

JEOPERS...

Isn't it just wonderful the way Farmingtonites are responding to the "March of Dimes"? The collections taken up at the Civic Theatre each night during the drive are enough to lift one up from the depths. We've decided that the folks here are just about the salt of the earth, the cream of the crop, or most anything else you want to call them. It doesn't seem to make much difference what is needed, they always come through.

SAY, GALS...

Remember that Valentine's Day is just a couple of weeks away, February 12, to be exact. Just look at the smile on the face of this girl...

Army lad as he receives a Valentine from the light of his life. Don't let him down—in case he's a Navy man we'll be sure and have his picture for you next week, too.

NO GAST...

No place to go? You're in tough shape, mister. We understand that Sam Kosmensky of 23804 Greening Boulevard thinks he's pretty good at chess and checkers, and he thinks you've got to be pretty good to be considered a real competition. Why don't you give him a ring at 593-22, and arrange to take him on some evening. Bet you'd enjoy yourself a heap.

BR-R-R-R...

No, we're not cold—how could anyone be in such weather as this. However, these High School lads did look as though they were rugging the season a bit, being rather dashing young men about town—in their shirt sleeves, just tuxedo-shirt sleeves in Michigan in January!

HERE'S A TIP...

For those who are trying to think of something they could send that boy or girl in service. We all know—from experience—that this dear lady—just how much brighter our day is when mail brings that so welcome letter. Knowing how we feel, we

can certainly appreciate how those away from home feel when there is a full pack of mail, and something just for them. How about it? Have you written that friend or relative in the service? Do it today—if he's overseas, use V-Mail and help lighten the burden created by the huge volume of mail that is coming and going.

THAT "FIX-IT" BUG... seems to have hit Farmington with a bang this week. Hatton's Farmington Hardware looks all shiny and bright with its new coat of paint, and the office over at Farmington Mills has been under going a real "fix-it" session, with a new counter and everything.

CYRIL BERGERS ENTERTAIN ON ANNIVERSARY
Mr. and Mrs. Cyril Berger of 2701 Ten Mile Road, celebrated their fifth wedding anniversary last Sunday at their home. Special guests for the occasion were Mrs. Berger's brother, Eric John A. Rustick of the U.S. Marine Corps, who has recently returned from Alaska; and Mr. Berger's brother, Private Henry Berger of Fort Custer. Fourteen guests enjoyed the dinner and spent the day with the Bergers.

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Farmington Meets Keego Friday

F.H.S. May Tie For League Title

One of the most entertaining and exciting basketball games of the year will take place Friday evening at Farmington High School, when the local lads meet Keego Harbor, on the home floor. This game will decide whether Farmington will climb into a tie for first place, or Keego Harbor will clinch first place.

Keego has an excellent team, undefeated in league games this year, while Farmington, too, has shown some brilliant playing. The league game the Farmington team has lost was to Keego Harbor, and that was in a hectic overtime game on the Keego floor. The Keego team is not characterized by any one outstanding player, but they are all good scorers, and all contribute their part in running up a winning score.

Starting for Keego Harbor will be DeLisle and Mariotti as forwards; Soper at center, and O'Shaughnessy and Simpson as guards, with Lathrop as all-time forward. DeLisle has shown remarkable scoring prowess, and Simpson is undoubtedly their best defensive player.

Starting for Farmington will be Doll and Strelling as forwards, Hamlin at center, and Aschman and Bacon as guards. Elliott Tyler will undoubtedly see service in the game, and Don Ferguson, eligible for his first game, will probably get his first chance of the season, to play against Keego Harbor.

A reserve game is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m. and there will be special music by the band between games.

MANY FARMERS RECEIVE SPECIAL AWARDS

Approximately 150 farmers of this area were presented certificates commending them for their fine work in the food program, at a meeting held Friday evening in Farmington Town Hall. The certificates were presented by Dick Taylor and George Newlin.

William Hartmann, district manager of the Sinclair Oil Company, spoke to the farmers, stating that his company will continue to give, and showed motion pictures, depicting means by which farmers could prolong the life of their machinery and make farm work easier.

Karl Bailey, County Agricultural agent, spoke on the outlook for 1944, and the labor situation.

CATHOLIC YOUTH ANNOUNCE PLANS FOR DANCE

Plans were made at a meeting held Sunday, January 23, at Our Lady of Sorrows School, for a dance, given by the Catholic Students Mission Circle of the school. The dance will be held Saturday evening, January 29, at 8:00 p.m. It will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows School, 31620 Grand River Avenue.

The boys of the C.S.M.C. are bringing out good things to eat. There will be lots of good music and dancing for everyone who attends. A warm welcome awaits everyone, so come one come all!

Pierson P.T.A. Plans Bake Sale

There will be a bake sale, featuring many delicious home baked articles, at Allen's Market on Seven Mile Road, this Saturday afternoon, January 29. The sale is sponsored by the Pierson Parent-Teachers Association, and the ladies invite you to come in and inspect their wares.

Mr. and Mrs. August Torrenson of Twelve Mile Road were guests of friends in Dearborn Wednesday afternoon.

Fourth War Loan Drive Is Dragging In This Area

The Fourth War Loan Drive in Farmington is dragging, despite the efforts of the women who are giving their time to selling Bonds and Stamps. It is true that one under a lot of expense just at this time of the year, but it is also true that we must not—not even for one minute—let up on our push against the Axis. To carry on this war we must have an ever-present, ever-growing supply of guns, planes, tanks, ammunition and all the other supplies necessary to carry on a war. This we cannot do unless you back the attack with your dollars.

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March Of Dimes Is In Progress

Again this year, in honor of the President's birthday, the March of Dimes has started. Mary Pickford, film star and "America's sweetheart" for many years, who is chairman of the women's division of the National Infantile Paralysis Foundation, opened the campaign with a nation-wide radio appeal. The dates are January 24 to 31.

The dread disease which cripples and maims the young and renders life a hopeless struggle, has largely been checked, but hardly a month passes but some community is terrified at the report of a case in its midst. That great strides are being taken in its cure is widely read and of great interest, and that a great national foundation has been established to combat its terrors is a matter of national pride.

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Richman H. Taylor is general chairman of the drive in Farmington. Containers have been placed throughout the business houses of this city, and each evening this week a collection is being taken up at the Civic Theatre.

MRS. MITCHELL INSTALLED AS CLUB PRESIDENT

The Farmington Chapter of the Real Estate Mothers of America installed the officers recently elected, at a meeting last Thursday evening, January 20.

Those taking office, who will direct the activities of the Club throughout 1944 are Margaret Mitchell, president; Mrs. Harold Friedly, president of Chapter 30, Detroit, and Mrs. Charles Westfall, of Northville. Katherine Martille, junior vice-president; Margaret Kahri, treasurer; Florence Lee, secretary; Lettie McIntyre, financial secretary; Ida Frisk, chaplain; Alice Schreiber, public relations; Fern Myers and Winifred Halford, color bearers; Bertha Wersch and Hester Wilkinson, guards; Jane Ryall, officer of the day, and Alice Pfloot, historian.

The officers were installed by Mrs. Harold Friedly, president of Chapter 30, Detroit, and Mrs. Charles Westfall, of Northville.

REDFORD CANTEN ATTRACTS MANY LOCAL VISITORS

Of great interest to servicemen of this area, who are home on furlough, is the Redford Canteen, located in the Redford Masonic Temple, on Lakeshore Road, near Grand River. This Canteen is open every Saturday from 7:30 p.m. until 11:30 a.m. and on Sunday from 12:00 a.m. and on Sunday from 12:00 a.m. and on Sunday from 12:00 a.m.

Servicemen are cordially invited to come and enjoy the entertainment. That is offered at the Canteen. The Canteen is sponsored by the Northwest Inter-Fraternity Council, and Patti Stearns is president.

The Cub Pack of the Twelve Mile Road area went on a hike Saturday morning. The Cub Troop meets each Thursday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph C. Baumgartner, 27700 Twelve Mile Road. Ralph Terrell was taken into the group last week.

who are doing their best to see that the Fourth War Loan Drive receives the support it must have, are ably expressed in the following verses, written by Marie Walling. Marie wrote these verses for a Bond Rally which was recently held.

"Buy Bullets Now and Buy Bread Later"
That's the slogan we all see. But who will buy the bullets now? It's up to you and me.

We need more than just bullets. We need ships to sail the seas And tons of ammunition To bring the Axis to its knees.

And every man on foreign shores Will give a prayer of thanks If we can furnish things they need Like planes and guns and tanks.

Someone you love is over there. Don't let him die in vain Because he didn't have a gun, Or lacked a fighter plane.

You have a hand in this, you know. It's not the other fellow's war. So why not sacrifice a bit And lend a little more.

The 4th War Loan is under way. Let's do more than our share. For what we lend will be returned With a little more to spare.

"Buy Bullets Now and Buy Bread Later"
Don't let your efforts cease. Without your help we cannot win An everlasting peace.

These bullets cost a lot of dough Billions and more, 'tis said. But later we'll have dough to bake A billion loaves of bread.

—Marie Walling.

KIWANIS SPEAKER DEFINES OUR WAR RESPONSIBILITY

Kiwanians of Farmington enjoyed one of the best programs they have ever had, at their meeting on Wednesday of this week.

Walter J. L. Ray, immediate past president of the Michigan District of Kiwanis International, brought the club a most timely message, vital to everyone. He spoke on the Kiwanis program of "Keep America American," stressing the fact that our battle here on the home front is to maintain the ideals for which the fellows out there on the war fronts are fighting.

It is a well established fact that anything worth while has a price, and the price of freedom may prove costly. It is hard for us to realize sometimes, just how many enemies we have, within and without, who would do everything in their power to destroy our freedom.

Mr. Ray stated that he felt that all of us were willing to put up with present restrictions for the duration of the war, but afterwards we will not and should not stand for these infringements on our freedom. Neither the boys, back from the war, or the folks here at home will tolerate them.

In explaining why Kiwanis should concern itself with the theme of "Keep America American," Mr. Ray pointed out that Kiwanis does not represent big business, labor, or the farmer, and in no way is Kiwanis a political organization. He stressed particularly, for the theme of "Keep America American," that Kiwanis is entirely independent of any political party. Kiwanis is non-sectarian. We are not fighting for a new faith, or a new Government, but we are fighting to keep the ideals we have always held close to us.

After the war, Mr. Ray said, the national trend will be for a greater interest in our government, taking an increasingly important role in our life. As progress is made, we in turn will want to take a more active part in government. We have been through the machine age, Mr. Ray said, and we are now ready for a people's age when interest will be centered on the individual, rather than on something mechanical. That is why it is so important that we take steps now to awaken the complacent people to their responsibilities, and make sure that our boys will come home to find the things which they fought for.

RE-ELECTED



JOHN W. HUNT

Last Thursday night, at the Annual Meeting of the Clinton Valley Council, Boy Scouts of America, held in the Presbyterian Church, Pontiac, Mr. John W. Hunt of Farmington was elected Council Scout Commissioner for the fourth consecutive year. Mr. Lee Brooks of Highland, Mich. was elected President of the Council. In addition to being elected Commissioner of Scouting, Mr. Hunt was elected a member of the Executive Board, appointed Chairman of the Activities Committee, and chairman of the Camp Committee in charge of all Council Camping activities. The Clinton Valley Boy Scout Council embraces Oakland and Macomb Counties, including Southfield Township, and has approximately 2,200 boys registered as scouts.

It will be the duty of Mr. Hunt during 1944 to plan and promote all camping activities for the Council and he will work in close cooperation with Mr. Sam Cohen and Mr. N. W. Peterson of Pontiac, who are in the midst of a \$25,000 camp financial campaign to erect new buildings at Camp Agawam, situated on Tommy's Lake near Lake Orion, Mich. This will afford all scouts modern camping facilities second to none in this part of the State. Mr. Archibald Leonard of Farmington Township was also elected to the Executive Board and made a Vice-President of the Council.

MOTHERS CLUB MAKES GIFT TO CENTRAL SCHOOL

Clarenceville Mothers Club met at the home of Mrs. McWhorter on Lathers Avenue on Wednesday January 17, at noon. A pot luck lunch preceded the business meeting, conducted by Mrs. Myers, the president.

The Club voted a substantial gift of money to the Central school to be used at the discretion of the school principal for pictures or other school decoration.

A start has already been made on the needful work for the sale next fall. A discussion was also held on a proposed adult class.

The next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Cummings on Angling Road, at noon on Wednesday, January 26. A "chill" lunch will precede the meeting. All ladies who are interested in their children's school are invited to this club.

CLARENCEVILLE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP WINS BANNER

The Youth Fellowship of the Clarenceville Methodist Church won the banner at the West Rally of the Voice of Christian Youth. The banner was awarded for having the best percentage of enrollment present. Twenty were in attendance at the Rally from Clarenceville.

The evening service at the Clarenceville Methodist Church on Sunday evening, January 30, was in charge of the Youth Fellowship. Albert Boltho will lead the singing, and the young ladies quartette of Beverly Belser, Bernice Soy, Jean Grace and Barbara Stever will sing. The speakers will be Doris Diamond, Jeanne Anderson and Pastor Grace. The Youth Fellowship is sponsored by Miss Marian Owen and Barbara Stever is the president.

Unnecessary Grass Fires Are Creating Huge Expense

REPUBLICANS WILL HOLD LINCOLN BANQUET

Carl Forsythe, chairman of the Lincoln Republican Club of Oakland County, has announced that the annual Lincoln Banquet will be held on Friday evening, February 11, at Elks Temple, Pontiac.

Honorable Charles A. Hallock, Member of Congress from Indiana, will be guest speaker for the occasion. The banquet will be \$2.50 per plate, and tickets will be limited to 450 persons.

An open tea, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. will be held by the Oakland County Federation of Republican Women, honoring Congressman Hallock and guests. The tea is in charge of Mrs. Donald C. Nogle, social chairman.

"Bond" Movies Will Be Shown

Lloyd Gulien, manager of the Civic Theatre, has announced a special bond feature for Saturday evening, February 12.

Aside from the actual cash outlay for paying firemen for answering these calls, these unnecessary grass fires are proving expensive from the standpoint of the care and maintenance of equipment. With the equipment so much in use, it is to be expected that repairs and replacements will have to be made, and this equipment is very difficult to obtain.

Farmington must stand ready to do its part in the case of an emergency. If the recent fire at Fort Wayne had been such that explosives were involved, it is highly possible that equipment from this community might have been called to help control the blaze. Likewise, in the case of a huge fire at some of the neighborly defense plants, or where a local department is unable to control a fire, Farmington's equipment might be called to help out.

Officials ask that no one start a grass fire. Please cooperate in this, and see that your children do not have matches, and do not start any fires. Several of the recent fires have been started by children, and with the weeds and grass so dry they have quickly gotten out of control before any responsible person could get to them.

This fire hazard presents a real danger, and one that could easily be eliminated if residents will cooperate.

NO REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED AT HIGH SCHOOL

At a special meeting of the Farmington P.T.A. Executive Board, High School Parents Committee and the Faculty Class Advisors on Monday evening, January 24, a complete review of all investigations on the possibilities of serving lunches to the students following games and dances was given.

It is impossible to obtain ration points and only non-rationed foods could be served. After many interviews with both parents and students, it was felt that the plan would not be successful. A ballot was taken and was unanimously voted to discontinue any ideas of serving lunches after school affairs.

It is the recommendation of the group that parents open their homes to the children and their friends for these occasions.

Past Martin of Alyce Kay Road leaves Thursday morning to enter service. His wife, Helen, and their four children will keep up their home while he is away.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ellis of Alyce Kay Road attended a birthday party in Detroit on Sunday.

Officials Express Concern For Equipment

The run of grass fires and calls to the Farmington Fire Department continued to go unchecked this week. City and Township officials and members of the Civilian Defense Council expressed their concern over the situation. The equipment has been so constantly in use that there has been little time to check it or make any necessary repairs or adjustments.

Up to January 27th, the department had averaged one call per day, during January. Since that time the calls have increased, and up to noon on Wednesday, January 26, there had been 34 fires. For the most part, these were grass fires. However, on Wednesday morning the department was called upon to extinguish a blaze at the Killing home on Orchard Lake Road, near Ten Mile. Detective wiring is thought to have caused this fire, which caused about \$700 damage to the interior of the house.

These 33 fire calls have been handled at a total cost of \$526.00, the greater share of this being borne by the Township.

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FATHERS AND SONS WILL GATHER FOR BANQUET

A Father and Son Banquet is being sponsored by the Pierson School Parent Teachers Association, and will be held at the school on Washington's birthday, February 22, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Those who plan to attend are asked to get their tickets early as the number is limited, and there will be a great demand for tickets.

A pleasant evening of entertainment is planned to follow the dinner.

Dr. Frank Adams To Give Lecture

Dr. Frank D. Adams will speak at the Farmington Universalist Church on Thursday evening, February 3, at 8:00 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited to the service.

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