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# Editorials

Next Monday

For years organizations, newspapers and others interested in public affairs have devoted much energy, just prior to elections, to urging people to "get out and vote." For the most part it seemed to fall on deaf ears, for people were too busy with their own affairs to interest themselves in good government. They could not be aroused. More recently, however, they have become more concerned and have flocked to the polls in record-breaking numbers. But it was not appeals to a sense of responsibility or pleas to vote as a duty of good citizenship that brought this about. It was conditions, a two-fold set of circumstances. First, the breakdown of our business and industrial fabric had impelled the people to turn to the government for relief; further, in the extremity of discontent, the people determined upon an overturn in the personnel of the government itself in the demand for something better. So they flocked to the polls and all voting records were shattered.

How long the keen interest in public matters will continue no one can guess, but while it is with us it is desirable that the best be made of it. It is unnecessary to exhort people to go to the polls nowadays, just as it was useless to plead with them to do so in the days when they were too engrossed in their personal affairs to bother with the government. But it may still be worth while to urge upon every citizen that he vote with the greatest care and the most careful consideration.

Before you go to the polls, think carefully. Consider it as if your one vote were to decide what will be the character of government in the community during the coming term, as if yours were the determining choice, for in a sense this is true. It is the choice made by you and your neighbor, multiplied a few dozen times, that decides.

With this responsibility then, choose the candidates on the basis of the community welfare. Consider who possesses the superior qualifications, ability, education, experience, and unselfish interest in the public good, and upon these make your choice. If you do so, ruling out all other and extraneous considerations unimportant from the community point of view, you will have done your duty as a citizen, and whatever the character of the government, the community has in the days ahead, yours will be a clear conscience in that you will have performed your major duty.

## A Welcome Change

Reports from Detroit that there is to be a new arrangement for bus service between Farmington and Redford are welcome. While it is different from anything anyone in Farmington had contemplated, in that it is an agreement arrived at between Eastern, Michigan System and an operator who will be a lessee under them, nevertheless it offers the one hope of improvement now. And if improvement is obtained it makes little difference what the method is.

It will not be an easy row for the new operator to hoe. Hard times, a service not well-adapted to the needs, and a fare that few feel they can afford to pay or care to pay even if they can—these things have contributed to the almost total decadence of the Farmington-Redford run. Add to this the battle, thus far a losing one almost everywhere, of public carriers to hold their own against the private automobile, the hitch-hiker, and the "bootleg" operators who run without license for what small change they can pick up—these things make the situation a hard one. On the other hand there is hope of a sensible reward for one who can stick it out and make the line a going concern, for when business returns to normal it should pay well. To succeed at all now, however, the new operator will have to have not merely the patronage that comes naturally, but the interested co-operation of residents all along the line.

## A Kind Of Decoration By That Day

"Beer by Christmas" was a shout that swept the country last summer and autumn. "Beer by Christmas," though all practical people knew it couldn't happen.

Now the cry is, "Beer by April," and that may not come to pass, or to flow, at least in Michigan. But it does look as though it can be easily expected that there will be "beer by Decoration Day," and then those who want to do so can get themselves handsomely "plastered."

## "Closes His Eyes"—Why Not His Mouth, Too?

From one of the high-powered press-agent offices in Chicago comes a weekly publicity sheet for newspapers to use in making their eager readers acquainted with all the inconsequential doings of people who have somehow or other got into the public eye. A real gem of this kind is one that reveals some breath-taking information about the great popular hero, Mr. Rudy Vallee. The headline says:

"VALLEY SERIOUS LEADER;

CLOSES EYES IN SINGING"

Anyone will quite readily admit that all that is needed to make a man not merely a great musician, but a great "leader" is that he "close his eyes when singing" as does the inefable Mr. Vallee. Only in this case most of us wish that "when singing" he had long ago closed not merely his eyes but also his mouth, and kept it that way.

## "What's The Reason For All This?", He Asks

From "Joe" Haas, editor of the Holly Herald and one of the most able paragraphs in the press of Michigan, comes a vigorous protest regarding the jury-drawing system in Oakland County. Under the heading, "What's The Reason For All This?", he says:

Pontiac and southeastern Michigan seem to have a monopoly on the drawing of circuit court jurors. The April list just announced, has 35 names, 27 of whom are from Pontiac, and the other 8 from Royal Oak township, the other 23 townships in the county not being represented. Practically the same thing happened in the last juror selection. While we appreciate the employment situation in Pontiac and Royal Oak, and realize the necessity for scattering a few jobs there, we also feel that there is a good reason why the jurors should be drawn from other sections of the county, rather than from the county seat and its almost equally populous neighbor. Most of the circuit court jurors (particularly the criminal kind) come from Pontiac on Royal Oak, hence, isn't it reasonable to assume that justice can better be obtained from a jury who come from a section more remote from the scene of the trouble?

## NOVI NEWS Mrs. J. O. Munro

### ROMANCE BEGUN ON OCEAN LINER LASTS HAPPILY THROUGH 25 YEARS

On Wednesday, March 22, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Claessen happily celebrated their silver wedding anniversary at their home on Grand River road, Novi. Fifteen friends and relatives came out from Detroit to join in this happy event. In the party also were their son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Kohlheim, of Pontiac. Otto Kleophas, a brother of Mrs. Claessen, was unable to get back from Florida in time for the anniversary.

A sumptuous dinner with Mrs. Kohlheim, an expert cook, assisted in the preparation of the meal. The favorite dish was served at the long dining table where the bride and groom of twenty-five years occupied places of honor.

It was twenty-five years ago that this romance budded on board the steamer Krown Prince Wilhelm of the North German Lloyd line when young Frank Claessen met and wooed the rosy-cheeked German maiden Olga Kleophas. By the time the steamer sailed into the harbor of New York this young couple had decided to "sail on through life together." Hunting up a clergyman in New York was not too difficult and they were married and lived happily ever after" as all their many friends testify.

Some years later a trip back to the fatherland was made and in 1923 they sailed back again to the land of their adoption, making their home in Detroit, where for years Mr. Claessen was kitchen chef in the Fort Shelby hotel until forced by ill health to retire to a quiet community.

Greetings from a host of friends reminded Mr. and Mrs. Claessen of their hearty good wishes for "many happy returns of the day."

Mrs. Nettie Leavenworth, Mr. and Mrs. John Morley Jay and James Leavenworth of Howell attended the funeral of the former's sister-in-law, Mrs. Franklin Sabins of Mt. Pleasant last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Foyayier and son and the former's brother Martin of Clifton, Minn., enroute to Laport, Indiana, spent Saturday night at the home of Alina Aylar.

Mrs. Naomi Kent has moved from Mrs. Ella Spencers house to Mrs. Grace Hammond cottage of West Grand River.

Mrs. Julia Hardin is entertaining her sister Mrs. Bessie Leitch of California.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Hardin and daughter Ruth of Philadelphia, Penn., have moved into their cottage home next to the former's mother's place on East Grand River.

Church Notes

Sunday morning 11:45 at the Baptist Church Rev. E. W. Palmer, pastor, will speak on "The Signs of the Times or Are We Living in the Last Days?"

Tuesday night 7:45 he will open a study in the book of Revelation.

School News

The following pupils earned especially good marks for their work during the month of March:

Primary grades: Gertrude Nash, Eddy Balye, Walter Lorian, Evelyn Wenker, and Harold Drouillard.

Intermediate grades: Nina Weingarten, Cleophas, Thelma Keit, Marion F. Foss, Betty Flynn, Marion Lorian, Raymond Sparkowski, and Raymond Beatty.

High School: Edwin Hill, Marvin Trotter, Lloyd Holmes, Gerald Trotter, and Eleonore Stubbles.

The work of tailing an inventory of the books in the school library will be begun in the near future. This work will be followed by the preparation of a card system so that all books will be conveniently catalogued. The present disordered condition of the library has made it difficult to check on the loaning of books and to easily find material. This activity will be in charge of Mrs. Hadley and she will be assisted by some of the pupils. Later a student library

## CHURCHES

### Our Lady of Sorrows Church Rev. John J. Larkin, Pastor:

Sunday masses at 8:30 a. m. and 11 a. m.  
Daily mass at 8:00.

### Baptist Church Rev. G. W. Palmer, Pastor

10:10 Prayer period.  
10:30 Communion service.

11:45 Bible School with classes for all ages.

6:30 Young People's Hour.  
7:30 Evangelistic service. The Pastor will preach on "The Silence of God" and enjoy this service of song and praise.

Wednesday night we will open a study of the Seven Dispensations of Scripture. Everyone is invited to come and bring your bibles.

### Clarencerville Methodist Church O. J. Lyon, Minister

10:00 Morning worship.  
11:00 Church school.

6:30 Epworth League.

### Methodist Church Rev. F. C. Johnson, Minister

"A Divided Personality" will be the theme of Sunday morning's Sermon from the Sermon on the Mount. Study At 7:30 (in Oxford Group) will hold an open meeting to which everyone is most cordially invited. Come and hear how men and women are living victoriously and happily in these sad times. They will tell you themselves the secret of their changed attitude and lives.

Sunday School at noon Sunday and Young People's Club at 6:15 will meet at the usual places. Prayer meeting will be held as usual Wednesday evening.

### Evangelical Church

Christ and Pilot  
Church Service, 11:15.  
Rev. W. H. Breitenbach.  
Sunday school in conjunction with church service.

Special congregational meeting after church service.

### WEST FARMINGTON

Mrs. Ervin Knapp  
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The West Farmington school was closed Tuesday on account of sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. William Morris are the parents of a baby born Wednesday morning. Mother and baby are getting along nicely.

Mrs. H. N. McCracken will entertain the quilting party for the benefit of the Willing Workers of West Farmington Cemetery at her home on 12-mile road, April 6. Lunch will be served at noon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Maynard of Birmingham were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. McCracken this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Giegler of Harland spent Wednesday with Mrs. Charles Heilker.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Norton of Detroit were Monday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. N. McCracken.

Starr and Richard Heilker who have been ill with measles are well and are able to be in school again at Lake Lake.

June Seeley who attends Walled Lake School is out on account of sickness.

Mabel Wixom has been absent from school at West Farmington for several days on account of illness.

Bob and Green, Lloyd Green, William Knapp attended a party given by the teachers of the Junior Baffled Lake Sunday school classes of Walled Lake Baptist Church held at the parsonage Wednesday evening.

rian will be placed in charge of the loaning of books and keeping the book shelves in order.

The new historical section, consisting of a valuable collection of books, has been purchased and the boys are eager to try it out. The graduated players who have a suit in their possession are urged to turn them in at once. Any school teams in this vicinity who would like to schedule games should communicate with Edward Baker, manager.

## GREAT LAKES THEATRE

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Thurs., March 30

Final Showing of  
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