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or 66.5% of the Children of the Farmington Area

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## Twp. to Study State Highway Plan at 11 Mile

The Township Planning Board wants to go ahead immediately on a study of state highway proposals to build a highway on 11 Mile Road across Farmington Township. This was reported to the town board at its Tuesday night meeting by Arthur Chesquire, chairman of the planning board. He said he would have an opportunity to express his feelings on the proposed highway.

## Truck Brakes Fail; Two Suffer Minor Injuries

Brake failure on a Mather Trucking Company truck driven by William Viger, 2185 Tuesday St., Farmington, resulted in minor injuries to two passengers in the car hit at the Grand River-Eight Mile Road intersection. The truck came into the rear of the car stopped for a red light. Allen J. Lafon, driver, and Gerald Swaab, a passenger, both suffered minor back and shoulder injuries. The accident occurred Friday at 11:45 a.m.

## JCs Name Huber Area 'Man of Yr.'

The Distinguished Service Award for 1957 was presented by the Farmington Junior Chamber of Commerce at a dinner meeting Tuesday night at the 11 Mile Huber, executive director of Boys Republic. This award is presented annually to the Jaycee of the year who, in their opinion, has contributed most to the community. Dr. Huber came here five years ago. Since then Boys Republic has grown to a 13-building campus for 75 boys. The construction of these buildings has been personally supervised by Dr. Huber. Fifty people are now employed at the school. All of this has been done on a strict and limited budget.

## C'ville Pupils To Try Rocket

Members of a physics class at Clarenceville Public Schools have been studying rockets, and instructor Darwin Larson has received permission from the state to test the special system with fuels and set off a rocket if he complies with city and township regulations. The City will rope off an area and furnish fire and police protection for the experiment. The attempt can be made in February.

## City Is Buying Kahrl Property

A purchase agreement has been signed for the purchase by the City of Farmington of the Kahrl property at the intersection of State and Liberty streets. Final papers are now being drawn. The tract includes two lots and buildings and is near the proposed Civic Center.

## J. Tagg Elected MPA Treasurer

Elected to the office of treasurer of the Michigan Press Association at the 80th annual convention of the MPA held in Lansing last week and was James M. Tagg, former publisher of The Farmington Enterprise.

## Next New School Site in Question

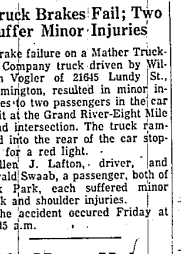
Plans for the construction of a new elementary school on a site in Section 14 in Farmington Township were abruptly altered by the School Board at its regular meeting Monday night.

## Twp. Sued on Land Fill Stop

Legal action has been filed against Farmington Township by the land fill, which was investigated and turned down. Nearby property owners had also complained. Counsel for Mrs. Keller has filed a bill of complaint and asked the circuit court to issue an injunction enjoining the township from interfering. Date of hearing is February 10.

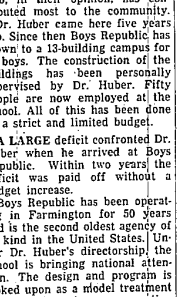
## For Food Handlers

Food handlers in Farmington Township have had to get x-rays and renewal cards every six months for a long time. Only decided this should be put on a yearly basis, but insisted on x-rays be retained as part of the annual procedure.



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WORK MAY START soon on Farmington's new post office building, as the result of postal department approval of plans. The structure pictured above contains 7,200 square feet, is about steel with facade of brick and glass. Interior will probably be open, like modern banks. It will be constructed by Farmington Development Co., and was designed by Architect John Allen. The building will face Sloum, but the entrance will be from Farmington Road. At the rear will be blacktop parking for patrons and employees, will dock facilities. Postmaster Henry Trombley says they moved into the present building (pictured at lower left) Dec. 1, 1951. Before that it was in a building on Grand River (lower right) now occupied by Farmington Surplus Store. The postmaster thinks the post office was located there from about 1924 on. When the office moved into the present building in 1951, there are now 16 routes out of the Farmington office, 33 employees, and four trucks. Mr. Trombley says this fall will have 33 years with the postal department. This includes a couple of years in Detroit, then he started with the Farmington office in 1927, and has been postmaster since 1953. The present post office building has been planned for use as a joint township-city library when it is vacated.



Act to Set Up Grade Schools, Phys. Ed. Dept.

The first step in the establishment of an elementary physical education department in the Farmington school system was taken by the School Board Monday night. The Board authorized the immediate hiring of one physical education teacher for the elementary grades and promised to give careful consideration to the hiring of three more such teachers for next year to round out a department.

## To Organize Traffic Safety Comm. For Area

Plans for the formation of a Farmington Township traffic safety committee were disclosed this week by Township Supervisor Frank Stephenson. Appointed to serve as acting chairman of the committee, at its first organizational meeting February 12, is Virgil Campbell, an officer of Automobile Club of Michigan's Redford division.

## Suffer Minor Injuries In Three-Car Crash

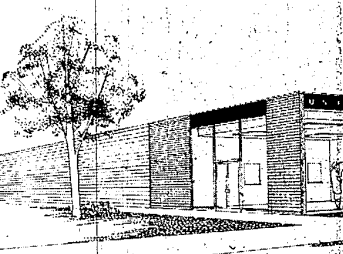
A three car accident on 12 Mile just east of Halsted Road early Saturday morning resulted in minor injuries to George LePine of Walled Lake and Alfred Moneo of Ferndale. Both Mrs. LaPine and Moneo suffered lacerations about the head. Richard Spang, driver of the third auto, was not hurt.

## Fire Didn't Cost

The planned fire last week at Boys Republic did not cost the township anything, William Fisher told the board Tuesday night. Some citizens had asked, and learned the property owner paid the firemen for their time, which also gave the volunteers good training.

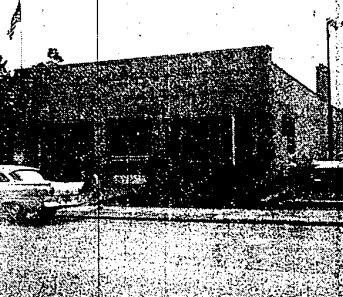
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Senior High Students Attending Conferences on Future Careers

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Portable dining tables for two schools were authorized for purchase by the School Board Monday night. Plans are to set up these portable tables in a classroom at the Bond School and in the large lobby at the Gill Road School. Use of these areas for dining will eliminate the need for using the multi-purpose rooms, administrators pointed out.

## No Assessment Cuts on Gripes

Wendell Brown, member of the Township Board, Tuesday night a citizen had called to ask if assessments could be changed if the owner complained enough. The citizen thought he had gotten this idea from a remark at a previous meeting.

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## County Approves Bond Issue \$4,900,000 for New Interceptor Sewer

A \$4,900,000 general obligation bond issue to finance the proposed Farmington interceptor sewer was approved last Friday by Oakland County board of supervisors. There had been some question as to whether or not all supervisors would be willing to pledge the full faith and credit of the county to carry the bond issue. The vote carried easily, however, after most supervisors had studied the plan.

## Safety Officers Assn. Formed

Announcement was made this week of the official formation of the City of Farmington Public Safety Officers' Association. A corporate charter from the State of Michigan for the new organization was received earlier this month, association officials said.



Minstrel Show Plans Revealed

The Farmington Jaycees are now preparing for their eleventh annual minstrel show, "Fine and Dandy," to be held in the Farmington Junior high school auditorium on March 21 and 22.

## Twp. Finances: Fair, Not Good

Just what are the finances of Farmington Township? As the attorney general to the board at its Tuesday night meeting, So Treasurer Elise Avery read a report for the last nine months of 1957. The figures are:

Table with financial data: Receipts \$1,317,500, Disbursements \$1,194,637, Deficit \$122,863.

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