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## Christmas Fund Drive For 1932 To Open At Once

### Fifth Annual Goodfellow Drive Gets Under Way; Use Barrels Again

With the need greater than ever before, the fifth annual Goodfellow Community Christmas Fund drive in Farmington is to begin immediately, with the Exchange Club and American Legion co-operating.

Again this year barrels will be placed in all grocery stores for contributions of food. Needy residents of Farmington Township as well as of the city will be benefited by the fund.

The Exchange Club began work on the fund Wednesday, with the appointment of a committee by President N. H. Power. Spencer Heeney, Howard Warner, Floyd Gullen, Leo Gildenstein, and Elmer Levinson will serve on the committee and Floyd Nichols will act as custodian of donations, with representatives of the Legion to be named by Chairman Norman Lee at the Thursday night meeting.

Any kind of food will be welcome, though non-perishables are preferable. Farmers wishing to donate produce, as was done last year, may get in touch with any member of the committee to have their contributions collected.

The churches have been asked to co-operate, and will furnish the names of the needy persons. Cash gifts in any amount, no matter how small, will be welcome, and should be turned over to Mr. Nichols.

Howard Warner will prepare the barrels and they will be placed in the grocery stores within a day or two.

## SERVICES HELD BY MASONRY FOR ELMER WESTON

### Friends Mourn Death Of Clarenceville Man; Was 56 Years Old

His numerous friends in Farmington are mourning the death of Elmer Weston of Clarenceville, whose funeral was held Monday afternoon under the auspices of Farmington Masonic Lodge. Mr. Weston, who was 56 years old, had been in poor health for four years and seriously ill for a month. He died last Friday.

Born in Southfield Township, July 2, 1876, Mr. Weston lived there and in Farmington Township all his life. Until 18 years ago he operated a blacksmith shop at Grand River and Eight Mile Roads, and since that time ran a plumbing business in the same vicinity.

Mr. Weston is survived by Mrs. Weston and two daughters, Misses Alma and Inez Weston. Mr. and Mrs. Weston celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in April of this year. One brother and three sisters also survive. Burial was in Southfield Cemetery. Rev. Elmer Palmer conducted the services at the grave.

Will Way, business partner and intimate friend of Mr. Weston, read the Masonic services. A large number of persons attended the funeral.

## Blaze At McGarvey's Does Little Damage

A roof fire at the McGarvey place on Oakland Avenue did only slight damage at 3 o'clock Saturday afternoon. The fire started mysteriously put out the flames which were caused by sparks from the chimney. It was the first fire in Farmington since October 17, when the old Adams place on Grand River Avenue was destroyed.

## O. E. S. Bridge Luncheon Will Be Given Dec. 10

A bridge luncheon will be given for the benefit of the O. E. S. at the home of Mrs. E. O. Hutton Saturday, December 10. Luncheon will be at 12:30 and will be 60 cents per plate. The hostesses would like to have reservations made by Thursday, December 8. Phone 171 and the tickets will be sent to the members interested. The evening will also be spent in playing cards. There will be refreshments, door prizes and table prizes. The charge for the evening will be 25 cents per person. Everyone is invited, especially the men to the evening party.

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## Slump's Effect On Child Subject Of An Article



MISS CAROL CROSMAN

## Revive Question Of Bus Service

### Mayor Lamb Takes Up Matter With State Officials At Lansing

After having lain dormant for a number of months, the matter of better and cheaper transportation between Farmington and Redford has been revived a bit during the past week.

Mayor Arthur Lamb, while in Lansing on County business a few days ago, took the matter up with State officials and reports that they lent a sympathetic ear to his outline of Farmington's difficulties. The Mayor says first, Grocker who expressed interest and recommended that the matter be taken up with Chairman Harold J. Waples of the Public Utilities Commission.

Mr. Waples, Mayor Lamb reported, also showed a very helpful attitude and said that under the circumstances as outlined by the Mayor, he saw no reason why a permit for a bus line between Farmington and Redford, with better service and lower fares, should not be granted.

It was suggested, Mayor Lamb said, that petitions be drawn up and circulated in the community, obtaining signatures to indicate that the people in this section are in favor of a permit for a local line. Mayor Lamb said he would ask Paul A. Ford, Farmington attorney who attended the hearing at Lansing last June 10 as attorney for Frank Reuland, bus line applicant, to draw the petitions within a short time.

Since the hearing last June which was followed by rejection of the applicant's petition, a Clarenceville resident has indicated that he would like to establish a bus line on Grand River. He has had experience in the business in the Grand River section, owns a bus, and is well and favorably known in this area. He stated at the time some months ago that he would be willing to start his line at the fare agreed to by Reuland, 15 cents to Redford, with three five-cent zones, and ample service, including evening runs.

## William G. Malcolmson On Board of Pioneers

William G. Malcolmson has been named to the board of directors of the Detroit Business Pioneers for 1933.

Mr. Malcolmson, who is in Farmington, is president of Malcolmson, Higginbotham & Trout, a membership firm. The Pioneers is open only to officials of firms which have been in business in Detroit 50 years or more.

## Tobacco Worth \$160 Is Stolen From Club

About \$160 worth of cigars and cigarettes were stolen from Plum Hollow Golf Club at Nine Mile and Lahser Roads, Tuesday night. A member interested in the winter club had manager, James W. Hill, was going to move the tobacco stock away Wednesday morning. Hill had been at the club Tuesday, so the time could be fixed, although no indications of the identity of the thieves could be found by deputies who investigated.

## Teachers' Pay Is Cut One-Half To Keep School Open

### Farmington Board Forced To Drastic Action; Urges Paying Of School Tax

Farmington Board of Education Thursday took with great reluctance drastic action in the face of a financial situation that threatened to force closing of the school. Notices were prepared to be mailed Friday to all teachers and employees, notifying them that effective January 1 their salaries will be reduced 50 per cent.

The teachers will continue to receive the rate of pay that has obtained for the sufficient time to get their contracts calling for 30 days' notice of any alteration. This means that the teachers will receive their full rate of pay for four months, and will suffer the full force of the present rate of reduction only after that time. The reduction of some what over 25 per cent for the year.

In the notice to the teachers, the Board states that the cut will be effective until the tax payment situation improves, indicating that if conditions become better it will restore the present rate of pay.

Even with this sharp reduction in costs, the present outlay gives no guarantee that the school will be enabled to remain open. Tax delinquency of the past two years, steadily increasing, has brought about the present situation. Unless school taxes are paid up better than they have been in recent months, there is real danger that the school may have to be closed entirely.

At the present rate of teachers' pay, salaries alone require about \$2,500 a month. The reduction of pay will cut this to \$1,250, but other expenses must be met.

Made It Back Again At the conclusion of the school year last June, there was some back salary owing to teachers. This has been made up, but it was necessary to use the September primary money to do this. It cut deeply into the school funds, and the Board has had difficulty in finding sufficient money to meet the teacher payroll due December 1.

Every effort has been made by the Board to find some way out, and the 50 per cent cut was adopted as a last resort. The average pay of teachers, including the janitor, is about \$1,200 for the year, or \$180 a month for nine months.

There is one hope held by authorities for keeping open the school and maintaining it on a satisfactory basis. This lies in the payment by the people of their school taxes. School authorities believe that most people are not aware that they have the privilege of paying any portion of it. If they cannot pay all, they feel that if the people understand this, that many, particularly parents, will make a special effort to pay their school taxes at least, to keep up their children's education. In many communities educational campaigns to this end have been carried on with good results.

The psychiatric Out-Patient Clinic in co-operation with social agencies attempts to meet the problems of the individual in their mental, emotional and social needs. Problems of holding together the fabric of family life are worked out with community agencies dealing with family welfare. If the stress and strain of family life has been so great as to make necessary the removal of a child from his home, we are many times called in to help the child in its adjustment to the new environment, or to the institutional placement.

The treatment essential in the working out of these difficult problems is necessary more intensive and at the same time case loads have increased to unusual proportions. An effort is being made to serve as many as possible in order that the clinic may assume its share of responsibility in serving the community during the present crisis.

## Boston Shoe Repair Shop Has New Owner

Ownership of a Farmington business, the Boston Shoe Repair Shop, was transferred Thursday to Virginia James, widow of the late Thomas James and special administratrix of his estate, sold the business to S. McKeljian.

## DEPUTY SHERIFF BAGS 2 RABBITS WITH HIS PISTOL

### William Tamm Sets Up 667 Average For Marksmen To Shoot At

Deputy Sheriff William Tamm is ready to wing bandits on the farm with his trusty pistol, having proved his ability on lesser, though probably more elusive, game.

The deputy was called to the Fred Westfall farm at Eleven Mile and Orchard Lake Roads one day last week to order away intruders who were cutting wood there. After he had ordered them off the farm, he looked around and remarked to Fred Westfall, Jr., who had called him, that there were rabbit tracks in the woods.

## Sings Mournful Tune As Jail Term Begins

Denver Lake made his living singing mournful carboy songs to a guitar accompaniment before a bad check charge from Farmington caught up with him in North Dakota and he was sent to prison for a one to 14-year term.

Therefore he was able to put some skill as well as feeling into the song, "Twenty Years is a Mighty Long Time," which he sang as he was being taken away from Pontiac to Jackson last week. Likely he was singing his way from town to town in the west, at entertainments and a few times on the radio, when he ran afoul of the police in Bismarck.

## Warning Issued To Depositors

### Only One Week Remains For Filing Claims Against Peoples State Bank

More than 300 persons are in danger of losing opportunity to realize on the claims against the Peoples State Bank, John N. Daley, Receiver warns. This is the number of depositors and other creditors of the bank who have not yet filed their claims, with only a week remaining.

The law is such that rarely is an extension of time granted beyond the closing date, which is next Thursday, December 8, Mr. Daley points out.

Delay will be avoided if claims are filed Friday and Saturday of this week, Mr. Daley says. A last-day rush will be inconvenient to both depositors and the receiver's staff.

The claims can be handled much more efficiently and economically if they are entered early in the week.

## MOTHER WEPT WHEN HE VOTED FOR DEMOCRAT

### W. H. Wiewand Recalls Strength Of Political Feeling In Family

Allegiance to the Republican party strong enough to make his mother weep when he voted for a Democrat for president existed in the family of W. H. Wiewand, his father, a statesman and former Farmington resident, he recalled last Saturday during a visit here.

Mr. Wiewand, who is 87 years old, now lives in Coldwater, Michigan. His father, who has been a strong abolitionist and was among the first adherents of the Free Soil party. Therefore when part of the Republican party joined the Democrats in 1872 to support Horace Greeley, the great abolitionist editor, he followed.

But in 1876, instead of changing back, he voted for Samuel Tilden, the Democrat who opposed the Republican candidate, Rutherford B. Hayes for president. Mr. Wiewand, despite the tears of his mother on this occasion, has remained a Democrat ever since.

His father, who was an abolitionist, non-political point. Referring to a recent report of the death of an 83-year old Civil War veteran, he demonstrated his grievance mathematically.

"I was 16 years and 6 months old when I entered the army in 1861, and I saw three years of service," Mr. Wiewand said. "I am one of the youngest Civil War veterans who had active experience. They were still enlisting men in January and February of 1865, however, who saw no fighting because the war was over in April before they were ready for the front."

"A man 16 years old in 1865 would be 83 today, and there were few real soldiers younger than 16. These men do not really deserve to rank as Civil War veterans."

Mr. Wiewand is in good health, and was able to make the trip from Coldwater to Detroit and Farmington without ill effects. His daughter, Mrs. Lena Moore, drove the car on this trip, but during the summer he often comes to Farmington alone.

A veteran newspaper man, Mr. Wiewand was employed on the Detroit Free Press for many years and is on their life subscription list. He also taught school in Farmington years ago.

JEROME ADAMS ILL. Jerome Adams, aged resident of Farmington, is critically ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Mahaney.

## Receiver Issues Second Dividend; Pay 400 In Full

### To Pay All Claims Under \$10, Half Between \$10 and \$20; Total \$40,000

Forty thousand dollars will be distributed to depositors of Farmington State Savings Bank by Saturday or Monday at the latest, as the second dividend. Checks have been made out and signed by Howard C. Knickerbocker, Receiver, and will be put as soon as they can be made ready for the mail.

Four hundred depositors will be paid in full, these being claims of less than \$10. Two hundred and twenty cent of other depositors, having between \$10 and \$20 depositors, will receive half of their deposits. The remainder will receive five percent, this dividend making a total of ten per cent for them thus far.

Payment of the smallest claims in full, and 50 per cent on those between \$10 and \$20 will be an actual economy to the receivership, eliminating hundreds of small claims which cost more to carry on the books than would be gained by allowing the depositors only the dividend percentage distributed to larger depositors. Reducing the number of claims will lessen expense of the receivership.

The usual notices of the dividend will be mailed with the checks to those receiving five and 50 per cent of their deposits, but Mr. Knickerbocker emphasizes that those having claims of less than \$10 must bring or send in and surrender their Receiver's certificates in order to get their money, since their claims are being paid in full. Post-card notices are being sent to these depositors.

Takes Lead Mr. Knickerbocker is believed to be the first receiver to institute the idea of paying 50 per cent of claims between \$10 and \$20. A number have paid the smaller claims in full, but the 50 per cent payment is new. It will not amount to discrimination against the larger depositors, inasmuch as those receiving the 50 per cent will not share in further dividends until the percentage that has been paid reaches fifty. After that they will begin again to share with the larger depositors. Meanwhile it merely eliminates much costly clerical work in handling numerous small accounts of a size that does not justify such expense.

George Lamphere Dies On Thursday; Was Sick a Year

### Funeral Services To Be Held Saturday For Farmington Resident

George Lamphere, 53, of 13 Mile Road died Thursday morning after an illness of more than a year. Mr. Lamphere had been a resident of Farmington nearly all his life, and was citizen of the U. S. here for 15 years.

Funeral services will be Saturday at 2:00 o'clock at the Heene Funeral home, and burial will be at the side of Mrs. Lamphere in East Farmington Cemetery. Mrs. Lamphere died November 7, 1917.

Mr. Lamphere is survived by a son, Walter, a daughter, Miss Jennie Lamphere, both at home, and two sisters, Mrs. Mary Clements of Franklin, Michigan, and another of Byron, Michigan. Mr. Lamphere had been employed on the Pontiac railroad until his recent illness.

## Cars Damaged In Crash On 12-Mile

Three cars were damaged and one person injured slightly in an accident at the corner of 12-Mile and Orchard Lake Roads Sunday afternoon at 4:30. Mrs. E. L. Waples, driver of Orchard Lake, hitting the auto driven by Edward J. Wild of 14-Mile Road, in which Mrs. Wild and her son were riding. Rockelman's car then crashed into the auto of D. L. Pickering, which was parked at the side of the road. The frames of all three cars were bent or sprung, and other minor damage was done.