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GARDEN WEEK APRIL 18 TO 25

Next week, April 18-25 is to be observed as Garden Week throughout the nation. Clubs and schools everywhere are giving programs on this topic. Ministers and other public speakers are making this thought the subject of their addresses and radio broadcasts. Discussions in their broadcasting programs through WWJ and other Detroit stations.

Merchants and various business places of our city are co-operating with the Farmington Woman's Club by emphasizing interest in gardening. The Farmington green houses welcome all lovers of flowers during the week.

While it may be too early to work in our gardens, it is not too early to work out garden schemes. Garden Week is a propaganda to instill the love of nature in the hearts of children as well as these of more mature years. Where there is contentment and happiness in the home the enthusiasm and joy usually flows out—and beautifies surrounding lawns and gardens. Some of the best advertisements for any community are well kept gardens.

N. J. EISENLORD & SON ADD NEW LINE

N. J. Eisenlord & Son have taken the agency for Farmington and vicinity for the Absopure Electric Refrigerator. Howard Eisenlord, junior member of the firm, spent last week in the company's big factory at Detroit familiarizing himself with the working and construction of this cooling and freezing device and will soon give a demonstration at the store here of the practicability of the Absopure. Various models will be on display.

SOUTHFIELD LAND BRINGS \$3,500 AN ACRE

Permission to sell a farm of 160 acres in Section 24 of Southfield Township for \$500,000 or \$3,500 an acre was granted in Circuit Court Monday. The property is the McClelland farm in which the following persons will share in the proceeds of the sale: Olive and Mary J. Maxwell, Mary J. Reid, Andrew and Howard McClelland, Beryl Russo, and David and Howard U. McClelland, of Birmingham. Some of the heirs are under legal age and court permission had to be obtained to dispose of their interests. The sale sets a new record for Oakland county farm property.

MODERN AND OLD TIME DANCES

Division No. 2 of the Civic Welfare Club of Walled Lake announces a benefit dance for the evening of Wednesday, April 21, when the participants will be afforded an opportunity to indulge in modern and old time dances to the music of Stark's synopaters. The dance will be given at the New Casino, Walled Lake.

RETURN LIBRARY BOOKS

"A Bush That Burned," "Hight Forfeit" and "The Son of His Father," are books past due at the library and are wanted.

We have a few new books but unless past due books are returned by Saturday night they will be withheld from circulation for a few more weeks.

THE NEW BOOKS ARE:

- "Thunder on the Left," A. Morley.
- "Hounds of Spring," S. Thompson.
- "Fig Iron," A. Norris.
- "Blue Windows," T. Baily.

School closes today, Friday, for a week of vacation. The seniors leave Saturday for their trip to Washington, D. C., about forty in number, including Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Cook, Mrs. Harrison Johnson, Mrs. Roy Brown, Miss Mildred Wallace, Miss Natalie Knapp and Miss Lois MacKellar.

Mr. and Mrs. George Guin have sold their home near the junction and have bought a home in Garden Grove subdivision.

GRAND RIVER PAVING GOING TO PIECES

The concrete paving on Grand River avenue from the river crossing to the eastern city limits is in bad condition, great holes having been gouged out of it by the heavy traffic which it has carried. In some places it has been necessary to fill in with gravel in order to make it in any way fit for travel. Just what steps have been taken to repair the road is not known, but it is evident that something will have to be done soon as there are signs of disintegrations elsewhere in the pavement within the city.

This pavement was laid about six years ago and is not entirely paid for.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' CONFERENCE

Plans made last Sunday at the Presbyterian Church in Pontiac by twenty-five representative young people of the county will provide for a boys' and girls' conference to be held some time the latter part of April or the first part of May. Several towns are considering giving invitations to entertain this conference and this will be decided next Sunday at the second meeting of the preliminary Conference Committee, which will meet at the Presbyterian Church at Pontiac at 3 o'clock.

This will be the second time that a joint conference of boys and girls has ever been held in the county, last year being the initial meeting and being something in the nature of an experiment. The meeting of last year also took the place of the usual Young Boys' Conference, and it seems to be the opinion of the young people that the joint affair is better in every way than separate groups of boys and girls.

MRS. GEORGE F. GULLEN

Mrs. Gullen passed away Tuesday evening following an operation at Harper Hospital. Formerly of Bradford, Ontario, she had been spending some time with her son Lloyd Gullen and family in Farmington.

SHORT SERVICE WIFE HELD

Short service wife held from the Curtis Chapel, Detroit, Wednesday and the remains taken to her old home in Canada where the funeral will be held Friday. Deceased leaves four sons and one daughter.

BIRMINGHAM'S ANNEXATION PROPOSITION DEFEATED

Despite strong opposition on the part of Birmingham village officers, Oakland county's board of canvassers this afternoon approved two disputed ballots cast in the recent election on the proposed annexation of Bloomfield Woods to Birmingham.

CASINO SHORES OPENS SATURDAY, APRIL 24

Herman Czenkusch, proprietor of Casino Shores, Walled Lake, announces that the large and finely appointed dance pavilion and resort will open for the season of 1926 on Saturday night, April 24, with a grand ball. This pavilion is the largest in Oakland County and personally conducted by Mr. Czenkusch who has kept pace with the growing demands of the dance seekers by furnishing the best of everything that makes dancing and recreation attractive and enjoyable. Music for the opening night will be furnished by Jules Klein's orchestra, personally conducted.

High School Spotlight

Kindergarten

The girls are making a spring outfit for the dolls and the boys are finishing their miniature town.

We are learning the names, habits and so forth of the early spring birds.

Tuesday was ironing day. Martha and Eileen brought their ironing outfit and the doll clothes were ironed.

Several spring verses have been memorized.

Second Grade

Edward Lorion and Virginia Seck are back to school after a long absence.

William's class read and dramatized "The Three Little Pigs." April is a rainy month. We made umbrellas for all the little girls in our blackboard border.

Our spring booklets are finished. We drew early spring birds and spring flowers in our booklets. Mrs. Potter helped us make them.

Duane Upton has moved to Detroit.

Miss Koterba

All our boys and girls are back to school now.

Beatrice's class expects to finish their reader before vacation. We are getting ready to dramatize "The Foolish Goose," for Miss Koterba's second grade.

We have made a border on our windows of tulip plants.

T. D. McCorr has been ill with the measles.

Third Grade

Miss Phillip is reading "The Secret Garden," to us and we are enjoying it even more than Helde.

We have finished our cotton booklets and today we are going to plant some cotton seeds that Betty Adams brought us.

On our April calendars we are checking each day: B—Bright; D—Dark; R—Rainy; S—Snowy.

Miss Phillip.

CHAMPIONSHIP SPELLING BEE AT CLARENCEVILLE

Last Friday at the new Tri-Township Community House in Clarenceville the junior and senior spelling teams composed of spellers from each of the fifth and sixth grades for the junior team, as well as of ten spellers from each of the seventh and eighth grades, spelled their way to proclaiming a school champion. The words used were from the Ayres Thousand, the Buckingham revision of the Ayres scale, and from the Iowa Essential List.

A large crowd was present, school was dismissed in the third grades and upwards—these pupils being present in a body—parents and friends of the contestants all made up about 500 spectators, people who were much interested in the scene. The youngsters are familiar with the old-fashioned spelling bee through their recent acquaintance with it as a result of the present campaign in spelling bees, while the older people were many of them recalling the days of their youth when they rode miles in horsebells to attend spelling schools and see an old champion dethroned and a new one crowned once in a while, oftener seeing the challenger humbled and the old champion retain his crown.

In this bee, none of the children had any experience in the News bees as the Clarenceville schools did not last year participate, but they were as much in earnest and as eager as if they had been veterans of a dozen spelling campaigns. The first part of the afternoon's program was furnished by the Edgewood kindergarten band who played a number and responded to an encore. Little tots of five and six, they did nobly with drum, cymbals, kazoo horns, and triangles, led by their teacher, Miss Beatrice Carl at the piano. They were roundly cheered and were

Sixth Grade

For art work this week we are drawing old Spanish ships that will be used as covers for booklets which will be made shortly in our history class.

In arithmetic we have been studying angles and arcs. Some have been making hard work of it.

Most of our boys and girls are very much interested in our banking system but so far we have been unable to obtain our "100 per cent" pins.

Miss Hudson

The boys of our room are giving the girls a party on Friday afternoon of this week.

Miss R. Wallace

Freshmen

The Freshmen are anxiously awaiting the coming of spring vacation, because they are getting tired of staying eighth hour.

Two of the Sophomores had the pleasure of teaching their English class during Miss MacKellar's absence. They were Walter Nelson and Helen Krett.

Juniors

The Juniors will take charge of the band stand Monday, April 26. Doris Sheppe and Ellen Perry are the proprietors. The class has been anxiously awaiting the return of Mr. Leonard to select their play so as to begin to work for their trip to Washington, D. C., next year.

Seniors

A disturbance of vital importance has been created in the hearts of the seniors. Why? The parents were notified that \$5 was sufficient for spending. The parents are economical, so as a result they are sure to stay within the margin. As it is only human to want a little more than one needs the seniors themselves are on the affirmative side of the debate as to whether they should have more than \$5 to spend. Who will win the debate?

As proud of their achievements as they will be in future years they play in a symphony orchestra or famous brass band. Their little leader was as precise in her waving of the baton as Walter Damrosch or Ossip Gabrilowitsch. She probably did not have the technique but she had a great deal of spirit, at least.

The bee was long and prolonged. The youngsters fell off one or two—never more than three at a time. There were no wholesale fallings-off, no jawbreaking words which moved them off by scores. They showed the result of careful training and declined to sit down in bunches. Each profited by the result of his previous competitor's spelling and mostly they sat down one at a time. The final result was a duel between Gladys Newman of the seventh grade and Dietrich McFarland of the eighth grade, with the word upon which he spelled down his competitor was a very common one, scissors. This was after both youngsters had missed the word, aerial. Since neither could spell aerial, both remained standing and spelled another dozen rounds before Gladys Newman missed scissors which Dietrich promptly spelled. He will receive a Rand-McNally atlas of the world valued at \$10 from the Detroit News and will represent his school at the district spelling bee.

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PIANO RECITAL

The piano recital given by Miss Gladys W. Baker, pupil of Miss Irene T. Kremer, was greatly enjoyed by an enthusiastic audience at Community Hall last Monday evening. The stage was prettily decorated with flowers and ferns.

Miss Baker deserves much credit for her excellent rendition of several difficult selections. Her playing displayed skillful training and a comprehensive idea of technic and interpretation. Each number was heartily applauded. Miss Baker received a number of beautiful bouquets.

Miss Effie C. Scates assisted on the program with a reading which pleased the audience. She responded to an encore.

Mrs. Charles Dredge, soprano, gave two vocal solos, which were much enjoyed. She too, responded to an encore. She was accompanied by Miss Kremer at the piano.

Miss Baker presented Miss Kremer, Mrs. Dredge and Miss Scates with beautiful bouquets as a token of appreciation.

The ushers were Misses Ita Durham, Ruth Schroeder and Dorothy Davis, each of whom was given a corsage bouquet of sweet peas by Miss Baker.

THE EXCHANGE CLUB

D. L. Dickerson gave an interesting talk before the Exchange Club at its Tuesday noonday luncheon on California as viewed by him during his recent trip to that land of sunshine and flowers. From his talk it was apparent that he is a close observer and fully enjoyed what California had on display in the way of natural and artificial wonders. He covered the many places of interest from San Francisco to the Mexican border.

Birthday cakes on each of which twinkled fifteen tiny candles reminded the members that the Exchange Club had completed the fifteenth year of its existence.

CAR PLUNGES INTO RIVER

Owing to the fact that the sedan in which they were riding turned completely over when it went over the embankment of the approach to the River Rouge bridge in this city last Thursday evening, Thomas Sexton of Detroit and Frank Jones of Highland Park, spent the night in the Oakland county jail instead of in a morgue.

The car was running at a high rate of speed when it plunged down the embankment landing in the center of the river with water up to its windshield. Had it not righted itself the men could not have escaped drowning. They came through the wreck with only minor rate with board is \$34.38 after taken into custody by deputies for reckless driving. At Pontiac both pleaded guilty to a charge of drunkenness and on failure to pay a fine were committed to jail for 15 days.

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CELEBRATE 50TH ANNIVERSARY

On Tuesday afternoon, April 8 Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Angell had the pleasure of celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary. About fifty relatives and friends joined them in making the day a memorable one.

An unusual program was featured by having a radio talk, broadcast from WWJ, Detroit, in which accounts of the wedding, family events, some history of the long wedded couple, greetings and good wishes were charmingly interwoven with anecdotes, lending a bit of humor by Myrtle E. Lobbitt, household editor of the Detroit News, whom the unseen listeners pronounced a fascinating entertainer for the occasion. Her radio address to the assembled guests was followed by "Put On Your Old Gray Bonnet" and "Home, Sweet Home," sung by girls from Station WWJ. Later a short program was rendered by three of the grandchildren at the home.

His grand-children extended for them a "Welcome, Reminiscence" written in poetical form for the occasion. Ada Mary Button sang "Silver Threads Among the Gold" and Russell Button "I've Grown So Used to You," accompanied by the old organ, her father's gift to Mrs. Angell in her girlhood. All was in the spirit of fifty years ago.

An interesting feature of the refreshments was the serving of a piece of the golden wedding cake to each guest. The cake had been conspicuous throughout the afternoon and was the work of Joseph Eisner of Farmington, many years a neighbor of the family. The bridesmaid of fifty years ago, Mrs. Eva Crawford of Pontiac was unable to be present because of sickness in her family so her place at the table of honor with Mr. and Mrs. Angell and Rev. R. O. Thompson of Novi was filled by Mrs. Ella Booth of Elyria, O., oldest cousin of Mr. Angell, who made the trip Tuesday morning accompanied by her children, Mr. and Mrs. James Gias, of Elyria and Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Booth, of Galion, O., in order to be present at this none too common event.

Eight guests were present who attended the original wedding. Mrs. Agnes Chamberlain, a niece, Mrs. Kate Pettibone, 93 years old, and Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Sprague, Farmington, John Angell, Mr. Angell's brother and Mrs. Ulie Tibbitts, Mrs. Angell's cousin, Northville, Mrs. T. M. West, sister of Mrs. Angell and D. P. Lapham, a cousin, Milford.

Mr. and Mrs. Angell were the recipients of many valuable and useful gifts.

Mr. Angell was born in West Sparta, Livingston County, N. Y., 75 years ago, February 19 and Mrs. Angell, who was Miss Mary Jones, was born in Farmington Township on the homestead now owned by her nephew, J. S. Jones July 21, 1857. The wedding in 1876 was solemnized in that home.

FORESTS AND FAMILIES

This year American Forest Week will be observed throughout Canada as well as the United States. The period so designated is the week of April 18-26. Its chief purpose is to interest citizens in forest conservation. Perhaps it would make a wider appeal if more attention were called to trees and tree culture for individual families. "Forest" is such a big word that many a city or even farm-dweller feels that it has no connection with any possible activity of his. Such is not the case.

MASONIC COMMUNICATION

A special communication of Farmington Lodge will be held Monday evening, April 19, 1926, for work in first degree.

By order of W. M.

Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Pike, Maple

avenue, entertained at Sunday dinner Mr. and Mrs. George Eagle of North Farmington.