

Cutting up the 'political pie' 1944 style

Memories, memories... have we got them. And we'd like to share them with you. Using local newspaper files, we're dishing up generous slices of life from the Farmington community from 40, 30, 20 and 10 years ago.

MAY 25, 1944 —

AN EDITORIAL, headlined "Political Pie," said, "Certain types of politicians will always pick on business." "For example, if 10 hard-working men have built a good business, and saved some money, a certain kind of politician can point at the business and say to 1,000 voters: 'Vote for me and I will destroy that business with taxes or ruin it with oppressive laws, and then I'll divide it up among you.'"

"A lot of soft voters want to succeed in life by this easy process of division. They fall for these political promises of a piece of the other fellow's pie."

"But most Americans have enough sense to see that if nobody is allowed any reward for extra ambition and extra work in this country, THEY themselves will have no chance to grow and save money."

"If a whole nation is taught by politicians to look down on successful people, you are simply heading for a whole nation of flabby, unsuccessful people

controlled by politicians."

MICHIGAN'S AIR-RAID warning system was to be used to signal a simultaneous, statewide, one-minute period of prayer and meditation on the day when it is expected that the invasion of Europe has begun.

THE FARMINGTON Board of Education announced its intention of enlarging the elementary school's playground area by purchasing nearby land. At a recent meeting, the board estimated the total cost of the properties at about \$10,000.

PETITIONS, HEARING the names of more than 500 south Farmington residents, were filed recently with the Federal Government through the Farmington Post Office, requesting a postal sub-station at the Robertson Hardware, 27740 Grand River. The petitions were circulated by the Clarenceville Mothers Club.

"THE QUIETNESS" may disturb you next week, but it will be only because school is out for the summer," said an Around the Block column item on page 1 of the Farmington Enterprise. "Already we've heard some mighty big plans being made for the summer."

MAY 27, 1954 — CLASSIFIED AD: "WANTED: Male goat, 5 or 6 months old, also female, any age. Farm. 2554-M." Another classified: "Lost, May 21, blue parakeet, talks plainly, say own name, Jacky. Farm 2221-W. Reward."

GROUND WAS BROKEN May 24 for a new building to house the equipment needed when dial telephone service comes to the Farmington area. The building was to be located at Grand River and Power Road. Michigan Bell officials put a \$14.4 million price tag on the new dial system, which was to have been in operation by September 1955.

SOME 302 FARMINGTON Township School District youngsters were registered during the recent pre-school enrollment period, according to Minnie Zielke, elementary coordinator for the district.

SHORT ITEM: "When an athlete can read his own newspaper clippings, higher education hasn't entirely failed." Another short: "The best thing a farmer can use to prevent blood losses in cattle is his eagle eye watching the heard for blood signs, advise Michigan State College dairymen."

memory lane

MAY 28, 1964 —

A **PETITION**, signed by 400 Farmington Township residents, called for the installation of a traffic signal at 13 Mile and Middlebelt roads. The petition was presented to the township board of supervisors at a recent meeting. One of the six deaths in the township this year occurred at this intersection.

SHORT ITEM: "Phil Regan, Detroit Tiger right-hander, started on Opening Day this year for the first time in his career and won it, 6-1." Another short: "All but two counties in Michigan have inland lakes, and several boast in excess of 300."

THE KINDERGARTEN class at Ten

Mile Elementary School in Farmington viewed their community from a new vantage point — through the window of a school bus. On May 20, the kindergartners took a field trip, accompanied by their teachers, Evelyn Umphrey and Doris Porter. For many children, the high point of the trip was seeing the tame white deer on 10 Mile Road.

CUNNINGHAM'S DRUG Store in the Farmington Plaza on Grand River near Orchard Lake Road advertised Modess "blue polyethylene shields" at \$1.19 for a box of 48.

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Horseshoe tournament hosted on June 3

The Waterford Oaks Horseshoe Club is hosting summer tournaments at 10 a.m. Sunday, June 3 and Saturday, June 16 at the Waterford Oaks Court Games Complex.

Competition is open to all men, women and juniors of all skill levels.

Registration, practice and a 50-shoe qualifying round at 9 a.m. will precede the tournaments.

Division placement will be based on ringer percentages. Trophies will be awarded to the champion and runner-up in each of the five divisions.

Entry fee is \$3 and refreshments will be provided.

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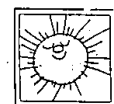
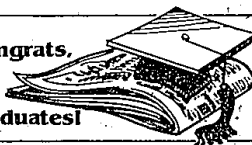
plex is off Scott Lake Road near Pontiac, adjacent to the Wave Pool. In addition, to its 10 horseshoe courts, the complex offers 10 shuffleboard courts, eight wind-screened tennis courts and four platform tennis courts.

Practice and league playing times will also be available beginning the week of May 28.

For more information, call 858-5433. Horseshoe tournaments will continue every first Sunday and third Saturday in June, July and August.

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