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Farmington Public Schools

Open September 6th

Fine Athletic Year is Promised Students

WILL HAVE MR. WESTCOTT AS COACH

The Public Schools of Farmington will open Tuesday, September 6th. It is fitting that space be devoted to a discussion of the educational possibilities which the patrons of the schools of Farmington may expect this year.

One item deserves particular mention at this time. The state legislature at its last session passed a law which permits school boards to purchase and maintain homes for the Superintendent and faculty of their systems. As a result of this law the Farmington Board of Education was able to secure the splendid property at the corner of School St. and Grand River Avenue, which will be used in the future, as a home for the Superintendent of Schools. This step marks Farmington as one of the progressive communities educationally in the state; it being the first so far as is known to the advantage of the law. There is no doubt but that this property in the hands of the Board of Education will be of mutual benefit to the Superintendent and community.

Supt. A. G. Leonard comes to take charge of the schools in the place of R. A. Babcock who has gone into newspaper work in Alma. Mr. Leonard comes to his new position highly recommended from previous positions and by the faculty of the University of Michigan. The schools should grow and progress under his leadership. Mr. Leonard will be in his office every afternoon except Sunday, to consult with pupils, patrons and teachers regarding the plans of the schools for the year.

The athletics this year will be under the direction of Mr. Harold Westcott, who made an enviable record as an athlete at the State Normal College at Ypsilanti. A majority of the members of the

winning teams of last year will be back in school and a successful season is to be expected in competition with other schools of the same size as Farmington.

Two extra teachers have been added to the faculty of last year. The high school has been remodeled to make room for an additional teacher in this department and the first grade is to be moved to the basement of the new building. These changes will permit a richer course of study and a higher degree of specialization than has ever been possible before. The following teachers will make up the faculty:

A. G. Leonard—Superintendent.
Naoma Nichols—Principal of the High School—History.
Clara Fox—Languages.
Marjorie Kenyon—Science and Mathematics.

Yellie Walton—English.
Miss Wallace—Commercial.
Harold Westcott—Science and Athletic Coach.

Edith Collier—Music and Art.
Marion Pool—Kindergarten.
Bessie Johnson—First Grade.
Irene Martin—Second Grade.
Miss Guerber—Third Grade.
Ilah VanHoughton—Fourth Grade.

Eva Stoddard—Fifth and Sixth Grade.

There is no reason why this should not be the best year that the schools of Farmington have ever known. Shall we know our schools more this year than formerly? Let us get acquainted with the teachers and make them feel that they are one of us. Let this be a year of interest, co-operation and success.

16 Hens Batted 300 in Egg Layers' League

Berkeley, Cal.—Sixteen hens in the United States, all of them white, have laid over 300 eggs in a year, thus entering the select class in the egg-laying league, according to H. M. Butterfield, poultry statistician of the college of agriculture, Oregon. Oregon has three top-notchers, one laying 330 eggs in 365 days, and two others showing 323 eggs, he says. Across the continent at Storrs, Conn., a White Wyandotte laid 308 eggs, while a White Plymouth Rock and a White Leghorn were good for over 300 eggs at Vineland, N. J.

HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT BONDS FOR SALE.

The undersigned will receive sealed bids at his office, Lansing, Michigan, up to one-thirty o'clock P. M. September 6th, 1921 for the sale of Road Assessment District Bonds as follows:

Road Assessment District No. 392 in Oakland and Wayne Counties. Approximately one hundred fifty nine thousand (\$149,000) dollars' worth, maturing serially in from two to ten years. Bonds are the obligation of Farmington and Novi Townships, in Oakland County, Northville and Livonia Townships in Wayne County, the counties of Oakland and Wayne and an assessment district.

Said bonds are being issued under the provisions of Act 59, Public Acts of 1915, as amended—known as the Covert Act.

Interest will be payable semi-annually on the first day of May and November in each year.

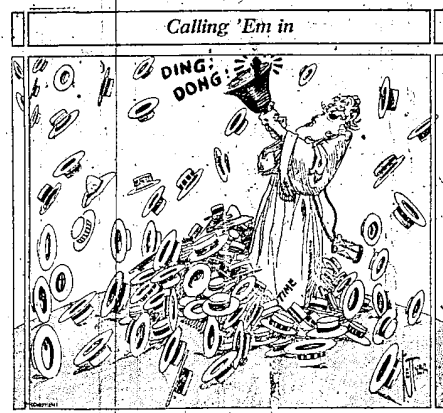
Each bidder will be required to name the rate of interest (not exceeding 6 per cent) and premium for each thousand dollars he will pay, in his bid.

For further information regarding the above obligation, address the undersigned.

A certified check in the sum of two per cent of the amount of the bonds bid on, payable to the order of the State Highway Commission, will be required with each bid.

The right is hereby reserved to reject any or all bids.

FRANK F. ROGERS, State Highway Commissioner. Aug 26-Sept 2



Two Stone Laying

Ceremonies To Be Held

Methodist Church and Home Place of Ceremonies

START AT 3:00 P. M. SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Bishop Theodore S. Henderson and Dr. Edgar J. Warren, Bishop of the Detroit Area and District Superintendent of Detroit District respectively, will have the unique experience on Sunday next of laying two corner stones in one day, one both of them at Farmington; one being at the new Methodist Church and the other at the Methodist Children's Home.

A stone laying ceremony is an interesting event and is usually performed by a Bishop of the Church. After appropriate devotional exercises have been conducted a copper box is received by the Bishop in which he deposits a number of articles among which are a copy of the Bible, the Discipline (the book of doctrines and law of the church) church periodicals, and newspapers of current issue, the names of the officials of the church and a brief history of the church.

The copper box is then securely soldered and placed beneath of the corner stone. The builder then places the stone in position, and the Bishop assisted by the minister present and the builder officially lay the stone. The principal address will be delivered by Bishop Henderson.

Mrs. Carrie Eastman Fisher of Decatur, Mich., is visiting at the home of her niece, Mrs. Elmer Empson. While here she will attend the 53rd reunion of the 22nd Michigan Infantry at Pontiac, at which her late husband, Lee Grant Fisher, was a member. Mrs. Fisher lived in Farmington many years ago, with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Eastman.

Mrs. Worden of Welberville, visited last week with Mrs. Ella Spencer.

School started here for the coming year Monday morning, August 29th, with Mr. Ball as principal, and Miss Porter as primary teacher.

Mrs. Frank Hosner and children and another Mrs. Emma Smith of Flint, visited the latter's sisters, Mrs. Flora Bloomer, and Mrs. Ella Spencer, over last week-end.

Word has just been received of the death of Miss Laura Simmonds of Pontiac, after a brief illness of appendicitis, and an expression of sympathy of their many friends and old neighbors of Novi are extended to the bereaved mother and brother, Wallace.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Atkinson of Silverwood, are visiting at the A. C. Atkinson home this week.

DAREDEVIL AIR STUNTS GALORE AT STATE FAIR

The world famous aviator, Al Wilson; the Jersey Juggler Albert Circus; and "The Riley" balloonists and parachute jumpers, will join in furnishing crowds at the State Fair in Detroit, Sept. 2 to 11, with thrills that will hold them breathless.

The airplane stunts will include looping the loop while standing upright on top of the plane, walking on wings of the plane while in flight, changing from plane to plane in mid-air, racing with motor cars around the mile track, picking up passenger from motor car by airplane, parachute jumps from airplanes and numerous other death-defying acts that require both consummate skill in the handling of the air craft, and intrepidity as well as nerves of steel on the part of the stunt artists.

Another spectacular airplane stunt that is beautiful as well as thrilling is sight flying with fireworks. This will feature the evening programs at the fair grounds.

Balloon ascensions, always of intense interest, will be featured this year by "The Riley's" special act, a triple parachute jump from a balloon more than a mile up in the air. If you are there, you'll get them in heap!

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Will State Cement Road

Be Made Narrower?

Contract Price Will Not Be Lowered

PART OF FARMINGTON, NORTHVILLE, NOVI STATE ROAD
NEW STORES ABUTTING ON STREET CAUSE

Farmington at Division Street and Grand River Avenue has been quite alive for several days past. Village Officials, County Officials, and State Officials and even National Officials have elbowed their way to inspect the new road and make some suggestion for solving the problem caused by the new buildings along Division Street entering into the street.

Division Street south of Grand River Ave., is what was known as a four-rod highway, until the abutting buildings on the easterly side made it somewhat less than the original sixty-six feet. The State Highway Department after the usual legal hearings, let a contract to pave Division Street from Grand River Avenue one block south with cement, the road-

way to be fifty feet wide.

After it was found that the abutting buildings had taken, according to the state highway engineer, from several inches to two feet from the width of the street and the areaways considerably more, making the sidewalk after encroachment too narrow to suit the owners. The owners of the buildings are now attempting to encroach still further on the street by narrowing the cement roadway from the fifty feet which the contract calls for.

No one seems to know how wide the cement paving on Division Street will be when finally laid. All that seems to be known is that the contractor will get the full price of a fifty foot street for the narrow cement paving which is now being planned.

One villager who viewed the hubbub incident to the narrowing of the street said, "It seems strange that people will not learn by experience. Detroit today is spending millions in street condemnation proceedings to relieve traffic while Farmington is allowing the building of a building out upon the most prominent business street in the village, the outlet from Pontiac, the north and west to Northville, Plymouth, Ann Arbor and southwest Michigan and Ohio. At the same time the county and state commissioners of highways are spending millions to build roads and cut off bad corners where traffic is dangerous; these same commissioners are called to Farmington not to remedy a dangerous corner and make it safer, but devise ways and means of making the corner still more dangerous through the narrowing process."

This man said further that he advised the Enterprise to look for some traffic accidents, incident to the narrowing, that would parallel any which had so far happened here or elsewhere.

Late reports indicate that ten feet will be allowed the property owners on the east side of the street to take the place of that part of the street already built upon and which narrowed the street from several inches to two feet; to give room to the areaways of the new building; and to provide a sidewalk.

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Board of Education

Acts Upon Suggestion of Enterprise

A suitable home has been purchased and is being renovated and placed in first class condition for the Superintendent of the Farmington Schools. The action of the Board of Education is one which should meet with general approval. Later, when additional land is needed for school purposes, this property will be available and a more pretentious place of residence for the Superintendent provided.

The action of the Board of Education is in the interest of better schools through freeing the Superintendent of Schools from one of his greatest worries, a place to live, in keeping with the dignity of his position.

Farmington in this new movement is up-to-date and efficient.

STATE FAIR'S FUN PROGRAM BIG ONE

MIDWAY TO SCINTILLATE WITH GAY OFFERINGS; BANDS; VAUDEVILLE.

The program of fun and entertainment to be offered to visitors to the 1921 state fair at Detroit, September 2-11, is so plentifully supplied with headline features that it will be impossible for any one to find a dull moment during his stay on the grounds.

The Midway will scintillate with gay attractions of every known sort. A lot of new ones included in the list by the great World-At-Home shows will furnish plenty of novelty for everyone. You will be able to ride on a merry-go-round or on a seaplane or on "the Whip". You'll see fancy ice skaters on real ice, no matter how hot the weather. Circus acts, wild west acts, barnyard freaks, human freaks, the House of a Thousand Wonders, the House of Mystery, the Garden of Allah—these are but a few of the myriad offerings for the enjoyment of the Midway throngs.

Vaudeville acts, circus acts, singing and other entertainment will be a daily feature, afternoon and evening, in front of the big grandstand when the crowds gather there for the events on the tracks and in the field. These numerous attractions will be supplied to the fair by F. M. Barnes, Inc., of Chicago, the largest fair booking agency in America.

Band concerts will be held in the odeon in the grove daily, before the grandstand and in other parts of the grounds at different times. Three of the finest bands in uniform will be among the regulars that furnish the music, Al Sweet's White Hussar Band, Earl F. Newberry's Band, and the Highland Park Municipal Band.

You just won't be able to find a minute's time during the entire fair when you cannot be entertained.

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