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Both Proposed Cities Soundly Defeated

Hearing Here Nov. 20 on Proposed 11½ Mile Road

A public hearing has been called for Nov. 20 in Farmington at which state highway department officials will explain the proposed location of part of Interstate Route 6 (11½ Mile Road) from US-16 near Haggerty Road east to Northwestern Highway.

Commissioner John C. Mackie is publishing a notice in this issue about the hearing. It will start at 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20, and be held in the American Legion building on Grand River at Lakeway.

THE HEARING is required under the federal aid highway act of 1956. Department officials will explain the proposed location of the expressway, and will hear testimony regarding the economic effects of the project on the community.

There has been great interest here in the proposal route, inasmuch as it would cut right through a new and well developed area. The township board has fought the proposed new road, along with other groups. Alternate routes have been proposed.

The last information was that the route might be shifted several hundred feet or more to the north to bypass the new Trinity Episcopal Church and new subdivisions.

Postponement to Be Requested On Woodcroft Village Question

It has been disclosed that the Oakland County board of supervisors will be asked Monday to postpone action on a request to incorporate an area of over seven square miles in the township as the village of Woodcroft until residents of the proposed village can be heard from.

The boundaries committee of the board decided to asked for the postponement at a meeting this week, feeling that the committee didn't know enough about the proposal. They indicated that they would suggest a public hearing in the area on Dec. 11 so the pros and cons of the incorporation move can be aired by residents.

INCORPORATION petitions signed by 2,419 residents of this area were submitted earlier under the original 1895 Michigan village law which does not require the customary vote of the people. Promoters said they didn't have enough residents to qualify under the newer incorporation laws.

Albert Gain, former township supervisor and one of the petition circulators for Woodcroft Village, said the major purpose behind the move was to prevent any further attempt of Farmington city to annex this area. He also indicated that the results of the Farmington Woods and Clarenceville incorporation moves would have a bearing on their incorporation move.

Roads, Rubbish Get Attention In Wood Creek

A resolution was passed by the Wood Creek Village council to enter into a contract with Harold Kutsche for the pickup of rubbish from all residents in the village for the six month period from January through June of 1959.

Based on 135 homes, the cost to the village will be $78.30 per month or $469.80 for the half year period.

Pickups will be made on the first Saturday of each month. Only rubbish placed at the road will be collected. No garbage will be picked up.

A report was made at the meeting by Dick Norwall, new road administrator. He indicated that he had made a survey of all village roads with a representative of the Oakland County Road Commission to determine the best methods for maintaining them. Grading will be done soon and gravel brought in for the weaker spots if any money is left, he said.

Norwall also reported that nine or ten culverts in the village were badly plugged and asked permission to have them cleaned. The council gave its approval.

A motion was also passed to extend thanks to the Wood Creek Farms Association for the service its members rendered by patrolling the village for several days prior to and on Halloween. Some mischief was reported but none of a really serious nature, councilmen stated.

To Dedicate 2 New Schools

Farmington's two newest elementary schools will be dedicated next week in conjunction with American Education Week being served from October 9-15.

Dedication ceremonies will be conducted at the Kenbrooke school on Tuesday, November 11, and at the Cloverdale school on Thursday, November 13. Both programs will start at 8 p.m. Open houses under the sponsorship of the respective PTAs, will be held the same nights.

G. V. Harrison, superintendent of schools, will preside at both ceremonies. Short talks will be given by Bayard Tupper, board president, followed by dedication readings by other board members. Mrs. Patricia Dates, secretary, will give the reading at the Kenbrooke school and Leland Clifford, treasurer, the reading at Cloverdale.

Responses will be given by a PTA official at each school as well as by the principal on behalf of the staff.

Music will be provided by the elementary school band.

Robert Orcutt, regional director of the U. S. office of education, has also been invited to give a short talk at the Cloverdale dedication. Superintendent Harrison said. A major portion of this school was built with Federal funds granted to the school district.

2 Youths Hurt in Car-Scooter Crash

Two township youths were injured last Friday afternoon in a car-motor scooter accident in the Farmington Plaza parking lot.

Michael G. Novak, 15, of 33117 Hoepcrest, driver of the scooter, suffered bumps and bruises and his brother, Gregory, 12, lacerations about the chin and left leg and a bump on his head.

Driving the car was Mrs. Thomas W. O'Hara of 29760 Shiawassee Road.

Over the Top In U.F. Drive

Farmington has gone over the top in this year's United Foundation Torch Drive, an official report given Tuesday disclosed.

It was reported that $16,573.64 had been collected in Farmington as of that date. The goal for Farmington city and township this year was set at $15,755.

Of the total amount collected, $14,499.14 was received from local residents, business places and governmental employees with the other $2,074.50 coming from employees in the Farmington school system.

Total collections in the 12 township area in which Farmington is included was $41,385. This is a little over $3,000 short of the area goal of $44,548.

Contract for Addition to C'ville School

The low bid of A. N. Hickson for a 13-classroom addition to the new Clarenceville senior high school was accepted Last Thursday by the board of education.

The board decided to forego an alternate, so the bid amounted to $269,000. It is subject to approval by the school attorney and the architect, W. T. Anicka & Associates.

THE ADDITION to the new building on the west side of Middlebelt will be in two parts. The larger addition will be at the south side, and the smaller at the west rear.

Included will be two science rooms, an arts and crafts room drafting room, two shop areas, an audio-visual room, two general storage areas, and class rooms.

AT AN EARLIER meeting the board opened bids on the sale of $750,000 in school district bonds, with three bidders.

The board accepted the low bid of John Nuveen & Co. at an interest rate of 4.4083 per cent. It is anticipated the money will be available within a month.

At the earlier meeting the board of education also selected Smith, Tarapata & MacMahon as architects for some proposed elementary school construction.

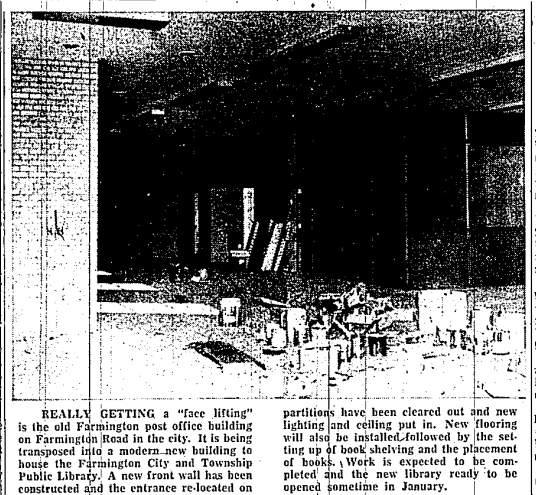
RECENTLY a survey was made to see if the district might be eligible for federal school building aid, and there is no indication yet whether or not Clarenceville district will qualify, although it has in the past. If any such aid becomes available officials are thinking of a new building of 20 rooms, or a 9 or 12 room addition.

The badly needed school addition was delayed some weeks because of slowness of the Municipal Finance Commission to approve the school bonds.

Ram Into Truck On Grand River

Raymond Stalla of 22509 Lilac, Farmington, and William Gray of Pontiac, a passenger were injured last Thursday evening when the car in which they were traveling rammed into the rear of a parked truck on Grand River between Brookdale and Orchard Lake Road.

Stalla suffered nose injuries and Gray injuries to his back and shoulder.



REALLY GETTING a "face lifting" is the old Farmington post office building on Farmington Road in the city. It is being transposed into a modern new building to house the Farmington City and Township Public Library. A new front wall has been constructed and the entrance relocated on the south side of the building. Interior partitions have been cleared out and new lighting and ceiling put in. New flooring will also be installed followed by the setting up of book shelving and the placement of books. Work is expected to be completed and the new library ready to be opened sometime in January.

Checking Now for Swim Pool Fences

Township police started Tuesday to inspect 16 private swimming pools for which orders had been issued earlier to build enclosing fences.

Compliance was ordered with the ordinance after two children were drowned in unfenced pools.

Polio Clinic Friday Night

The third polio clinic for Clarenceville will be Friday evening, Nov. 7, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. It will be held in the new senior high, on Middlebelt.

These clinics are sponsored by Wayne county, and Friday's will be the last for some time. Shots are $1 each.

ANOTHER polio clinic is being held Friday at the same time at the Garfield school in Livonia.

Two others are scheduled for Livonia Nov. 19, at Riley junior high school, and at Jefferson elementary school.

Blood Bank Slated Nov. 21

A Red Cross Blood Bank, sponsored by the Town Club of Farmington, will be held at the Farmington Junior High gymnasium on Thomas Street on Friday, November 21.

Donations will be taken from 3 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. that day. Volunteer workers will have dinner between 5 and 6 o'clock.

Anyone in good health who is between the ages of 18 and 59 may safely give a pint of blood, officials said. Persons between 18 and 21 must, however, have the written consent of a parent or guardian.

APPOINTMENTS are now being taken. They may be made by calling Mrs. Thomas Smith, recruitment chairman, GR 4-2070.

Co-ordinator for this year's bank is Mrs. Donald Wingard. Assisting her, besides, Mrs. Smith, are: Mrs. John Boessler, co-chairman; Mrs. George Sherlock, volunteer service chairman; Mrs. Edmund Karr, canteen; and Mrs. Charles Eirchele, publicity.

It was pointed out that blood donated may be credited to either the Farmington Community Bank or any other bank of the donor's choice.

THERE IS a very great need for blood at this time, not only to build up a bank with but also to satisfy ever increasing current needs.

Farmington residents needing blood are asked to call: Mary Lenz, GR 4-5352; Mrs. Donald Wingard, GR 4-8059; or Mrs. James Warner, GR 4-5411.

30 Years for Druggist Smith

Maxwell J. Smith is celebrating his 30th anniversary in business in Farmington this week end, with a big sale now on at his Rexall drug store at Grand River and 8 Mile.

"Max," as a huge number of friends know him, is joined at the store this week end by Mrs. Smith. The couple worked together about the first ten years in business, and she has been looking forward to greeting many old friends and a lot of new.

WHEN THE Smiths started at that location, in a much smaller store, Grand River was paved for a two-car width, and 8 Mile road was a narrow gravel road that was far from straight.

During the years their business has grown steadily, and they took over space at one side and built an addition at the rear. It's always been a busy location.

The employees presented the Smiths a huge bouquet as part of the anniversary observance. An advertisement this week gives only part of the special bargains available at the store.

Middlebelt School Open House Held

The annual Middlebelt School open house was held Monday evening.

A short PTA business meeting was held at which time the budget for the year was presented. The saving stamp program was reported a success and plans for the school fair to be held Saturday, November 22, reviewed.

Following visits to the various classrooms where parents had an opportunity to view their children's work, refreshments were served in the new multi-purpose room.

Must Remodel Two Buildings

Two buildings in downtown Farmington have been declared unsafe after inspections by the state fire marshall, and the city council has authorized the city manager and attorney to force correction of the violations.

They must be brought up to the minimum standards prescribed by the city's fire, electrical and plumbing ordinances.

THE COUNCIL recently was requested to take such action by the city planning commission, and by the Farmington Downtown Business District Ass'n.

Members have indicated at recent meetings they intend to pursue a vigorous campaign to bring up sub-standard buildings, and that these are only the first in that continuing campaign.

Postoffice Closed

Postmaster Henry Trombley reminds that the Farmington post office will be closed next Tuesday, Nov. 11, which is Veterans' Day.

Barricades in Floral Park to Be Taken Out

With a lawsuit under way, and the city attorney's opinion giving little support to the barricades at the north edge of Floral Park subdivision, the council Monday night voted unanimously to remove them.

Three streets are involved — Violet, Lilac and Hawthorne. At the north end of Floral street the barricade has to remain because the street is not passable.

A NEW ZONING district to be known as R1-a has been ordered by the council, which requested City Attorney Paul Pare to prepare an amendment to be acted upon soon.

This would provide a district zoned to larger lot sizes. It is for the purpose of putting minimum sizes on areas which are already surrounded by larger lots. The feeling is a pocket of smaller lots and homes would hurt property values in the surrounding larger tracts.

Specifically it is for an area north of Alta Loma and south of State street, which is likely to be built up in the near future.

A JOINT paving project with the county road commission is a possibility discussed Monday night, with the city paying about half the costs.

Mentioned immediately was widening of Farmington Road from State street south to Alta Loma, to the same width it is just to the north. This would mean widening about two feet on each side.

CITY ENGINEER Dean J. Elwart is also working on plans for a proposal to widen Farmington Road on south to 9 Mile. This would mean an additional eight feet on each side. After determining the cost the city would then have to decide if it could find funds to pay for its share of this work.

The county's 1959 paving program is now being set up, so these requests will have to be made soon to be considered.

A proposed off-street parking ordinance was discussed again at length, and after an informal meeting the council plans to call a public meeting later to discuss the proposal.

This involves immediately the new free parking lot east of Food Fair market, and how the costs will be allocated against benefitting properties.

Pullen Quits As C-D Head

Donald D. Pullen has again submitted his resignation to Supervisor Frank Stephenson as director of the Township Civil Defense.

In a letter Oct. 31 he resigned effective immediately, turning over his records to his assistant Floyd Jaye.

He wrote, "I consider my reputation and my family above becoming involved in the petty politics which the township board continues to instill in all township services and now has brought into the township Civil Defense."

Clarenceville Loss Decisive, But F. Woods Margin 539

With proposals to incorporate two cities from within the township badly beaten at Tuesday's election, it appears Farmington township is in no immediate danger of being splintered into many communities.

Even the proposed Village of Woodcroft, the area which at the primary defeated annexation to the City of Farmington, may not materialize. Should this fail, the township would be left intact.

VOTING DID NOT reach totals earlier hoped for. The traditionally Republican township gave Bagwell a 3,612 vote compared with 2,768 for Williams. The city was heavily Republican, with 1,411 for Bagwell and 746 for Williams.

Local candidates did not fare well in other races, according to final tabulations from Pontiac.

ALLEN C. INGLE apparently lost a very close race for state representative. His total was 20,540, compared with 21,540 for Democrat Clarkson. Although he carried most of this area, he could not overcome a heavy Democratic vote in Oak Park. Nevertheless, it was one of the closest area races.

For prosecuting attorney James Lawson of Farmington failed to unseat Republican Ziem. The totals were 99,642 for Ziem, 91,055 for Lawson.

Another local Democrat, Leo P. Meagher, also failed to unseat incumbent Republican L. Harvey Lodge as state senator. Lodge's winning figure was 97,225 compared with 92,822 for Meagher.

Sheriff Frank Irons handily defeated, 102,119 to 89,428, his Democrat challenger George D. Hicks.

ON INCORPORATION, the proposal for Farmington Woods carried only in one precinct. The vote:

Precinct	Yes	No
3	172	521
4	475	607
6	294	243
7	285	341
8	141	194
	1,367	1,906

Because incorporation failed, no charter commission was elected. However, high candidates in order were Graham, Burton, Wilcox, Roe, Glide, Dinwiddie, Bassette, Kosmensky and Saliba.

THE CLARENCEVILLE proposal was beaten about 3 to 1. The vote:

Precinct	Yes	No
1	17	143
2	124	294
5	132	388
6	48	146
8	21	90
	342	1,061

*There were 16 candidates for the charter commission which was not formed, with the high nine in this order: Hicks, Keller, LaForge, Hutcheson, House, Coates, Dorris, O'Hara and Franz.

Polio Clinic Set Tuesday

Plans have now been completed for a polio clinic to be held next Tuesday evening, November 11, at the Bond elementary school.

The community-wide clinic is being conducted by the township health officer by authorization of the township board and thru the co-operation of the Bond School PTA who helped in obtaining the facilities and making other arrangements.

THE CLINIC will be conducted from 7:30 to 9 p.m. with a charge of $1 per injection being made.

(a) The series of four shots should be had in the following time sequence. The second shot should be obtained ONE MONTH after the first. The third shot should be obtained SEVEN MONTHS after the second. The fourth, or booster, should be obtained one year from the date of the third shot.

(b) HOWEVER, it has been determined that if this sequence has not been followed to the letter, the series should not be broken. For example: If you obtained your first shot more than one month ago (two months or even two years ago), you now take your second shot. Do not begin again with the first shot.

(c) The same applies to the third shot. If it has been over seven months since your second shot, do not repeat it. Take your third shot and complete the initial series (followed by the fourth, or booster, shot one year later.)

It should be stressed, however, that ideally, the series should be taken in the time sequence described in paragraph (a).

Persons having questions, are asked to call Mayfair 6-6311.

Downtown Business Meeting Is Monday

Regular meeting of the Farmington Downtown Business District Ass'n will be held next Monday, Nov. 10, at 8 p.m.

There will be a change of place. This meeting will be held at the city hall.

Voting Percent Not High Here

Farmington voters failed to turn out Tuesday the way they did two years ago, either in numbers or percentage of voters registered. A hotter vote had been expected.

This week the combined city-township vote was 69.3 per cent of the number registered, compared with 82.7 per cent two years ago.

THE CITY percentage was higher both times. Tuesday the percentage was 73, compared with 85.4 two years ago. High percinct was No. 1, with 80 percent.

The township percentage Tuesday was 68, while two years ago it was 81.8 per cent. Precinct four Tuesday attained 80 per cent, while low of 55 per cent was shared by precincts one and two. Precinct four, voting at Bond school, had a huge crowd waiting when the polls closed.

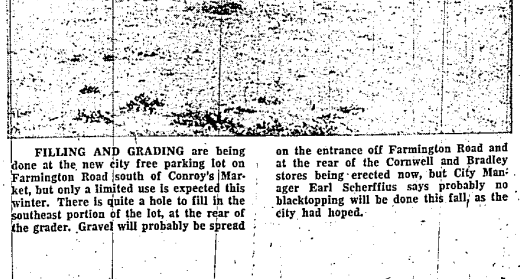
Con-Con OK'd Here But Fails

The constitutional convention proposal carried easily in both Farmington township and city, but faces possible defeat in the state. Failure to vote on the proposal meant a no vote, and these will have to be tabulated.

The proposal carried 2,925 to 1,473 in the township, and city voters favored it 1,200 to 434.

Complete Election Returns

	TOWNSHIP								CITY			
	Pt. 1	Pt. 2	Pt. 3	Pt. 4	Pt. 5	Pt. 6	Pt. 7	Pt. 8 Total	Pt. 1	Pt. 2	Pt. 3	Total
Governor												
Williams (D)	378	319	412	358	366	374	327	234 2,768	168	229	349	746
Bagwell (R)	358	242	526	831	231	397	723	304 3,612	506	489	416	1,411
Lt. Gov.												
Swainson (D)	377	318	418	370	375	370	333	248 2,809	162	219	358	739
Brown (R)	347	230	514	787	211	389	693	277 3,448	489	470	398	1,357
Sec'y of State												
Hare (D)	387	329	448	428	383	392	374	251 2,992	182	257	385	824
Plank (R)	339	219	485	732	201	367	652	267 3,262	470	435	367	1,272
Attorney Gen'l												
Adams (D)	381	315	407	374	375	375	339	238 2,804	169	219	360	748
Honigman (R)	341	228	526	776	207	378	685	279 3,420	480	465	390	1,335
Treasurer												
Brown (D)	387	319	429	397	378	385	347	246 2,888	172	235	368	775
Weatherwax (R)	338	225	500	753	205	371	671	268 3,331	475	450	379	1,304
Auditor Gen'l												
Szymanski (D)	378	311	422	387	373	371	343	239 2,824	163	219	349	731
Clements (R)	342	229	509	762	205	379	676	275 3,377	483	465	399	1,347
U. S. Senator												
Hart (D)	383	312	442	422	376	374	369	246 2,924	185	251	379	815
Potter (R)	347	237	500	750	214	388	665	281 3,382	472	451	377	1,300
Congress												
Hudson (D)	366	308	412	359	361	360	316	237 2,719	151	210	344	705
Broomfield (R)	361	239	520	799	217	399	708	287 3,530	502	482	410	1,394
State Senator												
Meagher (D)	382	318	426	380	368	372	353	246 2,845	174	235	374	783
Lodge (R)	345	226	503	770	212	378	676	265 3,376	475	462	380	1,317
State Repr.												
Clarkson (D)	378	311	425	386	367	374	335	237 2,813	184	242	362	788
Ingle (R)	351	236	500	762	216	382	684	285 3,416	464	450	385	1,299
Pros. Attorney												
Lawson (D)	382	319	428	384	374	385	354	254 2,880	178	233	376	787
Ziem (R)	342	227	493	766	209	373	667	265 3,344	473	461	374	1,308
Sheriff												
Hicks (D)	375	311	403	373	366	364	336	234 2,762	167	217	352	736
Irons (R)	354	231	529	773	216	392	686	284 3,465	480	469	396	1,345
Clerk-Register												
Kronenberg (D)	374	308	411	367	363	365	325	238 2,751	168	209	352	729
Murphy (R)	349	233	519	781	215	385	696	273 3,451	478	472	396	1,346
Treasurer												
Benson (D)	376	314	420	384	370	370	335	238 2,807	171	218	363	752
Sparks (R)	344	228	499	762	210	382	685	277 3,387	475	464	385	1,324
Co. Drain Comm.												
Rice (D)	379	311	419	380	372	371	335	240 2,807	166	214	355	735
Barry (R)	346	231	512	766	206	380	687	269 3,397	477	467	394	1,338
Surveyor												
Lowney (D)	380	315	406	368	372	371	332	238 2,782	166	212	358	736
Main (R)	344	227	525	775	208	381	691	272 3,423	476	468	389	1,333



FILLING AND GRADING are being done at the new city free parking lot on Farmington Road south of Conroy's Market, but only a limited use is expected this winter. There is quite a hole to fill in the southeast portion of the lot, at the rear of the grader. Gravel will probably be spread on the entrance off Farmington Road and at the rear of the Cornwell and Bradley stores being erected now, but City Manager Earl Scherffius says probably no blacktopping will be done this fall, as the city had hoped.