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OFFICIALS PREDICT LIGHT VOTE IN PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY

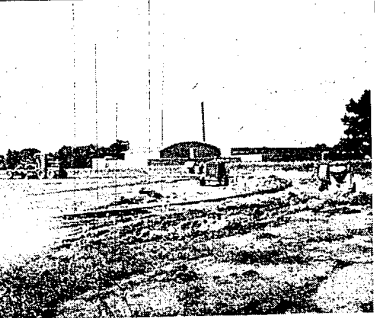
City Authorizes Draft Of Paving Assessment Rolls

Prepare Data On Violet And Lilac Surfacing

The City Council Monday evening authorized the City Assessor to proceed with the preparation of special assessment rolls for the paving of Violet Street and a part of Lilac Street.

The action was taken following separate public hearings on both proposed projects. A total of 30 property owners attended the Violet Street hearing, which was held at 8:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building.

On the basis of tentative figures, the property owners' cost would run approximately \$8.08 per front foot. Owners having 50 foot lots would pay a total of \$325.00 per year over a 10-year period, including 6% interest, or \$404.00 if paid in cash.



FARMINGTON high school's new football field and running track are beginning to take shape as workmen step up construction of the first phase of the athletic plant. The new installation is located on the east side of the high school property. Construction of the football field and running track is being handled by the Woolcott - Morrison Construction Company of Wyandotte.

Record Growth In Farmington City, Township Experienced Since 1950

Report Total Of 2,850 New Homes Built In Farmington From April, 1950, To July, 1956

During the past 6½ years, the combined areas of Farmington City and Township have experienced an increase of nearly 20 per cent in the number of residential dwellings within their boundaries, a report from the Detroit Metropolitan Regional Planning Commission disclosed.

According to the report, a 111.9 per cent increase in the number of homes was registered in the city, while a 72.1 per cent increase was noted in the township during the span of a little more than six years.

Receive Deed For Jr. High Site

Farmington school officials announced Tuesday that formal deeds have been completed on the purchase of the new junior high school site on Twelve Mile Road between Farmington and Power Roads.

The District accepted the deed to the 20-acre parcel on Monday following completion of legal details. Plans and specifications for the proposed junior high school building are now being completed by the architect. As soon as they have been approved by the Board, action will be started on the securing of construction bids.

CITY TO SIGN SEWER CONTRACTS WITH DETROIT

Contracts are now being executed between the City of Farmington and Detroit for use of mains and treatment of sewage in connection with the interceptor project.

Earl Scherffius, City Manager, stated that two contracts are involved in the negotiations. The one contract covers a \$1,677 payment for the City's proportionate part of the cost of the interceptor drain as well as \$840 per year maintenance costs. The second contract involves the actual sewage treatment at the eight-acre elementary school site located between the Westbrook Manor and Kendallwood Subdivisions.

AROUND THE BLOCK

THIS IS OUR LAST... chance to remind you to vote in the Primary Election next Tuesday, August 7. We're not going to try and come up with any fancy ploys or tricky ways in an effort to sell you on the idea of going to the polls on election day. With all of the words that have been written and spoken in defense of this basic democratic principle, it's pretty hard to dream up a new angle. Besides, it shouldn't be necessary to plead with citizens to exercise their right and privileges as Americans. Voting should be as much a part of our way of life as apple pie and a cup of coffee. So, take a few minutes off next Tuesday and VOTE! Don't wait for George to do it for you, because he is probably waiting for you!

ONE OF THE BUSIEST... and most successful summer programs in the history of the Farmington Area Recreation Commission was held at a close Friday, August 3. According to reports, more boys and girls participated in the P. A. R. C. program this year than ever before. The planning and carrying out of these summer activities is no easy task and yet they are invaluable to the welfare of Farmington's youngsters. A lot of credit must go to the officers of the Recreation Commission as well as the director and playground supervisors for making these programs the success that they are. Through their efforts the energies of a lot of boys and girls are directed along wholesome, constructive channels. The people of Farmington can take pride in being a part of this outstanding community project.

THE FIRST... really pleasant week end in many a month attracted an unusually heavy flow of traffic in and around Farmington on Sunday. Several times during the day cars were lined up for blocks along Grand River to the east of the business section. Maybe the weatherman has decided to come across with a little summer sunshine just to let us know what season it is, which, incidentally, is a pretty good idea since fall is not very far behind. Let's hope that the turn into August will also mean a turn in the weather. We would like to give our new sun glasses a work-out for a change.

Four Injured In Three Area Traffic Mishaps

Two Teens Injured In Cycle-Auto Crash

Four persons suffered minor injuries the early part of this week in three separate traffic accidents in the Farmington area.

George D. Reddick, 17, of 21225 Tuck Road, suffered abrasions and lacerations about his right arm and Ronald Benoit, 19, of 19799 Wakendens, received abrasions to the right arm and shoulder when the motorcycle they were riding was struck by a car. The accident occurred about 8 p.m. Monday on Tuck Road at Ambler.

According to a police report, Reddick was passing a car when its driver started to make a left turn, striking the motorcycle. Max L. Chapin, of 20841 Dunkirk, Farmington, was driving the car. John Morris, 16, of 33719 Nine Mile Road, was shaken and bruised at 5:15 p.m. Monday when he was struck by a car while walking across Farmington Road at the Grand River intersection in the City. He was taken to Redford Receiving Hospital for observation and was released when no broken bones or concussion were discovered.

Morris was crossing Farmington Road on the south side of Grand River when struck by an auto driven by Alfred Savageau, of 35519 Menton Court, Livonia, proceeding south on Farmington Road, according to Farmington City police.

Hasig Haroldin of Dearborn suffered back injuries Sunday morning in a two-car collision on US-16 at Drake Road. Injuries were not serious and she was treated by (Continued on Page 8A)

Expect Bond Sale OK This Week

The Municipal Finance Commission is expected to take action this week on the application of the Clarenceville Public School District for permission to sell \$175,000 in bonds to finance the first of the new high school building.

Action on the application has been delayed for several weeks by the Commission pending the approval of minor changes in the original bond resolutions. The Clarenceville Board held a special meeting last week to enact the requested amendments.

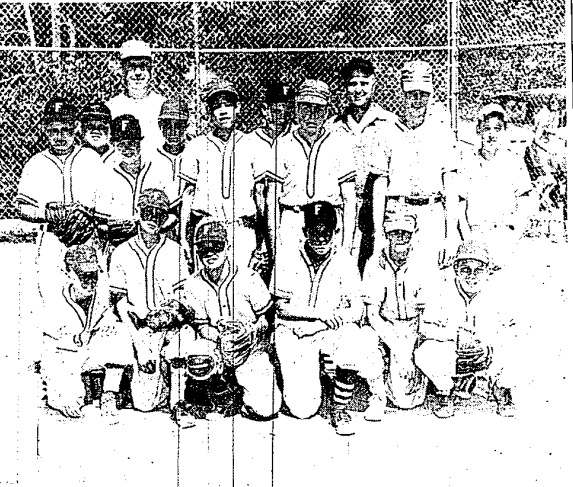
As soon as the application has been approved the Board will call a special meeting to set up the procedure for the bond sale. The first step will be the approval of a resolution authorizing the attorney to advertise for the sale of the bond issue.

Suggest Remedy Study Shows Traffic Problem In City Business Area

The recently completed Farmington Road study by the Oakland County Planning Commission, points out that traffic congestion during peak hours is having a serious effect on the Grand River south to the Post Office during the period from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. It should be emphasized, however, that this suggestion is made in connection with



TRAFFIC CONGESTION in Farmington's central business area is a serious handicap to the present and future development of the shopping district, according to the recently completed Farmington Road study. The most critical area, Farmington Road from Grand River south to the Post Office, is pictured in this photo taken from the roof of The Enterprise building.



PICKED AS TOP players from the four Farmington Little League baseball teams recent by the boys shown above will compete in tournament play with All-Star teams from Southfield Township to conclude Little League activities for this year. Shown in the photo are, from left, left to right: D. Elola, L. Smith, J. Anderson, J. Barth, T. Smith and R. Errair; back row, left to right: M. Zurek, G. Dewey, T. Thomas, M. Manteris, C. MacLean, K. Wangbichler, D. Allen and G. Cousins. Standing behind members of the Farmington All-Star team are L. D. MacLean, Little League president, and J. Tabb, All-Star team manager.

School Board Authorizes Major Building And Site Improvements

Approve Construction Of Parking Lots At Senior High, Eagle Elementary Schools

Authorization was granted by the Farmington School Board last week to proceed with four major school site improvement projects previously studied and discussed by the Board. Approval of the projects was given, with minor changes, at a regular meeting moved up from Monday to Thursday evening, July 28.

Biggest money expenditure project authorized by the Board was the enlarging and improving of the parking lot adjacent to the Senior High School. A contract for the job was awarded to the Woolcott - Morrison Construction Company of Wyandotte on a negotiated bid basis for \$130,345. The Woolcott - Morrison firm is presently working on the football field and running track on the school site just east of the parking lot area.

TOWNSHIP BOARD PLANS SPECIAL MEETING FRIDAY

Efforts are now being made to schedule a special session of the Township Board for Friday, August 3, as a make-up for the adjourned meeting of July 24, Ward Eagle, Township Supervisor, reported this week.

Eagle stated that the exact date and hour of the meeting can not be formally set until it has been determined that a majority of the members can attend. The special session is being called to cover business originally scheduled for the July 24 meeting which was adjourned for lack of a quorum.

Action on either constructing a new storage garage at the site or improving the old one was taken by the Board. A further study can be made of economical buildings which might be erected. President Bayard and Zupper also suggested that early consideration should be given to the construction of a septic tank.

Bob-Lo Excursion Set For Friday

The Farmington Summer Recreation Program will be concluded Friday, August 3, with the annual combined recreation and band excursion to Bob-Lo Island.

Buses will begin loading at the City Park and the Bond, Eagle, Gill Road and Shawnee School grounds at 8:00 a.m. and will leave the area at 8:30 sharp. A prompt departure schedule is necessary. Recreation Director Warren Fische stated, in order to assure unloading in time to leave on the 10:00 a.m. boat. Children will arrive back in Farmington between 6:30 and 7 p.m., he added.

The charge for children 11 years of age and under is 50 cents and children 12 and over must pay the adult fare of \$1.00. Parents are asked to pack lunches for their children and provide enough spending money for them to take rides and purchase items on the island.

An invitation is extended to all parents wishing to take a trip along with their youngsters to do so.

Polls To Be Open 7 a.m. To 8 p.m. On August 7

Voting in next Tuesday's Primary Election is expected to be comparatively light in both the City and Township based on preliminary estimates. However, this week by Farmington election officials.

The predictions are based on the relatively small number of requests which have been received for absentee ballots thus far as well as the limited number of inquiries which have come in regarding information. It is anticipated that the Township balloting may be stimulated to some extent by the referendum vote on the race track proposal. However, this is not expected to offset the apparent lack of interest in the Primary Election.

Election polls in both the City and Township will be open on Tuesday, August 7, from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. Township voters will cast their ballots in six voting precincts as follows: Precinct One, Town Hall, Grand River and Farmington Road; Precinct Two, Fire Station, 21420 Wheeler Street; Precinct Three, Middlebrook School, 24400 Middlebrook Road, north of Ten Mile; Precinct Four, Bond School, Orchard Lake Road at Thirteenth Mile Road; Precinct Five, Fire Station on Grand Street, and Precinct Six, Shawnee School, 20415 Shawnee near Tuck Road. A total of three voting precincts will be used in the City as follows: Precinct One, School Band House, 32912 Grand River; Precinct Two, American Legion Home, 31775 Grand River, and Precinct Three, Farmington Senior High School, 32000 Shawnee.

NOTICES have been mailed to all qualified electors in the City and Township advising them of the location of their new voting place. Persons having any questions about their Precinct number or their names being on the list are requested to call their City or Township Clerk prior to election day. Sample voting boards will be set up in each precinct of the City and Township to assist voters with the operation of the voting machines.

Electors of both the City and Township will not have to travel from the various political parties for district, state and county offices. In addition, candidates will be elected from each of the voting precincts as directed to the County Republican and Democratic Conventions. There will be no non-partisan ballot as all candidates are unopposed.

Township electors will also vote on whether or not 24 acres in (Continued on Page 8A)

Plan For Record School Enrollment

During the next month, Farmington school officials will be engaged in an extensive planning program designed to meet the needs of an anticipated record enrollment of 5,300 students.

O. E. Dunkel, superintendent, stated that beginning this week the entire administrative staff, including supervisors and principals, will be concentrating their efforts on planning for the coming 1956-57 school year. The general planning program has been under way for some time but the working details covering class loads, transportation and distribution of enrollment must still be developed.

The 5,300 enrollment represents an increase of approximately 800 students. This increase will necessitate half-day sessions in at least the first, second and third grades throughout the District. The limited sessions in the elementary grades will require considerable planning, especially where student distribution and transportation are concerned.

It is anticipated that approximately 50 new teachers will be added to the staff this year to take care of the increased enrollment. This figure includes classroom teachers as well as supervisors. Dunkel stated that the staff is nearly complete with only eight more elementary and one more high school teacher needed.

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