

Around The Block

ANOTHER NEW...
The black and white sign now decorates downtown Farmington. It's the black and white sign that Schwab's Men's Wear has hung out. And we surely wouldn't mind having that boat and motor now decorating their front window. Wonder which will draw the most window gazers — the new sign or the boat?

SPEAKING OF...
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New 4-H Club Names Officers

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A new 4-H Club has just been organized in the Farmington area. It was announced this week following the election of officers.

The club will hold its first meeting last week with nine members forming the initial group. The club is being organized in the southwest section and is made up of youths from Farmington and Northville.

Original plans are being made by the group with the intention to carry out projects in gardening, dairy, poultry raising and animal husbandry. These are projects which have been designated by the new members as their choice of projects.

The organization meeting of the group was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Barber, 3940 Nine Mile Road, Farmington, on April 11. The following officers were elected: Dick Barber was elected President; Dick Barber was named Vice President; Turk Barber was elected secretary and Jack Ratliff was named treasurer.

The next meeting of the new 4-H Club will be held at the Dr. J. J. Farm on New Road, near Northville. It will be held Saturday, April 30.

Open House To Be Held At Edgewood School

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Thursday, April 21, is the date that has been set for the Open House to be held at the Edgewood School in the Clarenceville School District.

The Open House is being held to give residents of the School District an opportunity to visit the Edgewood School and the new addition which has just been opened for classroom use.

Members of the Edgewood Mothers Club have offered to assist with the Open House during the period of the Open House. Any adults are invited to come to the school. The school is scheduled to be open to the public about 8:00 p.m.

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Township Agrees To Police Radio Plan With City

Dr. Vos Scores Board On Health Conditions

The Farmington Township Board at its regular meeting Tuesday evening approved a motion, pending a cooperative plan with the City of Farmington, to install a police radio system.

According to the motion, the Township would cooperate with the City of Farmington to establish a police radio network. Under the type of equipment discussed the Township would agree to install the two-way radio in the Township and the City would agree to install a dispatcher's salary plus half of the cost of the transmitter and half of the necessary maintenance on the transmitter.

ONE OFFICE

Under this plan the City and Township police would work together under one central office and all calls channeled through that office. Calls would be relayed to either the Township car or the City car dependent upon the origin of the call. This system would allow the officers in the two cars to call each other or to call back to the dispatcher.

This type of radio hook-up would also give the officers in both the Township and City car or the central dispatcher an opportunity to call numerous other community officers in the immediate area if needed, as well as the County Sheriff's office.

ASKED TO BE RELIEVED

Dr. John F. Vos, Township Health officer, appeared before the Board just prior to the opening of the meeting and asked that he be relieved of his position immediately and that he not be considered for the office again next year. Vos stated that he was not going to continue to take the abuse that has been taking place in a remedial and sanitary conditions that exist in the Township. He stated that on numerous occasions he has asked the Board to take action on the sanitary problem, but they have not done so.

The Doctor stated also that continually he is besieged with calls regarding sanitary conditions and as garbage dumping, but has been unable to get any corrective action from the Board. He reminded the Board that he has asked for a zoning ordinance numerous times to help relieve this situation but no action has been taken.

The Board announced that grass fires alone cost the Township \$1,385.50 during the month of March. A total of 49 grass fire calls were reported in March.

Fendit Block Firm Marks 25th Year

This month Leo Fendit, of the Fendit Builders Supplies Company, marks his 25th anniversary in a type of business characterized by false starts and fast failures. In 1924, Leo Fendit built his first plant, a building 35 by 40 feet. His original plant cost only \$200. Then it started selling cement blocks, and before long, found it necessary to have its own plant to keep up with the demand.

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Even so, the plant was a marvel of efficiency for its time. It received recognition from trade magazines, and visitors from all over came to examine the plant in operation.

That first plant, with additional equipment, was used by the firm for many years. Then in 1940 a new office building was erected to house the firm's business. From this time, the book work had been done in Fendit's home.

In 1946, the present large plant was put into operation. The new plant cost \$50,000 and before long, found it necessary to have its own plant to keep up with the demand.

Fred Allen Accepted For N.R.O.T.C.

Fred Allen, a senior of Farmington High School, has received word from the State Selection Committee that he has been accepted as a candidate in Naval Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

As a part of his training, Fred was given his choice of a college where he will begin the fall term of 1949. He hopes to be accepted at the University of Michigan. Included in his college work, there must be one course of naval science in his sophomore year, two semesters of physics. In addition to these requirements, Fred plans to take up business administration.

This is a four-year scholarship; and upon its completion, a fifteen to twenty months' naval training period as an ensign is required. During his four years at Farmington high school, Fred was an active participant in class activities. In the present year he is class president; a member of the Trip Club, a Yearbook and Blue and White Staff member, through which he became a member of the Quill and Scroll; and a bowler. In his Junior year, he was vice-president of the class. Fred was taken to Wolverine Boys' State, where he was a state senator. At the

Junior-Senior Banquet, he was the toastmaster. In addition to these activities, he has gone out for baseball for three years and has served on various class committees.



FRED ALLEN

Falcon Nine Defeats Clarenceville In Season's Opener 7 To 4

The Farmington Falcon baseball team set off to a winning start Tuesday afternoon when they defeated the Clarenceville Trojans 7 to 4 on the Farmington diamond.

However, the Falcons were out of the game in the first inning until the big Farmington fifth infielder before the Falcons sewed up the game. Clarenceville got four hits to Farmington's two, but the Falcon runs came on a walk and an error by Frey, Clarenceville right fielder.

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Then Farmington here down with a run, rally in the fifth inning, scoring five runs and putting the game on ice. Plum, first up, was safe on an error by the Trojan catcher, Reime. McLean got a clean single to left and Check

followed with another single. Plum was out trying to score. Aschen-Brenner was safe on a fielder's choice. Nichols was safe on a fielder's choice, Bryant forced Nichols at third. Bryant scored on an error by Reame.

Clarenceville came back in their half of the sixth inning to add two more runs. Reame doubled after two men were out and Frey followed with a walk. Both scored when Albers singled and then was run down between first and second.

Neither team was able to score in the final inning and the game ended with Farmington winning 7 to 4. Three pitchers saw action during the game for Farmington: McLean started, Frey pitched the fifth, and Wilson pitched the final inning. Bryant was behind the plate. Healy started pitching for Clarenceville and was relieved in the sixth inning by Wild. Reame was behind the plate.

Cancer Fund Hits Half-Way Mark

Farmington's office to stop cancer as a result of the progress of the American Cancer Society's campaign to date. Mrs. Stanley Miller, chairman of the local group, reports that the half-way mark has been passed both in progress toward the goal and in the length of the campaign.

Mrs. Miller states "The response to our plea for funds, and help with the dressings, is most gratifying."

The city of Farmington, Floral Park and Clarenceville have been completely covered by house-to-house canvassers. Some areas of the township are now being contacted by the group headed by Mrs. Wendell Green.

Collections have been made in most local schools and churches. The Evangelical and Reformed Church decided to retain the collection canisters at the church for the duration of April, Cancer control month.

Although collections from local high schools have not as yet been made, the results of collections in the grade schools have been.

Farmington elementary school receipts totaled \$90.14. The Clarenceville elementary school collected \$41.25, and Our Lady of Sorrows \$72.72.

Each of the class rooms in these schools were visited.

The cancer campaign ends the first of May. Whether or not the goal established for Farmington will be reached depends on further contributions.

However, mere attainment of the goal is not the exclusive objective in the campaign. The end result of the campaign has been given to cancer control, both by the American Cancer Society and the medical profession. New advances have been made in the treatment of cancer, but one obstacle still prevents its cure.

Announce Plans For Public Parking Lot In Farmington

Boys Republic Officers Elected

E. P. Lovejoy has been re-elected as president of the board of the Boys Republic. C. F. Ramsey is vice president and Gaylord Gillis, Jr. has been elected secretary. Harry Burnett is the board treasurer.

President Lovejoy announced the appointment of Merrill A. Saltzberger to the post of assistant director of the Republic. Saltzberger was supervisor of the Children's Village of the Methodist Children's Home Society.

Registration Slow At Clarenceville

New registrations for the special election for May 16 in the Clarenceville School District are very slow to date, Louis Schmidt, Superintendent, announced this week.

The slowness of registrations is believed due to the fact that most of the older residents of the District are already registered. However, there are a large number of new residents in the District since the last registration period. Persons already registered in the school district need not register.

Purpose of the special election is to obtain authority from the taxpayers electors to transfer surplus monies, as now exist, together with such additional monies as will come into the 1941 and 1944 debt funds by way of collection of delinquent taxes, into the Building and Site Fund. The Board seeks this authority so that part of present buildings and additions can be made as required. Only property owners, their husbands or

White Cane Week Starts Sunday

White Cane week will be observed in Farmington and Michigan from April 24 through 30 this year. Local schools will assist in this educational effort by distributing printed leaflets prepared and furnished by the Lions Club of Farmington in cooperation with the Farmington Lions Club.

Thousands of white canes have been furnished free of charge to blind people all over the state. It is the aim and plan of the Lions to provide every blind person with a white cane — the symbol of blindness — as a measure of protection for him.

State legislation in 1936 included an ordinance granting the right of way to a person carrying the white cane. The purpose of White Cane Week is, primarily, an educational one — working toward that day when all our citizens will know and recognize the white cane as the symbol of blindness and will give understanding and courteous assistance to bearers of the white cane whenever such opportunities present themselves.

Farmington Police Continue Check On Faulty Lights And Brakes

Farmington, along with other communities throughout Michigan moved into the third week of its Brake and Light Check Program designed to reduce traffic accidents by taking steps to require the safe and legal status of all equipment on vehicles to be placed in safe working condition, according to Chief of Police Joe DeVriendt. He stated that his men are still finding frequent cases of dangerously unsafe equipment on vehicles of traffic violators.

In the first week of the drive, law enforcement officers in Michigan stopped 2430 motorists, found 284 unsafe brakes, 438 with one bad light, 42 with two bad lights out, and 408 cases of no tail lights. Each case was a potential accident.

According to Chief DeVriendt, the great majority of motorists who are safe drivers are expressing enthusiasm about the program because they maintain their vehicles in safe condition and are anxious that the law enforcement agencies take vigorous steps to require all traffic violators to have their unsafe equipment repaired.

Chief DeVriendt called upon all motorists to support the efforts of his department to cut traffic accidents. He pointed to the fact that in the last year 115 more people have been killed than in the same period of the previous year. This is a 27 per cent increase. If this increase continues, there will be over 400 Michigan traffic deaths in the next 12 months.

Work To Begin At Once On Lot Located Just East Of Fire Hall

Mayor Delos Hannula announced this week that the City has been given the go ahead signal for the establishment of a parking lot on Grand River avenue just east of the Fire Hall.

Members of the Farmington City Commission inspected the property last Saturday afternoon which has been willed to the city by the late May Oldenburg. Work is expected to begin at once on the clearing of the property and the grading of the lot.

According to the Mayor, the entrance to the public parking lot will be on Grand River and the exit will be the alley that runs out of Farmington Road behind the Enterprise office. It is estimated that the lot will apply take care of the parking problem in the City. It is expected that the lot will be ready to use in a few weeks.

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This year's concert will feature four Farmington bands made up of boys and girls in the Farmington Township School District. One of the bands that will participate in this year's program will be the beginners' band, composed of boys and girls in the elementary grades.

Approximately 150 boys and girls will take part in the program as members of the four bands. All four bands are under the direction of Lloyd Smith, Farmington Band Director. The concert is part of a program to make music instruction available to as many students in the school district as possible.

Highlights of the program will include such varied selections as "Oh Promise Me", "Little Annie", "The Student Prince", "Overture", "Choral by Bach" and "Who's Afraid of the Big, Bad Wolf". The public is cordially invited to attend this concert at the Farmington High School auditorium.

Plans Complete For Tag Day

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As in past years the Tag Days will be conducted on the same days throughout Oakland County. The purpose of the Tag Days is to raise funds for the hospital's clinic for indigent patients and for children's clinic both in Pontiac.

The contribution will also be used to purchase eye glasses for needy children and to set up a Special Student Nurses' Scholarship Fund.

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W. C. T. U. Holds Speech Contest At Garden City

Several young people from Farmington will participate in a speech contest to be held Sunday, April 24, at 6 p.m., at the First Christian Church at Garden City.

The young folks will compete in a temperance speech contest.

The program is sponsored by the Farmington W.C.T.U. and directed by Mrs. M. F. Lancaster, contest supervisor.

Those competing are David Bratton, Lois Leal, Dan McKerracher, Donald Brevel, David Seltz, Barbara Bratton and Marlene Welliver.

The contest will be held at the home of Mrs. William McCallum, 3071 Elm Street. Mrs. Paul Kenworthy of Redford will lead the devotion.

Speakers of the day will be Mrs. Alice Campbell, of Grand Oak, treasurer of the 17th District, Mrs. Hazel Green, president of the Royal Oak W.C.T.U.

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