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## Prominent Citizens Favor Good Roads Day Here

Everyone in Favor of the Best and Most Roads for Money Expended

### EXPRESSIONS FROM MEN IN TOWNSHIP

Interviews of business men on Good Roads Day:

Emory Hutton of the Farmington Hardware Co. declared, "I am ready to help in any way I can to promote a Good Roads day in the community. I think it would be a fine thing."

Harry McCracke, farm owner, states, "I am in favor of any movement for the promotion of good roads."

Ben E. Storms of the Peoples State Bank, states, "I am a booster in behalf of good roads, and I think a Good Roads day would be a benefit to the community. The more good roads we have the more the township will increase in productivity."

Howard Warner says, "I am in favor of a Good Roads day; community spirit will accomplish the desired end and I will do what I can for such a plan."

Floyd A. Nichols, farm owner and business man said, "I am in favor of a Good Roads day when the farmers will be able to get out. I think two or three good speakers would be a good thing."

Charles Heliker, "I am for anything which will help us get good roads."

Herman Schroeder says, "I think that the proper plan for a Good Roads day would work out satisfactorily."

Edgar Pierce states, "I am in favor of a Good Roads day and I am willing and ready to devote my time and energy in cooperation with the road officials toward the betterment of the street and road conditions in Farmington and vicinity. Such a day would focus and centralize the public mind on the need of the hearty co-operation of every individual in the interest of village and township betterment."

Dr. J. A. Miller, President of the Village, says, "I would be heartily in favor of co-operation between the township and village for a Good Roads day. If such a plan is to be worked out the farmers and business men will have to work together with such a combination of public spirit as can be worked up for the intelligent improvement of Good Roads. The advantages of good roads is the enhanced valuation of the farm property. With the growth of Detroit it will not be long before real estate operators will look to the section more intensively for residential purposes."

## Special Lenten Services Here

The call of the Lenten season is to new spiritual adjustments and decisions on the part of all who seek to develop a christian character. As an aid to this condition of heart and life the churches conduct series of special evangelistic services.

Unique in the form of these services, the Farmington Methodist church will hold two weeks services beginning next Sunday evening and running to Easter Sunday. A group of prominent Detroit business men and singers will be in the program. These men will present the vital things in christian living and in their own way will set forth attractively many interesting phases of the christian life. For the first week the following speakers will be heard: Richard P. Cudmore, Vice-President of the Peoples State Bank, Detroit, C. E. Knight, Detroit Creamery, D. L. E. Morris, Dr. A. C. Studer, E. R. McBain, E. Dolph. The singers will be E. J. Rollings, Phillip Gray, Miss Birdie Rason, a male quartette and others.

These meetings will be very attractive and are open to the public. They will begin promptly at 8:00 p. m.

farms on bad roads will be passed by. Every farmer who has plenty of good roads to haul his products to market on is in better shape than a man who has to haul his products two miles over poor roads to market, for in the spring of the year some farmers on bad roads are completely shut off from markets. Good Roads give the farmer's children the advantage of educational advancement where if they were upon a poor road with the added difficulties of attending high schools they would probably not be in a position to seek higher education.

Charles Ely, farmer and chairman of the board of the Peoples State Bank says, "I am in favor of a Good Roads day. I would be glad to get all the information on Good Roads which will be a help to the farmers in getting the best and most roads with the tax money."

## Mary Adelia Smith Passes in Death

### PROMINENT FARMINGTON PIONEER TAKEN WEDNESDAY

Leaves Many Relatives to Mourn Her Death.

Mary Adelia Smith has gone to the "longueux" silence of the dreamless dust, leaving behind a host of relatives and friends who will mourn her loss, for she was a woman of strong character and of striking personality.

Mrs. Mary Adelia Smith was born June 2, 1865 in the township of Farmington and lived here all her active life. Mrs. Mary Adelia Walter married Oscar Smith April second, eighteen hundred and seventy. Her husband died the nineteenth of August 1918.

Two children survive, Mrs. Steven Treadway of this village and Mrs. George Lock of Romeo. There are eight grandchildren and three brothers and sisters surviving.

Mrs. Smith died of cancer of the stomach. Her health has been gradually failing for the last two years.

She died Thursday night at ten-fifty o'clock.

Services will be held at the home at three-thirty p. m. Saturday, March the 13th.

Rev. Sidney Eva will read the burial services and the interment will be in the family lot in the North Farmington cemetery.

## Thousands of Gallons of Water Given Away

### VILLAGE PRESIDENT SAVES FARMINGTON LARGE REVENUE

Water Works Should Be Put On Paying Basis He Declares

It is only just recently that the Village President found that the two school houses were using thousands of gallons of water, flowing through 1 1/2 inch and 2 1/2 inch pipes which were not metered and further it was found that the school district was not paying one cent for water. This is unjust as the school district includes about \$250,000.00 of assessed property outside the Village limits, which property has stood none of the expense of the water consumed. The facts were reported to the Council and suitable meters were immediately ordered and one is already installed in the old school building on the 1 1/2 inch pipe which in five days registered some thousands of gallons, including two days without any school.

The other meter will be installed this week as soon as necessary fittings are received.

The metering of the above will very materially add to the income of the Village, as the meters will soon pay for themselves.

## Happens About This Time Of Year



## Farmington Boys Defeat Plymouth In Slow Game

### Our Girls Put Up Stiff But Losing Fight

### BASKET BALL SEASON CLOSES NEXT WEEK

The basket ball teams took a trip to Plymouth last Friday night where they divided honors again as they did here a few weeks ago. The Plymouth girls had not as yet been defeated in the league and they fought hard to uphold their record. In the first quarter of the game they ran away from the Farmington girls and allowed them only two points while they were making nine for themselves. The Farmington girls commenced to play then and played the Wayne county girls for a tie in the second period. This made the score at the first half 11-4, with Plymouth leading. When the second half commenced the Farmington girls went into the game for all they were worth and trimmed their opponents 7-0. This made the score a tie when the whistle blew at the first of the last quarter, which caused the Plymouth girls to take seriously of their record to state and in came back fully determined, that the Farmington girls should not win—and they didn't. They made one point on a free throw while Plymouth made three field baskets. Score, Plymouth 17; Farmington 12.

The boys game was slow and much less interesting than the game put up by the girls. Plymouth, feeling that they could not defeat the Farmington boys any how, played a strong defensive game all the way with the notion of keeping the score as low as possible. The floor being smaller than the local floor made it possible for Plymouth to work a better defense than they had here. At the end of the first half the score stood 13-7, Farmington being lucky enough to have an unlucky but largest portion. During the second period however the Farmington boys got under way and Plymouth boys failed to score another point during the course of the game while the Farmington team ran their total up to 32

which made the final count 32-7. The Plymouth team was stronger in all departments than when it played here. They showed considerable improvement in defensive tactics and on team work. On Tuesday the boys' basket ball team defeated the High school of Commerce team from the city by a score of 33-7. The game was fast throughout and good sportsmanship was exhibited on both teams. For the first five minutes of play there was a question as to which five were the probable winners but the locals commenced to draw away from the visitors about the end of the first quarter and continued to pile up the counts until the total of 33 was reached. The Detroit team was allowed only one field basket during the game. Their other points were made by the free throw method.

The last league game of the season will be played at Wayne next Tuesday night when both the girls and boys go there for the last scheduled games of the year. A special car will take over the local routes.

## Ford Garage Makes an Addition to Their Shop

### NEW EQUIPMENT TO FACILITATE WORK

Machine Shop Installed For Work On Tractors and Cars

On Russell has partitioned off one end of his garage in order to provide space for a machine shop. Expensive machinery has been installed which will make repairing and rebuilding of automobiles a quicker and more efficient operation, and hence will reduce the cost to the owner. A bearing fitting machine has been installed also.

## Township Caucus Holds Political Stage In Farmington

A Hot Fight is Expected and a Large Vote is Looked For

### MANY CANDIDATES ARE UP FOR OFFICE

Isaac Bond is a candidate for township supervisor and as far as can be learned, has the field to himself. Charles Heliker and L. F. Salow are candidates for Highway Commissioner.

The one office around which all the interest seems to center is the fight for the office of township treasurer, for this is the political plumb of the township and there are five known right hands reaching for this. The candidates are as far as we can learn, Clarence Bicking, Howard Binkard, Clarence Wood, John Lapham and Ralph Aulen.

Clarence Bicking is at present one of the trustees of the village of Farmington. He is in the employ of the Greenlaid Oil Co.

Howard Eisenlord is the proprietor of the N. J. Eisenlord Electrical Co. Mr. Eisenlord is a veteran of the World War and received two wounds in active service.

Clarence Wood is the owner and operator of a farm in the township.

John Lapham is an employee of the D. U. R.

Ralph Aulen, a former school teacher, is now in the painting and paperhanging business.

So it would seem we could select a man from almost any line of business, from the candidates who have already announced themselves. Small groups of political gatherings is a common sight in the village. In some of these meetings are often three or four of the candidates for the office of township treasurer. It used to be more or less of a fight between the banks to see which would get the township funds but this year most of the candidates have stated that they wanted to get away from that sort of a fight, hence they advocate the splitting of the funds equally between the two banks.

It is understood the voters from Clarenceville will be out in full force.

The old fashioned method of passing the hat should be abolished and a ballot box should be used in the regular way.

If the present laws do not permit of an Australian ballot the legislature should be appealed to order to protect the voter in his right to a secret ballot and to assure him that his vote will be counted for the candidate for whom he votes. The present method leaves serious loopholes by which the higher ups may jockey and manipulate the vote to defeat the designs and wishes of the voter and secure their own selfish ends. This should not be, and if the present form of voting is not ideal, then a more correct form and one which will more clearly register the will of the voters, should be put into force. No person, business or bank should be allowed to manipulate the vote of the people to their selfish ends.

## Fire From Spark Endangers Home

### REAR PART OF HOUSE BURSTS INTO FLAMES

Mr. Young Put Fire Out With Buckets of Water

A small hole was burned thru the roof of Joe Youngs home located on Power Road. Mr. Young discovered the fire about one o'clock Thursday and with great presence of mind carried buckets of water and extinguished the blaze in a few minutes. The Fire Department responded but the fire was out when they arrived on the scene.

It is thought that a spark from the chimney set the roof on fire.

## Registration Dates for Farmington Township

Recorded in Two Districts.

### CLARENCEVILLE REPRESENTED

Herman Schroeder will take registration of voters at his Meat Market in Farmington March 12 and March 19, 1921, from 8 a. m. until 8 p. m.

March 26 is the last day to register.

George Nacker will take registration at his store in Clarenceville, March 12 and March 19, from 8 a. m. till 8 p. m. For further information, save his paper and read registration notice printed herein in full.

## Robbers Active At Newburg

### PROPRIETOR OF STORE BEATEN ON HEAD

Get Savings of Months from Cripple

On Thursday, March the 3rd, at twelve thirty o'clock in the town of Newburg, Mich., located four miles from Plymouth, an old man who runs a general store was accosted by two men who came in when the proprietor was behind the stove.

They engaged him in conversation and one of the men walked behind him and struck him over the head with a weapon.

They took about one hundred dollars in currency and fled. The proprietor is an old man, partly blind and with two artificial limbs. This money represents his savings for many months. It is expected he will recover altho he received a bad scalp wound when struck.

## Ladies' Literary Club

The L. L. C. met Wednesday, March 2nd at the home of Zoyda Wilbur, twenty-four members responding to roll call. The afternoon was a most enjoyable one, Miss Katherine Sprague having charge of the program. "Animal Painters and Paintings."

Miss Sprague illustrated her entertaining and instructive talk with copies of famous animal paintings, which was a great treat to all lovers of our dumb four-footed friends. The club will meet with Ernestine Pierce on Wednesday, March 16th.

## Order Appointing Time for Hearing of Claims.

### STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Oakland.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, in said County, on the 7th day of March A. D. 1921.

Present: Hon. Ross Stockwell, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of MARY E. SPRAGUE, Deceased.

Electa V. Switzer, executrix of said estate, having filed in said court a petition praying that the time for the presentation of claims against said estate be limited and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased, and by and before said court.

It is ordered, that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present claims, against said deceased.

It is further ordered, That the 7th day of July, 1921, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, be and is hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims against said deceased.

ROSS STOCKWELL, Judge of Probate.

A true copy. Dan. A. McGaffey, Register of Probate, Mar 11-25

## (SUPPORT) HOWARD J. EISENLORD

for Township Treasurer

A World War Veteran. Enlisted April 27, 1917.

25 Months in Service.

Served 15 months with Red Arrow Division on the Front line and in the Army of Occupation.

Received two wounds in action.

Received honorable discharge May 21, 1919.

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