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Red Cross Will Begin Roll Call In Farmington

Organization Has Made Big Returns To County For Contributions Made

The Red Cross roll call, now in progress all over the United States will be opened in Farmington shortly, according to Clara Grace, block chairman for south-central Oakland County.

Volunteer workers throughout the city and township have been busily engaged in the last two weeks in sewing together the cut pieces of cotton clothing supplied by the Red Cross Cloth for 240 articles has been distributed in the city alone.

Services and supplies valued at more than \$135,000 have been brought to Oakland County by the Red Cross this year, in return for \$2,285.50 returned to the national organization in memberships in a year.

This includes 38 carloads of flour and 140,000 yards of cotton cloth, as well as 15,000 pounds of wheat cereal. Of the flour 96 barrels were distributed in Farmington Township in October.

The Oakland County chapter has also assisted in collecting \$78,000 in claims, pensions, and various allowances for veterans. The usual life-saving and first aid programs were carried out during the year.

The membership goal for this year in Oakland County is 7,500, the campaign being carried on throughout the township and cities. The roll call is the Red Cross' only source of income.

CONSIDER MEANS TO GIVE MEDICAL AID TO INDIGENTS

Township Board Makes Further Plans To Take Over Welfare Work

Means of providing medical care for township indigents if the township system of welfare administration goes in effect January 1 were discussed by the Farmington Township Board Tuesday night. The board which favors the most favor, though no formal action was taken, was to retain several of the doctors living in the City and Township, paying them by the month for their services.

All the produce raised for welfare purposes under the supervision of Road Commissioner Clayton Goers has been harvested and is ready for use except for the beans, which must be threshed.

Buying Clothing Money raised through the benefit affair October 28 is being distributed now. Constables William Greger and William LaForge are buying clothing for the school-children under the supervision of Chairman Willis T. Roberts. Much of the buying has been done at Fred L. Cook and Co., which offers discounts, thus making it possible to add more children than otherwise.

Careful records are being kept of the distribution of donated funds, so that no duplication will occur.

Divided Boards Justice Roberts proposed that election boards work in two districts hereafter. Even if the membership of the boards were doubled, there would probably be a saving in salaries, he said.

If one group were to supervise the voting, and give way at 8 o'clock to a fresh crew of workers to count the votes, less time would be taken because the second shift would not be already fatigued, Justice Roberts explained.

The meeting was the first held in Clarenceville Oddfellows' Hall.

"Merchant of Venice" To Be Given For P. T. A.

A dramatization of Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice" will be presented by Mrs. Harrison's tenth grade pupils at the Parent-Teachers Association meeting next Tuesday, at 8 p. m. in the M. E. Community Hall.

The regular business meeting, conducted by First Vice-President Mrs. John J. Schulte, will precede the program. A vocal solo by Miss June Johnson is included in the evening's entertainment. The school orchestra will play several selections.

"Founders' Week" Marks 6th Year Of West Point Park Structure



REV. GEORGE E. GULLEN

Use City Grader To Clear Snow

Heavy Fall Gives Opportunity To Try Machine As Snow; Clean Business Streets

The first opportunity to try out the Farmington City grader as a snow plow came Wednesday morning, when a seven inch fall of snow made driving particularly difficult. The city has had the grader for more than a year, but the snowfall has not previously been heavy enough to require clearing away.

Three hours will be required to clear the business streets thoroughly hereafter, it was estimated. The job took slightly longer Wednesday, but the streets were made easily passable within about an hour. Grand River Avenue and Farmington Road were the only streets cleared.

Harvey Blough operated the grader. In the afternoon the county plow went over the roads again, as has been done in the past.

No major accidents were reported near Farmington as a result of the first snowfall, but several cars went off the road between Farmington and New Hudson on Grand River without serious damage.

LAKE SENTENCED TO 1 TO 14 YEARS FOR BAD CHECKS

Check Passer Pleads Guilty In Pontiac Circuit Court; Short Term Recommended

Denver Lake, who defrauded four Farmington merchants of \$25 by passing worthless checks in 1931, pleaded guilty to the charge upon arraignment in Circuit Court at Pontiac Monday afternoon. He was sentenced to 14 years in Jackson Prison by Judge Frank L. Covert, who recommended a one-year term.

Lake was apprehended in Bismarck, North Dakota, on October 8. Chief of Police Lee Doyle was notified of the capture October 15 and left for Bismarck with Prosecutor Clarence Smith on Thursday October 27. They returned Wednesday November 2.

Lake was arraigned and examined before Justice John J. Schulte at Farmington, at 10 o'clock and bound over to circuit court on \$2,000 bond. Lake pleaded guilty on his first appearance there on this charge.

FIRST SHOWING OF PLYMOUTH SIX AT OTIS-GRAVE

Model Improved In Appearance And Mechanically; Prices Average \$60 Lower

The new Plymouth six was exhibited in Farmington Thursday by the Otis-Grace Motor Sales Co., simultaneously with its first showing by more than 7,000 dealers throughout the country.

Prices on the new cars average \$60 under those of the fours they replace. They have been modernized in appearance, and improved mechanically, including "floating" engine mounting. Each of the closed car models has been wired for radio installation.

Residents of West Point Park are this week celebrating "Founders' Week." Six years ago work was begun on the present building which stands a little to the east of the intersection of Seven Mile and Farmington Roads.

The outstanding event was scheduled for Thursday night, when the Rev. George E. Gullen, the pioneer and organizing pastor in the work was to deliver the Founders' Dinner address, with greetings from Detroit. The program featured musical numbers rendered by local and invited talent.

The West Point Park building project was begun with much enthusiasm and great expansion regarding the service to be rendered locally. The pressing need for such a structure fused the community into a united family, and led to the movement that culminated in the present development. Generous subscriptions covered the entire cost of lots and building. A little more than a third of the amount pledged toward the project has been paid in, leaving an indebtedness of \$9,400. No effort is being made to collect on these pledges at this time.

An appeal is made by both Rev. Gullen and Rev. J. Miller, of the present pastor, for unbroken moral support even though money could not now be given. Human nature, they say, needs the gospel as much in hard times as in more prosperous ones. With the plant equipped for service, the people are urged to make full use of it, and to assist also in its management and oversight.

The Founders' Week emphasis will be carried through Sunday when the minister will preach on "What We Can Be Thankful For." Just before this adult sermon, Rev. Miller, continuing his course, will talk briefly to the youth on "The Service Club."

The Adult Bible Class will hold its next monthly business meeting at the church on Thursday, December 1, at 8 p. m. Mr. Gooden, class president, and his wife will provide the refreshments.

The Community Club's annual bazaar is set for Friday, December 2. Plans for this affair will be discussed at a meeting of those of former years.

Officers of the boards, Sunday school and Woman's Association will meet in business session on Wednesday evening, December 7, at 8 o'clock.

REDFORD CUTS ITS ADMISSION PRICE TO 25c

Matinee Rates Will Be 20 Cents; Unusual Movies To Be Shown This Week

The Redford Theater has reduced its admission prices to 25 cents for all seats at all times, except for Saturdays and Sundays, when admission is 20 cents. It was announced Thursday.

Several fine shows will be at the Redford during the coming week. A Jack Holt picture, "The Captive," and "The Blond Sporting Age," will be presented Friday and Saturday, with the usual stage show Saturday night at 9 p. m.

Marlene Dietrich, in "Blond Venus," will be the feature Sunday, Monday and Tuesday, and George Arliss in "Successful Calamity" will be shown Wednesday and Thursday nights.

Washington Day Held By Club Wednesday

Wednesday, November 16, was Washington Day at the meeting of the Farmington Woman's Club at the home of Mrs. James Van Volkenburg.

Miss Mary Kennedy chairman of the program and Miss Helen Spencer secretary, as elaborate as a man, and Washington as a patron of education. Mrs. Minnie Wilbur made those present realize the tender relations between Washington and his mother by reading a passage, "Washington, the Son."

Mrs. George Hendry followed by reading a poem by Edwin Blanton written on Washington for the Bicentennial celebration this year.

Reviews Politics In Early Days Of Farmington

Address Tells Of Activities In Pioneer Days Of The Republic

Activities of Farmington citizens of the past in political life of the nation, with the rise and fall of parties in the ever-changing history of our national life, formed the subject of an interesting address Wednesday noon by President Nathan H. Power at Farmington Exchange Club. That some families of the community have for generations been members of one or the other of the two leading parties was revealed by the speaker, who in a fascinating manner outlined the growth of the country, with local incidents dramatizing the national struggles that occurred.

From John Quincy Adams, president when Farmington was settled, down through the terms of Andrew Jackson, the birth of the Free and fair play, which polled only four votes when they first had a national ticket in 1852, but carried the town for John C. Fremont four years later; through the struggle for slavery, the incident of the Farmington man who expressed joy at Lincoln's assassination and was made to recant by a number of Union soldier boys home on furlough—all these were woven together in an entertaining and highly instructive narrative.

Mr. Power's address follows: "Farmington citizens, most of the voters at least, have always taken an active interest in politics. The town was settled by strong, courageous, intelligent men who were undaunted by the hardships and privations of pioneer life. "John Quincy Adams, able and cultured, a Whig in politics, was president in 1824 when the first settlers came from New York State. Some of the descendants of the pioneer men signed by him are still in existence. He was one of the famous Adams family, who for 100 years or more have had such honorable and distinguished careers in civic affairs. The present Secretary of the Navy, hailing from Massachusetts, is an able and distinguished member of the family, and in every way qualified to be at the head of one of the great departments of the government.

First "Commoner" President "Andrew Jackson, succeeded Adams as president and was inaugurated March 4, 1829. He was a man with meager education, honest, sincere, obstinate, a devoted friend, and an implacable foe, and a man of great courage. He was the first president to be elected by the 'presidential' chair. He fought the United States Bank, the most powerful financial institution in the country, even though some of the directors were among his friends and his men of great influence politically. This did not deter him, and he was able to prevent a renewal of the Bank's charter. He clashed with John C. Calhoun, senator from South Carolina, one of the eminent men of his time and when Calhoun threatened to nullify a law passed by Congress, and to cause South Carolina to secede from the Union unless the law was repealed, he let him know that an action of that kind was treason, and treason was punishable by death.

(The remainder of Mr. Power's address, which was printed in next week's Enterprise.)

GROVES-WALKER REMITS ALL DUES FOR PAST YEARS

Members In Arrears May Be Re-instated By Paying For Current Year

All dues still delinquent from past years have been cancelled by Groves-Walker Post, No. 346, American Legion. This action was voted by the executive committee at the Legion Home Thursday, November 10, before the regular meeting of the Post, in recognition of present economic conditions, which have made many members unable to keep up their dues.

By this ruling, which permits members in arrears to become re-instated by payment of the current year's dues, the work of Myron "Mike" Carrier, chairman of the membership committee, is expected to be aided considerably.

Members who wish to take advantage of the relief offered by this plan are urged to get in touch with Mr. Carrier for a full explanation of it.

Court Verdict Will Permit Second Bank Dividend Soon

Long-Awaited Decision Holds Deposits Of Governmental Units Are Not Preferred Claims; To Distribute \$35,000 Unless Officials Appeal

A second dividend will be distributed soon by Howard C. Knickerbocker, Receiver of Farmington State Savings Bank, to depositors of that institution, unless an appeal is taken by officials of governmental units from a Circuit Court decree. The verdict, which has just been handed down, holds that deposits of the governmental units are not preferred claims, but must be regarded as general claims and share with other deposits in dividends.

Enterprise To Be Out Earlier Next Week

The Enterprise will be issued earlier next week, because of Thanksgiving Day. Therefore all copy must be in one day earlier.

Personal letters and correspondence must be by 3 p. m. Monday and all want-ads should be in the Enterprise office by Tuesday night. Advertising copy must also be at the office one day earlier.

Churches To Join Thanksgiving Day

Baptist, Evangelical, Methodist To Hold Union Services At M. E. Church

Union Thanksgiving service will be held at the Farmington Methodist Church at 10 a. m. on Thanksgiving Day. Three churches, the Methodist, Baptist and Evangelical, will join in the worship.

The sermon will be preached by Rev. H. Niederrhoefer of the Evangelical Church. Rev. Floyd C. Johnson of the Methodist Church and Rev. Elmer W. Palmer of the Baptist Church will assist in the services.

ANCIENT SEWING MACHINE AIDS IN RED CROSS WORK

1868 Model Enables Women To Complete Assembling Of Boys' Suits

When modern machinery breaks down, the old-fashioned product steps in the breach. This Farmington woman can testify to this. Mrs. Elizabeth Holcomb, Mrs. Joseph W. Norton, and Mrs. G. R. Norton were working on Red Cross garments at Mrs. Joseph Norton's home, when their electric sewing machine broke down shortly after they started. Mrs. Holcomb recollected that she had an antique machine stored away, and they found it in the hay loft of her barn.

The machine is somewhat worn, but its simple mechanism is undamaged, and they soon had it ready for work. It is an old treadle sewing machine manufactured in Philadelphia about 1868, as closely as could be determined.

The size of that old-fashioned machine, but it held enough thread to last a surprisingly long time. Mrs. Holcomb said.

The machine was originally owned by Mrs. Eliza Delling, mother of John Delling, and was acquired by Mrs. Holcomb when she bought the house on Grand River formerly owned by Mrs. William Thomas, Mrs. Delling's daughter. The five boys' suits the ladies were sewing for the Red Cross were finished with ease by the machine.

Legion Post To Hold Feather Party Monday

The Groves-Walker Post, No. 346, American Legion, will hold a feather party at 8 p. m. next Monday at the Legion Home.

There will be turkeys, geese, ducks, chickens and oysters to prove. Thanksgiving dinners for those attending. A keno game will be held at the party. Everyone is invited to come.

Companions Bag Their Deer On First Morning

Speed and efficiency is the new note in deer-hunting. Harrison Johnson and Carl Hinbern of Farmington set what is probably a new record this week in the furtherance of this ideal.

They left for Mt. Monday, arriving there at night. Going out early Tuesday, by noon both had shot, cleaned, and hung up their bucks. They were back home Wednesday.

Unless an appeal is taken, the verdict will release many thousands of dollars for distribution in the community. The money has been ready for months, but declaring of the dividend has been held up because of the claim to preference.

The dividend cannot be distributed once because in all circuit court cases, 30 days is allowed for appeal. However, Earl L. Phillips, attorney for the receiver, immediately began communicating with attorneys for the governmental units, with the view of making the dividend distribution possible without waiting the full 30 days. The opposing attorneys may waive appeal and if they are willing to do so, the dividend could be distributed at once.

Legal Victory The verdict, handed down by Judge Frank L. Covert, represents a signal legal victory for Mr. Phillips in a lengthy battle over the public money for deposits. Had the decision been otherwise, the extent of the preferred claims would have had a serious bearing on the distribution of dividends in the near future.

The decree also marks the end of a long period of anxious waiting on the part of the receiver, Mr. Knickerbocker, who, with thousands of dollars on hand gathered through energetic work in realization of the bank's assets, has been unable to make a move toward distributing the money to depositors until the legal question was decided.

Appeal Unlikely It is believed unlikely that an appeal will be taken by attorneys for the governmental units. It is pointed out that to a large extent the people represented are the same; that is, the bank's depositors are largely people of the community, represented by the governmental units having money on deposits. A considerable portion of the citizens of these units are depositors of the bank, and a vice versa.

Eleven governmental units of this area had money on deposit in the bank, not covered by bonds. Their deposits are as follows: School District No. 1, Novi (Continued on page four)

DEC. 8 LAST DAY FOR FILING CLAIMS ON PEOPLES BANK

No Claims Will Be Honored After Final Date; Prompt Action Will Prevent Rush

All claims against the Peoples State Bank of Farmington must be in by December 8 to be honored. Receiver John N. Daley again warns depositors. The law permits no extension of time, so any claims not filed by that date cannot be honored, he points out.

Proper blanks and full instructions may be obtained at bank. Numerous persons have made no move toward entering their claims. Mr. Daley says: "It is a last-minute rush may cause inconvenience."

Special Ford Radio Shown By Russell's

A new automobile radio, especially designed for Fords by the Monarch Radio Co., is being displayed by Olin Russell, Inc. This will fit any make or model of car, and can be easily installed.

Full details can be obtained at the Russell office on Grand River Avenue.

P. T. A. GIVES PARTY

A given by and dance were given by the P. T. A. at the John Grace School. Prizes of poultry were given.