



LISA CARR slips and stashes toward Power Junior High School with her drum carefully wrapped to protect it in case she falls.

The Mud: Continued

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In areas where the ground is frozen, the roads recover quickly as soon as the frost breaks.

"You know I used to have a Model A," he reminisced. "Everybody got me to deliver their groceries. A Model A would get through with big fat tires."

Emergency service has been a worry for many residents isolated by the impassable mud.

The township police report they have had no emergencies they haven't been able to handle yet.

At least one squad car got stuck on the way to a run, and others have been blocked

by other mired cars. The police are walking down the roads, too.

The police and fire departments do have four-wheel drive equipment. If necessary, the county and several private citizens also have helicopters which are available, a police spokesman said.

"It's a bad situation. We hope it dries out soon," Lt. William Kelly said.

Evert Photos



EVEN AN OAKLAND COUNTY Road Commission truck stuck fast in the mud along Gill Road. The crew attempts to get the truck moving by shoveling gravel under the wheels.



MIKE CHUBB waits cheerfully for help after his car stalled in axle deep mud on Cass north of

Eight Mile as he drove to classes at Farmington High School.

wood creek farms

By EILEEN ABBOTT
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When I was young, the sight of the first robin was the harbinger of spring. When I became a mother of boys, this changed and Little League Baseball registrations became the first real indication of spring.

These arrived by mail this week so spring can't be far behind.

Participants in the festival concert at Harrison High last Thursday were David Abowd and Elen Wechsler in the choir. Deanna Abbott, David Abowd, Richard By, Tom Joseph, Kurt Naville, Erik Rogind and Bill Tob played in the bands and orchestra.

The symphony band gave a preview of what the judges will hear at the upcoming festival next weekend in St. Clair Shores. I'm sure first division awards will be presented to the band again this year.

Richard By and the other six members of their percussion septet performed Percussion On The Prowl. They had received a first division award for this in the recent Solo and Ensemble Festival.

Erik and Paul Rogind will participate in a badminton

demonstration at the Twelve Mile at 7 p.m. March 7 and 8.

The exhibition is a preliminary to the 27th U.S. Junior Badminton Championships being held this year at the Cranbrook Schools in Bloomfield Hills, March 20 to 23.

Paul won the U.S. Singles title last spring in Eugene, Oregon. However, he expects stiff competition this year as he enters the under-16 age group.

Their father Hans is co-chairman for the tournament and is working hard to make it a memorable event for the 200 youngsters who will come from across the United States to participate.

Best wishes to newlyweds Kathleen and Dick Flating. The bride (the former Kathleen Stock) was Miss Farmington. Founder's Festival a couple of years ago. Her sister Lorene was a bridesmaid.

Joan Reardon is home from a recent trip to Florida. She went down to sleep and sun. Apparently she accomplished both because she really looks tanned and rested.

Don't forget to vote next Monday. See you at the polls.

Jane Hart To Speak

FARMINGTON
Jane Hart, wife of the senior U.S. senator from Michigan, Philip Hart, will speak at the March 21 meeting of the League of Women Voters of West Bloomfield-Farmington.

The public meeting will take place at 10 a.m. in the auditorium of the West Bloomfield High School, 4925 Orchard Lake.

Babysitting will be available for a nominal fee in the Holy Spirit Lutheran Church, 4800 Orchard Lake.

A new all-time high Michigan record production of prune - plums was set in 1971.

Letters To The Editor

Pedestrians Are Worried

EDITOR:

I have just arrived home and it is approximately 3:10 p.m. I came home the way of Colfax going west to Gill Road. I hope I remember never to take that route again at that hour.

The kids from Power Junior High School were on their way home, and it was unbelievable how some of those kids defy a car.

There were two other cars coming towards me at the time, and you had to actually dodge in between kids as they were not about to move even an inch.

I sure don't know what all the hassle was about while back in regard to a walkway, as they sure don't use it.

There was not even one child on it.

I would like to see a few of the parents whose children walk that route home to take a drive down Colfax at that hour and see for themselves. There were from one to seven

YES Called Dedicated

EDITOR:

Mrs. Claire Orions, director of Youth Employment Service, asked me to share some special training I have from a Wayne State University class, with the staff of YES.

I found a group of dedicated people who came to work early and worked through their lunch hour in order to have them available for the training.

These people really care about providing effective service to their youthful clients, employees, and the Farmington community. I want to send them a public message of appreciation.

BETTY WHITE
Farmington

walking in a line, or maybe more; I couldn't count, as I was trying to keep from hitting any of them. They just wouldn't move.

A road is for cars, not kids. It would be different if they didn't have a walkway, but they do, so why not use it. Believe me it is a very frustrating trip down that road at 3:10 p.m.

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Evans In Army

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Army Pvt. Robert E. Evans

Jr., whose parents live at 31762

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completed basic training at the

U.S. Army Training Center,

armor, Ft. Knox, Ky.

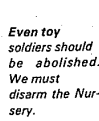
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