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TBC. DEATH RATE FALLING FAST

Tuberculosis Death Rate Falling Faster Than General Death Rate.

A report of the United States Public Health Service furnishes interesting figures of the death rate, from various causes, prevailing in 1910 and 1920 in the United States.

In 1910 the general death rate from all causes was 14.9 among each 1,000 inhabitants of the country, whereas in 1920 it was reduced to 13.1—a decrease of 15 per cent.

The same years, the tuberculosis death rate from all forms of the disease, for the entire country was 160 in 1910 and 114 in 1920, for each 100,000 population. These mortality figures indicate a decrease of 29 per cent. Tuberculosis has therefore been reduced more than twice as fast as the general death rate during the years under study.

"There is a reason," as a certain popular advertisement would put it. The reason is that the general public has become interested in tuberculosis to a much greater extent than it has in the prevention of other diseases. The public is making tuberculosis its own problem, not leaving it to physicians alone.

And the moral of the figures cited by the United States public health service, according to the Michigan tuberculosis association, is that now is the time to increase the efforts against this disease. If the efforts of the public are followed by such good results then they should be kept up so that by 1930 the reduction in the death rate will be still greater. The tuberculosis death rate can be cut in half during that time if the public will give their earnest attention to it.

Will Way, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cook, and son, Robert, and Mary Gardner of Detroit, spent Tuesday and Wednesday with Rev. and Mrs. Stevenson at Midland. Mrs. Stevenson was ordained at nine o'clock Wednesday morning. Mrs. Cook will remain for a few days visit with them.

Club Enjoys Party.
The Help One Another club of Livonia, accompanied by their families and friends met at the Minnie Ha Ha cottage of Mr. and Mrs. John Laidlaw at Walled Lake, June 26th. About 65 people enjoyed the bountiful pot-luck dinner and also lunch in the evening, with a large watermelon served by the hostess.

Boating, fishing and bathing were the main features of the day. Mrs. Fred Gorchow, Jr., won first prize and Mrs. Will Hart of Scitowille, second in a drawing contest.

Mrs. Louise Lapham.
Mrs. Louise Lapham, beloved wife of P. F. Lapham, of Flandrau South Dakota, was laid to rest in the Farmington cemetery Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Dr. H. H. Ford of the First Baptist church officiating.

The deceased was born at Glantonbury, England, November 28, 1843. While in her teens she came to Farmington and made this place her home for many years. On November 20, 1873 she was united in marriage to P. F. Lapham, who survives her. In the spring of 1882 she, with her husband, moved to Flandrau, South Dakota, where they have resided ever since. For the past two months she had been confined to her bed, and Tuesday evening June 26th at 7:15 o'clock she "fell asleep." She leaves a husband, and a host of friends and relatives to mourn her.

Opened New Store.
George Rattenbury opened his new meat market and grocery at Walled Lake last Saturday in a new stucco building just recently erected especially for the business. He will carry a full and complete stock of meats, groceries, fruit and vegetables and will pay the highest market prices for farm produce.

Adopt Uniform Burial Prices.

A uniform rate for the burial of indigent persons in Oakland county was adopted Friday afternoon by the board of supervisors after a committee composed of Supervisors Bingham, Brondige and Brandt had made a report. The resolution adopted calls for the payment by the county to undertakers for the burial of indigent persons: \$35 for caskets from two to three feet long; \$40 for caskets from 3 1/2 to 4 1/2 feet; and \$50 for adult caskets. Where the death is caused by diphtheria, small pox or scarlet fever, \$10 additional is to be allowed. Still-born children will be buried for \$20 and burials at the county farm will be made for \$35. These fees are to include everything in connection with the funeral, except in cases of burial from the county farm and still-born children, where it is unusual to hold a funeral service. Supervisors must endorse all the orders paid by the county.

The Oakland county funeral directors' association sent a delegation to appear before the board yesterday in the interests of a uniform burial price. The county formerly allowed \$35, but in many instances larger sums were paid. Undertakers Whitcomb of Oxford, Bell of Birmingham, and Davis of Pontiac, representing the association, told the board that a uniform rate of \$80 for adult burials was as cheap as an adult funeral can be handled with present prices. It is understood the rate is to be effective for six months at the end of which time it can be increased or decreased depending upon business conditions at the time.

When the resolution of the committee was presented Friday afternoon an effort was made to amend it so the county superintendent of the poor would have discretion to pay for indigent burials, but not to exceed \$75. This amendment failed by a vote of 15 to 8. An attempt was then made to amend the original motion making the maximum price for adult burials \$70. This lost 14 to 9. The original motion was then put and carried 20 to 2.—Pontiac Press.

Opens Postoffice at Sylvan Lake.
Announcement was made recently of plans for the opening of a postoffice at Sylvan Lake. Mrs. N. A. Hilliker will be in charge of the office and states that boxes will be offered for use at charges considerably lower than those required for boxes in the larger offices. Rental, she says, is based on the amount of business done by the office.

Mrs. Mark Owen is visiting relatives in Kalamazoo for a week.

NOTES OF THE CHURCHES

THE METHODIST PARISH.

—Farmington—
10:30 Morning Service.
11:30 Sunday School.
7:30 Evening service.
—Sidney D. Eva, Pastor.

—North Farmington—
2:00 Preaching service.
3:00 Sunday School.

—Clareville—

10:30 Preaching service. Rev. W. W. Dale, preacher.
11:45 Sunday School.
7:30. Evenig service.

First Baptist Church

"Why was it that when man transgressed he died, but when the angels fell they did not die?" is Dr. Ford's subject at 10:30 a. m. Sunday.

At 12 o'clock Sunday school. Mr. E. P. Bates, superintendent.
6:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U. Topic: "Getting the Blessings of Freedom." John 8:31-36.
7:30 p. m. Dr. Ford will preach on the subject: "Heaven a Happy Place."

Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock mid-week prayer service.

Salem Evangelical Church.

10:30 a. m. German Services.
11:45 a. m. B. Y. P. U.
X. P. U. meets the second and fourth Wednesday evenings of the month.
Church rehearsals every Friday evening at 8:00 p. m.

LEGION FOURTH HUGE SUCCESS

Oakland County Legion Posts Part on Regular Program of Sports, Drills, Parades, Etc.

About 3000 persons were at the Milford fair grounds for the Fourth of July celebration, when races, ball games, and other amusement features formed the attractions. The celebration was pronounced a decided success from every viewpoint. In the races Dan Spohns won the \$100 purse for the 2:30 pace, June 5, and Winton Six the 2:25 trot. Mr. Peters of Caro was the successful driver in the automobile race.

Members of the Detroit Michigan National Guard company gave a machine gun drill and in the afternoon military parade was held, with the Pontiac and Milford bands leading. Concerts were given by the bands during the day. In a baseball game between South Lyon and Milford high school teams the former won a silver cup. In a high school field meet the silver cup went to Rochester.

The venturesome ones among the crowd were given an opportunity to ride in an airplane during the day and many went out to dinner was served by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the American Legion and in the evening a big display of fireworks concluded the celebration.

County Valuation Reduced.

Every township in the county and the City of Pontiac registered a 10 per cent cut in its valuation in the report of the committee on equalization of the board of supervisors made to the board this afternoon. The report was laid on the table until later in the afternoon. The county's new valuations as reported by the committee is \$127,981,477 as compared with \$139,613,081 of July 1, 1921.

In this year's report the real estate as assessed totaled \$122,790,810 which was cut to \$109,349,565 by which the 10 per cent decrease amounting to \$13,441,245. Personal property was assessed at \$18,681,912. Pontiac city's new valuation as fixed by the committee is \$40,709,001.

A year ago the county real estate was assessed at \$123,979,071 and the personal property at \$17,643,101.—Pontiac Press.

Will Represent Oakland Before State Board

Supervisors F. G. Elk of Pontiac, A. W. Wilson of Royal Oak and James Cuthbert of White Lake have been selected by the county board to represent it at the meeting of the state board of equalization next month at Lansing. Alternates selected were George Scott of Royal Oak, Frank H. Lester of Orion, and L. D. Allen of Bloomfield.

An Error

Owing to a mistake in copying the names of the stores closing early on Tuesdays and Thursdays Mr. Steffens of the Steffen Meat Market, was left out. His market will be closed with the others.

Good Intentions.

Greenfield township authorities started out with perfectly good intentions when they passed an ordinance prohibiting the driving of automobiles on Grand River avenue between the town line and the city limits at a faster rate than 20 miles an hour, but the state authorities step in and say that the state law only prevails in territory outside of incorporated towns and the state law allows a speed of 35 miles. That is dangerous territory for fast driving and the township board felt justified in trying to curb the speeders in the interest of humanity for there are prominent crossings in about every block where many children are compelled to cross and recross going to and from school. The probability is that this will make one more argument for annexation to the city.—Redford Record.

Mrs. John Johnson Returned

from the hospital Wednesday.

"Hobo" Averted Accident

We would say again in this instance it "payed" to have a train free transportation of a railway train. Listen to the story, then judge for yourself.

As the Pere Marquette is fast train due here at 7:55 p. m. from Grand Rapids, was nearing Turkey, N. H. (the station of the Detroit House of Correction) a man between Salem and Plymouth, Sunday, a fellow who had been "stealing" a ride between engine tender and baggage car (climbed) onto the tender yelling out his warnings to the engine crew. It seems they had not discovered that the tender was derailed until they were told by their tramp passenger.

The engine promptly stopped the train, and it was just in time for had it gone on much farther at the rate of speed it was a first traveling there is no doubt that a most disastrous wreck would have resulted.

As the train was brought to a standstill, Mr. Hobo jumped to the ground but was so overcome with fright that he found it necessary to hold on to the railing and legs to prevent total collapse.

Section crews were kept busy all night, and all traffic was obstructed. The train passed east at 9:08 was sent around by the way of Wixom on the Grand Trunk track, going from there to Plymouth, and then on to Detroit.—South Lyon Herald.

Supervisors in Session

For the purpose of having the county a new equalization as it is required to do at regular intervals, the Oakland county board of supervisors convened last Monday at Pontiac. All the supervisors took their seats and took with them and the committee on equalization will go over the list and prepare a report on which the board will vote the later part of the week. This valuation will stand in October and on that date December's taxes will be levied.—Holly Advertiser.

Term Bureau Director Killed.

A. P. DePue of Millbrook Junction, Michigan, county director of the Michigan farm bureau in the upper peninsula, was killed last Thursday when a tractor turned over on him, according to word received by the farm bureau Saturday.

Village to Vote on Enlargement

Birmingham and Bloomfield townships will have an opportunity to vote at a special election on August 14, on the question of whether the boundary lines of the village shall be enlarged to include 22 acres of land in sections 26 and 35 of Bloomfield township, lying north and west of the present limits.

Petitions from the village and township asking for a special election were filed in the spring and presented to the board of supervisors at the session this week. A committee found a petition regular law in accordance with the state law, leaving no alternative for the board but to call the special election.

Sylvan Lake Camp Opens

The fresh air camp at Sylvan Lake, fostered by The Detroit Free Press and maintained by voluntary contributions from all parts of the state, was opened for the summer on June 30th, when a crowd of nearly 100 happy children were brought from Detroit to enjoy the fresh air and rural Sylvan Lake scenery for which Sylvan Lake is famous.

The guests arrived last before dinner and the first thing done after they had been assigned to their cottages was to serve them a meal that was up to standard in the lines of many.

The camp will be kept open throughout the summer.

Felt Entirely A Home.

Dr. Russell H. Breddy: "On my recent trip to St. Louis, I had an unusual experience. When I arrived and was taken to my hotel, I found that it was called the Hotel Pontiac. The segment of the machine in which I rode was a new Oakland automobile, made in Pontiac."

STOCKHOLDERS ENJOYED DINNER

Peoples State Bank is Host to its Stockholders—More Than 100 Present

The stockholders' dinner, given at the M. E. church parlors on Friday evening last, under the direction of the Peoples' State Bank of this village proved one of the most delightful functions of the summer. More than 100 persons responded to the generous invitations extended and they formed a merry family. The dinner was complete in all its appointments and the splendid menu served was enjoyed by all who were fortunate enough to be present. The following menu was served:

Olives
Fruit Punch
Vol au Vent au Veal
Mashed Potatoes
Green Peas
Salad—Farmington Special
Warm Biscuits
Cherry Pie a la mode

Mr. Hood of Detroit was present and sang a number of songs and he also led the banquets in community singing, a feature that was heartily enjoyed. Rev. Sidney D. Eva made some fitting and appropriate remarks.

The Peoples' State Bank of Farmington opened for business on February 16, 1918, with a capital of \$20,000.00. Within less than a year after its establishment the capital stock was increased to \$30,000.00, and on December 10th, 1921, the officers thought it advisable to again increase their working capital and they set the figure at \$50,000.00, with a surplus of \$15,000.00. The growth of the bank was steady and upward and the institution has been a decided factor in the growth of this community. There are 125 stockholders and the total resources of the bank have reached a sum in excess of \$400,000.00.

The officers and directors who have guided the institution through its years of remarkable growth and activity are as follows: Chas. H. Ely, chairman of board of directors; Jas. L. Hogle, president; J. A. Miller, vice-president; B. E. Storms, cashier; Geo. C. Gildemeister, assistant cashier; Ernest V. Blanchard, John Dickie, Thos. Lytle, Leo F. Gildemeister, John Power, William Shaw.

Dr. and Mrs. Brannock of Pontiac, left Wednesday for Boston, where the Dr. will take a short course at Harvard college.

Home Talent Will

Feature Farm Day.
With President David Friday and L. Whitney Watkins, chairman of the state board of agriculture, listed as the main speakers for the summer farmers day meeting at M. A. C. on August 4, home talent will feature the great gathering.

The program, as announced this week by E. B. Hill, chairman of the college farmers' day committee will be short but interesting. President Friday will discuss the present economic situation of Michigan agriculture, tracing influences which have led up to the present and weighing the possibilities for the future.

Mr. Watkins, one of the state's most active and successful farmers in addition to his official duties with the state board of agriculture, will represent the "practical" farm side of conditions; and at the same time discuss the plans for future development at M. A. C. Dean R. S. Shaw of the agricultural division at M. A. C. will figure, while the famous Ree More Cane company band is to play numerous selections during the program. One or two other speakers may be added later, according to the committee.

Inspection of the college experimental plots, laboratories, and barns; a picnic lunch on the college campus; and interviews with the various agricultural specialists are other features which will make the day a busy one for the assembled farmers and their families. More than 3,000 were in attendance last summer, and an even larger crowd is expected on August 4 this year.

Masonic Temple to Washington.

The first spadeful of earth has been turned on Shooters Hill, just outside of Alexandria, Va., where will be located the beautiful memorial to George Washington, the Mason, being erected by the Masonic fraternity of the United States.

Washington, as Master of what is now known as Washington—Alexandria Lodge, F. A. A. M., left many relics of the most important historic interest. These, now in the possession of the lodge in the old Virginia city, will be suitably housed in the beautiful fireproof temple to be erected on a commanding elevation between Alexandria and Washington, D. C.

The building is to cost two and a half millions of dollars, and is to commemorate the Masonic activities of the Father of His Country, who carried Masonic teaching into his every official act, and who gave an impetus to the Masonic activities of the United States which is still a guiding force.

The turning of the first earth was done by Louis A. Warren of Scranton, Pa., who is president of the George Washington Masonic Memorial association. The invocation was made by the Rev. Dr. Morton, chaplain of the association.

It is the plan of the association to erect a building which will be a Mecca for Masons throughout the world and one which will compare favorably in beauty with the Lincoln memorial recently dedicated in Washington and the House of the Temple, magnificent home of the Supreme Council of the Scottish Rite for the southern jurisdiction, which has brought to Washington, D. C., the boast of having the most beautiful fraternal temple in the entire world.

LaCrosse Game for 32nd Reunion

Two Canadian Lacrosse teams, coming all the way from Winnipeg, will be one of the attractive features at the 32d Division reunion at Madison, on August 29th.

The game of LaCrosse is little known in Wisconsin, having been played years ago by the Indians, but now as important a sport as base ball among Canadians. Fully thirty-five men will come to Madison to play the game and interest in the field day is manifest all over the state. The game will rival the home-coming games of football, and the seat sale will be started this coming week.

A block of 10,000 seats have reserved for the ex-service men without cost to them, and the other seats will be sold to help defray the expenses of the big reunion. An attendance of from 15,000 to 17,000 people is expected. People from all over Wisconsin are cordially invited to come to Madison and help give the men of the fighting 32d Division a state welcome. Tickets may be secured in advance by writing to Capt. F. N. Ritter, University of Wisconsin, at Madison.

Will Put Up Road Signs.

The Plymouth chamber of commerce have ordered one hundred signs, 18x24 inches in size to be placed along the roads leading to Plymouth. They have also ordered ten larger signs, 4x6 feet in size, to be placed on the leading highways entering the village.—Plymouth Mail.

Receiver for Wayne Plant.

The Guaranty Trust Company of Detroit has been appointed as receiver for the Harroun Motors Corporation of Wayne, and Karl D. Stellwagen will represent the plant company in efforts to adjust the corporation's affairs. The trust has been idle since the Armistice. Mr. Stellwagen says that the assets of the corporation are probably about \$1,000,000, although the corporation claims assets of \$2,000,000. He said the liabilities will run from \$750,000 to \$2,500,000. John Guy Monaghan is president of the company, succeeding Ray Harroun, founder a first president of the corporation which was started just before the World war. The buildings are valued at approximately \$50,000, and are fully equipped to make passenger automobiles. There is about \$350,000 in parts on hand.—Michigan Investor.