



**AROUND THE BLOCK**

EVEN THE WEATHER... feels like May, and by jolly it is May. At long last we feel almost confident enough to say that Spring is finally here, we said almost, of course. In fact, the winter jumped right into mid-summer last week end. City folks were really out in force on Sunday, with a boat on top of the car and an outboard motor sticking out of the trunk. The top coats and heavy jackets have suddenly disappeared and in one case, at least, a shirt and undershirt. We noticed this shirtless and undershirted citizen braving the elements last Tuesday morning. He will probably have a nice sun tan before most of us get outdoors. At any rate, it is May and at last Spring, we hope.

**CANDIDATES FOR COUNCILMAN**

have put their names on the line. Now it is up to you to put your mark in the square. In a little over a week residents of the City of Farmington will elect five men to serve them on the new council. The election will be held on Monday, May 14. It is a challenge to every voter. This is your city and it can be no stronger than you yourself make it. You will be electing a new Council to administer a new charter May 14, but equally important, you will be proving by action just how democracy-conscious and community-minded Farmington really is.

**RIGHT IN FRONT...**

of four eyes Tuesday morning we saw a car drive off — stolen. The city's Water Commissioner, Roy Miller, was the first one who noticed that the driver who had just entered the car wasn't the same one who had left it. She was in the post office a few seconds later she was out on the street with a very perplexed look, watching her car disappear. Which goes to show again that taking the keys out of the car, even though it's bright daylight, there are plenty of people present and you will be gone only a few seconds, is a good idea. Leaving the keys in the switch just makes losing your car all the easier.

**SOME NEW PAINT...**

is being put on the downtown section. Sandra's sign is back again, this time with a coat of baked-on enamel to match the color of the new drapes and similar decoration which has been added to the sandwich shop. Up the street a little farther, the Farmington Lumber and Coal Company's plant is getting a new coat of color, cream, this time. What with the Township Clean-Up Days almost here the whole community should be bright and shiny before long.

**COME FRIDAY...**

all the anxious parents are going to get a chance to see some of what their offspring have been doing during the past year at school. The occasion is the art exhibit and style show being presented by the high school students Friday. There are a lot of departments showing their "wares" at the exhibit this year. It will fill the gym and overflow somewhat, too. The girls in home economics are going to show the various articles of clothing they have made this year; the drawing classes are going to exhibit some of their work; even the math department will have a display. The exhibit will open at 7:30 p.m., and the style show will start a half hour later. Refreshments, free, will be served after the show. See you there.

**NOW GONE...**

are the days when we could venture out on Grand River Avenue of Sunday afternoon and enjoy the beauties of nature through the side curtains of our sturdy touring car. No more — now all we can see on a Sunday afternoon is more automobiles. The root of the evil is the fact that more and faster cars have been built and our highways haven't expanded to keep up with the demand. For instance, the three lane stretch between Farmington and stage coach stop No. VI has earned itself the reputation of being one of the most dangerous hunks of concrete in the state. Yet it is much roomier than most roads. Maybe if we had more six lane expressways...

**BLISTER AND BACKACHE...**

season is here again. The frost is mostly out of the ground now, and although it may return tomorrow, the amateur gardeners are back at the business of collecting blisters on their spade hands and backaches from bending over to work up the garden and put in the seed. This is the time of year the amateur gardeners plant their seedlings forward to all winter long. Having a green thumb is a wonderful thing; but all we've ever been able to raise is a blister on the typewriter finger.

## Trojan Nine Split In Two Contests

Clarenceville High School's baseball team chalked up their first win of the season last Friday but suffered their second loss Monday when they were defeated by Milford.

The Trojans swamped Gratiot High School last Friday 15 to 6 in a 15-hit barrage. Pat Killeen was the star pitcher for Clarenceville with Elmer Ross doing the catching. Killeen was relieved in the sixth inning by veteran pitcher Don Grosse.

Don Grosse, Billy Joe Robbins and Jim Merriams supplied the big punch at bat for the Trojans. The trio collected 9 hits with Whitey getting four, Robbins three and Merriams two. Robbins scored four runs, followed by Merriams and John Robertson scoring two runs each.

The Trojans scored two runs in the first inning, four in the third, six in the fourth, four in the fifth and one in the sixth. Clarenceville led all the way.

Clarenceville dropped a close 1 to 0 contest to Milford on Monday. The Trojans got only 3 hits off the pitching of Milford's Bieleman. Don Grosse was the losing pitcher for Clarenceville, going the entire seven innings. Grosse allowed only four hits while walking one and striking out 13.

Milford scored its lone run in the third inning on a double and two singles. Elmer Robbins shouldered the hitting for Clarenceville, getting two of the three hits. Jim Merriams got the other hit for the Trojans.

Clarenceville will journey to Holly on Thursday and will play host to Northville on Monday.

## Girl Scouts Entertain Noble P.T.A. Meeting

Mrs. Edmund Hart and Girl Scout Troop 174 will entertain the Noble Parent Teachers Association with shadowgraphs May 7 when the group meets at the Middlebelt School.

Mrs. Kenneth Witkom and the fifth grade room mothers will serve refreshments at the 8 p.m. meeting.

## NAME WINNERS IN VFW AUXILIARY ESSAY CONTEST

Winners of the annual essay contest sponsored by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars were named this week. First place was won by Margaret Godfrey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Godfrey of 21908 Albion Street.

Runner up for second place is Donald Byrne, son of Mr. and Mrs. John P. Byrne of 21720 Watford. Norman Raupp, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman Raupp, was third prize winner.

Prizes will be awarded to the winners May 15 at the Farmington High School Award Assembly. The essay entries by Miss Godfrey have been forwarded to the state essay contest for judging.

Topic of the 1951 contest was "Freedom's Open Door".

## BAPTISTS TO CHOOSE NEW PASTOR MAY 9 AT CHURCH MEETING

Members of the Farmington Baptist Church will meet next Wednesday night to elect a new pastor for their church. They will fill a vacancy created when Miss Freda Fink left Farmington for Florida last winter.

The meeting will be held May 9 immediately following the 7:30 p.m. prayer service.

Candidates for the position include Rev. W. C. Muck of Huntington College, Huntington, Indiana; and A. P. Olsen of Cass City, Michigan; Rev. W. H. Martin of Flint, Michigan; and Rev. D. L. Rieder of the Scribner Avenue Baptist Church, Grand Rapids.

All of the candidates have appeared as guests at the Farmington Baptist Church.

## Hobbyist Speaker At Methodist Banquet

Rev. Lawrence Ward of Grand Rapids will be the principle speaker at the Farmington Methodist Church's annual Mother and Daughter banquet. The banquet will be held May 11 at 6:30 p.m.

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## TEN CANDIDATES NOMINATED FOR CITY COUNCIL RACE

### Work To Begin This Month On City Water Main

#### Test Drills Planned To Check Moisture

Test drillings will be made in a week or two in the Floral Park area to determine the moisture content of the ground preparatory to the start of construction work on the new city water main to hydrant installations.

Roy Miller, Water Commissioner, made the announcement this week. He stated that as soon as the moisture is out of the ground, construction work will begin. Miller said that the materials have been delivered so there won't be any delay in securing pipe.

The new eight-inch water main will run for a large main, which ends between Prospect and Lakeway, along Shilwaukee to Orchard Lake Road. It will be connected at Orchard Lake Road to the present Florio Water Works system. A total of 35 hydrants will be installed in Floral Park to give this section of the city fire protection.

#### USE CONCRETE PIPE

The Commission approved the installation of concrete asbestos pipe instead of cast iron pipe last fall. The concrete asbestos pipe was selected by the Commission because of its more immediate availability and because of its lower cost as compared to the cast iron pipe. According to Miller the concrete asbestos pipe is now being installed in many communities. Inspectors will supervise the laying of the new pipe as soon as construction begins. Final completion of the new water main will depend on the ground and how soon work can begin. However, it is expected that the main will be installed and in operation by July 1.

### Township Clean-Up Bids Due This Friday

Friday, May 4, at 4:00 p.m., is the deadline for the submitting of bids for the Farmington Township Clean-Up, according to Harry McCracken, Township Clerk.

All bids must be filed with McCracken by that time in order to qualify. The annual Township Clean-Up is expected to begin about the middle of May. Two areas have been designated in the bid request. The areas to be cleared are: a territory west of Orchard Lake Road and also north of 11 Mile Road on Orchard Lake Road and all territory east of Orchard Lake Road and also south on 11 Mile Road.

No garbage or paper is to be placed in and all rubbish must be placed in containers in front of the owner's property.

### Board Takes Action To Open Road



Legal steps are being taken by the Farmington Township Board to have this barricade removed so that a through road can be opened to the public between Fendit and Rhenswood west of Gilt Road. The barricade was erected by William Spees, 34752 Fendit Road. The Township Board contends that the 33 feet wide dead-end road is located in public property. Spees states that he has built and maintained the road and should receive some compensation. Other property owners along the 33-foot strip have requested that the road be opened up between the two streets.

### Falcon Nine Bows To Watford For First Loss On Home Diamond

#### Farmington's Falcon Nine Spell 9 To 4 Defeat

Farmington's Falcon nine, lost their first home game of the season last Friday afternoon, bowing to Watford High School 9 to 4.

It was the second loss of the season for the Falcons against two victories. Farmington lost to Plymouth Bentley in the first game of the season and scored victories over Walled Lake and Clarenceville.

Jerry Plum was on the mound for Farmington and went the entire seven innings. Larry Plum was the star pitcher. During the game Plum struck out 5, walked 6 and hit 2 batters.

Farmington remained undefeated in Inter-Lakes Conference competition by defeating Kego Harbor 12 to 3 Tuesday afternoon. Art Olson was the winning pitcher for the Falcons.

hit two batters. Frizel, Watford hurler, was the winning pitcher. He struck out four and issued five walks. He was relieved in the fourth inning by Kratt.

Farmington scored one run in the second inning when Plum walked and stole second. He went to third when the ball went into center field and came on home when the center fielder threw the ball over the third baseman's head. They added one more run in the fourth inning. Larry Plum got to first on a fielder's choice, Bunge walked and

### Display Their Skills: Farmington Students To Feature Exhibits And Style Show Friday

The second Annual School Arts Exhibit and Style Show, sponsored by the students of the Farmington High School, will be held Friday, May 4, at the high school gymnasium.

Nine departments will participate in this year's show, which will open at 7:30 p.m. The style show will be held at 8:30 p.m. The bulk of the exhibits will come from the Art Shop, Mechanical Drawing and Home Economics Departments.

All exhibits as well as the style show are open to the public. According to the committee, refreshments will be served following the show. No admission will be charged and refreshments are free.

#### SHOP DISPLAYS LAYOUT WORK

The shop display will include the full 16th to 18th grade work of the gym. The display is under the supervision of Mr. Isaac Shell, industrial arts teacher.

There are only four classes contributing to the show. They are the 8th, 10th, 11th and 12th grades. The 8th grade will contribute bird houses, lamps, knickknacks, and other small wooden articles.

Shop 1, the 10th grade, will display footstools, towel racks, metal work, electrical work, tables, magazine racks, and other small projects. The exhibits will be picked from among the homework assignments turned in all year. Approximately 200 students will contribute.

### Clarenceville Sets Registration Dates

Registration books of the Clarenceville School District will open Saturday, May 12, for the acceptance of new registrations for the Annual School Election, to be held Monday, June 11.

The books will remain open until Saturday, May 19, the final day of registration. Qualified residents of the Clarenceville School District may register any school day from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. On Saturdays persons may register from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. On Saturday, June 2, the last day, persons may register from 8:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m.

Registrations will be taken at the Board of Education office in the Clarenceville High School, Middlebelt Road just south of Eight Mile Road. Persons 16 or older to be eligible must be citizens of the United States, must be over twenty-one years of age and must have been a resident of the state for 6 months and of the school district for 30 days prior to the election.

At the Annual School Election, residents will elect members to the Clarenceville Board of Education. The Annual Meeting of the Clarenceville School District is also held on June 11. The Clarenceville School District is composed of a part of Farmington and Redford Townships as well as a portion of the City of Livonia.

### Hold 'Spring Pour' Next Wednesday

Roy Robinson, superintendent of Ferndale public schools, will be the guest speaker next Wednesday when the Board of Education sponsors the annual "Elementary Spring Pour" at the Farmington High School gymnasium.

Robinson will speak on improving ways of learning and working together. Mothers and teachers of elementary students in the Farmington school system will hear Robinson at both morning and afternoon sessions.

A nursery will be provided for the 9:15 to 11:50 a.m. session and for the 12:30 to 3 p.m. session. Mrs. John Cook, Jr., will have charge of the helpers at the nursery. The location at the Methodist Church, in the morning session, Mrs. E. E. Porter will be in charge of the nursery during the afternoon session.

### Patrol Boys See Capitol Thursday

Ronald P. Johnson, 19607 Westmore, age 11, safety patrol leader for the 20th district, will have charge of the helpers at the nursery. The location at the Methodist Church, in the morning session, Mrs. E. E. Porter will be in charge of the nursery during the afternoon session.

Johnson was chosen by local school authorities and Club safety men after his school was cited for his superior 1950-51 safety patrol. White received the invitation and the Auto Club's honor award medal for snatching a five year old girl from the path of a speeding car.

Highlights of this year's trip will include participation in a mile long parade down Constitution Avenue with 25,000 motorists from all over the nation led by William "Hopalong Cassidy" Boyd and Don Gehrmann, fastest mile runner in the world.

### Garden Club To Receive Second Lecture In Series

The Farmington Garden Club will meet Monday, May 7, at the 12th annual meeting. Hostesses Mrs. Albert Allmayer, instructor of flower arrangements classes for the Detroit Board of Education, will give the second lecture of a series of three.

Non-members are again being invited to attend. The audience will bring note books and pencils to the meeting.

Mrs. Allmayer's lecture will cover "Color symphony, container selection, background and accessories."

There will be a business meeting for members at 12 noon. Hostesses for this meeting will be Mrs. J. W. Cunningham, Mrs. Forest Dickerson, Miss Mary DeLand, Mrs. Elmer Dobany and Mrs. Elmer Darling.

### Use 110 Tables At Garden Club Party

Guests at the Garden Club's annual benefit card party occupied 110 tables last Saturday when the record-breaking crowd flocked to the high school gymnasium for the event.

### Voters To Elect Five Councilmen At Special Election Monday, May 14

Ten candidates will be seeking election to the Farmington City Council in the Special Election to be held Monday, May 14. It was announced Saturday morning, following a meeting of the Board of Canvassers.

Of the ten candidates, five are to be elected to the new City Council under the recently approved City Charter. This will be the second election of the council under the new charter. All candidates filing nomination petitions were nominated by the Board of Canvassers. The Board, composed of Delos Hamlin, chairman; Harry W. Moore, City Clerk; and Kathryn D. Crotter, City Treasurer, reviewed the petitions and nominated the candidates.

### Livonia Man Dies In Plymouth Road Auto Accident

Jefferson D. Haskin, 15328 Irving Avenue, Livonia, was killed April 23 when his truck crashed into a tree on Plymouth Road near Rutherford, Detroit.

Haskin's wife, Pearl, and a family friend, William Brandenberg of 18265 Florence Avenue, Livonia, suffered critical internal injuries in the accident. They were taken to Redford Receiving Hospital.

The two passengers and the driver were removed by Schaefer Station policemen after the truck had overturned and caught fire.

The officers said they had seen the truck going west on Plymouth at 3 a.m. They added that they had just driven into the street behind the truck when it skidded on the wet pavement, crashed into the tree, plowed on for 60 feet, and then overturned and burst into flames.

Funeral services for Haskin, were performed at his family home in Livonia. Haskin, 52, had no children. He was a self-employed carpenter.

### OES RUMMAGE SALE TO BE AT TOWN HALL THIS SATURDAY

The Town Hall will be the scene this Saturday of the rummage sale being sponsored by the Farmington Order of the Eastern Star. Members of the organization have been picking up rummage for several weeks in preparation for the event.

The sale is scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. Articles ranging from a mustard cup to used furniture will be offered for sale during the day. At 6:30 p.m. the group will also sponsor a spaghetti supper at the hall.

Also on the agenda for the group is a May Day dance to be held at the hall on May 12. Miss Helen Popovitz and Mrs. Clarence Roston are in charge of the spring affair. Ladies attending the dance are advised by Mrs. Roston to wear button dresses, and gentlemen to wear sport shirts and slacks.

### FALCON THINCLADS SWEEP DUAL MEET WITH MILFORD

Farmington High School's track team won their second dual meet of the season last Thursday afternoon by defeating Milford High School 65% to 35% on the Falcon track.

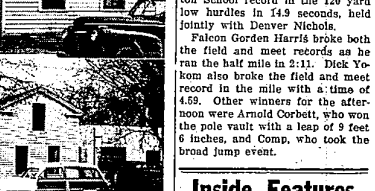
This gives Farmington two victories in the Inter-Lakes Conference. The first was defeating Kego Harbor last week. The second was the meeting against Milford one school record was broken, two tied, six meet records were broken and four new field records established.

The most outstanding performance of the day was made by Don O'Keefe, Falcon shot putter, who broke the old shot put mark held by Bob Chesley. O'Keefe put the shot 44 feet 2 1/2 inches.

Charles Comp tied Keith Weiland's record in the 100 yard dash with a time of 10.4 seconds. Comp also broke the Milford meet record in the 220 yard dash with a time of 24.0 seconds. Allan Halaman, Falcon hurdler, broke the 55 yard-high hurdle record with a time of 8.0 seconds and also tied the Farmington school record in the 129 yard low hurdles in 14.9 seconds, held jointly with Denver Nichols.

Falcon Gordon Harris broke both the 100 and 200 yard meet records. He ran the 100 in 12.1 seconds and the 200 in 28.1 seconds. He also broke the field and meet record in the mile with a time of 4:59. Other winners for the afternoon were Arnold Oerberg, who won the pole vault with a leap of 9 feet 6 inches, and Comp, who took the broad jump event.

### Old House Yields To Business Growth



Another old residence makes way for business development in Farmington: the old Tollman home built several years before the turn of the century, is being torn down from the site. Date of the building's erection is not known; it is believed to have been built shortly after 1865, when Ira Tollman bought the farm on which it was located from the original owner of the government grant. The house remained in the Tollman family and was recently sold by Ira Tollman's grandnephew, Mrs. Stephen A. Lockman of Pontiac, to the Curt Hall Pontiac Agency. The lot which adjoins the automobile dealer's, will be used as a used car lot.

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