

JUST LIKE MAGIC . . .  
dees the restlessness of the  
youngsters disappear, with the  
renewal of school. Now they're all  
enthusiastic about the purchase of  
new school supplies, getting their



text books, and to see what the  
new teacher is going to look like.  
Oo to be in school again, and  
have such thoughts occupy the  
foremost spot in one's mind!

LET'S GO . . .  
will be the cry in Farmington in  
just a few days now, for every-  
one will be heading for the Ameri-  
can Legion Gala Days. It prom-  
ises to be a bigger and better time  
than ever, with entertainment for  
everyone.

NEW PAINT . . .  
is being added at several places in  
town, and it does much to make  
the business district more attrac-  
tive. Must be "fix-it" week for  
everyone seems to have been smit-  
ten with the same bug.

THESE FELLOWS . . .  
will soon be actively campaigning  
to win your favor in the approach-  
ing National election, but unless  
you are registered you'll have no



voice in the matter. It is a patri-  
otic duty to vote this year, and  
only by a representative vote of  
all the people can we have a repre-  
sentative government, and an  
American government. See to it  
that you are a qualified voter, and  
that you cast your ballot.

SO MANY PEOPLE . . .  
seem to walk the streets scowling  
and frowning, that we have begun  
to think it must be fashionable—  
or perhaps there's something about  
us they don't like. A pleasant  
look costs nothing—why don't  
more people acquire it?

KEEP HIM HAPPY . . .  
during the tough times he has to  
weather it through. Your letters  
can do more to cheer him up than  
anything else, so don't spare the



pen and ink. Even those little  
things which seem so trivial to you  
will make home lots closer for  
him. Write him now—and do it  
often.

## YOUNG RESIDENT



DAVID BUSH  
One of Farmington's younger  
citizens is David Michael Bush,  
the sixteen month old son of Mr.  
and Mrs. Lyman Bush of 2850  
Haggerty. The little boy has an  
uncle, Harvey Bush, who is now  
serving in the army, overseas.

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## All Teachers Hired For Farmington

### Seven Teachers New To Staff

Farmington Public Schools will  
open this fall with a complete staff  
of teachers. There will be four  
new teachers on the high school  
staff, and three new teachers on the  
elementary school staff.

In the high school level, Miss  
Elinor Hoffin, a graduate of Iowa  
State College, whose home is in  
Port Dodge, Iowa, will teach mathe-  
matics and elementary science.

Miss Mary Alice Lyng, a re-  
cent graduate of Michigan State  
Normal College, whose home is in  
Detroit, will assist in the commer-  
cial department.

Mr. Donald Pounder, a graduate  
of Western State Teachers' Col-  
lege, will take part in coaching. His home  
is in Mt. Morris, Michigan.

Mr. Lloyd Smith, who will have  
charge of instrumental music, is a  
graduate of Albion College and  
comes to Farmington from Quincy,  
Michigan. Mr. Smith is a well-  
acquainted in the community, hav-  
ing had charge of the band this  
summer.

On the elementary staff, Mrs.  
Clare Adams of Detroit will have  
charge of one half of the first  
grade.

Mr. Tarmo Maattala, who re-  
ceived his training at Northern  
State Teachers' College, and who  
has been an instructor in junior  
high school at Manistee, Michi-  
gan, will have charge of junior  
high school social science and as-  
sist in physical education and  
coaching.

Miss Marion Liberty, a graduate  
of Central Michigan College of Ed-  
ucation, and whose home is in Pe-  
toscaw, Michigan, will have charge  
of the added sections of the second  
and third grades.

The complete staff is as follows:  
Administrative Staff: Edward V.  
Ayres, superintendent; Vilas O.  
Bates, high school principal; Veva  
Dee Craig, elementary principal;  
Lois Nelson, office secretary.

High School Faculty: Vilas O.  
Bates, principal; Mildred Abbott,  
library; Dorothy Allison, English;  
Ruth L. Bailey, Latin; M. Elsie  
Bernard, commercial; Mrs. E. E.  
Clem, English; Royal Davis, sci-  
ence; Elinor Hoffin, mathematics;  
Robert Hutton, physical educa-  
tion; Louise Lockeman, physical  
education; Mary Alice Lyng, cli-  
p, commercial; Byron Oliver,  
medical; Ann Pedersen, German;  
Clare Adams, grade I; Dorothy  
Bade, grade II; Donna Plimton,  
grade III; Marion Liberty, Grade  
II and III; Lulu Loomis, Grade  
II; Laurice Thuber, Grade IV;  
Helen Thomas, Grade V; Betty  
Payne, Grade VI; Phyllis Gard-  
ner, music; Tarmo Maattala, hun-  
ior high school and Jean Wis-  
meier, junior high school.

Elementary School Faculty: Veva  
Dee Craig, principal and math; Mar-  
jorie Henry, kindergarten; Clare  
Adams, grade I; Dorothy  
Bade, grade II; Donna Plimton,  
grade III; Marion Liberty, Grade  
II and III; Lulu Loomis, Grade  
II; Laurice Thuber, Grade IV;  
Helen Thomas, Grade V; Betty  
Payne, Grade VI; Phyllis Gard-  
ner, music; Tarmo Maattala, hun-  
ior high school and Jean Wis-  
meier, junior high school.

## BARBARA ALLISON MARRIES WALTER DICKERSON

The marriage of Miss Barbara  
Allison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.  
Walter Allison of Birmingham, and  
Walter Dickerson, Electrician's  
Mate, Second Class, son of Mr.  
and Mrs. Ellis Dickerson, 24041 Haas,  
took place Thursday evening, Aug-  
ust 21 at eight o'clock in the  
Southfield Presbyterian Church.

The bride, who was dressed in  
white tulle and carried white  
roses, was given in marriage by  
her father. Her sister, Miss Helen  
Allison, was maid of honor and  
wore a gown of pink net and car-  
ried a bouquet of pink gladioli.  
The bridesmaids, Miss Jean Al-  
son and Miss Barbara Fletcher,  
wore pale green net gowns and  
carried pink gladioli. Mr. Melvin  
Groves attended the groom and  
the ushers were Mr. Samuel Er-  
win and Mr. Matthew Erwin.

After a brief honeymoon in the  
young couple will be at the groom's  
home until he returns to his ship.  
Rev. and Mrs. Loveloy of Stand-  
ish arrived Thursday to spend a  
few days with her parents, Mr.  
and Mrs. A. L. Ross.

## Gala Days Will Attract Crowds

All of Farmington is looking for-  
ward, with great anticipation, to the  
twenty third American Legion  
Gala Days which will be held on  
the grounds at the corner of  
Maple and Grand River Avenues  
for four days, September 1 through  
September 4.

The carnival and midway con-  
cessions started moving in on  
Tuesday this week, and it looks  
as though there will be fun aplen-  
ty for old and young.

As usual, the big day will be  
Labor Day, for the Legion has  
arranged numerous special events,  
in addition to the attractions at  
the grounds.

A parade will form at the High  
School and proceed to the grounds.  
Immediately after the parade there  
will be judging, and events. The  
children will have a half part by  
competing in the pet and doll pa-  
rade. Prizes will be offered for  
the best costume, the best decorated  
bicycle and the most unusual  
pet. Ladies of the Auxiliary will  
act as judges.

The Horse Show which will  
then be held promises to be the  
outstanding attraction of the en-

tire four day celebration. Maurice  
Graham will be arena director and  
Joe DeVriendt will be master of  
ceremonies. All entries are amate-  
urs, and those who wish to com-  
pete must leave their name and  
what events they wish to enter  
with Joe DeVriendt, at the City  
Hall.

Cash prizes will be offered for  
the best pony and rider, best cos-  
tume, polo bending, horsemanship  
and best neck rein for men, bun-  
dle race, relay race, musical bar-  
rels, best horse and high school  
rider, pony express, potato race,  
slowest canter, boats and saddle  
scramble, junior boy and girl neck  
reining, football for men and foot-  
ball for girls. Special prizes of  
\$5.00 will be offered for the best  
groom from one stable, best car-  
riage and equipment, and for the  
best costume.

Part of the proceeds from the  
Gala Days celebration have been  
designated to go to various organi-  
zations, such as the U.S.O. and  
to the community chest. Let's  
everybody take part, and make it  
the best Gala Days that Farmington  
has ever known.

## Boy Injured In Melon Patch

A most unfortunate accident  
took place Sunday evening, when  
Dr. Michael Sherman, of Brook-  
dale Avenue, fired at some boys  
who were in his melon patch.

Dr. Sherman had been troubled  
several times before with people  
taking melons from the patch, and  
was watching for any further in-  
truders. When he saw the boys,  
he fired his gun, hoping to scare  
them away. However, one of the  
boys, whom Dr. Sherman did not  
see, was closer than he thought  
the boys were, and he was injured  
by the shot. He was taken to  
Redford Receiving Hospital, in a  
temporarily serious condition.

The matter was thoroughly in-  
vestigated, and no action was taken  
against Dr. Sherman, though he  
will pay all hospital expenses.

## MISS SHOEMAKER MARRIED TO ARMY MAN

At an evening ceremony in the  
Clarenceville Methodist Church, on  
Friday, August 11, Frieda Shoemaker  
became the wife of Ethel  
Schulfer, maid of honor, wore pink  
tulle and carried pink gladioli  
and Miss June Stark, bridesmaid,  
wore blue tulle and carried blue  
gladioli.

Miss Shoemaker was a gown of  
lace for her daughter's wedding.  
Following the ceremony a recep-  
tion for the wedding party, relatives  
and friends was held in the  
Maccabees Hall.

Sgt. George recently returned to  
this country after serving 15  
months in China, Burma and In-  
dia. He is reporting for duty this  
week at Nashville, Tennessee.

## MARGARET BAILEY MARRIES WILLIAM YOCKEY

Miss Margaret Bailey and Mr.  
William Yockey were married at a  
candlelight service Saturday, Aug-  
ust 27, at the home of her brother  
and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs.  
Fred Bailey, on St. Francis Street.  
Rev. McWilliams of the Redford  
Avenue Presbyterian Church was  
officiant. Only relatives and close  
friends attended the service and  
the reception which followed.

After a wedding trip to North-  
western Michigan, the young couple  
will be at home in Dearborn.

Miss Jane Walton, 18304 Brent-  
wood, will enroll in the Frances  
Payne Bolton School of Nursing  
of Western Reserve University at  
Cleveland, Ohio, September 1, for  
the undergraduate course in nurs-  
ing. She is a graduate of Clare-  
nceville High School.

## Voters Defeat Election Issues

Voters of School District Six of  
the Township of Farmington, turned  
down the possibility of having  
an addition to the school in a  
special election held Monday.

In Proposition A, with a simple  
majority necessary to carry, voters  
approved borrowing \$40,000 to  
erect and furnish, as addition to  
the William Grace School. This  
vote was Yes, 33 and No, 23.

However, in Proposition B,  
which would raise the tax levy, a  
two-thirds majority was necessary  
to carry, and the voters turned it  
down by a vote of Yes, 34 and No,  
24. With this proposition defeat-  
ed, it is impossible to obtain the  
loan for the addition.

## YOUTH GROUP TO TAKE PART IN SERVICE

Rev. Carl H. Schultz of the Sa-  
lem Evangelical and Reformed  
Church announced, last Sunday  
that a special service in 3:30  
p.m. for the congregation during the  
church worship service Sunday,  
September 3. The young folks  
who have prepared the "surprise"  
for presentation are members of  
the Church School Intermediate  
class under the direction of Mrs.  
Fred Lewis.

The class has studied a special  
course in "Church Appreciation"  
during 1944, and has made a record  
attendance for church worship  
services and church school class  
sessions for the past two years,  
without interruption. The sur-  
prise presentation will be of special  
interest to the congregation and  
those interested in children and  
religious education. All are wel-  
come to the service, which begins  
at 10:00 a.m.

Class members participating  
are Velma Eech, Shirley Sabari,  
Harriet Ann Howard, Packard,  
Stanley Packard, Tom Quisenberry,  
July Ruberg, John Ruberg,  
Florence Tamm, Helen Tamm,  
Ernest Tyler, Shirley Way, James  
Yull, Gloria Fenley and Harry  
Fenton.

## EVANGELICAL YOUNG PEOPLE ATTEND CAMP

Young folks, sponsored by the  
Salem Evangelical and Reformed  
Church, Church School, Women's  
Guild and Brotherhood, returned  
last Saturday from a most enjoy-  
able week at Camp Alexander  
Mack, Lake Wales, Milford, Indi-  
ana. The group was accompanied  
by Rev. Carl H. Schultz, Mrs.  
Schultz and John Lutz.  
Attending the camp this year  
were George Barrows, Lawrence  
Cox, Velma Eech, Margaret Eech,  
Avis Maki, Ernest Tyler, Lee Ty-  
ler, Shirley Way and James Yull.

In July delegates selected by  
the Leadership Training School  
conducted by the Youth Fellow-  
ship, attended Olivet College, Oliv-  
et, Michigan. Sponsorship was  
by the Women's Guild and the  
Youth Fellowship. Those attend-  
ing were Vera Dietrich, Judy Ry-  
der, Margery Morris, Valerie Wal-  
ters and Elliot Tyler, Jr.

## VETERAN PILOT



LT. FRANCIS H. DAVIS

Shown above is First Lieutenant  
Francis H. Davis, who recently  
flew his 50th combat mission in  
Italy. He is a pilot of a 15th  
AAF B-24 Liberator heavy bomber.  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Davis of  
Farmington, and his wife and son  
live at 12111 Cloverleaf Detroit.

His golden mission was to the  
oil center of Ploesti, Rumania,  
which he also visited on three  
other occasions, all of them marked  
with souvenir letters from the  
heavy flak at that Nazi bastion.  
"I've had my share of close ones  
up in the clouds," Davis comment-  
ed, "and I know I've been mighty  
lucky. A good ship, a good crew  
and Dame Fortune on your side  
and you always come back."

A former employee of Farmington  
Dairy, Davis joined the USAF in  
June, 1942. He received his train-  
ing in Texas at Goodfellow  
Field, San Angelo, and at Uvalde  
and Lubbock, winning his wings  
and commission on August 30,  
1942. He flew his first combat  
mission, "Devil's Henchman" to Italy in  
December.

Lt. Davis's group has partici-  
pated in over 105 combat missions  
against Nazi targets throughout  
Europe and he has been awarded  
the Air Medal with three bronze  
oak leaf clusters.

## TROTTER RACES START FRIDAY AT NORTHVILLE

The greatest Fall trotting race  
meeting Michigan has ever had  
gets under way Friday night, Sep-  
tember 1, at Northville Downs, the  
trim little half-mile racing plant  
which 20 nights of horse racing  
will be inaugurated by the North-  
ville Downs Trotting Association.  
The first race will start at 8:30  
p.m. with eight races each night.  
Officials of the Association have  
everything nearly ready for the  
opening night, a crew of workmen  
having been busy at the track  
and grounds for the past two  
weeks.

Many improvements and innova-  
tions will be found when the meet  
opens. One of the finest lighting  
systems at any race track has been  
installed, and the personal di-  
rection of Earl Moore, of Jackson.  
The lights extend completely  
around the track and, with a white  
canvas wall serving as a back-  
ground, the fans will be able to see  
the races at night as clearly as  
they can in the day time. The  
track lighting alone consumes 121,  
000 watts, assuring everyone of a  
splendid view of the entire half-  
mile circle.

Work now being rushed to com-  
pletion includes widening of the  
home stretch to 1/4 mile, to race  
over 1/4 mile distance, a pad-  
dock out of which the horses will  
race each night and the per-mu-  
tel department under the grand-  
stand. A chute has been con-  
structed at the head of the home  
stretch. This eliminates the ted-  
ious race and the scoring, which  
has so often in the past held up  
races. With the photo-camera,  
electric odds board, pari-mutuel  
electronic, odd distance racing and  
5/8, 3/4, 1 mile, 1 1/16 mile, the  
coming meet looms up as one of  
the most thrilling meetings in the  
country.

Even the oldest trotting race fan  
in the state will be somewhat  
amazed at the system in effect  
here. A 34-foot paddock has been  
built and all horses, each night  
will race from the paddock. This is  
bound to make a decided hit with  
the fans who will have an oppor-  
tunity to see the horses race from  
the paddock.

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## Clarenceville Schools Open For Classes September 18

### Overseas Addresses Are Needed Now

All Blue Star Mothers having  
sons or daughters overseas are  
asked to please send their correct  
addresses to Mrs. Ralph Hopkins  
as soon as possible. These ad-  
resses are needed for mailing  
Christmas boxes.

### Four New Teachers Hired To Fill Staff Vacancies

Clarenceville Public Schools will  
open for the current school year  
on Monday, September 18. This  
date was determined by the Board  
of Education at their meeting  
Wednesday evening, and corres-  
ponds with the inter-district date  
at which Detroit schools will open,  
due to the polio-meningitis epidemic.

Teachers, however, will report  
for duty on Tuesday, September 5.  
Their time will be spent in meet-  
ings, completing the schedules for  
the school, and in taking care of  
gas rationing, which has been set  
ahead a week, thus coming during  
the period before the students re-  
port.

Superintendent of Schools M. J.  
Belser has estimated that approxi-  
mately 1100 students will enroll  
this fall, the increase over last  
year's enrollment being due to the  
fact that the Kindergarten  
will have about 130 boys and girls  
this year. The Board of Education  
has ruled that all students enter-  
ing Kindergarten must present  
their birth certificates at the time  
they are registered. All pupils  
will register on the opening day  
of school.

The Board of Education has ar-  
ranged for a complete commercial,  
home, economics, academic and  
physical education program.

The home economics classes will  
be held in the home, which has  
been rented by the Board for  
the school year. This has been  
done to give the students a home-  
like atmosphere and practical ex-  
perience to supplement the course  
of instruction. Economics II, II  
and III will be offered by the  
Smith-Hughes Vocational Group and the  
Board of Education will be re-  
imbursed for 40 per cent of the cost  
of the home economics program.

The Clarenceville Department  
will offer Typewriting I and II,  
Short-hand I and II, Junior Busi-  
ness and Bookkeeping.

A complete physical education  
program has been arranged in co-  
operation with Redford Union  
High School, it having been pos-  
sible to obtain a gymnasium.  
Full schedules in baseball, foot-  
ball and basketball will be ar-  
ranged. In addition to gymnast-  
ics work, four new concrete ten-  
nis courts have been constructed  
and will be used in the physical  
education program.

Students will have a choice of  
Spanish or Latin in the foreign  
language department of the  
school.

The school bus will travel the same  
route as last year, and will  
commence operation on the first  
day of school.

Clarenceville High School has  
been accredited, and meets the  
requirements of the University,  
and the Department of Public In-  
struction. This means that any boy  
or girl graduating from Clarenceville  
High School will attend any col-  
lege or university he may choose.

Four new teachers have been  
hired for the year. Edward Chap-  
pell will replace Mr. Scott as math  
instructor and high school prin-  
cipal. Lloyd Samuels is the new  
coach, also teaching math, and he  
replaces Mr. Schmeckpeper. Vir-  
ian Cady will replace Miss Gar-  
ner as commercial teacher and  
Mrs. E. Chappell will take Mrs.  
Schmeckpeper's position of kin-  
dergarten teacher.

The complete staff at Clarence-  
ville Schools is as follows:

Mabel Gran and Mrs. E.  
Chappell, kindergarten; Helen  
Dahl, Elizabeth Hobbs and Mur-  
phy, first grade.

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## MACCABEES INVITE FRIENDS TO POT LUCK

The Maccabees of Liberty Tent  
Hire, their members and friends,  
are cordially invited to attend a  
pot luck luncheon on Thursday,  
September 7, at the home of Mrs.  
Fred Becker on Orchard Street.  
Beauty Counsellor Mary Ness will  
be present, and give a demonstra-  
tion. Anyone wishing further  
information may call Mrs. Alice  
Michele at Farmington 9104.

The next regular meeting of the  
Maccabees will be held Thursday  
evening, September 14, at the high  
school cafeteria.

## School Boards Plan For Future

Members of the Boards of Edu-  
cation of five districts in Farmington  
Township met last Thurs-  
day evening to discuss the future  
educational policies and plans of  
the several districts.

The local Board of Education  
has been engaged for some time  
in planning for the future develop-  
ment of its schools. The consensus  
of opinion, at this time, seems to  
be that it would be mutually ad-  
vantageous for the school districts  
of Farmington Township to unite  
in their planning.

It is desirable to maintain a  
high school in Farmington Town-  
ship with an enrollment of at least  
100 students in order that a full  
program of subjects may be offer-  
ed and specialists in certain teach-  
ing fields be obtained. No one  
school district in Farmington  
Township can, by itself, adequately  
provide for and attempt an in-  
crease in facilities for high school  
students. It is extremely difficult  
to plan for the future educational  
needs for this area without some  
assurance of the minimum and  
maximum limits of school popula-  
tion.

The preliminary survey of the  
financial setup and the discussion  
of the advantages and disadvan-  
tages seem to indicate that a town-  
ship school unit would be economi-  
cally sound for this area.

## SHIRLEY WAACK MARRIED IN NEW YORK CITY

The wedding of Shirley Marion  
Waack, daughter of Mr. and Mrs.  
Earl Waack of Stark Road, Plym-  
outh, to C.E.S. Robert Marshall  
of the United States Navy, took  
place in St. Patrick's Cathedral,  
Rectory in New York City on Aug-  
ust 22, at 5:00 p.m.

The bride was dressed in white,  
and wore a corsage of red roses  
and lilies of the valley. Matron  
of honor was Mrs. W. M. Mills,  
who wore a blue crepe suit, with  
blue accessories and a corsage  
of yellow roses.

The bride's mother and aunt  
were in New York for the wed-  
ding. Immediately following the  
wedding a reception, given by the  
groom's shipmates, was held at  
the Waldorf Hotel.

Mrs. Marshall is spending a  
two week honeymoon in New York  
City. Both young people were  
graduates of Plymouth High  
School and were well known here.

## RESERVATIONS MUST BE MADE FOR DINNER

Trinity Chapter No. 44, White  
Shrine of Jerusalem, will have a  
dinner at 8:30 p.m. on Saturday,  
September 2, at Farmington Ma-  
sonic Temple. Those who plan to  
attend the dinner should make  
their reservation by telephoning  
Edith Sonnenberg, Farmington  
1355, or Emma Busn, Evergreen,  
2712.

Guest of honor at the dinner  
will be Amelia C. Cook, Supreme  
Worthy High Priestess. Ceremonial  
will begin at 8:00 p.m.

## Church Ladies Plan Lawn Party

The ladies of the Allar Society  
of Our Lady of Sorrows Church  
are holding a lawn party on Thurs-  
day, September 7, beginning at  
1:00 p.m., on the lawn of the  
school, Grand River near Orchard  
Lake Road.

Everyone is cordially invited to  
spend the afternoon, and there will  
be refreshments and prizes.

Mrs. Evangeline Pettibone en-  
tertained several ladies at a lun-  
cheon Saturday afternoon.