

Clarenceville Coach Builds Swimmers



THE OLE COACH... Clarenceville swimming instructor for Clarenceville School District... from the public... Receiving a tip from Coach Larson's swimmer...

Fifteen youngsters, some too short for the 3 1/2 feet deep water, paddle, splash and swim around in the Clarenceville High School pool. Two weeks ago, eight boys in this beginner's swim class had refused to go into the water, but under the urging of Gordon Larson, they are now playing in the water.

LARSON, Clarenceville's swimming team coach and math teacher, is completing his first year as the instructor for the summer swim program.

Mrs. Charles McMillan, of 36333 Paddock, Farmington, said her son, "an ordinary boy," took one look at the burly Larson on the first day of classes and said, "Let's go home."

But before long he was in the water splashing around with the other beginners.

Mrs. McMillan told The Enterprise and Observer that the "tremendous" Larson had a lot of patience with the kids and seemed to enjoy what he was doing.

Larson, who lives with his wife and children at 29245 List Street, Farmington, said he had been teaching youngsters to swim for 12 years. He has been coaching the Clarenceville swim team for the last four years and has taught math there for nine years.

ington club to compete in the Amateur Athletic Union, Larson hopes to develop the club even more and begin competition in dual meets. Mrs. Phillip Hilliker, of 30211 Astor Drive, Farmington, the mother of two daughters in the summer swim program, thinks equally high of Larson. "It's amazing that he can get those kids to swim in two weeks."



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Teenage Loitering Studied

FARMINGTON An ordinance prohibiting loitering should be studied, Hall suggested at Monday night's regular township board meeting. Farmington Township Supervisor Curtis Hall has his way. The supervisor said loitering by teens is a problem appearing in the past six months. A recent incident in which two or three 14 or 15-year-olds tried to "shake down" a 12-year-old for his money led Hall to comment on the problem. The boy was approached again at the same spot the next day, the township supervisor added. Hall noted the "shake downs" were isolated incidents but said: "I know some business places are having trouble immediately after school hours."

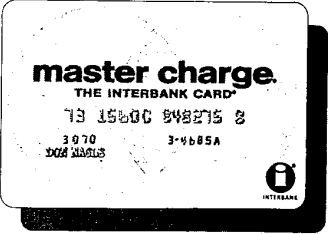
Difficulties with police invading private property to remove loiterers could be surmounted by agreements between businessmen and police, Trustee Fred Lichtman said. Other communities, he said, use signed forms which allow police to enter private property to remove violators of an ordinance prohibiting loitering.

At Workshop Sister Mary Clare Yates, of Our Lady of Mercy High School, recently attended the Michigan Council of Teachers of English and U.S. Office of Education workshop held at Boyne Mountain Lodge.

Joins Tri Sig Pat Frasure, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Frasure of 32383 Farmington, Farmington, has been initiated into Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority at Central Michigan University.

Earn Diploma Scott Seligman of 31860 Franklin Fairway, Farmington, graduated from Detroit Country Day School. As an undergraduate he was president of the Prefect Board, a member of Spectrum, Service Club vice-president, a member of Sociedad Espanol and played varsity football. He will attend Babson Institute.

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