



SCOUT-O-RAMA Day, held last Saturday at Wall Lake High School, was termed a huge success with an estimated 12,000 people turning out for the third annual Boy Scout event. Feature attraction was the large variety of booths and displays shown by various Troops, Cub Packs and Explorer Posts of the Ottawa District. A civil defense display was set up by boys

of Farmington Explorer Post 45, sponsored by the Methodist Church under the leadership of Louis Gibson. Shown demonstrating a part of the civil defense display are, left to right, Jim Williams, Keith Brumm and James Sharpe. According to reports, Farmington units were among the best represented at the Scout-O-Rama.

-- LOCALS --

MARIE LONG GR. 4-3114

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Tyler and son Johnny have now moved to a new home at Rialto, California, from Pasadena. Mr. Tyler, who graduated from Farmington High School in 1918, is now associated with Proctor and Gamble Company in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Delp: Hamlin spent several days recently at their cabin at Glass Lake, Michigan. While there they were visited by their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. David Clark and young Michael, of Mt. Pleasant, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hamlin of Farmington.

It was disclosed this week that Miss Clara Lind, of Gill Road a 1954 graduate of Farmington High School, is now employed in nursing at New Grace Hospital in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis King and family of Oakland Avenue visited Mr. and Mrs. J. Bethorn of Jackson, Michigan, on Sunday. The Bethorns were former neighbors of the Kings when they lived in Redford.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Brown and children of Grand River Avenue visited Mrs. Brown's aunt, Mrs. Earl Beiden, at Byron, Michigan, Sunday. A family reunion was held in honor of Mrs. Beiden's brother, Arthur Klint, of Vancouver, B. C., who was in the states visiting for the first time in 38 years. Present besides the Browns were four brothers and two sisters.

Mrs. Elliott Tyler of Violet Street has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Evangelical Deaconess Hospital in Detroit. Mrs. Frank Peterson of Grand River Avenue was reappointed Key Woman of the Hospital, a capacity in which she has served for the past four years.

Appearing on the Chuck Ferguson TV program, "Ladies Day," recently were Mrs. Juanita Davis, Mrs. Irene West, and Mrs. Jan Clarke, all of Farmington.

Mrs. Bertha Bracken and her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Schaeper of Grand River Avenue, entertained 25 guests Sunday at the christening of Mrs. Bracken's great-granddaughter, Dawn Marie (Marion) of Port Sanilac, Michigan. Dawn Marie was christened by the Reverend Carl Schultz of the Evangelical and Reformed Church of Farmington.

Guests were Dawn's parents, the Philip Marsons of Port Sanilac and others from Lexington, Wall Lake and Detroit.

It was also the third wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Marson.

Mrs. Ethel Lint of Roosevelt Street has returned home from Old Grace Hospital after undergoing surgery there.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Norrisette of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Long, Sr., of Grand River Avenue visited the A. J. Petersons in Detroit on Sunday. The Petersons recently returned from Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Oben of 24535 Orchard Lake Road entertained Mrs. Oben's mother and her brother and family of Cleveland, Ohio, and a son and his family of Flint, Michigan, over the week end. The birthdays of Mr. Oben and his grandson Tommy were celebrated.

Public LetterBox

Letters submitted to the Editor for publication must be signed. Opinions expressed in this column are those of the writer and do not necessarily represent the policies of this newspaper.

Let's Be Friends...

Citizens of Farmington: Isn't it too bad when people who live in a democracy such as ours need a war to bring about the friendship and understanding to make us all brothers. When a crisis arises we stand together, why then must we continually be at one another's throat when we have peace. I have enjoyed living in this town of Farmington and will make my home here permanently. I want to be proud of my town as I hope all who read this letter want the same goal.

Why then can't this business of religion in regard to the school be forgotten. It seems to have gotten out of hand.

Isn't the issue of the bus any longer; it's what your religion happens to be the line has been drawn. Let's erase that line and put our talents and energy into something useful that will benefit ourselves and our town.

Come on, Farmington, let's all be friends. Mrs. Frank Nelson

REPORT RECORD TRAFFIC ACCIDENT DEATH TOLL IN 1955

The nation's worst automobile accident toll in history was recorded in 1955. It has been announced by a leading insurance company. Traffic deaths totaled 37,800 last year compared with 35,500 in 1954. The injury count reached 2,158,000 compared with 1,960,000 in the previous year.

These figures are taken from "Fatal Fallacies," the twenty-second in an annual series of traffic accident data booklets published by the company. Accident facts from every state in the nation are collected and analyzed for the booklet by statisticians.

Excessive speed was the most dangerous driving mistake again in 1955, killing 12,700. The 1954 figure was 12,380 persons. The injury total, resulting from excessive speed was 702,560, compared with 659,000 in 1954.

The pedestrian record was the only bright spot in the 1955 accident picture. It reflected improvement for the fifth consecutive year. Pedestrian casualties were reduced to 220,400, compared with 235,080 in 1954.

Drivers involved in more than 27% of 1955's fatal accidents, although they comprise only about 14% of all the nation's drivers.

Weekend crashes accounted for 15,730 killed and 766,690 injured. The 1954 week-end figure was 13,980 killed and 578,000 injured. Crossing between intersections, "jay walking," and stepping into the street from behind parked cars are the chief causes of pedestrian deaths and injuries.

Need to reduce this record to total of killed and injured is the immediate, unceasing cooperation of every American in possession of a driver's permit, insurance officials state. An aroused awareness of the week end highway peril, plus continued realization of the danger is the only way to reduce the week end fatality figures for 1956.

Clarenceville News Items

By Lorna Rice GR. 4-6152

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Leflar of Eldred Street returned home on Sunday after spending a three week vacation visiting relatives and friends in Illinois and Florida. While in Jacksonville, Florida, they were able to spend a few days with their son-in-law, Fred Grose, of the U. S. Coast Guard. Fred's ship was in port from Puerto Rico.

The Marion Shaw Circle of the Clarenceville Methodist Church will sponsor a "hobby show" on Friday night, April 27. Everyone is invited to attend.

Attending the Oakland County V. F. W. Past Commanders and Presidents' Banquet in Wall Lake Thursday night were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tardy, Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Spies, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Jones, Mr. and Mrs. George Dempsey, and Mr. and Mrs. James Rice.

APRIL 19 The Women's Society for Christian Service of the Clarenceville Methodist Church met recently with 35 members present. Plans were made for the Mother and Daughter banquet which will be held on Friday, May 11. The speaker for the evening was Elsie Johns, minister of the church, who spoke on the topic, "Word of a Woman."

The Mary-Martha Circle met on Tuesday, April 24, at the home of Mrs. Alden Graves, 20455 Neagunee.

The Marion Shaw Circle met the same night at the home of Mrs. Russ Koon, 22050 Helen Avenue.

The Esther Ruth Circle will meet at the church on Thursday, April 26. A desert luncheon will be served at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dempsey and Mr. and Mrs. James Rice attended the V. F. W. installations in Keego Harbor recently. Mr. Dempsey, Fifth District Commander, was the installing officer at Keego Harbor.

Gregory Garden, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Garden of Albion Street, celebrated his fourth birthday a week ago Saturday with a party for his friends. Games were played and ice cream, cake and pop were served to the guests. Richard Cooke, Robert Rice, Jimmie Forbes and Ronnie, Carl and Jerry Tucker.

Philip, three year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Johnson of Parker Avenue, is ill with measles.

BRIDGE construction work was resumed recently on the overpass at Farmington Road just north of Nine Mile Road which will carry the new Farmington to Brighton Expressway over the major north-south highway. First task undertaken was that of placing the huge steel I beams which will support the paving of the overpass. Work, shown in progress above, has now been completed.

Cancer Deaths Can Be Reduced, Health Head Says

More lives can be saved from cancer if Michigan people make fuller use of available services for early diagnosis, the state health department asserted. Dr. Albert E. Heustis, state health commissioner, issued a plea for wider use of periodic physical examination and routine chest x-rays.

The commissioner pointed to early discovery of cancer as "our greatest hope right now in reducing deaths from the disease." He placed special emphasis on the opportunity to cut the toll from lung cancer, cancer of the cervix and breast among women, and cancer of the skin, tongue, and mouth.

"But early discovery," the health department spokesman said, "depends in large measure on individual initiative in getting a health check-up and chest x-ray at least yearly. You can't afford to let the disease get a head start on you."

Provisional records for 1955 show 10,297 cancer deaths in Michigan last year, more than double the death toll a quarter of a century ago. But, Dr. Heustis said, the increase in part reflects a more susceptible, aging population, together with diagnosis of many cases which would have been missed years ago.

He cited deaths from cancer of the respiratory system — largely lung cancer — which have shot up from 347 deaths in 1940 to 1,261 last year — as "an urgent talking point for chest x-ray campaigns; lung cancer usually gives no warning signs until it reaches advanced stages, and Dr. Heustis said chest x-ray is the only way to find the disease in its early stages, when cure through surgery is a possibility."

He said more suspected lung cancers are turning up in the findings of health department x-ray drives, but some of the group most susceptible to cancer — specifically, men over 40 — fail to take advantage of the chest picture surveys.

The health department report showed about nine out of every ten cancer deaths occur among persons 45 years of age and older. As well as urging persons in the older age group to turn out in x-ray drives, the commissioner added that many cases of lung cancer, as well as tuberculosis and enlarged heart, can be found by making chest x-ray part of the admission program for every patient entering a general hospital, and by including a chest x-ray as part of every physical examination.

V.F.W. Post 4033, Ladies Auxiliary Hold Joint Installation Ceremony

On Saturday evening, April 21, V. F. W. Post 4033 and its Ladies Auxiliary held a joint installation ceremony at the V. F. W. Memorial Home on Orchard Lake.

Fifth District Senior Vice President Emma Mober of Royal Oak was the installing officer for the Auxiliary. She was assisted by Lucienne Mober, secretary, and Beatrice Carpenter.

Newly elected Auxiliary officers installed were: Lorna Rice, president; Kathryn Pershing, senior vice president; Valora Freshling, junior vice president; Marjorie Prisk, treasurer; Mildred Dempsey, secretary; Margaret Baranski, chairman; Bernice Campbell, conductress; and May Fox, guard. Named trustees were Jennie Kelm, Frances Kutschke, and Jerry Myers.

Joe Kelm, Catherine Courtney, and Jerry Myers were named color bearers. Eva Mae Myers was named flag bearer and Louise Kelm, banner bearer. Sarah Perkins was chosen patriotic instructor; Florence Spies, historian, and Ida Prisk, musician.

Installing officer for the Post was Dagmar Duggan, and Commander Howard Barthele of Muskegon. He was assisted by Fifth District Commander George Dempsey.

For the second consecutive year James Rice was installed as commander. Other officers installed were: Gerald Roberts, senior vice commander; Elmer Paschke, junior vice commander; William Carter, quartermaster; Bernard Schill, adjutant; Herbert Price, chaplain; Billie Kelm, surgeon; Bill Deamund, public relations officer; Wilford Rogers, post historian; Abner Boze, patriotic instructor; Kenny Myers, employment officer; Ronald Courtney, service officer; Harold Cooke, community service officer; John Huboy, national home representative; George Dempsey, poppy chairman; Harry Kutschke, youth activities; George Dempsey, legislative officer; and Russell Hines, officer of the day.

Trustees installed were William Deamund, Kenny Roberts and Ronald Courtney. Glen Myers was named guard; Charles McCracken and Edward Hendrickson, color bearers, and William Prisk, bugler.

An American flag was presented by Rev. E. C. Crandall of the Kenwood Church of Christ and an outdoor American flag to Commander Rice for the post. A barnum was presented to Mrs. Barnum for her outstanding work for the "Girl Scouts." Presentations were made by Margie Prisk, Americanism chairman.

A life membership to the National Home and a past president's pin were presented to Mildred Dempsey with a personal gift from the Auxiliary given to her by President Lorna Rice.

A check to be used toward completing the kitchen was presented by Lucienne Mober, secretary of the Blue Star Mothers. Presentation was made by Mrs. Margaret Kahl, president of the Blue Star Mothers.

Life memberships to the national Home were presented to Commander Rice, Ronald Courtney and Abner Boze and a past commander's pin and ring was also presented to Commander Rice.

The ring was a gift from the employees of the Detroit Terminal Railroad. For the past few years Commander Rice has been editor of railway magazine, "Cross-ties" and each month puts in many hours editing this little magazine, which is mailed to all retired employees and many others.

After the closing ceremonies a buffet supper was served to approximately 100 persons in attendance.

WEST POINT PARK NEWS

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APRIL 26

Saturday, April 14, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Seagriff of Norfolk Avenue, who are the proud parents of a seven pound eight ounce son, Mark Kenyon.

Monday, April 16, at Sinai Hospital, a six pound five ounce girl, Sandra Rene, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Morris Gural of Whitey Avenue.

Marine Richard, Grant, from the West Coast, has been home on leave visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Grant of Farmington Road.

Cub Scout Den Mothers of this community held a get-together at the home of Mrs. Norma Ferris on Cleveland Avenue last Wednesday, April 18.

Mrs. Clinton Ault, who recently suffered second and third degree burns on her face and arms, was able to return to her employment last Thursday.

Students Visit Newspaper Plant

"Last Wednesday morning the first grade boys and girls of Room 3 in the Ten Mile School went to see a printing press at The Farmington Enterprise."

"They saw the linotype machine and how it was operated. They saw the rolls of paper that the newspaper is made of. They saw the metal bars that are used to make the type. They saw the large printing press. They saw the paper being printed and how the papers come out folded."

"Then they went back to class and wrote this story."

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Franklin Church Planning Dinner

Plans are now well under way for the Franklin Church annual Colonial Dinner to be held on Thursday evening, May 24, at the ground floor level of the new church site.

The dinner is a traditional event in the work of the church finance committee to obtain final pledges for the operating expenses of the church. Due to the intense building fund raising drive last year the annual dinner was omitted.

The organization of the Colonial Dinner consists of selecting 13 governors of colonies who in turn obtain 10 or 12 guests for each of their tables. These governors are headed by Governor Generals who have already been named. They are: Win Hinman, New England group; George Hoffman, North Atlantic group; Eric Opitz, Middle Atlantic group; and Earl Taylor, Southern group. Governors for the various colonies are now being named.

M. M. Bergman, in charge of forest fire suppression, urges the public to cooperate in safety measures designed to prevent dangerous and costly fires before "green up" time. The current season is particularly hazardous because vegetation is still dormant and dry in many areas.

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