

TUESDAY, JUNE 8 . . .

is one day that no American will ever forget. Farmington paused along with the rest of the nation, for a brief period of prayer and silence. As the sirens blew and the church bells rang, all traffic and pedestrians stopped, and the organ music played and the strains of "The Old Rugged Crossover" were heard, every head was bowed. Our thoughts and our prayers were with our boys over there, as we wish them God-Speed and a quick return home.

JUNE . . . is the month for brides, this year as for all years. It appears that even Skeezix and Nina feel it in the air, and are willing to take that great step in their lives. They seem to be having the same trou-



bles most young people experience in making the wedding plans, and there is the usual family interference to cope with, but with their millions of interested friends giving all their sympathy, we won't need to worry about them.

FEW PEOPLE . . . for the last few years, two Farmington families have made visits to six different cemeteries in this vicinity on Memorial Day, to place flags at each cemetery. These flags have been placed on North Farmington, East Farmington, Quaker, Oakwood, West Farmington and Clarenceville cemeteries. They have been noticed each year, and many have appreciated the thoughtfulness, but knew not who was responsible. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Goers and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph DeVriendt are the people to thank for this much-appreciated gesture.

BOND SALES . . . for the Fifth War Loan Drive got off to a flying start Tuesday morning. Shortly after news that the invasion had started was made known to America. Let's not lose the spirit in which the Bond drive was started—we can push right through to the biggest sale ever made. Our new Farmington Fifth War Loan Drive will speak for itself, as a tribute to our service men and women. Have you bought a Bond yet? And will you buy another?

V-MAIL . . . is the best way to write to your boy or girl overseas. We've heard that for some time now, and while some of us have used this service, there are a lot who have not. With the invasion, mail delivery will be



delayed, and transportation of mail will become a bigger problem than ever. You can help by using V-Mail. Though you may not receive mail often, remember to write. Your letters will be anxiously awaited and more appreciated than ever.

FARMINGTON . . . will shortly have a new Justice Court. The room in the City Hall which the Bond Receiver has occupied, is being turned into a Court room where cases appearing before Municipal Judges may be tried. This is not bad, as it has been needed for a long while, and will be a great improvement.

EVERY YOUNGSTER . . . in town seems to have gone into the paper-collecting business. Don't become alarmed and think that Farmington is raising a brood of junk men, however, for the interest will not be maintained a lifetime. As a matter of fact the kids are members of the Farmington Salvage Command, and they're collecting all types of salvage. Help them out, won't you? If you've not already received a visit from one of the kids in your neighborhood, don't feel neglected—they'll be there before long, never fear.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Snyder and son, Richard, and Miss Cronwell, all of Detroit, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Greene.

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School Election Is Monday

Voters To Receive Three Ballots

Registered electors of School District Five, Fractional, will go to the polls Monday, June 12, in the annual school election.

Each elector will be given three different ballots. On one he will indicate his choice for a member of the Board of Education, to serve a full term of three years. Dr. G. F. Weaver, the incumbent, is seeking re-election, and Mrs. C. D. Hawkins will seek election as a sticker candidate. Voters are reminded that they vote for one candidate only, and it is necessary to mark a cross in the square in front of the name, whether it be on a sticker, or printed on the ballot.

A second ballot will be marked "Proposition A." This provides for approval to borrow not more than \$10,000 for the purchase of certain parcels of land which have been designated by the Board of Education in a regular meeting as necessary additions to the present school site for the best interests of public education in the District. Bonds to be issued to cover the loan. A majority of more than one-half the votes cast is necessary to carry the proposal.

The third ballot will be marked "Proposition B." This would increase for one year, 1944 to 1945, the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against property in the School District for all purposes except taxes levied for the payment of interest and principal on obligations incurred prior to December 8, 1932. The increase would be two per cent of the assessed valuation of all property in the District in order to carry this proposition must have a two-thirds majority.

OCSC SPONSOR ORGANIZATION OF BOY CORPS

Oakland County Sportsmen's Club Boy Corps will be organized Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock on the spacious lawn at Drayton Plains Field Hatchery.

This Boys' Club within the OCSC is for sons, brothers, grandsons, nephews and adopted sons of the business meeting which will be held by the OCSC Junior conservation committee.

Ben Fred Allen, fly maker of 3246 Dixie Highway, will give a fly casting demonstration for boys and men preceding and following the boys' meeting.

The boys' club will be under guidance of the county-wide OCSC and will be patterned after the men's organization for conservation of woods, waters and wildlife in this county and State. The juveniles will hold separate meetings and will carry on conservation projects akin to those of the OCSC, centering at the new OCSC 92-acre tract at Townsend Lake, Waterford, which the big club voted unanimously last week name David R. Wilson Sportsmen's Park in honor of D. R. Wilson, who is paying the tract for the club. Beautification of the property is being done by OCSC in "bees" held each Sunday starting at 8 a. m. Seventy-five members held last Sunday. All members of the OCSC are urged to report next Sunday.

Woman's Club Plans Presidents' Day

The Farmington Woman's Club will celebrate president's day, on Wednesday, June 8, at the home of Mrs. Fred Barnall, 2374 Warner. A pot-luck luncheon will be served and members are asked to bring dishes and silver.

Blood Bank Nets 211 Pints

Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner, chairman of the Blood Bank unit of the Red Cross for the City and Township of Farmington, and Mrs. Howard Warner, chairman in charge of arrangements, have pressed their thanks and appreciation for the fine way that people of this vicinity responded to the call for blood donors.

The unit was here Monday, and secured 211 pints of blood, 11 more than the quota that had been set. A total registration of 302 was received before the unit came, including 35 volunteers from Holly. From this number, however, 37 did not keep their appointment, and did not call to cancel it. If at some future time you find you are not able to keep your appointment at the Blood Bank, it would be greatly appreciated if you would cancel it, so your registration may be removed from the files. It makes it much easier for those who are working on the appointment sheet.

The new hemoglobin test was responsible for the greatest part of the 74 rejections. This new test is much more accurate than the method previously used, and is designed to protect the donors from any possible ill effect that they might feel from giving blood. Rejections were approximately 27 per cent of the total registration, which plainly shows why it is so necessary to have a large number of registrations.

One donor, Irving Harris, 2008 St. Francis, gave his eighth pint of blood and thus becomes a member of the "Gallon Club."

The Blood Bank will return to Farmington on Monday, October 2, but no registrations for this visit will be made until September. People who wish to give will keep this date in mind, however.

HOWARD ESTES TELLS OF BEAUTY OF MEXICO

Mr. Howard Estes, proprietor of the Indian Craft and Gift Shop of Birmingham, and a candidate for Republican nomination at State Representative, was the guest speaker at Wednesday night's Kiwanis meeting.

Mr. Estes spoke on "Mexico." He visits that country once each year to purchase merchandise for his shop. Mexico is an easy country to get to, and one may travel there by air, automobile, train or boat. Mr. Estes compared the shape of Mexico to the horn of plenty, and said it did seem to be just that. The country is 7000 feet above sea level, and the temperature ranges from 45 degrees to 70 degrees. The days are warm, the evenings cool, and the humidity is low.

The population of Mexico is eighteen million, about a million and a half living in Mexico City. This is a beautiful city, with its cathedrals, the presidential palace and many other beautiful buildings. Mr. Estes also mentioned the beauty of the Panama Canal.

A trip to Mexico is most inexpensive, in comparison to other countries one might take, due to the fact that American money is worth about five times as much there, as is Mexican money. The Mexican people do beautiful hand work, and one of the greatest attractions is the huge display of blown glass, linens, leather goods, pottery and silver which one may buy.

MASONIC LODGE EXEMPLIFIES THIRD DEGREE

The Third Degree in Masonry was exemplified in Farmington Monday evening by a team from Detroit, known as the "Roam Arounders." Walter Russell, Worshipful Master of the Farmington Lodge, played an important role in the ceremony.

Over two hundred attended the banquet at the Methodist Church, which preceded the work. The ladies of the church prepared and served the dinner. The degree, which was held in the High School Auditorium, was over 300. Over a hundred visitors stood up, besides members of the team. Those who did not attend, missed a real treat.

GRADUATES



MISS JOYCE HART

Miss Joyce Hart, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Hart, Viana, Villa Estate, a senior at Marygrove College, Detroit, will be among the 119 seniors graduated June 7 at the 34th annual commencement.

His Excellency, the Most Reverend Edwin Mooney, D.D., Archbishop of Detroit, will confer the degrees, and the Very Reverend Monsignor Howard J. Carroll, S.T.D., assistant general secretary of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, will address the graduates.

The week's program opened with the presentation of the Greek tragedy, the Antigone of Sophocles, the evenings of May 30 and May 31 on an outdoor stage on the college campus. On June 2 the graduates attended a dinner in their honor given by the Sophomore class. On June 3 the graduates were guests of the Marygrove alumnae at a social hour, and attended a banquet given in their honor by the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

Baccalaureate ceremonies were held on Sunday, June 4.

The seniors took part in a solemn outdoor procession of the Most Blessed Sacrament the morning of June 5. Following the procession, the seniors presented lilies to Our Lady of Marygrove in a traditional ceremony. The seniors were guests of the Junior class at a one o'clock luncheon the same day.

The class entertained their parents at a reception Tuesday afternoon, and at eight o'clock in the evening all classes took part in the serenade of college songs, the traditional farewell of the seniors to the seniors and of the seniors to the college.

Commencement morning the seniors assisted at a Mass, Cantata in Sacred Heart Chapel, and were later guests at the annual faculty-senior breakfast.

Miss Hart, who has majored in Latin, is a member of Iota Gamma Alpha, Marygrove honor society; Latin Club, and is corresponding secretary of the senior class.

JEWELRY CLASS TO BE OFFERED DURING SUMMER

A Jewelry and Craft class will be offered at Redford High School, 21421 Grand River, this summer.

Among some of the crafts taught will be sterling silver costume jewelry, leather purses, or any other crafts desired.

The class will begin Monday, June 19, and will meet daily in the morning or eight weeks. The fee will be \$5.00 for the term and will give 2 1/2 hours high school credit. Any girls or women who are interested in making beautiful jewelry should register early as the class is limited in size.

The teacher will be Mrs. Ann Williams of Redford High School, and registration will be held June 16 in the school lunchroom.

Susan Sloum Named To College Office

Miss Susan W. Sloum, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Sloum, of 38702 Oakland Avenue, a student at Lasell Junior College, in Auburndale, Massachusetts, has been elected president of the Lasell Campus and Community Association for the next college year.

Miss Sloum has been one of the honor students at Lasell this year.

Bond Drive Under Way

The Fifth War Loan Drive started in Farmington early Tuesday morning, only a few hours after we had received "D-Day" had arrived, and the invasion had started.

Volunteer workers of the Oakland County Women's Volunteer Corps of Farmington were on hand in the Farmington State Bank and the Post Office, shortly after these establishments opened for business. Likewise, it is reported that the Farmington Drive started the day off with several applications for Bonds being received early in the morning. It is roughly estimated that approximately \$25,000 in Bonds were purchased by Farmington residents and business concerns during the first day of the Fifth War Bond Drive, also the day of invasion, which will be remembered down through the ages — Tuesday, June 6.

All through the month of June, and on into July, the sale of Bonds will go on at the Post Office and Farmington State Bank booths, at Farmington Dairy, and at the Civic Theatre.

During the evening, a lady will be stationed in the lobby of the theatre, and three nights each week the house lights will be turned on and women will take Bond applications from members of the theatre audience.

During the day in there fighting every minute of the day and night, and it is up to us to be fighting just as hard, here on the home front. The purchase of Bonds and Stamps will do more to prove that we are behind our fighting men, than anything else we might do. "Buy More than Before" — and buy now!

ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED FOR DAY CAMP

Plans were completed this week for the various instruction and entertainment programs for the Day Camp for girls between the ages of seven and 18.

The Day Camp is sponsored by the Girl Scouts and will be held for the first time at Camp Madrona, between the hours of 9:30 a. m. and 3:00 p. m. at the City Park on Shawles.

The Brownies will make sit-ups on their first day at camp. Those Brownies who already have sit-ups will be given a belt. The name of their camp has been selected they will spell it out by giving the twigs to a log, and then applying a coat of shellac.

The second day all Brownies will make felt animals. The third day will be devoted to belt weaving and the fourth day of camp they plan to make things for their "Critic House."

The Fourth Grade Brownies will go for a hike their first day of camp. This group will act as fire builders for the younger Brownies, and will be responsible for a fire each day. A different group will enjoy a hike each day of camp, and there will be a full program of story telling, singing and games.

The Intermediate Scouts plan to make puppets. There will be work in dramatics, sports, art, basket weaving and story telling. They also plan to make smoke prints.

Girls are reminded that the registration fee of fifty cents will be paid by the Receiptship of the Farmington State Savings Bank. The checks will be in the amount of 10 per cent of the original amount of claim.

A Receiver's Certificate must be surrendered at the time the checks are turned over, and those having claims are asked to bring their Certificate to the Receiptship of the Farmington State Savings Bank, 38312 Grand River Avenue, on or after June 15. You will receive your check at that time.

MRS. LEACH ATTENDS WORKSHOP CAMP

Mrs. Florence Leach, of the Farmington City and Township Library, attended a library workshop at the University of Michigan, Hartland, May 29 to June 1.

Community contacts of the public library, effective exhibit techniques, story telling, puppetry, and children's work were featured at this workshop. The first in the series of workshops sponsored jointly by the Michigan State Board of Libraries and the State Board of Control for Vocational Education. Eighty-five librarians and trustees from southern Michigan were registered.

Summer Playground Opens Monday for All Age Groups

GROVES WALKER BASEBALL TEAM OPENS SEASON

The Groves Walker Post, American Legion, baseball team will open their season this week Sunday, meeting the American Legion Team of Berkley. The game will be played at 1:30 in the afternoon, June 11, on the Farmington High School athletic grounds.

The team, coached by F. W. Edwards, has shown much promise, and it should be a good game. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Miss Middlewood Takes New Post

Miss Esther Middlewood, formerly of Farmington, and daughter of Mrs. Ethel Middlewood who was a rural mail carrier in Farmington for many years, has accepted a new position as psychiatric social worker at the Kalamazoo Children's Center. She will start work there July 1.

Miss Middlewood, who is a graduate of the University of Michigan in 1929, and who took her master's degree there, in mental hygiene, has taken a prominent part in child guidance work in the twin cities of Benton Harbor and St. Joseph. In her profession, she went to Benton Harbor High School, after teaching in the Detroit school system. She has supervised the services of the Benton Harbor senior and junior high school faculty, and has been guidance director for the past three years at the junior high school.

A member of the Red Cross home service committee, she has served on the executive committee of the Twin City Co-ordinating Council, been president of the University of Michigan alumnae, on the board of directors of the Michigan Guidance Association, been active in the work of the Twin City Girl Scout Council and served on the juvenile advisory committee of the city of Benton Harbor.

At the Kalamazoo Children's Center she will assist Dr. Clyde B. Simson, director. The center, which is state authorized, receives children sent by parents, teachers, physicians or any probable court in its territory. The services are without charge and have been a large factor in treating many cases of juvenile delinquents. It is located in the Pratt building, Kalamazoo.

Always a person of vigor and executive ability, with a keen interest in social problems, Miss Middlewood in her departure from Benton Harbor, will be greatly missed by the various agencies with which she has been affiliated, as well as by her many friends.

Following the close of the school year, she plans to be at Camp Madrona until July 1, where she will be waterfront director for the Girl Scouts during their period of camp.

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Women's Society Will Meet For Luncheon

The Women's Society of the Methodist Church will hold a regular meeting on Thursday, June 16. A Noon Bag Luncheon will be served at 12 o'clock. The topic for the month is "Spiritual Thought of Modern Fiction." All ladies of the church are invited. Don't forget to bring your "noon bag luncheon." Coffee will be furnished.

Recreational Activities Begin At 10 A.M.

The Farmington Public School summer play groups will open next Monday, June 12th. The play groups will be open every day, Monday through Friday, with activities planned for all age groups. Headquarters for the play group will be in the first grade room in the back of the gymnasium building. The drinking fountain by the grade school building, and rest room facilities in the gymnasium building will be available.

The project will be in charge of two people during the following periods of the day: 10 to 12 a. m.—activities for children ages four and one-half to twelve. 1:30 to 5 p. m.—activities for children ages seven to fourteen, except on Tuesdays and Thursdays when an attempt will be made to operate the wading pool for which supervisors will be available to handle age groups four and one-half to fourteen. At 7:30 in the evening, Junior High, Senior High and adults will find organized activities. Parents should not send very small children to the play group as personnel is available only to handle the age groups listed. No one will be in charge of the play group except during the hours stated.

Morning activities will center around the play group space near the building. The afternoon program will be partly on the athletic field and partly on the hill play ground. The instructors in charge will not be responsible for youngsters swimming in the river. All due care and caution will be taken to insure the safety of the youngsters while they are under supervision, but the school district cannot assume liability for any injuries. First aid supplies will be at hand.

Miss Audrey Lathrup will be directly responsible for the morning group and will supervise play on play ground apparatus, story telling, games, dramatizations, and sand box for small youngsters. She will be assisted nearly every week by a volunteer from the community on some special phase of recreation activity. On Wednesday, June 14th, Mr. Richard Taylor will supervise the activities during this morning period. The afternoon and evening sessions will be in charge of Mr. V. O. Bates. Miss Lathrup will help with girls' activities during the afternoon period and supervise the wading pool on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The afternoon program will consist of games, hand-craft, hikes, tennis, croquet, softball and baseball and special field days. Hand-craft, the wading pool and sand box will be on the wading pool on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

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LLOYD SMITH BEGINS SUMMER MUSIC PROGRAM

Mr. Lloyd Smith, who has taught in the Quaker Public Schools for the past three years will have charge of the summer music instructional program, and also the instrumental music for the coming year. Summer band classes for beginners and older ones who wish instruction in instrumental music will start on June 19th. The advanced music groups are asked to meet with Mr. Smith on the evening of Monday, June 19, at 8:00 o'clock in the band house.