



CONGRATULATIONS... Farmington is getting some street decorations for the Yule season after all. Colored lights are being strung across Grand River and will do a lot towards creating a Christmas atmosphere about the town.

"BRASS BUTTONS" BARRONS... About the time school opened this fall this column remarked that for directing traffic Norm Barrons really should have a uniform. It's not exactly a uniform that he's desired, but it's a navy ogre with lovely brass buttons which, when worn with his usual cap, gives him a very official look.

COME, LITTLE HISTORY... Don't let it pass any longer, and all of that imbecile babbled means that someone borrowed a History of Michigan, Volume 3 which deals with Oakland County sometime in the past. The borrower who has had the book, probably forgot to return it, is probably just forgotten about it. It is requested that please send the same to Box 47, Farmington postoffice. Proper thanks from the owner is hereby sent in advance.

ADOPTED YANKS... are going to have a lot of foster parents from Farmington, according to reports. The Garden Club is "adopting" 12 or more along with a considerable number of city residents who have chosen the soldier as their little happier Christmas. Hamilton's and Pauline's Markets both have containers in which cash contributions may be placed.

DOUBLE CONGRATS... to the Farmington Dairy for having the first lighted Christmas trees. Honorable mention goes to practically every store for attractive window decorations. Any day now attractive home decorations are expected to appear in competition for the Garden Club's prize. Coupon for entry in the contest appears in this week's issue of the Enterprise.

CALLING THE LADIES... With the declaration of war, a considerable number more Red Cross volunteer workers are needed. The sewing unit has been closed until the first of the year, but there is much other work to be done that all can help with. Those anxious to do something to help Uncle Sam in this emergency may be able to do their bit through the Red Cross.

Merchants Lose To Plymouth

About 150 persons witnessed the Farmington Merchants basketball game played Monday evening at the High School Gymnasium. The game was one of the most exciting games many had seen, for the teams were very evenly matched. The game went into two overtime periods before Plymouth struck. Plymouth was victorious with a score of 42-40. Players for the Farmington Merchants were Howard Kratt, Ralph Hamilton, Don Oldenburg, Ed Hamilton, Ed Masas, Robert Casper, Carl Hunt, Robert Chapman, Bill Peto and Joe McVie. Playing on the Plymouth Maple Leaf team were Hoffman, McAllister, Norman, Schwelb, McRoberts, Pitt, Alula and Johnson. High score of the game was Howard Kratt of Farmington who made 24 points. At the end of the fourth quarter, the score was tied at 36 points, and the game went into overtime. At the end of the first overtime period, the score remained tied at 40 points, and the ruling was made that the first team to score would win the game. When the Plymouth team made a basket, they won the game 42-40.

The second game of the evening was won by Dietrich Chevrolet of Wayne, who defeated the Plymouth Merchants by a score of 35 to 32.

The next game the Farmington Merchants will play is scheduled for 15 December 15, when they will meet the Uhl Team from Wayne. The game will be played at Wayne, beginning at 7:00 o'clock. There will be a small admission charge.

Masonic Lodge To Hold Public Installation

The Farmington Masonic Lodge will hold a public installation of officers elect on Tuesday evening, December 16, at the Lodge Hall. Refreshments will be served following the installation.

Valuation of Township Is Increased

Lower Tax Rate Saves Considerable Amount... Farmington Township Supervisor Ernest V. Blanchard has turned over the Township tax roll books to Treasurer Herald Cox, for collection. An increase of \$466,710 is shown in this year's valuation, with the total valuation set at \$3,215,735. The increase is accounted for by the acquisition of State owned land, and new buildings in the Township during the past year.

Another item in the savings to the Township of \$2,337.95, created by the lower tax rate. The taxes this year are \$3.83 per thousand for County General and 34 cents per thousand for County Debt as compared to last year's rates of \$4.21 per thousand for County General and \$1.23 for County Debt. This represents a decrease of 51 cents per thousand in the tax rate for the current year.

A total of \$3,719.56 in taxes is collectable which is broken down as follows: County General, \$18,166.23; County Debt, \$3,481.27; Township, \$9,361.49; School General, \$26,323.93; School Debt, \$15,001.31 and Re-assessed Township at large, \$33,338.

Rolls In Order... The Township tax roll is all typed and in fine working order this year, making Farmington Township one of the few townships in the County that is not still doing work by hand. Not only does the new system make the records much neater and easier to work with, but it establishes a permanent record for reference. The Township officers are to be commended on the effort they have made to establish a good system of bookkeeping, and also on the numerous changes and improvements which have been made during the past year.

MACCABEE BAZAAR OPENS THURSDAY FOR THREE DAYS

The Farmington Tent Hive, Maccabees, opened their bazaar on Thursday, December 11, and the bazaar will continue through Friday and Saturday, at the building on Grand River avenue formerly occupied by Jane's Lunch. The various booths will be open and displaying their wares throughout the three days and on Saturday there will be a drawing for a quilt and a doll. The fancy work booth is well equipped with all hand made articles, such as pillow cases, towels, doilies, etc. The baby booth also will feature a variety of hand made articles. The fish pond will provide a lot of fun for both old and young. The apron booth will interest many women, too, and you are sure to find a very lovely Christmas gift for that practical friend. Who doesn't want almost all hand made articles. The fish pond will provide a lot of fun for both old and young. The apron booth will interest many women, too, and you are sure to find a very lovely Christmas gift for that practical friend. Who doesn't want almost all hand made articles. The fish pond will provide a lot of fun for both old and young. The apron booth will interest many women, too, and you are sure to find a very lovely Christmas gift for that practical friend.

VETERANS URGED TO REGISTER FOR WAR WORK

Our Country is again at war, being attacked, you might say, when our back was turned, which is most cowardly act. Just as the call went out during the years of 1917 and 1918 for men to come to the defense of their country, the American Legion is asking you to respond to their call and join in again helping with the defense of America. Every veteran is urged to go to the closest American Legion Post, and join with his former comrades, and learn how he can help. There are many ways this can be done. To those in and near Farmington, the Groves Walker Post of the American Legion extends an invitation to join with them.

Paper Sale On Friday Opens Goodfellow Christmas Drive

The Goodfellow Drive in Farmington gets under way this week, with the annual paper sale on Friday, December 12. There has been customary in past years the Goodfellows will conduct their sale from various points in this area, with several men appointed to work at each place selected. The men will work in shifts, under the supervision of the Goodfellow Food Show at the Civic Theatre, December 17.

Remember when you buy your paper Friday, that the money all goes into the Goodfellow Fund, and your support will be greatly appreciated. Food Show... The second of the planned activities of the Goodfellows will be held on Wednesday, December 17, when the canned goods show will be held at the Civic Theatre. Through the cooperation of the Theatre management, this food show has become an annual affair. Admission to the theatre is the presentation of some canned goods, or other non-perishable foods. Farmington, in addition to the Bond School, Our Lady of Sorrows

Many Violators Appear In Court... This week has been a rather busy one at Justice Court in the City of Farmington. Among those appearing in answer to traffic violation charges was Anton J. Bongoro, 350 Pilgrim, Highland Park. He was halted by officers when he failed to stop for a red signal at U.S. 16. Following a plea of guilty, Bongoro paid \$5.00 costs. Robert Koffron, 700 W. Bethune, Detroit was arrested for improperly passing another vehicle on a hill on U.S. 16 near Hoy, Koffron had already received five tickets in four years, and he was ordered to pay \$15 fine and \$10 costs, or spend 30 days in the Oakland County Jail. He paid his fine.

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Case Dismissed... Otto Weaver, upon the complaint of Betty Lambie, was charged with assault and battery, but the case was dismissed for lack of prosecution. Mary Ellizabeth Roberts, 23945 Grand street, Hazel Park, was charged with drunk driving on U.S. 16 at Meadow Brook Road. This was her first offense, and she entered a plea of guilty. She was fined \$50.00 and \$10.00 costs, or spend 10 days in the Oakland County Jail, and her driver's license was revoked. Paul Mabon, 21343 Negueaux, Redford, was charged with driving without an operator's license. He was ordered to pay \$50.00 costs or spend ten days in the Oakland County Jail. A commitment was issued when he failed to pay his fine. Ten dollars fine and five dollars costs or spend 30 days in the Oakland County Jail was the sentence given Bruce Gordyne, 29191 Southfield, Royal Oak, when he pleaded guilty to charges of being drunk and disorderly at a public place in the presence of an officer.

Cagers Take Holly 18 to 14

Taking advantage of the early minutes of play, Farmington High School's basketball team scored an 18 to 14 victory over Holly High School here last night evening. By 5 to 4 advantage at the end of the first half, Coach Bob Hutton's boys were able to overcome the last minute scoring rush put on by Holly. Scoring was held down, as both teams failed to score in the second quarter. The first half saw Holly on the defensive as they felt out their opponents. It was during this half that Farmington built the margin of victory. Holly moved on the offensive in the last half of the game, but due to failure in making their shots count, were held until the last few minutes of play. Coming out of a 14 to 6 score at the end of the third quarter, Holly moved to the within four points of a tie as the first buzzer sounded.

JAMES NORTON WINS FENCING TOURNAMENT

James Norton, Jr., son of Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Norton, Applied Science freshman at Michigan State College was the winner last week of an all-college fencing tournament held at the college. There were 22 entrants in the tournament. As the winner, Norton will receive a sweater with class numberals. Second and third places were taken by students from Lansing and Allentown, Pa., respectively. Norton was graduated last year from Farmington High School, as valedictorian of his class.

Volunteers Needed For Canteen Service Unit

The Red Cross Canteen Service Unit in Farmington is now in need of volunteers who can be called on for help in any local emergency during the war. Any women willing to serve in this way are asked to telephone the Farmington captain, Mrs. Edgar Pierce, at 146.

Proclamation of The President Sets Forth Bill of Rights Day

December 15 has been proclaimed by President Roosevelt as Bill of Rights Day. The Bill of Rights became effective on December 15, 1791 which makes it 150 years old. Unusual significance is attached to the proclamation since the declaration of war. Following is a brief summary of the contents of the Bill of Rights. Article one guarantees freedom of religion, speech, press, peaceful assembly, and petition to the government for a redress of grievances. Article two guarantees the right of citizens to bear arms for the protection of the nation and to defend the laws when called upon to do so by proper authority. Article three protects the people against quartering of soldiers in private homes except by special writ-time law. Article four protects citizens against unreasonable searches and seizures. Article five forbids punishment for crimes without grand jury indictment, protects people against being deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law and against other infringements of liberty. Article six gives the right to a jury trial and article seven guarantees the right of jury trial for civil suits in common law. Article eight protects persons against excessive bail or cruel and unusual punishments. Article nine states that the people are not freed from other obligations not mentioned in the Bill of Rights, while article 10 refers all powers not delegated to the federal government to the states or people.

Kiwanis Shown Travel Pictures

Color pictures entitled, "Rediscovering America" were shown by Lynn Cooley, world traveler and lecturer, at the Kiwanis Luncheon held Wednesday evening, December 10, at the Salem Evangelical Church. The pictures featured outstanding show places of the United States, including Washington, D. C., the great Rocky Mountains, and Yellowstone National Park. Mr. Cooley also showed a new film which is to be shown widely in Michigan in the future. It points out the important features of Michigan, both from a resort standpoint and from an industrial standpoint. Cooley introduced his pictures with a preliminary address on why he was glad to be an American. After traveling in practically all the countries of Europe and Asia, he stated that America stood far above them all.

Call Scouts To Get Your Paper

The Boy and Girl Scout Organizations of Farmington have arranged a new method of collecting old newspapers in the city, commencing Saturday. Any citizen having old newspapers to dispose of is asked to call the nearest Boy or Girl Scout in their vicinity. The Scout in turn will collect the papers and deliver them to the Scout Log Cabin. For the convenience of the public and Mrs. Hulet was in charge of this week's program. He is chairman for the month of December.

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BEST DECORATED HOME WILL WIN PRIZE FROM CLUB

The Farmington Garden Club announces that it will award a prize for the house most attractively decorated for the Christmas season. The contest applies only to decorations outside the house—around the doorway or windows, in the grounds, etc. Arrangements need not be expensive or elaborate; the prize will be given for the house which most reflects the spirit of Christmas. Names of the judges will be announced next week.

WANTED!

"Needed" at once! Twelve sewing machines. This is the first request sent out to Farmington residents in view of the recent outbreak of war. The Red Cross Sewing Unit has been active here for some time, but not until now was there such a demand for workers and equipment. It is imperative that twelve sewing machines be received at once, to be used in Red Cross sewing.

CANDIDATES NAMED IN D.A.R. SCHOOL CONTEST

Election will be held this week determining what Farmington High School girl will be this City's representative in the D.A.R. Good Citizenship Contest, sponsored here by the Three Flag Chapter. The candidates are Irene Evelyn ski, Beatrice Cox, Marjorie Collins, Dorothy Geers, Margaret Haggard, Charlotte King, Margaret Miles and Judy Gates. These girls were selected by a faculty committee, consisting of Miss Damon, Miss Hazelina Miss Johnston and Miss Steele, all members of the faculty, on the basis of dependability, service, leadership and patriotism. Members of the Student class will vote for their representative in home rooms this week.

BANK TO INSTALL NEW CHECKING SYSTEM

Beginning next Monday, December 15, it will be possible for any man or woman to open a checking account at The Farmington State Bank with an initial deposit of any amount, even as little as a dollar. No minimum balance will be required at any time, and there will be no monthly carrying charge regardless of how small the depositor's balance is. Checkbooks are free, with no advance payments of any kind. Only five cents is charged for each check drawn and each item deposited. This is the gist of an interesting announcement just made by H. C. Kniekerbocker, Cashier of the bank, in telling of the plans made by his institution in connection with the installation of a Check-Master department as an addition to its existing checking account facilities.

Police Chief Asks For Another Man On Night Shift

It was decided at the City Commission meeting Wednesday evening, that the Town Hall will be remodeled, and the cost will be divided between the City and the Township. Township Supervisor Ernest V. Blanchard appeared before the Commission, stating that the Township Board had voted to stand one-half of the expense of repairing the Town Hall, up to the amount of \$1,500. He said that Arthur Lamb had met with the Township Board, and gone over with them, an estimate which he had prepared, setting the remodeling cost at approximately \$1,400. This estimate, he said, was acceptable to the Township Board, and they would pay one-half of the cost, under the agreement. Commissioner Griffith, chairman of the building committee, reported and showed an outline to the Commission, which he had prepared. He asked that a better estimate be drawn up by Mr. Lamb, saying he did not feel the original estimate was detailed enough. Upon motion of Otis, however, the commission voted to give the amount of \$750 for repair of the Hall. Griffith and Hulet voted against the motion. The Commission voted unanimously, upon motion of Griffith, to have a final statement from Mr. Lamb, giving the cost, in detail, of the repair work.

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Lezn announce the engagement of their nephew, Robert Carroll Brown, to Phyllis Stewart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Stewart of Plymouth. No date has been set for the wedding.

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FINES TURNED IN

Hulet read a report from Judge Schulte of the Justice Court, in which was given an itemization of the fines covered, and of the expenses in connection with the collections. The report shows a collection of \$29.50 in fines covering violations of the City Traffic Ordinance. The commission asked that Judge Schulte come to their next meeting to explain the fines, and the costs, and just how the fees are established. Hulet reported on the cost of speeding and stop signs now being by the City, awaiting to be installed. Equal road signs and signs be installed at once, and that they be paid for. The Commission voted unanimously to do this. Police Chief Charles Kowalski asked the Commission for more assistance in the night shift. He urged that another man be added to the night shift, to combat the prowler disturbance residents have been complaining of. He also pointed out the need for training in detention messengers. The FBI has asked that a man from Farmington be sent to attend a school or instruction for one week, in civil detention work. Young Men Volunteer Gordon Walker, who was present at the Commission meeting along with several other members of the young Peoples Club, stated that several young men of the Club would gladly volunteer their services for some police work. His offer was gladly accepted by Chief Kowalski.

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