



AROUND THE BLOCK

ANOTHER MONTH... is about to descend upon us, and to tell you the truth we don't know where the last one went. It seems only yesterday we were here in the month of July. But in some ways we are rather glad to push July along for another year. It hasn't been very considerate, weather-wise, at least. So take a hint. Month of August, and be a little more cooperative, will you? Give us some of the high, eighties and less of the high nineties and a lot of humidity will keep it down away down. There, now, that ought to take care of everything—but will it? We will know on September 1, and not a bit before!

YOUR INFLUENCE...... speak up for democracy!

over the weather may be non-plus, but next Tuesday you can be very influential! Upon that "It" hinges a great deal. You can be influential if you cast your ballot in the General Primary Election. You not only will influence the selection of candidates, you may well influence the future voting record of your community. A record vote next Tuesday will give the entire Farmington area a new road to shoot for... a goal that can mean a rebirth of individual responsibility and redemption of democratic ideals. You and only you can do it! Cast your ballot next Tuesday... speak up for democracy!

A NEW KIND OF SKYWATCHER...... is looking upward into Farmington skies. He is the amateur "flying saucer" observer... and he is just about every Tom, Dick and Harry up and down the street. We haven't had any reports of flying objects floating around, but we know there are plenty of eyes searching the skies these days. In fact, they have caught ourselves doing a couple of times just for curiosity. But, if you find this sky watching kind of habit-forming, why not sign up for the Farmington Air Spotter Corps and get yourself a real look-out post. They can use you and you will find it very fascinating, and very comfortable on these hot, sticky nights.

CONGRATULATIONS...... to Farmington's Little League All-Stars and to the many loyal Farmington supporters who traveled to Birmingham last week end to cheer the boys on. The team served notice on everyone present that they are really coming. They finally bowed out in the finals but not before they left their mark. Farmington handed the Birmingham Nationals a 4 to 0 defeat on Friday before bowing to a strong Livonia team 14 to 0 on Saturday. Every member of the team as well as the coaches did an excellent job. They played aggressive, spirited ball all the way. Considering that this is Farmington's first Little League team, they compiled an impressive record against very capable competition. We are proud of our Little League... and we will be back next year with the same fighting spirit!

A LOT OF ACTIVITY...... is evident around the Farmington and Clarenceville Schools these days and it isn't classroom activity either. Although the students aren't thinking much about school yet, the schools are thinking about the students. The wax and polish is really flowing over at the Farmington High School in preparation for the onslaught which will take place early in September. Everything will be clean as a whistle and as shiny as a new bumper guard on the school doors. At Clarenceville High School there is also the wax and polish, plus a little construction on the side. The primary change is the enlargement of the Superintendent's office on the main floor. There is also some temporary construction as a result of the erection of the new addition now under way. It may be a little different noise, but it is far from quiet in the hallways these days.

THAT NEW SIGN...... in the City Park means just what it says... especially the part about persons who illegally destroy property. It will be a fine line into the improvement of the picnic grounds at the City Park, and more is expected. It isn't being done for the convenience of those who want to destroy it. Thus a warning sign has been posted that persons caught destroying park equipment and facilities will be prosecuted. To add to the warning, police are now patrolling the park. It is unfortunate that such measures are necessary in order to insure enjoyment for others. We should instead be proud of what we have and work that much harder to make it better.

THAT BUZZING...... you hear is the aftermath of two hot political conventions still ringing up and down Main Street, U. S. A. On our little trip around the block this week, conventions were still the leading topic of conversation. They probably will continue until November. We do hear a few officials that are doing anything else they get America talking. We met a stranger the other day, and instead of the usual conversation opener—the weather—he opened with "What did you think of the conventions?" and we were off to a good, friendly talk.

Continue Program At Clarenceville

Two more jam-packed weeks of activity are scheduled at the playgrounds of the Clarenceville School District, Joe Marcell, District Director, stated this week.

This program officially closes August 14 with the annual field day program set for August 14. This will be the final planned activity of the summer although the playgrounds will be open through August 15.

Next Friday, August 8, will feature the final trip of the season. Youngsters 11 years old and up will visit Greenfield Village. Buses will carry the youngsters to their respective playgrounds.

Last Thursday, July 24, a colorful "Babyland Circus" was held at (Continued on Page Ten)

PARTIES DISCUSS DISPUTE OVER TRUCK TRAFFIC

Further discussion on the controversy between Floral Park residents and the Municipal Commission, regarding the heavy trucking on Shilawassa Street was held last Thursday evening at the Municipal Building.

The meeting was called at the request of both parties and did not involve the City Council. James Cavanaugh was chairman of the meeting and City Manager James Tennant was invited to attend in an advisory capacity. Although Cavanaugh is a member of the City Council, he was not acting in an official capacity at the meeting.

The Mather Company offered to place a self-imposed speed limit of 5 miles per hour on all their trucks while traveling on Shilawassa. Tennant stated that this limit is now in force. They also offered to assist the city in the resurfacing of Shilawassa Street. Floral Park residents maintained their original stand that all heavy trucking be restricted on secondary streets in the area.

Representatives of both groups appeared before the Council Monday, August 4, to present their arguments.

BOARD TO HEAR REPORT ON NEW SCHOOLS MONDAY

A special meeting of the Board of Education of the Farmington Township School District will be held next Monday, August 4, to hear a report on the progress of the school buildings now under construction in the District.

The Board heard a similar report at a regular meeting July 11 in which the contractor outlined the progress on the new elementary school and the additions to the Board and Middle School. W. Howard, contractor, stated at the meeting that work was being pushed on the buildings and that efforts were being made to have the buildings ready for use by September.

The new elementary school on Ten Mile Road is the furthest advanced of the three units. As soon as the elementary school buildings have been completed, grade school classes will return to full day schedules.

Summer Band Draws Record Attendance

A record number of students turned out Monday for the opening of the Annual Summer Band program, Lloyd Smith, Farmington director, stated this week.

Classes in the band program started Monday at 1 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Thursday evenings are set aside for Senior Band rehearsals.

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EMPHATIC RECORD VOTE IN PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY

Eight Injured In Auto Accidents Over Week-End

Five Hurt In Collision On Grand River Sunday

Eight persons were injured in three accidents in the Farmington area over last week end. State Police reported the accidents.

Five persons were taken to Redford Receiving Hospital from the scene of an accident on Grand River near College Sunday at 2:30 a.m. According to State Police, a car driven by Walter Gallant, 20, of Cambridge St., and one driven by Basil Blount, 22, of 2734 1/2 Shawness, Detroit, collided at the intersection of Grand River and College. Taken to Redford Receiving hospital were Gallant and Blount, Boon Smith, 22, of 2734 1/2 Farmington Road, Robert Roberts, 24, of 2046 Five Points, and James Turner, 17, of 1845 Delaware, Detroit. Police did not disclose the extent of the injuries. The injured were taken to the hospital by the Green and Thayer Ambulances.



YOU'RE SAFE The umpire says as the Livonia Little League All-Stars score another run against the Farmington All-Stars in the final game of the Birmingham Play-Offs last Saturday. Jim Hanson, Farmington catcher, is right in on the play as he tries vainly to cut the

run down. Farmington lost the game 11 to 0 after defeating the Birmingham Nationals 4 to 0 on Friday to move into the finals. A large crowd of enthusiastic Farmington supporters traveled to Birmingham both Friday and Saturday to give the team a hand.

Tools Of Planning School Census Report Shows Rapid Growth Of Clarenceville District

New Schools And More Teachers Are Added As Classroom Attendance Continues To Rise

"Growing Pains" are very much in evidence these days throughout the Clarenceville School District, but the diagnosis is even more revealing.

Officials of the School District have been hard at work compiling informational data on the past, present and future in order to objectively plan for the future. This planning is vital if the educational standards of the District are to be maintained and improved.

The figures not only reflect the growth of the schools now and in the future, but also the growth and development of the community itself. The present construction of a new elementary school and high school addition are the result of this planning and the application of statistics.

A look at a few of these statistics show that average school membership has increased from 1,353.7 in 1950 to 1,571.1 in 1952 with an estimated membership of 1,735 by 1953. Most of this increase has been in the elementary grades, which means that classes will continue to grow larger as they progress into junior and senior high school. The size of the teaching staff has also increased considerably to meet the ever-greater enrollment. In 1950 there was a total of 38 teachers. In 1951, 42; in 1952, 47, and the estimate for 1953 is 45. In 1950 there were 50 students on half day sessions. In 1951 there were 449 and it is estimated that there will be 950 students on half day sessions in 1952. With the opening of the new elementary school all students will be returned to full day schedules, with the exception of kindergarten, which is normally half days.

As to the future, school officials have the census figures to base their planning on. In 1950 the school census totaled 806; in 1951 the figure had jumped to 852, this year it was 963 and the (Continued on Page Ten)

Consider Possible Zoning Changes

Several proposed changes in the Farmington Township Zoning Ordinance are now being considered by the Zoning Board, officials stated this week.

The principal change would allow individuals to live in a trailer on their own property while building their home. A permit would be given for a six month period with one option to renew for an additional six months. The property owner would have to connect the trailer sewage system to the septic tank for his home.

It was emphasized that this is only a proposal being studied by the Board. If the proposal is accepted by the Zoning Board, hearings must be held on the amendment and legal publication is required. Final action on the proposal would be made by the Township Board after first receiving the recommendations of the Zoning Board.

A joint meeting between the Board of Appeals and the Zoning Board will be held prior to August 14 to discuss the proposal. Officials stated that they have received a number of requests from property owners seeking permission to use a trailer while they are building. The proposal is designed to assist individual property owners who are building their own homes.

Boy Accidentally Drowns In Swimming Pool

The body of Michael J. Cypyrch, 14 years old, who had been missing from the Boys Republic since Thursday night, was found late Friday in the private swimming pool of Robert E. Ulrich, 27500 Nine Mile Road.

State Police stated that the boy probably left the Republic grounds to swim in the pool and either suffered a cramp or struck his head. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cypyrch, 132 West Willis Street, Detroit. No one was home at the time of the accident.

The body was removed to the Payer Funeral Home.

Progress Report On New Fire Hall

Clarenceville's new fire station is beginning to take form as workmen rush construction on the exterior walls of the building. Efforts are being made to have the building ready for use in time for the Presidential Election in November. The fire hall will have facilities for voting as well as two stalls for fire equipment, a garage and storage space. This view is of the front of the building which faces onto Wheeler Street. Two large openings, one for the corner of the building and the entrance to the two engine stalls. The building is being built on Wheeler Street just north of Grand River.

City And Township Enlarge Election Boards To Handle Expected Crowd

The largest vote in the history of the Farmington Community is expected to be recorded next Tuesday, August 5, when residents go to the polls in the General Primary Election.

Both city and township officials predicted this week that a record number of voters would turn out to mark their ballots next Tuesday. The prediction is based largely on the record registration period recently completed. Officials also point to the large number of requests for absentee ballots which have been received. To meet the expected record vote, seven members have been named to the City Election Board and 30 to the four Township Election Boards.

Township voters will cast their ballots at four different precincts. Prior to this election the township contained only two precincts. Under the new set-up Precinct One voters will cast their ballots at the Town Hall, Precinct Two voters will vote at the Odd Fellows Hall on St. Francis Street, Precinct Three voters will mark their ballots at the Middlebelt School and Precinct Four residents will vote at the Board School on Orchard Lake Road. City voters will cast their ballots at the Town Hall.

Annual Boat Trip Expected To Draw Record Crowd

Youngsters To Visit Bob-Lo Island Friday

The rails will be jammed with Farmington area youngsters Friday when the good ship "Bob-Lo" pulls away from its docks on the Detroit River for the Eighth Annual Band and Recreation Boat Trip.

Aboard will be boys and girls from Farmington, Clarenceville, Livonia and Milford as well as parents and recreation directors. This is the first year that Livonia youngsters have participated in the annual boat trip.

In addition to the exciting boat trip, youngsters will enjoy a picnic lunch on Bob-Lo Island and have an opportunity to participate in the rides and attractions on the island. An amateur show will be held in the Grand Ballroom on the island in the afternoon prior to the return trip to Detroit. The show is open to all amateur talents from the various areas participating in the boat trip.

Buses will leave the Farmington High School at 8:15 a.m. with early stops at the Bond and Noble Schools. The boat leaves the dock at the foot of Woodward Avenue at 10 a.m. sharp. Buses will also leave Clarenceville High School at 8:15 a.m. for Detroit. School buses will return the youngsters to their respective areas after the boat trip.

Students, parents and friends are invited to join in the trip. Tickets are still available at the various playgrounds or may be purchased from the music supervisors at the respective schools. Tickets are 50¢ for children and \$1.00 for adults.

Urges Residents To Put Addresses On Mail Boxes

Charles Habermehl, Farmington Postmaster, stated Tuesday that there are still a few residents who do not have their names and addresses on their mail boxes.

The Postmaster emphasized that this is vitally important if mail is to be delivered promptly. A number of new carriers have been added to the Post Office staff and they are not as familiar with the persons on the routes as the more experienced carriers.

F.A.R.C. Program To Close Friday

Farmington's summer recreation program will officially close this Friday with the Annual Boat Trip to Bob-Lo Island.

Youngsters participating in the Red Cross Instructional Swimming Program at Kent Lake will finish up their tests Thursday. As part of this group took their tests on Tuesday. Boys and girls passing the swimming tests will receive certificates from the "Red Cross."

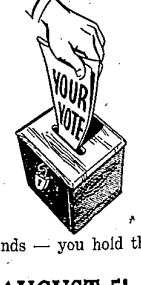
The Little League Farm teams held their play-offs Wednesday afternoon on the diamond in the City Park. The Number One team, coached by Bob Burtch, played the Number Two team, coached by Don Hessler, while the third and fourth teams, coached by Harold Humble and Tom Bladders, clashed in the final game.

A series of baseball games have been scheduled for Friday and Tuesday afternoons between two teams from Farmington and one from Northville. The teams are composed of boys from ages 12 to 16 years. The game next Tuesday will be played on the Farmington diamond starting at 6:00 p.m. The Friday game will be played in Northville.

Last Friday approximately 100 boys and girls from all of the playgrounds in the Farmington District attended a picnic and field day at Kent Lake. There were games and contests for the boys and youngsters, as well as swimming.

Tuesday Is Your Day To Speak!

Will you be there? Will you speak up for individual freedom? Will you serve notice here and now that we, as a people, are not asleep? Will you exercise your rights by recognizing your obligations? You will if you call yourself an American! You will if you are interested in protecting democracy and preserving the way of life we all enjoy. It is in your hands — you hold the answer.

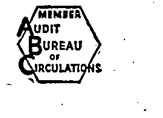


VOTE TUESDAY, AUGUST 5!

NEW ORDINANCE TO TAKE EFFECT SATURDAY IN CITY

City residents interested in construction of curb gutters and pavement on streets adjacent to their homes on a special assessment basis may secure information on the procedures from the City Manager at the Municipal Building.

The recently adopted ordinance on special assessment procedure for the city will become effective on August 2. City Manager James Tennant stated that the city is now prepared to advise residents on what the city can do in the way of financial aid to residents. This aid may be available either through (Continued on Page Ten)



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