



AROUND THE BLOCK

A LITTLE MORE LIKE IT . . .

A little more like October, anyway. The frost is on the pumpkin now and summer is probably gone for good. It sure didn't want to leave very badly, did it? But you can't blame her too much. It seems like yesterday that it came. The main topic around the pot belly stove, (and it's huffing and puffing this week) is the sudden change from mid-July to crisp October. There has been snow already in the top of the Upper Peninsula and it probably won't be long before hot weather will arrive in Farmington. Anyway, the weatherman seems to have caught up with the calendar again, after dragging behind all season. Maybe he is related to the New York Giants in some way.

NET MONDAY . . .

Wipeout near the opening of the 1951 hunting season. The annual invasion of hunters will converge on Farmington in force probably in the wee hours Monday. But don't be frightened, just get under the bed until a lull comes and then calmly walk out with a corner of the white bedsheet tied to a broomstick. This may seem amusing, but we have already had a few reports of nicks from corners of woods, wild shots and near misses. These reports come in every year and they are far from amusing, especially to those who have to duck for shelter. Get permission from land owners before you hunt on private property, watch where you are shooting and for pete's sake and your sake, too, be careful.

THIS WEEK IS NOTEWORTHY . . .

Two very important reports. One is Fire Prevention Week. We have a lot of special weeks during the course of the year. In fact, we have so many it makes us dizzy sometimes, but here are two we don't want to forget. Fire Prevention Week affects you and your family directly. Every year fires take countless lives as well as millions of dollars in property damage. It knows no bounds. It has hit our home community, and will probably hit again. But you can lessen the chances of fire in your home by taking precautions now. Check your home this week, look for fire hazards and eliminate them now before they cost you your home or maybe your life. In the face of increasing new significance. This can do a job for you, and an earnest and capable job, too. This valuable army of sincere Americans is only asking for a chance to prove their worth, give 'em a chance to help you and to help yourselves.

THERE WILL BE BIG DOINGS . . .

At the Farmington Town Hall this coming Wednesday, October 17, the Farmington V. F. W. Auxiliary puts on a plant. Country fair. There will be plenty going on and here's why, a bake sale, a garage sale, fancy work booth, white elephant booth and best of all a spaghetti supper. So you see, you just can't afford to stay away from the Town Hall next Wednesday. The fair begins at 2:00 p.m. and they will start serving those spaghetti suppers at 6:30 so for a real mid-week outing, trot the family over to the Town Hall Wednesday.

THAT NEW SIGN . . .

On Grand River is attracting quite a bit of attention. It reminds folks that the Grace Insurance agency is open for business under the direction of Gerald Grace. The sign gives the phone number for you to call in case you are interested in insurance. Another big attraction is the community singing classes which are held on Mondays at the Farmington Town Hall under the direction of Mrs. Betty Hanson. So for business, education or just pleasure, keep your eyes and ears open when you travel around the block.

INTEREST IS PICKING UP . . .

In education at both Farmington and Clarenceville schools. We mentioned adult education last week in this column, but we feel obliged to mention it again because of the increased interest. Farmington's adult program is beginning next week with new classes being added to the list faster than the wind. The new classes being added to the list after we had the adult education story written for this week to say that two new courses have been added. One is public speaking and the other is business English and business letter writing. Clarenceville also has a long list of courses being added in the country, and after reading over this column maybe it would be a good idea if we slipped in on that English and writing course.

WE HEARD ABOUT IT . . .

In fact, anything can happen when the weather changes so quickly. We are referring to a call we received from Mrs. Wallace C. Williams, 26355 Halsted Road, about some Oriental poppies she has blooming in her yard. The poppies normally blossom in the spring, but this year they are blooming now. We suppose they are blooming like a lot of the rest of us, with that warm days last week spring, not winter, was just around the corner. They probably are convinced otherwise by now but they can't pull back indoors and throw another log on the fire like we can.

Trojans Defeated By Inkster 32 - 0

Clarenceville High School's football team suffered its second loss of the season last Friday night, falling to Inkster 32 to 0 under the lights at Inkster.

Neither team scored in the first period of the Friday night contest, although both teams worked hard to get into the game. Near the close of the period, the Trojans drove to the Inkster 25 yard line, where Inkster intercepted a touchdown pass to pull out of trouble.

Inkster came back early in the second period with the first of their five touchdowns. The first score came on an off tackle kick. Clarenceville's Bill Meyer blocked the kick for the extra point. The second touchdown drive began following the next series of downs. The Trojans were forced to kick as the Inkster defense stiffened with Inkster taking the ball on their own 45. On a series of ground plays, Inkster drove deep into Clarenceville territory. The second score came on a line back from the 35 yard line. The extra point was scored on an end around play.

Inkster kicked off to open the second half with Rousseaux taking the ball on the 15 and moving it (Continued on Page Seven)

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ZONING ORDINANCE FILED WITH TOWNSHIP BOARD



A BRICK WALL finally stopped this car after it had struck one car on Grand River near Power Road, jumped the curb, plowed into a parked car in a used car lot and crashed into the Bruster Buick showroom. Two persons were seriously injured in the crash. A large plate glass window broke out several rows of concrete block along the base of the window and smashed the brick corner post of the building. The initial collision occurred just west of the Farmington Recreation bowling alley. The car pictured above rolled between two posts holding a sign before it hit the parked car and smashed into the showroom. All three cars were badly damaged in the accident.

Township Board Discusses New Police Plan

Hold Closed Session To Discuss Applicants

Members of the Farmington Township Board went into their five session near the close of their regular meeting Tuesday evening to discuss the hiring of a new police officer, but reported that further investigation would have to be conducted before a decision could be reached.

Just prior to going into closed session Justice Ward Edge discussed the possibility of tying in with the Oakland County Sheriff's office for police protection. Under this plan the Sheriff's office would take the responsibility for protection of other townships in the county working under this plan. The Township would pay the sheriff's office for the service.

Harry McCracken, Clerk, reported that the Township Board had received and the budget committee will establish the quota for the 1951 Farmington campaign as soon as the United Fund figures have been released.

A complete list of the various (Continued on Page Seven)

Farmington's 1951 United Fund Campaign To Open October 16

Section Captains Named At Meeting Tuesday

The kick-off of the 1951 Farmington United Fund Drive has been held Tuesday evening. It was announced by John Huett, chairman of the campaign, at the second organization meeting of the group held Tuesday evening.

Three section captains were named at the meeting which was held in the Farmington Town Hall. Sylvester Pheny was selected as captain of the Business and Professional section. Mrs. J. P. Boyce was selected as captain of the City of Farmington and Mrs. Wendell Brown was named captain of the Township of Farmington.

The various section captains have the responsibility of selecting area lieutenants who in turn will select solicitors. Every effort will be made to cover all of the homes, business places and industrial plants in the city and township. Representatives of the various civic and service organizations in the community were present at the meeting and pledged organization assistance.

TO SET QUOTA

The quota for this year's United Fund and Community Chest Drive is expected to be released next week. A meeting of all Township Chairmen will be held in Pontiac this Thursday at which time the Township United Fund quota will be given out. The budget, figures

The new course will include oil painting, Read added. Mrs. Twelfth will be the instructor for the course which will begin Wednesday, October 17, at 7:30 in Room 22 at the high school. There have also been a number of requests for the formation of an upholstery class.

Read stated that enrollment forms for the various classes being offered are now available at the superintendent's office. The courses already approved include photography, typing, sewing, tailoring, and art. All of these classes will have their initial meetings during the week of October 15.

WORK PROGRESSING ON NEW QUARTERS FOR POLICE, COURT

Work is expected to be completed in about ten days on the alteration and conversion of the fire hall, Angus Leitch, City Manager, announced Tuesday.

The building is being altered to provide space for the Farmington City Police Department and the Justice Court as well as a cell block for overnight lock-up. The Police Department will be located on the ground floor of the building, along with the cell block. The court rooms will be on the second floor of the building.

Plans call for the transfer of the police and court to the new quarters in the fire hall, allowing additional needed space in the Municipal Building. The drivers license bureau will remain in the Municipal Building.

OFFER 12 ADULT EVENING CLASSES AT CLARENCEVILLE

The Clarenceville Schools, in conjunction with the Clarenceville PTA, are offering subjects for adults at evening classes. The classes are eight weeks long, three hours a week, a spokesman announced.

Twelve classes will be offered 14 or more persons register in each class by October 23.

Classes are: How To Speak When On Your Feet; Dramatics or Play Production; Child Study, which covers afternoon and evening classes offering pre-school, school and adolescent or teenagers; Citizenship; Government or Americanization; Woodcraft, Painting or Drawing; Typing; Sewing; both elementary and advanced; Cooking; Music in choral and instrumental; and Ceramics.

Persons may register for classes at the Clarenceville High School or by contacting Mrs. J. Baggett at Farmington 1953-M.

Falcon Gridders Set To Go Against Waterford Friday

Ready to charge is Farmington High School's football team. The team will play Waterford Friday night at Keego Harbor Friday night. The win gave Farmington a two-win, one-loss and one tie record. Right to left in the line are Jack Cowart, left end; Jim Fanzini, left tackle; Carl Dryden, center; George Williams, left guard; John Mansfield, right guard; Bill Abbott, right tackle; and Allan McGuffee, right end. In the backfield right to left

are Larry Pink, left half; Bob Hupbert, full back; and Don Byrne, right half. Dick Tyler is behind the center. Don Byrne, formerly a co-captain with Norm Raupp, became captain when Raupp was sidelined for the rest of the season with an injury. Ed Klees, not pictured, is first string right end, but has been sick. The next game is at Waterford Friday beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Two Injured Car Hits Building After Collision

Two persons were seriously injured in an auto accident which ended in the showroom of Bruster's Buick agency on Grand River Avenue, early Saturday morning, according to police.

Doris B. Fletcher, 2771 Purdue, driver of one of the cars, was taken to Redford Receiving Hospital with a possible fractured neck. Truman J. Wilson, an Army Air Corps officer, 647 Currier Street, Grand Rapids, driver of the other car, was treated at Redford Receiving Hospital for a possible fractured skull. Wilson was later transferred to a hospital at Selfridge Field where he is stationed.

The accident occurred at about 2:35 a.m. Saturday. According to police, both the Fletcher and Wilson cars were traveling west on Grand River at the time of the accident. Wilson, traveling at a high rate of speed, reportedly struck the Fletcher car. The impact of the crash drove the Fletcher car along Grand River to the vicinity of Power Avenue. The Wilson car went out of control, jumped the curb on the south side of Grand River, continued across Power and into the Bruster Buick lot. The car continued between two posts holding a sign, struck a parked car and smashed through the plate glass window of the show room.

Clarenceville Sets Public Meeting For Thursday

Residents To Discuss School Building Plans

A public meeting on the proposed building program for the Clarenceville Schools will be held this Thursday evening at the Clarenceville High School.

Louis Schmidt, superintendent, stated that members of the Board will be present to answer any questions residents may have regarding the special election or the proposed building program.

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Farmington Wins Over Keego 19 - 0

By NORMAN RAUPP

Harbor 19 - 0 Friday night. The game, played at Keego Harbor, was hard fought by both teams.

Farmington hit pay dirt in the first quarter when Dave Wynman scored on a quarterback sneak. The attempt for the extra point was not good. The first quarter ended with the score 6 - 0.

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Remodeling Operation Nears Completion

Remodeling operations on the Town Hall upstairs occupied by the Masons will be finished in from two to three weeks, Joseph Himmelbach, president of the Temple Association, reported Tuesday.

The remodeling started four weeks ago. The large room has been completed and workers are now concentrating on the kitchen and dining room. Himmelbach said.

Other changes in the Town Hall are going to be made. Township Supervisor Ernest Blanchard has authorized by the Township Board recently to contact the city and work jointly to have the Town Hall painted and other repairs and cleaning done.

Board Must Take Action On Zoning Ordinance Within Next 30 Days

The proposed zoning ordinance for Farmington Township has been turned over to the Township Board for action, Edward Moseman, chairman of the Zoning Board, announced this week.

Approval of the proposed ordinance was granted by the County Zoning Board last week in Pontiac. Moseman stated that he turned over the draft of the ordinance as well as the zoning map to the Township Board on Tuesday. In spite of the fact that the County is allowed 30 days to review the ordinance, they took action on the proposal about a week after it was filed. Approval of the ordinance by the County is required before it can be presented to the Township Board.

The next step in regard to the proposed zoning ordinance is approval or disapproval by the Township Board. They have 30 days in which to act on the proposal. If the Board approves the ordinance, the ordinance must be published as a zoning map will be published as a legal publication in The Farmington Enterprise. Legal publication of the ordinance is required by law. Residents have 30 days following action by the Board to file a petition calling for a vote on the proposal if they so desire. Petitions must be filed with the Township Clerk and signed by registered voters totaling at least 5% of the number of votes cast for governor in the last gubernatorial election held in Farmington Township.

Farmington Board To Review School Bids Monday

Wait For Report On Materials Priority

Following a brief discussion of the construction bids on the new Farmington Township School District building program Monday evening, the Board approved a motion to adjourn the discussion until next Monday evening.

Purpose of the adjournment is to allow more time for a complete survey of the low bidders by Eberle Smith, Associates, school architects, and additional information on allocation of scarce materials. Linn Smith, representing Eberle Smith, Associates, stated that he would have complete information on the bids by next Monday along with recommendations. O. E. Duncley, superintendent of schools, let Tuesday for Washington where he will follow up on the priority for scarce materials. Approval has already been given for construction on the new 10-room elementary school, and allocation of materials is expected by October 15 on the Bond and Middlebelt School additions.

BONDS NEARLY READY

Another item causing delay in letting the construction contracts is the preparation of the \$900,000 bonds. (Continued on Page Ten)

Robert Harris Named Head Of Farmington PTA

Robert L. Harris has been elected president of the Farmington Parent Teachers Association for the year 1951-52. It was announced this week.

Harris replaces Leland Clifford, who was president of the P. T. A. last year and had been named acting president after Clifford's death. Harris could be selected. Harris is a member of the Farmington Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Farmington Exchange Club.

The next meeting of the Farmington P. T. A. will be held Tuesday, October 16, in the high school gymnasium, beginning at 8:00 p.m. The Cub Scouts and Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts will have charge of the program. Cider and doughnuts will be furnished and served by the fifth and sixth grade mothers.

Taken To Labor Camp In 1943 Gives Background Of European Experiences In World War 11

"Sprechen Sie Deutsch"

If you don't speak German very well (and ours is far from very well) you can try Polish, Ukrainian, Russian or some English when talking to Nikolai Vasilievsky, who came to the United States from a displaced persons camp in Germany. Nikolai, who lives at 21791 Walden Road near the intersection of I-19 and I-24, and daughter Helen, 16, came to the United States on the U. S. S. General Sturmer from Germany this summer through the aid of the Presbyterian Church.

War torn Europe changed the fortunes of Nikolai, who was born in the Russian city of Kiev in the Ukraine. In 1943 when Hitler and his hordes marched into the area, Nikolai, along with others, was taken to a labor camp. It was at the German camp, where he stayed under the supervision of the American Army April 19, 1945, that he learned to speak so many languages.

After liberation he went to a displaced persons camp near Munich, Germany, where he met and married his wife.

The Vasilievsky family arrived in the United States June 16, 1951, and went to a farm in New York to stay. They came to Michigan August 10.

Nikolai, who went to school for seven years and to a mechanics

school for four-and-a-half more, is employed as a mechanic by an auto firm in Detroit.

Recently his wife, who speaks limited English, was ill and taken to a hospital. She has since recovered. Tall, friendly Nikolai said he had a full schedule taking care of his wife's needs.

He said he was a "good" man, who, like all children, are getting into everything all the time.

He learned some English from Americans in Germany where he worked three and one-half years for the U. S. Army and some while in New York. But now he buys a newspaper and reads it at night with a dictionary of translations before he reads it.

He started night school in Redford High before long to perfect his English. He, added smiling, "My son, he goes to school. He learns very fast."

As we were leaving after the interview, Nikolai came on the front porch. He mentioned the house he is remodeling on the outside. He said he would like to have it will drive to work as soon as he gets a license. Earlier in the evening he had stressed that he wanted to say, "Big thank you to all American people."

And we caught the feeling of what he meant.