

Eleven School Districts To Meet July 12

Election of trustees of district school boards in this area will take place Monday, July 12, when annual meetings of electors of the school districts will be held in the schoolhouse of each district.

In Farmington No. 5 School District, the terms of Mrs. Florence Lee, secretary, and Howard Warner, ex-priest, Spencer Heene is president of the board; Arthur Lamb, treasurer, and Dr. Z. R. Ascher, Brener, trustee.

The term of Walter Hechen, president of No. 5 fractional, Clarencville, expires. Fred Lehr, secretary, Setaik Utljan, treasurer, Elmer Doherty and H. W. Earle, trustees, are the other members of the board.

Kenn Ryel has declined to accept another term on the Walld Lake district board, and will be replaced at the meeting of that district. President of the district is Cecil Cox, with William Glover, secretary, Mrs. Clara Stoffe and E. V. Mercer, trustees, making up the remainder of the board.

Two Complete Terms
Carl Smith and Fred Wilkinson are members whose terms expire in the No. 6 Noble District. Charles Erwin is president, Miss Martha Noble, secretary, and Samuel Pinka a trustee of the board.

Pierson School
In the No. 2 Livonia Township District, Ernest Ash, treasurer, and Fred Garchow, trustee, now hold the positions to be decided in the election. No opposition to the continuance of these men in their positions is expected. Other members of the board are: Jesse Zeigler, president; Adolph Nacker, and Martin Breitmeyer.

Re-election of Fred Duvie, as treasurer in the No. 1 Novit District, is believed assured. James Erwin is the director of the district, and Earl Banks, the moderator.

Two Vacancies
Two trustee positions will be determined in No. 3 Novit District. Fred Brooks and William D. Flint are present hold these positions. Other members of this board are: Walter Tuck, president; William Maier, secretary; Alfred Goo, treasurer.

L. J. Hamill, president, and Elmer Hardow, trustee, are the members of the No. 9 Southfield District Board whose terms expire this year. Joseph Doe is treasurer of the board, William Harrison, secretary, and Mrs. Olive Kallman, trustee.

The terms of Arthur Rully, treasurer, and Robert McCrumb, trustee, expire in No. 6 fractional, Bond District. Arthur Coe is president of the board; Isaac Bond, secretary; and Archie Leonard, trustee.

Re-election of Ernest Blanchard as treasurer, is anticipated at the meeting of No. 4 Fairview District. Mrs. Pearl B. Gibson is the director, and Guy Durgan, the moderator of this district.

The position of moderator, at present held by Joseph Graham, is to be filled in No. 3 (Thayer) District. The director of this district is A. V. Barber, and the treasurer, L. V. Yerkes.

EXCHANGE CLUB PLANS TWO SUMMER EVENTS

Two events which will serve to maintain interest during July and August are being planned by Farmington Exchange Club under direction of the new president, Arthur S. Power, who took over the reins from Dr. Joseph Norton Wednesday.

On Wednesday afternoon, July 21, the Farmington group will frolic with Birmingham Exchange during the afternoon and evening, at Glen Oaks Golf Club. The two clubs will compete in golf, and following dinner, there will be the "rubber" of the bridge tournament, which is expected to settle to the satisfaction of even the most ardent men, the question of bridge supremacy.

In August, President Power plans a "sports supper", intended to attract a large audience, with leading sports figures of the area. Entertainment included, it is hoped, will be Mickey Cochran and other Tigers, a Detroit sports writer, and others. Lloyd Gulien has been named chairman of the committee.

Next fall, members of the club will take turns in providing programs for a period of a month each. Glen Leland is in charge for September and Howard Warner for October.

Farmington Couple Keeps Marriage Secret 5 Years

Something in the way of a record for keeping things quiet is claimed by Myra Bassett and A. Russell Button, and rightfully so. Almost five years ago, August 23, 1932, to be exact, these two well known Farmington people were married, and it was not until last Saturday that their marriage became a matter of public knowledge. Announcement of their marriage in the form of a re-announcement of the ceremony was made at the home of the bride's parents, George H. and Mrs. Bassett, on Meadowbrook road, Russell is the son of Jay C. and Mrs. Button, who reside at 12 Mile road and Hagerly Highway.

Members of both families were present at the duplicate ceremony and reception that followed. The parlor of the Bassett home was decorated with baskets of roses and peonies for the occasion.

A long gown of white satin with a shoulder corsage of white roses, was worn by the bride of nearly five years. The bridesmaid, Miss Verna Campbell, of Plymouth, wore a long gown of pale pink organza, with a shoulder corsage of pink roses.

Rev. Ronald Button, brother of the groom, performed the ceremony. Clyde Button acted as best man.

Following the announcement, a buffet supper was served on the lawn.

The not-so-newlywed couple left Saturday evening for a short motor trip in the east. Upon their return, they will make their home at 2326 Warner avenue, Farmington.

Letter To Farmington Girl Tells English View on "Wally"

An illuminating insight into what the average English citizen thinks of the abdication of the Duke of Windsor, is revealed in the paragraphs of a letter received by a Farmington resident from a friend in England. The Farmington resident sent it to one of our newspapers, and the magazine containing articles relative to the coronation to England. The following reply expresses the disappointment felt by a large number of British subjects in the action taken by the Duke.

The letter follows:

"I have just received the magazine, etc. Think you very much for them, the magazine is the very kind I like. Now, about the clip-plings. It was good of you to send me these and I enjoyed the poem very much, but I am used to speaking my mind so I hope you won't be annoyed by my opinions.

First, I might say that I am a very, very loyal supporter of our King, George. I think he stands for all that is good, decent and honest. When I read that headline about the King snubbing H. R. H. the Duke of Windsor, I wonder where they had got "the big idea" from.

So I read that big heading came from a small phrase in the King's speech, saying he would follow in his father's footsteps, thus ignoring Edward's reign. Well, did we want him to be like Edward? Rather not!

"About the Jig" And another thing, this business about the jig, do you yourself think that a man like King George who realized the solemnity in the grave step he was taking, would do a jig for fun? I wished I could buy a ticket for that news reporter to come to England, and see with what dignity an Englishman carries out his duty. The only excuse I can think of is that he was not sober when he wrote it. Besides, our princesses are not like these film stars who have to have people to make them laugh.

"Only the Duchess" Lastly, I would like to point out to the journalists of America that Mrs. Warfield (otherwise Miss Simon) will not be called Her Royal Highness, as predicted, but just the Duchess of Windsor. I thought I would tell you that as I guess "American papers" won't print that.

DOG QUARANTINE SERVES DOUBLE PURPOSE

In addition to reducing the possibility of a rabies epidemic, the recent drive on dogs by police officials has resulted in the improved appearance of flower beds and trees since the dogs have been confined. To the absence of dogs from the streets, digging about a marked improvement in plant development over past years. The practice of the police officers of destroying stray dogs, with the cooperation of dog owners in keeping their pets confined, has seen no recent cases of dog bite in the city, while seven cases were reported in nearby areas in the past week.

Seeing a stray dog on the streets is the rarity of the community as in recent years. Deputy DeVriendt has indicated his intention of continuing the drive throughout the remainder of the summer.

Claude and Mrs. Haskins were hosts to Melvin and Mrs. Reed and daughters Barbara Jean and Mary Jane, and Paul and Mrs. Fehlen, all of Detroit on Sunday.

Week End Outing Specials Offered By Merchants

Week-end outing specials feature the Farmington business week. The merchants advertising in this issue offer a gala array of timely values. Cool and Company have a special selling of hot weather clothing. Hutton's Farmington Hardware feature a special selling of summer values. Burnett's Brothers Service Station urges you to check your tires before taking any week-end trip. They feature the new Goodyear R-1 tire.

Arnold Stolz announces the re-announcement of the Redford-Farmington-Novi-Walke Lake bus service. Schedules are maintained three days a week, and on holidays. Dickerson Hardware announces a new vacuum furnace-cleaning service to home-owners. They say your fuel bill may be cut by checking

on your heating system now. The Detroit Edison Company offers the new Electradie as a means of enjoying summer evenings out of doors. The Electradie will keep your garden or porch free from insects. Farmington Lumber and Coal Company announces the start of a new 13-month small loan plan. Up to \$600 may be secured to build a home or improve on a present home.

Olin Russell, Inc. offers an "on the job test" to truck-buyers. A watch special leads the parade of values available at Von Burg. Redford Jeweler, Max Scheel offers expert mason work at reasonable cost. The Peninsula-Alton Hotel at Northville offers a special holiday program.

School Plans Organized Play Program

The urgent desire of many Farmington parents, expressed during the past several years, for a program of organized play for their children, will be realized during the coming year, through plans made by Supt. of Schools Robert Burns. Not only will there be an organized summer recreation program, but a similar activity during the winter months, the latter to be held Saturday mornings.

The schedule for Saturdays during the school year, will start the early part of next winter, and the summer program will be instituted following the close of school next June, continuing through next summer. One of the new members of the faculty was engaged on the agreement of conducting organized play during the summer of 1938, his job being a twelve-month rather than a ten-month position.

The series of 20 recreation periods to be held Saturday mornings during the winter and early spring, will be held in the school gymnasium. The classes are to be under the direction of Robert Stewart, a new member of the school faculty. Gymnastics, ball tennis, volleyball and basketball, are a part of the activities scheduled to be included in the program.

In outlining the plan, Supt. Burns cited the need of something to occupy the time of the children during their free days in the winter. He stated that by attending, the children would be given an opportunity to develop physically, and at the same time kept off the streets and out of mischief.

Planned Recreation
With the closing of the schools for the summer next year, an outdoor playground program will be inaugurated. This will be under the direction of Paul Shoemaker, new athletic coach at the high school. Shoemaker has had wide experience in this type of work, having worked as an instructor for the City of Toledo parks system.

Numerous attempts have been made in the past by various organizations and clubs of the city to establish planned recreation periods for the summer. Due to financial and other difficulties, no program ever was started.

DON MCCrackEN WEDS DEARBORN GIRL IN EAST

An attractive summer wedding took place in Olean, New York, last Saturday afternoon, when the Rev. Hugh Boyd, D. D., united in marriage Miss Bernice E. Ervin, of Dearborn, formerly of Olean, and Donald McCracken, son of Harry N. and Mrs. McCracken, of Farmington.

The bride is the daughter of the late William and Mrs. Irvin, of Olean and was given in marriage by her brother, Thomas Irvin Starr, of Detroit. Miss Marian Irvin, of Dearborn, sister of the bride, was maid-of-honor, and Mrs. B. Kenneth Koepfel, of Dearborn, was bridesmaid. The bride was a bride maid. Mr. Koepfel was Mr. McCracken's attendant.

The wedding took place in the home of F. A. and Mrs. McCandless, parents of Mrs. Koepfel and a lifelong friend of the bride and groom. The couple spoke their vows before an altar of mountain laurel.

Following the ceremony, luncheon was served in the Colonial room of the Olean House. Mr. and Mrs. McCracken left late on a motor trip through the Adirondack Mountains and the St. Lawrence valley. They will reside in Farmington following their return.

Mrs. McCracken was graduated from the Olean High School in 1928, and from Albion college in 1932. For the past four years she has been engaged as teacher of science in the schools at Auburn Heights.

Mr. McCracken was graduated from Pontiac High School in 1927, and from Albion college in 1931. He is a member of the Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternity.

WARNING

Deputy Sheriff Joe DeVriendt cautions all residents of the Farmington area against the use of fire-arms in the celebration of the possession and use of fireworks is prohibited by state law, and anyone violating that law is subject to the penalties imposed by it.

Will Wail is still seriously ill at his home on Wilmarth avenue.

Widening Of Cut-Off Seen In Survey

Widening of the Farmington Cut-off to 40 feet with consequent resumption of two-way traffic on that highway is seen as likely in the near future. In view of a survey now being conducted along the Cut-off by employees of the State Highway Department. While no announcement has been made by the Department, the survey being made indicates that widening is contemplated.

The surveyors are making a study of the terrain just south of the present pavement, 30 feet wide, paralleling the 20 feet of concrete now being used for one-way traffic. This survey would provide data as to what amount of earth-work would be needed to lay additional pavement along the south line of the present road.

"Problem Child"
The survey is a part of the Highway Department's long effort to conquer the inherited "problem child" which some Department officials have termed the worst in the State. The two-mile stretch that claimed 40 lives in a few months last year is still dotted with such signs as "Unsafe over 45 miles per hour", despite the establishment of one-way traffic, a rule still being frequently violated.

The one-way regulation, instituted by Commissioner Murray D. Collier, after a personal survey, abruptly halted the slaughter. Not a single death or serious accident has been recorded since last autumn.

Not Modern Road
However, the steep hills and curves do not conform with Commissioner Van Wagener's view, point as to what modern, safe highways should be. The road is still treacherous, especially in bad weather.

The survey now being conducted thus far covers only the east end of the Cut-off, from the intersection with Grand River near Tuck road, westward to Farmington Road. The survey party, under direction of Survey Chief S. P. Collier, will be engaged on the job for at least another month. Whether the work will continue west of Farmington Road after the present activity is completed, has not yet been made known.

Services Held for Mrs. Marian Eastman

Death came early Saturday morning to Mrs. Marian Eastman in the Pontiac Hospital. She had been ill six weeks, suffering from a slight stroke. Last rites were held Monday at two o'clock from her home on Zaida avenue, West Point Park, Illinois, officiating. Burial was made in Oakwood cemetery. Surviving Mrs. Eastman are her husband James Eastman, two sisters, Miss Anna Thayer of Farmington, Mrs. Frank Whit of Saginaw, and her brother, B. Thayer of Detroit.

Mrs. Eastman was the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Thayer of Farmington, and was born December 18, 1876, on a farm near Farmington. Township. She was graduated from Farmington High School and Ypsilanti Normal, with a life certificate, and taught school several years. At the death of her mother, she kept house for her father until his death. She then married and moved to her present address.

Send in your news items.

Winery Cop "Broadcasts;" Deputy Captures "Audience"

When the LaSalle Winery stationed a new "cop" in full uniform opposite the plant on Grand River avenue it was done with the intent of catching the eyes of passing traffic. (The intention succeeded admirably, even though the "officer" is inanimate, was evidenced Saturday morning when employees of the company observed a man standing in front of the sign, eyeing the cop. Deputies called a traffic officer. Passing it off as just the actions of the curious, they continued about their work, but when the man had continued to stand and stare at the sign for five hours, the summoned Deputy Sheriff Joe DeVriendt.

DeVriendt demanded an explanation and was informed by the sign-gazer that three doctors were

Appointment Pleases Friends in this Area



The many friends in this area of Charles D. Porritt, have been gratified this week by his appointment as a member of the Michigan Public Utilities Commission. Mr. Porritt was prominent in Oakland County public affairs before becoming connected four years ago with the right-of-way division of the State Highway Department, of which he has been directing head.

Traffic Heaviest Since 1928

Traffic passing through Farmington over Saturday and Sunday was the heaviest since 1928, in the opinion of Deputy Sheriff Joe DeVriendt. Inasmuch as this is only the start of the heavy vacation season traffic, Deputy DeVriendt feels the coming two months will see an all-time high in traffic passing through Farmington.

This increase in traffic, he believes, adds to the necessity of a determined vehicle law enforcement drive. He stresses the hazards of the practice of double parking, in particular in the business district. This causes numerous traffic jams in the city, and results in a tie-up of cars on Grand River. Deputy DeVriendt has sought the aid of the City Commission, making a plea to that body at their last regular meeting. He requested that yellow lines be drawn on the streets, showing the permitted parking areas, and that parking regulation signs be erected at several points along Grand River avenue.

Commissioners present agreed with DeVriendt as to the need of some means to cope with the situation. Commissioner of Streets Hutton has contacted the County Road Commission, who have agreed to paint the lines at the same time they mark the Walld Lake road.

New Small Home Loan Plan Offered

A new 18-month finance plan, wherein as much as \$600 may be secured for building of a small home or improvements to a present home, has been announced by the Farmington Lumber and Coal Company. Plans and specifications for four types of small homes are available at the office of the company.

The plan is being offered through the company, by the Opa-A-Home Service, Incorporated, a lumber dealers organization.

Install New Sign

A new sign was installed on the front of the company's office Wednesday.

Seven New Teachers Are Engaged

Opening of Farmington Public Schools for the fall term will find seven new teachers on the faculty. The incoming instructors will fill vacancies made by teachers who left at the close of school, as well as those who will teach the new subjects added to the school curriculum.

Paul Shoemaker, graduate of Michigan State Normal College, and a former coach at the University of Toledo, has been named the new athletic coach of the high school. While attending college, Shoemaker starred as tackle on the football team. He is no teacher in science, in addition to coaching. During the summer of 1938, Shoemaker is to be in charge of a playground project to be undertaken by the school. He will act as playground supervisor, in which capacity he served for some time in the parks system of Toledo.

Junior High Coach
Robert Stewart, a former teacher at Marlette Junior High in Marlette, Michigan, is to teach science and be Junior High athletic coach. Stewart graduated from Michigan State Normal College in 1934, and following his graduation, assumed teaching duties at Marlette. He served as grade principal in addition to teaching science at that school. Stewart is to have charge of planned Saturday morning recreation periods to be held in the school gymnasium for 20 weeks during the coming winter. The purpose of the project is to provide something to occupy the children's time during the winter months. Gymnastics, table tennis, volleyball, and basketball, are a few of the indoor activities scheduled.

New French Teacher
Eleanor Cavanaugh, of Lansing, formerly of the Okaw Valley, Michigan, system, will teach French, Civics and Commercial subjects, and will serve as Dean of Girls, at the high school. Miss Cavanaugh is a graduate of Michigan State Normal College, class of 1932. A teacher of Art, Mechanical Drawing, and Industrial Arts, Charles Baker, is another new member of the school faculty. He is a graduate of Michigan State Normal College, 1936. Baker will teach Art in the classes, starting from fourth grade through high school. Two classes in Industrial Arts will be under his supervision.

Teaches Journalism
Grady McKay, of Ypsilanti, and a 1937 graduate of Michigan State Normal College, will have charge of the new classes in Journalism and Public Speaking. While attending college, McKay won honors as a member of the college debating team. Under his direction, Farmington has won all of the debating tournaments held annually by the secondary schools of the state. McKay is the son of Professor McKay, of the Ypsilanti Normal College.

Frances Erikson, for the past 15 years a teacher in the Calumet School, is to teach the sixth grade the coming year.

Betson Ewer, of Alma, Michigan, has been chosen to teach Social Science and act as assistant coach at the high school. Ewer is a graduate of Alma College. While in college, he won six letters as a member of the football and basketball teams. He is the son of Professor Ewer of Alma College.

ELECTRIC HIVE NO. 318 HOLDS LUNCHEON

Electric Hive No. 318 of the Macabees enjoyed a luncheon Wednesday afternoon at the 10 Mile and Meadowbrook roads. Fifty ladies attended and spent the afternoon playing cards.

Visitors at the luncheon were: Mrs. Kahrie, of Buffalo, New York, and Mrs. Weimacht, of New York.

New Members of Our Community

John and Mrs. Hunt and family are new residents living in the new Bickling home at 33709 Oakland avenue. There are four children in the Hunt family. They are John, 10, Betty, 8, Marjorie, 9, and June, 6.

Mr. Hunt's daughter, Norma, is a new graduate from Farmington High School in June. Norma starred in school sports activities while attending high school.

Mr. Hunt is in charge of the new engine and stationary distribution department of Chevrolet Motor Company, at the offices in General Motors Building, Detroit.