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NEW ROAD APPROVED

Hearing of Objections on New
Pavement of Grand River
from Clarenceville to Hat-
ton's Corners Held
Tuesday

The hearing of objections to the paving of about 5 1/2 miles of Grand River avenue, from the Wayne county line west through this village to Hatton's corners, Tuesday afternoon, drew out a fairly good sized crowd at the Town Hall, no serious objections being to the plans as furnished by the state highway department.

The department was very ably represented by Mr. Roberts, who conducted the hearing with satisfaction to all concerned.

Mr. Ross, of the track department of the D. U. R., in behalf of the company, stated that it was "absolutely impossible" for his company to shift their tracks to the center of the road at this time, owing to their "inability to obtain steel or labor."

Mr. Malcomson, of Detroit, who owns a subdivision along the creek east of town, appeared and made some objections on the ground that unless the road were graded up to a level of the car tracks at that point that it would be detrimental to his property, but withdrew his objections when the situation was explained to him, it being designed to fill the low place along the creek to a level of the D. U. R. tracks, making the roadway some 24 feet wide at that point.

Mr. Roberts stated that the estimated cost of constructing the pavement was \$177,500, to be divided as follows: The whole district, including the village, 35%; Oakland county, in which the village of Farmington is located, 35%; Farmington township, 20%, which was approved by those present.

The assessment district as prepared by the highway department, was also approved, the plan of construction and the width of road, 18 feet from the Wayne county line to station 155 or the lumber yard switch; 36 feet from station 155 to 168 or the new Ely garage; 50 feet from station 168 to 173, being through the business portion of the village to the corner of Division St.; 40 feet from 173 to 176, or to Nelson Sisters' store; 30 feet from station 176 to 197, which would end at the curve in the road just east of the cemetery, and again assume the 18 foot width to Hatton's corners, was also approved.

In the original petition circulated among the abutting property owners for curbing on both sides of the street from the lumber yard to the cemetery about 90% favored that plan. At the hearing a petition was presented by a few of the property owners east of Holcomb's corners protesting against the curbing, a number of those signing, however, having signed the former, asking for the curb.

The payment for constructing this pavement will be made by the sale of bonds, and it was the desire of those present that the payment be extended over a period of ten years.

Mr. Roberts stated that the plans would be completed, construction bids asked, and the work commenced as soon as possible, which would probably be about the first of August.

At the council meeting Wednesday evening a resolution was

unanimously passed, favoring the removal of the D. U. R. tracks to the center of the street, and requesting the company to do so, and use the same rails as are in use at present, for a temporary track until heavier steel could be obtained.

In this way the situation could be relieved and no delay in the paving occasioned. The permanent track could be laid at a future time when conditions were more favorable, and the railway company would not be put to any great inconvenience or expense, as most of the grading would be done for them by the paying contractors.

Letter from George Miller

"Somewhere in Europe"

Dear Aunt and Uncle:— I am in good health; also the rest of the boys. We are now back of the lines resting for a few days. We are sleeping in "pup" tents—two men to a tent. I prefer a tent in good weather to a billet.

It has been raining most all day. We have a trench dug around our tent to keep the water out. This morning we presented that French flag that was given to the regiment by a doctor of Detroit while we were at Grayling. The French regiment which we gave it to was in the trenches with us. They certainly are a fine lot of men—quite a few of them can speak English.

The civilian people live within two miles of the front lines and they work their farms within a mile.

I heard the other day that brother Guy's regiment is located in this sector, but have not been able to locate him yet. We can see hills in most any direction and has a mind to look, and they are much larger than any I have seen in the United States.

One day last week we took our dinner and went up to one of the highest points here. It took us five hours to go up there by way of the road. We could see for miles and miles. We found snow in one place.

We have had moving pictures taken of our company twice since we have been here. I must close for this time.

Your Nephew,

George Henry Miller.

A Good House.

"Quint," an old-time, enter-tainment, came out from the city recently and made an engagement with the Farmington theatre for show last Thursday evening, which he fulfilled to the satisfaction of a large audience.

Those who visited the theatre say that the management is to be commended in their judgment of a good entertainment. "Quint" is a man 70 years old and has been on the stage nearly all his life. His paper tearing is fine, and many of his "slight of hand" exhibitions elicited hearty applause.

The picture for next Saturday evening is entitled "Daddy's Girl," featured by Babe Marie Osborne, and is a good five reel feature. Next Tuesday evening two reels of "Whose Guilty," and 2 reels of a "Lonesome Luke" comedy will be portrayed.

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FROM OUR EXCHANGES

Newsy Items Taken From
Other Papers in and
About the County.

Miss Jennie Comstock, formerly of Farmington, but now residing in California, was a visitor of Mrs. J. A. Hanks, Sunday and Monday.—Redford Record.

A last year's apple, kept in the Argus office desk since early spring, has just within the last few days begun to show signs of decay. It is very unusual for old fruit to keep so late, especially in a warm place.—Brighton Argus.

Seth B. Jacobs, of the Brighton Argus, who prints a mighty nice paper, and who evidently has a mighty nice garden each year, calls our attention to the fact that he ate his first peas this year, June 9. We stand corrected. The item informing the public of the above was evidently overlooked.—South Lyon Herald.

A call for the pulmotor was made upon the fire department yesterday from Clarkston, where it was reported a young woman who had endeavored to swim across Deer Lake had been taken with cramps and had been nearly drowned. Fireman Stanley Baker was dispatched to the scene, only to find that the young woman had already recovered.—Press Gazette.

James Elder, 80 years of age and a veteran of the Civil war, who has been living in Holly for several years, was admitted Monday to the Pontiac State Hospital on an emergency order issued by the probate court. The petition was filed by Supervisor S. P. Ormiston and set forth that Mr. Elder was unable to care for himself and wandered about the streets.—Holly Advertiser.

Mrs. Ida Frank of South Rockwood, was found dead at the intersection of the ten-mile road and the Grand Trunk railroad at Royal Oak. Mrs. Frank had been visiting her daughter for several weeks and had started to return home Thursday evening. It is the general opinion that she was struck by the south-bound passenger train that passes through Royal Oak at 9:30 in the evening, and that her body lay by the tracks through the remainder of the night.—Press Gazette.

Clarenceville Girl's Death.

Bertha Nacker, sister of Adolph Nacker of this village, died at the home of her father, Henry Nacker, in Livonia township last Friday, July 12, 1918, aged 40 years, 11 months and 27 days, after an illness of about six months.

Bertha D. Nacker was born at Novi on July 15, 1877, her mother having died some years ago, and besides her father, she is survived by five brothers, Albert, George, Adolph, Clayton and Walter, and two sisters, Mrs. Emma Goers and Ina at home, together with many warm friends and neighbors.

The funeral was held from the late home in Livonia last Monday afternoon, Rev. A. C. Stange officiating, and the remains laid to rest in Clarenceville cemetery.

The Oakland county supervisors will meet next Tuesday in special session to discuss the matter of bonding for the purpose of raising funds to replace the buildings recently burned at the county farm.

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New Story Begins

With this issue of the Enterprise we are printing the first chapters of a new story on page three, entitled "Gunner Dewey."

This story, as told by Dewey himself, is an interesting experience in German prison camps, and his escape and return to the lines of the Allies.

The narrative is interesting and thrilling in the extreme, and you will not want to miss a single chapter. We consider ourselves lucky in obtaining the use of this story for our readers, as it is one of the latest productions in reference to the great world war and the inhuman treatment of prisoners by the Germans.

Complete Corps of Teachers

In the list of teachers for our school next year, as contracted for by the school board there are four new faces to appear in our school. The list of teachers and the grades each will teach is as follows:

H. D. MacDougall, Superintendent.

Florence Hicks, Principal.

Gertrude Kenney, History and Science.

Nellie Galbreath, 7th and 8th grades.

Sarah E. Day, 5th and 6th grades.

Elizabeth Baxter, 3rd and 4th grades.

Hester Power, 1st and 2nd grades.

Alice Yerkes, Kindergarten.

The board is of the opinion that they have a good corps of teachers for next year, and that the school will be up to a standard of efficiency.

Another German Pioneer

After an illness of only a few months from stomach trouble, Christian Landau, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Westfall, last Saturday, July 13, 1918, aged 74 years, 4 months and 20 days.

Christian Landau was born in Holstein, Germany, on February 23, 1844, where he spent his boyhood days, coming to this country when a young man, and settling in this section where he was married to Caroline Melow in December 9, 1867, and to them were born six sons and one daughter, one son dying in infancy.

Mr. Landau, after working for a number of years as a farmer, purchased a farm in Livonia, where by hard work and strict economy, he succeeded in making a home for himself and family, retiring and coming to this village about three years ago, where he and his wife resided until a few months ago, respected by all who knew them. Mr. and Mrs. Landau were faithful members of the Livonia Center church, always being in attendance at the local Evangelical church after coming to this village.

He is survived by his wife and five sons, John, Fred, Charles, Julian and Herman, and the daughter, Mrs. Kate Westfall, all of whom live in Farmington and vicinity, besides many warm friends here and at Livonia. There are also surviving 19 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

The funeral was held at the local Evangelical church Tuesday afternoon, Rev. A. C. Stange, officiating, with burial at Livonia Center.

Redford's school building is overcrowded, and they are planning on the erection of an addition to the present structure.

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Local News.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Chamberlin returned home Saturday, after a two weeks' vacation.

The North Farmington Cemetery association held their annual picnic at Orchard Lake Tuesday.

Misses Julia Eisenlord and Alice Priestley spent a few days of the past week at the Hendryx cottage, Lake Pohefra.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Green, son Forrest and Howard Lord, Mr. and Mrs. N. J. Eisenlord and a number of other Farmington people were at Lake Orion Sunday.

Mack Shenberg, who lives in the old Armstrong place opposite the Quaker cemetery, was called to Bay City Wednesday by news of the death of his brother, who died of blood poison.

Friends of Mrs. Alexander Smith, of Lansing, have received the announcement of the marriage of her daughter, Gladys to Clarence Seward, of Jackson, where the young couple expect to make their future home. Mrs. Smith and family were residents of Farmington village at one time.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Brannack and son Jack, of Pontiac, took dinner with the latter's sister, Mrs. Berth Steele, Tuesday. They were enroute for New Bethel, Penn., for a visit with friends, and expect to go in their auto from Buffalo. Mr. and Mrs. John McCully, of Northville accompanied them as far as Niagara Falls, where they will spend a few days.

It was a merry company that gathered Wednesday morning in the Chapman Grove at Walled Lake. The occasion was the monthly meeting of the Ladies' Aid society of the Novi Methodist church, which had been made the occasion of a "union picnic." The members of the Farmington Aid had been invited, and with the combined societies and their friends, over a hundred sat down to dinner. After dinner the company enjoyed themselves with bathing, boating and social visiting. The day was ideal in every way, and all returned to their homes having had a fine time, hoping that next year another union picnic will be held.

As William Cook, who lives in one of the Ben. Grace estate houses on Grand River, started for home last Friday night, in company with a number of companions who had been working at the Goodenough farm, north of town, he was run into by an automobile driven by Miss Gladys Davis, and quite badly injured. According to witnesses of the accident, Cook, who is quite deaf, walked deliberately into the track of the machine, which was not moving faster than 10 or 12 miles an hour, and the young lady is not blamed in the matter. Mr. Cook was struck by the fender in his back and thrown over-boarding his shoulder and side of his face, but not thought to be seriously injured.

Arcinate of Lead for potato bugs at F. L. Cook & Co.'s.

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Notice to Water Users. Village water bills for July have been sent out, and you are urged to be prompt in your payment. All bills payable to me, or will be accepted by Miss Noble at the Warner Dairy office.

N. J. EISENLORD.

Treasurer.

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Correspondents Wanted

We want a number of good, live correspondents around Farmington—in fact, all we can get. We want every section in this community represented. If you are interested in having your neighborhood represented in the Enterprise news columns write us and we will furnish stationery.

George B. Dewey, of Oxford, who was in the race for county road commissioner, has withdrawn his name and accepted an appointment of deputy game warden of Michigan.

County Clerk Floyd B. Babcock has resigned as county draft board clerk, owing to pressure of other duties connected with the county business. Senator Frank L. Covert has been appointed to the place on the approval of the president.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the many friends for their kind sympathy and floral offerings.

Henry Nacker and Family.

Taxes Now Due

Having received the village tax roll, I will be at the Warner Dairy Co. office on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 3 to 6 o'clock, for the collection of taxes, beginning Saturday, July 6th, and until further notice.

N. J. EISENLORD,

Village Treasurer.

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LOST—On Town Hall lawn Saturday night, a book, "A Texas Blue Bonnet." If found please return to Dorothy Wixom. 36p

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