

AROUND THE BLOCK

FARMINGTON TOWN ... became London Town over the week end with a 'heavy fog' covering over the city and countryside. From what we have been hearing in our trip around the block, most Farmingtonites don't exactly like the touch of London, either. Most of the fog is in the activity of the town, either the new hockey rink. We don't like to complain, and besides it won't do any good, but after all this is January, not foggy, and this is not meant as a dig at the weatherman, heavens no, it's his fault, either. The last time we complained a little he gave us 30 inches of snow, and we don't want that either. You just never can satisfy some people, can you?

WE ALMOST HAD ... an unexpected and unwanted visitor last Friday when a side rack of a truck broke loose, spilling many spoils of wire cable all over the Farmington Road. The near visit came when one of the spoils rolled down the road, coming to an abrupt rest in front of the office. The mishap occurred as the truck was turning onto Farmington Road from Grand River. Several spools of wire cable, one narrowly missed the office, and another light and another off, one narrowly missed the office. We figure the driver of the car was pretty much unnerved (and who wouldn't have been) because as soon as the dust cleared the car took off right through the red light and disappeared. Anyway, no one was hurt, fortunately, and the spoils stacked around until a lift could be secured and then they were loaded back on another truck for the rest of their journey.

GRIM REMINDER ... was brought right to the door of Farmington High School students last week. The wrecked car was bearing one of the cars involved in the accident that killed six persons and left eleven children orphaned, was put on display for every student to see. We sincerely hope that it made a deep impression on everyone who saw it. The wreckage and the aftermath are far from pleasant, but they are real. Nothing can erase the sorrow that this one accident has caused. In a car, if we are smart, keep it from happening again. An automobile is a dangerous thing if it is not handled wisely. It has and is killing people. It can kill you! Be really smart - stay alive!

ARE YOU A REGISTERED voter in Farmington Township? This is your last chance, if you are not! This Friday at 8:00 p.m. is the deadline to qualify for the special zoning election to be held February 18. So you don't have a moment to lose if you are going to take the outside looking in if you wish, no one is standing over you with a club, or you can take advantage of a privilege shared by very few people in this world. The choice is yours! But if you stay on the outside, don't blame the other fellow for the result, he probably exercised his rights - did his job as a real American. Your choice is the loudest when it spells a cross on the ballot.

THAT NEW LOOK ... on Farmington Road is the result of some pretty pretty new brooms. There is a total of three of them and they are ready to change the appearance, and incidentally convenience, of the whole store. The new cabinets now contain fresh vegetables, frozen foods and dairy products. The cabinets, aided by several straining methods themselves into the store via the opening of a 'look' in the wall. Besides adding a lot of class to the appearance of the store, they provide a far greater selection of produce for you shoppers to choose from. Why not stop in and take a look?

100 PER CENT is right on perfect, and that is just what happened last Saturday as 100 per cent of the Farmington air spotters turned out for their 10-hour test. George McLaughlin, chief spotter, said that every man was on the job when he was supposed to be there during the early hours, visibility was very good, and there was a lot of air activity. As we have remarked before, Farmington is indeed fortunate in having 24 volunteers who are as conscientious as these men who man our ground observation station. It is comforting to know that they are and will be on the job at a moment's notice to protect us and a lot of others in case of enemy attack.

THOSE NEW SLEEK ... 1952 model cars are beginning to pop out all over town. So if you have a look at them critically at the old family bus, don't be alarmed. He isn't thinking about driving off a cliff or anything, just trying to figure out how he is going to get one of those new ones for the old one. The unveiling of a new model every year is a wonderful institution if you think about it. Where else can you see a new model every year? Even going in and having a look is a treat not very many people throughout the world have a chance to enjoy. It is one of the little things that speak America. So watch for the announcements, stop in and take a look at '52 on wheels.

Falcon Debaters Lead Conference

Farmington's debating team took over first place in the Inter-Lakes Conference with a victory over Walled Lake last Monday afternoon.

The Farmington affirmative team, composed of June Turner and Lou Dowling, triumphed over the Walled Lake negative team to take the conference lead. The debate negated the team also won a decision over the Southfield affirmative team on Monday. Negative debaters are Lee Barthel and Charles Tulip.

Farmington now has a record of five straight wins and one loss to lead the field in the Inter-Lakes Conference. Walled Lake holds down second place with a record of four wins and two losses. Others in the team are Kearsy Harbor, Southfield and Waterford.

The topic for debating in schools across the nation is: "Resolved: (Continued on Page Seven)

Jaycees To Hold Football Bust Next Thursday

Farmington and Clarenceville High School football lettermen will be honored at the annual Farmington Junior Chamber of Commerce football banquet to be held Thursday, Jan. 24, at the Junior Chamber.

ADULT EDUCATION MEETING PLANNED AT CLARENCEVILLE

A special adult education meeting will be held Tuesday, January 22, in the Clarenceville High School, Louis Schmidt, superintendent, announced this week.

The Farmington Enterprise

LEADERSHIP--OUR PURPOSE SERVICE--OUR GOAL

NEAR RECORD REGISTRATION REPORTED IN TOWNSHIP



MICHIGAN'S MOST TRAGIC TRAFFIC ACCIDENT
Farmington students look over the wreckage of one of the cars involved in what is being termed "Michigan's Most Tragic Traffic Accident," an accident that took the lives of six persons, four of them teenagers, and left eleven children orphaned. The wreckage, mounted on a special truck, visited the Farmington High School Thursday morning under the sponsorship of The Detroit News. In addition to viewing the wreckage, the students heard a short talk by lieutenant Staats of the Detroit Police Department.

Farmington Students View Wreckage Of 'Michigan's Most Tragic Accident'

Police Officer Calls For Teen-Age Sportsmanship In Reducing Accidents On Our Highways

By JIM FANZINI

"I don't believe youth today is any different than it was 20 years ago," declared Lieutenant Rey Staats of the Detroit Police Department at a safety assembly at Farmington High Thursday, January 10. Lieutenant Staats was assigned to accompany the exhibit of "Michigan's Most Tragic Traffic Accident," sponsored by the Detroit News in cooperation with the public and parochial schools, the Traffic Safety Association, and the Detroit Police Department.

Falcons Defeated By Wayne 46-18

Farmington High School's basketball team dropped their sixth game of the season last Friday night when they lost to Wayne High School 46 to 18 in a non-conference game on the Wayne floor.

Trojans Cagers Defeat Holly 49-43

Clarenceville Trojan cagers upset the Holly Broncos 49 to 43 last Friday to rack up their first league victory of the season and force Holly into a tie with Northville for the lead in the league.

Estimated Building Costs In City During 1951 Passed \$500,000 Mark

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Action Taken In Organizing Defense Of Area

Plan Establishment Of Warden System

Establishment of area and block wardens is the initial step to be taken in the defense of the Farmington area, it was decided at the first public meeting of the combined City - Township Civil Defense Council held Tuesday evening at the Farmington Town Hall.

Board Acquires Site For School At Clarenceville

Plat To House New Elementary Unit

The Clarenceville School District has acquired title to .825 acres of land north of Seven Mile Road as the site for one of two new elementary schools. It was announced at the regular meeting of the Board Monday evening.

BURGERS ENTER TWO FARMINGTON STORES SUNDAY

Farmington City police are hunting burglars who entered two business establishments some time after midnight Sunday, taking a total of \$167.11 and siphoning gasoline from two cars parked near a gas station.

March Of Dimes Contributions Lag As Half-Way Mark Is Reached

The Farmington area March of Dimes campaign is at the halfway point with only approximately \$200 reported as of Monday of this week.

Registration Deadline For Special Zoning Vote Set For This Friday

A near record total of 230 new registrations has been recorded to date during the special registration period that closes at 8:00 p.m. this Friday, January 18, Harry McCracken, Township Clerk, stated Tuesday noon.

Play Production Set For Jan. 23

Special entertainment during intermission time will be one of the highlights of the Detroit Civic Players' presentation of "Little Women" scheduled for Wednesday evening, January 23, at the Farmington High School gym beginning at 7:30 p.m.

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This represents a near record number for a special registration period. It also indicates that a large vote can be expected in the special Township Zoning Election set for Monday, February 18. The special registration period is scheduled to give persons in the Township an opportunity to qualify for the special election. Farmington Township residents must be registered in order to vote in the February 18 election. Persons already registered need not re-register.

School Purchases Tractor Unit

Purchase of a tractor, with snow plow and grass cutter attachments, was approved by the Board of Education of the Farmington Township School District at its regular meeting Monday evening.

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