

**TAX MONEY TO BE SPENT FOR PUBLIC PROJECTS**

Michigan's Conservation Department will spend about \$141,600 of public money during the coming fiscal year to buy land for public use.

Included are expenditures of \$288,600 for game and hunting land acquisition, all of which came either from direct or indirect taxation against hunters.

About \$75,000 will be used for purchase of public fishing sites, and here the fishermen foot the bill.

An estimated \$30,000 will be used for purchase of land for parks and recreation areas.

Also, the Department will exchange various lands during the year to consolidate public holdings.

Wherever possible, the Department will pursue its long-standing policy of buying only land located inside dedicated public projects, this to block in large areas for convenient public use.

At present, the Department administers about 4,250,000 acres of state-owned land.

**LOCALS**

Mrs. Mark Seelye of Pontiac recently spent a week visiting her sister, Mrs. John Thayer. While here they visited another sister, Mrs. Baum of Wixom.

Mrs. Charles Pettibone was the week end guest of Mrs. Donald Wright of Tecumseh.

Mrs. John Thayer, Mrs. Mark Seelye of Pontiac, Miss Meriah Andrews, and Mrs. Charles Pettibone were recent callers at the homes of Mrs. Clyde McDermott and Mrs. Ralph White of Farmington and Miss Grace Temper of Northville.

**CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**  
The fact that God's man is endowed with inquechable strength and power will be brought out at Christian Science services Sunday in the Lesson - Sermon entitled "Life".

Selections will be read from "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by Mary Baker Eddy.

The life-giving power of God will be brought out in passages to be read from the Bible.

**'Merry Widow To Open On July 19'**

Starting Tuesday, July 19, beginning through the week end, the Melody Circus Theatre, Botsford Inn, will be the fifth play production in the summer program, "The Merry Widow."

Sophisticated Paris is the scene for this unforgettable favorite with its romantic burlesque based on a book by Victor Leon and Leo Stein. Music is by Franz Lehár with melodies including "Love In My Heart," "Women," "Villain and Many other song bits.

Continuing through Sunday of this week is the Rogers and Hammerstein production "Carousel" located on the grounds at the Botsford Inn west of Eight Mile Road on Grand River Avenue. Evening performances start at 8:30. A matinee is staged each Saturday at 3:30 p.m. Tickets are available at the Botsford Inn.

Last year the American Red Cross personnel added an average of one veteran and his family every two minutes at Veterans Administration Offices.

**Obituary**

**Nellie E. Vorbeck**  
Mrs. Nellie E. Vorbeck of 15980 Hubbard, Livonia, died July 9 following a long illness.

She was born in Illinois October 11, 1875, the daughter of John and Martha (Hentley) Hoxsey. Her husband, Joseph Newton Vorbeck, preceded her in death thirteen years ago.

Mrs. Vorbeck leaves six daughters, Mrs. Marie Webb of Fort Worth, Texas; Mrs. Fern Romage of Farmington, Mrs. Mildred Wollgast of Livonia, Mrs. Sarah Lapka of Caro, Michigan, Mrs. Henrietta Balcerek of Fall Brook, California, and Mrs. Nellie Ryan of Wayne; two sons, Joseph Vorbeck of Livonia and Cleo Vorbeck of Romulus; nineteen grandchildren; seventeen great grandchildren; five sisters, Mrs. Belle Riddle of Springfield, Illinois, Mrs. Nora McClughan of Dallas, Texas, Mrs. Berkle Freeman and Mrs. Viola Protzjark of Virdin, Illinois, and Mrs. Mattie Luby of Diverson, Illinois; and three brothers, William Hoxsey of Gillespie, Illinois, James Hoxsey of Sorrento, California, and Harry Hoxsey of Dallas, Texas.

Funeral services were held from the Spencer J. Heeney Funeral Home at 2:00 p.m. Monday with Rev. Jacob T. Train of the Bethel Assembly of God Church, Livonia, officiating.

Interment was in Glen Eden Memorial Cemetery, Livonia.

The speed of sound is generally placed at 1088 feet per second at sea level at 32 degrees Fahrenheit. It varies in other temperatures and in different media.

**TOWNLINe NEWS**

**Mrs. Frazier Hulst**  
26450 Haggerty Farm, 1522-R1

**FARM BUREAU**  
The annual picnic of the West Farmington Farm Bureau will be held on Tuesday evening, July 19, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Lamborn on Haggerty at Ten Mile Mile Road. A picnic supper will start at 6:00 p.m. with each family bringing their own table service, sandwiches, and a passing dish. A short business meeting will be held and the discussion will center around the topic of "Doing a Good Job in Junior Farm Bureau Leadership."

The Women's Committee of the Oakland County Farm Bureau held its annual picnic on July 7 at the home of Mrs. Frank Reshaw in Oxford. Guest speaker Mr. Jarry Whittaker spoke on the Sister Kenny Story. Attendance from Farmington were Mrs. Otto Rexin, Mrs. Mildred Hunt, and Mrs. Florence Hincham.

The July Eight Pedro Club met last Wednesday at the Union Lake home of Mrs. Florence Hincham. It was the group's last get-together until Fall. A pot luck picnic lunch was served on the shore of the lake and an afternoon of cards was enjoyed. Mrs. Inna Jones, Mrs. Mildred Hunt, and Mrs. James Vandell took the awards.

The Good Time Dance Club held a picnic at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Lapham on July 10.

A picnic dinner was enjoyed and the afternoon was spent playing games and swimming.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Green and sons spent the week end at Cherry Beach near Marine City.

**CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY**  
One-hundred and fifty relatives, friends and neighbors gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Herbert on Twelve Mile Road on July 3 to help them celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Tables were set on the lawn from which a luncheon was served in honor of the occasion. The Herberts received many lovely gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Frazier Hulst and daughter, Mary, attended the funeral of their uncle, Ben Hopkins, in Milford Monday. Mr. Hopkins died Saturday at his home on Milford Road after an illness of three months.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Rexin returned Tuesday from a week's vacation with their daughter, Mrs. Elaine Drutliard, at Niagara Falls and with friends at Endicott, New York. They also enjoyed a trip through Pennsylvania.

Mrs. Jack Herrick of Haggerty Road was called to Pary Sound, Ontario, on Wednesday by the death of her mother, Mrs. Mary Bagley.

About as good a defense as any when your back into the wall is to say you don't know.

**HACKERS IN THE FAMILY?**

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**Report of Condition of**

**THE FARMINGTON STATE BANK**

of Farmington, Michigan at the close of business June 30, 1955, a State banking institution organized and operating under the banking laws of this State and a member of the Federal Reserve System. Published in accordance with a call made by the State Banking Authorities and by the Federal Reserve Bank of this District.

ASSETS	
Cash, balances with other banks, including reserve balance, and cash items in process of collection	1,338,242.31
United States Government obligations, direct and guaranteed	5,362,340.41
Obligations of States and political subdivisions	502,620.37
Other bonds, notes and debentures	68,952.14
Stock of Federal Reserve Bank	4,379,688.67
Loans and discounts (including \$746.20 overdrafts)	201,071.86
Bank Premises owned \$117,259.89, furniture and fixtures \$32,812.77	31,625.00
Real estate owned other than bank premises	4,218.28
Other Assets	
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>11,805,299.04</b>
LIABILITIES	
Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	4,474,542.00
Time deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations	5,132,840.19
Deposits of United States Government (including postal savings)	130,009.94
Deposits of States and political subdivisions	1,072,536.87
Other deposits (certified and officers' checks, etc)	114,618.35
<b>TOTAL DEPOSITS</b>	<b>\$10,924,556.05</b>
Other liabilities (including Interest Collected)	153,440.28
Unearned amounting to \$325,440.28	
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES (not including subordinated obligations shown below)</b>	<b>11,675,150.33</b>
CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	
Capital*	300,000.00
Surplus	250,000.00
Undivided profits	149,163.71
Reserves	28,000.00
<b>TOTAL CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>727,163.71</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL ACCOUNTS</b>	<b>11,805,299.04</b>

\*This bank's capital consists of Common Stock with total par value of \$300,000.00.

**MEMORANDA**

Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities and for other purposes 425,000.00  
Deposits of State of Michigan (Included in Deposits of States and Political Subdivisions) 17,227.35

I, H. W. Avery, Cashier of the above-named bank, hereby certify that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

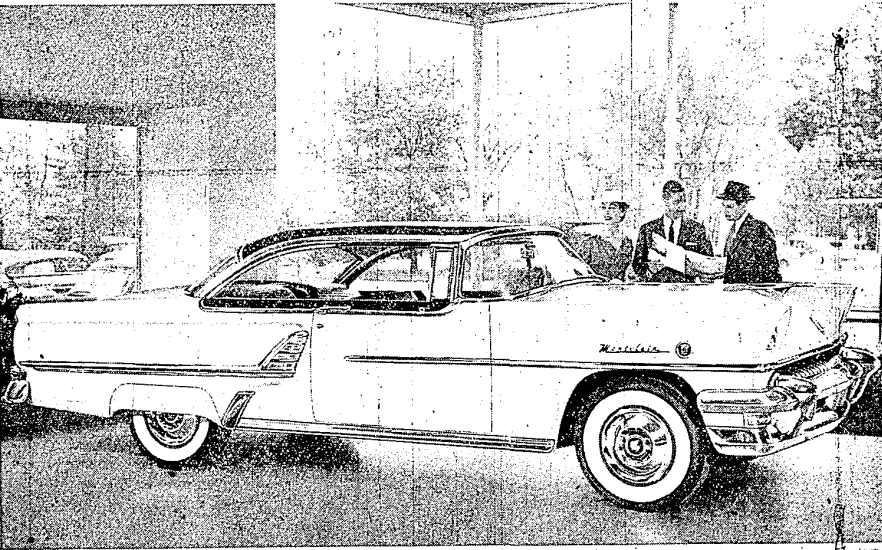
**H. W. AVERY**  
Correct Attest:  
Howard M. Warner  
Floyd H. Nichols  
Emory O. Hatton, Directors

State of Michigan, County of Oakland, ss:  
Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of July, 1955.  
Joyce Haberzehl, Notary Public  
Oakland County, Michigan.  
My Commission expires October 22, 1955.

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