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Baptist Church Education Unit Ready To Open

Rooms in New Building Light and Spacious; Modern in Every Detail

With practically every detail of the interior finished, the new educational unit of Farmington Baptist Church is ready for the dedication exercises Sunday, and is expected to prove a revelation to those attending, who have not previously visited the structure.

An assembly-hall capable of seating 200 people in comfort, spacious class-rooms that will accommodate all of the Sunday school pupils and leave room for expansion, complete kitchen and dining room facilities, are some of the features of the new building.

The combination assembly-room and dining-room is on the ground floor, and is connected directly with the large kitchen, which has every modern convenience. In the front of the building, on the first floor, is a large room that is flooded with sunlight during the morning hours. This room is to be occupied by the primary Sunday School classes.

Upstairs are large, light classrooms, in contrast to the present overcrowded conditions. The space-invested offers pleasant views of the country to the north, east, and west. Two more classrooms than are needed at present have been provided.

Modern heating systems have been installed and the men of the church have dug a tunnel from the furnace under the old building to the basement of the new.

The dedication services at 3 o'clock Sunday, which beginning a week of celebration will be held in the new assembly hall. Rev. Ralph B. Amdem, State Baptist leader, will be the principal speaker.

ELEANOR WARD, 3, ILL ONLY A DAY, TAKEN BY DEATH

Daughter Of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ward Of Farmington To Be Buried Friday

Ill less than a day, Eleanor Tressa Ward, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Ward of Farmington, died suddenly Tuesday night at 11 o'clock at the home of her parents. Eleanor was three years old and the youngest child. She was taken ill Tuesday morning.

Surviving are the mother and father and two sisters, Louise and Dorothy, and the grandparents, who make their home with Mr. and Mrs. Ward.

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon at three o'clock Rev. James A. Callahan of Our Lady of Sorrows Church officiating. Burial will be at Oakview Cemetery, Royal Oak.

Spencer J. Heeney is in charge of arrangements.

BOY SCOUT TROOP TO BE STARTED; RALLY ON FEB. 9

Formation Of Farmington Troop Is Planned By Leaders Of District

It has been announced that all boys between the ages of 12 and 18 years years in the Farmington district, are eligible to apply for membership in the Boy Scouts. It is hoped to form a troop in Farmington.

Applicants may leave their name and address with Rev. E. W. Palmer of the Baptist Church, Rev. H. A. Leeson of the Methodist Church, also with Principal A. R. Crawford of Farmington High School.

District Commander Hallock will be at Farmington Methodist Church on Sunday, February 9, with the entire troop of Clarenceville, No. 44, with their committee. As February 9 will be "Scout Sunday," all the boys and their parents are urged to attend the morning service. Scout rally will be held immediately after Sunday School.

All the parents and boys are urged to get behind this movement and help make it a success.

Rev. Menabrod and daughter of Clarenceville are ill with colds.

Recall Of 'Sheriff' To Be Asked In Petitions By Former Mayor

Recall of the "Sheriff" and his replacement in office by another man will be asked next week by former mayor Wells D. Butterfield of Farmington, according to an announcement made by Mr. Butterfield at the Farmington Exchange Club Wednesday. The former mayor asserted that the petitions he is preparing will be ready for circulation at the meeting of the Club next Wednesday.

Would-Be Check Passers Nabbed

Trio Of Young Men Taken On Suspicion Admit Forgery Intent

Three young men who are said by police to have admitted planning forgery of checks upon Farmington business men were taken into custody by Chief of Police Lee Doyle Saturday afternoon. They were held on suspicion and were to be placed in the Detroit police "lineup" of suspects before crime victims.

The trio came to Farmington last Saturday afternoon, and according to Chief Doyle one entered the People State Bank. He asked George C. Gildmeister, assistant cashier, for some checks on Al J. Laing, Farmington business man. Mr. Gildmeister replied that he had none, Mr. Laing having no account there. Then, becoming suspicious, he asked the man to wait, as he had a package going to Mr. Laing's place which he would like to have him take.

The man suddenly became very much in a hurry and left, saying he did not expect to be back at Laing's place for a long time.

Mr. Gildmeister then hastened to the Farmington State Savings Bank and warned officials there, then notified Chief Doyle. About an hour later, Chief Doyle spied three men walking along Grand River, one answering a description given by Gildmeister. He stopped them and questioned them. After a time one is said to have admitted they wanted to get checks to cash in Farmington business places.

Chief Doyle called police of Coolidge station, Detroit, and the trio were taken into Detroit for further questioning. They gave their names as Fred B. Squires, 26, and his nephew, Robert Squires, 23, 660 Brainerd street, and Dale Davis, 27, 710 Peterboro, Detroit. Chief Doyle said that the younger Squires admitted he was the instigator of the plan.

One of the trio carried an empty handbag which he is said to have told police, was for "anything we might pick up." They also said they planned to visit a resident of Farmington, whose home happens to be closed for the winter.

CHRISTIAN WICK DIES AFTER TWO MONTHS' ILLNESS

Funeral Services To Be Held On Friday Afternoon For Nine-Mile Resident

Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon for Christian Wick, who died Tuesday after an illness of two months. Mr. Wick lived on the Nine Mile road west of Farmington road, and was 72 years old. He was a native of Germany.

Wick was taken to Deaconess Hospital, Detroit, on December 2, suffering from dropsy. He was brought home on December 24.

Surviving are the widow, a daughter, Elsie Young, and four sons, Herman, Will, Henry and Fred Wick, and a stepdaughter, Mrs. Joe Young.

Services will be held at 1:30 p. m. at the home, and at 2 o'clock at Salem Evangelical Church, Farmington, with Rev. A. A. Schoen officiating. Burial will be in Rural Hill Cemetery, Northville.

Spencer J. Heeney is in charge of funeral arrangements.

Youths Confess Armed Robbery On Grand River

Clarenceville Young Men Admit Holding Up Farmington Man Near Junction

"Turn your car around, and be careful you don't back in the ditch!" George Carpenter, a resident of Hollywood Subdivision, heard this command from two youths who had given a ride, on Grand River avenue last Wednesday night. Carpenter turned around and a few minutes later he was ordered from the car on a lonely stretch of road.

Thursday afternoon the two young men were arraigned in Police Court Judge John J. Schulte by Deputies William Tamm and John Marek. Waiving examination they were bound over to the Circuit Court, and upon being taken before Circuit Judge Frank L. Doty, pleaded guilty. Sentence will be pronounced Friday morning.

The confessed bandits are, Paul Killeen, 19, of Clarenceville and Charles Taylor, 21, of Colorado. Taylor was released just two weeks ago, on January 9, from Ionia Reformatory, where he was serving a sentence of from one to ten years for theft of an automobile in Berrien County. Killeen also was in probation, following charges of assault upon William Fox, a Redford Township justice of the peace, at Clarenceville a few weeks ago.

The two youths entered Carpenter's machine at a gasoline station at Grand River and Eight Mile road. They asked for a ride and Carpenter answered that he did not know them, but would "take a chance" on them. After passing Middle Belt road, the one in the front seat asked how much gasoline he had, and snappet on the dash light. "About five gallons," answered Carpenter.

"We could go down Middle Belt, couldn't we," said one of the youths to the other. Carpenter then looked over his shoulder and saw a 45 caliber automatic pistol aimed at his face. Then came the command that he turn around.

Carpenter turned his machine around just east of Lake Drive Garage at Farmington Junction. The directed him to the Middle Belt road, and at the Ann Arbor trail, ordered him out.

On Saturday came word to Farmington police authorities from Sheriff Geo. P. Perkins at Shelbyville, Ky., that there was holding two young men for petty larceny. One gave his name as Carpenter. Sheriff Perkins was advised to hold them, and Deputies Tamm and Marek went to Shelbyville, returning Wednesday night with Killeen, Taylor and the car. At Shelbyville, the young men had driven up to a gasoline station and obtained 10 gallons of gasoline. Having no money they asked for a quart of oil and when the attendant went for it, they drove away. They were captured in a chase by officers, their car being identified by the Michigan license plate. They then fled the way as the officers overtook them. They had intended going to Colorado.

President Heeney assured by Sheriff Heeney that the Sheriff would be fair, and Mr. Butterfield declared that it also would be warmer, if he could do anything to make it so.

Everyone stand in line and hold your own ticket.

CHAS. SIMMONS EXPIRES AT HOME IN SOUTHFIELD

Brother Of Mrs. Kate Pettibone Of Farmington Dies At Age Of 93

Funeral services were held on Thursday afternoon for Charles Simmons, 93, a resident of Southfield Burg and until his death Tuesday the last survivor of Mrs. Kate Pettibone of Farmington. Mrs. Pettibone is 95.

Mr. Simmons suffered a stroke of paralysis. He had been ill for about four months. A large land owner in Oakland County, Mr. Simmons was active in the development of good roads. He donated the land on his farms needed for the Telegraph road "right of way."

Mr. Simmons, who was born in Southfield Township, had spent his life there. For many years he operated a grist mill, serving the needs of the community. The mill now is in the Ford Museum at Dearborn. Mr. Simmons had lived for 50 years in the house where he died.

Besides his sister, Mr. Simmons is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Clyde H. Hooper of Southfield Burg. Burial took place in Grand Lawn Cemetery.

School Head Resigns Baker Resigns As School Head In Farmington

Superintendent To Sever Connections At End Of Present School Year

Resignation of Superintendent Ralph B. Baker as head of Farmington Public Schools has been handed to the Board of Education, it has been learned. The resignation has not yet been acted upon.

Official action upon the resignation will be taken at the next meeting of the Board, on Thursday evening, February 12. It is expected that the resignation will be accepted.

Superintendent Baker's resignation was handed to Mrs. Florence Lee, secretary of the Board, at a special meeting held in the school building. Mrs. Emil Roos, president of the Board on Thursday confirmed reports that Superintendent Baker's resignation had been given to the Board, but had not been officially considered.

Mrs. Roos stated that she anticipated that the resignation would be accepted, although the members might not vote unanimously for acceptance.

It has been known for some time that there have been differences between Supt. Baker and at least part of the Board, but it is understood that these differences involve questions of fundamental school policy.

Action toward engaging a superintendent for the coming year will not be taken until after the resignation is formally accepted. Supt. Baker came to Farmington from Uby, Mich., and in his second year as head of Farmington Schools. He succeeded Archie G. Leonard, now deputy commissioner of Oakland County.

Supt. Baker has not yet decided whether he will continue in school work. He has received a business offer which he is considering, but may continue in the educational field.

NEW DEPARTMENT CALLED OUT TWICE IN SAME MORNING

Novi Township's New Apparatus And Company Answer Two Alarms From Farms

Novi Township's new fire department was given an opportunity to test its mettle Wednesday morning when two fire alarms were sent in within a short time.

The first fire was at the farm home occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Coleburn and family of four children, with considerable loss, partially covered by insurance. The family was asleep when the roar of the blaze warned them of the danger, and a hurried exit was made. The children were given refuge in the home of neighbors.

Novi's fire department was summoned, but the flames had completely enveloped the house, and nothing could be done to save it. The home was located on the Earl Tibbits farm, on the Nine mile road, south of Novi.

The firemen were called out again when the fire was discovered in the roof of the home of Arnel Bollitt, one and one-half miles southeast of Novi. Flames were extinguished after causing extensive damage to the roof. The loss is covered by insurance.

FRIDAY LAST DAY

Friday, January 31, is the last day for payment of Farmington City taxes will be accepted by City Treasurer George C. Gildmeister until 3 o'clock at the Peoples State Bank.

First Robin Chirps Amid Zero Weather

The first robin reported seen in Farmington this year was spied by Miss Lucile Halstead Monday morning as she was walking to school.

Miss Halstead heard the bird call and looking around, saw the robin perched on a cherry tree in Mrs. J. Dellinger's yard. The temperature was down near the zero mark.

Burglar Obtains \$60 In Robbery

Entry Into Pool Room On Grand River Gained Through A Window

An intruder who entered the pool room operated by Robert Minnock on Grand River avenue in Farmington early Sunday morning obtained about \$60 in quarters by breaking open a machine. Entry was gained through a rear window.

A hammer or other instrument was used to break open the machine, which had been in the place but a few days. Nothing else was disturbed.

The intruder apparently made his departure through the back door of the pool-room. It is believed that someone familiar with the place was responsible for the robbery.

Try To Force Door

An attempt to force open the doors of the meat market operated by Delor Hamlin, next to the Minnock pool room, was also made early Sunday morning, according to police. Marks on the doors indicated that pressure had been exerted against them, but the type of lock on the doors prevented entry.

TO DEMONSTRATE TALKING DIRECT INTO THE BRAIN

Sergius P. Grace To Address Engineering Conference, Show Advance Of Telephony

A demonstration of what might be called "speaking directly into the brain," and having the speech understood, will be given Friday in Ann Arbor before the fourth Michigan engineering conference, by Sergius P. Grace, vice-president of the Bell Telephone Laboratories, and a native of Farmington.

Mr. Grace will demonstrate to the engineers the most recent laboratory finding—the projection of speech electro-statically directly into the human brain.

Recently in the New York laboratories a sentence was spoken into a telephone transmitter. By means of transmitters, this sentence could be heard distinctly by everyone in the laboratory. At the same time a part of the electrical current from amplifiers, representing this sentence, was stored in a "delay" circuit, another recent invention. After a springing of four and one-half seconds, this current was transformed to high voltage and passed into Grace's body.

Grace then placed his finger against the ear of another man in the laboratory, who heard directly within his brain the same sentence that had issued from the loud speakers four and a half seconds earlier.

The phenomenon is due to the ear drum and surrounding tissues being made to act as one plate of a condenser-receiver, the resulting vibrations of the ear drum being interpreted by the brain as speech music or whatever sounds are impressed upon the original transmitter.

"Instead of acoustically," Grace said, "our hearing is vibrated electro-statically. We are able to speak in a way which does not like a walking stick—put the top to your ear, and have you hear music coming out of it."

The Independents were superior on offense but proved to be weaker plotting. They may the Republican quintet passed all around the Independents although they could not register a larger score.

Young and Walters were the high point men for the Farmington team, registering all but five points. The five starting men played the full game. The lineup was: Young, rf; Grime, lf; Walters, cf; Cox, 2b; Robinson, 1b. The Independents will play a team from Milford Saturday, February 1, at 7:30 in the High School gymnasium. With the best men in action, they did not play in the previous game, it promises to be a fast game. Everyone is invited to attend.



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