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Man Is Killed, Four Injured In Auto Accident

Highland Park Motorist Crash Victim At Ten-Mile and Telegraph

Traffic accidents continued to take their toll in this section when a man was killed, and four occupants of the car he was driving were injured, three seriously. Sunday, in a automobile accident at Telegraph and Ten and one-half mile roads. The crash occurred within one-half mile of the scene where two weeks previously eight Farmington people were seriously hurt in two accidents.

The victim is: Archie A. Emmett, 34 years old, 8212 Preat avenue, Highland Park.

The injured are Roy Bussell, 11 years old; Mrs. Hattie Bussell, 32 years old; Mrs. Josephine Emmett, wife of Archie Emmett, 36 years old and Dick Wentworth, 36 years old, all of Highland Park. Mrs. Bussell, Mrs. Emmett and Roy Bussell are confined to Redford Receiving Hospital with possible fractured skulls and other injuries.

Wentworth received a broken leg, below the knee.

According to witnesses Emmett was thrown 30 feet through the air and died of a crushed and broken neck, suffered when his body struck a guard rail beside the road. Other occupants of the car were thrown free of the machine, which turned over several times and was demolished.

Deputies William Tamm and Joseph DeVriendt of Farmington, who investigated the accident, reported that Emmett's car apparently went out of control as he was driving north on Telegraph road. It turned over twice, and struck the automobile driven by August F. Rebbine, 60 years old of Redford. Rebbine was riding with his wife. Both were unhurt.

Rebbine said he was driving south on Telegraph road and stopped his car when he saw Emmett's car go out of control. The other machine rolled into his path, he said.

Coroner J. Lee Voorhes investigated the crash. Emmett's relatives, living in Tazewell, Tenn., have been notified of his death.

4 Slightly Hurt

Miss Julia Lamacra, 22 years old, Dearborn, escaped with a cut and bruised hand when the car she was driving struck another machine near New Hudson on Grand River, Monday. Her car turned over three times.

Deputies Joseph DeVriendt of Farmington and John Marek of New Hudson reported that Miss Lamacra's car driving west on Grand River clipped the fender of a second machine, throwing her car out of control. With her were Richard Lamacra, 14; August Lamacra, 47; and Josephine Denmore, all of Dearborn. All received slight cuts and bruises and were treated at Redford Receiving Hospital.

New Owner Takes Over "Good's Service Station"

Campbell Lockhart has purchased the gasoline station here, heretofore known as "Good's Service Station on Farmington Road just off Grand River, and will operate it as a modern service station, under the name of "Lockhart's Service Station." Mr. Lockhart was employed for some time at the place by the former owner, and is well-known to many Farmington residents. He expects to move his family to Farmington within a short time and make his home here permanently.

NOTICE

City of Farmington taxes may be paid July 2 and up to and including July 31 without penalty. Collections will be made at the Warner Dairy Co. office every day until further notice. Hours, 10 to 12 and 1:00 to 3:00. Hinman G. Nichols, City Treasurer

Mrs. Ingersoll First

To Pay City Taxes

Mrs. John Ingersoll of Oakland road was the first Farmington property-owner to pay City taxes to Treasurer Hinman G. Nichols Thursday. City Clerk N. H. Power was second.

City taxes are payable up to and including July 31 without penalty, under the City Charter. Collections will be made at the Warner Dairy Co. office every day until further notice from 10 to 12 and 1 to 3 o'clock.

Girl Captive Let Go On 9-Mile Rd.

Detroit Girl Is Kidnaped For Two Hours By Four Men, Beaten

Police are seeking four men, one of them a negro, who early Monday kidnaped a 19-year-old Detroit girl, while three companions looked on helplessly, and finally left her at 9-Mile and Gill roads near Farmington, after the thugs had beaten her with their fists.

The girl, Shirley Lindquist of Detroit, was riding with her brother, Neal, 23; Earnest Fairmont, 28 and Wilma Ervin, 20 all of Detroit. At McKinney and Joy roads, the kidnapers' car drew up along side, and at the point of a gun ordered Fairmont to stop. After searching the men, the girls ordered the girls to accompany them. They found no money, Fairmont hiding \$150 under the seat of the car.

When the men demanded the girls get into their car, Lindquist Miss Ervin was recovering from an illness and just recently released from a hospital. However, they took one of the girls and sped away.

Lindquist is recovering from injuries received in an automobile accident recently and walks with crutches. After the abducted girl was left off at 9-Mile and Gill roads, she went for help to the farmhouse of August Yates on 9-Mile road. Deputies William Tamm and Joseph DeVriendt of Farmington were summoned. The kidnaping occurred about 1:30 a. m. Monday, and the girl was found by deputies at the farm house two hours later.

Miss Lindquist said the men were drunk. She said they kept a gun pushed into her side and beat her with fists.

SATURDAY HOURS OF POST-OFFICE MAY NOT CHANGE

Whether Farmington Postoffice will follow the lead of other offices in this section and adopt a policy of closing at noon on Saturdays has not yet been decided, it was stated this week by Postmaster Thomas H. McGee. A number of postoffices throughout this area will start closing at noon on Saturday, July 11.

The Saturday noon closing is the outcome of a law passed by Congress, stipulating a 44-hour week for postal employees. The law is effective July 1, 1931. Recently the Postmasters' Association of the country adopted resolution stating that by this method the new law can be put in effect "at a minimum of cost."

All postoffices will be closed Saturday of this week, July 4 all day, and there will be no rural deliveries.

WILL SPEAK FOR CHILDREN

The sermon to be delivered Sunday morning by Rev. A. A. Schoen at Salem Evangelical Church, Farmington, is intended especially for children and young people, and a cordial invitation is issued to all young folks to attend.

Hearing Is Held On Request For Jitney Permit

Michigan Public Utilities Commission To Rule On Grand River Application

A decision is expected soon by the Michigan Public Utilities Commission on the application of Troy Alverson of Redford Township for permission to operate a jitney bus line on Grand River road between Farmington and Five Points.

A hearing on the application was held before the Commission last Friday morning, June 26. Mr. Alverson appeared and presented his plans, together with a number of petitions from residents in the Grand River area, asking that this application be granted.

The Eastern Michigan Railway was presented by the general manager and attorney, and considerable argument is reported to have developed in discussion of conditions on the Farmington-Redford run.

Inasmuch as the personnel of the Commission was almost entirely changed this week, on July 1, it is regarded as possible that another hearing or filing of further data may be required.

The petitions presented by Mr. Alverson to the Commission are of substantially the same content, following in general that signed by Farmington citizens and officials, which reads as follows:

To the Michigan Public Utilities Commission. We the undersigned, being residents of the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, and the vicinity tributary to Grand River avenue between the City of Farmington and Five Points, in the City Limits of Detroit, Michigan, at the corner of Seven Mile Road and Grand River Avenue, where the Street Car system of the City of Detroit is available, and being dissatisfied with the present service and fares offered along Grand River Avenue between the City Limits of Detroit and the City of Farmington, do hereby Petition your Honorable body to grant a franchise to operate a passenger transportation line along Grand River Avenue, between the City Limits of Detroit and into the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan, to Troy Alverson, of 210 Northborne Avenue, Redford Township, Wayne County, Michigan.

After a short period during which smaller buses were utilized by the Eastern Michigan company has returned to operation of the larger vehicles which were put into service when the bus line was established to supplant the trolley cars.

LAMB'S MOTION BLOCKS MILLER. SUPPORT BY BOARD

Mayor's Action Reconsiders Supervisors' Backing Of Representative In Tax Tiff

Mayor Arthur Lamb of Farmington made the motion Tuesday afternoon which reconsidered a motion made earlier in the day endorsing the stand of Rep. Philimon J. Miller of Walled Lake against Gov. Wilbur M. Brucker. Miller in a letter to the supervisors scored Governor Brucker for his veto of the Miller bill known as House act No. 237, which called for a reorganization of the state tax commission.

The supervisors at their first adoption of a motion endorsing the stand taken by Miller. Later in the afternoon Mr. Lamb, chairman of the equalization committee, moved a reconsideration of the motion and this was carried. Lamb said his committee expected to hold a conference with the state tax commission and preferred to have the Miller statement withheld until then. On this motion the county clerk was instructed not to release the Miller letter at this time.

Rep. Miller however, made public the contents of the letter read to the Board of Supervisors.

Brothers Get 2 To 15 Years For Chicken Theft

Roseville Pair Captured In Act Of Theft On Grimmer Farm

Two chicken thieves were given jail sentences of 2 to 15 years each in Jackson prison by Glenn G. Gillespie in Circuit Court Wednesday, after their capture early morning in a chicken coop on the Grimmer farm, Halsted, and 13-Mile road, by Edward and Herman Grimmer.

The two men, Clark Cummings, 25, and Carl Cummings, 31, brothers, of Roseville, and former residents of this section, were arraigned before Henry W. Harpster and pleaded guilty. They waived examination and were bound over to Circuit Court for sentence.

Carelessness on the part of the two men in leaving a gate open on the Grimmer farm, permitting release of several doves, resulted in their capture.

Noise made by the cows as they left the barn awakened the Grimmer brothers. Armed with a shotgun and revolver they went to the coop and captured the pair. Carl Cummings was handcuffed immediately, but Edward Grimmer was forced to go into the coop and capture Clark Cummings. Near him, it was said was a four-foot club. Deputies William Tamm and Joseph DeVriendt of Farmington were summoned and placed the pair under arrest.

The burglars had parked their car in a hay field. Deputies say they found loot, consisting of turkeys, chickens and rabbits at the Grimmer place. The two men admitted stealing the fowl in eight burglaries in the northern part of the County, police said.

The Cummings brothers until three weeks ago lived on Greening Boulevard, between 12 and 13 Mile roads in Farmington Township. One of the men was employed in a garage in Farmington two years ago.

HOUSE IS STRUCK BY LIGHTNING IN MIDST OF STORM

Rain Quickly, Puts Out Flames On Roof Of Farmington Residence

A Farmington residence was struck by lightning and set afire in the midst of a severe, electrical storm, last Friday morning. The atmospheric disturbance, that caused the fire, however, also extinguished it, and no damage resulted.

The house hit by lightning was the home of F. D. Fleming on Brookdale avenue. While the storm was at its height, members of the F. T. Macomber family next door saw the flame on the roof of the Fleming home and notified the occupants.

Mrs. Fleming ran downstairs and disconnected the electric light current, while the children telephoned for the Farmington fire department.

Rain which was falling heavily quickly put out the flames, before the firemen could reach the place. The storm was one of the most peculiar that has visited Farmington in a long time. Most of the black clouds, which made the community so dark that it was necessary to turn on electric lights, passed over before any rain fell, and Farmington experienced only part of the rainstorm.

AWAIT COMMITTEE REPORT

The annual report of the equalization committee is being awaited by the Oakland County Board of Supervisors, which convened this week for its June session. Mayor Arthur Lamb of Farmington is chairman of the committee. The board adjourned Tuesday, subject to call of the chair. It is expected the committee report will be ready next week.

Ben K. Lloyd of Detroit was a visitor in Farmington Thursday.

Expect New Traffic Record On Week-End

Despite driving difficulties due to re-paving of Grand River avenue in Farmington, traffic last week-end appeared to be as heavy as during any week-end in history, according to Chief of Police Lee Doyle.

With exceptionally hot weather prevailing, and July 4 falling on Saturday, it is anticipated that the coming week-end will break all records for travel along Grand River. Heavy traffic is expected to begin Friday night and continue until Monday morning.

Farmington Man Overcome By Heat

William Starkey Collapses While At Work Near Eight Mile Road

A Farmington young man was a victim of the terrific heat waves which visited this section during the past few days.

William Starkey, 21, of 23304 Brookdale Drive, Farmington, was overcome Wednesday afternoon and was unconscious for three hours. He was revived after a doctor had been called to assist the man giving him first aid. Starkey was at work at Glen Eden Memorial Park on the former George Stuckey farm. He was working around a steam shovel, clearing dirt, with others employed by Charles O. Lueke. At about two o'clock, with the sun's rays beating down upon him, Starkey collapsed. Fellow workers endeavored to revive him and Dr. E. F. Holcomb was called. It was not until after five o'clock that the heat victim recovered. Starkey is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel H. B. Starkey.

BAPTIST CHURCH STARTS OPEN AIR SERVICES SUNDAY

Farmington Congregation To Begin Sixth Year Of Outdoor Programs In Park

Open air services for the summer will begin Sunday evening by Farmington Baptist Church, in Town Hall park. Services will be held outside each Sunday evening, weather permitting. In case of bad weather, the worship will take place in the Town Hall.

This is the sixth consecutive year the Farmington church is holding outdoor services. In the past the plan has been highly successful and has attracted a number of people from other communities.

The plans for the coming season include a number of speakers from out-of-town and special musical talent. Services will be under the direction of the pastor, Rev. Elmer W. Palmer, and will begin at 7:30 each Sunday evening.

RETURNS FROM COLLEGE

Al Russell Button, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Button has returned to the home of his parents, following his graduation June 22 from Michigan State College. He studied mechanical engineering.

Mr. Button is a graduate of Farmington High School, Class of 1924.

Dives Into Low Water, Receives Head Injury

Howard Ruelle, 11 years old of 23708 Warner avenue received a deep gash in his head, which required three stitches when he dived into shallow water in the creek near Shiawassee street, Wednesday morning. The mishap occurred at the "swimming hole" back of the Baptist church.

Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner treated him.

Believe Bank's Depositors Will Recover In Full

Howard M. Warner, President, Makes Statement; Bank Thanks Patrons For Loyalty

Belief that depositors of the Farmington State Savings Bank will ultimately recover 100 cents on the dollar of their deposits, is expressed by Howard M. Warner, president of the bank, which suspended business last Friday morning, in a statement this week. While stating that the working out of the problem will unquestionably require some time, Mr. Warner said he was confident that there will eventually be no loss to depositors of the bank.

Officers and directors of the Peoples State Bank in a statement expressed their appreciation to the people of Farmington and vicinity for their loyalty and co-operation. Their statement says:

"The Officers and Directors of the Peoples State Bank of Farmington deeply appreciate the loyal support they have received from their depositors and the community generally during the period of unresist which is upon us. The spirit of confidence and co-operation expressed by the people has been a source of great satisfaction and encouragement and we wish to assure all that a continuance of this attitude on their part will enable us to continue to serve them with our old-time courtesy and promptness, as improved business conditions arrive, which we believe are on the way. Yours for Better Times Peoples State Bank of Farmington

In expressing his opinion that depositors of the Farmington State Savings Bank may look forward to ultimate recovery of their entire deposits, Mr. Warner referred to the fact the suspension of business was a voluntary action taken by the directors, rather than a forced closing by banking authorities. A special meeting of the board of directors was held last Thursday evening, at which the situation was thoroughly discussed and a decision reached that under the existing conditions, the best interests of all concerned would be served by discontinuing business. A resolution was unanimously passed by the directors stating:

"WHEREAS, a representative group of the Board of Directors, meeting with the State Banking Department, after serious discussion, decided that it was the part of wisdom and fair play to preserve the assets of the bank for the loyal depositors by discontinuing business on the 26th day of June, 1931."

R. A. Carroll, State bank examiner, has been in charge since last Friday morning. A temporary receiver will be appointed, probably within the next week, and steps taken to begin liquidation of assets of the bank. Appointment of a permanent receiver will follow.

MISS L. BURKOWSKI OF CLARENCEVILLE WEDS NOVI MAN

Wedding Ceremony Held Saturday In St. Paul's Church; Leave For Honeymoon

A pretty wedding ceremony solemnized Saturday afternoon at the St. Paul Evangelical church on Switzer road, when Miss Lillian Burkowski of Clarenceville and Harold Miller of Novi were united in marriage by Rev. Paul Graupner.

Miss Mildred Burkowski, sister of the bride and Miss Viola Burkowski, a cousin, acted as bridesmaids with Howard Garchow, as best man. After the ceremony a wedding supper was served at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Burkowski.

The couple left Monday morning for an extended trip through Northern Michigan.