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WORKING ON THE PLYMOUTH ROAD

ARE NOW BUILDING STATE REWARD ROADS

Wayne Commissioners are Now Working in the Plymouth Section of the County

Wayne County Road Commissioners Hines, Haggerty and Murdoch have finished the construction of a state reward gravel road between Plymouth and Northville on the Northville road, a distance of a little over two miles; with the one mile previously constructed; this finishes the entire road, and is the first one of the secondary roads connecting up the smaller centers of population in Wayne county to be finished.

The steep hills were cut down so that the grade at no point exceeds 6 per cent, a bad curve straightened out and the road widened. This is a fine type of gravel construction and will improve with age, as the large percentage of pebbles used requires time to form a perfect bond. An excellent quality of gravel was found near Northville, which effected a considerable saving to the taxpayers of Wayne county.

The crew on this road have moved to Plymouth road, where they will build five miles of state reward gravel road running from the town line gravel road between Greenfield and Redford townships to Fisher's corners in Redford township. Two reinforced concrete culverts are also being constructed. The board expects to finish the work this fall.

Plymouth road runs into Grand

River road at the Triangle hotel, and is practical a straight route to the village of Plymouth. It taps a rich farming section which at the present time is badly handicapped on account of the deep sand and heavy clay. The commission have previously built two miles of gravel road out of the village of Plymouth and Greenfield township has graded the section which lies in her borders. The work of concreting Mt. Elliott road has also been started.

CITY FATHERS ARE HUNTING FOR WATER

May Sink a Well on the Lot on Division Street Which is Owned by the Town

The village council are busy investigating the water problem and hope to start something soon. They are anxious to do the right thing and make no mistake. It is now considered likely that they may try for water on the lot owned by the village, adjoining the Enterprise office on the south and if a good flow is secured will establish a pumping plant there. It is also contemplated by some that a building may be erected that will do for a council chamber also.

MOTOMAN WAS KILLED

When He Jumped From Car to Escape Crash of Collision With Team

In an accident on the Orchard Lake branch of the D. U. R. last Saturday afternoon, Motorman Herbert Lowe, aged 35, of Northville, was instantly killed when the car bound from Orchard Lake to Detroit struck a rig driven by John DeCunick. The accident occurred at Oak Grove crossing about a mile this side of Orchard Lake. The driver of the team was seriously injured as was also the team and the wagon was demolished. The front end of the car was badly damaged, but it is thought that the motorman would not have met death had he remained on the car. When he saw that a collision was unavoidable he shut off the current and applied the air before he leaped from the door of the car which was running at a fair rate of speed. Striking on his head his neck was broken causing instant death. A special car conveyed the body to Northville, where he resided with his aged mother.

Another Wheelbarrow Smashed

Another wheelbarrow was left on the railway track at the freight house last Friday, but this one did not escape as easily as the one, did earlier in the summer. The former knocked the wind out of the car by breaking an air-pipe, but the last one did not inflict any damage on the car but was itself reduced to junk. Worse than the loss of the wheelbarrow was the destruction of its valuable load which consisted of a few dozen pulgared pictures for distribution to patrons throughout the section. The agent had borrowed the wheelbarrow at the Owen House and said he did not expect the car so soon—which was quite evident.

The Ladies Union

The Ladies' Union held their annual meeting at the home of Mrs. Carlos Steele Sept. 7. The following officers were elected:

President—Mrs. Laura Thayer
Vice Pres.—Mrs. Bertha Steele
Secretary—Mrs. Lucy Steele
Treasurer—Mrs. Mary Crosby

The next meeting of the Ladies' Union will be held at the home of Mrs. Laura Thayer, Oct. 5.

THEY INSPECTED FARMINGTON ROAD

MACOMB COUNTY CAME OVER 100 STRONG

Were Pleased and Said it Was the Best Gravel Road that They Had Found

Tuesday afternoon a procession of automobiles buzzed their way up the Grand River road and came to a halt about four o'clock at Farmington, lining up in front of the Owen House. The cars were filled with men only and they appeared to be a hungry bunch for they immediately visited the grocery stores and soon each one had a pocket full of crackers and a big bunk of "Warner" cheese to his fist.

Inquiry brought out the fact they were prominent business men and farmers from Macomb county and that they were, on a tour of inspection of good roads. A short time ago several of the supervisors and highway commissioners of that county attended a good roads meeting at Lansing going and returning in automobiles. They reported to their home people that the best road they found, either going one way or returning another, was the gravel road both sides of and through Farmington, and it was on that account that they made the visit to see for themselves. A short meeting was held in the city park, where Governor Warner played host and welcomed the visitors as well as imparting what information he could on the road subject. Several of the visitors made short talks and it was evident that when they left they felt that they would be satisfied to have some roads like Farmington's state reward road.

Sunday Services in M. E. Church

Next Sunday morning is to be "Flower Sunday" in the M. E. Sunday-school. A flower growing contest was started last spring in the Sunday-school. Flower seeds were purchased from the flower mission of Cleveland, which exists to promote the love of flower culture in the schools and Sunday-schools of America. The different classes in the Sunday-school are each to have a portion of the pulpit rostrum to decorate with flowers according to their own designs. A photo is to be taken of the floral display and for the use of it in their year book the Flower Mission donate two prizes for the winning classes. Value of first prize, \$8.00; second prize, \$5.00.

A judging committee has been appointed by the Sunday school superintendent and they are to judge of the merits of the floral displays.

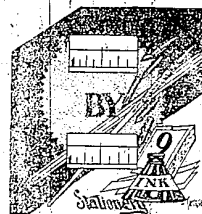
The morning preaching service will be a special service in the interest of the work. Sermon topic, "A Garden of Lovely Flowers." Special music by the choir.

The different Sunday-school classes and their teachers are to meet at the church Saturday, 2:30 p. m., to take charge of their individual decorations.

Evening topic, "What do I owe to Farmington?"

Cold Comfort From Mortar.

The coldest place on a hot summer day is not on a roof garden, or in a subcellar or on the deck of a steamer, or upon some bench "swept by ocean breezes." It is at the entrance of an uncompleted building where the mortar has been laid but has not yet "set." The air which comes out of this building is cool, damp and pleasantly suggestive of the heart of a stone quarry or a cavern grotto. Evaporation is perhaps the secret of it all, but why is it that other evaporation is not so efficacious, so pleasant?



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