

# The Farmington Enterprise

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## CHARGED WITH ROBBERY STORE

Eight Boys Arrested Near Junction Early Monday Morning.

Early last Monday morning Deputy Sheriff Green, of Pontiac, and Deputy William Goers rounded up eight young fellows in the vicinity of Farmington Junction, charging them with the theft of an automobile and the robbery of a tent grocery store belonging to Archie Strong at Keego Harbor.

The ages of the boys were 18 to 20 years, and all were residents of Detroit. They were arraigned Monday, and all pleaded not guilty, and remanded to jail in default of \$300 bail, the examinations being set for yesterday.

The automobile was driven away from Detroit Saturday night, and found in the ditch near Keego Harbor.

### Sunday Closing.

The grocery stores of Farmington will be closed all day on Sundays, beginning August 13th.

The grocery merchants of the village have been working from 15 to 20 hours on Saturday, and here tofore have opened their stores on Sunday morning for part of the day.

At a conference the fore part of the week it was decided to discontinue the practice.

Those who have been in the habit of purchasing their groceries Sunday morning in the past will do well to "get the habit" of shopping Saturday night instead of Sunday, before the 13th.

### Printing Trade Suffers.

No branch of industry has been more seriously affected by the war and consequent scarcity of various supplies than the printing trade. This newspaper has several times commented on the shortage of paper and the impossibility of procuring any of the blue white kind formerly used by all newspapers. Because of the shortage of dye inks, publishers are compelled to use the yellow tinted paper as it comes from the mills.

Even that has advanced in price four times within 60 days, the advances being from 50 to 100 per cent. Ink began to soar almost as soon as the war began and is still going up. The metal from which both type and casts are made is also steadily ascending. Other departments of the printing trade are faced with corresponding increases in cost of production. For example, one of the chemicals used in engraving, that is, in making the cuts from which pictures are printed, has advanced from 60 cents to \$7.50 the pound. Now the rollers used on presses have advanced in price more than 50 per cent, because one of the constituents is glycerine, and the munition manufacturers need all the glycerine they can get.

In the matter of cornering supplies, the sword is mightier than the pen.

A check for \$30,454.97 was received the first of the week by the Oakland county treasurer from the state as our rebate on the auto license fees.

Free children's tickets for the state fair, good for Children's Day, September 9th, can be obtained by any boy or girl, 12 years or under, at the Enterprise office.

State fair tickets for sale, 35 cents each, while they last.

Fine new home for sale by Fred M. Warner.

## FROM OUR EXCHANGES

Newsy Items Taken From Other Papers in and About the County.

A soldier boy on the border writes back to his Michigan home: "120 degrees in the shade,—and no shade!"—Birmingham Eclectic.

Automobile Traffic in Northville has grown to such an extent that traffic officer Lyke has about all he can attend to Saturday nights, in making motorists regard the speed limits and the rights of pedestrians. Northville Record.

The South Lyon Herald is discussing the question of advertising the Michigan peach. Why advertise? The supply is not now up to the demand. Most all the available ones have been picked up by our eligible young men.—Leader, Oxford.

A rattlesnake with seven rattles was killed in the street in front of William Green's residence, Saturday. It is suspected that the reptile fell from a load of hay that had passed along just a little while before, as the hay came from a locality where rattlers are known to abound.—Holly Advertiser.

### Political Notes.

Chauncey A. Harris, who served as a sheriff of this county in 1908-9, has announced his candidacy for the nomination of sheriff. Mr. Harris is well known throughout this county.

Two candidates are out for the office of county road commissioner, at the August primaries: Robert Garner, the present commissioner and Alfred B. Kinney, of Milford. Mr. Kinney has served as supervisor for a number of years from his township.

A. B. Gillespie, editor of the Oxford Leader, is a candidate for the Republican nomination for representative to the state legislature from the second district of Oakland county. Mr. Gillespie is one of the "live wire" editors of the county, and has been active in politics for a number of years.

The latest to announce his candidacy for the nomination to the office of sheriff of Oakland county is Thomas Wiley. Mr. Wiley has been deputy sheriff under Sheriff D. I. Oliver since January, 1913. He also served as deputy under George Greer, and was for two years an officer at Jackson prison. He has also served on the Pontiac police force, and is a native of this county.

### CHURCH NOTES

#### Salem Evangelical

Rev. A. C. Stange will preach in the Farmington German church next Sunday morning at 10:30 central standard time.

#### Methodist Church

Morning worship at 10:30. Evening service at 7:30. Sunday school at 11:30 a. m. Welcome.

#### No evening service.

Visiting cards printed or engraved.

Men's ice cream social on town hall lawn Saturday evening.

We are well equipped to do all kinds of job work, and we know how to do satisfactory work.

Were you one of the many who solemnly vowed that if it ever warmed up, you would never complain? Were you?

Until the infantile paralysis scare is over, persons with small children would do well not to take them to any large city. There is scarcely a city of any size but has a few cases.

### Little Child Overcome.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Carr, of Pontiac, was taken seriously ill while visiting at Earl Skarritt's last Sunday. The little one remained unconscious for some time, all efforts to revive her seeming futile. However, with the aid of a physician she was restored to consciousness and is gradually recovering.

The extreme heat is said to have been the cause of her illness.

### Sudden Death in Detroit.

S. J. Springer, of Detroit, brother-in-law of Mrs. C. J. Sprague of this place, passed away Wednesday, July 19, 1916, at his home in that city, at the age of 75 years. Congestion of the brain is supposed to have caused death, as Mr. Springer went very suddenly while sitting in his chair on the walk in front of his home.

He had been ailing for some time, but no thought was given to his passing away so soon.

He was of a cheerful sunny disposition and had been conversing with the family shortly before death.

He leaves a widow and three sons to mourn his sudden death. He was a kind father and loving husband and the loss is felt keenly.

Miss Electa Chilson and Mrs. Sprague went to Detroit Wednesday, the funeral occurring Friday.

### Around the County

The Northville foundry plant closed down on account of the intense heat last week.

Oakland county has 13,424 children of school age, and receives \$103,364.50 primary school money this year.

Birmingham Justice court is doing a land office business these days. Twenty-five speeders and illegal fishers were cited to appear last Monday—13 speeders and 12 fishermen.

The electrical storm last Thursday afternoon did much damage throughout the county. Barns were burned on a number of farms, and many head of live stock struck by lightning.

Terrence Murtha, the aged Commerce township man, who together with his sister, Miss Margaret Murtha, were taken to the county jail last week, was committed to the State Hospital the first of the week, and the sister allowed to go home. Murtha was adjudged insane.

Arthur Jarvi, aged 30 years, of Detroit, was drowned at Cass lake last Sunday afternoon, making the eighth drowning accident this season in this county. Jarvi was seized with an epileptic fit and fell into the water. He was rescued in a very short time, but all efforts at resuscitation failed.

\$1.00 gets the Enterprise for a whole year—only 2c a day.

We have a few of those State Fair premium lists left. Come and get one.

If you are contemplating buying a Ford you had better get your orders in at once, as the company is greatly behind in their orders at the present time. See Carl Ely at the Park Garage.

### State Fair Tickets.

We have received a quantity of state fair tickets for sale at 35 cents each, or three for \$1.00. The regular admission to the fair is 50 cents. These tickets will go for 35 cents each, while they last.

We understand many were disappointed last year because they waited until the advance tickets were all disposed of. Come right away.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Items of Interest From the Surrounding County, Gleaned by Our Correspondents.

### Clarenceville Items.

Miss Hazel Barnes has been sick for the past week, but is better at this writing.

Mrs. Charles Rogers, of the northern part of the state, will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Jensen for a couple of weeks.

There was a big turn out from here that attended the tent show at Redford Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Teagan's little 2-year old girl, Olive, was taken suddenly sick Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. B. Cook has been on the sick list this week.

Mrs. Elmer Weston and children spent one day last week in Detroit, with her parents.

Mrs. Otis Jensen was in Detroit on business Tuesday.

### "Energize."

That's a mighty forceful word, one of the most forceful in the whole dictionary. If you energize you will make things hum. You will do the things you want to, this applies to individuals as well as towns or communities collectively.

Every individual is a unit, as well as a spoke in the wheel. If some individual wants to turn one way and others want to turn other ways, how is the wheel going to move. Think of your community as a wheel and everyone turn the same way—forward, not backward.

Small town people sometimes fall into the habit of running everything down in their home town. This is almost as bad as saying you wish you had married another woman, instead of your wife, and if your wife heard the remark, probably you would have a chance to get another woman. But you'll never have much of a chance to get another town until you improve the one you're now in, so that you'll love it for its own sake.

Be kind to your home place and it will be kind to you.

It is estimated that the national guard members who have gone to the Mexico border have at least 75 per cent less cause for apprehension that they will fall victims to any of the diseases that cut down many times more soldiers in the Spanish-American war than bullets, than those who went to Cuba eighteen years ago. Typhoid fever and dysentery are practically unknown now because of the purification of the water, because of vaccination of soldiers and because of the elimination of flies through camp sanitation. Also because of vaccination, small pox is practically unknown, and most of the other preventable diseases are similarly held in leash in camp.

That United States Marines suffer little from foot troubles on long hikes in the tropics, is attributed to the fact that they invariably sprinkle soap powder into their shoes, or soap their stockings just prior to the march, according to a naval surgeon just returned from Haiti. In the Haitian campaign the United States Marines were sometimes forced to march thirty or more miles a day, over rough mountainous roads, and the cases of blistering, or painful swelling of the feet, were almost negligible.

Don't forget those liners.

Fresh fish every Friday at the Maas Meat Market. Trout, white fish and perch.

### Our Rural Mail Delivery.

Since the death of William L. Olson, of West Virginia, father of the rural mail delivery, the system has grown from three routes in October, 1896, to 43,877 routes in June 1915, serving from 26,080 postoffices approximately 2,500,000 persons. During the past few years there has been, for the first 20 years, a readjustment of the system, which, as in case of all radical changes, has caused some criticism, but is fast disappearing as its wider benefits and greater advantages appear. Before the readjustment many carriers traveled over a single highway twice each day; others duplicated the route of another carrier without rendering any service, and many other forms of waste and extravagance. There was also neglect shown as to the value of the work performed by the carriers. They were paid solely upon the miles of road covered, regardless of the character thereof, the equipment necessary, the amount of mail carried, or the hours of service rendered. This was an unjust and discriminatory in the payments made as it was in the distribution of mail facilities. Both needed remedy and the remedy was applied, and who shall say that in justice was done to anybody?

The rural delivery is indeed a boon to the country. Its measure, its advantages can not be estimated, nor need the cost of maintenance be considered, for it has broadened the field of industrial opportunity, touched as if by magic power the possibilities of human endeavor, and transformed conditions to a degree almost marvelous. It has brought the printed page, the great educator of civilization, day to the home; has brought special delivery almost to the door; has secured good roads and maintained them by official interest and concern; it has attracted the attention of the various states to this question and obtained results; it has made farm lands more valuable and contributed to increased production; it has abridged time by rapid communication; brightened all environment, and made ordinary dull routine interesting and attractive; it has lessened toil by the constructive suggestions which Government experiment and inquiry afforded, and has made the home a center of influence and crowns domestic life with all that makes for peace and contentment.

### Local News

Alph Hogle in Detroit Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Walters and children were Orchard Lake visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Clarence Bicking went to Walled Lake Wednesday where she spent the day.

Mrs. Helen Miller, of Birmingham, is spending a few weeks with her son, Dr. J. A. Miller and wife.

Mrs. Sarah Lapham, of Northville, spent last week at the home of her brother, Charles Ely and family.

The street connecting Grand River with Oakland Road is now completed, with an eight foot cement roadway.

Mrs. Frank Shear is entertaining her niece, Miss Emily Sheel, of Detroit, and Minnie Eggert, a cousin from Chicago.

A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Claude Safford, of Birmingham, Thursday morning, July 27, 1916. Mr. and Mrs. Safford formerly lived here.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Felt and son, Clyde, and William Baxter, of Plymouth, visited with the former's sister, Maebelle Felt, at the Owen House last Sunday.

Mrs. George Clare was a Northville visitor Tuesday.

George Francis is overseeing the grading of Oakland Road.

Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Grace attended the Alward funeral at Pontiac Saturday.

Mrs. Charlotte Johnson, of Detroit, visited her son Harrison Johnson, this week.

Miss Isabelle Countryman, of Detroit, spent the week-end with friends in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Montgomery, of Detroit, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Miller Saturday and Sunday.

Michigan's portion of the U. S. government road money, appropriated by congress, amounts to \$145,783.

John Crosby, a Novi farm hand was arrested last week on a charge of obtaining some clothing under false pretenses, from a Novi merchant.

Buy ice cream at the town hall lawn Saturday night, for the benefit of the men's centennial celebration fund.

### Card of Thanks

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy during our late bereavement. Especially Farmington Lodge F. & A. M., for floral tributes, Miss Tremper for her singing and Elder Brass for his consoling words.

MRS. LENA WEDOW AND FAMILY.

### July Taxes Due.

Village Taxes for 1916 are due and payable at my store until July 31, 1916.

After that date a penalty of 1 per cent will be added each month until March 1, 1917, when all unpaid village taxes for 1916 will be turned over to the county treasurer for collection, with a 7 per cent collection fee added.

JOHN R. WATKINS  
Village Treasurer.  
Dated July 1, 1916.

## LITTLE WANT ADS

For Sale—A new modern six or eight room house is offered by Fred M. Warner at a reasonable price and on easy terms.

FOR SALE—Visiting Cards, either printed or engraved. Satisfaction guaranteed. Inquire at the Enterprise office.

FOR SALE—Nice home and one acre of land, 1/4 mile south and 1 mile west of Farmington T. L. Irving, on premises. 36tf

FOR SALE—Horse and a half Gasoline Engine and Pumping Jack, all complete and in good condition. W. E. Heecy, at Farmington. 35tf

WANTED—Casings of all sizes to Vulcanize by the latest improved machinery. Satisfaction guaranteed and prices right. Also lawn mowers sharpened and repaired. Clyde H. Adams, phone No. 33, Farmington.

JOHN WEDOW—Auctioneer. All kinds of sales made, farm property a specialty. Address Walled Lake, Route 2. Farmington phone 4w2. Walled Lake phone 58x, 11, 18, 11. 14 tf

STATIONERY—We want to print that next lot of stationery for you. Good work and reasonable price. Try us.

BIRTH CARDS—We have in stock a quantity of Birth Cards, at 50 cents for 25 cards and envelopes. They are neat and just the thing to send your friends on arrival of the stock at your home.

AUCTIONEER—J. E. Phelps. Sales of all kinds solicited—21 years' experience. Satisfaction guaranteed. Bell phone 43173, Farmington. No sale too large or none too small. Dates made at the Enterprise office. 11