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DAIRYMEN HOLD SUCCESSFUL MEET

Milking Contest, Speaking, Program and Experimental Dairy Cattle Work on Program

The most noteworthy and unusual milking contest ever staged in this state and a program of talks by three outstanding dairy leaders of the country, together with an inspection of the experimental work being carried on with dairy cattle at the Michigan Agricultural college, combined to make the 1924 "Michigan Dairy Day" which was held here Friday, August 22, one of the most important agricultural gatherings in the state for this year.

The holding of a joint meeting by the members of the Michigan Milk Producers' association, representing 20,000 dairymen, and of the Michigan Allied Dairy association, brought representatives of all the dairy interests in the state to the gathering.

A picnic lunch followed the inspection trip in the morning, during which members of the M. A. C. dairy department discussed methods and practices which have been proved most successful while exhibiting the animals used in the experimental work.

The milking contest between President N. P. Hull of the Michigan Milk Producers' association and President M. L. Nelson of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, was terminated in a tie, according to the verdict of the judges. Several happenings such as the more or less accidental use of dry cows which it was found necessary to replace the milking to which the judge on "sanitation" subjected one of the contestants, and the donning of the bright rubber caps and long white aprons prescribed as appropriate uniforms, added to the enjoyment of the spectators. A similar contest will be staged at next summer's meeting to break the tie, it was announced.

A. J. Glover, editor of *Hoard's Dairyman*, and J. D. Miller, president of the National Milk Producers' federation, were the speakers from outside the state on the afternoon program. Prof. O. E. Reed, head of the M. A. C. dairy department, represented the college and the Michigan dairy interests.

FIRE DESTROYS BARN AND CONTENTS

On Tuesday the modern new barn being constructed on the Wm. Booth farm on the Seven Mile road five miles southwest of Farmington was completely destroyed by fire, together with all the other barns and put buildings and their contents, which included a pedigree bull, Northville and Bedford fire departments responded to calls for help but the fire had gained too much headway. The loss is covered by insurance. Fire was caused by defective wiring, it is said.

Mrs. W. H. Thornton, daughters Gladys and Lucile, son Harold, and guest Miss Esther Nicolai of Adrian, took the boat trip to Sandusky, Ohio, Tuesday.

MYSTERY PROVES BAG OF COW BONES

Two gruesome bags of bones were taken from about five feet of water on the south shore of Walled Lake recently. Common grain sacks were used to dispose of the evidence in the mystery and officers are of the opinion that the perpetrators of the crime roved to the scene during the darkness of the night and dumped their burden overboard, believing that they were in a section of the lake where the water was much deeper than it really was.

Of course the most mysterious thing connected with the two mysterious sacks was the smell, for they contained only the remains of some poor murdered cow and the remains of a chicken, of the feathered variety.

Mrs. Gladys Knorrp of Detroit, who is spending a few weeks at Walled Lake, discovered the sacks and her companion, through curiosity opened one of them. The water was quite deep and the smell prevented a thorough investigation, but they could see that there were bones inside. Believing that no one would take so many pains unless they wished to hide some crime, the sheriff's department was notified, and the sacks removed.

The remains of a bossy and the chancier now rest peacefully in a quiet grave by the lake's shore. —Pontiac Press.

FORMER RESIDENT BURIED HERE

Thomas Hanifan, many years ago a resident of Farmington, died last Friday at the Masonic home at Alma, aged 78 years. The remains were brought here for burial Tuesday in the Quaker cemetery, conducted by the Masonic lodge. He was a member of Vernon, Mich., Masonic lodge.

FAMILY REUNIONS

The annual reunion of the Briggs school, Livonia township will be held on the school grounds Saturday, August 30th at 1:00 p. m. Ladies please bring cake. The Spencer family held their reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Heeney Thursday, August 28th.

All members of the Graham family are urged to be present at their reunion to be held at the home of Mrs. Mary Carey, North Farmington, Sunday, Sept. 7th. Pot-luck dinner at noon will be served.

DEATH OF MRS. N. STEVENS

Mrs. N. Stevens died Wednesday at the home of her grandson, Alford Pound on Grand River, aged 84 years. Deceased had been ill for some time, having suffered a stroke of paralysis about eight months ago. She leaves two grandsons, Alford and Charles Pound. Funeral was held Friday from the home of Mrs. W. J. Goers, Burial at Clareville.

MRS. THOMAS STEVENSON

The death of Mrs. Thomas Stevenson occurred yesterday at her home south of Pontiac. Deceased was 67 years of age and leaves five daughters and two sons. The funeral will be held Saturday.

HOME FOR NOVI

Articles of association have been filed with the county clerk by members of Novi Oddfellows lodge for the incorporation of an association to be known as the Three Link Building Association. The purpose of maintaining a lodge home.

Officers are: Frank Deer, president and director; Norman Forbush, treasurer and director; Robert Young, secretary and director; Frank Martin, vice-president and director; A. T. Holcomb, Ben P. Hopkins and Wm. Mairs, directors. Mr. Martin resides at Walled Lake, Mr. Hopkins at Wixom and the others live in Novi.

Mr. and Mrs. John Grace of Clarencville and Mrs. Joseph Graham visited Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Grace and daughter, Mrs. Sybil Dean at Ferrington, Gratiot county, from Wednesday until Saturday of last week.

NOTES OF THE CHURCHES

Farmington Methodist Church
S. D. Eva, Pastor

10:30 Morning services. Rev. H. C. Dutcher, speaker.
11:45 Sunday school. Miss Emily Butterfield, Supt.
8:00 Evening service as usual.
Mid-week service Wednesday at 8:00 o'clock. W. A. Sayers, leader.
Tuesday, Sept. 2nd, W. H. M. S. will meet in church parlors at 2:30 p. m.

Clarencville Community
M. E. Church

Mrs. Gregg in Charge.
10:30 Subject, "Friendship."
11:45 Sunday school.
8:00 Rev. Dale of Royal Oak will preach. Rev. Dale is a former pastor of this church.

Evangelical Church
Rev. J. Bollens Pastor

10:15 Services in German.
11:45 Sunday school.
Wednesday, Sept. 3 Ladies Aid at Mrs. Clara Sallow's.
Dedication of new hall Sunday, September 7th.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Clarencville (At Switzer Road)

Rev. G. Gaupner, Pastor.
St. Paul's Lutheran church will have its annual mission festival next Sunday. In the German service at 10:30 Rev. C. Strassen of Plymouth, will occupy the pulpit. At 2:30 there will be an English service sermon by Rev. J. Riethmeyer of Pontiac.
At 9 p. m. Rev. E. Gaupner will give a special lecture on the mission work in India. "Everybody welcome."
The new term of St. Paul's Lutheran school begins Tuesday, Sept. 2. For information apply to Rev. P. Gaupner.

JUST ONE DAY AND A HUMDINGER

The Fun and Frolic Will Start Monday at Sound of the Aerial Bomb

Next Monday, Labor Day, is the one day in the year when the city of Farmington and vicinity will do nothing but play. Arranged in its best the populace will gather at an early hour in the business district, roped off for its special benefit, and at the rear of the salaried staff in for a day of fun and frolic. The program arranged by Groves-Walker Post for the delectation of the crowd is a long and varied one and includes many new features.

The morning will be devoted to hand concerts, horseshoe throwing contests, ball game between Farmington and Center Line teams and athletics sports, running from contests of skill to a sawdust scramble. In the afternoon from show to twilight will be one succession of stunts and thrills, with a ball game at 3 o'clock between Farmington and Franklin. Under the electric lights the crowds will dance the remaining happy hours away.

The first sign of the coming event is the arrival of a big merry-go-round, being erected on the vacant lot at the corner of Division and State streets. The horseshoe tournament and professional vaudeville acts are new features this season. Considerable interest is being taken in the tournament and some interesting contests are looked for. The free vaudeville acts are:

Kelsey Bros.—A comedy knock-about clowns, with acrobatic and table falls, late with the Sells-Floto Circus.

Stanley & Atee—A sensational aerial act, clever feats and plenty of thrills.

Playland Novelty—A novelty offering featuring the Shannon Twins, in the most unique novelty ever offered, in amazing feats and tricks performed by them, assisted by their father.

The official program and list of prizes will be found on page two of this paper.

CLARENCVILLE SCHOOLS TO OPEN SEPT. 2

The Clarencville Schools will open Tuesday, Sept. 2, with the superintendent and twelve teachers in charge. Until the new building on the north side of Grand River avenue is completed teachers and grades will be assigned as follows:

Pupils enrolled for the new building will occupy the portable and part of main building.

Kindergarten and first grade—north room in rear of main building—teacher, Dola Weinberg.

Second and third grades—north room in portable—teacher, Medora Harrison.

Fourth and fifth grades—south room in portable—teacher, Frances Hemen.

Pupils enrolled for the main building will be arranged as follows:

High school assembly room—west room in addition to grades 7, 8, 9 and 10. Teachers, Principal, Mathematics and Science, Theron Harr. English and History, Bertha LaBarge. Music and Assist., Marion Herman. Extra classes, Supt. LaBarge.

New addition:
Fourth grade S. room E., Wilma Blocker.

Third grade N. room E., Zella Myers.

Main building:
First floor E., second grade—Beatrice Carl.

First floor W., kindergarten and first grade—Wynnie Blakmore.

Second floor E., fifth grade—Helen Miller.

Second floor W., sixth grade—Thelma Harrison.

Supt. LaBarge will be in his office in the main building Friday and Saturday afternoons, August 29th and 30th for the purpose of enrolling and classifying new pupils.

BOY MISSING

Donald Robertson, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Robertson of Farmington, has been missing from home for several weeks. He is 15 years old and weighs about 135 pounds. The mother is nearly prostrated over his disappearance. He was a carrier for the Michigan Express. His parents would be very grateful to anyone knowing his whereabouts to inform them.

Miss Florence Bachelor had her tonsils removed Monday morning.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. Elva Tolman is spending this week with Mark Bachelor and family.

Mrs. William Harlan, John Harlan and daughter spent Tuesday in Pontiac.

Mrs. M. S. Brewer of Pontiac was a Tuesday guest of Mrs. Margaret Truscott.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Dickerson left Friday for a two weeks vacation at Neesh in northern Michigan.

Monday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson were his brother Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beckwith of Highland.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Aldrich entertained Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. William Beverly and Mrs. Sweeney of Detroit.

Mr. Fred Bicking and sister Sadie of Walled Lake, visited their cousin Mr. and Mrs. John Johnson, Tuesday.

Farmington ball team plays the Pontiac Athletic club Sunday, Aug. 31st at DeConick field. Game called at 3:00 p. m.

Mrs. Lydia McCallum and Mr. Ed. Graham of Pontiac, were entertained Tuesday evening at the Clarence Aldrich home.

Mrs. Florence Bachelor is visiting this week at the home of her son Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bachelor at North Farmington.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Glidden were guests at the wedding of Miss Danah Embley to Frank Nash in Detroit, Tuesday evening.

Miss Jean McGee of Pontiac spent Monday with her grandmother Mrs. A. McGee and aunt Mrs. Margaret Truscott.

The regular meeting of the W. H. M. S. of the M. E. church will be Tuesday, Sept. 2nd, in the church parlors at 2:30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Heeney were guests Sunday of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Miller at their cottage "The Outlook" at Walled Lake.

Mr. Walter Empson of Waverly, Iowa, has been a guest of his nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Empson, the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ely and son Charles of Northville, were Tuesday evening guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ely.

Sunday about twenty-five cousins surprised Mrs. William Harlan, to help her celebrate her twenty-fifth birthday anniversary.

The Misses Margaret and Mariam Meyer of Trenton, have returned home after visiting their sister Miss Viola Lamb for two weeks.

The Misses Evangeline and Helen Bradley returned from Lakeland, Tuesday where they have been camping with friends from Detroit.

Guests entertained Sunday at the Harry McCracken home were Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Hopcraft, Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Munson and family of Detroit.

Mrs. J. Alderman returned to her home in Stark, Florida, Tuesday after several weeks' visit with her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bradley.

Mr. and Mrs. John Melow daughter Ruth, Mrs. Harrison Johnson and daughter June, were weekend guests of D. Hanna and family at St. Clair flats.

Guests this week at the L. C. Jarner home are his sister, Mrs. Jerome Hewitt and son of Evansville, Illinois, and brother Mr. H. T. Smith of Ottawa, Canada.

Mrs. Wilfred Marshall of Los Angeles, California, who is visiting relatives in this vicinity, is spending this week with her sister, Mrs. Grant Putnam at Novi.

Mrs. B. L. Banta and daughter, Lawrence, who have been spending the past month at the E. A. Emmons home, returned to their home in Breedsville, Thursday.

Mrs. Ruth Melow attended a birthday party in Detroit, Thursday in honor of Miss Amy Johnson.

Miss Johnson is a niece of Jack Alcock of Orchard Lake Drive.

Mrs. Laurence, 76 years old, of Detroit, who suffered a broken leg and other bad bruises in an auto accident Sunday at Clarencville, was taken to Pinehurst hospital. She returned to her home Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Myers, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Myers, daughter Isabelle and Mrs. Pauline Voigt were entertained at Sunday dinner in the home of Mrs. Myers' sister, Mrs. Gus Wagner at Northville.

Mrs. Florence Aldrich, sons Roy and Harold, motored to Flint Saturday to the home of her daughter Mrs. E. H. Hughes.

Miss Mary Aldrich, who has been visiting her sister for several weeks, returned home with them.

COUNTY SCHOOLS GET \$403,802

Farmington Township, Ranking Fifth With 1,068 Children, Draws \$14,952

County Treasurer Florio H. Losee, announces that Oakland county's share of the state primary school fund, \$403,802, has been received and will shortly be distributed. Farmington stands fifth in number of children. Royal Oak township, which includes Royal Oak village outskirts Pontiac city in number of school children, but the latter with Pontiac township still leads by a small margin. Pontiac city, the township of Avon, which includes Rochester, Royal Oak village and Bloomfield which includes Birmingham are the only places that exceed Farmington township in school number of children.

Distribution will be made to the townships and cities on the basis of the number of school children, included in the last year's census in such cities and townships. The per capita advance this year is \$14.45 compared with \$13.50 a year ago. The county treasurer expects to send out the primary money to the townships and cities as soon as a check can be made of the lines listed in criminal cases the past year which money goes into the library fund and will be distributed on the basis of the number of school children included in the various districts where the money is to be distributed.

Oakland county has 23,843 children who were included in the census a year ago. The distribution will be made as follows: Addison, 233 children, \$4,102; Avon, 144 children, \$15,950; Bloomfield, 1,848 children, \$25,872; Brandon, 352 children, \$4,928; Commerce, 385 children, \$5,390; Farmington, 1,068 children, \$14,952; Groveland, 173 children, \$2,387; Highland, 328 children, \$4,592; Holly, 683 children, \$9,562; Independence, 293 children, \$4,102; Lyon, 446 children, \$6,244; Milford, 395 children, \$5,530; Novi, 888 children, \$12,390; Oakland, 1,450 children, \$20,060; Orion, 445 children, \$6,230; Oxford, 604 children, \$8,450; Pontiac (township), 281 children, \$3,654; Pontiac city, 3,392 children, \$11,748; Rose, 161 children, \$2,254; Royal Oak, 5,470 children, \$15,850; Southfield, 503 children, \$7,070; Springfield, 505 children, \$3,388; Troy, 842 children, \$12,068; Waterford, 431 children, \$6,034; West Bloomfield, 428 children, \$5,950; and White Lake, 178 children, \$2,429.

Last year the primary money received by the county totaled \$293,605 and the children included in the distribution totaled 25,522.

LOCAL NEWS

Miss Frances Brown had her tonsils removed last week.

Rev. and Mrs. Russell Rhatson of Decatur, Ill., were Monday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Sprague at Maple Hill farm.

Mrs. Rhatson was a former Farmington girl and an intimate friend of Mrs. L. H. Sprague of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hess and mother Mrs. Louise Husted spent Wednesday at Belle Isle.

They also made a tour through the new boat "Greater Detroit," the largest side-wheeler in the world, which made her maiden trip to Buffalo Thursday.

Guests Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ely and Mrs. Jessie Lee were guests at the old home of the former, and the present home of their daughter Mr. and Mrs. John Melow.

Other members of the Ely family were guests for lunch on Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Harger spent several days last week in Chicago and Tuesday attended the funeral of their brother-in-law Mr. Jerome Hewitt at Evanston, Illinois.

Mr. Hewitt had been connected with the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad for fifty years.

Guests entertained Sunday at the W. A. Pangborn home were Mr. and Mrs. Dell Maiden and children of Holly, William Shaw of Pontiac, Joseph Bonus and Joseph Brown of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Simmons, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Stevens and children of Newburg.

The house guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Empson were entertained Monday to a light picnic and picnic party at Belle Isle, Lake St. Clair and other near points of interest.

On Friday Miss Doris Banta was hostess and took the Empson party for a boat trip to Port Huron.

LOOSE GRAVEL CLAIMS ONE MORE VICTIM

Anna Kent, 22-year-old Toledo girl, was instantly killed Saturday morning at 9:30 when the car in which she was riding skidded in the gravel and turned over in the ditch between Novi and Walled Lake. Bradley Smith, her cousin who lives at 6555 Scotten avenue, Detroit, was driving the car at the time of the accident. Smith was only slightly injured.

According to the story told by Smith, he was driving about 20 miles an hour when the accident occurred. His car, he stated, skidded in the loose gravel on th Novi and turned over in the ditch. Miss Kent was thrown from the car which fell on her.

Albert Schkowsky, 5020 Roosevelt street, Detroit, was driving directly behind the couple and said they were not going at a high rate of speed.

NO COAL SHORTAGE

Barring strikes or suspension of work for other causes, there is no danger of a coal shortage this year, though high prices may be caused by the bidding of rival purchasers, according to a report made public by the American Engineering Council's coal storage committee. The committee is composed of 400 engineers who have been making a nation-wide investigation of the coal situation.

FARMINGTON SCHOOLS TO OPEN TUESDAY, SEPT. 2

The Farmington schools will open Tuesday morning, Sept. 2nd, to be in session all day. Supt. A. G. Leonard will be in his office all day Friday, August 29th, Saturday morning, August 30th, and Monday morning, September 1st, to meet with parents of pupils for consultation and classification. All students are urged to enroll early.

POOR CROP STORAGE CAUSES BARN FIRES

Farmers who fail to take great pains in curing their hay and grain crops in the field before storing them in barns are faced with the possibility of the destruction of parts or all of their season's crop by fire arising through spontaneous combustion according to a warning issued by R. C. Rather, farm crops specialist with the Michigan Agricultural college extension staff.

Particularly important attaches to careful crop storage this season as satisfactory drying and curing of the crop in the field has been prevented by weather conditions. Rather points out. When hay grain has become wet by rain in the field and contains more than its natural moisture, overheating in the mow may occur unless proper care is taken, occasionally in such degree that flames break out.

Two instances of spontaneous combustion have already come to the attention of the M. A. C. farm crops department, one at Brown City and the other at Elkton, the latter witnessed by Mr. Rather himself.

Slightly over a week after the wheat had been stored in a wet condition, a dull, hollow thud was heard and clouds of gray smoke were seen pouring from every crack and opening in the barn. A minute later the barn was a mass of flames and the building with the entire wheat and hay crop for the season was completely destroyed. Cinders from this blaze were found more than a mile and a half away.

"Such losses can be prevented if growers will take great pains to cure their crop in the field," Mr. Rather says. "In seasons like the present the round, capped shocks are much the more desirable in protecting the grain from weather injury. After curing, these can be opened up and allowed to air on the day they are to be hauled. When the straw down by the hand in the center of the bundle is well dried, it will be safe for storage as the rest will have ample opportunity to air out."

"The second cutting of alfalfa about to be harvested should be handled with equal caution. To avoid loss of leaves, it should be cured in the windrow or the cock."

In a loose airy window, which leaves to the center, and juicy butts to the outside, it will actually dry out more rapidly than in the swath. In case of rain the windrow should be turned over to loosen it and give the bottom a chance to air out. Rain or dew must be thoroughly dried off before it is put in the barn."

"Salting the hay is a good safety measure to a slight extent, but salt to each load of hay will take up much excess moisture and prevent most of the bacterial action which is the forerunner. To the costly dangerous spontaneous combustion."