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## Women Plan To Improve The Library

Residents of the Farmington area will see a big improvement in the library located in the north section of the Town Hall, if plans now being formulated by the newly appointed Library Committee are carried to completion.

Mayor Warner selected Mrs. William Irish, 3211 Grand River road, to head this new group, and named Mrs. Fred L. Cook, 2325 Wilmarth avenue, and Miss Helen Hard, 23915 Wilmarth avenue, to assist the chairman. Mrs. Irish was authorized by Township Supervisor Arthur Coe to select her own township committee. Those appointed were, Mrs. Fred Menke of Lehigh, of the central section, and Mrs. Harley Gibson of the western area.

Mrs. Irish, a life-long resident of Farmington, has always been interested in the welfare of the library. For years she has advocated a new library, and was instrumental in having the Women's Club set aside a fund for the erection of such a building. When the depression came Mrs. Irish's dream was frustrated.

**Aid War Veterans.**  
One of the first moves of the new committee was to sort over the books on the shelves and in storage. Some sixty books, which have never or seldom been called for, were sent to the Farmington Legion auxiliary, who in turn delivered them to the home for disabled war veterans on Jefferson avenue in Detroit.

The Library Committee plans a general housecleaning. Many books are in bad shape, and these will be repaired and some of the books by better authors will be replaced. The furniture, floor and ceiling will all receive much needed repairs. New curtains will also be purchased.

At present the magazines are strewn on the library tables because of the lack of racks. It is the intention of the committee to place shelves for the magazines and the book shelves.

Mrs. Irish believes that the library has great possibilities. She reports that there are many books which local people would be interested in if they knew that the books were in the library. This includes many new books on law and taxes.

The committee hopes to have the library open two or three days a week. It is now open on Saturdays only, but later may also be open on Mondays and Wednesdays. Miss Kennedy, librarian, reports that more people from the township than from inside the city use the library.

## 11 FARMINGTON SCHOOLS GET PRIMARY MONEY

The eleven school in the Farmington area together have received \$5,652 as their share of the supplemental primary money distributed among the school districts in each city and township of Oakland County.

The primary apportionment which was distributed from the office of the superintendent of public instruction at Pontiac this year went directly to the individual schools. Formerly the money was sent to each township, from where the money was sent to the individual schools in the township.

Primary money is distributed once a year, and is a government fund set aside specifically for the schools. It may be used only to pay teachers' salaries. The money was originally obtained from the sale of public lands. The board of each school files the statistical and financial reports of their school before this primary money can be received.

Oakland County's share of the supplemental primary money is \$191,462.40. The primary money for 1935, per pupil, was \$11.33. This is an increase of 72 cents per pupil over 1934.

## Farmington People Participate in Recital

A number of Farmington young people participated in a recital Monday evening in Stevens Hall, Detroit. They were Billy Conroy, Wendie Kellogg, Arlene Kellogg, Eileen Finn, Mary Himmelspach, Margaret Mary Flin, and Eleanor Schoenberger.

## Native of Farmington

## Vote To Kill Beer License; Refuse Shift



SEN. A. L. MOORE

## Death Shocks Farmington

Citizens of Farmington and vicinity all feel the shock of the sudden death of a native of this part of Oakland County who became an outstanding State figure, Senator A. L. Moore, for whom funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon. A number of old schoolmates of the "literary club" days of Farmington attended the services.

At his last appearance in Farmington, Senator Moore said that he always was glad to come to Farmington, "because it was coming home." His early years were spent in this section.

Senator Moore died suddenly Monday morning in Circuit Court at Pontiac, while appearing on a case. Death was caused by a blood clot entering an artery and reaching the heart.

Senator Moore was born in Bloomfield Township October 23, 1870. His first home was a log house. He spent his early life in this vicinity, attending public school in Bloomfield, and making many friends.

He was admitted to the bar in 1895 following his graduation from the law school at Valparaiso, Indiana. He has been highly successful in the practice of law.

In 1931 Senator Moore, who was known as an authority on taxes, received national recognition when he was named as one of the members of the National Association of Real Estate Boards.

ELECTED IN 1932  
Senator Moore was elected to the State Senate in 1932. He was re-elected in 1934. Much of the current tax legislation, including the recent moratorium on penalties for taxes prior to 1935 and the 10 year payment plan for delinquent taxes are part of the tax program he advocated.

He served in the State Legislature, as a member of the Michigan Old Fellows and Knights of Pythias, a member of Central Methodist Church of Pontiac, Rotary Club and Pine Lake Country Club. Formerly he was director and critic of the Garden Club, an oratorical organization.

**Farmington Woman Hurt in Auto Accident**  
Mrs. Mabel Graves, 26-year-old Farmington woman, suffered a possible fractured skull and head injuries in an auto accident in Pontiac Thanksgiving Day.

Roy Graves, her husband, was driving their car north on Perry street when Patrick W. Dinan, Pontiac, attempted to make a left hand turn off Perry and in front of the Graves car. Mrs. Graves was taken to the Pontiac General Hospital.

Three others received injuries. Roy Graves injured his hand. Dinan, Lloyd, sustained a head injury. Mrs. Patrick Dinan, an occupant of the other car, received bruises on her leg and side.

## Woman's Club Speaker

Children of the Farmington Kindergarten School were dismissed Wednesday night following the Christmas holidays. The early dismissal was necessitated because of the numerous cases of whooping cough among the young pupils.

This is the first year that Farmington has conducted a kindergarten since the depression era set in. Mrs. Roy Plimton of Farmington is the teacher. There are 24 pupils in the class, who attend the school for two hours a day.

## High B. B. Season To Open Friday

"Green and light, but scrappy," that is the type of team that will represent Farmington High School on the basketball court this year, according to Coach Kammerer. They will open their pre-season schedule Friday night at Ann Arbor when the first and second squads of both schools engage.

For two weeks a squad of 25 men has been going through the fundamentals and routine practice. Because of the many vacancies to be filled in the lineup competition has been spirited.

The outcome of Friday night's struggle remains a big question mark. University High also lacks experienced players, as only one veteran returned to the fold this season. However, they have the advantage over Farmington in height, which may prove to be a big handicap to the Farmington boys, unless the latter squad can use its speed to offset the disadvantage.

Besides the veterans, Harvey Hamilton and Tony Himmelspach, Coach Kammerer has the following twelve players on his first squad: Bill Davidson, Donnie Lee, Howard Turner, Harkness Scott, Bob Collins and Bill Mitchell for forwards; Leon Robinson, Gene Grace, and Harry Lindner for center; Bob Davis, Carl Smith, and Stan DeYoung for guards.

The second squad is composed of Bob Snyder, Bill Slocum, Fred Warner, Bob Hogle, Ed Masz, Alvin Wilson, Halley Miller, Bill Schoop, Frank Brown, James Bacon, Wade Dickerson and Ralph Banfield.

Harvey Hamilton will not be eligible for duty until next week. Coach Kammerer is still uncertain as to his opening lineup, and promises to substitute freely during the contest, but in all probability will give the following men the nod to face the opening whistle:

Center, if  
Tracer, if  
Grace, if  
Himmelspach, rg.  
Davis, lg.

## 3 Livonia Youths Arrested by DeVriendt

Three Livonia Township youths will be arraigned in court, following their arrest by Deputy Sheriff DeVriendt, on charges of robbing the Nitz Service Station at Grand River avenue and Perry street, Grand River, last Thursday.

The robbers broke in a side door early in the morning and took merchandise, consisting mostly of cigarettes, tobacco and candy, and also a valuable watch. This was the second time within a year that the Nitz Service Station has been broken into. The youths were in custody of the police at four o'clock that afternoon.

The three youths were John Sewell, 19; Harrison Graves, 15; and Ernest Traven, 16; all residents of Livonia Township. Sewell pleaded guilty, and will be bound over to Circuit Court. His case will be heard during the December session. Graves and Traven were turned over to the Pontiac Juvenile Court, and their case will be heard some time this week.

Thanksgiving guests at the home of Mrs. and Mrs. Isaac Bond were Mrs. Charlotte E. Wolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Wilson and family, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bond and Mr. and Mrs. Harlan Morris.

## Peoples Bank Building Is Proposed as New City Hall

## Dismiss Kindergarten Because of Sickness

Acquisition of the Peoples State Bank Building as a new Farmington City hall, providing municipal offices, commissioners' meeting-room, vault and a larger library which could be open every day, is under consideration by the City Commission following presentation of a proposal to that end at the Commission meeting Monday evening. By application of the city's balance in the closed bank and through an arrangement on delinquent taxes, it is believed the city may be able to obtain the property, considered ideal for the purpose, without outlay of cash.



MARK B. OWEN

## Mark Owen, Former Resident, To Quit Public Life

Mark B. Owen, former Farmington resident, and at present the superintendent of public works in Dearborn, resigned his position recently, and will enter private business. The Dearborn City Council has accepted his resignation, which will go into effect December 15.

Mr. Owen is known over the entire state as one of the foremost experts on drainage. For 12 years he has been in municipal employ. In 1923 he was a consulting engineer. Five years later he became the head of the Fordson department of public works. He retained this position until Fordson became a part of Dearborn in 1927.

One of the most efficient sewage disposal plants in the country was built and put into operation in Dearborn while Owen was superintendent of public works.

National recognition came to Mark Owen as a result of his sewerage plant. Engineers from all corners of the country came to consult him in regard to their own problems, and consequently the country's sewage system has been revolutionized. During the Century of Progress Exhibition in Chicago Owen was the Chicago aid in solving their sewage problem.

Owen received further national recognition in October 1935 when the officials of the International Association of Public Works elected Owen as president of their organization. The meeting was the 16th Annual Convention, and was held in Cincinnati, Ohio.

## WOMAN'S CLUB HEARS OF YOUTH PROBLEMS

Prosecuting Attorney David Power of Pontiac was the main speaker at the Farmington Women's Club meeting, Wednesday afternoon, which was held at the home of Mrs. John Dairyple, East Grand River avenue. He discussed the youth problems, and suggested to the ladies that recreation be provided for the youths in place of permitting them to go to beer gardens.

The Women's Club officially went on record by being willing to cooperate in any movement for the betterment of the young people, when a resolution to that effect was passed during the business meeting.

The Farmington women accepted an invitation from the Redford Women's Club to attend their meeting in Redford on Monday, December 9. Transportation will be provided for those who desire it. They are asked to call Mrs. Grace Auten or Mrs. Gertrude Webster.

Mrs. Leonora Gillemester will be hostess for a next meeting in Farmington on December 13. This will be a Christmas party.

## Dr. Adams To Address Universalist Members

Members of the Farmington Universalist church will again gather in their church Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock for their monthly service. Dr. F. D. Adams, formerly of Detroit, and now in charge of a church in Oak Park, Illinois, will deliver the sermon. His theme will be "As Being in Prison with Them."

Dr. Adams has been serving his Oak Park congregation for three years. He will be in Farmington on December 13. Dr. Adams had charge of a Detroit congregation, and filled the pulpit in the Farmington church every Sunday afternoon. At the present time he comes to Farmington once a month.

## Play Center To Be Given Trial

The young people of the Farmington area will have a recreation place for the winter in the undercroft of the Methodist Church House, if a three week trial, which is to be initiated Saturday afternoon, proves to be a success. This decision was reached at a meeting of the church board Tuesday evening.

Activities will officially get underway Saturday afternoon at 2 p. m. when the young people of the community will participate in a ping pong tournament. These activities will not be restricted to members of the church, but will be a community affair.

The purpose of the recreation center, as outlined by the board, is to give the young people over the age of 12 a place to meet, and to enjoy their own games, under partial supervision. Besides the ping pong tournament there will be arrangements for other games, such as chess and checkers. The room will be open Wednesday evenings from 7 to 9, and Saturday afternoons from 2 to 5:30.

The physical properties of the Methodist church are well suited for a recreation center. The undercroft, generally referred to as the Community House, is divided into three sections by movable partitions. Two of these sections will be used.

At present the activities are limited to people over 12, but board members hope to make arrangements whereby children under 12 will be allowed to play also.

Arthur Power is in charge of the general plans for the three week trial period and he has appointed Mr. and Mrs. George Checketts to be the supervisors for this Saturday afternoon's activities. He will also select other supervisors for future afternoons.

Church members are loaning ping pong tables, checker boards, and other equipment with which the club rooms will be outfitted.

## METHODIST LADIES TO HOLD BAZAAR, CHICKEN SUPPER

The Ladies Aid of the Farmington M. E. Church will have a bazaar Friday, December 6, starting at one p. m. There will be fancy work, canned goods, baked goods, candy and other items for sale. A chicken supper will be served. Everyone is invited to attend.

## Terms Advantageous

It is believed that the city may never again have an opportunity to acquire a suitable municipal hall under such favorable circumstances. The city has for some time owned a lot just south of the Enterprise office, but it is pointed out by the builders that it is possible to build a comparable structure at near the price at which the bank building could be obtained, and with the opportunity to accomplish this through other means than cash.

The City had on deposit when the bank closed accounts totalling a little over \$14,000. In the course of liquidation, it is expected that about 50 per cent will be paid to the depositors. There is due the city in taxes from the receivership, on the bank property and other parcels held, over \$1,200.

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