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CITY LIFTS BAN ON OCCUPANCY PERMITS IN BEL-AIRE

Engineer Certifies That Final Grades Conform To Agreed Requirements

The ban on the issuance of occupancy permits in the southern portion of the Bel-Aire Hill subdivision was lifted Monday evening by action of the City Council following receipt of an engineer's report that the subdivision had conformed to the grading agreement.

The lifting of the ban, which was originally imposed on June 6, followed a detailed discussion of the problem by representatives of the subdivision, prospective home owners in their subdivision, and residents of Shawwassee Street adjacent to Bel-Aire. Prior to the discussion, a letter was read from Russell A. Cole, Registered Civil Engineer, certifying that the subdivision had conformed to the agreement and that the map submitted to the City.

Claude Morrow, attorney for James Siller, 32200 Shawwassee Street, questioned the statement in



A SURVEY of final grade levels was made Friday and Monday in the southern portion of the Bel-Aire Subdivision at the request of the City Council to determine if the subdivision had complied with the agreement and grade map filed with the City. Russell Cole, Registered Civil Engineer, certified on Monday that the grades were substantially conformable with the agreement, and the Council moved to lift the ban on the issuance of occupancy permits. The ban has been in effect since June 6, when it was originally imposed by the Council. Pictured during the survey Friday are, left to right, Cole, Nate Cunniff, representing the subdivision, James Tennant, City Manager, and Donald DeBussey, member of the survey team.

County Schedules Second Anti-Polio Inoculation Date

Clinic To Be Set Up Thursday At Royal Oak

Approximately 1,100 first and second grade youngsters from the Farmington and Clarenceville areas are eligible to receive their second anti-polio inoculation this Thursday morning, August 4, at the South Oakland County Health Center in Royal Oak.

According to the schedule, announced by Dr. John D. Monroe, county health director, shots will be given at the Royal Oak Center from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. The Center is located at 2401 East Fourth Street at the corner of Stevens.

Complete records on all eligible youngsters in the Farmington and Clarenceville areas are available at the Center. The inoculation program is for young boys and girls who received their first anti-polio shot in May. The phone number at the Center is Lincoln 3-0000.

Parents who are unable to bring their children to the Center should bring them to the Center in the afternoon. The program was announced by Dr. Monroe on Thursday and local school officials were advised of the program on Friday.

Because of the fact that classes are not in session at the present time, the spread of information regarding the schedule has been limited. It has not been disclosed whether additional clinics will be held at a later date.

James Reed, assistant superintendent of the Farmington School District, stated Monday that approximately 500 Farmington boys and girls were eligible for the second inoculation. It is estimated that about 300 Clarenceville area youngsters are eligible for the second anti-polio shot, according to Louis Schmidt, superintendent. A total of 14,000 youngsters are eligible throughout Oakland County.

Phone Operators To Be Reassigned

"What happens to the operators?" That's a question often asked of R. D. Maurer, manager in this area for the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, as the August 21 date approaches for conversion of Farmington telephone service to automatic dial operation.

"We are happy to report that none of the regular operators will be separated from the company against their wishes," Maurer said. "Those who do not wish to transfer to other positions will be granted termination pay," he added.

Citing examples, Maurer said of four traffic management people in Farmington, one is retiring on pension, one is taking termination pay, and the other two are being transferred to other jobs.

Of 36 regular employees, six are resigning, and taking severance pay, and the other 30 are being transferred to opening jobs in Wayne or other districts, Maurer explained.

He said other employees are classified "limited term" or "temporary."

"Limited term" employees are those who were promised jobs elsewhere.

Township Gets Geologists' Report On Water Sites

Plan Prompt Action In Securing Options

Complete geological reports on the possible sources of water for the proposed system in the southern and eastern sections of the Township were filed early this week with Township officials.

According to Ernest Blanchard, Township Supervisor, the report is now being studied by officials with the view of securing property options preparatory to the drilling of test wells. Details of the report are not expected to be released until the options have been secured. The Supervisor stated that work will begin at once and will be permanently located on the site. The options must be secured in order that test drilling can be conducted to determine if a sufficient amount of water is available at particular location.

The completed report was received Monday from Pate and Hill, engineers for the water system. The report contains the results of surveys conducted by Merlin Buhle and Andrew Mako, geologists, on the most likely sources of water in the Township.

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Sewer Committee To Meet Thursday

A meeting of the Farmington Sewer Interceptor Committee will be held Thursday at 2:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building for the purpose of receiving a report on the design of cost for the proposed sewer project.

The report will be submitted by Ralph Main, County Drain Commissioner, and will include a breakdown of cost among the various governmental units involved in the project. From the report, the committee will devise a formula for the distribution of the financial obligations among the units involved in the project including Farmington City and Township and West Bloomfield Townships.

The report will also include a supply of additional information to the Committee in connection with the report from Main. The distribution of cost among the various governmental units is an important step in the planning of the financial aspects of the project. The proportionate cost is expected to be based on the amount of water and sewer service rendered by each unit as well as the degree of service to be required.

Officials stated that sufficient private money has been committed to the project and that the project is an advancement, so that construction can be started when the necessary legal and financial obligations are complete. It is estimated that this should step up the time schedule on the project by approximately five months.

City Authorizes Purchase of New Police Car

The City Council, Monday evening, authorized the City Manager to proceed with the purchase of a new police car from the Blacklock Police Agency as per their bid of \$1,991.37.

The bid is less \$300 for a trade-in on the older of the present two police cars. A total of five bids were received and opened by the Council. The Blacklock bid was the lowest of the five proposals.

Predict 5% Increase Expect Slight Jump In Clarenceville School Enrollment

In contrast to many School Districts, Clarenceville is expecting only a slight increase in enrollment with the opening of classes this September. The Superintendent stated that he is bracing himself for the avalanche that is sure to come one of these days.

Louis Schmidt, superintendent, stated this week that enrollment is expected to be up between 3% and 5% over the September, 1954 total. Based on this estimate, enrollment will reach approximately 2,000 by the fourth week of the 1955-56 school year. Last year there were 1,928 students registered by the end of September.

The Superintendent stated that the small increase in enrollment was largely due to the limited home construction in the area. Schmidt added that the present water and sewer projects in Farmington Township and the

Township Board Approves Purchase Of Two Portable Resuscitators

Officials Plan To Assign New Life-Saving Units To Township Police And Fire Departments

The Farmington Township Board, at a special meeting Thursday evening, approved the purchase of two resuscitators to be used by the police and fire departments.

Ernest Blanchard, Township Supervisor, stated that one of the resuscitators will be assigned to the police department and the other will be made available to the three Township fire departments. A demonstration of a resuscitator was held at the regular meeting of the Board last Tuesday. It was decided at that time to call a special meeting for Thursday to discuss in detail the possible purchase of the equipment. Members of the police and fire departments were present at the special meeting.

THE RESUSCITATORS, along with accessories, will be used to revive persons who have been struck by snakes or gas or near-drowning victims. It was pointed out during the special meeting that the majority of townships and cities in this area have resuscitators available. Roy Bell, chief of the Northeast Township fire department, was authorized to proceed with the purchase of the equipment.

Bell was also authorized to secure 12 unlined fire fighting coats and a like number of lined helmets which will be divided between the three Township fire departments.

Plan Added Water Facilities At School

Farmington school officials stated this week that plans are proceeding on the development of water facilities at the new girl rural elementary school in the new building in September.

It was reported last week at the regular Board meeting that the existing well was capable of yielding only about seven gallons per minute, which was declared insufficient for the needs of the school. The Board agreed to contact a water well expert to determine what further steps could be taken to improve the situation.

Officials indicated that construction is being given to the installation of a reservoir as a possible temporary solution. By maintaining a backlog of reserve water, the needs of the school could be met. In the meantime a study is being made of other possible solutions to the problem. At the time the well was originally drilled, it was estimated that approximately 14 gallons a minute could be obtained. Officials stated that the well output is expected to return to near its original volume with the coming of fall weather.

City Prepares For Expansion Of Water System

Plan To Start Project Late This Month

Final blueprints on several short sections of the proposed sewer in the City have been filed with the Municipal Finance Commission, now completing all of the necessary papers involved in the request for permission to sell \$175,000 in water and sewer bonds.

The request is expected to be considered by the Commission at its regular meeting on Tuesday, August 16, in Lansing. The final blueprints were filed this week by L. N. Hayden, engineer for the project. The plans and specifications for the enlargement and improvement of the water system were filed several weeks ago, along with the formal application for permission to sell the bond issue.

OFFICIALS reported Monday that the contract for the pumping facilities to be installed on the two new water wells, has begun to arrive. The materials for the water mains are expected to be delivered August 15 with the fittings due to arrive a few days later.

Search Continues For Home Bandits

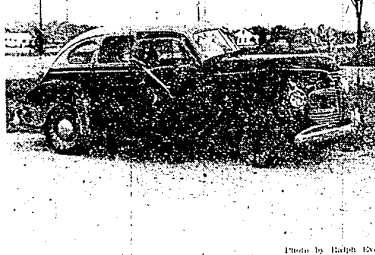
Farmington Township Police and State Police detectives are working together in an effort to apprehend the three bandits who invaded the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Norwalk, 27872 Wellington, Thursday evening and escaped with a considerable amount of cash and jewelry.

Irving Yakes, Township Police Chief, reported this week that a state-wide search for the bandits has now been started by the Michigan State Police. The bandits invaded the Norwalk home in Wood Creek Farms early Thursday evening on the night of August 15, and fled into the house, they drew guns and, after threatening Mr. and Mrs. Norwalk, ransacked the home.

Before leaving, the bandits bound the Norwalks and cut the telephone lines. Mrs. Norwalk freed herself from the bounds about a half hour later. She released her husband and they went to the home of a neighbor to call the State Police.

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FATAL INJURIES

One Killed, Two Seriously Injured In Crash At 12 Mile - Orchard Lake

George Donoghue and Detroit Man Killed In Crash On M-115, Ronald Donoghue Injured

Mrs. Teade Miller, 60, of 3725 Harbord Street in Detroit, was killed Sunday afternoon at the intersection of Twelve Mile and Orchard Lake Road when the car in which she was riding with her husband, Alexander, collided with one driven by Carl A. Hendrickson of 29718 Ontario, Farmington.

Miller suffered a skull fracture and ear lacerations and Hendrickson received several lacerations about the arms and face. According to a police report, Miller was traveling east on Twelve Mile Road and failed to yield the right of way while making a left turn onto Orchard Lake Road. Hendrickson was traveling north on Orchard Lake Road. The report emphasized the need for a traffic light at the dangerous intersection.

GEORGE DONOGHUE, 56, of 21505 Farmington Road, and Albert Schaeffeler, 55, of 14359 Mansfield, Detroit, were killed and Donoghue's son, Ronald, 18, was seriously injured when their car collided with a truck on M-115 in Oscoda County Friday evening.

Young Donoghue was killed when he was driving when the crash occurred.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon for Mr. Donoghue, interment was in the Glen Eden Memorial Cemetery. According to the latest reports, Ronald Donoghue was still in serious condition as the result of injuries received in the accident.

Funerals for Barbara J. Bean, 17, of 2505 W. 12th Street, Detroit, and Thomas Bark, Jr., 13, and five other minor injuries early Sunday afternoon when the auto in which they were traveling was involved in a four-car collision on US-16 and McKeaner, a short distance from Hazegry Road. Paul A. Bean, home on leave from the Army, was driver.

The car was in the Michigan Bell Telephone Company's possession when it was involved in the crash, which is being investigated by the Michigan State Police.

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AROUND THE BLOCK

WE HATE TO MENTION IT... but the weather is very much a part of the news this week. At least up to press-time, it was something to watch. The thermometer has been riding up around the 90-degree plus mark, but the weatherman has been tossing in a little lightning, thunder, wind and rain just for variety. Last Sunday, he came forth with a few rainfalls but for the most part it was just plain hot. However, on Monday afternoon the skies opened up with a pretty good shower mixed with some wind and lightning. The bulk of the storm was centered in the southeast section of the Township where it took down power lines and partially damaged the Melody Circus tent on the Botsford Inn property. If the weather service is to be believed, for several hours, resulting in some traffic confusion at Eight Mile and Grand River. In spite of the rain, the heat wave continues. Oh, well, fall is coming... we think!

A NUMBER OF PATIENTS... have contacted our office during the week regarding the anti-polio inoculation scheduled for Thursday morning at Royal Oak. Unfortunately, the information on the clinic was not released to the local school districts until Friday morning, following our last publication. The details of the program were learned from school officials on Monday and are being published in this week's issue. However, due to the time element, the information is of limited value. The schools have also been faced with the problem of spreading the information since classes are in session. It is possible that a later clinic be held and that sufficient time be allowed so that proper notification can be given through local facilities.

DURING THE PAST... several months attendance at City Council meetings has been steadily increasing. We don't know whether this trend will continue or not but from all indications it probably will. At the present time, there is not sufficient seating capacity in the Council Chambers to handle the citizens attending meetings. Many are required to stand for some time until they are heard or until the subject in which they are interested has been discussed. The details of the program were learned from school officials on Monday and are being published in this week's issue. However, due to the time element, the information is of limited value. The schools have also been faced with the problem of spreading the information since classes are in session. It is possible that a later clinic be held and that sufficient time be allowed so that proper notification can be given through local facilities.

CLOSED SIGNS have been erected on this gasoline station and plant at the corner of Farmington Road and the Grand River Cut-Off in preparation for the construction of an underpass as part of the Farmington - Brighton Expressway project. The buildings are now being sold by the State Highway Department. According to plans, the Cut-Off will be elevated over Farmington Road with service lanes leading to and from the expressway.