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Liquor Sales Problem Bobs Up Again

Again the problem of sale of liquor in the city has bobbled up to perturb the Farmington City Commission. Formal request for sanction of the Commission before making application to the State Liquor Control Commission for a Specially Designated Distributor's License, to sell spirits for consumption off the premises, was presented by N. N. Gedrich of the Oak Pharmacy to the Commission at its monthly meeting Monday evening.

Action was deferred until the next regular meeting of the Commission since there appeared a difference of opinion as to whether or not it is necessary under the law for the local body to approve the application for a license to sell liquor for consumption off the premises.

It was the belief of Mr. Gedrich that the City Commission must approve all applications. Mayor Warner however did not think it necessary that the City Officials take action on a "Specially Designated Distributor's License." Upon the Mayor's suggestion the request was tabled until the next meeting in order to allow time for the Commission to determine the proper procedure. If action is necessary, the request will be taken up at the June 1 meeting.

No Store in Farmington
At the present time there is no place in Farmington where liquor may be purchased for consumption off the premises. There is one licensed merchant in Farmington Township and one at Walled Lake where liquor may be bought to take out.

Cancel Many Licenses
With the beginning of a new license year at hand, the State Liquor Control Commission is conducting a wholesale "culling" in the ranks of the "Specially Designated Distributors" and a very large number of merchants who had licenses last year are having their renewal applications turned down.

Most of the refusals are received by merchants who have failed in some manner another to abide by the provisions under which the licenses were issued.

Sheriff's Approval Needed
In addition to securing the approval of the local governing body, pleasant personality and his place of business must be approved by the State Liquor Control Commission and must pass the rigid inspection of the County Sheriff's office and have endorsement of the county sheriff.

After the license is secured, the operator must abide by all the rules of the Commission with regards to hours during which sales may be made, days on which liquor may be sold, and qualifications of the customer to make the purchase. Periodic inspections are then made by the Commission to enforce the rules.

CLEANUP DAYS ARE AIDED BY GOOD WEATHER

Farmington residents were busy the early part of the week, cleaning basements, attics and garages in order to have all the unwanted refuse in places easily accessible to city workmen who were touring Farmington with the city dump truck picking up all rubbish.

Official cleanup days were Tuesday and Wednesday but large signs were not needed to proclaim the fact. A trip through the residential section of Farmington was enough. As early as Monday morning, ashen, tin cans, etc., were piling in a variety of containers in front of most of the houses awaiting the pick-up men.

Aid Fire Prevention
It was noticeable that residents complied with the request of the City Commission and the Farmington fire department in throwing away everything of no value that might be classed as a fire hazard. Numerous bundles of newspapers, rug mats and similar articles, piled up among the materials picked up by the truck.

As in the past the Commission was fortunate in the matter of weather in picking the Cleanup Days. Both days were particularly favorable for both the residents doing the cleaning and the city employees who made the collections.

On Tuesday, the first day out, the city men hauled away such things as old rubbish and on Wednesday, approximately the same amount to clean up the hauling in the two days scheduled.

Farmington Young Man Wins New Honors



Scholarship honors have again been conferred upon Floyd Bond of Farmington township, son of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Bond, this time by the University of Michigan.

Mr. Bond, a Sophomore at the University, was among a large number of students who were designated as guests of honor at the annual University of Michigan Honorary Convocation held in Hill Auditorium last Friday morning.

Mr. Bond, who is a student in the College of Literature, Science and the Arts, was valedictorian of his class in Pontiac High School.

SCOUTS DISPLAY HANDICRAFT FOR THEIR PARENTS

Those who attended Farmington's Scout Night will long remember the impressive and educational program presented by five of the six troops of the Farmington district at the M. E. Church last Friday evening.

Although a good crowd attended scout officials were somewhat disappointed in the lack of response and support by the parents. The program was designed and worked out by the scout troops for the purpose of educating the public in the values and aims of scouting. Most of those in attendance remarked following the performance that the scouts did exceptionally well with the presentation of difficult exhibits of scout work.

The program began with a parade of troops preceded by the "colors" to the stage where an opening campfire ceremony was held. Next, the individual troops staged their demonstrations.

Made Eagle Scout
The feature of the evening was the presentation of the first eagle scout ranking in the history of scouting in Farmington. The award was received by F. C. Wellington, Jr., of troop No. 44. Instead of a scout official, Mrs. Wellington was asked to pin the eagle scout medal on her son's uniform and after the ceremony, she embraced him on the stage amid the loud applause of the audience.

Some regret was expressed when it was learned that the scout troop of the Children's Hospital would not only be unable to attend, but that it would be impossible for them to arrange an exhibit of handicraft as was previously announced.

The proceeds of the scout night are to be used for scout maintenance during the year.

West Point Park Pioneers Honor Mrs. Burl Thomas

Eight pioneers of West Point Park enjoyed a farewell party on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Dr. and Mrs. McLean of 7 Mile road in honor of Mrs. Burl Thomas, who has sold her West Point Park home and will reside in Farmington, the guest of honor.

Mrs. McLean was the hostess and the afternoon was spent reminiscing and recalling past experiences. Following the social period, a delightful luncheon was served by Mrs. McLean.

Those present were Mrs. Charlotte Wolfe, Mrs. Frank Bradley, Mrs. Ernest Ash, Mrs. William McIntosh, Mrs. Jesse Zeligler, Mrs. Frederick Grady and Mrs. Burl Thomas, the guest of honor.

To Mrs. Burl Thomas, the pioneer of being the oldest resident of West Point Park present. She has lived in that section for some 40 years. Mrs. Wolfe was the next oldest resident.

The annual meeting of Dial club of Detroit was held on Wednesday, May 6, at the Botsford Tavern. A social hour followed the luncheon and the program committee and Floyd Nichols is general chairman. The men of the church will prepare and serve the dinner.

Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. George Checketts.

Inn Figures in Million Dollar Estate Case; Dramatic Tale Spoiled

Botsford Inn, in Farmington Township, the late tavern which has been widely known here through its purchase some years ago by Henry Ford, figures in an interesting way in one of the most sensational news stories of the year in the Detroit area—the attempted removal, on charges of fraud, of Harold H. Emmons, prominent Detroit attorney and former police commissioner of the city, in which Emmons is accused of converting to his own use \$215,000 of a million dollar estate left in 1920 for the building of a home for crippled children.

Although the inn figures in an important way in the startling developments in affairs of the estate, within the past ten days, a most dramatic incident, which is reported to have occurred in connection with the sale of the property, is, unfortunately, for those who find entertainment in such reports, totally untrue. This was ascertained Wednesday by The Enterprise from Mr. Emmons, himself, he having handled the transaction of the estate.

Daughters and Mothers To Dine
Mothers and daughters of the community will be busy next week with at least a half dozen Mother's Day banquets. The program is planned by organizations and churches.

On Tuesday, May 12, the Rebecca will hold a banquet for the mothers and daughters at the I. O. O. F. Hall at Clarendonville. An elaborate program has been planned by the committee in charge. Tickets may be secured from Mrs. James Lays of Farmington.

Members of the Evangelical church will hold their annual banquet Thursday, May 14, at the church. The program has been arranged by Mrs. Ida Nacker, who is chairman of the affair. The opening march will be played by Mrs. Florence Edgar. Prayer will be given by Mrs. Clara Sallow. The welcome address will be delivered by Mrs. Viola Gildemeister.

Toastmistress for the evening will be Mrs. Stella Tamm. Community singling will be led by Miss Louise Bollens. Miss Hedwig Schell will be a soloist.

Toast to the daughters will be delivered by Mrs. Margaret Maas and the answer to the mothers by the daughters will be given by Miss Leona Tamm.

Club Women to Speak
The principal speaker of the program will be Mrs. A. E. Eison, prominent Detroit clubwoman. It has not been learned what her subject will be but those who have heard her speak give assurance that it will be interesting.

A tempting array is planned by Mrs. Mary Maas, chairman of the menu-committee. The dinner, prepared by the women of the church, will be served by the men.

Both the M. E. and the Baptist churches will have Mother and Daughter banquets on Friday evening, May 15.

The following program has been arranged by those in charge of the Baptist banquet.

Mrs. Gilbert A. Miles will be the toastmistress. Invocation will be given by Mrs. Leticia Campbell. Community singing will be led by Mrs. Anna Weston.

The toast to the mothers will be given by Miss Ardis Greenman and the answer to the daughters will be delivered by Mrs. Ellis Dickerson. His family sold to the Horatio family, by whom it was transferred to Milton Botsford, father of Frank Botsford. Under the ownership and management of the elder Botsford, who operated the place as a tavern, stage coach depot and livery, it became one of the best known taverns in this part of the state. After a number of years the elder Botsford discontinued operation of the Inn and it was left by him, on his death, to Frank Botsford.

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On Welfare Body



MAYOR HOWARD WARNER

Farmington Man On County Board

Mayor Howard Warner of Farmington, next Thursday will become a member of the Oakland County Welfare Commission, to which he has just been appointed by Governor Frank D. Fitzgerald.

Mr. Warner fills a vacancy created by the death of the late Supervisor Walter J. Tripp of Milford.

The Oakland County Welfare Commission is concerned with welfare work in the County, although administration of relief to paupers is directly handled by the head of the Emergency Relief Administration, Stacy S. Skelton of Pontiac. Mr. Skelton works under supervision of the State relief bodies.

The Oakland County Welfare Commission, however, confers with Mr. Skelton regularly, and relief matters are taken up and discussed. Mr. Skelton is ex-officio a member of the Commission.

The May meeting of the Commission will be held May 14, at which time Mr. Warner will assume his membership. The members serve without pay, their only compensation being payment for mileage in traveling to the monthly meetings from their homes. The program of the county procurators office, as soon as he is sufficiently recovered.

The other occupants of the two cars have recovered and been released.

Exchange Club To Hear Fingerprint Expert

An exposition of fingerprinting and the manner in which it aids detection of criminals is to be provided members of the Exchange Club, next Wednesday when Sheriff Spencer Howarth expects to bring to the club, a fingerprint expert from his office. The program will be in charge of Earl Yivier.

On Wednesday noon the club were guests of the Northville Exchange group and the combined clubs heard a brief talk by Charles S. Porritt, of the legal department of the State Highway Department.

Farmington Bridgemen Will Emulate Horatio---and Then Some

Forget about the Kentucky Derby. Even if you did slam down your early ready cash at Detroit's Grand Slam, and he slammed you down by finishing fourteenth, about the money ever since; forget about the American League pennant race (what resident of Michigan doesn't want to do that?); never mind about Joe Louis' thoughts of the money he is to receive; put it out of your mind all thoughts of all Baba, Detroit's newest wonder of the world, the man with the longest mustache.

The real battle of the century is on its way, the struggle to the death between two armies as met by Waterloo, and after next Wednesday, in every school book of the nearby town of Birmingham, they will change the spelling of Waterloo to "Glen Oaks." For that is the place where next Wednesday afternoon the bridgemen of Farmington will silence forever the bridgemen of Birmingham.

Possibly this reference to history is a bit misplaced. For the outstanding bridge in history is not at Waterloo but at Rome, where a high Roman bridge, built by the ashes of his father, and the temples of his gods. Next Wednesday noon the invading "barbarians" from Birmingham will be on their way. And there is a bridge at Glen Oaks. Along the banks of the little stream that flows under this bridge, a dozen or more Farmington Horatios, each as brave and valiant as the hero of the Roman legend, (and every one a durn sight better bridge than old Horatio of Rome or the best that ever lived in Birmingham,) will turn back the invaders. And they'll do it easily, without a one of them having to jump into the stream and swim a mile before they over.

The Enterprise can, however, state positively that there is nothing whatever to the rumor that the Farmington gladiators have decided to draw each of the visitors bodily into the stream. Birmingham men are solemnly promised that they need have no fear, that this absolutely will not take place. They will merely be buried beneath thousands of bridge points.

Unimportant Facts
Additional facts of minor importance are that those participating will play golf during the afternoon, have dinner at the dubious, and play bridge in the evening. The event is open to all men who care to attend, and the choice is open to participate in all or in any one of the events, only.

The competition next Wednesday will be the rubber between the bridge players of the two towns, Farmington and Birmingham representatives have each won one contest, each being victor in its home territory.

F. S. Glen Oaks golf club is located in Farmington Township.

Rabies Spreading; Woman Is Bitten

Dogs to be Shot--Last Warning is Issued

Final warning is given to all dog owners in Farmington and vicinity by Deputy Sheriff Joseph DeVriendt that all dogs running at large will be shot on sight unless the owner has secured a permit from Deputy DeVriendt, showing that the dog has been vaccinated against rabies at least six months before April 15, the day the quarantine was put in effect. The dogs must have been vaccinated before October 15, 1935.

Lad In Middle Belt Crash Dies

Another victim of the dangerous intersection at Middlebelt and Grand River died Tuesday evening at Redford Receiving Hospital of injuries suffered when the car in which he was a passenger and which his father was driving crashed into the side of another automobile on the evening of Friday, April 24.

The boy was Ronald Fish, 16, of Milford. For twelve days following the accident he lay in a coma with a fractured skull and serious internal injuries. He died Tuesday night without ever regaining consciousness.

The driver of the car which "cut" through the stop sign at the intersection onto the path of the Fish automobile is still in serious condition at Redford Receiving Hospital. He is John Snow, 21, of Oakland Avenue, Detroit. Mrs. Donald was born forty-four years ago in Lyon Township, Oakland County, and had resided in Farmington the eleven years preceding her death.

She is survived by her husband John, and three children, Wilson, Kenneth and Norma.

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD MONDAY FOR MRS. JOHN DOWELL

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon from the Heene Funeral Home for Mrs. John H. Dowell, who died Saturday at her home on State Street following a long illness.

Rev. Fred Lendrum officiated at the services. Interment was at the South Lyon Cemetery.

Mrs. Dowell was born forty-four years ago in Lyon Township, Oakland County, and had resided in Farmington the eleven years preceding her death.

She is survived by her husband John, and three children, Wilson, Kenneth and Norma.

TREES PLANTED AROUND TOWN BY GARDEN CLUB

An extensive program which will be carried on during the summer months by the Farmington Garden Club was started this week under the direction of Mrs. Martha Warner, assisted by William Maas.

The program provides for the planting of trees and bushes to beautify various locations in Farmington and vicinity. The first activity of this week was the setting out of a flower box on the corner of a mountain ash tree on the green at the intersection of Grand River and Shiloh Avenue. A mountain silver bell was planted at the corner of Grand River and Shiloh Avenue.

A flowering crab was planted on the lawn of the Farmington Town Hall and seven Chinese elms were set out in the Clarendonville cemetery.

William Maas did the planting supervised by Mrs. Warner. It is planned by the members of the club that similar planting will be undertaken in the future.

The next social function of the club will be the rubber between the bridge players of the two towns, Farmington and Birmingham representatives have each won one contest, each being victor in its home territory.

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