Around The Block

THE WINDS DID BLOW . . .
always sounds like a regular blizzard in mid-winter, and while it surely was nothing kindred to that, folks did welcome a coat early this week, when the temperature went down so suddenly. Seems like we have had very few warm days in August. It's a sure thing, though that the countenance on our farmers is decidedly more cheerful since we've had a little rain. At least it isn't as dry as it was and the future looks brighter.

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NOT BEING AN ALARMIST . . .
or trying to "throw a scare" but it does seem to us that the sensible place for children these days is right at home. Polio is a very serious matter, and no one would knowingly run the risk of having his family placed in a position where they would be more likely to contract the disease. That's why it is just good common sense to keep the youngsters away from crowds and public places, and let them stay in their own back yards, so to speak.

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JUST A REMINDER . . .
that letters to the editor must be signed. We received one such communication this week, but it did not bear the signature of the writer, and therefore we cap not use it. It is not necessary that the name appear in the paper, but it is necessary that the letter be signed with the writer's name. We can't publish them if they are not signed.

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STRAY DOGS . . .
are becoming downright abundant. I'm sure I don't know what possesses people to just drop off their animals at most any spot where they think no one will see them, and leave them to look after themselves. It's impossible to take them all in, but perhaps you could manage to take them to the Anti-Cruelty Association on Joseph Campau in Detroit. There they will make every effort to find them a home and they are really doing a wonderful piece of work.

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OPEN AGAIN . . .
is Botkin's Inn - - or at least what was Botkin's Inn, for it is now Black's White House, formerly located in South Lyon. They're serving luncheons and dinners, family style, daily and Sunday. Why not stop in the next time you feel like taking the family out for dinner, and don't feel as though you wish to drive very far.

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MOST INTERESTING . . .
is the class in flower arrangement, and demonstrations of making clever little animals from vegetables and flowers, arranged by the Farmington Garden Club. Mrs. Ernest Knobloch of Detroit, who has done such splendid work at Children's Museum, will teach the class to be held on Thursday, September 5th at 1:30 p.m. in the High School Gymnasium. All children of the community, and their mothers, will find this a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

Local Schools To Open Sept. 10

According to Superintendent O. E. Dunckel, schools in the Farmington Township School District will officially open Tuesday, September 10.

An increase of approximately 100 pupils is expected over last year. A total of 1,565 are expected to enroll in the Farmington Schools for the coming year. According to Dunckel this figure is based on last year's promotion list plus kindergarten pupils who will start to school this year. Dunckel pointed out that this was only an estimate and that exact figures can not be determined until actual enrollment is made.

Based on this estimate, approximately 158 pupils are expected to start kindergarten this year. Through the first six grades: Farmington elementary 405 pupils; Bond, 163; Noble, 119; William Grace, 76; for a total of 921 in the elementary school. Approximately 644 are expected in the High school.

All students will attend the same school as they did last year. In cases of change parents will be notified by letter.

On Thursday, August 29 at 7:30 a meeting of parents of kindergarten children will be held in the high school auditorium. Miss Minnie Zielke, elementary principal, will acquaint parents with enrollment and answer any questions they may have. Dunckel pointed out that students may start kindergarten whose fifth birthday falls on or before the first day of the second semester, January 27.

School enrollment days will be Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 4, 5 and 6. All students must enroll at the principals office during this period regardless of whether or not they have made out class schedules previously.

A general teacher's meeting will be held Monday, September 9. Superintendent Dunckel will have charge of the morning program in the afternoon Mr. G. V. Harrison, high school principal and Miss Minnie Zielke, elementary principal will take over their respective group of teachers.

According to Dunckel a full staff of teachers will be on hand for the opening of school.

CALENDAR

Sept. 9—General Teachers Meeting.
Sept. 10—School Sessions Begin.
Oct. 10-11—Teachers' Institute.
Nov. 21-22—Thanksgiving Recess.
Dec. 22-Jan. 1—Christmas Vacation.
Jan. 2—School Resumes.
Jan. 24—First Semester Ends.
Jan. 27—Second Semester. Begins.
Mar. 30-Apr. 6—Spring Vacation.
Apr. 7—School Resumes.
May 30—Memorial Day Recess.
June 8—Baccalaureate.
June 12—Commencement.
June 13—Second Semester Ends.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Schroeder have moved from Grand River into their new home on Colgate.

VOTERS MUST RE-REGISTER FOR FALL ELECTION

Every legal voter in the City of Farmington must re-register in order to vote in the November 5 election. This re-registration of voters is made necessary by action of the State Legislature at the last session. In order to place Michigan under a uniform system of registration, the Legislature decreed that all persons who were not voting on the modern registration plan would have to re-register this year. This will not affect metropolitan centers where modern registration has been in force for years, but it does apply to all the smaller communities and rural areas throughout the state.

The uniform plan will make every voter cast a vote at least once every two years, or have his or her name stricken from the registration list.

City Clerk Harry Moore will receive registrations up to and including October 16, the final day for registration. It is important that voters note this re-registration or they may find that they are unable to vote when they go to the polls in the State election on November 5.

LEGION POST SENDS DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

Groves-Walker Post 346 of the American Legion, Farmington, was well represented at the State Legion Convention held over the week end at Grand Rapids, Michigan. The Legion Auxiliary was represented by two delegates, Mrs. Katherine Carrier, president of the Auxiliary, and Mrs. Zella Nourjian, while the Legion post sent five delegates. Joe DeVriendt, Jim Nourjian, Leon Church, Carl Goers and Charles Willard. Also attending the convention were Mrs. DeVriendt, Mrs. Church, Mrs. Goers and Mrs. Willard. The group attended the convention from Friday night until Monday, returning to Farmington Monday evening.

Members of the Groves-Walker Post are very proud to have their adjutant, Leon Church, named to the position of Commander of the Third Zone of the Department of Michigan, and wish him a most successful term in office.

Clarenceville Church Will Entertain Guests

Mr. Edward C. Johns from the University of Music, Chicago, Illinois, will be singing in the morning hour worship service at the Clarenceville Methodist Church on August 25, with Rev. Elsie A. Johns preaching. Mr. Johns is a cousin of the pastor of the Clarenceville Methodist Church.

The congregation from the Wall Street Baptist Church will be at the Sunday evening service at 7:30 p.m. on Sunday August 25. Rev. Kenneth I. Smith will preach and Marian Owen Smith will lead the singing. Special music is included in the program.

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City Zoning Changes Approved

Clarence Bell Resigns As Building Inspector

The August meeting of the Farmington City Commission was held Thursday evening last week, a day later than usual, because of the V-J Day Celebration.

City Clerk Harry Moore read the resignation of Clarence Bell, City Building Inspector. The resignation was accepted, but no action was taken to replace Mr. Bell.

The report of the Farmington City and Township Library Committee, as submitted by Mrs. Isabelle Meuke, was read and placed on file.

A communication was read from the Zoning Board of Appeals, recommending changes in the Zoning Ordinance, No. C-18, which would place all property along Grand River Avenue, on both the North and South sides, from the business district, East to the City limits, in a Commercial A zone. At the present time part of this property is zoned as Residence B, and part as Suburban, while the balance has already been re-zoned to Commercial A. Upon motion of Harrison Johnson, the Commission unanimously voted to adopt the recommendations of the Board of Appeals, and give them a first and second reading, the final reading to be given the Ordinance changes at the September Commission meeting.

Also on third and final reading at the September meeting will be a change in the Zoning Ordinance, which will increase the fees for a building permit to $1.50 per thousand valuation, computed at the rate of $.35 per cubic foot, with a minimum fee of $2.50 for all buildings. The present rate is $1.00 per thousand valuation.

A vacancy on the Library Board has been created by the resignation of Mrs. Anna Brown, effective October 1. It was decided to put this matter over until the September meeting.

John Rudberg, owner of the Farmington City Cab Company, appeared before the Commission, requesting a permit to operate another cab, in order to have one cab in operation at all times, if his present cab is being repaired, and also to provide a second cab for use during peak hours of business. The permit was granted.

Commissioner Alfred Jones presented a proposal to survey the City Cemetery, and provide temporary monuments throughout that portion of the cemetery where lots are still available, and burials are being made. Numbers would be placed on the lots, and a recorded plat made, so that it would always be possible to determine just where the various lots were. The Commission deferred action on this matter until September.

The Commission unanimously voted to establish the cost of opening and closing a grave at

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PLAN SUCCESSFUL GALA DAYS

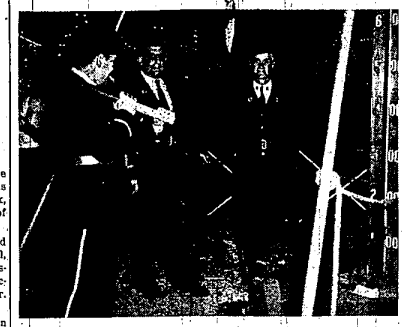

Photo by Wm. Yockey

From left to right are Joseph DeVriendt, James Nourjian, Commander of Groves-Walker Post 346 American Legion, and John Aland, who acted as chairmen of the 26th Annual Gala Days and Homecoming, held last week in Farmington. The men are pictured at a "Test Your Strength" concession, one of the many attractions of the huge midway, which was maintained this year, and which drew large crowds each evening.

SPLENDID RESPONSE GIVEN TO GALA DAYS

The 26th annual Gala Days and Homecoming, sponsored by the Groves-Walker Post 346 of the American Legion, Farmington, have come and gone. It was the biggest, cleanest Carnival ever staged in Farmington, and large crowds attended the event every evening.

There were plenty of games and attractions on the midway, with rides for the very young, and for the older, more adventuresome individuals, too. It was a sight just to see the midway in the evening, gaily lighted and bustling with activity. The splendid way in which the crowd received the Homecoming was evidence of their approval.

The Legionnaires wish to express their sincere appreciation to everyone for the fine cooperation extended to them, to the advertisers in the program, and to the organizations which helped to make the V-J Day observance a success.

In the drawing for the grand prizes on Saturday evening, Corky DeVriendt of Oakland Avenue won the Plymouth automobile, Leon Newman of Oxford won the refrigerator, Harry Raynes of West Nine Mile Road won the gas stove, and the washing machine was won by Arnold Bingham of 12 Mile and Northwestern Roads, Franklin.

Evelyn Jacobs To Be Married

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jacobs wish to announce the engagement of their daughter, Evelyn Mae, to Charles L. Hinderliter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Hinderliter of Fowlerville, Michigan.

The young couple has set September 7 for their wedding day.

The Jay Williams of Waldron vacationed in Hillman, Michigan, this season.

AUTOMOBILES DAMAGED IN CUT-OFF CRASH

Two automobiles were considerably damaged, but neither driver nor any of the passengers were seriously injured, in an automobile accident that occurred Sunday evening, August 18, shortly after six o'clock at the intersection of Farmington Road and the Grand River Cut-Off.

According to Andrew Hagopian of Highland Park, a witness, Luige Sesti, 14214 Robertson Avenue, Dearborn, was driving about 45 miles per hour, travelling East on the Cut-Off. Roger W. O'Halla, 3203 Montgomery, Detroit, who was going North on Farmington Road, apparently did not see Sesti, and drove directly in front of him. The O'Halla car was hit in the left front door and skidded off into a field, while Sesti's automobile swerved around and tipped over on the right side.

Roy Moeba, 2659 Whitney, Detroit, a passenger in the O'Halla automobile, was bruised, but not seriously. Other passengers in the automobile were Philip Long, 3068 14th Street, and Kenneth Curto, 2646 Whitney, both of Detroit.

CL1 SCOUTS RETURN FROM CAMPING TRIP

Boy Scout Troop CL1, of Clarenceville, just returned from its annual camping trip. This year the camp site was Sleeper State Park near Caseville, Michigan, on Saginaw Bay. The boys spent a very enjoyable week, enhanced by the hospitality of the citizens of Caseville and the park management.

The Troop made the trip by automobile, arriving at Caseville at noon Saturday. The Afternoon was spent in setting up camp and acquiring food and was climaxed by a dip in Saginaw Bay.

Most of the weeks cooking was done by Camp Leaders Soloy and Davis, but each boy got a chance to try his hand in the culinary art. Many of the boys made progress in their requirements in both First and Second Class scouting, which included tracking, nature, pacing, swimming and ther activities. One of the most outstanding accomplishments was by Billy Lloyd who could not swim at all at the beginning of the week, but who passed his fifty-yard test before the end of the week.

The mid-week highlight was the game between CL-1 boys and the Caseville Girls Softball Team, which the girls won 13 to 11. The Line ups were as follows:

Bob Rogers	CF	Jane Steinman	
Gus Davis	1B	Erma Langley	
Dick Reaume	RF	Beatrice Heron	
Billy Lloyd	2B	Dorothy Custer	
Billy Kytola	3B	Jerry Farmer	
Glenn Lewis	SS	Edna Stahl	
Jimmie Russell	LF	Helen Langley	
G. Steinbach	RSS	Barb. Heron	
Bernard Schultz	C	Joyce Peddler	
Don Beach	P	Leona Beadle	

The last evening in camp was spent at a Campfire sponsored by troops from Hazel Park and Lincoln Park, and at which two of the skits were put on by CL1.

Both the committee and boys of CL1 are making plans for a trip to Sleeper State Park next year, which is to be financed by monthly paper drives during the coming school year.

Shady Valley Turkey Farm Has Gobblers A Plenty

Turkeys, turkeys, turkeys, 15,000 to be exact and all located on one 16 acre Farmington farm.

Yes, that's the story of Dr. Leo Perrin's Shady Valley Turkey Farm located on Inkster Road just south of Ten Mile, where one of the middle west's most modern and up to date turkey ranches has developed within the past year and a half.

In the spring of 1945 Dr. Perrin started his farm with 3,000 gobblers. In the fall of that year four barns were constructed and have since been occupied by several thousand turkeys.

Shady Valley under the co-management of Orville Felmlee and Porter McLott has the most modern equipment in the industry today. A heating unit of hot air furnishes 8,000 cubic feet of heat for the birds in the winter and air conditioning is supplied in the hotter months. Each of the 80 individual pens has two drinking fountains with fresh water running day and night. Shady Valley has it's own process room with picking machines and large cooling tubs, plus a large electrically cooled storage room.

Although there are many farms throughout the middle west that raise more than 15,000 turkeys there are none of the same type that are larger. Turkeys at Dr. Perrin's farm are kept in absolute confinement and are not allowed to run loose in fenced-in areas. These pens are located at the south end of the ranch and are built 9 feet off the ground. The holiday treats are raised on wire flooring instead of dirt or board. The confinement pens cover an area 475 by 126 feet and will hold approximately 8,000 turkeys.

Aside from the common breed of Broad Breasted Bronze the farm raises Black Spanish, White Holland, U.S.D.A. Small Whites, Bourbon Red and Narragansett.

The birds range from seven weeks to 24 weeks and are fed approximately 800 ton of grain each year.

When the holiday season rolls around no matter what size gobbler you're looking for you'll always find him waiting for you at Shady Valley Farms just south of Ten Mile road.

Special School Election Set For Monday, September 9

Taxpayers To Vote On Transfer Of Funds For School Construction And Rental

A special school election of the taxpayers of the Farmington Township School District will be held Monday, September 9 for the purpose of voting on two proposals regarding the school housing shortage.

This action followed disclosure Monday night at a special meeting of the School Board, that there are insufficient funds in the present Building and Site Fund to go ahead with the proposed new school building north of the gymnasium.

The Board, Monday night, on a motion by Howard Warner, passed a resolution to hold a special election September 9, requesting authority from the taxpayers to transfer $20,000 from the General Fund to the Building and Site Fund for the purpose of constructing additional classrooms.

A second resolution requesting authority to rent extra rooms for the operation of the school until the building can be completed, was also passed and will be placed on the September 9 ballot.

It was disclosed that only $7,245 is now in the Building and Site Fund, while the General Fund has a total of $56,000. However, before the Board can transfer these funds they must be given authority by the taxpayers of the School District.

Superintendent O. E. Dunckel pointed out that unless funds are made available for the construction of the proposed school building, it will be necessary to reorganize the program to half day sessions. CPA approval of the proposed building program has already been received.

Only taxpayers of the Farmington Township School District are eligible to vote in the September 9 election. Jess Early moved that the registration books be opened from August 21 to August 31 inclusive. Warner moved that the place of registration will be the Superintendent's Office in the Farmington High School. Taxpayers may register any day, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Saturday, August 31, last day, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Taxpayers already registered are not required to re-register. The polls will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. on election day.

Early moved that Arthur Lamb be appointed chairman of the election board with the power to select two additional members to assist him. Warner seconded the motion and it carried.

Upon the recommendation of Superintendent Dunckel, Early moved that the Farmington School District establish a tuition rate of $130 with credit being given on the amount the State pays.

The Board passed a motion leaving the question of the opening of school, as regards the polio outbreak up to Superintendent Dunckel and Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner, health officer. According to present plans Farmington schools will open September 9, which is the delayed date set for Detroit schools to open.

Mr. Leo Hendryx appeared before the Board to discuss the question of selling the School District sufficient land on the west side of the school property to straighten the line. The Board passed a motion instructing Mr. Marcus Burrows and Dunckel to see Mr. A. W. Gillespie, who previously surveyed the property, and establish where the property line runs.

Residents Ask Water Supply

All members of the Farmington Township Board attended the regular meeting held Tuesday evening at the Township offices in the Town Hall.

Several Township residents, representing both Hollywood subdivision, and the Clarenceville area, were at the meeting to discuss problems concerning water supply.

At Hollywood Subdivision, which is the subdivision between Nine and Ten Mile Roads, East of Orchard Lake, residents have tried unsuccessfully for some time to get water. One resident reported that he had gone down as far as 175 feet and still found no water. The situation is becoming worse all the time, as more houses are being put up in the subdivision, purchasers being led to believe that water may be obtained without drilling too deep a well, only to later discover that it is virtually impossible to obtain water. The board explained to the subdivision residents, their stand in the matter, and the problems with which they are confronted.

Others at the meeting were residents of Orford Street. In this section the people are customers of the Farmington Township water system, using the water supply from the City of Detroit. They reported, however, that after about four o'clock in the afternoon the water pressure was so low that it was impossible to get any water, except in the basement, and even there the flow was very small. This summer it has been necessary to draw pans and jugs of water early in the day in order to have water for dishes and washing.

The board proposed that these residents appoint a committee, and with this committee, members of the Township Board would arrange a meeting with the Water Board of the City of Detroit to determine if there is anything that might be done to provide a more adequate supply of water within Farmington Township.

The board tabled an invoice from Joseph DeVriendt, veteran's counselor, for services in this capacity covering the past 18 months, pending a written statement of what work the invoice covers. On a

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Lt. Joseph W. Doll

Second Lieutenant Joseph W. Doll, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred A. Doll, 21615 Jackson Street, Farmington, graduated from Officer Candidate School at the AAF Training Center in San Antonio, Texas, in ceremonies at the Post Chapel on August 17. Doll graduated from Farmington High School in 1945.

Doll was one of 43 men to receive gold bars from the AAF Administrative OCS at the Training Center after four months of intensive training. He studied such courses as administration, supply, military law, intelligence, organization and personnel, military courtesy, drills and ceremonies, and voice and command. Officer Candidates are selected from enlisted or warrant officer ranks, and must have been in service at least four months.

Lt. Doll with his wife, is now on leave, and is visiting at his home on Jackson Street.

Legion Nine Wins Two More

The Farmington Legion Senior Baseball Team won twin victories over the week end, defeating the Berkley Vets Saturday afternoon, 14 to 6, and winning again on Sunday from the LaSalle, Ontario team, by a score of 9 to 4.

The game with Berkley Saturday afternoon was played on the Farmington High School Field. The Farmington boys banged out 15 hits to get their 14 runs while Berkley made only five hits, for six runs, off Dick Pauline, Farmington's pitcher. Pauline also was the hitting star when he lined out four hits in five times at the plate.

With Catherman and Sonnenberg out of the lineup, Oldenburg was shifted to short stop, and A. Werschin was on first base. Both men played an excellent game of ball in these positions.

Bill Conroy, former high school star, relieved Joe DeVriendt of the catching duties in the sixth inning because DeVriendt's arm became sore. Conroy came through with a single in the big seventh inning when Farmington scored six runs.

The box score for the game was as follows:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Tot.
Berkley	0	2	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	6
Farmington	0	1	0	3	2	0	6	2		14

The Legion Senior Team traveled to LaSalle, Ontario, Sunday afternoon. The local lads banged out 16 hits for nine runs, while Jim Mitchell gave up six hits and four runs. Farmington left a number of men on bases.

Farmington used three pitchers, Jim Mitchell, Oldenburg and Bill Mitchell, while Seewald pitched the entire game for LaSalle.

Bob Miller, former High School star, caught the game for Farmington, and besides doing a fine job as catcher, he also came through with two hits. Sonnenberg was out because of illness.

Jim Mitchell pitched a mighty nice game of ball, and snared three hits. R. Werschin and Dick Pauline also garnered three hits apiece.

Scoring was as follows:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Tot.
Farmington	3	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	9
LaSalle	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	4

Farmington will play again on Sunday, August 25, at the High School Field at 3:00 p.m.

GARDEN CLUB OPENS SEASON SEPTEMBER 3

The Farmington Garden Club will meet at the Town Hall on Tuesday, September 3. Miss Betty Roberts will lecture and show slides on "American Gardens."

Mrs. James Robinson is chairman of the hostesses for the afternoon, and she will be assisted by Mrs. F. E. Searle, Mrs. George F. Pulford and Mrs. W. W. Slocum.

There will be a final discussion of plans for the fall flower show, to be held at the Town Hall on Saturday, September 14.

The Club meeting on September 3 will start promptly at 2:00 p.m. and all members are requested to please be on time.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Carrothers and daughter Connie have returned from a vacation spent in Canada, on Lake Huron.

Youth Fellowship Enjoys "Hobo" Party

The Youth Fellowship group of the Clarenceville Methodist Church held a "Hobo Party" on Thursday night. Jean and Foster Grace of Osmus Road were host and hostess.

Twenty "hobos" had a treasure hunt in the wooded grounds of the Grace home, played games and had supper in the big garden, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed himself.

Next Tuesday is "Spook Night" at the Church, with queer costumes, games and stunts. This is the beginning of the fall recreation program.

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