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## ANOTHER BOOST FOR FARMINGTON

By Joe F. Sullivan, Educational Director of the Michigan Hospital School.

What is destined to be the greatest boon to the sick and crippled children of the commonwealth of Michigan was put into motion recently by the consolidation of The Michigan Hospital school and The Children's Free Hospital of Detroit, under the new name of The Children's Hospital of Michigan. The merger of these two successful institutions was proposed by Mayor Couzens of Detroit, who assured the receptive Board of Directors of the two hospitals that he was willing to give the limit of \$4,000,000 to \$5,000,000, if needed, in order to see the consolidation result in an organization that would give Michigan the best and largest institution in America for sick and crippled children.

In explaining his position, Mayor Couzens, in a statement made to the public, said: "It is true, I suggested the amalgamation of the two hospitals and agreed to give \$1,000,000 toward a new and greater children's hospital, on conditions that the two institutions be consolidated and that the name be changed to The Children's Hospital of Michigan. I am willing to increase the amount up to \$4,000,000 or \$5,000,000 as it is needed. However, I shall have nothing to say about the actual plans or workings of the new organization."

In eliminating the word "free" from the name of the new organization, the purpose is not to make a strictly "pay" institution, but instead is to arrange for the accommodation of all children, regardless of whether their parents have money or not. Mayor Couzens is opposed to the idea of closing the doors of a great institution in the face of a child because his parents have money with which to pay for services. He says, and correctly, "As the situation is now, people who can afford to pay to have their crippled children treated really have no place to take them. People who have no money in such a case, are better off—for there is a hospital for them. The well-to-do can take their children to the general hospitals, of course, but there they have no specialized attention, such as they have in a well-conducted children's institution. Then too, I think people who can afford to pay should do so, and thus not lay additional burden on the facilities at the disposal of those who are really too poor to pay. This change of policy will not discontinue free service, but will mean better and more of the free service as the new organization will be large enough for all, and will be equipped and staffed as thoroughly as is possible."

It will be remembered that Mayor Couzens gave to the Michigan Hospital School over a million dollars two years ago as a birthday present to his wife. Thus the recent donation of \$1,000,000 more makes the total generosity exceed two millions. The first gift provided for a large and costly building at Farmington, which is now under course of construction and which will be used as a country convalescing home and school for all the more severe cases of crippled children who will receive their surgical and first education in the proposed new building in Detroit.

Therefore, the recent consolidation will not interfere with the already perfected plans of the Michigan Hospital School as have been outlined from time. Neither will it hinder the great, effective work of the Children's Free, which is too well known in Detroit to require detailed mention. The only change in the latter institution will be that its doors will become open to children from all over Michigan rather than from Detroit, as in the past. Thus the merger is bound to result in an increased capacity, a more effective agency for good, and a higher degree of efficiency and economy in operation. These are the three major needs in all institutions serving a growing population. And in order to meet these needs, the Boards of Directors of the two organizations, after much deliberation and discussion, decided unanimously to amalgamate and to follow the great course of growth outlined by Mayor Couzens in his zeal to make it possible for every crippled child in Michigan to get the chance that the medical and surgical sciences are able to give these days.

It will require some time before more definite details can be published, giving the public the important facts in which it is interested. The two institutions will be conducted separately, as in the past, until the proposed new buildings are completed, at which time a re-organization of staffs will be perfected and such other changes made as will be necessary.

Right now work is being carried forward on one unit which is to cost \$350,000 with accommodations for 300 children and 50 attendants, making an addition to the population of Farmington 350, or practically a third more than at present. This is destined to be an institution of extreme worth to the people of the state. With the Methodist Children's Home west of the village and the proposed Masonic home which may be located here, leads us to think eventually, because of the pure air and water there will be other health institutions which will add to the attractiveness of one of the best communities of the state. Ere long many beautiful homes will be built by Detroiters who wish to get away from the noise and bustle of the city.

Among the honorary trustees are Fred M. Warner and Joe F. Sullivan of Farmington.

### MRS. A. KENNEDY.

Another of the pioneers of Farmington has been called. Mrs. Anne, Pomeroy Kennedy passed away at her home on Maple Ave. Sunday night, where she had continued to reside for over a half century, following a stroke of paralysis suffered Friday, aged 84 years.

Mrs. Kennedy was born in Detroit and was probably one of the best known residents of this community. Four of her children, Miss Mary Kennedy at home; Mrs. Flora Hendryx, Farmington; Mrs. Joyce Steele, Farmington; M. D. Kennedy, Redford; two brothers James and Edward Conroy, of Farmington, survive her.

The funeral was held Wednesday at 2:30 from the home, with interment in the Farmington cemetery, Rev. A. B. Beresford, pastor of the Universalist church, assisted by Rev. Sidney D. Eva, conducting the services.

### INDEPENDENTS TO PLAY.

There will be something doing at the High school gym Saturday evening, March 25th, when the Independents of 1913 will "come back" for a game with the Independents of 1922. The proceeds are to be given to the M.E. church.

The following is the line-up of the '13's:

E. R. Finch, c. Howard Warner, f. Harley Warner, f. Herman Maas, g. Earl Gullen, g. J. C. Clark, g. Below is the line-up of the '22's: Coach Westcott, f. E. Zane, f. N. Lee, c. H. Dickie, g. W. Lee, g. L. Hendryx, g.

### GAMES AT PLYMOUTH.

The regular boys' and girls' teams and the boys' second team went to Plymouth Friday evening for a contest. The boys' second team of Plymouth won to the tune of 7-19. The girls' regulars were also taken into camp by the Plymouth team by a final score of 16 to 29. Our boys regular team won the game by a score of 27 to 24. In this game the score was tied in the first three quarters but in the last our boys got busy.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Tredway and Mr. Clarence Wood were Pontiac business callers last Monday.

Jerome Adams returned home last Friday night, after a month's visit with his brother and family near Caro.

John Trussler, of Detroit, is spending a couple of weeks with his sister, Mrs. Harry Habermehl, and family.

## NEW BANK HOME OPENED MAR. 18

Thronged With Admiring Visitors During the Entire Day And Evening.

The beautiful new home of the Farmington State Savings Bank, recently completed, was opened to the public Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, and from that hour until after ten in the evening this elegant banking house was thronged with visiting and admiring friends of the community and surrounding cities and villages. In all probability over 2,000 people passed through the portals of the institution and personally investigated every phase of banking safety and efficiency provided for in the erection and equipment. Among the visitors were many bank representatives from Lansing, Pontiac and Detroit as well as from the smaller places.

A large number of beautiful floral compliments from other banks and well wishing Farmington friends added to the attractiveness of the interior.

The following said it with flowers:

Peoples State Bank of Farmington, Farmington.

Pontiac Commercial and Savings Bank, Pontiac.

Redford State Savings Bank, Redford.

The National Bank of Pontiac, Pontiac.

Lapham State Savings Bank, Northville.

United Savings Bank, Detroit.

National Bank of Commerce, Detroit.

Diamond Safe and Lock Co., Detroit.

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Fenton, Davis and Bayle, Detroit.

General Machine and Iron Co., Detroit.

Ben. Dansour and Co., Detroit.

First Mortgage Bond Co., Detroit.

Fisher Bros., Detroit.

Oakland Orchard Land Co., Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. James Halsted, Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Neal, Detroit.

Master Fred Warner Neal, Detroit.

P. L. Cook and A. E. Nacker, Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Talbot, Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Pauline, Detroit.

C. W. Wilber, Farmington Hardware Co.

All visitors were presented with souvenirs of the event—flowers for the ladies, together with many other gifts, and even the kiddies were not overlooked for they were presented with toys.

One real feature, and of interest to all, was the vault and its massive six-ton lock door, together with the safety devices of the interior. We might go into details in regard to the electrical equipment, designed to make it practically impossible for burglars to gain entrance to the vault, but do not deem it wise to give these details publicity at this time. However, we might say that should an entrance be gained to the vault, the big absolute burglar proof steel safe could not be opened.

All day business was transacted the same as usual, though some of the officials, together with members of the board, acted as guides and reception committees. No pains were spared to see that every visitor was shown around and all details explained to them.

There were more individual deposits made on opening day than any one day before in the history of the bank—over 200—their aggregate being over \$31,000. One deposit of \$38,000 was made by an Oakland county farmer. Kinder repon there must be money in farming in Oakland county and Detroit.

Upon entering the lobby the visitor was at once astonished to see none of those cells or cages one would expect to see in a bank. The beauty and simplicity of the new building, together with the different departments, at once appeals to one as homey, neighborly in effect, instead of the awe inspiring air given the visitor when the cages or cells are seen. This style of equipment is a productive of community spirit.

Provision has been made for the convenience of the women patrons in a beautifully furnished room and lavatory. The men's toilet is off the directors' room. Besides the different departments, such as are usual, two private rooms for the use of patrons of the

safety deposit boxes are provided. Taken as a whole it would appear that nothing has been omitted in the construction and equipment of this banking house which could make for safety and efficiency as well as beauty and grace.

Nothing occurred to mar the pleasure of the day except about nine in the evening the lights went out, due to a transformer burning out.

As soon as the lights went out Sgt. Pratt and Trooper Robinson of the local detachment of the state police came to the bank to be on hand in event of the lights being a part of an attempt to raid the institution by bandits. Fortunately nothing of the kind occurred. In spite of the lesser illumination by candles, the visitors were enthusiastically neighborly and continued to come and go until after ten o'clock when the doors were closed at the end of a perfect day.

The automatic yelling machine in the lobby attracted the youngsters and the oldsters, too, for that matter. Even the ladies enjoyed the innovation. In connection with the machine there is a recording device which showed over 1200 persons "patronized" it. As about one-half of the visitors did not get on the scales, there were approximately 2500 visitors within the portals of the new bank Saturday.

The vault, together with the large, burglar proof safety deposit boxes attracted the attention of the visitors and a large percentage of them visited the "strong box," where all of the details of the safety devices were explained. It was apparent to all that nothing had been omitted which might safeguard the people's money and valuables entrusted to this bank.

During the evening there were many present from Detroit and Pontiac, as well as from Northville, mingling with those from town who could not come during the day.

The bank was by no means the "new show" of Saturday. The many and varied business places in the new block were given more than the "once over," for they all were favored with a liberal patronage. In fact all business places in the village were benefited by the community spirit prevalent during the day. To a stranger—that is, it was surely gratifying to note the cheer and neighborly spirit prevailing, making us feel that we had come to a place where petty differences are not allowed to crowd, the pull-together spirit necessary to make a successful and contented community a regular home town.

A representative of the Enterprise was in attendance during the afternoon and evening, and passed out copies of that publication to all who were not subscribers, and it was pleasing to note how few who were there in the afternoon were non-subscribers, which shows the people of Farmington are loyal to their community paper.

Charles Wilson of Albion college, is in Detroit this week. He attended the lecture course at the church Tuesday.

Board of Commerce Banquet on Friday. Old Farmingtonians will be the speakers, at 6:30 p. m. Tickets at the store.

T. H. Carson, the baker, moved his family into the Owen Apartments Wednesday so as to be closer to his place of business.

Wednesday evening the mid-week service will be held in the Community Hall which is open to the public, beginning at 8:00 p. m. On Sunday evening the lodge of Masons will attend service at the new Methodist church. A special Masonic sermon will be delivered by the Rev. Sidney D. Eva. The service will begin at 7:30. The altar is invited.

A children's party will be held at the Methodist church on Saturday afternoon under the direction of Miss Ethelyn Newman of Detroit. The program will consist of a play, directed by Miss Newman, a song reading, character sketches, and a lot of things children enjoy. Refreshments will be served. No charge. All children invited.

## BIG WEEK FOR METHODISM HERE

Farmington's Beautiful New Church Dedicated by Bishop Henderson Sunday.

In spite of unfavorable weather the dedicatory services of the Methodist church were successful from the standpoint of attendance and enthusiasm. Many former Farmingtonians and other visitors came for the celebration, bringing greetings and congratulations. Farmington now possesses one of the most unique and interesting churches of Michigan. True to the ancient forms of church architecture the edifice is expressive of the spiritual quality and suggestiveness of a religious life and feeling. The church is an old English type with all the Gothic touches that have long been the architectural symbol of spirituality. The day of dedication was not favored with fair weather any more than the days set for the stone-laying ceremonies more than six months ago. In spite of the clouds, rain and cold wind the people came to share in the dedication of the new church, the first such ceremony ever witnessed in Farmington by most of the people present. The day's program began with the administration of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper by the pastor of the church. The service was well attended. The service struck a high spiritual note that was maintained throughout the day.

Bishop Theodore S. Henderson, resident Bishop of the Detroit Area of the Methodist church, who preached morning and evening, inspired the large congregations with his challenging messages. Dr. M. S. Rice with characterized eloquence and power charmed the afternoon crowd. Bishop Henderson conducted the dedicatory service after the evening sermon. He called to the altar the official members of the church and officially received the completed building at their hands and duly dedicated it to the service of God and delivered it over to the people for their use as a house of worship.

The music of the day reached a high altitude of quality. Mrs. Nina Whipple presided as pianist, and Miss Ernestine Pierce was the choir director. The vested choir singing the Processional Hymn walked down the aisle as the first act of worship of the day in the new church gave a touch of saintliness and beauty to the service. The singing throughout the day was very good, the choir rendered two anthems with great credit and led the singing of the hymns at all the services. The soloists of the day were Miss Pierce, Mrs. Helen Kennedy Snyder, Mr. Angus Woodbridge and Mr. Millard Lucas. The Revs. Duncan M. Ward, who was born here and went out into the ministry from Farmington, the Rev. W. Dale, associate pastor, and Dr. E. J. Warren, district superintendent, shared in the services of the day, as well as the local pastor, Rev. Sidney D. Eva.

Monday, March 20, 12:00 P. M. Dinner—Joint meeting of the Detroit Methodist Preachers' association and Detroit Methodist Ministers' Wives association. This was a jolly intellectual gathering and every number of the program was highly enjoyed.

Monday, March 20—8:00 P. M. Ladies Night—Reception and Program—Refreshments. Harold Jarvis, tenor, and Ruth B. Middleton, entertainer were very much enjoyed by the ladies.

Tuesday, March 21, 8:00 P. M. The Dedication lecture, "Songs and Stories of familiar birds," by Charles Crawford Gorst, naturalist, was one of the best features of the week, except, of course, the dedication banquet.

Wednesday, March 22—6:30 P. M. DEDICATION BANQUET Program The Toastmaster—Mr. Charles R. Talbot. "The Feminine"—Miss Emily H. Butterfield, Farmington. "The Fellows"—Mr. Dennis F. Strong, "The Boys' Man," Detroit. "The Faithful"—Rev. Sidney D. Eva.

"The Famous"—Hon. Paul W. Voorhies, Prosecuting Attorney of Wayne County. "What do you think of that?" At last, the ex-governor has been heard from. He still lives and is going to be the mayor of Bad Axe—if he secures the required number of votes. We were kinder wondering what had become of Albert until the radio gram conveying the above was received.

## CHURCH NOTES

THE METHODIST PARISH.

—Farmington—

10:30 Dr. E. J. Warren, preacher.

7:30 "What do you most need?" Masonic Service. Rev. S. D. Eva, preacher.

—North Farmington—

2:00 Preaching service.

3:00 Sunday School.

—Clarenceville—

10:30 Preaching service Rev. W. W. Dale, preacher.

11:45 Sunday School.

7:30 Evening service.

Sidney D. Eva, Pastor.

W. W. Dale, Associate Pastor.

—Universalist Church.

10:30 Worship and sermon. Dr. Beresford will preach. Subject: "The Way to Eternal Life—as Christ Opens the Gate and Leads the World."

12:00 Sunday School and Adult Bible class.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.

Rev. Henry H. Ford, D. D., under the supervision of the Detroit Baptist Union, will preach in the First Baptist church next Sunday, both morning and evening. His subject at 10:30 a. m. will be—"God's great interest in Humanity."

At 7:30 p. m. "The Distinguished Guest and What He has to Give."

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these services.

Salem Evangelical Church Notes.

Services will be held Sunday, March 26th, at 2:00 p. m.

Sunday School at 1:00 p. m.

Rev. Martin of Detroit will conduct the services.

### LOCAL NEWS.

Z. B. Aschenbremer is a new physician who has moved to Farmington, and will have his office in the bank block on Grand River avenue.

Mrs. A. C. Dewitt of Millington, Mich., has been spending dedication week with Mr. and Mrs. Sam Locke, and is returning home today. Mr. and Mrs. Locke accompanied her as far as Detroit, and will spend the day with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dewitt of Detroit.

The big sale at the People's Dry Goods store closes Saturday, March 25th. Mr. Jones says they met with wonderful success and that there are yet many wonderful bargains left for you to pick up in these times when the buying public is economizing.

Next Tuesday evening will be the first motion picture program in the new Community Hall of the Methodist church. The picture will be "Humoresque" which is a picture of great repute. There will be only one showing which will begin at 7:30. A full evening of entertainment will be given.

Friday evening will be one of the great events of the dedication when President Laird and Superintendent Frank Cody of Detroit, will be the speakers at a great young peoples' meeting. The orchestra of the Alpha Tau Omega of Albion college, will supply the music for the refreshments which will be served. A general good time for all young people. No charge will be made. Older people are invited to attend.

The Overland Sales & Service informs us that they are unable to secure cars in Detroit to fill their orders. The factory is behind with order and the Overland and Willys-Knight can only be secured in Detroit by allotment. They want to Detroit last week to get three sedans they had sold, but could get only one. Be wise and get your order in at once.

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