

Numerous Duties Handled By City Police Department During 1956

That a considerable larger amount of work is done by the City of Farmington police department than meets the public eye is borne out in a report on 1956 activities of the department made by Police Chief Joseph DeVriendt issued recently.

It was indicated in the report that a total of 76,500 miles were traveled in the two police cars owned by the city and that investigations, traffic patrol, residential patrol and numerous criminal complaints. A total of 192 arrests were made and 140 traffic violations were cited during the year 1956, the report disclosed. A major portion of the traffic violations, 828, were for speeding offenses.

Among the various crimes covered by the city police department were 118 cases of grand and simple larceny, 18 cases of burglary and breaking and entering, 19 cases of auto thefts, seven of aggravated assault, one robbery and one negligent manslaughter case. Also covered were 25 cases of damage to property, six cases of window peeping and prowling, eight charges of uttering and publishing and three cases of possessing minor children.

In 1956 the radio log book showed that approximately 33,300 radio calls were taken at the City police department office including calls for the City police cars, Township police cars, Township fire trucks, and the City Department of public works truck. It was also indicated that a total of 70,584 teletype broadcasts were received at the department office during the year.

A total of 158 auto accidents were covered by city policemen within the City of Farmington during the year 1956, the report revealed. Of this total number of accidents, 15 injuries resulted but only one of the injuries proved fatal. The only fatality occurred on Grand River Avenue just east of Orchard Lake and during the month of December. The heaviest number of accidents, 19, occurred at the U.S. 16 Cut-Off and Farmington Road intersection in the City in 1956 with 12 accidents reported. Eleven accidents were covered at the Grand River-Farmington Road intersection in the center of town; the third worst accident corner during 1956.

Among the numerous duties handled by the City police department included the issuing of dog licenses, the taking of dogs to the veterinarians and the handling of dog bite cases. A total of 384 dog licenses were issued in 1956 while 42 dogs were taken by policemen to the veterinarian and seven cases of dog malicious destruction of property.

It was indicated that 227 original auto operators licenses were issued and 113 road tests given by members of the department during the year. The department also handled 988 auto license renewals, issued 112 chauffeur licenses and 102 duplicate licenses as well as four minor restricted license.

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Normandy Hills

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Murray Priemer, seven month old son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Priemer, was in the hospital last week for a few days with pneumonia. He is at home now and recovering nicely.

John Nyland, chairman of the Normandy Hills Association social committee, reported that several people have not yet made their reservations for the dinner party scheduled for February 9. He requests that all who have not already done so, get in touch with members of the committee for the dinner by February 1.

Mrs. Stephen Seyburn of Grosse Ile., formerly of New Orleans, is visiting for a few days this week with Mr. and Mrs. Walter DeGree.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Habicht entertained six couples last Saturday evening for cocktails after which they went to the Western Hills Country Club for dinner. The occasion was the annual meeting of the American Lower Credit Union.

A week ago the Robert Newkirk held a family night. Relatives of Mrs. Newkirk from Walloon Lake stopped by before catching a plane for Florida.

In their honor the Newkirks entertained at a pot-luck dinner which was attended by Mrs. Newkirk's mother, Mrs. Tager, and two of her sister's and their families, Mr. and Mrs. William Schilbe and Mr. and Mrs. Charles O. Walker, Jr., all of Detroit.

This week Mr. Newkirk's sister, Mrs. Gordon Brown of Buffalo, New York, is visiting the family for a few days.

Seek More State Health Funds

According to Albert E. Heustis, M.D., State Health Commissioner, the health department budget for 1957-58 seeks \$11,718,400—about \$1.55 per person living in Michigan, and up from eleven cents per capita over last year.

"With increased population and the advance of science, demands placed upon the Michigan Department of Health are at a new high," Dr. Heustis said. "Realistically, either we pay for public health as Michigan grows, or we neglect obligations to help Michigan families and communities safeguard their health."

Programs stressed this year by the State Department are: industrial health, nursing consultation, health education, state aid for local health departments, provision of polio vaccine, post-sanatorium care for TB patients, a trial nursing program for convalescing mental patients, licensing of nursing homes and homes for the aged and a consultant team in long-term illness.

Dr. Heustis said that apart from serving immediate needs, the program is proposed "represent a sound investment in public health protection designed to reduce future over-all costs of sickness in Michigan."

He said department programs included in the budget request have been approved by the State Council of Health, and many of the programs have strong backing from the Michigan Public Health Study Commission, the Legislative Advisory Council on Problems of the Aging, and a 100-member Citizens Public Health Advisory Committee sponsored by the Michigan Public Health Association.

State Attracts More Small Game Hunters In '56

Michigan had more small game hunters last year than in 1955, according to latest license sales reports issued by the Conservation Department.

In sales reported through December 31, resident small game license totals jumped from 598,000 in 1955 to 627,000 last year, a 2.5 per cent increase. Nonresident license sales jumped from 6100 to 6300, a 2.5 per cent increase.

The total number of hunters in 1956 will not be known until final reports are made by all license dealers in the state. Conservation officials said. A total of 741,000 small game licenses were sold for the 1955 season.

Archery deer hunting continued to grow in popularity during 1956, with some 31,000 resident bow and arrow license sales reported through December 31. This figure shows a 3.5 per cent increase over the 29,900 sales reported in the same period in 1955. Another 3700 nonresident archery licenses were reported sold through the end of the year—an 18 per cent increase over the 3200 listed in the 1955 report for the same period.

First Federal Savings Assets Over 200 Million

Assets of First Federal Savings of Detroit passed the 200 million mark December 31, 1956, reports Hans Gehrig, Jr., president. First Federal was organized in 1934 with assets of less than \$100,000, and has grown steadily to become Michigan's largest savings association, with nine offices serving metropolitan Detroit.

First Federal savings accounts increased \$33,149,424.69 in 1956 after deducting all withdrawals. Twenty four thousand, nine hundred twenty-nine people opened savings accounts during the year. Total assets increased during the 12 months by \$37,261,408 (of which \$10,267,895 is the result of merger of the Royal Oak Federal Savings and Loan Association). Savings customers received over \$1,000,000 in earnings on their First Federal savings accounts last year (First Federal now pays three per cent current rate).

An escape artist believes that the saw is mightier than the pen.

Nominate and Elect
WENDELL BROWN
Candidate For Township Trustee—(Republican)

College Courses To Be Offered

Two college credit courses are being offered adults in the Farmington area this semester, school officials have disclosed.

Though these courses are being offered primarily for teachers in the Farmington school system, they are also open to teachers in other school systems as well as any other interested parties in the community. It was pointed out. They may be taken as non-college credit courses, it was added.

The University of Michigan will offer the "Psychology and Contemporary Problems" course for two hours credit. The class will open on February 11 and will be held at the Senior High library starting at 7 p.m. Registrations will be taken at this time.

Dr. Alfred Kristofferson will be the instructor. A course in "Audio Visual Methods and Materials" will begin February 4, offered by Wayne State University for two hours credit. The first class will meet in the Senior High library on Monday, February 4, at 8:00 p.m. Registrations will be taken at this time. Tuition fees are being charged for both courses.

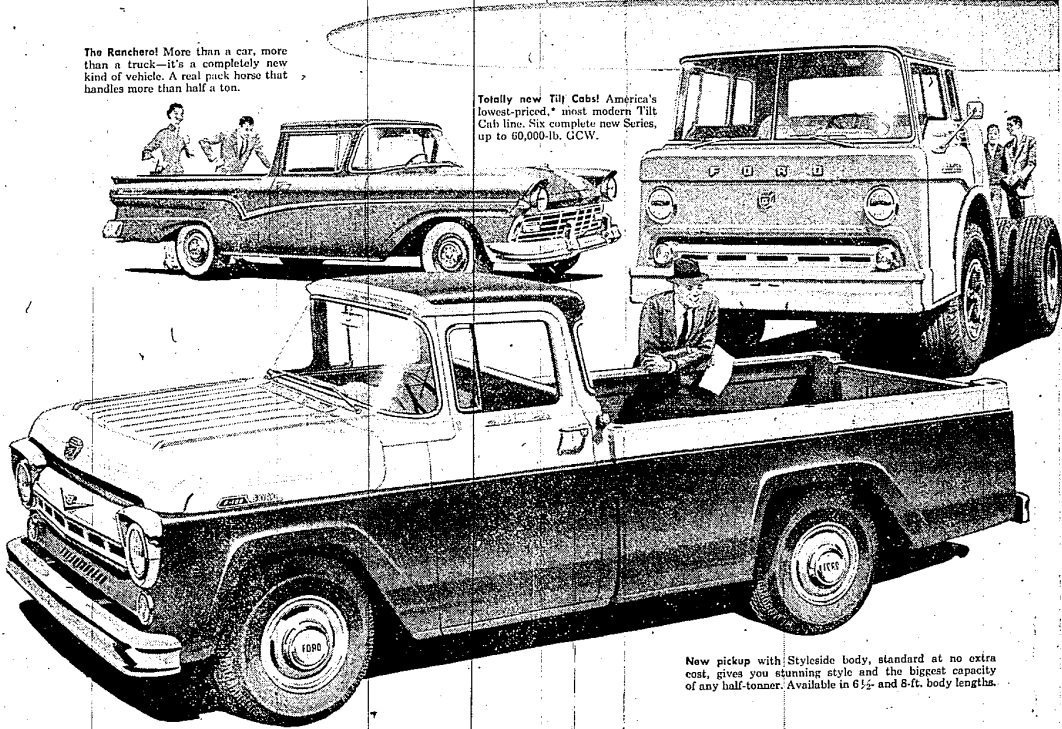
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