

STEP CAREFULLY . . .

has been the rule these last couple of days. Incidentally, have you realized what a big help it is to have your morning newscaster tell you to "watch your step" or some such similar advice. It is sure to know what one may expect for with it so dark in the early morning hours almost anything could happen. This ice has made it awfully bad walking, but there seems to have been a minimum of falls, for everyone has been extra-cautious.

SLIM SEZ . . .

that now the worst of the holiday travel rush is over, it may be possible to do a little better around once in a while, and maybe we'll be able to find a seat on a train again. Seriously, though, your efforts to stay at home as



much as possible during the holiday season have been greatly appreciated by transportation companies. They say that without your help it would have been impossible to give good service and they have been able to maintain, and it meant a lot of service men and women were able to visit with their families during the holidays that otherwise would not have been able to make the trip home. Thanks, you nice people.

THINK TWICE . . .

before you buy something you don't actually need. The Fourth War Loan is due to start the middle of January, and every bond you buy will mean that you are giving our young men and women a better chance to come home, and sooner. Remember - "For Bullets Run, For Bread Later, Buy WAR BONDS."

OUR NEW COP . . .

is already becoming a familiar figure, and part of our community. It's funny or maybe we're only imagining it, but doesn't it seem to you that people are driving just a little more carefully, and definitely within the speed limit, and are giving more attention to where they park their cars? We even find ourselves being better pedestrians. Comes the reformation!

EVERYONE . . .

seems a bit let down after the excitement of the holidays. It's good to get back in the old routine, though, and have a little time for one's friends, get caught up in the correspondence which has not so terribly, and maybe even have time to take in a movie and then, Ah yes, the "simple life"? 7777

DON'T FORGET . . .

the big basketball program up at the High School on Monday night. There will be two good games, and you'll come away feeling that you've never enjoyed such an evening, full of good sportsmanship and fun, for so little. The first game is scheduled to start about 7:30, so be on hand to enjoy the game right from the beginning.

DISTRIBUTION . . .

of the new telephone directories this week was joyfully acclaimed by Farmingtonites, for so many new telephones have been added, and there have been so many changes during the past year that it has been difficult to keep up with it all. Remember to look up that number, rather than call for information - you've no excuse now.

THANK YOU

A letter received this week from Charlie Sullivan carries the following message to his friends and neighbors here in Farmington:

"I'd like to send a few words of gratitude to all the families of loyal friends in Farmington and near by. All your kindnesses and thoughts were greatly appreciated and are remembered in our recent misfortune. You folks were all so well and although words will never express the appreciation you rightfully deserve, I hope in these few short words you can derive my thoughts. I hope the same, but others might feel slighted and rightfully so, so one and all once again, thanks loads, and here's hoping we all see each other again in the not too far distant future.

Respectfully,
Charlie Sullivan"

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Seniors Select Best Girl Citizen

Dorothy Gustafson
Is D.A.R. Candidate

Selected by her senior classmates as the outstanding senior girl citizen, Dorothy Gustafson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gustafson of 23430 Prospect, will represent Farmington High School at the state conference to be held in Kalamazoo in the spring, as the guest of the Three Flags Chapter of the D. A. R.

Dorothy's dependability, service, leadership and patriotism have been noted by the community as well as the school.

During her freshman year, she belonged to the Homecoming Club and the Girl's Athletic Association. In her sophomore year she continued her membership in the C.A.A., played on the girls basketball team, and was president of the Commercial Club.

In her Junior year Dorothy was the class treasurer and also the Camera Club president. She was chairman of the Decoration Committee for the Junior-Senior Reception. Last summer she represented Farmington High School at Wolverine Girls State. Her leadership and patriotic ideals were responsible for this honor.

The seniors elected her vice-president of their class. She also has taken part in several assemblies planned for the students.

Despite all her class activities and participation in various school assemblies, Dorothy has maintained a scholastic average of "A" throughout her four years in high school. She belongs to the St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, in which she is an active member.

In addition to these various interests Dorothy has many hobbies, including drawing, scrap carving, ice skating, skiing, and reading.

Dorothy follows Dorothy Goetz, who was Farmington's first candidate two years ago, and Irene Morris, who was the representative last year.

Transportation to Kalamazoo will be provided by the Three Flags Chapter. Due to the war no pins or medals will be given.

**SINCLAIR COMPANY
WILL ASSIST
FARM PROGRAM**

"The difficulty in finding experienced farm help is not confined to this locality," says Winifred Hartmann, local Sinclair agent.

"The shortage in farm labor is a national problem," he points out, "which is engaging the serious attention of agricultural authorities everywhere."

In an attempt to assist in solving that problem, Mr. Hartmann has joined with the Sinclair Refining Company and other Sinclair agents in a nation-wide Farm Front Fighters program for training help to be useful on the farm.

As the highlight of the program here, Mr. Hartmann announces a Farm Front Fighters meeting at Farmington Town Hall on Friday, January 21, 1944. The feature of the meeting will be a motion picture which shows how one farmer solved the labor shortage on his own farm.

In addition, Mr. Hartmann announces that he is making careful plans to assure dependable delivery of Sinclair products to his farm customers this year, to enable them to keep up with their busy schedule of food production and meet heavy present-day demands.

**HUDSON SHERMAN
PASSES AWAY
AT ST. JOHNS**

Word was received here Monday of the death of Hudson Sherman of St. Johns, Michigan. Mr. Sherman, as a boy, lived on the property now occupied by the Hudson family, Woodhouse residence. He was the brother of Mrs. Phoebe Rogers.

Attending his funeral on Thursday were Mr. and Mrs. Starr Graham and son, Ivan, George Wixom and Mrs. Arthur Lamb, who was a niece of Mr. Sherman.

The Thanks of a Soldier's Wife

Many of Farmington's residents have been delighted with the letters of appreciation they have received this past week from servicemen who were recipients of Christmas boxes distributed by the Red Cross.

One such letter came to Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Nacker, and is more unusual inasmuch as it came from the wife of the soldier who received the box the Nackers packed.

"Dear Mrs. Nacker: My husband received a package for Christmas and your name was in it. It was lovely of you and the other people around there to make up packages for the boys in the service."

"My husband's name is Wilfred Ayotte and he volunteered for the Army the 22nd of October. This is the first Christmas that he's been away from home and it helped a great deal to get such a nice present."

"We have a little boy six months old this month. He has been creeping for about a month and a half and stands up in his crib. Our doctor says he will probably be walking by the time he is nine months old. His name is Donald Alan Ayotte."

"We live in the White Moun-

tains and our home is surrounded by mountains. My husband and I started to build a small house before we were married but as yet it is not finished. It has been very difficult to secure the material. I plan to have work done while he's gone."

"My husband's brother is in the Marines and is somewhere in the South Pacific."

"The Mayor or Company Commander told the fellows at Fort Custer that those that didn't get home for Christmas would get five days after their basic training."

"My husband says it is very cold in Michigan. He says that it is a different cold. It is damper than in New Hampshire."

"I am knitting a sweater for him and am very anxious to finish it, but the baby sure takes up a lot of time, but he is so much company and comfort. I love him and I say with my folks, and will tell Wilfred gets back home."

"Again I say thank you to that it was lovely of you to do that for the boys."

Sincerely,
Irene Ayotte."

It certainly is a warm feeling to know that we have been able to make the holidays a little nicer for soldiers such as these.

Krist Moves Ford Homestead

The Krist Housemoving Company, located on Telegraph Road, started Thursday morning on a job a little different from their usual moving jobs. They are moving the Ford family homestead.

The house where Henry Ford was born on July 30, 1863, to a new site in Greenfield Village. The barn that stood near the house, the little shed where the boy Henry had his workshop and the little windmill that used to pump water for the house, are being moved, along with the house, to Greenfield Village, where they will be preserved down through the years to come.

Up until the present time, the buildings have stood on their original location near the Ford and Greenfield Roads. That was open country at the time they were built, but it is now a part of the City of Dearborn.

The buildings will be moved to a site in Greenfield Village near the workshop of Mr. Henry Ford built his first automobile, and will be grouped in the same setting in which they stood for nearly a century.

**P.T.A. GROUP
WILL DISCUSS
HOME RECREATION**

The Farmington P.T.A. will hold its first meeting of 1944 on Tuesday, January 18, starting at 8:00 p.m. at the High School.

The meeting will be given over to the aid of young people, with parents giving a round table discussion on home recreation. It is believed by the group having charge of this evening program that more home entertainment should be found rather than having young people attend public recreation meeting places. It is a topic of interest to all parents.

Parents throughout the Township are being urged to attend this meeting, as it is their young people of teen age, who do not because of lack of transportation, have the advantage the young people of the city have, to attend school and church affairs. Already too many young people are "bored" their way home on dark highways from social affairs that are held too far from their homes.

It is suggested that parents come with their ideas of hobbies and home interest, and any ideas that will help young people from feeling they must have outside entertainment.

Following the meeting refreshments will be served, giving parents chance to visit with the teachers of their children, and with parents of your children's classmates. The public is cordially invited.

Holiday greetings have been received from Mr. and Mrs. Harry McCracken, from Vancouver, B.C., where the McCrackens are visiting a sister, a brother, and other relatives of Mrs. McCracken. They left on their trip on December 8, 1943, and will remain through January.

Youth Guidance Forum Arranged

Plans have been completed for the open meeting of the Farmington City and Township Youth Guidance Committee to be held next week—Wednesday, January 12, at 8:00 p.m. in the Town Hall.

Mayor Delos Hamlin and Supervisor Ernest Blanchard will talk at this meeting, and delegates have been appointed from practically every church, fraternal organization and school in the area. In addition to these delegates, the general public is expected to attend in large numbers. The present programs for youth guidance through the home, the church and the school, and where improvements can be made, will be the basis of this forum type program.

The Governor's Committee on Youth Guidance in Farmington City and Township has developed this meeting in the hope of correlating the various work done in the community, and to furnish an opportunity for public analysis of both the committee's purposes and actions, and the youth-centered activities existing in our community.

Serving on this committee are Archie Leonard, chairman; M. J. Deiser, Superintendent of Schools; Clarenceville; E. V. Ayres, Superintendent of Schools, Farmington; Frank N. Steele, Township Justice of the Peace; Father Thomas Beahan, Rector of Our Lady of Sorrows Parish; A. Stanley Storer, of First Methodist Church; Mayor Delos Hamlin; Supervisor Ernest V. Blanchard and Mrs. Clyde L. Reed.

Your interest in this meeting, and corresponding interest in the youth of the community, is asked, as well as your presence at this meeting.

New Licenses Now On Sale

Michigan's 1944 automobile license plates which are being issued one to a vehicle are making their appearance on the streets of Farmington this week. They went on sale Monday at the local branch office of the Department of State in the Blakeslee Motor Sales office.

The new plate is made of 26 gauge steel which is slightly lighter than in previous years and was allowed the states by the War Production Board when it was shown that the 1943 plates which had been used through 1943 with a small tab would not last through another licensing year and because of the necessity from a law enforcing standpoint that tags bearing easily read numbers be on all cars.

In a press release, Herman H. Dikman, Secretary of State, calls attention to the fact that the one 1944 plate must be attached to the rear of the car or truck and that no plate, either new or old, is to be displayed at the front. He asks that both old plates be removed and surrendered at the license plate office for scrap and reuse.

MISSIONARIES WILL APPEAR HERE

Two missionaries will be speakers at a special service to be conducted in the Farmington Gospel Assembly, 23608 Warner Avenue, at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday evening, January 13, according to an announcement made by Rev. Orville J. Windell, pastor.



Miss Leeta Mae Hubbard and Miss Florence V. Christie, returned missionaries from Assout, Egypt, will be the guest speakers. These missionaries were connected with the Lillian Trasher orphanage from Egypt during the invasion of the German and Italian armies. They will tell of the trip across the continent of Africa and will describe the orphanage founded by Miss Trasher more than thirty years ago.

The orphanage has grown to such proportions that today it houses orphans and widows, more than 1,000 orphans and widows.

Salvage Committee Plans Two Intensive Collections

Warning Issued Concerning Dogs

Residents are reminded this week by Chief of Police Joseph DeVriendt, that the quarantine on dogs has not been lifted. A great number of dogs have been running at large in the City, creating a considerable nuisance as well as endangering property.

Even though your dog has a license, he must be kept under control at all times, and owners will be held responsible.

Good Sport Comes to Town!

Farmington people will have an opportunity to enjoy a full evening of basketball next Monday evening, January 10, at the High School Gymnasium.

A game between the Selfridge Field Flyers and the Kirin Electric Team will be the main attraction of the evening. The Selfridge Flyers are coached by Coach Lumber and Coal Company yard. Mr. Tupper has requested that if residents find the yard closed, they will please stack their papers at the gate entrance. All paper should be tied into bundles in order that shipments may be made to paper mills more quickly.

"A new use for waste paper which demands the attention of all citizens was revealed by General Salvage Chairman Hunt. Every 250-pound bomb is now encircled with bomb bands made from five pounds of waste paper. A 500-pound bomb requires six pounds of waste paper for bomb bands, and a 1,000-pound bomb needs nine pounds of waste paper for bomb bands. This, plus the fact that tremendous quantities of ammunition are being shipped overseas in waste paper packing, has made the need for waste paper more urgent," said Hunt.

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The Kirin Electric team is composed of High School basketball coaches from the area around Detroit. On this team are Bob Chapman of Farmington, Kraft of Redford Union, Crawford and Kaufmann of Lincoln High School in Van Dyke, Neuman of Highland Park and college players from Normal and Detroit.

This is bound to be a bang-up good game of basketball, with plenty of clever shots and tricky plays.

A preliminary game has been arranged between the Amco Gauge team, Eight Mile and Evergreen, and the Farmington Merchants. On the latter team will be Jack Pauline, Elmer Catherman, Jim Nichols, Jack Bacon, Don McCarty who recently had a try-out with the New York Yankees, Ralph Banfield and Al Walbank.

If the crowd warrants it, it may be possible to arrange games with Port Wayne and the Romulus Air Base.

Cemetery Association Will Elect Officers

The Thirtieth Annual Meeting of the Clarenceville Cemetery Association will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Nacker of Clarenceville at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 11, for the purpose of electing officers and trustees, and transacting all other business that may come before the meeting.

All lot owners are urgently invited to attend.

Ladies Auxiliary Will Meet Monday

The Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion will hold their regular meeting Monday evening, January 10, at the Legion Home. A social hour will follow the meeting. All members are urged to attend.

Exchangeites Install Officers

Farmington Exchangeites held a business evening and newly elected officers were installed at the Club's meeting on Wednesday.

Dan Kincheval has been appointed to act as Sheriff for the current term.

Word has been received that the Dragomer family is now living in Hollywood, California.

Old Paper And Tin Cans Are The Object

The Farmington City and Township Salvage Committee held the meeting held Tuesday evening organized their plans for a quick and intensive salvage collection drive to be held in the next ten days.

Chairman John Hunt announced that on Saturday, January 8, a waste paper collection drive, under the personal supervision of Bayard Tupper, will be held for residents of the City. To neighborhood residents are asked to bring their paper to the Salvage Collection center at the Farmington Lumber and Coal Company yard. Mr. Tupper has requested that if residents find the yard closed, they will please stack their papers at the gate entrance. All paper should be tied into bundles in order that shipments may be made to paper mills more quickly.

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RICHARD TAYLOR INSTALLED AS CLUB PRESIDENT

Claire Brooks, Lieutenant Governor of Kewanee, was present at the Farmington Kewanee Club meeting on Wednesday evening, to install the officers elected to serve during 1944. The ladies were guests of their husbands at the meeting.

Richard H. Taylor was installed as president of the Club, with Harold Hurkett first vice-president, Ken Lennox as second vice-president and James T. Warner as secretary and treasurer. Mr. Taylor spoke of his plans and hopes for the coming year, and it looks like a mighty good year ahead.

Harley Walters was taken into membership of the Club at this meeting. High School Principal Vilas O. Bates and Mrs. Bates were guests.

La. Irwin of the Ford Naval School will speak at next week's meeting. Other events Kewanees are looking forward to include an inter-club meeting with Holly on January 17, and celebration of the birthday of the Michigan District of Kewanees on January 18, at the Statler Hotel, Detroit.

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