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Homecoming Plans Near Completion

One week remains before what is expected to be the greatest Gala Day Celebration in the history of Groves-Walker Post of the American Legion will be presented in Farmington beginning Saturday, August 31 to extend through Labor Day, September 2.

After weeks of intensive planning and preparation, members of the various committees have nearly completed arrangements for the various events which are to be staged. The attractions which have won popular acclaim in former Homecoming Celebrations will be staged again this year. Augmenting previous attractions are many new features which are expected to make the Legion's 1935 Gala Day one that will be remembered by those who attend.

Bicycle Races

Boys and girls between the ages of 11 and 15 are urged to enter the bicycle races which will be one of the most interesting attractions for young people. Elimination races will be run Saturday morning, August 31. Three cyclists will compete at a time on Farmington road. The winners in each race will race with each other until the number of entrants has been narrowed down to three boys and three girls. The final races one for the boys and one for the girls, will be held on Labor Day. Prizes will be awarded to the winner of each race.

To be entered in the race, boys and girls must give their names to Al Smith who is in charge of this event. He hopes there will be at least 18 boys and 15 girls who will compete in the elimination races. Mr. Smith must have the names of prospective contestants by Friday evening, August 30.

Pet Parade

In addition to the bicycle races for the entertainment of young people, a pet parade will be held Monday at 12:30 p. m. The child having the largest pet will be awarded a prize. The owner of the smallest pet, provided it is a pet and not an insect or some microscopic creature, will also win a prize. The person whose pet has been brought from the farthest distance will also be rewarded.

Combined with this event will be a doll parade in which players will be dancing on Saturday and Sunday evenings, vaudeville acts presented several times daily, band concerts by the Farmington High School Band, amusement rides, a horseback tournament and a parade midway extending from Grand River, behind the police booth, to Farmington road. Construction of the midway will begin within a few days.

A new Chevrolet Coach will be given as grand prize to the person holding the lucky ticket. The first prize as well as 30 other valuable prizes will be raffled the last night of the American Legion's Homecoming Celebration.

Prominent among the 250 notable guests who attended the seventy-fifth birthday celebration of Robert Oakman, Detroit real estate developer and yachtsman, was William C. Malcomson, dean of Michigan architects, well known in Farmington for his extensive real estate holdings.

Mr. Malcomson, 87, one of the oldest men present, added to the prizes given to Mr. Oakman by citing as an example of Oakman's qualities an account of an Irish legend of St. Gavin's treatment of King O'Toole.

Real Estate Developer Honored on Birthday

The marriage of Miss Alice Parker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James D. Parker, of Farmington, and David Edwards, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. David Edwards, of Detroit, took place Monday afternoon at the home of the bride's parents. Rev. Dean Parker, of Keweenaw Harbor, brother of the bride performed the ceremony.

Three Farmington Boys Return From Month Trip to Alaska

William Slocum, Jr., Fred Warner and Wade Dickerson, the three Farmington boys who accompanied 30 other boys and girls from various parts of the country on George Buchanan's annual Alaskan trip, have returned from their extensive tour lasting 26 days which took them across United States, into Canada and finally to their destination, Skagway, Alaska.

Each summer for the past thirteen years, Mr. Buchanan, a Detroit coat dealer, has sponsored a tour of varying numbers of young people ranging between the ages of 10 and 18 to Alaska. Anyone who wants to make the trip must earn through his own efforts a third or more of its own cost. Another third is taken by Mr. Buchanan, while the remainder of the money may come from any other source.

In order to make the trip this year each person 12 years old or more has to earn \$120. Children under 12 paid \$81 on their share of the cost for the trip. The entire party traveled first class at all times.

While many methods were used by the members of the party to finance themselves, the most popular ways consisted of doing work at home, peddling circulars and selling various articles. Some of the boys and girls earned additional spending money during the course of the trip by selling souvenirs purchased in the towns which they visited.

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Fire Information To be Restricted

Mayor Howard Warner states that information regarding fires that has been given out by the local telephone office is not being sent seriously interferes with the efficient operation of the Fire Department. Frequently citizens securing this information use their cars and are on their way to the fire ahead of the fire engine. Often the presence of the cars seriously hampers the firemen in their efforts.

In discussing the situation with Manager Roy E. Crowe of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, Mayor Warner learned that the local office cannot give out fire information without the approval of the telephone office. In that the operating force cannot be prepared for the unusual number of calls that result when the alarm is started, it is, of course, impossible to distinguish inquiries from calls being received as regular business or from calls that might be of an emergency nature. Serious consequences would result if the latter were not handled properly.

The telephone company representative has expressed a desire to assist the Fire Department in obtaining accurate information as far as possible. They also wish to be in a position to secure outside help promptly should the department be in need of assistance. It is quite impossible to do this if the fire information exists in the operating room.

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Township Files Water Main Project

With prospects bright for acceptance of the first work relief project filed in July, the Farmington Township Board, at its regular meeting Tuesday evening, voted to submit a second project which, if accepted, will provide for a water main to be laid the length of Pearl street.

The project was suggested by petition of the residents of Pearl street. It has long been the complaint of families living in the vicinity that it is impossible to get good water from the wells in the district. Numerous times wells have been drilled with no success. In other cases the water struck. According to Township Board members a good percentage of the wells being used are "surface wells" and in general are unsatisfactory.

The main outlined in the application is to be six inches in diameter and 810 feet long, extending the full length of Pearl street.

Although the cost of the entire project cannot be approximated at this early date, it is believed by Board members that the cost of materials will amount to about \$750. The cost of labor and 20 percent of the cost of materials will be borne by the Federal Government. The remaining 80 percent of the cost of the materials, or approximately \$600, will have to be furnished by the property owners on Pearl street.

Suggest Widening

If the application for the water main is accepted, the laying of the pipe will necessitate tearing up part of the street. It is suggested that the street be widened at the same time the main is laid. Pearl street is only 25 feet wide. It is reported that a property owner on Pearl street is willing to donate a strip of land 25 feet wide the full length of Pearl street if the Township will pay his part of the assessment for the water main.

The first of the water main will be laid by the Township provides for a drain to extend along North Farmington road between Twelve and Fourteen Mile roads and which would make tilable approximately 500 acres of Township land.

It is estimated that the drain would cost about \$17,000 and would take 10 months to build.

Following the wedding Mr. and Mrs. Howard C. Ota are spending a fortnight in Potosi before they return to live in Farmington.

The marriage ceremony took place Friday morning at Christ Church, Cranbrook, with Rev. W. H. Auden officiating.

Formerly Miss Winifred B. Leet, Mrs. Ota is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Leet of Farmington. Mr. Ota is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Ota, also of Farmington.

Mrs. Cecil C. Newstead of Pontiac and Miss Virginia Ota, sister of the bridegroom, attended the bride, while Claire Grace acted as best man.

"Pilgrim's Progress" to be Subject at Lake Orion

A splendid opportunity to be acquainted with one of the greatest works of religious literature is being afforded at the Bellevue Island Auditorium at Lake Orion, Sunday evening, August 25th at 7:30.

The story of Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress" will be told in an illustrated lecture. This great book has so completely and beautifully symbolized the struggle and glory of the Christian life that no other writer has ever equaled it. The presentation in this way will be a real joy and inspiration to everybody who attends.

NICHOLS SCHOOL TO HOLD REUNION

A reunion of former teachers and pupils of the Nichols School will be held Saturday, August 31, at the school house in North Farmington. A pot luck dinner will be served at 1 p. m. All former teachers and pupils are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Pauline, Mrs. Gildemeister Celebrate Birthdays Thursday

Two of Farmington's oldest and best-known residents, Mrs. Emily Gildemeister and Mr. William Pauline, will long remember the birthday anniversary parties held in their honor Thursday.

Mr. Pauline celebrated his eighty-ninth birthday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Adolph Nacker, of Farmington road. Friends and relatives enjoyed a huge, four-tier cake, 12 inches high and 15 inches in diameter baked for the occasion by Mrs. Henry Pauline of Farmington.

Among those present were Mr. Pauline's children, Mrs. Adolph Nacker of Farmington, Mrs. Gene Grace of Dearborn, and three sons, Henry, Fred and William, Jr., all of Farmington.

Mr. Pauline has lived in Farmington for the past 55 years, except for two years when he lived in Northville. Mr. Pauline was born and lived for 34 years in Germany.

Parade to Begin Farmington Day

Farmington Day at the Northville Wayne County Fair will be held Friday, August 23. An event which will distinguish this year's celebration will be a parade scheduled to begin at 12:30 p. m. Friday in front of the Farmington Enterprise Building.

Motorists who wish to participate in the parade are asked to be prompt so that the procession to Northville can begin on time. Free parking space will be provided for the automobiles from Farmington at the Fair Grounds.

Selections will be played by the Farmington High School Band, under the direction of P. C. Eaton, when the parade arrives at Northville.

Farmington has always been well represented at the previous Farmington Days at Northville. This year it is hoped the parade will attract even more people so that the Farmington delegation will exceed the number of people who attended the Fair from Plymouth on Plymouth Day.

Arrangements for the celebration of Farmington Day are under the direction of a committee consisting of Deas Hamlin, Curtis Hall and Spencer Heenev.

The Northville Wayne County Fair, beginning Wednesday, August 21, will extend through Saturday, August 24.

Everyone who buys a ticket to the Fair will have an opportunity to win one of the three grand prizes which will be given away at the end of the last three days of the celebration. The prizes consist of three automobiles.

Farmington merchants are supplied with tickets which will be given out to the public during the celebration. Additional opportunities for winning one of the prizes.

Again this year the Northville Wayne County Fair will have numerous attractions designed for the entertainment and education of everyone who attends. Livestock and grain exhibits, horse races, athletic contests, games, concessions and the many other features of the Fair which have won for it the title of "The Biggest Little Fair in the World" will have their places in this year's celebration.

Walled Lake Man Loses in Patent Suit

Falling to furnish sufficient evidence to substantiate his contentions in the Ford Motor company had infringed upon certain patents he held on a manufacturing system, George N. Goodrich of Walled Lake has been denied his claims against the Ford Company.

Reversing the decision of the Federal Judge Fred M. Raymond of Grand Rapids declared Wednesday: "It is in the view of the fact that even if identity of function be conceded, there are substantial differences in manner of operation as to fully warrant a finding that plaintiff has not sustained the burden of proving infringement."

The Ford Company not only denied infringement upon the patents but claimed that the patents themselves were invalid. Judge Raymond ruled that the defendants' evidence was "not sufficiently convincing to warrant a decree of invalidity."

Clarenceville Sets First School Day

Clarenceville Public Schools are scheduled to reopen Monday, September 9, according to the announcement of M. J. Bleser, Superintendent of District No. 5, fractional.

All pupils living north of Grand River and east of Inkster in grades one to six, inclusive, will attend Edgewood School, while all other pupils will attend school in Clarenceville.

Industrial Geography books will be used again this year. Classes in ninth grade civics will not have to purchase new books until the second semester. A second book in typing and shorthand will be offered.

Urged To Buy Early

Pupils are urged to buy their textbooks as soon as possible so that they can begin work as soon as school opens. Failure to have their books by the first day will result in the pupils falling behind in their class work. Also, pupils are asked to pay for their books as soon as they order them. Books may be purchased at the school office or from students who have them from last year.

The faculty at Clarenceville will consist of the following persons: Mr. M. J. Bleser, Superintendent; Mr. A. J. Lawski, social science; Mr. Marvin Middleton, science; Mr. W. H. Wiegman, English; Vida Walker, mathematics; and Alma Weston, commercial.

Loretta Fox and Mildred Kercher will teach grades five and six, while Mita Mark and Ethel Smith will teach in grades three and four.

Lois Hild has been added to the staff to teach in grades four and five in order to relieve the congestion in the lower grades. Grade two will be taught by Margaret Hughes and Mary Layton. Edna Fisher and Alice Wade will teach in the first grade.

Miss Wade succeeds Ruby Monroe, recently married, who is now living in Traverse City.

In view of the many new families which have come to Clarenceville, an increase in the school attendance is anticipated this year.

Members of the School Board in School District No. 5, fractional, are Walter Heaster, president; Fred Lark, secretary; Setaik Hujin, treasurer; Elmer Dohany and Hubert Earle, trustees.

County Employees Attend Picnic at Walled Lake

Mayor Howard Warner of Farmington and Supervisor Arthur Cor of Farmington Township attended the annual supervisor's picnic at Walled Lake Wednesday.

The picnic lasted all day and extended into the evening with an elaborate sports program and an exciting ball game played between the county employees and supervisors in the afternoon. Prizes were awarded for the various events. Many Farmington people as well as county employees attended the celebration.

The picnic committee consisted of William T. Dunham, chairman; Alfred Hale, Hugh Taylor, Clayton Lilly, F. D. Clark and P. G. Beardsley.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Tois are visiting Mr. Ross' parents at Hamlin, New York.

Proclamation Follows Child Shooting

Daniel E. Whitlock, 4 son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Whitlock of Thomas street, Farmington, is recovering from an operation necessitated for the removal of a 22 caliber bullet which lodged in the lower part of his right leg Saturday morning.

The shooting occurred while Daniel played in the front yard of his home.

Children playing nearby claimed they heard the report of a gun followed by the screams of the child. After being rushed to the General Hospital in Pontiac, Daniel was given a treatment to prevent lockjaw from setting in after the bullet had been removed. The child suffered considerable pain and illness as a result of his operation.

The person who fired the bullet could not be located, but the shooting is believed to be the fault of a careless child who has not been cautioned as to the use of a rifle.

Second Shooting in Month

An accident of similar surroundings occurred less than a month ago when Eugene Brown escaped serious injury when a bullet grazed his forehead. Before the accident happened, children had been seen in the vicinity with air guns and 22 caliber rifles. As in the case of Daniel Whitlock, carelessness of children with firearms was believed the cause of Mr. Brown's injury.

Parents whose children are allowed to use guns of any kind are urged to caution their children not to use them near other people. Citizens are requested to report anyone who is seen shooting any kind of a firearm which is likely to harm anyone to the police department.

Mayor Issues Proclamation

In order to guard against any further accidents resulting from the improper use of firearms, Mayor Warner of Farmington has issued a proclamation in keeping with Farmington City Ordinance 6, the effect of that the use of firearms within the City limits is unlawful and that violators will be prosecuted.

Mayor Warner states: "The careless use of firearms, evidenced by recent accidents, has become a menace to the safety of the citizens of Farmington. The situation has taken on such a serious complexion that it becomes necessary for us to take measures to prevent any further accidents which might be of a more serious nature than the two which have already occurred."

Ordinance Provisions

The ordinance which Mayor Warner has proclaimed effective reads as follows:

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Section 2: Hereafter it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to fire or set off any firecracker, gunpowder, or fireworks of any kind, or fire any gun, pistol, revolver, except as in section 1 any place in the City of Farmington, public or private.

Section 4: Any violation of this ordinance shall be punished by a fine of not to exceed (\$100) One Hundred Dollars, and costs, and the offender may be sentenced or imprisoned in default until the payment thereof in full in the County Jail for a period not to exceed six months.

Mayor Warner has expressed the hope that City officials and the police department will receive the full cooperation of the citizens in enforcing this ordinance.

Rare Beaver Specimen Captured Near McMillan

A pure black beaver was captured recently by Frank Genou, conservation officer of Schoolcraft county, in a roadside ditch north of McMillan. Black beaver are rare and the one captured was pronounced an exceptionally fine specimen by Prof. Elmer Bradt of Michigan State college. It has been sent to the Zoological Department of the college where experimental beaver work is being done.