

## Southfield Voters Pass New Act

A special election, held Monday night at the Southfield Township Hall, gave the Southfield Township Board power to provide for the establishment of districts and zones within which the board may exercise power to regulate the size and locations of buildings and the regulation of the density of population by ordinance in certain unincorporated areas, as the voters of the township approved the question by a large margin. Over 300 ballots were cast during the day.

The act adopted at the Monday election virtually gives the Township Board power to regulate the size and location of buildings within the Southfield Township School District.

Although several groups within the township were organized to prevent the passage of the act, the election was not as close as was expected. Those who voted in favor of the act's passage had a wide majority.

The district in which the board now has power to regulate the above conditions is described on the ballot as "...All the territory of Southfield Township, East of Lahser or Redford road with the exception of Henry Wiegman's Estate, Subdivision of Frederick B. Gray's Southfield Woods Subdivision, Bonnie Acres Subdivision, east of the Centerline of Section 13, Meadowdale Subdivision and a portion of Supervisor's Plat No. 12."

## HIGHWAY DEPT. PREPARES FOR HOLIDAY TRAFFIC

The State Highway Department was busy this week getting ready for the annual Labor Day holiday traffic rush.

Commissioner Murray D. Van Wagoner sent special orders to assistant district engineers directing them to put the trunk-lines in the best possible condition for treatment for gravel roads was particularly emphasized.

"This matter is very serious," the Commissioner said, "We must make absolutely sure that every mile of road is in the best possible shape in anticipation of unusually heavy traffic for the Labor Day week-end."

District engineers were directed to have road-building activities during the three-day holiday on trunklines where traffic is maintained over construction. Construction on relocated routes will not be affected by the special order.

E. H. Dozer, superintendent of the state ferries, was directed to operate the ferry boats at random without regard to any fixed schedule at the Straits of Mackinac. The new boat, "City of Mackinac," is expected to relieve the holiday congestion materially. It has been carrying an average of 800 cars daily since it was placed in service.

The Commissioner urged motorists to drive with special caution. "Special traffic conditions," he said, "call for special driving methods. Speeds must be reduced in areas where there is heavy traffic. Motorists should be especially in advance to give motorists time to arrive at their destination at moderate speeds. The car and its equipment should be thoroughly checked before every driver makes it a personal responsibility to drive safely. Michigan can reduce its holiday traffic toll."

## Farmington May Be Last To Act on Liquor Sales

The Farmington City Commission may be one of the last governing bodies in the state to take action on the new liquor-by-the-glass amendment due to the fact that the regular monthly meeting will be postponed until September 13 because of the holiday Monday. Already nearly 300 governing bodies of both townships and cities have taken action on the new amendment.

The postponement of the meeting leaves the commission only a week to act on the amendment as the law stipulates action must be taken before September 21, or the governing body loses all power to act on the amendment. Should the commission defer action until after September 21, liquor-by-the-glass sales can only be permitted by a direct referendum.

Petitions filed with City Clerk Harry Moore, said to contain over 100 signatures, requesting that the act be taken by the commission will undoubtedly be an important discussion at the September 13 meeting.

## Bumper Apple Crop Is Expected In This Area

Chief among the agricultural products of the Farmington area is apples, and there is particular interest in this commodity in a report just released, indicating America's bumper fruit crop this year is apples, one of the greatest in quantity and finest in quality ever known. When that eccentric genius nicknamed Johnny Appleseed went wandering through New York, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and adjoining states about a century ago scattering selected seeds and urging farmers to plant them, he started the splendid orchards that have spread from Atlantic to Pacific and developed into a vast industry. But not even crazy Johnny could have foreseen a crop that

the Department of Agriculture estimates at 202 million bushels. This is nearly double the yield of the last year and 30 million bushels above the five year average.

Recent conferences among apple growers throughout the country have led to the formation of a temporary national committee, with Carroll R. Miller, of Martinsburg, W. Va., as acting chairman, and vigorous action undertaken in principal producing states to align orchard men in a co-operative venture for orderly marketing of the crop.

In some sections of the country, apple growers already have established organizations such as the Michigan Apple Institute, including growers in Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and Pennsylvania; Ohio Apple Institute, Michigan Apple Institute, and in the northwest the active associations of Idaho, Washington and Oregon. Other regions have varying degrees of organizations which are being rapidly strengthened or next, emergency. With these regional associations as a base, the apple industry of the United States has arranged to move as a national, unified, single industry for the benefit of both producers and consumers.

The emergency this year is serving to unify a widely scattered industry and this first effort promises beneficial experience for the future. Many of leading growers are being held this way in principal states, choosing members of their local committees and selecting delegates for the permanent national organization that after three ballots had been taken.

Commenting on the outcome of the special election, Harry McCracken, Farmington Township Clerk, said that the board would continue to plan for the future, and that the board would be ready to take preliminary steps toward meeting the emergency and have named a committee in charge for this state.

"Our apple crop in Michigan is larger this year than before but its quality also is exceptionally fine. This is particularly true of our western Michigan apples which will be ready for the market during August and September. Anticipating the surplus we began some weeks ago to take preliminary steps toward meeting the emergency and have named a committee in charge for this state."

## LEGION MAKES FINAL PLANS FOR GALA DAY

Final preparations and plans have been completed by members of the Farmington Post, American Legion for the three day Gala Day celebration to take place September 4-6.

A large number of contests and events have been arranged, including a new type of amateur show and a collection of professional entertainers which will feature the nightly entertainment to be given under the Big Top. Contracts for numerous entertainment equipment have been signed by Erwin Plettenberg, Commander of the local post.

A number of new amateur entertainers from Detroit, Northville and other points in the vicinity have been signed during the past week by Carl Smith who is in charge of the entertainment.

The complete program of events and prizes offered to the winners of the several contests can be found on page eight.

## Farmington Bakery Moves to New Site

The Farmington Bakery is now doing business in its new location on 2350 Grand River avenue. The grand opening of the new bakery and "bakery lunch" will be held on Saturday, September 4.

The front of the new establishment has been transformed into a clean, airy lunch room as well as show room for the baked products. A new oven, mixer and other equipment has been purchased by its proprietor, A. L. Ross, and was installed this week. Although the lunch service offered by the bakery is not intended to compete with regular restaurants, sandwiches as well as freshly baked pastries and beverages will be served.

With the installation of new lighting fixtures, sales facilities and other equipment, the Farmington Bakery becomes one of the finest and most modern bakeries of its size throughout the state.

## Harold Chamberlain Dies In Crash

Funeral services for Harold W. Chamberlain, 23, well known Farmington youth, who was killed Tuesday in an automobile accident near Mineral, Illinois, were held Thursday from the Methodist Episcopal Church. Reverend Delmore Stubbs conducted the service.

The fatal accident occurred as Mr. Chamberlain, in company with Wayne Wagner, Highland Park, were returning from an extensive trip through the western part of the United States and Canada. Although the actual cause of the accident is yet unknown, it is believed that Chamberlain, who was driving the car, fell asleep, causing the car to crash into a bridge abutment. Wagner is still confined in the hospital at Kewanee, Illinois.

Mr. Chamberlain spent most of his life in Farmington, graduating from the Farmington High School with the class of 1932. After graduation he operated a gasoline service station near Farmington which he recently sold to another gasoline company.

Besides his many friends in the vicinity of Farmington, his only survivors are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Chamberlain of Maple avenue. Burial was at the Oakland Cemetery. S. J. Henney conducted the funeral arrangements.

## SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR MANY STUDENTS

According to a letter received here by Superintendent of Schools Robert Burns from E. J. Lederle, Commissioner of Schools for Oakland County, a new policy with regard to scholarships to encourage qualified young people to take two year courses at any of the four state normal schools in preparation for rural school teaching is being carried out this year. The State Board of Education has waived the tuition charge of \$10 per term, amounting to \$30 per year, as a scholarship for those who can qualify.

The scholarships are being given to qualifying students who are not planning on taking the regular four year course but would like to attend one of the several normal schools within the state. The courses the students would pursue on this two year curriculum would allow them to take a certificate. The certificate issued at the end of the first year course would be valid for three years and would be valid only in various rural schools.

A supply of application forms are available to any person in Oakland County desiring to write or call as the commissioner's office at Pontiac. As the forms must be in the hands of John R. Emsen of the State Department of Education by September 1st, Mr. Lederle urges that any persons desiring the application forms get in touch with his office as soon as possible.

## City Advertiser For Sewer Construction Bids

Bids for the furnishing of labor, materials and equipment for the construction of the three new sewer lines to be built by the City of Farmington are being advertised this week. Work will probably start soon after the bids are opened at the regular meeting September 13.

Over 2,500 feet of pipe will be purchased together with other equipment including manhole covers, creek crossing equipment and miscellaneous items.

The construction of the new sewers, to be done under the supervision of Bruce Buchanan, Pontiac engineer, is a part of the City Commission's plan to extend the city sewer system throughout the city. It is expected that other extensions to the system will be made next year. One extension, which the commission was proposing for next year, will be built this month by the State Drain Commission in order to drain the low-lying and north side of Grand River just east of the cemetery. This extension will be built along the north side of Shawness avenue from the intersection of Shawness and Grand River to the new extension which the city expects to construct this month.

The plans and specifications under which this work is to be performed may be examined at the office of City Clerk Harry Moore and copies of the same may be obtained at the office of Bruce Buchanan, Inc., Pontiac.

## Grace Corner Sold; Plan Modernizing

Transfer of one of the most important business locations in Farmington and establishment of a new business, accompanied by building modernization plans that are likely to materially alter the appearance of the community's main intersection, are made known this week.

The property on the northeast corner of Grand River and Farmington Road, owned for several generations by the Grace family and occupied by the E. C. Grace Store, has been sold to Edgar S. Pierce, a new finance company headed and managed by Mr. Pierce, has been established and will occupy the former Grace store after improvements have been made. The firm, known as Securities Finance Company, will handle commercial paper and other forms of credit. It is expected that the new company will begin functioning some time in October. Mr. Pierce has resigned as assistant receiver of Farmington State Savings Bank, effective September 30.

Improvement Planned Plans for the modernization of the recently-closed E. C. Grace store are under consideration. In addition, a number of property are the places occupied by the Boston Shoe Repair Shop and Curly's Electric Shop.

Establishment of the company will bring to Farmington a new type of business, one which has been spreading out into smaller communities all over the country in recent years coincident with the development of the automobile and accompanying financial requirements. Where formerly financing was confined to a few larger cities, the past few years have seen establishment of companies offering this type of service to small towns throughout the United States.

Mr. Pierce plans to continue his insurance service along with the new business.

Transfer of the former Grace property to the new business, the transition from Farmington of olden days to the modern history of the community, it had remained longer in one family than any other piece of business property in Farmington. The old Grace store, operated until recently by Fred and Lou Pauline, was the oldest business establishment in the community.

## FARMINGTON RESIDENTS HURT IN CRASH

Three persons, two of them Farmington residents, were injured in an auto crash late Tuesday night between Lakeway and Brookdale streets on Grand River avenue.

Stella Gates and Emmet Beany, both of Farmington were injured when a car driven by Victor Cummings, 1935 Art Haven, Detroit, ran into the rear of the machine driven by Beany as it was parked on the north side of Grand River. Cummings claimed his lights were too dim to distinguish the parked car.

Cummings and Beany were taken to Redford Receiving hospital for treatment. Cummings suffered scalp lacerations and possible skull fracture while Beany was taken to Pontiac for treatment of a right leg. Mrs. Gates escaped with severe lacerations of the face and hands, and is suffering slightly from shock.

## Farmington Merchants Offer "School Days" Specials

With the end of the summer vacation in sight, hundreds of Farmington children are preparing to return to school. Likewise, Farmington merchants are preparing to equip them with the variety of things they need to start the school year off right. Hundreds of "School Days" specials in their ad on page five, offer a list of "school specials" including everything from alarm clocks to lunch buckets. The Fred L. Cook Company are prepared to log out their child with anything in the line of clothing that he may need.

School days require an extra amount of hot water. The Consumers Power Company will install an automatic gas water heater in your home that guarantees an ample supply of hot water whenever it is needed. The Detroit Edison Company are offering the newest and best method of cooking yet discovered; the new

## New Coach



PAUL SHOEMAKER

## New Coach Starts Practice Sessions

The Farmington High School football squad reported for its first fall practice Wednesday under the supervision of the new athletic coach, Paul Shoemaker, in preparation for their first game to be played sometime this month.

Coach Shoemaker, a graduate of the Michigan State Normal College at Ypsilanti, captained the 1932 team and played at tackle position during his four years at that college. Since graduating he has been coaching football and minor sports at the University of Toledo.

He will be assisted by Benton Ewer, another new addition to this year's faculty. Mr. Ewer, who graduated from Alma College, Alma, Michigan, in 1936 will serve as backfield coach and assistant athletic coach. He will also teach a number of subjects.

## LADIES AUXILIARY HOLD MEETING

A special meeting of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the American Legion was held Monday evening at the home of Miss Elizabeth Schaeper. Plans for their part in the Gala Day celebration were completed. Mrs. Charles Elkins, president of the group, appointed Mrs. Margaret Haley chairman for Saturday, Mrs. Helen Eisenlord chairman for Sunday and Mrs. Mattie DeVriendt chairman for Monday. Seventeen members were in attendance at the meeting.

Mrs. Dorothy Smith and Mrs. Helen Eisenlord, who were regular delegates to the recent state convention of the American Legion and Ladies' Auxiliary at Detroit, will give their reports at the next regular meeting.

## NOTICE

Boys and girls selling tickets for the Gala Day celebration in the contest sponsored by Vic Blakeslee, Chevrolet dealer, who is awarding a bicycle or its equivalent in cash, to the winner, are asked to report the number of tickets they have sold not later than midnight Friday, September 3.

Miss Shirley Blumenthal of Lake Orion is the house guest this week of Christine Kahel.

## Work Begins On Gd. River Widening

Actual work on the widening of Grand River avenue is under way, with a large crew of men tearing up the north half of the highway in preparation for the laying of new concrete, which will widen the thoroughfare to 40 feet within the city limits.

Another crew is at-work removing trees between sidewalk and curb on the north side of Grand River, made necessary by the widening process. Although the work requires removal of several of the trees between Farmington Road and the intersection of Oakland Avenue and Grand River, it will be the last to be removed beyond that point as the highway will be widened to only 30 feet beyond there. The work is being done by the Frank J. Knight Company of Detroit.

Paving is expected to start within the next few weeks, although it will be almost three months before the project is completed and hardened enough to permit traffic. While the paving traffic is being permitted on Grand River at the present time, it is likely that when the paving begins traffic will either be routed around the area under construction, or one-way traffic established for west-bound motorists.

Although work has been started within the city limits of Farmington, surveys and engineers are still laying out their lines. The city has the right-of-way permit on Grand River at the present time, it is likely that when the paving begins traffic will either be routed around the area under construction, or one-way traffic established for west-bound motorists.

## Parking Restricted

Because of the minimum amount of space allowed motorists by the blocking off of the north side of Grand River, State Highway Department officials have ordered that no parking be allowed on the south side of Grand River in Farmington road to the intersection of Oakland Avenue and Grand River. Signs to this effect have been posted along the south side of the restricted portion.

## CASS THEATRE TO PRESENT "THE WOMEN"

Because of its controversial nature, "The Women" is the comedy play by Clare Boothe which Max Gordon will present at the Cass Theatre, Detroit the week beginning Sunday, September 12, with matinees on Wednesday and Friday. The play is unquestionably the most discussed play of the last decade. Expertly set off by an all-feminine cast of forty top-flight performers including Loris Wilson, of motion picture fame, and a lady's lady, Una Hovee, Dorothy Draper and Una Val.

"The Women" is in three acts and twelve scenes, all depicting places usually barred to mere men. These scenes range from a lady's boudoir to a beauty parlor, a fitting room, exercise salon and to the privacy of the bath.

The story attempts to show the evils of gossip among the small groups of women of the so-called "smart set" who have too much leisure and too much time on their hands. The lines flash "down the stairs" and the girls let down their hair and "keep the boys" in the audience laughing and gasping. It is undeniably exciting, inescapably clever. It is sharp, quick, funny, and effective.

"The Women" has been current at the Ethel Barrymore Theatre in New York for nearly a year, and will continue to play to capacity audiences there for many months to come. The company to be seen at the Cass Theatre is especially organized for an indefinite engagement at the Erlanger Theatre in Chicago which begins on September 19. Buffalo and Detroit are the only two cities to be visited at this time.

Max Gordon, the producer, has given the theatre many of its outstanding productions among the number being Walter Huston in "Dodsworth," the "Great Waltz," "Robert" and numerous others. The play was directed by Robert B. Sinclair, who did similar service for "Dodsworth" and "Friede and Prejudice." The twelve actresses were designed by Jo Mielandier and the gowns which are said to be the final word in feminine finery, were supervised by John Hamilton.

Here, it is not only the play, but the theatre, which is a decided novelty because of the fact that there is not a man in the large cast. "The Women" provides gorgeous entertainment, and greater fine program over the international compilation.