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Two Face/Charge Of Manslaughter In Fatal Wreck

Man And Woman To Have Examination Before Farmington Judge June 19

One man is dead, a woman is seriously injured, and another man and woman are facing charges of manslaughter as a result of a collision on Grand River at Town Line road Saturday night, when two cars met head-on.

Charges of "driving under the influence of liquor, on the wrong side of the road, and in a reckless manner" are contained in warrants issued by Judge John J. Schulte of Farmington after the accident. A recommendation of Prosecuting Attorney Norman C. Orr.

Margaret Arent, 27, 6532 McGraw avenue, Detroit, and Arthur Minehart, 27, 3330 Whitaker avenue, Detroit, are in the Oakland County jail at Pontiac awaiting examination next Thursday. Their bond was set at \$2,000 each by Judge Schulte when they were arraigned before him Tuesday in Pontiac.

Miss Arent and Minehart were riding west on Grand River in Minehart's car, a Buick sedan. It is said that Miss Arent, who was driving, turned out to pass a car going in the same direction, and collided with a Ford sedan driven by Cleo Johns, 27, 6162 Fisher avenue, Detroit. Minehart is said to have tried to seize the wheel when he saw the crash impending.

Johns apparently had no opportunity to turn out. The larger car struck his machine just in front of the driver's seat, the left wheel apparently running up on the other car and across the left side of the top.

Killed Instantly

Johns was instantly killed, his skull being broken. His body fell from the inside of the wreck. Both machines were twisted by the crash, and came to rest head ed south into the ditch.

With Johns was Lillian Harris, 21, of 2500 West Grand at St. Clair, Detroit, a nurse at Providence Hospital. She suffered a six-inch laceration of the scalp. Miss Arent also suffered injuries. (Continued on page four)

TRUCK AND AUTO WRECKED; RIDERS ESCAPE INJURIES

Driver And Relief Pilot Miss Death In Crushed Cab; Machine 'Cut In Ahead'

Although a five-ton truck with trailer and an automobile which collided with and overturned in ditches after a collision on Thursday night on Smith's Hill, Grand River road, west of Farmington, three men escaped death in some manner which is still puzzling authorities. The cab of the large truck, in which two were riding, was smashed as if it had been a match-box and the entire truck was wrecked beyond repair.

Alfred H. Dakke, 19781 Cherry-lawn, Detroit, was driving the truck, owned by the Inter-State Motor Freight Corporation, west on Grand River. As he started up the west hill, a machine driven east by Glenn Housemann of 3937 14th street, Detroit, attempting to pass another east-bound car, failed to get in-line in time. The automobile hit the front of the truck, which ran off the road and turned over in the ditch, after ripping off several posts along the shoulder. Its motor was rammed against a large rock.

D. Johns, 92, Erskine street, Detroit, a relief driver who was resting in a bunk in the upper part of the cab, was thrown out. Aside from slight bruises about the body suffered by him, and a few cuts on the nose and face of Dakke, there were no injuries. The passenger car was thrown off the road on the other side and wrecked.

Dr. H. E. Boice of Farmington attended the drivers.

Strong Campaign To Elect Another Girl F. H. S. Council Head Defeated

Red fire and campaign speeches! Oratory and electioneering! The boys and girls of Farmington high school take their politics seriously, and candidates must have more than a "hand-shake" and be more than just "good fellows" in order to stand the challenges of the orators for other nominees.

Until a year ago, election of a president of the Student Council aroused a moderate amount of interest. And then every girl in the high school was thrilled when Helen Westfall was chosen as leader of the student body, the first time a girl had ever held highest honor in Farmington High.

Johnson Slated As Club Leader

First Vice President Named For Highest Office In Exchange Club

Harrison Johnson, first vice-president, is slated to be advanced to the office of president of the Farmington Exchange Club at its meeting next week, when the board of control will make its recommendations to the club members. Nomination of Mr. Johnson for the presidency was unanimously voted at a meeting of the control board Wednesday afternoon.

The other two vice-presidents, Thomas McGee and Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner, first and second vice-presidents respectively, were nominated for advancement. Harley Warner was chosen for third vice-president to fill the vacancy. Secretary Elmer W. Palmer and Treasurer Hinman Nichols were named to continue in their present positions.

Retiring president Spencer J. Heeny was named for the board of control, Wells D. Butterfield and Stanley Smith being nominated for two other vacancies on the board.

The board voted to recommend to the Club that meetings be dispensed with during the months of July and August, as was done last year. Two more meetings remain in June.

Invitation to attend a district gathering of Exchange Clubs at Birmingham July 8 was received and it is expected many will attend.

Driver Sees Falling Pole, Escapes Harm

A miraculous escape from injury and possible death was experienced by the driver of a small roadster last Thursday evening in Farmington, when a pole on the north side of Grand River, in front of the Farmington Dairy Co. office, fell across the pavement.

The driver saw the pole falling and jammed on his brakes. The pole grazed the front fenders. The car was eastbound.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Schroeder are visiting relatives at Olivet.

City's Valuation Set By Review Board; Is Lower

Few Protests Made By Property Owners; Reductions Allowed Exceed Increases

Valuation of the City of Farmington for tax purposes was finally determined Wednesday when sessions of the board of equalization were completed. Few changes were made by the board.

The valuation of \$2,633,039 placed on the books by Assessor James L. Hogle was altered by only \$9,435, that amount of reduction being allowed. The valuation stands at \$2,623,604.

Objections to their assessments were made by only about half a dozen property-owners. Reductions were made in three instances by the board. In two cases, assessments were raised.

Of the total valuation, \$2,270,590 is real estate and \$353,014 on personal property. No personal property valuations were altered by the board.

The equalized valuation for 1930 represents a loss in valuation compared with 1929. A year ago the City was taxed on a basis of \$2,690,760, a decrease of \$67,156.

Mayor Arthur Lamb, H. A. Seeley and Joseph Karle constitute the board of equalization. Mr. Seeley was elected chairman and N. H. Power clerk. The sessions were held Tuesday and Wednesday.

Township Board At Work
Farmington Township's board is still at work reviewing assessments. Only a few protests have been received. In some cases increases have been made and in others there have been reductions in the valuation.

Supervisor Arthur Coe, Charles Heise and Don Button constitute the Township board of equalization. They expect to complete their work Friday, some work still remaining to be done.

GOERS' PITCHING WINS AGAIN FOR WEST POINT PARK

Lincoln Park Defeated In 'Fast Game'; Hard Battle Is Expected Sunday

With Carl Goers continuing his masterful pitching, West Point Park's baseball team defeated Lincoln Park, 3 to 1, before a large crowd at West Point Park. Only 28 men faced Goers, the visiting team getting but four hits. Men who got on bases were the result of the hits by Hammer-schmidt. The West Point team gave Goers fine support.

Next Sunday a hard contest is expected, the D. T. & I Railroad team coming to West Point Park. The two teams are tied for second place in the Down River League, each having lost but one game. Goers will probably pitch for West Point Park.

Mrs. Alice Tuttle, Miss Ruth Tuttle and Mrs. Clarence Severts spent Friday in Pontiac.

'Raid' Of Detroit In 'Pastures Of West Point Park' Proves Failure

A "raid" was reported in West Point Park last week end. Like many other raids, it failed. Although there are two baseball teams, they are not rival teams. However, one of them having much more prestige, and known as the Gabel-Rison team of fast semi-professional league in Detroit, is in bad way.

Champions of the league during the Gabel-Rison days are tired in last place in their league. The other team is West Point Park, whose members play chiefly for the fun of it and love the game. Less widely known than the other club, West Point Park nevertheless is playing top-notch baseball in the Down River League, winning games and is tied for second place, having lost but one contest.

Came then, the "raid." According to a Detroit newspaper, in its Sunday edition, the manager of the Rison team is one Anthony J. Labond. Mr. Labond, said the newspaper, "went out into the highways and byways in search of good big men." The article proceeded:

"Initial results of this one-man hunting expedition consisted of a bag of four, three of the lot, if such they may be called, being bagged in the pastures of West Point Park and the other being run to earth and captured in Hamtramck.

"As a consequence Gabel-Rison will have a revamped lineup Sunday afternoon.

"Roy Clement and the Wolfom brothers, members of the West Point Park team, will be the other newcomers, Clement and one of the Wolfoms being outfielders and the other Wolfom an infielder. All of them were picked up by Labond during his quest for big game last week and all of (Continued on page five)

Farmington Water Gets Official 'O.K.'

City of Farmington's water was given official stamp of approval this week by the Michigan Department of Health, according to a communication received by City Clerk N. H. Power. A sign indicating that the drinking water is safe will soon be posted.

Test samples were taken some time ago and revealed no evidence of dangerous contamination, according to A. C. Young, director of laboratories for the State department.

To Condemn For Wider Gd. River

Proceedings Begun Against Seven Parcels Of Property; Hearing On June 24

Having apparently arrived at the limit in efforts to reach settlements with property-owners along Grand River avenue between Farmington and Eight-mile road, the State Highway Department has begun condemnation proceedings to acquire seven parcels of property needed for the widening.

In six of the seven cases, it is indicated that the State right-of-way purchasers feel that the benefit to the property from the widening exceeds any damage that might occur, and the award offered is \$1,000. In one case damage is placed at \$2,900, as against a benefit of \$1,650, the award offered being \$1,250.

Hearing on the condemnation proceedings before Judge Dan McCaffrey is scheduled for June 24 at 10 a. m. in Probate Court.

SIX IN CAR TURN OVER FOUR TIMES; GIRL IS INJURED

Three Couples In Machine Run Into Ditch On Orchard Lake Road

A sixteen-year-old girl was seriously hurt and five companions escaped harm when their car turned over four times on Orchard Lake road Friday night. The girl is in Receiving Hospital, Redford.

Eleanor Rodenske, 16, 13550 Cherrylawn avenue, Detroit, is the injured girl. She was hurt about the chest when thrown 20 feet from the machine.

The car driven north on Orchard Lake road, near Ten-mile road, by Joseph Galesky, 6342 Colfax avenue, Detroit. He told police later that a machine appeared on the wrong side of the road, coming toward him, and he drove into the ditch to avoid it. The machine turned turtle.

The left rear wheel and tire were found 500 feet from the scene of the accident, police said, and the rear seat cushion 300 feet away. The ditch into which the car went is a shallow one.

Schools Of This Section To Give Many Diplomas

Twenty-eight Graduates At Farmington High; Programs To Be Held Next Week

High school, tenth and eighth grade graduates will receive their diplomas next week in commencement programs of schools in this section. The largest classes in history mark the ending of the school year, with the exercises at which diplomas will be awarded.

Twenty-eight Farmington high school seniors will receive diplomas next Thursday evening, at exercises to be held in the Methodist Community Hall. Prof. Paul Misner, principal of the training school at Michigan State Normal College, Ypsilanti, will be the speaker.

The program will consist of an opening march by the high school band, invocation by Rev. A. A. Schoen, music by the girls' glee club, songs by June Johnson, the address, solos by P. Owen Pauline. The senior class will be presided over by Principal A. R. Crawford, and presentation of diplomas will follow.

Rev. Schoen will give the benediction.

The class roll is as follows:

- Elroy Edwards
- Margaret Green
- George Grimme
- John Harlan
- Margaret Haugh
- Kathlyn Haynie
- Melba Keech
- Myra Kilom
- Rose Edna Larson
- Virginia Jean McCaffrey
- Jerry McCullley
- Henry Mahaney
- George Maurs
- Mary Miodynski
- Lois Murphy
- Grace Newcombe
- Jerry Palacky
- Alice Parker
- Eleanor Perry
- Esther Seely
- Winifred Sealey
- Mabel Turner
- Marvin Turner
- Harford Utley
- Donald Walters
- Glen Warner
- Helen Westfall
- Roy Young

Largest Class

Twenty-four students, the largest tenth-grade class ever to complete the course at Clarenceville high school, will be graduated Wednesday evening, at exercises to be held in the Northwestern Athletic Club headquarters. The class will present a class night program, members providing the various numbers.

The class, with officers, consists of the following:

- Letha Jorgensen, president;
- Ellen Webb, secretary; Paul Nelson, treasurer; Enid Prew, Irene Lynden, Clara Cook, Roy Rozenboom, George Wright, Ray Barnum, Harold Ransier, Wilbur Tucker, Edward Goetz, Leona Krueger, Beatrice Reigard, Jennie Tweedale, Clarence Ferris, Roy Reynolds, Russell Waack, Ruth Waack, Irene Taylor, Dorothy Braun, Gladys Robertson.

Seven At Pierson

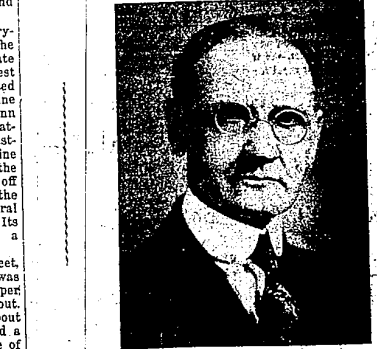
Seven students will be graduated next Thursday evening from the eighth grade of the Pierson School. Rev. George Gulien will deliver the Commencement address. The class consists of: George Adams, Shirley Addis, Fern Ault, Catherine Lorion, Louis Beach, Alfred Garchow, Joseph Smith.

AUXILIARY TO MEET

The North Farmington Cemetery Auxiliary will hold its next meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Randall, Tuesday, June 17. It is a joint meeting of the ladies and men's association, the men having their annual meeting. Supper will be served.

ISSUE YEAR-BOOK

Farmington Woman's Club has issued to members its annual year-book, listing the meetings for the coming year, names of members, committees, officers, etc. The books were prepared for the President's Day Wednesday.



Officers of the Farmington Parent-Teacher Association regarded themselves as fortunate in obtaining as the speaker for the annual honor banquet Thursday evening Supt. John H. Harris of the Pontiac Public Schools.