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REASON WHY BOARD REJECTED SUB. PLATS

On Saturday last, the township board caused to be served on the attorneys representing the Grand River Homes Company, et al, James D. Parker et al, their reasons for rejecting plats of Farmington View and Grandville Woods subdivisions, located in Farmington township just south of Farmington village.

There are ten specific reasons given for objecting to the Grandville Woods subdivision (Sallow farm) and eleven reasons given for refusing to approve of the Farmington View subdivision. In the Grandville Woods the first seven are technical in character, referring to irregularities. In the Farmington View the first eight are of a similar nature. The sections particularly stressed and given as grounds for rejecting both plats are:

Because the approval of said plat would burden the Township of Farmington with the care, upkeep and maintenance of a road 120 feet wide, which is in excess of the width of township highways prescribed by law.

Because said plat purports to lay out a strip of land extending across the northerly part of the subdivision and purports to dedicate the same to the State of Michigan as a "Relocation of M-16," but not otherwise named as a street. This Board officially knows that an existing public highway numbered M-16 now extends through the Township of Farmington and the Village of Farmington some distance north of the lands embraced in this plat but has no knowledge, officially or otherwise, that any legal relocation of said highway has been made, and in fact, has been advised that no legal relocation of said highway has been made. This Board cannot officially know or assume that any legal relocation of said highway ever will be made to conform with the proposed dedication in this plat.

Because the approval of this plat by this Board might be construed as an approval of a proposed relocation of M-16 when in a matter of fact, the vast majority of voters and tax-payers of the Township of Farmington and the Village of Farmington are unalterably opposed to any change in the existing location of the said highway.

MICHIGAN FOURTH IN BUTTER PRODUCTION

Michigan ranked fourth among the states last year both in the production of butter and evaporated milk, according to figures made public by Herbert C. Hooks, secretary of the Evaporated Milk Association. Michigan was sixth in the production of cheese.

"Total production of cheese in the United States was 417,940,000 pounds and of evaporated milk, 1,189,755,000 pounds," said Mr. Hooks. "Wisconsin was first in the production of cheese and evaporated milk, producing 238,412,000 pounds of cheese and 442,583,000 pounds of evaporated milk. Michigan produced 7,418,000 pounds of cheese and 35,642,000 pounds of evaporated milk, which means that the evaporated milk plants used approximately double that amount of milk since the evaporated product is merely fresh cow's milk with 60 per cent of the water removed.

"Minnesota was first in butter production, with 223,995,000 pounds, while Michigan, fourth from the top of the list, produced 110,678,000 pounds.

"Butter production last year in the United States amounted to 1,956,080,000 pounds which includes 600,000,000 pounds of farm butter, or enough to supply every man, woman and child in the country with over twelve pounds each. Enough cheese was produced to give over 3.7 pounds of cheese to everybody, and sufficient evaporated milk to distribute over 10.3 pounds to each person."

A GOOD WORD

Have a good word for everybody. The only man who has a right to look down on others, is the man in the airship. Even the tombstones speak well of those beneath them. J. H. Turner.

INCREASED PHONE RATE ASKED

The Michigan Bell Telephone Company has made application to the Michigan Utilities Commission for permission to raise phone rates. The rates per month at present are for business phones: One party \$2.30; four party \$2.00; extension \$1.00. Residence: One party \$1.75; four party \$5.45; extension 50c. Rural service with in six miles: Business \$2.25; residence \$1.75. Beyond six miles: Business \$2.50; residence \$2.00.

If the request is granted the new rates will be: Business, one party \$3.00; four party \$2.50; extension \$1.00. Residence: One party \$2.25; four party \$1.75; extension 50c. Rural business: \$2.25; residence \$1.75. For stations beyond five miles 25c will be added.

A schedule of prices will be found in legal advertisement on page two of this issue.

FARMINGTON HAS NO JUSTICE COURT

Farmington township is, now without a justice court. Of the four justices here Mrs. Eva Lafevre is the only one holding court and she has notified the authorities that she will no longer try cases. This forces officers making complaints to go before justices either at Pontiac, Birmingham or Royal Oak which is of some inconvenience, as it requires them to spend considerable time away from this locality at time of trials and hearings, each complaint necessitating at least two trips to outside towns.

If Farmington secures a city charter as is now contemplated, a justice court will be established here, the necessity of which is greatly felt.

SUPERVISORS WILL MEET ON AUGUST 13

A special meeting of the Board of Supervisors has been called for August 13, enough signatures having been obtained from members of the board to warrant the meeting being called. It is for the consideration of plans for the proposed contagious disease hospital and for the selection of a site for a cement block factory for the employment of jail labor.

It is also planned to consider the increased bonded valuation of the county, as placed by the state tax commission.

The meeting will be held in Pontiac.

MRS. ALBERT KISS ENTEERTAINS CLUB

Mrs. Albert Koss of Base Line Road cleverly entertained the members of the South Farmington Home Improvement Club to a birthday day party and china shower in honor of Miss Bernice Cotterel, a bride-elect whose wedding will take place sometime this month.

The birthday cake adorned with candles formed the centerpiece of the luncheon table to which the following guests were seated: Miss Cotterel and her mother, Mrs. John Hill, Mrs. Rudolph Khari, Mrs. Mabel Soper, Mrs. Charles Damon, Mrs. Frank Hoffmann, Mrs. H. A. McIntyre, Miss Amanda Markham and the hostess.

MR. AND MRS. ELY HONOR GUESTS

In honor of their guests from New York, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ely entertained the Hatton family Sunday at "Grey Gables," Walled Lake. Thirty-five guests were present. The out-of-town Hattons were, Mrs. Martha Hatton and daughter, Mary of Ypsilanti, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hatton and family of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ely and family of Northville.

AMERICAN LEGION MEETING OF AUXILIARY PROPOSED

A meeting of Groves-Walker Post, American Legion, was held Thursday night when steps were taken to organize a Farmington auxiliary. Wives, mothers, sisters and grandmothers of ex-service men are eligible to membership. All who are interested are requested to communicate with Charles Elkins, adjutant.

Gullen & Gullen of Detroit have enhancement on page 6.

JURY LAYS BLAME ON AUTO DRIVER

Edward J. Miller, of 16354 Mansfield avenue, Detroit, who was run into and killed Elmer J. Craig of Grand Rapids, on Grand River avenue west of Farmington Sunday night, August 2, now faces a charge of negligent homicide. At a coroner's inquest held here last week it was found that Craig met his death as the result of the reckless driving of Edward J. Miller.

Mrs. Craig testified that her husband was killed by being struck by an automobile while he was fixing a tire at the side of the Grand River road near Farmington. She said that their car was parked on the pavement and that Mr. Craig was not on the pavement when the accident occurred.

Mr. Miller and his companion, Fred Anderson of Wabash avenue Detroit, claimed that the Craig car was not parked beside the road but that the car was on the pavement. Stanley Coon, who took Mr. Craig to Farmington following the accident, H. Nickel of Detroit and Deputies Claude Wilson and Elmo McKinley testified that the car was not on the pavement.

BRIGGS SCHOOL REUNION

The annual reunion of the Briggs School, Livonia Township, will be held on the school grounds Saturday afternoon, August 29. Ladies please bring cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith and children have returned from spending a week in Michigan Center and their visit included their sister, Mrs. F. R. Burnside and niece and nephew, Nancy and Tyler Pett. They were accompanied on the trip by Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. John Pett, who remained for a month's visit.

EXPECT LARGE ATTENDANCE AT GARDENERS' FIELD DAY

Commercial garden truck growers from the Detroit, Grand Rapids and River City sections, as well as gardeners from smaller sections have already sent word to Prof. George E. Starr, of the Michigan State College horticultural department, that they will attend the second annual Gardeners' Field Day to be held here, Wednesday, August 26.

From a successful experiment of last year the field day plans this year will take in much the same inspection of experimental plats and discussion, but greater attention will be devoted to greenhouse exhibits, according to Professor Starr, who is in charge of the program.

At 10:00 o'clock, the gardeners will begin their tour of the station grounds. Numerous exhibits of the better as well as the poorer varieties of vegetables will be shown, forming the basis for discussion upon vegetable varieties. The college greenhouses have been completed since last year's meeting, and a visit to these is included in the morning tour.

One of the most extensive experiments ever undertaken in the culture of the early tomato is certain to interest the gardeners. Another experiment, among the many conducted, is that with cucumber pickles. The object in this experiment is to produce a better and more uniform type of cucumber pickle.

The short afternoon program of speaking has been planned to discuss subject of vital interest, and also to permit the gardeners from widely separated sections to get together, and exchange ideas.

DEATH OF OAKLAND COUNTY EDITOR

John A. Neal, editor and owner of the Orion Review, died at his home in that village Monday. In 1881, Mr. Neal together with Joseph Peterson, now in the publisher of the Grayling Democrat, and Frank Sutton, present publisher of the Marine City Reporter, founded the Orion Review. During the next winter Mr. Neal purchased his partners' interests. Besides a widow and a son he is survived by a brother, Frank S. Neal and a sister, Mrs. George H. Baker, both of Northville.

An Enterprise Liner will sell it.

LEGION POSTS MEET AT MILFORD

An enthusiastic meeting of Legion posts of the Sixth Detroit was held at Milford last Friday. Ten posts were represented.

Those attending from Farmington were Carl Goers, Commander; Carl Hogle, Vice Commander; Charles Elkins, Adjutant; Harley Schroeder, Waters Lee, R. P. Marble and M. Pettibone.

At the business meeting a resolution was adopted endorsing the National Employment Fund for the care and rehabilitation of disabled comrades. There were several prominent members of the state organization present.

The sixth district won the silver cup in the state membership drive. Willis Brewer of Pontiac, to whom much credit is given for the fine showing made by the district, will be the district's candidate at the state convention in September for the office of senior vice commander.

MIDSUMMER FESTIVAL BILL AT DETROIT TEMPLE

A big midsummer festival bill with plenty of singing, dancing, and pretty girls is announced at B. F. Keith's Temple Theatre for the week commencing Sunday matinee, August 16. Headlining honors will be divided between Pickard's Chinese Synchronizers, a jazzy fantasy of the Orient, with the famous eight China rosbuds and Craig Campbell, distinguished American tenor. Pickard's big novelty acts of the season. Mr. Chinese Synchronizers is one of the Campbell offers a diverse song program assisted by Alvin Stanger at the piano. Others billed are John R. Berkes and Sheila Terry, in an episode of the sea entitled, "Easy Sailing" a melange of flour, melody and dancing, with Florence Clark, Virginia Sully and a company of eight beautiful shippmates; Joe Weston and Grace Eline in "Character in Interpretations"; Joseph E. Bernard and Fred Jason in a comedy playlet by Willard Mack, "Who Is She?" Carroll and Gorman, harmony comedians; Monroe and Grant, with eight girls in the novelty, "Go Head Charley"; Aesop's Fables; Topics of the Day and the Pathe Weekly.

BEWARE OF STRANGERS WITH AUTO INSURANCE

During the past two weeks a number of soliciters have been quite active in this locality selling auto insurance which they represented carried with it special privileges in the way of lower rates for gas, auto supplies and service. Now comes a warning to the public from the state insurance department to look carefully into the matter before paying out money to strangers for such policies.

According to complaints made to state officials salesmen represented themselves as being with the "Autoists Auto Owners Association." They claimed connection with the Detroit Automobile Club, and other similar organizations which are affiliated with the American Automobile Association.

For \$54.50 they would sell to the individual a membership in the club, and two years insurance, which the victim was led to believe covered all insurance on his car except fire and theft. In addition he was to receive free towage service from any part of Michigan whenever his car became stranded, and many other similar services. When the insurance policy was delivered, it developed that instead of buying insurance on his automobile he had in fact bought an accident insurance policy on himself which he could purchase anywhere for \$1.50.

The state police have obtained sworn statements from a number of the victims and have broad-casted descriptions of the so-called agents with instructions to cause their immediate arrest.

A sidewalk is being built on the east side of Division st. from the Bowling Alley to the D. U. R. tracks.

POSTPONEMENT

The Progressive class ten which was to be held at the home of Mrs. R. N. Grooman, August 17, has been postponed. Date to be announced later.

MAKE LICENSE FEE HIGH

Many Michigan communities are becoming tired of the peddler nuisance and are passing ordinances calculated to put a curb on this class of gentry, whose doorbell ringing has been like a funeral knell to legitimate business enterprises. Not only as a rule, do they insist on selling inferior merchandise at high prices, but of late many of them are getting so bold they have no hesitancy in insulting the woman of the household who refuses to purchase their wares. Signs, "Peddlers Not Wanted," seem to have no deterrent effect and the only way to lessen their tribe is a high license fee rigidly enforced. In this way they can be made to pay a part at least of the cost of municipal government.

Farmington boys who will become a part of the Oheyesa Camp contingent this year are leaving on Monday, August 24 (not 17th). They will be in camp the last two weeks of the season thus enjoying the closing features.

Mrs. Robert Marron, Russell and Rene Conway, sister and grandchildren of Thomas Conway, have returned to their home in Allegan, after spending a week at the Conway home.

Church Notes

Clarenceville Community M. E. Church Rev. H. B. Duttweiler, Pastor Sunday, 10:30 at the Clarenceville Community Church the pastor, Rev. H. E. Duttweiler, will speak upon the most discussed and perplexing question—"What is the Gospel?" The children's talk is "What All May Do."

The evening service at 8:00 o'clock. Short, snappy, delightful. The subject is the last of the series on God's wondrous world and being "The Message of the Sunset."

Farmington Methodist Church S. D. Eya, Pastor 10:30—"The New Eden." 11:45—Epworth School. 7:00—Epworth League. No evening during August.

Evangelical Church Rev. J. Bollens, Pastor Golden Jubilee. 10:15 a. m.—Jubilee services; Speakers, Rev. E. Aldinger and Rev. A. C. Stange. 3:00 p. m.—Ladies' Aid Anniversary. Speakers, Rev. George Deckinger and Rev. W. J. Witt. 8:00 p. m.—Entirely English. Speakers, Rev. E. Schmidt and all present ministers.

Special music at all services. Dinner and supper served. Monday, August 17, 6:30 p. m.—Banquet; 8:00, program.

First Baptist Church R. F. Willson, Pastor 10:30—A continuation of last Sunday's sermon on "Faith." 11:45—Bible school. Any other services will be announced on the bulletin board.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Clarenceville (At Switzer Road) Rev. Paul Graupner, Pastor 9:30—Sunday School. 8:00—Bible services, first third and fifth Sundays in German; second and fourth in English.

OAKLAND HEIGHTS

Victor Gaveraux has purchased the Sherlock property on Greening boulevard, has remodeled it and made a very attractive summer home of it.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Zeitz are the proud parents of a baby girl, born July 28th, at Detroit. Mrs. Zeitz is home and doing splendidly, also the baby.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Coe spent Sunday with Mr. Coe's mother at Walled Lake.

Mrs. W. Davis and daughter, Mrs. F. Dickerson, were callers at the F. Nichols home, on Tuesday afternoon.

OBJECTIONS BRUSHED ASIDE BY STATE ADM. BOARD

The delegation appointed by the Farmington Protective Association to lay before the state administrative board objections to the proposed cut-off of Grand River road here, went to Lansing Tuesday, were heard and came away fully convinced that it is the purpose of the state officials to establish the cut-off.

The claim that the cut-off would prove injurious to the business interests of Farmington and that the widening of the pavement through Farmington would conveniently and adequately care for all traffic, did not seem to weigh very heavily with the governor, who is chairman of the board.

Upon Mr. Bond's stating to the board the purpose of the delegation in appearing before the board, Governor Grosbeck asked if the delegation was responsible statements printed in Farmington to the effect that he is financially interested in real estate which will be enhanced in value by the building of the new highway.

Mr. Hatton, who had been called upon to speak for the delegation, assured the governor that the delegation was not responsible for any such reports.

As no such statement has been made by The Enterprise, the only paper printed in Farmington, it is quite evident the governor has been getting some unreliable information from Farmington.

The governor stated that it was not the purpose to abandon the present highway as a state road, but that it would be used for west bound through traffic and the new road for east bound traffic. He also assured the delegation that the board would consider plans for a shorter cut-off if right-of-way could be secured and a showing made that it would cost less.

The governor stated that Wayne County plans to have two 20-foot boulevards from Detroit to the Oakland County line. That the State should undertake to widen Grand River through the Farmington district to 150 or 200 feet, when the cost would be several million dollars, is out of the question.

"We began four or five months ago to survey and work out the congested traffic problem through the Farmington district," the governor said. "Now, for largely self-interest, you are objecting. I think you are borrowing trouble when you think that the new road will hurt retail trade in Farmington. With better traffic facilities, as the new road contemplates, the town will be the gainer. As to your own board refusing to approve subdivision plats along the proposed new route, you are sadly mistaken if you think your board can block a State improvement that way. Non-approval of these plats can in no way obstruct the building of the new road, and anyhow it is a matter in which the State is not concerned."

The members of the committee at the hearing were, Isaac Bond, Emory Hatton, Howard M. Warren, Olin Russell, Arthur Lamb, F. L. Cook and H. N. Miller.

BETTY BRONSON IN "ARE PARENTS PEOPLE?"

Betty Bronson who made such a charming figure in "Pat Pan" will be seen in "Are Parents People?" at the Community Hall next Tuesday. This picture not only features the brightest of all recent Hollywood stars of the screen but presents a family picture which will delight both old and young. It is one of those stories which portrays the real American family at its best and in its most trying experiences. It's a good picture for parents and children.

Beginning August 27, the new Darby law becomes effective. The law requires all applicants for marriage licenses to wait five days after filing the application before the ceremony can be performed.

A barn belonging to Thomas Gibson was struck by lightning Saturday-afternoon during the storm but luckily no particular damage was done.

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