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### The Hidden Hand Draws Back

#### People Watchful As To Council Maneuvers

##### Warning Of Enterprise Changes Tactics

No further effort will be made for the present to railroad sewers and other improvements for farm property through the council. The Enterprise warning of last week will, so it is stated, indefinitely postpone action on the installation of improvements except as governed by the past rules of the council.

However, the continuing of the publication of the proceedings of the council in the Enterprise

renders it necessary for Farmington village taxpayers to be on their guard. The circulation of the Farmington Enterprise has become so large that publication in its columns was a sure guarantee that all the taxpayers would know how their money was being spent. Now unless the council changes its former action of withdrawing publication of the Council proceedings it debars the public in general from knowledge of what is being done by the council.

This seems poor business. Publicity is the greatest civic purifier. In the beginning God said, "Let there be light and there was light." Light to eternity not only in things terrestrial and celestial but also in things mundane makes man walk erect without fear. But darkness is the shroud of life, happiness and the public good. Let there be light.

#### ROAD COMMISSIONER NOT AFRAID TO PUBLISH STATEMENT

Charles Heliker has made arrangements to publish a monthly expense statement in the Enterprise. Mr. Heliker is doing this at his own expense so that the people can learn how he is spending their money.

### Lake Way Park Association Formed

A company known as the Lake Way Association was formed Monday evening at the home of P. A. Glidden on Lake Way Avenue.

Several of the owners went before the council and secured permission to care for a plot of ground 25 by 200 feet each side of Lake Way at Grand River Avenue.

The officers of the Association are P. A. Glidden, President; A. J. Dodds, Secretary-Treasurer and Milton D. Fox, Landscape Gardener.

#### THE SOLDIER AND HIS SERVICES.

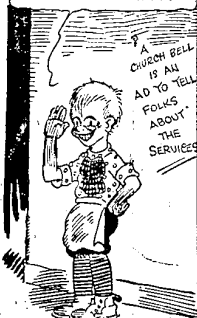
At the Universalist church on Sunday morning, May 29th, there will be held a Memorial Service—the members of the Grand Army of the Republic and the Ex-Servicemen of the World War will attend in a body. Dr. Beresford will deliver the sermon. Subject—"The American Soldier and His Service to His Country and to Mankind." The public is cordially invited.

#### SPORTSMEN STOCK LAKES.

The Oakland County sportsmen association which comprises members from the county at large, including Farmington, are planning on planting fish in Pleasant Lake, Straights Lake, Bass Lake and Walled Lake. A delegation from Farmington went to meet the train at Walled Lake. Some of the men in the party were Arthur Lamb, Clarence Bickling, Harrison Johnson, Dick Marsh, Fred Pauline, Gehe Grace, Emory Hutton, L. F. Schroeder, Carl Hinborn and Adolph Nacker.

#### MICKIE SAYS—

A BUSINESS MAN WHO DOESN'T ADVERTISE ATTRACTS ABOUT AS MUCH ATTENTION AROUND TOWN AS A CHURCH BELL WITHOUT A CLAPPER!!



#### HIGH SCHOOL PLAY SUCCESS

The musical comedy, "Miss Cherry Blossom," presented by the High School chorus May 6th and 7th, was a marked success.

The cast consisted of forty-five pupils, taking in a greater majority of the Senior chorus. The comedy was a result of the past year's work.

The stage decorations, which were a work of art, were also produced by the High School students. All of the flowers were hand made.

It is heartily felt that the comedy was a great success, the hall being filled both nights to its utmost capacity and enjoyed by all who saw the production.

### In Our Churches

#### Universalist Church.

Sunday morning at 10:30—worship and sermon. Dr. Beresford will preach. Subject—"The Field is the World; or is the Religion of Jesus Christ destined to Prevail over all the Earth? Is Christianity a Sect, or is it a world-religion?"

Twelve noon—Sunday School and Adult Bible Class. This is the church of the Brotherhood spirit as well as of the large and liberal faith.

A cordial invitation to all services is extended to all.

A. B. Beresford, Minister.

#### THE METHODIST PARISH.

Farmington.  
10:30 a. m. Morning services.  
11:45 a. m. Sunday School.  
6:30 p. m. Epworth League.  
7:30 p. m. Evening services.

Tuesday—Community motion picture program.  
Wednesday—Mid-week service at 8:00 p. m.

North Farmington.  
10:15 a. m. Preaching service.  
11:15 a. m. Sunday School.

Clarenceville.  
2:30 p. m. Sunday School.  
5:30 p. m. Preaching service.

Sidney D. Eva, Pastor.  
Chas. L. Wilson, Asst. Pastor.

#### NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the East Farmington Cemetery association will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Seeley next Wednesday evening, May 18th.

#### NOTICE.

The North Farmington Auxiliary will meet with Mrs. Bert Simpson next Tuesday afternoon, May 17th, for supper. The two o'clock car will be met at Nichols Siding.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hogle were in Detroit the latter part of the week.

#### Examination Time



### Automobile Business

#### Faces Bright Future

#### Automobile Necessary To Present Business Life

"The automobile is essential during the whole twelve months of the year but it is during the spring and summer that it is most popular," says William Goers, local dealer in Chevrolet passenger and commercial cars.

"It is during these months when people think most about travel. It is then that the whole country is in its prime and invites all men to explore it. Those who own motor cars today are able to respond to this invitation. To travel in an automobile in spring and summer is a rich experience. It affords the exhilaration of power

and motion and the festfulness of bodily comfort. And it is an added comfort to the minds of the majority of automobile owners today that all these things are possible at little cost."

"Practically everyone desires to own a car. This is a fundamental desire. It is based on two things—the love of independence—the desire to travel—to cover distances quickly, and the longing for the best things in life."

"The automobile makes its owner independent of every other means of conveyance. It is the most improved method of transportation. Everyone knows that. Everyone can see the proof of it everywhere, everyday."

"The man who has to walk would like to ride. The man who has to depend on public transit facilities, limited as to distance, direction, speed and comfort, would like to be independent of them. The man who rides in someone's else automobile would like to own a car himself."

"And the things people buy are the things they want. When they want what is useful they have more reason to buy. Need and desire are the stepping stones to possession."

"There are more than eight million people today who have satisfied their need and desire by the purchase of automobiles. None of these will be satisfied without cars in the future. There are millions of others who desire to become automobile owners. The automobile industry never faced a brighter future."

#### LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. George Simmons was taken to Harper Hospital Wednesday for treatment.

Mrs. Mary Paulger of Bay City visited her brother and family, Mr. Ely, the latter part of the week.

Miss Mitchell of Detroit spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Emory Hutton.

Mr. Halsted, who has suffered from rheumatism, was in the Enterprise office recently and says he feels much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. William Martin of Royal Oak spent Wednesday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Harger.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wolfe spent Sunday with Mr. Byron Hudson and Mr. Frank Hudson's families at Milford.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fuller entertained Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Gray and daughter, Adeline of Lansing. Miss Helen Bradley and Marguerite Bryan also spent the evening with them.

Real estate operators of high calibre have their eyes on Farmington property. Charles Ely is said to have as fine a piece of property as lies in one location. The Ely farm is well-known throughout the country for being

### A Tempest In A Teapot

#### Service Men Entitled To A Memorial

##### VETERANS SHOULD BE REMEMBERED

When the matter for the erection of a memorial containing the names of those who were inducted into the National Army during the late war was brought up for consideration, a committee was appointed, containing the names of the President of the village and two others. Eleven former service men, several of whom had seen arduous duty in the front line trenches, objected to two members on the ground that "one of the committee came to this village after a majority of the soldiers were discharged from active duty," and in the case of the second member that he received exemption from service in the United States Army. Regardless of the present standing of these gentlemen in the community, The Farmington Enterprise does not believe that anyone should be appointed on the memorial committee who was not a resident of Farmington during the war, and connected with the Farmington patriotic activities, nor is the Farmington Enterprise in favor of having any man who was exempted from military duty, for any purpose, upon a board that is to honor the men who were willing to give up

all and some did sacrifice their lives for the honor of their country.

In taking this stand, we do not take the position of criticising any person, a man's conscience being the greatest monitor that he can possibly have. The Farmington Enterprise takes the stand squarely that a memorial should be erected and pledges its support to that end. These men who went into the front line trenches and who were willing to give up all that their country might live are entitled not only to the respect and veneration of every citizen but every citizen should go to bed every night with this prayer on his lips: "Thank God that these young men of Farmington were willing to give up home, wife, sweethearts and life itself that the township of Farmington might hold up its head and say we had our full quota of men at the front."

We heard no slighting remarks about the service men, of what they wanted, or of what they asked or what they liked when they were being urged to go to the front and we hope that no citizen of Farmington will ever again criticize a service man because he wishes a voice in the government of affairs. These men who were willing to give up all and who did give up all should be never again be the subject of any jibe by any citizen. That we are now under a democratic form of government was due to these men. May they in future years have sturdy sons and winsome daughters to take their places. May the all-seeing God look down upon these men and call them blessed.

#### LOCAL NEWS.

Rosby Botsford, who died recently at his home in Ann Arbor, was a former resident of Farmington and had a good many friends in this vicinity.

Miss Laura Martindale leaves for Connecticut Thursday where she will be a Delta Kappa Epsilon house-guest. She will attend the Senior Prom with her brother, Allan Martindale.

Farmington people who were visiting in Detroit last Wednesday were Mrs. Emil Gitzel, Mrs. Sam Locke, Mrs. Daniel Cook of Montana, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Leach.

#### Walled Lake

Mr. and Mrs. Mat Vogler spent Sunday in Detroit.

The Pioneer Inn held its opening with dance Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Joe Caniff entertained the Embroidery club Wednesday.

Mrs. Harold Beagle is on the sick list.

Miss Luella Rasmussen is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Reimer.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Geigler and children spent Sunday at North Farmington.

Mrs. Lepley of Pontiac, spent Sunday with her daughter, Mrs. Frank Moss.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Roach have moved into part of May Tuttle's house.

Mrs. Joe Riemer entertained her mother, Mrs. Rasmussen, two sisters and two brothers from Detroit Sunday.

The base ball season has opened. Commerce played Southfield on the Commerce diamond and a Detroit team played at Taylor's.

Mrs. Florence Bachelor of Farmington, Mrs. Elva Sherman of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. William Graham, Mr. and Mrs. Starr Graham and five children, Mr. T. J. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Knapp and baby spent Sunday at Marley Bachelor's, it being Mr. Bachelors and Florence Bachelor's birthdays.

#### HIGHWAY COMMISSIONER'S MONTHLY REPORT.

For the Month of April.  
For Culverts and Bridge Funds ..... \$984.45  
Road Repair and Improvement ..... hrdluoio  
Funds.....  
District No. 1.....\$260.20  
District No. 2.....74.00  
District No. 3.....86.19  
District No. 4.....93.41  
Total.....\$746.70  
Bridge and Road Improvement

### Farmington Acres Has Ready Sale For Their Property

#### Sunday Prepives To Be Big Day For Subdivision

With the coming of spring subdivision property out Farmington way is moving faster than the most optimistic had predicted. After a year or more of stagnation the residence property in this section has at last come into her own," said Mr. Osberg. "We have had ninety acres at the Base Line Curve and Division Street, and in the last six weeks I have sold between thirty and thirty-five acres. Our prices run from six hundred to one thousand dollars as acre, and we sell to high standard American families who intend to establish a permanent home in this desirable location. Our idea in marketing this property is to make a fair profit on our capital invested and to give the man who wants a suburban home and a garden the opportunity to fulfill his requirements."

We are directly on the car line and our property is so located that we are adjacent to the village and we look forward to the time when we will have village improvements for our subdivision. We have already petitioned for electric lights and we expect to have other improvements in the due course of time. We have seven subdivisions in various locations around the city of Detroit and I can safely go on record that this Farmington property is selling faster than any of our other subdivisions.

I think that Farmington is an ideal place for homes and this is what I attribute my sales record to, for Detroit is daily coming closer to Farmington and land out here is cheaper today than it will be at any time in the future. I fully expect to sell the balance of this property this spring and I will then be looking for more acreage near Farmington. I am on the property Sunday afternoons and we have made temporary arrangements to house-buyers who

#### BASE BALL GAME

### FARMINGTON VS. ROYAL OAK

#### SATURDAY P. M. RECREATION PARK