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Bottled Sunshine

This isn't a sermonette, but a story; a story that will earn social ostracism for you if told in South Jersey. Down at Bridgeton the business men got all het-up over the prospects of locating the manufacturing plant of the "Sun Electric Generator Company," and they invested \$35,000 in the stock of a rank a swindle as ever emanated from "Get-Rich-Quick Wallingford."

It was the simplest thing ever. Just put a storage battery on the roof and let the sun rays generate electricity to light the house at night. The bottlers of sunshine are now in jail, but it developed that not a savings bank depositor had bought sunshine stock. Their money is still working for them in some strong bank like the

Farmington Exchange Bank (A STATE BANK)

Better bottle your greed for impossible interest and generate energy in our savings department.

Fred M. Warner, Pres. Sam'l D. Holcomb, Vice Pres.
C. W. Wilber, Cashier.

OWEN HOUSE

The Leading Hotel

RATES: \$1.50 AND \$2.00 PER DAY

FINE SAMPLE ROOM

STEAM HEAT

Livery in connection

EUGENE S. GRACE, PROPRIETOR

FARMS WANTED

I am continually receiving enquiries for both large and small farms in this vicinity and can easily make a few sales. Those wishing to sell should list their places at once.—C. E. Ramsey

HOME MAKING

The first step in buying or building a home is the Savings Account.

Everybody should have a home of his own.

A savings account with this bank, with regular deposits from the income, will provide the money for the first payment upon one.

The sooner you begin, the sooner you will live in your own home.

FIRST COMMERCIAL BANK

Pontiac

Michigan



BERTO A. HOLDEN

CANDIDATE

for the Nomination on the
Republican Ticket for
STATE SENATOR

From the 12th District

I FAVOR

The election of United States Senators by direct vote.
The nomination of President by a nation-wide primary.
Civil Service in the various State Departments.
An economical and business like management of all departments of State government.

All measures tending to improve our educational system.
Every honest effort to improve our public highways and transportation service.
A Corrupt Practice Act.

I SHALL OPPOSE

The efforts now being made to reduce the taxes on railroads and other corporate property. I believe that all property, whether corporate or private, should bear its just and equitable share of taxation.

The efforts being made to divert the primary school fund from the support of the public schools.

If nominated and elected I shall have but one purpose in mind—to serve honestly and faithfully the people of this district.

WATER SYSTEM NEARLY READY

Farmington Now Has All That
is Needed in the Way of
Municipal Utilities

The new water works system is nearly ready to turn loose and now the citizens can connect up as fast as they please and enjoy the pleasure and comfort which it brings.

Farmington can now boast of having the necessary public utilities that make a town a desirable place to live in. Water, sewers, lights, fine streets and walks, excellent public buildings, including schools and churches, beautiful shade trees and a contented and prosperous lot of people to enjoy all these things Farmington is truly blessed.

Drew Lots to Break Tie

The regular monthly meeting of the Farmington Guild held last Monday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Pickett was a decided success. It was one of the largest gatherings the Guild has had since it was first organized. The lawn was beautifully illuminated with scores of Chinese lanterns and electric bulbs.

After the regular business meeting a social hour was enjoyably spent. The committee on entertainment had arranged for a rather unique contest. Each contestant was given the title of a song or book which they were to represent by a free hand drawing. Each one was given two minutes to put their drawing on a blackboard in view of all the gathering. Miss Norine Hogle was chosen judge to decide on the artistic merit of the work. Lester Harger, whose drawing represented "Seven Little Sisters," Miss Fern Scruton, who portrayed the "Stumbling Block," and Mrs. G. E. Gullen, who drew the picture of "Innocence Abroad" were judged of equal ability. After drawing lots the prize, a beautiful china sugar bowl, fell to the lot of Miss Fern Scruton.

Refreshments consisting of cake and fruit were served.

The Guild is no longer a small organization. It has become about the largest society in this vicinity. The names of more than half a dozen new members were proposed for membership at the last meeting. Our membership now must approximate 100.

Funeral of Frank Comstock

The funeral service of Frank Comstock was held at his late residence in Farmington township last Sunday morning. Rev. James McGee, long a friend of the family, preached the funeral sermon. The M. E. choir of Farmington sang. Interment was made in Franklin cemetery. A large number of relatives and friends gathered to do honor to the deceased.

Mr. Comstock had long been a resident of Farmington and vicinity, having lived more than forty years on the farm where he passed away. He had suffered for more than six months and his death was not unexpected.

Besides a widow, he leaves three children—one son, William, who resides in California but who has been home for some time caring for his sick father, and two daughters, Jennie, at home and Mrs. B. Cook of Clarencville.

Quite a few from Farmington attended the service at the house, among them being E. C. Grace, a nephew of Mr. Comstock, Mrs. Grace and daughter, Lou, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Cook, Dr. and Mrs. Miller and many others.

About Good Roads

At the head of its editorial column in black face type, the Pontiac Press Gazette says:

"There is not an acre of ground in Oakland county which enjoys the advantage of a good road that is not more valuable than it would be if it were on a poor road. There is not an acre of ground in Oakland county, on a poor road that would not be more valuable with the maintenance of a good road in front of it. The most valuable land in Oakland county is the land which enjoys the advantages of good roads."

The people along the Grand River road probably understand the truth of the above as well or better than those anywhere else. Since work began on this road a year ago last spring, farm values have been climbing and are still going up. Not only that but the demand for farms along the road and near it is far beyond the supply. Now that we have such a good road the farmers find that they are not half so anxious to sell and are just keeping still and watching the prices advance.

Like the daily rural mail and the telephone, when a farmer once gets a taste of good road life he will never live on a poor road again. No farmer wants to dispense with any of these things which go to make life pleasant and farming profitable after he once tries them, but it needs a club to wake some of them up to the fact that they are losing money every day while some people in more advanced sections are enjoying a degree of prosperity far in excess of the cost to them.

Special Service for Mothers

Services at M. E. church next Sunday, August 18:
10:30 a. m. Special service for mothers. We expect the house to be full on this occasion. We urge the mothers especially to be present with their children, but everyone is welcome. Rev. James McGee of Marshalltown, Iowa, is to preach. We want our Sunday-school scholars and teachers, as well as the regular attendants to be present at this morning service. The members of the cradle roll with their mothers and every member of the home department are especially invited for this is their service.

11:30 a. m. Sunday school service. Everybody, old and young, cordially invited. We want every boy and girl not enrolled in any other Sunday school to be enrolled in ours.

6:15 p. m. Epworth League service. Topic, "The Modesty of Strength." Leader, Edgar Sprague Pierce.

6:00 p. m. Evening preaching service. Sermon by the pastor on "Modern Progressives."

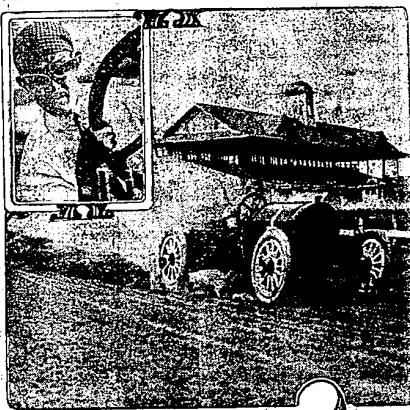
Thursday, 7:30 p. m. Special week evening service. Make this your evening out and come over to this short bright service. The little quiting will do you good, and the service will interest and help you. Bright music, interesting discussions, instructive illustrations.

Official Board Meets Tuesday

The next regular official board meeting of the Farmington M. E. church will be held next Tuesday, August 20, at 2:30 p. m., at the parsonage. A full attendance is urged as this will be the last regular meeting of the officials in this conference year.

The members of the official board are W. T. Daines, W. H. Smith, D. L. Dickerson, F. M. Warner, A. L. Travis, E. C. Grace, S. D. Harger, E. Erwin, Howard Warner, Dr. J. A. Miller, Mesdames Truscott, Grace, Wolfe, Travis, Bradley, L. C. Harger, F. L. Cook, T. H. McGee.

Extraordinary Automobile Racing at Michigan State Fair by Drivers of Note Determined to Smash Records



Louis Diabrow, holder of seven world records, driving the Simplex "Zip," fastest dirt track car in the world. It holds the fifteen, twenty, twenty-five and fifty mile world's dirt track records. Will be seen in open contests at Michigan State Fair races Sept. 21.

WHEN the daredevil of the automobile racing field makes their appearance on the track at the Michigan State Fair, Sept. 21 (the Fair opens Sept. 10 and closes Sept. 21), they will be provided with cars of exceptional quality and all of them faster than the track itself. And this is no idle boast, although it is the general opinion of these speed merchants that the Michigan State Fair track is the fastest in the country if not in the world.

At this great race meet there is going to be great competition. When it is known that Louis Diabrow, who holds a great many circular track or mile track records as they are known, is going to have opposition from such drivers as Frank Kulick, with his little Ford racing car; Harry Cobb, "Farmer Bill" Endicot and a score more, it will be seen that the Michigan State Fair automobile race meet is going to be out of the ordinary. In very fact, no track race of the year promises more, and the State Fair management has decided to take the rail from the inside fence all the way round the track and

to guard the outside of the track with soldiers, as was done last year. The track itself will be made ready for the races by scattering a layer of a soda ash preparation which will prevent all dust, and the wrecks will be cleaned by electricity, for records are certain to fall.

Diabrow, the daring driver of Jay's Eye See, is after the mile track record and firmly believes that 40 seconds will be done, and Frank Kulick, who did 50 seconds for the mile in his little Ford last year, firmly believes that 40 seconds is possible. Harry Cobb in his Jackson likes the State Fair track and "Farmer Bill" Endicot when he does break away from the farm likes to drive at top speed. These and many other great drivers of note will compete in the long list of events at this meet, and the meeting between Diabrow and Kulick promises to be one of the great sensations of the year.

No stone is to be left unturned to give the great speed merchants a clear track and a safe track on which to compete, and records are certain when men of this caliber meet.

OUR SHOE SALE A BIG SUCCESS

We told you two weeks ago that we were going to give you some

SHOE BARGAINS

and we meant just what we said. 25 to 33 1-3 per cent means quite a saving on a pair of shoes and a great many have taken advantage of this cut during the past few days. We intend to continue this sale for two or three weeks more and trust many of you who have not yet called on us will find it convenient to do so during this time. All odds and ends must go, even though it means a loss to us, and some one is going to reap the benefit. Don't fail to get in line.

Yours for business,

FRED L. COOK & CO.

Blacksmithing

HORSESHOEING AND
GENERAL REPAIRING
by Competent Workmen

Wood Working

We are in a position to do all kinds of
WOOD SAWING, RESAWING
PLANING, WAGON WORK
Wagon Boxes made to order

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Farmington, Mich.