

# The Farmington Enterprise

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## FIRST ALARM IN TWO YEARS

Fire at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Smith Monday Morning.

Monday morning Oscar Smith, living on the corner of Church and Shiawassee streets, opposite the Methodist church, discovered his water pipes to be frozen. Going to the basement with a kerosene torch he attempted to warm the pipes enough to start the water running.

The blaze from the torch caught the woodwork around the pipe and a fire was started, which worked its way up the side wall as far as the bathroom, where a hole was cut through the wall and with the help of neighbors' water soon put out the blaze.

Meanwhile Mrs. Smith, gave the alarm by ringing the Methodist church bell and the fire department had its first run in two years, arriving at the scene just as the fire had been gotten under control, and did not throw any water, although they made good time considering the condition of the roads and the cold weather.

Smoke issuing from the roof gave the impression that the fire had gained quite a headway, but the side walls and joist acted as a chimney, carrying the smoke to the roof, where it escaped through the shingles, the fire all being below, in a space of some two or three feet between the wall and the siding, not under the floor, as was stated elsewhere.

Except for a hole cut in the bathroom and on the outside very little damage was done, which is covered by insurance.

However, Mr. and Mrs. Smith are congratulating themselves that the fire did not get a greater start before help arrived.

This, as we understand, is the first alarm of fire in the village since the Enterprise fire of two years ago in March.

### Presented With Diamond

At the recent teachers' institute, held at Pontiac, County School Commissioner L. A. Craft was presented with a solitary diamond scarf pin by the teachers of Oakland county, as a token of the high esteem in which he is held by them.

Commissioner Craft, in asking us to express his thanks for the remembrance said: "I wish to extend my sincere thanks to all Oakland county teachers, especially those in your vicinity, for the beautiful and valuable gift presented to me at the recent institute, held at Pontiac. I appreciate the many courtesies at their hands and am very grateful for their loyalty and co-operation in assisting me as commissioner to build up a school system worthy the name of Oakland county, as well as the state of Michigan."

"I regret that on account of sickness and bad weather, many were unable to attend the institute; therefore I take this means of reaching those who were unable to be present."

For high grade Teas and Coffees go to Cook & Co.

### Time Nearly Up

The time for paying State and County taxes is getting limited. I am still at Schroeder's Meat Market on Fridays and Saturdays of each week, during banking hours for collection of same.

L. F. Schroeder, Treasurer.

### School Notes.

Several are absent because of sickness.

One new enrollment in Miss Knox's room.

One new enrollment in seventh grade—Ford Winsley.

One new enrollment in high school—Paul Thomas.

Miss Day is reading "Billy Whisker's Kids" for entertainment for her pupils.

Miss Pomfret is reading "Little People of the Snow" for entertainment of her pupils.

Isabelle Morrow has left school here, and has taken up her studying in the Detroit schools.

Howard Lord is carrying a swollen hand as the result of a sprained wrist, received in playing basket ball.

Both basket ball teams will go to Fowlerville this (Friday) evening, where they meet the Fowlerville high school teams.

Next home game of basket ball will be Friday evening February 16th, when New Baltimore will be here with both boys' and girls' teams.

All the local teachers attended the county teachers' institute at Pontiac last Friday. All report a fine time. Some very instructive lectures were given.

Pupils of the lower grades are making and painting valentines, for a valentine box, which will be opened February 14th. They are enjoying the work greatly.

Members of high school and grammar room were pleasantly entertained Monday by a Mr. Curtis. The entertainment consisted of pictures and a lecture. All enjoyed this very much.

### County Y. M. C. A. Secretary.

Walter A. Terpenning, a new county Y. M. C. A. secretary, began work February 1, and is spending the first few days in conferences with the leaders and getting acquainted with the men who are interested in the work. The new secretary has worked in Oakland County before, is a graduate of Pontiac High school, Kalamazoo college, Geneva Y. M. C. A. Training school, and has done some work in the U. of M. He comes from Branch County, where he has had three years experience as county Y. M. C. A. secretary.

### Trolley Bowling League Score.

The Trolley Bowling League is getting to be very interesting. It is developing into a great race between four teams—the two local teams, Northville and Redford.

At the games last Friday evening Farmington No. 2 won all three games from Farmington No. 1, putting No. 2 in second place. No. 3 of Northville going up to first place. No. 6 of Redford and No. 2 of Farmington are tied for third place.

Following is the standing of the six teams to date:

	WON	LOST	PTS
Northville No. 3	28	14	688
Farmington No. 1	27	15	612
Farmington No. 2	26	16	610
Redford No. 6	25	16	610
Northville No. 4	11	31	331
Redford No. 5	8	34	190

Tuesday evening Farmington No. 2 went over to Pontiac, where they played the Slater Construction Co., winning by 42 pins. The locals made 2298 pins, while Pontiac boys secured 2266.

The expression, "Dusky Diamonds" has great significance just now.

Go to Cook & Co. for shoes and rubbers.

## AND HE WENT BACK

Arctomys Monax Made Observations in This Vicinity Last Friday.

In this vicinity at least, the appearance of "Arctomys Monax," last Friday was probably of short duration, although on that day he was a most distinguished citizen, his reception bright, nevertheless his stay was cut short by the appearance of "Old Sol."

"Mr. Monax is a member of the well known Marmot family of South Carolina and all points north. His relatives, in fact, are scattered all the way from Savannah to Lincoln, Neb., and to Atiawiski Island, which is somewhere in Hudson Bay.

"Chuck Monax, to give him his more familiar name, is the continent's weather dictator from February 2 to March 16. Not even the combined decrees of President Wilson and Premier Borden could rescind the weather orders which Chuck issued on that day. "Groundhog," we call him at this time of year, but all the rest of the days he's known to most of us as "woodcock," and to the highbrows of scientific mind as "Arctomys Monax, the American Marmot."

"Chuck," understand, isn't a mere prophet; he doesn't prophesy, he dictates. If he sees his shadow when he ventures from his hibernation hole, he scoots back and sends word to all the wild things and the tree, roots and the tiny blades of grass and the waves and windlets: "Six more weeks of winter there shall be." And all the faithful who believe in Chuck's omnipotence gaze from their kitchen windows at sun-up, and they say: "The groundhog liase his shadow today, no hope for an early spring."

"But if the groundhog is wrong? Tut, tut, friends; he's never wrong. If you look out of your window and think the groundhog will see his shadow, and nevertheless it turns out that there is an early spring, do you think that proves the groundhog wrong? Not at all! It simply proves that the groundhog ventured forth from his hole in the other end of the county where the sun wasn't shining."—Elint Journal.

### Was Born at West Bloomfield.

John Kurz, living north and west of this village, died last Saturday, February 3rd, after an illness of only 10 days, aged 44 years, 5 months and 23 days.

Mr. Kurz was born in West Bloomfield on August 10, 1872, and moved with his parents, John and Harriet Lepley-Kurz, when a small boy to Commerce township, later moving to this township, where he has since resided. He was a single man, never having married.

Mr. Kurz is survived by three brothers and one sister, all residing on the old homestead.

The funeral was held at the late home Tuesday, Rev. A. C. Stange, of the German church officiating, with burial at the West Farmington cemetery.

Rumors of another meat market. Glory be! We can stand it if the butchers can. BUT they say it is to be cash only. Well, then we don't give a h— Birmingham Eccentric.

Read the liners. See Cook & Co. for new Percales and Gingham.

## FROM OUR EXCHANGES

News Items Taken From Other Papers in and About the County.

We read, without a tremor, about the eating of horse meat, habitually, by the French people. But how about this: "A family living near the village of Redford recently butchered a horse—one that was healthy and in every way thoroughly wholesome, but too old for work. Then, reserving a goodly portion of the carcass for their own use, they carried the remainder of it into the city and readily disposed of it to friends who were glad to get the meat at ten cents a pound!"—Redford Record.

Munson Stout's pool and lunch room was broken into Monday night by two young fellows, one a mere boy, whose identity is known, but who made their getaway and have not yet been located. Entrance was effected through a small window in the rear. Mr. Stout does not know exactly what was taken, but one till was robbed of about eight dollars, there are two meerschaum pipes and some cigars, missing, and a child's bank in which there was about twenty dollars.—Holly Advertiser.

Superintendent Trayer of the Northville United States fisheries station reports the largest take of lake trout eggs in the history of the government's work on the Great Lakes. They have 86,390,000 eggs taken and the extent of the work has compelled the superintendent to open branch stations at Alpena, Charlevoix and the Soo. It is estimated that 70 per cent of the eggs will hatch and the tiny fish will be planted in the Great Lakes. The Northville station also has in the process of hatching 100,000 brook trout and 100,000 rainbow trout. These will be distributed in the inland lakes. Later the bass season here will open up and about 600,000 bass will get in the lakes of the state from this station.—Northville Record.

### CHURCH NOTES

#### Methodist Church

Rev. James Priestley, Minister. Sunday morning a number will unite with the church. If you have not found your place in the church, now is the time to do so. The pastor will preach and will bring a message of uplift.

Sunday School after preaching service. This department of our work is on the increase; will you try and make it bigger.

The address Sunday evening will be one that you should not miss. The subject presented by the pastor will be "Lincoln, the Uncrowned King." There will be good music.

Prayer meetings every Thursday evening, at which there is great interest.

The pastor has been attending the Area conference in the city of Detroit. This conference is something new in Methodism, and it is expected to have a very wide reaching result. Among the speakers are six of the Bishops, and these, along with others, will discuss plans and methods of work for the Detroit Area for the next four years.

The Progressive Bible Class will meet with Mr. and Mrs. Heeney Tuesday. We hope to see all the members present.

W. H. M. S. will meet Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. E. Roos; the topic for the meeting is, "Following the Cross." The leader is

Mrs. Roos. Everyone invited.

#### Universalist Church

Rev. Hopp will preach in the Universalist church Sunday at 3 p. m. Everyone interested is urged to be present and bring a friend, giving Rev. Hopp a warm welcome.

The Ladies' Union held their last meeting at Mrs. Mary Crosby's. It is reported as a very nice meeting, but on account of the severe cold weather at that time the attendance was not as large as usual. The next meeting will be held Thursday, February 15th, when the 10th chapter of Matthew will be studied and the history of the twelve apostles given.

#### Baptist Church.

Services in the Baptist church next Sunday morning at 11 a. m. Rev. J. W. Salton will preach. Sunday school at noon.

In the evening at 7 o'clock. All are welcome. The last meeting of the Dorcas society was held at the home of Mrs. John Hess. The members present enjoyed a very good meeting, and will gather Friday, February 16th, at the home of Mrs. Kidd.

#### Salem Evangelical

Rev. A. C. Stange will preach next Sunday morning at 10:45, eastern time, in the Farmington German church.

The Farmington Ladies' Aid meets on the first Wednesday in each month at the parsonage.

Cook & Co. are showing a new line of Aprons.

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- Ginger..... Lord High Chambermaid to His Majesty, Mark Owen
- Marie Fleurdelis..... a New York Belle who saves the King's life, Lottie Walters
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ACT I. The chill. On Broadway at Coomassi, the seaport town of Timbuctoo.

ACT II. The fever. The same scene.

- MUSICAL NUMBERS—ACT I.
- 1. Opening Chorus..... American Girls and Chorus
- 2. "If You Ever get Lonely"..... Marie and Chorus
- 3. Specialty..... King
- 4. "Daddy Don't Leave Me Now"..... Chorus
- 5. "I left Her on the Beach at Honolulu"..... Slick and Chorus
- 6. "The Travelling Man from Boston"..... Ginger
- 7. "I've Saved all My Loving for You"..... Stella
- 8. "Girls, If You Ever Get Married?"..... Rita
- 9. "If You were the Only Girl in the World?"..... Stella and Slick
- 10. "It's Not Your Nationality"..... Ginger
- 11. Finale..... Ginger, Slick and Chorus
- MUSICAL NUMBERS—ACT II.
- 12. Opening..... Ensemble
- 13. "Honolulu, America Loves You"..... American Girls and Chorus
- 14. "Bachelor Days"..... King and Ensemble
- 15. Finale..... Ensemble

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