

This is the 1820s farmhouse on the Luther Green farm where the family lived while Orville Taggart, Floyd's father, managed the property.

HISTORY

FROM PAGE C4

phone," said Taggart. "It was a party line with four parties on the line."

he mail was delivered to the Farmington Post Office, where the family had a mail-

box.
The children were transported to the school on School Street by the hired hands. In snowy weather, they often used a sleigh rather than a

FARMING LIFE

The milk from the farm went to the Warner Dairy. It was picked up by a Mr. Himmelsnach who dater had a dairy of his own.

The Taggart boys were responsible for milking the cows morning and evening. They would get up at 5:30 a.m. to milk the cows and then met dressed fire school.

get dressed for school. Taggart said they never

wore blue jeans or bib overalls to school.

The responsibility for milk-ing was there even when the family went to a fair, like the ones in Northville or Milford. The boys would return home, milk the cows and then return to the fair. to the fair.

OTHER VENTURES

There were 100 acres of maple trees on the 240-acre farm that were tapped to make maple syrup. The family grew apples that were transported to the Eastern and Western Markets in Detroit. They got up bright and early in the mornings before the markets opened at 730 a.m. Some apples went to the Franklin Cider Mill, where they were sold for \$10 a truck load. Floyd got to take them there in a Chevrolet truck. He got a driver's license at age 14 but had been driving around the farm before that.

The Thiggart family can trace their origin back to Scotland, There were 100 acres of

where they were called Machggart. They came to Canada, and Leroy was born in Kingston. Orville and his wife Ruby migrated to Detroit with their young son. Ruby gave birth to Floyd at their new home on Fifteenth Street. Both of Floyd's sister's were born in Farmington Township. Seeing more opportunity in real estate than farming. Orville joined the Harry S. Wolf Realty Company as a salesman. The family moved to Onklund Street in Farmington next to Art Lamb,

salesman. He tannly moved to Oalkland Street in Farmington next to Art Lamb, a carpenter, who was also mayor of the city at the time. When Tuggart was in high school, he played on a base-ball team canched by Curt Hall. They played Northville, Walled Lake and Plymouth. He graduated in 1934 from Farmington High School with class of 34. The jobs Tuggart had in high school included working at the Sugar Bowl, a local sweet and sandwich shop on Grand River, and shop on Grand River, and caddying at the Meadowbrook

nine-hole golf course.

Taggart got around by rid-ing on the Detroit United Railroad, a streetear system that served Farmington and all of southeastern Michigan.

all of southeastern Michigan.
After high school, Taggart
played second base for the
Detroit Tigers farm team.
During World War II he
fought in five battles including
Normandy. After the war he sold real estate, married in 1947 and had a family of two

1947 and had a family of two boys and two girls. Included in his memories of Farmington in the 1930s were the fire engine that had to be pushed up the hill on Farmington Road when it was icy and the local policeman named Herman who rode a motorcycle. When Floyd was in third grade, the whole school marched by the Warner house to offer their respects when Governor Fred Warner died. When Grand River was paved, Floyd said his futher's team and hitted hands helped in the construction.

ENGAGEMENTS

New-Echlin

New-Echlin
Mr. and Mrs. David and
Diane Murray of
Farmington Hills and Mr.
John New of Thylor
announce the engagement
of their daughter Dawn
New of Ferndale to Lew
Echlin, of Royal Oak.
The bride-to-be is a graduate of the University of
Michigan with a decree in

Michigan with a degree in political science and envi-ronmental studies. She is

ronmental studies. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in communications at Wayne State University and is very active in charitable work through the FarChob Foundation for the Arts. Wolkneter (inches) the Farch Wolkneter (inches) the Farch Wolkneter (inches) and a graduate of Michigan State University with a degree in marketing and a graduate of the University of Michigan with a master's degree in business administration. He is currently a marketing communications manager for Ford Motor Company and a singer/songwriter for a local band, theny Chronic Ar. New Year's Eye 2002 weedling is planned at the Shrine of the Little Flower in Royal Oak.

Duffy-David
James and Alice Duffy of
Farmington announce the
engagement of their daughter Janice to Bertalan David
III, son of Bertalan David
III, son of Bertalan and
Mary David of Farmington.
The bride-to-be is a gradtate of Farmington High
School and Michigan State
University with a degree in
mechanical engineering.
She is a designer at SKF in
Plymouth.

She is a designer at SAF III
Plymouth.
Her fiancé is also a graduate of Farmington High
School and Michigan State
University with a degree in
telecommunications. He is a web and database developer for the College of
Engineering at Michigan State University. He is currently working on a master's degree in telecommunications.

ing on a master's degree in telecommunications.

An October wedding is planned at First Presbyterian Church in Farmington followed by a reception at Fox Hills.

NEW VOICE

DAVID

Mr. and Mrs. Kurt David of Farmington announce the birth of their first child, Emma Elizabeth David on June 29, 2002. She weighed 6 pounds and was 19 3/4 inches long. Maternal grandparents are

John and Marianne Zarosley of Howell and paternal grand-parents are Karl and Geraldine David of Gaylord. Great-grandparents are Virginia Hamilton of Brighton, Helen Zarosley of Canton and Mary Johnson of West Branch. West Branch

Suttle joins speakers group

The National Speakers Association (NSA), the leading organization for experts who speak professionally, recently accepted Marilyn Suttle as a professional member of the Association.

professional member of the Association. Suttle is a professional speaker who talks on life balance, parenting, and communication skills. She writes the monthly column, Parents Corner for the Farmington Observer and is a popular corporate lunch hour speaker, as well as an active volunteer with Farmington Youth Assistance. To become an NSA member, Suttle had to provide documentation of her professional speaking experience and agree to a strict code of ethick. NSA currently has more than 4,100 members in 23 countries.

"I am excited and honored

"I am excited and honored to be a part of such a prestigious group. Learning and sharing with these profession-law will ruly benefit my audiences," says Suttle.

The National Speakers
Association (NSA) is the leading organization for experts who speak professionally.
NSA's 4,000 members include experts in a variety of industries and disciplines, who reach audiences as trainers, educators, humorists, motivators, consultants, authors and more. Since 1979, NSA has provided resources and education designed to advance the skills, integrity and value of its members and speaking profession.

Visit NSA's Web site at www.

sion.
Visit NSA's Web site at www.

Got an idea for a story? $_H$ E-mail us at jhubred@oe.homecomm.net

LIQUIDATION SALES

JERRY EARLES FLORIST UNIQUE PARTY RENTAL

(A Division of Jerry Earles Florist)

SALE I Friday, Saturday August 16th & 17th 10 AM - 4 PM

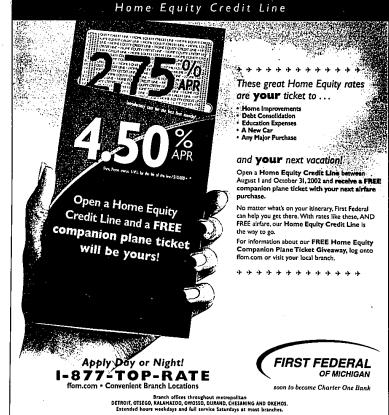
2244 Franklin Road, Bloomfield Hills (1/4 Mille North of Square Lake Road) Limited Parking

China, Stemware (by the dozen) All items sold 'as is' Cash or Checks only No Pre-sales

Subsequent sales to offer Table Linens, Fabrics, Candelabras, Trays, Bowls, Vases, Baskets, Decorative Accessories and MORE!

Greentrees Estate Sales

J.



and fracting like (17), a solidable to the form counts after two months of the count of the coun

