



**AROUND THE BLOCK**

**ROADS ARE GETTIN' BAD . . .**  
 It's another way of saying that Spring is on the way. No, we won't stick our necks out and say it is here, or that it's almost here, just that it is on the way. That seems a safe enough statement and should stand up no matter what the weather is today, tomorrow or the day after. However, the road around town that the roads have a feeling of Spring in them, sorta soft in spots. But they will undoubtedly harden up again before they really get soft. According to the guys that say they were watching, the Groundhog in one place saw his shadow and in the other he didn't, so I guess we will just have to draft our own conclusions. Our conclusion — we will have winter before Spring!

**THE Toughest Job**  
 In the newspaper business it is to say "So long" to a real friend. In fact, sometimes there just aren't words to do it. That's the way it is right now. The Farmington community has had to say "So long" to Ed Pierce. We know our personal sorrow is the same as that of thousands in this community who knew and admired Ed. His friendliness, his willingness to help, his interest in Farmington have been a personal inspiration to us. These things do not pass, they remain forever. No, words are first and meaningless at times, they fall far short of their goal, but what men like Ed give us in spirit and experience never dies. It lives as long as we shall live and far beyond. There is no greater tribute to any man and there is no greater contribution.

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
 To Farmington's Boy Scouts on the anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scout movement in America. The Scouts are making a valuable contribution to their community, both through their deeds and through their self improvement. The slogan of this year's anniversary, which is being celebrated throughout the country from February 6 to 12, is "Forward on Liberty's Team". It exemplified the Boy Scout objectives of Boy Scouts everywhere. But even more important, it is a real and working thing, not just a slogan. If you doubt it, walk in on one of our Scout meetings, see the progress these boys and their leaders are making in building better American citizens. Happy Birthday and keep up the good work!

**ONCE AGAIN**  
 We want to remind you that the proposed Zoning Ordinance will be voted on at a special election Monday, February 18. You may get a little tired of being reminded so often, but this is important business and you are expected to be there. A record vote is a reflection of an alert and progressive community and only you can make that vote possible. It is also the one time when your voice is sure to be heard. In a democracy voting is your business, and that's the way we want to keep it. Let's have a record vote Monday, February 18 — only you can make it so!

**A NEW KIND OF SERVICE**  
 Ed is being aided by the management of the Civic Theatre. As Ed Hötter, manager, pointed out, never before has a picture for the sake of a baby sitter? Well, from now on it can be different. The theatre is initiating a special baby sitting service for parents. The next time you want to attend the Civic Theatre and need a baby sitter just call the management, they will refer you to someone available for this kind of work.

**MORE DIMES**  
 And dollars went into the March of Dimes fund this year than ever before, and that in itself is a glowing tribute to the volunteers and to the generosity of the people of this area. A lot of hard work and tireless effort has gone into this year's drive which ended last Thursday. The many volunteers can find satisfaction in their accomplishment, the people of this area can be proud of their record of giving and most of all the victims of the disease. It is only further proof that with a real cause before us and community spirit and cooperation, along side, we can accomplish great things together.

**FINDING A LITTLE PLACE**  
 The car in it is becoming more and more of a problem in the City of Farmington. Last Friday we couldn't even find a place in the public parking lots, and the curbs were neatly lined with a complete string of cars. In spite of the increased public parking space, additional lots seem to be needed. The expansion of the lot next to the city hall will help considerably and the addition of parking meters scheduled for this spring should help to keep traffic moving. These are visual warning signs of a growing community. Farmington and its shopping center is growing. If we are to meet the challenges of tomorrow, we must do plenty of planning today!

**Applications Open For Postmaster**

Applications are now being taken for civil service examinations for filling the position of Postmaster at the Farmington Post Office. An announcement was made this week by the Civil Service Commission. According to the Commission, applications must be filed not later than February 10, 1952. Application forms may be secured from the Farmington Post Office and must be filed with the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D. C. Applicants will not be required to report for written examinations at any place, but will be rated upon their education, business or professional experience, qualifications and suitability. The competitive procedure prescribed prohibits consideration of the political, religious or fraternal affiliations of any applicant. In order to be eligible, an applicant must be a citizen of the United States, must have actually resided within the delivery of the post office for at least one year, must be at least 21 years of age. (Continued on Page Seven)

**Regular Township Board Meeting Delayed A Week**

The regular February meeting of the Farmington Township Board will be held on Tuesday, February 19, instead of the regular February 12 date. Purpose of the change is because February 12, Lincoln's birthday, is a legal holiday. The Board normally meets on the second Tuesday of each month.

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## CLARENCEVILLE SELLS \$700,000 SCHOOL BOND ISSUE

### Expect Record Vote In Township Zoning Election

Voters To Go To Polls Monday, February 18

A record vote is predicted for the special Farmington-Township Zoning Ordinance election to be held Monday, February 18. The prediction is based on the particularly heavy special registration which closed January 13 and the large number of copies of the proposed ordinance. Township officials have requested and received a second printing of copies of the proposal. The ordinance has been the topic of discussion at a number of organization meetings throughout the township in the past few weeks.

Harry McCracken, Township Clerk, stated that the polls will be open on election day, Monday, February 18, from 7:00 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. Only persons registered in the township will be eligible to vote on the proposed ordinance. Persons in line at 8:00 p.m. will be allowed to vote.

**POLLING PLACES**  
 Precinct Two voters will cast their ballots at the Odd Fellow Hall, 2611 Inkster Road, instead of the MacCubbin Hall, normally used as the voting place. Precinct One voters will cast their ballots at the Farmington Town Hall.

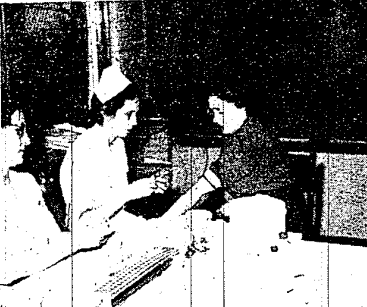
**FINAL UNITED FUND FIGURE NEAR \$2.5 MILLION**  
 A total of \$7,657.47 was collected in cash and pledges in the recently completed Farmington United Fund drive. It was announced last Wednesday evening at a special meeting of the Fund budget committee.

**NEW EPISCOPAL CHURCH FORMED IN FARMINGTON**  
 The first regular service of the new Episcopal Church in Farmington is to be held Sunday, February 17, starting at 9:30 a.m., a spokesman for the church announced. Through the kindness and generosity of the Farmington Universalist Church the services will be held in their edifice on Warner Avenue.

**Baby Clinic To Sponsor Health Examinations**  
 Through the auspices of the Clarenceville Well Baby Health Clinic, a general examination, vaccination for small pox and inoculations against diphtheria, tetanus and whooping cough will be given to children from one month to four years old in the Home Economics House of the Clarenceville High School Thursday, February 14, beginning at 1 p.m.

**Resigns Pastorship**  
 At the quarterly business meeting Wednesday, January 30, the First Baptist Church of Farmington regretfully accepted the resignation of Rev. David H. Lower, pastor of the church at Clarenceville, because of financial obligations requiring his time, a spokesman for the church reported. Guest speakers are filling the plump temporarily.

### Blood Type Clinic Has Busy Week



Mrs. George Williams, 2915 Gladstone, was one of 2,109 adults and students who participated in the blood typing program conducted last week under the sponsorship of the Farmington Township School District. Mrs. Williams is having a sample of her blood taken during the visit of the clinic to the Farmington Junior High School, R.N. 1512. The nurse taking the sample is Mrs. Ayla Green, R.N., 1525 Eason Street, Watkins Lake, assisted by Mrs. Herbert Smith, 1286 Vinewood, Pontiac, extreme left. The clinic is a part of the county and state civil defense organization.

### Blood Type Clinic Attracts 2,109 Students And Adults During Visit

A total of 1,339 students and 570 adults participated in the blood typing program sponsored by the Farmington Township School District last week. O. E. Dunkel, superintendent, announced Monday. The program was conducted in cooperation with the county and state civil defense organizations. Dunkel stated that participation in the program was on a voluntary basis. A special team of five members visited the various schools throughout the District taking blood samples. They set up their clinic in four different schools during the period from Monday through Friday.

On Monday the clinic visited the Bond School where they took blood samples from 272 students and 103 adults. A total of 372 pupils and 435 students participated. On Thursday and Friday 460 students and 250 adults visited the clinic at the Farmington High School. Dunkel stated that approximately 65% of the students of the District took part in the program. He added that the percentage in elementary schools was slightly higher than the percentage in the junior and senior high schools. All persons who gave a blood sample will receive a tag, through the mail giving their blood type as well as other important information. (Continued on Page Twelve)

### Falcons Defeated By Berkley 46-28

Farmington High School's basketball team was unable to break out of their losing streak last Friday as they bowed to Berkley High School 46 to 28 in an Inter-Lakes Conference game played on the Farmington floor. The Falcons showed plenty of aggressiveness in the opening period of the game but were unable to hold the league leading Berkley five in check. The score at the end of the first period was Berkley 14 - Farmington 9. Berkley swept into a commanding lead in the second period, racking up 11 points while holding the Falcons to seven points. The score at halftime was Berkley 25 - Farmington 16. Farmington succeeded in keeping up with the visitors during the third period with the scoring nearly equal. Berkley began to hit in the final period, scoring 12 points to Farmington's four. Dan Goodrich was the leading scorer for the Falcons with nine points to his credit. Farmington will meet Walley Lake in their next game. (Continued on Page Twelve)

### Northeast Township Firemen Pose Beside New Truck



The recently organized Northeast Township Volunteer Fire Department lines up beside the new fire truck at the Berling-McHugh Ford Agency for their first official picture. The Department is now in the process of training pending completion of an organization table. Volunteers (left to right top row) are: Cecil Partee, Charles Cole, Clifford Bailey and Jack Brown; (bottom row, left to right) Chief Roy Bell, Tom Weisheit, Paul Temple, Gobel Black, Harry Hobbs, Tom Weisheit, Jr., and Ed Bell. Officers emphasized that the new fire department is not in operation as yet, and all persons should continue to call Farmington 0470 in case of fire.

### March Of Dimes Drive Hits New Record Total

Approximately \$2,500 Collected In Drive

Approximately \$2,500 was raised during the annual March of Dimes Drive in the Southwest Oakland County Chapter area, Pierre Delmonter, chairman, announced Monday. The area included Farmington, Clarenceville and Novi. Delmonter emphasized that this figure is only an approximation. The final figures will be completed Friday. The annual drive in behalf of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis ended last Thursday evening.

Delmonter stated that this year's drive has been the most successful in the history of the area. Last year's total was \$1,551. The chairman stated that the Porch Light Parade which was held last Thursday evening in both Farmington and Clarenceville was very successful. Over 200 women participated in the Amusee Parade which was held Thursday evening from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m.

**PLAN RALLY**  
 A big March of Dimes rally will be held this Friday, February 8, at 1:00 p.m. at the Farmington Town Hall. The meeting will be preceded by a pot luck luncheon. Chairman of the Farmington, Clarenceville and Novi drives will turn over their total collections to Mrs. Ruth Marshall, secretary of the Oakland County Chapter. All volunteer March of Dimes workers are invited to attend the meeting. Delmonter pointed out that one half of the funds raised in the different communities will remain here for use in treating local patients. He also expressed his appreciation to the many volunteers in the entire area who devoted their time and effort in making this year's March of Dimes drive yet held in this area.

### Trojans Down Milford 45-41

Clarenceville's Trojan eaglers scored their second league victory of the season Friday evening, defeating Milford 45 to 41 on the Milford floor. Clarenceville jumped right off in the first period to score 14 points, Elmer Rousseaux was the leading scorer with 12 points. The Trojans continued to roll in the first part of the second period, building up a 15 point lead, but in the final minutes of the first half Milford came to draw Trojans foul to close out the game.

Milford continued on the offensive in the third period to cut the Trojan lead to five points, hitting six times from under the basket after the Trojans had built a 20 point lead. The Trojans fought back gamely in the final period, tying the score twice at 37 and 39. However, the Trojans caught a spark and took a four point lead in the closing minutes to win. Elmer Rousseaux was high point man for the Trojans with 12 points, followed by Chuck Hendry with ten points. Clarenceville will meet Inkster - Roosevelt this Friday in a game at Inkster.

### FIRE DAMAGES OLIN FOSTER HOME MONDAY

Three fires, one causing an estimated \$3,000 damage, sparked up in the Farmington area during the week. Fire Chief Lee Hendry reported that the most serious was in the home of Olin Foster, which was seriously damaged in the blaze. A fire which started in theavenport room furnishings and caused extensive smoke damage to the home. Firemen estimated damage at about \$3,000.

### Lamps Are Specialty

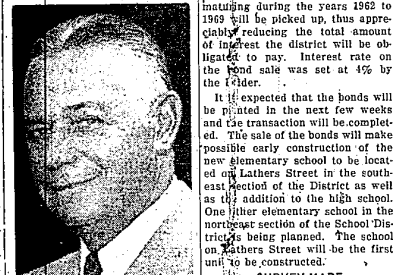
### New Antique Shop In Farmington Displays Relics From By-Gone Eras

Taking a trip into the past to the day of sailing vessels on the Great Lakes, the Civil War, the Spanish American War and traces of the pioneer age are all part of the process in evaluating antiques used by Ruth Boughy, who opened an antique shop at 32223 Grand Street. She specializes in antique oil and kerosene lamps which are converted to electricity. They are displayed on tables in the front part of the shop. Among them is a red glass and brass piece, she explained, that was fastened to a cabin on the port side of a sailing ship which was rammed by the Great Lakes before the advent of motor powered vessels. Sailing ships passing each other at night could tell which direction the other ship was going by the color of the lights on the side. Green was for the stars, bearing side of ships. Standing in the window of the shop is a doll carriage which dates back to the Civil War days, Ruth Boughy reported. It probably has absorbed the vibration of voices talking about Union and Confederate battles, Lincoln and Lee, crops and reconstruction. It may have been the possession of a little girl who lived to become a grand-mother. A huge copper skillet used by ships at Spanish American War rests on the floor next to the wall. Its outside is highly polished but the interior has been corroded by scratches of cooks frying meats and potatoes for hungry men in the neighborhood after marches and battles. A set of brass buckets, one dated 1857, rests on the floor near the entrance. The handle's connection on several of them has been worn through by early pioneer people who carried water from the well and carried to the house as the first step in the water supply. Weaving against the firmly crissped halite. Some of the buckets came from ships and were probably used to grab down the deck. There are several paintings hanging against the wall. One of the paintings, in oil, was done by David E. Heenan, former United States Congressman and former member of the Detroit Commerce Club. Although in the process of remodeling the shop, Ruth Boughy, who also has an antique shop at Saginaw Bay, Michigan, said she is open for business on a small scale.

### Board Accepts Bid Of Syndicate For Sale Of Construction Bonds

The sale of \$700,000 worth of construction bonds of the Clarenceville School District has been awarded to a combination of six investment companies. It was announced Monday at a special meeting of the Board of Education. Only one bid was received by the Board for the sale of the bonds, although it was a combination bid, Merle Bowyer of Braun, Bosworth and Company, Toledo, Ohio, was present at the meeting as spokesman for the investment companies. The group agreed to purchase the \$700,000 bond issue in denominations of \$1,000 bonds. The bonds will mature gradually starting June 1, 1953 up to February 1, 1960. The bonds numbered 1 to 340 inclusive maturing during the years 1953 to 1961 included are not subject to redemption prior to maturity. Bonds numbered 341 to 700 inclusive may be redeemed at the option of the School District on any numerical order on or before December 1, 1960. Accepted by the Board, it is anticipated that some of the bonds maturing during the years 1953 to 1961 will be picked up, thus approximately reducing the total amount of interest the district will be obligated to pay. Interest rate on the bond sale was set at 4 1/2 by the Board.

### Funeral Services Held Saturday For Edgar Pierce



Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the First Methodist Church for Edgar S. Pierce, prominent Farmington business man, who passed away suddenly Wednesday, January 30, in Birmingham, Michigan. Edgar Sprague Pierce was born in Farmington May 2, 1894, the son of M. Byron and C. Ernestine Pierce. He attended the Farmington Public Schools and graduated from Central High School in Detroit in 1912. Mr. Pierce entered the old Farmington State Bank following his graduation under the late Clinton Wilcox and later became cashier and a director. He has carried on an insurance business in Farmington for the past 37 years. Mr. Pierce had lived in Farmington all of his life with the exception of the past three years when his residence was 827 Colonial Court, Birmingham, Michigan. He was a member of the Farmington Methodist Church, the Detroit Golf Club, the Farmington Exchange Club and a charter member of the Farmington Exchange Club. Mr. Pierce resided at the Thayer Funeral Home until noon Saturday. Funeral services were held from the Methodist Church Saturday afternoon at 2:30 p.m. (Continued on Page Twelve)

### Set Meeting To Organize Little League Baseball

A meeting for the organizing of a Little League Baseball in Farmington will be held Wednesday evening, February 20, at Blakelee's Club Hotel Agency. The meeting is being called by H. E. Chapman, member of the Farmington Exchange Club. He is being assisted by Ray Fenft, also an Exchangee. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 8:00 p.m. All fathers of boys 12 years old and under are invited to attend. The meeting is now working on preliminary plans for the two units.

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