

memory lane

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

DEC. 7, 1944 —

CHARLIE BACHMAN, head football coach at Michigan State College, was the featured speaker at the annual Farmington High School football banquet, which was hosted by the Farmington Kiwanis on Dec. 6. Bachman spoke about his experiences as a coach and showed pictures of a recent MSC game. Farmington's 1944 football team was unbeaten and untied in seven starts.

SHORT ITEM: "Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pleron just received word that their son, Milford, that he is on an island somewhere in the South Pacific."

"DON'T BE ALARMED if you see a Chinese flag on the back of a leather

flying jacket, walking down the streets of Farmington — it will be worn by Edward F. Speck, whom we are mighty glad to see around again after three years in the China-Burma-India theater of operations," said an item in the Around the Block column on page one of the Farmington Enterprise. "Welcome back, Ted!"

CLASSIFIED AD: "STRAYED — Horse about 900 lbs. Owner please call for same at once and pay expense. Chas. Goslin, 34025 S. Mile Rd." Another classified: LOST — Tricycle, disappeared from 33502 Shawassee. \$5 reward. Telephone 1548-1." Yet another classified: "FOR SALE — Four quart hard press with sausage stuffing attachment, just like new. 19645 Gill Road. Phone 0677-R11.

DEC. 9, 1954 — FARMINGTON'S WELCOME Wagon, Mrs. Dawson Hubert, was making her rounds in a new Nash Rambler, a gift from Tavern Auto Sales of Farmington. The Welcome Wagon dis-

tributed gifts and friendly greetings to new residents.

"THE GREAT DEBATE on the 'condemnation' of Senator McCarthy is over at last," noted a Farmington Enterprise editorial, "but the rumblings are expected to continue for sometime to come. There will be talk of a softening toward Communists and restraints of free speech. There will be all kinds of interpretations and opinions regarding the action taken against the Senator."

"But the fact remains that the Senate, by a sizable majority, 'condemned' not the fight against Communism, nor the right of a citizen to say what he thinks, but rather the abusiveness and action of a U.S. Senator. It takes a mighty good stretch of the imagination to interpret it otherwise."

MUNICIPAL COURT records showed that Ignatius Konrad of Lansing was fined \$15 for running a red light at U.S. 16 (Grand River) and M-102 (Eight Mile Road).

"YOU CAN'T GO wrong if you give her HOSE," said an advertisement for Dancer's Department Store in downtown Farmington. "Sheerest nylon in all sizes and Holiday shades." The legwear was available at prices ranging from 79 cents to \$1.50.

CLASSIFIED AD: "MUSCHAT FUR coat and hat, in good condition, size 16, reasonable. Phone Farm. 3145.

GLEN REED SCORED 24 points to pace Clarenceville High School's 58-34 basketball victory over Taylor Center. In another high school game, John Fawcett's 12 points couldn't save Farmington from being shaded by Livonia Bentley, 47-42.

DEC. 9, 1964 —

HALF-DAY SESSIONS were possible for up to 800 elementary-age children in the Farmington Public Schools because bids for the proposed Larkshire school were over the planned budget by \$60,000. According to Supt. Gerald V. Harrison, this is the first time in five years that bids exceeded a budget.

A FARMINGTON RESIDENT told police he was assaulted by an unidentified man outside the Buffet Bar on Dec. 3. On the Monday after the incident, the Farmington City Council approved the transfer of the bar's liquor license to Homer Coolman.

"Coolman is a respected Farmington policeman," said a story in the Farmington Observer. "He is also very big. The Council expressed itself as very hopeful that Coolman would improve the appearance of the bar, and would discourage rougher elements from frequenting it."

LUNCH FOR STUDENTS in the Farmington elementary schools for Monday, Dec. 7, included tomato soup and crackers, tuna salad sandwich, carrot stick, Dutch apple cake and milk.

BANANAS FOR 9 cents a pound were advertised at Eli-Lo markets in the area. Also advertised: round steak for 49 cents a pound and Domino sugar for 15 cents for a pound box.

were still digging out from the record-breaking 20-inch snowfall on Dec. 23. Called the Big Blow of 1974, the storm caused the cancellation of school and most school events for several days. One exception, however, was the Farmington High-Livonia Bentley basketball game played as scheduled on Dec. 3. Bentley won, 70-48, before a very slim turnout in the Livonia schools gym. Mitch Thomas scored 17 points for Farmington.

GEORGE MAJOROS, Farmington Hills City Manager, wasn't pleased with the Oakland County Road Commission's efforts to clear area roads of snow. "The county did a miserable job," he said. Two days after the blizzard, the 12 Mile-Orchard Lake Road intersection still was clogged with only one lane open on each road. Clogged 1-698 ramps to Orchard Lake Road added to the problem.

SNOW HAMPERED Farmington Hills firefighters who responded to a house fire at 30406 12 Mile Road at the peak of the blizzard. The blaze caused an estimated \$12,000 damage.

Firm opens area office

Central Conveyor Co. of Memphis has opened a Farmington office and appointed Patrick J. Donohue as vice president of automotive sales for the Midwest.

Donohue will head the new office located at 23550 Haggerty Road.

Donohue brings 25 years experience in the conveyor industry, primarily in the automotive field. Through his career he has held various engineering,

sales, and management positions. Prior to his current appointment, he was national sales manager for a major conveyor company.

Donohue attended Henry Ford Community College and the University of Detroit, studying mechanical engineering.

He is a resident of Farmington Hills, where he lives with his wife, Delores, and son Phil.



Patrick Donohue

Post Office holiday schedule is set

"Consistent with local customer needs, post office window and collection service will continue during the Christmas period as usual or be increased," Farmington Postmaster Kenneth B. Harris said.

The Postal Service intends to clear from its office by Monday, Dec. 24, all classes of mail available in time to meet year-round service standards, Harris said.

Normal window service will be provided throughout the Christmas period.

On Christmas Day and on New Year's Day, all offices will be closed so that as many postal employees as possible may spend the holidays with their families. However, special delivery service will be provided on both holidays, along with the deliveries of express mail and perishables.

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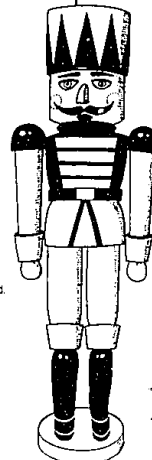
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 - Holiday Tapes
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- KIDS DAY - Saturday, December 8**
- FREE holiday gift-making children's workshops taught by artist-teacher Diana Lynn-Tamak 1 to 2 p.m. and 3 to 4 p.m. Be creative! Be original!
 - FREE holiday movies
Jon Mickey Mouse, Charlie Brown and Benji - 10 a.m., 11 a.m. and 4 p.m.
 - FREE holiday photos for children
 - Enter our fun-filled children's holiday gift drawing NOW!
 - FREE packet of great vacation ideas for you and your children
- Tuesday, December 11**
COUNTRY FLOWERS and GIFTS offers a FREE workshop in fresh centerpieces and mantel decorations - 2 to 4 p.m.
- Trim a tree for the Sarah Fisher Home**
Buy one ornament and we will trim Sarah Fisher's tree with a second. All proceeds donated to the Sarah Fisher Home of Farmington Hills. Help fulfill the children's holiday dream! Got the spirit!
- For further details, call THE HOLIDAY STORE at 477-2620.



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