

CORNERSTONE OF GERMAN CHURCH LAID 25 YEARS

Old Copy Of The Enterprise Saved By Rev. Bollens. Tells Of Ceremony

Twenty-five years ago last week, 1,500 people gathered in Farmington for the laying of the cornerstone of the German Evangelical Church. Through the courtesy of Rev. J. Bollens, who was then and is now the pastor of the church, we are enabled to reprint an account of the ceremony as it appeared in the Farmington Enterprise on May 15, 1902.

"Much to the satisfaction of the people and contrary to the predictions of the weather prophets, Sunday morning dawned clear and bright giving promise of a beautiful day for the laying of the corner stone of the new German Evangelical Church. It is estimated that about fifteen hundred people were present to witness the ceremonies and not one went away disappointed. The program had been well arranged and the musical selections were fine and well rendered. A platform had been laid on the foundation of the church and chairs were placed upon it for the accommodation of all who participated and others who cared to sit there.

At about 2:30 p. m. Rev. J. Bollens, pastor the church here, called the vast audience to order and the program was opened with an anthem by the St. John's choir of Detroit, after which Rev. J. Lambrecht read the scripture lesson and offered prayer. The St. Mark's choir of Detroit then sang an anthem and Rev. F. A. Roese of Detroit, gave an address in German. The Farmington choir then gave a selection of music which was followed by an address in English by the Rev. J. Beutler of Delray. After this the St. John's choir rendered a selection in English, which was followed with an address by the Rev. F. A. Armstrong, pastor of the M. E. Church of Farmington. Again the St. Mark's choir of Detroit furnished music, after which an address was given by Rev. F. Mayer, P. D., of Detroit, who was a former pastor here. During the singing of the closing hymn by the congregation, a collection was taken which amounted to \$107.

Rev. J. Bollens then stepped to the front and gave the following history of the church.

Up to the year of 1880 there were no records kept, but since that time the church has been fully organized and the records belong to the Evangelical Synod of

REV. FEE DIES IN ADRIAN; BURIAL IN FARMINGTON

Methodist Minister, Who Lived In This Section, Suffers Heart Attack

Rev. George A. Fee, Methodist minister, well-known and beloved in this section, where he lived for a number of years, died at his home in Adrian, Wednesday, after a heart attack. Funeral services were set for Friday morning in the Farmington Methodist Church with burial in Oakwood Cemetery, Farmington.

The news of Rev. Fee's death comes as a distinct shock to his many friends here. Rev. Fee lived on Oakland avenue in Farmington until two years ago, preaching in Clarenceville, Pontiac and other towns in this section. Everywhere he won the admiration and friendship of those outside his church as well as his parishioners.

Rev. Fee was 69, having been a Methodist minister for 35 years. He held pastorate in Detroit before his retirement.

Several Methodist ministers, including Rev. Edward F. Dunlavy of Farmington, were named to officiate at the funeral services in the Methodist church. Among them was Rev. John Martin, of the Ann Arbor district.

Rev. Fee is survived by his widow, two daughters and a son.

FARMINGTON CHAPTER, O. E. S., WILL ENTERTAIN COUNTY ASSOCIATION

The May meeting of the Oakland County Association, O. E. S., will be held in the Community Hall of the M. E. Church Wednesday, May 25, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m.

An excellent program is being prepared and the Worthy Grand Matron will give a school of instruction. A cordial invitation is extended to all members of the order.

Farmington Chapter entertains the association once every seven years and all members of the chapter are earnestly requested to be present.

Dinner will be served at noon by the Methodist, German and Baptist Churches.

Mrs. Ada Bond, Sec.

MOTHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET AT M. E. CHURCH SUCCESS

Men Serve Dinner; Toasts Offered In Splendid Program

The Mother and Daughter banquet held Monday evening in the Methodist Church was a decided success. The splendid menu prepared by the men was served in a capable and expeditious manner and was greatly enjoyed by the mothers and daughters.

At the close of the banquet the ladies were each presented with red and white carnations. The dining rooms were artistically decorated in red and white. Miss Natalie Knapp in a few well chosen words presented Miss Lois MacKellar as toastmistress, who in a very clever manner compared the program to a garden with the various participants as flowers, song birds and trees.

The toast to mothers by Miss Iva Hawkins, brought a mingled feeling of joy and happiness to the hearts of the mothers.

Miss Ernestine Pierce, Mrs. Lou Pauline, Mrs. Nell Walters and Miss D. Button delighted the listeners with the selection, "The Barefoot Trail" and responded to an encore.

Mrs. Norman Lee in the toast to daughters, said all mothers were daughters and the daughters of today are the mothers of tomorrow, and we are as mothers are seeing our lives lived over again in the lives of our girls.

Detroitian Speaks

Mrs. D. H. Glass of Detroit in her inimitable way brought out many new and old truths, intertwined with wit and humor. She spoke of the great privilege of motherhood and the joyful companionship of mother and daughter and our great debt of gratitude for our heritage, which could only be paid by service to the church. For without the Christian church none of these blessings would be possible. Miss Gertrude Richardson sang beautifully "Mother O Mine" and responded to an encore, "Only A Rosebud" and another pleasant and profitable evening passed into a memory.

FARMINGTON POSTOFFICE HAS OPENINGS FOR TWO NEW POSTAL CLERKS

Applicants for positions in the civil service will have an opportunity to obtain appointments next month, when examinations for the position of clerk in the Farmington postoffice will be held by the department. With the raising of the Farmington office to the second class, additional clerks and associates will be engaged.

According to a notice received by Postmaster T. H. McGee, applications must be filed on the department forms before June 8. The examinations are open to both men and women, and it is anticipated that there will be a number of applicants for the positions offered.

It is expected that the successful applicants will go into service about July 1. Full details as to the requirements, salaries offered, and blanks for application may be obtained at the Farmington postoffice. The examination is open to all citizens of the United States.

HERBERT THAYER, PIONEER CITIZEN, CALLED BY DEATH

Dies at Eighty-One On The Farm Where He Was Born and Lived All His Life

After having lived all his life on the farm where he was born, at Nine-Mile and Halstead roads, Farmington Township, Herbert C. Thayer died last Friday at the age of 81. Burial services in charge of Farmington Lodge No. 151, and with Northville Commandery as an escort, were held in Oakwood Cemetery, Farmington, Monday afternoon.

Mr. Thayer was one of the best known farmers in this section of this country. The land on which he was born and spent his entire life was taken up more than 100 years ago from the Government by a brother of Mr. Thayer's father. The late Mr. Thayer inherited part of the quarter-section on which he lived, and purchased the remainder from his father.

Mr. Thayer's last active participation in the affairs of life took place on April 14. Although he was known throughout this section for his interest in Masonic activities, few knew that on April 14 he conferred the first degree in Masonry upon his son, Bert Thayer, at Ionic Lodge in Detroit, winning the reputation of lodge officers for the manner in which he handled the work.

Stricken Ill

On returning home from the lodge meeting, Mr. Thayer was taken ill, and never again left his bed. A week before his death, his son and three daughters were called to his bedside. Mr. Thayer's birthday, May 5, was spent in bed, suffering from paralysis.

In accordance with his wish, Mr. Thayer was buried in his Commandery uniform. He was a member of Northville Chapter, R. A. M., as well as Northville Commandery, Farmington Lodge, F. & A. M., and the Moslem Shrine of Detroit. Mr. Thayer did not take up Masonic work until he was 59, but he took a very active part immediately after joining.

Mr. Thayer is survived by four children, Miss Marian Thayer, who kept house for him, Miss Anna Thayer, a teacher at Muskegon Heights, Mrs. Grace Witt, of Liberal, Kans., one son, Bert Thayer of Detroit, John Thayer and Mrs. Kate Parsons of Farmington are a brother and a sister of the deceased.

Rev. Edward F. Dunlavy of Farmington Methodist Church officiated at the services, following which burial took place in the family plot. Deceased was buried beside his wife, Mrs. Laura Thayer, who died about 12 years ago.

A large number of prominent citizens and business men of this section attended the funeral services.

NORTH SIDE OF GRAND RIVER WINS 'CLEANEST' CUP AS THE 'CLEANEST'

Before an attendance of nearly 50 members and guests at the weekly luncheon of the Farmington Exchange Club Wednesday, the silver cup for the "cleanest" side of Grand River avenue, was awarded to the north side for this year. City Clerk Nathan Power was the recipient of the cup, as leader of the cleanup activities of the victorious side.

The cup had been in the possession of the south side for the past year. When the decision was made known by George Grant, "Archie" Leonard presented the silver cup to Mr. Power. Mr. Power responded with a few remarks, closing with the statement that "we should have won the cup, and we did." Howard Warner rose to ask "Upon which side does Mr. Grant live?" whereupon Mr. Grant explained that he had called for outside assistance in making his decision.

Carl Hogle and Frank Weaver were designated by President Bicking as delegate to the Michigan Exchange Club meeting at Kalamazoo in June.

GRAND RIVER TREATED TO SCRAMBLED EGG BREAKFAST ON WEDNESDAY MORNING

Scrambled Eggs! A whole wagon-load of them for breakfast! Farmington got its share of eggs Thursday morning. At three o'clock, a truck headed for Detroit passed through town. On the seat were a blind man, owner of the business and a young man driving for him. The latter missed the jog in the road where the double pavement ends.

The truck continued along the car-tracks, but turned on its side after going about 20 feet. The blind man was slightly bruised, but the driver escaped injury. Officer Herman Kraeger watched over the mass of egg-shells, whites and yolks until the driver cleaned up the wreckage.

BAPTIST MOTHERS JOIN DAUGHTERS IN ANNUAL EVENT

Fine Program Rendered At Church Banquet

Mothers and daughters of the Baptist Church congregation had their annual banquet last Friday evening. The program consisted of the following:

Piano solo, Barbara Moon; talk on Mothers, Mrs. Cecil Kellogg; piano duet, Elaine and Marvel Auten; talk on daughters, Miss Thornton; vocal solo, Inez Weston. Mrs. A. C. McDonald read the Ten Commandments of Mothers. Prizes were given to the following mothers: Mrs. Carrie Howard as the oldest mother; Mrs. Dennis as the youngest mother; Mrs. Bertha Spaller as the mother with the most daughters present.

Mrs. Swartzbaugh of Redford was the main speaker. Her subject was "The Old Fashioned Mother."

Miss Ila Durham presided over the piano and Miss Alma Weston proved a very capable toastmistress.

Men Handle Banquet

The menu and entire plans for the banquet were taken care of by the men. The menu was as follows:

Soup, Purée of Tomatoes, Turnip Lucious Reds, Pickles, Olives, Roast Loin of Pork, Ashmed Potatoes, Salad, Taggart Rolls, McDonald Butter, Apple Pie, A la Howard, Coffee, Cream.

Mrs. Swartzbaugh delivered her subject "The Old-Fashioned Mother" in a most winning manner.

Saying first that it was quite the fashion nowadays to be old-fashioned (certain types of old-fashioned things never being out of date), such as the influence of a mother.

FARMINGTON WOMAN'S CLUB HOLDS MEETING

The regular meeting of the Farmington Woman's Club was held Wednesday, May 11, at the home of Mrs. R. G. Adams. The feature of the afternoon was a review, most capably given by Mrs. Ralph Tyler, of Scott's "Woodstock."

This story, written in Scott's last years of ill-health and discouragement, though not lacking in descriptive power nor in vividness of characterization, is lacking in the coherence of narrative which marks the stories told in earlier, and happier hours, and is, consequently, a difficult work to review. However, this lack of coherence was in part atoned for by Mrs. Tyler, who seized unerringly upon the salient points of the story. Moreover, the reviewer delighted her hearers with well-chosen excerpts read with full appreciation of Scott's humor and insight, so that for the hour she re-created for us the days of Roundhead and Cavalier, Cromwell and the Commonwealth.

Members will please note that owing to a time-conflict with another important conference, the annual meeting of the F. W. C. will be held at 2:30 Thursday, May 26, at the home of Mrs. M. B. Pierce. Note change of date. All members are urged to be present. Annual dues are payable at this time. Any member unavoidably detained is expected to remit her membership dues before May 26 to the recording secretary, Mrs. T. H. Magee.

Helen L. Hurd, Cor. Sec'y.

FARMINGTON BOY KILLED BY AUTO; DRIVER DIES IN CRASH

Legion Post To Hold Memorial Day Ceremonies

Will Pay Tribute To Dead At Services In The Methodist Church

Preparations for a fitting celebration of Memorial Day are being made by members of the Farmington post of the American Legion. In addition to holding an impressive service at the Methodist Church, the Legion post will decorate the graves of soldiers buried in Oakwood Cemetery.

The Methodist Church was thrown open to the Legion post by Rev. Edward F. Dunlavy, who offered the church for the Legion's use. The members will meet at the log cabin headquarters on Grand River avenue at 9 o'clock on Memorial Day morning, in uniform, and march to the church in a body.

The Legion members, who held a well-attended meeting last week are progressing very well with their tentative plans for a new headquarters. They have already gathered a substantial sum toward the building fund, and intend to build a headquarters which will fully care for the needs of the post members at all times.

The Legion has utilized the present headquarters for several years, but finds the space too small for meetings and other activities. Plans for a new building are still in the formative stage, however, and it will be some time before an announcement of plans for new quarters will be ready.

Poppy Sale Plans

The Legion and Auxiliary State Departments are this year sponsoring and conducting the Poppy Sale in Michigan. Their first incentive, through the joint committee of the Auxiliary and Legion is to impress upon the people of the State the real meaning of the Official Memorial Flower of the Veterans of the World War. The Departments ask the people of Michigan to wear the poppy every Memorial Day in honor of "those who gave the most."

While the big effort in the state wide campaign is being made by the committee, the actual sale is conducted by the local Posts and Units with the help of other patriotic organizations, if advisable. In almost every case where a successful drive has been made in the past the newspapers, churches, fraternal organizations, Welfare and Business Men's clubs have been anxious and willing to lend their aid.

The funds realized from the sale in the state departments will be used directly in welfare work. Every poppy sold through the state organizations are buddy made poppies, made by men in the hospitals (part of them made at U. S. V. B. 100 at Battle Creek) and every ex-service man in one of the hospitals is receiving money for his work, the better to support himself and give him some things not provided through regular channels.

FARMINGTON CITIZENS AID IN FLOOD RELIEF

The Red Cross is asking that the people be generous with their donations for the Mississippi flood sufferers. Oakland County has not reached its quota yet, but with the aid of each township it will undoubtedly be able to do so.

Contributions from the following in Farmington have been received and sent to headquarters: Evangelical Church, Farmington Woman's Club, H. W. Lewis, Mrs. George Eagle, Janet Forrest, Lillian Leach, Thomas A. Irving, Mrs. F. N. Steele, Guy Sealey, Miss Ethel Sealey, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Graham, Stanley Drake, H. G. Nichols, Mrs. John Sims.

Woman, Badly Injured, Is Third Victim of Grand River Accident

Secret Trip to Lake Hinted

Two lives were lost Wednesday afternoon on Grand River avenue near Novi when Kenneth Oliver, 9-year-old Farmington school boy, was struck by an automobile, the driver of which lost his own life in attempting to avoid the accident. After hitting the boy, the car turned over three times in a ditch, killing Ralph C. Childs, of Detroit, the driver, and injuring a woman companion.

The child was returning home from school at Farmington, where he was in the second grade, and alighted from the township school bus, driven by Mrs. Lena Hamilton of Novi. A group of new autos from a Lansing plant was passing, and the boy waited until all had gone by. Then he dashed across the pavement.

Travelling east on Grand River, seemingly at a high rate of speed, was Childs, driving a Buick touring car. With him, the police say, was Mrs. Gladys Hinton, 30, also of Detroit.

Child's neck was broken and his skull fractured when the car overturned, but Mrs. Hinton miraculously escaped death. All four wheels of the car were torn off, and the top and steering gear stripped. Passing motorists found Childs dead, but Mrs. Hinton was hurried to Detroit in a passing machine.

The Oliver boy's body was picked up beyond the spot where he was struck. An undertaker from Brighton, headed toward Detroit, with a casket, removed the casket from his hearse and laid it at the side of the road. In the hearse he put the boy and raced to a doctor at Novi; but the boy had expired.

Both In Car Married

The boy's body was taken to the home of the parents, on the Lathrop farm near the Eight-Mile road by the undertaker. Childs' body was taken to the Heeny undertaking parlors in Farmington. According to the police, Childs lived with his wife at 5921 Fourteenth street, where Mrs. Hinton and her husband and nine-year-old child also live. Childs is said to have had a cottage at Loon Lake, and police believe that Childs and Mrs. Hinton, after a trip to the cottage together, were hurrying back to Detroit.

Neither Mrs. Hinton's husband nor Childs' wife knew of the couple being away together, according to the police. Hinton and Mrs. Childs both came to Farmington Wednesday evening, the latter to take charge of her husband's body. Mrs. Hinton is said to be in a serious condition at Receiving Hospital in Detroit.

Funeral services for the Oliver boy will be held Saturday at 1:30 p. m., at the home, followed by burial in Pontiac, Michigan, at U. S. V. B. 100 at Battle Creek) and every ex-service man in one of the hospitals is receiving money for his work, the better to support himself and give him some things not provided through regular channels.

JUDGE STARTS ESSAY SERIES; MISS WALLING'S POEMS TO CONTINUE

We are pleased to present on the Editorial page in this issue, the first of a series of essays on various subjects, by Judge John J. Schulte, Jr., of Farmington. Judge Schulte, who does extensive writing, has consented to contribute some of his reflections upon life, to this newspaper from time to time.

We believe our readers will welcome Judge Schulte's literary contributions in these columns. The first is entitled "The Blessing of A Cultured Tongue."

Judge Schulte has also been prevailed upon to contribute verse occasionally.

We are pleased to be able to announce that the poetry of Miss Marie Walling which has found such high favor with our readers, will continue appearing each week.