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Novi Township Makes Ready For Its First Primary

Voters To Name Party Candidates On March 6; Many Contests Appear

Novi township voters on Monday, March 6, for the first time will use the primary system for selection of party candidates to carry their banners in the spring elections, thus discarding the old caucus system which has been in vogue since elections first began in Novi township.

The decision to use the primary system, was made by the voters at the polls on election day November 8. The old caucus system was voted out by a vote of three to one.

In concurrence with the Michigan law, each aspirant to office must file in registration with the township clerk, signed by 15 qualified voters of the township, his intentions of competing in the primary race. All candidates must have registered on or before next Tuesday, February 14, to a misunderstanding as to the final date of registration, 10 candidates for offices already have filed their intentions with the township clerk. Rumors are about to spread in the primary race, although how many of them will file before the deadline, is unknown.

Seek Re-election
Most of the incumbents already have filed their desires to represent their party again in the coming elections. Charles W. Hamilton, Republican, incumbent of the office of Supervisor, will seek to defeat Charles Holmes, Republican, for the nomination for supervisor for the coming term. Earl Banks, Republican, clerk at the present time, is as yet unopposed in his attempt at re-election. George Simmons, incumbent Republican treasurer, also has no opposition to date. The position of Highway Commissioner looks more tempting to would-be office holders, with two Republicans and one Democrat already in the running. Henry Barnhardt, incumbent, is to be opposed by William Mairs, former commissioner defeated by Barnhardt for re-election last year. Fred Brooks, Democrat, also has filed his candidacy, but as yet has no party opposition for the nomination.

DEMOCRATS PLAN DINNER, SPEECHES TUESDAY EVENING

Assistant Prosecutor Of County To Address Party Members; Steele Is Toastmaster

More than 50 people are expected to come to Farmington Tuesday for the Southwestern Oakland County Democratic Banquet at the Salem Evangelical Church, according to Norman Lennox in charge of arrangements. Franklin Morris, of Ferndale, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, has been secured as the speaker. Frank Steele of Farmington will be toastmaster.

Democrats from Farmington, South Lyon, Southfield, Novi and other nearby towns are expected to attend. Arthur P. Bogue, Prosecuting Attorney; M. D. Van Wageningen, Drain Commissioner; Henry P. McCaughan, Register of Deeds, and Charles P. Webster, Democratic County Chairman, already have signified their intentions to attend the banquet.

The committee arrangements in addition to the chairman, includes Harold Grace, Ray Oldham and Frank Steele. Tickets are 35 cents each. The banquet will begin at 7:30 p. m. and the affair is open to the public.

FUNERAL IS HELD
The funeral of Mr. A. Herman, age 69, stepfather of Thos. Kelley of Park Side Drive, was held Monday. Burial took place at Grand Lawn Cemetery. Mr. Herman has been a Clarenceville resident for a number of years. A large number of Oddfellows attended the funeral. Mr. Herman joined that order in 1898.

To Speak At Banquet



Franklin Morris, assistant prosecuting attorney of Oakland County will be the principal speaker at the Democratic dinner to be held in Farmington Tuesday evening.

Show New Ford V-8 On Saturday

Largest, Most Powerful Ford With 112-Inch Wheelbase Coming

The first of the new Ford V-8 cylinder, 112-inch wheelbase motor cars will be displayed in Farmington Saturday in the showrooms of Olin Russell, Inc., Ford Dealers, it was announced Thursday morning.

The new V-8 is the largest and most powerful Ford ever built. It has new distinctively modern lines, a most attractive front end, longer wheelbase, larger and roomier bodies, faster acceleration, increased power and speed and is exceptionally economical in operation. With its 75-horse power, V-8 engine, the new Ford is capable of a sustained speed of 80 miles an hour. The price, which are expected to be surprisingly low, will be announced Saturday morning.

The styling of the 14 body types expresses the new mode in motor car building. The modern note is found in the sloping Vee radiator grill, the skirted fenders, newly-designed headlamps, coil lamps and bumpers, the curve of the hood side ventilators, the 20-degree roof header, the reverse curve of the rear quarter and the backward sweep of the apron masking the gasoline tank.

The new all-steel bodies are materially wider, almost a foot longer and consequently much roomier. Options in upholstery and a wide choice of body colors are available.

The improved V-8 engine is fitted with all-aluminum cylinder heads, one of the most noteworthy forward steps in motor design in many years. Because aluminum dissipates heat more rapidly, the use of the aluminum cylinder heads permits higher compression pressure and results in increased speed, power and smoothness, faster acceleration and added fuel economy.

Contests Loom In Township, But Filing Is Slow

Only Three Farmington Township Candidates Have Their Petitions In

While a number of contests are expected for various offices in the primary on March 6 in Farmington Township, only three petitions have been filed so far last Friday, less than a week away. The three petitions are for minor offices. Papers must be filed with Clerk Willard Campbell by next Tuesday, February 14, at five o'clock p. m.

Chief interest centers, of course, around the office of supervisor. Petitions have been circulated for Supervisor Arthur Coe, Republican for re-election. Others reported as candidates are Russell Williams and William Killen both for the Democratic nomination.

Two former Township officials have indicated that rumors that they would seek office this spring are without foundation. Supervisor and County Road Commissioner Isaac Bond, a veteran of township and County politics, indicated that he is not ready to re-enter politics at this time. Mr. Bond, who has been township treasurer, said Thursday morning that while he had heard rumors he might run for supervisor, he had no such intention. He indicated that he would be inclined to wait at least another year, before taking an active part in township affairs again.

Still another citizen regarding whom rumors have been circulated is Al Ray Oldham. Mr. Oldham has been active in Democratic work in this vicinity, in connection with the elections last fall, and since that time. He said Wednesday he has a war he reports had been circulated that he might be a candidate for office, but that he has not arrived at any decision.

Clerk Willard Campbell will be a candidate for re-election on the Republican ticket, his intentions being in circulation. It is reported Don Pound will also be a candidate for clerk.

As last year, the office of treasurer has drawn the largest number of candidates. Mrs. Lovetta Coe, incumbent, will be a candidate for renomination and re-election, on the Republican ticket. Opposing her for the nomination will be Mrs. Beattie Schmidt, and it is reported that Mrs. Leo Cassill will also seek the Republican designation. William Shaw is a candidate for the Democratic nomination, and still another aspirant for the office of treasurer is reported to be Theodore Kohlman.

Little activity has appeared in reference to highway commissioner. Petitions for Clayton Goers incumbent, are in circulation. James Rogers a candidate last year is reported to be an aspirant again.

Justice of the Peace Willis T. Roberts, Republican, will seek re-election as a Republican, and will be opposed for the Republican nomination by Arnold Stogor. A. G. Ruhland is reported to be seeking the office as a Democrat. The term is for four years, one to be elected this year.

Reason For The School Tax Appeal

Why officials of Farmington School District No. 5 are forced to make an appeal to property-owners of the District to pay their school taxes whether they pay the remainder or not is readily apparent from brief examination of a statement showing the District's financial condition. In spite of drastic economies the figures show that even with the recent 50 per cent cut in teachers' salaries, and shortening of the school year, it will be impossible to keep the schools open through the year unless there is a strong response from taxpayers to the appeal.

The following table of figures shows briefly the District's financial condition and the problem facing the Board of Education:

SCHOOL YEAR 1932-33	
RECEIPTS, to February 8, 1933	
(Principal items among receipts are:	
Tuition	\$ 6,727.87
Primary Money	6,631.32
City Tax, 1932-33	3,994.09
Township Tax, voted, 1932-33	850.00
Delinquent Tax, City and Township	2,959.82
EXPENDITURES, to February 8, 1933	
(Principal items among expenditures are:	
Paid 1931-32 Teachers' salaries (back)	\$ 5,674.50
1932-33 Teachers' salaries	7,507.50
Janitors' Salaries	1,660.00
Debt Service—Interest on bonds to May 1, 1933	2,418.75
BALANCE ON HAND February 8, 1933	
\$ 76.41	
DEBITS AND EXPENSES	
DEBITS NOW DUE AND PAYABLE	
Salaries due teachers February 3	\$ 2,730.00
Salaries due janitors February 3	91.00
Unpaid bills	2,024.38
Total now due and unpaid	\$ 4,845.33
EXPENSES, Remainder of School Year	
Interest due May 1, 1933	450.00
Necessary for Teachers' Salaries, 4 months (Approximately)	4,400.00
TOTAL DEBITS AND EXPENSES, REMAINDER OF YEAR	
\$ 9,695.38 \$ 9,695.33	
Funds on hand and Estimated Income	
Balance on hand, February 8, 1933	76.41
Estimated income from tuition, from other districts, remainder of year	3,500.00
Total	\$ 3,576.41 \$ 3,576.41
DEFICIT—REQUIRED FROM SCHOOL TAXES IN ORDER TO KEEP SCHOOLS OPEN	
\$ 6,042.56	

From the above it will be seen that with only \$76.41 on hand and \$4,845.38 already owing, plus \$450.00 due May 1 in interest and the teachers' salaries for four months to be met, it will be impossible for the District to go on unless there is paid in, in school taxes about \$6,000.00. The figure of \$3,500.00 possible receipts from tuition is only an estimate, and receipts are likely to prove below rather than above this figure.

For the information of electors of the District, there follows a table of the bond obligations of the District, which shows one principal payment of \$4,000.00 due March 1 of last year as unpaid. The largest bond payment, of \$22,000.00 is due March 1 next, but there is no hope of meeting this payment. Experience has shown that bondholders do not object if principal payments are passed by, providing the interest is kept up. Farmington District No. 5 thus far has a perfect record in this respect, and it is the sentiment of the Board of Education that the credit of the District should be protected to the utmost by meeting all installments of interest so long as this remains in any way possible. The items of bonded debt are:

BOND OBLIGATIONS OF DISTRICT	
Bonds due March 1, 1932 and unpaid	\$ 4,000.00
Bonds due March 1, 1933	22,000.00
Bond Issue No. IV (no principal payment until 1942. Interest \$900 per year)	20,000.00
Bond Issue No. V (annual payment \$2,000.00)	16,000.00
Total Bonded Indebtedness	\$62,000.00

Planes Circle Over Farmington During Funeral Of War Flying Ace

With airplanes circling overhead, funeral services were held Monday at the Baptist Church in Farmington for Capt. Adrian W. Reeves of Livonia Center. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery with Rev. E. W. Palmer of the Baptist Church in charge of the services. Capt. Reeves, a veteran military and commercial flyer, died Saturday of influenza and pleurisy. The body was taken immediately to the Spencer Henry undertaking home, where it remained until the time of the funeral. Capt. Reeves is survived by his wife, one son, age 8; and one daughter, age 6.

18 Below Here, Farmington Man Is Nearly Frozen

Schaupeter Rescued After Two-Mile Walk, Assisted Home; Cold Sets Record

Farmington froze Thursday morning in what is believed to be the coldest weather in over 50 years, perhaps its entire history—18 degrees below zero. One Farmington resident was rescued after being nearly frozen during a walk of two miles. His plight was noticed and he was taken inside and then taken home.

William (Bill) Schaupeter was discovered in a near-frozen condition early Thursday morning on Grand River avenue in front of Farmington Lumber and Coal Co. He had walked down to Farmington Junction, distributing morning papers, and was returning. As he passed the lumber company office, Carl Hogle, the manager, saw him passing and realized that Schaupeter could scarcely walk. He was brought in to the office, being hardly able to get in alone. After he had been warmed up he was taken home by one of the lumber company's drivers.

RUMORS SET AT REST REGARDING ONE CANDIDACY

Arthur Trapp States That He Is Candidate For Supervisor In Primary

Highway Commissioner Arthur Trapp of Livonia Township this week set at rest all rumors regarding his candidacy for the Republican nomination for supervisor, by stating positively that he is a candidate for the office. He will oppose Supervisor Jesse Ziegler for the nomination at the primary Monday, March 6. Two candidates are already in the field for the Democratic nomination, and a third is reported as being also in the contest.

Clerk John Harlan will also have opportunity for the Republican nomination. Petitions have been put in circulation for Ralph VanTassel for the nomination for clerk. John Aittama is a Democratic candidate for the same office.

Arrangement Made For Reducing Light Cost

Street lighting expenses in Farmington will be reduced to \$174 last month, it was decided by the City Commissioners at their regular meeting Monday night. This figure was arrived at after the committee appointed from the commission had conferred with representatives of the Detroit Edison Company on the advisability of reducing the number of lights being used.