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Move To Change Covert Road Law In Legislature

Rep. P. J. Miller Also Presents Bill For Annual Grand Juries

A bill which would amend the Covert road law to provide that no contract be let for improvement under that law which would have expenditures to exceed \$10,000 when the total delinquent taxes in the district to be assessed, for the preceding three years, shall exceed 25 per cent of the total tax assessed for the preceding year, was introduced this week in the Legislature by Rep. Thomson J. Miller of Walled Lake.

This bill is in line with the resolution passed by the Oakland County Board of Supervisors regarding this law.

The Covert road law has been discussed at length during the past few months in Southern Michigan, and particularly by the Board of Supervisors of Oakland County.

Rep. Miller also introduced a bill which proposes that in counties having a population of 10,000 or more a grand jury shall be called annually at the first term of court in September. This bill is endorsed by the State Bar association.

Rep. Miller states in his bill that even though no prosecutions would result from the grand jury, it would deter the commission of many offenses which now go unpunished.

Two other bills introduced by Rep. Miller provide for the reduction of interest on small loans from three and one-half percent per month to two per cent. Another bill defines that no duck blinds be left on any waters over 12 hours.

This, he says, would enable ducks to come into feeding grounds at night unmolested by such contraptions.

Northwestern A. C. Wins One Of Two Cage Games

The Northwestern A. C. basketball team split even in their games this week winning one and losing one. On Monday night they swamped the Birmingham Independents by a score of 48 to 22 and on the following night lost a fast game to Christ Church of Detroit, 27 to 23. Christ Church is considered one of the fastest teams in Detroit basketball circles. The score at the half was 16 to 15 in favor of Christ Church.

Other games are scheduled with Ann Arbor, Belleville and Romulus.

On Thursday night, February 12, the Northwestern A. C. will give a Valentine Dance at the Oddfellows hall in Clarenceville at Grand River and Eight-Mile roads. Music will be furnished by Rich Richmond and his Campus Collegians.

New Baltimore Men Inspect City Charter

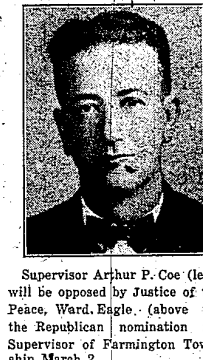
Two members of the City Council of New Baltimore accompanied by the clerk and police chief of that city were in Farmington Wednesday to interview City Clerk M. H. Power in regard to the proposed change of New Baltimore to a fifth class city under the home rule act.

Farmington is a fifth class city and the party examined the Farmington Charter, and sought other information in regard to the City's political make-up.

From here they went to Northville with the intention of getting more information from city officials in the Wayne County community.

A bridge and pedro card party will be given by the Senior Class in the Eastern Star dining room at the Town Hall, Tuesday, February 3rd.

Two Seek Office of Township Supervisor



Supervisor Arthur P. Coe (left) will be opposed by Justice of the Peace, Ward Eagle (above for the Republican nomination for Supervisor of Farmington Township March 2).

Last Freight Cars Go Over Grand River Rails; 3 End Long Service

Four empty freight cars hauled by the old switching-car, familiarly known as "the boat" rumbled over the rails along Grand River road at midnight Wednesday. The out-bound trip from Farmington down to Meyers road marked the passing of freight-car service from the Grand River line.

The trip also concluded for the crew of three men many years of

service handling freight by electric car. They are Fred Staman, Horace Durham and Paul Maas. Mr. Staman would have completed 29 years of service in the freight division on February 26 next. Mr. Durham has been engaged in the work 21 years and Mr. Maas was in the passenger-car service before going on the freight division.

TRITONS DEFEAT WALLED LAKE H. S. IN CAGE THRILLER

Defeat Is First Of Season For Blue And Gold Quintette; Score Is 27 To 24

The previously undefeated basketball quintette of the Walled Lake High School suffered its first defeat of the season Tuesday night at the hand of Farmington in one of the most thrilling games ever seen on the Farmington court, 27 to 24.

The game was lightning fast throughout with both teams uncorking an unusual number of spectacular shots. Despite the fast going the game was devoid of unnecessary roughness. Farmington jumped into the lead in the first minute of play on a pair of baskets, but the blue and gold quintette of Walled Lake came right back and rang up three in the row to take the lead. From then on Farmington gradually forged ahead through some spectacular shooting by Fendt and assumed a 16 to 10 advantage at the half.

Walled Lake cut Farmington's lead to three points in the third session through some fine shooting by Rollin Tuttle, who twice dropped in one-handed shots over his head from near the sidelines. Continuing their fast pace Walled Lake took the lead early in the fourth quarter on Eno's one-handed shot, 23 to 22, but Farmington flashed a fast attack in the closing minutes which pulled the game out of the fire.

The shooting of Fendt and Lapham stood out for Farmington while R. Tuttle and Harris were the luminaries for Walled Lake. Ellenwood and Eno played good games at center for Walled Lake, both out-jumping a taller opponent.

The lineup: Walled Lake: R. Tuttle and D. Tuttle, forwards; Ellenwood, center; Harris and Welch, guards. Substitutions: Champagne and Eno. Farmington: Cairns and Fendt, forwards; Maas, center; Drake and Lapham, guards. Substitutions: Nicholson, Cox and Howarth.

Farmington Reserves: defeated Walled Lake Reserves; 35 to 13.

The Baptist church and congregation of Farmington will hold a get-together supper and program Thursday night, February 5 at 6:45.

Mrs. Edgar S. Pierce is still confined to her bed with pneumonia.

Contests Appear For Offices In Township Mar. 2

Supervisor and Highway Commissioner To Be Opposed; Other Battles Likely

With the annual primary election in Farmington Township a little more than a month away, indications are that lively battles will take place for the various offices to be filled on March 2.

Opposing candidates are already in the field for two of the most important offices, and reports are to the effect that there will be contests for every office in the Township. The two offices for which there are already competing candidates are those of supervisor and highway commissioner.

Supervisor Arthur P. Coe will be opposed by Justice of the Peace Ward Eagle. Supervisor Coe is completing his first term, having defeated the then incumbent, Harry N. McCracken in a recount by three votes a year ago. He was formerly township treasurer.

Ward Eagle, Farmington township justice of the peace and former member of the Township Board, this week announces his candidacy for the Republican nomination for supervisor at the Township primary to be held early in March.

Mr. Eagle is a life-long resident of the Township, having spent his entire life on the farm on which he now resides, on Fourteen Mile road. He is a graduate of Pontiac High School, and for several years was a teacher in the schools of the Township. Since that time he has been actively engaged in farming.

Mr. Eagle concluded a two-year term on the Township Board last July, and is at present a member of school board of District No. 1, Fractional.

Fight For Road Job Highway Commissioner Clayton Goers, now completing his second term, will be opposed for re-election by George Leet, who announced his candidacy this week.

Louis Kaiser has announced his candidacy for the office of road overseer in District 4.

Independents Defeat Walled Lake Cagers

The Farmington Independents, composed of former high school players, defeated Walled Lake Independents Wednesday night at Farmington High School gymnasium, 28 to 22.

The game was closely contested until the last few minutes of play when Walled Lake's defense collapsed, and Farmington surged through for several baskets in quick succession.

Walled Lake led at the half 11 to 10, and maintained this one point margin by leading 17 to 16 at the three-quarter mark. In the final quarter Farmington clearly out-played the visitors.

Button and Middlewood stood out for the winners, while Riley and Dickie were best for Walled Lake. Riley scored 9 points for his team and Dickie got 8.

Farmington Independent girls' team defeated Rogers Sporting Store sextette of Pontiac in the preliminary.

D. S. R. Buses Start On Grand River Sunday; Fare Higher

Forty-Passenger Bus To Run Between Farmington And Five Points, On Same Schedule As Street Cars; Fare Will Be 30 Cents

Bus service will start on Grand River avenue between Farmington and Five Points by the Detroit Department of Street Railways Sunday morning, according to information obtained Thursday morning by the Enterprise from the office of Del A. Smith, general manager of the D. S. R. Street car service ends Saturday night.

The fare on the buses will be 30 cents, ten cents higher than the street car fare. The buses will run on the same schedule as the street cars operate on at present. There will be three fare zones, with a 10 cent fare in each zone. The first will be from Five Points to Fourth Gate road, the second from Fourth Gate to Tuck road and the third from Tuck road to Farmington.

Re-Registration Is Still In Doubt

County Clerk Advises Caution In Altering Records; To See Prosecutor

Whether or not there will be a complete re-registration of Farmington Township voters this year is still undecided. The question is expected to be settled at the Township board meeting Tuesday evening.

Supervisor Arthur Coe and Clerk Willard Campbell discussed the matter with County Clerk Burton P. Daugherty Wednesday. Mr. Daugherty was reported as commending Mr. Campbell on the stand he took in declaring he would not consider any alterations of the poll books unless supported by competent legal authority.

The Farmington Township officials have not yet interviewed the county prosecutor but expect to do so before Tuesday.

The next general re-registration provided for by law is set for June, 1932.

CHARLES CABLE, WELL KNOWN HERE, TAKEN BY DEATH

Deceased Was Ill Year And A Half; Brother Resident Here

Several Farmington people attended the funeral last Thursday of Charles Cable in Detroit. Mr. Cable was well known in Farmington and has a brother, William Cable, living here. He was ill a year and a half.

He is survived by the widow, two sons, Leonard and Edwin, a daughter, Anna, who is assistant principal of a Detroit school, and a brother, William.

The deceased was employed as an engineer at the Fairbank school in Detroit, and previous to that had been engineer at the Palmer school 30 years.

Interment was in Elmwood Cemetery in Detroit.

Grand River Loses Its Famous Sign

The "road closed" sign which adorned the middle of Grand River at Farmington road for the past eight or nine months made a mysterious disappearance last Friday.

The sign had been placed there by the State Highway Department directing motorists to use the Cut-off but even after Grand River was opened for traffic, State officials refused to remove the sign.

One time last fall the sign was taken away by an indignant citizen, but it was put back. This time it seems to be gone for good.

WILLIAM GROVES, FORMER RESIDENT, DIES IN WIXOM

William Groves Passes Away After Long Illness; Four Sons Survive

Funeral services were held last Thursday for William Groves, well-known resident of Wixom, and former resident of this city, who passed away Monday morning at the Sessions Hospital in Northville. The final rites were at the Richardson Funeral home at Milford, with Rev. J. W. Tolly of Wixom officiating. Burial was in Walled Lake cemetery. He had been removed to the hospital Sunday.

Mr. Groves had been in failing health since the death of his wife nearly four years ago. He had a blacksmith shop at Wixom and was a well known mechanic.

The deceased is survived by four sons, and a son by a former marriage. He was a resident of Wixom for about six years.

REBEKAH LODGE INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS AT NOVI

Installation exercises were held recently of the following officers of Rebekah lodge, No. 492 of Walled Lake. The meeting was held at Novi.

Noble Grand, Rosa Maltop; vice grand, Lola McCully; chaplain, Nettie Phelp; conductress, Mary Stott; warden, Eva Deer; financial secretary, Lillian Trickey; treasurer, Laura Bassett; inside guardian, Belle Leech; outer guardian, Alice Fisher; supports to noble grand, Elsie Kent and Eva Allen; organist, Irene Moeren and past noble grand, Beulah Kibby.

Flowers were presented to Mrs. Rosa Maltop by Mrs. J. Hinchman, Mrs. Lillian Bedford and Mrs. W. J. Warby.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Hoffman and son attended a dinner at the home of Pete Koonz, Sunday.

Farmington American Legion Home

