

Bits of News From Section II

Jean Droz MA. 6-2832

The valuable show dog "Marlowe's Maid That-A-Way" from Beaubien Kennels, after a day of wondering, was happily retrieved by the police in the neighborhood of Grand River and Schaffer.

Girl Scout Troop 181, had a dance at the home of Mrs. Weber, last Saturday, January 25. The girls each brought a decorated box lunch to share with their boy friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson of Patricia are recuperating at home after a severe attack of the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Deemer of Alyce Kay are spending their winter vacation in Florida. They will return in the spring.

The latest unfortunate resident of Alyce Kay to come down with the mumps is Diane Hoffman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hoffman.

Laura Carnahan had a birthday party given for her 3rd birthday by

Mrs. Orofino. Children attending were the four Dewar girls (Lynn, Rita, Marie and Dawn), the four Orofino's (Andy, Mark, Karen and Colleen) and the three Kiser children.

Doug Roberts has been in Florida for the past 30 days visiting Morgan Thomas. Doug is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Roberts of Alyce Kay.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Oman's son Johnny, celebrated his sixth birthday on January 30 in the Ann Arbor University Hospital. He shared his party with other children also in the hospital. Birthday cards to him, I'm sure, would be appreciated.

Karen Droz celebrated her 14th birthday last Friday at home. Karen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Droz of Alyce Kay.

Since the government started farm support payments in 1933 they have cost more than \$3 billion.

Enrolled at Ferris

Gary David Warner of Farmington was listed as one of 14 Oakland County students who recently registered as new students at Ferris Institute in Big Rapids to begin the winter term.

He may have a sleek convertible, but the lines aren't new. Grandp had the same under the moonlight in a buggy.

Health Heads to Discuss Compulsory Vaccination

The pros and cons of a state law that would call for compulsory vaccination of all Michigan school children against poliomyelitis, diphtheria, smallpox and tetanus will serve as one of 25 discussion topics at the ninth annual state health commissioner's conference.

headquarters in Lansing on February 5, 6 and 7. Directors of Michigan's 43 city, county and district health departments will discuss local-state health problems with Dr. Albert E. Heustis, state health commissioner.

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COFFEE SERVICE

Directing the activities of the School Citizens Advisory Committee

Seated, left to right: Mrs. Everett Billie, chairman of the advisory committee; Farley Thomson, president of the advisory group and chairman of the building sub-committee; and Mrs. G. H. Mapley, advisory committee secretary. Standing, left to right: Paul Button, site sub-committee chairman; Burt Prior, curriculum sub-committee chairman; and R. W. Frankel, finance sub-committee chairman.

Advisory Group Proving Big Asset to School Board

Working behind the scenes to provide the Farmington Public School District with the best possible schools and educational program within the financial means of residents are members of the School Citizens Advisory Committee.

Organized as a new advisory group to the School Board in January of 1957, the body was soon divided into five sub-committees and members invited to join the one which they felt would be of the most interest to them. Building, Site, Curriculum, Personnel and Finance sub-committees were established.

Each sub-committee began meeting separately shortly after this time to outline specific programs of activity. Except in the case of the site committee, little was accomplished by the groups before the end of the school year.

All of the sub-committees recessed for the summer months, except the site committee. Members of this group continued to work with the School Board throughout the summer on site studies.

With the opening of school in the fall, the advisory committee again began operations. At the first meeting in September it was decided that a complete re-organization should be made, that officers should be elected and that the purpose and limitations of the advisory group should be more clearly spelled out.

Farley Thomson was named as chairman of the group at the October meeting and Mrs. G. H. Mapley as secretary. Chairman for the various sub-committees were also selected. Chosen were: Thomson, Building; Paul Button, site; Mrs. E. C. Billie, personnel; Burt Prior, curriculum; and R. W. Frankel, finance.

A SET OF BY-LAWS was drawn up by the School Board under which the advisory committee would function as follows:

(1) That membership would be somewhat limited to authorized representatives of local groups such as service clubs, civic associations and professional organizations and that each P.T.A. and the various administrative staffs should also be represented. It was further specified that representatives would be expected to reflect the thinking and desires of their group rather than their own individual opinions.

(2) That, since the work of education is complex, the various sub-committees should be exclusive bodies but rather integrate their thinking so that all phases of the educational program would be considered before recommendations were made.

(3) That all final decisions would rest with the School Board, since its members are the legal trustees of school matters and cannot delegate these responsibilities.

(4) That the purpose of the advisory committee members should be to look ahead and find out all they can about what is being done in other schools, how these things are being done, and how this compares with what is being done locally before making any recommendations. It was also specified that the purpose of the advisory committee should not be to pass judgment on whether conditions are "good" or "bad", to assess blame or praise for what it finds, or evaluate schools as they are but rather to consider what they should be and suggest how they can be made what they should be.

(5) That a definite procedure be followed by the sub-committees. That after collecting facts they be studied and discussed in regard to the needs of the Farmington School system and that possible costs and ways of providing any needed funds be taken into consideration. It was further specified that after a project was completed it should be presented to the advisory committee as a whole for study as it would apply to the whole school system program before being presented to the Board of Education.

ACCORDING to Chairman Thomson, all sub-committee groups are active at this time and appear to be functioning smoothly. He pointed out, however, that progress in some of the groups has been somewhat limited by the fact that membership is low or that not enough citizens have no connections in the field of education have been attracted to serve. He requested that anyone interested in school affairs who feels he or she might like to work on one of the sub-committees contact him or any of the sub-committee chairmen.

Bel-Air Hills News Tidbits

Mrs. Ruth Trombley GR. 4-2050

The Board of Directors of Bel-Aire Hills Civic Assn. advise that Paul Gugel, Leelane Avenue, has been retained as their attorney to take action as necessary against Rose Hill Building Company, Detroit, for the replacement of 173 trees which did not survive planting in the Bel-Aire Hills Subdivision.

Although the builder has stated by letter to the association that they would replace these trees upon proper presentation of a list of those property owners affected, they have since refused to live up to their agreement even to the extent of acknowledging the letter giving the results of the association survey which they demanded and received.

The loss of 173 trees in the area is a serious problem and one that will affect property values for many years to come if new plantings are not made this spring, as association officials commented.

January 20th was a big day at the Anthony Jarvis home on Leelane. Little Miss Valeria Ann, their second daughter, put in her appearance.

The Bel-Aire Ladies' League have passed nearly the half-way mark in this year's bowling. The individual high games are Bertha Simonsen, 217, Jackie Dix, 216, Barbara Carney, 190. The individual high three games are Jackie Dix, 585, Bertha Simonsen, 523, and Bev Jarrett, 466. Team high games are Wilson's (Joe Martell), 755, S and C Fine Foods, 732, and Bel-Crest Studio, 715. Team high scores are S and C Fine Foods, 2103, Wilson's (Joe Martell), 2024, and Bel-Aire Shell Service, 2020. Any girls that are interested in bowling weekly or substituting, are asked to call Jackie Dix, GR 4-9325.

Miss Shirley Brillinger, Leelane, accompanied her Girl Scout Troop, 371, on an over-night camp-out at Greenfield Village. The girls stayed at Lovett Hall and made a complete tour of the Village with a guide. They also enjoyed activities in the gym.

We wish to welcome as newcomers to Bel-Aire, Mr. and Mrs. James McDonald and sons, Richard and Larry, of Marblehead. Richard remained at their old neighborhood to complete school and Larry is in grade at Ten Mile Garden.

The Hill and Dale Garden Club is having a benefit card party on February 13 at 8 p.m. at the Farmington Savings and Loan building. Tickets for this area may be purchased from Mrs. Jack Jones, GR 4-5022, Mrs. Bernard McPike, GR 4-1324, or myself. This club still has openings for new members and meets at the above place the second Thursday of every month at 8:30 p.m. There are some interesting programs scheduled and with members just around the corner they may be helpful in planning your yard.

Asks Cooperation

Township Chief of Police Irving Yakes requests the cooperation of all local citizens in helping to reduce traffic accidents this winter. Controlling traffic can suddenly become the most difficult job imaginable in this part of the country, he warns, with snow, sleet and slippery roads creating delay and danger for hundreds of motorists. Patience, courtesy and common sense are becoming increasingly important; while speed, carelessness and indifference become doubly dangerous.



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