

## Around The Block

ENTHUSIASM... is running high in Farmington these days, with the football team doing so very well. They've not been defeated yet—we'll bet it's



a great boost to our boys fighting another battle overseas, too, for knowing that the old home team is doing so very well, they can't do anything but follow suit.

THAT ADDED... brightness that you notice about the Honor Roll is no mirage—it's just that the Honor Roll had its face washed Tuesday night, and it does certainly look a lot brighter.

PLEASE REGISTER...

Now to give that plot of blood to the Blood Bank on Monday, October 30. If residents would register with the zeal they have shown in registering to vote, Farmington would be well over the top for the Blood Bank. Clerk Harry Morris states that 500 persons are now on the registration books of the City, and in the Township. Clerk Harry McCracken estimates that between four and five hundred persons are newly registered for the November 7 election.

WHAT'S COOKING?...

Well, maybe it's some of those surprises that the kids will have when they arrive at the Hall.



we're party on Saturday afternoon, October 23. We use and there's going to be some do's—don't miss it, kids.

ROSES...

are still about the loveliest flower we know of, and somehow the last rose of the year seems to be more beautiful than ever. I guess that's life.

THANKS...

to the women of the community who responded to the call for workers at the Red Cross Surgical Dressing Unit. It does one's heart no end of good, when such response is received after the call goes out.

ADVANCE REPORTS...

indicate that not only the birds are travelling south, for we've heard of several residents who plan to soon invade the southern regions of these states. Somehow, we still think they're missing a lot by doing it.

## KIWANIANS HEAR SPEAKER TELL OF GERMANY

Farmington Kiwanis Club played host at their meeting Wednesday night to the Southfield Kiwanis Club.

The speaker of the evening was Mr. L. A. Marcus of the S. S. Kresge Co., who addressed the gathering on the subject, "Germany, Past and Present."

Mr. Marcus was well qualified to discuss this topic because he spent over 30 years in Germany prior to 1939, as a buyer for a large American concern.

He pointed out that at the time Hitler came into power, it was only the aged who took time to find out what might be going on, and the younger people of Germany took up the "new order" because they felt it might give them work and territory, which they needed, and when it had served this purpose, they could then take over. It had gone too far, however, before they realized what was happening.

# The Farmington Enterprise

LEADERSHIP—OUR PURPOSE

SERVICE—OUR GOAL

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## War Fund Collection Under Way

Many Services  
Will Benefit

On Monday this week, workers in the community began collection of donations for the 1944 Michigan United War Fund. Directing the solicitation here are Mrs. Margaret Mitchell, chairman of the Blue Star Mothers, who are working on the drive; Harley McCracken, chairman of the industrial group; and Richard Taylor, Farmington City and Township chairman.

Farmington's quota this year is \$4,240, an amount which should be easily raised in a community of this size, particularly if residents know the many services which are aided by the War Chest.

Your community war fund needs every dollar you can give. And never was there a worthier cause! It covers dozens of different activities. Just one, for instance, is aid to our war prisoners. Think what it means to those boys of ours in prison camps, to receive a package from home. To get a few precious books to read! To have some games, or some musical instruments, or athletic equipment. It's hard for us here at home to realize what a difference such things can make, yet we know they mean all the difference in the world. We know that from the letters we get, and the war books we've read. Those boys spend endless, heartbreaking hours just longing for something to do. And part of every dollar you contribute helps by just that much to give to your community war fund! Give all you possibly can. It's a gift direct to our brave boys—who have given us liberty for us.

## Jay Walking Should End

An appeal is issued this week to the adults of Farmington, to please obey traffic regulations, and to cross the main intersection with the traffic, and not diagonally.

Adults have been setting a poor example for the school children of Farmington, by crossing the main intersection against traffic, and by using the wrong side of the road to go to work. Police are stationed at Grand River and Farmington Roads during the hours that school children will be crossing the street, but their job is much more difficult if adults come along and cross the intersection exactly contrary to what the police are trying to have the children do.

It seems to be human nature to pursue the path which seems easiest, but this is one instance where the safest method seems the most advisable. If not for yourself, as an example to the younger residents, won't you please stop jay-walking, and cross only with the traffic?

## COUNTY CHAPTER OF RED CROSS MEETS WEDNESDAY

The regular quarterly meeting of the Oakland County Chapter of the American Red Cross will be held Wednesday, October 25, at 7:30 p.m. at the Birmingham Community House, Birmingham.

Directors, committee chairmen, volunteers and members of the Oakland County Chapter are urged to attend. Carl Forsythe, mayor of Ferndale, will be principal speaker of the evening. The secretary chairmen will report their various activities and discuss plans for the winter. Mrs. Fern Brock is chairman of arrangements for the evening.

## Rose Marie Butler Tells Of Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Butler of Roseland, announce the engagement of their daughter, Rose Marie, to Pfc Charles Jabour of Dearborn, now on duty as an instructor with the Marines, at Cherry Point, North Carolina. Rose Marie is attending immaculate High.

## TOWNSHIP BOARD NAMES ELECTION OFFICIALS

All members of the Farmington Township Board were present at the regular monthly meeting held Tuesday evening in the Township Office.

Charles Brown, who was sent to Wolverine Boys' State by the Farmington Township Board, attended the meeting, and gave a comprehensive report of his activity while there. Charles served as Chief Deputy in the Michigan State Highway Department during his stay at Boys' State, and gleaned a wealth of knowledge about this branch of our State government. Charles stated that another year, he and the other boys from this community who attended Boys' State this year, plan to coach the boys who will be going next year, and give them some idea of what they may expect.

Election Boards were named, each Precinct being increased by one member, and in accordance with the law, following a request from John Franco, chairman of the Oakland County Democratic Committee, as nearly as possible to have an equal number of members. The boards are to consist of half Republican members, and half Democratic members.

Serving on the election board for Precinct One are Frank Steele, Ward Eagle, Little McIntyre, Jennie Lapham, Paul Paré, Eleanor McCracken and Little Gaston. In Precinct Two the members named are Harry Shafer, Louise Brown, Isabelle Menke, Elsie McCullough, Frances Billings, William Shaw and Ellen Goers. It was voted to pay members of the boards \$1.00 per hour, rather than 75c per hour, as has been done formerly.

It was also decided to put up a sign to fence off the board's Precinct Two, as it is now separated in Precinct One, and also in the City. Lighting in Precinct Two will be improved, as it is particularly dark, and causes a lot of eye strain, when the boards are forced to work well into the night.

## BAPTIST YOUTH BANQUET IS WELL ATTENDED

The Baptist Youth Fellowship of the Farmington Baptist Church gave a banquet Thursday night, October 12, with 95 young people present. Included in the Baptist Youth Fellowship are the Senior and Junior B.Y.F.U., World Wide Guild, Pioneer Girls Club, and the following Bible classes: Victors, Young Peoples, and Young Adults.

The speaker of the evening was Rev. Floyd Young of the Northville Baptist Church. His topic was "Simon of Syrene."

## Now Is Time To Reorganize

Farmington Township needs a reorganization of its schools. Today not one of its eight school districts is able to care completely or acceptably for the educational needs of its children. For the education of their high school pupils, seven of these districts depend entirely upon the village of Farmington. These seven districts likewise send many of their seventh and eighth grade pupils to Farmington.

Instruction in these small schools has changed only very little since the day they opened their doors which was, in some instances, nearly a century ago. Variation in the quality of teaching from one school to another is great. No district can hire and retain a first class teacher year after year. Well qualified and professionally trained teachers prefer, and are able to find, employment in localities which do not have the inconveniences, restrictions and annoyances so common in the rural districts.

Farmington itself has its problem. For many years the city has welcomed pupils from the township to its high school. Now, increased school population, and the lack of school responsibility have outdone the physical ability to house the boys and girls of our communities. The city of Farmington is not obligated legally, nor is it able financially, to carry the entire burden alone.

The file and difficulties of our rural and city schools are serious; but there is a remedy. We can unite into one district. With the combined resources of eight districts we can afford a six year high school. We can relieve our district schools of the upper grades and give better instruction in reading, writing and arithmetic. We can have music, art, and other activities for the children. Health education demands its proper place in the school day. High school pupils are not interested in a college preparatory course. We need good general education for a generation ago, by the schools of ten years ago, or by the schools of even five years ago. Interested parents and citizens know that an adequate education for boys and girls means better homes, better neighbors, and a better world. Now is the time for us in Farmington Township to reorganize our schools into an effective administrative attendance unit. Now is the time to plan post-war buildings. For a time Government aid is available to schools which are unable to care for all the educational needs of the community.

## Blood Donors Still Lagging

Only a quarter of the required number of blood donors are now registered to give a pint of blood to the Red Cross Blood Bank, when the mobile unit comes to Farmington on Monday, October 30. That means there will have to be a substantial jump in the number of registrations. If Farmington is to meet the quota of 200 pints of blood.

The unit will be here from 2:45 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., and donors may indicate which hour they wish to make their appointment. It takes only a very short time to give blood, and the physical examination given each donor insures only those donors will be taken who are physically able to give a pint of blood.

Registrations are now being taken each day at the Farmington State Bar and evenings at the Civic Theatre, as well as at the office of Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner and the Warner Dairy. Everyone has occasion to be in one of these places some time during the week, so the next time you happen to be in leave your name and register to be a blood donor.

Service men and women who have returned from combat zones will tell you that one of the ways in which you can assist most in this war, is by doing your share to keep up the supply of blood plasma that is needed by the armed forces. Maybe you won't buy as many Bonds as you could like, or perhaps you feel that your employment is not as essential to the war effort as it might be, but by being a blood donor you can make a direct personal contribution, and bring our boys home just that much sooner.

Please make your registration as early as possible, and thus make it easier for those in charge of the blood bank.

## METHODIST YOUTH FELLOWSHIP REORGANIZES

The Methodist Youth Fellowship met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Jones, for a discussion of the reorganization of the group.

New officers are Bernice Kalkins, president; Janet Robertson, 1st commission (worship); Nancy Robertson, 2nd commission (world fellowship); Robert Kahrl, 3rd commission (community service); Gloria Smith, 4th commission (recreation); Lois Goers, secretary-treasurer; and Doris Crook, scribe.

The League is re-organizing under the helpful guidance of Rev. Wendell Stone and Alfred Jones. It is planned to promote movies, sports, plays, a newspaper and other features, as interesting projects.

The meetings are at 7:00 p.m. Sunday evenings at the Methodist Church. Everyone is welcome.

## RECORD NUMBER OF CHRISTMAS PACKAGES SENT

No Farmington service man or woman serving overseas will be forgotten this year, judging from the number of Christmas packages which have been mailed through the Farmington Post Office.

Although an accurate count of packages was not kept for the entire mailing period, September 15 through October 16, Postmaster Norman Lee estimates that between five and six thousand Christmas packages to armed forces personnel serving overseas, have been mailed in Farmington during the month.

From October 9 on, the post office kept a record of the packages, and the following number of packages were mailed on the day indicated: October 9, 290; October 10, 264; October 11, 295; October 12, 430; October 13, 329; October 14, 523; and October 16, 822. This means a total of 2,866 packages were mailed overseas during the last week of the mailing period.

Accurate information for mailing of Christmas greetings is not yet available, but it is not too soon to get your greeting cards ready to mail, for they should be sent out during the first of November. It is possible that greeting cards going overseas, and mailed unsealed, may go for a cent, and a half postage, but that ruling is not yet released. If this proves to be true, however, cards should be mailed as early as possible. As regulations for such mail is very slow. As regulations are completed, further information will be printed.

## P.T.A. MEETING WILL FEATURE OPEN HOUSE

The science of making synthetic rubber and the many uses of this material was the topic of the evening program of the Farmington P.T.A. at the October meeting held in the gymnasium, on October 17, 1944.

Mr. Vernon Fisher introduced for the opening of the program, one of the talented high school students, Marguerite Vodka, who played a Schubert composition on the piano.

Richard Wheeler then proceeded to carry on with films on different uses of rubber in manufacturing, and during a short explanatory talk made synthetic rubber to the amazement of the large audience.

The films in technical with sound were most interesting to watch. Mr. Wheeler also showed films of the latest war news.

The November meeting will be an open house. The school will be open add classes will be carried for the parents to get an understanding about how the school usually operates.

## ANNUAL BAZAAR AND DINNER IS NOVEMBER 7

The Evangelical Bazaar and dinner will be held at the church on November 7, and will be one of the highlights of the year.

The dinner menu has been announced as chicken, biscuits and gravy, mashed potatoes, squash, cranberries, relishes, coffee, tea, milk, and apple and pumpkin pies. Tickets are now available. Reservations will be limited to 100, and all those who wish to attend may call Mrs. Fendt at Farmington 0995 and make their reservations.

The dinner will be served family style, and everyone is assured of a pleasant evening.

## A. C. TAGG SPEAKS BEFORE EXCHANGEMITES

Emory Eaton was in charge of Wednesday's program at the luncheon meeting of Farmington Exchange Club.

Mr. Eaton introduced his guest, A. C. Tagg, who spoke on vocational guidance for boys, and emphasized why service clubs should interest themselves in the young men of our city.

Mrs. Ben Nett and mother, Mrs. Douglas, are here from Tampa, Florida, visiting Mrs. Nett's daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dekker of Clarencville.

## Community Observance Of Navy Day Is Planned

## NORMAN STEWART REPORTED MISSING OVER GERMANY

Word has been received here from Mr. and Mrs. Foster Stewart that their son, Corporal Norman Stewart, is missing in action over Germany.

Norman has many friends in this community, having lived here for several years with his parents, and another son, Jerry. The Stewarts are now living in California, but it is expected that they may soon return to make their home here.

## James Hogles Are Honored

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Hogle of West Grand River Avenue, Farmington, held an open house Sunday, October 15, the occasion being their sixtieth wedding anniversary. They were the first of the congratulations and good wishes of about one hundred and fifty friends and relatives from Ferndale, Pontiac, Redford, Detroit, Northville, Ypsilanti and Farmington. Dainty refreshments were served from a prettily appointed tea table with Mrs. Ralph Hogle and Mrs. Carl Hogle presiding.

Mr. and Mrs. Hogle were married at the home of the bride on Grand River Avenue, Farmington, by the Rev. and Charles Deatley, and they are the only ones living who were present at the wedding.

Mrs. Hogle, formerly Minnie Gordon, came to Farmington in 1877 with her mother, then a widow, her father, Linus Gordon, having died when she was still a small child. James L. Hogle, or "Jim," as he is known to his friends, came to Farmington when a young man and engaged in the drug business. He continued in this business for many years. His store was a popular place, and had the first telephone in Farmington, and it was for many years the only telephone in town.

Mrs. Hogle was elected to the office of supervisor for twenty years, and all time record in Farmington. He served in other public offices, having been elected Oakland County Treasurer for two terms, and is at present city assessor of Farmington. He is a Past Master of the Farmington Lodge No. 169, F. and A.M., and is the present secretary, having served in that capacity for 33 years.

Mrs. Hogle is a life member and a Past Matron of the Farmington O.E.S. and her energy and zeal for the order has done much to make it the strongest and successful institution that it is at the present time. She has at one time president of the Oakland County Association of the O.E.S. She has ever been kind, patient, and helpful and is still doing her part to enrich the community in which she lives.

Three children were born to this couple, Ralph, a leading business man of Redford until his untimely death in 1927, which brought great sorrow to his parents; Carl, who resides in Farmington and is employed in Detroit; and Norine, wife of George R. Simmons, fruit grower of Novi. They have had a large number of grandchildren. Mrs. Hogle, now in the service of the city at Silver Falls, South Dakota. They are very proud of their six fine grandchildren and take great delight in one great-granddaughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Hogle received many lovely gifts, and a profusion of beautiful flowers filled the house. The occasion, with so many old friends meeting, with the hand clasps, and the reminiscences, was indeed an enjoyable one. Everyone present expressed the wish that this grand couple may live many more happy anniversaries of their wedding day.

## Another Child Clinic To Be Held Thursday

The clinic for well babies, and pre-school children will be held usual the third Thursday of the month at the Methodist Children's Village. The next clinic will be Thursday, October 26, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Buy 'em and  
Keep 'em  
WAR  
BONDS

## Special Program Will Be Held At Gymnasium

Commander Clarence Barber of the Groves-Walker Post of the American Legion has been advised of his appointment as chairman of the committee of arrangements that is to make plans for the observance of Navy Day here on Friday, October 28, the anniversary of the founding of the American Navy and of the birth of the late president, Theodore Roosevelt, called the "Father of Our Modern Navy."

Chairman Barber says committee appointments have been made, members to represent the churches and schools, various patriotic clubs and other organizations. He anticipates that the program here will include not only the big evening observance, which will be held on October 27, at 8:00 p.m. in the Farmington High School Gymnasium, but also talks before luncheon and other occasions. He anticipates that the program here will include not only the big evening observance, which will be held on October 27, at 8:00 p.m. in the Farmington High School Gymnasium, but also talks before luncheon and other occasions. He anticipates that the program here will include not only the big evening observance, which will be held on October 27, at 8:00 p.m. in the Farmington High School Gymnasium, but also talks before luncheon and other occasions.

The program in the gymnasium on Friday evening will feature selections by the high school band, three talks about the Navy by a well informed speaker, and movies of events of the present war.

Similar programs are being arranged through Michigan, as well as throughout the nation.

Proclamations urging all to interest themselves in the observance of Navy Day and to participate in the ceremonies if possible have been received here from Gov. George Kelly, and Mayor Elmer Hamlin.

"The purpose of the observance," Commander Barber said, "is to pay honor to the members of all branches of the American sea forces, our Air Force, Marine Corps, Coast Guard and Merchant Marine. Such encouragement to our fighters seems all the more important to us of this community inasmuch as many of our young men—sons, fathers, husbands, friends—are out there fighting our fight."

"I ask the aid of all organizations, including military units, veterans, and their auxiliaries, churches, clubs, societies, the schools, newspapers, and municipal and county officials, in arranging and carrying out the local observance."

## OFFICERS ELECTED FOR DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA

The Daughters of Isabella held their annual election of officers at Our Lady of Sorrows School on Monday evening, October 9.

Officers elected for the ensuing year are Mrs. Louise Brown, Regent; Mrs. Irma Dwyer, Past Regent; Mrs. Marguerite Villeroi, Vice-Regent; Mrs. Helen DeNets, Custodian; Chancelor, Mrs. Elizabeth Morel; Financial Secretary, Mrs. Beatrice Burke; Treasurer, Mrs. Edith O'Neil; Recording Secretary, Miss Frances Morel; Scribe, Mrs. Stella Styr; Monitor, Mrs. Viola Kelly; Banner Bearer, Miss Ann Dwyer; 1st Guide, Miss Dorothy Baker; 2nd Guide, Miss Peggy Dwyer; Inner Guard, Mrs. Mary Baker; Outer Guard, Miss Rose Marie Butler; Trustees, Mrs. Dorothy Witherspoon, Mrs. Marie Monette and Mrs. Justina Vedyke and Organist, Mrs. Blanche LaPres.

Public installation of officers will be held at Farmington Town Hall on Sunday evening, November 19. Mrs. Mayme Swyckert of Calumet, Michigan, State Regent, will officiate at the ceremonies.

## Pam Nordway Honored At Surprise Party

A surprise birthday party was given for Pam Nordway at the home of Marion Vanderburgh last Saturday. Those who attended besides the guest of honor, were Jim McWilliam, Paul Scott, Dutch Doll, Robert Evers, Bob Brown, Al McCurdy, Pat Young, Betty Swaenle, Bob Stanek, Mildred McKays, and the hostess.

A good time was had by all.