

Mulching Tomatoes
Mulching is valuable around tomatoes that are not staked and around cucumber and squash plants. It keeps the fruit off the ground, keeping the fruit cleaner and free of certain rots that are carried in the soil.

Mineral Sources
Green and immature grasses are better sources of minerals than are hay and mature plants for animals.

Farm Accidents
More than 17,000 farm people died last year because of accidents on their farms. Another million and a half rural residents were injured. Two-fifths of the fatal farm accidents occurred in farm homes. Common causes of accidents are falls, burns, poisonings, suffocations, accidents with firearms, and drownings. Most farm-work fatalities involved farm machines while they were in motion.



Mrs. James D. Parker has received word from her son, Lt. William Parker, saying that he made his first flight to Tokyo. Lt. Parker is stationed at Hamilton Field, California, and is in the transport service.

S/Sgt. Homer Dickie, son-in-law of Mrs. Mulder, 23331 Rollcrest Road, has returned from three years of overseas duty with the 117 Cavalry R Squadron. Sgt. Dickie was wounded three times. He has the Purple Heart, Second Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster, Silver Star and Good Conduct Medal.

Pvt. Joseph W. Doll, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred A. Doll, 21613 Jackson, Farmington, and husband of Mrs. Joanna M. Doll 928 Riley, Lansing, Michigan has entered the Basic Training Center at Keesler Field, a unit of the Army Air Force Training Command, for several weeks of recruit drill.

After a period of orientation and physical training at Keesler Field he will be given instruction in the use of the gas mask and bayonet course in camouflage, and target practice on the rifle range. Then he will be assigned to duty or sent to one of the Training Command's schools for special technical training.

A new class of armorers and gun mechanics for the accurate-shooting lightening-fast armored divisions and tank battalions, has been graduated from the Armored School. Graduates included Sergeant John R. Mahaney, 23910 Grace Street.

During their intensive course the graduates learned repair and maintenance of the guns used in armored units. They were trained to know these weapons so well they can take them apart in the dark, remove and repair broken parts and reassemble them with a minimum loss of time. Their training was planned with the aim of keeping guns in action in combat and putting them back in action in combat when parts wear out or are disabled by enemy fire.

Aboard the USS Essex, with Torpedo Squadron Eighty at the time hostilities with Japan ceased was James N. Youngblood, aviation machinist's mate, third class, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Youngblood, of 20815 Cass Ave. Youngblood is a member of the Navy's torpedo plane, the "TPM Avenger."

During his tour of duty, Youngblood flew on 24 strikes against the enemy in the Okinawa campaign and in the final operations against the home islands. He is credited with 97 combat hours and with assists in the sinking of a number of enemy ships.

James E. Bone, electrician's mate, third class, USNR, 22615 Tulane Avenue, is serving on the aircraft carrier USS Bon Homme Richard which has been assigned to duty as part of the U.S. occupation fleet. For 45 days preceding the end of the war, the vessel steamed up and down the Japanese coast as the 3rd Fleet staged thirteen air raids and five bombardments on the Japanese home islands—and fired her guns only once. That was when the almost-perfect air cover permitted a Jap suicide plane to sneak through, only to be shot down just short of another carrier. "Gosh!", yelled one of the men as he seized his helmet and dashed for his gun mount, "the war's over—It would kill me to get killed now."

Eugene Noha Gendron, seaman, first class, USNR, 33715 Grand River, Cut-Off, has been serving aboard the USS Provo Victory, an ammunition cargo ship of the Pacific Fleet service command. Two days after American forces invaded Lingayen Gulf the Provo Victory crept in through the thick haze of smoke to an anchorage near the beach and reported for duty. For sixteen days the crew passed the ammunition to the fighting fleet while hourly lifting on dynamite. A glide plane that flew through anti-aircraft fire and made a run on another ammunition ship lying in the next berth, gave men of the Provo Victory a bad time.

Pvt. Ernest Fuerst, 23310 Chase Avenue, has been awarded the Combat Medical Badge for outstanding performance of duty while serving with forward infantry elements in action against the enemy in Germany. He was previously awarded the Bronze Star

MANY LOCAL GRADUATES NOW IN COLLEGE

Approximately twenty-five percent of the graduates of last year's senior class of Farmington High School are enrolling this fall in various colleges in the United States. The Aschenbrenner, Dar-nice, Calhoun and Pauline Early will attend the University of Michigan. Doris Colbank has selected Bowling Green University. Ruth Elliott, the University of Miami. Calre Yuhua, Marygrove College and Tom Kesteberry and Loraine Miner, the University of Detroit.

While a large group composed of Joyce Gerds, Lois Goers, Joyce Samelson, Shirlee Overmeyer, Ruth Peters, Jean Power and Mary Taddeo are enjoying fresh-man week at Michigan State, William Doll has been in training and assigned to Michigan State, and Milton Knight enrolled in Michigan State for the summer session.

Fred Hamlin, who enlisted in the Navy training program, was assigned to Western State College. Michigan State Normal College. Elaine Evers and Sue Goodrich is now enrolled for nurses cadet training at Ford Hospital.

Many of the boys who might have also enrolled in college have been drafted into the Armed Forces. With members of former classes continuing their work in college, Farmington now has a goodly number of boys and girls enrolled in institutions of higher education.

SPECIAL SHOW PLANNED FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN

Announcement was made this week by Luther McConnell, manager of Farmington's Civic Theatre, of a special show on Monday, October 1.

The doors of the theatre will open at 4:30 p.m. with the feature starting at 4:30 p.m., thus running a complete show for the benefit of school children. The feature is designed to appeal to every boy and girl. "Thunderhead, Son of Ficks."

The early showing will enable children to see the movie after school, and thus not keep them out late on a school night. Remember the day—Monday, October 1, and the time—4:00 p.m.

WOMAN'S CLUB WILL MEET ON WEDNESDAY

The Farmington Woman's Club will open the current season on Wednesday, October 3, at the home of Mrs. George Chaschett, 33115 Grand River Avenue.

All members are urged to attend the opening meeting of the year, and start the club on one of its most successful years.

Medal for heroic achievement. A veteran of three campaigns—the Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Germany—he was cited for service with the 39th Medical Battalion of the 84th (Railsplitter) Division. He entered the Army in June, 1943.

Sgt. Fred C. Brandt, Jr., stationed for a while in New Mexico, was honorably discharged from the service, officials at the Separation Center, at Fort Lewis, Washington, announced.

Richard Matz, A/S, 25609 Nine Mile Rd., has completed his credit training in the Naval Training Center, Sampson, New York, and has been granted leave. Robert R. Bacon, A/S, 33436 Shilwaukee, has also completed training at the same center and has been granted leave. Upon their return for further assignment which may qualify them for a petty officer rating.

Ralph Houtz, 20010 Farmington Road, was honorably discharged from the Marines. He returned to his former employment. He had five battle stars to his credit.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Youles of Lake Bend Road, Florida, now residents of Detroit, have heard recently from their son, Corporal Donald Youles, that he has just been awarded from Saipan to Nagasaki, Japan. He expects to stay there about six months before coming home. Corporal Youles has been in combat on several islands in the Pacific and hopes this is his last move.

METHODIST YOUTH GROUP DISCUSSES TIMELY SUBJECTS

Do we know where we're going? That is the question! The Methodist Youth Fellowship, under the sponsorship of Mrs. David Pressley, will try to solve this puzzle, at the Sunday evening meeting on September 30. Sub-topics will be "We Don't Know Where We're Going, But We're On Our Way," Precilla Johnson; "Going My Way," Yvonne Goer; "Or Would You Rather Swing on a Star?", Carolyn Farmer. June Morgan will offer devotions for the evening.

Last week's discussion was entitled "The Kind of World Youth Wants." Devotions were offered by Laura Hutton. Topics and speakers were as follows: "A Young Negro Speaks," Janet Robertson; "A Japanese-American Speaks," Nancy Smith; "An American Office Girl Speaks," Doris Crook. Elizabeth Johnson discussed a news item concerning Christian Brotherhood among churches which appeared in a recent issue of a Detroit newspaper.

It was decided that the keynote in the world youth wants is brotherhood. Bud Anderson will help us look into the future at the October 7 meeting by leading the topic "You at Seventy-Five."

Garden Club Will Elect New Officers

Monday afternoon at 2:00 p.m. the Farmington Garden Club will have its annual meeting and election of officers at the home of Mrs. William Spicer, 24915 Farmington Road. After the business meeting a program has been arranged on flower, fruit and vegetable table arrangements.

Mrs. J. Robertson, Mrs. William Thornton and Mrs. Frank Steele will assist Mrs. Joseph Toth as co-hostesses for the afternoon.

V.F.W. Auxiliary To Meet At Cafeteria

The Women's Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars will meet at Farmington High School cafeteria on Wednesday, October 3, at 8:00 p.m. for a regular meeting.

All members are urged to attend and please be on time.

KINDERGARTEN CLOSED BY LACK OF GASOLINE

Due to shortage of gasoline for the buses, the Kindergarten was discontinued in Farmington Township schools for the balance of the week. It is hoped that sufficient gasoline will be available by Monday in order that Kindergarten sessions may be resumed.

BUY U.S. WAR BONDS! AND KEEP 'EM!

Women's Guild Resumes Afternoon Meetings

The Women's Guild of the Evangelical Church will hold its regular meeting Wednesday, October 3, at 2:00 p.m. During the war meetings were held in the evening but are now being returned to their former time.

Mr. and Mrs. George Davis spent last weekend in Grand Rapids where they visited their daughter-in-law, Mrs. James Davis, and her daughter.

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