

AROUND THE BLOCK

FROM THE VOLUME ... of traffic that flowed in and out of our community last week and it isn't too hard to figure out what season this is. Every year about this time the volume of traffic goes up and the streets are jammed in the morning, traffic piled up back to Orchard Lake Road according to one report we received. Aside from this one situation, however, traffic didn't seem to bog down too much. We think the Farmington City and Township police, as well as the State Police, deserve a lot of credit for the way they kept traffic moving. There seemed to be a lot less confusion and only in a few instances did traffic get snarled, and based on the volume that is mighty good.

YOU'VE GOT A DATE . . . This Monday and don't be late! The place: either the Farmington or Clarenceville High Schools, depending on which area you live in. The time: anytime between 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. The purpose: to practice democracy in the most important spot we know of—your own front yard. The occasion: the Annual Election of the Farmington and Clarenceville School Districts. You are being urged to turn out and elect members to your respective School Boards and in the case of Clarenceville to vote on two important proposals. Your schools are yours and yours alone. It is your obligation in school as well as in business. If you have a vital stake in your schools, protect that interest with action — VOTE THIS MONDAY, JUNE 11!

A LOT OF "WAY BACK WHEN" . . . The streets were tugged and pulled by old timers last week down near the Post Office as workmen pulled up part of the old D.U.R. track that ran across South Farmington Road. The old D.U.R., long passed from the Farmington scene, came up along Farmington Road, crossed near the Post Office and came up to where the Farmington Dry new building and then extended down Grand River to the LaSalle Wines Building and then went north on Orchard Lake Road with the other line continuing down Grand River. A great deal of history and activity of Farmington is linked to the old D.U.R., so it is little wonder that the pulling of the rails brought forth plenty of reminiscing about the good old days.

A HELPING HAND . . . is needed by one of our neighbors and we are passing the information on to our readers with the confidence that a big helping hand will be extended. The information did not come from the family but rather from a neighbor who is aware of the situation and wants to help too. The family lost much of their home and their furniture in a disastrous fire several months ago, all of their furniture in a disastrous fire several months ago. Through insurance the family has been able to rebuild their home, but they have no furnishings. The Red Cross has furnished clothing for the family, but they need furniture starting right from scratch. If you have any furniture or appliances that you sell or have to sell, please call Farmington 1421, or bring it to the Farmington Roofing and Maintenance Company, 32430 Eight Mile Road. Thanks!

IN THIS WEEK'S ISSUE . . . the final editions of the "Blue and White" and the "Trojan Banner", school pages of the Farmington and Clarenceville High Schools, for the year. These pages are prepared entirely by the Journalism classes of the two schools. We wish to express our sincere appreciation to the students and instructors for their fine and sincere cooperation. It is our honest belief that these pages not only furnish interesting and informative reading, but do much to bring the schools closer to the people. We hope that the training and experience has proved valuable to the students. The amount that conditions have been used. It has been a pleasure, this year as in the past, to have had a part in this practical educational program.

ANOTHER CRACK-UP . . . at Middlebelt Grand River plus a score of near misses during the past week end is further proof of the need for some type of safety control at the intersection. The Enterprise realizes that a traffic light will not eliminate accidents, and it realizes, however, a vast number of lights are needed. However, with traffic on the Grand River and Middlebelt, and the rapid increase both on Grand River and Middlebelt, some action should be taken. The long lines of traffic trying to get into Grand River from Middlebelt, the creeping to get into position to clear across, and the weaving in, is causing accidents and will continue to do so as long as the situation is allowed to exist.

CONGRATULATIONS . . . to the Clarenceville High School baseball team on the winning of the Wayne - Oakland League Championship. Coach Harry McKittick and his entire Trojan team have not only compiled an excellent record during the short and busy season but have shown real sportsmanship and team spirit on every game. Their coaches, they have not only topped the list, they have set an example of determination, team work and fair play to be admired and followed by any team.

Trojans Swamp Falcon Nine 15 - 2
Clarenceville's Trojan nine handed Farmington their most lopsided defeat of the season last Wednesday afternoon, swamping them 15 to 2 in a return game on the Clarenceville diamond.

CITY TO SECURE ESTIMATE ON NEW SEWAGE SYSTEM
An estimate of cost on the installation of a sewage disposal system for the city will be presented to the Council at its next meeting by the Refinite-Hayes Contract Aeration Company.

Clarenceville Men's Group Names Temporary Heads
Maxwell Smith has been elected temporary chairman of the men's group now being organized in the Clarenceville area.

HORSE SHOW SET FOR THIS SUNDAY IN FARMINGTON
The Michigan Horseman's Association will hold its 11th Annual Amateur Horse Show on Sunday, June 10, at the Farmington Yacht Show Grounds, Nine Mile and Gill Roads.

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ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTIONS TO BE HELD MONDAY

Board Forced To Modify New High School Plans
Bid Totals Run More Than Funds Available

Present plans for the new Farmington High School building will have to be modified, it was announced by the Board Tuesday evening following the opening of construction bids on the proposed project. The complete total of the various low bids indicated that the proposed building would cost between \$70,000 and \$80,000 more than the District has for the construction of the high school. Considerable modification will probably have to be made in order to bring the cost down to the money available. O. E. Dunckel, superintendent, stated that any modification should not detract from the possible future expansion of the building. Lynn Smith, representative of Eberle Smith, Associates, school architects, was directed by the Board to prepare an suggested modification of the unit. He stated that he would have some recommendations at the Board meeting next Monday.

All of the bids submitted Tuesday evening were received by the Board and placed on file for their study. A total of six general bids were received as well as 11 mechanical bids, six electrical bids, one locked bid and five kitchen contractors' bids. The bidding in each classification was authorized by the Board to open and read the bids at the meeting. There were approximately 45 persons present at the bid opening at the school building on Wednesday, June 11, has been set as the date for the opening of

Farmington, Novi Honor War Dead



Governor Clarence Williams, (top photo) places a wreath at the base of the new Novi Township Veterans Memorial in Novi, Michigan, Friday morning at the Novi Community Building. The dedication of the monument, in memory of all Novi Township veterans who have given their lives for their country, was sponsored by the Perry Kenner Post, Amvets of Michigan. Wreaths are placed at the marker of the unknown soldier in Oakwood Cemetery (bottom photo) by Farmington service organizations at the annual Memorial Day service held Friday morning. Rev. Gordon Northrop, Minister of the Farmington Baptist Church, was the principal speaker at the service.

Two Men Injured In Auto Accidents During Week End
Both Accidents Occur On Middlebelt Road

Two men suffered injuries in three separate auto accidents in the Farmington area during the last week end. Injured were Lester Cornett, 57, of 2375 Rieden, Detroit, and James L. Dennison, 28, of 628 Bleehem, Columbus, Ohio. Both received head injuries and were taken by the Green Ambulance to Reelford Receiving Hospital for treatment. Cornett was injured in a two-car collision at Middlebelt and Grand River Avenue Saturday at 1:55 p.m., according to State Police. Police stated Cornett, driver of a car going north on Middlebelt, struck his vehicle across Grand River, colliding with a car driven by William Aho, 41, of 20240 Hugh Street in Farmington. State Police estimated damages to Aho's car at about \$350. Dennison was injured in an accident at Ten Mile Road and Middlebelt Saturday morning. According to State Police, Dennison, driving south on Middlebelt, failed to stop at the Ten Mile intersection and collided with a car driven by Roland Baynder, 32, of 30719 West Ten Mile Road, who was going west on Ten Mile. State Police estimated damage to the Dennison car at \$890 and to Baynder's car at \$500.

Polls Open From 7 A.M. To 8 P.M. At Farmington And Clarenceville

A moderate to heavy registration in reported by City and Township Clerks following the deadline prior to the Annual School Elections to be held next Monday, June 11. Registrations for this year's election were taken by City and Township Clerks in each District rather than by school officials. Only persons not already registered in the school are to register. Farmington voters will go to the polls Monday to elect two members to the Board of Education for three year terms each. The polls will be located in the Farmington High School gymnasium and will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Student Honored
Fred Raupp



Farmington High School senior Fred Raupp, 32453 Shady Ridge, was a guest of honor for the Annual Award Dinner for outstanding students held June 2 under the sponsorship of the Engineering Society of Detroit at their headquarters in the Rackham Memorial. Raupp received an achievement award from E. S. D. President J. L. McClelland of the Ford Motor Company. The Society honored Raupp for his unusual proficiency in mathematics, chemistry and physics. He has shown the personality and disposition necessary to continue in a professional engineering field. Raupp plans to continue in the field of engineering, architecture and the allied sciences.

The principal addresser of the evening was presented by Kenneth A. Meade, Director of Educational Relations, General Motors Corporation. The second proposal on the ballot at Clarenceville is a five dollar bond issue for the Board for permission to sell and convey the section 265 feet of Lots 44 and 45 Supervisor's Plat No. 13, Farmington Township, which is located on the east side of 45 of said subdivision excepting the easterly 265 feet. The purpose is to secure a more suitable site for a proposed telephone exchange building.

POLICE STEP UP PATROLLING OF RESIDENCE STREETS

Farmington's new city police car is now in operation, City Manager James Tennant stated this week. The new car was received in time to handle the near-record flow of traffic that passed through the city during the Memorial Day week end. The car, which was purchased from Berling - McHugh, Farmington Ford dealer, replaces the police car which was severely damaged in an accident several weeks ago.

Managers Tackle Job Of Selecting Teams For Little Baseball League

Season Opens June 14 With Double-Header
Efforts are being made this week to select players for the four teams in the Farmington Little League. Ted Chapman, president of the League, stated Monday that the organizing factor was 1,348,412. The assessed valuation last year was \$3,248,950 and equalized at \$4,434,247. The city tax rate of 17 mils has been set for the year. A mill tax of 9.359 will be levied in the District for operation as compared to 8.50 last year, or an increase of .859 of a mill. The slight increase is due to deduction of one of all debts previous to the 1951 fund, thus no tax will be levied for prior debts.

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Only Slight Increase County Equalization Board Sets Tax Figures For Farmington Area

Property owners of Farmington Township and city will see only a slight increase in their taxes this year. The equalization board has set the tax rate for the year at 17 mils, which is a slight increase over last year's rate of 16.8 mils. The assessed valuation of the township is \$3,248,950, which is equalized at \$4,434,247. The city tax rate of 17 mils has been set for the year. A mill tax of 9.359 will be levied in the District for operation as compared to 8.50 last year, or an increase of .859 of a mill. The slight increase is due to deduction of one of all debts previous to the 1951 fund, thus no tax will be levied for prior debts.

Trojan Nine Wins Championship

The Clarenceville High School baseball squad clinched the Wayne-Oakland League championship Friday night when they defeated Milford 6 to 4 in eight innings on the Milford diamond behind the two-hit pitching of Trojan hurler Elmer Rousseau.

Work Nearly Completed On Township Clean-Up

Officials announced this week that the annual Farmington Township clean-up has been completed. However, if anyone was missed during the clean-up, they are requested to call Farmington 1477 and a truck will stop at their home. Persons who were missed are requested to put their rubbish in containers and place it at the roadside. The clean-up was conducted on a township-wide basis and is held twice a year.

Noted Educators To Speak At Annual Commencement Exercises June 12

Dr. Lee Thurston, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and Dr. Clyde M. Campbell, professor of education, Michigan State College, will be the speakers at Commencement exercises at Farmington and Clarenceville high schools, respectively, Thursday evening, June 12.

BOARD EXPECTED TO LET FIRE HALL CONTRACTS SOON

Action is expected within the next few days on the awarding of the construction contracts by the Farmington Township Board for the new Clarenceville fire station. Ernest Blanchard, Township Supervisor, stated this week that a study of the low bidders is continuing under the direction of Township architect L. E. Heenan. Board action on the low bidders and an investigation of work records is being made. Heenan has agreed to submit his findings to the Board as soon as he has completed the survey. Blanchard stated that a special meeting of the Board would be called as soon as the information called for is ready.

F.A.R.C. Program To Open June 23

The summer program, sponsored by the Farmington Area Recreation Society, will open Monday, June 23, and run to August 1. Don Hoster, director, stated Monday. Three playgrounds will be open during the summer. A five director supervision of six directors. The supervisors will be Farmington, Noble and William Grace. Students in the Bond School area will be transported to the Farmington playground for their activities. This is necessary because of the building program at the Bond School.

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