

THE EGGS... with two most unusual egg stories. Mrs. Mary N. reports that on January 30 one of her hens laid an egg that was really quite an egg. It measured 6 and 7/8 inches in circumference and was 7 1/2 inches long, weighing 1 1/4 pounds. And later this week comes word from Lathrop Hamlet, 5896 Independence, that one of his hens produced twins! Yes, that's right — twin eggs. Could be that the hens have heard something of what Truman has been saying about the country, one of too few in the "land of plenty" and they thought they might do their bit to feed a starving world along with the rest of America.

DELOS HAMLIN... service in ends twenty years in the community with the selling of his grocery business. Farmingtonites need not have their doubts about the continuance of the store, however, for with Abe Johnson stepping in to take over, they are assured of continued service and continuity. Left of luck to you, Abe — and to you, too, Delos. Delos, you know, will soon open his bowling alley.

SEEMS GOOD... to see Mr. Crumstock back in his own barber shop. He is sort of a part of Farmington and it is just as natural for him to be back as chance across the street and see him there, clipping the heads of the town folk. The shop is so new and shiny that it is a pleasure to behold.

MAIL ORDERS... tickets to the opera, "The Belle of Bagdad" which students of Farmington High School are now preparing, will be accepted at the High School beginning on Monday, February 11. Prices are 50c and 60c; so be sure to state your preference when ordering tickets. The difference in price is not adult and children — but the location of the seats. All seats are reserved. The opera will be presented Saturday, February 22 at 8:00 p.m., F.H.S. Auditorium. Make it a date!

VARIETY... may be the price of life, but it's a sure thing that variety describes the weather. We go from a morning when the temperature stands at fifty degrees at seven o'clock, to a regular blizzard by the time it is ended. Just no predicting, what may happen not only from one day to the next, but all within the same day.

P.T.A. Prepares For Activity

The Farmington Parent Teacher Association prepares to swing into action. At their February 7th Banquet to be held on Tuesday evening, February 13, at 8:30 in the High School gymnasium. Mrs. William M. Devoe, president of the Michigan Parent Teacher Association will describe P.T.A. practices and policies in implementing community action. Austin Grant, WWJ news commentator, will act as toastmaster. The president of the Farmington School Board has been invited to present the building plan the Board intends to present to the community.

Since September the P.T.A. has conducted a program of study and evaluation of local practices and policies. Representatives of the organization have been present and participated in the recent School Board meetings when building needs and possible plans have been discussed. The overcrowding in our schools is threatening a breakdown of fine philosophy and practices our school system has maintained. Only through immediate effective community action can our schools hope to do adequate teaching next year.

As the only organization existing whose single purpose is to promote the welfare and betterment of Farmington's school children, the Parent Teacher Association invites all citizens of Farmington to join them in determining what action should be taken and how most effectively to take such action.

The Viking Male Quartette will entertain during the banquet. Mrs. Elliot Tyler as banquet chairman promises a fine meal will be served by the High School Home Economics classes. Vera Fischer, ticket chairman, has announced tickets may be procured from P.T.A. members.

School Board To Meet February 11

Proposed Election To Be Discussed

The Board of Education of the Farmington Township School District will meet Monday, February 11, at the Farmington High School, where it is expected they will take action on the proposed special school election.

At a special meeting held January 21, the Board passed a resolution to submit a proposal to the voters to raise five mills for five years, earmarked for building and site fund for a new high school. Based on this resolution, the voters will also be required to vote on the question of exceeding the 15 mill limitation. The levying of the 5 mill tax for building and site fund, will cause the tax rate in the Farmington Township School District to exceed the 15 mill limitation.

These questions are expected to be discussed by the Board of Education at the Monday night meeting. The mechanism for the proposed election is expected to be set up and also a date set for balloting.

MILITARY BALL SPONSORED BY V.F.W. POST

People are always asking what the news is — and if you should ask that of a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post, they will promptly tell you about the George Washington Military Ball.

The local post is sponsoring the ball, to be held Friday evening, February 22, at the Farmington High School Auditorium. The dance will be semi-formal, and all ages are invited to attend. The door is strictly urged to get the uniform out of the moth balls, and wear it that night.

Tickets are now on sale and may be purchased from any veteran. James Tolman is chairman of the dance, having made arrangements for tickets, advertising and music. Other committee chairmen are Fred Menke, Jr., refreshments; Leroy Pulcher, invitations and complimentary tickets; Bill Brennan and John Schreiber, distribution of posters, and Harry Kutschke, making of posters. Bill Carpenter, quartermaster, is finance chairman.

Let's all go and show our veterans that we are still with them. Not only does the Military Ball mark the anniversary of the birth of the father of our country, but it is also an anniversary for the V.F.W. post. It was just a year ago that Farmington organized a Post. Many of the members who joined at that time are still veterans, but they're back to celebrate this first anniversary by attending the ball.

Dorothy Goers, Farmington senior at Michigan State college, is one of 112 education students who are practice teaching in Lansing and outlying schools during winter quarter.

Celebrate Golden Anniversary



MR. AND MRS. SAMUEL BILLING

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Billing of 21130 Middlebelt Road, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary on February 11. Mr. and Mrs. Billing have made their home here for many years, and are known and liked throughout the community.

They have two children, Clarence Billing of Middlebelt, and Mrs. Albert Beaver of Grease Point Woods. They also have twelve grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Relatives and friends will gather on Saturday, February 9, at the home of Mrs. Beaver, honoring the Billings on this occasion.

Honored At Memorial Service



LT. DON COOLMAN

SGT. DEAN COOLMAN

Memorial services for Lt. Don Coolman and Sgt. Dean Coolman, the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Coolman, 20418 Shadydale, will be held on Sunday afternoon, February 10, at 2:30 p.m. at the Farmington Methodist Church. The American Legion will attend in a body, and all friends are welcome.

Lt. Don Coolman was killed in a plane crash in Italy over a year ago, while Sgt. Dean Coolman was lost over Germany, his death only recently confirmed by the War Department.

A tribute to his brother, as well as his own feeling, was beautifully expressed in the last letter Dean wrote his parents. It read, in part:

"Today is Christmas day and the bluest one I've ever had to face. I received the word of the death of Don from the Chaplain last night after Church services. Folks, I don't know what to say, there just doesn't seem to be words to express the feeling I hold in my heart. Don was as close to me as any brother could be. He was all I ever wanted to be and no

TOWNSHIP TAXES NOW DUE AND PAYABLE

Township Treasurer Clayton Goers reports that approximately 67 percent of the tax money has already been collected. Mr. Goers is in his office at the Farmington Town Hall daily from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Saturday until 12:00 noon, for the purpose of collecting taxes. Last day for payment without penalty is February 28.

He has announced that he will also be open on Friday evening from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. for the convenience of Township residents.

Township dog licenses are also due and payable, and may be obtained from Mr. Goers.

Golden Rule Circle To Have Luncheon

The Golden Rule Circle of the W.S.O.C. will meet at the home of Mrs. Margaret Kahl, 33516 State Street, on Thursday, February 14. Mrs. Grace Adams will assist.

Luncheon will be served at one o'clock.

CL 2 Scouts Are Honored

Clarenceville residents are indeed proud of one of their Boy Scout Troops, known as CL 2, and the part this troop will play in the observance of National Boy Scout Week, February 8 through 14, in the Detroit area.

Three troops were selected from all of the Detroit area, to represent and occupy a Boy Scout camp site in front of the Detroit City Hall over the weekend, and as a part of the anniversary observance. One of these troops is from Detroit, one from Canada and the third is CL 2, under the leadership of Axel Rutledge.

The entire community feels proud to think that one of their Scout Troops was considered outstanding to be selected for this honor. This troop has been particularly active, engaging in all regular and many additional Scouting activities.

Farmington Troop 45 and Bond Troop 48 have completed their arrangements for observance of National Boy Scout Week. Also these two troops, under the leadership of Thomas Schenkert and Ralph Allen, plan to build a camp site in front of the log cabin on the Town Hall Park. The site will be established immediately after school on Tuesday, February 15. The Scouts then plan to form a parade, and led by a drum and bugle corps, they will parade about Farmington, returning to the camp to raise the colors, and hold brief ceremonies before breaking up camp.

You can participate in National Boy Scout Week by visiting the camp at the Detroit City Hall where you will find members of Boy Scout Troop CL 2, or if this is not possible, observe the local Scouts as they make their camp on the Town Hall Park, and then watch the parade.

Boy Scout Week is our opportunity to pay tribute to the Boy Scouts of America, and to the men who have given so generously of their time and talents to train and direct our boys who will be the leaders of our community tomorrow.

Among the 3,741 students enrolled in the day divisions of Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri, this semester is Sam Erik, Jr., 21525 Jackson Street, Farmington, Mich., a junior in the School of Dentistry.

Although his twenty years of

FAMILY NEEDS MORE ITEMS OF FURNITURE

"Charity begins at home" is an oft-repeated motto — and a good one in many ways.

We've just finished a most successful Victory Clothing Drive, but right here within our city we have one family who could certainly do with a helping hand. It is the family of Wilson Dowd, who lost all their clothing and belongings in a fire last week.

To be sure several people have come to their aid, and considerable clothing was directed to them. However, beds, springs and mattresses are still badly needed. A kitchen table and four chairs, and miscellaneous furniture items have been offered to help refurnish the home.

If you have anything that might be useful, please call the Police Department and they will make arrangements to call for what you have.

Lt. Oldham Receives Award

Lt. Raymond B. Oldham of 33614 Grand River Ave., Farmington, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Oldham, has been awarded the Bronze Star, according to an announcement by Lt. General A. C. Wedemeyer, Commanding General of the United States Forces, China Theater. The citation issued in conjunction with this award reads as follows: "Lt. Raymond B. Oldham, Cavalry, Army, United States, is awarded the Bronze Star Medal for meritorious service during the period 16 April 1945 to 14 September 1945.

In his capacity as Assistant G-4, Eastern Command, Chinese Communist Forces, Provisional, Lt. Oldham played a major part in the evacuation of Eastern Command Headquarters from Shawan to Chengchi, and in transporting ammunition from Anking to Tungkuo. He assumed responsibility for beyond the call of duty and displayed exceptional initiative in making available means of transportation unusable to military movements. After accompanying the supplies to Tungkuo, he offered his services in assisting the evacuation of the command. He returned to the trip and worked exceptionally long hours, with commendable results as long as the situation required. Later Lt. Oldham was assigned as Assistant G-4, Combat Liaison Team, 18th Army with the primary duty of supplying subordinate units in the field. He was again required to make unusual arrangements for transporting necessary supplies over long distances and in order to assure satisfactory distribution, he volunteered to deliver and his mission was completed. Lt. Oldham's exemplary service and unwavering attention to duty, reflect great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States.

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Parents Announce Daughter's Marriage

Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Gustafson of 2323 Prospect announce the marriage of their daughter, Marian, to James Joy son of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Joy of 30733 Grand River Avenue. Mr. and Mrs. Joy were married November 2, 1945.

Add To Post Office Staff

You are seeing a new face around the Farmington Post Office these days. At least it is different to see him there, though he may not be new to you at all — and he most certainly is not new to a post office.

"The face" is Clifford Desmarreux, a former postal clerk at the local Post Office. There has been a vacancy at the Post Office for some time, filled only by an auxiliary, Mr. Desmarreux learned of this vacancy and applied for a transfer here. The transfer was granted and Mr. Desmarreux started work on February 1.

Although his twenty years of

Victory Clothing Drive Over Double The Quota

James Everhart Joins Regular Army

James E. Everhart, Farmington, Michigan, has enlisted in the Regular Army for a period of 18 months, according to Cpl. R. L. McCormick, Farmington Recruiting Officer.

Anyone desiring information on Regular Army enlistment is urged to contact Cpl. McCormick, at the Farmington Recruiting Office in the Municipal Building. The office is open Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Dates Set For Tournament

Farmington High School has been selected again as the location for the 1946 District Basketball Tournament, to be held March 7, 8th and 9th, according to the Michigan High School Athletic Association.

Class B and Class C teams of District 21 participating in this year's tournament include:

Class D: Farmington High School; Detroit - Redford Union High School; Milford High School; Plymouth High School; Walled Lake High School.

Class C: Farmington - Clarenceville High School; Keego Harbor High School; Orchard Lake - St. Mary High School; Inkster High School; Birmingham - Big Beaver High School.

The schedule will be announced as soon as available.

F.H.S. Beats Northville

By Bill Conroy

Junior Nichols' free throw and Bob Werts' field goal in the 3-minute overtime of the Junior Varsity game turned out to be the winning margin in the Young Falcons' tilt with Northville as the F.H.S. lads clipped Northville 22-23 in the most exciting game of the season.

Farmington held a one point margin at half time and a 13-15 lead at the end of the third period, but, as they went into the final minutes, the Young Falcons were unable to stop the Northville Five, who tied the score at 20-20 when the buzzer sounded. Farmington's field goal and free throw in the overtime was just one point too much for the Northville lads, while the Junior Varsity marked up their tenth victory of the season.

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Farmington will meet Clarenceville Friday, February 9, on their home floor.

Mrs. Alma Hegle entertained at the Elly family dinner Sunday.

REVENUE MAN WILL SPEND TWO DAYS HERE

A representative of the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue will be in Farmington at the Municipal Building next week Thursday and Friday, February 14 and 15, between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of answering any question you might have regarding the filing of income tax returns for the year 1945.

There will also be a representative at the Elly's Garage, Walled Lake, on February 18 and at Southfield Township Hall, 10 1/2 Mile and Berg Road on February 21.

He will be glad to assist you in any problem you might have.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Brown and son, David, of Detroit spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Auten.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis White and daughters, Sharon and Janice, of Webster, Mo., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lamb.

Sixth Graders Commended For Fine Effort

Farmington residents gave their complete support to the Victory Clothing Collection, according to the report of Byron Oliver, chairman of the drive.

Mr. Oliver said that so far 3100 pounds of clothing had been collected here, although the quota was only 1500 pounds. There is still more clothing to be taken to the center in Detroit, and people continue to leave clothing at the Post Office, although the drive officially closed January 31.

Following the suggestion that was proffered by those in charge of the drive, many letters were written and enclosed with the bundle of clothing. These letters will be sent along with the clothing and whoever receives the package, will also receive the letter from the donor. Most of the school children wrote letters, although many were written by adults, too.

The students of the sixth grade at Farmington took charge of the collection in the elementary grades, and according to Mr. Oliver, they did a splendid job. A large quantity of sorppable, warm clothing was collected by these students. It will be a great lift to the spirits of the children of the war-torn countries who will receive this clothing to know that here in America the children put forth such effort to see that they had something to wear.

Two trucks of the City of Farmington were loaded with the clothing, and it was all delivered to the main collection depot in Detroit. There will be no time lost in transporting this clothing for the need is urgent.

Mr. Oliver wished to thank everyone for the splendid cooperation and warm response to the Victory Clothing Drive.

Store Changes Ownership

Abe L. Johnson, former manager of the Farmington Kroger store, took over the operation of Hamlin's Market this week, after purchasing the store from Delos Hamlin.

Johnson has been manager of the Farmington Kroger store for 19 years. He aided materially in its development from the original store located where Mac's is to \$110 store now stands, to the present superstore.

Delos Hamlin expects to open his new bowling alley on Grand River and Brookdale in the near future.

"I want to express my sincere appreciation for the fine cooperation everyone has given me," Hamlin stated. "Your loyalty and understanding has made it a real pleasure to serve you." Hamlin has owned and managed Hamlin's market for 20 years.

According to Johnson his new store will have the same feature as the same high quality foods and service that has made it one of the outstanding business establishments in Farmington.