

Around The Block

SUMMER HAS ARRIVED... We didn't need a weatherman or a thermometer to tell us it was hot over the past week end. It was the main topic of conversation around the block. In fact, about all you had to do was look at your neighbor and the conversation started. Oh, well, it is August, you know, and that means hot weather. We sort of envy those kids that can so easily slip their toes in the wading pool in the park or dash about the house in the front yard. But that seems to be the privilege of youth at least it hasn't become hot enough yet so the grownups have taken to the garden hose. When they do we will be right there to report it unless, of course, it might be us.

THIS FRIDAY... Close up time for the Farmington and Clarenceville Recreation summer playground programs. From an outside view of those crowded bases these past six weeks would say the programs have been a fairly successful. At least the youngsters have been busy, to say nothing of the playground directors. These past six weeks have certainly flown by in a hurry, and a lot of children and grownups, too, are going to miss those days at the playground. Anyway, there is always next summer. The playground directors and their supervisors are always keen to make this year's programs the best yet. And don't forget, the Farmington summer band program is just getting underway, so pick up that cornet and get in on the fun, besides learning a lot of music, too.

THE HOT WEATHER... Caught more than just a "whew" from a lot of people. It caused plenty of them to drop from Detroit way to head out through Farmington last Sunday. Once again Grand River was jam-packed from early morning until late at night with cars and people. And from all reports Grand River wasn't the only well traveled road in this vicinity. Twelve Mile Road had its share and more, too, as did Eight Mile Road. All in all it was a busy day on the highways and a busy day for local and State Police, too. One quick look at the highways should be enough to tell most any Farmingtonite with a big shady back yard. It's the safest place and the coolest place these hot Sundays.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE... As the time to register for the coming primary and general elections, if you are already registered you don't need to read these few lines, just skip to the last of the paragraph—but don't miss that! Residents of the City or Township who are new in the area or aren't already registered should be so now, or at least before the 12th of September. It is a mighty important that you vote in the primary election September 12, and you can't vote unless you are registered. This goes for every citizen of the Farmington area—don't be a slacker on election day. Have your say where it really counts—at the polls. You are helping and helping fast and we will continue to help as a nation and as individual Americans unless we wise up and practice democracy. Let's quit kidding ourselves and get down to work. The first job is voting—and the time is September 12.

IT'S FULL SPEED AHEAD... A Farmington's roads this week. We don't mean a city full of hot rods, either. Workmen and equipment are hard at it in an effort to get Farmington's streets in shape. The new grader is playing an important part in the program. You have probably noticed the newly resurfaced street down Floral Park way and the newly roughed up streets in several sections of the city. They will all be smooth and wide very soon if the stepped-up activity means anything. It should go a long way toward quieting the understandable storm of complaints that have been pouring into the City Hall since the last Spring thaw.

MICHIGAN MILES... A member is the new project sponsored by the Federated Garden Clubs of Michigan. The clubs are after is banks of highway trees and shrubs and utilized and protected by the action of the property owners and organizations. (There's a list of 16 points a mile will have). The object of the campaign is to promote a better looking state and show appreciation for the folks who get it cut away. So if you see a Member of the Michigan Garden Club, you will want to see him. Mrs. Clarence Johnson, Roadside Improvement chairman, at 735 Drake Road, Box 57, Walled Lake, Route 2, Michigan.

SILVER CITY... Goldrush Gulch will have to be Farmington's new name if the city is going to keep up with the times. We mean, of course, all the new Hopalong Cassidy boys and other western heroes that have recently sprang up around the community and now lurk in dark corners ready to pounce on you. You can't expect folks will want to see a city straggled to his hips and a ten gallon hat tipped back on his head, the modern version of the old west, a ten year old brownie's hooch, a dangerous hooch to cross. He's a mean man on the draw and knows the name of every law maker and buster this side of the Mississippi line.

Clarenceville Nine Scores 11th Win

Clarenceville won their eleventh game of the season Sunday afternoon but they had to come from behind to defeat Dials of Plymouth 12 to 10 on the Plymouth diamond. Trail 9 to 6 at the end of the first inning, Clarenceville started to roll in their half of the fourth inning. Yackley, Verschen, and Miller all singled in the fourth to rack up four runs. Dials also got into the fourth, making the score 10 to 2. Clarenceville kept working away at the Dials lead, however. They added two more runs in the fifth on a single by Sullivan and a triple by Yackley. They really cut loose in the sixth inning, scoring seven runs to take the lead for the first time in the game. Bob Lyons opened the inning with a single. Bud Lynch batted for Weiland and was safe on an error. Rousseaux singled, scoring two runs. Sullivan tied out but Siefert and Yackley singled, driving in another two runs. Gaffney walked and Verschen and Miller singled, scoring three more runs. The score at the end of the sixth inning was Clarenceville 11, Dials 10.

Clarenceville added one more run in the ninth to insure the victory. The score came when Rousseaux tied out but Siefert and Yackley singled, driving in another two runs. Gaffney walked and Verschen and Miller singled, scoring three more runs. The score at the end of the sixth inning was Clarenceville 11, Dials 10.

The last regular game of the season will be played at Clarenceville this Sunday against P.N.A. Clarenceville will have a place in the playoffs which will start Sunday, August 12.

Mrs. Edward Lindsey and Mrs. John Lindsey spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heliker.

NAME COMMITTEES FOR TOWN CLUB FASHION SHOW

Plans are nearly complete for the Annual Town Club Fashion Show to be held Saturday afternoon, September 16, at the Farmington High School gymnasium. Tickets will be placed on sale soon. The program will begin at 1:00 p.m. and will afford residents an opportunity to enjoy the latest in fall fashions. The fashion show will be presented by Yacks Smart Apparel Shop and millinery from Annettes. The chairman stated that a special display advertising the program will be arranged in the window of The Farmington State Bank a week or so. Mrs. Dawson has announced the following committee heads, who are now hard at work on the arrangements and details of the program. Mrs. N. N. Miller, chairman; Mrs. Edward Smith, Mrs. James Warner and Mrs. Gene Hymes, prizes; Mrs. George Shuck, refreshments; Mrs. E. E. Hickman, serving; Mrs. Charles Layton, tables; Mrs. Clarence Stoll, cards and score pads; Mrs. George Otis, publicity; Mrs. Fred Hewitt, decorations; Mrs. E. C. Lyons, fashion show; and Mrs. H. Stuckey, advisor.

Recreation Commission To Hold Meeting Monday

A special meeting of the Farmington Area Recreation Commission will be held Monday evening, August 7, at the Salem Evangelical Church at 7:30 p.m. The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss the summer recreation program which will end Friday, August 4. William Nuse, director of the six-weeks playground program will give his concluding report for the period.

Red Cross Offers Aid In Local Civilian Defense

Announce Services Available To This Area

The Farmington Chapter of the American Red Cross has offered its services and facilities to the local civilian defense authorities in preparation for any emergencies. Pierre Delmontier, Farmington Red Cross Director announced Tuesday. Farmington has been designated as the location for an air warning station and civilian defense committee are expected to be set up immediately. As soon as these committees are established the Red Cross will be ready to cooperate, Delmontier stated, if desired. The director stated that the Red Cross was offering their services, but if they can not be worked into the over all program, Red Cross services will be conducted separately. Delmontier added that he would prefer to work with the civilian defense authorities if possible.

The Red Cross is offering classes in first aid, home nursing, nurse aide. If the Red Cross is included in the over-all program they can assist in mass feeding, mass shelter, information and supply and survey of available resources. Delmontier stated that they would also try to make available trained volunteers to assist wherever and whenever possible.

The organization of the Farmington air warning post is under the direction of Fred S. Galloway, Royal Oak. He was named by Governor Williams as liaison officer for Oakland County. A local chairman is expected to be named in a few weeks, and a volunteer force established to man the spotter station. The warning set-up throughout the state will be under the direct supervision of the United States Air Force. Farmington was selected as a site for an air spotter station because of its proximity to Detroit and the large metropolitan area. Air observers will be responsible for watching the skies in a radius of eight miles. No definite location has been established as yet for the air spotter station in Farmington.

PRECISE TOOL CO. TO OPEN UNDER RECEIVERSHIP

The receiver for the Precise Tool and Manufacturing Company in Farmington announced this week that the receivership has decided to open and operate the plant. Announcement of the decision to open the plant was announced by Fred J. Potvin, attorney for the receiver, Anthony E. Handloser. Potvin stated that present day conditions make it appear wise to open and operate the plant rather than dismantle it. The attorney stated that the receivership would employ local labor wherever possible.

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Courty Hospitality And Modern Design For Living Typical Of Yoder Family's Unusual "Castle" Home



Forced Down In Buckwheat Field



Mechanics work on the motor of a small training plane which was forced down in a field just off South Farmington last Saturday morning. Gerald Riley, pilot of the plane, stands by while mechanics seek out the trouble. Riley made a perfect forced landing of the plane in a buckwheat stubble field after the motor failed. No one was injured and after the motor was repaired the plane was flown back to its home field.

Playday, Treasure Hunt To Close Summer Playground Programs

Special programs have been planned at both the Farmington and Clarenceville playgrounds for this Friday to officially close the six weeks' playground programs in both areas.

William Nuse, Farmington playground director, announced that a special play day and track meet will be held this Friday at the Farmington High School. Both boys and girls will participate in the big track meet. Events are being planned for both groups. Prizes will be awarded to the winners in each event.

In addition to the track meet, a play day for all the youngsters is being planned. A wide variety of events is being scheduled, such as a bubble gum chewing contest, penny scramble, egg throwing contest, three-legged race and many other activities. The wading pool will also be open for the youngsters. The activities will be held in both the morning and afternoon. Buses will pick up the youngsters at the other two playgrounds and bring them to Farmington.

Children are requested to bring their own lunches as a picnic will be held at the playground. The Recreation Commission will furnish pop and ice cream to all the youngsters. Parents are also invited to attend the track meet and play day with their children. Nuse added that the receivership has decided to open and operate the plant.

Harry McKittick, director of the Clarenceville playground program, announced Monday that a big track meet and trip to Cranbrook Institute would be the closing day activities on Friday. Youngsters are requested to come to the Clarenceville High School playground at 12 noon. From noon until 1:00 a treasure hunt will be held on the playground. Gifts will be hidden on the grounds and the children will have an hour to find them. Buses will leave for Cranbrook at 1:00 p.m. where youngsters will go through the natural history museum and the art museum. Buses will return to the school late in the afternoon. Children are asked to bring their lunches and parents are invited.

A small two-passenger training plane made a forced landing in a buckwheat field just off Farmington Road Saturday morning, causing considerable stir but no damage to the plane or injury to its passengers.

The accident occurred about 11:30 a.m. Saturday. According to Gerald Riley, 22, 17195 Evergreen, Redford, pilot of the training plane, the motor hooked out at about 1000 to 1500 feet. Immediately he began searching for a place to land. He and his passenger, Stanley Misch, 22, of 17137 Redford Avenue, spotted a small field immediately behind a house at 18250 South Farmington Road just north of Seven Mile Road.

Riley says he did a lot of zig-zagging around to make it, but he put the small plane down perfectly in a field about 100 feet wide and 1000 feet long. The field was planted to buckwheat but the ground was not too high. The field is also used with small trees.

The training plane belongs to the National Flying School located on Plymouth Road at Middlebelt Road. John Parker, operator of the flying school, and Bud Mack, mechanic, repaired the plane on the spot and it was flown back to the field.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following article, one of a series describing the Howard Yoder family's unusual home on Middlebelt Road, was prepared through the courtesy of the Yoder family. The permitted Enterprise representatives to view and photograph the residence. Because the house is privately owned, and like most residences, not on public display. The Enterprise greatly appreciates the privilege of being able to bring this series to its readers.

BY LAURA HUTTON

The last bedroom is the largest and is used by the Yoders' other daughter, Neva, who is a dressmaker and designer. The room has a high head which fits into a small alcove tucked away into the wall. They aren't visible from the doorway. This room has all the feminine grace and smartness of a Hollywood stage set.

A separate bath adjoins the room and it really is the most unusual bath in the house. It is quite small in reality but because of the small inlaid cover one is created with a feeling of largeness is created. Just outside the door is a small sewing room. Made to utilize every space between the walls, it now provides a handy spot to sit buttons in a hurry or other light repairs.

The music room, off by itself, is filled with windows. The view here is especially beautiful. It is (Continued on Page Ten)

Seven Injured In Accident On Orchard Lake Road

Seven Farmington area residents, two of them children, were painfully injured in a single car accident on Orchard Lake Road between 10 and 11 Mile Roads Tuesday morning.

Five of the seven persons were taken to Redford Receiving Hospital, one was taken to Mt. Carmel and another to a doctor in Farmington. The accident occurred at about 9:20 Tuesday morning. According to reports, the accident occurred when a car driven by Mildred LaForge, 54, of 21107 Inker Road, ran off on the shoulder of the road, hit a large hole and went out of control, hitting a tree. The LaForge car was traveling north on Orchard Lake Road and slipped off onto the shoulder as a car approached traveling south.

Mrs. LaForge was taken to Mt. Carmel Hospital where she was treated for lacerations. Five of the passengers were treated in Redford Receiving Hospital. They are reported as: Pauline Apple, 23, of 20171 Rensselaer, treated for injury to both legs; Evelyn Apple, 8 years old, treated for chest injuries, stomach bruises; Erma Koebel, 37, of 20819 Rensselaer, chest injuries; Helen Oliver, 38, of 17810 Pierson, hand and leg lacerations; and Flora Vinner, 72, of 19356 MacArthur, possible fracture of the ankle. Phyllis Jean Glatfelter, 6 years old, hit on Summit Road, was brought to Farmington where she was treated for lacerations of the face.

MINOR ACCIDENTS Both City and Township police reported minor accidents during the heavy Sunday traffic. Township police officer William Edgar reported four minor accidents between 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. on Grand River west of Farmington. Edgar stated that the accidents occurred when one car made a sudden stop and the cars following bumped when they were unable to stop in time. The other accidents occurred in a similar manner but only involved two cars. City police report one minor accident on Grand River where she was treated for lacerations of the face.

Takes Kentucky Position Myra Bassett Button, 23, of 23063 Liberty Street in Farmington, has been named Extension Specialist in home furnishings at the University of Kentucky at Lexington. She took over her new duties August 1. Mrs. Button, a Farmington resident since 1937, taught home economics at Redford Union School from 1936 to 1948. She has received an MA degree from the University of Minnesota, and holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Michigan State College.

For the last two years, Mrs. Button has attended the University of Minnesota, serving as an assistant in the Related Art section of the School of Home Economics this last year. Mrs. Button is a member of Omicron Nu, national honor society for home economics, and a member of Pi Lambda Theta, national honor and professional association for women in education.

Mrs. Button is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Bassett of 12 Mile Road, Farmington. The new city grader has been preceding the Lake Construction Company of Chilton, Michigan, has been employed by the City of Farmington for resurfacing of a number of streets throughout the City. It was announced late last week. Equipment and workers have already put hard topping on streets in the Floral Park section of the city. Plans call for the resurfacing of all of the streets in this new section of the city. A large number of streets in the older part of the City are also slated for resurfacing.

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Clarenceville Adds Grade Teachers With only one exception, the elementary teaching staff of the Clarenceville School District has been completed, Louis Schmidt, Superintendent, announced this week. The exception is in the early elementary, Schmidt stated. The district is expected to hire shortly, however. The staff will be completed in time for the opening of school in September. The high school staff is already complete.

A total of 2 additional new teachers and two replacements have been hired for the elementary staff. The additions to the staff are in the first and third grades. The increase in the staff has been made necessary by the establishment of half day sessions beginning September 1. First grade at both Central and Edgewood will go on half day sessions with the opening of school in September. New teachers being added to the staff are: Joan Sandon, who will teach the first grade, and Betty Finley, who will teach the third grade. Miss Sandon is a graduate of Marygrove College, Detroit. Miss Finley is from Utica, Michigan. Replacement teachers are: Joan MacGrogan, third grade teacher, who is a graduate of the University of Toledo; and Mrs. Doris Gilbert, fifth grade teacher, who is a graduate of Brooklyn College, Brooklyn, New York.

Farmington Boy Enters Memorial Races Saturday

Entering the Detroit Memorial race Saturday, Doug Thornton, 23, of 23850 Edgewood, placed sixth in his first heat but was unable to race in the second heat because of damaged equipment.

Thornton, who is 24, graduated from Lawrence Tech this spring where he majored in mechanical engineering. He is expected to build a boat himself after a class at Lawrence Tech built a 225 inch hydroplane. Starting last January, he collected parts from junk yards and other sources to build the boat. He got them. Swapping work with other men, he finished the boat at a cost of \$700.

The final product was a 125 cc. inch class three-point hydroplane, powered with a souped-up Ford V8 engine with Offenhauser valves, a special camshaft, valves, distributor and pistons. One and a half months were required to soup up the engine and five nights for the valves. The boat has a 14 foot overall length and is finished with mahogany ribs and marine plywood. Thornton says the boat has hit 70 miles per hour to date.

Doug is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Thornton, 23850 Edgewood. Graham Irving of Howell called on Mrs. Irvin Knapp Monday.

GARDEN CLUB TO MEET Mrs. Guy Dargan will be the speaker for the August 7 meeting of the Farmington Garden Club. Members are asked to bring suggestions for criticism in preparation for their annual flower show September 8. The noon meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Spencer J. Henry, 4040 Eastwood. Mrs. Henry Otis, chairman, Mrs. F. A. Henry, Jr. Mrs. William Laehn and Mrs. Franklin Sullivan.



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