

The Farmington Enterprise

Teacher List Complete For School Term

Five new teachers will greet local pupils on the opening day of school, it was announced this week by Superintendent Robert Burns. With the help of Junior High School Instructor William Draker Monday the list was completed.

Three women and two men have been added to the Farmington School staff. Included in this list are: Marian Dowditch, second grade; William Draker, Junior High School; Jeanne Anne MacVicar, first grade; Ellis Tooker, High School Science; and Mildred Wickens, High School English and French.

Marian Dowditch, of Pittsford, Michigan, received her B. S. at Michigan State College, and has taught previously at Litchfield, Michigan. She was very active socially on the campus.

Works on Masters

William H. Draker, who was born in New York, lives now in Grand Rapids. He attended Grand Rapids Junior College and received his B. S. at the University of Michigan. He has done some work on his Master's Degree at the Ann Arbor school. Draker received his freshman numerals at the University, and is a member of Phi Epsilon Kappa Physical Education Honorary Society. He has traveled abroad.

Another traveler is Jeanne Anne MacVicar, the new first grade teacher. In 1932 she visited the Bermuda Islands, and two years later she traveled to see the Canadian Rockies and to visit in California. Miss MacVicar, born in Memphis, Michigan, and now at Port Huron resident, attended Oberlin College from 1928 to 1932, and the University of Michigan from 1932 to 1933. She received her B. S. in 1933. From 1932 to 1937 Miss MacVicar was kindergarten and the lower grades in Port Huron.

Ellis Tooker, the new science instructor, of Hopkins, Michigan, who is married, was an assistant in the Biology Laboratory at Albion College, where he received his B. S. in February 1938. He has been working on his M. A. this summer at the University of Michigan. He played football at Albion, and majored in Chemistry and General Science, and received a minor in Physics.

Dearborn Resident

The English and French instructor added to the High School teaching staff, Miss Mildred L. Wickens, is a native of Dearborn. She graduated from Michigan State Normal College at Ypsilanti. She was president of her sorority, Alpha Mu Sigma.

Twenty other members are on the faculty list including Superintendent Robert C. Burns, High School Principal Max Thompson, High School Principal Robert Stewart, Engineer Clarence Dell and Record Clerk Viola White. Teachers who are returning are: Charles Baker, Wayne, Art and Mechanical Drawing; Sylvia Benson, Adrian, Music; Geraldine Dudge, Bay City, English; Hope DuBois, Stambaugh, Michigan, Fourth Grade; Frances Erickson, Loutham, Michigan, Sixth Grade; Benton Ever, Alma, General Science; History and Assistant Coach; Emory Griffith, Pontreave, Vermont, Mathematics; Edith Keys, Bad Axe, Fifth Grade; Mary Lunny, Ann Arbor, Latin and History; Lulu Loomis, Grand Rapids, First Grade; Edna Mackintosh, Farmington, Seventh Grade; Grady McKay, Ypsilanti, Public Speaking, Debate and Satesmanship; Donna Plamondon, Farmington, Kindergarten; Lynn Roberts, Jackson, Commercial; and Paul Shoemaker, Farmington, Coach and Science.

Ten Year Old Boy Discovers Shipwreck Note In Bottle

"Bud" Aschenbrenner, 10 year old son of Dr. and Mrs. Aschenbrenner, is holding a treasure today that will probably be the envy of all his playmates when he returns next week from his vacation at Rogers City.

The youngster, who is establishing himself as a discoverer of a beach treasure, recently discovered a bottle containing a note. It was the second time in three years that he unearthed such a bottle.

Strolling with the doctor down the beach on Lake Huron near Rogers City, where the Aschenbrenners are located, Bud found the bottle which is believed to have been washed ashore a few weeks earlier during a storm. His first impulse was to break the bottle immediately, but better judgement told him to wait until a cork opener could be found. The bottle was an old fashioned whiskey bottle, and the cork was deeply imbedded in its neck.

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Movie Enters Into Town Hall Picture

The Town Hall status is still in doubt. A new feature entered the picture this week when a Detroit resident sought to find out the possibilities of remodeling the interior of the building for use as a moving picture theater.

Walter Blackinton appeared before the Township Board and told them of his plans. He stated that he had contacted an architect and contractor and he estimated that the interior remodeling cost would amount to approximately \$7,000. Blackinton said he would change the exterior only slightly and that a ramp floor would have to be built in the auditorium.

The Township Board took no action. They informed Blackinton of the proposal they had made to the City the week previous, and said that they would await word from the City Commission before they would act.

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That bicycles are a menace on the dark highways is the conviction of at least several Farmington motorists who have had narrow escapes recently. It is their belief that parents should warn their children to ride the slippery roads, or at least have their bicycles equipped with head and tail lights.

One woman motorist reported a near disaster Sunday, when she was forced to veer into the lane of oncoming traffic to avoid hitting a bicycle rider who was riding without lights. Fortunately no car was near enough to cause an accident. To the 15 year old bicyclist it was a big joke.

Another woman bicyclist is too frequently of bicycle riders who are injured or killed. Wide streets such as Grand River seem to take a greater toll than do the narrower roads, according to some reports.

Careless bicycle riders do not only endanger their own lives, but also the lives of automobile riders. Accidents are sometimes caused when the motorist tries to get out of the way of the bicycle in his path.

Every automobile driver is convinced that the liability toll could be reduced if the parents would warn their children of the danger of bicycle riding on crowded thoroughfares. They believe that the youngsters should be told that on crowded highways, especially at night, they should have a head and tail light, and at all times they should stay to the extreme right of the road, and ride on the parkway whenever possible.

Junior High School System To Be Inaugurated This Year

Classes for all Farmington School pupils will begin September 12, the Monday morning following Labor Day, at 8:30. It was announced this week by Superintendent R. C. Burns.

Two outstanding features are the establishment of a definite Junior High School system, and the progressive steps made in the Industrial Arts department.

Junior High School students will have 45 minute class periods, and will assemble for Home Room periods when they have no class. Pupils will move around from class to class, instead of staying in the same room, as was customary heretofore in the grade system.

Principal Stewart

The seventh and eighth grades will comprise the Junior High School. In the principal's chair will be Edward Vincent. Mrs. Edna McCaskill will teach English. Mr. Stewart is in charge of mathematics, and William Draker will be the Social Science instructor.

An athletic program will be instituted for the Junior High boys with football and basketball the chief diversions. Football practice will begin for the youngsters September 12. A schedule of five games will probably be prepared. In charge of the pre-high school athletes will be William Draker.

The second feature of the new fall program, the Industrial Arts department, with Charles Baker in charge, promises to make a hit with the High School and Junior High School boys.

New Equipment

New equipment of all types will greet the pupils. A drill press, jig saw, gas furnace for soldering, a nine inch bench saw, a 20 inch wood lathe, work benches, and a grinder have been added to the basement class room. This makes the Industrial Arts Department very modernistic and up-to-date.

Equipment which has been remodeled, an instructor's office partitioned off, a supply room added, and new cupboards built. A blackboard supplies the necessary school room touch.

Plans for the system set up by officials. Students will work one unit at a time and will take turns working with wood, metal and soldering. Each group will have to complete the unit in which they are working before they can advance to the next stage.

Boiler Replaced

Other changes will be noted around the building. The boiler has been replaced, showers have been added, and new storage cabinets have been constructed.

Kindergarten and first grade pupils will be seated at round tables, and not at desks. This will make for informality, and will create a friendly, in a more "home-like" atmosphere.

Both the Kindergarten and the First Grade room will have five round tables. Eight chairs will be placed around the tables. Each seat, square tables are being held in reserve.

Student Increase

An increase in the student bodies of the High School and Grade School is expected. Last year had 125 High School pupils and 375 Grade students.

Plans for the forthcoming year will be discussed at a Teachers' meeting which will be held Saturday, September 10, at 2:30.

Football Coach Paul Shoemaker announced that he will inaugurate his fall practice, two weeks before the school opening. Candidates will hold their first meeting September 1, at 2:30.

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One woman is in critical condition as the result of one of three accidents which were reported to Deputy Sheriff Joseph DeVriendt this week.

Annette Daley, of 2135 Hamilton avenue, Birmingham Township, is in the Redford branch of Receiving Hospital, suffering from a fracture of the right arm, bruised left elbow and a fractured hip. She was driving west on Independence when her car collided with an on-driven south on Waldron by Wesley Klocek. The Daley car was thrown into the ditch and badly damaged. The accident occurred at 2:15 Wednesday afternoon.

A solo accident was reported a few hours previous. According to police reports Roy Chapman, 29, of Route 2 Farmington, was traveling west on Grand River Road near Jackson street, when he attempted to pass a car driven by James A. Shaw of Detroit. Shaw attempted to make a left hand turn, but because this vehicle was behind him he continued straight ahead, police said. Chapman's car hit the curb and rolled over on the parkway, and was completely demolished.

In the third accident a 62-year old Detroit motorist was arrested while driving the wrong way on the Cut-Off and thereby causing an accident. He appeared Wednesday afternoon before Justice of the Peace Earnest V. Blanchard, and pleaded guilty. He was ordered to pay a fine of \$5 and \$10 in costs.

The accident occurred at 10:50 a. m. Monday when Sam Sheakman, of 1641 Taylor, driving a junk truck the wrong direction on the Cut-Off, attempted to make a left hand turn onto a Subdivision street. The truck collided with a LaSalle driven by Harry Wolfe, of 145 South Chalmers avenue, Detroit. Wolfe and his wife, who were returning from a vacation were badly cut.

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BLAKESLEE MOTOR SALES TO SHOW FREE MOVIES

Free movies will be shown to local residents in the near future it was announced this week.

The gratis cinema will be held Monday, August 22, at the Blakeslee Motor Sales at Pontiac. Tuesday, August 23, at 8:00 p. m., Eastern Standard Time according to William Palmer of Mt. Pleasant, Secretary of the Michigan Petroleum Industries Committee. The organization of a local committee is contemplated and other important matters affecting the oil business and its customers will be discussed. Prominent Michigan oil men will attend and address the group.

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STOLEN CAR RECOVERED

A stolen Ford coupe was recovered in Farmington Tuesday by Deputy Sheriff Joseph DeVriendt at Colgate and Grand River Roads. It was reported stolen in Howell Monday night.

GRAHAM CHILDREN ARE RECOVERING FROM BEE STINGS

Wanda and Dale Graham, youngest children of Lewis Graham, of West Point Park, are recovering slowly from the effects of bee stings which they received Saturday.

Stung by a swarm of black bees, the two children were taken to the family physician, and then taken to the Redford branch of Receiving Hospital. For two days the children were reported to be in an extremely critical condition, but the latest reports say they are on the road to recovery.

Each of the children is carrying marks of from 15 to 20 stings.

Deputy Sheriff Granted Two Weeks' Vacation

A new face will be seen in the Farmington Police Booth during the next two weeks, and a familiar countenance will be missing.

Deputy Sheriff Joseph DeVriendt has been granted two weeks leave from his police duties. He plans to attend the American Legion state convention at Battle Creek, which is being held in Farmington from 20 to 23. He will return to Farmington and then leave for a trip East to Boston. Mrs. DeVriendt will accompany him.

Elmo McKinley, of New Hudson, will be in charge of the Farmington booth during DeVriendt's absence.

TOWN HALL TONIGHT

It's Town Hall Tonight every Saturday night according to the promoters of the Saturday dance at the Farmington Town Hall. A series of dances will be resumed this Saturday night, after a last minute cancellation last week caused an interruption in the late summer dance program. The "Steppers" eight piece band, which has been playing a swing concert will be the main feature, the promoters state.

NICHOLS SCHOOL REUNION

The Nichols School Reunion will be held at the Nichols School Building Saturday, August 27, at 10 o'clock. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 1 o'clock. A pot luck lunch will be served.

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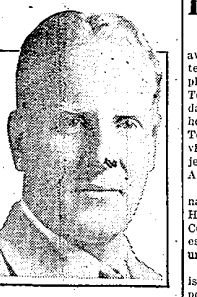
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