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## COSTUME BALL A HAPPY EVENT

### Ball Room Gay in Colonial Costumes—Many Pleasing Fancy Dances

The second entertainment celebrating Farmington's Centennial was the Costume Ball given under the auspices of the Farmington Women's club last Friday night. There were costumes copied from early dates, and many a real heirloom which had played its part at weddings and gay functions in the long ago.

The demure Quakeress, the Scottish lass, an Egyptian lady, and even the descendants of Chief Pontiac were there in native attire; and last, but not least the ones from the Colonial days with their white wigs and bright and gay colored costumes made a brilliant and picturesque setting.

As the grand march, led by Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Johnson, passed and the dance with the ball room floor the spectators say this gay assembly.

They followed a merry time in "old-time" and modern dances, interspersed with an Indian dance by small boys in Indian costumes; a Dutch dance by the older lads and lasses.

The minuet danced by eight of Farmington's young people in their beautiful and quaint costumes of Colonial days well rendered and received much applause.

Miss Frank, one of Farmington's teachers, deserves much credit in her ability to train these people in the dances given which added so much to the evening's entertainment.

The double quartette gave the company a rare treat with several old time songs.

Miss Ernestine Pierce presided at the piano during the fancy dances.

Refreshments were served in the O. E. S. dining hall where over 225 persons partook of the dainties served by the refreshment committee.

The F. W. C. consider their first ball a great success, socially and financially.

Modern and 'ye old time dance music was most satisfactorily rendered by Perkins' Orchestra of Northville.

Bertha Steele, Social Correspondent.

## CLERK SOLDAN RESIGNS N. H. POWER APPOINTED

The resignation of R. O. Soldan as village clerk was presented to the council at Monday night's session and accepted. Mr. Soldan, who was serving his second year as clerk, resigns as he is now leaving Farmington to become a resident of Marquette, Mich., where he has purchased a Ford service station and garage.

The council at the same meeting elected N. H. Power to fill the vacancy. Mr. Power is possessed of fine clerical ability. He has already entered upon the duties of the office.

## SAVE OUR SABBATH!

Do you know that \$1,000,000 is being spent annually to wipe out our Sunday laws? That 4,000,000 people work in the United States every Sunday? That the Lord's Day Alliance has defeated over 100 anti-Sunday bills every year?

That the Lord's Day Alliance is the official representative of seventeen leading protestant denominations? That W. Wayne Womer, general secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance of Michigan, will deliver an address on the great subject of the "American Christian Sabbath" Sunday night in the local Baptist church.

He will also tell the story of how thousands of postal employees have been liberated from unnecessary Sunday work—like-wise steel workers, etc.

## FARMINGTON MASONS INVITED TO REDFORD

The officers and members of Farmington Lodge No. 151, F. & A. M., are invited to attend the initiation of the new Masonic temple of Redford Lodge No. 152, at Redford, Mich., Wednesday, May 14th, 1924 from 3 to 6 p. m.

## REV. F. F. DeLONG HERE SUNDAY

Rev. F. F. DeLong of Ortoville, will address a mass meeting at the Farmington town hall Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, under the auspices of the Lincoln Unit Public Defense League of Detroit.

It is said that 7,000 people gathered at Gaines, Mich., last Sunday to hear talk on Americanism.

## FOURTY TROUT THE CATCH

John Fitzpatrick led Charles Ely, Clarence Egan and F. S. Scooper into the wilds of Missaukee county last week and showed them some of Michigan's finest trout streams. They returned Monday night with 40 beauties in their bags.

The streams promise good fishing this season, says Mr. Fitzpatrick, but with the opening of the season the rush of anglers is almost too great for comfort.

## NOTES OF THE CHURCHES

Farmington Methodist Church  
S. D. Eva, Pastor  
MOTHERS' DAY  
10:30 "Mother O' Mine."  
11:45 Sunday School, Mothers' Day  
7:30 Vesper service of song and sunshine. "When the May-flower Dropped Anchor."  
Clarenceville Community  
M. E. Church  
Rev. T. J. Gregg, Pastor  
10:30 Morning services.  
11:45 Sunday School.  
7:30 Evening services  
First Baptist Church  
C. W. Townsend, Minister.  
10:30 Worship, Sermon, "Our Mothers."  
11:45 Church School, Special Mothers' Day features.  
6:30 B. Y. P. U.  
7:30 Rev. M. Wayne Womer, general secretary of the Lord's Day Alliance of Michigan, will speak on "The American Christian Sabbath."  
Wednesday—7:30 Mid-Week service at the church.  
Universalist Church  
A. B. Beresford, Minister.  
10:30 Worship and sermon  
Dr. Beresford will preach. Subject, "Mothers' Day—Bible Ideals of Woman, and Bible Teachings on Woman's Place and Work in the World."  
12:00 Sunday School and Adult Bible class.  
Evangelical Church  
Rev. J. Bollens, Pastor  
10:15 Mothers' Day Services in English.  
11:45 Sunday School.  
Wednesday, May 14th, Yucca Party at town hall, given by P. L.

## BIG DEVELOPMENT PROJECT STARTED

### J. W. Lathrup Now Preparing to Open Fine New Subdivision at West City Limits

With tractors, shovels, teams and a big force of men, J. W. Lathrup is making a decided change in the topography of the landscape along Grand River road just west of Farmington. This work is being done as preliminary to living out into the new residence project his 120 acre tract at that point. Mr. Lathrup's development plans are comprehensive, having in view an improvement of considerable magnitude.

At once commence the erection of several fine residences on his subdivision. The buildings will be more pretentious than have so far been constructed in any of the Grand River subdivisions in this locality. They are to be built of brick and none will cost less than \$15,000. All buildings are to be single residences, no flats or double houses to be allowed.

Mr. Lathrup has been identified with several extensive land development schemes in and about Detroit. The development of that beautiful residential section of Detroit along Dexter boulevard was one of his projects. For a number of years he has been a steady investor in Grand River and contiguous areas, holding more of than any ten owners between Detroit and Lansing.

Much of it is in this vicinity and all is choice property, comprising several of the finest localities along this great and popular highway.

In the development of Grand River road Mr. Lathrup has played no small part. His plans have been made with a view to the future requirements. He was one of the first and foremost advocates of a wider avenue and fought valiantly for a 200 foot road.

## DEPUTY WILSON DOING GOOD WORK

Deputy Sheriff Claude-Wilson is doing some good work in this vicinity in bringing violators of auto traffic laws to justice. The following parties complained against him were brought before Justice Eva LeFevre: Frederick John, Detroit, parking on highway, fined \$5.00; J. S. Sikora, Detroit; speeding, forfeited \$5.00; H. Huth, Detroit, parking on highway, fined \$5.00; Myron Lawrence, Detroit; reckless driving, fined \$15.00; Richard Pate, Highland Park; speeding 55 miles, fined \$25.00; John Sikora, Detroit; operating motor vehicle with but one license plate, fined \$7.00.

## SCARAMOUCHE AT OAKLAND

The latest Rex Ingram production, "Scaramouche," a picturization of Rafael Sabatini's novel of that name, will come to the Grand theatre, Pontiac, on May 11 for a run of four days. The cast is headed by Alice Terry, Lewis Stone and Ramon Novarro.

"Scaramouche," according to advance reports from the larger cities, is one of the greatest pictures in screen history.

The story is laid in the time of the French revolution and of young noble who takes the side of the people. Willis Goldbeck made the screen adaptation and the photography was by John F. Seitz.

## BAPTISTS ELECT OFFICERS

Wednesday evening, April 30th a goodly company gathered for the annual meeting of the church. The principal business of the evening consisted of reports from all organizations, showing important gains; and the election of officers, as follows: E. P. Bates, deacon; Mrs. Louise Habermehl, deaconess; Mrs. Courtney, clerk; Mrs. Elmer Weston, treasurer; Mrs. Gordon Way, missions treasurer; Mrs. Orville Taggart, financial secretary; C. W. Hayball and Spencer Wood, church school superintendent.

## ANNUAL MOTHER AND DAUGHTER BANQUET

### The annual Mother and Daughter banquet will be held at the Methodist community hall dining room on Friday evening, May 10.

According to the committee in charge it will be the best ever. The men will prepare and serve the entire banquet. The dining room will be decorated with a way that will be a surprise to all.

Mr. John Clark, who is chairman of the banquet committee says it will be a stunner of a banquet. Tickets will be limited to two hundred and fifty, and when that number of tickets are sold no more can be obtained. The word is "Get your tickets early." Don't be disappointed by delaying to get them. The price is \$1.00 for mother and daughter, the one ticket admits the two. Tickets at the stores. Additional daughter tickets, 75c.

The program will consist of music and speeches. Here is the program for the evening: "Hoop Skirts and Homes," by a Grandmother; "Bobbed Hair and Books," by a Sister; "Rolling Pins and Religion," by a Mother; "Powerfuls and Professions," by a Daughter; "Flappers and Fun," by a teacher.

The banquet is open to all women and girls.

## CENTENARY TREE

While the evening shadows were drawing the curtains upon Arbor Day last Thursday, a group of men planted the "Centenary Tree" on the lawn of Mr. Wells D. Butterfield's house. The men of the Sunday School class of which Mr. Butterfield is the teacher, got together on the evening of May 1st and planted a tall and noble elm to commemorate three things: Centennial and the site of the old Farmington Methodist church.

Every man present had a hand in the planting and did so with enthusiasm and pleasure.

Mr. Nathan Power gave the history of the tree which stood on the place where the tree was planted, and in his address paid high tribute to the assistants of other days. Harry McCracken voiced the satisfaction of the class in the fact that their teacher, who is a lover of history and especially church history, is the occupant of the plot of land.

Charles Pettibone said ditto and a little more. John Mahaney was glad to be there and said so. Rev. S. D. Eva read Joyce Kilmer's poem, "The Tree" and added a word on his own account.

Others spoke briefly followed by Mr. Butterfield, who voiced his pleasure on having the tree planted by the class and hopes it will be an everlasting reminder of the church that once stood there. Don Button furnished the tree and a few words. A. L. Ross presided over the ceremonies.

## FARMINGTON-LIVONIA DRAIN NECESSARY

At a joint hearing held at Clarenceville to determine the necessity for constructing a drain in Farmington township, Livonia township, Wayne county, it was found that the improvement was necessary. One dollar damages was given the objecting property owners.

Objections were raised by Simon Johnston of Livonia township and by Louis and Beulah Barnes, the estate of George H. Cummings, and Frank P. George, W. Milton C., and Frank P. Botsford, Jr., of Farmington township.

## UNIQUE SUNDAY SERVICES

A series of unique and interesting Sunday evening services will begin next Sunday at the M. E. church with the vesper service of song and sunshine will be inaugurated.

The first half of the service will be conducted by the young people of the church, next Sunday's leaders being Miss Michals and Floy Adams, taking each Sunday beginning with "When the May-flower Dropper Anchor." The close of the series will be reached the Sunday before the ascension feast day. The unique service will be exceedingly attractive, and help bring the school year to an enthusiastic climax. Young people and parents will find the service of song and sunshine an inspiration and a pleasure.

## SCHOOLS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE

### In Centennial Parade—Floats Representing Historic Ideas Suggested

A committee has visited some of the schools and asked them to arrange floats for the parade to be held June 21. Will each and all of the schools act in this matter? A small truck or a big one can be used. If possible let the floats represent some idea like the spirit of the woods, or the Indians in their hunting, or dancing. Or the arrival of the pioneers or the progress of the town since its settlement. Any other idea that may seem capable of expression in this way may be used. The time at the disposal of the committee was limited and it was impossible to visit each school. But we want all of the schools to take part and very much desire that each school have a float in the parade.

Two prizes will be offered. For the best decorated float that expresses an idea most clearly \$10 will be given, and for the second best \$5. A committee of three will make the award. Also the best decorated auto appearing in the parade will be awarded the prize of \$10 and \$5 will be awarded the second best.

The log cabin is nearing completion. Only some minor details need attention. By the 15th of this month it will be ready to receive any article that dates back to the pioneer days. Pictures of the early settlers, and any tools that were used by them, like a spinning wheel, iron molds, yokes, guns, traps, and furniture like old chairs, baby cradles, beds, etc. You may have something identified with some event in the history of the town or an article closely associated with the life and work of one of your ancestors who came here in the long ago, and for which you now have no use. Let it find a home here, and the days to come it will tell the other things of like character common to the past shall bear mute but convincing evidence of the splendid heroism, daring and endurance of the brave men and women whose toil and privation made our present civilization possible.

## THE HIGH SCHOOL TATTLE

Chapel Exercises  
Last week Monday afternoon Mr. Clayce who accompanies Mr. Blumenthal the psycho-analyst, came before the assembly of the Farmington high school with a cheerful and helpful message. He sang a solo, "That Old Irish Mother of Mine," which was greatly enjoyed by all. In his address which was most interesting, he was many jokes, he especially stressed the having of an ideal and then being loyal to it. If he ever comes again he will be welcomed with much enthusiasm.

## Second Grade— Miss Palmer is ill and Mrs. Fitzpatrick is taking her place until she returns.

Fourth Grade—  
Miss Hunter is also ill and we hope for the better and that she will soon return. Mrs. Conroy is taking her place.

Fifth Grade—  
The children are enjoying their new story book "Clarissa's May Time," very much. They are also studying nature work from which they write stories, and make pictures.

Sixth Grade—  
In arithmetic they are studying percentage. I am not saying whether they enjoy this or not, but they are having great fun in making health posters. Their composition work in language is very good.

Seventh Grade—  
Mildred Cameron wrote a very interesting composition which was published in the Free Press. The whole class tried poetry, most of it will be sent in also. They do writings very good and have the best luck. Also, they are having tests in silent readings, for Virginia Adams, Katherine Banfield, Carl Drake, Hene Lapham.

Eighth Grade—  
In a spelling contest between the girls and boys, the girls won. The boys treat was an afternoon picnic at the creek. They had a wienie and marshmallow roast after which they took pictures and hunted for birds and flowers.

In history they had a debate. The subject was, "Resolved: That

## MOTHERS' DAY AT METHODIST CHURCH

Mothers' Day has come again and with it a call to all to renew the affection and refresh the memory for her who is rightly called mans best friend. Life has been made worth while and noble because mother planted the best she had in the hearts of the children of men. At the Methodist church the day will be observed with appropriate features.

At the morning service mothers and daughters will figure prominently in the service. A mother and daughter choir will sing. A bouquet will be given the oldest grandmother present. The sermon theme of the pastor will be "Mother O' Mine." "Come to church with mother," is the slogan of the day. In keeping with the custom of the day the wearing of a flower in honor of mother will be done, a colored one for the mother still alive and a white one for the mother departed. The evening service will be a combination of the young peoples' meeting the evening service which will take the form of a vesper service. The young people will direct the first part of the service and the pastor the last part, speaking on "When the May-flower Dropped Anchor."

## BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Jensen entertained Wednesday 20 guests at a birthday surprise party in honor of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Rogers. A beautiful dinner was served at 12:30 o'clock. Table decorations were pink and blue with sweet peas. The centerpiece consisted of a huge birthday cake lighted with candles. Games and music were the diversions of the afternoon.

It was a complete surprise for the guest of honor Mrs. Charles Rogers, and she received many useful and beautiful gifts.

## SIMMONS—AVAY

May 3rd, 1924 Guy A. Simmons of Farmington, and Mrs. Isabelle Avay of Northville, were united in marriage by Rev. Waldon Crossland at the Methodist parsonage in Pontiac. Friends extend congratulations.

## MOVIE SHOWINGS

The Saturday evening motion picture programs at the Methodist community hall registered success from the start. With good comedies and a strong feature story it could hardly be otherwise. Next Saturday the great picture "The Storm" with House Peters as the star will be the feature. The program begins promptly at 8:15 and closes at 10 o'clock.

Next Tuesday's picture will be "Boy O' Mine" in which there is a full measure of fun and pathos. The picture is marked as one of the leaders among the newer screen production. The program begins at 8 o'clock.

## PLANNING NEW INFIRMARY

The special building committee of the board of supervisors of which Isaac Bond of Farmington, is a member, will visit eastern cities for the purpose of inspecting infirmaries with a view to getting ideas for the construction of a new county infirmary at Farmington authorized by Oakland county electors in April. It is the purpose of the board to build this year. The date of the junketing trip has not yet been fixed.

## Labor Unions are a Benefit to the country.

The negative side of the coin is that the labor union is a member, will visit eastern cities for the purpose of inspecting infirmaries with a view to getting ideas for the construction of a new county infirmary at Farmington authorized by Oakland county electors in April. It is the purpose of the board to build this year. The date of the junketing trip has not yet been fixed.

High school students were appointed judges, Mildred Adams, William Chamberlin and Nettie Stanton.

Bernice Millard  
Athletics  
Farmington moved up in the line a little last week when they tramped all over Wayne's prostrate team for a 14-1 victory. The latter was in a bad shape and was getting stronger in the infield, but the outfielders are still weak on flies. Both center right field missed several easy ones. The next game with Plymouth here, will be one of the hardest games of the season.  
Line-up for the Wayne—Farmington game—Allyn, c; Quinn, p; Wikom, 1st; Lancaster, 2nd; Cousins, 3rd; Bryan, ss; Veitch, lf; Sallow, rf; Graham, lf.  
—John Veitch.  
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