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Shiawassee Culvert Approved

The Farmington City Commission, at their meeting Monday evening, approved an application to build a concrete culvert on Shiawassee avenue over the River Rouge branch. The application must be sent to Flint for approval and then to Lansing for state approval.

Total estimated cost of the project is approximately \$20,000, of which the city will pay about \$5,000. The project was approved from Washington. WPA authorities when it was originally submitted last year. At that time however, the estimated cost of the work was considerably higher and the project was shelved until the costs could be pared down.

Bruce Buchanan, city engineer, presented the application to the Commission for approval and answered questions of the Commissioners concerning details of the project. The culvert is to be 24 feet in length by 12 feet in width. In addition to the culvert there is a considerable amount of grading to be done on Shiawassee on both sides of the creek.

Emory Hutton, City Streets Commissioner, estimated that the project will be completed in about 60 days before final approval could be received and work started on the project. Location will be assigned to work on the job under the WPA.

DAIRY TO HANDLE NEW 'SUNSHINE VITAMIN' MILK

Announcement is made by the Farmington Dairy to the effect that they are now offering Vitamin D milk, containing the so-called "Sunshine Vitamin" to the householders of this community.

The campaign of advertising to popularize the product which is heralded as an aid to the prevention of rickets in children and as a dietary benefit to adults, particularly expectant and nursing mothers, has been launched by the above named concern.

Rickets is a disease of the bones in children which frequently results in bowed legs, "pigeon-breasted" chests, and other physical deformities of the bony structure. Health statistics indicate that more than 50% of the children in this country, particularly those reared in the larger cities, are afflicted with the malady to some degree or other.

Vitamin D milk is more important to the daily diet than any other item of food, according to Joseph Himmelsbach, head of the Farmington Dairy.

Milk is generally accepted by nutritionists as being almost the ideal food," he explained.

"Now, with the addition of Vitamin D to it, that state of 'almost perfection' has been improved upon. If more persons understood this, there would be less poverty, less developed youngsters and less troubles from poor teeth in this world."

"Milk is rich in calcium and phosphorus which is necessary to the proper development of strong bones and sound teeth. Vitamin D aids in the assimilation of it by the body. Ordinarily there is some Vitamin D naturally in milk, but the amount is extremely small."

"That's the reason for Vitamin D fortified milk."

"Youngsters and particularly expectant and nursing mothers should consume at least a quart of it a day."

"Nutrition experts are being paid the growth of their body demands it."

"Nursing and expectant mothers require it because the demands on their system, made by their offspring, rob of these essential nutrients, and they must get it from some other source or suffer the consequences."

"There is an old adage to the effect that every child costs its mother a tooth. This is the explanation of it."

Farming Was Big Industry In This Area in 1930

With enumeration of the 16th decennial census now being undertaken, the agricultural statistics for Oakland County afforded by the 1930 census are not only interesting but provide a basis for comparison with the 1910 census figures when they are completed and published. At the request of Rep. George A. Dondero, 17th Michigan district, the Director of the Bureau of the Census has supplied

a wealth of agricultural data concerning Oakland County a decade ago.

In 1930 there were 169,372 farms in Michigan and of this number 2,405 were in Oakland County. These 2,405 farms had a combined area of 296,002 acres or 50.4% of the total area of the county, 587,040 acres. Then the average size of Oakland County farms was 119.9 acres and the operators of these farms were set off in the following classifications:

Full owners, 1,371; Part owners, 284; Tenants, 694, Managers, 102.

According to the statement on agricultural production, as given to Rep. Dondero, Oakland County farmers produced the production of the following quantities of grain, forage crops and hay:

Corn, bushels, 145,598; Wheat, bushels, 107,624; Oats, bushels, 602,250; Barley, bushels, 13,200; Rye, bushels, 2,403; Strawberries, bushels, 5,201; Potatoes, bushels, 488,300; Hay, tons, 52,340; Alfalfa, tons, 21,868.

Oakland County was also an extensive producer of kidney, lima and navy beans the reported production being 25,251 bushels of agricultural products added to Oakland County woodlots added to agricultural income by yielding 20,301 cords of firewood and 10,418 fence posts.

Oakland County orchards and vineyards produced generous quantities of fruits. The 1930 census figures follow:

Apples, bushels, 28,731; Cherries, bushels, 729; Peaches, bushels, 7,837; Pears, bushels, 3,225; Plums, bushels, 2,403; Strawberries, pounds, 192,854; Blackberries and Raspberries, quarts, 1,242; Gooseberries, quarts, 2,816; Raspberries, quarts, 15,456; Strawberries, quarts, 56,761.

Dairy cows owned by Oakland County farmers produced almost eight million gallons of milk in 1929.

GIRL SUFFERS BROWN LEG AS CAR HITS TREE

Betty Lee Quinif, 3356 Shiawassee is in Pontiac General Hospital with a broken leg, as a result of an accident which occurred early Sunday morning on Grand River avenue. Malby Warner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Warner, was driving the car at the time of the accident.

Compound Fracture. The Quinif girl suffered a compound fracture of the leg and was rushed to the Pontiac hospital in the Heeneey Funeral Home ambulance. Doctors, Thursday, reported she was recovering satisfactorily.

Malby incurred minor bruises on the leg and face. He is a student at the Cranbrook school in Birmingham. Betty Lee is a student at Farmington high school.

Farmington P. T. A. Meets Tuesday Evening

The Farmington Parent Teachers Association will meet Tuesday, April 16 at eight o'clock in the high school auditorium. John S. Haltema, director of the Research Division in the State Department of Public Instruction in Lansing will speak on "Member Interest Groups."

A P. T. A. card party will be held Tuesday, April 30.

Services To Be Held For Alfred R. White

Alfred Richard White, 21540 Wilson avenue, died suddenly April 10. He was born in Hastings, England, and was 45 years of age. He had four children, Gertrude, Jimmy, Marjorie, and Thelma.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 p. m. from the Heeneey Funeral Home, Rev. W. J. Pritchard, pastor of the Clarenceville Methodist church, will officiate. Burial is to be in Grand Lawn cemetery.

QUALITY PRINTING LOW COST — THE — FARMINGTON ENTERPRISE

Citizenship Day Group Makes Plans

A joint meeting of the Farmington Township committees for the Oakland County Citizenship Day program will be held Friday evening, April 12, at the high school at 8 o'clock. Committee members from both the City and the Township held a meeting together Thursday, April 11, to work out plans for the program which is scheduled to take place in Pontiac May 19. All twenty-one year old persons will receive instructions from these committees between now and May 19 in order to prepare them for entering active citizenship.

Members of the committees were named as follows:

Archie Leonard, chairman; Arthur Coe, vice chairman; Mrs. Archie Leonard, secretary; and Joseph Himmelsbach, treasurer. Directory committee, Mrs. E. D. Dunkel, Max Belser, Robert DeLuca, publicity committee, Mrs. H. A. McIntyre, Mrs. Charles J. Cronin, Mrs. Louise Brown, Mrs. C. Bill Coe, of Commerce, committee Joseph Himmelsbach, Harry McCracken, float committee, Mrs. Fred Menke, Jay Butten, Mrs. Archie Leonard, and Arthur Coe; instruction committee, Harry McCracken, Archie Leonard, and Mrs. F. J. Nash.

A Community Expense.

The committees emphasize that this is a community expense in the city and that the aid of all citizens is desired in cooperation with all 21-year olds to make it a success. The 21ers will meet at the high school April 15, 22 and May 6.

Dates have been set for three meetings in the Wallace Lake school district. These meetings are scheduled for April 17, May 1, and May 15, and will be held at the Wallace Lake school. The opening meeting will be in charge of Mrs. Lloyd Coe, of Commerce, committee Joseph Himmelsbach, Harry McCracken, float committee, Mrs. Fred Menke, Jay Butten, Mrs. Archie Leonard, and Arthur Coe; instruction committee, Harry McCracken, Archie Leonard, and Mrs. F. J. Nash.

Must Exercise Rights.

"Many of us today are awakening to the necessity of re-awakening this country on the values and principles of American citizenship," said Judge George H. Hartwick, chairman of the Oakland County Citizenship Day Committee. "We are realizing that the privileges of democracy may be lost unless we accept—accept—accept—accept the responsibility of citizenship."

"Chief among these responsibilities is discriminating voting in the primaries and in the general elections, Political parties, their candidates and their platforms, should reflect the active interest of all the citizens, not just a few voters as well as the '21ers'—should take the time and interest to make our attitude known effectively on all public issues."

To Educate New Voters.

Judge Hartwick stated that the Oakland County Citizenship Day Committee has for its chief purpose the furthering of knowledge among new voters of the mechanics and structure of our government and of the political parties through which government receives its active direction.

Daughters of Isabella Sponsor Card Party

On Friday, April 26, a card party will be given by the ladies in Group No. 5, Daughters of Isabella. Mrs. Lady of Sorrows Circle, Farmington, at the School Hall. Prizes will be awarded cash table. The public is cordially invited.

Tickets may be purchased from any member of the group. Mrs. Marie O'Connor is chairman, assisted by Mrs. Naomi Sally, Mrs. Borden, Mrs. DeVoie and Mrs. Stephens.

PRECISE TOOL CO. TO HOLD OPEN HOUSE

The Precise Tool & Manufacturing Co., of 33431 Grand River ave., will hold an open house on Saturday, April 20th. The tool shop will be in operation from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. and there will be music, dancing and entertainment in the evening from 6 p. m. till midnight. Light refreshments will be served. Everyone is welcome. This is a fine opportunity to visit a modern and up to date tool manufacturing plant. Each operation will be courteously explained.

High School Will Have Real Election Next Fall

If plans being laid at the present time by Farmington school and city officials work but the children in Farmington schools will get some very practical training in the procedure of voting next fall. The idea is being worked out by Superintendent of Schools Orville E. Dunkel, Mayor Leo P. Gildenester, and members of the City Commission.

What they hope to do is to allow the students to hold their own election next Fall—an election in which they would nominate and vote for their candidates for school offices just like their fathers and mothers vote for candidates for

Scouts Prepare For Big Show

Plans for the Mammoth Boy and Girl Scout Demonstration to be held in Farmington, Friday, April 26th, in the High School gymnasium are fast nearing completion.

The demonstration, Boy Scout Commissioner John Hunt reports the program has been fully arranged, and that all Boy and Girl Scout troops are rehearsing their presentations. One of the features of the demonstration will be a display of Handicraft by each Brownie, Cub, Boy and Girl and Sea Scout group. Numerous articles will be displayed to testify to scouts' ability as Handicraftsmen.

It will be the first time the Farmington Scout Ship will "set-up" their land ship since their organization. Skipper Dixon announced that the ship's "wheel" has already caused considerable favorable comment from the Clinton Valley Council and has been requested to loan parts of its "land ship" for the use of the Council Bridge of Honor to be held in Pontiac April 19th. The complete boarding ceremony will be used.

Part of the members in unit. The ship is nearing completion and when assembled April 26th will be one of the high spots of the program.

The ten fields of Girl Scouting also promises to be a grand affair. Citizenship member about at the meeting Wednesday evening, Max Hulst was unable to attend because of illness. There were 38 members present and six guests.

William Sheer presented an interesting demonstration of measuring blocks. Sheer is employed by the Swedish Gauge Company of America. He was the guest of Lutz, who is program manager for the month of April.

LOBERTA BECKWITH WINS SCHOOL SPELLING CROWN

Loberta Beckwith is the Farmington school spelling champion following her victory in the school spelling contest. Loberta, a student in the eighth grade, emerged as victor after she spelled the word "stege" correctly, after Shirley Johnson, also an eighth grader, had missed it.

In winning the school championship Loberta earned a medal, given by the Detroit News, sponsors of the spelling bees, and also the right to compete in the district contest. This year the district bee will be held in Novi. Last year it was held in Farmington.

The champions from the following Farmington Township schools will meet at Novi, Friday, April 26:

Greenview, Edgewood, Farmington, Bond, Fairview, Germany, Nichols, Noble, and West Farmington.

Schools from Lyons Township and Novi Township will also be represented.

"Calm Yourself" Is A Fast-Moving Comedy

Friday, April 19 marks the date of the play "Calm Yourself," as presented by the Masquers, a new dramatic organization in Farmington. The play is a fast-moving comedy, with rapid-fire dialogue which is calculated to keep the audience on the edge of their seats, or possibly in the state of

city, county, state, and national offices.

It is a bona fide election from start to finish. The students seeking offices will have to circulate petitions and secure a certain number of signatures before they can have their names placed on the ballot, and if a student can't raise enough loyal supporters he simply won't be able to run for the office.

May Use City Polls.

Those students not running for any office will be required to register. It is hoped that arrangements can be made to use the city voting booths, polling places, etc. Details as to the formation of ballots have not been worked out yet, but it is likely that the names of all candidates for the four classes will appear on one ballot. Seniors would vote for Senior candidates, Juniors for Junior candidates, etc., and everyone would vote for certain offices such as members of the Student council, and others.

"After the election we'll bring the ballots back to the school and use them for study purposes," said Mr. Dunkel. "Errors in marking can be pointed out to the students."

A school election board will be appointed to count the ballots. The student council will set the number of names to be required on the petitions.

Good Training.

"In this way we hope to give students practice in casting ballots, nominating and electing officers, so that when they become old enough to vote it won't be entirely strange to them," said Mr. Dunkel.

GAUGE EXPERT'S DEMONSTRATION SEEN BY CLUB

No announcement has been made yet as to what will be on the program at the meeting of the Kiwanis club Wednesday. The program is under the direction of John Lutz, who has kept his plans secret. He expects many members to attend, however, and promises them something special.

In keeping with the club's aim to have a 100 per cent attendance at all meetings during April, there will be a citizenship member about at the meeting Wednesday evening, Max Hulst was unable to attend because of illness. There were 38 members present and six guests.

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Asked To Help Program

Kiwanis members are asked to co-operate in every way possible with the "Citizenship Day" program which is being planned throughout Oakland County. Archie Leonard, of Farmington, representing the Farmington City-Township Citizenship Committee, explained the idea behind the "Citizenship Day" venture and invited the help of the Kiwanis club.

Prizes for the Minstrel Show contest are: first prize, an award of \$10.00; second prize, an award of \$5.00; and a pencil set, and a portable radio went to Joyce and Jerry Heeneey.

Earl Hedding was taken into the club as a new member. Following the meeting the board of directors met to discuss plans for using the money from the minstrel show. Part of the money is to go to the high school band, and part will go into the club's underprivileged children's fund.

MACCABEES TO HOLD MEETING APRIL 30

On Saturday, April 30, at the new High School gymnasium, the Macabees of Southern Oakland County will hold a class for the large number of candidates to be installed as members. Mrs. Dora Nickelson will be in charge. The speakers for the meeting will be announced next week. The public is invited to attend.

FIELD TRIAL HELD AT DURGAN DOWNS SATURDAY

An American Kennel Club sanctioned field trial for springer spaniels was held at the home of G. A. Duran, on Saturday, with a very good gallery. Harrison Johnson and John Conroy acted as official judges. The trial was held at the home of G. A. Duran, on Saturday, with a very good gallery. Harrison Johnson and John Conroy acted as official judges. The trial was held at the home of G. A. Duran, on Saturday, with a very good gallery. Harrison Johnson and John Conroy acted as official judges.

Chalpyo, of Duran Downs, won the first prize and trophy for the open all age stake.

Annual City Clean-up Days Named

Members of the Farmington City Commission at their meeting Monday evening designated Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, April 23, 24, 25 and 26, as "Clean-up Days." Citizens are asked to co-operate by placing all rubbish, ashes, old papers, brush, etc., in front of their homes to be picked up by the city truck.

A motion was made by Emory Hutton and supported by Fred W. Bagnall that a check in the amount of \$411.74 be sent to the Oakland County treasurer in payment for material used in the construction of the drain on Grand River and Shiawassee avenues. This amount was to apply on Farmington's share of the contract.

The application of Gust Pappas for a Class "C" liquor license was approved by the commission.

Will Send Boy to "State".

Charles B. Elkin, representing Groves-Walker Post, American Legion, asked that the City send a boy to Wolverine Boys' State, an annual meeting of boys from throughout Michigan, held at East Lansing in June. The Commission agreed to send a boy to the meeting.

It was voted to request the Detroit Edison Co. to turn on the street light on Grand River in front of the Old Garage, and so the one in front of the post office.

The Commission approved the appointment of Carl H. Schultz as a member of the City Fire Department.

CLUB MEMBERS VOTE TOM BACON BEST SPEAKER

Leo West of Farmington, will be the featured guest at the meeting of the Exchange Club Wednesday noon. Mr. West, a teacher in the Redford schools, will speak upon a subject yet to be announced. The program will be under the direction of Rev. D. C. Stubbs pastor of the Farmington Methodist church.

The members of the club acted as judges in a speech contest at their meeting Wednesday. The contestants were members of the high school speech department, and gave talks on topics relative to the "Constitution of the United States." Tom Bacon was declared the winner and received a prize of \$5.00. Second honors went to Gordon Nelson, who received a prize of \$3.00. Other boys who gave speeches were Tom Kuebel, Frank Barber, Brown Greenman and Bill Hardwick.

The contest is sponsored by the Exchange Club in connection with a Metropolitan Speech contest being undertaken by Exchange clubs throughout the Detroit area. Bacon will compete next in the district contest. The district winner goes to the Metropolitan contest, to be held before the Detroit Speakers Club on Wednesday, May 15 in the Cass Tech high school auditorium.

Malton Bradley, president of the club, announced that there was 100 per cent attendance at the meeting. 42 persons were present.

ALUMNI OF M. S. C. TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

The annual gathering of Oakland County alumni of Michigan State College will be held Friday evening, April 26, in the form of a banquet at the Birmingham Community Hotel.

Speakers will include Dr. M. M. Knappen, head of the college history department; Dr. Marie DeV. dean of home economics; and Glen O. Stevens, alumni secretary. Dean V. Belknap, engineering manager of the Oakland County Road Commission, will preside.

One of the features of the program will be the completion of a permanent county alumni organization.

Tickets are available in Farmington at A. Russell Butten, 2826 Warner street, telephone 372.

NORTH FARMINGTON AUXILIARY TO MEET

The North Farmington Auxiliary will meet Tuesday, April 16, in the Bloomfield Township Hall for dinner. All members are urged to be present since there will be an election of officers. Dinner will be served at 12 o'clock.