

Livonia To Decide On School

Would Match Federal Aid

"Results of the Township vote on Monday, July 24, will prove conclusively whether or not the citizens of Livonia stand for growth, progress and good citizenship," according to a spokesman from the Committee on Civic Affairs at a recent meeting. This was a series of meetings held in the Township, sponsored by the newly organized Civic Group to present in graphic form Livonia's desperate need for a new school building.

In a statement to the press, Fred C. Welner, president of the School Board, discussed the connection with neighboring high schools, and referring to the proposed plans for a new building stated, "The only means of attaining this end will be through the establishment of a Building and Site Fund adequate to match dollars for dollars of Federal Aid Funds." He then proceeded to point out that this could only be accomplished by a vote of Livonia's citizens on two issues.

(a) To Establish a Building and Site Fund and
(b) To vote "Yes" on the proposed five mill tax increase. Both of these issues will be up for vote of the people on Monday, July 30.

Time: 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Place: Livonia Central School, Farmington and Five Mile Roads. Any citizen, parent or taxpayer over twenty-one years of age who has lived in Michigan for six months and in the Township for thirty days is an eligible voter. A "yes" vote of two-thirds majority is needed to proceed with the new school project.

The following table shows how the five mill increase would affect individual taxpayers.
A five mill increase means:
If assessed \$200 your additional tax will be \$1.00; \$500, \$2.50; \$1,000, \$5.00; \$1,500, \$7.50; \$2,000, \$10.00; \$2,500, \$12.50; \$3,000, \$15.00; \$4,000, \$20.00. For five years only.

Every property owner in Livonia whether a parent or not will benefit by increased tax revenue from a new Central Township School. Your Township needs your help in its post-war planning.

CROP INSURANCE TO BE SOLD IN OAKLAND COUNTY

Several authorized agents have been appointed to sell Federal crop insurance in Oakland County. County AAA Chairman Walter R. Cook has announced. These include George H. H. of Livonia Township, Alfred Bayless of Oxford Township, Donald Hickmott and Howard Thackwell of Addison Township, Cyril Oliver of West Bloomfield Township, Floyd Verigin of Springfield, Harold Doebler of Independence Township, and Lee McIntire of Brandon Township. Others will be announced later.

"These sales agents will begin calling upon farmers soon to give every producer of winter wheat a chance to protect his crop from natural hazards through this new Federal insurance program," according to Walter R. Cook.

In Michigan, the last day for filing crop insurance applications on the 1946 winter wheat crop is before seeding of the crop or September 15, 1946, whichever is earlier.

Highlights of the set-up under the new crop insurance program are: 1. Farmers may file applications for crop insurance with a sales agent appointed by the county AAA Committee, or at the county AAA office. 2. Crop losses should be reported to the county AAA office, which is responsible for administrative details of the program. 3. Inspection of crop damage and adjustments of losses will be made by the local adjuster for the county, supervised by the State Crop Insurance Director.

LOCAL BOYS MEET IN PACIFIC



Above are two Farmington boys, members of the ground crew of the Fifth Air Force, who had been fortunate enough to meet, away from the Pacific. At the left is Corporal Charles Schinckel, and at the right Sgt. Gordon (Bud) Matthews, both former Farmington High School students.

SECOND GROUP ATTENDING OLIVET COLLEGE

The Salem Evangelical Church, "The Church on the Park," Youth Fellowship have sponsored ten members to a week at Olivet College, Olivet, Michigan. The week will consist of leadership, training and recreation.

The entire Youth Fellowship sponsored 50 per cent of the cost for the group attending the college. This is the second group to attend Olivet College and extends camping activities beyond the intermediate group of 14. Those attending are: Joyce Gerds, Sally Gildemeister, Francis H. uph, Donald Kobman, Avis Mack, Margery Morris, Virginia Smith, Elliot Tyler Jr., Ernest Tyler and Shirley Way.

The group was driven to Olivet by Rev. Carl H. Schultz, Mr. Gildemeister and Mr. Peter Koeman.

ALFRED JONES LEAVES FOR MILITARY SERVICE

Farmington will miss one of its most active young men, for Alfred G. Jones was inducted into the Armed Forces on Thursday of this week.

Mr. Jones was elected to serve on the Farmington City Commission at the regular election held early this year. He has been very active in the First Methodist Church, both in the capacity of lay leader and as director of young people's activities.

Mrs. Jones and their daughter, Marilyn, will continue to make their home on Power Avenue.

Auxiliary Women To Discuss Convention

American Legion Auxiliary will hold a special meeting Monday, July 30, at 8 p.m. sharp. The special meeting will be a business meeting pertaining to State Convention.

SUMMER PROGRAM INCLUDES DANCE FOR TEEN-AGERS

The Summer Recreation Program is now in its fifth week. The younger boys and girls enjoy the swings, merry-go-round, sand box mornings, and both young and old use the wading pool in the afternoon. The boys and girls are particularly enjoying a new piece of equipment called the "Castle Tower." The wading pool is cleaned and refilled each day.

A dance for teen-agers is being held each Tuesday evening following the Band Concerts. Adults are always welcome at these dances and many were on hand last Tuesday night.

LIVONIA CLUB MEETS AT TIMPONA HOME

Dr. Marie Hyland Timpone served as hostess at the July 18th meeting of the directors and committee chairmen of the Livonia Township Woman's Club.

The Parliamentary Law classes will meet after the regular meetings, due to those unable to attend earlier. The meeting will be conducted by Mrs. D. Howell, 1st Vice-President.

Mrs. Nixon, Yearbook Chairman, will continue to gather history of the group.

The next meeting of the club will be held the third Wednesday of August.

FRANK DUNHAM IS MEMBER OF HOLSTEIN GROUP

Frank O. Dunham, Farmington, is one of 64 Michigan Holstein breeders recently admitted to membership in The Holstein-Friesian Association of America by unanimous vote of the Board of Directors. Applications from 778 for membership were approved. The national Holstein association is the largest dairy cattle recording organization in the world. Its total membership now numbers more than 35,000.

Day Camp To Resume July 31

The Farmington Township Girl Scout Council will hold Day Camp on July 31, August 1, 2, 7, 8, 9 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays) with headquarters in the City Park on Shawasssee St. in back of the school.

The objectives of Girl Scout Day Camp are (1) to develop initiative and self-reliance, (2) to contribute to the mental and physical well-being of camper, (3) to help camper grow in her ability to be an accepted and adjusted member of a group, (4) to give a happy, adventurous experience, (5) to enjoy the out-of-doors with other people, (6) to give training in active citizenship.

The aim is to provide simple out-of-door living and give campers the opportunity of planning, working and playing together in small groups.

The camp will be open to all girls in the city and township whether Girl Scouts or not, between the ages of 7 and 18. The children are put into groups or units of not more than twenty according to age. Trained adults will direct and supervise the activities of each individual unit. The campers themselves will decide upon their own activities and schedule their program for the camping period.

Out-of-door cooking, camp-keeping and camp handicrafts will be offered to help girls feel more at home in the out-of-doors. Other craft projects will include finger-painting, bookbinding, smoke prints, spatter prints, block prints, decorated stationery, woven and decorated belts, barometers, terrariums, paper mache modeling and tin can craft, including cooking utensils, buddy burners and trench candles.

The program for the first day will be:
9:30. Opening flag ceremony; registration; divide into units, select unit sign, set up unit camp.
10. Make unit sign.
11. Make unit bulletin board.
12. Arrange fire-place and woodpile.
13. Arrange dining area.
14. Elect a representative and scribe.

12:30. Lunch. Quiet time, games, stories. Discuss future activities. Campcraft. Lash tables, washstands and other useful gadgets.
2:30. Closing. Retire the colors.
Director for Day Camp is Mrs. Warren Joy, assisted by Mrs. Morris, Mrs. Hough, Mrs. Megath, Mrs. Nierston, Mrs. Pulkerson, Mrs. Laram, Mrs. Lancaster, Mrs. Abme, Mrs. Maidment, Mrs. Durgan, Mrs. Weaver, Mrs. Labadio, Mrs. Gildemeister, Mrs. Maas and Mrs. Nolan.

Sally Gildemeister, Margaret Brown, Marjorie Hunt, Doris Lechman and Carol Joy are the pre-breders and will assist with games and songs.
Girls are to bring a nose-bag lunch the first day. Milk will be furnished. Call Mrs. Joy, 1482, for further information.

Miss Dorothy Taylor of Detroit was a week end guest of her father, Mr. Richard Taylor and family.

Farmington Post Office Advanced To First Class

HONORED



HARRY N. MCCRACKEN

Will Make Survey For Additional Help

The Farmington Post Office has recently received a first class rating, according to a report made by Norman Lee, postmaster. This permit became effective July 1, 1945.

From this new permit it is expected that a survey will soon be made for additional help.
Mr. Lee was appointed postmaster April 6, 1931, following the retirement of Thomas McGee, retiring postmaster. At the time Mr. Lee took over as postmaster the post office held, or was classified, as third class. It obtained a second class permit July 1, 1937, and the first class in 1945.

As a third class post office the employment stood at the peak with three employees. The payroll per quarter amounted to \$2,025. There were two rural routes with a total of 1100 patrons being served. Sales per quarter then amounted to \$125,007, June quarter 1934.

Now, standing as a first class post office, the number of employees reaches the total of six full time and two part time, with an increase of more than double. The payroll, also greatly increased, now stands at \$7800, June quarter, 1945.

The number of rural routes has jumped to six, with an increase in the number of patrons served to the grand total at the present of 2100 patrons. Sales per quarter have increased to \$103,333.53, June quarter 1945.

During the time of Mr. Lee's postmastership there have been several additions made to the post office; two 30 foot additions, thus growing from a small to much larger building, with improvements being added when needed.

BAND MEMBERS PREPARE FOR FINAL CONCERT

The third concert by the Farmington Summer Band was well attended last Tuesday evening at 8 p.m., at the Farmington High School Band House. Eddie Alexander, well-known Farmington minstrel player, acted as master of ceremonies for the hour-long concert which was highlighted by the singing of the soloist, Ivar Anderson, accompanied by Mrs. Anderson at the piano.

Mr. Anderson's solos were well received by the large audience which heard him very capably render "I Dream of Jeannie" and "It's Take You Home Again Kathleen." Other soloists were Dick Richards, who portrayed the vocal art of Bunny Berigan's "I Can't Get Started" on his cornet; Ellen Whitehead, boogie woogie interpreter; Dorsey Howard and his father, Roy Howard, played a piano duet; and Charles Gravid played a trombone selection.

Next week Tuesday's concert is the last in the series, and brings to the Band Home porch stage an hour-to-goodness barber shop quartet headed by tenor Ivar Anderson. Other selections will be Solovox solos by Lloyd Smith, clarinet novelties by Donald Kobman, an appearance by this summer's beginning band and pre-band flutes, and other interesting musical treats. The public is cordially invited to the concert which commences at 8 p.m. After the concert the Torrid Five will play for dancing.

Friday, August 3rd, the Summer Band group will take an excursion to Genoa Point as the climax of the summer music program. Those students who have earned 50 points in the course of the summer will be sponsored by Mr. Smith and parents of young folks in the group.

The next appearance of the band will be on Labor Day for the annual parade. Mr. Smith asks that band members procure for their new uniforms, the following items: black shoes, all-black tie, black stockings, and white shirt suitable for the. Rehearsals for Labor Day will be announced at a later date.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Coon, and son, Frank, visited friends in Bay City last week end.

RIGHT IN THERE...
and pitching are some of our "men about town" these days, for it's harvesting time again. Of course we have some of the work to do, which may have something to do with it, but we love this time of year. The ripened grain in the field is a sight to behold before it's ever cut, and afterwards, as it stands in shocks, ready to be brought up to the barn, it is truly a picture. And the smell of fresh cut hay is bound to conjure up fond visions to many.



THE NEW AWNING...
at Curt Hall's is attracting considerable attention and incidentally affording considerable shade these sunny days. The awning announces, "Curt Hall Automobile Sales and Service. Modern Household Appliances."

OUR SMALL FRY...
are making good use, these "dog days" of the wading pool at the City Park. They seem to have a great time splashing around and cooling off. Just a place of envy developed some time along the line for it certainly would feed good.

CONTRIBUTIONS...
continue to come in to the American Legion Memorial Home, and before long we should be able to tell you that ground will be broken. Looks as though our boys can take just pride not only in their own part in this war, but in the part that has been played by their home town. The memorial home is a splendid way to honor these boys, and it will provide a service appreciated by all. There is still time to make your contribution.

DREAM HOUSES...
have always been popular, but perhaps more so of late because it has been impossible to build. Unmistakable signs of recovery from this war-time limitation are now



end-nit, and Farmington is seeing a few new houses, too. Of course everyone has been watching the construction of the Dick Taylor's house, and now we have another, on the hill side just across the creek from the high school athletic field — a lovely spot if ever there was one.

FIRE CAUSES DRUG STORE DAMAGE

The fire early Thursday morning caused fairly extensive damage to the Oak Pharmacy Drug Store, recently sold to Edward L. Mourse. Fire broke out on the east side of the store, believed to have been caused from an overheated fountain unit.

Flames were seen through the window of the store and the fire department immediately notified. The drug store will remain open for business, to a certain extent, stated Mr. Mourse.

Youth Drowns Near Pontiac

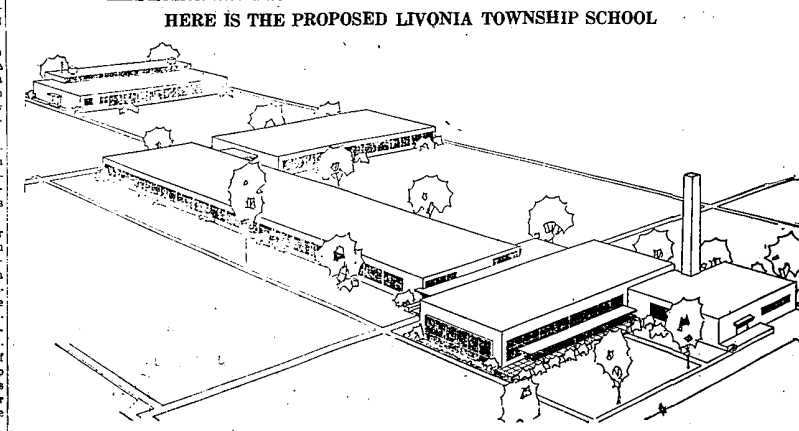
Robert McKay, a Farmington Township youth, lost his life in Upper Straits Lake near Pontiac. The drowning occurred between 7:30 and 8:00 o'clock Wednesday evening.

Robert was the fourteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McKay, 14 Mile and Orchard Lake Roads, and was graduated from the eighth grade at the Bond School this spring.

Desides his parents, he is survived by seven brothers and sisters. Funeral arrangements have not been completed.

Miss Mary Green of Elizabeth Lake spent Sunday with Mrs. Elmer See.

Miss Doris Green of Pontiac spent Wednesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Green, town as possible after the war, the



Approximately 1,000 pupils will be accommodated in this Livonia Township School. To be built as soon as possible after the war, the Board of Education has planned it as the start of a complete Junior-Senior High School, including an auditorium, a gymnasium, a cafeteria, and extensive recreational facilities.

Thirty-three acres have already been acquired south of Five Mile Road, and east of Farmington Roads, a location that lies almost in the geographical and population center of the township.