

**WE DON'T REGRET . . .**  
the final disappearance of the infernal machine that roared through the community creating huge clouds of pent-up dust last week. We haven't been able to notice much removal of dirt from the roads, but we know for sure it has been rearranged thoroughly. Some day maybe we'll find out why cleaning the streets can't be done without raising a huge dust cloud, or why it can't be done, say, at night, when there is less traffic, fewer parked cars, and the shop windows and doors are closed. We'd also like to see some gadget worked out that would remove the dirt in the streets instead of merely relocating it.

**FINALLY . . .**  
the elections are over and the results are in. But we surely did hate to see such a small number at the polls and the smaller number at the annual meeting of the board. All year long we hear "why don't they" and "they should," but we see few people who want to become "they," even if a few voters. There's another way to go. Next week Train's dissertation on the weather — namely that everybody talks about it but nobody does anything about it.

**A REMINDER . . .**  
The Sunshine Lady is still waiting for some mail from you. She has already been helped a lot by the influx of assistance that came following last week's feature story about this unselfish woman who has helped so many to happiness although her own life has been so rugged. So don't forget to drop a few words or some stamps to her, to either her address or at our office, before another week goes by. Also don't forget she isn't asking for help or charity — all she wants you to do is to send some cards to shut-ins. She's ready, willing, able, and desirous of addressing and mailing them for you.

**WE SEE BY . . .**  
the calendar that Father's Day is just about here. Strikes us that Father's Day presents no problem of suitably conveying the family's feelings about the Old Man. You can please Pappy no end just by getting him one of the zillion or so things he has never quite got around to getting for himself. There's any number of such items — tools, for instance. We find most Fathers prefer to spend family funds on the family, rather than purchase some little gimmick for themselves to make their work easier. Fathers, like Mothers, are a rather self-sacrificing lot, and they aren't hard to make happy.

**WE HAVE A RATHER . . .**  
deflating thought for the kids who are just starting their summer vacation. Just happened to notice the most recent advertising service handbooks. It says the merchants now are getting their "back to school" campaigns ready to go. In view of the fact that summer vacation is just starting, it's sort of deflating to know that already there are plots afoot to get the "back to school" idea rolling. Reminds us that the world keeps running regardless of what temporary escape there is. So the moral seems to be to have a bang-up time on the vacation.

**ABOUT VACATIONS . . .**  
should be another word. Each year, more people leave on vacations than return. That's a fact. Instead of coming home, they remain on the beach, or in a lake, or wind themselves up in a shroud of sheet music and old iron along the highway, or otherwise dispose of the trip home in similarly messy method. Because we like to have you around, kindly return from your vacation this year. And don't spend it in a hospital, either. Give yourself time for your trip back and make sure the old family bus is in good condition before you leave — not pavement, hot tires, and hot-headed drivers aren't safe.

**THE VERY BEST . . .**  
thing in the way of civics lessons for our high school youngsters have been the two elections in the football field. Near and dear to their hearts, the elections drew their attention, interest, and energy to the matter of elections and voting. They are now fully aware of the pathetically small number of people who vote. Maybe they'll profit from the experience, gained while their minds are still young and flexible. And if they do, the merchants will be glad to have the coming citizens interested in their government, then the school board has accomplished more than any other institution in the world. Let's hope and pray these youngsters don't follow the sad example set by their parents. If we're going to have a republic here, somebody's got to make it work. And that somebody definitely isn't today's elector.

**FOUND . . .**  
this week over at the Farmington Grade School was a School Savings Department pass book on the old People's State Bank. Showing entries from October, 1921, the book bears the name of Audrey Irene Pribe, and says she was in the First Grade then. The book was found wedged into a desk by Linda Clark Clarke, 9, now in the fourth grade. Incidentally, the book still shows a balance of 12 cents.

## Reveal Day Camp Bus Schedules

Bus schedules for the Farmington District Girl Scout Day Camp were announced this week by Mrs. Russell Wright, Girl Scout publicity chairman. According to Mrs. Wright, the Day Camp will be held at the Boys Republic Glen from June 19 through June 23.

The bus will leave the William Glen School at 9 a.m., stop at Grand River and Lakeway, Farmington High School, go down Farmington Road to Eight Mile, then Eight Mile to Parker, Parker to the Cul-Off, the Cul-Off to Grand River, down Grand River to Middlebelt, and on to the Glen. The other bus will leave Bond School at 9 a.m., stop at Orchard Lake and 12 Mile, Orchard Lake and 11 Mile, Orchard Lake and 10 Mile, down 10 Mile to Middlebelt, Noble School, and Nine Mile, and on to the Glen.

Mrs. Wright is asking girls to bring "nosebag" lunches the first day of the camp. Milk will be furnished campers every day.

## Trojan Band To Play At State Fair, U. of M.

The Clarenceville band has received invitations to participate in two outstanding activities during the late summer and early fall. It was announced this week.

An invitation has been extended to the band to participate again this year in the Michigan State Fair. The exact date has not yet been set. The band will give a concert in the band shell at a concert in the band shell at the State Fair Grounds and participate in a special parade.

The Clarenceville band has also been invited to take part in the Michigan Band Day to be held at the University of Michigan - Dartmouth football game October 7 at the stadium in Ann Arbor.

Susan Lange has left for Mackinac Island for the summer. She is working at the Balsam Gift Shop on the island, and living at the Twilight Inn.

## 163 REGISTERED FOR KINDERGARTEN AT FARMINGTON

Miss Minnie Zielke, elementary supervisor of the Farmington Township School District, announced this week that 163 children have been registered for kindergarten next year.

Approximately 200 are expected to be enrolled according to the last school census. Miss Zielke stated that about 50 children have not yet been registered. The bulk of those registered enrolled during the special kindergarten enrollment May 22 through May 26.

Following the special registration a Kindergarten get-together was held June 6 at the Farmington Elementary School on 10 Mile Road. Parents and pre-school children were invited with about 320 attending. The purpose of the get-together was to acquaint parents and children with the teachers and others in the community. Representatives of the various P.T.A.'s were present to invite parents to join their own P.T.A. and make an appointment. Parents are requested to call the office first before coming to the school. Pre-school children have been visiting the school during the past week. Miss Zielke stated that the purpose of the visits was to help children in the adjustment from the home to the school.

**CIVIC ASSOCIATION**  
The Farmington Township Civic Association, Inc. will meet Friday, June 16, at the Town Hall. Due to enlargement of the membership the group is centralizing its meeting place.

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## Commission Trims 1950-51 Budget To \$118,476

### City Plans Financing Water Main Extension

Three persons attended the annual public hearing on the 1950-51 budget for the City of Farmington held last Wednesday evening at the City Hall.

A tentative budget of \$118,476 was established by the City Commission. The final budget must be approved by the Commission before it is official. The purpose of the public hearing was to allow residents an opportunity to hear the budget and make any suggestions regarding the financial operation of the City for the coming year. Mayor Delos Hamlin presented the original estimated budget at the last meeting in May.

At the opening of the public hearing, Hamlin explained that the budget was out of balance with expenditures running about \$32,000 over income. The object of the meeting was to reduce expenditures to meet the City's estimated income for the year. The Mayor stated that income is expected to be \$118,476 with a carry-over of \$13,000 from last year's income. This would give the city an operating capital of \$118,476.

Mayor Hamlin read the proposed budget item for item and minor reductions were made in expenditures. However, it was decided that reductions could not be made sufficient to meet income. Then Louis, police commissioner, stated that some savings could be made by purchasing signs, made by prisoners and purchased through the Municipal League. Estimated expenditures include \$13,000 for new machinery, \$2,500 for new water pump, \$2,000 in a contingent fund for a new fire truck and other future expenses, and \$12,000 for streets.

**FINANCE WATER MAINS**  
A total of approximately \$25,000 will be needed during the year for the construction of water mains along the Floral Parkways, and the purchase of fire hydrants. The Commission decided to put this expense from the budget and finance the project prior to construction. Approval will be requested from the Michigan Debt Commission so that the financing can be completed when necessary.

Through this procedure the budget will be balanced equally by income expenditures and estimated income at approximately \$118,476. This is the largest operating budget in the history of the City of Farmington.

### Womens Club Holds "Presidents' Day"

The Farmington Womens Club held its annual "Presidents' Day" at Pine Lake Tuesday, June 6. Mrs. Carl Ritter, the retiring president, welcomed the guests and introduced the new officers for the coming year. Mrs. Ralph Noble is the new president.

Mrs. Agnes Chamberlain, program chairman, introduced Mrs. A. G. Leonard, who discussed her recent trip through the south and described the city of New Orleans.

## Garden Club Announces Plans For Re-Landscaping Town Hall Park

Mrs. Eichler stated that the Garden Club is anxious to go ahead with the re-landscaping of the Park provided that the City and Township will plan a program for the repair and restoration of the Town Hall. She added that the club does not feel it should take on the project unless the whole program can be followed through.

Mayor Delos Hamlin stated that the Commission appreciated the offer of the Garden Club and felt it was an excellent project. He said the matter of the building would be turned over to James Cavanaugh, commissioner in charge of public buildings, for study. The Mayor added that probably the repair and restoration of the building would have to cover several years. Cavanaugh stated that he had already been approached by Mr. Harry McCracken, Township Clerk, and efforts would be made to develop a joint program between the City and the club.

Members of the Garden Club Project Committee are: Chairman, Mrs. William Harris; Mrs. K. B. Willoughby and Mrs. Philip A. Henault.

## Plan Summer Recreation Program



Jim Bates, Jerry Plum, coach Bill Nuss, and Don Bunge, all leaders in the Farmington Recreation Commission's summer program, check plans and start work on scheduling activities for the summer program this year. This is the first time boys have been used as playground leaders in the program, the work being done by college girls on vacation in previous years.

## See Chance For Lower School Tax But Need For Buildings Growing

Almost in one breath, residents of the Farmington Township School District were told this week that tax reductions in the near future are "quite likely," and that there is immediate need for embarking on another building program.

According to the School Budget for 1950-51, the debt incurred since 1932 being paid by a voted 10 mill levy will be cleaned up sooner than expected because of the growth in valuation and tax collections in the city and township. According to the budget, "It is estimated that the balance in this fund on June 30, 1952, will be a full levy, will approximate \$36,000 with a total of \$22,000 in outstanding bonds. Principal and interest obligations for 1953 will total \$73,620. It is probable, therefore, that a tax levy in 1953 will be sufficient to meet the obligations of this account."

Almost the same thing holds true for a one mill levy voted to erase debts incurred prior to 1932. Although this debt can not be paid until 1959 as the bonds can't be called in until then, the budget says, "It is estimated that the balance in this fund on June 30, 1952, will be equal approximately to the outstanding obligations of the account. Only a very small levy, if any, will be necessary therefore in the 1952 fiscal year."

But this news was quickly followed by the disclosure Tuesday of the school census figures. They indicate a 112.4% increase in the number of children aged 3 to 4 in the district over the past four years. The number of children less than one year old in the school district has nearly tripled between 1946 and 1948. The 1946 census showed 31 infants; the 1950 census showed 241.

In 1946 there were 121 youngsters one year old in the district. Four years later, when this original group of 121 were five years old and ready to start kindergarten, their ranks had been swollen to 41.

## BAPTIST CHURCH STARTS BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 19

A Vacation Bible School for all children of the community who are three years of age and older will be conducted at Farmington's First Baptist Church, Farmington Road and Shawanawee Avenue, June 19 to 30. The sessions will be held Monday through Friday for two weeks, from 9 to 12 noon, and will consist of singing, memory work, Bible stories, work books, handwork projects, recreation, and treats and under the direction of a capable staff. An offering will be received from the children each day which will go entirely to some missionary project of their choice.

The Nursery and Beginner departments will be under the direction of Mrs. J. W. Henderson.

Exercises at both schools will begin at 8:00 p.m.

## Start Clarenceville Recreation June 26

Clarenceville's summer recreation program will officially open Monday, June 26, at 9 a.m., Harry McKittick, playground director, announced this week.

The six week program will continue through Friday, August 4. All playground activities will be conducted at the high school playground, Middlebelt Road south of 8 Mile Road. All boys and girls and adults in the Clarenceville School District are eligible to participate in the program.

McKittick stated that the playground will be open Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and on Tuesday and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. The playground will be reserved for adult activities on Tuesday and Thursday from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., McKittick added.

In addition to organized playground and athletic activities for the youngsters, 10 days of swimming have been planned. The first two days will be held at Island Lake with the remainder at Ken Lake under the sponsorship of the Ford Motor Company plant, Detroit Zoo, Greenfield Village, and the Kaizer Frater plant have been scheduled. McKittick stated that there will be 10 tournaments and four treasure hunts during the six weeks program.

The summer music program, under the direction of Mr. Joseph Markell, will be conducted in connection with the recreation program. Markell stated that individual lessons will be held daily during the hours of the playground program, except during swimming days or days when trips have been planned. Band practice will be held Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 9 p.m. Markell added that adults in the district are invited to participate.

Baton twirling classes will be held three days a week, on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Anyone interested in either music or baton twirling is requested to secure a survey blank at the high school.

## Safety Patrols Get Commendations

David Cargill, 10, receives a certificate from O. E. Dunckel, Farmington School Superintendent, in a ceremony held last week. Safety Squad boys and Service Squad girls received certificates and commendations for their work during the past year, and the incoming squads were installed. David is the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Cargill, 33917 Macomb.

## Tupper, Brown Win School Board Posts; Field Defeated

### SENIORS RECEIVE DIPLOMAS TONIGHT AT EXERCISES

Seniors from Farmington and Clarenceville High Schools will receive their diplomas tonight at graduation exercises.

Dr. Hartman A. Lichtwardt, Medical Director of Woman's Hospital, Detroit, will address the 103 graduating seniors at the Farmington High School gymnasium Thursday evening, June 15. Bruce Treweek will give the President's Address. Suzanne Labadie will give the Salutatory Address and Ann Plunton will present the Valedictory Address. Music will be furnished by the high school choir under the direction of J. W. Henderson.

Fifty-six seniors at the Clarenceville High School will hear Dr. Stephen Nesbit, Director of "Public Health," and the big band, Baby Foods Co., Fremont, give the graduation address. Music will be furnished by the Clarenceville High School band under the direction of Leo Larue.

Exercises at both schools will begin at 8:00 p.m.

## Liberty Bell Visit Set For June 28

On Wednesday, June 28, an exact, full-size replica of the famous Liberty Bell will arrive in Farmington at 2:30 p.m. and in Clarenceville at 3:00 p.m., Robert Harris, Chairman of the sponsoring Junior Chamber of Commerce Committee, announced this week.

Residents of Farmington will hear its voice at special ceremonies to be held at the Town Hall. The bell will also pause for ceremonies at the Clarenceville High School. Bell managers said these bells, because their exact similarity to the original, reproduce perfectly the sound of the long-lost Liberty Bell. The bell will be escorted into Farmington by a convoy of Jaycees.

Harris stated that plans are now being made for a special program at both places.

The purpose of the Liberty Bell visit to Farmington is to stimulate interest in the current United States Bond Drive, now under way throughout the nation. Harris said it will also give residents of the Farmington area an opportunity to see an exact duplicate of the famous Liberty Bell as well as hear its voice.

A total of 52 bells, now traveling the country, have been donated to the Savings Bond Drive by six leading American companies of the copper industry. The bells were made near the Swiss border of France, from careful measurements and detailed photographs of the original bell. The bells have been mounted on special trucks for their trips throughout the nation.

Harris stated that this is an unusual opportunity for the people of the Farmington area. Every effort is being made to prepare an impressive ceremony to commemorate the visit of the Liberty Bell to Farmington and Clarenceville.

## Voters Choose Pribe And Sullivan In Clarenceville School Election

Bayard Tupper and Wendell Brown were elected to the Farmington School Board, and Richard Pribe and Dallas Sullivan to the Clarenceville School Board Monday in the annual school elections. Farmington's proposed night athletic field proposition, submitted to voters for the second time in less than two months, lost again by a narrow 64 vote margin.

A total of 593 voters turned out for the Farmington elections to choose from a field of six candidates. Bayard Tupper, partner of the Smith-Tupper Lumber Company, drew the most votes, with his election apparent from the beginning of the vote counting. However, not until the last ballot was counted was the election of Brown secured; he and D. Gordon Domes, incumbent school board president, were seldom more than five votes apart in the ballot tally. Brown finally won, 295 to 283.

Leo I. Kelly, from the eastern section of the school district, Donald R. McElroy and John K. Cotton, Florist Park candidates, were left for the finish. Final run-off showed 435 votes for Tupper, 295 for Brown, 259 for Domes, 148 for Kelly, 103 for Cotton, and 99 for McElroy. Voters spoiled an additional 16 ballots.

### PROPOSITION FAILS

Once again Farmington School District electors turned thumbs down on the proposition to levy one mill for two years to finance a night athletic field. This time 593 ballots, 15 spoiled, were registered on the proposition, an increase of only 121. The measure failed 424 to 360, a margin of 64 votes compared to the 30 vote margin at the special election May 8.

The proposition asked for a one mill, two year additional levy to provide an estimated \$150,000 for construction of a night athletic field. The proposed field would have been built on Nine Mile Road between Farmington Road and Gill Roads, near the U.S. 24-204.

Only four electors were present at the Annual Meeting of the Farmington School Board. Board salaries and the treasurer's report were also discussed. Board salaries will remain as they were last year; \$1000 to be divided among the members of the board. Last year, however, the board was reduced to five members. The same distribution is planned for this year.

**PRIEBE, SULLIVAN LEAD**  
At Clarenceville, 451 ballots were marked for five candidates. Sullivan and Pribe drew the highest number of votes, 245 and 249 respectively. Hall C. Hancock and Goff Jenkins fell behind with 150 and 163 votes respectively. Hubert Marx had 88 ballots marked in his favor. The writer of the ballot, scored for Charles Meyers. Six ballots were void in the Clarenceville elections.

Approximately 56 persons attended. (Continued on Page Twelve)

## FARMINGTON GRADS MARCH AT SWING-OUT

Appearing for the first time in their caps and gowns, the seniors solemnly marched up the aisle last Thursday, June 8, at the annual Swing-Out program.

After Mr. G. V. Harrison, principal, officially announced and congratulated the scholarship winners; Donna Bryan, Ann Plunton, Gladys Pryor, Anne Marie Rush, George Barrows, Richard Kees, Richard Schreiber, and Bruce Treweek. George Barrows was presented the Keith Johnson memorial award by Miss Ruth L. Bailey.

James Whitman, chairman of the P.T.A., gave gifts to the class sponsors. The seniors also left to the school new stage curtains and a tape recorder, and in cooperation with the P.T.A., a public address system.

Many of the seniors participated in a skit reviewing their high school years in which Tom Clifford and David Cargill, Loren, played piano selections "Oh Suzanna," and "Ten For Two," and the senior quartet sang. Featured in the skit were the outstanding dances, and the Stampie Fair given by the Class of 1950.

To conclude the program, Bruce Treweek, senior class president, handed over the traditional senior gavel to Vincent Stock, president of the junior class, instructing him to fulfill the duties of which it is symbolic.

John J. Hendritz will be installed as president of the Club for the coming year. Other officers include Carson Baldwin, 1st vice-president; Charles Quigley, 2nd vice-president; Russell Waack, 3rd vice-president; William Strickland, secretary; Herman Wallack, treasurer; Benjamin Bonner, Lion tamer; Phil Tobin, lat twister; Edward Stauch and Charles Koter, director one year; Virgil Campbell and Walfred Lundberg, directors two years. Russell Hill is the retiring president of the club.

Past District Governor William Sparks will preside and represent award and officiate at the installation of new officers. Russell Hill will give the Farewell Address and John Hendritz the Acceptance Speech. Retiring District President, pastor of the Salem Evangelical Church, will give the Invocation.

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