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## Around The Block

THAT CHICKEN . . .
has broken into the news again. We mean, of course, the one that Mrs. Damon has and came from a baby chick from Ernest Ham's, and is fed on Farmington Mills feed. The fourth 5½ ounce egg since May, was laid the 4th of July. In addition to these, there have been two four-ounce eggs, and the chicken lays regularly every other day besides that. She seems to run to special days to lay her extra special eggs on, too, for the first one was laid during the first trial blackout, and this last one was laid on Independence Day. Better watch out on Labor Day, Mrs. Damon.

UNIFORMS . . .
a plenty and then some, have been walking around the streets of Farmington this week, or haven't you noticed? Perhaps an unusually large number of the home town boys in service are home for a bit of a furlough, or something, but it seems that just about every tenth person is in uniform up and down Main Street (Grand River to you) these days.

MADAM . . .
have you registered yet, for medical corps service with the Civilian Defense? If not, please stop in at the City Hall and register. Do it now—today. At least 50 women are needed to complete a group for training as nurses aides, and that number is still above those registered. This is one patriotic way of helping out the war effort.

THANKS . . .
and a lot of it, is due Avis Jamison, City Treasurer, for the fine work she did in registering applicants for excess sugar for canning. So often people take all this for granted without realizing that it is all volunteer work, and it isn't all pleasant work, either. Appreciation is also extended to all those women who acted as registrars. It was a job well done.

HISTORY REPEATS . . .
in the case of Harrison Johnson. Back in 1926 Mr. Johnson was a member of the City Commission, and was Commissioner of Public Works, as he now is, following his election to the vacancy on the Commission, Wednesday night. Back in those days however, the post was known as Commissioner of Streets and Police. Our Police Department today has graduated from the Public Works Department. How times change!

## Captain Estes Addresses Club

Captain Ward Estes brought the program to the Farmington Kiwanis Club at their regular meeting on Wednesday night. Captain Estes gave an interesting talk on Air Cadets, and brought with him two films which were shown. The pictures are "Winning Your Wings" and "The Air Army." They outlined much of the training received by air cadets in the United States Army and illustrated to some degree, the many advantages and phases of this training. Captain Estes was the guest of Leo Glidemeister.

Next week's meeting is to be arranged by Dr. P. W. Ports, who is co-chairman with Mr. Glidemeister for programs during the month of July.

Following the program next week a business meeting of the Board of Directors of the Kiwanis Club will be held. President Al Ross has requested that all directors plan to attend this meeting.

## No Accidents Recorded Over The Fourth

"It was a quiet Fourth, not much doing, but lots of traffic," said Chief of Police Joseph DeVriendt on Wednesday. There were no traffic accidents in Farmington itself, though several were reported in the district near the city.

Residents will testify to the fact that traffic was heavy, for with the Farmington Cut-Off still being closed, all traffic passes directly through Farmington, and Grand River seemed to have more than its share over the weekend. It was almost impossible to cross the street, unless one crossed at the signal light.

**Our fighting men are doing their share. Here at home the least we can do is put 10% of our income in War Bonds for our share in America.**

## Bond Quota Raised For July

### Merchants Continue To Push Campaign

The quota for Farmington City and Township for the sale of Defense Bonds and Stamps during the month of July, has been set at $31,300, which exceeds the June purchases by $700. The cooperation of ever resident in the area is asked, to meet this quota, and go over the top if possible.

Chairman Joseph Himmelspach urged that everything be done to meet this higher demand on the community. When people realize just what their money will do toward bringing the war to a victorious finish, and at the same time the worth-while investment they are making in buying United States Defense Bonds and Stamps, there will be no difficulty in exceeding the quota.

The Oakland County quota has been set at $1,361,000 for July. The quota for the State of Michigan, according to figures released this week, is $48,000,000, for the year ending May 1, 1943.

**Stores Cooperate**

The merchants of Farmington, headed by V. R. Blakeslee, have been pushing United States Defense Bonds and Stamps as "the best buy in the store." July has been named "Retailers for Victory Month," and to launch the drive a number of local merchants sold only defense stamps for 15 minutes on the 1st of July from 12:00 noon until 12:15 p.m. During that time no other commodity was sold.

Other features are being planned for the next couple of weeks to promote the sale of stamps by the merchants. Almost all of the stores now have displays, both on their counter and in the windows, urging you to buy stamps, and setting forth just how much your purchase, regardless of how small it may be, will do for the war effort.

Chairman Blakeslee still has a few kits available to merchants for advertising purposes, and anyone desiring one should call him at Farmington 303.

## ARMY AND NAVY ASK ADDITIONAL BLOOD SUPPLY

Word has come from Detroit Blood Donor headquarters that the quota of 1,380,000 pints of blood requested by the Army and Navy has been raised to 2,000,000 for next year. This means that approximately 60 percent more blood, or about 45,000 more donors, will be required from the Detroit area. Up to May 23 of this year Oakland County had contributed about 2,300 pints of blood, and the fine contribution by Farmington donors is included in this figure. As a very small recognition of their donations, a list of those who gave blood will be published each week until all the donors' names have appeared. If any mistakes are made in the list of names, please notify Mrs. Edgar Pierce.

**Blood Donors**

Mr. Edward Alexander—two donations; Miss Dorothy Allison—one donation; Mrs. Juliette Angell—two donations; Mr. Joseph Atwill—one donation; Mrs. Zae R. AschenBrenner—two donations; Dr. Zae R. AschenBrenner—two donations; Father Fulgence Baker—one donation; Miss Ruth Bacon—one donation; Mr. Clarence Barber—one donation; Mrs. Wanda Barnes—two donations; Mr. Thomas Bateman—one donation; Mr. Max J. Belser—one donation.

Mrs. Faith Belser—one donation; Mr. Almeron Bidwell—two donations; Mr. Leo Bogg—one donation; Mr. John Brandon—one donation; Mrs. Francesca Billing—one donation; Mrs. Ellen Blakely—two donations; Mrs. Margaret Brodley—one donation; Mr. Roland Boyd—one donation; Mrs. Marion Burgess—one donation; Father Leander Blumlein—one donation; Father Berno Buts—one donation; Reverend Howard Busching—one donation; Mrs. Marion Burt—one donation; Mr. Kenneth Burt—one donation; Mr. Alva Bure—one donation; Mrs. Irene Burns—one donation; Miss Betty Billing—one donation.

## Area Air Raid Wardens Listed

The air raid wardens of the City and Township deserve a good deal of credit for the work they have done in organizing a working unit in this community. They have given freely of their time in building up the organization, and have so far done a very good job. This branch is one of the most important units in the entire Civilian Defense Corps, and citizens look to them for all possible aid and advice both now, and in the time of an air raid alarm, should that happen.

Area air raid wardens are listed here, so that everyone may know who their area warden is. Some changes and additional appointments have been made since the wardens were first announced.

Area One. Robert Bowerman, 36218 13 Mile Road, telephone 594-R3. Assistant, Starr Graham, 36650 13 Mile Road. Telephone 594-R2.

Area Two. Francis L. Haggard, 30205 Greenway, telephone 577-J2. Assistant, Edward Hupert, 37908 Orchard Lake Road, telephone 522-J3.

Area Three. Frank Lowrie, Karl Avenue, telephone 1342. Assistants, Guy Durgan, 36130 Grand River, telephone 564-R1; Al Richardson, Karl Avenue, and E. J. Cooley, 21430 Gill Road, telephone 739-J.

Area Four-A. Edward Rawling, 21806 Albion, telephone 746-XJ.

Area Four-B. Thomas J. Brennan, 25340 Orchard Lake Road, telephone 660-J1. Assistants, Joseph DeNies, 31635 Arlington Drive, telephone 589-J1, and William D. Buchanan, 26135 Hollywood Drive, telephone 589-J2.

Area Five. Louis Waack, 21200 Cambridge, telephone 1299, 9031 or 9040. Assistants, Virgil Campbell, 21377 Oxford, telephone 1263; Homer Jones, 21406 Cambridge, telephone 1241 and Leonard Greenville, 21315 Cambridge, telephone 1358-W.

Area Six. Clarence Billing, 21124 Middle Belt, phone 1008-W. Assistants, Charles Rousseau, 21199 Randall and Leon W. Bury, 29219 List.

Area Seven. Charles Layton, 33105 Grand River, phone 99. Assistants, Earl Whitman, 22600 Brookdale, phone 259 and Edgar S. Pierce, 33925 Oakland, phone 146 or 140.

Area Eight. B. E. Storms, 33607 Shiawassee, phone 112. Assistants, Bayard Tupper, 32800 Grand River, phone 20 and C. J. Habermehl, 23914 Grace, phone 779.

Your area air raid warden will be glad to cooperate with you, and will give you all the assistance he can.

## Rental Blanks Have Arrived

Landlords of Farmington who have been waiting to get registration blanks from the City Clerk's office, may get the blanks now, according to Harry Moore, who stated that the blanks arrived from Detroit on Tuesday evening.

All landlords in this vicinity, whether they are renting apartments, homes, or just single rooms, must register. The time for registration has not been extended as yet, and unless an extension is granted, registration blanks must be filed by the 15th of July.

These blanks and any information desired may be obtained at the City Clerk's office in the Municipal Building. The desired information is filled in and the registration is forwarded directly to the Detroit office by the landlord. Securing the blank and sending it in now will avoid any rush to do so at the last minute, and will avoid any confusion.

## CANDIDATES NAMED FOR LEGION OFFICES

Election of officers to direct activities of the Groves-Walker Post of the American Legion, will be held at the meeting of the Post on Thursday, July 9. The meeting starts at 8:00 p.m. and all members are expected out to vote for the officer of their choice.

Nominations were made at a regular meeting of the Post on July 2 and candidates were named as follows: Commander, Walter Gillespie, Frank W. Lowrie and Carl Trapp; Senior Vice Commander, Carson Baldwin; Junior Vice Commander, Leon L. Church; Historian, Clarence Barber, Charles Elkin and William Hogarth; Chaplain, Henry Colebank and Sergeant at Arms, Walden Pryor.

**Emerald Green**

Gem experts recognize five different shades of green in emeralds

## TAG DAY PLANNED TO RAISE FUNDS FOR POLICE UNIT

The Livonia Auxiliary Police are sponsoring a Tag Day on Saturday, July 18, in order to raise funds to purchase an air raid siren and equipment for auxiliary police of the Clarenceville district.

There will be a baseball game at 6:00 o'clock on Saturday, July 18, when the Air Raid Wardens will play the Auxiliary Police on the grounds opposite the High School on Middle Belt road. Following the game an entertainment will be provided by local talent. Tags will be sold on the grounds.

The men and women in this branch of the civilian defense work, have given tirelessly of their time and effort in organizing effective groups to take care of civilians during air raids and emergencies, and it is up to every one else to do his part in supporting these groups, so be on hand, and make your contribution to the Tag Day.

A Civilian Defense Parade was held in Livonia Township on the Fourth of July. The parade travelled all over the Township, and different branches of the Red Cross and the Boy Scouts had made several floats. The parade disbanded at Livonia Center School on Farmington Road and Five Mile Road, where a program was given and refreshments served.

## Pan American Flyer Visits Sister Here

Mr. Roy Keeler, of Pan American Airways, who resides at Coral Gables, Fla., was a Farmington visitor Friday, at the home of his sister, Mrs. Forrest Dickinson of 31205 Farmington Cut-Off. He was accompanied by his wife.

Mr. Keeler has been with Pan American for over ten years and served in the first World War at Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas, and has been flying for over 25 years. He is a Lieutenant in the Naval Reserve, and a member of the American Legion.

## *Women Asked To Register For Defense Medical Unit*

Appealing to the call for women to register for nursing aides under the Civilian Defense Council in Farmington, 24 additional registrations were secured during the past week. This makes the complete registration between 35 and 40, for women to work in the medical corps, but it is still short of the number required before a course of instruction can be started. It is necessary to have at least 50 women before a registered nurse can be secured, and the instruction given.

Dr. Z. R. AschenBrenner, who is head of the medical division, and his chief assistant, Dr. Lee Halsted, have issued the call for additional volunteers, for in the case of an air raid or other emergency, this group would be invaluable.

It is not necessary that volunteers have completed a Red Cross First Aid course before enrolling in this group, for the instruction course will cover completely the information that the nurses aides must have.

Women who will volunteer for this civilian defense unit, are asked to register as soon as possible, preferably this week, with Chief of Police Joseph DeVriendt at the City Hall. Mr. DeVriendt has the registration cards at his office, and it will be much easier if volunteers will register with him, rather than with any of the doctors or Paul Schreiber, who is personnel director. Fingerprints of the medical corps will be taken in a group as soon as the registrations are completed.

## Schools Retain Sports Program

Physical fitness of its citizens is of primary importance to a nation at all times, but it takes on special significance in times of national emergency. To achieve such a goal through a sound program of physical training, including interscholastic athletics, is one function of the school. Such was the unanimous opinion expressed by representatives of schools comprising the South Western Oakland County League in a recent meeting held at Walled Lake, according to O. E. Dunckel, president of the League.

Although continuance of the League schedule during the coming year will depend primarily upon transportation, it was decided to continue the program, if at all possible, as a direct contribution to the war effort.

"However, if it becomes necessary to modify the program because of the national emergency, the schools will gladly cooperate," said Mr. Dunckel.

**Important Program**

During the discussion, it was pointed out that the athletic program plays an important part in the development of boys. It provides wholesome opportunities for the development of physical vigor and desirable habits in health, sanitation, and safety. Of equal importance to boys in later life is the development of self-control, the ability to persist in the face of discouragement, recognition of the value of discipline and the fact that violation of a rule brings a penalty. To be a good athlete, a boy must learn to exercise judgment, think quickly and act decisively. He must be physically fit. Although such characteristics are always important, the present national emergency has given added emphasis to them. The importance of any part of the educational program which contributes to their development should be recognized clearly by school and government authorities and given every possible encouragement.

With the boys of today forming the first line of defense of our country for tomorrow, it was the unanimous opinion of the members of the conference that schools have a particular obligation in preparing young men to discharge such a responsibility of citizenship. It is believed that boys can not receive too much preparation for the task ahead of them. The future of our country depends upon how well schools provide this essential training.

Schools composing the League are Clarkston, Brighton, Milford, Holly, Walled Lake, Keego Harbor, Northville, Redford Union and Farmington.

## BOB RUSSELL ENLISTS FOR NAVAL TRAINING

Robert Bourke Russell, 18 years old, brother of Mrs. Roberta R. Hall of 23701 Wilmarth, Farmington, Michigan, has been enlisted in the U.S. Naval Reserve for flight training.

Russell passed his physical examination and mental tests before the Naval Aviation Cadet Selection Board at Detroit and was administered the oath June 30, 1942. He is now awaiting call to active duty.

As a Naval Aviation Cadet, Russell will leave first for the University of Iowa at Iowa City, Ia. where for three months he will be given intensive physical training and ground school work. He then will be transferred to a Naval Reserve Aviation Base for primary flight training before being sent South to Corpus Christi, Texas, or Pensacola, Florida for advanced training at one of the Navy's huge air stations.

While at Iowa, Russell will be rated as a seaman second class. During his actual flight training he will be classed as an Aviation Cadet. Upon graduation he will receive his Navy Wings and will be commissioned an Ensign in the U.S. Naval Reserve.

## WCTU Executive Board Will Meet Wednesday

A meeting of the Executive Board of the W.C.T.U. will be held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ralph Noble on 9 Mile Road. Luncheon will be served at one o'clock.

## Harrison Johnson Replaces Howard Otis On Commission

### RATIONING BOARD MAY BE SET UP IN FARMINGTON

The registration for sugar for canning was completed in Farmington last week, so far as volunteer workers are concerned. Almost 1,600 applications were made for the additional sugar, and this work was under the direction of Mrs. Avis Jamison, who was assisted by Mrs. Mildred Cook, and a number of volunteer registrars.

Plans are being made now to set up a permanent rationing board in Farmington which would operate as long as there was rationing of any kind, which undoubtedly means for the duration of the war. Some person would be named to head the board, and all work would be under his personal direction. Until this board is established however, ration work is being directed from 19 W. Huron Street, Pontiac, and anyone desiring information or wishing to make application may do so at this address.

## No Convention For Exchange

Indefinite postponement of the 1942 national convention of the National Exchange Club today was announced by the National Secretary, Herold M. Harter, following action by the organization's national board of control.

In whole-hearted response to a directive of Joseph B. Eastman of the Office of Defense Transportation in Washington, Exchange leaders voted to postpone indefinitely the regular annual convention which was scheduled to be held August 30 to September 2, at Cleveland, Ohio.

Increasing limitations upon civilian travel, pending nation-wide gasoline rationing, as well as the possibility of restricted civilian train travel, were given as material reasons for the action by the Exchange national board of control.

As The National Exchange Club and local Exchange Clubs for months have been engaged in their original "War Efforts Program," involving close cooperation with military and civilian leaders on the war and home fronts, postponement of the annual convention will not affect Exchange policies.

"The thousands of Exchangeites now in active service with the Army, the Navy, the Air Forces, the Marines and the Coast Guard, as well as with civilian governmental agencies, are doing their part on the war fronts. We at home are backing them up with effective service on the home front," Mr. Harter said.

"Instead of the 1942 convention, the organization will hold a meeting of its national board of control at a centrally located city, late this year, to determine our program for 1943. Announcement of this meeting will be made at a later date.

"Exchange has devoted its facilities, resources, and personnel in continued patriotic service to the Nation, for the duration. We are going to work hard to help America win this war, and the peace which will follow this war!"

## Legion Auxiliary Will Elect Delegates.

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet Monday evening at eight o'clock.

The 22nd annual national convention will be held August 15 and 16 in Kalamazoo and delegates and alternates will be elected at the meeting Monday evening.

### City Taxes Payable Without Penalty Until September 1

A letter of resignation from Commissioner Howard Otis, was read at the regular meeting of the City Commission, on Wednesday evening of this week. Mr. Otis stated that this action was necessary as a result of his acceptance of work in the Motor Ordnance Unit of the United States Army.

The resignation was accepted, and the Commissioners expressed their appreciation for the fine work Mr. Otis has done as Commissioner of Public Works, and also as Salvage Chairman for the City of Farmington. Much success and good fortune is wished for him in his new appointment.

Harrison Johnson was unanimously chosen to fill the vacancy and he will assume the same position that Mr. Otis held on the Commission.

**Tax Penalty Set**

The City Commission voted to set the rate of penalty on delinquent taxes, so that the City Treasurer may have a guide in collecting the taxes. Taxes which are paid prior to September 1, are without penalty. Taxes paid between the first of September and October 31st are subject to 2 per cent penalty, and after the first of November, 4 per cent will be added. After the first of March delinquent taxes are turned in to the County Treasurer for collection. On the first of August, notification will be sent to all taxpayers who have not yet paid the current tax, which is due and payable the first of July.

Glenn H. Leland, City Auditor, made his annual report at the meeting. The report shows that the City has kept very well within its budget, and finished the year in excellent condition. Delinquent taxes for the past year were only $1,000.06, and during the year the City has cleared the purchase of the Municipal Building, the Town Hall repair has been completed and paid for, and improvements made to roads and bridges, including the bridge on Shiawassee. A complete audit of bonds was made which is the first time the City has had a bond record.

**New Projects**

Among the projects the City has to take care of now is the cleaning and repainting of the water

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**TO THE CITIZENS OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON**

I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the fine support that has always been extended to me in the Civic life of our community.

It has been my privilege to qualify for work in the Motor Ordnance Unit of the United States Army. Therefore, it becomes necessary to offer my resignation from the City Commission. I hope that in my humble way, I have contributed in some small degree to the success of our Community life.

Very truly yours,
Howard Otis.

## Card Party To Be Given At The Rutila Home

An afternoon card party, sponsored by Our Lady of Sorrows Circle Daughters of Isabella, will be held at the home of Mrs. Mary Rutila, 21499 St. Francis, on Wednesday, July 22. Luncheon will be served at 12:30 o'clock.

The ladies in charge of this affair are Mrs. Monette, Mrs. Marx Fisher, Mrs. O'Keef, Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Mary Dault.

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