

Clarenceville News

By Mrs. Mary Rutla

Don't forget the Livonia Township Tag Day on Saturday of this week. A baseball game will be played between the Auxiliary Police and the Air Raid Wardens, and there will be entertainment by local talent. The grounds are opposite the High School on Middle Belt Road, and proceeds will be used to buy an air raid siren for the district.

The Macabees are planning a card party for Thursday, July 23, at their hall, Eight Mile and Grand River, the proceeds from which will be used to paint the outside of the hall.

To celebrate the birthday of Harvey L. Barnes of Ontario, 17 guests visited the Barnes home.

Wednesday, July 8. Among the guests was Mr. Barnes' mother, Private James Lee, is now stationed at Ford Ord, San Jose, California.

The Rolfe Lee family of Independence Avenue have returned with their three young daughters and granddaughter, Beverly Ward, from spending some time on a farm near Howell.

Ernest Klocke has been inducted into the armed forces.

The new Boy Scout Troop is having a card party at the high school on Middle Belt Road, on Friday night, July 17, at 7:30 o'clock. Proceeds will be used for scout equipment.

The Joe Butler family of Ontario spent Sunday at Island Lake. They have finally heard from their son who enlisted in the Navy the first of the year. He is with the Pacific Fleet.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Goetz and daughter, Betty, are vacationing in northern Michigan.

On Thursday, July 23, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. the First Child Health Conference will be held in the Macabees Building, Eight Mile and Grand River.

The committee who is handling the Daughter of Isabella party to be held on July 22, at 2:30 p.m. on Francis Street, on Monday at Mrs. Monette to complete arrangements.

Guy Durgan of Farmington addressed a sector meeting on Thursday of last week at the Macabees Hall. The neighborhood wasn't very well represented and hence another meeting is being called for Thursday, July 23. Let's all attend. This is for everyone in the sector between Inkster and Colwell and Grand River and Independence. Give the air wardens your wholehearted support.

We are sorry to report the resignation of Mrs. Formas, the Citizenship Class instructor. She will be replaced by another teacher, thus keeping the classes going. A number of Detroiters who have heard about the class have attended. Though the class is primarily designed for non-citizens, one gets such excellent individual help and the discussions are so interesting that anyone would profit by attending.

Miss Ann Cottrell of Colwell is entertaining relatives from Detroit at a picnic supper Tuesday evening.

Mrs. H. L. Barnes and children are vacationing this week at Hy Land Lake.

Eileen Holroyd is doing some part time work for the Enterprise.

Betty Brown is on vacation this week from Smith's Store.

A meeting is being called for Tuesday, July 21, at Botsford Inn at 9 p.m. of all sector wardens of the Clarenceville area, for organization of a morale program under the C.C.D.

Quick Dispatch
Two engineers in Russia have devised a tube through which letters are projected at 820 miles an hour.

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vention to draft a new constitution or whether there were certain specific amendments which they desired to propose and recommend to this voters.

"Among the 32 members of this commission, there were only a few having a rural background. Those definitely rural in interest were Clark L. Brody, executive secretary of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, and W. G. Armstrong, master of the Michigan State Grange. Rep. Dudley Rawson of Cass City was also appointed, but, although he happens to be a farmer, he probably was chosen on the commission because he is a majority leader in the House of Representatives."

The commission held its first meeting Jan. 6, 1942. Twelve committees of five members each submitted reports or recommendations on April 7. The final meeting of the commission was on June 23.

Continuing the Farm Bureau statement: "The whole structure of local government in rural areas would probably be drastically re-modeled if the commission had its way. It urges removing from the Constitution all reference to Judges of Peace. It would permit cities to form separate counties. It would empower the legislature to merge, dissolve, or disorganize counties in the more sparsely settled sections of the state."

"It would empower the legislature to organize, consolidate, or dissolve townships. Wide latitude as to optional forms of county government was favored by the commission."

"Elimination of the uniformity clause, which has often stood in the way of attempts to modernize our Michigan tax system, was favored unanimously. The commission favored retention of the 15 mill limitation with amendments to facilitate long-term financing of permanent improvements. It recommended that the time limit in the proviso be increased from five to twenty years and that two-thirds majority in the proviso be reduced to a bare majority of those voting. These changes might be rather drastic and dangerous when coupled with the other recommendations which propose elimination of the property owning qualifications for voting on school bond issues."

"A provision that the legislature be empowered to enact a graduated income tax was approved."

The commission also recommended, says the Farm Bureau spokesman, "a complete shake-up of the Michigan election system."

"Spring election would be abolished entirely, and even school elections would be forced on to the November ballot. Rural spokesmen attempted to explain that this plan does not seem workable in the farming areas. There are several school districts in most rural townships and the situation is further complicated by fractional school districts."

"The annual school meeting seems the ideal time and place for the election of local school officers. Even if these officers were elected in November, there are other items of business which would properly be transacted at a school meeting."

Terms of most elective state and local officers would be doubled. The governor, lieutenant governor, auditor general and state highway commissioner would be elected to serve four-year terms. The governor would appoint the secretary of state, treasurer, and attorney general.

A state board of education would select the state superintendent of public instruction to serve a six-year term. Elective state officials would be chosen at the November elections mid-way between presidential elections in what is known as the "off" years.

Substantial increases in salaries for state officials were recommended. "For instance, the salary of the governor would be raised to not less than \$15,000 annually, instead of \$5,000 a year plus \$5,000 for expenses, and that of the (lieutenant) governor, secretary of state, treasurer, auditor general, attorney general, superintendent of public instruction and state highway commissioner) from \$5,000 to not less than \$10,000 annually."

"The commission also urged raising the pay of state senators and representatives from \$3,000 a day to \$3,000 a year."

Domination of upstate by Detroit is feared by farm interests.

The commission's approval of the proposed reapportionment (which will not appear on the November ballot) is condemned by the Farm Bureau because it would give practical control of both branches of the state legislature to the senators and representatives from Wayne county.

Such is the case as presented by the State Farm Bureau. However, Michigan is no longer a rural state. Voters of the industrial centers possess majority control; Wayne, Kent and Genesee counties alone have controlled many political conventions and tipped the scales on election days.

The cities may determine the rate of home rule for Wayne county and the state constitutional convention at the November showdown.

Victory

dried fruits had been set at March levels of selling—jacket, canner, wholesaler and distributor. But, he said, the Emergency Price Control Act of 1942 prevented him from putting a ceiling on prices growers could charge for produce that had not reached parity. As a consequence, growers were increasing their prices and it would be necessary to add the raises on all along the line. Said Mr. Henderson: "This is inflationary."

Likely to be affected are prices on canned peaches, pears, apricots, applesauce, fruit juices, raisins, dried apples, dried peaches, dried apricots and dried pears.

Warning: the 1942 pack is not yet on the grocers' shelves. The 1941 pack is price fixed at highest March prices.

More cheerful was the Price Administrator's order rolling back manufacturers' prices for men's and boys' tailored clothing. A rather complicated formula is provided, the intent all prices should be restored to the March 1942 level.

Buying Along Together
An indication of how closely the United States economy is knit together may be seen in an announcement from the War Production Board.

For all the United Nations, says the announcement, will be purchased by the Ministry of Food of the United Kingdom. We have lost some of our Chinese and all of our Japanese and Dutch Indian tea sources, which has unsettled the market in India, Ceylon and East Africa. Centralized buying is intended to stabilize the price and provide equitable shares for all Allied countries.

The WPA having found that the cotton textile industry had produced in 1941 more cotton fabrics than ever before, ten and a half billion linear yards, proceeded to take advantage of our enormous capacity for producing cotton. It amended the wool conservation order (M-73) by decreasing the amount of wool available for all-wool fabrics but increased the amount available for cloth when mixed with reworked or reused wool or cotton or rayon.

CIVIC THEATRE ANNOUNCES THE WEEKLY PROGRAM

A feature attraction, "Defense of Moscow" will be shown at the Civic Theatre in addition to their regular billing on Friday and Saturday, July 17 and 18. The film was actually taken under fire, and shows the great City of Moscow under siege. Some of the action includes giant tanks charging enemy lines, Nazi bombers shot down in flames, a Soviet cavalry attack, tank traps and barricades in Moscow streets, and many other thrilling sequences. Walter Winchell said of this film, "Will score a direct hit at every theatre it plays." Everyone will want to see this feature, to keep up to the minute on the war situation.

On the same billing are the two features, "Confirm or Deny" with Don Ameche and Joan Bennett and "Sunset on the Desert" with Roy Rogers.

Sunday, Monday and Tuesday the teen-ster movie of the R.C.A.P. "Captains of the Clouds" will be shown. James Cagney stars in this movie which gives a fine portrayal of the training and the requirements of RCAF fliers. The second picture stars Fred Mac Murray and Marlene Dietrich in "The Lady is Willing."

On Wednesday and Thursday, every lady attending the theatre will receive free, an oven test dish. The two pictures are "Slide Squadron" and "Sing Your Worries Away."

Buy in Farmington!

AT THE REDFORD THEATER



The above scene is taken from Monday of this week. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, the double feature is "The Wolfman" with Claude Rains, Warren William and Ralph Bellamy, and "Sweetheart of the Fleet" with Joan Davis.

FORMER NAVY MEN

Men honorably discharged from the U. S. Navy between July 1, 1932, and December 6, 1941, now may enlist with many higher ratings than those held at time of discharge.

Word of this new Navy policy was received today by Lieut. Byron Flechtner, Officer in Charge of Navy Recruiting for this area. The ruling applies to men less than 50½ years old.

Under the new plan, petty officers, third class, may be advanced to second class; second, to first class, and first class to chief petty officers.

Lieutenant Flechtner pointed out that the offer is particularly attractive to ex-Navy men in view of pay increases under the new pay bill for service men; also because of prospective dependency allowances effective when pending legislation is enacted. Under the new pay scale, chief petty officers get \$125 to \$135 monthly base pay; first class petty officers, \$114 per month; second class, \$95 monthly, and third class, \$78.

The new enlistment plan for ex-Navy men also permits those eligible to obtain the following advanced ratings: seamen, first and second class, to Coxswain, or other, third class petty officer ratings; Mess Attendants, second and third class, to Fireman, first class; Fireman, first class, to Water Tender, second class, and Hospital Apprentices, first and second class, to Pharmacist's Mate, third class.

The Navy is making the offer in an effort to fill a shortage of experienced personnel. Men eligible are asked to visit their nearest Navy Recruiting Station in the YMCA Building, Pontiac, for further information.

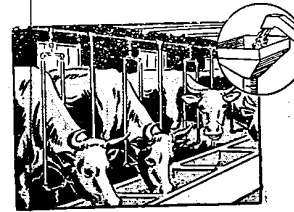
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