



THE SUN CAME OUT . . .
This week, no kidding. Didn't you recognize it? After a week of rain and murky weather the sun came back for a welcome visit. In spite of the rather sharp weather, it is a big improvement over the slat that ushered in the day for us as we are concerned. It is expected to be winter up here in January anyhow. The heavy rains and melting snow really swelled out little Rouge River last week besides making a few little lakes round about. The brief return of semi-spring didn't help our gravel roads a bit either. Although they were generally passable, the roads had their soft spots. So it's nice to have winter back and, of course, the sun.

SMOOTHING OUT THE HOLES . . .
is the major project of the highway workmen this week in the Farmington area. The men with the little bar buckets have been hard at work on Grand River. They have also done some patch work on Farmington Road and Orchard Lake Road. The winter has not been exactly easy on the roads so far, making more holes than you can count. We hope it is not an indication of coming events, we mean spring.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT . . .
is, thanks to the Consumers Power Company. The advertisement appearing on Page 5 of this week's issue of The Enterprise will appear in Newsweek, the New York Times and a number of other nationally read publications. You will notice that Farmington is right in the middle of the picture, thus indicating that we are one of the few communities in all of Michigan that are being conducted by the Consumers Power Company to stimulate new industry and economic development of areas throughout the State of Michigan. Farmington is in the national spotlight.

HOCKEY IS A BIG WORD . . .
among the youngsters of the Farmington area these days. Approximately 60 boys and five teams have been organized, thanks to the interest of Dr. Gadbad and a number of other citizens. The new hockey rink just completed is attracting a great deal of interest. Efforts are now being made to secure lights so that the rink can be used after dark. It is a wonderful idea project that is being appreciated and used. The new rink will not furnish hours of wholesome recreation for youngsters and adults of this community but it should form some good entertainment for hockey enthusiasts after the teams have been trained and games scheduled.

"LEND ME A HAND" . . .
is the plea of the little boy on the March of Dimes canisters which you will find in your store or plant this Monday. That's the opening date of the annual March of Dimes, polo campaign in Farmington. Don't forget to drop your dimes in the canister, which is a miniature of the iron lung. Or if you wish you may contribute to one of the collectors wearing a little canister. But the important thing is to give as much as you can and as often as you can. The funds are to be used to fight the dreaded disease, polio. That should be enough to say, because it can and has struck our friends and neighbors right here in Farmington. Give to the March of Dimes, lend a hand!

CIVIL DEFENSE . . .
is getting a shot in the arm in Farmington with the establishment of an Emergency Welfare Center down at the Seventh Day Adventist Church. And we hear also from Mrs. Farrell Weber that the Red Cross is now searching for Nurses, Aides, Gray Ladies, cantina workers and other workers who may have moved into the community recently. If there are any of you among those present, kindly call Mrs. Weber at 1659. She also tells us that the Red Cross motor mechanics course we told you about is going to start January 18 at Royal Oak. Anyone is eligible for a car who shows up. Which is one way to learn to change a tire, a handy thing to know.

WE HEAR FROM . . .
police chief Joseph G. DeVriendt, who is the Mid-Winter Festival chairman for the American Legion, this year, that plans are once again afoot for the festival which caused the merchants to get together Monday night down at the Legion Hall and start working on when and how the Mid-Winter Festival will be presented. They'll also form an organization to manage the festival, he says. Last year's festival was somewhat of a success, many believe. The merchants are going to give at least \$1000 to the festival. This year's will be even bigger, Joe says, with both floors of the Legion Hall being put to use. It'll still take some doing to pass up last year's, however.

Set Up Civil Defense Station

An emergency Civil Defense Welfare Center is being established at the Seventh Day Adventist Church, 1659, at the corner of Grand River, according to Mrs. Robert Goetz, publicity chairman for the Dorcas Society of the church.
The center will make bandages, and store clothing for possible emergencies. According to Mrs. Goetz, the group now needs clothing and old winter goods, the latter to be used in bandages. More workers to make the bandages, etc., are also needed by the group.
Mrs. Paul Robertson, whose telephone number is 20547, is chairman of the Dorcas Society, which is establishing the center in conjunction with the Red Cross.
Members of the Center work each Wednesday, making bandages at the group gatherers at 10 a.m. at the church.
Although the Center currently is only making bandages and stocking clothing, its activities are expected to expand in the near future, Mrs. Goetz reports.

BUILDING PROGRAM SUBJECT OF PTA MEETING JANUARY 16

An explanation and discussion of plans for a new Farmington High School building will be featured at the next Parent Teachers Association meeting, Tuesday, January 16, at 8:00 in the high school gymnasium. Superintendent O. E. Dunkel will give an explanation of the current and projected enrollment situation.
Principal G. V. Harrison will discuss the building facilities as related to the high school program.
Members of the Board of Education and representatives of the architect, Eberle M. Smith Associates, are expected to be on hand to participate in the discussions and answer questions.
Mr. Henderson, high school music director, will be in charge of music for the play.
The public is invited to attend.

New City Charter Commission To Meet Tuesday

9-Man Group To Hold Organization Meeting

The organization meeting of the newly elected nine-man Charter Commission of the City of Farmington, will be held Tuesday evening, January 16, at the Municipal Building.
This will be the first meeting of the group since their election on Monday, January 12. According to law, the initial meeting must be held on the second Tuesday following the election. It was previously stated, incorrectly, that the meeting must be held on the first Tuesday following the election.
The meeting Tuesday, January 16, is scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m. All meetings are open to the public.
According to Paul Paré, city attorney, the City Clerk shall preside at the organization meeting. He will also administer the oath of office to the members-elect, and act as clerk of the Commission. The Charter Commission shall be the sole agency of all qualifications, election and election returns of its own members. It shall also choose its own officers, except the clerk, determine the rules of its proceedings and keep a journal of all activities.

TO SET ELECTION
The Commission shall fix the time for the submission of the new charter to the voters. The law stipulates that a majority of all members shall constitute a quorum. Work on the new charter is expected to begin at once following the selection of officers by the Commission Tuesday. According to law the Commission must complete the revised city charter and have it ready to submit to the voters not more than 90 days following the election of the commissioners.
It was stated this week that because of legal provisions it may be possible to have the revised charter election prior to the regular election (Continued on Page Two)

CITY COMMISSION MEETING DELAYED UNTIL JANUARY 17
The January meeting of the Farmington City Commission will be held Wednesday, January 17, at the City Hall, a week later than the regular meeting date.
The meeting has been delayed so that the re-hearing on decontrol of rent can be held just prior to the regular Commission meeting. Public notice of the new hearing on rent decontrol must be given at least 10 days prior to the hearing. The time for the opening of the hearing has been set for 5:00 p.m.

Farmington Exchange And Kiwanis Install New Officers For 1951

Newly elected officers of both the Farmington Kiwanis and Exchange Clubs were installed at separate ceremonies last Wednesday, January 10.
Kate Mihay was installed as president of the Farmington Kiwanis Club at a special installation banquet Wednesday evening at Huck's Redford Inn. Max Hollett was installed as president of the Exchange Club Wednesday afternoon at the annual meeting at the Farmington Methodist Church.
Rev. Joseph G. Mayne, executive secretary of the Detroit Road Table of Catholics, Jews and Protestants, was the main speaker of the evening at the Kiwanis installation. The new officers were officially installed by Marlin Hemphill, new District 14 Governor of Kiwanis.
The main address at the Exchange Club installation was made

Falcon Debaters Argue To Warm Up



Warming up last week for their final debate Wednesday were Farmington debaters Donald Stephen, Myrna Hurkett, Coach Lloyd Smith, Charles Tullis, and June Turner. The affirmative team of Donald Stephen and Myrna Hurkett were slated to meet Northville's negative team while negative debaters Charles Tullis and June Turner took on Milford's affirmative Wednesday night. Going into the Wednesday night at Milford, Farmington led the league with six wins out of six starts.

Falcon Five Downs Berkley 55-31, Still Undefeated In League Play

BY VINCENT STOCK
Farmington High School's basketball team won their third straight Inter-Lakes Conference game the season Friday evening when they defeated Berkley High School, 55 to 31 in the Farmington gym.

The Falcons are undefeated in Inter-Lakes Conference competition with seven league games yet to play. They have a season's record of five wins against four losses, losing all of their games to non-conference teams.
Farmington led throughout the game Friday against Berkley. The Falcons sank only three free throws in the game. However, they made up for it in field goals. Jim Bates led scoring in the first period with six points. Art Olson and Don Bunge scored four points each and Bob Hutton scored one field goal. The score at the end of the first period was Farmington 16 - Berkley 10.

The Falcons played up a commanding lead in the second period, scoring 14 points while holding Berkley to 4 points. Jerry Plum led the Falcons in the second period with six points. The half ended with Farmington well out in front 30 to 14.
Farmington sewed up the game in the third period with their heavy left offensive of the evening. The Falcons ran wild to score 21 points while Berkley was scoring 7 points. The end of the third period was Farmington leading 51 to 21. Coach Robert Hutton began pouring in his reserves as the third period opened. Jim Yull, Carl Dryden and Fred Raupp, Al Hallaman, Dean

MARCH OF DIMES DRIVE OPENS MON.
Farmington's 1951 March of Dimes Campaign will open this Monday, January 15, Pierre Delmonter announced this week.
The annual drive will be held throughout the Farmington Township and City area. Special campaigns, a miniature iron lung mounted on a colorful background, will be placed in stores, business places and plants throughout the area. The posters bearing the iron lung canisters picture a little boy, the victim of polio, with his arms outstretched saying, "Lend me a Hand."
In addition to the special canisters, each volunteer solicitor will wear a miniature canister fastened to his chest. The special how will be set up in the lobby of the Farmington State Bank for the convenience of those who wish to donate to the drive. No quota is set for this year's March of Dimes campaign in Farmington.
Mrs. Fred Lenz is in charge of the solicitors. She announced this week that 9 captains have volunteered their services and each of the captains is to select three volunteer lieutenants. The captains are Mrs. Leo Glidemelder, Mrs. Edward Huppert, Mrs. Joseph A. Vriendt, Mrs. J. P. Boyce, Mrs. William Lancaster, Mrs. Carl Schultz, Mrs. Norman Moore, Mrs. James Tagg and Mrs. Orville Taggart.
Mrs. Joseph Taggart, Mrs. Harold Kinnick, secretary of the drive. A kick-off meeting for solicitors will be held Friday afternoon at 8:00 p.m. at the special how in Hall.
The March of Dimes campaign is sponsored by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis. Funds collected during the annual drive are used to help treat polio victims and to aid further research into the prevention and cure of infantile paralysis.

SCHOOL COMMITTEES TO MEET JANUARY 15
Both the Farmington and Clarenceville Citizens' Committee for future school development will meet this Monday, January 15, in separate meetings to continue their studies of school needs.
The Farmington Citizens Committee will meet at 8:00 p.m. at the Farmington High School and members of the Clarenceville Citizens' Committee will meet at the Clarenceville High School at 8:00

Architect Submits First School Building Estimates

TAX COLLECTIONS NEAR 1/3 MARK IN FIRST WEEK

Approximately one-third of the \$113,174.61 tax bill sent out by the City of Farmington the first of the year has already been collected. Mrs. Kathryn Cotter, city treasurer, announced Monday afternoon.
These taxes include only County and School District taxes. The tax bill is based on an assessed valuation of \$2,911,555 for real and personal property in the City. This represents an increase of \$88,600 in assessed valuation from 1949. Of this \$113,174.61 tax bill, \$22,454.84 are county taxes and \$90,720.77 are school district taxes. The county taxes include general county and county debt fund. The school district taxes include general school fund, school debt fund and school voted increase.
The City of Farmington will receive one per cent for the issuing and collecting of the tax bills. This tax is due and payable on or before March 1, 1951. If not taken care of by that time they must be placed in arrears for the balance in Pontiac with a 4 per cent penalty and one-half of one per cent interest per month until paid.

18 Elementary Rooms And Senior High School Unit Included

Eberle M. Smith Associates, architects chosen by the Farmington Board of Education to plan expansion of Farmington school system, have submitted the first figures on the estimated costs of constructing essential classrooms, including 18 elementary rooms and a senior high school unit, the Farmington School Board learned Monday night.
Total minimum estimated costs amount to \$1,425,000, according to the tentative estimates. \$50,000 would be spent at Bond School for two classrooms, toilet rooms, office, kitchen facilities, and storage.
At Middlebelt, the same facilities plus six classrooms would cost \$150,000. Farmington, 10 classrooms and the extra facilities would amount to \$250,000.
The senior high school unit would add \$600,000, miscellaneous fees and equipment amount \$125,000, and sites an estimated \$50,000. If additional facilities such as multipurpose rooms, teachers' rooms, libraries, health units, etc., are added, the additional equipment would bring the total estimated cost to \$1,583,000.

P.T.A. To Sponsor "Heidi" January 20



BRUCE RICHARDS

According to the January 3 School Board Bulletin, the possible expansion under the preliminary figures would be a total of 239 students. This includes using the German School for kindergarten and one of five rooms of the proposed Junior High School building. It is expected that these will be needed for Junior High School use by September, 1954. This estimate also involves continued full use of the 10 Mile Road building and the Fairview School. The Noble School will also be required to aid in meeting expected increases in enrollment.
The average increase in the elementary grades over the past six years has been 107 pupils per year. The projected enrollment based on average annual increase indicates that by September, 1953, there will be an enrollment of 1630 pupils in grades one through six.
The Farmington School Board Monday night also passed a motion made by Wendell Brown and supported by Sam Turner to close the school's financial drives or fund solicitation of any kind without advance and specific permission of the school board, provided however, that educational literature having the school approval of the superintendent, may be distributed without solicitation among the students.
Bruce Richards, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Richards of Farmington, will play the part of "Peter" in "Heidi" when it is presented Saturday, January 20, in the Farmington gym by the Detroit Civic Players, under the sponsorship of the Farmington P.T.A.
Bruce played the part of "Tom Sawyer" when that play was presented by the Civic Players. This past summer he played at Willow Run in "The Father" and "George Washington Slept Here." He also played on WWV-TV and with the Wayne University Players and Ridgedale Theatre. In November he played with Arlene Francis of television fame, at the Pontiac Motors Silver Jubilee.
White Swan, the snow white goat, will also be an important member of the cast in "Heidi" and is being loaned by Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Napier of Gill Road. Tickets may be obtained through "Room Mothers" or at the door. Mr. and Mrs. Rodman, Farmington 1949-50 are ticket chairman.

FORMER PASTOR'S WIDOW DIES AT AGE OF 100

Mrs. Margaret Perry, widow of Yudson D. Perry who was pastor of the Farmington Baptist Church 75 years ago, died December 27 at the age of 100 years. Interment was at Bell Branch Cemetery Saturday.
Mrs. Perry resided at 1010 South 12th Street, Birmingham, Alabama. She was an active member of the Anti-Slavery League in her youth. When the Perrys lived in Farmington they resided in a home next to the Quaker Cemetery on Gill Road. The late approval of the daughter of Matthew Shaw, was born on the family homestead at Middlebelt and Schoolcraft Roads, site of the present race track.
Mrs. Perry was the aunt of William Shaw of the Tavern Auto Sales, Mr. Shaw lives at 20921 Oxford.

Farmington Included In Most Rapid Growing Area In Oakland County

Farmington, Commerce, Novi and Lyon Townships showed the highest rate of growth in population. The Board to increase the price of milk only at this time to 4c. The Board also authorized the contracting of additional teachers for the year 1951-52.
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The four township area including Farmington Township and City will increase in 1950 to between 40,300 and 47,200 persons. In 1950 it has a population of 27,104. By 1970 the population will have increased to between 55,500 and 68,500. The Commission bases its forecasts for the area on a careful examination of past growth, a study of present day trends and an assessment of economic and physical forces that are likely to affect population growth in the future.
The report states, however, "that these population forecasts may be upset downward or upward by the action - or inaction - of local officials and community leaders. Failure to plan for and provide the needed physical facilities for expanding housing, business and industry may cut short the development trends indicated. In these areas where government authorities and citizens are on their toes, population growth will be kept in line with the better quality of the environment offered. Families, businesses, and industries will move into and grow through communities that meet them and that plan public facilities to care for them," the report concludes.

Mothers Club Will Hear Fran Harris

Mrs. Fran Harris, woman's editor of radio station WWJ and editor of the "Star Interviews," is the topic Mrs. Harris has chosen.
The meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Bill Clifford, 33633 Hillcrest. Co-hostesses for the evening will be Mrs. Stanley Stone, Mrs. Leonard Stone, Mrs. Max Miller and Mrs. Mahlon Bradley.

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Farmington Exchange And Kiwanis Install New Officers For 1951

by David Kull, member of the Redford Exchange Club. He spoke on the duties of the members of exchange clubs, their leadership in the community and a study of the background of the constitution.
The newly elected officers of the Kiwanis Club are: Max Hollett, president; Carl Whetson, first vice-president; George McLaughlin, second vice-president; George Nahle, secretary; and William Auld, treasurer. New members of the Board are Gene Ross, Louis Schmidt, Don DeGroot and Pierre Delmonter.
Exchange Club officers installed include Max Hollett, president; Fred Peterson, first vice-president; Robert Harris, second vice-president; Claude Goodes, secretary; and Emory Hutton, treasurer. Dr. Theodore Ling and Curt Hall were elected to the Board of Control.



MAX HULETT NATE MIHAY