

## WEST POINT PARK

By MISS L. A. AULT

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Addis and their youngest daughter, Mrs. Arthur Block, a recent bride, left Friday evening for North Carolina, where Mrs. Block's husband, Private Block, is just now stationed. The Addis and their daughter will return home after a few days' visit with the young soldier.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Sidelinker were visiting with relatives in Flint two days of last week.

Rev. John Mason of London, O., spent the last week with relatives in this vicinity and called upon a number of West Point Park friends.

Mrs. John Oman and daughter, Ruth Ann, who reside in Toledo, are spending a few days with West Point Park relatives and attending a birthday celebration Sunday in honor of Mrs. Oman's father, Austin Ault, of Irving Avenue.

Miss Dale Coolman is recovering from a badly sprained ankle

has been visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Voorhees, on Shady-side Ave., will be leaving for a separation center the first of next week.

Mrs. Russell Ault and her daughter, Dolores, spent Saturday in downtown Detroit.

Washboard roads are giving taxpayers of this community much concern and all demand that repairs be made promptly. One man had finally delivered to him last week a handsome Nash car, ordered some time ago, but was forced, because of road conditions, to park yards away from home.

Mrs. Edwice Johnson and children, from over on Clarita, were calling around in the Folker subdivision Saturday.

Shoppers in Detroit Saturday included Mrs. Austin Ault, Miss Lora Ault and the Misses Phyllis and Heide Ruth Ault.

A large group of High School age young people from this community attended the basketball game at Northville Friday evening.

Rev. J. H. Mason, Methodist evangelist from near Columbus, O., spoke to the Prayer Bible Study group of the Neighborhood Church last Thursday evening. His address proved helpful and inspiring.

The Prayer Bible Study group is planning to conduct a "stingus school" evening soon when they may have opportunity for practicing good hymns with which they are not sufficiently familiar to use at services.

A "Questions and Answer" program was in order at the Vesper Meeting in the Neighborhood Church Sunday evening. Questions were on topics relating to a Christian's conduct, with Bible references supplying the answer.

There will be another informal service next Sunday at 7 p.m.

Henry Wadsworth Longfellow was honored during the Sunbeam session at the regular meeting of the Sunshine Sisters held in the Neighborhood Church last Wednesday February 27, which happened to be the poet's birthday. Mrs. Cecil Willets read a short biography of the poet and Mrs. Joseph Sidelinker recited his best poem entitled "The Turnip," adding the story of its composition.

Under a Spreading Chestnut Tree, "The Children's Hour" and others also came in for attention. The afternoon proved most entertaining.

Sunshine Sisters will meet again March 13th. A special program is planned for that occasion.

# Open Letter to the Farmington District School Board

Gentlemen:

Your decision supposedly arrived at at your Special Meeting, Feb. 26th, concerning a refusal to renew School Superintendent Ayres' contract is causing great concern among all citizens, children and teachers. Your refusal to conduct this meeting in the presence of interested taxpayers has left the Board's integrity and intent open to speculation. Such speculation is particularly self-evident in view of the Board's refusal to state any reason for its action. Are not the citizens entitled to an answer to the following questions?

**WHY** is our School Board or certain of its members anxious to remove Mr. Ayres as Superintendent?

**WHY** must action be taken behind closed doors?

**WHY** has not Mr. Ayres personally been informed as to the reasons involved?

**WHY** was Mr. Ayres informed of the Board's action before such action was taken?

**WHY** was it so urgent that a Special Board Meeting was required to take this action when the regular Board meeting was only two weeks away?

*(Could it be possible that some Board Member exceeded his authority?)*

In the interest of all the citizens of this district, this page has been reserved for the next week's issue and paid for so that the Board shall have ample room to reply to the above questions.

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### Farmington SPORTSMEN

"Field Commander of Ingersoll", English Springer Spaniel owned by L. Ingersoll Bowler of 28361 Schroeder, placed as "Best of Breed" in Third Sporting Group at the Detroit Kennel Club Show on March 2 and 3. The dog was awarded four ribbon honors at the show, which was visited by many Farmington residents over the week end.

In the Farmington Bowling League, the Otis Polcats and Waack's Bar are in first place this week with 21 points each, and they are followed by Farmington Mills, 17 points; Black's Chevrolet, 13 points; Farmington State Bank, 13 points; Conroy's Market, 9 points; Farmington Dairy, 9 points and Hamilton's Market, 9 points.

On the honor roll for this week are Schweizer, bowling 224; Taggart, bowling 215; Ted Smith, bowling 211 and Labadie, bowling 200.

The Farmington Mixed Bowling Association reports standings of the week as follows:  
Team 6, 15 points; Team 1, 15 points; Team 4, 14 points; Team 3, 12 points; Team 5, 12 points; Team 2, 11 points.

The Michigan State Conservation Department reports that in Oakland County most foxes were bountied during 1945, where \$1,647.50 was paid in \$2.50 bounties for 659 animals. This release should bring joy to the local fox hunters who are really enthusiastic about the sport.

A 70 per cent increase in fox bounty payments made by counties last year is reported by the conservation department. Thirty-six counties paid \$39,870 in bounties on 11,083 foxes last year; 27 counties paid \$23,500 for 6,981 foxes in 1944. Bounty payments ranged from \$2.00 to \$5.00. St. Joseph County reducing its top level \$10 bounty to \$5.00 during the year.

Monteclair County, which reduced its bounty from \$5.00 to \$3.00 during 1945, paid out the biggest total, \$2,729 for 553 foxes.

**Sandwich Filling**  
Honey and peanut butter when used as a sandwich filling is best mixed just before using and before it hardens.