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Warning Issued Against A Fake Insurance Agent

Police Urge Care To Prevent Further Swindles, "Company" Is Unknown

Warning is issued by police officials of this section for all residents to be on their guard against a fake insurance agent who has been busy in this vicinity. According to Deputy Joseph DeVriendt, the man has already victimized at least one citizen of this area.

The supposed insurance representative claims, the authorities say, to be writing insurance for a company called Michigan State Insurance Company, with address at 1020 Hoffman Bldg., Detroit. He gives his name as G. H. Davis.

The agent's bait is that he offers a policy worth \$19.50 for \$7.50, with \$5.00 down and the balance to be sent to the Detroit office in 10 days. The provision for sending the balance appears to be for the purpose of allaying suspicion on the part of prospects.

This worked in the case of George Hanson, of Route 2, Northville, police reported. Hanson paid the "agent" \$5.00 in cash. Ten days later he sent \$2.50 to the Hoffman Building address, but his letter was returned unclaimed.

MOORE PROGRAM IS PRESENTED IN COMPLETE DETAIL

Because of the widespread interest manifested in the tax-reform program proposed by Sen. A. L. Moore in his speech recently in Farmington, the outline of Senator Moore's plan is presented herewith by the Enterprise in full. The detailed program is as follows:

Repeat the Constitutional provision for "A uniform rule of taxation." Until this is done there can be no classification of property for taxation purposes.

Levy no State property tax. The State should derive its support from indirect taxation.

Change the legal definition of "Cash Value," so as to make the annual return from the property the major item to be considered in assessing Real Property. Real property should not be taxed beyond its ability to pay. Homes and farms must not be confiscated by impossible taxes.

Pass a graduated personal income tax.

Enact a comprehensive business and manufacturer's income tax.

Retain the present Sales Tax with some modifications.

The gas and weight tax to be continued with a possible change of the weight tax. Provision should be made for retiring the Covert Road special assessment bonds if the weight tax is reduced.

Exempt from taxation stock tools and machinery on the farms and merchants' retail stocks, also goods, wares and merchandise manufactured and in process of manufacture.

Increase the present primary school fund with a grant sufficient to assure a minimum program in every school in the State.

Repeat all laws providing for special assessment improvements. Those laws in the main have had a bad effect on real property.

Abolish the State Tax Commission and provide for the review of assessments by the local courts.

Create a settlement or adjustment board with power to deal with delinquent taxes. Many delinquent taxes must either be reduced, adjusted or cancelled.

Reduce the cost of Government to the minimum. The State must not consume the citizen's home with High Governmental costs. The sure way to reduce taxes is to spend less money.

Abolish tax exemptions on all forms of securities that are income producing. All forms of wealth and income should share in the support of Government.

Every man, woman and child has the right to live in his own home. A home should be an asset, not a liability.

County Secretary



CARL G. HOGLE

Hogle Secretary Of County Group

Farmington Man Active In Dealers Associations

The prominent place which Farmington citizens have always held in County affairs and organizations is maintained in the recent formation of county trade associations developing out of the new codes for various lines of business. Three Farmington business men hold the position of secretary in as many associations.

One of the first men active in the organizing of retail coal dealers of the County, Carl G. Hogle, manager of Farmington Lumber and Coal Co., was chosen as secretary and a director of the Oakland County Coal Dealers' Association. He is a director of the building materials dealers' organization in the County. Through the effective organization set up, genuine benefits both to the public and the trade have already been achieved.

In addition to Mr. Hogle's being honored by his associates in the coal and supply trades, Farmington has two county secretaries in other lines. Howard Otis is secretary-treasurer of the Association of Oakland County Garage Owners and Emory Hatton is secretary-treasurer of the Oakland County Retail Hardware Association.

VENTILATION IS FEATURE OF NEW 1934 V-8 FORDS

Enjoyment of your motor car in all kinds of weather is now possible with the new clear-visibility ventilation system which is built into the new Ford V-8 for 1934 according to Tom Edmondson, manager of Olin Russell, Inc. Ford dealers.

"The new Ford ventilation system not only provides the desired amount of air in any weather, but also prevents drafts and permits clear visibility," says Mr. Edmondson.

"When ventilation is desired the window glass is raised to the top. Then the handle is given an additional half turn. This slides the glass back horizontally to form a narrow slot between the glass and the frame. Through this slot air is drawn out by the forward motion of the car. Individual control is provided for both front and rear side windows. In cold or stormy weather the ventilation slots prevent fogging of the windshield and windows by maintaining a draft-free circulation of air inside the body. However, if the weather is otherwise mild, condense on the glasses is drawn from the interior.

"When the weather is hot or humid, the unrestricted flow of fresh air through the Ford ventilating system—through open windshield, open cow ventilator and open windows—makes for greatest riding comfort.

"In mild weather, the open cow ventilator, with its screen to prevent the entrance of insects, and the ventilating slots provide an ample circulation of air."

Organize Association

Unemployed and welfare men of Farmington Township have organized as a unit of CWA Protective Association.

It is contended that individuals making complaints are ineffective but that a committee representing an organization would be of more value. William Killen is temporary chairman of the group.

Plans For Huge Party Completed By Goodfellows

15-Cent Dance For Charity Expected To Draw Big Crowd Friday, Dec. 29

With arrangements practically completed for a community-wide dancing and card party to swell the Goodfellow Fund, next Friday evening, December 29 in the Town Hall, Farmington, Goodfellows have swung into the most active part of their 1933 campaign to aid the needy. One of the biggest events in this section is anticipated at the combination party next week.

The city-wide collection of funds is to be completed Friday, when coin-cards that have been distributed throughout the town are to be collected by the Goodfellows. Many residents have already pledged their contributions in the boxes at Farmington Dairy and Warner Dairy Co. offices. For those who have not done so, there is still time Friday to save the Goodfellows some time by putting contributions in the boxes uptown.

It is emphasized again that small contributions as well as large are welcomed, and that the limited amount one may be able to give need not hinder any from joining to help the distressed. Amounts of contributions are known to no one except the donor.

Need More Clothing

Those who may have clothing to contribute, which was not collected in the drive some weeks ago, are urged to notify the committee on co-ordinated welfare work. Calls may be made to Mrs. Joseph DeVriendt, and the clothing will be picked up. Overcoats particularly are needed for men, women, and children.

The dance and card party Friday night of next week is expected to draw a big crowd through the low admission price set, 15 cents per person. This is made possible by the fact that everything will be donated. Ladies' dresses, well-known Detroit group, will contribute their music. Refreshments will be served for 5 cents a person, this also made possible through contributions.

Pedro and bridge will be played upstairs, while dancing goes on on the first floor. Prizes will be awarded to card winners.

LEGION NATIONAL LEADER IS SIGNER OF HONOR AWARD

The certificate recently won by Groves-Walker Post No. 346, American Legion in the national membership drive, an emblem of honor which will hang in its attractive frame upon the walls of the Legion home in Farmington in the years to come, reads as follows, over the signatures of the national and department commanders:

"For faithfulness in the performance of duties, for loyal co-operation, and for meritorious achievement, recognition is hereby accorded for most distinguished service, as heretofore set forth.

In compliance with the membership program of the national organization of the American Legion calling upon all Posts and Departments to observe American Legion Week by enrolling all 1933 members, Groves-Walker Post No. 346, Department of Michigan, The American Legion, accomplished a 100 per cent record by placing all 1933 members in good standing for the year 1934, prior to November 11, 1933, the date on which observance of American Legion week was brought to conclusion.

In witness whereof, this certificate is given under the hand and seal of the National Commander, duly attested by the National Adjutant at National Headquarters, Indianapolis, U. S. A., December 13, 1933, and countersigned by the commander and the adjutant for the Department.

DON L. BEARDSLEE, Dept. Commander, DONALD G. GLASSCOFF, Dept. Adjutant, E. A. HAYES, National Commander, PAUL E. SAMUEL,

Woman Lies On Ground 5 Hours With Broken Hip

Calls For Help Unheard By Passers; Victim Threatened With Pneumonia

After having lain on the ground suffering from a fractured hip for five hours during which she called in vain for help, Mrs. George Bostwick of Farmington Township is in a serious condition at her home. In addition to the fracture of her hip, Mrs. Bostwick is threatened with pneumonia as a result of exposure.

Mrs. Bostwick was alone on the farm on Nine Mile Road, near Farmington Road when the accident occurred this morning. She lay in the rain, which was interspersed with occasional sleet, from ten o'clock in the morning until three in the afternoon. At that time a newspaper delivery man was attracted by her cries and ran to her.

Unable to carry her into the house alone, he raced for help and a number of men working on the nearby farm came to carry Mrs. Bostwick inside. Dr. Joseph W. Norton was called and set the fracture.

Mrs. Bostwick's husband, George, was at work at Clarenceville School on the CWA program during the day. Mrs. Bostwick had gone to the barnyard, where she slipped and fell on some stones. During the five hours that Mrs. Bostwick, who is past middle age, lay helpless, numerous motorists passed a short distance away, unable to hear her shouts for help.

EXPERIENCES IN JAPAN DURING AN EARTHQUAKE TOLD

"Our Experiences during the Earthquake in Japan in 1923 was the topic chosen by Miss Sarah Hossen Jones for the Farmington Woman's Club meeting held at the home of Mrs. Eleanor Talbot, Shawassse Street, on Wednesday, December 13th.

She referred to a party of four women, Miss Jones, her mother, an aunt, Dr. Van Hoesen, and a cousin, Mrs. Stewart who was a nurse, all of whom were miraculously saved largely through the efforts of an Eurasian and returned to Oakland County where Miss Jones operates a four-hundred-acre farm near Rochester.

Mrs. Howard McCracken favored with a vocal solo, "Silent Night." She was accompanied by Mrs. Van Volkenburg at the piano. Mrs. Jones conducted two vocal solos; Mrs. Loomis accompanying. Christmas cookies and tea were served. Mrs. Margaret Burns and Mrs. Zayda Wilbur poured.

The next meeting of the Club will be held at the home of Mrs. Ernestine Pierce on January 3rd. All topics for that date relate to the American Indian.

Farmington Band Is Called 'Finest Of All'

Farmington Community Band is termed "the finest of all" in a letter received this week by Supt. of Schools John Dalrymple. The letter, expressing appreciation for the band's appearance in a Thanksgiving Day parade in Detroit, reads as follows:

"It is with exceptional pleasure that I inclose a check for \$75.00 as a very slight appreciation for the splendid showing made by your band in our Thanksgiving Day parade.

"I would like to say it was the best looking and best playing band we have had for some time. It was remarked on by a great many people. Its discipline is also worthy of mention. We were proud to have them."

Mexican Method Of Celebrating Is Told

Customs of celebrating Christmas in Mexico, where the festive season lasts for 20 days, were described by Rev. Frederick Landrum at Farmington Exchange Club Wednesday noon. Rev. Landrum related that the chief interest of the Mexicans is centered, not on the coming of Santa Claus, but on the coming of the three wise men. The culmination of the 20-day period is the exchange of gifts, which are less plentiful in Mexico than in this country, Rev. Landrum said.

City Gets Grant of 7 More CWA Jobs

Additional Public Works Valued At \$20,000 Obtained; 105 More Men Working In City; Township Considers Big Clarenceville Drain

Farmington City is gaining further great improvement advantages through quick action on CWA activities, with approval obtained by City officials since last week of seven more projects, costing probably in the neighborhood of \$20,000, and likely to give months of employment to a force of 100 men or more. Five of the projects are grouped under one head as a large sewer undertaking, including a big interceptor discussed for some years. All of the cost is paid by the Federal Government. The new projects have already added 105 men to the force working in the City, making a total of 145 employed.

Farmington Township officials are working on the suggested building, under the CWA, of a large drain in Clarenceville, proposed some years ago as an assessment activity, but never carried through.

Interceptor Line In City Projects

Seven more projects under CWA that will bring to Farmington City, without local taxation cost, public improvements valued at upward of \$20,000 have been put through by City officials, and already active on the ground. Some of the work. One hundred and five men and four trucks have been added to the forces at work in the City in the past few days, bringing the total of men employed to 145.

The new projects, which will afford work to scores of men for several months, will also provide Farmington with an improvement previously discussed but deferred as a measure of economy—a sewer interceptor line to pick up all drain lines in the City and carry to a sewage treating plant site at the City limits. The interceptor line in itself is a job of considerable size and will require a large number of men over a long period of time.

The projects were formulated and prepared by City officials, looked over by engineers, sent to Lansing and approved in the record time of a few days. Within ten days after the start, 100 men had reported for work on the first of the sewer lines to be built.

The seven new projects together with those formerly approved, will provide the City with improvements at a value of about \$50,000, all to be paid by the Federal Government. When the work is completed, Farmington will, according to engineers, have one of the finest sewer systems of any community in the State.

Mostly Sewer Work

Five of the seven new projects consist of sewer work, and are grouped as Project 159. The others are improvements to the school grounds and painting the school inside and out.

The five sewer projects are: a new line on Brookdale Drive from Grand River south to trunk line; a 12-inch line; the same on Powhatan avenue; rebuilding sewer on (Continued on page four)

RITES HELD FOR MRS. W. ROBISON, ILLNESS VICTIM

Funeral services were held Monday for Mrs. William Robison, who passed away at her home on 12 mile and Northwestern Highway last Friday, after a long illness.

Consider Drain In Clarenceville

What will be, if adopted, one of the largest CWA projects in this part of the County is under consideration by Farmington Township officials who are discussing a proposed drainage system for an area half a mile square in Clarenceville. It would include all the territory between Grand River and Old Farmington Road, from Switzer Road east to Waldron Avenue.

If the project appears favorable to the Township officials and their engineers, it will be proposed to CWA officials for approval under the program expected to begin on February 15. It is anticipated that it would give employment to from 150 to 200 men over a long period of time.

Blue-prints and specifications for such a sewer system are already in existence, and are being searched for by both Township and County officials. Some years ago, the project was proposed as an assessment program known as the Richard Gardens Drain, but never was carried through.

Other projects are being considered by Township officials, who discussed them Tuesday night at the Board meeting. None are ready for announcement yet, however.

Work is going forward on the Township projects already approved.

A RESIDENT OF FARMINGTON TO TAKE MSC WORK

Imogene Bickling of Farmington has been admitted to the Short Courses at Michigan State College. Mrs. Bickling plans to enroll in the Nurserymen's Course, the dates of which are February 5 to February 19.

Six hundred eighty-five students enrolled in the twenty-one short courses last year. These courses are open without entrance requirements or entrance examinations, to any citizen of the state over sixteen years of age.

There are two general courses in Agriculture—the Two Year Sixteen Weeks Course which begins October 30 and the Winter Term Course, which begins January 2.

There are seven specializing courses which begin January 2 and continue through February. This group includes the Dairy Production Course, Dairy Manufacturing Course, Poultry Course, Agricultural Engineering Course, Commercial Fruit Production Course, Home Economics Course, and Practical Horticultural Course.

Fourteen courses are offered for one or two weeks. They are known as the progress group and include the following: Ice Cream Making, Horseshoeing, Market Gardening, any cropmen's, Ornamental Horticulture, Bee Keeping, Fruit Growing, Veterinarians', Special Crops, Hatcherymen's, Green Keepers, Grange Lectures, Farm Women's Week, and Farmers' Week.

Read the advertisements in your home town paper.