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To Widen Grand River To Howell; Finish Cut-Off

Start Grading Work This Year
—Labor In Locality To Be Employed

Preparations are to begin as soon as possible for making Grand River avenue 40 feet wide from Farmington to Brighton and 30 feet wide from there to Howell the grading of which is to be completed this winter. Completion of grading on the Farmington cut-off before Spring is also among the major improvements approved by the State Administrative Board Wednesday for the Farmington area. According to Grover C. Dillman, highway commissioner, ten feet are to be added on each side of Grand River to Brighton, and one ten-foot strip from there to Howell.

To Finish Cut-Off
No doubt appears now that the State is intent on building the cut-off, regardless of the existence of the wider road through Farmington. It is reported that the road officials have overcome obstacles in the matter of right-of-way on the west end of the cut-off, but no official statement has been made in this respect.

A possible difficulty in the grading program announced this week developed in the fact that the State officials want road authorities of the counties to advance the money for this fall and winter's work, to be repaid next spring. The county departments are in an unfavorable situation as the State, it is said, but it is regarded as likely that some arrangement can be made so the work can be done.

It is specifically stipulated by the Highway Department that labor residing in the locality where the work is to be done be employed in the construction work.

To Aid Unemployed
According to the Highway Department plans, 11,964 miles will be built in Oakland County, the road running through Farmington, Lyon and Novi townships. Extensive grading and lengthening of drainage structures is expected to assist in the relief of unemployment in the three townships.

Grand River avenue is at present only a 20 foot road from Farmington to Grand Rapids but with the completion of the widening to Howell, the highway will be at least 30 feet wide from Detroit to within 35 miles of Lansing.

Proposals Asked
Sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Division Engineer, H. G. Oakes, at Plymouth until October 28 for the work in Oakland County.

No prediction has been made by State officials as to when the work of laying concrete will be started but it is assumed that if the work of grading is completed by Spring, laying of concrete will begin as soon as the season opens.

Official notice to contractors regarding bids on the grading issued by Commissioner Dillman, appears in this issue.

IMPROVE DRAINAGE ON WEST OAKLAND, TO REGRAVEL ROAD

Water Flow Established From Cass Avenue East—Rebuild Drainage Structures

Work is expected to be completed by the end of the week on the grading and drainage improvements that have been under construction since last week on West Oakland avenue.

The level of the road has been lowered several feet and drainage structures have been rebuilt and improved. A water flow has been established from Cass avenue east to Grand River avenue as well as drainage established from the sidewalk on the south side of the street to the gutters.

Graveling of the road and construction of concrete steps at the crossing on Grand River is yet to be done.

Story Of Old World's Fair Pass Brings Forth Another-And A Photo

Speaking of World Fairs—and soon everybody will be speaking of the one to be held in Chicago in 1933—but speaking of Fairs that have passed into fond remembrance, Mr. Ben Meyers of Farmington isn't the only one who has held a pass to a world's fair.



C. HOGLE
Aug. 1915
There was found at least one more. That man is Carl G. Hogle, who still has a whole flock of tickets to various

features of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition of 1915. Accompanying this article we present—but you probably have seen it by now—a photograph of Mr. Hogle at the tender age of—well, whatever age he was at the time of that Fair. The picture is authentic, derby and all, but the picture doesn't show whether it was brown or black. The picture was passed to the back of Mr. Hogle's pass, and had to be exhibited whenever he wanted to enter the fair gates.

Mr. Hogle has upheld his reputation for good nature and for possessing a sense of humor—he was informed before the paper went to press that the picture had been removed from the back of the pass to be sent to engravers for making of the plate shown herewith—and he yielded to persuasion—despite the derby.

Makes Appeal To "Save The Birds"

Mrs. Ida C. Smock Writes Plea Against Hunting Small Game

Mrs. Ida C. Smock, who lives north of Farmington, remarked this week that hunting within the city and on posted property was becoming less each year, due she asserted, to unfavorable publicity and public comment against offenders. Mrs. Smock recalled a "Letter To The Editor," published in the Enterprise last year, that in her opinion, had had much to do with the decreasing number of illegal hunters.

The City has again posted the outlying districts of Farmington this year, warning against hunting within the city limits.

A plea for small game by Mrs. Smock, entitled, "Let Us Protect Our Birds. Life Is Very Dear To Them," follows:

We read that when Turgenev the celebrated Russian novelist, was a boy of ten, his father took him out, pheasant hunting. As they walked across the fields, a beautiful golden pheasant rose from the ground near them. He raised his gun and fired, wild with excitement when the bird fell fluttering at his side. Life was ebbing fast, but the instinct of the mother was stronger than death itself, and with a feeble flutter of her wings the mother bird reached the nest where her young brood was huddled.

Then, with such a look of pleading and reproach that his heart stood still at the ruin he had wrought—and never to his dying day did he forget the feeling of cruelty and guilt that came to him in that moment—the little brown head peered over and only the dead body of the mother shielded her nestlings. "Father, father," he cried, "what have I done." But not to the father's eye had this tragedy been enacted and he said, "Well done my son, that was well done for your first shot. You will soon be a fine sportsman." "Never, Father," never again shall I destroy any living creature. If that is sport I will have none of it. Life is more beautiful to me than death, and since I cannot give life, I will not take it."

Let us teach the children to love the birds. Let us post placards of warning against hunting and exert our influence in the protection of our beautiful wild birds.

Ida C. Smock

Welfare Association To Observe "Bundle Day"

The Farmington Community Welfare association will observe "Bundle Day," November 2. All articles of clothing that can be used or repaired will be welcomed by the association.

Anyone making up a bundle is advised to call 83 or 72 or the bundles can be left at the Farmington grade school, room five.

Get Releases For Gd. River Walk; Some Unobtained

Majority Of Property Owners Readily Sign Releases For Sidewalk Construction

All but four property owners on the south side of Grand River avenue, east-of the alley leading to the Warner Dairy, have either signed releases or indicated that they will so that the City may proceed with the construction of sidewalks. Commissioner L. G. Gilmeister, chairman of the sidewalk committee, and P. E. Bradt of the State Highway Department, secured the releases during the last two weeks.

Work Progresses
Sidewalks are completed on the south side of the street from Brookdale avenue to opposite the Farmington Lumber and Coal Co. The latter part of this week the contractors have been repairing sidewalks on Brookdale and Maple avenue damaged by the construction of sewers but the first of next week they expect to start laying walks at the east line of the William Irish property and continue west to Grove street. If the remainder of the releases have been secured by that time, the work will continue to the alley leading to the Warner Dairy.

City Has Charge
The City of Farmington has had charge of the sidewalk construction but according to an agreement reached between the City and the State, the latter will pay the costs. Property owners who do not sign releases will, if sidewalks are built in front of their property at any time in the future, have to pay the cost of construction.

HARDWARE OFFERS FLOOR POLISHERS FREE IN CONTEST

Entry Blanks Obtainable At Store—Give Demonstrations Friday And Saturday

The Farmington Hardware announces a contest in which 1,000 new model electric floor polishers are to be given away by the Johnson Co. The polishers are valued at \$39.50. Entry blanks for the contest may be secured at the Farmington Hardware.

Demonstrations will be given all day Friday and Saturday on the uses of Waterspar, a quick-drying enamel for general use in the home. A beautiful vase will be given free with each purchase of the enamel, according to Emory Hatten.

A wide variety of guns, ammunition and hunter's supplies are now available at the Farmington Hardware. Hunter's licenses may also be obtained at this store.

Philgas stores are finding a prominent place in the Farmington Hardware's floor display, and added to their natural beauty is a high quality of performance. Philgas service makes possible the operation of such stores in localities beyond gas mains.

Late Gov. Warner Among 20 To Be Honored By Planting Of Trees

The late Fred M. Warner is numbered among 20 men prominent in the Nation's history, 17 former governors of Michigan and three former presidents of the United States, in memory of whom twenty 40-acre pine tree plantations are to be planted the latter part of October in the Higgins Lake State Forest.

These memorial forests are financed through the accumulated interest on funds furnished by contributors to a Detroit newspaper's reforestation plan within the last year. Each forest is marked with a permanent metal sign, carrying the name of the donor or donors and the dedication. Accompanying the announcement that a forest would be planted in

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State Sets New Valuations Here; Hearing On Monday

Opportunity To Learn New Assessments And Register Protests, If Desired, Given City And Township Property Owners

Farmington Township and City property will be taxed by the State according to new valuations this year, and a hearing will be held next Monday in Farmington Town Hall, when taxpayers may learn of their new assessments and register protests if they desire. Announcement that the State Tax Commission was coming to Farmington was made this week, and on Thursday morning taxpayers throughout this area received post-card notices of the hearing on Monday.

Officials have viewed with no little misgiving the possibility of the State Tax Commission is Farmington this year, and as late as a week ago it was stated that Farmington would not be included. However, vigorous protests in other parts of the County, particularly Birmingham and Bloomfield Hills, where new assessments with huge increases were made public at a recent hearing, caused a change in plans.

Among other things protested bitterly at the Birmingham hearing was the evident intention of the State Tax Commission to place new valuations only on certain parts of the County, including, of course, that area. This has led the commission, it is said to decide to try to cover all of the County this fall.

No such scenes are expected here as took place in Birmingham, when hundreds were reported to have milled about the Community House where the hearing was held, for a full ten hours, vigorously objecting to the multiplying of valuations on their property two, three and four times.

Many declared flatly that they would not pay taxes under such circumstances, while still others asserted that the valuations were greater than the cost of reproducing buildings today.

Were In Farmington
It is not anticipated that Farmington property has been given increases such as were applied in the Birmingham area. State tax men have spent weeks at a time in this section in the past two years, however, and every piece of property has been reassessed according to their views. Personal property as well as real estate is included.

The assessment by the State is for State purposes only, but (Continued on page four)

Complications Arise
Accompanying the professor is a valet, King Harger. To further complicate matters Marie Walling in a character part, that of the Squire's half sister, falls madly in love with the professor whom she believes to be Peggy's fiancée from the city. An actress is then introduced in the person of Frances Brown and the play is on.

Rose Edna Larson, taking the part of Miss Kaba appears in the last act and a word from her relieves the complications.

The play is presented before a background of 38 girls in the latest and most up-to-date costuming.

Added Attractions
An added attraction will be the appearance of 100 Farmington youngsters in "The Wedding of the Little Doll." The bride and groom are not a day over five while the entire wedding party will be between the ages of four and seven.

Reserved seats may be obtained at Curly's Electric Shop.

Young Clarenceville Boy Accidentally Shot

Raymond DeYoung, ten years old, was accidentally shot Saturday afternoon when a play mate, Edward Wurtzbacher, pressed the trigger of a 22 calibre rifle, when they were playing in the Doherty Woods on Eight Mile road. The bullet entered his left chest and lodged in the kidney.

He was rushed to the Redford Receiving hospital where an operation was performed to remove the bullet. Raymond is resting well although not out of danger.

Dr. and Mrs. McPherson of Grand Rapids returned to their home Tuesday after spending several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Brown.

MEETING IS HELD FOR DISCUSSION OF APPLE PROJECT

Committee To Consider Proposal And Report At Meeting October 26

Thirteen fruit-growers of the Farmington area and five members of Farmington Exchange Club met Monday evening at the home of Frank Steele on Eleven Mile road and discussed possibilities of promoting Farmington's apple-growing industry in the eyes of the public.

Discussion comprised mainly the methods and problems of marketing apples in this section of the country. A committee of three growers and two Exchange Club members was appointed to consider the proposition in further detail.

The committee consists of Harry N. McCracken, Don Button, and Frank Steele, apple-growers, and Edward Baker and Hyman Levinson of the Exchange Club. The committee will meet Friday night and report at another general meeting to be held Monday evening, October 26, at the Steele home.

Edward Baker, chairman of the Exchange Club committee, presided. In attendance besides those mentioned above were: Frank Steele, Howard McCracken, John Morris, Will Morris, Ed. Grimmer, Stanley Drake, Floyd Howard, Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner, Rev. Floyd Charles Johnson, Dr. G. F. Weaver, Ray Marsh, Dan Flint.



GOV. WARNER