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ROUGE RIVER VALLEY TO BE BEAUTY SPOT

The Rouge River valley, one of the scenic beauties of this part of the state, the most attractive portion being within the Farmington area, is to be preserved for all time as a public park and driveway district. It plans of the various associations now interested in the development of this section are carried out.

The Wayne board of county auditors' recent action designating the banks of the Rouge river as a part of the metropolitan park plan toward which future subdivisions in Wayne county will be required to dedicate low-lying river bank property and to provide for boulevards on high ground, immediately adjacent to and overlooking the river valley, prompted Mr. Warner to advocate the extension of the plan to include Farmington.

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Greater Farmington Association, Harley D. Warner, treasurer, said:

"This river park plan for Farmington is in keeping with recent action taken by various Detroit suburbs as well as by Detroit itself. The Detroit city plan commission has advocated the use of otherwise valueless, low-lying property for natural parks. Connors Creek Park along the Connors Creek on the east side is a sample of the working of this park idea, as is Baby Creek Park north of Woodmere cemetery on the west side.

"I believe Farmington and all other communities around Detroit will profit in the long run by working toward the development of the metropolitan park plan, which will eventually provide a comprehensive park and boulevard district that will make every part of the growing Detroit area most attractive and livable.

"The sites for these new parks and boulevards are only proposals, of course. Until efforts are made to acquire the land, the desirability of the projects pointed out by the city planners, and it is now up to the individual townships and counties adjoining Detroit to make the dream come true as fast as the land is subdivided."

FARMINGTON BOY SCOUTS

Farmington Boy Scouts will put on a moving picture at M. E. Community Hall next Thursday night, July 15, for the benefit of the organization. On the Saturday following all of the members who can get away will leave for Gaylord where they will go to camp for two weeks. The Farmington troop numbers 30 members. E. H. Hardy is scoutmaster.

GEORGE B. HARTTRICK ASKS FOR ANOTHER TERM

George B. Harttrick, of Royal Oak, will again seek the Republican nomination for the office of Circuit Court Commissioner at the September primaries. Mr. Harttrick is one of the present commissioners and states that since January 1 he has had over twelve hundred land contract foreclosure cases before him. As a major portion of these actions emanate in the southern section of the county many are inconvenienced by having a commissioner located there.

ORCHARD LAKE ROAD OPEN TO TRAVEL

"Orchard Lake pavement between Farmington and Walled Lake roads, which has been in process of construction for several months is completed and was opened for travel Saturday.

SILVER TEA

Remember the date of the "Silver Tea," given by the Progressive Bible Club on the Fred Cook lawn, Wednesday afternoon, July 21st.

M. W. E. Sec.

SESQUI-CENTENNIAL COINS CAN NOW BE SECURED

Sesqui-Centennial coins issued by the government are now being distributed and can be purchased by any who wish to possess a memento of the 150th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence now being celebrated with a great exposition at Philadelphia.

The Farmington State Savings Bank has secured a number of the fifty-cent silver pieces and \$2.50 gold pieces which are sold at \$1.00 for the smaller denomination and \$3.50 for the larger. The amount charged for them in excess of their real money value will be turned over to the Exposition Committee to help defray expenses. The coins in years to come will undoubtedly have a sale value in excess of the amount charged as a limited number will be coined.

The coins are of handsome and striking design. The obverse shows in double profile Washington and Coolidge. The reverse presents the Liberty Bell.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

The Vacation Bible School held in the public school building had a good attendance for the first three days. It is open to all boys and girls between the ages of 5 and 14. The program consists of singing, story telling, dramatizing, playing of games, indoor and out. The younger children make things out of paper while the older girls have a sewing class and the boys cut things out of wood.

There will be a class in basketry started next week.

This is an opportunity for the children to know their bibles better.

OPEN AIR CHURCH SERVICES

The congregation and workers of the Baptist Church will conduct open air services each Sunday night at 8 o'clock during July and August. These meetings will be held in the Town Park. There will be sufficient chairs for all or folks might enjoy sitting in their cars while parked around the edge of the lawn.

The service will open with an old fashioned song service led by instruments played by members of the congregation.

Rev. E. W. Palmer, the pastor, will speak each week. His subjects for July are:

Sunday, 11, "Borrowed Clothes," Sunday, 18, "Wanted a Head," Sunday, 25, "Delivering."

Come and worship together in God's open.

NEW COUNTY HOSPITAL

The Pontiac Press of Tuesday says: Oakland County's new tuberculosis hospital will place this county in the front rank in the fight against this disease, said Theodore J. Wells of Lansing, executive secretary of the Michigan Tuberculosis association, who addressed the Pontiac Kiwanis Club in the First Presbyterian Church this noon.

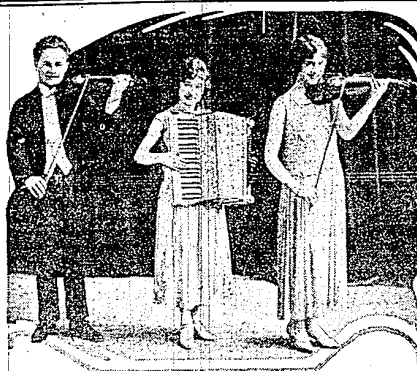
Just previous to his address the club had voted \$100 to be spent by the Oakland County Branch of the Tuberculosis association and the Salvation Army jointly in caring for county inmates.

Mr. Wells outlined the campaign against the disease briefly. He told of the first efforts to isolate all cases, how this was found that 16 active cases of tuberculosis are on record now in Oakland county, that 73 died of the disease during the past year.

He stated that nearly every person has the infection in a mild form, as do angeworms, ticks, chickens, snakes and birds. One per cent of the average American city's population has the disease, and 2 per cent in industrial centers. He showed how active campaigns against it had doubled the number of cases reported and halved the death rate and urged the general examination of workers and the public generally as a preventive measure.

What has become of the old-fashioned senator who used to mention his party occasionally? With Congress adjourned the farmer is safe for another season.

Faubel Entertainers Are Delightful Chautauqua Feature



The Faubel Entertainers, who will appear here at the coming Redpath Chautauqua, have established a record for popularity which has spread from coast to coast. They present unusually diversified novelty entertainments to the keen delight of audiences everywhere.

Clarence Faubel, who heads the company, is a gifted popular entertainer. His character portrayals are clear cut and versatile, ranging from the tenderness of his dramatic interpretations to the robust humor of his rural dialect characterizations. His impassioned "fiddle" numbers are always a pleasing program feature.

Associated with Mr. Faubel in the company are Mrs. Faubel, talented violinist, pianist and impersonator, and Miss Marie Williamson, whose special solo numbers on the piano-accordion contribute greatly to the enjoyment of the program.

The Faubel Entertainers are sure of a hearty welcome wherever their sparkling program is given.

EGAN-KOHLMAN

A very pretty wedding was solemnized at St. Mary's Church, Redford at 9 o'clock Saturday morning when Miss Louise Egan of Redford became the bride of Theodore Kohlman, son of Mrs. Albert Keppler of Farmington.

The bride was charmingly attired in a simple gown of white georgette and carried a bridal bouquet of white rose buds and maiden hair ferns.

Miss Edna Egan, who was her sister's only attendant, wore a frock of peach georgette and carried an arm bouquet of pink roses. Anthony Nobah of Detroit attended the groom as best man.

Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Egan, 17345 Siering street, Redford, to the immediate friends. The house was tastefully decorated in a blue and white color scheme.

The young couple were entertained at several events prior to their marriage and received many useful and pretty gifts. They will reside on Greening boulevard, Farmington.

BREAKS ARM AT PICNIC

Dorothy Clark, 10 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Clark, is in the University Hospital at Ann Arbor suffering from a broken arm. She fell from a hammock at the summer home of her grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Clark at Silver Lake.

REV. DUNLAVY'S RETURN AS PASTOR REQUESTED

The regular quarterly conference of the Methodist Church was held Friday, July 3 and was presided over by Dist. Supt. Horace M. Field of Detroit. The reports of the several committees showed that the various activities of the church are in a flourishing condition.

The conference by a unanimous vote reported the return of Rev. E. F. Dunlavy as pastor for another year.

Mr. and Mrs. John Snyder and family of Middletown, O., are being entertained this week at the home of their brother, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Brate. Monday evening they attended a dancing party at the home of James Lambert and Thursday they spent at Belle Isle.

Mebbe there wouldn't be so much talk about the Pennsylvania primaries if senators were worth that much.

IF OLD GHOSTS COULD WANDER

If old ghosts could wander, as some folk think they do, would they haunt wistfully the scenes of their former activities? If the ghosts of Michigan's historic past could wander would they mourn the passing of the old days or glory in the achievements of the new?

Of all places in Michigan around which is woven the glamour of a romantic past none is more picturesque than Mackinac Island, with the fort, its forest, and its magic of sea and land.

Gone are the days of the fur trader, gone the old days of battle, gone most of the tribes of the Red Skins. But the old trading post remains and from its vantage point high on the side of the hill the old fort looks down on the busy waterways of commerce on a luxurious summer population and on the remnant of a fast-vanishing race.

The John Jacob Astor House still stands as it stood when bluff John Astor built it. A sturdy structure with beamed ceiling deep set windows with tiny panes of glass. In the ball room are the same wide highly-carved floor boards on which the beauty and officialdom of generations have danced.

Has John Jacob Astor looked on at all this, and if so what were his thoughts? It would be hard to say generally, but could he have looked on last Saturday it would have been easy for John Astor, was strong, level headed simple and sane.

His old ghost in its wanderings might then have seen that historic ball room converted into a clinic chamber, might have seen there a strange gathering of poor folk and not so poor folk come to learn from the skilled imported doctor whether or not they were victims of tuberculosis, the white-man's disease become the curse of the Red Man. And John Astor's ghost, could it have seen the work of skill, the work of human salvage, and better than that, of science and civilization, the ghost would have shaken an affirmative head and pronounced the clinic held under the auspices of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association and financed through the sale of the tuberculosis Christmas seals, good.

DRIVE CAREFULLY

The beginning of July practically marks the opening of the vacation period. During this month and August the most of us try to find a little time in which to forget the worries of work and indulge ourselves in a little play spell.

Now a days the automobile forms a decided adjunct in nearly every vacation jaunt. With the rubber-shod vehicle of the highways we are able to reach far more distant and formerly inaccessible points than we could in the old days when we had to depend entirely upon the steam horse as a means of transportation. That means that during these months there is a great increase in highway travel, with its dangers multiplied until they become real and often dangerous problem.

We can do our part to lessen these dangers by driving carefully and observing the rules of the road. As a rule there is no occasion to hurry and many a pleasant journey has been turned into tragedy by senseless speeding. Don't make this mistake. Keep close watch for railroad crossings, enter congested districts with caution and by all means drive carefully. It pays big dividends.

LIBRARY NOTICE

The following books have been gone sometime and must be returned by next Saturday.

Rugged Waters.
Little Ships.
Sweetie.
Desert Gold.
Miranda.
Gentleman from Indiana.
High Acres.
Turmoil.
Mistress of Shenstone.
Mary Kennedy, Librarian.

AVOID HALF DAY SCHOOL SESSIONS

A growing and progressive community must determine for itself the type of education it wishes to provide for its children. As a few fundamental questions are answered so the quality of its school system is determined. Shall every school child be provided with the necessary facilities for a full school day surrounded with the proper equipment for his needs. Is it wise to plan for the future in the matter of buildings and sites or wait until the schools are crowded to the limit of their capacity? Is it the desire of this community to provide opportunities to its children for wider and richer educational experiences through the introduction of new courses of study proportionate to the growth of the population.

The present school plant in Farmington is adequate to provide seating sufficient to accommodate all children for no longer than two years more. The lower grades now enroll forty pupils per room and more with one exception below the Junior High School. Unless steps are taken immediately to plan for this emergency these rooms will be forced to half day sessions which is admitted to be an unsatisfactory method of school administration.

The plans of the Board of Education to buy additional land for school purposes is a step to avoid impossible congestion in the future. Two years at least are necessary in order that there may be ample time for taking the legal steps for the acquisition of the land that is needed, planning with the architect and the actual construction of the building. Hurried planning and construction in a school building program particularly mean certain waste of the taxpayer's money and undesirable quarters for the children. Now is the time to buy the land necessary for the expansion of the school plant; next year will be too late, for the schools will then be operating so close to capacity that before a building can be erected the plant will be over crowded. Can we not learn from the mistakes of other towns and plan ahead of the crowd?

Farmington has always provided its children with adequate education in the nature of a variety of courses and study. In the last five years, particularly, we have enriched the course by adding commercial, health and home economics departments. We should in the near future add courses in manual training, shops and physical education. At the present time no more rooms are available for expansion in the direction of these newer and richer courses. The demand for them is growing each year and it is unfair to deprive our own boys and girls of these opportunities any longer.

Real estate prices are advancing rapidly in Farmington. Any postponement in the purchase of necessary sites is a needless loss of money to the taxpayers of Farmington. Every argument that can be offered points to the wisdom of action at once. The Board of Education is offering to qualified voters of the district a bond issue to be voted at the annual school election the 12th of July. The voters should endorse this movement by a large majority.

A. G. Leonard.

Mrs. John Musolf of South Lyon, who was ill for a long time and taken care of by her daughter, Mrs. Eckels at Northville, passed away Tuesday morning at the age of 70 years. Funeral was held Thursday from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Eckels. Interment at South Lyon.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Damon entertained for the week end and the Fourth their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Merlin Batdorf, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Brown of Wasen, O., Sunday guests were Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cotterell, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Willard all of Detroit.

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