

FARMINGTON GROUP MAKES PLAY PLANS FOR NEXT SEASON'S PRODUCTIONS

The June meeting of the Farmington Players took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sullivan on Bond Avenue last Saturday evening. Two plays were presented on the lawn prior to the business meeting.

Lillian Richards directed the first play, "Rising with Grace". The actors were Martha Weber, Hessel Hannan, Mildred Sullivan, Mary Stoll and Hazel Quisenberry. Ray Sherpitt directed the second play, "If Men Played Cards as Women Do". The actors were

Frank Sullivan, George Nahsolt, Howard Richards and Lloyd Smith. Both plays were one act productions of the rib-tickling sort.

The July meeting will be devoted to the selecting of the two major three-act plays for public performances to be given next season. Ray Sherpitt is chairman of the play-reading committee.

The Farmington Players Group is still open to new members and information can be gained from Mrs. Clarence Stoll, membership chairman. The July meeting will be held on Saturday, July 25, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hannan on Howard Road.

At last week's business meeting it was decided to schedule two performances and meetings so as not to conflict with the coming travel and adventure series of the Farmington Kiwanis Club.

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THE MICHIGAN MIRROR

By GENE ALLEMAN

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During the forties Dr. Pearl Kendrick produced an improved whooping cough vaccine widely praised in the medical profession. Michigan's Department of Health is the nation's only source of anti-hemophilic globulin, a blood derivative important in stopping hemorrhaging.

Outstanding results like these over the years have resulted in the top reputation now enjoyed by Michigan's Department.

General purpose of the Department of Health is to encourage and develop health through local agencies at county or city level.

About 600 people make up the state staff. Their efforts are coordinated with 47 county and 11 city departments operating on a full time basis. Only 13 counties do not have health departments.

Federal aid has been available until this year when the national economy program called for drastic reductions. State and local governments providing \$160,000 each and minor reductions in service are planned to make up for the \$327,000 that will not be forthcoming from Washington this year.

Dr. Albert E. Heustis, a young, personable looking man, has been health commissioner since 1948. His job calls for skilled administration. He must work with state officials, with members of

organized medicine, with his department personnel and with local departments.

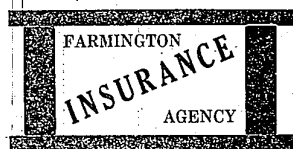
Much credit for the efficiency of the department is given by him and others to the absence of politics in its administration. Since its inception, the agency has usually had a free hand, unimpeded by political expediency. This has permitted employment of a career type people of high professional standards.

Appointed by the governor, confirmed by the legislature, the commissioner works, with an advisory group, the state Council of Health. Members of this body are also appointed by the governor. Although the commissioner need consult the council only if he considers it necessary to public safety to cancel public meetings, to take over a local health department he considers functioning improperly or to certain health regulations, Dr. Heustis says they have other important functions.

The present council consists of one health engineer a Doctor of Osteopathy, a dentist, and two M.D.s. In discussing general problems and policies with them, Dr. Heustis feels he has a valuable sounding board of public reaction. "I would like to meet more often with them, than at present," he commented.

Jimmy Clarke, of Brentwood Avenue is recovering from injuries received in a traffic mishap on his street last Tuesday.

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Letters submitted to the Editor for publication must be signed. Unsigned correspondence cannot be used and does not necessarily represent the policies of this newspaper.

To The Editor:

This is my second expression of opinion in this column in favor of continuing hunting in the Farmington Township area.

I believe all of us are proud of the population growth in the Farmington area as Mrs. Margaret G. Schaeffer mentioned in her letter. However, one can hardly make an adequate comparison with Detroit which covers 144 square miles in Farmington, 66 square miles. Detroit has a population of approximately 2,000,000, Farmington approximately 12,000 or slightly better.

Prohibiting hunting in the township area will certainly eliminate all our problems if it did in West Bloomfield Township. But, when a child becomes ill from fruit that has not been washed, (for example) do we throw it away or do we instruct our children to wash it the next time? Therefore, let's take the hunting situation and get at the cause of what a few may consider a problem. Hunting in itself is not wrong. I would like to suggest integrating hunting, ice fishing and similar sports as an extra-curricular activity in the high school. When a child has not been instructed in the proper use of equipment and has not been exposed to what is correct, then, invariably he tends to experiment for himself. In this way we may avoid the carelessness which we hear about.

Anonymous, a young lady of 12 years, has expressed a great deal of intelligence in writing her letter. However, she tends to stress certain aspects of a few mischievous boys and neglects others. My work brings me in close contact with youth. With proper guidance they will not be guilty of misdemeanors. I am greatly surprised at Anonymous, having three brothers she should speak more highly of the opposite sex. There is good in the worst of us and not all boys are bad.

Hunting is not one of our worst plagues. Statistics will prove that other accidents take a greater percentage over the same period of time. I should like to cite the example that we are constantly warned to be cautious in our automobiles. Fatalities due to traffic accidents are more prevalent. Perhaps with this in mind, one might consider driving to be the greatest detriment to the human race — yet we continue to drive our automobiles every day.

Very truly yours,
Mrs. Edward J. Kustron

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The Life Insurance Company of Virginia announced last week the appointment of Robert E. Snyder, Jr., as associate manager of its Dearborn office.

Snyder has been associated with the company for the past seven years. He succeeds Mr. William McGinnis, who has accepted a position of traveling inspector with the company. Snyder lives at 32010 Maple in Farmington with his family.

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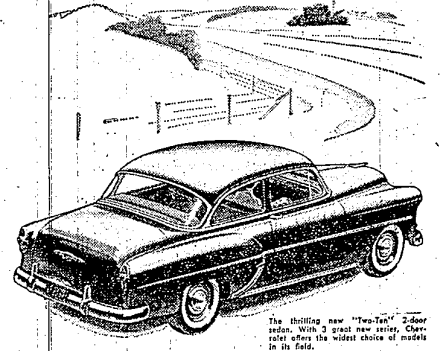
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