

Marine Pfc. Elmer Diehr Returns Aboard Essex

Marine Pfc. Elmer A. Diehr, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer A. Diehr, Sr., of 2750 Haggerty Road, returned to the States last week after serving 7½ months in the Far East aboard the attack aircraft carrier USS Essex.

The Essex docked last Tuesday at the Naval Air Station in San Diego, California, after steaming over 57,000 miles in Far East waters. This is the third Far Eastern cruise which the ship has made since being recommissioned in 1951.

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WEST POINT PARK NEWS
By MISS L. A. AULT
TELEPHONE FARMINGTON 1461-M

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Bosley and their two daughters from Detroit were guests Monday evening, July 12, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Ault on Shady-side Avenue.

Marvin and Sally Addis from near Pontiac were recently calling on the Homer Cookmans on Shady-side Avenue and at the Clinton Ault home on Mayfield Avenue.

E. W. Stange of Mayfield Avenue was a visitor on Monday, July 12, at the Veterans' Hospital in Dearborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Slevin and their daughter, Susie, from Akron, Ohio, were last week guests of the Edwin Johnsons on Clarita Avenue.

Fred Ault of Norfolk Avenue was calling on Mrs. Russell Kline in Detroit one afternoon of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Stange and their son, Edward, of Mayfield Avenue spent an evening of last week at the Robert Judd home near Grosse Pointe.

Mrs. George W. Sandou of Hubbard Avenue was visiting in Lonia one day last week.

Stanley Chavez, Jr., of the U. S. Navy, has arrived from Rhode Island for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chavez on Mayfield Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Willet and their daughter, Joanne, of Mayfield Avenue, left July 17 for a week's vacation at their summer cottage near Gaylord.

Luncheon guests of Mrs. M. E. Ault of Mayfield Avenue on Monday, July 12, were members of her Ruri Club and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hunter and their daughter, Mary, from Detroit.

The Homer Cookmans of Shady-side Avenue spent a recent week-end visiting with relatives near Fort Wayne.

Mrs. Austin Ault of Brentwood Avenue spent last Wednesday afternoon at a Red Cross meeting in Dearborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Butler and their three children from Kansas City were Wednesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bolyard on Hubbard Avenue.

Kenneth, six year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Skow on Mayfield Avenue, has been in a serious condition with typhoid fever, but is now greatly improved.

Mrs. Lena Oldham of Farmington Road is still vacationing in Florida.

Mrs. George Thorne of Ypsilanti was a Saturday guest of Miss Shirley Ault on Shady-side Avenue.

The Varhols of Shady-side Avenue report that their eldest son, William, serving with the U. S. Navy on the New Jersey, has written them from Europe.

Small children playing at the rear of the Maynard Horton home on Shady-side Avenue last Wednesday started several small grass fires. Workmen at a nearby shop rushed to extinguish the flames.

It is not known how the little folks secured matches.

Fred Skid of Shady-side Avenue spent the July 19 week-end with friends in northern Michigan.

Word has reached relatives here of the arrival in California of Mr. and Mrs. Harry McNelly, bride and groom of June 19. Mrs. McNelly was Marie Bolyard of Hubbard Avenue. Excepting for an accident in New Mexico, where their car was struck and somewhat damaged by another vehicle, the couple had an enjoyable trip to the West. In Burbank, California, they were guests of Mrs. McNelly's sister, Mrs. Loren Ray, and her husband.

At her home on Clarita Avenue Wednesday evening, July 14, a pleasant little celebration honored the birthday of Mrs. Edwin L. Johnson. Ten relatives and friends participated.

Miss Jill Houghland of Flat Rock was a guest last week of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Muir, on Shady-side Avenue.

Seven months old Gregory, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Palmer of Shady-side Avenue, has now recovered from a severe case of measles.

Mrs. Lawrence Smith from near Lambertville, Michigan, spent last week with her daughter, Mrs. Louis Jennings and her family on Norfolk Avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. John Crampton of Detroit spent a recent evening with the latter's brother, Howard Palmer and his family, on Shady-side Avenue. John Crampton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Crampton of East Lansing, were also present. A barbecue supper was in order.

Rufus, young son of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Smith of Hubbard Avenue, is reported very ill in University Hospital, Ann Arbor.

Springbrook Sub Residents Meet

Residents of Springbrook Sub-division No. 2, located just north of Ten Mile Road near the Power Road intersection, met Thursday night at the home of Bruno Blachut, 23579 Springbrook, for the purpose of starting an action to form an association of home and property owners in the development.

At the organizational meeting to help the group in organizing formation procedure was C. J. Fleming, representing the Thompson-Brown Realty Company, developers of the area.

A by-laws and legal committee was set up and another committee to canvass Springbrook households No. 1 and 2 to obtain reactions of the residents regarding the formation of a united association of the three areas. All are located in the same general vicinity.

Reports from these two committees will be heard at the next meeting of the group, to be held Monday evening, July 26, at the same location, the Bruno Blachut residence at 23579 Springbrook. All home and property owners in the development are invited to attend the meeting.

This will make the third subdivision in Farmington Township to form an association within the last four months. The Glen Orchard Circle Association, comprised of home owners in the northeast section of the Ten Mile Road - Farmington Road intersection, formed this spring. Just last week home owners in Springland Subdivision on Orchard Lake Road between 11 and 12 Mile passed by-laws for the new Springland Circle Association.

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NOTICE OF SPECIAL COUNTY ELECTION
To Be Held in
The City of Farmington
Oakland County, Michigan
AUGUST 3, 1954

TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF THE CITY OF FARMINGTON, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a special county election will be held in the City of Farmington, in the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, on Tuesday, the 3rd day of August, 1954, from 7:00 in the forenoon until 8:00 o'clock in the afternoon, Eastern Standard Time, to vote upon the following county propositions:

Shall the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, borrow the sum of Four Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$4,500,000) and issue and sell its full faith and credit bonds therefor, for the purpose of paying the cost of erecting a county building in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, to house the courts and the general county offices, said bonds to bear interest at a rate not to exceed 4½% per annum payable semi-annually and to mature serially as shall be determined by the County Board of Supervisors, the first maturity to be not more than 2 years and the last not more than 20 years from the date of issuance?

Shall the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed each year against property in the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, for all purposes except taxes for the payment of interest and principal on obligations incurred prior to December 8, 1932, be increased as provided in Section 21 of Article X of the Constitution of Michigan, for a period of 20 years from 1954 to 1974, both inclusive, by 1/20th of 1% (50¢ per \$1000) of the assessed valuation as equivalent for the purpose of paying principal and interest and establishing a reserve for bonds aggregating not to exceed \$4,500,000 in principal amount, to be issued to pay the cost of erecting a county building in the City of Pontiac, Michigan, to house the courts and the general county offices?

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN, that the voting place for said election will be as follows:

FARMINGTON TOWN HALL
23715 Farmington Road

The following statement has been received by the County Clerk from the County Treasurer as to previously voted increases in the

Interest Low In County Affairs

A more-interested public and more-efficient administration are the chief needs of county government in Michigan, according to a panel of experts participating in the ninth annual Forum in State and Local Government at Michigan State College.

Although the 83 counties in Michigan had an operational and capital outlay of \$160,700,000 during the past year, few people are interested in county government, the panel declared.

"People don't have too much interest and information about county government," said Floyd J. Poole, Jackson County clerk.

"When county government is attacked, there is no one single person to stand up for it," he added.

Earl Lansing city manager, J. M. Patriarche said a central county figure would have been of great value last year when a tornado struck near the city of Flint. As it was, he said, "the county was no one person in charge."

Marvin Tableman, administrative assistant to the governor, likened county government to "an orphan or step-child," and suggested a top county official could function like a President of the United States. "We have a good president," he said, "when he can get Congress to overlook petty district matters and think of the nation as a whole."

In agreeing with Tableman, John C. Jacoby, Wayne County road commissioner, said, "County officials need an executive type body."

He added that the need is for county business only, and not to administer "human rights."

Theodore P. Strunk, Wayne County controller, said that in the three years his office has been operating, his function has tended to become more out of public relations than of finance, as it was intended to be.

Summing up the panel's ideas, Austin Knapp of Central Michigan College, Mt. Pleasant, said that in general the county set-up is pretty good, but could be improved, county offices are necessary because of the services they render, and a central point of county operations should be established.

"You just have to know the spots," he said.

IT'S CHIGGER TIME AGAIN; SCRATCHING WILL PROVE NO HELP

Having trouble again with that microscopic mite — Little Joe Chigger?

You'll have a lot of painful trouble if you try to dig him out of your skin with your fingernails. Besides, it's rather futile because the bug isn't there.

Chiggers don't burrow into the skin as a lot of people think. Ray Hutson, head of Michigan State College's entomology department, explains it this way: The chigger sticks its hair into pores of hair follicles of the skin. And the poison he secretes causes the itch.

Once you get Little Joe's poison out, you can apply some ointment to stop itching. But Prof. Hutson points out: The best time to stop chiggers is before you get them.

When you know an area has chiggers, you can spray it with chlordane, DDT or lindane. If that's not practical, a repellent with di-methyl-phthalate applied to the skin will keep the pests away. Some folks dust their socks with sulfur.

After you have been in a chigger area, says Hutson, it's a good idea to take a good hot bath, lathering yourself well with soap.

Chiggers, he notes, aren't as common in Michigan as in some areas in the south. In the Wolverine State, the pests are found in the vicinity of sandy places with briars and on ridges between lakes.

Long-Time Fisherman Takes Big Bass At Kent

Kent Lake in Kensington Metropolitan Park near New Hudson is called "the state's best bass lake" by Jack Dalton, 1266 24th Street, Detroit.

Dalton, currently leading in bass catches in the Kensington Park Fishing Contest.

Dalton's four pound twelve ounce largemouth, caught on the first day of bass season, June 19, is tops so far in the bass division.

An angler with a reputation for being able to get his limit every time, Dalton is strictly "a plug-caster."

"You just have to know the spots," he said.

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total tax rate limitation affecting taxable property in the County of Oakland, to-wit:

County Treasurer's Statement
As Required by Act 293 of the Public Acts of 1947

I, Charles A. Sparks, County Treasurer of Oakland County, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that according to the records in my office as of June 14, 1954, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 15 mills established by Section 21, Article X of the Constitution of Michigan, affecting the taxable property in the County of Oakland, is as follows:

PUBLIC CORPORATIONS		Millage Increase	Years Effective
County of Oakland	.....	None	1952 to 1956 Incl.
Township of Bloomfield	.....	1.00	1952 to 1956 Incl.
SCHOOL DISTRICTS			
Romeo Community School District	.....	6.00	1951 to 1966 Incl.
Avon Township	.....	4.00	1952 to 1953 Incl.
.....	.....	8.00	1954 to 1970 Incl.
.....	.....	4.00	1954 to 1953 Incl.
School District No. 5, Addition	.....	8.00	1950 to 1959 Incl.
Township	.....	3.00	1953 to 1957 Incl.
Rochester Community School District	.....	9.75	1954 to 1973 Incl.
.....	.....	13.00	1950 to 1969 Incl.
(Bookland) School District No. 3, Avon Township, Oakland County, Michigan — now part of Rochester Community School District			
School District No. 10, Fractional of the Townships of Avon, Troy, Pontiac and Bloomfield	.....	13.00	1949 to 1968 Incl.
.....	.....	4.00	1954 to 1955 Incl.
.....	.....	8.00	1956
.....	.....	12.00	1957 to 1973 Incl.
School District of the City of Birmingham	.....	6.50	1950 to 1969 Incl.
.....	.....	3.50	1952 to 1956 Incl.
.....	.....	4.50	1953 to 1972 Incl.
Bloomfield Hills School District No. 2, Fractional	.....	7.50	1949 to 1966 Incl.
West Bloomfield	.....	8.00	1954 to 1958 Incl.
And City of Bloomfield Hills	.....	10.50	1952 to 1973 Incl.
Township School District of Brandon	.....	8.00	1953 to 1955 Incl.
.....	.....	14.00	1954 to 1964 Incl.
Walled Lake Consolidated School District	.....	6.00	1949 to 1959 Incl.
.....	.....	6.00	1951 to 1965 Incl.
.....	.....	12.50	1953 to 1972 Incl.
.....	.....	12.50	1953 to 1973 Incl.
Township School District of Farmington Township	.....	2.50	1954 to 1956 Incl.
.....	.....	3.25	1954 to 1955 Incl.
.....	.....	9.00	1956 to 1973 Incl.
.....	.....	5.00	1951 to 1955 Incl.
School District No. 5 Fractional of the Townships of Farmington, Livonia and Redford	.....	14.00	1952 to 1971 Incl.
Goodrich Area School District	.....	15.00	1952 to 1961 Incl.
Grand Blaine Township Union School District	.....	5.00	1951 to 1970 Incl.
.....	.....	10.00	1953 to 1972 Incl.
Holly Area School District	.....	9.00	1952 to 1967 Incl.
Clarkston Community School District	.....	6.00	1951 to 1970 Incl.
.....	.....	3.00	1951 to 1970 Incl.
.....	.....	1.00	1951 to 1970 Incl.
Township School District of Lyon Township	.....	10.00	1954 to 1973 Incl.
.....	.....	8.00	1953 to 1970 Incl.
.....	.....	8.00	1954 to 1973 Incl.
Huron Valley School District	.....	10.00	1953 to 1964 Incl.
Northville Public Schools School District	.....	6.00	1951 to 1955 Incl.
.....	.....	5.50	1954 to 1973 Incl.
School District No. 8 of the Township of Novi	.....	8.00	1950 to 1966 Incl.
School District No. 5, Fractional of the Townships of Oakland and Addison	.....	4.00	1953 to 1954 Incl.
School District No. 3 Fractional of the Townships of Orion, Oxford, Oakridge, Brandon and Independence	.....	9.00	1949 to 1968 Incl.
School District No. 5 of the Township of Oxford	.....	6.00	1951 to 1968 Incl.
School District of the City of Pontiac	.....	2.50	1953 to 1957 Incl.
School District No. 1 of the Township of Royal Oak	.....	10.00	1953 to 1957 Incl.
School District No. 3 Fractional...	.....	5.00	1950 to 1969 Incl.
Royal Oak and Southfield Township and City of Oak Park	.....	10.00	1951 to 1970 Incl.
.....	.....	4.00	1952 to 1971 Incl.
.....	.....	6.50	1953 to 1972 Incl.
.....	.....	6.00	1951 to 1970 Incl.
School District No. 4 Fractional of the Townships of Royal Oak and Troy	.....	9.00	1954 to 1973 Incl.
School District of the City of Royal Oak	.....	5.00	1952 to 1955 Incl.
.....	.....	7.50	1956 to 1971 Incl.
.....	.....	5.00	1954 to 1968 Incl.
School District of the City of Berkley	.....	5.50	1953 to 1969 Incl.
.....	.....	4.50	1953 to 1972 Incl.
.....	.....	2.00	1953 to 1962 Incl.
School District No. 8 of the Township of Royal Oak	.....	3.00	1950 to 1969 Incl.
.....	.....	2.00	1950 to 1954 Incl.
.....	.....	2.00	1950 to 1954 Incl.
.....	.....	5.00	1952 to 1956 Incl.
.....	.....	5.00	1954 to 1958 Incl.
School District of the City of Ferndale	.....	3.00	1950 to 1954 Incl.
.....	.....	3.00	1950 to 1968 Incl.
.....	.....	3.00	1951 to 1955 Incl.
.....	.....	1.40	1953 to 1968 Incl.
.....	.....	.40	1953 to 1968 Incl.
.....	.....	.30	1953 to 1968 Incl.
School District No. 10, Royal Oak Township	.....	12.50	1951 to 1970 Incl.
School District No. 11 Fractional of the Townships of Royal Oak and Troy	.....	7.50	1953 to 1972 Incl.
Township School District of Southfield Township	.....	13.50	1953 to 1972 Incl.
.....	.....	6.30	1949 to 1968 Incl.
.....	.....	4.00	1952 to 1971 Incl.
School District No. 4 of the Township of Springfield	.....	19.00	1949 to 1968 Incl.
School District No. 6, Township of Springfield	.....	5.00	1951 to 1955 Incl.
Troy Township School District	.....	11.00	1949 to 1968 Incl.
.....	.....	5.40	1953 to 1954 Incl.
.....	.....	8.10	1955 to 1972 Incl.
.....	.....	11.00	1952 to 1956 Incl.
School District No. 9 Fractional... Townships of Sterling and Troy, Townships of Macomb and Oakland, Township School District of Waterford Township (including annexed School Districts No. 1-2 of the Townships of White Lake and Waterford)	.....	23.10	1954 to 1958 Incl.
.....	.....	18.10	1959 to 1968 Incl.
.....	.....	10.40	1969 to 1971 Incl.
.....	.....	5.00	1972 to 1973 Incl.
*In said annexed School Districts No. 1-2 for the years 1954 and 1955 there is an extra 3.00 Mill increase on property, and for the year 1969 there is an extra .60 Mill increase on property in said annexed School District No. 1-2.			
School District No. 4 Fractional... West Bloomfield Township and Sylvan Lake City	.....	12.00	1952 to 1971 Incl.
School District No. 7 of the Township of White Lake	.....	6.50	1949 to 1970 Incl.
.....	.....	11.00	1951 to 1953 Incl.
CHARLES A. SPARKS Treasurer of Oakland County LYNN D. ALLEN Clerk of the County of Oakland CLARE L. HUBBELL Sheriff of the County of Oakland			
DATED: JUNE 28, 1954 HARRY W. MOORE, City Clerk			
Dated: June 28, 1954			