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KILL FLIES AND SAVE LIVES

Kill at once every fly you can find, and burn his body.—Observers say that there are many reasons to believe there will be more flies this season than for a number of years.

The killing of just one fly NOW means there will be billions and trillions less next summer.

Clean up your own premises, see and insist that your neighbors do likewise. Especially clean "out-of-the-way-places," and

every nook and cranny. Flies will not go where there is nothing to eat, and their principal diet is too filthy to mention.

The fly has no equal as a germ "carrier," as many as five hundred million germs have been found in and on the body of a single fly. It is definitely known that the fly is the "carrier" of the germs of typhoid fever; it is widely believed that it is also the "carrier" of other diseases, including possibly infantile paralysis.

Do not wait until the insects begin to pester; anticipate the annoyance. April, May and June are the best months to conduct an anti-fly campaign.

The farming and suburban districts provide ideal breeding places, and the new born flies do not remain at their birth place but migrate, using railroads and other means of transportation, to towns and cities.

Kill flies and save lives!

EARLY ROAD DRAGGING

We have heard some remarks as to the advisability of scraping and dragging the village streets, as accomplished by Commissioner Francis a couple of weeks ago, but it has been decisively proven, there is no time during the year when the work and effect of dragging the roads can be done with the favorable results as when the frost is leaving the ground. The gravel, or surface of the roadbed, is loose, and ruts and holes are more easily filled than when it becomes settled and hard. The necessary labor is also more easily secured than when spring work has commenced.

If those doubting results of the early road work will take the trouble to observe the streets of the village where the work was done and compare them with those not yet gone over they will find a great difference, in favor of the early worked roadway.

A bill has been reported out by the state senate railroad committee that is of special interest to Farmington and other towns along the electric lines, where no steam road enters. The bill provides for "through billing" on freight shipments from and to towns having but the electric lines—that is, if you have a freight shipment to Chicago, you can bill it at the local freight office without the "double freight rate" that has been almost prohibitive in the past for those making shipments, where the goods must transfer from the electric to the steam road, or vice versa. The proposed bill, should it become a law, will be a great boon for our village, as it will correct the present unjust condition under which our merchants and shippers have been placed, in having to pay a double freight rate where goods are transferred from the steam to the electric road.

Prof. Kedzie of the M. A. C., Lansing, is proposing a law for the closing of high schools and other institutions of learning during the coming crop-growing season and help the farmers grow and gather greater crops, as it is claimed food stuffs are needed in the prosecution of the war as much as ammunition and munitions. It is even proposed to draft men and boys to work on the farms. "It is the patriotic duty of every farmer to increase the production of his farm to the limit," says Prof. Cox. "Wherever corn is grown readily it should be planted unsparingly, as corn is one of the greatest necessities in feeding the army."

Every American war has been started in April—the present declaration on Good Friday, April 6, 1917. Let us hope the spirit of that day may inspire all "Americans" to be loyal to the principles for which our nation stands. Unfurl your flag, show your colors.

"Gathered junk" and "bonfires" herald the approach of spring weather.

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

Rural Farmington.

Fred Hyde in Pontiac Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Bade in Detroit Saturday.

Ed. Brown, of Detroit, spent Sunday with James Brown.

Mrs. Elmer Young visited with friends in Detroit Saturday.

Mrs. Tom Lytle and Mrs. Clyde Seeley were Pontiac visitors on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirchhoff, of Redford, were Sunday visitors at Joe Walker's.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell entertained company from Detroit Sunday.

Mrs. Ellis Randall was a Monday afternoon visitor at Bert Simpson's.

Mrs. Charles Gravin is entertaining her cousin, Harry Clark, of Manistee.

Mrs. Effie Pickering, of Franklin, was an over-Sunday visitor with her son and wife at Bert Simpson's.

Powers Station

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Clossen spent Sunday afternoon in Detroit.

Mrs. Eva Dennis and Mrs. Mae Rear spent Saturday afternoon in Detroit.

Mrs. Burt Rice, of Detroit, spent Friday with her niece, Mrs. Clara Greer.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beach, of Pontiac, visited in this vicinity Sunday afternoon.

E. J. Simmons has bought some hay from the Etherly farm and is drawing it this week.

The Greer family spent Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Stuckey, on the Base Line.

Will and Herman Wick spent Easter Sunday at home. The former works at the Ford works in Detroit.

James Tucker, Mabel and Myrtle Greer and little Dorothy visited the former's parents and family in Detroit Sunday.

Harry Simmons, who works at the Studebaker plant and his roommate, Will Robinson, also of Detroit, visited the former's parents and sister Sunday.

Conroy's Corners

Mr. and Mrs. Omer Conroy spent Sunday at Charles Gravin's.

Don Conroy, of Detroit, was a Thursday caller at the parental home.

Mrs. Austin, of Northville, was a Thursday visitor at the parental home.

Mr. Shutts, Jr., was a Port Huron visitor on Wednesday and Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Douglas were Wednesday evening callers at O. Conroy's.

Mr. and Mrs. Olmstead, of Pontiac, were Monday and Tuesday visitors at Harry Bartlett's.

Clarenceville Items.

Mrs. Jensen was in Detroit on business Monday.

Otis Jensen has been very sick but is some better at this writing.

Elmer Weston's brother George was a guest at their home over Sunday.

Earl Ranchor has rented the Waack house, and has moved his family there.

John Switzer has purchased a Sir Knight Overland car of Jim Cooley, of Redford.

The building on the Eckler place is being torn down, getting ready to subdivide the property.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Raquet and daughter Marie, of Detroit, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Eckler Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Edna Goers' eat Sunday dinner with Mrs. Jensen. Miss Edna and Miss Bulah Borton also spent the evening with Mrs. Herb Gordon.

Miss T. Dohany has moved out of the John Grace house, and Mr. and Mrs. Grace will soon move in. They will be welcomed back by all their friends at Clarenceville.

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	March 5, 1915.	March 5, 1916.	March 5, 1917
Loans, discounts, bonds and mortgages.....	\$19,111.30	\$72,784.09	\$239,417.35
Overdrafts.....	None	47.05	21.68
Cash on hand and due from reserve city banks.....	10,890.98	41,368.44	81,623.45
Banking house, furniture and fixtures.....	7,347.00	8,190.00	8,426.00
Expenses exceeding earnings (note, 1915-only).....	825.29		
Total.....	\$38,175.17	\$122,389.59	\$329,488.48

LIABILITIES

Capital stock.....	\$12,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$50,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits.....		1,616.45	14,908.35
Deposits.....	26,175.17	95,773.13	264,580.13
Total.....	\$38,175.17	\$122,389.59	\$329,488.48

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