



GOOD NEWS . . .
was reported this week from Lansing when the State Highway Department announced that contracts would be awarded for the resurfacing of Grand River through most of Farmington's business district, and down through Clarenceville. Most motorists have probably wondered about it lately as they bounced and joggled down the highway. Now we have the answer and it is good news indeed. It won't be too long before we will be riding on the smooth road. Of course, there are still a few spots where we can get down off the clouds and find the going pretty rough. However, things are looking better, much better.

BEFORE WE GO TOO FAR . . .
with this column, we want to remind you city voters that there is an important election coming up and you are expected to vote. The date is this Monday, May 14; the place is the Farmington Town Hall; the time is from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., and everyone is urged to be there. The reason that it is so important is the fact that it is an election, a democratic privilege enjoyed by few people in this world. Secondly, it is important because the residents of the City of Farmington will be selecting a new City Council to represent them. The five men selected will have the responsibility of administering a new government under a new Charter. It is your job to elect that Council, it is your job to vote next Monday. It is your job, nobody can do it for you.

JUNIOR GARDENERS . . .
and master gardeners, too, have been having a field day the last few days with shovels, rakes and garden tractors. What made us think of the idea was a view of a little fellow, about three years old, totting a grand daddy of a shovel out into the back garden. That makes spring and the opening of the garden season official as far as we are concerned. It's really here, and no matter what the weatherman says, we're going to get our shovel out, too; plus a few packages of seeds. Incidentally, this is a swell time to get into the Clean-Up, Paint-Up spirit, too. We haven't seen any little ones at this one yet, but it's a good idea. A little tidying up and a few strokes with the paint brush go a long way towards making the whole community look better.

CONGRATULATIONS . . .
to Coach Don Hessler and his six trackmen who did such an out-standing job last Friday at Mt. Pleasant. They didn't come home with the winning team trophy but they sure let them know Farmington was there. Five of the six men from Farmington who participated in the Central Michigan College Relay Meet took top honors, and that's a mighty fine record in any league. In addition to the individual honors the Falcon two-mile relay team set a new meet record which is no minor accomplishment. Yes, Farmington was there! If you want to see some real sport get out and watch this Farmington track team in action. They will appreciate your support!

KEEP YOUR FINGERS CROSSED . . .
but Farmington has been blessed with a minimum of grass fires this spring. We almost have to mention it, because maybe we will get out of a sudden. Let's hope that all of the reminders, sent out by the Township and City, plus the newspaper publicity, has made a permanent impression on Farmington residents. Grass fires have been reduced, at any rate, and the residents have already saved themselves a lot of money. Let's be sure and keep it that way! Get out before you burn off your fields and brush and be sure to keep it under control so that it won't require the sounding of the fire siren.

NOW THAT SUMMER . . .
is on its way, talk about the construction of a couple of tennis courts has been kicking around again. There isn't any other single project we can think of right off hand that would give youngsters and grown-ups, too, any more pleasure. In fact, we believe that if a tennis court is built, we could have some mighty fine recreation in a short time. They would tie in nicely with the summer recreation program and would expand the activities for both youngsters and adults. It's worth thinking about and doing something about, too.

DESPITE THE . . .
presence of the quarantine, we still see a lot of dogs meandering about loose. Although this carefree life of freedom is fine for dogs, some dogs, it's pretty rough on the people who have to live with them. It's time to be in the way when the bottom canine jaw approaches the upper canine jaw. The incidence of rabies in Oakland County isn't hasn't decreased a great deal. Which means that among the animals straying about, there are some diseased ones. Keep yours at home if you can't help him, but if you can't, be sure he won't become a stray and a menace to society. We have enough of those now.

Trojans Blank Northville 7-0

Clarenceville's baseball team won its first league game of the season last night by beating out Northville 7 to 0 on the Clarenceville diamond.
Don Grose turned in a two-hit pitching performance for the Trojans, allowing only one run to get on base and retired six by strike-outs. Don has been pitching for the Trojans for three years and this is his first win although he has turned in several performances with less hits than he allowed in the Northville game.
The Trojans got six of their seven runs in the first four innings. Rousseaux opened the inning with a single and went to second on an error. Robbins, next up, singled to score Rousseaux. Robertson tied out with Robbins going to second. The next four men, Grimm, Falter, Grobe and Whyte, all singled in succession, scoring three runs. Albers was out on an infield grounder, but two more runs scored on Robbitt's hard double.
Northville threatened to score in the seventh when Graham singled and Robbitt walked. However, with only one man out and two on, Grose broke down to retire the next two batters.

New Cub Pack To Be Formed In Farmington

Plans are now being made for the organization of a Cub Pack in Farmington under the sponsorship of the Mother's Club of the Methodist Church. It was announced this week.
A large group of persons interested in the formation of a Cub Pack met last Tuesday evening at the Farmington High School to hear Mr. Edward Leland discuss Cub Scouting. He outlined the objectives of Cub Scout work and described the steps in the organization of a Pack.
All boys between the ages of 8 and 11 years are encouraged to join the new Cub Pack.

FALCON TRACKMEN WIN HONORS AT MT. PLEASANT

Six Falcon trackmen with Coach Don Hessler journeyed to Mt. Pleasant for the Central Michigan College Relays last Friday and brought back five first place awards.
Dick Yokom, Bob Mansfield, Jim Bryant and Gordon Harris set a new meet record in the two-mile relay to lead the field. They clipped 42 seconds from the 8:41.0 time set last year. Charlie Comp took the 100 yard dash event for Farmington. Only Donald O'Keefe, Falcon shot putter, failed to place in the meet for the Falcons. Ecorse won the Class "B" honors in the Central Michigan Relays.
Last Tuesday Farmington defeated Waterford in a dual meet 73 to 35. The high spot of the meet was the half mile race in which Gordie Harris of Farmington nipped Koner of Waterford in the stretch to set a new school record of 2:07.4. In the mile race Dick Yokom out-kicked Bob Mansfield to establish a new field record of 4:56.
Charley Comp again emerged the high point man as he won the 100 yard dash, the 200 yard dash and was anchor man on the victorious half-mile relay.

MRS. NATE MIHAY ELECTED HEAD OF TOWN CLUB

Mrs. Nate Mihay was elected president of the Town Club for the year 1951-52 at the annual election of officers held Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Charles Birsche.
Other officers elected by the club are: Mrs. Carl Schultz, vice-president; Mrs. Charles Birsche, recording secretary; Mrs. Ernest Hickman, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Myron Coon, treasurer. The three new directors elected include Mrs. J. T. Cook, Mrs. Roy Erdman and Mrs. Edna Wray. Mrs. James M. Tagg is the retiring president of the Club.
The officers will be installed at a luncheon to be held May 19.

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CITY TO NAME NEW COUNCIL AT ELECTION MONDAY

Appoint Labadie To Fill Vacancy On School Board

To Complete Unexpired Term Of Rolfe Smith

Frank Labadie has been appointed to the Farmington Township School District Board of Education. It was announced Monday evening following a special meeting of the Board.
Labadie was appointed to fill the unexpired term left vacant by the resignation of Rolfe Smith on April 23. The term expires July 1, 1951. Smith resigned because he is no longer a resident of the School District, having moved to Clarkson.

Labadie served on the Board of Education from 1946 to 1949. He was secretary of the Board during the year 1946-47 and served as president of the Board during the years 1947-48 and 1948-49. He was defeated for re-election in 1949.
Origin of the Board had been planned to fill the unexpired term of Smith because of the fact that the term ended in July of this year. However, a check of the statutes decided that an appointment was necessary. Therefore the Board made the appointment of Labadie. The appointment also makes possible a full Board to act on any future plans regarding the bond issue and the school building program between now and July 1.

NEW TRACK COACH
Hans Hummel has been hired by the Board of Education as mathematics teacher and track coach. O. E. Dunckel, superintendent, announced. Hummel will take over the duties of Don Hessler as track coach, in September. Hessler has been appointed as an elementary principal. Hummel is a graduate of Western Michigan College of Education and has been track coach at Grose for the past two years. He was captain of the Western Michigan College of Education team in 1949.

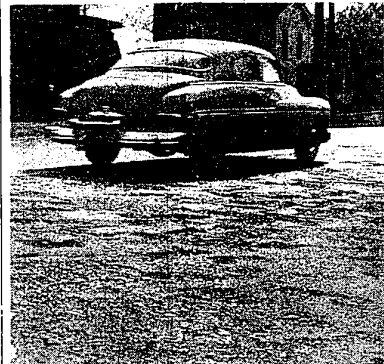
JAYCEES ELECT NEW OFFICERS FOR COMING YEAR

New officers for the year 1951-52 were elected Monday evening at the annual election of the Farmington Junior Chamber of Commerce, held at the home of Roy Erdman.
Edgar West was elected president of the organization. Other officers include Phil Thomas, first vice-president; Robert Harris, second vice-president; Roy Erdman, secretary; Kenneth Schweitzer, treasurer, and James Tagg, director. Robert Cassell is president of the Jaycees this year.
An installation dinner is being planned for the latter part of June.

Parents See Handiwork At Art Exhibit, Style Show

Parents, teachers and students, too, flocked to the Farmington gym last Friday evening when the high school held its annual art exhibit and style show. Girls of the home economics department modeled clothes they had made during the year. Other departments of the school showed their projects. Even the mathematics classes were represented by three-dimensional models of geometric figures. Drawing classes showed blueprints in the class. Shop classes had the opportunity to exhibit home furnishings and machine work accomplished by class members during the year. Some of the shop classes' work is shown in the photo.

Pockmarked Paving Due For Repair



The rattling ride down Grand River Avenue will soon be silenced; the State Highway Department will open bids May 10 for resurfacing Grand River Avenue from Farmington Road east to Eight Mile Road. The road will also be surfaced into the City of Detroit, completing a program started last year.

Grand River To Be Resurfaced From Farmington Road To Redford

Contract To Be Let Thursday In Lansing

The contract for the resurfacing of Grand River from Farmington Road east to Eight Mile Road will be awarded Thursday, May 10, according to a release from the State Highway Department.
A total of 3,312 miles of bituminous concrete surface is to be placed on the highway. A new surface is also to be added on 330 miles of Grand River from 8 Mile Road east to Marlene Street in the City of Detroit. According to the Highway Department completion date for the entire project is October 1, 1951.

The project calls for the resurfacing of Grand River from Farmington Road east through the City of Farmington to Eight Mile Road with a new black bituminous surface. This is the same type of surface as was applied last year on the north side of Grand River from the Cut-Off west to Detroit's city limits. The work will consist of placing a variable width from 40 to 60 feet of bituminous concrete surface. It is expected that both sides of Grand River from Farmington Road east to the Cut-Off and just one side of Grand River from the Cut-Off east to Marlene Street in Redford will be resurfaced. This will give Grand River a new road course on both sides of the street.

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Full Seven-Man Township Board Has First Meeting

Two Justices Join In Board Meetings

For the first time in the history of the Farmington Township Board, all four elected Justices as well as the Supervisor, Clerk and Treasurer were seated at the regular meeting of the Board held Tuesday evening.
The decision to seat all four Justices was approved at the Annual Meeting April 2. Under the new organization seven men now appear at all of the Township Board meetings. Previously the Board consisted of five members, with only two Justices serving on the Board at one time.

Some discussion was held on the proposed erection of five halls in the Township and the establishment of another voting precinct. Richard Priebe appeared before the Board to ask what progress has been made. Ernest Blanchard, Township Supervisor, stated that the representatives of the Michigan Inspection Bureau had made an inspection of the Township and had made some recommendations. He added that the Bureau has agreed to meet with the Board to discuss the matter more thoroughly.

Blanchard stated that some money has been earmarked for the erection of fire halls as well as the purchase of fire equipment. He added that the Township probably be held to seek authorization to transfer the money from the general fund for this purpose.

PROPOSED ZONING ORDINANCE TO BE PRINTED IN MAY
Copies of the proposed Farmington Township Zoning Ordinance will be printed and distributed in the next few weeks, it was announced Tuesday by the Farmington Township Zoning Board.
The zoning map has now been completed and is in the hands of the engraver. The complete text of the ordinance was completed some time ago. The proposed ordinance will be contained in a supplement of the Farmington Enterprise and additional copies will be made available at various places throughout the Township.
Edward Messman, chairman of the Zoning Board, pointed out several weeks ago that this draft is subject to change and is not final. Copies of the proposed ordinance will be distributed now so that all residents will have an opportunity to study it prior to a series of public meetings which will be held in the near future. Changes in the draft can be suggested by residents at the open meetings.

Set May 24, 25, 26 Poppy Days In City

Mayor Delos Hamlin has proclaimed May 24, 25 and 26 as Poppy Days in Farmington this year. Members of the American Legion Auxiliary, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the V. F. W. Auxiliary will distribute red crepe paper flowers on Farmington streets during the three day session.
Members of the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary will receive contributions in exchange for poppies made by Percy Jones Hospital veterans. The chairman of the day is Mrs. Fred Schaeper, they will appear on the streets with baskets full of the Flanders Field flower replicas.
V. F. W. distributors will work under the co-chairmanship of Mrs. Norman Moore and Mrs. Clarence Reniff of the Ladies Auxiliary of Post 4033, V. F. W. Poppy Day is chairman of the poppy days of the V. F. W. Post.

In making the proclamation urging Farmingtonites to wear the poppies, Mayor Hamlin stated: "Whereas young men of the City of Farmington are again serving in defense of our country and are taking their places among our honored citizens alongside those who have served in other wars;
"Therefore, I, Delos Hamlin, Mayor of the City of Farmington, do hereby proclaim Thursday, May 24, Friday, May 25, and Saturday, May 26, to be Poppy Days in the City of Farmington, and I urge all citizens to observe the day by wearing the memorial poppy."
Poppies distributed from the poppy days are used by the veterans or organizations for veterans' rehabilitation and other purposes.

Boys To Begin Work On Hockey Rink Saturday

Dr. Joseph Gadway announced Monday that a meeting of all boys who participated in hockey last winter will be held this Saturday, May 12, at the rink on Shilwaukee in back of the high school athletic field.
Gadway stated that the rink will be taken down and a new permanent one built. The new hockey rink will be 170 feet by 70 feet and will be a permanent installation. Boys are asked to bring banners.
Any boys interested in hockey, regardless of whether or not they participated in hockey last winter will be asked to attend the meeting, which will begin at 1:00 p.m.

Five City Councilmen To Be Elected From Field Of 10 At Special Vote

Voters of the City of Farmington will go to the polls this Monday, May 14, to elect a five-man Council under the provisions of the new City Charter.
The newly elected Council will officially take office Monday, May 21, the date the new City Charter takes effect. A total of 10 candidates have filed nominating petitions for the Council race with five to be elected. This is the first Council election to be held under the new City Charter.

The 10 candidates seeking office on the new Council are: James W. Cavanaugh, Tracy G. Conroy, Charles Habermehl, Emory O. Hutton, Kenneth R. Loomis, Roy F. Miller, James A. Nourjian, George W. Alderman, L. Ross and Ralph O. Shepard. The old City Commission form of government will dissolve with the inauguration of the new City Council.

New Registrations Being Taken For School Elections

Registration Deadline Set For May 22

Registration of voters for the Annual School Board elections at both Farmington and Clarenceville are now being taken, school officials announced this week.
Both School Districts have continuing registration, but special election is being placed in registration between now and Saturday, June 2. The Annual School Election will be held Monday, June 11. Farmington School District voters will elect one member to the Board of Education and Clarenceville will elect two members. Saturday, June 2, is the final day of registration.

The term now held by Frank Labadie on the Farmington School District Board will expire this July 1. Labadie was appointed Monday to fill the unexpired term left vacant by the resignation of Rolfe Smith. This is the only term that expires this year.
Two terms, one held by William Lawrance, president, and one held by Robert Deans, vice-president, of the Clarenceville Board, expire this year.

Take School, Hall Bids At Novi

Specifications were bound Tuesday and made available Wednesday for bidders on the new Novi school addition and the new school hall. The request for bids follows action taken by the Novi School Board and Township Board, who altered original specifications for the two projects.
No bids were accepted last fall when the Board first opened bids on the Novi school addition. The specifications then were changed, dropping one room from the school and lowering the price. The Novi Township voters then approved construction of the proposed Novi school building adjacent to the school for use by both students and the community.
Final specifications call for a five room, one story school addition to be built behind the present school. The older building structure will have a roof pitched to the north, allowing clerestory lighting over the corridor from the south side.
The Novi community building will also be of cinder block construction, with steel roof joists and a built-up roof. It will have rest rooms, a kitchen and a cafeteria.
Bids for both buildings will be opened May 24 at the Township Hall, where bids will be received until then. The School Board will open bids on the new school and the Township Board will examine bids for the new community building.

Falcon Nine Takes Conference Lead

Farmington's Falcon baseball team took undisputed possession of first place in the Inter-Lakes Conference last Friday afternoon when it blanked Berkley High School 9 to 0 in a game at Berkley. Art Olson was the winning pitcher for Farmington. He pitched the entire seven innings, allowing no runs and but four hits. This is the third win for Olson with only one defeat. Larry Pink was behind the plate for the Falcons. Farmington drove out 11 hits and played a perfect ball in the field.
The Falcons jumped off to a six run lead in the first inning. Dick Alexander, first up, singled. Bunge also singled and Pink sacrificed the two runners along. Jim Bates then came through with a timely single, scoring both Alexander and Bunge. John Kargetzka singled and went to second on a throw from third. Dick Tyler then singled, scoring Bates and Kargetzka. Plum brought Tyler home with a single and Olson singled to score Plum.
Farmington got their other three runs in the fifth inning. Pink, leading off, got on an error. Bates singled with Pink going to third. Bates stole second. Plum came through with a sharp single, scoring both Pink and Bates. George Hayes doubled, scoring Plum. Plum, Tyler and Bates led the Falcons in hitting, getting two hits each. Farmington will meet Walpole Lake this Friday, in an Inter-Lakes Conference game on the Farmington diamond. The Falcons have a record to date of four wins against two losses.

Clarenceville Indians Start Season Sunday

The Clarenceville Indians, Clarenceville-sponsored baseball team, will start their season Sunday, May 13, in the season's opener. The game will take place at 3 p.m. at Cass Benton Park, starting a season delayed by bad weather. Bud Olson is manager of the team this year.

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