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## Editorials

### One Fight That Wasn't Costly

Strolling around and into the County courthouse at Pontiac, nowadays, one is struck by the thought that perhaps a bit of disagreement, even an open squabble now and then may not be such a bad thing to have after all. There the courthouse stands on the corner it has occupied in the center of the county seat for many years, but there it might not be, had some officials agreed instead of fought.

One recalls that it was only a few years ago by the calendar, (but much farther back in what has happened to our lives since then), when the Board of Supervisors was in the throes of a spirited battle over where the new courthouse was going to be located. There was no argument, of course, over whether or not a new one was needed. No one seemed to have given that phase of the question a thought. There was lots of money everywhere. The County had so much that they tossed it here and there by the millions, so much to spend that they not only spent for this generation but for the next and the next. Thus a new courthouse was necessary at once—as a matter of fact, it was difficult to understand how those occupying the old building could get along until the new structure was finished.

There were a number of proposals. One was to tear down the present building and erect on the site a modern skyscraper. Another was to sell the corner site, raze the old building just behind it, (to the west), and erect thereon the new County building with the million dollars that was to be derived from sale of the corner. Still a third was to sell the corner and somewhere in the outskirts of Pontiac erect a courthouse that would be a sort of community center for the county, with spacious grounds roundabout and all sorts of trimmings. Another, reported to have been favored by many Pontiac City business-men was to choose a site nearby, well within the business district of Pontiac. This site would have been perhaps a block or two from the main thoroughfare—near enough so that out-county folks coming to Pontiac on county-seat business could conveniently trade in Pontiac stores.

Each plan had its supporters. It was even hinted that there were some real estate interests at work here and there, as there sometimes are in things of that kind. However that may be, the supervisors split into at least three well-defined groups, and for a year or more the big issue before them was, "where is the new county building to be?" The thing caused all kinds of debate and argument all over the County. Had there been less disagreement among the supervisors, a plan might well have been adopted that year, a million or more in bonds issued and the new county building erected, with a million more added to the bond issues that now loom so mountainous, but in those days seemed to vanish like melting ice-cakes as soon as they were approved. But the supervisors wrangled better than they knew. They wrangled long enough that Thursday somehow those bond issues started to show up again as quite a pile of debts. As the bond issues re-crystallized into hard actualities, it was the new courthouse project that melted away. Came that tragic Thursday in the autumn of 1929, and the new courthouse became but a memory of an argument.

Yet the argument was justified, so it now appears. It's ages since anyone has even mentioned the idea, and certainly acent since any public official has dared to do so, or since one of them will be so bold as to bring it up again. Somehow the present courthouse seems to have expanded its walls, or the county business has shrunk, and with the rental of some quarters elsewhere, the business of the county seem to be getting along very well.

So the battle over the courthouse site had its uses. Perhaps it was one argument that was really worth while.

### Beware The Racketeer

Beware of the man with the racket! With sunny days at hand, and lighter times seemingly ahead, he has come out of his shell and is spreading over the land. For a couple of years he has been unseen and had apparently dissolved in thin air. While money flows freely and blarney equally so, he reaps a rich harvest. People part with their money easily, led on by the high hopes.

The racketeers are as numerous and varied as flowers and grasses in the fields, and just as prolific. Their sponsors, sensing the renewed optimism of those in business and of the people at large, are shining up some of the old ideas and getting ready to launch some new ones, all intended to snare the stray dollar. They are coming in increasing numbers, and soon there will be hordes of them.

The first advance is the "survey-maker," and already he's been around. He collects the names of leading business-men and officials—"nothing to sell." Then a few days later his partner comes into town for the "kill," and glibly rolling the names of these leading citizens from the tongue, leaves the implication that "Mr. Leading Citizen and Mr. Prominent Business-Man sent me to see you," with the further implication that they endorse the plan.

They sell encyclopedias with annual renewal sheets that come to the end of time—and, as the addended buyer later learns, are to be paid for until that far-off day—they sell clocks to be put on some building-front, with names on them which no one ever reads and with mechanisms which will never tell the time after the first month or two; they sell church directories and telephone-listing cards, and folders for keeping valuable papers and thermometers like

the clocks-mentioned above, and a hundred and one other things. They take the money and leave behind them a trail of eloquent high-pressure salesmanship, and high hopes. While money has been the scarcest commodity in the country, they have lost out completely. With the return of freer dollars, they will again trap the unwary, from Maine to the Golden Gate.

## 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. E. W. Palmer, Pastor

10:10 Prayer Service.  
10:30 Communion service and reception of new members.  
11:45 Bible School with classes for all.  
6:30 Young Peoples Hour.  
7:30 Evangelistic Service with Rev. John Leybold, pastor of the Ebenezer Baptist Church of Detroit as speaker.

**Clarenceville 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

Next Sunday Rev. F. C. Johnson, pastor of the church will preach at both the morning and evening service.

Tuesday afternoon the W. B. M. S. will hold their quarterly conference. The Rev. J. A. Halmhuber, District Supt. of Ann Arbor District, will preside at this meeting. Mrs. Wm. Irish has charge of this supper. Come and bring the family. Supper is pot-luck.

Prayer service will be held next Wednesday evening as usual. Everyone is very cordially invited to all services of the church.

**Evangelical Church**  
Rev. W. H. Breitenbach, Minister

Special Pentecost Festival Service. Subject of sermon: "The Work of the Holy Ghost." Church Service, 10:15. Sunday School, 11:15. Mrs. Florence Edgar, organist. Erskine W. Evans, Sunday School Superintendent.

Choir practice every Thursday evening.

### WEST POINT PARK

Mrs. William Zwahlen

Mr. and Mrs. George Hayes and Ronald of Detroit were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Carpenter and family of Redford, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gilbert.

Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Gilbert, daughter Doris, and two sons, L. B. Jr. and Howard, were guests Saturday of relatives and friends at Plainfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Middlewood and son of Detroit were Sunday guests of the former's mother, Mrs. Ethel Middlewood.

William Zwahlen who has been ill the past two weeks is slowly convalescing.

Mrs. Margaret Martin was the guest Sunday at a birthday dinner given in her honor by her daughter, Mrs. Edward Stromoski, of Norville.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Hoffman and family of Detroit were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Austin Ault.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Lyon of Detroit were guests Sunday afternoon and evening of Mr. and Mrs. James Eastman.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph K. Smith of Rosedale Park, Detroit, were guests Sunday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Zwahlen.

Pierson School will hold its annual picnic Friday in the school grounds.

The Community Club held its monthly meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Walter Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gould as guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Tiffin of Redford motored Tuesday to their summer home at Algonac.

The 12 young men chosen for reforestation work from Livonia township were taken Thursday to Ft. Wayne, where they all passed the examination. They will remain in Ft. Wayne two weeks. Robert Hunter, Edward Carter and Elmer Marky were from West Point Park.

Kenneth Owen was the guest Monday of his aunt, Mrs. Norman Gedig in Detroit.

Billy Owens and Lawrence Way spent Sunday in Wixom. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Graham Tuesday in Ann Arbor Hospital, a boy. Both mother and son are doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. John DeBore of Detroit were supper guests Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gould. Mr. and Mrs. Max Koehler sold their place on Farmington Road last week and moved back to Detroit.

### ACADEMY PRIZE WINNERS IN NEW COMEDY

Having been awarded the first prize by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for producing the best comedy of the year, Laurel and Hardy have been fired with greater enthusiasm to capture the award next season.

Toward this end the comedians are putting forth every effort to produce unusual and entertaining Hal Roach M-G-M comedies, the latest of which is "Twice Two" which will be shown at the Great Lakes Theatre, Friday and Saturday.



Hardy is seen in the role of a surgeon, a brain specialist. Laurel is labelled an associate adviser. It dawns upon the boys that they should celebrate the wedding anniversary. Since Hardy is married to Laurel's sister, and Laurel is wedded to Hardy's sister, the idea seems complete. More so when it is stated that the comedians also enact the part of the wives. The domestic entanglements that ensue, coupled with their efforts to maintain a matrimonial balance are declared to furnish one of the funniest comedies of the new season.

### ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of School District No. 5 City and Township of Farmington will be held at the High School, Monday, June 12 at 8 p. m. to elect two school trustees and transact such other business as may lawfully come before the meeting.

(Signed) Florence E. Lee Secretary.

Arthur W. Kilpatrick, A. W. Sempliner, Attorneys; 3633 Barlum Tower, Detroit, Michigan.

MORTGAGE SALE: DEBTLER having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dan Lewis and Mary Gordon Lewis his wife, of Detroit, Wayne County, Michigan, Mortgages to the western State Bank, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Michigan, on the 15th day of June, A. D. 1928 in the sum of \$2000.00 on page 632-636, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, for principal and interest the sum of Six Hundred Ninety and 14/100 Dollars (\$690.14). No suit or proceedings at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to the statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and amended, notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, the 22nd day of August, A. D. 1933 at 12 o'clock noon, Eastern Standard Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction to the highest bidder, at the front entrance to the County Building, in the City of Farmington, Oakland County, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland is held) of the premises described in said mortgage, or much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid on said mortgage, with the interest thereon at seven per cent (7%) and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including attorney fees allowed by law and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the mortgagee by way of insurance, etc., to protect the mortgagee's interest in the premises. Whereof all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the township of Royal Oak in the County of Oakland, and State of Michigan and described as follows: to-wit: Lot 279 of Fair Oaks Subdivision of southeast quarter of northwest quarter of section 35, and section 527 acres of northeast quarter of section 10 town 4 north range 11 east, according to the plat thereof as recorded in the Plain or public records of Oakland County Records.

Dated at Detroit, Michigan, May 10th, 1933.

NEWELL B. WALKER, Receiver for the Northwestern State Bank, Mortgagee.

ARTHUR W. KILPATRICK, Attorney for Mortgagee.

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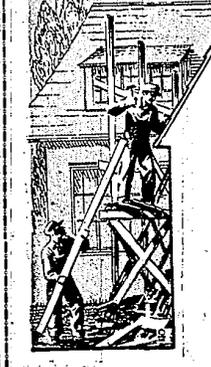
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