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ENTHUSIASTIC BOOSTING SPIRIT IS MANIFEST

An organization of citizens of this locality, and neighboring cities who are interested in the progress and prosperity of Farmington by reason of residence here or real estate holdings, was gotten fairly well under way at a public meeting held at the Town Hall Tuesday evening.

The meeting was well attended and among those present were several well known real estate men of Detroit, who are interested in subdivisions in the Farmington locality.

The meeting was presided over by F. D. Fleming, who briefly explained its purpose and then called on others to further enlighten the audience.

The first step in the forming of a permanent organization was the appointment of Isaac Bond, Harley Warner and Carl Hogle as a committee to nominate seven persons to act as a board of directors. The committee later in the evening named F. D. Fleming, Lawrence Snell, Louis Barbusse, Edward Beals, J. W. Hathorn, Harley D. Warner and C. N. Burton as members of the board and those gentlemen were elected.

The questions of the territory to be covered by the association and membership were informally discussed, but not decided, it being deemed advisable to await report of directors before taking action. It was the consensus of opinion that boundaries should include the entire Farmington territory.

All who spoke emphasized the necessity of a thorough advertising campaign and it was practically decided to carry a large space in the real estate sections of the Detroit News and Free Press for several months, estimated at a cost of \$1500 a month.

The first speaker of the evening was B. R. Aldrich of Detroit, connected with F. F. Wilson and Co. prominent developers of suburban property.

Mr. Aldrich was born in Farmington and left here thirty-six years ago. For many years he has been engaged in the real estate business in Detroit and was a prominent figure in the putting over of some of the biggest development projects of that city and vicinity, especially in the Grand River avenue section. He told of the remarkable increase in real estate in the past twenty years. He stressed the importance of a thorough organization and co-operation in the work of boosting. He predicted a great future for Farmington section.

Don Dickinson, son of the late Don M. Dickinson, postmaster general in President Cleveland's cabinet, stated that those who were interested with him in real estate in this locality believed that Farmington, located just outside of Wayne county offers many advantages as a suburban home location. Being in another county the chances of its being embraced within the city limits of Detroit were remote giving it added value as a residence locality.

Edward Beals, president of the Great Lakes Land Corporation developers of the Oaklands, one of Farmington's choicest subdivisions stated that one of the greatest drawbacks in the sale of property in this locality was lack of publicity. He heartily approved of the organization program and promised the support, financially and otherwise, of his company.

Harley D. Warner expressed approval and stated that the Warner interests were anxious to co-operate in the movement.

E. O. Hutton, Arthur Smith, John Welch, A. G. Leonard superintendent of the Farmington schools, Rev. E. W. Palmer and Mrs. Mary Dohany of the Pan American Soil Co. made short talks which reflect the spirit of enthusiasm that prevailed at the meeting. Mrs. Dohany urged the women of this locality to get into the association and boost.

It was decided to continue the advertising program without a break and next Sunday's Detroit paper will carry a large display

FARMINGTON MUNICIPAL JUSTICE COURT

The following parties were convicted and fined by Municipal Justice John J. Schulte J. during the past week.

Walter Little, 13622 Compass avenue, Detroit, speeding, \$10. Albert Mathers, 2903-16th St., Detroit, speeding, \$10. Robert Cranell, 454 Alexander avenue, speeding, \$10.

Grant Hubert, 95 E. Palmer avenue, Detroit, speeding, \$10. William Segun, 238 E. Bethune avenue, Detroit, speeding, \$5. William Casker, 6387 Beechton avenue, Detroit, speeding, \$5.

Stanley Trudell, 6135 Cadet Detroit, reckless and careless driving, \$5.

J. C. Walter, 34 Lothrop avenue, Detroit, speeding, \$15. Walter Geisler, Redford, Mich. misdemeanor, \$2.

George Lange, 4486 Michigan avenue, Detroit, speeding, \$15.

CLARENCEVILLE 10th and 9th GRADE DEBATE

A debate was held last Friday afternoon between the 9th and 10th grades of Clarenceville schools, "Resolved That Capital Punishment Should Be Abolished." Tenth grade pupils on the affirmative were Kenneth Palmer, Harold Sterling and Edward Lowmyer. Ninth grade pupils on the negative were Horace Shock, Virgil Campbell and Ned Kalder. A decision of 3 to 0 in favor of the affirmative was rendered by the judges, Mrs. Tyler, Mr. Harr and Mrs. Felton.

RURAL SCHOOL PICNIC

Wayne County rural school picnic and graduating exercises were held at Elizabeth Park, Saturday, June 5. Ernestine Wolfe, a graduate from Pioneer school, received first prize for ball throwing; Lucile Wolfe took first prize for basketball throwing.

For the best decorated automobile Harvard school, Taylor Township won first prize, Hale school, Eureka Township, second prize, Red school, Taylor Township, third prize, and Texas school, Romulus Township, 4th prize.

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Geo. Clare spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Elmer Weston at Clarenceville.

Mr. and Mrs. Almer Thompson are now nicely settled in their new home at Walled Lake.

Mark Crawford and son Joe were Wednesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Leach.

Mrs. D. A. Dickerson attended the funeral of her sister-in-law Mrs. Fred Kerr, in Detroit, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Gaston and Mrs. L. H. Sprague, of Detroit attended the funeral of their cousin, Mrs. Sarah Botsford at Botsford Inn, Wednesday afternoon.

Dr. and Mrs. Z. R. Aschenbrenner are receiving congratulations on the birth of a 10 lb. daughter, at Pontiac City Hospital, Wednesday, June 9.

Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Leach were Mrs. Leach's niece and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Bruce, Mr. and Mrs. John Dumark and family, all of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rentscher of Salem entertained, Mrs. Rentscher's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Leach, of Farmington and Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Bruce of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Fendt are entertaining at dinner Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tankow of Plymouth, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tankow and family of Elm, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rutenbar and mother Mrs. Charles Rutenbar of near Northville.

At telling of the advantages of Farmington territory as a home location.

A general meeting of the association will be held at the Town Hall next Tuesday night at 8 o'clock to which all who are interested in Farmington are invited. At that meeting a report on boundaries, membership and other matters of importance will be made by the board of directors.

AUTOS CUT RAIL TRAFFIC

Prof. J. E. Slater of the University of Illinois, who has made a careful and extensive study of the transportation problem of the country states that it is the private automobile rather than the buses that are cutting into the passenger trade of the steam and electric railway business, which conclusion seems to coincide with just what has happened in this locality.

Long before the buses were in operation here the private car had cut the trolley traffic down from a profitable one to a point where the cars were being operated at a loss.

Professor Slater has made a study of the motor-bus as a competitor of the railroads with a view toward determining what practical rather than legislative measures should be adopted in the interests both of the public and the railroads.

At the end of November, 1925 passenger permits had been issued to 164 bus lines in Michigan. Of these 78 were entirely competitive with railroad lines and 11 partially so, there being 75 which were not considered competitive. The total miles of railroad in this state paralleled by bus lines were 31 per cent of the total railroad mileage in Michigan.

The private automobile, he says, provides the individual with so great a convenience that this form of transportation has made serious inroads in the passenger business of the railroads. Only where there is a constant travel between two points and the total distance is substantial, the individual might in time become wearied with constant driving and return to a passenger train. But where the trips are more or less occasional and take the individual into different territories the tendency to use his own machine is likely to continue.

EDITORIAL OUTING

Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week, has been set aside for the annual summer outing of the Michigan Press Association, and Harbor Springs will be the destination of the weekly scribes of the state where for three days they will revel in the luxuries of the playground of the north country as guests of the Harbor Springs Chamber of Commerce and the representatives of her summer resort facilities.

The publisher of The Enterprise left Wednesday evening for that resort to join in the festivities being prepared for the delectation of the overworked scribes by the good people of Harbor Springs. The trip is via auto in company with Joe Haas of the Holly Herald.

COUNTY ACHIEVEMENT DAY

County Achievement Day held Friday, June 4, at Walled Lake Consolidated school, under the direction of Miss Muriel Dundas County Home Demonstrating Agent, was a huge success.

About 400 people from all parts of the county and adjoining counties were in attendance. All district chairmen were present bringing with them their groups.

An exhibit of patterns, clothing, plans for homes were splendidly arranged and showed that the work accomplished during the year had a very decided value for those who engaged in it.

The speakers platform was prettily decorated with lilacs and made an attractive setting for the whole event.

The program, presided over by Mrs. Arthur Green, included music, clothing demonstrating, discussions on club work, and a pageant showing customs from 1895 to present date.

Among the people present from out of the county were: Miss Lois Orbett, Wayne county Demonstrating agent; Mrs. Frank King of Grindstone City, who gave a splendid talk on "Woman's Part in the Farm Bureau"; Miss Hunter, Nutrition specialist; Miss Agnes Sorrenson clothing specialist; Miss Carrie C. Williams, whose interesting talk was on "Cutting and Fitting"; Prof. R. J. Baldwin, Director Extension, all of the Michigan State College.

I. O. O. F. MEMORIAL SERVICE

The Methodist Episcopal Church at Clarenceville was filled last Sunday morning. The congregation included the local lodge of Oddfellows and Rebekas and visiting Oddfellows. Notwithstanding the wet weather the auditorium was well filled and chairs were utilized.

Mallard and Mrs. Fuhr rendered special musical selections and Miss Wilkinson was the pianist. The numbers rendered by the band and the band quartette which came with the Oddfellows were appropriate and added to the service. Two new church letters were received, in addition to several varieties received recently and some to be received later.

A feature of the service was the baptismal ceremony performed by the pastor.

Announcement was made by the pastor of the appointment as general superintendent of the Sunday School of Charles W. Locker. Several new teachers were also appointed, and Mrs. P. Fairbairn treasurer of the school and Miss Mildred Brown assistant secretary. Other officers are to be appointed later.

The sermon preached by Rev. Felton was on F. L. T. Friendship, Love and Truth. The setting of the text turned out to be the story of the three arrows, the parting of David and Jonathan, the incident of the crippling of Jonathan's son, and the retrospect of David after the death of Jonathan and the adoption of his crippled son into David's home.

The preacher showed how the Oddfellows' creed faithfully lived out in daily life would do much to transform the life of the community and the world. The three links he said were supplementary and vital to each other and only reached their highest possibilities when they were linked together and became one.

M. E. CHILDREN DAY SERVICE

The annual Children's Day services of the Methodist Church will be held this Sunday at 10:30. The Sunday School will convene in the Community Hall at 10:15 and form a procession, marching into the church auditorium. There will be no other Sunday School services this Sunday.

Mrs. Cook is chairman of the general committee. Mrs. S. D. Hinger has arranged the program consisting of songs and recitations and a dramatization of the story of Samuel. Mrs. Martha Warner is planning the decorations. The collection this day goes to the educational fund of the church and is used for the education of young people.

GARDEN PARTY

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Livonia Community Church will give a Garden Party at Coventry Gardens, Saturday afternoon and evening, June 19. There will be an interesting program of music and readings, both afternoon and evening. Program will be published later. Watch for bills.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS ORGANIZE

Mrs. A. C. McDonald's Sunday school class of the Baptist church met Friday, June 4 and organized the new class. The officers are: President Viola Como; Vice President Doloris Reavette; Secretary and Treasurer, Dorothy Smith; Chairman of the entertainment committee, Charlotte Lester. They plan to meet the first Friday of every month.

PROGRESSIVE BIBLE CLASS

On Monday, June 21st, the Progressive Bible class will hold their monthly business meeting at 3:30 p. m. at the E. A. Empson home. A pot luck supper at 6:30 p. m. to which the husbands and members of the Sunday noon day club are invited. Roll Call. Involvement. All members are urged to be present.

M. Winifred Empson, Sec.

FREE DEMONSTRATION

Your attention is called to an on page five, of the Detroit Edison Co. announcing a free demonstration of electric stoves, June 17 and 18.

BOOTLEGGERS JOINT RAIDED BY SHERIFF'S OFFICERS

A number of Oakland County deputy sheriffs, led by Claude Wilson, deputy sheriff stationed here, made a big haul last week Thursday night when they raided the home of John Chickorillo at Nine Mile and Berg roads in Southfield township.

About thirty men and women were found in the place slacking their thirst from the ample stock of various kinds of liquor which was found stored on the premises. Chickorillo was placed under arrest and the names of the patrons taken. The raid was made on a search warrant issued by Justice Wilson. When arranged before the justice the defendant pleaded not guilty and his examination was set for June 11, today. Bail for appearance was fixed at \$3,000 which Chickorillo was unable to furnish and he was taken to the county jail at Pontiac.

Since the raid Deputy Sheriff Wilson has been threatened with death for his part in the affair. There was found on the premises and confiscated 237 pints of beer, three gallon jugs of wine, 26 bottles of wine, five quarts of gin, six pints of whiskey, six quarts of whiskey, many beer and whiskey glasses and other articles indicating that a retail trade in liquor was being carried on, were found and destroyed, together with 400 empty bottles. Over 400 gallons of beer and fifteen gallons of wine were destroyed.

This is but one of many places in this neighborhood where, it is claimed, liquor is being sold.

A Farmington physician tells of visiting one of these foreign settlements recently in response to a telephone call. Not knowing just where the party lived he made inquiry of a citizen who asked the doctor if the person he was looking for was a bootlegger, to which the doctor replied that he was not. "Well then," retorted the citizen, "you can put it down for a certainty he does not live here in this neighborhood."

CHARLES L. WILSON, FULL-PLEGDED ATTORNEY

Charles L. Wilson of Farmington is one of the sixty students who will graduate from the law department of the University of Detroit this month, when he will receive the degree of Bachelor of Law. The graduation dates of the school are from the 14th to the 18th of June inclusive. The final exercises and presentation of degrees and diplomas will take place at the Arcadia Auditorium on the evening of the 18th.

FACULTY FARMINGTON SCHOOLS 1926-1927

The teaching force for the Farmington public schools has been completed with one exception.

The faculty as announced by Supt. Leonard follows:

Kindergarten, Iretia Reed. First grade, Zella Phillips. Second grade, Christine Kotterba.

Third grade, Doris Ackland. Primary Ungraded room, not filled.

Fourth grade, Margaret McClellan.

Fifth grade, Angeline Beebe. Sixth grade, Ethel M. Thornton.

Seventh grade, Ruth Wallace. Eighth grade, Lydia Tapio. Special teacher, Iva Hawkins.

Junior and Senior High School—Music and Art, Lulu Mabel Lockwood.

School Nurse, Ada Safford. Home Economics, Geneva Church.

Librarian, Mrs. Tracy Conroy. Languages and Girls Athletics, Helen Boorman.

Commercial, Charlotte Stenger. Mathematics, Louise Porter. English, Lois MacKellar.

Science and Boys' Athletics, A. R. Crawford. History and Principal High School, Natalie Knaap. Supt. of Schools, A. G. Leonard.

Harry Rowe of Duluth was a week end guest of Frank Lee and sister Miss Mary Lee, Collinswood Apartments.

IMPROVEMENT CO. WILL ERECT BUSINESS BLOCK

The Farmington Improvement Co., is now making plans for the erection of another brick business block. The building will occupy the vacant lot just east of their present building and will have two stores on Grand River and two small shops facing on the court in the rear. The building will be one story high, but with walls sufficiently strong to support an additional story if required later.

One of the stores will be occupied by the Kroger Co., which concern has for some time been anxious to locate one of its chain of stores here. The tenant for the other store has not been decided on, but the Improvement Co. has applicants for it.

The Farmington State Bank is now somewhat cramped for room and it is proposed to remove the partition wall between the banking office and the small shop facing on Division street now occupied by M. B. Pierce and David Bissett, and use the space for the bank's bookkeeping department. The bank building was constructed with this in view, the upper part of the partition wall which separates the offices above from the banking office, being supported by a heavy iron girder.

If this change is made the tenants in the bank will find convenient and comfortable quarters in the new building.

FINAL SUMMER CLINIC

The Oakland County branch of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association will hold its final clinic for the summer in the Assembly Room of the Court House in Pontiac June 11, from 10 a. m. until 2:30 p. m. when physical examinations will be given to adults and children for early diagnosis and prevention of disease.

This is the twelfth clinic held in the county this year. Each one was a great success and it is planned to hold more in the fall and still more next year. Up to the present time 146 patients have taken this opportunity to be examined and advised of physical defects which they are planning to have corrected and so fit themselves for greater activities.

The clinics are financed by the sale of Christmas seals.

The clinic in Pontiac will be covered by Dr. A. B. Wickham of East Lawn Sanitarium who is a clinician of wide experience. Miss Ruby Rogers, Oakland County Tuberculosis Nurse will have charge of the clinic and Dr. Monroe of Pontiac and Mrs. Zephia B. Hale, executive secretary of the organization will attend.

This clinic is open to all persons residing in Oakland County.

SIDEWALKS AND PAVING FOR BASE LINE ROAD

As will be noticed by legal advertisement elsewhere in this issue of The Enterprise the state highway department is now prepared to receive bids for the construction of two and three quarter miles of cement roadway along the Eight Mile, or Base Line road from Farmington road to its intersection with Grand River road at Clarenceville.

It is not only the purpose of the highway department to lay a 20-foot cement road slab, but the thoroughfare will be further improved by the construction of a five foot sidewalk.

MRS. SARAH E. BOTSFORD

Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Botsford passed away of heart disease Sunday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. S. A. Lockman at Keego Harbor.

Mrs. Botsford was 65 years of age and was for nearly fifty years a resident of Clarenceville. She was the widow of the late Frank P. Botsford, keeper of the Botsford Inn on Grand River avenue, recently purchased and restored by Henry Ford. She is survived by one daughter and one granddaughter.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon from the Botsford Inn, Rev. Sidney D. Eva officiating. Interment at Oakwood cemetery.