

Around The Block

BEATING THE MUD.
Is a job the City of Farmington took on this week. Trucks of gravel and men with shovels put a new surface on the City Parking Lot. This week so that shoppers wouldn't get bogged down. That is, provided they could get out of their street or drive. This beating the mud job has been an all winter proposition so far instead of a few weeks in the Springs. But maybe if the gravel holds and the weatherman cooperates just a little bit more we will be able to get around again all right.

ANOTHER NEW CAB SERVICE.
Opened this week for the convenience of Farmington residents. It is the Grand Cab Company and is located at the Grand Cafe at the corner of Orchard Lake Road and Grand River. This gives Farmington two cab companies so none of us should have to walk unless we just want the exercise. It beats walking if you really have to get there in a hurry, and it's a good thing to remember in case the husband runs off with the car or the family chauffeur gets bogged down in a mud hole.

SPAKING OF WEATHER.
and why should we, The Enterprise received another letter from one of our lucky readers who is basking in the Miami sunshine while we trudge around in this stuff we have been having. Our letter writer states that it is so nice to go to bed at 10 p.m. with the temperature at 72° and to wake up at 7 a.m. with the temperature at 72°. That is not so bad, but he goes on to state that there are plenty of accommodations around around Miami. We certainly appreciate hearing from our lucky readers, but it is tough to sit here and read about all that nice weather, miles of beaches, and vacancies and not be able to do a thing about it.

DON'T FORGET THOSE TOURS.
for the American Legion "Tide of Toys" campaign. Instead of taking a chance of falling over them on the basement stairs, take them down to the City Hall for shipment to some child in Europe. The youngsters across the sea don't have a toy and would be thrilled to pieces to get them from you. So such a couple tonight, pass your name and address on them and take them down to the City Hall, the American Legion will take care of it from there. But don't forget, do it tonight.

CONFUSION REIGNED.
for a few hours last week end around the main corners of Farmington. The main traffic light on the corner of Farmington Road and Grand River cracked out and really had motorists baffled. One good thing about it, everybody moved very cautiously, not knowing quite what to make of it. We got the idea as we watched the situation if it wouldn't be a good idea to just put up a blank light at a few of these dangerous corners. They seem to command a lot more respect than a big yellow stop sign.

SOMEBODY.
made a mistake. The Farmington police and fire departments felt pretty happy that they were made heroes in the daily newspaper in our sizeable suburb Monday. Seems that Farmington police were instrumental in saving the lives of the Arthur Moore family when they were overcome by carbon monoxide. Only discrepancies were that there aren't any Farmington policemen by the name of Quill, the Farmington fire department doesn't have a pumpator, and neither department operates in Taylor Township. We'll bet somebody had a red face come Tuesday morning.

ALL THAT RAIN.
had its advantages, but we know of at least one group to whom the late week and early this week. Presumably, this is the result of the unskillful distribution of parking tickets made by the Farmington police department commencing Thursday morning. Simultaneously, there was a slight increase in the number of vehicles occupying the freshly-stored asphalt of the little-used municipal parking lot. The big ticket handout was soon nearly over — the habitual daily parkers evidently learned fast.

EXPLAIN EYE CHECK AT CLARENCEVILLE.
Mrs. Robert Dennis, program chairman for the Clarenceville Parent Teachers Association, and Dr. Ernest Gaynes, eye examiner making the survey, have revealed working the Eye Survey being made in Clarenceville schools.

SWITCH TO CITY MAIL DELIVERY HAS HEADACHES.
The switch from rural to mounted city mail delivery has brought its headaches. Postmaster Norman C. Lee stated Tuesday, Cold weather has interfered with "transplanting" mail boxes.

SCHOOL CUSTODIANS TAKE MAINTENANCE COURSE.
A special maintenance course for custodians of the Farmington schools is being held this week through the school grounds.

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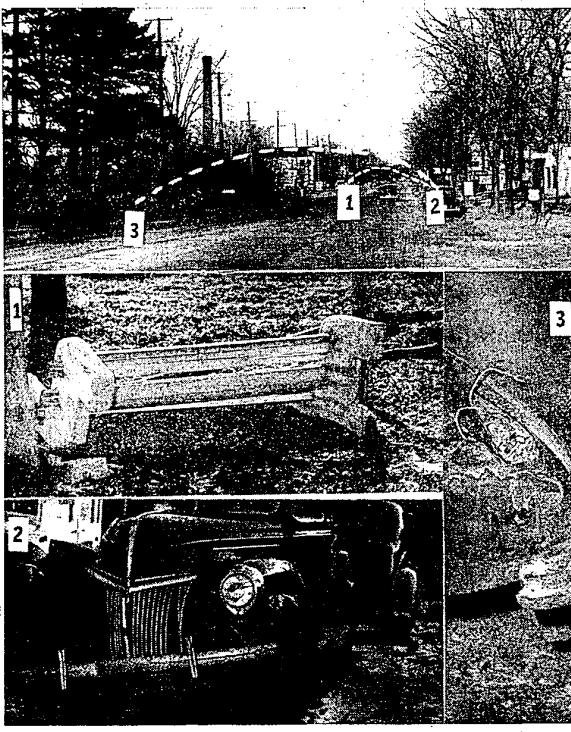
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FIVE CENTS A COPY



A Three-Cushion Collision occurred at 1 a.m. Sunday morning when (1) the stone bench in front of LaSalle Wines was struck and moved 20 feet closer to Detroit by (2) this car, a 1939 Ford. The car then backed up, drove diagonally across Grand River to strike a car owned by Henry Johnson, Jr., of 2220 Miller Road, which was parked in front of the Chawathay bar. Then the car once again crossed Grand River diagonally, hopping the curb, and struck Angus Campbell's car, parked off the roadway in a clump of trees. The last impact turned the careening auto over and whipped the Campbell car around, damaging its left rear fender (3). Police held Alexander McLean Allan, who was fined \$50 and costs for reckless driving.

City Orders Crackdown On All-Day Parking

Decide To Surface City Parking Lot

A crackdown on overtime parking was promised by the Farmington City Commission at its meeting last Wednesday night. The commission called for right enforcement of the posted parking limits in Farmington's business section.

Following the decision, Farmington police issued a half dozen parking tickets before noon the next day.

Decision to enforce the rules came as an offshoot of parking meter discussion. One of the criticisms of the proposed metered parking was lack of enforcement of present laws compared to the stringent enforcement needed for successful metered parking.

Commission members were surprised to find no delegation of local businessmen at Wednesday's meeting. All commissioners had received comment on their respective portions of the parking meter question, and fully expected opponents and proponents of the idea to be present at the meeting.

Acting on an idea suggested by Benja Loomis, police commissioner, the commission will attempt to have the Exchange Club sponsor a meeting of local businessmen, at which representatives of similar cities having parking meters will be present. Purpose of the meeting would be to air opinions regarding meter operation in Farmington.

ISSUE CAB PERMIT
City fathers also decided to issue a permit for taxicab operation to John Young, former owner of the Farmington City Cab Company.

Young asked the commission to grant him a permit for a cab stand on Grand River Avenue near the corner of Orchard Lake Road. The commission, in granting the permit, required that the cabs be parked off the street. Young's permit will allow the operation of two taxicabs.

Farmington Downs Berkley 50 - 36 To Remain Undeafed In 10 Starts

Farmington's high-flying basket ball team racked up their tenth straight win of the season last Friday night by defeating Berkley for the second time this season 50 to 36 on the Berkley floor.

The game was a little tighter than the previous contest but the two teams played in. Both teams put up a stubborn defense in the first quarter with very little scoring by either team. Farmington took an early lead, however, in the first period, and held it. The score at the end of the first period was Farmington 5, Berkley 4.

Coach Robert Hutton's starting five of George Barrons, Smokey Aschenbrenner, Dave Dirneyer, Leo Tyler and Dick Tupper, began to pour it on in the second quarter. The Falcons scored 21 points during the period while Berkley was able to account for 7 points to give Farmington a more comfortable margin. The half time score was Farmington 23 - Berkley 13.

As the third period opened, a new squad took the floor. Hutton sent in Herb Danbel, Allan Hallman, Dick Lyons, Don Bunge and Art Olson. Berkley managed to

outscore Farmington during the period but the Falcons were still substantial. Berkley scored eight points while Farmington was scoring 6 which brought the count to 35 to 21 in favor of the Falcons.

The starting line-up came back in in the final quarter. Both teams stepped up their play with Berkley trying desperately to get back into the ball game. It was the highest scoring period for Berkley but

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NEW TEACHER TO JOIN FARMINGTON FACULTY
Freda Oshewsky will join the Farmington Township School District teaching staff as Homemaking instructor, O. E. Dunckel, superintendent, announced this week.

She will join the staff at the beginning of the next semester, January 30. The new homemaking teacher will replace Mrs. Westfall, who has been substituting since the resignation of the regular homemaking teacher.

Township Board Approves New Building Ordinance

Students To Get Brief End Of Semester Break

Students of Farmington and Clarenceville schools will get a short but undoubtedly welcome vacation the end of next week, school officials stated Tuesday.

Farmington schools will be closed, as far as students are concerned, Thursday and Friday, January 26 and 27, for the end of the first semester periods. Clarenceville schools will close at noon Thursday, January 26, and will be closed Friday, January 27.

Board Discusses Road Problems

The Farmington Township Board at its regular meeting held Tuesday evening agreed to gravel a section of road in the Brookside Park subdivision in the southeastern section of the Township to afford the residents of that area some temporary relief.

It was stipulated in the agreement, however, that the cost of the gravel was not to exceed \$100. Action was taken following the appeal of Dr. Flors Sumrill, 2915 Edgewood and Fred Westlake, president of the Southeast Civic Association. The Board pointed out that there are a number of other emergency road situations in the Township and every effort must be made to treat them all equally as possible.

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Following the District Elimination tournament, State elimination tournaments will be held, with winners getting a share of the scholarships. Location of the district tournament has not been announced.

Schreiber is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Schreiber of 3024 Oakdale. He is also concert master of the school orchestra. Whitman is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl K. Whitman of 2960 Brookside.

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Code Sets Up Minimum Building Requirements For New Structures

By a unanimous 5 to 0 vote the Farmington Township Board passed the Township Building Ordinance at a special meeting held last Wednesday evening at the Town Hall.

The provisions of the new ordinance are to take effect immediately on any future building in the Township. The ordinance does not affect present dwellings in the Township except for future repair or alteration. Purpose of the Ordinance is to regulate the minimum construction requirements of dwellings, buildings and structures in the Township.

It also delineates the materials in which and types of materials which dwellings shall hereafter be constructed, altered or repaired.

The ordinance shall be effective in the unincorporated portions of the township and the entire township is divided into one district for the purpose of the ordinance.

Each application is to be accomplished by detailed plans showing the general information pertaining to the construction and location of the proposed dwelling or the alteration or repair of a building. The following schedule of fees is designated in the Ordinance: for a building comprising not more than 1000 square feet of floor space, \$5.00; each additional 500 square feet of floor space or fraction will be \$5.00. Fees for a garage or other out-building not attached to the main structure provided that it be built within 6 months of the date of the original structure.

The complete text of the new Farmington Building Ordinance appears on Page 4 of this issue of The Farmington Enterprise.

structure an additional fee of \$3.00 is required. Also if any plumbing work is to be done an additional fee of \$3.00 must be paid. This fee covers the various inspections required under the Ordinance.

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CHAMP DEBATERS MOVE TO FINALS
James Whitman and Richard Schreiber, Farmington High School debaters, will get a crack at the District Finals in the Farmington District Debate Tournament, which is being held by the Detroit Free Press.

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