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## FIVE WINNERS IN ESSAY CONTEST

Union Trust Announces Much Interest and Announces Another for 1925

Winners in the Union Trust Company \$5,000 college scholarship essay contest were announced last week by the three judges, Henry S. Hubert and Alexis C. Angell, of Detroit, and John H. Patterson, of Pontiac.

Coincident with report of the judges, came the announcement from Frank W. Blair, president of the Union Trust Company, due to the widespread interest manifested among the student body, school officials and Parent-Teachers' organizations in the three counties of Oakland, Wayne and Macomb the contest will be repeated for 1925.

Until the report of the judges was compared with the list of numbered names of the contestants, the judges had no knowledge of the names of students by whom the 21 essays were submitted. Each essay was placed in special cover, bearing only a number, before being turned over to the three judges.

These five each won a \$1,000 scholarship in the college selected by them in advance: Virginia Gertrude Safford, 815 Taylor avenue, from Northern high school, who selected Antioch (Ohio) college; George Thomas Washington, 5728 Whitney avenue, from Northwestern high school, who selected Centre (Kentucky) college; Madelyn G. Dankers, 65 Lincoln avenue, Mt. Clemens high school, who selected Ohio Wesleyan university; William Wilson Brashers, 823 Choroake avenue, Royal Oak high school, who selected University of Michigan; and Hazel Marie Sanner, 1119 Beardsfield avenue, from Mt. Ambrose parochial high school, who selected St. Joseph's college, Adrian.

First alternate winners, who are to receive silver medals especially designed by Mrs. J. W. Sullivan, are: Saul Levinsky, 1718 Hazelwood avenue, Detroit, Central high school; Rose Hecker, 4425 Chene street, Detroit, Northwestern high school; Russell Burt, 16 Brighton avenue, Highland Park high school; Starr Northrop, Northwestern high school; and Martin Bruton, Jr., 540 Holbrook avenue, Holy Name institute.

Second alternate winners who are to receive bronze medals are: Horonica Hope Gillette, 2026 Baker street, St. Vincent high school; Paul Curtis, Wayne high school; Helen Eleanor Lang, 8317 Burdett street, Southwestern high school; and Lewis Embury Warriner, 2923 Hazelwood avenue, Southeastern high.

The six following will receive engraved certificates awarding honorable mention: John Brown, Jr., 584 Burns avenue, Eastern high; Elmer Heinicke, 2446 Doremus street, Hamtramck high school; Helen Fish, 425 North Harvey street, Plymouth high; Ruth Cecilia Peak, 57 Ford avenue, Blessed Sacrament high school; Marie Lucienne Cole, 414 Horton avenue, Holy Rosary high school; and Lillian Hayes, 1251 East Grand boulevard, St. Catherine high school.

Fred Bollens is home from the university in Wisconsin to spend the rest of the vacation at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Bollens.

## BEWARE OF THE GYPSIES

"The Gypsies are coming to town," and it is well to keep your hand on your pocket book. The Birmingham Eclectic tells of a recent experience that Elmer Berger, had with a band of these nomads. He was picking cherries in his orchard at Franklin. His hired man was helping him. Both, each man on his own ladder, —to put it mildly—were working with a will, when an eight passenger Cadillac, shiny and new, bearing a Pennsylvania license tag, drew up at the roadside. In it were two men, three women and several children, all gypsies. The women climbed over the fence and asked for cherries. Mr. Berger gave each woman a handful and resumed his work. A few minutes later one of the women climbed Mr. Berger's ladder and stretched up her hands for more. He complied and ordered her to get down. She went reluctantly she did so, and returned to the car. A moment later the big car shot away in a cloud of dust. Shortly afterwards Mr. Berger discovered that \$37 was missing from his pocket.

## STATE DAIRY MEN MEET ON AUGUST 22

Dairymen of Michigan will gather at the Michigan Agricultural college on Friday, August 22, for a big state dairy day which promises to be one of the most important agricultural meetings of the year.

It will be the regular summer meeting of the Michigan Milk Producers association, while the Allied Dairy association will join in the conference on the 22nd, thus making the gathering representative of all dairy interests in the state.

A. J. Glover, editor of Hoard's Dairyman, and W. H. Miller, president of the National Milk Producers association, will be speakers from outside the state on the program at the general afternoon meeting. Prof. O. E. Reed, head of the dairy husbandry department at M. A. C., will represent the college and the Michigan dairy interests.

The morning according to the program announced, will be given over largely to inspection of the college dairy herds and of the extensive experimental work in dairy cattle feeding being carried on under the direction of the dairy division. Basket picnic lunches will be the order for the noon hour.

A special feature of the meeting which is attracting much attention from dairy farmers of the state, and creating a little good natured rivalry among friends of the contestants, will be a milking contest between N. P. Hull, president of state milk producers association, and J. L. Noon, president of the state farm bureau. These two well known Michigan agricultural leaders will meet in the battle of the milk pail at 12-30, in order to determine their superiority as "cow pumpers."

## BIRTHDAY SURPRISE

Wednesday evening the L. O. M. gave Mrs. Ben Myers a surprise at her home in honor of her birthday anniversary. Eighteen ladies were present. A delightful evening was spent playing progressive pedro, after which dairy refreshments were served. Mrs. Myers was the recipient of a nice present.

## FARMINGTON TEAM DEFEATS PONTIAC

The Farmington ball team defeated the Pontiac Recreation team at North Farmington Sunday by a score of 12 to 6. Staman and Tredway formed the battery for Farmington.

## AN OMISSION

In the list of workers in the D. V. B. S., the name of Miss Gladys Wood of Clarenceville, was overlooked.

## NOTES OF THE CHURCHES

### Farmington Methodist Church

S. D. Eva, Pastor

10:30 Morning service. Dr. William H. Phelps will deliver the sermon.

11:45 Sunday School. Miss Emily Butlerfield, sup't.

8:00 Evening service conducted by Miss Nettie Staman. S. D. Harger and Nathan Power.

8:00 Mid-week service Wednesday. El W. Roos, leader.

### Clarenceville Community M. E. Church

Mrs. Gregg in Charge.

10:30 Morning service.

11:45 Sunday School.

8:00 Evening service.

### First Baptist Church

C. W. Townsend, Minister.

10:30 Church School.

11:00 Worship. Sermon: "Three Sturdy Christian Virtues."

6:30 B. Y. P. U.

7:30 Evening service. Subject: "The Neglected Harvest."

### Evangelical Church

Rev. J. Bollens, Pastor

10:15 Morning services in English.

11:45 Sunday School.

Y. P. L. social on Wednesday evening, August 20th, at William Melows, Nov. Games, cats, service.

### St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Clarenceville

(At Switzer Road)

Rev. Kaupner, Pastor.

Divine services at 10:30 a. m. on 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of the month—German. 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month—English.

English Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.

Next Sunday afternoon the Ladies Aid will celebrate its 25th anniversary with a special service at 2:30 p. m., followed by a social on the church lawn.

## PRIMARY ELECTION CAMPAIGN NOW ON

Contests on in Republican Rank for Several County Offices—One Democratic Aspirant

Saturday was the last day for filing petitions for the September primary election. A majority of the candidates for county and district offices waited until the last moment before filing the petitions, with the result that the closing hours in the county clerk's office were busy ones.

Petitions are now on file for the following offices: Republican Representative first district of county—Charles W. Melick of Pontiac and James E. Lawson of Royal Oak; Representative second district—F. F. DeLong, Groveland; Lee Noble, Oxford; and Philomen J. Miller, Valley Lake; Sheriff—Frank Schram, Pontiac; Leonard Schnell, Ferndale; A. J. Cornell, Pontiac; and Fred Schradler, Pontiac. Prosecuting attorney—Clayde D. Underwood, Pontiac. County Clerk—W. Harry Gryderman, Pontiac; Burton Dougherty, Holly; Treasurer—Floyd H. Losee, Pontiac; Fred Derneberger, Leonard. Register of deeds—Miss Lucile Avery, Pontiac. Probate Judge—Ludwig Ross Stockwell, Pontiac. Drain Commissioner—Cassius J. Crawford, Pontiac; Arthur W. Spencer, Rochester. Road Commissioner—Luther D. Allen, Bloomfield; George B. Dewey, Oxford; and Peter E. Backer, Royal Oak. County Surveyor—Maurice Baldwin, Pontiac. Circuit Court Commissioner—Ralph E. Keeling, Pontiac; and George B. Hartwick, Royal Oak. Farmer and Earl Gordon, both of Pontiac.

John D. Haddon of Holly, who is a democratic candidate for representative in the second district, was the only democrat who filed a petition.

## NO SUCH RISKS TAKEN HERE

An Ortonville man was killed the other day when struck by an automobile while he was cutting weeds at road side. Our citizens are not taking such risks. There is danger, however, of an autoist getting lost in the weeds at the road side.

## REGISTER AND VOTE AT THE PRIMARY

Residents of Farmington township and all other townships outside of the city of Pontiac whose names are not now on the registration books, must register in order to vote at the coming primary. Re-registering is required only in cities of 10,000 inhabitants. Pontiac being the only city in the county coming under that requirement.

All persons who are not registered and wish to become eligible to vote, must fulfill the following requirements: He or she must be over 21 years of age, have been a resident in the precinct in which the voting will be done for at least 20 days directly preceding the date of the election, and must have been a resident of Michigan for at least six months directly preceding the election date.

## HOLLY MAN SEEKS COUNTY CLERKSHIP

Mr. Burton F. Daugherty.

Mr. Daugherty is a resident of Holly and is the postmaster there. He is a candidate for the Republican nomination for County Clerk and is being supported loyally by the citizens of his home town.

Miss Gladys Ryan of Chicago, and Miss Tess Dohany of Detroit, spent the past week with Mrs. John Lapham.

## ALLIGATOR DINES ON CHICKEN

Little chicks have lately been mysteriously disappearing from George Bostwick's chicken yard at his home on Division street at the southern limits of the village. It has just been discovered that the cause of their disappearance was due to the foraging of an alligator that had taken up quarters in a small marshy pond nearby.

This alligator is one sent last winter by Gale Collins from Florida to Fred Garlick. About a month ago it escaped from his yard and it was supposed that it had crawled away and died.

When members of the family returned from the show yard of a night they found the reptile on the front porch sleeping off the effects of its latest chicken dinner.

## RURAL CARRIER EXAMINATIONS

The United States Civil Service Commission has announced an examination to be held at Redford, Mich. on Sept. 13, 1924, to fill the position of rural carrier at Farmington and vacancies that may later occur on rural routes from that post office. The salary of a rural carrier on a standard delivery wagon route of 24 miles is \$1,800 per annum, with an additional \$30 per mile per annum for each mile or major fraction thereof in excess of 24 miles. The salary on motor routes ranges from \$2,400 to \$2,600 per annum, according to length.

## LOOTER NABBED

Considerable looting of garages has been going on in the vicinity of the Seven Mile road recently. Tires and accessories were taken from the Salem Garage and Chavey garage Monday night. Local officers arrested Leroy Ellsworth of Detroit Tuesday, who has a prison record. All the stolen property was recovered.

## PROSPERITY REFLECTED IN TAX RETURNS

Village tax money for 1924 has rolled into the treasury at a very satisfactory rate. Out of about \$21,000 to be collected less than \$2,000 remains unpaid. Taxpayers not settling before September 1st will be charged an additional percentage.

## LOCAL NEWS

Claude Lee is installing a gas filling station at his auto repair shop on Division street.

Mr. Herbert Thayer had the misfortune to have his large hay stack destroyed by fire last Sunday.

The American Legion was tendered the use of the log cabin by the village council at their last meeting.

Mr. Clyde McDermott, who has been ill for several months with a broken leg, is now improving under the care of Dr. Aschen-Brenner.

A truck belonging to the Farmington Bakery and driven by Fred Jipson was overturned and demolished Saturday morning coming down McGee hill. Mr. Jipson escaped with a few bruises.

Next Sunday will be "Boat Day" at the Methodist Sunday school. It is requested that boats be brought to decorate the platform at 10 a. m. so long as they can be brought and taken away again.

## A TOWN IS JUDGED BY ITS NEWSPAPER

Most people look at a newspaper as the business of a single individual. If it thrives, that is the owner's or the editor's business. If it fails, that is also the owner's or editor's business.

As a matter of fact, the success or failure of a paper is a matter of grave concern to an entire town.

Newspapers are the best advertisement a city has in the outside world. Other cities judge a town by the kind of a newspaper it has. If it does not thrive, outsiders are inclined to look on the town as undesirable to live in, and so move on to other cities.

Thomas Jefferson once said that if the people have government without newspaper or newspapers without government, he would take the newspapers, because through them he felt that the state could be run with at least fair results.

If some of us appreciated more fully the value of our newspapers, we would make great effort to see that they get the news and advertising and so please take this as an invitation to come.

Bring something for a potluck dinner and silverware for yourselves. Come and renew old acquaintances.—By Order of Com. Times.

## RURAL SECTIONS DEVELOP RAPIDLY

Forced by Solution of City's Traffic Problems—This Locality Benefited

The paving of Telegraph road from Grand River road to Michigan avenue is one of the most important road improvements in this locality and with the many new roads to the south connecting with the Farmington road (Division street) is bound to materially add to the development of this section. With the opening of all of these thoroughfares will come increased travel from the northwest and north into Farmington with Division street as the outlet to points in southern Michigan and Ohio.

Speaking of the progress made in solving traffic problems and now under contemplation, Guy S. Greene, president of the Detroit Real Estate board says:

"Detroit, with streets laid out to take care of one horse-drawn vehicle, found itself in a traffic jam with the advent of the automobile," says Mr. Greene. "Highways were soon crowded, transportation became slower and accident increased in an alarming proportion." It was noted that if the city was to keep pace with its industrial growth and prosperity that some solution had to be found.

"The county road commission working with the rapid transit commission and other civic bodies adopted the suggestion that the larger traffic arteries be widened to 204 feet wherever feasible and commendable progress has been made in this direction. The mission wisely decided in the beginning that the main highways should be given primary consideration.

"The rapid industrial growth of the west side demands extensive new road and wider road construction. Widening operations on Grand River avenue have been completed as far as Redford and the highway will soon be open for public service. Further construction, providing for a 204 foot highway from Redford to the county line, will be undertaken in the near future. This wide thoroughfare will take care of the many settlements in this section and open up large areas for development.

"The paving of Telegraph road from Grand River avenue to Michigan avenue, has been completed and will be completed soon. "The road from Flat-Rock to Toledo now is being paved and when completed a new highway from Detroit to Toledo will have been provided. A further extension of the Telegraph road far north as Pontiac is being considered favorably.

"Not only will the wider highways relieve the traffic problem, but they will materially increase the value of outlying properties and will make accessible suburban properties necessary for the continued expansion of the city. There has been a decided tendency on the part of city folks during the past few years to live just beyond the actual boundaries of the city. High taxation, the smoke and noise of the city and the attractiveness of suburban homes all have served to draw a great many people to the suburban districts. For people to work in the city and yet dwell in these localities, rapid transportation is absolutely essential. The work of the road commission in providing wider highways and as a result providing for more rapid transportation, will allow these people to follow their natural inclination."

Steps to have the Telegraph road out through Oakland county from Grand River road to Pontiac were taken by the board of supervisors Monday and to have it paved within two years. A survey of the route already has been authorized by the state and L. V. Belknap, county highway engineer, states that work will be started next week. The task of obtaining a right of way will also be started at that time, it is announced.

## EAST NOVI SCHOOL REUNION

It is planned to have a reunion of the former pupils and their families of the East Novi school on Saturday, August 16, in West's woods.

All who have ever attended school there please take this as an invitation to come.

Bring something for a potluck dinner and silverware for yourselves. Come and renew old acquaintances.—By Order of Com.

## REDPATH CHAUTAUQUA OPENS NEXT TUESDAY

The citizens of Farmington and vicinity are promised a series of more than ordinary entertainment in the chautauqua course which opens next Tuesday at the school house grounds. The program for this year is a finely balanced one, offering musical, literary and dramatic numbers by the best of talent. The addresses which will punctuate the amusement and entertainment features are by well known and popular orators and humorists.

At a meeting of the contract signers held Tuesday evening a good advance sale of season tickets was reported. Those who have made an active campaign in ticket selling state that considerable interest is being manifested in the coming chautauqua and the demand for tickets is quite brisk. Season tickets can be secured at The Enterprise Office.

## HEAD-ON COLLISION RESULTS SERIOUSLY

The wife and two children of Mr. Balger, who was moving his family from northern Michigan to Mt. Clemens, were badly injured in an automobile collision Sunday evening on the Farmington road south of Seven Mile road. Mr. Balger was ahead in a van carrying the household goods with his wife and three children. An Al car some distance back driven by the hired man. A heavy car owned by a Mr. Jackson of Detroit, struck the smaller car, wrecking it. The injured woman and children, after being given first aid by a Farmington physician were taken to Detroit by a passing motorist. Mrs. Balger's injuries are serious and one child will not recover. The other occupants of the car escaped with minor bruises.

## GOOD MAN ON THE JOB

John A. Adams, who has been a member of the Oakland County Road Commission for the past seven years, is again a candidate to succeed himself.

The past decade has witnessed wonderful progress in road building in this county. The knowledge gained during that period is now reflected in the conditions of our more recently improved highways which are far superior to the ones constructed in response to the first demands for better roads. It is the knowledge gained by experience that makes the betterment and this knowledge and experience is needed in our highway departments. There is yet much work to be done on Oakland county roads, but good progress is being made to that end. With the election of Mr. Adams to another term of office Oakland county will secure the services needed in helping to shape and carry out its extensive highway improvement plans.

## ELECTRIC MAIL CAR SERVICE

Some time ago The Enterprise suggested the putting on of an electric mail car for service between Detroit, Pontiac, Northville, Farmington, Redford and intermediate post offices on the Pontiac division of the D. U. R. where the present mail service is far from satisfactory and does not meet the needs and demands of the thousands of people depending upon it. A mail car operating over this line out of Detroit and Detroit terminals, with clerks distributing and sorting mail en route, would facilitate matters and obviate the necessity of carrying a letter or parcel posted at an intermediate point on the line addressed to another intermediate point; to a terminal point, there to be placed in the mail pouch of the destination office. The extra expense for mail clerks would be to a measure compensated by the relief given the terminal office.

Improvements in mail service along other divisions of the D. U. R. are being made. Why not here?

The Michigan Investor says that the first railway mail car to be used on an electric railway in Michigan is being completed in the D. U. R. shops at Highland Park, and will be put in service between Detroit and Fort Huron, giving the many small towns and summer resort sections along the route better mail service. The new coach will be a combination freight and mail car. The front compartment will be large enough for two mail clerks and will be built along standard government lines, being equipped with a steel reinforced mail box, letter case, overhead package boxes and a distributing table so that the mail make stop at Halfway, Roseville, Mt. Clemens, New Baltimore, Anchorville, Fair Haven, Algonac, St. Clair and Marysville or its Detroit-Port Huron runs.