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Governor Tells Of Tax Lowering At County Outing

Brucker Cites \$6,000,000 Reduction In Levy For The Coming Year

Members of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors, and many residents of Farmington and Oakland County were present at the All-Oakland County Picnic, held last Friday at the West Lake Amusement Park and heard Gov. Wilbur M. Brucker explain what has been accomplished during the past year under his administration.

The afternoon was an occasion of note for most candidates for office in the County, and ranks as the outstanding event of the kind during the primary campaign. A large portion of all aspirants were on hand and mingled with the crowd. Gov. Brucker remained for more than an hour after concluding his address, to greet old friends from all over the County.

Crucial for the reduction of \$6,000,000 made in the State's budget for the coming year is due not to any individual alone, but to the Legislature and every department of government. It was the Governor told his audience. He appealed for a broad and helpful attitude toward the government, asking his hearers to remember "that welfare of the State is of more importance than the welfare of any individual," and to "remember that government is not they-against-us but we're in everything."

Gov. Brucker's talk was well received and the impression he made highly pleased those active in his support in the County. His frank approach and willingness to discuss all phases of the government, without dodging issues, provoked much favorable comment.

The Governor's speech in part follows:

"At the present time the welfare of the people of the state is of more importance than the welfare of any individual. The big problem is economy in government. Any man or group of men not pledged to action in that respect is not worthy of their franchise in the state.

"We have just gotten through the first complete fiscal year and our state expenditures were five million dollars less than the previous year. This means that every agency of our state government has lived within its appropriation and we have cut from our expenditures \$5,000,000 more."

"Our state has cut by the action of its legislators sufficient amounts that the tax this year instead of being 2 1/2 million dollars will be only 2 1/2 million dollars for the 1932 tax. That means \$6,000,000 of cutting from the next year's budget in addition to the more than \$5,000,000 pared from the expenses during the year just past."

"But we didn't stop there. We formed a salary-personnel commission composed of nine members of the Legislature to draft a budget for the next year and to present it at the next session in January."

"We attacked the Covert road problem, one of the most important problems that our state has faced in many years. This problem was especially acute in Macomb, Oakland, Monroe and Wayne Counties and to a lesser extent in Berrien County."

"Our first conference on this problem was held Dec. 24 and continued on Feb. 14 and between those dates a committee was at work studying the problem. Political visacres warned me that a special session of the Legislature would be politically ruinous. I told them that the matter at issue was the welfare of the people of the state and the special session was called."

"That session met for five weeks and three days and it accomplished these things: "It cut \$10,000,000 from the state's share of the automobile weight tax and sent it back to the counties effective at once and taken from revenue beginning Jan. 1, 1933. This was in addition to the \$10,000,000 already being sent back home for relief of local taxes."

"It opened the way for use of any highway revenues for the abolition of the mill tax on real estate."

"Made it possible for Covert road (Continued on page five)

Tells Of Reduction Made In State Taxes



GOV. BRUCKER

Oldest W. Point Resident Passes

Funeral Services Held For Mrs. William Harlan, 83-Year Old Pioneer

Mrs. William Harlan, the oldest resident of West Point Park, died Monday morning at her home on Farmington Road. She was 83 years old.

Mrs. Harlan was born in Pennsylvania on August 20, 1849 and moved to Michigan when about 8 years old, locating in Livonia Township. Mrs. Harlan, who was formerly Miss Anna Mary Hoar, was married to William Harlan in 1876. They lived together until Mr. Harlan's death in 1927.

She is survived by one son, John Harlan, her daughter-in-law Mrs. Harlan, one granddaughter, Miss Catherine Harlan, one grandson, John Jr., and many cousins.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, August 24 at her home on Farmington Road with Rev. F. Johnson of Farmington officiating. Burial took place in the Quaker Cemetery on Gill Road under the auspices of the Eastern Star, of which she was a charter member.

SUGAR BOWL GETS NEW FREEZER TO MEET BIG DEMAND

New Apparatus Has Capacity Of 400 Quarts Of Ice Cream Per Day

Exactly how many quarts of ice cream the people of Farmington can consume per day has never been accurately determined but, since the proprietors of the Sugar Bowl installed equipment to make their own ice cream three weeks ago, the sales have more than grown to such an extent that a new and bigger freezer has been obtained so that all of the customers may be supplied.

The capacity of the first freezer that was installed was only a mere 80 quarts a day. As the demand for the home made sherbet and ice cream steadily mounted, a new machine of the most modern type was installed.

The new apparatus has a capacity of 400 quarts a day. In round numbers, this is equivalent to 20,000 double dip ice cream cones per week.

Farmington Boy Meets Chief Executive



Daniel Duquet of Farmington, the third boy from the right was among the eight Eagle Scouts of Michigan, who were sent to the old fort on Mackinac Island to serve as members of the Eagle Scout Honor Guard. The Scouts stopped in Lansing to meet Governor Wilbur M. Brucker, and receive from him their commissions as members of the Honor Guard.

Registration In Township Goes To 1,066 Mark

Last Minute Rush Of 218 Puts Total Over Amount Expected

Forecasting an unusually heavy vote in the fall primaries, registration in Farmington Township closed Wednesday with a last minute rush of 218 people, boosting the total to 1,066, more than 250 above the number expected.

From the number registering, early, it was believed that only a few would be able to vote on September 13. However, during the last week, more than 500 persons, almost half of the total, signed up.

On Wednesday, 118 persons came to Township Clerk Willard Campbell's house to register before the deadline and 100 reported at the Bond School. The school and the deputy booth at Farmington Junction were both used during the week, as well as Mr. Campbell's residence, as places for registration, so that it would be convenient for all in the Township to signify their intention of voting.

The system inaugurated this year is a permanent one that will not make re-registration necessary provided that the voter goes to the polls regularly.

The registration system is also a safeguard against illegal vote-polls. All persons, on coming to the polls, must sign their names in the poll book and their signatures are compared with those in the permanent registration file. Unless they are identical, the person is not allowed to vote.

LEE NAMED HEAD OF FARMINGTON POST OF LEGION

Doyle Is Unopposed Nominee For Senior Vice-Commander Of Groves-Walker Post

Norman C. Lee will be commander of Groves-Walker Post No. 346 of the American Legion during the coming year, having been nominated without opposition at a meeting held last Thursday. Mr. Lee, at present senior vice-commander, will take office following the elections, to be held September 15.

Lee E. Doyle, Farmington chief of police and junior vice-commander of the Post was also the unopposed nominee for the office of senior vice-commander.

Those nominated for the office of junior vice-commander were Alfred Smith, G. F. Weaver, and Guy Morrill.

James VanVolkenburg was nominated for adjutant and will be unopposed in the election. Fred Maas will also be unopposed for finance officer.

Charles Raley and Lester Tripp were both named for post historian. Reverend Floyd C. Johnson is unopposed for chaplain.

Paul Maas, Fred Boneberger, and Homer Eisenberg are the three nominees for the position of sergeant-at-arms. Harley Schroeder, G. F. Weaver, Fred Maas, and Norman C. Lee are candidates for the board of trustees. Two will be named for the Board and will serve terms of two years.

Fred Schaupeter and Myron Carrier were nominated for the executive board.

State Senator Wood Appeals Guilty Verdict

Solon Fined \$25 And \$20 Costs On Reckless Driving Charge

State Senator Arthur E. Wood of Detroit will appeal to Oakland County Circuit Court a verdict of guilty returned against him Monday on a reckless driving charge by Justice of the Peace Willis T. Roberts of Farmington Township. Senator Wood, sentenced to pay a fine of \$25 and \$20 costs of 20 days in the county jail, paid the costs and his attorney, State Representative Charles H. Culver, also of Detroit, will appear next Monday to complete arrangements for an appeal.

Senator Wood was released by Justice Roberts in the custody of Rep. Culver.

The verdict was announced at

Much-Discussed Case Finds Justice Ready

The trial of State Senator Arthur E. Wood before Justice Willis T. Roberts of Farmington Township Monday, which drew widespread attention, did not catch Justice Roberts unprepared. It was a traffic-accident case, with some difference of opinion as to how it occurred. The judge was ready for it, and when the expected diversity of testimony arose, everything necessary to make the testimony clear was at hand.

That was provided with which to reproduce three driving lanes on the floor and then the judge handed out several toy automobiles, which the witness could put in place, to illustrate where they claimed the cars were situated when the crash happened.

One o'clock, after a recess had been taken during which the judge considered the testimony. Calling Senator Wood after luncheon, Justice Roberts stated, "after consideration of the testimony, I find you guilty of reckless driving, in that you failed to have your car under control and allowed it to go into another lane of traffic, which lane this court is not saying." The judge referred to the defendant's car having skidded on the wet pavement, and then announced the sentence.

The trial, at which more than 50 persons were present, was held at Oakland County Circuit Court following a formal complaint filed by John E. Austerberry, of Detroit, who charged that on July 21, at approximately 6:30 p. m. o'clock, Senator Wood ran into his automobile on Grand River Avenue, near Botkins' Inn, between Farmington and Novi.

Mr. Austerberry testified that he was going west on Grand River at a speed of about 40 miles per hour in the right lane of traffic when Senator Wood's car, going east, darted out of line, crossed the center line, and hit the left front fender of his Lincoln car, sending the automobile into the sidewalk and causing damages estimated at about \$300. The road at the scene of the accident is wide

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Senator Wood Brings Tiny License Number

The smallest license number any car that has been seen parked in this vicinity in some time was brought to Clarenceville Monday by State Senator Arthur E. Wood when he appeared for trial before Justice of the Peace Willis T. Roberts of Farmington Township.

The low license numbers mark, as regarded by some, at least of measurable influence in State affairs. The number displayed on Senator Wood's car was 145, only four removed from that of the Governor himself. But the single digit didn't seem to overawe Justice Roberts, when it came to rendering the verdict or imposing sentence.

Justice Who Declared State Senator Guilty



WILLIS T. ROBERTS

'Big Mac' Given Military Funeral

Southfield War Hero Was Last Bagpiper Of Famous Canadian Regiment

Taps sounded Wednesday as James W. MacDonald, known throughout Southfield Township as "Big Mac," the lone surviving bagpiper of a Scottish regiment sent from Canada to France, was buried with the military pomp due valiant warriors.

"Big Mac," a bagpiper who time after time fearlessly led his regiment over the top, was known as one of the luckiest men in the Canadian army. Although he went through five years of war unscathed, several times bullets ripped holes in his kilts and once the insignia was ripped off of his collar.

But Mac's luck had changed. Of late years he had found work scarce. For the past two years his wife, Mable, and their three children have been securing aid from Oakland County Welfare. The climax came Saturday night when Mac was killed in an automobile accident on Eight Mile Road, near Delaware Avenue.

Members of the Canadian Legion and Veterans of South African Wars Post No. 1 were present at his funeral and stood at attention as the hero's body was lowered into the grave.

Members of the Canadian Post are now attempting to see that his widow and three children get the pension that they are entitled to from the Canadian Government. Two hundred residents of Southfield have volunteered to assist the family until this money comes.

Mrs. MacDonald is very modest about her husband's achievement but there are medals in the tiny green bungalow in which the family lives that speak for the heroism of their owner. The Distinguished Service Medal and a personal decoration from the King are among them.

"Mac" and MacDonald said, "was the first over the top one day and they followed him into No Man's Land. He was the only man of his company to come back. Even his brother was killed."

PONTIAC BUGLE CORPS WILL BE HERE GALA DAY

Winners Of State Honors Coming To Farmington; Post is Completing Plans

Members of the Groves-Walker Post, American Legion of Farmington are fast completing plans for their eleventh annual Gala Day, to be held Labor Day. Programs will be ready within a few days announcing all events for the big day.

The feature of the occasion will be the appearance of the Drum and Bugle Corps of Cook-Nelson Post No. 20 of Pontiac, which on Monday won second prize among all corps of the state at the Legion convention in Kalamazoo. The smart outfit from Pontiac is much in demand at various events throughout this part of the State.

Ball games, athletic events for all ages, a midway, and other features that have made the event popular in the past, will be present on Gala Day.

O. E. S. progressive pedro and bridge party will be held at the home of Mrs. Reed Webster, 33727 Shiloh, Tuesday, August 30, at 2 o'clock.

Receiver Named, Takes Charge Of The Peoples Bank

John N. Daley Of Detroit Is Appointed; A. Floyd Blakeslee Named Attorney

John N. Daley, former vice-president of the Guardian-Detroit Bank, is now in charge of affairs at the Peoples State Bank of Farmington, having been named as Receiver of the bank by Circuit Judge Glenn C. Gillespie following filing of a petition by Rudolph Reichert, State Banking Commissioner. A. Floyd Blakeslee, Pontiac attorney and widely-known throughout the County as former Prosecuting attorney, was at the same time named as attorney for the receiver.

Mr. Daley assumed management of the institution's affairs early this week, his appointment having been made Saturday morning in Pontiac. He has already spent several days this week familiarizing himself with affairs of the bank, assisted by bank officials.

Long-continued low prices of securities and similar factors characteristic of the lengthy depression were leading causes of the receivership which followed an earnest effort to save the institution and re-open it under a moratorium plan. Present conditions made the realization of this hope extremely difficult, if not impossible.

A deep and sincere interest in the problem of the receivership as it affects the community was manifested by Mr. Daley immediately on assuming control. "We will endeavor to conduct the receivership keeping uppermost in mind the greatest advantage to the depositors and the utmost benefit to the community," he said in a statement to The Enterprise. "We hope to perform our task in a manner satisfactory to everyone."

Mr. Daley is a man of much experience in the financial field, having held important positions in banking. Mr. Blakeslee was prosecuting attorney of Oakland County from 1920 to 1924, and has since been engaged in private practice in Pontiac.

CIVIL WAR VET IS HERE ON WAY TO TWO REUNIONS

W. H. Wiewand Returns To Farmington For Brief Visit; Drives Own Car

W. H. ("Harv") Wiewand a member of the fast thinning ranks of the G. A. R., arrived in Farmington Thursday en route to Pontiac for the reunion of his Civil War regiment. His plans included calling on several friends (and leaving in at least one place a box of everbearing strawberries), remaining over night in Farmington at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pettibone, and going on to Pontiac Friday morning for the reunion.

On Saturday Mr. Wiewand will return to Farmington for the annual Nichols School reunion, one of the outstanding reunions of the year. He drove his own car from his home at Coldwater, as is his custom, although he is nearing the 90-year mark.

FLOWER LOVERS! ATTENTION!

Classifications for the annual Flower Show sponsored by Farmington Garden Club, to be held Sept. 8-9, have been completed, but too late for complete publication this week. Watch next week's Enterprise for the complete list.

Jail Sentences For Traffic Offenses Now

Jail sentences for traffic offenses will be the rule in Farmington Township Justice court hereafter, Justice Willis T. Roberts stated this week. He mentioned the numerous accidents occurring and called attention to one man having been killed Saturday night and a Farmington man being in the hospital with serious injuries as a result of a crash some weeks ago. "This wild driving has got to stop," said the Judge. He said that "running" red lights is a particularly common offense and a dangerous one.