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Plan School Elections For July 10

The various school districts in the Farmington area are planning their annual school board elections to be held Monday, July 10. All election meetings are held either the second Monday in July, or the second Monday in June.

The Wallick Lake district election, held recently, drew a total of 74 votes from members of the district. E. V. Mercer was elected to the presidency of the board, a post which had been held for the past four years by J. Cecil Cox. Mr. Cox was elected to a position as board secretary.

Adams Replaces Glover
James W. Adams, of Commerce, was also elected to board membership replacing William H. Glover, board secretary for the past six years, whose term expired this year. Mr. Glover did not seek reelection for the coming year because of business responsibilities.

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A third letter was received, in the Exchange contest, but from a citizen not a member of the club.

HOLDS ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Farmington Youth's Temperance Council held their annual election of officers, Thursday evening, at the home of Theresa Gamache. The officers for the ensuing year are President, Bryce Greenman; First Vice President, Margaret Miller; Second Vice President, Bill Houtman; Treasurer, Jane Harper and Secretary, Theresa Gamache.

Two new members, Harry Molten and Eva Koch, were presented. After the election of officers the members enjoyed a "wheezy roast" and dispersed until the next meeting, Thursday, July 13, at the home of Mabel Leonard.

Mayor Routs Prowlers From Bell Residence

Awakened at three a. m. Sunday by what he believed to be prowlers in the house next door, Mayor Howard M. Warner and his wife called to Deputy Joseph DeVriendt. The officer arrived, made a quick inspection of the grounds but apparently the would-be burglars had been frightened by the appearance of lights in the Warner home. The threatened home belongs to the Clarence Bells who are away on vacation. The prowlers had not gained entrance.

Vacationists Cautioned
"Residents who plan to be away from home for more than two or three days at a time should notify the police, and we will make special check-ups," stated DeVriendt. "It is also advisable to keep circumspect, newspapers, etc., from collecting on the front porch, since these are sure tips that nobody is at home."

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Alfie Steck Funeral Saturday Afternoon

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He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Waack, three brothers, Earl, Russell, and Edward, and four sisters, Dorothy, Margaret, Lillian, and June.

Rev. W. J. Prisk will officiate at the services. Burial will be in Grand Lawn cemetery in Redford.

ALTAR SOCIETY TO GIVE CARD PARTY, JUNE 30

The Altar Society of Our Lady of Sorrows church will hold a benefit card party, Friday evening, June 30. The party will begin at 8 p. m. and is to be held at the home of Mrs. C. F. Smith, 35415 Grand River Avenue.

Slated For Higher Posts



REP. GEORGE HIGGINS



SENATOR GEORGE MCCALLUM

Oakland County has been fortunate in possessing representation of the time as a legislative representative. Dr. Joseph Norton told members of the Farmington Exchange Club Wednesday noon.

Tupper Named Exchange Head

Bayard Tupper, manager of Farmington Lumber and Coal Company, is slated to be the next president of Farmington Exchange Club, to guide the affairs of the club in the future. The election is to be held in September. Mr. Tupper is the only nominee of the Board of Control, the nomination being equivalent to election. Formal vote of the club is to be taken next Wednesday.

Others nominated for club officers are: Mahlon Bradley, vice president; Emory Hutton, treasurer.

Nominations by the board of control are invariably followed by the club, although the rules require that opportunity be given to members to write in the names of other candidates if they desire.

The meeting next Wednesday will be the last of the present term, the club discontinuing for the two months. President Vic Blakeslee will turn the gavel over to the new president, and a large attendance is urged for the final meeting.

A fine hostess tray, donated by Howard M. Warner, will be available Wednesday to the member whose program is decided to have been the best of the current term. Members will vote between now and Wednesday noon on ballots to be mailed by President Blakeslee.

MASSONIC LODGE TO INITIATE NEW MEMBERS

The Farmington Masonic Lodge will initiate several new members in ceremonies to be held Monday evening. Presiding at the initiation will be members of the Hudson Square Masonic Club, of Detroit.

The rites will be held at 4:30 Friday afternoon. Following this, members will be served supper at 6:30. A speaker, as yet unnamed, will be featured at the supper.

This is For Motorists

Not to be outdone by Mr. Otis, Vic Blakeslee, Chevrolet Motor Sales and Service has stated that he will take a longer trip during the holidays than anyone else. Again the destination is not made public but Vic evidently intends to roll up a good many miles on his car's speedometer. All that is a long one are invited to check their mileage against Mr. Blakeslee's.

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During the session just closed, Dr. Norton was in Lansing much of the time as a legislative representative. His continuous contact with members of both houses of the Legislature afforded Dr. Norton an excellent opportunity to observe legislative processes and appraise the ability of the membership.

"Higgins of High Caliber"
Representative George Higgins of Ferndale, of the First District of which Farmington is a part, early in his first term stamped himself as one of the leading figures in the lower house. Dr. Norton said. His vigorous energy and quick intelligence soon won him the respect of all his colleagues and made him one of the most influential members. His bill, which will be plugged a leak in the sales tax collections, resulting in saving the State millions of dollars each year, was mentioned by the speaker as but one of Rep. Higgins' numerous "rolled acts" of benefit to the State. The irreproachable integrity and exceptional record of Rep. Higgins has resulted in his being mentioned in many quarters as well worthy to aspire to a step upward into the upper house, the place now held by Senator McCallum.

"Senator McCallum Outstanding"
In Senator George McCallum of Ann Arbor, representing all of Oakland and Washtenaw Counties, this senatorial district, Dr. Norton said, may well be proud of having sent to Lansing one of the outstanding personalities in our State government today.

His strength of character and high personal integrity are noteworthy, the speaker said, and in addition, Senator McCallum is the foremost authority on taxation in Lansing. His voice on taxation and related matters is listened to with a respect that is enjoyed by no other Senate member.

Senator McCallum is definitely marked in official circles for his higher place in State affairs. Dr. Norton said, it being agreed that his ability and forcefulness are qualities which it would be well for the State to utilize in a broad perspective.

FARMINGTON MAN STANDS OUT IN LEAGUE RAIL

Harold "Lefty" Westfall of Farmington, former pitcher, stands out as one of the leading pitchers in the Inter-County League this season, having recently pitched a no-hit game for Northville against one of the strongest teams in the league.

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Mrs. H. W. Hewitt of Mt. Clemens visited Mrs. H. A. Seelye Friday.

Stores Can Help You "Do Something About Weather"

"Everybody talks about the weather but nobody does anything about it." This slogan reminds of Clark's don't apply as much nowadays as it used to, for now somebody is doing something about the weather.

Screen doors and store-owners offer many things which will make the heat of summer more bearable; a trip into the Farmington stores will show many things to help you beat the weather.

Screen doors are important assets to the comfort of your home. If kept in good condition they offer a maximum of fresh air with- out the bother of flies and insects. If your screens are in run-down condition, visit the Farmington Lumber Co. and inspect their stock of new screen doors and screening material. They also have a line of screen enamel that will brighten up your doors.

Electrical refrigerators are a great boon to the household, saving a steady chink, storage place for foods. You owe it to your refrigerator to keep it in good condition, and you can do this by having it inspected from time to time by a reliable service man. N. B.

Tourney To Draw Many Strong Teams

Early indications point to one of the toughest line-ups ever assembled for a District Semi-Pro baseball tournament, eleven organizations having filled out entry blanks so far for the tournament, which will be held in Farmington, July 1, 2, 3, and 4, and included are some of the strongest teams in this district.

The Chrysler Royal Giants, runners-up in last year's tourney, will be here. The highly-touted Amazon, who at present are leading the Inter-County League, have also signed up.

Other early entrants are Brainard A. C., of Detroit, River Rouge Colored American Legion, Dearborn Merchants, Trenton Merchants, Old Colony Bar (Detroit), Plymouth Shrader, River Rouge Merchants, Wallick Lake Park, and of course, the Farmington Merchants.

The tournament will be handled by Hugh F. Brennan, manager of the Merchants, assisted by Paul Shoemaker, coach at Farmington high school and summer playground director.

Final Date June 29
Final date for entries is Thursday, June 29. A schedule of team pairings, and starting times of games, will be drawn up by Brennan shortly before that time.

All games will be played on the Merchants' diamond directly north of the high school. Four games will be played on each of Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, July 1, 2, and 3, and on Tuesday, July 4, three (final) games will be played.

Arrangements are being made to have Mr. Howard M. Warner, who will be drawn up of the tourney. Also it is likely that Harry German, 65 year old pitching man from Carlton, will be on hand during the meet to offer his moral support.

The Farmington tourney is one of the large number of District meets which will be held throughout the nation. Winner of the tourney will go to the regional meet at Grand Rapids, July 15 to 23.

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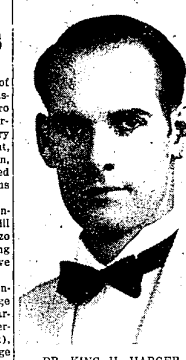
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Robert C. Burns, Superintendent of Farmington Public Schools, Received Bachelor of Law Degree

Robert C. Burns, superintendent of Farmington public schools, received a Bachelor of Law degree from the Detroit College of Law Monday in ceremonies held in the auditorium of Detroit Institute of Arts. Mr. Burns completed his term last February, but waited until the June graduation exercises to receive his degree.

Given Medical Degree In Los Angeles



Dr. King H. Harger, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sayres D. Harger, 33865 Oakland Road, has recently completed a five year course at the School for Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons, in Los Angeles, California. Graduation exercises were held June 16. Mrs. Harger is visiting her son in Los Angeles at the present time.

Track Meet for Boys and Girls

Boys and girls of Farmington are invited to enter the Junior Olympics track meet to be held at the high school athletic field Monday. The meet will be under the leadership of Paul Shoemaker, director of the summer playground.

Prizes of ice cream cones to the winners will be donated by Al Ross. Boys and girls of all ages are invited to enter. Events will include the 50 yard dash, 100 yard dash, high jump, broad jump, 200 yard race, and baseball throw. Starting time is 10 a. m.

Bike Derby Popular

The Bicycle Derby held last Monday met with such enthusiasm that it is expected to draw a large crowd. The response that another one is being planned for the near future. The bike derby was the first of a series of planned projects for the summer playground.

Other contests and events to interest Farmington boys and girls will be held weekly throughout the summer.

First and second place winners of the bike contests were: Slow Race, W. Checketts and B. Johnson, 100 yard Sprint, (5 to 12) O. Auten and B. Daines; (12 to 16) B. Johnson and W. Checketts; Ring Spear, (5 to 12) O. Auten and B. Daines; (12 to 16) R. J. Auten and B. Johnson; (16 to 20) O. Auten and B. Daines; (20 to 24) W. Checketts and R. J. Auten; Paper throwing, (5 to 12) B. Daines and O. Auten; (12 to 16) R. J. Auten and B. Johnson.

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Club Will Take 200 on "Special"

The Farmington Exchange Club has completed plans for their annual "Sunshine Special" this year and has set the date for the outing for Tuesday, June 27. A committee of Exchange members composed of Howard Otis, Judge John J. Schulte, and Earl Grosvenor have been busy ironing out the details of the day's program and have announced that all is ready for the big day.

Two hundred underprivileged children between the ages of 6 and 14 will climb aboard the "Sunshine Special" when it pulls out of Farmington at 1 p. m. Tuesday.

Since the free trip is being given for the benefit of underprivileged children, and the 200 tickets available are not likely to be sufficient to go around, parents who are not financially in distress are asked not to send their children.

Following its departure from the high school, the "Special" will make a side trip to Edgewater Amusement Park where its occupants will pile out and take over the park for the afternoon.

In order to see that some degree of order is kept, Messrs. Otis, Schulte and Grosvenor will accompany the children to the park.

Heavy Turnout Expected
The concessions, rides, etc., will likely be taxed to the limit, since there will be boys and girls present from the entire metropolitan district. All Exchange clubs of the Detroit area are joining to make the day a red letter one for the children.

Trained nurses will be on hand in case of casualties. The Farmington school bus has been procured for transportation.

Pair Injured In Auto Accident

Wayne Smith, 21627 Albion Ave., Farmington received a possible skull fracture and lacerations about the face when his lost control of the car in which he and a girl companion, Shirley Dittman, 20635 Revere St. Redford Township, were riding.

The accident occurred Monday night when Smith attempted to pass another car on Orchard Lake Road near Grand River Avenue, lost control, went into the ditch and struck an electric light pole. The car was demolished, according to Deputy Joseph DeVriendt, who arrived on the scene shortly afterward.

Girls' Condition Serious
Both Miss Dittman and Smith were taken to Redford Receiving Hospital where the girls' condition was described as serious. She received a fractured skull.

According to DeVriendt, Smith was traveling at an excessive rate of speed when he attempted to pass the other car. After going into the ditch the car hurtled up a rocky 200 feet before striking the pole.

Boy Arrested After Robbing Gas Station

Ernest Morgan, 14, who was captured by Deputy Joseph DeVriendt, following a robbery of a gas station at 8 Mile and Inkster Roads, has been turned over to juvenile authorities and will probably be sent to the Boys' Industrial School, at Flint.

Morgan is charged with making illegal entry into the station Thursday night and taking a quantity of cigarettes and candy. The station is owned by Frank Lewis.

Auto Dealers To Remain Closed Monday, July 3

All Farmington automobile companies will remain closed Monday, July 3. It was announced, "we will give auto dealers a three day holiday: Sunday, Monday, and of course, Tuesday, which is the Fourth of July."

This includes the service departments as well as the offices.

W. C. T. U. TO MEET

The Farmington Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold their next regular meeting Tuesday, June 27, at the home of Mrs. Charles Halsted, 28325 Halsted Road. Mrs. Miles will lead the devotional exercises. The Rev. C. Mathews, pastor of the Southfield Reformed Presbyterian Church will speak. His subject will be "The Boss."

Mrs. Rebecca West and Mrs. Robert West of Dearborn called on Mrs. H. A. Seelye Saturday.