

# Around The Block

WE HAVE HEARD... of more people - including ourselves - who have not even started their Christmas shopping yet, and the tales of those who have been on several shopping expeditions are not the least bit encouraging. That's why we think the idea of giving a Victory Bond to the members of your family is such an excellent one. There is no other gift that you could possibly purchase which would be more in keeping with the spirit of Christmas.

AND SPEAKING... of gifts, it is also an excellent suggestion for you to look around in the stores right here in Farmington, for you will find a wide selection of lovely gifts - and practical, too. We have heard several people remark that they had never before seen the local stores offer as many lovely gifts as they do this year. A little tour of your own will save you many hours of aimless shopping in more crowded areas, and possibly you'll get some good suggestions, too.

FARMINGTONITES... are going to be busy people, indeed, if they keep up with the times around here. Just think of all the intriguing new showrooms - some of them looking very swanky indeed - that we will have to visit. Carl Hall's showroom looks mighty nice, and Earl Vivier has a lovely showroom, and the new Chevrolet will soon be on display at Blakeslee's - Vic also can sell you a refrigerator, you know. And have you noticed the new Beauty Shop since it has been redecorated? The wallpaper replacing the painted walls makes more difference than we realized it might.

THE WINDOWS... are being gaily decorated for Christmas and Santa Claus is getting ready to bounce down from the North Pole to make all the good little girls and boys happy. We thought we'd better give him



an automobile so he would be sure to get here, just in case there isn't any snow, but it might still be a white Christmas - we hope. Just think how much that would mean to our boys who have been in the South Pacific for the past year or two. Holiday seasons - their dreams would be reality.

"A FINE JOB" is the universal comment one hears in regards to the work of Bill Carpenter. "Bill" has not only been the ideal person to save on the main intersection during the hours that the children are going to add from school, but he has also succeeded in greatly reducing the parking problem and the congestion created by improper parking in the area. It is something we have been needing for a long time, and Bill has proven to be just the man for the job.

THE BOWLING ALLEY... is going right up, as is the new building just east of Grimes Cleaners. One can see the progress from day to day, and it won't be long until these two establishments are thriving businesses in Farmington.

## MOTHERS GROUP WILL HOLD BIRTHDAY PARTY

The Blue Star Mothers will hold their birthday party and blanket drawing at the Maccabee Hall, Clarenceville, on Wednesday, December 15, with luncheon being served at one o'clock. There will also be changes on a crocheted tablecloth. Cards will be played during the afternoon and there will be door prizes as well as table prizes. Everyone is welcome to attend and spend a pleasant afternoon.

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## Trial Is Of Interest Locally

### Former Residents Are Witnesses

Farmington residents have been watching with unusual interest the proceedings in the examination of the witnesses, the examination of Mrs. Minnie Pinkham, wife of Walter E. Pinkham, one of the witnesses, and that Belton visited the Pinkham turkey farm on the night of the murder.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Pinkham are well known to Farmingtonites, for they lived in the DeBary farm at the corner of Ten Mile and Power Road, for many years, and Mr. Pinkham was engaged in the garbage collection service in Farmington for quite some time.

Considerable importance had been attached to the recollections of Mrs. Pinkham in her "little black book" where she kept a record of sales. However, Mrs. Pinkham now says that she burned her record book last Friday evening - the announcement appearing in the courtroom into an uproar.

Several pictures of the couple have appeared in Detroit and Pontiac newspapers.

## BOWLING LEAGUE STANDINGS ARE GIVEN

On November 15, the Farmington Civic Bowling League standings showed the Blakeslee Chevrolet team at the top of the standings, with 25 points. They were followed by Farmington Mills, 766 average, 27 points; Hamilton's Bar, 800 average, 23 points; Waack's Bar, 800 average, 21 points; Farmington State Bank, 812 average, 19 points; Farmington Dairy, 11 points; Oils 'Pole-Cats', 707 average, 11 points; and Conroy's Market, 10 points.

Teams 1, 2, 3 and 4 did not bowl on November 15, and these games will be played off as soon as arrangements can be made between the teams and the House Management.

## VETERANS HELPED THROUGH COUNCILOR

Returning veterans are again reminded that if there is any problem with which they wish assistance, whether it is employment, establishment of claims, or housing difficulties, they should consult the veterans' councilor, Joseph DeVriendt, at the City Hall. The councilor was named to assist veterans, and all matters pertaining to them should be cleared through the councilor. To give an accurate answer to the veterans it will be necessary to refer to the councilor's office, anyway, and therefore it will eliminate much confusion and duplication of effort if the veteran goes directly to the councilor.

All cooperating organizations and groups work under this one office, thus affording the veteran a complete service at one headquarters.

## DETROIT TO GET NON-STOP SERVICE TO BOSTON

Jack A. Tompkins, district manager for American Airlines, announced today that the CAB had recently approved his company's request to operate non-stop schedules directly from Detroit to Boston. This new service will supplement Detroit non-stop service to New York, Chicago, and Buffalo. It is expected that the new service will be put into effect early next year and if Detroit has airport facilities for Douglas C-54 four-motor equipment, non-stop service will operate non-stop over this route to eliminate the necessary stop at New York on the present service.

Mr. and Mrs. James Case, Jr., of Grose Pointe announce the birth of a daughter, Linda Marie.

## Stolen Auto Is Recovered

An automobile belonging to Marshal McKelvey, an employee of the Farmington Post Office, was unlawfully driven away by a Troop of the Boys' Industrial School, Lansing, last Thursday morning, November 22, about 9:30 a.m. McKelvey had parked his car on Grand River Avenue in front of Precise Tool Company, leaving the keys in the car. Troop had stolen a car in Lansing, and abandoned it when it ran out of gasoline, two miles west of Novi. McKelvey's car was easy temptation for him, and he simply got in and drove it off. The automobile was recovered the next day where Troop had abandoned it on Jefferson Avenue, Detroit, after the gasoline pump was exhausted.

Chief of Police Joseph DeVriendt asks residents to please report to him if they see the automobile whenever they park it on the streets. Numerous automobile thefts have been reported throughout the county in recent weeks, and residents can greatly assist in reducing the number of thefts if they will be careful about locking their automobiles.

## JUNIOR COURT WILL HAVE CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Junior Court of the Maccabees of Liberty Temple, High 1027 of Farmington will hold a Christmas party on Thursday, December 13, at the High School Cafeteria. Each boy and girl of the Maccabees is extended a cordial invitation to attend. There will be an exchange of gifts, the gift not to exceed twenty-five cents in price. The party will be held between the hours of 5:00 and 8:00 p.m. A regular meeting of High 1027 will follow the party, beginning at 8:00 p.m. at the cafeteria.

## VETERANS NEEDED FOR RECRUITING

Veterans of World War II today were given an opportunity seldom offered and practically unheard of in the Army. The "plus" of all assignments in the Army is open to discharged veterans who want to enlist for 2 years and can qualify for the job. The recruiting officer for this area stated, "There are a number of vacancies for assignment to Recruiting Duty in the Lower Peninsula. We are particularly interested in securing individuals of a high caliber since we are looking for men who are really good. There is no M.P. Guard duty, or any of the usual Post-housekeeping details which he has to perform. His time after office hours is his to do with as he pleases. Men on this type of duty receive their regular base pay and in addition are paid \$105.00 per month for their room and board."

There are vacancies in Saginaw, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Flint, Ionia, Jackson, St. Joseph, Alpena, Traverse City, Leape, Ann Arbor, Fort Hodge, Bay City, Cadillac, Lansing and Pontiac.

Any veteran who is interested should call at the nearest Army Recruiting Station immediately since the vacancies will be filled on a "first come - first served" basis.

## Pierson P.T.A. Sponsors Bazaar

The Pierson P.T.A. will sponsor a bazaar at the school on Wednesday, December 8, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. You are cordially invited.

There will be many items available for Christmas gifts. Home made pies, cakes and other baked goods will be on sale, and many other items, so be early for the best selection.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Goers attended the Mid-Winter Conference of the American Legion and Auxiliary in Bay City last week end.

## CHRISTMAS PROGRAM IS ANNOUNCED

On Thursday evening, December 20, the Sunday School of the Baptist Church will present the annual Christmas program in the Sanctuary of the Church. This program will feature, particularly, a play entitled "On the Road to Bethlehem." The annual Christmas message will be delivered by the Pastor at the 10:30 a.m. service, December 22. The evening program of that day will feature special Christmas numbers by the choir under the direction of Mr. Donald Scharchburg.

Daily Bible readings for the world-wide Bible reading program from Thanksgiving to Christmas, under the theme of "Marching Orders for the New Day," will be as follows:

Thursday, December 8: Romans 8; Friday, December 9: Matthew 7; Saturday, December 10: Psalm 136; Sunday, December 11: Galatians 6; Monday, December 12: Colossians 3; Tuesday, December 13: Ephesians 4; Wednesday, December 14: Philippians 3.

## MANY SEE REV. GREENMAN ORDAINED

There were 180 people present at Farmington's First Baptist Church Monday evening, December 3 in honor of Rev. D. Greenman who was ordained and commissioned as Missionary to South America. Service was as follows: Prelude, Eleanor Scharchburg; Hymn; Invocation, Prayer, Rev. Edwin C. Gordon, Gaylord Baptist Chapel; Welcome, Rev. Fred B. Fisher, First Baptist, Farmington; Minutes, Madeline Brooks; Minutes, Conservative Baptist Foreign Mission Society; Testimony, Robert D. Greenman; Scripture, Rev. Lloyd E. Young, First Baptist, Northville.

Solo, "I Walked Where Jesus Walked," O'Hara, Mrs. Scharchburg; Charge to Church, Rev. Charles E. Harkenden, Asst. of Springfield Baptist; Charge to Candidate, Rev. Gilbert A. Miles, Lansing Baptist; Litanies; Message, Dr. Elmer W. Palmer, Judson Baptist Church, Chicago; Ordination Prayer, Rev. Alfred M. Engle, Lincoln Park Baptist; Benediction, Rev. Robert D. Greenman, Missionary, South America; Postlude, Mrs. Scharchburg.

## INSURED WORKERS SHOULD CONTACT LOCAL BOARD

Insured workers, 65 years of age or over, who are temporarily unemployed because of strikes or re-conversion in their plants, are urged to immediately contact the nearest office of the Social Security Board. Free consultation will be provided and advice given to "freeze the workers' benefits" at the highest possible rate. Robert G. Misch, manager of the office at 1424 Michigan, Dearborn, advised that unless these workers take such action, their unemployment may reduce their benefit rate.

During the months that insured workers are unemployed or have earned less than \$15.00 in a month, they are eligible to draw old-age benefits, until they began working again. However, old-age benefits payments start only with the first month in which an application is filed. Retroactive benefits are not payable.

## O.E.S. Plans Special Meeting

A special meeting of Farmington Chapter 233, Order of Eastern Star, for the initiation of candidates will be held Tuesday evening, December 18, at 8:00 p.m. Dinner will be served preceding the initiation at 6:30 p.m.

## Legionnaires Attend Conference

Mr. and Mrs. James Nourjian and Mr. and Mrs. Leon L. Church attended the American Legion Mid-Winter Conference in Bay City. Many interesting subjects were discussed, including Child Welfare and Rehabilitation.

## Farm Bureau Is Active

The November meeting of the West Farmington Farm Bureau Discussion Group was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Halsted, with 32 members and friends present.

Ray Howard gave an excellent report of soil conservation, by tractor, as he saw it on a large farm in Livingston County.

The West Farmington Farm Bureau had the honor of having present one of its members, Ward Eagle, who had been chosen a delegate-at-large to the National Farm Bureau Federation Convention at Chicago.

Harry McCracken attended a meeting in Detroit at which the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence Waterway was discussed. He thought that Farm Bureau members might be interested because it is a cheaper means of transportation to the seacoast. This project is being fought by New York State and several large railroads.

During the social part of the meeting Mrs. Floyd Howard led in singing Christmas carols.

The Misses Beatrice and Pauline Miller, friends of Mrs. Wendell Green, entertained the group with piano duets and several piano solos, which were enjoyed immensely. With sandwiches, coffee and pumpkin pie, everyone completed a very enjoyable evening.

## WILL ORGANIZE BASKETBALL TEAM FOR VETERANS

A basketball team composed of veterans of World War II will be formed under the auspices of the Groves-Walker Post of the American Legion. It is announced this week, Carl Goers will be business manager of the team.

All veterans of World War II who are interested in helping in this activity are urged to get in touch with Mr. Goers.

It is planned to schedule a series of games with other teams in this locality.

## HOLIDAY DATES PROMISE VARIED PROGRAM

There are several "dates" Farmington members will want to keep in mind, as outstanding bits of entertainment appear on the immediate horizon.

First of all is the Minister Show to be given this Saturday night, December 8, at the Farmington High School Auditorium. The show is presented by the members of the Bond School Club, and will feature local talent, and outside artists.

And next week on Friday and Saturday, December 14 and 15, Farmington members of the Palmyra Club are sponsoring an exhibit of paintings at the Farmington Town Hall. Tea will be served on Friday afternoon from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Approximately 75 pictures will be entered in the exhibit, and all will be for sale, 20 per cent of the sale price earmarked for the Memorial Home Fund. You will enjoy the exhibit, and you may find just the picture you have been looking for to place in your home, or for a friend.

And who doesn't love the music of Christmas? There will be a Christmas Chorus Festival - a definite "must" on the holiday schedule - at the High School Auditorium on Sunday, December 16, at 7:30 p.m. The old familiar Christmas carols and special music by the choir of the church will be featured.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith of Shiawassee returned from the South last week end.

## Only A Few Days Remain To Contribute To Veterans

### 17TH DISTRICT GROUPS MEET HERE FRIDAY

A dinner meeting of American Legion Posts and Auxiliaries of the 17th District will be held Friday evening at the Methodist Church, Farmington, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Following the dinner the ladies will meet at 8:00 p.m. at the Farmington Town Hall, while the ladies will hold their meeting at the Methodist Church.

## CHARLES STUART NAMED MANAGER OF LUMBER YARD

Charles H. Stuart of Ann Arbor is the new manager of Farmington Lumber and Coal Company, replacing Bayard Tupper, who has been with the company for several years. Mr. Stuart took over his new duties on Monday of this week.

The new manager comes to Farmington from Ann Arbor, where he was with the Wholesale Distributors, a wholesale lumber company, and previous to that time he managed a retail lumber yard for eight years.

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart will contribute to make their home in Ann Arbor, but they hope to be residents of Farmington before long.

## BLUE STAR MOTHERS SET FINE RECORD

At their State Convention, the Blue Star Mothers, Incorporated, voted the purchase of a site for a rehabilitation home for veterans of World Wars I and II. The site for the home is near Lake Orion and consists of 81 acres, with 2,000 feet of lake frontage on Indian Lake, and ten acres of woods. The site already has several buildings and ten acres of cultivated farm land.

Chapter 18 of Farmington made \$225.00 for this project last year. Pledges totaling \$7,000 were made at the Convention to get the project started.

The Blue Star Mothers are justly proud of their hospital record. The 62 chapters that had reports on hospital work, that might be read at the Convention gave \$34,168.05 to veterans' hospitals during the year, in money and needed items.

Besides the cash contribution, the Blue Star Mothers have contributed their services as blood donors, making surgical dressings, canker sores, sewing, knitting and giving their time to other endeavors. They have collected medicines and books for patients, and made cookies and candy, and packed many gift boxes. They have given wheel chairs, canes, plants and flowers and many Christmas boxes to the boys in the hospital.

It is easy to see from the record they have made, and from the plans they have for the future that the Blue Star Mothers is not a war-time organization, but they will continue as an active organization and continue to serve in every way possible.

## LOCAL WOMEN EXHIBIT AT SCARAB CLUB

Mrs. Guy Durgan, Mrs. Lloyd Gullen, Mrs. Frederick Lloyd, Mrs. John Spicer, Mrs. Karl Ritter, Mrs. Frank Zebornick, Mrs. Leo Gamache and Mrs. John Murray are exhibiting pictures in the current showing at the Scarab Club, Detroit Gallery, 217 Farnsworth Avenue.

The showing will continue through December 14, and the galleries will be open daily from 10:00 to 4 p.m. and on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings from 7 to 9 p.m.

## Legion Auxiliary Meets Monday

The American Legion Auxiliary meets December 10, at 8:00 p.m. at the American Legion home on Grand River. All members please be present.

## Gift Boxes Should Be Left At City Hall

Gift boxes for the men and women who have served in the armed forces of our country, and who are now confined to veteran and private hospitals throughout the State of Michigan are being solicited by Groves-Walker Post of the American Legion. These gifts that you donate will bring Christmas joy to many a wounded veteran, making their Christmas merry.

Gift boxes should be wrapped as Christmas gifts, and marked on the outside to show the contents of the package. Gifts which would prove especially welcome are pen and pencil sets, cigarette cases and lighters, billfolds, box cameras, toilet articles, fishing tackle, writing kits, pipes, leather belts, knives, watch straps, bed lamps, tie pin sets, books, tents, ball balls and key cases. Do not include candy, food, liquor, civilian apparel, magazines, puzzles, scrap books or used items.

If you prefer you may pack a box for a girl, and here there are many items which would be welcome. You may include anything that a female hospital patient would enjoy using.

It will be a tremendous task to see that the boxes arrive at the various hospitals in plenty of time for Christmas distribution, and there your contribution is being needed. These boxes are turned in early. Take your gift for a veteran to the City Hall, and place it in the box which is there to receive these contributions, on or before December 10, 1945. This is the deadline for contributing gifts for the veterans.

It is suggested that in order to keep the boxes uniform, each box should cost between three and four dollars.

Let's make this a great Christmas for these veterans. Would you make up a gift box and see that it is delivered to the Police Station in the Municipal Building before next Monday, December 10? Share your Christmas with those who shared their life with us.

## CHURCH WOMEN WILL HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The thirty-third annual meeting of the Detroit Council of Church Women will be held at the Hotel Windsor on Monday, December 10, from 10:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Trinity Methodist Church, Woodward and Duena Vista, Highland Park.

The speaker will be Mrs. Julia Solomon, a native of Persia, who will talk on "The Influence of Modern Iran." She will appear in native costume and display Iranian Art and Industry in her collection of hand-wrought brass, silver and gold jewelry.

Another important feature of the meeting is the annual shower of Christmas gifts for the patients in the tuberculosis hospitals. These gifts are brought in by the Church women and presented to Dr. Field, the hospital chaplain, to be distributed by him at Christmas time.

## ALL PLANS COMPLETED FOR V.F.W. BAZAAR

The Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars have everything in readiness for the bazaar which they will sponsor at Farmington Town Hall on Friday, December 7, beginning at 12 noon, and continuing until 8:00 p.m.

You will find many interesting booths at the bazaar, including such items as quilted pillow cases and towels and many other hand made articles, and there will be baked goods and home canned goods with which to please your family. Refreshments may be purchased at the bazaar, so bring the whole family and visit the V.F.W. Auxiliary bazaar.

## Will Present Nativity Pageant

There will be a Nativity Pageant given by the first, second and third grades of the Pierson School on December 20, at 7:30 sharp for the Pierson P.T.A. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

YOU NEED HIM!  
HE NEEDS YOU!  
BUY WAR BONDS