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New Men To Be Added To WPA Roll

Seventeen new WPA workers are expected to report this week in addition to the nine men now working on the three pieces of sewer construction. Because of the lack of men progress has been slow and the 1,050 feet of intercepter which is to be laid only 250 feet have been placed.

This project is the first of three jobs, which the Federal Administration has granted Farmington. Upon the completion of the present job 310 feet of 12 inch sewer in the park will be repaired and 620 feet of sewer on Power avenue is to be replaced.

The original quota of 26 men, who were to start working November 4, has not yet been reached because of the difficulties in securing men on relief. Many of the men who were offered a job have received employment since their name was placed on the present unemployment list.

Farmlington improvements when completed in spring are expected to total \$16,799, \$5,515 to be paid by the city of Farmington. Farmington township is also to be the recipient of WPA funds. It is estimated that \$13,000 is to be spent on a huge drain which is expected to convert present marshland into an area which can be used for agricultural purposes.

O. E. S. to Install New Officers

A special meeting of the Farmington Chapter, O. E. S., No. 239, for installation of officers will be held at the Masonic hall Tuesday evening, November 26, at 8 o'clock.

The following officers will be installed:

Worthy Matron, Mrs. Georgia Walters.

Worthy Patron, Ralph Auten.

Associate Matron, Mrs. Loretta Coe.

Associate Patron, Herald Cox.

Secretary, Mrs. Ada Bond.

Treasurer, Mrs. Mabel Eckler.

Conductress, Mrs. Hazel Lytle.

Associate Conductress, Mrs. Robie Harrison.

Chaplain, Mrs. Josephine McGee.

Marshal, Mrs. Iva Hatten.

Organist, Mrs. Elaine Westfall.

Adah, Miss Viola Walters.

Ruth, Mrs. Hertha Pauline.

Martha, Mrs. Hazel Hogarth.

Electa, Mrs. Hannas Aul.

Electa, Mrs. Hazel Zwalhen.

Warder, Mrs. Lillian Zwalhen.

Electa, Mrs. Hazel Diamond.

Electa, Mrs. Charles Perry.

Soloist, Mrs. Lenore Gildemeister.

The installing officers are:

Installing Matrons, Mrs. Rie Sanderson, of Pontiac and Mrs. Eliza Holcomb, of Chaplain, Mrs. Mabel Wells, of Berkeley; Marshal, Mrs. Mary Johnson, of Organist, Mrs. Ethel Voehls, of Pontiac and soloist, Mrs. Thelma LeRoy, of Royal Oak.

The installation is open to members and their families.

A program is being prepared. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Exchangites to Travel To Birmingham

Farmington Exchange Club members will journey to Birmingham next Tuesday noon to be guests of Birmingham Exchangites at their luncheon meeting in Birmingham Community House. The members will meet at 11:30 a. m. at Farmington Methodist Church. Rev. Fred Lendrum is in charge of transportation, and has named a comprehensive committee to assist him. The meeting next Wednesday noon has been cancelled.

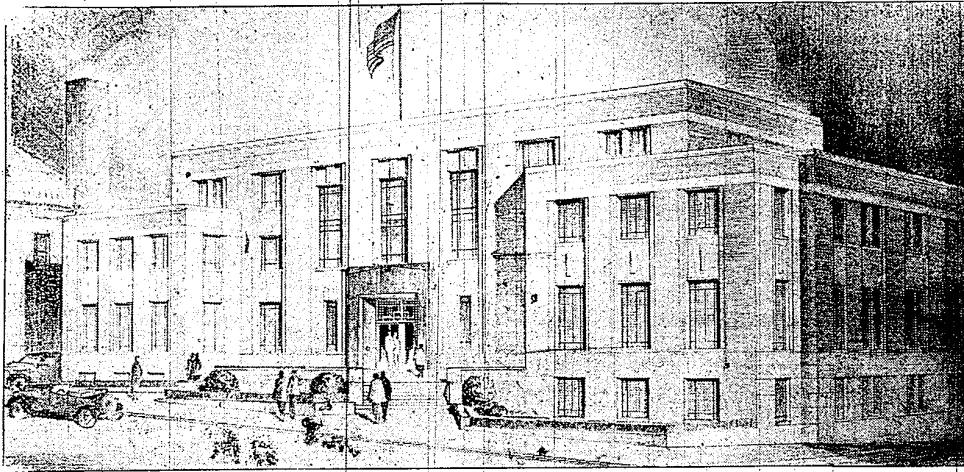
Farmington Exchangites will pay another visit to an out-of-town club on December 11, when the members will be luncheon guests of Northville Exchangites.

Following the luncheon Wednesday noon, Albert E. Hesketh, "singing evangelist" entertained the club, as the guest of Rev. Gilbert A. Miles.

Minnie Toomey Sold to Detroit Man

The home of the late Minnie Toomey on Oakland road was sold November 18 to Mr. Todd of Detroit. The sale was consummated by L. S. Gullen, administrator.

Proposed New Oakland County Building To Be Voted On Monday



Grid Team Ends Successful Year

Members of the Farmington high school football squad will take their diplomas in hand next June can justly consider their final pigskin campaign just concluded a decided success. They won five of their seven scheduled games, lost one contest to Walled Lake, and held Clarkson to a 6 to 6 tie.

Through the entire first portion of the season they held the upper hand on their opponents, and were well on their way to claiming a portion of the Oakland County League championship, until they were upset by the surprising Walled Lake aggregation. They won their final contest from Redford Union, a non-conference foe, last Friday by the score of 7 to 0.

Coach Kammerer is to be congratulated, as well as the entire squad for their marvelous performance this season. At the conclusion of the 1934 season the coach, when interviewed by a reporter, predicted that his 1935 squad would be lighter and faster than his 1934 team was, and that they would probably enjoy a "fair season" in 1935. Results this year prove that his coaches, Kammerer was prone to raise his expectations too high, and his squad outdid themselves in their efforts to prove that they were as good and better than their coach claimed for them.

The 1934 Farmington team won three games, lost four and tied one for a percentage of 42.9, compared to this year's average of 83.3. The former team scored 50 points in eight contests, being held scoreless in four games, while the 1935 eleven rolled up 97 markers in seven tries, scoring at least one touchdown in each game. The season's results follow:

Farmington 12, Brighton 0.

Farmington 22, Wego Harbor 12.

Farmington 6, Clarkson 6.

Farmington 14, Milford 0.

Farmington 20, Northville 12.

Farmington 6, Walled Lake 43.

Farmington 7, Redford Union 8.

Totals—Farmington 97, opponents 72.

Bill Davidson, who divided his time between fullback and halfback positions, was the team's leading scorer, with a high touchdown. Tony Himmelspach was close behind with 29 points. Tony chalked up four touchdowns, and five kicks from placement after touchdown. The complete list of scorers includes: Davidson 30, Himmelspach 29, Hamilton 12, Gary, DeYoung, Rose and Banfield, 6 each; Davis, 2.

Farmington's final contest against Redford Union was one of those see-saw affairs, with a slight advantage in ground gaining going to Farmington. The latter team scored the only points of the game following a series of passes and line plunges. Hamilton made two quick successive passes good to Gary, placing the ball on the 10 yard line. Hamilton and Davidson each jabbed the line twice, when Davidson, aided by some exceptionally brilliant blocking by Bob Davis, went through left tackle for three yards and the solo touchdown. Davis dropped kicked for the extra point. Intercepted passes by

Official Sees New County House As Good Business Proposition

(The following article points out the benefits which would be derived from the proposed new county court house, which property owners will vote on November 25, as explained by Harry A. Stevenson, chairman of the special building committee.)

Why should taxpayers and property owners of Oakland County vote in favor of the \$125,000 county office building bond issue that comes up as a special election?

"Because it is a good business proposition for the county," says Chairman Harry A. Stevenson of the special building committee of supervisors which has been active in the preparation of the project.

"At this time the county is paying out a sum in yearly rental of office space outside the Court House and the maintenance of the same which would be sufficient to make the 15 annual payments on the county's share of the proposed new office building. The economy in operation of the several departments will more than offset the additional maintenance that might be required in a new building.

"The county invests \$125,000 and gets \$105,000 in value from the PWA," is another reason advanced.

"The Oakland County Court House is already congested to such a point that many departments are being actually handicapped in their operation through lack of space for employees and especially through inadequate vault storage for the county's valuable records."

"It is only a question of a short time before the county will have to provide additional quarters and if there is no governmental assistance at that time it will be up to the county to foot the entire bill itself."

"The plans call for the housing in the new building of all departments now provided with quarters outside the Court House with the exception of the road commission which is in its own structure on Telegraph road. In addition it will provide four times as much vault space as the county now possesses and would give the county treasurer and register of deeds officers which would take care of them for years to come. It would also bring out of the basement in the Court House the third Circuit Court room. The present quarters of Judge Frank L. Doty's division of Circuit Court have never been adequate either for ventilation or seating capacity."

Two Story Building

"The proposed basement and two story block with foundations added to build four additional stories, would be built on land the county now owns on West Huron street at the rear of the Court House. It would have a new heating plant sufficient not only to heat it but the Court House as well."

"If the county at some time in the future wishes to sell the Court House property it may do so and turn the proceeds in on an addition to the office building adding if this is done within the 15 years it might more than pay the entire cost of the proposed building and the addition as well. The Court House has been valued at \$1,000,000 and was offered once at that figure. It is more conservatively estimated as worth from \$5,000 to \$750,000."

At nine o'clock Monday morning, November 25, Farmington citizens will enter the polls to vote on the bonding question. Only those listed on the assessment roll will be permitted to vote, as prescribed by the laws of the state of Michigan.

As at former elections there will be two voting booths, for precinct number one in the Town Hall, one for the city, the other for township property owners of Precinct 1. Precinct 2 will vote at 28734 Grand River, Clarencville. The polls will close at 8 p. m.

Bus, Railway Employees Receive Increase in Pay

IDA NELSON TO BE BURIED FRIDAY

Funeral services for Miss Ida Nelson will be held from the Nelson residence at 33463 Grand River road at 2:30 Friday afternoon.

Miss Nelson died Tuesday evening following a three weeks' illness of pneumonia. She is survived by a brother, John, and a sister, Mrs. May Oldenburg, who also live at 33463 Grand River.

Rev. Fred Lendrum will have charge of the service. Burial will be at the Oakland cemetery.

Large Crowd Attends German Union Dance

Members of the younger set of Farmington enjoyed a delightful evening of dancing Wednesday evening, November 20, at Our Lady of Sorrows School. A large crowd was on hand and all reported a pleasant evening of entertainment. The German Beneficial Union of Farmington sponsored the dance. Joseph Himmelspach is president of the Farmington club.

Union Services to be Held At Evangelical Church

The Salem Evangelical Church will be host this year for the annual Thanksgiving Day Union Service, which is to start at 10:30 a. m. Albert E. Hesketh, the Ontario singing evangelist, will deliver the main address. Rev. W. Breitenbach will have charge of the service. The Methodist Church choir will render an anthem.

It is expected that a large audience will attend the Thanksgiving worship, when members of the various churches gather together for their yearly service.

TEACHERS BAG BIG GAME IN NORTH WOODS

Academic duties were getting a trifle dull for two of the learned gentlemen in the schools of the Farmington area, so they sought for relaxation. Going home, or going to Detroit for amusement was getting sort of monotonous also. They thought and thought, and finally they decided, "Why not go hunting?"

Saturday Henry Fox of the Farmington school and Marvin Middlestat of the Clarencville school got out their shining firearms, and away they went to the glorious North, Hunters Paradise, Robin-hood's Envy, or was it Tawas?

New school teachers are not especially known to be expert hunters. Whoever heard of a university professor hunting wild game in Africa, for instance?

Farmington hunters are built along different lines. It seems they are not content with a mere paragraph item—headlines or nothing. Now take the case of Fox and Middlestat.

The far North was cold and wet. They walked and walked, and big game wasn't to be seen. Did they get discouraged? Not at all. They kept on tramping.

"Bang! Bang!" went the gun of Mr. Fox, breaking the silence. Powder fared. There was a dull thud. Down went Mr. John Henry Deer, roaming resident Number One of the romantic north woods.

Are there two happy teachers in this vicinity? Just so Fox or Middlestat. Why shouldn't they be? Haven't you heard that they were acclaimed by Dame Rumor as the first Farmington hunters to bag the big game?

Rumor Says New Factory May Be Built

Farmington may see the former General Garage transformed into the factory site of the Precision Tool and Manufacturing Company, if present rumors have any foundation, although neither Ed. Tamm, the owner of the building, nor officials of the Precision company would make any statements verifying the announcements.

The General Garage, located on Grand River near the Farmington road, has been vacant for some years. Rumor adds that machinery has recently been moved into the building.

The Precision Tool and Manufacturing Company is located at present at 55820 Orchard Lake road.

Drinking Places To Close at 2

Drinking places throughout the Farmington area may henceforth remain open until 2 a. m. every morning instead of closing at 1 a. m., as a result of an order of the Michigan Liquor Control Commission. This section is included in the order which broadened the 2 a. m. closing provision heretofore effective for Wayne county only, to include the southern parts of Oakland and Macomb counties as well.

Fourteen Mile road, the north boundary line of Farmington, Novi, Lyon, Southfield and Royal Oak townships, is the dividing line. South of Fourteen Mile road the drinking places may remain open until two o'clock North of that line they must close at 1 a. m.

The new rule book compiled following recommendations by a Statewide conference of law enforcement officials, limited the 2 a. m. curfew to Wayne county.

The closing hour in the remainder of the state was uniformly fixed at 1 o'clock in the morning.

Many Complaints Made

Chairman John S. McDonald said that the commission had modified its rule to include places in Oakland and Macomb counties, because of their close proximity to the Wayne county limits.

"We have had many objections from that section, both from the public and licensees who thought the 2 a. m. closing hour extended into Wayne county was discriminatory," he explained. "After an investigation, members of the commission believed there was some cause for complaint."

"The places which will be permitted to observe the later curfew are all within a short distance of the Wayne border. They are reputable places so far as we can determine, and it seemed unjust to close them, when licensees but a step or two away run until 2 o'clock."

The order is effective immediately

SHERIFF DEVRIENDT SEEKS OWNER OF LOST SAFE

Have you lost a safe? If you have, maybe Sheriff DeVriendt can help you out.

Monday afternoon he investigated and found a safe, which had been drilled and looted, and discarded by the thieves in a ditch under a culvert bridge on Nine Mile road near Halsted.

The sheriff is puzzled as to the time and place of the robbery, but he is quite certain that it was an amateur job. The official estimates that the strong box weighs in the vicinity of 500 pounds.

Men from Detroit and vicinity have come to the sheriff's office in order to identify the safe, but the robbery victim has not yet appeared. DeVriendt expects more definite action in the next few days.

Three Women Honored At Pontiac Meeting

Three well known women of the Farmington area were honored with executive posts at the annual meeting of the Pontiac County Council of Women, held at Pontiac, Tuesday, Mrs. William H. McCullough of Farmington was re-elected, and Mrs. Meriah Andrews was elected to the Board of Directors. Mrs. Glenn Rutherford, of Walled Lake, was elected president.

Evangelist to be Here Two More Weeks

Albert E. Hesketh, the singing evangelist, will be present at the first Baptist Church of Farmington for two more weeks. Since his arrival here he has spoken and played before large audiences. A large chorus choir has been organized to lead the song services.

Ninety Days Given Drunk Drivers

"Ninety days in jail" will be the sentence read to all drunken drivers who appear before Judge John J. Schulte, Jr., in the Municipal Court, and no alternative of paying a fine will be permitted. Judge Schulte in inaugurating the new policy took the lead among justices in an effort to reduce deaths and injuries caused by drunken driving.

This might seem drastic to some individuals, but it is hoped that through such strict measures automobile drivers will think twice before they carry liquor on trips. Ninety days in jail is a long time to spend.

Judge Schulte reached his decision following the numerous cases involving drunk drivers who were brought before him in the Oakland County Municipal Court at Pontiac, where he is substituting for Justice Milton F. Cooney.

Judge Schulte has inaugurated this policy in the Pontiac court and he states very emphatically that he will continue when he returns to his own court in Farmington.

The jailing of all drunk drivers started following the death of a Pontiac man, who was an accident victim November 16. Seven other drivers, guilty of drunk charges, were brought before Judge Schulte November 18. The judge told these offenders that they were a menace to the society in which they lived, and that by jailing them in place of giving them the alternative of paying a fine, he was going to make an example of them.

SCHOOL BAND AWAITS ANNUAL FESTIVAL PARADE

Senior high school band members will be on hand Thanksgiving Day for the fourth successive year to assist in pepping up the annual Detroit Festival parade. It was made known this week by Band Director Ross Banta.

Forty-two blue and white clad Farmington students will proudly march to the beat of their music, as they strut down the two mile Detroit business district. In the meantime the director has his troubles in stopping his charges from counting on their hands the days which must still elapse. Eagerly the pupils await their opportunity to display their abilities before the throngs of the yearly line the streets. For some the Festival Parade is nothing new, but they are as anxious as the latest newcomer. Almost daily the young leader drills the senior band in the finer points of marching and the promises that Farmington will be proud of their band November 28.

For Ralph Banta, a new member of the Farmington faculty in September, this parade will be a novelty. The sparkle in his eyes tells that he too awaits the thrill of the occasion. Band instruction is not a new experience for this congenial director. Previous to his arrival in Farmington he taught five years in Riverview, Michigan. In the summer of 1931 he was an instructor in the American high school band camp. He succeeded Edward Easton at the high school position in the latter accepted a position in the Detroit teaching system. Mr. Banta is a graduate of Michigan State Normal, and during the past year he received his M. A. degree at the University of Michigan.