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## School Election Is June 12

### Contest Is Foreseen

Election of a member of the school board, and the annual meeting of the electors of School District Number Five will be held on Monday, June 12, at the high school cafeteria. Electors may cast their ballot for school board members at any time between the hours of 10 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Although Dr. G. F. Weaver, the incumbent board member, was the only person to file nominating petitions, he will have some opposition. Mrs. Claude Haskins of Farmington Road also filed nominating petitions, but for the last since all those who signed her petition were not registered voters. She will run as a sticker candidate, however. Mrs. Haskins has served as president of the Parent-Teachers Association for the past two years and is present High School Commissioner.

In order to vote in the school board election, you must either own property within the district, and thus be a taxpayer, or you may qualify if you are the parent of school children, and you must be registered. The last day for registration is Saturday, and those who are qualified may register on that day, at the office of City Clerk Harry Moore, in the Farmington City Hall, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. This is your last opportunity to register for the election on June 12.

In addition to the election of a board member, two propositions relative to the finances of the district will be submitted for the approval of school electors.

The first proposition, which must have a majority of more than one-half, asks the approval to borrow not more than \$10,000 for the purpose of purchasing certain parcels of land which have been designated by the Board of Education in a regular meeting, as being necessary additions to the present school site for the best interests of public education in the district. This proposal also provides for the issuance of bonds to cover the loan.

The second proposition must have a majority of two-thirds of those voting to carry. This proposition, if carried, would increase for one year, 1944 to 1945, the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be levied against property in the School District for all purposes except taxes levied for the payment of interest and principal on obligations incurred prior to December 8, 1932. The increase would be two per cent of the assessed valuation of all property in the district.

The polls for voting on the above propositions, and for the election of one School Board member, will close at 8:00 p.m. at that time the regular annual meeting of the district will be held in the school cafeteria.

## SGT. LaLONDE IS AWARDED THE AIR MEDAL

Staff Sergeant Ernest F. LaLonde, 22, of Route One, Nine Mile Road, Farmington, was awarded the Air Medal by the Army Air Force in Italy, has been awarded the Air Medal "for meritorious achievement in aerial flight while participating in sustained operational activities against the enemy."

The decoration, made between attacks on Nazi installations in Germany and the occupied countries, was presented by Major General Nathan F. Twining, Commanding General of the Fifteenth Army Air Force.

A former truck driver, Sergeant LaLonde enlisted in the Army Air Force April 6, 1942. He received gunnery training at Tyndall Field, Florida, before joining his present unit, a Liberator Bomber Squadron, based at the Tuscon Army Airfield, near Phoenix, Arizona. His work at the Flying Grounds, but mostly he discussed the narcotic situation today, making some rather startling statements, as well as outlining what is being done to control narcotic trade. His talk was very interesting, and was of much interest to all who heard him.

## TRANSFERS



**FLORENCE TAYLOR**  
Private Florence Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Taylor of 2135 Tule Avenue, is another of Farmington's girls now serving in the Women's Army Corps. Florence served for 11 months in the Canadian Women's Army Corps, as a driver, and recently transferred to the American Air Force. She is now stationed in Georgia.

## Last Call For Blood Donors

If you intend to be a blood donor on Monday, June 5, you must register now. You can't put it off any longer, for the unit will be here in just three days. Although registrations have improved somewhat, Farmington is still far short of the quota. Your registration is needed.

Persons in the 18 to 21 years of age bracket may give blood, with the written consent of their parents. Few registrations have been received from this age group so far, despite the fact that a large percentage of potential donors are included in this group.

When a blood donor is rejected because of the new hemoglobin test recently adopted by the American Red Cross, is no proof that at some future time this blood may not be acceptable. Reasons for not passing the test for donors who have given regularly in the past may be due to greater test accuracy or it may be due to a lowered count of the blood. In either case there is nothing about which to be alarmed since the blood count of any individual may fluctuate. The count may be built up easily with proper diet or other recommended care. The introduction of the new system for checking hemoglobin is evidence of the care and concern for the health and protection of the donors which has characterized the Blood Donor service of the Red Cross from its inception more than two years ago.

Transfusion of blood, in the treatment of shock, hemorrhage and burns is one of the most important developments of modern times and the use of it on the battlefields has saved many lives.

You may make an appointment any time between 2:00 and 5:00 p.m. and from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. Register now, without further delay, at the office of Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner, at Edgar Pierce's office, or with the Blue Star Mother in the lobby of the Civic Theatre. The pint of blood that you will give is needed on June 5, and it is needed on the battlefield, too. Only you can fill that need.

Those who wish to see help may call Mr. Ryan at Farmington 73, and he will be able to give them further information.

## Seniors Renew Johnson Plaque

The Class of 1944, Farmington High School, has ended its High School career. All the festivities that accompany graduation are over, even the graduation exercises themselves. Undoubtedly many of the graduates have already tucked their diplomas away.

This class will not be forgotten, however. Not only have they been the initiators of a number of school traditions, but as a parting gift to the school they voted the renewal of the Keith Johnson Plaque. The personality of Keith is still much alive to the students of Farmington High School, for they know him, and attended school with him, but through the renewal of this plaque, Keith's fine record, as a citizen and as a student, will be kept alive, long after those who knew him will have graduated from school.

The balance of the class treasury, approximately \$100.00, has been designated to go toward the purchase of a movie camera, the films to be a part of the school library, available to all classes.

## JUNIOR HIGH HONOR ROLL COMPLETED

The honor roll for students of the Junior High School, at Farmington Public Schools, for the fifth and sixth marking periods, has been released by Principal Vera Dea Craig, as follows:

Seventh Grade: Florence Banfield, Kay Beals, Anna Ferraris, Betty Gerds, Velma Goers, Dorothy Howard, Joan Hunt, Katherine Kluge, Margaret Maas, Dick Martindale, Marion Moats, Evelyn Nichols and Shirley Souderette.

Eighth Grade: Rosed Adkins, Inez English, John Greco, Ed Hier, George Isley, Marjorie Hunt, Rosalee Kemp, Peggy Leblond, Janet Page, Mary Pagenkopf, Joan Peterson, Ann Pierce, Janet Quick, Marilyn Vivier and Marge Young.

## RATES "EXPERT"



**PRIVATE FRANCIS JARVIS**  
Private Francis Jarvis, 21, the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Jarvis, 33709 Grand River, recently made "Expert" on the machine gun, one of the highest scores in his company. Private Jarvis was inducted into the army on January 18, 1944, and is stationed at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

## A Bread Line In Farmington

A bread line of a much different sort formed every day this week down at the Farmington Bakery, for Farmington merchants who usually carry bread found themselves without that most necessary item, due to the strike in Detroit.

Genal Al Ross, proprietor of the bakery, expressed his regrets that he was unable to meet the needs of all of his regular customers. He did his best to see that they received their usual bread supply, but because of new help in the bake shop, and the terrific demand, many regular customers found that they could not purchase any bread when they went to the bakery.

There were the usual instances of some trying to get more than the two loaves, which was the limit one person might buy, but on the whole people seemed willing to cooperate in that every one might have some bread.

The situation seems to be well in hand at the present, and Farmington is grateful to Farmington bakery for their fairness and efforts in supplying the increased demand for bread.

## CANNING CLINIC ARRANGED FOR JUNE 14

A canning clinic, open to all women of this community, is scheduled for Wednesday afternoon, June 14, from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. The clinic is sponsored jointly by Mrs. Arthur J. Redmond, representing the Office of Civil Defense, and the Farmington High School, and will be held in the school cafeteria.

Mrs. Louise Carpenter of the Home Agents Division, will attend, and will be prepared to answer all questions concerning canning. The gauges on pressure cookers will be checked, as a free service, and anyone who wishes to have a gauge checked is asked to bring the complete cooker top to the clinic, and the gauge will be checked.

Many valuable canning hints will be given, and those who attend will undoubtedly derive much benefit from the clinic. Everyone is invited to avail themselves of the opportunity, and attend the clinic.

## Wilma Horton Is M.S.C. Graduate

Six hundred forty-one men and women will be eligible to participate in Michigan State College's third wartime commencement exercises at 3 o'clock, Saturday afternoon, June 10, in the college auditorium. Dr. John A. Hannah, president, announced. They represent 62 Michigan counties and 17 other states.

Wilma Horton, 19502 Angling Road, Farmington, will receive her degree in home economics.

Mr. and Mrs. Sak of Brighton and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Arnold spent the holiday planning at Cass Benton Park.

## Local Salvage Committee Will Sponsor Huge Rally

### A Message For Henry Hatch

This is a message for Henry Hatch, who has been stationed in the Hawaiian Islands, but is believed to have moved on to a new location.

"We have purchased the back lot for you."

Dad and Mom.

### NEW BOARDS ADDED TO HONOR ROLL

The Honor Roll, at the corner of Farmington Road and Grand River, on the Town Hall lawn, is much more complete, following the addition of two boards, and about 200 more names.

There may still be some omissions, for it represents quite a job to keep track of all the names that are turned in, until they can be painted and placed on the board. Please turn in all names to Police Chief Joseph DeVriendt, and if there are any mistakes on the board, you may also notify him of this, and correction will be made as quickly as possible.

The additional boards add much to the appearance of the Board, and make an honor roll which the community may well be proud of.

### KIWANIS CLUB HOST TO DISTRICT GROUP

About one hundred and fifty Kiwanians gathered at the Evangelical Church Wednesday night for a joint meeting of the Holy Spirit and Farmington Clubs. Special guests were Lt. Governor Clare Brooks of Detroit No. One Club, and Joe Alexanian, District Governor, of Lansing, who was the speaker.

The meeting was turned over to Charlie Emerson, president of the Strathmore Club, by President Dick Taylor of the Farmington Club.

Mr. Alexanian talked on "America For Me." He told of how he came to America at the age of 17, at a time when a Turkish uprising was being waged against the Armenians. He had read the American Constitution and heard much about this country. After questioning several acquaintances who assured him that the stories he heard were true, he was firmly convinced that he wanted to come to this country, where wonderful opportunity awaited him.

Mr. Alexanian is a merchant whose business takes him back and forth to his home country. He told of what was wrong with the future of young people in the old countries there, and of the lack of self-governing qualities and ideals. In speaking of Italy, he told of how Mussolini had led the young people there with the false philosophy of Fascism, "Believe, Obey and Fight," and of the ten commandments they keep which breed destruction rather than building constructive living.

He urged Kiwanians to do everything in their power to pass on to American youth what they have gleaned from their experience, and show them why America is so superior.

Named to honorary membership in the Farmington Kiwanis Club was Eddie Alexander, who has contributed greatly to the success of Kiwanis shows, and who has given freely of his time and talent.

### GARDEN CLUB POSTPONES REGULAR MEETING

Because the Blood Bank will be in Farmington on Monday, June 5, the regular meeting of the Farmington Garden Club has been postponed to Monday, June 19, and will be held at the Detroit Garden Center at Belle Isle. Those who desire transportation are asked to call Mrs. Farmer at Farmington 148.

The Garden Club will hold its annual spring card party on Friday, June 9, beginning at 1:30 p.m., in the Farmington Town Hall. For reservations and tickets call Mrs. Elmer Darling at Farmington 1197.

### Salvage Command For Boys And Girls Is Organized

Thursday, June 8, at 8:00 p.m. in the Farmington High School Auditorium, the City and Township Salvage Committee will hold a Salvage Rally. At this gathering the public, including boys and girls, are cordially invited to attend and witness a display of materials made from vitally important salvage. War movies and cartoons will be shown also, together with the "swearing in" of the Divisional Quartermasters of the Farmington Salvage Command.

State officials of the Salvage Section of the War Production Board are also scheduled to be present. No admission charge will be made for the evening's entertainment, and all residents of the city and township are invited to attend.

The Farmington Salvage Committee, anxious to increase its salvage collections and assist in the nationwide efforts to secure more war materials, announces the organization of the Farmington Salvage Command.

This Command is composed of Divisional Quartermasters and Commandos who dedicate themselves to secure more "Salvage for Victory." Under the Commando system, salvage collection centers are set up in various parts of the Township and City of Farmington, in charge of adults, known as divisional quartermasters. The quartermasters accept all types of salvage and for that which can be sold, they pay cash, the market price to either organizations or individuals.

To become a Commando, a boy or girl delivers a quantity of salvage to a collection center and receives cash for the scrap. An application blank is also given the individual to take home and to be signed by his parents. Upon receipt of the properly signed application, the divisional quartermaster issues a combination membership and weight card which is punched showing the weight of salvage delivered. The Commando delivers scrap material to the collection center in his neighborhood.

In addition to the cash paid to the Commando for the salvage, he receives a Commando shirt to wear as soon as he sells 100 pounds of paper to the Farmington Salvage Committee through his collection centers. As a Commando secures 500 pounds of paper, 1,000 pounds of paper, etc., he will be promoted in the ranks to First Class Private, Corporal, etc., and awarded chevrons, free of charge, in addition to cash paid for the salvage delivered to the collection centers.

Citizens of the City and Township are urged to participate in this unique effort to increase the "Salvage for Victory" program by giving and assisting all boys and girls to become Commandos. Additional information regarding the Farmington Salvage Command may be secured by telephoning Farmington 20 or 352.

### MEMORIAL DAY PARADE WAS WELL ATTENDED

The Memorial Day parade was most attractive and colorful this year. The parade was led by a color guard of the Groves-Walker Post, American Legion, who sponsored the parade.

The High School Band, in uniform, and led by drum major, and two assistants followed immediately behind the color guard. They, in turn, were followed by representatives of the Blue Star Mothers of America, and the scouts, including Brownies and Cubs, of both Girl and Boy Scout organizations of Farmington, Clareville and Livonia.

The parade draped at noon, at the High School, marched to the cemetery where brief services were held, and back to the school where the Legion held a memorial to the dead, was held in the auditorium.

It was a very warm day, and for this reason, services were kept as brief as possible. Despite the heat, many spectators turned out to watch the parade.