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## Aliens Must Register at Post Office

The Farmington post office will take part in the registering and fingerprinting of aliens, announced Postmaster Norman Lee. Under orders sent out from official quarters in Washington, D. C., the Post Office Department is to undertake the registration of all aliens in the United States and full and complete instructions for the service sent out to all postmasters including the proper method of obtaining such fingerprints.

The registration will begin August 27 and Mr. Lee advises that all aliens who live in the district served by the Farmington post office will be required to appear at the post office to be registered and fingerprinted.

The Post Office Department advised all postmasters and such employees as they will assist in this work to contact local law-enforcement agencies and receive instructions which will enable them to take legible fingerprints. The instructions, it was added, can be given in a few minutes.

Postmaster Lee said it would not be necessary to put on any extra help in the Farmington office to take care of the registration. Postmasters were advised by the Department to give thought to advance planning, considering the need for additional assistance, quarters, typewriters, and other equipment.

In cases of aged or infirm persons unable to visit the post office, postal employees will visit their homes. All information furnished by aliens in connection with registration and fingerprinting is secret and will be held in strict confidence, and not divulged to anyone but accredited officials.

Aliens under fourteen years of age will be registered by their parents or guardians, but will not be fingerprinted until they reach the age of fourteen, at which time they should present themselves for registration and fingerprinting.

Earl G. Harrison, director of registration, told aliens this week that they should not fear fingerprinting under the new act and predicted that it will not be long before it is required of everybody.

Harrison said that aliens should realize "that the measure is intended to safeguard the land and give them the same sanctuary from oppression."

## WHITE FAMILY HOLDS ANNUAL REUNION HERE

The 28th annual reunion of the Henry W. White family was held July 29 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Trombley. At noon a delicious dinner was served to about 60 guests, seated at one long table on the lawn.

The business meeting was called to order by President Henry Trombley. Trombley and other officers including Mr. White, of Perry, president; Anna Earl, of Howell, secretary; and Clarence Sharpe, of Fowlerville, treasurer; were all re-elected.

During the year there were three marriages: Mr. and Mrs. Hester Cohn and Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Trombley of Detroit, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles White, Jr., of Lansing. One birth was recorded: Beverly Ann was born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Stone, of Northville. The family was invited to meet next year with Mr. and Mrs. John Stewart of Imlay City on the last Sunday in July.

At the close of the day the cream and cake was served. Guests were present from Detroit, Farmington, Northville, Imlay City, Saint Johns, Howell, Flint, Fowlerville, Perry and Grewtown, Ohio.

## Dr. P. W. Ports Takes Up Practice in Farmington

Dr. P. W. Ports announces his association with Dr. Z. R. Aschen-Brenner. Dr. Ports comes from Endicott, New York, where for three and one-half years he had a general practice and surgery.

Dr. Aschen-Brenner, who was graduated from the University of Iowa and served his internship at Harper Hospital, has also had three and a half years practice in New York City.

The Ports family will live at 3379 Grand River avenue. They have three daughters, Joan, three and one-half years old; Diane, two and one-half years old; and Betty Lou, 11 months old.

## Four Plans Suggested to Speed Grand River Traffic

State and Detroit highway engineers continue to seek the most satisfactory way of relieving the traffic congestion on Grand River avenue—one of the world's most congested highways. Four plans are being reviewed. They are:

- (1) A limited access elevated roadway.
- (2) An elevated rapid transit line to replace the present street car tracks.
- (3) An elevated rapid transit right of way along the line of alleys which paralleled Grand River for part of the distance.
- (4) Construction of a super-highway along an alternative route which would serve approximately the same area that Grand River now serves.

Grand River avenue has a vehicular traffic of more than 12,000 units daily and upwards of 10,000 persons use the street daily.

## Widening Too Costly

The traffic experts are agreed that widening of the avenue would be too costly and insist one of the four plans, or a similar proposal, will be the solution of the problem.

The limited access elevated highway would be similar to the Hudson River drive in New York City, with numerous ramps for entrance and exit to the high-speed motorway. The highway would probably carry two lanes of cars in each direction and have access points every 10 blocks. Cost of such a project is estimated at about \$800,000 a mile.

Plan No. 2 provides for an exclusive right of way on which fast electric cars would travel. The cars would run on an elevated structure, the base of which would occupy six feet in width in the middle of the street. Cost of this plan would be about \$600,000 a mile, and its supporters say it is the answer to congestion on the street.

The third plan takes into consideration that a portion of Grand River is paralleled by alleys and the cost of condemning land at the rear of business properties would be much less than cutting off facades. These alley thoroughfares have been suggested for both express and rapid transit.

The fourth plan calls for the construction of a superhighway which would run from the river north on a line approximating Hamilton avenue. At Highland Park it would turn west along the line of Fenwick avenue to Wyoming and hook up with the James Couzens Highway.

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## Many Bargains Available In "Off-season" Shopping

Shoppers often overlook the opportunity during the summertime of buying things they will need during the winter at "slack season" prices. In almost every department store there are many such off-season bargains. Prices on these items will soon begin to go up so those who are interested in buying at the lowest prices had better hurry.

Clothes are among the articles most often sold at "slack season" rates and the selection of Fall and Winter styles is often larger than one might think. Why not stop in at Fred L. Cook's and investigate their stock of men's, women's and children's clothing.

Another bright spot for shoppers these days is Hutton's Farmington Hardware. Almost a limitless number of items needed in daily household life are attractively displayed at Hutton's at prices that are attractive too.

Do you lie awake at night because the house is so warm that you can't sleep? If you do you owe it to yourself and the family to install an attic fan of the type advertised by Detroit Edison Co. The large blades of the fan pass the complete charge of air in the house every four or five minutes.

The Northville Fair opens August 21 and runs for four days. It's a spectacle you shouldn't miss. There will be a horse show, stock

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## Zone Board Will Meet Wednesday

The City Commission will hold its regular monthly meeting on Monday evening, August 12, at the City Hall. A special meeting of the Board of Appeals will be held Wednesday evening, August 14, at the City Hall.

The Board, acting under the City Zoning Ordinance, will consider an application for the construction of a building on the southern section of Lot No. 68, Brookside subdivision. Application has been made to build a garage to be used for housing trucks, and the Board is to decide whether such a building is prohibited under the Zoning Ordinance.

This will mark the first time that the Board has been called upon to render a decision under the Zoning Code. The Board was established as a judicial body to interpret the Code, to settle disputes, and to hear protests against any regulation set up in the Code.

The Board is composed of Paul A. Schreiber, Bayard Tupper, Fred W. Bagnall, Harold Oldenburg, and Delos Hamlin.

## STATE SEMI-PRO BASEBALL FINALS TO BE HELD HERE

The final game in the state semi-pro baseball tournament will be held in Farmington on Saturday, August 10, announces H. F. Brennan, district executive.

A good, fast baseball game is expected when the Detroit Stars, champions of the City tournament, held recently, do battle with the Garden City Merchants, the outfit that walked away with the Farmington trophy. The winner of the game Saturday will get the state crown and will be eligible to enter the playoffs for the national tournament.

The "play ball" signal will come at 3:30 p. m. at the high school diamond.

On Sunday the Farmington Merchants will answer a challenge from the Elmore A. C. when they meet them on the Farmington diamond. On the following Sunday the Merchants will match their ability with the clobbering Ben Turpin A. C. of Detroit. This is an exciting game because of the torridness of the Turpins is always a crowd-getter.

Plans are being formulated by Manager Brennan for the annual American Legion "Gala Days" games. It is tentatively planned to hold one game on each day of the celebration, with the crowning event the meeting of the Merchants and Harry German's outfit. The "Gala Days" celebration will be held August 31, September 1 and 2.

## CONSCRIPTION BILL DISCUSSED BY YOUNG G.O.P. GROUP

A meeting of the Farmington Young Republican Club will be held at 8:30 p. m. Monday, August 19 at the home of Mrs. Miriam Calligan, 33305 Shawanawase avenue. The interest is cordially invited to attend.

The meeting of the 17th District Young Republicans was held Tuesday evening at the Farmington Town Hall with approximately 60 persons present. The speaker was Mr. McConnell, secretary to Rep. George A. Dondero, of the 17th district.

Mr. McConnell's talk dealt with the conscription bill now being considered by Congress, and following his remarks an open forum was held in which the conscription bill was discussed. Prominent guests included Orrin Miller, registrar of deeds, and Verne C. Hampton, Circuit Court Commissioner.

## Van Wagoner Resigns as Highway Consultant

State Highway Commissioner William Van Wagoner this week resigned his position as Consulting Highway Specialist in the Public Roads Administration.

His letter of resignation to Thomas H. MacDonald, commissioner of the public roads administration, indicated that provisions of recently adopted amendments to the Hatch Act made it impossible for him to continue in the office. The commissioner was first appointed to the consulting post in 1937.

## Travel Restrictions in Canada Denied in Letter

Despite the war, Canada remains one of the major attractions to American tourists. This news possibly comes as a surprise to many Americans who have been told that as a result of the war passports are needed to cross the International Boundary and that other inconveniences awaited them on the other side.

In a letter directed to Joseph Himmelsbach, President of the Farmington Kiwanis club, Walter P. Zeller, district governor of the Ontario-Quebec-Maritime district, seeks to impress on citizens of this area the fact that they are more than ever welcome to travel in Canada.

This is good news to many residents in this vicinity who have enjoyed recent trips "across the river" and who have possibly been faced with giving them up because of reports of border restrictions.

A portion of Mr. Zeller's letter follows: "Of all the objectives of Kiwanis, none is more important nor, at the present time more urgent than the furtherance of international good will. A valuable opportunity has presented itself whereby you and your fellow members can do something practical and worthwhile to fulfill this objective."

"Due to misinformation or lack of information in the press, on the air and by word of mouth, there is an impression among people who wish to travel to Canada that passports are needed to cross the International Boundary, or that on account of the War, they may be subjected to other inconvenience. This is not true, passports are not required of American visitors to Canada. It is just as easy for them to enter Canada as formerly, where they will be more than ever welcome. Yet this misinformation has seriously interfered with tourist travel and has caused thousands of people in the United States to forego a vacation to which they have become accustomed and which they would like to take."

"Canadians have always been very proud of the historic friendship which they have been privileged to enjoy with the people of the United States. As a Canadian and a Kiwanian I am appealing to you for aid in ensuring that no mistrust or misunderstanding is allowed to arise between our two great nations. I am asking for nothing more than that falsehoods be refuted. You can be of great help, I am sure that as a good neighbor, you will."

"In considering this matter you may bear in mind that all U. S. funds spent in Canada are returned to the United States almost immediately to purchase needed war materials."

Mr. Carr was the guest of Max Hulet, chairman of the entertainment committee for the month of August.

Plans have been made for the club to attend the State Kiwanis convention in Port Huron on September 1 in a body. Delegates to the convention have been appointed and they will attend for the whole three days of the meeting.

Plans are underway for the first annual anniversary dance, which will be held in October. This will commemorate the Farmington club's first year, and will be held at Glen Oaks country club.

NEW BOOKS AT LIBRARY OFFER GOOD READING

Plenty of good reading is in store for readers at the Farmington library. A number of new books have been ordered by Mrs. Florence Leach, librarian, and will be available shortly.

Special attention is called to the new "American Questionnaire" which may now be borrowed from the library. The book is designed to aid persons seeking naturalization into this country and has been in demand during the past few weeks.

Other new books include: "Home," by Kathleen Norris; "Craft of the Homestead Run," by Hicks; "Folk Songs From Many Lands," by Gaston and Van Loon; "Imperialism," by "Elizabeth"; "Imperial Twilight" by Harding; "Air Pilots" by Simpsons; "Little Brown Baby," by Rodgers; "Anti-Slavery," by Kilgus; "The Filthy Little Angels" by Corbett; "Vintage Murder," by Marsh; "Mail Wagon Mystery," by Justus; "Songs of Vulcan," by Hibben; "Cuckoo Calls," by Burghal; "Bedside Book of Quotations," by British Signa; an anthology, "The Conscription Explained," by Parkhill.

The above statement has no element of surprise to those who are familiar with Rep. Dondero's record. He would not vote for the adjournment of Congress during the present war, crisis nor for personal considerations above his duty to the people and the country.

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Services were held Saturday for Milton Audell, baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Milford Audell, 21344 Semboke avenue. The child died August 1 at St. Joseph's Hospital of pneumonia. He was a year and five months old.

Rev. Gilbert A. Miles officiated at the services which were held at the S. J. Heepney Funeral Home. Burial was at Grand Lawn cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill of Farmington spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ots Jensen.

Mr. Lawrence Burns and son Lawrence of Johnstown, Pennsylvania, are guests this week of Mrs. H. Grimes.

## Votees Asked To Register For Primary

Registration for the general primary election to be held Tuesday, September 10, 1940, will get under way in the City of Farmington and Farmington Township, following announcements from City Clerk Harry W. Moore and Township Clerk Harry A. McCracken.

Votees who are not already registered will have until August 31 in which to place their names with the clerk if they wish to vote in the primary election. City voters may register with Mr. Moore at his office in the City Hall on any business day up to and including August 31, between the hours of 8 a. m. and 3 p. m. and on August 31, from 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Township voters should register with Mr. McCracken at his home office, 35720 Twelve Mile Road on any day except Sunday. On August 17 and 18 Mr. McCracken will be at the P. H. DeLaun real estate office, 27529 Grand River avenue from 1 p. m. to 8 p. m.

Ballots will be cast for state, district and county officers, including the following:

State and district Governor, Lieutenant Governor, United States Senator, Representative in Congress, State Senator, Representative in State Legislature, County Judge of Probate, Circuit and County Clerk, County Treasurer, Register of Deeds, Circuit Court Commissioner, Coroner, and Surveyor.

The federal state inspection service for fruits and vegetables increased its activities during the fiscal year which ended July 1 to the highest point since its inauguration in Michigan in 1937, according to a statement issued this week by Agricultural Commissioner Elmer A. Deamer, showing the number of inspections made by the service.

A new service which was offered for the past year was canner inspection. This included the inspection of tomatoes, cherries and juice grapes at canning factories and totaled 95,000 pounds.

Although the inspectors reported more than 2,000 carloads under the previous year, annual apples were 2,100 and 1,200 carloads over, and brought the total number of inspections during the fiscal year, 1939-1940, to 17,282 inspections.

The total was 17,282 inspections, or 17,282 carloads higher than during the previous year, when 6,078 carloads were inspected.

"This report," Deamer said, "shows that the service is continuing to gain momentum, with much more complete canner inspections this year and a more favorable contract for dealers. It can safely be said that the coming season will again see a great increase in the service."

RESIDENTS OF LIVONIA TO GET CITY WATER

An extension of water mains from Detroit to several localities in Livonia Township seemed assured this week following an announcement that township officials have signed revenue bonds amounting to \$125,000.

Township Clerk Harry S. Wolfe, Supervisor Jesse Ziegler, Treasurer Arthur Trapp and acting attorney Henry Hottel, of Detroit, met Friday in Detroit and officials of three bond houses which purchased the bonds.

It has been announced that three localities will have the water by December 1. These are in the vicinity of Diana and Sherwood lanes, south of Seven Mile Road between Inkster and Middlebelt Roads and between Joy Road and West Chicago boulevard.

The installation of master meters will be started immediately. Engineer Herald Hamill reported that specifications for the mains will be completely drafted within a few days so that bids may be advertised.

Township officials predict that extensions will be made in other localities as soon as water revenues show a profit.

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