

Around The Block

THE POPPIES

On Flinders Field never bloomed more profusely nor more brilliantly than they will, as every citizen of Farmington proudly wears his poppy during the annual Poppy Day to be observed on Thursday, Friday and Saturday this week. Give whatever you can for your poppy — all proceeds are used for rehabilitation and child welfare work of our veterans' organizations. Certainly you would look a long time to find a cause more deserving.

THE IDEA

Of motorists getting tickets is nothing new. But the idea of a motorist getting a ticket for some outstanding bit of courtesy is most certainly new. And that is just what is going to happen in Farmington! Motorists who are observed doing some particular, out-of-the-ordinary courtesy for a fellow motorist or a pedestrian are going to get a ticket from the Farmington Junior Chamber of Commerce. The only difference is that instead of getting a violation ticket, they are going to be awarded with tickets to the Civic Theatre — free passes as their reward for being considerate. Too often one is noticed only for wrongdoings, and the nice little things one may do go unheeded. This is once the reverse is going to be the rule.

MANY FARMINGTONITES

are planning a little vacation over the Memorial Day week end. With the holiday coming on Friday, the prospects for getting an extra day to enjoy a little outing are most promising. All one can do is hope Old Sol decides that it is time for him to outdo himself, and shine forth in all his glory for the entire week end. Don't forget there will be big parades in Farmington and Clarenceville. If you're about town, be sure to take the kids — everybody loves a parade.

THE ANNUAL CLEAN-UP

In Farmington is over, and for the most part, it was a complete success, according to the city men who worked on it. There was not as much discarded material to pick up as in former years, but it did, they felt, to the point that a pick-up is made each week, and during the week when scrap was so badly needed, everyone had contributed just about everything they had. The Township clean-up will start very shortly now, so get ready for it! Here's your chance to make our entire community look ripe and span.

OUR FARMERS

are beginning to have a really worried look, and well they may. With the spring being so early, there has been little chance to do much farming as yet, and it is long past the time when everything should be in the ground and have a good start. Perhaps what has been shortened on this end of the growing season will be extended on the other, to give us a good season, after all. The country is beginning to look very lovely now, and everything is so green. The trees are all coming out in blossom. Let's suggest a drive out into the country one of these Sunday afternoons, for you'll really enjoy it.

THOSE PRIZES

on display in Grimes Cleaners' window are the ones that will be awarded on Friday afternoon at the Garden Club's Spring Card Party. Certainly any one of them would make the winner very happy indeed. Tickets are still available, so if you have not yet secured yours, do so right away. The party is Friday afternoon at Farmington Town Hall, beginning with luncheon at one o'clock. All proceeds will be used to buy projector books and films for the veterans at the Dearborn Hospital.

THE FINE WARM DAYS

that we have experienced have already brought crowds of people into the park. To be sure it is nothing compared to the crowds one will find there, come the Fourth of July, but nevertheless the parks are all well attended with picnickers and those enjoying the first warm breezes of the season. Plans are now under way to make our own city park more beautiful — visit it soon, and enjoy Farmington's picnic facilities. If you have not visited our City park recently, you are in for a pleasant surprise.

A HEARTY THANK YOU

goes from the mothers of Farmington — and from all pedestrians, for that matter — to Police Commissioner Kenn Loomis and the entire force who were instrumental in having the single light at the main intersection adjusted, so that it is possible to tell whether you are right or not when you wish to cross the street. It's a big improvement, and your efforts are much appreciated.

THE TING-A-LING-A-LING

is once again a familiar sound, as the Telephone strike has become history, and telephone service is back to normal — hardly back to normal, though, for the calls have been flooding in at a great rate. Everyone seems to want to make all the calls they have been saving up over the past few days, and then turn them right now. We're mighty glad to have service again up to par.

Mobile X-Ray Unit At Clarenceville

On Monday, May 26, the Mobile X-Ray Unit will be at the Clarenceville High School on Middle Street, Road, from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. All people over 15 years of age are urged to have their chest x-rayed at this time. Any child under 15 years of age may have an x-ray if his parent accompanies him to the school. The tests take only two minutes and you need not undress. Many chest conditions are disclosed by an x-ray examination, and 99 per cent of the x-rays taken show normal chests. Whenever any abnormality is found, it will be reported to your physician. If you are asked to have another x-ray, it may mean the film was not satisfactory, or that there are some suspicious shadows. All findings are confidential. You will be notified by card if your chest is normal. If there is any evidence of an abnormal condition, your doctor will receive a complete report and you will then be asked to see him for advice.

There is absolutely no charge to have an x-ray taken by the mobile unit. Your taxes and purchases of Christmas Seals support this program, which is maintained by the Wayne County Tuberculosis Association, Wayne County Health Department and the Wayne County Medical Society.

The unit will also be at the Livonia Junior High School, Farmington and Five Mile Roads, from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. and at St. Michael School, Plymouth and Hubbard Roads, on Wednesday, May 28, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

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MALE CHORUS CANCELS USUAL SPRING CONCERT

The Farmington Male Chorus has relinquished plans for a spring concert appearance this year, in favor of special appearances for local civic groups.

Recently, the chorus, under the direction of its president, Ivar Anderson, appeared at one of the services of the Salem Evangelical Church. The group is scheduled to sing for the ice cream social gathering of the Methodist Book Club, which is to be held on June 27.

Chairman of publicity, Lloyd Smith, announced today that the Chorus will be glad to sing for any program or activity of any local civic organization. The Chorus feels the play of varied appearances will serve a better purpose than only one appearance at a spring concert.

Get off the roadway when you stop your car for repairs. Be sure to use lights at night.

THANK YOU

In order that employees of The Enterprise may have a full Memorial Day week end vacation the office will be closed all day Saturday, May 31.

The issue of May 29 will be published on Wednesday, May 25, in order that all Enterprise subscribers may have their paper prior to Memorial Day.

All news and advertising copy must be in by Tuesday noon May 27, for publication. Classified ads must be in by Tuesday at 5 p.m. Your cooperation will be very much appreciated.

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SERVICE-OUR GOAL

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Federal Survey Of Farmington Post Office Begins

Hopes Increase For New Building

Norman C. Lee, Farmington postmaster, announced yesterday that the Federal Building survey ordered last week by the Post Office Department is now underway.

A local check is being made of all mail handled through the Farmington Post Office for a three day period, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, May 21, 22 and 23. In addition all local window transactions and postal receipts are being recorded. Lee stated that this was a part of the government survey for last week. He added that this initial part of the survey is being conducted by the local post office staff. However it is expected that federal post office inspectors will be in early next week to study the information gathered and complete the survey.

Lee also stated that he had been requested to investigate possible local post office sites. This would amount to a preliminary check only. Lee pointed out, the final check will be made by the post office inspectors.

The Federal Building survey was ordered last week following a concentrated effort on the part of Ernest E. Blanchard, Farmington Township Supervisor, and the Farmington Junior Chamber of Commerce to have some action taken in behalf of a new post office building for Farmington. Letters were sent to Representative George A. Dondero, Senator Homer Ferguson and Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, Members of Congress, pointing out the critical need for more adequate housing facilities.

Dondero stated in an interview with a Journal Press reporter in Washington last Thursday that officials had indicated that there might be a possibility of Farmington receiving one of the post office buildings in spite of the fact that Congress has not yet taken action on the new Federal Building construction program. The opinion was made in view of the critical need for adequate housing facilities.

Final action will have to await the outcome of the survey being conducted at the present time.

Frank J. Webster Dies In Florida

World has been received of the death of Frank J. Webster, formerly of Detroit and Farmington, at Orlando, Florida, on Saturday, May 17. Mr. Webster had been an employee of the Chrysler Corporation for 25 years.

He is survived by his wife, Helen, and several sisters. Services were held from St. James Catholic Church at Orlando, with interment at Greenwood Cemetery.

The Webster home in Farmington was on Twelve Mile Road.

Poppy Days Observed This Week

"Honor the war dead and aid the war living victims" will be the theme of the annual observance of Poppy Day in Farmington on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. Every person in our community will be asked to wear a memorial poppy and to make a contribution for the welfare of the disabled veterans, their families and the families of the dead.

Preparations for Poppy Day were being completed today by a large committee of the American Legion Auxiliary women, headed by Mrs. Dawn Larson, poppy chairman, and a committee of the Veterans of Foreign Wars headed by Post-Commander MacDonald. Volunteer workers will be on the streets at an early hour each of the three Poppy Days distributing the poppies and receiving contributions. Mayor Dolan Hamlin, in an official proclamation, has set the three days apart to be observed as annual Poppy Days for Farmington.

Mrs. Larson, in speaking about the Poppy Days, said, "Although the second World War is slipping rapidly into the past, we believe

that the memory of the young men who gave their lives in that conflict is still fresh in the minds and hearts of all of us. The dead of the first World War have been gone for 25 years yet we remember their service and sacrifice. The poppies which we will put on will show that we have not forgotten and are grateful for their defense of our country.

"We must not forget, either, those who live in suffering and hardship because of war wounds sustained by our countrymen, or their children and the children of those who have died. The contributions we make for the poppies go for their welfare, for help which can come to them only through this means."

All workers on the Poppy Day campaign will be unpaid volunteers, permitting the full amount of all contributions to go into the rehabilitation and child welfare work.

Poppy Day here will be part of a nationwide observance, in which an estimated 25,000,000 poppies will be distributed.

GRADUATES



BARBARA JEAN LOCKER

Miss Barbara Jean Locker, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Locker of Biltmore Avenue, Detroit, former residents of Farmington, was one of a class of twenty Senior Nurses to receive her graduate pin and diploma Wednesday evening, May 21.

Miss Locker graduated from the School of Nursing of Highland Park General Hospital as a member of the 25th graduating class at exercises held at 8:30 Wednesday evening in the Trinity Methodist Church. The Locker family made their home on Prospect Street, Farmington, for many years, and Barbara graduated from Farmington High School in the Class of 1944.

O.E.S. To Observe Friendship Night

Friendship Night will be held Tuesday evening, May 27, by the Farmington Chapter No. 239, Order of the Eastern Star, in the lodge rooms, beginning at 8:00 p.m.

MARRIAGE OF LOCAL PEOPLE IS ANNOUNCED

Marriage vows were spoken on Friday, May 16, at Our Lady of Sorrows Rectory by Elizabeth Dawson of 35318 Grand River Avenue, and Mr. William Newton of Pontiac, Mr. and Mrs. Newton are both long time residents of Farmington. Accompanying the couple were Mr. and Mrs. Byron Oliver of Farmington.

Immediately after the ceremony the couple left for a short motor trip. They are now at home to their many friends in Farmington, at the Grand River address.

Jaycees Announce Safety Drive Plans

Monday, May 26, has been designated as the last day for registration of the Farmington Junior Chamber of Commerce City and Township traffic safety campaign, it was announced Wednesday by Roy Erdman, chairman of the Drive.

Plans call for the presentation of a special traffic safety movie in the various schools throughout the City and the Township, Erdman stated. In addition, special traffic safety posters will be put up throughout the Farmington area, reminding drivers and pedestrians to drive and walk safely.

Through the cooperation of the Civic Theatre and Police Chief Joseph H. DeVriendt, five good drivers each week during the remainder of May will be awarded free tickets to the Theatre. These tickets will be awarded to drivers who observe the traffic laws, and drive carefully and courteously.

DeVriendt stated that particular emphasis will be placed on traffic violations during the two week period, in cooperation with the drive.

Work has already begun on the City's program to improve the traffic conditions. The traffic light at Farmington Road and Grand River has been turned green to enable pedestrians to use the signal from the sidewalk. Police Commissioner Kenn Loomis stated that work that every effort would be made to make Farmington's streets as safe as possible. City plans call for the marking of turns on the pavements, regulating parking, and the erection of new signs throughout the City.

Boylan pointed out that special emphasis in this drive will be placed on Farmington's children. With the close of school approaching, there will be more and more children on the streets, their safety

Police To Enforce City Ordinances

Chief of Police Joseph H. DeVriendt announced this week that members of the City's police force have been instructed to enforce City Ordinances limiting the running of dogs within the city, and also as regards sanitary conditions. Not only have instances of raccoons been reported recently, increasing the necessity for dog owners to keep their pets at home, but because this is the planting and gardening season, dogs could easily cause countless property damage. Residents will be warned, and asked to keep their dogs confined to the premises. If they continue to allow the dog to run at large, they will be asked to appear in court to show cause why the dog should not be destroyed as a public nuisance.

This is a new enforcement, not is it a drive to keep dogs off the streets. It is simply a matter of enforcing the provisions of the City Ordinances.

One instance of dog poisoning has also been reported in Farmington Township. Steven Wright, of 21398 Cass Avenue, reported that his dog was poisoned in the vicinity of Cass and Nine Mile Road. After treatment at a veterinary hospital, the dog recovered and has now been returned home.

Another Farmington City Ordinance which will be enforced is Ordinance No. C-1-8, concerning the maintenance of a nuisance. Where an unsanitary condition exists property owners will be notified by Dr. M. E. Whitehead, City Health Officer, that the nuisance must be eliminated within ten days, as indicated in the notice, or a complaint will be filed and summons issued for appearance in Municipal Court.

City Ordinances have been adopted only after careful consideration, and they are designed for your protection and safety. Please cooperate with the police in seeing that they are observed.

Duhrings Honored On 57th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. E. Tilly of 33335 Shilvassee, gave a dinner on May 17, in honor of Mrs. Tilly's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Duhring of Ecorse. The occasion was Mr. and Mrs. Duhring's 57th wedding anniversary.

Guests were Mr. and Mrs. L. Duhring of Ecorse, Mr. and Mrs. George Jeffers, a close friend of the family from Chicago.

The Duhrings have three children, Mrs. Tilly, Mr. L. Duhring and Mrs. Duhring. Mr. Duhring, now 72, was unable to attend. There were seven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Township Board Adopts Resolution For Licensing Of Junk Yards

Farmington Student Named To College Post

Lloyd A. Rhoads of 20375 Hubbard Road was recently elected a member of Woodmar, Ontario's village at the Michigan College of Mining and Technology. He is a sophomore student of civil engineering.

Other newly elected Woodmar officials are H. James Cleary, of Rockland, president; James Hamblin of Menominee, treasurer; Mrs. Nita Wolfson of New York City, secretary; Milton Wolfson of Farmington, secretary; J. May Jr. of Buffalo, New York, and Wilbert M. Smith of Ashland, Wisconsin, councilmen; Heber R. Richards of Houghton, councilman-at-large; and Mrs. Jean Smith of Ashland, Wisconsin, councilwoman.

Loomis Heads Boy Scout Drive

Kenneth R. Loomis has been named Farmington chairman of the Oakland County 1947-48 Boy Scouts Finance Campaign. It was announced by Lee O. Brooks, general chairman.

The appointment was made at the Oakland County District meeting held in Clarkston May 15. Loomis will have charge of the entire Farmington area.

The purpose of the drive is to raise money for carrying on the Boy Scout and Cub Scout program in Oakland County. Reports at the meeting at Clarkston showed that membership is growing in the district and only in the Boy Scouts ranks. Also in Cub Scouting, Senior Scouting and Adult Leadership. Scouts in this district, as well as scouts in the other districts of the Council, are now preparing for the Camp-O-Rama, a three day encampment at Avon Park in Rochester, June 20, 21 and 22.

Camp Agawam, the council summer camp at Tompkins Lake will open June 23. A capacity enrollment of 1000 boys is expected. New program features are being planned for this year. All these activities must be financed if they are to continue giving the boys in the district leadership training and recreation.

The Oakland Circle District consists of the territory covered by Oakland County with the exception of the City of Pontiac, and the extreme east end of the County. The district already includes over 600 boys and nearly 200 adult volunteers in 30 Cub Scouts, Scout Troops and Senior Units.

Loomis stated that there has been no solicitation for the Council Budget in Oakland Circle since the Fall of 1945, through the War Fund Drive.

No quotas have been set up for Farmington. Loomis added that every effort will be made to thoroughly cover the territory; individuals and organizations not already contacted are urged to make their contributions to Kenneth R. Loomis as soon as possible.

Petitions Filed In Clarenceville School Election

Saturday, May 31, has been designated as the last day for registration in the annual Clarenceville School District election to be held Monday, June 3.

Residents of the school district not previously registered may qualify by registering at the Clarenceville High School on Middlefield Road any weekday during regular school hours up to Thursday, May 29, or at the home of any member of the school board. Special registration hours have been set up on the last day, Saturday, May 31. Residents may register on that date from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Clarenceville high school.

Qualified voters of the School District will on June 3 elect two members to the Board of Education for the year terms ending June 30, and one member to fill the vacancy left when Helen Hartenstein resigned last year. Four candidates had filed petitions by Friday, May 20, the last day for filing petitions. Hubert Earle, present treasurer, is on the board, and Harold Hoppe, president, filed petitions for the three year terms. For the two year terms, George Teubner, present Board member and George Hankoff filed petitions. The only contest is for the two year term.

Annual Clean-Up Will Be Conducted In Near Future

A resolution to provide for the licensing of junk yards and of places for the dismantling, wrecking and disposing of junk, refuse materials of automobiles, and to provide penalties for the violation of the provisions of the resolution, was unanimously adopted at the regular meeting of the Farmington Township Board held Tuesday evening.

The full resolution will be posted in three conspicuous places in the Township, and will be in force at once.

Under the provisions of the resolution any person or firm operating a junk business must obtain a license from the Township Board, the fee being \$25.00 per year, the license expiring on December 31 following the issuance thereof. A written application, upon a form obtainable from the Township Clerk, must be made. No individual will be granted a license unless he is a citizen of the United States, and a resident of the Township of Farmington for six months prior to the date of application.

The Township Board may refuse to grant any application when, in its judgment, the public health, morals, interest or general welfare of the inhabitants of the Township so require.

No license will be granted for property which is within 500 feet of a church, school, public library, or private residence, other than that of the licensee. Nor will a license be granted if the proposed premises are within 300 feet of an intersecting public street or highway. If a license is granted, the premises must be enclosed with a light board fence at least eight feet in height, which shall be kept in proper repair, and shall be painted white, within thirty days after the license is granted.

Other provisions of the resolution concern the removal of refuse material not suitable for sale; the closing of the licensed business by ten o'clock in the evening daily, from 7:00 p.m. Saturday until 7:00 a.m. Monday; the maintenance of proper records, and the revocation of licenses. No license may be transferred to another person. (Continued on Page Seven)

Bus Involved In Cut-Off Crash

Farmington Road and the Grand River Avenue Cut-Off was the scene of a head-on collision Sunday morning, involving the Pontiac-Arbor Greyhound bus, and a tractor trailer belonging to the Acme Truck Rentals of Indianapolis, Indiana.

The driver of the bus, which was travelling south on Farmington Road, was William D. Porter, 21594 Hancock, Farmington. He had stopped for the intersection, and then proceeded across the Cut-Off. The bus, however, did not pick up speed fast enough to cross the road ahead of the trailer, driven by Ray H. Taylor, of Lansing. The right fender of the bus was crushed, and the left side, at the front, of the truck, was damaged.

Passengers on the bus were Mrs. E. R. Cleveland of Route 2, Walley Lake; Mrs. Clara B. Pace, 152 Manchester, Battle Creek; Mrs. Marie Moreau, 28 Doland Court, Pontiac, who received a wrenched back; Mrs. Ella Bondy, 2963 Negawan, Detroit 13; and Charles F. Campbell, 401 Sheridan, Jackson, who was injured in his seat, resulting in possible rib fractures. Both Campbell and Mrs. Moreau continued on their journey to secure treatment by their family physicians.

Farmington police, investigating the accident, again recommended to the State Highway Department, that a stop and go signal be placed at this intersection, as the present flasher signs are inadequate. Numerous accidents have occurred at this intersection.

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