

Around The Block

CAMP CALLAN SOLDIERS

Private John R. Mahaney, known to Farmington friends as "Ray," was one of six picked from his barracks at Camp Callan, California, to be guests at Bing Coby's race track. There's no tell what knowledge one may acquire from Army Camps these days.

MORE PARKING SPACE

Another parking lot has been added in Farmington's business district. It is the parking lot of the Farmington State Bank located on Farmington Road, between the newly constructed Tala's Bar and Dr. Aschenbrenner's office. The green and white fence along the front makes a considerable improvement in the appearance of the block.

SCHOOLS IN THE AIR

Already one can sense that school spirit is in the air. All the younger generation are becoming just a bit restless, and will be glad to get back to school and "see all the kids." Books have been dragged out of their hiding place, and dusted off, ready for the new year.

LOST DOG

Perhaps some little boy or girl in Farmington is asking, "Has anybody seen my dog?" If that is so, the answer is, we have. Dr. Theodore E. Schmitt, of the Farmington bull dog presented herself at the Enterprise office, and has made it her home ever since. If no one is missing a dog, perhaps someone is wanting one. Just call 23, and inquire.

BRIGHT WAGONS

Station wagons are fairly sporting up like mushrooms in Farmington these days. Have you noticed the variety of gaily colored wagons on the street? For quite some time one hardly ever saw a station wagon other than a dark blue or black one. Recently they range in color from a steel gray to a deep maroon or apple green.

Peach Queen Is Kiwanis Guest

Farmington's Kiwanis Club played host Wednesday evening to a wide variety of honored guests. The meeting consisted of a joint gathering with members of the Pontiac Kiwanis club. Miss Margaret Emery, Michigan's Peach Queen who will reign at the 35th Festival in Rome, August 15 through September 1, was a special guest of the evening.

The main address of the evening consisted of a skit which Mr. Frank Fielder of New York arranged. Cooperating with him were the following members of the Farmington Kiwanis club: Glenn Leiland, Leo Gildemester, Ed Taylor, Ed Pierce, Howard Knickerbocker, and Fred Bagnall.

Miss Emery, whose home is in South Lyon, sang two songs before the gathering. "A Page's Road Song" by Novello and "Because of You" by She was accompanied by Miss Mary Jane Bradley also of South Lyon.

Six members of the Farmington Kiwanis club received honor pins for outstanding service. The pins were presented by Mr. Belknap, president of the Pontiac club. These men who were honored for having attended 100 consecutive meetings without absence, include: Glenn Leiland, Ed Blakeslee, Howard Knickerbocker, James Lay, Kenneth Schultz, Joe H. Himes, Carl Schmitt, and Nels Knudsen of Pontiac, and Glenn Leiland of Farmington, were in charge of the meeting.

Catherine Storms To Marry Detroit Man

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin E. Storms of Shawassaw announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Catherine, to Bruce Irvin Butterworth son of Mrs. Irvin Butterworth of Detroit. The wedding will be at the home of the bride's parents on Saturday, September 20.

Following a week's tour of northern Michigan, the young couple will be at home in the Garden Court Apartments on East Jefferson avenue, Detroit.

Students Urged To Enroll Early

Farmington Schools Will Open September 8

The addition of four more teachers to the teaching staff of Farmington Public Schools, as announced this week by Supt. Orville E. Dunkel, completes the faculty for the year.

Miss Mary Van Welde has been placed in the Commercial Department. Miss Van Welde is a graduate of the University of Michigan, and holds her Bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan City Junior College, and is now doing graduate work at the University of Michigan. Her home is in Saginaw.

Miss Norma Gilmore will replace Ellen Ichedinger in the kindergarten. She has attended Bay City Junior College, and is now doing graduate work at the University of Michigan. Her home is in Saginaw.

Miss Dorothy Allison of Grant, Michigan will replace Geraldine Budde in the English department. Miss Allison is a graduate of Western State Teachers College at Kalamazoo, with an A.B. degree. She is taking graduate work at the University of Michigan and has been teaching in Ravenna, Michigan.

Miss Helen Thomas of Tekonsha, Michigan, a graduate of Western State Teachers College will teach the sixth grade, replacing Mrs. Frances Erickson who will teach in Lansing. Miss Thomas has taught in the rural schools of Kalamazoo County and last year she taught in Clawson.

Students Report September 9. School will officially open in Farmington on Monday, September 9, though students will not report until Tuesday, September 9. The first day will be given over to a general teachers' meeting in the forenoon, and in the afternoon the teachers will be meeting with the principals.

The elementary grades are expected to remain much the same this year with a few changes being made in the curriculum. Only residents are eligible for enrollment in the grades.

High School enrollment is expected to increase over last year's enrollment. At the end of the year last year there were 380 students enrolled in the High School, the tenth grade alone having 92 students. Supt. Dunkel said he anticipated an enrollment of 400 or 450 students this year.

There are now 25 teachers hired for the coming year. The school board provides for another teacher, but until the enrollment is determined this position will be left vacant.

Few Changes in Textbooks

The same general plan of text books will be used this year, as last year, though there are a few changes. A change has been made in the World History text, and in the second year Latin. There are also changes in "Public Speaking and Dramatics," where one text book will be used, instead of the two used last year.

Both the grade and high school buildings are being re-roofed and general repair work is being done throughout. All the stairs are being retreaded in both buildings.

Plans are going ahead for a re-lighting system in the High School building, with the advantage of fluorescent lighting being considered. This work will be done during the school year.

One attractive feature in the High School curriculum this year is the offering of three beginning classes in band, in addition to regular first band and second band.

Enroll Early

Students entering here now should show their credentials from the schools they formerly attended. They should plan to take care of their enrollment sometime during the week previous to the beginning of school. Mr. E. V. Ayres, principal, and Mr. Dunkel will be at the school during the day and students may see them at the office. If an arrangement can be made for students who take care of this matter sooner.

School will open at the regular hours, High School at 8:40 and Grade School at 8:45. The bus route will be the same as last year.

Miss Bacon Tells of New Experiences In War Work

Following are excerpts from letters received here by the family of Miss Frances Bacon, who is now in the Harvard Unit of Red Cross nurses in England. Miss Bacon was aboard the Maarsden when it was torpedoed, and following rescue was taken to Iceland, where the group spent some time before they finally reached England. She was still in London at the time she wrote the last letter, but expected to leave shortly for hospital service "somewhere in England."

Reykjavik, Iceland

Wednesday, July 9, 1941

Dear Family:

I don't quite know where to begin. I haven't written before because we were advised not to because the letters would be sent by way of England anyway and they'd

Walled Lake Schools Open September 3

Vocational Guidance To Be Stressed

Superintendent C. A. Hoffman of Walled Lake Consolidated Schools announced this week that school will open for Walled Lake students on Wednesday, September 3.

The Book Store opened this week to receive used books of patrons who wished to exchange books for other used books, or to purchase new ones. This has proved a very satisfactory way of handling books. Nearly all books are now available, and they are handled at cost, which has been an economical measure for the patrons, besides having the advantage of having books available at the school. Those who properly classified books should bring them to those they have at home at once and these will be classified and ready for sale in a few days. Each year most of the Walled Lake students are provided with their necessary books by the time school opens.

High School Enrollment

Any new high school students in the area served by the Walled Lake High School are asked to report to Supt. Hoffman at once so they should bring them to those they have at home at once and these will be classified and ready for sale in a few days. Each year most of the Walled Lake students are provided with their necessary books by the time school opens.

Vocational Guidance will be stressed

The new plan of vocational guidance will be stressed in the work of the upper grades. There will be classes in Vocations and Occupations for the purpose of giving an intelligent and comprehensive introduction to boys and girls concerning the work of the world. There will also be provision made for conferences with pupils in regard to their particular problems in the field of vocational guidance. This new department should prove of extreme value to most of the high school boys and girls. The Walled Lake High School has always maintained very good courses in Home Making, Vocational Agriculture, Shop and commercial training, besides the regular academic work.

Few Changes

There is very little change in the work of the grades in the Walled Lake Consolidated School District. All sixth grade pupils will be taken into the Walled Lake building along with the seventh and eighth grade pupils. This is a temporary arrangement to meet the crowded conditions in the Union Lake and Commerce buildings.

Transportation is provided to all residents of the district that live any great distance from a school building. High School students from any of the districts are taken in the four upper grades when satisfactory arrangements can be made by these tuition pupils must provide their own transportation unless their district provides it as is done in the case of the Wixom district. Wixom School owns its

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be so censured. I was going to wait and send a letter air mail when I got to England, but I certainly never thought I'd be here this long. Now the Marines and American sailors are here so I thought I'd try to send this with someone going home who will mail it in the U.S.—I don't know whether you'll get this or not—if you do, will you send Miss Larch and tell her Smith and I are together and all right. I'll try to write her too and send it by someone else and maybe one of the letters will get there.

First of all there are six of the seventeen of us here—the other eleven have not yet arrived safely, been hurt at all. I have a bruised ankle which we call "our wound" because it is all we have between us.

Ankle Is Bruised

We were torpedoed on Thursday night, June 25, at about 20 minutes to 10. We went into the life boats without any trouble much, though two of the life boats were damaged which made it very crowded. The ammunition ship which was right behind us was blown up at the same time and we were showered with the pieces. It's a wonder we didn't have more casualties because we all had to run across an open deck to get to our rooms and get our life jackets. We didn't save anything at all. I have my uniform but it's such a mess I don't know whether it will ever be any good or not. I have my watch, ring, fountain pen and pencil set (which was in my pocket) and my hospital pin. I also saved my passport, pictures, English addresses and all my money. We saved our papers and money except one girl. Our life boat and one other were picked up by a Danish freighter. We had four wounded with us. I believe they were all that were wounded. There were the six nurses, eight U.S. Marines, and the rest of the crew. (34) were the crew. The first night we had quite a time with the wounded but in the morning a doctor from an English destroyer came on board and then we headed in for Iceland. The men who were in the life boat are out of the hospital and the four (one of the Marines) has a bad foot so he is going back home, but he is really doing fine.

Men Lend Clothes

We arrived here in Reykjavik at 3 a. m. on Sunday morning, and the boat we were on because we were glad to get off the "Randa," and dirty. We didn't have beds. We just laid down anywhere. Everyone was so good to us though. The men even loaned us clothes. The Marines were with us and they were very helpful. They helped—in fact they still are. We are staying in one of the Hospitals but it is outside of the City itself. The hospital is the 35th General Hospital and there are 45 English nurses (sisters they call them). They have been wonderful to us—we still are wearing their P.J.'s, the town here doesn't have much to offer so we've only been able to buy a change of underwear and one dress. We've been given a canvas duffle bag each and we're acquiring a few possessions and I guess our bags will be full. We'll certainly be funny looking spectacles when we arrive in England. By the way the hospital is at Salburg, England, but you're not supposed to know, so you still send the mail c/o Red Cross Headquarters, London, England.

Only Hitting the Highlights

The girls are laughing at me because I'm writing so fast but they're going into much more detail.

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Kowalski Asks Co-operation

Police Chief Kowalski, makes a plea this week to the people of Farmington to observe the new traffic regulations as set up in the traffic ordinance passed last week by the City Commission. "I hope the people will read and familiarize themselves with the rules as set up in the new ordinance," Kowalski said. "It is only through cooperation of all the people that we are able to accomplish our objective."

Surveys have been completed on Farmington streets for the new parking regulations and as soon as signs can be posted and no parking zones marked with paint, tickets will be issued for improper parking. These measures are designed to cut down double parking on the main highways in this city and greatly lessen the possibilities of accidents.

Kowalski has issued, since the 15th of July when he was given permission to grant drivers' licenses, 39 operators licenses, six chauffeur licenses and two corrected licenses. This latter classification includes change of name. The police department recorded two fires this week which they attended. One involved a car which caught fire from a short circuit on the Cut-off, south of Farmington Saturday noon, August 16. A car barrel caught fire, behind the Farmington High school causing the second call. It was put out with no damage reported.

Three Weddings Interest Many

Three recent weddings have proved to be of interest to Farmington residents.

SCOTT-RUDBERG

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Scott of Wixom was the setting for a four o'clock wedding last Saturday afternoon when their daughter, Mary Evelyn, was united in marriage to Roy W. Rudberg of Farmington, son of Mr. and Mrs. John A. Rudberg of Ironwood.

Rev. Carl H. Schultz performed the service before an altar flanked by baskets of gladioli and white tapers. The bride was given in marriage by her father. She wore a brown sheer wool dress and carried tallman roses.

Her sister, Mrs. George Sherlock was matron of honor and wore a dress of blue and white. Anybody who has an act or number he would like to put on for the Show may be assured of a place on the program by contacting Mr. Niles.

The Legion are having printed souvenir programs this year in a book form. In addition to carrying the program for the four days festivities, a complete list of the membership of Groves-Walker Post and the Legion Auxiliary will be published. The officers of the Legion for the years 1941 and 1942 will be listed in this program.

Thursday, October 2, has been set for the installation of officers for the year 1942. The 40 and 8 team from Ferndale will set as installation team. It is hoped that the High School Auditorium may be secured for this year's event. Plans are being made to make this affair as attractive and colorful as possible.

Oakland County Moves To Cut Rural Traffic Toll

The county road commissions of Michigan recently took a step forward toward the reduction of an increasing death and accident toll on the highways by naming a committee to work with the Michigan State Police to obtain more adequate marking of danger points and to bring about a uniformity of county road design and construction, particularly in blacktop surfacing jobs.

The action was taken by Lee O. Brooks, president of the Michigan Association of Road Commissioners and County Engineers, after Captain C. S. Seavard, of the Safety and Traffic Division of the Michigan State Police, suggested to Dr. Louis Webber, executive director of the Association, that an advisory committee be appointed.

Seavard attributes the increasing rate of accidents on rural county roads to the fact that motorists often mistake a blacktop road for a state trunkline, built to a uniform width and possessing other safety features which make higher driving speeds possible without dangerous risks. He said the National Safety Council has reported a 25% increase in deaths on rural roads in the nation in the first five months of 1941 and that the collision accidents, in which the vehicle was involved, in 85% of

Township Board Passes On Matters of Vital Concern

INFANT DAUGHTER OF WAYNE WIXOMS BURIED MONDAY

Funeral services were held for the infant daughter of Wayne Wixom, on Monday afternoon from the Thayer Funeral Home, Harry M. Thayer, mortician, Christian Science Reader from the Eighth Church, had charge of the services. Burial was in the Southfield Cemetery. Marcia Jean was born August 18, 1939 in Detroit, Michigan. She had been ill about three weeks, and passed away Friday afternoon at the home of her parents on Eleven Mile Road.

Novel Contest At Gala Days

Plans have been almost completed this week for the annual American Legion Gala Days to be held Friday, August 29 through Labor Day, September 1. The affair will be held on the grounds at the corner of Maple and Grand River avenues.

Included in the program is one contest which should attract considerable interest, a voice recording contest. Everyone will be given the opportunity to participate in the fun, as well as to compete for a prize. Each contest will be conducted under the supervision of someone from the Gordon Radio and Appliance Shop. Contestants will be divided in groups of twelve each period, and the winner of each group will be eligible for the final contest to be held on Monday evening about 9:30.

Recordings will be made of either vocal or instrumental selections, and the contestants will retain the records with the privilege of being loaned to the radio and Appliance Shop to complete the other side of the record. The crowd will act as judges in determining the winners.

Entries for the Amateur Show should be made by calling Mr. Niles at RE-5127. Anyone who has an act or number he would like to put on for the Show may be assured of a place on the program by contacting Mr. Niles.

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Two New Members Take Place On Library Board

Several matters of interest to residents of Farmington Township and City were discussed at the Township Board meeting Tuesday evening.

Mr. McCracken read the annual report of the Library Committee, and it was accepted and placed on file. Mrs. Elsie F. McCullough, who has served as Treasurer of the Library Board for the past three years submitted her resignation. Her place on the board will be filled by Mrs. Beatrice Ritter. Mrs. Grace Adams was appointed to the board to succeed Mrs. Ethel Gibson and Mrs. Isabelle Menke will remain on the board under other terms. These three women will serve on the board, together with representatives from the City of Farmington.

The Board voted an appropriation of \$50 to the American Legion to assist them with the annual Gala Days celebration, to be held August 29 through September 1.

Discussion was held relative to the establishment of a Justice Court in the Township. Mrs. Elsie McCullough was furnished a check by the Township, to be used to practice as a Justice of the Peace in the Township.

Howard Elder, auditor of the Township recommended that the school deficit and poor relief funds be placed in the general fund. This was unanimously approved by the Board.

A letter from the Franklin Fire Unit was read before the Board, in response to questions presented by residents of the Franklin area, located within the Township. The Township, inasmuch as this portion of the Township could be reached in much less time by the Franklin Fire Unit than is now necessary for the Township equipment to reach "he territory," it was thought advisable to investigate the possibility of having the Franklin department serve in this area. The Franklin unit offered to answer calls for \$50 per call, and where there was no fire the charge would be \$10 per call. The Board agreed that a clause should be necessary between grass fires and residential fires. The matter has been left on a temporary arrangement between the Township and the Franklin unit, until more information can be obtained and a definite decision reached.

Work is now being completed on the Township water system. After this week two men will remain on the job to complete meter installations and all other incidental work pertaining to the water system. Mr. Nelson, head of the contractor, appeared before the Board and presented this proposition which was approved by the entire Board.

A plot of land for Sunnyville Subdivision, lying south of Grand River and east of the corner of Pearl Street and Elphie Mile Road, was approved by the Board.

CLARENCEVILLE TAKES SERIES FROM LOCAL LADS

Clarenceville in the first two innings of the final game in the series between the Clarenceville Blues and the Farmington boys, were responsible for the Clarenceville team winning two out of three games in the series. The game, which was played last Friday afternoon on the High School Athletic field was won by the Clarenceville lads, with a score of 25 to 12 for Farmington.

The game was particularly interesting and a little unusual inasmuch as players on both teams ranged in age from six years to 12 years of age. Especially noted was the pitching of Mike Chapman of the Clarenceville team.

Boys on the Farmington team included Jerry Burrows, Martin Olshansky, Bob Miller, Elliot Tyler, Oscar Auten, Bill Conroy, Edward Newhall, Jack Hibern, Bill Kehrl, Herbie Dobi, Lee Lathrup and Bob Karbi.

Playing for Clarenceville's best pitcher was Mike Chapman, the pitcher, were Fred Geseking, Bill Brooks, Robert Garret, Harry Winters, Art Marx, Ed Schultz, Dutch Doh and Homer Carre.

The two teams plan to hold another tournament between school starts on September 8.

STEPPING IN LINE

With America, The Farmington Enterprise, offers to the men of Farmington, serving their country in army camps or on board naval ships, free access to their home towns newspaper. If you are interested in having a copy of the Enterprise sent free to your son, merely drop a card or call at the Farmington Enterprise office, giving us the name and address to which you wish the paper sent. This plan is being carried on among many weekly newspapers throughout the United States in order that they may be of greater service to America and to the men in service.