

AROUND THE BLOCK

A RATHER UNIQUE . . .
 A very interesting group of Farmington residents held their annual get-together last Saturday. They are known as the "Old Neighborhood Club" and are composed of residents in the northwestern section of Farmington Township. The group has been meeting for the past ten years just to have a good dinner and a long chat. We think it is a pretty nice idea. These people who have known Farmington for a number of years must have a lot of things to talk about — not only events of yesteryears, but the big changes that have taken place in our community through the years. Township Clerk Harry McCracken is president of the "Old Neighborhood Club" with Bertha Steels as secretary and treasurer. It sounds to us like a very interesting way to spend a quiet Saturday afternoon and evening.

MONDAY NIGHTS . . .
 City Council meeting was quite a change over the previous meetings. The main reason was the presence of the new City Manager. Things really moved and a lot of important business was run through the mill in an orderly and efficient manner. The first meeting is but a glimpse at what can be expected in the way of efficient meetings in the future. This is not intended as a criticism of the conduct of the former meetings, but it is recognition of what can be done when a manager is available and on the job. Recommendations can be made, based on careful study, and action can be taken quickly and accurately. This not only means more cost-effective service to the public, but it means thorough and sound action. So why don't you make it a point to attend the next City Council meeting and see your city government in action.

TO HELP YOU KEEP . . .
 On the progress of the Grand River paving program, in case you don't travel that way, the new road surface is creeping toward Farmington at a rapid rate. Workmen have spread the smooth surface up past the east end of the Cut-Off and it is hard to tell how far they will have it by the time you get to the project. The project is supposed to be completed by October 1, but it looks like they may finish up ahead of time at the rate the surface is being laid. Just another warning to you motorists that travel Grand River — watch out for the warning signs and flagmen. Take it easy through the repair zone, you don't want an accident!

A TIGHT SQUEEZE . . .
 Was executed last Thursday when the home of Mrs. Mable Checketts on Grand River was picked up and moved over Oakland Avenue. The house was taken across Grand River and up Warner Street to Oakland and down Oakland to its destination near Ross Street. We always marvel at the way they can haul these houses around. The house moving attracted quite a crowd, so there must be plenty of others that marvel at it, too. The utility repairs were rather busy keeping the wires out of the way of the moving house, and everything ended up right where it was supposed to. It sure beats tearing it down and putting it back together again.

FOOTBALLS WILL FILL . . .
 The air over Farmington High School athletic field Monday as candidates for the Falcon football team begin working out. It was sure a short summer, wasn't it? At least, it seems that way when we start talking about the pickin' again. Yet the calendar doesn't lie. It's that time of the year, out Farmington High School head is also hard at work to add precision and color to the football season. So with a few attractions like this throw in, going back to school shouldn't be so hard after all. If you have a few minutes to spare you might take a little trip down to the field and see the boys in their new uniforms. Get out that old football game on Labor Day. It will help you get into the spirit of things to come.

BETTER MAKE PLANS . . .
 The right now to enter that choice flower or plant of yours in the better than ever Garden Club Flower Show on September 7. You might walk off with a nice prize besides giving your neighbors a real treat. So why not get out right now and pick out the biggest and best of your favorite flowers and register it with the Garden Club. They would be mighty glad to have you with them. It will give all of us a chance to boast a little about the fine gardeners we have in our community.

ALL THAT GOOD . . .
 home made ice cream going to be served by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Auxiliary at their ice cream social Friday on the Town Hall lawn will probably attract a large number of people. Combined with the baked goods that will go with it, many mouth watering people will probably make up for the hot weather. The social is being held to promote luncheon outings. At the 4th Club Fair recently, the West Farmington Farm Bureau women's club staged a bazaar and bake sale with proceeds going to fight polio.

Summer Band Hits Record Enrollment

Lloyd Smith, summer band director, stated this week that a total of 150 students will have attended summer band rehearsals at the close of the program this week and end.

This will make this year's summer band program one of the most active in the history of the project. Smith stated that many bands are being formed in the intermediate band on the basis of their rapid progress and consistent attendance during the summer program. Students participating in the band are Nancy Dwyer, Shirley Beene, Steven Bell, Dickie Denniston, Yvonne Mansau, Norman Jepson, James Abend, George Fryer, John Clark and David Clark.

Noble School promotions include Amos Deaves, Ira Hawkins, Linda Hays, Jill Phelps, Ann Williams, Joe, Russell Demelick, Donald Mervel, Fred Bendig, Douglas Hursley, Jack Phelps, Tom Matz and David Williams. Farmington School promotions include Roy Petersmark, Dall Willoughby, Naomi Brunk, Dick Staumbaugh, Fred McDonald, Barbara Ebersole, Dick Hoffman, Glenn Bishop, Leslie Haworth, Carl Read, Billy Rickhardt, Dan Spicor, Dean Bradley, Tim Bodians, Eddie Anubehon, Richard Hupert, Billy Brown, Bob Fejler, James H. and David Cuthbert, David Tullip and Lois Leach.

Senior Band rehearsals are being held every Tuesday evening from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and are held as daily at 11:15 in the Farmington Band House.

Tea Party Plans Near Completion

Final details are being completed by the Town Club in preparation for their old fashioned tea party to be held Saturday, September 14, at the Farmington High School gym.

PLANS COMPLETE FOR FLOWER SHOW SEPTEMBER 7

Plans have been completed for the annual Farmington Garden Club Flower Show to be held Friday, September 7, at the Methodist Church auditorium. The committee announced the show, under the general chairmanship of Mrs. Ray D. Eichler, will open at 2:00 p.m. and continue until 9:00 p.m. on Friday. Admissions will be 50 cents. The show is invited to attend. Mrs. Richard Lancaster will assist Mrs. Eichler. Various committees have been appointed by Mrs. John W. Bond, president of the club.

The theme of this year's Flower Show is "All Through the House" and will feature exhibits of flower arrangements of the living room, dining room, kitchen and bedroom. Garden Club residents are invited to enter exhibits in the various horticultural and flower arrangement classes. Exhibits will be judged by Mrs. J. G. Burt, president of the National Council's handbook. All specimens must be grown by the exhibitor. Potted plants must have been in the exhibitor's possession at least three months. Preference will be given named varieties and containers will be furnished by the committee. Accessories, foliage and stands will be permitted in all classes of flower arrangements. No floral arrangements will be accepted to the exhibit.

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Women Bowlers To Hold Business Meeting Monday

The first business meeting of the Lady Sharp Shooters Bowling League will be held next Monday, August 27, at the Farmington Recreation Bowling Alley.

All women interested in bowling with the league are urged to attend the meeting, which is scheduled to begin at 1:30 p.m. Women unable to attend the meeting are requested to contact Meta Taggart at Farmington 1289.

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CITY CONSIDERS GRAND RIVER PARKING RESTRICTIONS

It's Moving Day — House And All



Completely blocking Oakland Avenue is the home of Mrs. Mable Checketts, which is enroute from 3315 Grand River to its new location on Oakland near Ross Street. The house was moved last Thursday, along with a crew of public utilities crewmen and a fast-sized group of interested bystanders. Notice the moving company crewman seated on top of the house to handle overhanging branches and act as a guide for wire repairmen. The brick was removed from the outer walls of the house to lighten the load. Workmen were preparing to back the house onto the lot when this picture was taken.

Board Steps Up Building Study At Clarenceville

To Visit New Buildings With Architect

A detailed study of school classroom needs in the Clarenceville School District was launched last Friday evening at a special meeting of the Board of Education held in the Clarenceville High School.

The Board met with the school attorney and the school architect to begin detailed planning of additional elementary classrooms. Representatives of Del. Heber and Kellogg, school attorneys, discussed the legal aspects of the proposed school building program. Mr. Stewart Klinsinger, architect, discussed construction objectives with the Board.

TO VISIT SCHOOLS

Members of the Board will visit a number of new schools in the metropolitan area this Thursday evening with a representative of Eberle Smith, Associates, to study modern school construction. Purpose of the trip is to give members of the Board an opportunity to see room layout, lighting, heating and general construction.

The Board stated that it is their desire to present to the District a complete picture of the present problem as possible. There is a considerable shortage of classroom space in the Clarenceville District, particularly in the elementary grades. With the opening of school this fall, the first, third and fourth grades will be on half day sessions because of a shortage of classrooms.

Members of the Board indicated previously that action will be taken as soon as possible to build additional classrooms. However, before any course of action is outlined, the Board wants to get complete information for presentation to the residents of the District.

Study Final Plans For School Units

Detailed plans and specifications for the new Ten Mile elementary School and the Bond and Middlefield additions were reviewed by the Farmington Township School District Board at a special meeting Wednesday evening.

The Board previously approved preliminary sketches of the Bond and Middlefield School additions. Detailed plans and specifications were presented to the Board by Eberle Smith, Associates, school architects. The new Ten Mile School will be built on the property between Power and Farmington Road near the site of the present elementary building. It will contain 10 classrooms as well as a heating plant. The Bond School addition will contain six classrooms and the Middlefield School addition will contain eight classrooms.

SCHOOL BOOKSTORE TO OPEN MONDAY AT CLARENCEVILLE

School books for all grades in the Clarenceville School District will be placed on sale at the Clarenceville High School beginning Monday, August 27, school officials announced this week.

The store will be open Monday from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. and from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. From Tuesday through Friday, August 31, the store will be open daily from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m. and from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The store is located on the first floor of the high school building on Middlefield.

Officials stated that every effort will be made to handle used books which persons may wish to sell, if time permits. It is hoped that the school will be able to assist many of the students who were unable to bring in used books last June.

Not A Dream Post Office Starts Christmas Early

Christmas may seem many months away to most Farmington residents, but to Norman C. Lee, Farmington postmaster, it's just around the corner, and not a very wide corner at that.

He is already at the job of Christmas shopping, making out lists of supplies you will need for your own Christmas mail and packages, about mid-December. Lee stated that it is pretty hard to think about Christmas when you are working in shirt sleeves but the plans have to be made early.

Lee is looking forward to a real Christmas present this year, wrapped up in a big package. It is the new Farmington Post Office building and by the looks of things it will be wrapped and delivered in plenty of time for Christmas. Original estimates placed the completion of the building on about December 1, but it is expected to be ready for use well in advance of that date. The Farmington Postmaster stated that because of equipment delivery the building may not be completed before December 1, however.

So Christmas is really on the way, there are plenty of signs to prove it — even in sunny August.

Board Turns Down Oxford Road Plan

The request for the establishment of a special assessment district for the paving and improving of Oxford Street has been turned down by the Farmington Township Board, Ernest Blanchard, Township Supervisor, announced this week.

Final decision on the proposal was taken last Wednesday following a discussion with the board attorney, Arthur E. Moore. Blanchard stated that the Board made a complete check of the petitions with Moore and found that there was not a sufficient number in favor of the project to establish the district.

The petitions were filed with the Board several weeks ago carrying the required number of signatures to initiate the project. However, at the final public hearing held Wednesday, August 8, a large number of residents registered their objections with the board and withdrew their names. The primary objections voiced were the cost and the fact that the petitions stated that it was only preliminary in order to determine costs and that a final petition would be circulated later. Before a special assessment district can be established, the owners of at least 65 per cent of the property must be in favor of the project. Blanchard stated that less than 65 per cent were in favor of the Oxford Street paving program.

The original petition called for the paving and the installation of gutters on the street from Grand River north to Shawwassee.

State Recommends No Parking On North Side Of Grand River

The Farmington City Council received and discussed the recommendations of the State Highway Department calling for "No Parking" regulations on Grand River Avenue at their regular meeting Monday evening at the Municipal Building.

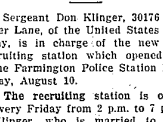
The recommendations presented would establish a "No Parking" zone on the north side of Grand River from Hawthorne Street, on the west city limits, to Gill Road on the south side of Grand River from Liberty Street east to Hawthorne Street will remain in force.

The State Highway Department also recommended that three west-bound lanes be provided on Grand River through the city to aid in the movement of traffic through the city. The new pavement, when completed, would be marked to allow three lanes going west and one lane going east. Police Chief Joseph DeVrient stated that it has been recommended that no parking be allowed on the north side of Grand River from Bedford to the west end of the Farmington Cut-Off. The Highway Department has agreed to mark the pavement and erect the necessary signs for the change-over.

The Council directed Paul Pare, city attorney, to draft a resolution pertaining to the recommendations. Formal consideration will be given to the resolution at a later meeting of the Council. Efforts are being made by the city to provide additional off-street parking.

Heads Recruiting

SGT. DON KLINGER



Sergeant Don Klinger, 3017 River Lane, of the United States Army, is in charge of the new recruiting station which opened at the Farmington Police Station Friday, August 10.

The recruiting station is open every Friday from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Klinger, who is married to the former Eileen O'Carroll of Farmington, said he is now recruiting both men and women for the Army and the Army Air Force.

Prior to his entry into the U. S. Army, Sgt. Klinger served in the Navy and came here after his discharge in 1947. His parents had moved to Farmington in 1945.

In 1949 he joined the Army and has been stationed in the Detroit area since 1950. Mr. Klinger is employed at the Farmington State Bank.

Trojan Grid Candidates To Meet Monday

Harry McKittrick, Clarenceville football coach, announced Tuesday that the first meeting of candidates for the Trojan football team will be held next Monday, August 27, at the high school.

All boys from grades 9 through 12 interested in trying out for the various grid teams are requested to attend the first session. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 5:00 a.m. on the high school athletic field.

The first game on the Clarenceville football schedule will be played September 14 at the South Lyon High School.

Plan For Record School Enrollment

The schools of the Clarenceville School District will open Wednesday, September 5, with a record enrollment in both the high school and elementary schools.

Max Miller, high school principal, stated that pre-registration indicates that 565 students will be enrolled in the junior and senior high school. These students will have completed pre-registration and will receive a complete card and go directly to their classes. Students who do not have approved schedules will meet with the counselor to make subject selections.

Stanley Irish, elementary coordinator, outlined the following schedule for the elementary schools. Students attending kindergarten at Edgewood School this year will register at the Edgewood School. Last year's kindergarten children at the Central School will register first grade at Central. Second grade students this year who live north of Grand River and also north of the river between Waldron and Purdue will register at the Edgewood School, all other second graders will register at Central. Students entering third or fourth grade who live north of Grand River and all who live east of Detroit as well as south of Edgewood between Middlebelt and Inkster will go to the Edgewood School, all others will go to Central.

All students entering fifth grade this year will register at Central School. Sixth grade students who live north of Eight Mile Road and north of Pembroke and east of Anglin will register at Central School, all others will register at the high school.

Half day sessions will be in effect in the first, third and fourth grades this year. Division of students into morning and afternoon sessions will be taken care of on the first day. Every effort will be made to give preference where necessity requires it.

Wheaton Heads Education Workshop



Carl Wheaton, 33493 Alta Loma, Farmington, (second from the right) leads a discussion group at the Michigan Workshop on Economic Education which opened at the Michigan State College July 30 through August 17. Wheaton is a social studies department head at the Wilber Wright Vocational School in Detroit. The workshop idea has a twofold purpose, one is to gain an understanding of our economy and the other is to apply this knowledge. The discussion group includes (left to right) Herbert Eiges, Detroit; Lester Green, Clarkston; Morton Malter, associate professor at MSC, West Green, and Wilmot Grand, Detroit.

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