



SIXTY-FOUR YEARS -- Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lamb, 33204 Oakland, Farmington, are celebrating their 64th wedding anniversary today (Feb. 17). They have lived in Farmington all those years and were each born in Farmington, Mrs. Lamb on 13 Mile Rd., and Mr. Lamb a mile away on 12 Mile Rd.

local news happenings

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lamb, of Oakland Avenue, Farmington, will celebrate their 64th wedding anniversary Feb. 18. They were married in 1904. Mr. Lamb brought his bride to their present home which he built. They are life-long residents of this community and still take part in most of its activities.

Mr. Lamb is a Mason and past president of the Exchange Club. Mrs. Rena Lamb belongs to the Eastern Star of the Shrine and many other organizations. Mrs. Lamb's activities have been curtailed somewhat, as she uses a "walker" to get around due to a nerve injury in her back and leg. But it doesn't prevent her from attending the Pioneer Golden Age Club of which she is an active member and enjoys so much. She has never had a toothache or headache, her health is very good. May this wonderful couple enjoy many, many more healthy and happy anniversaries together.

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FARMINGTON THRU ... BIFOCALS

By FRED DELANO

UNTIL RECENTLY, I put up with the fact that Mike Regan is Irish because through the years I've consorted with so many types that this fact didn't seem to tip life's scales very much one way or the other. At least, that's what the feeling was, if there was any at all, before Mike clomped me in the chops.

It all started innocently enough when I climbed on an adjoining stool one day after the recent rains had ended and solicitously inquired, "How's your ice rink?"

Now, it takes a particular breed of man to build, as even attempt to build, a backyard skating rink. Mike is one.

Between times, when not selling "white hot" automobiles in our village, Mike has seen fit to sire seven or eight offspring, proving he's more than just a conversationalist, and he takes their upbringing seriously, as befits a son of Erin raised in the fear of the Lord.

This winter, the little people really got to him. If you'll remember, it chilled early and the ice formed readily. It was a "natural" for a big soft-hearted goof like Mike to give in and say he'd convert the backyard to a skating surface.

WE'LL SPARE YOU the sordid details of his trial and error process, and in the interest of time report only that in the end Mike accomplished what he set out to do. But then came the awakening.

It arrived first on a Sabbath afternoon when six couples with 18 kids descended on the Regan Ranch, skates in hand, and proceeded to register a box score that read:

Seven fights.
Five fits.
One 20-pound ham.
One broken television set.

Well, that soon went into the books as not too rare an Irish get-together when a daughter asked dear old Dad if it would be all right to have "the girls" over. Even though he knew better, Mike yielded.

The planning went on for days, as it does with feminine blasts at any age. There was food to prepare, soft drinks to arrange in proper ratio, a couple of nights spent spraying the ice to perfect just the right glaze — and, of course, even boys to tip off just as if they hadn't planned on crashing the party anyway.

Then it rained.
It rained Friday night, and it rained all day Saturday. Sunday barely dawned, what with the fog, and still it rained. Mike's back yard was a cesspool of desolation, matched only by the fact that indoors the girls wet, cried and shed tears by turn. When this flood met the cascade from the back yard, it swept onward into the basement and dripped endlessly on the summer patio furniture.

IT WAS ONLY A DAY LATER when I chanced upon Mike taking out his misery upon some Danish malt, and this is when I so happily asked, "How's your ice rink?"

What I had in mind to tell him, my own experience. Coaxed onward by Mike's success in establishing the "good father" image, I carefully overlapped pieces of a wooden frame to keep the water in, let the hose run all night, and gleefully told the urchins to advertise that ol' Dad wasn't a fake after all.

When morning arrived, as it so often does, the hose had cracked, the next door neighbor had all the water, and my own yard was nothing but a quagmire sufficient to bring forth those endearing and famous wifely words, "If you had done it my way..."

That's the part I never got to tell Mike. He won't know my own misery until now, and it's sort of a pity. Dick Tupper could have saved both of us with his ready-made backyard kits, but Mike's the "hit 'em now and ask questions later" type.

What I really wanted to know was whether he has any plans for a do-it-yourself swimming pool.

Then he volunteered the information that local police have a bigger problem as a by-product of heroism than any other drug.

He said he was not referring to use of heroin by local residents, but to the problem caused by users in other areas.

"The courts of our land are going to have to make a greater effort to determine the difference between the professional criminal who has very little or no chance of being rehabilitated and the criminal who stands a good chance of being rehabilitated."

In answer to a question regarding drug abuses in Farmington, Deadman conceded, "Yes, we have some problems in the high schools, mostly with marijuana rather than LSD. It's a very difficult enforcement problem."

Scouts Begin Work On Toymakers Badge

By Judy Zahler 474-6527

The Farmington Scouts of Troop 167, the junior troop that meets at Flanders School, Mrs. Joan Stahl and Mrs. Joan Miller co-leaders, have been busy working on their toymakers badge. On Feb. 9 the girls packed boxes to send to an orphanage in Vietnam and included in them the toys that they made.

The girls have also been working on their cooking badges, and as part of the requirement they will be going to the Consumers Power Company for some cooking lessons. Of course they will be following this up with some cooking at home and some sampling of each others' goods.

ON FEB. 23, in connection with "Thinking Day", the Scouts will hold a Scouts Own. This is a more or less "quiet time" with serious discussions and is part of the requirement for the Sign of the Arrow. The girls will be hiking out in the woods and those who are working on various badges will get an opportunity to talk about them and to tell the other scouts what they have learned.

For instance, some of the scouts are working on their Indian Lore Badge and they will

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