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DANGER OF SEED CORN SHORTAGE

Season Blamed for Conditions Selection and Care of Seed Urged by M. A. C.

The Michigan corn crop, is in a dangerous condition, with a large percentage of the crop having but little chance of ripening, according to Prof. J. F. Cox, head of the farm crops department at the Michigan Agricultural College.

The most serious side of the situation, it is said, lies in the possibility of a great shortage of adapted seed for the state's planting next season unless farmers make a special effort to field-select seed corn and dry it properly. Lateness of planting last spring and the low temperatures of the growing season are given as reasons for the backwardness of the crop, conditions being similar to those of 1917.

Ways in which the danger of a seed shortage may be overcome have been discussed by Professor Cox, briefly as follows:

Experiments at the Michigan Agricultural College show that seed of the germ plasm can be secured from corn in the dough, or even in the milk stage, if it is properly dried in the fall before being affected by freezing weather. While the best selection in the field at time of maturity, good seed can nevertheless be secured from immature corn if it is immediately dried under conditions where free ventilation exists. Corn carrying a high moisture content should be dried in an artificially heated room or seed corn drying house with windows or vent pipes open.

Good seed corn of adapted varieties will be exceedingly valuable to Michigan farmers next spring. Seed corn can be secured only by selection in the field in the fall. It looks as though the disastrous experience of the fall of 1917, which caused a widespread shortage of seed the following spring, may be repeated this year unless corn growers, in general, make special effort to select and cure their seed. The same condition prevails in northern states and throughout the corn belt.

Supplies of old corn of last year's crop of good germination, should be saved as source of seed for next year.

BANK WILL CONTINUE PRIZES

E. J. Lederle, Oakland county school commissioner, says: "I am certainly much pleased to have the Peoples State Bank of Pontiac continue the practice instituted last year of giving money to buy prizes for the schools with the most perfect attendance record for the year. It is gratifying to give these prizes the bank is showing a splendid public spirit, and is doing much for the county's schools. Another set of pictures will be purchased to encourage more perfect attendance."

SUPPORT APPRECIATED

Burton P. Daugherty of Holly, the successful candidate for the primaries for the republican nomination for county clerk, wishes to convey to the voters of Farmington township through the columns of the Enterprise his appreciation of their support and confidence.

A PREACHER'S APOLOGY

A clergyman in a neighboring township preached loud and long on Sunday morning, and the frivolity of women; their bobbed hair, paint, powder, lip sticks, etc., and finished up with a scathing rebuke as to the frankishness of dressing, especially denouncing that article of woman's apparel known as the peek-a-boo shirt waist. Some of the women took exception to his remarks, and complained to the trustees who took the pastor to task for his indiscretion, telling him to confine himself to theology and affairs of the church, and let the wearing apparel of the women folk alone. The clergyman seeing that he had made a mistake, and wishing to retain the good will of his congregation, on the following Sunday surprised the attending congregation with the following apology as follows: "I am glad to see so many ladies present wearing those beautiful peek-a-boo shirt waists. I must confess I did like them at first. I can see right through them now." Judge Horton in the Mt. Clemens Monitor.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Heliker, Jr., Tuesday night, Sept. 16th, a boy.

WHAT OF FARMINGTON DAY AT THE FAIR?

"Why not make a showing at the Northville fair next week Friday, on the day designated by the management as 'Farmington and Redford day?' queried an enterprising citizen yesterday. The gentleman at once started the ball rolling in that direction with the result that a tentative plan is now on foot that promises much provided sufficient push develops within the next few days.

Exchange club members, business men and merchants generally are asked to take a half day off September 26, go over to Northville in a body and show the citizens there that Farmington is alive and that its citizens appreciate what Northville citizens are doing in the way of making a fine fair. Also as a mark of appreciation of the many courtesies shown us by Northville folks when public doings have been staged here. It will be remembered that Northville was the only sister village that placed a float in the parade last June.

It has been suggested that the school children be taken over in a body, provided the board of education approves of the plan.

With a little push Farmington Day at the fair can be made a hummer.

EVANGELICAL CHURCH TO CELEBRATE

The Evangelical church will celebrate its Harvest Home Festival and Mission Feast Sunday, September 28th. Rev. F. A. Reese of Mt. Clemens, and Rev. F. Neumann of Ann Arbor, will be the speakers.

The Ladies Aid society will again serve one of their splendid dinners. Everybody welcome.

NEW L. O. T. M. OFFICERS

Election of officers of Farmington Hive No. 75, L. O. T. M., was held Monday evening.

The following members were elected to office:

Commander, Maude Ackerson. Lieut. Com., Mary Fletcher. Past Com., Minnie Yerks. Finance Keeper, Elizabeth Cain. Chaplain, Phoebe Myers. Record Keeper, Leona Becker. Sergeant, Lulu Lee. Mistress-at-Arms, Faye Ross. Secretary, Elizabeth Cain. Sentinel, Catherine Quinn. Picket, Betty Walker.

QUICKSAND CAUSES BREAK IN ROAD

A cave in at the top of the hill a mile west of Grand River road caused a break in the new concrete road that put it out of use for a time. The settling of the road bed was due to quicksand at this point in the road which has in the past given trouble.

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

The members of Farmington L. O. T. M. gave Mrs. Elizabeth Cain, a fine birthday party, a birthday surprise Friday evening. Twenty-six guests spent the evening playing games interspersed with music until the hour of 12 o'clock when a delightful lunch was served.

NOTES OF THE CHURCHES

- Farmington Methodist Church: S. D. Eva, Pastor. 10:30 "The Wistful Winds." 11:45 Sunday School. 8:00 Epworth League. 7:30 "The Best I Remember." A travel-tale.
- Clarenceville Community: M. E. Church. Mrs. Gregg in Charge. 10:30 Morning service. 11:45 Sunday School. 8:00 Evening service.
- Universalist Church: A. B. Beresford, Minister. 10:30 Worship and sermon. Dr. Beresford will preach. Subject, "Is There Anything New Under the Sun?" 12:00 Adult Bible class and Sunday School.
- First Baptist Church: C. W. Townsend, Pastor. 10:30 Church Service. "The Unmistakable Marks of a True Christian." 6:30 B. Y. P. U. 7:30 Evening service. Subject, "The Missing Requirement."
- Evangelical Church: Rev. J. Bollens, Pastor. 10:15 Services in English. 11:45 Sunday School. 8:00 Epworth League. Sunday, Sept. 28th, Harvest Home and Mission Feast. Dinner served by the ladies.

IRON WATER MAINS FOR GRAND RIVER

Council Took Action Tuesday Night—All Wooden Mains To Come Out

As will be noted by reference to council proceedings of Tuesday night, published elsewhere in this issue of The Enterprise, the replacing of the old wooden water mains with iron pipe has been decided upon and the work will be commenced at once.

The water committee has been authorized to purchase 2500 feet of 6-inch iron pipe which will be laid from Powers avenue to Warners Street. The work of excavating and laying the main will be under the direction of the water committee and village engineer.

A resolution was adopted at the special meeting Tuesday authorizing the village president and committee to secure to the village an engineer to make a survey of the village and for the purpose of getting data on which to estimate the cost of replacing all the wooden mains in the village with suitable iron pipe in anticipation of a bonding proposition to be submitted to the electors in the near future.

The question of relaying the water mains in this village has been under discussion by officials, councilmen and citizens generally, for some time past and the consensus of opinion seems to be decidedly in favor of the action taken by the council at the special meeting held Tuesday evening.

At present water users are getting an abundant supply at a satisfactory pressure, but experience has taught them that existing conditions do not give assurance of an uninterrupted flow.

It is believed that the work of laying the new mains on Grand River avenue can be done in one or but little inconvenience to water users.

BUSINESS CONDITIONS AND IMPROVING

Business conditions of the country generally are showing a decided improvement, according to August sales reports of the Ford Motor Company.

The most striking evidence of this upward trend is shown in the retail sales of Ford cars and trucks for the last ten days of August. During that period sales exceeded by more than 500 per cent those of the previous ten days. Telegrams asking for additional shipments to take care of the retail demand have been coming in to the Highland Park plant from practically all sections of the country, and all indications point to September sales being the greatest September business in the history of the Company.

GO ATTEND CONVENTION VIA AIRPLANE

The Exchange Club of Redford has won quite an enviable record throughout the State from the originality of its "Exchange club convention at Monroe" last June Redford went to the fore; by reason of the fine stunts and acts put on by members of the Exchange club and now that city is in for some big national advertising through these enterprising Exchanges. Five of the delegates to the national convention to be held at Nashville, Tenn., next week will make the tip in a big five passenger plane which will leave Packard field early Sunday morning, arriving in Nashville in the afternoon.

CAR LOADS AND PLENTY OF THEM

Through the following copy the advertisement of Mr. L. Barnes in The Enterprise last week read: "Several tons of coal" where it should have read "several cars of coal." Mr. Barnes is a member of the Clarenceville Brightmore and Beech yards in Jon lots and plenty of them.

MONTHLY MEETING L. E. L.

The Oakland County Law Enforcement league will hold its regular monthly meeting at the First Methodist church, Pontiac, Tuesday evening, Sept. 23rd at 8 o'clock.

The services of Hon. Oliver W. Stewart, senator from Illinois, and Rev. Norma C. Brown of the flying squadron have been secured as speakers of the evening. They are orators of national reputation.

Mrs. John Schobert spent Friday in Detroit.

NORTHVILLE FAIR NEXT WEEK

The Northville Wayne County Fair will begin next Tuesday and will continue for five days, closing Saturday night. Every day will be filled to overflowing with special attractions and the exhibits will be fully up to former years and in many departments better. Tuesday will be entry day when the several displays will be arranged. Wednesday will be horsemen's day and the best and biggest horse show ever attempted in Wayne county will be held Thursday will be Plymouth day as usual and Friday has been designated Redford and Farmington day. Saturday will be Detroit and home coming day. There will be ball games on each of the five days, eight teams having been signed up for the tournament. On Saturday night will occur the better baby contest and the baby show and this department has become one of the most interesting of the fair.

The handsome new women's building will be filled to overflowing and the antique department will be of more than ordinary interest. On Thursday, Friday and Saturday there will be good race programs, three events being offered each day. The displays of livestock, poultry, fruits and vegetables will be exceptionally large and the high school and high class free attractions will appear twice daily on the new platform directly opposite the grand stand.

Premium lists may be obtained by addressing the secretary, E. L. Smith, Northville.

MICHIGAN'S DAIRY SITUATION REVIEWED

One third of all the dairy cows in the state of Michigan is losing money, a third is making only a bare profit and the third is reaping profits for their owners, according to a survey of the state dairy situation just completed by the Institute of Agriculture. Better feeding and better breeding is the solution of this problem, the Institute experts declare.

"The State of Michigan," continues the report of the Institute, "has dairy cows in milk on 85 per cent of her farms. In 1880 the state had 3.09 per cent of all the dairy cows in the United States; in 1924 her percentage was 19.10; she had 123 heads of all kinds of cattle per one thousand acres of improved land. Now in 1924, it has only 117 head. A few head more or less matters little. How they improved in fourteen years? What will they be fourteen years from now? These are the questions which the Institute's experts will enlighten the farmers.

"Farmers want happiness and contentment. To get it they must make money. There are two ways of doing this—get more money for what they produce or lower the cost of production. A quarter saved in the grain cost of producing a hundred pounds of milk by feeding better milk making grain rations, a dime saved per one hundred pounds of milk and only 3.7 per cent of all the dairy cattle in the state purchased. Better feeding will raise production and lower costs per hundred pounds of milk. The daughters of good cows, sire-bred, produce more milk, more beef, more pork, poultry, beef, mutton and eggs.

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SENTENCE DAY IN CIRCUIT COURT

Monday was sentence day in the Oakland county circuit court when a number of prisoners who had previously pleaded guilty were brought before the judge, Frank L. Covert and given terms behind the bars.

C. Wesley Berryman of Pontiac, charged with deserting his wife and children, was given a severe sentence by the judge for his cowardly act and sentenced to from one to three years in the Jackson prison with a recommendation that he be released at the end of one year.

NEW BOOKS AT LIBRARY

"Advisory Ben," E. N. Lucas; "The Perfect Wife," Bostwick; "The Lovers' Feast," Bertrand W. Sinclair; "The Education of Anthony Dore," Marshall; "The Four Books" by Edith Wharton. "Books in demand: "Fidelity," "Mary Marie," "Polly Page," "Motor," "Club," "Peters," "Giri," from Montana, "Breed." The library is open every Saturday afternoon and evening.

BIGGEST KICKERS ARE NON-RIDERS

Supt. Clark Tells Why the D. U. R. Can Not Give More Frequent Service

According to statements made by John Clark of this village, division superintendent of the D. U. R., at the Exchange club luncheon Tuesday, business out of Farmington does not warrant a more frequent service than is now being given. This he said was demonstrated some time ago when all cars run between Detroit and the Junction were for a time run to and from the waiting room here. An average of about two passengers per car were carried by the Junction and at this point, it is claimed.

Freight hauling since the advent of good roads with numerous trucks operating over them has fallen off considerably. Ten years ago the company carried in to Detroit an average of 770 cans of milk daily, which were collected along this division. Now an average of less than 100 is carried.

Mr. Clark also stated that the company was being discriminated against here in that matter of assessment for taxes on its property. He claimed that it was assessed at 100 per cent of its valuation while other property was placed on the rolls at considerably less.

As many of its employees on this division live in Farmington the company paid out here \$100 for every dollar it derived from passenger and freight patronage by the citizens of Farmington. The speaker further stated that cars on the Orchard Lake division between Farmington Junction and Orchard Lake were operated during the major portion of the day at a loss. Hourly service is maintained on that branch and during the dull part of the day an average of but two passengers per car are carried between the Junction and Orchard Lake.

The biggest kickers on a passenger fare, he said, are those who make 95 per cent of their trips between here and other points on the road by auto.

There is a feeling among business men and citizens of Farmington that this village is not getting as good a service from the D. U. R. as it should have. It is not, however, expected that the company will or can operate cars for the benefit of Farmington a financial loss, but there are those who feel that a schedule of service might be inaugurated which would be fully as profitable as not more so, than the present one which it is claimed works to Farmington's disadvantage.

An analysis of Mr. Clark's statements not only show that frequent service between Farmington Junction and the waiting room here is unprofitable to the company, but such service west of Redford is maintained at a loss for the benefit of Farmington's business district, works to the disadvantage of Farmington and means that it takes a trade to Redford that naturally would come here.

What is needed to bring about a fair understanding between the village and the D. U. R. is for more such talks as given by Mr. Clark. There is no reason to think that the company desires to favor one locality at the expense of another. Its main purpose is to give the maximum of service at the minimum of expense.

SWEEPING CHANGES IN ALL MODELS BY STUDEBAKER

The big news of the week in the automobile world is Studebaker's announcement of new models. There are 15 entirely new Studebaker models and each model is a complete refinement of the previous line. Motorists are now offered by Studebaker the following new line: An entirely new type of open and closed car, a new medium weight six, a new 4-passenger closed car, optional 4-wheel brakes of remarkable design, genuine balloon tires—15 original and distinctive new bodies.

A creation originated by Studebaker, which, it is believed, will supersede the present day open car, is the new Duplex body. This new Studebaker is an open car which is converted magically in five seconds into a waterproof, snug and dry, closed car of unsurpassing beauty. This new Duplex Studebaker body is an original creation.

This car has unusually beautiful lines, the finest Spanish leather upholstery and an unusual number of equipment features.

Studebaker announces an entirely new Standard Six which takes the place of the former Light Six and which it follows mechanically the general design of that car, it is a larger, heavier motor, entire car is larger, heavier and much more beautiful and has much more room. Of course the new duplex body entirely supercedes the former open touring and open roadster bodies, not only in the new Standard Six but in the other two models, the Special Six and the Big Six.

In among the fifteen bodies there is an entirely new, four-passenger Victoria on the Special Six chassis. This is the cozy, compact, comfortable four-passenger car with the driver's seat slightly forward and the fourth passenger there is an auxiliary seat which folds under the dash when not in use. The lines of this new four-passenger Victoria are especially original, distinctive and beautiful. The finish is in lustrous varnish in dark blue similar to that of the Special Six and the Big Six sedans and coupes.

Studebaker was among the very first of automobile manufacturers to introduce genuine balloon tires as regular equipment. Instead of the compromise on low pressure cord tires Studebaker has gone all the way and offered the public genuine balloon tires on 20" and 21" wheels.

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FORMER FARMINGTON RESIDENT PASSES AWAY

After many long weeks of suffering, Frank Jackson, formerly of this place, passed away at his home, 414 Main street, Northville, Tuesday, Sept. 16th.

He was born in Farmington June 29, 1862. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Jackson. He leaves his wife, Mrs. Jackson, four sons and three daughters, a brother, Robert Jackson of Flint, and a sister, Miss Fannie Jackson of Farmington. The funeral was held at Northville Thursday. Interment at Yerkes cemetery.

man and Mrs. Batzloff were found in rooming house in Connecticut where they had gone on leaving Pontiac. Mrs. Batzloff returned to her husband and children and was forgiven by Mrs. Berryman who had sworn but a complaint for her husband charging wife desertion, insisted that the law take its course.

Frank Parker, 30, a resident of Clawson, who has been in trouble twice previously, once for forgery and another time for driving away an automobile, was sentenced to serve six months to one year in Jackson prison for violating the prohibition law. He is the father of four children.

Roy Dolby, 38, of Pontiac, who is a chronic offender for intoxication charges, was sentenced to two years in Jackson prison for a fourth offense within a year.

Stanley Getch of Royal Oak told the court he didn't know it was against the law to sell liquor. He was told that it is and was given four months in jail to ponder over it. Next time the court warned him, it would be a state prison term.

Elmer Allison, 39, and Clyde Shearing, 18, two Flint boys who pleaded guilty to stealing an automobile and confessed they took five different automobiles in one night to go "job-riding" in, were sentenced to Ionia reformatory for terms of one to five years. Both said it was their first arrest.

John Peters entered a plea of guilty to carrying concealed weapons. Sentence was continued until the court can confer with the prosecutor.