

Fton Scouters Attend Seminar

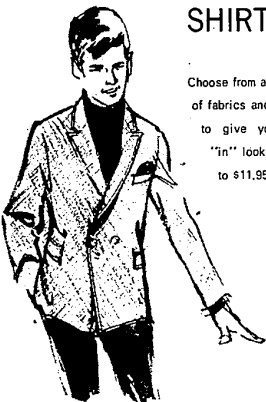
Four Farmington residents were among the 20 volunteer and professional Scouters from the Clinton Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America, who attended an all-day regional training seminar March 2 at Michigan State University.

The men were Glenn Black, 28390 Bay Tree; Edward Day, 28399 Lee Lane; George R. DeCourcy, 32770 Briarcrest Knoll; and Robert Goshorn, 32005 Valleyview.

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A BETTER IDEA — Ford Motor Co. employee, Fred M. Cromwell (center), 33705 James Court, Farmington, receives the keys to a new Ford LTD for an expense-saving idea he had to cut drafting boards in half. Cromwell had noticed draftsmen used only half of their drafting boards. Making the presentation is Harold C. MacDonald (left) Ford vice president - car engineering, and W. A. Van Wicklin, department manager.

TOWNSHIP OF FARMINGTON OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF HEARING ON FRANKLIN FOREST SUBDIVISION STREET IMPROVEMENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN:

1. That the Township Board of the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, has tentatively declared its intention to improve the following streets, to-wit:
2. That the plan showing the aforesaid improvement and the location thereof and an estimate of cost thereof are on file with the Township Clerk for public examination.
3. That the Township Board has tentatively designated the following special assessment district against which the cost of said improvement is to be assessed, to-wit:
4. That the Township Board will meet in the Township Hall, 3133 Xavier Road, Farmington, Michigan, on the 20th day of March, 1968, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., Eastern Standard Time, to hear and consider any objections to the said improvement, to the petition therefor, and to said special assessment district.

THIS NOTICE IS GIVEN BY ORDER OF THE TOWNSHIP BOARD.
GLADYS THOMAS,
Deputy Township Clerk

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Shaping Taxation Protest

A Farmington businessman without political experience is visualizing a statewide or even nationwide organization to look hard and long at "the constant increasing of taxes."

Bob Thornton, a grey-haired manufacturer's consultant by occupation, wants to start a group called "Watch" to represent "the property-owning taxpayers—the backbone of our country."

He held one meeting Monday night in Gill Elementary School that was attended by 14 of the 50 or 60 persons he invited. He was discouraged. He has called another meeting—this time an organizational meeting—for Monday, April 1, at 8 p.m., again in Gill School.

WHAT PROMPTED his effort was Farmington Township's re-evaluation of property, required by the new state constitution to be equalized at 50 per cent of market value.

"I've lived in Farmington 40-odd years...I'm not a Republican or a Democrat but an Independent...I've never run for political office...I wouldn't accept an office...I don't want personal publicity, but I won't duck it," he said in an interview and a 45-minute speech.

His program for fighting tax increases hasn't been spelled out yet.

BUT AS HE does it out, "we're living in an age of pressure groups. We need a group—not a small one but a big one, with 70 or 80 per cent of the population—in this movement."

Thornton thinks the statewide organization can be built up in 60 days from the starting point.

His focal point now is the property tax—why valuations are being raised, what will happen to rates (he says he can't get answers), the local board of review (he says they burn up too much time per case and treat complainants "like kindergarten youngsters.")

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lewitt, 23848 Wasley, Farmington, have more than a reading acquaintance with things poetic.

The Lewitt daughter, Mrs. Jack J. Pappas, is married to the son of Mr. Neva J. Pappas, of Marmouth Springs, Ark., who writes poetry under the name of Neva Jay.

Winner of many awards, Miss Jay has had her works appear in numerous newspapers, magazines and anthologies across the country and in Canada.

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To Survey Six -12 Households

Six to 12 Farmington households will be questioned next week as part of the Census Bureau's monthly population survey.

Questions to be asked will be aimed at developing up-to-date information about the number and characteristics of the nation's households and families.

The survey contains inquiries on family composition, migration, employment and unemployment and sources of family income, including earnings, social security payments, pensions, dividends, etc.

Basic statistics on these subjects were gathered in the 1960 census and are updated each year through these sample surveys.

The identity of those questioned is kept confidential and the facts obtained are used for statistical purposes only.

TOWNSHIP OF FARMINGTON OAKLAND COUNTY, MICHIGAN NOTICE OF HEARING ON FRANKLIN FOREST WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS

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1. That the Township Board of the Township of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, has tentatively declared its intention to make the following improvement:
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This is Miss Jay's third award this year. She was presented other awards by the College Arts Quarterly and the North American Mentor magazine.