

FARMINGTON Socially Speaking

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The strangest sight we've observed in many a moon, was viewed while traveling the expressway. On approaching the car, hauling a fair-sized trailer, a red and white striped object sprang the length of the car and the trailer and beyond the trailer.

It's about 25 feet long and about a yard wide. Passengers of several cars passing the strange sight grinned from ear to ear when they realized it was a huge stuffed toy animal truck in the giant economy size.

The first re-union of the 1947 graduating class of the Whitefish Bay High School in Wisconsin was attended by about two-thirds of the graduating class. There were grads from San Francisco, Seattle, Farmington, Pittsburgh and the majority, it's amazing, are still in Wisconsin and many still in the city of Whitefish Bay.

It was the 25th year re-union and Dorist and Dick Knopf of Fox Grove attended as did Vic and Gale Girolami of Craftsbury, The Giro-

lamis were guests of Phyl and Neal Williams of Mequon, Wis. during their stay. The swinging time was at the Astor Hotel where the orchestra played all the tunes that were favorites and it was during that graduating year. The winners of the door prize were the graduates from San Francisco and they took home with them, a door prize by the 1947 class and that's what we'd call a real door prize.

Bill and Jan Salisbury of Bayberry Rd. hosted a get-together and farewell dinner party in honor of Ken and Pat Thrope of Cape Town, South Africa. They are departing via the Italian liner Christopher Colombo on a three-week cruise to their temporary homeland, South Africa. Leading a life of two years here, and two years there, friends have many questions to ask about their available traveling life.

Guests at the dinner party included Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kachler, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Frago, Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ulrich, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Vial, Mr. and Mrs. Ron Makowski and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Adams.

"TRAVEL BY TRAILER" is the motto of Jack and Berntha Moss of Lee Lane, Frank and Barbara Papke, children Nadine and Loren, of Maple and their trailer guests, Nancy Nicholson and two children; and Ken and Ruth Trombley of Marblehead, their offspring, Chris, Craig and Barbara. Barbara's trailer guest, Alice Niemi.

Two Detroit families made the caravan five in all. They spent a delightful ten days Montreal bound. Their five full days at Expo included lots of people but lots to see. Their only disappointment was when five trailers arrived at the trailer park where reservations had been made since January, they discovered that the fire was confined to the southeast wall. When the city fire trucks arrived they forced open the door of the garage and discovered that the fire was confined to the southeast wall. According to the DPS the fire apparently started in a workbench in the garage.

Garage Damaged By Fire

The garage at the Albert Tischbein residence at 33015 Alta Loma, Farmington, was damaged July 14 by fire.

Reports on the total amount of damage were not available. The City's Department of Public Safety was notified at 5:55 p.m. that smoke was pouring out of the Tischbein garage by the next door neighbor, Harold Bernd of 23270 Fleming.

43 Oakland Students To Study In Far East

Hong Kong, with its splendor and turmoil, beckons 43 Oakland University students this fall for a semester of study aimed at improving their understanding of the "incurable East."

In addition to 75 days of intensified study in the British Crown Colony, the students will enjoy relatively more relaxed visits to Japan, Taiwan and the Philippines. The formal part of the semester study program will include courses in Chinese language, introduction to China, selections from Chinese literature, advanced Chinese studies, diplomatic history of Asia and philosophies and religions of Asia.

SOME OF THE students also will pursue independent studies and directed readings dealing with the Far East. The semester-abroad program is open to all OU students above the freshman level who are not on academic probation.

OU faculty members who will head the group are Henry Rosemont, instructor

in philosophy, and Edward L. Buote, instructor in modern foreign languages.

The study tour will begin Sept. 5 with a two-week flight from Detroit Metropolitan Airport to San Francisco, and from there to Tokyo on the same day. Most of the students will be crossing the International Date Line for the first time.

After a two-day stop in Tokyo, where they will see the famous Ginza shopping strip and the Imperial Palace, they will be taken by plane to the port city of Osaka and from there by bus to the shrine city of Kyoto for a three-day stay. Another three-day stop is planned at Taipei, Taiwan, the capital of Nationalist China, before their arrival in Hong Kong Sept. 16.



A PLAY SCRIPT occupies these students these students are working in a small and their teacher in the William Grace group. Other groups have as many as 60 School. Studying under the Title I funds, students engaged in creative activities.

Program Includes Roads.

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Rhonswood runs right through his barn. Spess freely admits that he has been in trouble about the road and notes that Circuit Court Judge William J. Beer had issued an injunction to keep him from blocking the property.

There was also a charge of assault and battery filed against him by a county road worker, but that charge was dismissed by the court. "In 1952 I rebuilt the entire road with financial help from some of my neighbors," Spess asserts and adds that at that time the road commission "refused to have anything to do as they said it was a private road."

"Since that time the grade is continually digging up the road and helping to stir up the dust," he says. Spess says that the county wants the road because of the new school being constructed in the area and asserts that additional traffic

will ruin the footings on his home which is right beside the road. The county road commission has been waging the battles with Spess and frequently calls the Township Police out when it wishes to grade the road.

Spess' objection to the road commission extends beyond an argument over who has jurisdiction over the property. He says that the county grader takes "about an inch and a half" off the road each year and says that the county has refused to dump gravel on the passage-way.

"Last year, with the county maintaining the road, was the first time in 20 years that the road went out," Spess says.

School Aid

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amount that 13 mills of the property tax would yield. The new formula changes these figures to \$427.88 per child minus 15.75 mills. With a tax base of a bill more than \$154 million and an anticipated student population of a little more than 15,000, Farmington has a base of \$10,000 of taxable property per child — which is in the lower half of Michigan school districts. It can therefore expect an aid increase of \$1.58 per child, more or less.

The sliding scale formula would give a district with a \$5,000 tax base per child about \$16.63 a head and a district with a \$25,000 tax base per child about \$7.74 per head, according to the Michigan Education Association. Tax rate for operations will be 23.4 mills on the December tax bills, an increase of one mill from last year. The operating increase, however, is expected to be offset by a reduction in the debt retirement levy.

Placed On Dean's List Judy Kay Benson, 29843 Shawassaw, Farmington, has earned a place on the Bradley University Academic Dean's List. To achieve this distinction, a student must achieve at least a 7.00 (A minus) average on a perfect 8.0 scale while carrying at least 12 semester hours of study.

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OK Work on Alta Loma Roads

(Continued from Page 1) ing on the question before any Council action be taken.

This was changed into the idea of contacting the people by mail, however, when Mayor Wilbur V. Brotherton noted that if the meeting were held the people attending would probably be those who are opposed to paving.

Added to this was Dinan's comment that there was not enough time left for the processing and financing to have the roads paved this summer even if the Council found public support.

"I don't see that we have any alternative to the city proposal," Brotherton

commented. "There isn't enough time left this year to pave the streets and we can't let them go in their present condition through the winter."

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