

Prepare For Spring Elections

No nominating petitions have been received as yet by Township Clerk Harry McCracken, but current opinion indicates that the primaries will see practically every office contested. Each of the incumbents is expected to run.

The following Township officers are to be filled in the April election following: the primaries: supervisor, Township clerk, Township treasurer, highway commissioner, Justice of the peace, member of the board of review, and four constables.

Those seeking any of these offices must circulate a petition and obtain a certain number of signatures of qualified voters of the township. The necessary number of votes cast at the last election for the secretary of state candidate in that party in which the candidate is running.

Petitions
This means that persons who choose to run in the primaries on March 6 must have six names of their nominating petition. If they are running in the Democratic Party, and seven signatures on their petition, if they are running under the Republican banner.

Registration for the primaries may be done at two places, Mr. McCracken reports. Every day, except Sunday and legal holidays, Mr. McCracken will be at his office 35520 Twelve Mile Road, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m., up to and including Feb. 25. From 9 a. m. to 5 p. m. on Feb. 11 and Feb. 18 he will be in DeLaur's real estate office for registration.

Livonia
Livonia Township registration may be done every day, except Sundays and holidays up to and including Feb. 25 at the Township Hall, two blocks east of Farmington road on Five Mile road, according to Harry S. Wolfe, clerk.

On Tuesday, Feb. 14, and Saturday, Feb. 25, hours of registration are from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m. Registration may also be done at Mr. Wolfe's office every day except Sundays and holidays 8 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Wherever in this paper may be found complete notices of registration and elections in Livonia and Farmington Townships.

City Election
In the City, there will be no primary election. Instead, candidates will be selected by meeting in person, which shall be signed, according to the city charter, by at least 20 qualified electors of the City of Farmington.

City officers to be filled: mayor or clerk, three commissioners, treasurer, assessor, two members of the Board of Review, one Justice of the peace and two constables.

This election is on April 3. Other candidates on the City and Township ballot at this time are: two justices of the State supreme court, two representatives of the University of Michigan, superintendent of police, one instructor, member of the State board of education, two members of the State board of agriculture, and a county school commissioner.

Schulte Fines Two For Traffic Violations
Robert Gilles driving a truck owned by C. E. Seip of Detroit was arrested Jan. 29 because the trailer was not equipped with brakes that worked. The violation occurred on U. S. 24 near the Thirteen Mile road and the fine paid to Justice John J. Schulte, Jr. was \$5.

William Pile of the township of Pontiac was charged with being drunk and disorderly Feb. 3 on Hill View street. He was sent to the Oakland County Jail for 30 days.

Laurence Dellinger of Detroit ran a red light Dec. 28 at 102nd and Redford roads. Last week he paid \$3.35 for the violation.

Camp Fire Girls Here Now Have 30 Members

This area now has an active group of Camp Fire Girls, for since Jan. 7 more than 30 girls have been recruited and are active in the organization.

Mrs. K. Dittman is the guardian and they meet every Saturday afternoon in Clarenceville Methodist Church.

Officers of the Camp Fire Girls are: Jean Robinson, president; Carol Harbourn, vice-president; Ardis Allen, secretary; Virginia Clark, treasurer; and Muriel Lutz, scriber.

"Oop" and "Foo" Going Soon, De Vriendt Hopes

It looks as if the days of license plates that have trick numbers and their owners' initials and telephone numbers on them are gone, and it's a good thing, according to Deputy Sheriff Joseph De Vriendt.

"This practice has worked a hardship on police in the past in tracing stolen cars, besides showing needless favoritism toward a chosen few," Deputy De Vriendt commented.

"It should be stopped for all time," according to State Police Commissioner Oscar G. Olander, president of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police, which went on record this week as strongly urging legislation which will stop issuance of trick license plates to Michigan motorists by the State's administration. The matter has been referred to the legislative committee of the association.

Deputy De Vriendt has in his office in the police booth a file containing all of the licenses issued by the State. This material is supplied to him by the secretary of state, and kept up to date as licenses are issued. In this file is kept in arranged alphabetically according to the letters that prefix most plates. Every letter in the alphabet but "I" and "Q" has

School Bonds To Be Refunded

Bids are being advertised for a \$52,000 bond issue by school district No. 15. The 1935 issue will be called in, and another issued at a lower rate of interest and for a shorter term.

This move is being made to save the taxpayers money, because it will be possible to sell the new issue at a rate of interest considerably lower than the one it is replacing. Bids will be opened at 5 p. m. Feb. 11.

Part of the bonds were issued in 1918 to provide the district with property and buildings; more were issued in '22, '27, in 1932 and '35 they were all defaulted. The last one, in '35, they were refunded at the original rate of interest.

The new issue will be 20 year term bonds. Because of the condition of the bond market at the present time in contrast to 1935, and because these bonds are of shorter term than those they are replacing, it is believed by Superintendent R. C. Burns that they will draw only about 3% interest. This means the district will save about \$800 in interest a year for the 25 years remaining until they have been paid.

Bonds recently sold to finance the school district's share of the new building on Thomas street drew 2 1/2% interest.

Judge Holland Tells Pet Peeves To Club

Pet peeves, the indifference of American citizens who won't take the time to serve as witnesses for aliens seeking naturalization papers, the citizen who alibis out of jury service, the fellow who thinks the laws are for the other fellow until someone has violated one to his disadvantage.

These were among the pet peeves cited by Circuit Judge H. H. Spoke Wednesday noon before the Exchange Club.

The International Exchange Club of Farmington is holding a party at 8 p. m. Tuesday in the Town Hall. Games will be played for the benefit of the International Aviation Meet to be held in April in Detroit. The law sponsorship of the International Exchange Club. The local committee includes: Vic Blakestein, R. C. Burns, Earl Grosvenor, and John J. Schulte, Jr.

There will be numerous prizes and the public is cordially invited to attend the party.

W. J. NORTON TO SPEAK

William J. Norton, executive vice president and secretary of the Children's Fund of Michigan will speak on "The Progress of the Children's Fund in Michigan," at a dinner meeting of the Oakland County Public Health Association to be held at 6:30 p. m. Wednesday at the Fox and Hounds Inn on Woodward Avenue at Long Lake Road.

Unusually road signs are monuments to public apathy.

Arraign Robber Of Gas Station

Early Saturday morning Charles Cluckey, who recently returned from Jackson Prison where he served 10 years for robbery armed, parked outside Moffatt gas station at Grand River and Miller and loaded about \$100 worth of cash, anti-freeze, peanuts and innertubes into a car and started toward Detroit.

At 1 a. m. at Corner of road and Davidson street police stopped him and now he is awaiting arraignment in Circuit Court in Pontiac.

Cluckey, who lives at 237 Orchard Lake road, was sent to prison when he was 19 years old, now he is 29. On Dec. 21 he was laid off the relief project he had been working on. He was unable to find a job.

The justice of the peace, Joseph De Vriendt, was summoned to Moffatt's station at 2:30 a. m. Saturday morning because a man and his wife had noticed some queer characters in the building and drove by. It was a drunk causing a little difficulty. Deputy De Vriendt went home to bed and shortly afterwards Cluckey is believed to have come out of the scene.

Police believe he had an accomplice because of the speed with which the stolen goods were loaded in the car, permitting him to reach corners and Davidson by 4 a. m.

Justice John J. Schulte, Jr. arraigned Cluckey Wednesday in Pontiac and set his bond at \$5,000. Later that day he changed his plea from not guilty to guilty, hence the change to Circuit Court.

Though Cluckey claims he broke in the station himself and had no assistant, police are skeptical. Because the wave of burglaries gathered momentum shortly after Cluckey lost his WPA job, the theory has been advanced that he took part in part or all of the six unsolved burglaries here.

Orland Gates Dies; Family Survives Him

Orland W. Gates is dead after having been ill of a liver ailment in the Highland Park General Hospital for 18 weeks.

Mr. Gates, who was 34 years old, is survived by his widow, Dorothy, and three daughters: Virginia, Norma and Delores. He also leaves one brother, Stanley, of Farmington.

The funeral was Monday from Henry's funeral home and the burial was in Oakwood Cemetery. Rev. Gilbert Miller officiated.

ADAMS COMING

Dr. Frank Adams of Oak Park, Ill., will preach a sermon entitled, "The Power of Forgiveness," at 8 p. m. Feb. 15 in the Universalist Church. The sermon will concern the life of Abraham Lincoln observed from a different and little recognized angle.

The regular monthly meeting of Farmington Chapter No. 329, O. E. S. will be held in Masonic Hall on Tuesday evening, February 14.

Zone Plan Hearing Is March 6

Citizens of the City will be given an opportunity to ask questions and make suggestions on the proposed zoning ordinance at a public meeting of the commission to be held at 8 p. m. March 6. The mayor requests that all those interested be present to take part in the discussion.

At a meeting of the commission Monday night a map was submitted showing the various areas provided by the zone plan. These are: A residential, B residential, suburban, C commercial, D commercial, industrial and apartment. There is only one apartment area and it is in the center of the city, extending about a block each side of Grand River from Cass almost to Warner.

Police To Shoot All Stray Dogs

Effective until June 31 dogs running at large in this county will be shot at sight. They must be on a leash or chained on the premises of the owner.

This order was issued after the county board of supervisors passed a resolution to enact such a rule in an effort to reduce the trouble now being caused by stray dogs. Police in Farmington have complained several cases of what might have been rabies among stray dogs. Numerous complaints have been made to the police elsewhere, too. In Pontiac City and Township this condition has been particularly grave, and in Troy.

It is also provided that police officers shall not be responsible for dogs which are found on the streets unleased and are killed. This quarantine went into effect Feb. 1.

The map was drawn up with the eye to the future, for by setting up certain areas for apartments and others for industrial buildings, it insures Farmington against becoming a haphazard agglomeration of residences, factories and apartments. Zoning is relatively new on the American scene, and is best adopted by cities as young as this one (Farmington is 13 years old), according to those who have pushed the project.

The zoning plan of Paul Schreiner, who started drawing it up about a year ago, it is to be supplemented by a building ordinance being framed by David Tucker.

The approval and adoption of the zoning ordinance will be done by the City commission.

A motion picture by Commissioner Oldenburg that the Farmington High School Band be paid \$50 for music furnished Gala Day was passed by the commission.

The payment of \$1,697.17 in bills by the city clerk was approved and the payment of a total of \$2,197.65 in bills was authorized.

Luella Bryden Injured In Toboggan Accident

As a result of a toboggan accident occurring Sunday afternoon on a hill in back of the Harry Smith home on Silas avenue, Miss Luella Bryden is in the Osteopathic Hospital in Detroit, with a compound fracture of the eleventh thoracic vertebrae.

Luella was one of a group of young people who had gone to the hill in the afternoon for a bit of winter sport. Others in the party were Miss Ann Franchuk, Miss Edythe Wilkinson, Bill Roberts, Ray Dierwirth and John Corder. The last three being from Detroit. They were not sufficiently well acquainted with the curves and dips in the hill and went over a drop, which caused the toboggan to overturn.

Not realizing the seriousness of the injuries they returned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Auten for the evening. However, as the evening progressed the girls became increasingly distressed for help to move Mr. Auten took her to the doctor, where the extent of the injury was determined.

Luella will be put in a cast as soon as recovery from numerous other bruises will permit. She will remain at the Hospital for six weeks, after which time she will be confined to her home for possibly six months.

They say that every third baby born in the world is Chinese, but the Japs are doing their best to liquidate the surplus Chinese population.

New Conservation Officer Assigned To This Area

A conservation officer is now assigned to this area. It was announced this week. His name is D. H. Hammar, and he takes the place occupied up till last July by Robert McClure.

Mr. Hammar will patrol this area and the southern part of the county. Most counties have but one officer assigned to them, he said, but because Oakland is one of the largest in the State, two officers are assigned to it. The other man covers the northern end.

Since October Mr. Hammar has been posted in Oxford, but one policy of the conservation department seems to be that their men should move occasionally, so shifts are usually only a result of this policy.

The bulk of Mr. Hammar's work in this area will probably be spent in enforcing the hunting, trapping and fishing laws. To do this he will patrol in his car and on foot, frequenting both the favorite hunting grounds and the more obscure ones.

The State is divided into three game regions having different open seasons, based on differences in latitude. Because this region is the most southerly, its open seasons are over before those up north. Among the violators Mr. Hammar will be on the look-out for are:

Township Hears New Water Plan

Self liquidating revenue bonds issued upon resolution of the Township board as a lien upon the revenue provided by a water system, was the subject of a meeting of the Township's long standing party for water. This answer was presented by civil engineer Bruce Buchanan of Pontiac at a special meeting of the board at 6 p. m. Wednesday.

The board passed a resolution authorizing Mr. Buchanan to make an estimate of the cost of constructing a water system to provide water to at least 300 customers. Because the bonds do not obligate the Township at large, but are a lien upon only the revenue obtained from the system, the township will not require a vote of the people.

Two estimates will be tendered by Mr. Buchanan: one, if the work is done by a general contractor, the other, if it is done by independent aid through WPA or a second PWA, if there ever is one.

Before passing the resolution, the board heard a typical ordinance proposed by another Township providing for a water system to be financed in the same way. It also heard Mr. Buchanan's statement that the 300 or more customers would have to pay at least \$5 per quarter for their water.

Isaac Bond declared that though this was high it would not be prohibitive to so many that the scheme would not work. Approval seemed to be general among the 10 or 15 in attendance.

Mr. Buchanan's report will be read at the next regular meeting of the Township board, Feb. 21. Mr. Howard's meeting the board gave its approval to the order decree giving it 65 per cent interest in the Town Hall.

Lewis N. Howard Buried Here Monday

Lewis N. Howard, who was born in 1853 and has lived here since then, is dead. Mr. Howard's death occurred Feb. 2 in Clearmont, Fla. where he was vacationing with his wife.

Mr. Howard was the youngest son of Theodore and Lydia Howard who lived in West Farmington for many years. His grandfather, Nehemiah Lamb was the first pastor of the Methodist Church here, and he attended school here and went to normal school in Ypsilanti, before serving as a teacher.

In 1895 Mr. Howard married Mattie East of Sparks and a year later he returned to the old homestead where he lived the rest of his life.

He is survived by his widow and five children: Elsie W. Lucy, Edger S. and Ray J., all of Farmington and Mrs. Walter Sheld of Lansing. He has 12 grandchildren, 18 nieces and nephews and 67 grand-nieces and nephews.

The funeral was Monday from Baptist Church and the burial in West Farmington Cemetery. Rev. Gilbert Miller officiated.

Many a man starves today while feeding on tomorrow's hopes.

Tax Suit Resumed On Tuesday

Because of urgent matters confronting Judge Frank L. Doty in Circuit Court, the tax suit between the City and Township is postponed until Tuesday, at which time it is quite possible a decision will be reached.

On Wednesday, Thursday and Friday last week the trial was held and the concluding argument is scheduled for 10 a. m. Tuesday. Attorneys Earl Phillips and John J. Schulte, Jr., representing the plaintiff, the City, will argue first, the Township's Glenn C. Gillespie will then present his client's side and the City will have the closing argument. If this does not take too much time, it is possible the case will be concluded that afternoon, otherwise it may go on until Wednesday.

Supposed

Testimony was taken last week from the following subpoenaed witnesses: Howard Warner, Arthur Lamb, James Hogle, Isaac Bond, Township Supervisor 1926-27; Harry McCracken, his successor, and Arthur Coe, Mr. McCracken's successor; Willard Campbell, former Township clerk; Helen Bond, who made computations of the City's tax collections as a City employee; Harry Moore, Mr. Bond's husband of the State attorney general's office, Charles Cole, former chief clerk of the board of county auditors; John Goepfert, chief accountant of the board of county auditors; and Stanley Filkins, assistant auditor of the Oakland County road commission.

See \$57,107.24

The City is asking for \$57,107.24, which includes not only the money which the City's taxpayers paid for roads built in the Township, but an additional \$15,680.47 of interest, at 5%. It also asks that more than \$14,000 in delinquent taxes be cancelled. The taxes were levied from 1925 to '31 for roads built in the Township but assessed against both City and Township. The City contends this was an error.

The City's attorneys are expected to argue before Judge Doty on Tuesday that the City did not benefit, therefore should not pay and that there is no obligation on a defrauded party to use diligence to discover the fraud. That the Township cannot escape liability, even though it didn't get the money in another claim. It is based on the contention that the Township, not the City, received the benefit.

Township attorney Gillespie is expected to point to the statute of limitation which says that action for collection of money shall generally be brought within six years of the time it was supposed to have been collected, or within five years if it is claimed by the City that the statute of limitation is no defense in any action involving public right, which they claim applies to this case.

Florence Alice Cook Marries Leo Tripp

Saturday afternoon, February 4, the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Cook was the scene of a most attractive wedding ceremony, when their daughter, Florence Alice Cook, married the bride of Leo Gardner Tripp of Pontiac.

The ceremony was read before a gathering of forty friends and relatives by the Rev. Sidney D. Eva, well known to Farmington people. Florence Alice wore a dress of blue and white, and carried a colonial bouquet, as did her only attendant, Miss Jerry Ingalls, of Detroit. Julian Graham of Pontiac, acted as best man.

Dainty refreshments were served. The young couple received many useful and beautiful gifts. For the present, Mr. and Mrs. Tripp will make their home at 470 Oakland avenue, Pontiac.

A rather unusual feature of the wedding was the fact that three great uncles and three great aunts of the bride were present. Other out of town guests included Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Thayer of Napanee, Indiana, and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Thayer and Mrs. Ethel Thayer of Vernon, Michigan.

HATTON AT CONVENTION

Emory O. Hatton is attending the National Retail Hardware Association's convention in Grand Rapids. The convention began Tuesday and will conclude Friday. Mr. Hatton will return to Farmington then.

To have the last word with a woman—apologetic.

To God be humble, to thy friend kind, and with thy neighbours gladly live, and grow in grace, and have his chance to-night, it may be thin tomorrow.

—William Dunbar.

Three H's, says a Judge, are the chief factors in accidents. They are Haste, Hooch, and Hugging.