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Test To Be Held For Farmington Postoffice Job

Examination For Full-Time Appointment Will Be Held Soon

An examination for the Farmington postmastership is to be held in the near future, according to a bulletin from Washington. The test is for the four year appointment, Norman C. Lee holding the position as acting postmaster at present.

Details of the examination are outlined in the bulletin as follows: To fill the vacancy in the position of postmaster in Farmington, the United States Civil Service Commission has announced the request of the Postmaster General and in accordance with an order of the President, an open competitive examination to be held at Detroit soon. The salary is \$2,200.

To be eligible for the examination, an applicant must be a citizen of the United States, must reside within the delivery of the post office for which the examination is held, must have so resided for at least one year preceding the date set for close of receipt of applications, must be in good physical condition, and within the prescribed age limits. The competition is open to both men and women.

Under the terms of the Executive order, the Civil Service Commission will certify to the Postmaster General the names of the highest three qualified eligibles, if as many as three are qualified, from which the Postmaster General may select one for nomination by the President. Confirmation by the Senate is the final action.

Scholastic Test

Applicants will be required to assemble in an examination room for scholastic test and will also be rated on their education and business experience and fitness. The Civil Service Commission will make inquiry among representative business and professional men and women of the community concerning the experience, ability, and character of each applicant, and the evidence thus secured will be considered in determining the ratings to be assigned to the applicants.

The Commission states that presidential postmasters are not in the classified civil service and that its duties in connection with appointments to such positions are to hold examinations and to certify the results to the Postmaster General. The Commission is not interested in the political, religious, or fraternal affiliations of any applicant.

Full information and application blanks may be obtained at the post office for which the examination is held, or from the United States Civil Service Commission, Washington, D. C.

Applications must be properly executed and filed at Washington, D. C. prior to the hour of closing business on the date specified above.

Veteran preference will not be granted unless documentary proof is submitted.

It is expected that appointments will be made as a result of this examination unless it is found in the interest of the service to fill any vacancy by transfer or promotion. This is not an examination under the Civil Service Act and rules, but is held in accordance with Executive Order of July 12, 1933, providing for such procedure.

The date for assembling of competitors will be stated on the admission cards sent applicants after the date for close of receipt of applications and will be about fifteen days after that date.

Regulations are as follows:

Applicants must submit to the examiner on the day of the examination their photograph, taken within two years, securely pasted in the space provided on the admission cards sent them after their applications are filed. Tintypes or proofs will not be accepted.

Age—Applicants for this examination must have reached their twenty-first birthday and must not have passed their sixty-sixth birthday on the date of close of receipt of applications. These age limits are waived in the case of veterans of the World War, the Spanish-American War, and the Philippine Insurrection; provided that the benefit of such waiver, does (Continued on page five)

Evangelical Alumni Society Is Organized

In spite of the rain the Reunion festivities held at Salem Evangelical Church last Sunday evening, were a decided success. About 200 visitors, many from Detroit, Northville, Plymouth and Novi were in attendance.

In solemn procession members of approximately 60 annual confirmation classes marched into the church for a short service and later to the dining room, a banquet with refreshments served, a bazaar was held and toasts given by members of the different classes.

The result of the meeting was the organization of a permanent Alumni Society. George Nacker of Clarencville was elected president and Miss Ruth Schroeder, secretary.

Church Campaign For Funds Gains

Half Of Total Raised At Clarencville

Rapid progress is being made in the raising of funds to remodel the Methodist Church at Clarencville. Between \$500 and \$600 is required and about one half of this amount has been raised up to the present time.

A new front on the Church, an addition to the rear, and the People's room and redecoration of the Church are a part of the remodeling program.

Several organizations in the church have given entertainments, as many as three are qualified, from which the Postmaster General may select one for nomination by the President. Confirmation by the Senate is the final action.

TO NAB REPAIR SHOP BURGLARS

Police expect the arrest shortly of thieves who removed a window in the auto repair shop owned by James Layn and escaped with tools and stock valued at \$500.

The shop is in the rear of his home on Grand River Avenue.

The robbery occurred between one and two o'clock Wednesday morning. Entrance was made by chiseling the entire window out, one glass being broken in the process. An electric motor which was bolted down was stolen and other loot included a radio, the contents of a tool box, his entire stock of spark plugs and repair parts, and all valuable shop equipment.

Mr. Layn's name is stamped on all of the tools with an iron stamp and it would be a difficult task to remove the name from the various articles. Finger print experts have taken prints, those being the only clues. The equipment was not insured.

The opinion is that this robbery may be connected with one at the Robert's Oil Station, Grand River Cut-off and Farmington Road, which occurred Saturday night. Deputy DeVries reports that the loot included eight chrome plated bottles filled with oil, a radio, 16 packages of cigarettes, 68 bars of candy, a box of cigars and a flash light. Entrance was made through a window.

Legion Will Sponsor Baseball Team Again

The American Legion will again be the sponsors of a young men's baseball team which will be active throughout the summer. Organization of the team is now in progress and it is expected that practice of applications will start in the near future.

The team will consist of young men under the age of 18. Their schedule will include games with five other teams in this district. Winners of the series will compete for the State championship. It is anticipated that the first of the games will be played in June, thus giving the players time for practice.

Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner is chairman of the committee and asks that all young men interested report to Norman C. Lee at the Post Office.

HARRY LEWIS MARRIED

Word has been received from Lakeland, Florida of the marriage of W. H. Lewis to Mrs. Ella Warner of Detroit. The marriage took place on April 4.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis expect to return to Farmington early in May.

Lathrup Estate Divided Among Five Children

Cash Bequests Made To Two; Deceased Once Reported Worth \$3 Million

The estate of John W. Lathrup is to be divided equally among five of his children, with cash bequests to the other two, according to a will offered for probate at Oakland County Probate Court in Pontiac this week. The cash bequests are to a daughter, Louise Lathrup Kelley, \$1,000, and a son, Earl Lathrup, \$5,000, with an additional gift of \$1,000 to Mrs. Ethel Enroth, who had served as Mr. Lathrup's secretary. At one time Mr. Lathrup's worth, consisting largely of real estate holdings, was estimated at \$3,000,000.

The residue of the estate remaining after taking care of the bequests, is to be divided equally among the sons, Earl and Douglas, and Mrs. Gladys Siggins, Mrs. Margaret Mitchell, and Miss Elizabeth Lathrup, daughters of the deceased.

Mrs. Enroth had been bookkeeper for Mr. Lathrup for a number of years.

Present Value Unknown

The present value of Mr. Lathrup's estate will not, of course, be known until an appraisal is made, which is expected to consume considerable time. The petition offering the will for probate states that the estate is worth \$10,000 in real estate and \$5,000 in personal property, this being considered a nominal statement of worth set up for legal purposes. The petition for probating of the will was filed by Douglas Lathrup and A. L. Moore, attorney, who are named executors.

Mr. Lathrup died April 10 at the age of 74. He owned a number of farms near Farmington and was active in the development of several subdivisions, now a part of Detroit. He had been active in the real estate business all of his life and was well known in this part of the State.

Mr. Lathrup was the oldest member of the group taking the Michigan Air Tour by the Pontiac Board of Commerce in 1928.

PRIZES AWARDED IN QUILT SHOW AT M. E. CHURCH

Much interest was shown in the Quilt show which was held at the M. E. Church Friday, April 13. Many quilts were on display and the Ladies Aid Society was well pleased with the results.

One quilt showed the names of church members worked out with four names in each block. The center block pictured an out-lined sketch of the church made by Miss Edna Butterfield. The Golden Rule Circle presented a quilt to Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Lendrum.

A picture was taken of Mrs. C. N. Andrews, who is 85 years old, showing some quilts. Mrs. W. Allen Nelson poured tea from a Russian Samovar which was loaned by Mrs. Walter Nelson of Detroit.

First and second prize winners were as follows:

New pieced quilts: Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Hinbern.

Old pieced quilts: Mrs. Checketts, Mrs. Levinson.

New appliqued quilts: Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Adams.

Old appliqued quilts: Mrs. Dalrymple, Mrs. Dalrymple.

Unfinished quilts: Mrs. Adams, Sunshine Harmony Circle.

Woven coverlets: Mrs. Dalrymple, Mrs. Dalrymple.

Powder Puffs: Mrs. A. Pierston, Mrs. Cairns.

Silk quilts: Mrs. Eckler, Miss Leitch.

Children's quilt: Virginia Fisher.

Baby quilts: Mrs. Osamus, Mrs. Eisenlord.

Afghans: Mrs. Harger, Mrs. Peebe Ross.

J-HOP PLANS

The Junior Class is busy completing plans for the J-Hop which will be held at the Glen Oaks Golf Club Friday, May 4. Don Patterson's orchestra will furnish the music.

TO MEET FRIDAY

The Economic Discussion group will meet Friday, at the residence of E. M. Freeman. Anyone interested in the subject are cordially invited to attend.

Aid Offered in Grape-Growing For New Winery

Wine Company President Will Advise Farmers On Best Types

Grape producers in this locality will find a ready market for their product when the season presents itself. The winery at Farmington Junction is prepared to purchase the entire supply of grapes grown in this territory.

Farmers are being urged to plant vineyards of grapes that more grapes will be available. M. R. Twomey of Walkerville, Canada, president of LaSalle Wines & Champagnes Inc. will be in Farmington in the near future and if enough interest is shown, a meeting of all farmers who are interested in grape production will be called, to be addressed by Mr. Twomey.

The kind of grapes to be cultivated is considered an important item. A certain variety of grape is said to be the best for the purpose of wine making. Farmers who are planting vineyards will be counseled in producing the most profitable sort.

Announcement will be made at a future date as to the time and place of the meetings to be held. Mr. Twomey expresses hope that a number of farmers will be interested in this profitable occupation of grape production.

Farmers interested in the prospects of grape-raising and desirous of learning more about the possibilities, may indicate his interest by phoning or writing the Enterprise, phone 25-J. Record will be kept of the amount of interest manifested, and upon this will be based the plans for development of the idea in this vicinity.

Completion of the remodeling of the old D. U. R. building at the Junction which new houses the winery, is being pushed. Although some changes have been made in the original remodeling plans, the work is expected to be completed by May 15. Officials of the company anticipate the sale of wine from the plant by that time.

POTATO GROWERS TO VISIT DETROIT TERMINAL MARKET

An inspection tour of terminal markets in Detroit is planned for Michigan Potato Growers on Thursday, April 26. The tour is open to all potato growers in Michigan. A representation will be made of producers from Oakland County. The tour starts at the Union Terminal at Fort and Green Streets in Detroit. A complimentary breakfast will be served at 8:00. After the breakfast a round trip will include visits at the Michigan Produce Terminal, Fruit and Vegetable Auction, Michigan Central Terminal and Eastern Market.

A meeting of producers will be held at the Fort Shelby Hotel at 1:00 p. m. A program of music, short talks by retailers, consumers and farmers has been arranged. The purpose of the tour is to encourage better quality of production as means of competing with potatoes shipped in from other states.

"Ridiculous"—Comment On Candidacy Rumor

"Ridiculous" was the comment of Mayor Howard Warner this week, upon a Detroit newspaper statement concerning the possibility of his running for State Senator next fall. The statement was to the effect that opponents of Senator A. L. Moore were "endeavoring to induce Howard M. Warner of Farmington to oppose Mr. Moore this year."

Mr. Warner said the thought of a political candidacy had not entered his mind.

Funeral Services To Be Held on Saturday

Services for Albert DeRosier of Redford will be held Saturday, April 21, at 2:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. DeRosier, 4251 Woodward. He was a metal worker. His wife is the former Mrs. Schoeb who lived at Farmington Junction a few years ago.

Surviving besides his wife are 10 children and five step-children.

Speaks in Farmington



STACY S. SKELTON

New Work-Relief Plan Described

County Administrator Speaks in Farmington

Farmington business-men have a new conception of the great changes that have come about in handling the problem of indigents and jobless in Oakland County, following a talk by Stacy S. Skelton, county administrator, at the Exchange Club Wednesday.

Two facts stood out in Mr. Skelton's address. One is that under the new work-relief program that has succeeded CWA, actual need of sustenance, rather than mere unemployment, is the requirement for aid. The CWA employed thousands who were not in want, but were out of work. But to get on the work-relief list, a man must show that he and his family are destitute—in other words, all on the work-relief list are people on a welfare basis. Mr. Skelton said, however, that he believed that next fall it would be necessary to institute again something like the CWA program.

Also outstanding in Mr. Skelton's talk was his description of the changed attitude toward the clients, or recipients of aid, which has come into practice, under direction of higher authorities. The type of investigation which sometimes led investigators into nooks and crannies of the applicants' homes and occasionally uncovered hidden resources, is no longer practiced, nor are some of the "hard-boiled" methods by which it was attempted to weed out the undeserving. The present viewpoint is one of "social service," Mr. Skelton said. Everything must be handled from a "social service" viewpoint.

Mr. Skelton was accompanied by an assistant, L. J. Jubenville, who spoke on engineering aspects of the CWA and welfare programs.

Sunshine Party Will Be Held Wednesday

A Sunshine Party by the Ladies of Salem Evangelical Church, which will include an exhibit of quilts, spreads and throws of all types, antique and modern will take place next Wednesday afternoon April 25, beginning with a luncheon at 1 o'clock. Miss Edith Crumb of the Detroit News and Judges from Northville, Redford and Dearborn will be present.

One knitted spread on display is unique in that it has been made by a gentleman, a lawyer of Kansas City, who, during the World War, donated his time and energy to knit for the Red Cross.

During the afternoon a musical program will be rendered. Much interest is being manifested in this coming event, and a goodly number of visitors are anticipated. A sunshine collection will be taken. The ladies of the community are invited to attend.

PAST MATRONS CLUB HAS ANNUAL MEETING

About nineteen members of the Past Matrons Club enjoyed a luncheon at the Ivy Cottage Tuesday. It was the annual meeting of the Club and the afternoon was spent in playing bridge at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Holcomb. Election of officers was held. Mrs. Clyde Seeley was elected president, Mrs. L. C. Thayer, vice-president and Mrs. Louise Schroeder, secretary and treasurer.

Charter for New Bank Approved By Department

State Bank Examiner's Visit Already Made; Plans Move Forward

Opening of Farmington's new bank moves steadily nearer, with rapid clearing away of details that must be ironed out preliminary to the opening. Notification of approval of the new institution's charter by the State Banking Department was received Thursday morning following a visit of a State bank examiner to Farmington Wednesday.

The inspection was necessary, under Department regulations, before the charter could be approved.

Disposition of numerous items of "red tape" has been proceeding as rapidly as possible. The probable opening date has become a topic of general discussion, but it cannot be determined until still more of the details are cleaned up. It is anticipated that this may be accomplished by the opening with the coming month.

Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner and Joseph Himmelsbach are possessors of two handsets electric clocks, as winners of the Exchange Club members' contest for bank subscriptions. The contest judge, Howard C. Knickerbocker, announced Dr. Aschenbrenner as winner of the first prize, and Mr. Himmelsbach of the second, at the meeting Wednesday noon. He also stated that club members brought in more than two-thirds of the last \$3,000 in subscriptions, and thanked the club for this work.

President Grosvenor, who inaugurated the contest and contributed the prizes, thanked Mr. Knickerbocker on behalf of both the club and the community, for his work in instituting the new bank plan and guiding it through to successful conclusion.

GRANDFATHER OF MRS. SWITZER IS TAKEN BY DEATH

A pioneer of Oakland County and one of the oldest men in this section, John K. Reed was buried in Milford, Wednesday. He was 90 years of age and came to Michigan when he was a boy. He first settled at Walled Lake, later moving to Milford where he had made his home since that time.

He was exceedingly apt for a man of his age and took delight in telling of the early pioneer days when Michigan was still a wilderness, and of his travels through Farmington to Detroit with grain, making overnight stops at Bedford Inn.

Two children survive. They are Mrs. Catherine Tuck, mother of Mrs. Elmer Switzer of Farmington, and William E. Reed, both of Milford.

MRS. LOVINA COE IS HONORED ON 75th BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Lovina Coe enjoyed a surprise birthday dinner and party at the home of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Carey Coe of North Farmington. The party was in honor of her 75th birthday. There were twenty-two guests, consisting of five sisters, daughters, and nieces. A purse was presented her as well as other gifts. Mrs. Coe has lived in West Bloomfield and Commerce townships her entire life. She lived at Commerce until the death of her husband a few years ago; since then she has made her home with her children. She has been active in Walled Lake Baptist Church for many years.

Interior of Home Is Damaged by a Blaze

Walled Lake residents were awakened at about 2:00 p. m. Saturday morning by the fire siren and were called out to fight a fire at the home of Edwin Beckman. The Walled Lake and Novi fire departments saved the exterior, but the interior was badly burned and smoked. Several hundred dollars of damage was reported.

The fire department was called on Monday evening to extinguish a huge grass fire near the Breakley Fox Farm and also to the Charles Bone home, a chimney fire that burned a large hole in the roof.