



BOOK-BUYING DAY was Monday in the public schools, and this group gathered at Farmington Junior High to make scholarly acquisitions for the new semester. Student reaction appeared to vary from "Oh, no, here we go again" (left) to "Glad to see ya" (right).

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75 to 80 Cents

Township Water Price Hike Expected

By TIM RICHARD

Water customers in Farmington Township can expect a price increase that will average 75 to 80 cents a quarter.

This was the calculation of Supervisor Curtis Hall, based on the cost estimates received from the Oakland County Board of Public Works.

Police Car Hit In Side

A Farmington Township police car was struck in the left side while en route to a fire Tuesday night by a car driven by Gerald Thomas Reagan, 28, 2793 Long, Livonia. No one was injured.

The police car was traveling east on Grand River down the center lane with its lights flashing and siren blaring.

Reagan turned left from the Quik-Pik, 32330 Grand River, parking lot into the path of the township car.

His vehicle smashed into the police vehicle spinning it sideways into a sign on the north side of Grand River.

The police car then bounced off the sign, went across Grand River and stopped on the front lawn of Taylor Properties, 32316 Grand River.

Reagan was issued a violation for failure to yield to an emergency vehicle by city police.

Cloverleaf Sought For I-696 Exit Here

By HENRY TEUTSCH
Staff Writer

Farmington Township Board wants a cloverleaf interchange built at the intersection of I-696 freeway and Orchard Lake Rd.

Curtis Hall, Township supervisor, read a resolution that stated the only exit from I-696 expressway into the

future. The reasons given were the opening of Oakland Community College's new campus near the exit, and the hazards of having to make left turns from the exit ramp during the heavy morning and evening traffic on Orchard Lake.

Also it was noted that a busy surface intersection was located only a few hundred feet north of the exit ramp.

The cloverleaf design would eliminate any left turns, speed up the flow of traffic, and would eliminate any traffic congestion.

It was resolved by the Board on Aug. 28 to urge the U.S. Highway Department, Michigan's Highway Commission, and the Oakland County Road Commission to construct the cloverleaf.

Copies of the resolution will be sent to Governor George Romney, Senators Philip A. Hart and Robert P. Griffin, and 19th District Congressman Jack McDonald to help pass the necessary legislation.

Most Schools Will Open On Sept. 6

Farmington area schools will be opening next week and with the exception of Mercy High School they are all set to start half day classes and orientation on Sept. 6.

Mercy High School will begin full day sessions on Sept. 11 with approximately 1,350 girls attending.

The Clarenceville School Board reported it will begin full sessions on Sept. 1. This date is for all grades. They expect to have 8,400 in the elementary, 3,670 in junior high, and 2,672 in senior high school.

Farmington public schools will start full day classes on Sept. 7. The School Board anticipates 2,540 elementary children, 608 in junior high, and 880 in senior high school. Our Lady of Sorrows elementary school will begin (Continued on Page 4A)

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\$2,200 A Year

City To Aid Parking Lot

Farmington's City Council has agreed to pay the Farmington Center Corporation \$2,200 a year as the city's share of costs for maintenance of the city-owned parking lot at the center.

John Dinan, city manager, recommended that the council pay the money to the corporation over a five-year period at the end of which time the matter will be reviewed again.

Maintenance of the municipal lot, located in the southeast quadrant of the city, has been costing the corporation \$6,000 a year to sweep and clean.

Originally the corporation asked the city to pay 75 per cent of the costs or \$4,500.

The city thought this request was too high because the stores owned by the corporation in the center were already benefiting from the maintenance.

The price the city will pay is based on the estimate of sweeping the lot once a week for ten months.

Ed Balden, manager of the corporation, said that the center's request was based on the fact that they had to sweep the lot twice a day in the morning and evening. Balden said he felt that the

corporation would get what was equitable and fair from the city.

However, he added, with the addition of Federal's new department store the need for maintenance of the lot will double.

Right now it is necessary to sweep the lot twice a day because more people park there than use the center's stores," he said.

Balden noted that the Farmington Center Corporation has always had excellent cooperation from the city and he felt that the \$2,200 would not be adequate but would help maintenance costs.

Observer Receives CAC Rating, Verifies Area Circulation Data

The Farmington Enterprise & Observer has been unanimously elected to membership in the Certified Area Circulations, Inc., according to an announcement today by Publisher Philip H. Power.

CAC, as the group is also known, is a nation-wide organization established in 1956 to audit and verify the circulation of paid and controlled-circulation weekly newspapers.

"Let's face it," Power said, "Any newspaper, no matter how honest, can make quite genuine claims about how many newspapers it distributes. But without an independent audit by a reputable firm, working according to nationally accepted standards, there is no way of proving these claims."

"With our election to CAC, we now have that independent proof," Power pointed out.

"The CAC auditing system works like this," Power explained.

"As a member, the Farmington Enterprise & Observer must keep continuous weekly records on the number of copies printed and the number mailed or delivered by newboys to homes in Farmington."

"At approximately six month intervals, the CAC auditor calls at our offices, unannounced, to examine these records and to conduct a thorough audit. In our case the auditing firm was Ernst & Ernst, a nationally respected company."

"Additionally, once a year CAC conducts an independent field survey on homes in our circulation area to verify home delivery of the Farmington Enterprise & Observer. Without any notice to us, they send trained women inter-

viewers to a sample of households in Farmington and ask if the resident is regularly receiving the Farmington Enterprise & Observer."

"So don't be surprised if some lady rings your doorbell and asks about delivery of the Farmington Enterprise & Observer. She will identify herself and explain her mission," Power added.

CAC is a cooperative, non-profit membership organization supported by leading advertisers, advertising agencies, and publishers. It presently audits newspapers with a total circulation of 2.7 million weekly.

The firm, with headquarters in New York City, is governed by a Board of Directors of advertisers, advertising agencies and publishers.

Among the advertising board members are Food Fair Stores, Inc., Pontiac

Motor Division of General Motors Corporation, Montgomery Ward & Company, and Thomas J. Lipton, Inc.

Advertising agency members are: N. W. Ayer & Son, Inc.; Foster, Cone & Belding, Inc.; McCann-Erickson, Inc.; Young & Rubicam, Inc.; and D. P. Brother & Company.

Publisher members are from New Jersey, Illinois and Maryland.

"The registered CAC trademark, which will appear on our front page masthead each week, is a warranty to our advertisers, display and classified ad sales, that the circulation of the Farmington Enterprise & Observer is a correct figure," Power said.

"The audit report of the Farmington Enterprise & Observer is available to our readers and advertisers. Just call or write, and we'll send one to you," Power added.

School Board, FEA Agree On Contract

By ELIZABETH WISSMAN
Staff Writer

Farmington Board of Education and the Farmington Education Association (FEA) have agreed on a proposed master contract.

Agreement was reached Saturday night. Board and FEA negotiating teams have been meeting since Feb. 23.

Farmington School District's 700 teachers will review details of the contract at a meeting to be held at 7 a.m. Sept. 5. Ratification will be recommended at this time by the bargaining team.

The FEA will vote on the contract Sept. 7. Board approval will be given as soon as possible after that date.

No details—not even the length of the proposed new contract—were revealed.

A one-year contract, approved by a narrow margin in 1966, expires this year.

Word of the agreement was presented to trustees at their meeting Monday night by Gerald V. Harrison, retired superintendent and chief negotiator for the board.

In the last two weeks of negotiation, the teams worked with a mediator from the State Labor Mediation Board.

A fact-finder from the state board was present at the final negotiation session, but was not needed, according to Harrison.

In making his presentation, Harrison said, "It's been bloody at times, but the agreement was a real satisfaction to both teams from long, good faith bargaining."

FEA President Sharon Maher told trustees, "We (the teachers) feel we have reached a responsible contract."

Harrison said that hopes are that the contract will be printed by Friday and "in the board's hands as soon as it's off the presses."

All the trustees expressed appreciation of the efforts of both teams.

Negotiations in Farmington lasted considerably longer than in most neighboring school districts, and last week there had been some fear that fall classes might not open on time if no new contract were written.

Fire Prevention Parade Fun Scheduled For Oct. 7

Fire engine buffs from six to 60—and who isn't—are in for some spectacular thrills Saturday, Oct. 7.

Every conceivable type of fire equipment will come down Grand River from Moody St. at noon that day in the giant parade planned by the Department of Public Safety to mark Fire Prevention Week.

All the metropolitan area fire departments will be represented in some way.

There will be antique and modern fire engines with bells clanging, floats, bands, clowns, a beauty queen from the Michigan Mutual Fire Department Association, clowns galore, and of course, Smoky the Bear and Sparky the Fire Dog.

Following the parade, refreshments will be served at an open house at the Liberty St. headquarters where the very latest in fire extinguishers and detection equipment will be on display.

Coordinator for the parade is Sgt. Jay D. Harrison, Harrison, with Public Safety Director Robert F. Deadman.

Assigned To Vietnam

Army Second Lieutenant Robert W. Schulkins II, 23, whose parents live at 36875 Howard Rd., Farmington, was assigned to the 8th Infantry in Vietnam, July 31. Lt. Schulkins is a 1962 graduate of Farmington High School.

and the entire department are hard at work to make the event the big success it was last year.

Farmington has much to be proud of in its fire department. It has received 19 certificates of merit since 1964.

Tucker To Train
Pvt. Larry D. Tucker, son of Capt. and Mrs. Frederick E. Tucker, 31855 LaMar Dr., Farmington, will leave for basic training at Fort Polk, La., Sept. 2. After this, he goes to Fort Sam Houston, Tex., for medical training. He is a 1967 graduate of Farmington High School.

Harrison has been the recipient of a department citation for his outstanding participation in fire prevention activities.

He and Patrolman Murray Switzer do a great deal of work with the Michigan Heart Association.

In 1966, the association presented the department with a certificate of merit for outstanding services in the field of techniques of closed cardiac resuscitation. The department ranks sixth in the state in fire safety, fire prevention, fire prevention education and performance.



S-O-O-O-BIG: Linda Duke, 8, and brother, James, 2, measured some of the sunflowers Linda planted May 14 at their Inkster Road home and found they had soared to 12 feet, which is practically up to the sky. Proud daddy George Duke, Farmington construction businessman, snapped the shot.

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