



Around The Block

PART of the Grand River scenery is missing this week, since Detroit Edison took down its electric poles. Wonder where the cables go now.

**RUSTLE OF SPRING**  
It may be only the latter part of January, but Mother Nature apparently hasn't forgotten that spring is just around the corner. Last week a budding tree branch was brought into the office. Strange how good a few buds can look after a spell of cold weather.

**NEW LOCATION**  
The Buffet practically changed its location Tuesday night. It moved on to the stage of the Farmington High School auditorium. Several tables, chairs, a coat rack, and small piano were borrowed to set a night club scene for the Kiwanis Minstrel Show.

**FLAG UNDER A FLAG**  
There'll be no more doubt as to where the Red Cross workers do their sewing and other work. The American Legion Hall is the headquarters, and it is now marked by a Red Cross flag flying beneath the American flag in front of the Hall.

**SPRING HOUSECLEANING?**  
Could be—little early yet—may be not too much so though—anybody has seen that Detroit Edison had all the old birds' nests pulled off the front of its building this week. Poor birds—it was such a convenient spot; there between the pulled-up awning and the wall, but can't count on having a home these days.

**THANK YOU**  
That's what Kiwanis says to all who supported its minstrel show, to those who participated, loaned things, or assisted in any way. Thanks again, and they'll see you next year in the 1943 show.

Mrs. Muether Gives Shower For Cousin

Mrs. Robert Muether was hostess at a shower given Saturday evening in honor of her husband's cousin, Miss Helen Quinlan of Detroit, and her fiancé, James R. Quinlan, who are to be set off for Detroit on February 7.

Eight couples were present from Detroit and Milford. Games were played and guests spent time in guessing what was in the many packages for the bride and groom to be.

Refreshments were served from a candlelit table with white mums forming the centerpiece.

Kiwanis See Navy Films

Farmington's Kiwanis Club took a trip with the U. S. Navy, Wednesday evening at their regular meeting, when Chief Electrician's Mate Simpkins, of the Naval Recruiting Office, addressed them. Simpkins outlined the requirements of navy men, and the training program they take after their enlistment. He pointed out the necessity of all-around machine and mechanics to operate our big battle ships at sea.

Following his brief address, Simpkins showed four reels of film concerning navy activities. One depicted the training of a navy flying cadet and the various requirements of their education program. A day at sea with the U. S. Navy was the subject of another film which pictured the activities of our fleet in action.

George Middlewood was in charge of the program this week.

Novi Rebekah Lodge Installs New Officers

New officers of the Novi chapter of the Rebekah Lodge were installed January 22 by assembly officers of Michigan.

Those assuming new offices were: noble grand, Leah Hammond; vice grand, Irene Staman; recording secretary, Doris Darling; secretary, Cora Goy; treasurer, Belle Walters; high priest, Sigrid Mitchell; musician, Alma Johnson; conductor, Sophie Hiler; warden, Kathryn Bachert; inside guardian, Clara Clark; outside guardian, Lillian Letta; noble grand supporters, Susie Mairs and Ella Curtis; vice grand supporters, Allan Trickey and Mary Ann Atkinson; past noble grand, Elsie Kent.

Three Contests Apparent In Township Primaries

Primary Election Will Be Held On February 16

With Tuesday the last day for filing petitions for office in Farmington Township, it appears that there is going to be a contest for three different nominations on the Republican ticket at the Primary election, February 16. No petitions were filed for Democratic nominations.

Ernest Blanchard, supervisor, is faced with opposition for the first time when a petition for the office of supervisor, was also filed by Harold W. Cox, incumbent treasurer. Mr. Blanchard and Mr. Cox are the only candidates for the Republican nomination for Township supervisor.

Charles H. McCracken filed the only petition for office of Township clerk.

Three petitions were filed for the office of Treasurer. Those filing are Mrs. Ethel Lint, Clayton Giers and William Shaw.

Ward Eagle, incumbent Justice of the Peace, filed for the office of Justice of the Peace.

Others filing petitions include Dyna Button for the Board of Review. Mr. Button is seeking reelection to the Board for a two-year term.

Filing for the position of Constable are William LaForge and Grant Helker. There are four constables provided for, but only two petitions were received.

The primary election on February 16 will select one candidate for each office, to run at the General election in April.

Dietrich Beats Merchants Team

The Farmington Merchants basketball team took a terrific beating from the Harold Dietrich team at the Wayne High School gymnasium Monday evening. The Farmington boys have been having a winning streak for the past several weeks, but Monday night they were badly beaten by a score of 59 to 23.

The game was fairly even in the first quarter with the Dietrich team leading by the eight margin of 13-11, and at the end of the half the Farmington team still had a good chance to keep in the running, but during the last half the Dietrich lads walked away with the game. High scorer was Butler of the Dietrich team, making 21 points.

Playing for Farmington Monday evening were Kraft, DeVriendt, Meas, Oldenburg, Catherman, and Field, Hunt, Barrows, Chapman and Pelt.

On Thursday night the Farmington Merchants are playing a Class A team from Pontiac. This game will be played in the Farmington High School Gymnasium, at 7:30, and the public is cordially invited. There is no admission charge.

It will cost money to win the war. Your government calls on you to help now. Buy defense bonds or stamps today. Buy them every day, if you can. Buy them on a regular basis. Bonds cost as little as \$13.75. Stamps come as low as 10 cents. Defense bonds and stamps can be bought at all banks and postoffices.

Sound Movie Will Show Best Way To Buy, Cook, and Carve Meat

"Meat and Romance," a sound motion picture on how to buy, cook, and carve meat and of its food value, has been secured for a showing here next Wednesday, February 4, at 2:30 p. m. at the Farmington High School auditorium.

It will be sponsored by the home economics department of the high school. It was made as the result of collaboration between authorities in the meat and livestock industries and the United States Bureau of Home Economics in Washington.

Publicity on the movie says "The claim is made that the entire subject of meat, its values and costs according to cuts, the proper methods of its cooking, of its serving and carving, as well as its relative nutritional properties has never been so thoroughly or so convincingly covered in any one presentation."

The picture, partly in color, "tells the story of a young married couple who solve out the problem of meat planning and of making the food dollar go farther. Judicious buying and varying the meat courses of the dinner, all with economy, are highlighted."

The place of meat in the diet of infants and young children also is covered, and women may be interested in the section that explains how to retain their figures without starving themselves. The attention of men is called to the portions that demonstrate proper methods of carving.

LAVERN HAZEN DIES AFTER BRIEF ILLNESS

Funeral services were held Sunday at the Hutton Funeral Home for Lavern Hazen who died at the age of 29 at the St. Joseph Hospital after an illness of only two days. The Rev. William Narbach officiated and burial was in the Walled Lake Cemetery.

LaVern was a member of the Methodist Church and a graduate of the Walled Lake High School with the class of 1941.

Besides his parents, Clyde and Myrtle Cox Hazen, he is survived by two brothers, Gerald E. of Commerce and Leo Robert at home.

Post Office Has New Addition

When Farmington called for its mail Monday morning, a much larger Post Office met their view. Over the weekend the lobby was completely rearranged, and enlarged by about half, until it is now 18 feet by 34 feet.

Approximately 70 boxes have been added, and there is sufficient room for 100 more, when the need arises. A new coat room is installed, and cupboards have been built for filling material and supplies of the Post Office. This was finished on Wednesday.

At the back of the building an addition 27 feet by 28 1/2 feet has given the rural carriers much needed room. With the addition of a new route on January 15, the former quarters would have been much too crowded to handle a cliently. The new addition has a concrete foundation, with a block wall, and fluorescent light has been installed.

The remodeling has been in charge of Arthur Lamb.

YOUNG PEOPLE WILL COLLECT WASTE PAPER

At a meeting of the Young Peoples Club of Farmington, held Monday evening at the home of John Hullett on Shawanawase avenue, members of the Club decided that they would take an active part in the collection of papers, usually burned or thrown out, and use them to help them for use in connection with the National defense effort.

On Sunday morning, members of the Club will make their first collection. It will be impossible to contact every home, but residents who have paper or other waste material they would like to have collected, may call Mrs. Gardner, phone 913, or Mrs. Callah at 239-J.

A member of the Club will be glad to call for your contribution and campaign to have waste material.

NOVI MOTHERS CLUB TO HAVE CAKE WALK

Members of the Mothers Club of Novi will sponsor a cake walk on Saturday afternoon at 2 p. m. at the Novi School auditorium. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Let's get a move on or we may miss the bus.

Fire Damages No. 4 School

Impeded by heavy smoke, Farmington firemen fought a stubborn fire which gutted the Fairview School, located about two miles west of the city, Wednesday evening.

The fire, which was reported about 9:10 by Don Walters, was believed to have started near the corner of the Southwest corner of the building. Due to the heavy smoke which completely filled the building, the firemen had considerable difficulty in locating the center of the fire. It was only after the blaze broke through that the men were able to put the fire under control.

Fire broke through the floor in several places, although the walls and roof were not too badly damaged. Books, which were kept in the school were damaged by the heat of the fire. The school was completely covered by insurance.

Temporary quarters will be set up immediately for the continuance of school until further plans can be made.

Methodist Men's Club See Movies On Fishing

Members of the Methodist Men's Club met Wednesday night, January 21, at the Methodist church for their regular meeting and the monthly fishing trip.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, February 3, at 7:30 p. m. at the Methodist church. All men are invited to attend. The Rev. Howard Busch will be in charge.

Vaudeville Team Entertains Club

Exchange Club members enjoyed an unusual entertainment at their meeting on Wednesday when The Three Loveths, Detroit vaudeville team, appeared here.

Mr. and Mrs. George Loveth entered with a mental telepathy act wherein the latter was blindfolded. Club members whispered the name of a song to Mr. Loveth, and, without any communication with Mrs. Loveth, she played the selection named on the radio.

MANY POSTS YET REMAIN FOR CIVILIAN DEFENSE

Over a hundred residents of Farmington have now registered with the local Civilian Defense Council. There is still time to register if you have not done so.

Registrations are taken at any time during the day at the City Hall, or you may register in the evening by calling Paul Schreiber.

There are still vacancies to be filled in the important posts of air wardens, police, firemen and nurses. If you can qualify for one of these classifications, please register at once.

Cartoon Party Planned For Saturday Afternoon

On Saturday afternoon, beginning at two o'clock, there will be a whole hour of cartoons and comics at the Civic Theatre. Adults, as well as children, are invited to come and sharpen up their wit at this cartoon party—remember, all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.

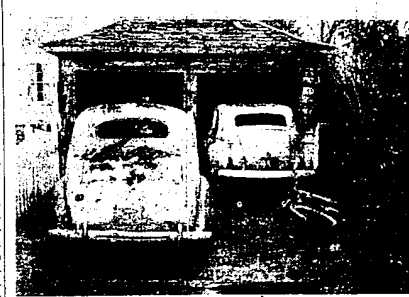
The double feature on Saturday afternoon includes "Arizona Terrors" with Don Barry and "The Great Profile" featuring John Barrymore. Another chapter in the Dick Tracy serial will also be shown.

What some people can do to a fixed-price dinner that includes a full line of mixed relishes is nobody's business.

The real work is done by people you never hear of.

Remodeled and Redecorated Town Hall Will Be Ready For Use Within A Week

Fire Destroys Two Cars



Picture taken following the fire which gutted the Edgar S. Pierce garage at 33925 Oakland avenue. Two cars were destroyed in addition to the garage and fire also cut into the rear partition of the house doing considerable damage.

Men To Star In "Wedding"

On Monday and Tuesday nights, February 9 and 10, at the Farmington High School Auditorium, about 70 prominent local business and professional men will shed all inhibitions and present the popular farce-comedy, "Womanless Wedding." The production is being sponsored by the Guild and the Brotherhood of the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

For two nights, clothes will make the man—a woman. Lipstick, rouge, fetching wigs and streamlined gowns will turn local Tazans into glamorous gals.

The comedy centers around the marriage of a buxom bride and a jittery groom. The gathering of the many and various relatives of these principals affords plenty of opportunity for side-splitting comedy.

Included among the wedding guests are famous radio stars, comedians and prominent figures of the political and social world—all to be impersonated by doctors, lawyers, teachers and business men.

Music will be interwoven with the whole action of the farce, and many jokes will be introduced. Colorful costumes and elaborate makeup will make startling changes in well-known faces and figures.

Miss Faymie Hicks will direct the "Wedding," and is now working with the committees selecting the talent for the show.

Casting meetings will be held this week Wednesday and Friday night, and a general rehearsal on Tuesday night at the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

On the general committee are: Rev. Carl H. Schultz, L. F. Fendt, Mrs. Fred Lenz, Adolph Nacker, Mrs. L. F. Fendt.

Scouts Learn Defense Work

Local Scout leaders and their scouts were given instructions pertaining to civilian defense by Maccomb and Oakland County scout commissioners, John W. Hunt at a meeting held last weekend.

Dr. John S. Lambie, emergency medical director of Oakland County civilian defense committee, notified Hunt that the Scout organizations were placed under his jurisdiction for civilian defense and that casualty status had been set up throughout the county.

Farmington's casualty station has been placed under the leadership of Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner and Boy Scout Troop 46 has been assigned to messenger duty, operating from the casualty station. Scout Scout 45, composed of young men 15 years of age and over, were assigned as first aid helpers, signallers, stretcher teams, fireman and out-door cooking squads, operating from the casualty stations, under the leadership of Dr. Aschenbrenner.

For several weeks the Sea Scouts have been meeting every Wednesday night for training and have progressed to an advanced degree in first aid and signalling.

SOPHIA WESTFALL SERVICES HELD HERE SATURDAY

Funeral services were held from the residence and Salem Evangelical and Reformed Church on Saturday, January 24, for Sophia Westfall, Rev. Carl Schultz officiated, and burial was at Oakwood Cemetery, Farmington.

Mrs. Westfall died last Thursday at her home, 33325 Shawanawase street. She was the daughter of Carl and Anna Staman, and was born in Mecklenburg, Germany, March 10, 1864. She had been in ill health for the past three years, and on January 6, she suffered a stroke and became gravely ill.

Surviving are a daughter, Edna Laing, a daughter-in-law, Bertha Westfall, six grandchildren, Helen Casey, Alice McClelland, Dolly Muirhead, Howard Westfall, Richard and Ivan Cox, and seven great grandchildren. Also surviving are two sisters, Ida Byer of Plymouth, and Mary Schoder, and one brother, Fred Staman of Farmington.

SEA SCOUTS AGAIN APPEAL FOR OLD PAPER

Sea Scouts of Farmington again are appealing to local citizens to save their old newspapers and magazines for the Scout Log Cabin, in order that they may turn them over to the government for the war effort.

Old newspapers are used to pack shells, small ammunition, gun parts and some are used in the manufacture of new explosive bombs. Knowing this, the Sea Scouts feel that Farmington should put forth extra efforts to assist the Government at this time when the need is so great. More and more newspapers are needed by our government and for this purpose the Sea Scouts are on hand every Saturday from 9 a. m. to 12 noon to receive papers in the Log Cabin.

Lincoln Day Banquet Tickets On Sale Here

The annual Lincoln Banquet for Oakland County will be held in Pontiac on Wednesday, February 11. A very fine program has been planned this year with Edgar Guest acting as Toastmaster.

Tickets may be secured locally from Mrs. Kathryn Gardner, phone 913. Anyone from here desiring to go is asked to call Mrs. Gardner.

Kitchen Facilities Installed; Township Offices Completed

The Farmington Town Hall, completely remodeled and redecorated, will be ready for use by the public in about another week. Those who recall the Town Hall before any work was started there, will have a pleasant surprise when they see it again.

The ceiling in the main hall has been lowered 39 inches, and reinforced with steel beams. The Masonic Lodge, at a cost of \$325.00 furnished these beams.

The hall has been made sound and moisture proof by use of Coles block, making the draperies and the kitchen fixtures of fluorescent lights have been installed, giving the hall the benefit of the most modern of lighting systems. The remodeling was done by Darling Electric Company.

The ceiling in the hall has been sanded and refinished.

Draperies Made

New shades have been installed at the windows, and draperies have been made from the old stage curtains. Mrs. Arthur Lamb had charge of making the draperies and was assisted by Mrs. James Lapham, Mrs. H. A. McIntyre, Mrs. B. E. Storms, Mrs. Jack Warner, Mrs. E. A. Fink, Mrs. Julius Kripko, Mrs. Clarence Billings, Mrs. Frank Strye, Mrs. A. Brown and Mrs. George L. Jones.

About five feet was taken off the East end of the hall, and the store-room was utilized to make a kitchen about 12 feet square. A serving window was cut, to allow service from the kitchen directly to the hall, and the kitchen is completely equipped with cupboard, sink and a gas stove, which will be installed soon.

New steps have been put on the Masonic entrance at the South, and new front doors have been added.

Offices formed The stage and adjoining room to the Northwest have been turned into offices, for use by the Township. General offices for the Township will be located on the stage, 17 feet by 27 feet. A tile floor has been laid, and a counter installed. Frank Stutz, Township Justice of the Peace, will have an office and Justice Court in the room just North of the Township office, which formerly was used for storage, and a dressing room when the stage was used.

Twelve tables have been built, which may be used for serving lunches, or for any purpose which might require a long table, and these will be at the hall at all times.

Redecoration throughout has made the Town Hall the answer to the question, so often heard in the past, "Where can we have our meeting?" or "Where can we hold an affair like that?"

JOSEPH PISCOPINK DIES FOLLOWING BRIEF ILLNESS

Funeral services were held at 9:30 Thursday morning, from Our Lady of Sorrows Church for Joseph J. Piscopink, Jr., 18 year old son of Joseph Piscopink of North Farmington. He passed away Monday evening at Mt. Carmel Mercy Hospital in Detroit, following a brief illness. Burial took place at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Surviving, besides his father, are two sisters, Frances and Louise.

Arrangements were by the Thayer Funeral Home.

A healthy and alert man is as good at sixty as he was when he was half the age—and perhaps better.

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