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Apple Yield Better Than Expected

The harvest of early apples is in full swing in the orchards of the Farmington area, a good portion of the early varieties having been picked. Prices for the crop are reported as being good.

Late summer rains added size to the apples, which were small because of the lack of early summer moisture. The hot weather during the past few weeks has caused early ripening and in some instances, excessive falling.

The crop is much better than estimates made earlier in the summer by the growers but the codling moth, aided by the dry spell, has taken its toll in many orchards.

Prospects for a good late apple crop are improved by the rains. Immediate spraying of apples to control the late second brood of codling moth has been made necessary because of weather conditions, says Ray Hutson, Michigan State College entomologist.

Hutson has just completed a survey of Michigan's commercial apple sections and reports that considerable damage may be done this year's crop unless spraying is done as soon as possible. Any of the standard codling moth sprays, such as were applied earlier in the season, will be effective.

He cautioned, however, if arsenical sprays are applied that it will be necessary to wash the fruit before it is marketed.

"Our crop is even better than last year," states Don Butten of Twelve Mile Road. "The rains have made the apples larger. We are nearly half done with the early varieties."

All the early apples are picked on the Charles Halsted farm on Halsted Road with the exception of the Snows, according to Mr. Halsted. "The codling moth does some damage in our orchards," says Mr. Halsted, "and because of the warm weather and heavy rains lately, some of the apples are ripening fast and dropping."

The picking has slowed the apple harvest on the Harry McCracken farm but the early apple crop is nearly half-picked, according to Mr. McCracken. "The apples are dropping considerably," says Mr. McCracken, "because of the heavy rains and hot weather which followed the dry spell. We estimated a five per cent loss on the crop due to the codling moth."

The picking of winter apples will begin about the first of October, says Mr. McCracken.

The dry weather stunted the size of the early apples in the Grimmer Brothers orchards on Halsted Road but there was no trouble with the codling moth. "The late apples are still growing," says Mr. Grimmer, "and every rain we have seems to help that much more."

CITY CANCELS NEWLY-PURCHASED \$5,000 BONDS

The bonded debt of City of Farmington is now \$5,000 less than formerly following the cancellation of that amount of the newly-issued refunding bonds this week.

The bonds were purchased by the city, following the unusual decision made by the City Commission to buy back its own bonds.

The cancellation of the \$5,000 bonds, which were to mature in 1948, brought the municipal debt to \$65,000. At the beginning of the fiscal year the bonded debt of City of Farmington was \$70,000.

In spite of the unforeseen action of the Commission, there will be even a greater balance in the city treasury than there was last year, according to estimates made by City Treasurer George Gildemeister.

Mrs. Heeney Recovering From Operation

Mrs. Spencer Heeney is recovering in Harper Hospital, Detroit, from an operation for gall stones. The operation was performed by Dr. Clark Brooks and Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner.

Wrestles School Seating Problem



A serious problem of overcrowding in Clarenceville Schools is faced by Supt. M. J. Belsor, whose school shows the highest enrollment on record.

Local Team Plays Northville

"I don't expect the team to make a strong showing early in the season," states Harold Kammerer, Farmington High School football coach. "The boys are very inexperienced and light in weight. Our game against Northville, a non-league game, will furnish the chance to try out the new men."

Of the 35 players now practicing, the ones showing up the best at the present time, according to Coach Kammerer, are Hunt, center; Ray Clark and Mike Byrnes, tackles; Don Gould, Ray Mahoney, Leslie Husted, Earl Killean, and Ray Sperkowski, guards; Glenn Nelson, Ralph Banfield and Stan DeYoung, ends; Tony Himmelsgaard, Bob Davis, Don Lee, Russ Geary, Howard Turner and Ralph Derrick, backs.

"Whether or not Hunt can play is still an uncertainty," says Coach Kammerer. "If he can, a fairly good line may be built up around him. If not, the job will fall to Clark, which would leave a tackle position to be filled."

The quarterback position will probably be shared by Don Lee and Bob Davis. Much new material is out and may develop before the season is over. Those whose prospects of developing are the best are: Grizdala, W. Verschnin, J. Schielz, H. Carpenter, Ed Rowland, Charles Oldenberg, G. Lindbloom, Dick Brown, Bob Burnham, and Bob Verschnin. Backfield: Hunt, William Slegum, Bob Snyder, Bill Plink and Thomas McArthur.

CHARLES WIXOM SERVICES TO BE HELD FRIDAY

Charles Benjamin Wixom of Pontiac, brother of Mark and Perry Wixom of Farmington, will be buried Friday afternoon in the Perrywom Memorial cemetery at Pontiac. The services will be held at the Verschnin Chapel at 3:00 p. m. Rev. Duaneide Idle of the Central Methodist Church being in charge.

Mr. Wixom, who lived at 293 Oakland avenue, Pontiac, died Wednesday afternoon at his residence. He was born in Farmington 68 years ago, September 13, 1870. Mr. Wixom was the son of Elijah and Agnes Smith Wixom.

"Surviving the deceased are his widow, Hattie Pennell Wixom, five sons, Warren of Walled Lake, Jack, Charles, Ernest and Howard of Pontiac; one daughter, Agnes of Pontiac; and two brothers, Mark and Perry Wixom of Farmington.

Mr. Wixom lived in Pontiac 40 years, being a member of the Central Methodist Church and the Masonic Lodge. He operated the Wixom Drug Store in Pontiac. The family requests that no flowers be sent.

"DANCING BAILEYS" START NEW SEASON

The popular "Dancing Baileys" of Northville, Mich., began their eighth season as teachers of modern dancing. They have classes in tap, fancy, and ballroom dancing. The Baileys give instruction every evening of the week, except Sunday, at their studio on Randolph street, by appointment.

Farmington Election Results

CITY AND TOWNSHIP REPUBLICAN GOVERNOR

	City	1	2	Tot.
Fitzgerald	176	177	111	364
Pitch	18	15	6	39
Dickinson	125	108	70	303
Read	66	66	34	166
United States Senator				
Brucker	161	145	65	361
Courzens	54	54	62	170
Representative in Congress				
Dondoro	154	133	58	345
Nash	43	44	39	126
Gover	5	10	12	27
State Senator				
Keelling	59	39	34	120
Higgins	69	39	36	144
McCallum	26	57	30	113
Prosecuting Attorney				
Pence	133	102	59	294
Hallock	75	75	48	198
Sheriff				
Howarth	148	97	53	298
Hoar	37	34	38	109
Truesdell	12	13	11	36
Jones	5	11	7	23
Ranchie	8	5	3	16
County Clerk				
Allen	156	149	76	381
Greenhalgh	52	20	22	94
Circuit Court Commissioner				
Orin	101	92	39	232
Aldrich	31	57	32	120
Hampton	72	34	18	124
Dudley	49	50	12	111
Cole	41	25	29	95
Drain Commissioner				
Clark	125	102	68	295
Smith	51	42	27	120
County Coroner				
Kimball	123	79	56	258
Voorhees	81	84	58	223
Bell	34	80	37	211
Brace	31	13	3	47
County Surveyor				
Clayton Goers	2	2	2	6

DEMOCRAT GOVERNOR

	City	1934	1936
Murphy	32	54	73
Welsh	22	28	39
Lieutenant-Governor			
Case	20	19	39
Hemans	13	15	22
Glasner	6	19	43
Nowicki	5	15	37
United States Senator			
Ward	10	37	53
Brown	24	15	25
Liddy	9	21	23
Myskens	8	2	5
Representative in Congress			
Allen	36	32	75
Selbert	26	16	70
Craft	17	23	20
Morris	2	16	10
State Senator			
McGills	29	56	55
Horkley	15	17	29
Prosecuting Attorney			
Lilly	28	36	47
Glenn	17	34	52
Sheriff			
Schrader	25	39	63
Sesterlin	21	23	26
Sechrist	2	12	6
County Coroner			
Davis	22	34	32
Kling	18	27	32
Henderson	12	23	39
County Surveyor			
Roberts	1	1	1
Wolfe	1	1	1
Goers	1	1	1
Baldwin	1	1	1

4 to 1 Victory for Lynn Allen

County Clerk Lynn Allen was a approximately four-to-one victory over Joseph Greenhalgh, Allen's opponent in the November election will be Raymond Green of Rochester who had no opposition on the Democratic ticket.

In the spirited contest for County Coroner, Dewey Kimball polled 258 votes, followed closely by J. Lee Voorhees with 223, and Donald S. Bell with 211.

County Sheriff Spencer Howarth led his opponents with 298 votes as compared with the next highest poll of 115 votes made by George Hoy.

David C. Pence, Prosecuting Attorney, retained his popularity with electors who gave him 294 votes. His only rival for the office was C. E. Edson Hallock who polled 195 votes.

Congressman George A. Dondoro received 350 votes, twice as many votes as both of his opponents.

In the closely-contested race for State Senator, Ralph Keelling led in the Farmington precincts with 109. George N. Higgins followed with 144 and George P. McCallum, who won the final county results, received 113.

In the race for Circuit Court Commissioners Farmington voters gave Norman C. Orin 272 votes, James G. Aldrich 171, and Verne C. Hampton 124.

Democratic Ticket
Frank Murphy received 159 votes on the Democratic ticket for the office of Governor, his opponent, George W. Welsh, receiving 80. On the Democratic ticket in the Farmington vote were Leon Case for Lieutenant-Governor, Louis Ward for U. S. Senator, Draper Allen for Representative in Congress, John McGills for State Senator, Clayton Lilly for State Representative, Bernard Schrader for Sheriff, and William Davis for County Coroner.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED
Mrs. Bertha Westphal of Detroit announces the engagement of her daughter, Alice, to Harold McClelland of Northville, the wedding to be held at the home of the bride-elect on October 10.

Winners Aided by This Area

Casting 22 per cent more ballots than were cast in the 1932 primary election, voters in Farmington's three precincts closely paralleled the final county vote results, giving majorities to all but one of the candidates who were successful when complete tabulations were made of the General Primary Election held Tuesday.

The one exception was Ralph Keelling who led in the Farmington vote in the closely-contested race for State Senator but who was defeated by George McCallum when the votes of the entire district were tallied.

810 Votes Cast
The total number of voters who went to the city and to township polls Tuesday was 810, an increase of 146 over the 664 votes cast in the 1932 primary. Of this number 553 were Republican votes and 257 were Democratic, making a gain of 27 Republican votes and a gain of 119 Democratic votes since the last primary election.

The big increase in Democratic ballots came principally from the township precincts. No. 1 precinct showed a gain of 56 and No. 2, increasing by 26 votes. There were 17 more Democratic ballots cast in the city than in 1932.

A loss of seven Republican votes was registered in the city ballot. However, the Township had a gain of 26 Republican votes in Precinct No. 1 and a gain of 10 in Precinct No. 2.

Voting by Precincts

The voting by precincts, as compared with the previous primary is as follows:

	City	1934	1936
238 R	219 R		
37 D	54 D		
265 T	273 T		
Precinct No. 1			
176 D	202 R		
41 T	57 D		
Precinct No. 2			
122 R	132 R		
60 D	116 D		
152 T	248 T		

Incumbents Renominated
All incumbent officials of Oakland County, whose names were on the ballots, were renominated. On the Republican ticket, the Farmington delegation led by Eugene Fitzgerald, Ed Roscoe Fitch and George N. Higgins, all of whom were re-elected in the Farmington precincts, Laren Dickinson doubled his lead over Thomas Read, as did Wilbur Brucker who was running against Senator James Courzens for the office of U. S. Senator.

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School Enrollment Sets Record

Another teacher may be added to the teaching staff of the Farmington Public Schools and the facilities of the schools are already proving inadequate as a result of the record-breaking enrollment of 617 students who began their studies at the school Monday.

An increase of 64 students is shown over the enrollment of last year, according to Superintendent of Schools J. A. Dalrymple.

"We probably will find it necessary to secure another teacher," says Superintendent Dalrymple, "to assist in the English, Mathematics and Commercial courses. The teaching staff is unable to take care of the increased number of students who are registered for those courses."

In a large number of cases, classes are being divided into two sections because of the unusually heavy enrollment. Every class room in the school is being used during every period of the day and the school is unable to take care of the increased number of students who are registered for those courses.

School Over-Taxed
"Our facilities are fast growing inadequate for the number of students who choose to study at our school," says Mr. Dalrymple. "We must find a solution to the problem soon if we want to take care of our growing enrollment. We must remember that Farmington is a natural center for a school and it is probable that we will continue having more and more students each succeeding year."

Divide Freshman Classes

All the classes of Freshman students are being divided into two sections. There are 62 in the class. The laboratory sciences were over-enrolled in almost every instance and some students were unable to get into the courses they desired.

Students signed for Physics but even with two sections, it will not be possible to admit more than 60 into the classes. Registration in the General Science classes was closed early with 35 enrolled for the course. The Public Speaking Class has between 25 and 30 and Sociology has 20.

The Commercial courses are somewhat aided by the fact that the Clarenceville school is offering similar classes. This change shifts the burden to the laboratory sciences, however, over-taxing the facilities of the one laboratory which is used for Chemistry, Biology, Physics, and General Science.

Half-Day Sessions Not Planned
"We are not planning to use half-day sessions," says Superintendent Dalrymple. "Dividing the school into two periods instead of using the present one would not aid the situation," he says. "We would then have congestion in the study hall. Even by putting two students in each seat, we could take care of the number who would be in the study hall."

The enrollment for the school is as follows:
Kindergarten, 26, as compared with 24 last year; first grade, 45, as compared with 37 last year; second grade, 33, an increase of three over last year; third grade, 28, one more than last year; and the fourth grade remains the same with 24 each of these years.

A slight decrease is registered in the fifth grade where 34 are enrolled as compared with last year's 41. The large fifth grade of the past year gained 10 more, making 51 in the fifth grade this year.

One less student in the seventh grade brings this year's total to 35 instead of 36. There are 41 in the eighth grade as compared with 37 in the seventh class, and 31 in the senior class.

Twenty-seven more students than last year are entered in the High School, bringing the total to 296. Of this number 66 are in the Freshman year, 82 in the Sophomore class, 67 in the Junior class, and 81 in the Senior class.

Wadsworth Case Bound To Circuit Court
Samuel Bruce of Escore was held in Circuit Court on Pontiac on charges made by Frazer Wadsworth, Farmington Township farmer who caused the arrest of Bruce last week on a charge of assault. It was intent to do great bodily harm.

A hearing was held for Bruce in the court of Judge Milton F. Conroy on Pontiac on Wednesday. According to the charges and statements made by Wadsworth, Bruce ran him into a fence on the Wadsworth farm near the Workers' Educational Camp on Sunday.

Announces Good News to Township



Supervisor Arthur P. Coe announces freeing of Farmington Township from debt (article in column at right).

Asks Resolution To Stop Horns

"Let's get that band stand biker," writes Mr. Clarence Bickling in a letter to The Enterprise this week, "for when you stop to think of it, what local organization is more representative of our local community than the Farmington Band?" Mrs. Bickling's letter is as follows:
Dear Editor:

Now that the open air band season of the Farmington School band is over, let's urge the City Commission to draft an ordinance prohibiting noise nuisances. After all, the citizens are not complaining of the band, it is the noise—the siren discords.

Do you realize our children in the band room at school are housed in an inadequate room from one to two hours a day, five days a week to learn perfection in their band music, so that we as town folks can be proud of them in their blue and white uniforms whenever an organization asks a favor of them?

The music room they practice in is not much more accommodating in size than the band stand. It is a basement low-ceilinged room where every note of their instruments strikes the ceiling and strikes back into their own ears drums. More than one child comes out of that band practice with a bad headache.

Of course band education is not compulsory, but every child who is musically inclined is privileged to take his training and in many cases the instruments are furnished the pupil. Many a person now in the band and orchestra profession can trace their early training to the Farmington school instructor.

Let's urge our City Fathers to pass a resolution specifying the undue tooting of automobile horns as a public nuisance. Let the ordinance gather a little dust before it is flaunted in the windshields of parked automobiles that come early to park for an advantageous position on concert night. And in the meantime let's get that band stand bigger and better for other seasons.

For when you stop to think of it, what local organization is more representative of our own community than the Farmington Band? They are all just children, they have formed no bad habits. We send them to other towns to represent us, so let's give them the best that we have at home, for after all we are very, very proud of them.

Mrs. Clarence Bickling.

JACK CROWLEY DIES AFTER OPERATION
Funeral services were held at Upper Sandusky, Ohio, Thursday for Jack Crowley, who died Tuesday morning following an operation at the Osteopathic Hospital in Detroit. He had been ill only a few days.

With Mrs. Crowley he opened a cafe on Grand River at the east end of the Custer 10 months ago. Previous to that time Mr. Crowley worked as a chef in prominent Toledo and Detroit restaurants.

Mr. Crowley is survived by his wife, a son, Harold, a grandson, John C., a brother, Frank, and two sisters, Mrs. A. G. Duden and Miss Mable Crowley, all of Toledo, Ohio.

Township Clear of All Debt

Farmington Township is clear of all debt for the first time in a number of years, and a greatly reduced tax rate is to be established for the coming winter levy. This most welcome news for taxpayers of the Township includes also the fact that the two major items which will be eliminated from the budget this year, will not reappear in subsequent budgets.

For the past three years the township board has been required to levy a special tax item to make progress in the paying off of accumulated debt. This debt was incurred through the purchase of the Township fire truck, and for road lighting.

Announcement that the levy would no longer be needed is made by Supervisor Arthur P. Coe, who states that only \$500 of the indebtedness, and the Township has enough in its treasury to pay this amount.

County Maintenance

In addition to ending the levy for debt service, which last year was \$120 per thousand valuation, there will be no more township taxation for road repair work. Beginning in April of next year, all roads will be under care of the county highway commission. This levy last year was 50 cents per thousand. The saving through elimination of the two items thus will be \$120 per thousand.

While some road repair work will be necessary until April, 1937, the township will be able to pay for this out of delinquent tax returns, according to Supervisor Coe. It was hoped that other savings might be made when arrangements were made for discussing the budget Thursday evening, the meeting regularly scheduled for Tuesday having been postponed because of the primary election.

MANY FARMINGTON STUDENTS RESUME COLLEGE STUDIES

A number of students from the Farmington area are returning to pursue their studies at the colleges and universities this week. In addition to those mentioned last week in The Enterprise are Mary Duran and Doris Schroeder who are returning to Ypsilanti Normal. Betty Edgar is enrolling at the same school for her first year.

Norine Erwin and Magdalena Himmelsgaard are continuing their studies at Michigan State College at Lansing and Bob Burton is enrolling at Ferris Institute at Big Rapids.

Ellen Power has enrolled at Elletts Business College and Jack Glassford is returning to Albion College. James E. Erwin is enrolling at Ferris Institute at Big Rapids.

Those who are taking post-graduate courses at Farmington High School are Charles Wellington and Luanna Spaulding. Bruce Bickling is nearing completion of his studies at the Burroughs Book-keeping Course in Detroit. Doris Thelin is attending the Detroit Business Institute and Edith Wilkinson is enrolling at the Detroit Commercial College.

Those who are returning to the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor are Floyd Bond and Geraldine ZeBornek, who is enrolling as a Freshman at the university.

Esther Middlewood is attending Wayne University in Detroit. Fred Ferris is studying at the Northern Seminary in Chicago, and Olin Wilkinson is returning to Kirtland School of Theology in Kirtland, Missouri. Dick Russell is starting his studies at that school this year.

Among those who are studying at preparatory schools are Patty Pierce, Cynthia Pierce and Dorothy Susan Warner who are attending the Kingswood School for Girls at Cranbrook. Freddy Warner is at the Cranbrook School for Boys. Bob Russell is studying at the Castle Heights Military Academy at Lebanon, Tennessee.

SERVICES HELD FOR MRS. HELEN PERCIVAL

Funeral services were held Saturday morning for Mrs. Helen Percival, 23, who passed away Wednesday morning at St. Joseph Hospital, Pontiac.

Mrs. Percival lived in Clarenceville since her marriage 10 years ago. She is survived by her husband, Edward Percival; four children, Edward, Jr., Ann, Mary, and Fred; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Haazer, and one brother, Philip. Burial was in Mt. Olivet Cemetery.