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New Signal Lights Soon To Be Ready

The automatic signal lights which were recently installed by the State Highway Department at the junction of the Cut-off and Farmington roads will soon be ready for use. Metal strips across the pavement will automatically work the lights as the wheels of the passing automobile cross the strip.

The old lights at the junction were out of commission for over 45 hours on a recent week-end. Deputy Sheriff DeVriendt reported the defect, but it was quite some time later before the road commissioner repaired the lights. Because of the heavy traffic that crosses at this junction, the state thought it advisable to install new lights.

These new signal lights are the first automatic signals to be installed in the Farmington vicinity. While they are still in the experimental stage, state officials hope that this new system will aid in the checking of automobile accidents.

The Cut-off road and Farmington road junction has always been a danger zone. Numerous accidents have occurred there, particularly in recent months.

The installation of automatic signals marks the third set of lights to be put into operation at this corner. Originally flicker lights were installed. These were replaced by the time signals, which were removed in favor of the new lights.

WPA PLANS LEISURE TIME PROGRAM

Combining its work relief program with the promotion of public health and morals through the higher forms of diversion, the Michigan Works Progress Administration is now selecting 2,000 men and women from welfare lists for employment as leaders of leisure-time activities in all parts of the state.

When the recreational project reaches its peak in mid-winter, it is estimated that 20,000 children and adults will be participating in profitable pastimes, including club movements and in-door and out-door sports.

Allotments aggregating \$739,325 have been made to the various counties to finance the program for the first four months. These were made on a basis of recreational needs as well as personnel and facilities available, following a state-wide survey made during the summer.

The state program is under the supervision of Walter C. Averill, Jr., with Sidney P. Brooks as assistant. Each county will have at least one supervisor. Wayne has three—Oakland, Kent and Genesee two each.

Wayne county's allotment for the first four months is \$104,180, Oakland county's is \$56,078.

Safe Victims Unaware Of Robbery

The latest theory concerning the looted safe which was discovered under a culvert recently, according to Deputy Sheriff DeVriendt, is that the safe belongs in a private home, and that the victims have left their home and are unaware of the robbery.

DeVriendt found the safe which had been drilled, looted and discarded in a ditch under a culvert on Nine Mile road near the intersection of 500th street. The safe weighed 500 pounds. The theft of the safe was the work of amateurs, it is believed.

Safe-robbery victims of the vicinity have come to DeVriendt's office to investigate the safe, but no one has been able to identify it as yet.

FARMINGTON COW MAKES NEW OFFICIAL RECORD

A Guernsey cow owned by C. E. Sorensen of Farmington, has just finished a new official record for production which entitles her to entry in the Advanced Register of the American Guernsey Cattle Club. This animal is the four-year old Bourneville L4 No. 31224, producing 16,858.8 pounds of milk and 728.5 pounds of fat in class C.

The Sophomore Class of Farmington High School held a theater party at the Redford Theater, Saturday evening.

"What of Tomorrow" To Be Answered By Sec'y. Ikes in Detroit



HAROLD L. IKES
Secretary of Interior

F. H. S. To Play Ann Arbor Dec. 6

The Farmington high school basketball squad will open its schedule December 6 when they play University high school at Ann Arbor. December 10 they travel to Northville.

Coach Kammerer has also lined up ten league games. The complete Southwestern Oakland League schedule follows:

December 13
Clarkston at Walled Lake.
Brighton (home) at Keego Harbor.
Farmington at Milford.
December 19
Milford at Clarkston.
Walled Lake at Keego Harbor.
Brighton at Farmington.
January 10
Brighton (home) at Clarkston.
Walled Lake at Milford.
Keego Harbor at Farmington.
January 17
Farmington at Clarkston.
Brighton at Walled Lake.
Milford at Keego Harbor.
January 24
Clarkston at Keego Harbor.
Walled Lake at Farmington.
Brighton at Milford.
January 31
Walled Lake at Clarkston.
Brighton at Keego Harbor.
Milford at Farmington.
February 7
Clarkston at Milford.
Keego Harbor at Walled Lake.
Brighton (home) at Farmington.
February 14
Brighton at Clarkston.
Milford at Clarkston.
Farmington at Keego Harbor.
February 21
Clarkston at Farmington.
Brighton (home) at Walled Lake.
Keego Harbor at Milford.
February 28
Keego Harbor at Walled Lake.
Brighton (home) at Milford.

Woman's Club to Meet At Dalrymple Home

Members of the Farmington Women's Club will meet Wednesday, December 4, at the home of Mrs. John Dalrymple, East Grand River road. Mrs. Frances Meader will read a Chinese play.

Mrs. Anna Cook, Mrs. Viola Gildemeister and Mrs. Irene Comstock, members of the American Home Committee, were in charge of the meeting last week, held at the home of Mrs. Grace Austin, 23435 Shiloh avenue. Interesting and instructive points were presented.

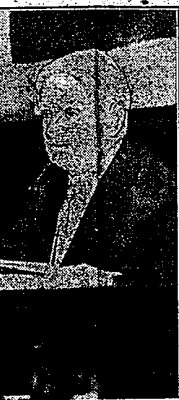
Roll Call was responded to with "favorite" recipes. During the social hour samples of the favorite recipes were enjoyed. Mrs. Lenore Gildemeister sang "The Hymns of the Old Church Choir," by Arthur J. Lamb.

SUNSHINE HARMONY CLUB TO SPONSOR LUNCHEON

The Sunshine Harmony Circle will hold their meeting at the Methodist church, Thursday, December 5. Mrs. Glen Green is acting as hostess. Luncheon will be served promptly at 12:30 o'clock. Each member is asked to bring a 10 cent gift. Members are also planning a Christmas party.

Reed Webster, daughter Margaret and Miss Beatrice Auten motored to Battle Creek, Sunday. Miss Betty Webster returned with them.

Farmington Speaker



JUDGE EDWARD J. JEFFRIES

Jeffries Boosts Townsend Plan

That the Townsend Plan of old-age pensions is "going like a prairie fire," and will sweep the country, is the declaration of Judge Edward J. Jeffries of Detroit, who addressed a meeting held Tuesday night at Farmington. Judge Jeffries, who has been the guest of Farmington Masonic Lodge on important occasions, and has many personal friends in this section.

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This book of books for our English word Bible comes from the Greek-Bible—meaning, book, is really a collection of those books or manuscripts; first used in the synagogues and later in the churches which through the ages have been considered by religious scholars as the divine authority or inspiration. Composed of sixty-six separate and distinct books, of the old and new laws, it at the same time possesses a divine harmony like a great chime of bells, and yet, as a library of the world's most precious compilation of history, poetry, satire, wit, proverb, story and drama.

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In the daily labors of the law our tools are books. We go to the authorities for the solution of our problems, but the greatest of legal opinions can only help him who seeks when his search is made with understanding. As an example, take the story of Joshua where he said "Sun stand thou still upon Gibeon and thou moon in the valley of Ajalon." Those who interpret the Bible with literalness, reason this way: A God who could stand still; who could make it stand still; no one will doubt this statement, but did he? Much heated argument could be avoided and the quoted passage would have a deeper and more spiritual meaning when one intelligently understands that the writer of this first of the twelve historical books of the Old Testament was quoting from another writing; that of the great Jewish poet, Jaehar.

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Bible Anniversary Celebration Epitomized in Bushnell Address

(Editor's Note—During recent weeks, church organizations throughout America have been celebrating "Four Hundred Years of the English Bible," commemorating the four hundredth anniversary of that work. There have been numerous addresses and programs devoted to various phases of the subject. However, a radio address delivered Sunday by Supreme Court Justice George E. Bushnell so effectively expresses and epitomizes the entire spirit and nature of the celebration that it has already attracted wide attention, as being a definitive work on the subject, and it is herewith reprinted in full as record of the celebration movement participated in by millions of Americans this autumn.

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GEORGE E. BUSHNELL
Supreme Court Justice

Voters Say "No" To Bond Issue

Final returns from Farmington, precincts one and two, reflected the general Oakland County vote "no" on turning down the \$129,000 Oakland County office building bond issue. Only in the city were there more votes in favor of a new building than there were against it.

According to N. H. Power, city clerk, this vote was the lightest vote within his memory. Of the 171 votes cast, 132 were from precinct one, and 39 from precinct two. In precinct one, 55 votes were cast in the city, and 77 in the township. There were only two absentee ballots, both in precinct one. The city of Farmington went on record as favoring the proposed building bond issue by a vote of 31 to 24. The township, precinct one, overwhelmingly opposed the issue, by a vote of 68 to 3. In Clarencerville, precinct two, there were 20 "no's" registered against 10 "yes's".

The tabulation follows:

| Precinct One—City | |
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| No | 24 |
| Yes | 31 |
| Total | 55 |
| Precinct One—Township | |
| No | 68 |
| Yes | 9 |
| Total | 77 |
| Precinct Two—Township | |
| No | 29 |
| Yes | 10 |
| Total | 39 |

MRS. WILBER, PIONEER RESIDENT, DIES

Mrs. Milton R. Wilber passed away Thursday night, November 21, at the home of her nephew, C. W. Wilber, Grand River road, with whom she had lived for the past four or five years.

Ximena Eliza Warner was born in Farmington, February 15, 1848, on the location of this site of the present Emory Hatten residence. Her parents were S. A. Warner and Emma Palmer Warner. As a child she moved to Ypsilanti with her widowed mother, and was married at the age of 19 she was married to Milton R. Wilber. For a short time they lived on a farm in Livonia township, and in 1871 moved to Kentucky. They returned to Farmington in 1909.

Mrs. Wilber was the last of a generation who played an important part in the pioneer life of Farmington. As president of the Cemetery Improvement Association she aroused the sentiment of the village toward a more lively interest in the beautifying of these sacred places. As a member of the Library Association Mrs. Wilber worked hard to put the library on a more workable and efficient basis.

As an early member of the Women's Club she was a faithful, devoted member, always upholding the noble ideals for which the club stood. When she resigned from the club a year ago she was made Member Emeritus in recognition of her long life of distinguished service in its interests. She was a devoted member of the Baptist church and was buried from there Monday afternoon. The Rev. Elmer Palmer officiated—Scribe.

Winfield Wertz, sons, Clara, Earl and Oscar and Mr. and Mrs. Baer of Marshallville, Ohio, spent the week end with the former's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. James B. Snyder.

Commission Defers Move On Schweim

Frank Schweim, Farmington beer garden operator, who was recently jailed for assaulting Leonard Huby, a Farmington barber, will have until next Monday, December 2, to transfer his liquor license and find prospective buyers for his place of business, the City Commission having deferred action on recommending revocation of the license at a special meeting Monday evening. If Schweim is unable to meet these requirements the Commission indicated that it will in all probability recommend to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission that Schweim's license be revoked.

Mayor Warner called the special meeting when numerous complaints were brought to him. Deputy Sheriff DeVriendt recommended to the Council that the license be revoked.

Attorney Paul Pare, representing Frank Schweim, asked the commission to show leniency toward his client. According to the attorney, if the license were to be revoked, Schweim would be unable to meet his financial obligations. On the other hand, Pare said, if Schweim were able to find a buyer he would be able to meet at least some of his obligations.

The beer garden, located at 33308 Grand River road, is not operating at present. According to Pare the stock is nearly depleted, and Schweim is in a financial straits.

Schweim's license does not expire for six months. If a buyer is found, his name would have to be submitted to the commission. If that body should pass favorably on the transfer of license, the Michigan Liquor Control Commission would have to inspect the beer garden, just as they would in the case of a new application.

When the commission voted to reject the matter until the regular business meeting, Mayor Warner suggested that the Michigan Liquor Board be asked to inspect Schweim's place of business before Monday.

Commissioner Emory Hatten acted as clerk pending the absence of Clerk N. H. Power. Frank Schweim, Farmington beer garden proprietor who was jailed on a battery and assault charge, was freed from the Pontiac jail Saturday, when Judge John J. Schulte commuted his sentence to serve 12 days of a 30 day sentence.

CHILDREN SHOULD WEAR BRIGHT COLORED CLOTHES

The State Safety Council today issued the following warning: Dress children in bright-colored outer garments in winter for their own safety. Says the Bureau of Home Economics of the United States Department of Agriculture.

While children should not play in city streets or even on country highways, there are times when they have to cross the street, or when they try to retrieve balls or other playthings from the path of traffic. They must be taught caution, but they can be further protected by dressing them in bright, conspicuous colors, which motorists can see from a distance.

Children dressed in brown, navy blue, gray, olive, drab or dull maroon are hardly noticeable to the passing driver.

Farmington Man Weaves Latest "Fish Story"

The latest "fish story" that is going the rounds in Farmington concerns Al Smith, mail man and school bus driver. It seems that Al did some shopping in the region around Lake Huron. He sought some prime herring, and so he went from boat to boat until he had finally collected 500 pounds. Smith came back to Farmington with his prize "catch."

"Guess I'll smoke these fish and sell them to the merchants," said Al to himself.

The choice herring were placed in Smith's newly built smoke house and the smoking process got under way. Al returned to his house. "Boy, Mr. Smith," yelled one of the neighborhood children, "see a smoke running to the house, 'fear smoke house on fire."

"I certainly smoked my herring," mused Al Smith some time later as he saw the smoldering smoke of the smoke house arise from the ground, "but I guess I won't be able to sell them."