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## Court Hears Apple Tax Testimony

Testimony presented by the apple growers of six counties and the State Apple Commission was taken under advisement this week by three Circuit Court judges, Frank L. Doty, George B. Hart, and H. Russell Holland. The growers, a number of them from the Farmington apple area, seek to have the present State one-cent apple tax declared unconstitutional and their taxes returned.

Following the hearing the judges ordered representatives of the State Attorney General's office, who are defending the commission, to present briefs. Attorneys representing the growers living in Oakland, Wayne, Macomb, Lapeer, Livingston and Monroe Counties have already submitted their briefs.

The growers claim that the Apple Tax Law is discriminatory since it places a tax of one cent a bushel or two cents a hundred pounds on apples to be prepared for sale. It was pointed out that no other fruit grown in the state carries a similar tax and that the act has no relation to police powers, welfare or public health. In defense of the law, attorneys for the commission said that while citrus fruits have increased in sales in the past few years under State advertising, apples have suffered in public esteem. They pointed out that since physicians consider apples as a valuable food, the State has the right to advertise the apples and create the Apple Commission.

## POST OFFICE WILL BE OPEN EVENINGS NEXT WEEK

Beginning Monday the post office will remain open evenings, and announce Norman C. Lee, postmaster. This step will be taken to give patrons additional time in which to mail their Christmas parcels.

Post office advisers, however, say that parcels should be mailed as early in the week as possible if they are to arrive on time. During the last week before Christmas the mail volume increases to many times its normal amount and it is physically impossible for the postal employees to handle this increase promptly and efficiently within a few days.

The office will be closed as usual all day Christmas, but letters and parcels bearing "special delivery" stamps will be delivered on that day.

## P. T. A. Meeting Tuesday Evening

The Parent Teachers Association will hold their next meeting Tuesday evening, December 19 at eight o'clock in the auditorium of the new building. The regular business meeting has been postponed this January in order to permit the association to be an informal Christmas party.

Music and singing will be enjoyed, and a number of games have been planned by Ed Alexander, Ed Walters, Ed Lapeer, and John Hunt. Refreshments will be served, and the rest of the evening dancing will be enjoyed, with music furnished by Betty and Her Pals. Members and their friends are invited to attend. Mrs. J. Nash, president, this week appointed a Budget and Finance Committee to serve for the coming year. Members are Edgar Pierce, chairman, John Edgar, Mrs. Albert H. Koss and Mrs. Ed Paulkner.

## Cub Scout Committee Hears Executive Talk

Friday night a group of men appointed by the P. T. A. to serve as the "Pack Committee" of the local unit of Cub Scouts, met at the home of Mrs. Nash, on Farmington Road. The committee attending were K. E. Griffith, Howard Richards, Rev. Carl Schultz, Earl Stock, Robert Hunt and Warren Jones. The committee heard a talk by Mr. J. Nash, president, this week appointed a Budget and Finance Committee to serve for the coming year. Members are Edgar Pierce, chairman, John Edgar, Mrs. Albert H. Koss and Mrs. Ed Paulkner.

## Elks Club Plans Fight Against 'Un-Americanism'

A vigorous campaign against un-Americanism is being planned by members of Elk's Lodge 310, of Pontiac. In the following article, the first of a series, some of the purposes of the campaign are set forth.

"Some weeks ago the question was asked by a Lodge member regarding the increasing strength of various un-American groups, tumors, and tendencies within the United States of America.

"Out of the ensuing discussion caused by this statement rose a committee which was charged with the duty of combating such foreign agitators and their misrepresentations.

## City To Collect Ashes Weekly

Weekly collection of ashes from homes that have a pressing need of this service will be started soon, it was announced by the City Commissioners authorized the collection of ashes and ordered the city employees who handle this work to be collected twice each week, in the spring and in the fall. The regular weekly collection has included only garbage and other refuse. It was found, however, that a number of persons place their ashes in the street, and the city employees are asked to collect them as well as the garbage.

The weekly collection of ashes will be started on Saturday mornings and residents are requested to place the ashes in steel bushel baskets at the curb in front of their homes. The ashes must be placed out before 8 a. m. on Saturday. Those wishing to have their ashes picked up should call Supt. William Maas and arrange for regular collection. Heretofore ashes have been collected twice each year, in the spring and in the fall. The regular weekly collection has included only garbage and other refuse. It was found, however, that a number of persons place their ashes in the street, and the city employees are asked to collect them as well as the garbage.

## Shoppers Have One Week Left for Christmas Buying

Only one week remains in which Christmas shoppers may do their Christmas buying of gifts, etc., but despite the heavy purchasing which has been done throughout Farmington stores during the past two or three weeks, the merchants report that there is still plenty of choice values left.

Late shoppers are advised to waste no time, however. Get into the stores as early as possible before the things you want have been snapped up.

If you are perplexed as to what to give, stop in at Consumers Power Co. and your worries will be over. An automatic gas range is the ideal gift. Your old range will be accepted on a trade-in basis. You'll find the freshest, tenderest food at Pauline's Market, along with all the rest of the delicious things you're looking for.

Life-time Gifts. For a present you know will be appreciated go to Von Burg's Jewelry shop in Redford. A handsome wrist watch or a sparkling diamond is a gift that will be remembered a long time. F. L. Cook and Co. offer Christmas suggestions that are practical. Clothes for every member of the family is an idea that can't go wrong. Cook's has a large selection of clothing for him, her, and the children.

The weatherman says colder weather ahead so you'd better check up on your winter wardrobe. The new line of winter clothes at Farmington Lumber and Coal Co. and order some of their slow-burning, clean coal.

"This committee has evolved the plan of guiding policy of a factual, intelligent and interesting presentation of the benefits of the American Way of Life. We believe that, by showing the American people the fundamental goodness of Americanism, the foolishly of our fantasies will be sufficiently exposed by comparison.

"We do not wish to give the impression that we imagine this to be an idea original with us. We are merely planning to do our part in carrying on the work of every real American. The continuance of the ideals of Washington and Lincoln, and the safeguarding of these ideals against the parasites of foreign 'leftists' and 'isms'.

"We are opposed to any fraternal organizations or organizations of any certain groups or organizations.

"We have no ideas of banding together any race or religious societies. If we do follow such a course it would be exactly the course certain combines of foreign propaganda wish us to follow. One of the main points of the program of outside agitators is to induce the people of a nation to fight among themselves until every man distrusts another; and is desperate enough to believe any sort of foreign propaganda; and to grasp at any straw.

"We believe in the efficacy and value of religion. One of the first things which certain foreign 'isms' endeavor to discourage and subvert is any form of religion. It is natural that they should do so, because the religions and hope which is the very essence of religion is logically an unfaceable obstacle to the greed of dictators and the wantonness of Communists.

"We are not trying to arrange any membership list and we are not trying to sell any badges, shirts or buttons or solicit money in any way.

"As one of the first steps in this program we stand ready to furnish any group or society with speakers who will acquaint you with the more specific aims and benefits and hopes of Americanism. This will be done at no expense to you.

"This is your program, ladies and gentlemen, and we invite your suggestions and participation. Not for the selfish good of 'Elkdom', but for the welfare of Americans."

Reduce Carving Hazards. The joy of carving the Christmas turkey is sometimes a perplexing one—just ask the man of the family. This ordeal can be simplified greatly with the proper tools, and this means a Remington carving set. They're on sale at Dickerson's Hardware.

Mr. Merchant, how well-lit is the front of your store? If you see it from a block away? If you can't see your customers' faces, call the Detroit-Edison Co. and have them explain how to modernize your store front with electric lighting.

Make this the merriest Christmas for the children. Shop for their toys and presents at Mac's. Five Cents to \$10.00 store. Mac has a selection of toys and other gifts that will gladden the heart of any child. You can get all the fancy trimmings for your Christmas tree too at very reasonable prices.

Furniture A Useful Gift. Furniture is a gift that will give many years of usefulness. But be sure you get quality furniture. Select from the wide stock range at Redford Furniture Co. You can't miss on the bargains they offer.

You can't get a new 1940 Ford into a Christmas stocking, but nevertheless here's a present the whole family will enjoy. Take them to Olin Russell, Inc. and let them ride in one of these large, roomy cars. You'll see the difference in performance.

For your entire Christmas dinner, shop at Hamilton's Food Market. Everything from the turkey to the dessert may be found on Hamilton's shelves at prices you can afford to pay.

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## Large Crowd Sees Games In New Gym

The new Farmington school gymnasium-auditorium saw its first public use Friday night as over one thousand cheering spectators witnessed clashes between the basketball teams of Algon College and Lawrence Tech, and Walled Lake and Farmington high schools.

Those present were lavish in their praise of the modernistic building. The only regret which school officials expressed after the game was that there simply was not enough room for the people who thronged to get a "first look" at the new structure.

"We're sorry that we had to turn away a number of persons," said Superintendent O. E. Dunkel, "but we just didn't have any place to put them. I want to express the appreciation of the school to everyone who came and made the opening such a success. I think that this is indicative of what the building will do for the community in the future. I would also like to thank the members of the Student Council and their president, Keith Johnson, for their splendid work in preparing for the opening.

The state was used to seat some of the overflow from the regular bleachers, and two rows of seats were also placed around the edge of the gymnasium floor.

Alma Wins Easily. Alma College had no difficulty in defeating Lawrence Tech, winning 47 to 27. At one time Tech was within two points of a tied score, but couldn't keep the pace. The game was rough with a total of 41 fouls called, and several players on both sides were ruled out when they reached the limit of four.

Farmington high celebrated the opening of their new home court by downing Walled Lake 35 to 16. The two teams were evenly matched and the game was close, particularly in the first half, at the end of which the score was tied at 10-10. Farmington took the second half however, and scored 25 points while holding their opponents to six.

Farmington's scoring was evenly divided with Tom Bacon, guard, setting six points and Ed Barron, Jim Davis, forwards scoring five each.

Milford Here Friday. According to Coach Bob Hutton, the same lineup will probably be used when the team meets Milford here Friday night. Milford is one of the best teams in the southwestern Oakland County League, and proved it will be among the leaders this season by beating Holly 32 to 17 last Friday. The game should be a good test of Farmington's chances in the league this year. The remainder of Farmington's schedule: Dec. 19, at Northville; Jan. 5, Redford Union; Jan. 12, at Keego Harbor; Jan. 19, Clarkston; here; Jan. 26, Walled Lake; Feb. 2, at Milford; Feb. 9, Holly; here; Feb. 13, Redford Union; here; Feb. 16, Keego Harbor; here; Feb. 23, at Clarkston.

Reserves Win. In a preliminary game, the Farmington reserves nosed out Walled Lake reserves by a score of 12 to 11. Rozenboom and Mitchell each basketed four points to lead the Farmington attack.

The best scores:

Farmington	FG	FT	PF
Barrons, F.	1	3	1
Mitchell, C.	0	0	0
DeVriendt, J.	1	1	4
Davis, F.	2	1	1
Glennburg, C.	0	0	0
Brooks, C.	0	0	0
Hunt, G.	1	1	1
Bacon, G.	2	2	3

Walled Lake

Walled Lake	FG	FT	PF
Waller, F.	0	0	0
Tedds, L.	0	0	0
Karamanos, T.	0	0	2
Long, F.	0	0	1
Selkowitz, C.	1	1	3
Fox, C.	0	0	0
Penner, E.	0	0	0
Thompson, G.	0	0	2
Smith, G.	0	0	0

## Thieves Take Cigarettes, Candy From Station

The service station owned by W. J. McClure, located at Farmington Road and the cut-off was broken into and robbed Friday evening. The thief or thieves broke a window in the building and took a quantity of cigarettes, candy, candy and other merchandise.

## Sea Scout Ship To Sign Up Its Crew This Week

After four weeks of intensive training in Pontiac and supported by conscientious home studies, Skipper Walter Dixon and First Mate Wesley Goodfellow of Farmington announced this week that they are now ready to organize Farmington's first Sea Scout Ship. Neighborhood Scout Commissioner John W. Hunt presented the Sea Scout program to the local American Legion Post who unanimously voted to sponsor a Sea Scout Ship for Farmington.

Charles Elkin, Past Commander was selected as Sea Scout Committee Chairman with the following as members: Dr. C. F. Weaver, treasurer; Bayard Tupper, secretary; E. F. Plettenburg, and O. E. Dunkel, superintendent of schools. The committee immediately decided to double its membership to include men interested in all phases of Farmington's civic enterprises. Last Monday night the committee visited the Pontiac Sea Scout Ship "Onedra."

## Dondero Tells of "Americanism"

Approximately 70 guests were present at the meeting of the Exchange club Wednesday evening at which United States Representative George A. Dondero, of Royal Oak, was the principal speaker. Rep. Dondero, a fluent speaker, chose as his topic, "Americanism" and pointed out the need of more work toward this goal and the good which various organizations are doing to promote "Americanism." He praised the Dies Committee for the work it is doing to stamp out un-American activities in this country.

Guests at the meeting included the Farmington Kiwanis club, members of the Birmingham Exchange club, and a number of persons who had bought tickets to hear the speaker.

Dr. James Reddy, of the Birmingham Exchange group, spoke a few words of greeting and extended a welcome to members of the Farmington club to visit his organization at any time.

The "Americanism" theme was put further in a short talk by Charles Elkin, past commander and "Americanism" officer for the American Legion, Farmington post. Elkin also told of the Sea Scout Ship which is to be organized in Farmington and in which the post is interested.

Joseph Himmelsbach, president of the Farmington Kiwanis club, extended greetings and in line with the topic of the evening, told of the contrast between the "right to hold meetings" which is taken for granted in this country and the impossibility of holding a similar meeting in many European countries.

For information concerning the organization of a Sea Scout Ship in Farmington was given by Orville E. Dunkel, superintendent of schools. Dunkel told of the need of adult sponsors made a plea to the adults of the community to lend their support.

Delos Hamlin, general chairman of the Exchange club's Goodfellow Fund Drive, gave a report on the activities of the Goodfellow campaign and the results attained thus far.

The Exchange club will hold an election of officers at their meeting next Wednesday noon. All members are urged to be present.

## UNIVERSALIST WOMEN HOLD MEETINGS

The Association of Universalist women will meet at the home of Mrs. Ulysses Grace Saturday afternoon, December 16, at 2 p. m. The life of Dr. F. D. Adams, is to give a report of the General Convention of Universalists which was held in Washington, D. C. in October.

Saturday, December 17, at three o'clock in the afternoon, Mrs. Adams will conduct a Christmas service at the Universalist church. All members and friends are invited to attend these meetings.

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and all were unanimous in their decision that Sea Scouting is what is needed in this community. Working along those lines of thought, Skipper Dixon and first mate Goodfellow announced that they are now ready for candidates for the Sea Scout Ship and will open registration offices in the Boy Scout Log Cabin on Grand River Ave., Friday night from 7 o'clock to 9:30 p. m. Any young men 15 years and over may make application for membership whether or they have received previous Boy Scout training or not.

Inasmuch as only a limited number will be accepted for the present, young men anxious to enroll should report early Friday evening, or if they choose may now secure their application form from Commissioner Hunt, 37709 Oakland, and have them being made for the first Sea Scout Social Party to be held the last week in January with the Pontiac Sea Ship members and their girl friends as guests of the Farmington ship. Social parties for Sea Scouts and their girl friends are part of the Sea Scout program and once a month a social event must be held by and for the Sea Scouts.

## Seniors Lead In Honor Roll

The Senior class at Farmington high school continued as "study champs" of the school this week as a total of 23 of them won places on the second term honor roll. The Seniors placed first and at the end of the first six weeks term. As usual the girls outnumbered the boys on the roll, this time 55 to 21. A total of 20 per cent of entire school enrollment made the honor roll. This is just about average, according to Principal Max Thoburn, but is slightly higher than the percentage for the first term this year.

The Seniors scored 29 per cent, a two per cent increase over a year ago. The Juniors placed 12 on the roll for a 17 per cent, and the Sophomores 23, for 25.7 per cent of the class. The Freshmen suffered a slight loss in percentage with 12 getting honor ratings, representing 11.4 per cent of the class.

Following is a list of honor students:

Twelfth Grade. Betty J. Worstoff, Thelma White, Frances Van Slyke, Gladys Scudland, Maida Sanden, Mary Redding, Betty Pargel, Lois Nelson, Edna Martin, Phyllis Martin, June Koss, Zora Hush, Mary Himmelsbach, Letha Griffin, Ruth Esch, Gladys Edwards, Mary Butler, Maxine Bowers, Betty Billing, Lois Bell, Sam Price, Winifred Kaufman, William Kargetta, William Handwick, Arthur Grisdalen, Robert Currie, Elmer Born, Helmut Bayer, Tom Bacon.

Eleventh Grade. Norma Washburn, Ethel Pink, Dorothy Smith, Barbara Nash, Margaret Leach, Mary Ann Karle, Mary Hood, Paulette Gamble, James Norton, Gordon Nelson, George Brykaski, Edgar Barrons.

Tenth Grade. Annie Wells, Patricia Lapham, Gwendolyn Searle, Judith Gates, Margaret Miles, Isabella McGarvey, Donna Kahri, Annabelle Hupert, Mary Hanson, Margaret Hagard, Mary Sackett Gray, Dorothy Goers, Eleanor Garvey, Therese Gamache, Dorothy Fox, Marjorie Collins, Beatrice Cox, Irene Brykaski, Shirley Booth, Jack Samuelson, Robert Ham, Robert Gulien, Thomas Brewster.

Ninth Grade. Susan Slocum, Connie Rozenboom, Virginia Redding, Shirley Boyd, Helen Morris, Catherine Logue, Alice Griffin, David Sullivan, John Rachow, William Grimes, Vernon Carver, Robert Brown.

## MACCABEES PLAN CHRISTMAS PARTY

The Maccabees, Liberty Tent Hive of Farmington, are having a Christmas party for Juniors and adults, Tuesday evening, December 19, at 6:30. There will be an exchange of gifts and Juniors are asked to bring a ten cent gift, and adults a twenty-five cent gift. Pot luck dinner will be served, and all are asked to bring their own silver and dishes. The party will be at the Town Hall in Farmington. Every member is invited to be on hand, for Santa will be there.

## Goodfellows Sell Papers Here Friday

Cries of "Paper! Paper! Read all about it!" will echo throughout the streets of Farmington and nearby districts Friday when the Goodfellows shoulder their paper sacks for their annual "newspaper" campaign.

The sale of papers this year promises to eclipse anything of its kind held in Farmington. The funds received, of course, will go to provide Christmas baskets for hungry and needy families in the city and township, and judging by the efforts being put forth by the combined groups of Exchange club, Kiwanis club, and American Legion, there will be few hungry families on Christmas Day.

This year it is hoped to have fifty men aiding in the paper sales. They will be stationed at scattered points throughout this district and will take over their posts at 10 a. m. and will work until that evening or until their papers are gone, according to Delos Hamlin, general chairman of the Goodfellow committee.

The "newspapers-for-a-day" will be working the following corners: Grand River avenue and Farmington Road, Grand River and Eight Mile Road, Orchard Lake and Twelve Mile, Orchard Lake and Northwestern Highway, Twelve Mile and Telegraph Road, and Grand River and Novi-Walled Lake Road, in Novi.

A canvass will also be made of the Farmington business and residence sections, and on Friday evening, a special patrol will visit the taverns and restaurants in the area in an effort to sell the last of their papers.

A number of men have already volunteered for "duty," and have been assigned likely corners. These include Dr. Joseph Norton, John J. Schulte, Bill Gregor, Arthur Coe, Joseph DeVriendt, Ray Oldham, Vic Blakeslee, William Carpenter, Howard Oils, Norman Barrons, Dr. G. F. Weaver, Earl Grosvenor, Floyd Nichols, Tracy Conroy, Al Smith, Carl Goers.

Delos Hamlin, Howard Kuckler, Becker, Byron Lapham, Forrest Dickinson, Howard Omsus, Spencer Heene, Norman Lee, Curtis Hale, Leo Gledhill, Robert Nacker, Glenn Leland, Edgar Pierce, Harley Walters, O. E. Dunkel, Bayard Tupper, Ted Hunker, Ken Loomis, Henry Trombley, Abe Johnson, Earl Vivier, Mark Dalnes, and Rev. Gilbert Miller. The American Legion has invited all residents of this area to come to their "leather party" Wednesday evening at the Town Hall. All proceeds are to go into the Goodfellow Fund and the Legionnaires are hoping for a turnout that will bring in plenty of turkeys, ducks, geese and chickens, as well as door prizes.

Total receipts of the Farmington Athletic club's benefit football game Sunday have not been determined but it is expected that a considerable sum will be added to the Goodfellow Fund through the sale of tickets to the contest. A sizable crowd saw the Fort Street Merchants defeat the Farmington A. C. team 14 to 6. The club wishes to thank the officials of the game, Russ Mittelstaedt, Kenneth Gust, Marvin Catherman, and Paul Shoemaker, who donated their services.

## STOP SIGNS PUT UP AT DANGEROUS INTERSECTIONS

Driving in Farmington will be made easier and safer in the near future as a result of a number of new stop signs which have been erected by the city. These stop signs have been put up on 37 corners throughout the city which the city commission deems to be hazardous. All Farmington drivers are asked to cooperate in observing and obeying the signs in order to make the city safer both for driver and pedestrian. The signs were donated by the Detroit branch of the American Automobile Association and were erected by city labor.

New street-name signs will be put up on all corners in the city as soon as they are received. Emory O. Hatton, streets and roads commissioner, reports that most of the old signs have either disappeared or are unreadable. The new signs will have white letters on a black background just as the old ones. A total of 80 of these signs have been ordered.