the four population divisions of the Michigan Jaycee organization.

The winner of each population division is determined by judging the final project reports for each project that the

chapters completed during the year. The final project reports are judged and points are given, so many for first, so many for second, and so many for a third place finish. Farmington won their population division by earning six first places and two second places among the 11 categories they entered.

FARMINGTON earned first place in the following activities: Religion and Christmas, International Relations, Ways and Means, Public Relations, Chapter Development, and Inter-club Relations. They received second place finishes in Youth and Sports and Community Development.

A TOTAL OF 37 Farmington Jaycees and Auxiliary members attended the convention, led by Chairman of the Board Ralph Parin. Parin in accepting the Otto said, "This is the greatest moment in the history of the Farmington Jaycees. We are indeed thrilled to receive this award as the outstanding Jaycee chapter in Michigan."

The Farmington Jaycees Auxiliary also did very well at their own state convention. The

Jaycee wives won a first place in Assistance to Jaycees, second in Leadership Training, Social Activities, Money Making and Outstanding Local in their class. They also had a third in Community service.

THE AUXILIARY was further honored when Shirley Richardson was named as Outstanding State Chairman, and by the installation of Sally Witt as State Vice-President.

The Michigan Jaycee organization elected their new state officers at the convention. Wendell Smith of Plymouth was elected as the new President.



TOP HONORS IN THE STATE were earned by the Farmington Jaycees at the Annual Jaycee Convention in Lansing Saturday. Mayor Sandy Brookhart is pictured above (at right) congratulating Farmington Jaycee President Pat Nowak (left) as State Jaycee

President Wendell Smith looks on. It marked the first time in the twenty-year history of the local Jaycee organization that top honors were captured in the state which has 230 Jaycee chapters.

Founders' Festival Chairmen are Named

Farmington Founders' Festival Co-Chairmen John K. Cotton and Harley Walters this week announced the appointment of committee chairmen to direct the various activities planned during this year's Festival July 28, 29 and 30.

Heading up the Parade Committee will be C. A. Spencer and Bud Besume. They are already at work contacting local bands and other parade units.

ington Board of Commerce office. Dave Comfort and Rose Berberan of the Farmington YMCA are heading up the Games and Contests Committee. The Special Events

THE "FOUNDERS' Festival" to be presented at this year's Festival will be under the direction of General Chairman Bill Conroy and Show Director George Assemany.

The Miss Founders' Festival Beauty Pageant will be under the direction of Sue Shaughnessy, Editor of the Farmington Observer.

Delos Hamlin, Chairman of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors, has accepted the Chairmanship of the Dignitaries Committee. The Special Events

NEW Ambulance Service Pact OK'd by Twp. Bd.
The Farmington Township Board agreed to a one-year trial plan for ambulance service at a fixed rate of \$1,200 to offset "uncollectable" accounts for the Superior Ambulance Company's action, taken at the Board's Monday night, May 9, meeting, climaxed several months of study by Trustee Thomas R. Nolan and Township Police Chief Irving H. Yakes who have been investigating rates charged for the service in surrounding communities.

A drop of \$2,400 from the original "subsidy" of \$3,600 asked for by Superior Ambulance came out of negotiations by Nolan with the company since the last Board meeting, April 25.

NOLAN STATED Superior would "accept nothing less" than the \$1,200 per year figure and pointed out they (Superior) had objected to the use of the

PLANNERS SEEK New Off-Street Parking Study
The Farmington Cleaners, 2225 Grand River Avenue in Farmington, will have to wait at least two more weeks before getting action on the parking problem as the City Planning Commission voted Monday night, May 9, to allow Councilman John Allen a chance to come up with a plan offering more advantages from a traffic safety standpoint.

The State Highway Department entered the matter this week and altered one of the plans previously set for approval by the planners. Allen will have his plan approved by the Highway Dept. prior to bringing it back to the Planning Commission.

DISCUSSION ON an off-street parking program for the north side of Grand River Avenue between Violet and Hawthorne streets also came up at the Planning Commission Monday night.

A parking ban on the three-block stretch of Grand River is set to go into effect after May 31. The Planners will recommend condemnation proceedings be started to acquire the necessary land to provide off-street parking for the businesses involved unless property owners can reach some agreement among themselves.

A discussion of the park development study was tabled by the planners until the next regular meeting, May 23.

THE VILLAGE OF QUAKERTOWN is also in the Mayors Exchange Program coming up during Michigan Week (May 15-21). They will exchange officials with Goodrich, Mich. Chuck Stevenson is the Quakertown President.

THE TEEN DANCE MAY 27 at the K of C Hall should be safe from any rowdiness since the Farmington Township Police Officers Association is sponsoring it. Detectives Russ Conroy and Earl B. Hines are heading up the affair with two bands, "The Barons of Sound" and "The Allusions", providing the music. Tickets are available from any Township Police officer at \$1 a copy.

MAILMAN JOHN FOLEY of 2272 Orchard Lake Road in Farmington takes the spotlight this week in the Farmington Founders' Festival Beard Growing Contest. John (at right) delivers mail in downtown Farmington and to residents north of Grand River. The latest PFFB GC entry is L. F. King, 111 of 2265 Hittcock in Farmington, who signed up at Ken & Petes' Barberhop last week. Quite a few of the bearded contestants have already purchased their tickets for the Founders' Festival Kick-Off Dinner May 18 at Farmington High School. It will be the first time so many bearded gentlemen have been together since the last clan meeting of the House of David.

WE WERE GOING TO RUN a "before and after" picture showing the fabulous results of our last year's clean-up campaign, but the first scene we approached with our camera unfortunately looked just as it had before the "before." It is certainly to be hoped that this year our fair city will fare a little better.

THE NEW STUFFED horned owl presented by the Women's Civic Club to Flanders School should be able to keep everybody over there informed as to who's whooo.

OVER AT BOND SCHOOL, a new portrait of Isaac Bond for whom the school is named was a gift of the Bond family, most of whom still live in the Farmington area. Wonder what he thinks of the new generation from his place up on the wall. He worked on the school board for forty years to get educational advantages for the "rural" kids from hereabouts.

BOARD OF EDUCATION members are a little concerned about the wading pool emerging on the property of the new Fairview Elementary. It wasn't exactly part of the architect's plans but Mother Nature has been at work to provide the kiddies with a wallowing place.

Twp. Board Studies Group Hospt. Plans

The Farmington Township Board took up consideration of a hospitalization insurance program for employees at their regular meeting Monday night, May 9, and received three bids from companies interested in providing the coverage.

John Clappison of the Farmington Insurance Agency reported to the Board Monday night several other companies sent specifications on the hospitalization insurance plan being considered by the Township indicated their companies were not interested in submitting bids and one company which indicated they would submit a

Water Assessment Cause For Lawsuit
On behalf of the residents in Section 36, the area between Eight and Nine Mile Roads bounded by Inkster and Middlebelt, a number of property owners have brought suit against the Township of Farmington. They claim that reserve and maintenance funds from an earlier water assessment district cannot legally be used to benefit property owners in a new assessment district.

Plaintiffs in the suit are: Donald Layland, 21313 Whittington, Edward Goetz, 28809 Grand River, William G. Lawarson, 21035 St. Francis, Ellen Goers, 21415 Roosevelt, Maurice Waack, 28213 Scotch, and Howard Boone, 21306 Whittington.

POPPY DAYS ARE SET for next Thursday, Friday and Saturday (May 18, 20 and 21) in Farmington. Alma Rose Mattox of the Groves-Walker Post 346 Auxiliary Unit of the American Legion and Hal Quina (right) of Post 548 are pictured above selling the first poppies to Howard Thayer (second from left) and Councilman Ralph



Yoder of the City of Farmington. Proceeds from the sale of poppies go into a special American Legion fund for the aid and welfare of armed forces veterans and their families. Hospitalized veterans receive assistance through the Poppy Days Sale they otherwise would not enjoy.

Memorial Day Parade Speaker, Plans Slated

Distinguished guest of honor and principal speaker during the Memorial Day parade and ceremonies in Farmington on May 30 will be Major General William W. Lapsley, Commanding General of the United States Army Mobility Command and Deputy Commanding General for Mobility of the United States Army Materiel Command.

A West Point graduate of the United States Military Academy in 1935, General Lapsley was commissioned as an officer in the Corps of Engineers.

German Language Joins Curriculum
Expenditures in excess of one and a half million dollars were approved by the Board of Education at their May 9 meeting.

The addition of German language study to the curriculum in the 1961 was also approved. Farmington High School anticipates one class in the newly added subject while North Farmington expects to have two or three filled. Wayne University now requires the study of German before candidates can work for their degrees in chemistry.

He received his Master's Degree in Civil Engineering from the University of California, and later graduated from the Command and Staff College and the Army War College. Born in Alabama on January 14, 1910, he attended Marion Military Institute and Tennessee College in Tennessee prior to his armed forces career.

DURING WORLD WAR II, General Lapsley served as the Commander of the 81st Engineer Regiment during its invasion of Southern France and his unit was the first of American ground troops to land in Corsica. After the war, he was responsible for the establishment of American universities in Biarritz, France, and Shrivensham, England. Upon his return to United States in 1946, he was assigned to the Pentagon for duty in the Logistics Division on the War Department General Staff.

After a tour of duty in the Far East, General Lapsley became Commander of the Engineer Maintenance Center in Ohio. In 1960, he was transferred to Korea as the Commanding General of the 7th Logistical Command. In 1961, he was designated as Division

Engineer of the North Pacific area with responsibility for Army engineering activities in the States of Washington, Alaska,

GEN. W. W. LAPSELEY
ka, Oregon, Montana, and Idaho.

GENERAL LAPSELEY was awarded the Legion of Merit by the Secretary of the Army in Washington during 1964 for his

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Pools for Schools Vote Urged by JCs

According to Michigan State Police records there were 245 drownings last year in Michigan. Many of these drownings were children under 15 years of age. It is an accepted fact that if we are to reduce drownings and water injuries to our children, their swimming abilities and safety habits must be improved. It is also true that these children are exposed to proper instructional swimming and water safety program would greatly reduce drownings and injuries to Farmington children who participate in these programs. The Farmington District has no facilities to hold such programs.

Neighboring Birmingham has a swimming program and Director of Athletics Frank Whittle has boasted, "There have

been no drownings among children who have completed the Birmingham swimming program in the 80 years of its operation." This is proof of the merits of a good swimming program and shows the high degree of success that can be attained.

JOHN E. COTTON, Director of Physical Education and Athletics for the Farmington Public Schools, has said, "A well organized instructional swimming and water safety program would greatly reduce drownings and injuries to Farmington children who participate in these programs. The Farmington District has no facilities to hold such programs. Neighboring Birmingham has a swimming program and Director of Athletics Frank Whittle has boasted, "There have

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