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WALLED LAKE TO BE SCENE OF BIG SKATING CARNIVAL

State's Best Skaters To Compete; Exchangees Asked To Enter Special Race

Lovers of outdoor sport in Farmington and vicinity will have an opportunity to see one of the big events of the year Saturday afternoon when the annual Michigan State Skating Carnival is held at Walled Lake. All the leading skaters of Michigan and one world's champion will be entered.

There will be six main events, two events being open to all, the one-sixth mile race for men and for women. There will also be two children's races, one for ages 12 to 16, and one for children under 12, in which all children in the county may enter.

An Exchange Club members' race has been arranged also, and members of the Farmington Club interested are asked to enter the race. As a special attraction, J. L. Taylor and Ira Carnes, two prominent Walled Lake business men, will have a race of their own.

While the recent warm weather put a rather gloomy outlook on the skating carnival scheduled for January 7 the Exchange Club is going right along with plans to make this the biggest meet ever held in this section.

Probably of all the stars to compete, Miss Loretta Neitzel will be of more interest to the spectators and a favorite in most races. She has competed every year at Walled Lake, last season winning the one-sixth mile race and establishing a world's record. Miss Neitzel is a Detroit school teacher and holds several state records, in addition to the world record.

Lloyd W. Guenther, a young Detroit business man and Michigan State Speed skating champion is expected. He is one of the eight skaters chosen to represent the United States in the Olympic games at St. Moritz, Switzerland next February, and is one of the fastest performers on the ice in the country.

Indoor Champ To Appear
Other skaters who are scheduled to be at Walled Lake are Lyle Conklin, Percy H. Johnston, holder of the worlds three-mile indoor speed record, and Harry Carl, Gus Wetzel, worlds champion broad jumper.

In addition there will be exhibitions by barrel jumpers and fancy and figure skating. At barrel-jumping, Walled Lake has two jumpers in Rex Tuttle and Carl McClellan who will be hard to beat.

PHONE COMPANY IS MAKING CHANGES IN FARMINGTON OFFICE

New Arrangement To Provide Business Office Facilities. Added Space

Extensive alterations are under way in the office of the Farmington office of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, which will give the Farmington exchange an efficient business office. The new arrangement will also add to the capacity of the exchange.

The alterations, begun a short time ago, will completely transform the company's quarters in the Farmington State Savings Bank building. Additional room will be available for the operators, as well as greater convenience for customers transacting business with the company.

The company is making preparations for development of the community in the near future, and is planning quarters adequate for some time to come, according to R. E. Crowe, manager of the Farmington exchange. There will be space for the addition of new switchboards when required, Mr. Crowe states.

World's Champion At Walled Lake



LORETTA NEITZEL

Skating fans in this section will have an opportunity to see a world's champion in action at Walled Lake Saturday afternoon when the annual carnival of the Michigan Skating Association is held there. Miss Loretta Neitzel, who during last year's carnival broke the world's record for one-sixth mile will try to lower her previous mark. She is a Detroit school teacher.

TO BEGIN GD. RIVER WIDENING, EARLY IN SPRING—GOV. GREEN

Work To Be Started 'As Soon As Weather Permits.' State Executive Says

Reassurance that the widening of Grand River avenue to Farmington will be started early in the spring, is given in a letter from Governor Fred W. Green, who some time ago indicated that Grand River avenue was among the first on the list of state projects for 1923.

The date for the inception of work on Grand River is stated by Governor Green to be "as soon as the weather is favorable." Governor Green's letter, addressed to the publisher of the Farmington Enterprise, reads in part as follows:

"I do not anticipate any delay in this work. I am quite familiar with road conditions in Michigan, and I am impressed with the fact that Grand River is among the most necessary improvement now awaiting our attention. The fortunate outcome of the gas tax suit is going to make it possible for us to proceed with this work as soon as the weather is favorable."

Sincerely yours,
Fred W. Green.

Word is still being awaited from Lansing as to whether the State would advise 100 or 120 feet as the width of Grand River to be sought in Farmington, between the Junction and the Farmington Lumber and Coal Company office.

Miss Mary E. Foster is confined to the house with a badly sprained ankle.

JOHN CLARK ENDS 1922 HIGH BY BOWLING "300" IN GAME AT DETROIT

A perfect score in bowling, which corresponds to a "hole in-one" in golf, a home run with the bases full in baseball, and a 100-yard run with a touchdown in football, was made by John Clark, former player of Farmington, on the Woodward Alleys in Detroit last Friday. Mr. Clark, who in 1922 held the state doubles championship with A. H. Brooks, rolled in a practice game.

SCHOOL HEAD IS KEPT FROM HOME BY SCARLET-FEVER

Father And Four Children Of Another Family Contract Disease

A father taken with scarlet fever, following a similar illness of four children, and the quarantining of his youngest child, Mabel Ellen Leonard, of the Supt. of Schools Archie G. Leonard, marked the toll of scarlet fever in this section during the past week. After his four children had contracted the disease, Arthur Geistler, living on Orchard Lake road between the 12-Mile and 13-Mile roads, has also been taken down with it, and is confined to his home. The cases are not regarded as serious.

Quarantined out of his home, probably for a month, is Superintendent Leonard, due to the illness of his youngest child, Mabel Ellen Leonard. The case was discovered on Monday, and the family, excepting Supt. Leonard, was immediately quarantined. Mrs. Leonard and two other children being those at home. Supt. Leonard is staying temporarily at the home of Miss Ida Steele. The child's case is not considered a serious one.

REV. LYNN HAROLD HOUGH OF DETROIT TO SPEAK AT FARMINGTON JAN. 13

An event of importance in this section is scheduled for Friday evening, January 13, when Rev. Lynn Harold Hough, of the Central Methodist Church, Detroit, will deliver an address on "Great Americans."

CANTATA GIVEN BY THE METHODIST CHOR TO BE REPEATED SUNDAY

A number of requests have been received by Mr. Dunlavy to have the Cantata, "The Christ Child," which was given by the choir of the Methodist Church on Christmas night, repeated. It has been arranged to have this beautiful cantata given again next Sunday evening at 7:00.

PAVING PROGRAM PLACED FIRST BY EXCHANGE HEAD

President Frank Weaver Indicates Club Will Work For Improvement Of Streets

The proposed paving program for Farmington suggested a week ago at a meeting of the Farmington Exchange Club, was declared by President G. Frank Weaver at the meeting on Wednesday to be "the most important work of the coming year." President Weaver presided at the club meeting for the first time Wednesday.

In outlining the work before the Exchange Club in the coming six months, during which time he will be in office, President Weaver declared that "with the Grand River widening movement well under way," the Exchange Club should make a strong effort to aid the city in carrying through the work of paving this year. Other movements though important and calling for support, do not command the attention of progressive citizens to so great an extent as the paving program, according to President Weaver. These civic projects are also to be given close attention, however, during the next six months, President Weaver said in his address on receiving the president's gavel from Carl Hoyle retiring president.

Opinions expressed following the meeting were to the effect that with the united support of the Exchange Club and citizens, the city commission would be able and willing to put through a paving program during the coming summer. It is expected that an Exchange Club committee on the paving program will be appointed next week.

FOOTBALL TEAM TO BE HONOR GUESTS AT CLUB LUNCHEON

Louis Gilbert, Michigan Football Star, Sought As Speaker For The Occasion

Members of the Farmington High School football team of 1922 will be guests of honor at the luncheon of the Farmington Exchange Club next Wednesday noon, January 11. An endeavor is being made to secure as speaker for the occasion Louis Gilbert, University of Michigan star half-back.

President Frank Weaver, of the Exchange Club, will also make an effort to bring to Farmington as guests at the same time, Bennie Gosterbaan, Michigan's All-American end, and another of last year's university squad. The luncheon this year will be the second occasion of its kind, the Exchange Club having honored the football team last year at one of its luncheons.

Movies of one of the games played last fall will be shown for the first time at the honor luncheon for the players.

County Mourns Death Of Judge Stockwell; McGaffey Is Successor

Citizens throughout Oakland County are mourning this week the death of Probate Judge Ross Stockwell, who passed away suddenly Sunday night in his home at Pontiac. He had been seriously ill but two days.

Judge Stockwell, who was favorably known by citizens in every town and township of the county, had been judge of the probate court for ten years. Funeral services held Wednesday were largely attended.

Judge Stockwell was 51 years old. He was born in Birmingham and attended the Ferris Institute and the University of Michigan. He was appointed probate judge to succeed the late Kieber P. Rockwell on the latter's elevation to the circuit bench.

Judge Stockwell won hundreds of friends during his term as

WRITES NEW YEAR MESSAGE



MAYOR W. D. BUTTERFIELD

STATE LIBRARIAN ENCOURAGES JOINT LIBRARY PROJECT

Superintendent Archie Leonard Goes To Lansing; Opinion By Attorney-General Soon

An unofficial opinion to the effect that Farmington, city and township may unite to develop a better library, was received in Lansing last Friday by Superintendent of Schools Archie Leonard. Superintendent Leonard went to Lansing as chairman of the committee on improvement of the present library.

According to Superintendent Leonard, State Librarian Mrs. Mary Frankhauser, when told of the situation, offered her opinion that there exists a legal method by which the township and city may unite to provide a better library. She stated, however, that the importance of the suggestion to this community would undoubtedly make an opinion from the Attorney-General advisable.

Superintendent Leonard visited the Attorney-General's office and was promised an opinion on the matter at an early date. It is expected that a ruling which would assist the joint committee in proceeding, will be received within a few days.

FARMINGTON WOMAN'S CLUB TO BE GUESTS OF EXCHANGE ON JAN. 18

A joint meeting of the Farmington Exchange Club and the Farmington Woman's Club is scheduled for Wednesday, January 18, when the Exchange Club will act as hosts at their regular weekly luncheon.

A speaker for the occasion is to be secured by the committee in charge. The Farmington Woman's Club committee consists of Mrs. Tyler, Mrs. Clarence Bickling and Mrs. Dr. E. F. Holcomb. Emory Hutton is in charge of arrangements for the Exchange Club.

MAYOR OUTLINES WORK AHEAD FOR FARMINGTON IN '28

Many Opportunities And Numerous Civic Problems Face City, Executive Says

Urging that the City of Farmington start during the coming year on the developments, that must come soon in the course of growth of the city, Mayor Wells D. Butterfield in a New Year message prepared this week, says that 1923 holds unusual opportunities and important problems for the city, with a great deal of civic responsibility devolving upon the citizens.

Mayor Butterfield enumerates the leading problems to be solved and the projects to be undertaken and declares that the time is ripe for their achievement.

The full text of the mayor's message to the people of Farmington, is as follows:

"The Mayor wishes the people of Farmington a Happy New Year—not only while the year is new, but happiness throughout the year. Reference is made in a recent book to thy wise saying that the happiest person is the person who thinks, the best and most interesting thoughts.

"When free from the stress of work or business or other exacting conditions we may in a great measure choose our thoughts. Long ago a noted man emphasized this power when he said think on the things that are true, honest, just, pure, lovely.

"There are no more interesting thoughts, than those that relate to our homes and our community and none that are more closely

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CONTRACT IS LET FOR NEW HOME OF OAKLAND-PONTIAC

Completion Planned About March 1, But Cold Weather Delays Start

The contract for construction of the new Farmington Oakland-Pontiac sales and service building has been let and work will be started as soon as more moderate weather prevails, according to Howard Warner, one of the owners of the property at Division and State streets where the building is to be erected.

The contract calls for completion of the building by March 1, according to Mr. Warner, but it is considered likely delays will occur, especially if the weather continues adverse to good building conditions. Amos Otis has the contract for building.

The building, when completed, will have a service entrance on state street, in addition to the showroom entrance on Division street. C. H. Dunham, in charge of the Farmington Oakland-Pontiac sales, has already established temporary headquarters at 1360 Grand River avenue.

WEST POINT PARK MAN, 'ACCUSED' OF 'STEALING' TO BE 'TRIED' FRIDAY

"Justice" will be meted out Friday night to a West Point Park man "accused" of "stealing clothes from a clothes-line" some where in this section. His "trial" will take place in the West Point Park Community Hall, at 8:30 o'clock, and just to make sure that there will be justice, the West Point Park residents pushing the "prosecution" have obtained Justice John J. Schulte to hear the "evidence" in the case.

"Ernest Ash of West Point Park is to be the defendant." The "trial" will follow the Parent-Teacher Association meeting, and all interested in a good time are invited. The association will have hot-luck supper at 7 p. m., and will furnish coffee, cream, and rolls.



JUDGE ROSS STOCKWELL