

## DPW Director Resigns

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finding a city manager. We discussed the possibilities, and I submitted an application.

"I hadn't heard anything more and had given up on it until two weeks ago when the mayor called and made a final offer."

Vondrak has two married

daughters, a son in the Army stationed in Germany, and five children at home.

**CITY MANAGER** John Dinan says he is sorry to lose Vondrak but realizes the opportunity in Hart would be very difficult to turn down.

At Monday night's city council meeting, Dinan praised Vondrak for his fine work and dedication to the City of Farmington over the past six months.

Dinan says he will screen the applicants who had applied in May when DeBeane left to determine if a suitable replacement can be found.



**BEAR OUTLINE** — Following the reading of a story by her second grade teacher, Mrs. Elaine Sallow, Kim Maguire takes off on a flight of fancy. "If I were a bear." Creative writing was part of the emphasis during Flaners' observance of American Education Week. (Evert photo)

## Doctors To Attend

**FARMINGTON** Two Farmington heart specialists, Dr. Edward W. Green, of 28317 Forestbrook, director of cardiology at Children's Hospital in Detroit, and Dr. Gerald M. Breneman, of 28300 Forestbrook, an associate in the cardiology department, Henry Ford Hospital, are members of the 16-man delegation representing the Michigan Heart Association at the annual meeting of the American Heart Association, Nov. 16 and 17, at Atlantic City, N.J.

Each delegate will have two special assignments in addition to voting in the delegate assembly, a policy-making group that meets once a year.

Dr. Green, a former president and chairman of the executive committee of the association, will participate in a session on "Heart Research Priorities; Changing Needs."

Dr. Breneman, president-elect and chairman of the association's nominating committee, will participate in a session on "Heart Program Priorities & Risk Factor Detection."

Both doctors will participate in "Inter-Society Commission for Study of Heart Disease Resources."

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## Flanders Hails Language

**FARMINGTON** Flanders Elementary School chose to observe American Education Week, Oct. 25, with an all-school emphasis on the language arts program.

Sometime during the week parents were invited to visit every classroom for an overview of all subjects related to that phase of learning.

Language arts encompasses reading skills, language

mechanics, reading of literature, spelling usage and creative writing.

Some parents saw "literature" being created before their eyes as children wrote from their own experiences. The results were then shared with other members of the class.

"Small children must first be able to verbalize, then they learn that their words can be written down, and fi-

nally, they realize that what they write can be read by others," explained Mrs. Beth Gale, Flanders reading specialist. It comes as quite a discovery that reading is just talk written down.

"Older children learn to handle the parts of speech in a real language experience, not by some dull exercise in a textbook but by constructing poetry which needs adjectives and participles," Mrs. Gale said.

## Schools Stress Safety Message

**FARMINGTON**

Middle Bell kindergarten-ers in Farmington were delighted to receive hand-made masks in time for Halloween from members of Mrs. Ida Beck's sixth grade class.

The masks were constructed from balloons and paper mache and resembled such characters as Porky Pig, Mickey Mouse and Pinocchio. Each was accompanied by a message concerning Halloween safety.

At Flanders School, two mothers entered into the holiday spirit. They disguised themselves as a ghost and a tramp to deliver warnings about safety to the children giving each one a mask and a candy treat.

## Fairview Hosts Dr. Stuart Rankin

At Fairview's first PT, meeting of the season, a crowd of 100 teachers and parents heard Dr. Stuart Rankin, assistant superintendent in the office of research of the Detroit Board of Education.

Dr. Rankin spoke of four problem areas in education today, including individual differences, rapidly changing society, evaluation and communication, institutional racism.

He offered some ideas on how to confront these problems by establishing goals to help a child to love, to think, to learn, to create, to communicate, as well as to know subject materials.

"Concepts," he said, "will serve the 21st century adult, (today's child) better than facts which may be outdated by the year 2000."

Dr. Rankin explained some new educational methods such as the diagnostic systems approach, the inquiry approach,

new reading systems, and the expectation theory.

PTA officers for this year include Maynard Gordon, president; Sam Flam, father vice president; Mrs. Gladys Lyons, mother vice president; Mrs. Joan MacFarland, teacher vice president; Mrs. Vivian Hennes, secretary; Dennis Kovan, treasurer; Mrs. Lisa Levy, membership; Steve Fish, budget and finance; Mrs. Jean Ralph, historian; Mrs. Annette Neuvirth, calendar; Mrs. Judy Vikser and Mrs. Adrienne Mandel, newspaper; Mrs. Judy Adelman and Mrs. Nancy Millgard, hospital; Gene Younger, Mrs. Pal Laerman, program; Mrs. Sherry Middleford and Tom Taira, publicity; Mrs. Pauline Wolf and Mrs. Renee Baseman, fund raising; Ray Zelch, council representative.

## 4 Students Honored

**FARMINGTON** Letters of commendation honoring them for their high performance on the 1970 National Merit Scholarship qualifying test have been awarded to four students at Farmington High School. Those commended are

Aurelia Gaines, David Haffey, Stephen Larson and Susan Perry. They are among 35,000 students in the U.S. who scored in the upper two per cent of those who are expected to graduate from high school in 1971.

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Proposals must be on forms furnished by the Architect and be accompanied by a bid bond or certified check in the amount of five percent (5%) of the proposal submitted.

Plans and specifications may be obtained on and after Nov. 10, 1970, at the office of the Architect, Tom W. Zeddes Architect and Associates, Farmington, Michigan.

Three copies of the contract documents may be obtained by depositing Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) cash or certified check, for each set of documents so obtained. The amount of the deposit will be refunded to each actual bidder who returns the plans and documents in good condition within ten (10) days of the opening of bids.

Additional sets of bidding documents, if ordered, will be furnished to bidders only upon payment of the cost of reproduction. These additional sets must be returned to the Architect within ten (10) days of the opening of bids, but no refund will be made for the return of such sets.

Accepted bidders will be required to furnish satisfactory Performance Bond and Labor and Material Bond, each in the amount of 10% of the Contract, the total cost of which shall be paid by the accepted bidder.

All proposals submitted shall remain firm for a period of sixty (60) days after official opening of bids.

The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids in whole or in part, and to waive any informalities thereon.

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