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SHOULD HAVE WAITING ROOM

Village and Patrons Entitled to Some Consideration from the D. U. R.

With the removal of the D. U. R. tracks from Grand River, through the business portion of the village, there appears a very great need of a comfortable waiting room for the accommodation of the many passengers who take the cars every morning for the city.

Prior to the taking up of the tracks and turning their traffic off Grand River opposite the Ford Sales and Service Garage the Owen House had been used as a waiting room ever since the road was put through, and those not wishing to go into the hotel parlor could at least find some shelter on the porch, but as the matter now stands there is no shelter from the wind, snow or rain, and it seems no more than common justice to their patrons that some shelter be provided.

It also seems to us a good business proposition for the D. U. R. to provide something, if no more than an old discarded passenger car, or the "little red barn" just off the street could be fixed up into a passenger depot for the present.

The business given the D. U. R. from this village and vicinity would seem to entitle the traveling public to some sort of a waiting room, especially during the winter months. Every morning from 10 to 60 passengers are obliged to wait around in the street for a car.

Farmington has asked for very little in the way of improvements and accommodation in the past years, and always taken what they could get with a fairly good grace, and the village is entitled to this consideration from the company, it would seem to us.

Another Boost in Rates.

In last week's issue we published an advertisement for the Michigan State Telephone company announcing an application to the Public Utilities Commission at Lansing for an increase in telephone rates.

If the commission grants their request Farmington telephone rates will be \$33 a year for a business phone and \$24 a year for a residence phone, in the village. The farm line increase is from \$18 to \$21 within six miles of the telephone office, and from \$21 to \$24 beyond that distance.

Don't Desert the Farm Now.

The following, from the Plymouth Mail, is worth while for our farmer friends to remember:

Talk with the next farmer you meet in Farmington, and he will probably tell you that when the very things he produces are selling for about six times as much as he got for them when he turned them over to the jobber and the middleman and the wholesaler and a few other go-betweens, he feels a tendency to desert the farm, to hasten to the city and participate in what looks to him like the only kind of a harvest worth while.

He sees where wages are being pushed up on an unboard of figures, through strikes and agitation, and he longs, to participate in the reward.

And yet, if he will take the time to find out for himself, he will learn that the man who is working for a daily wage is not making money. He will quickly see that at the end of the year he will be farther ahead if he sticks to the farm. The average city dweller is straining every energy to make ends meet, just as is the farmer. The difference is that the city dweller takes his living out of the high-priced grocery instead of the soil, instead of his own acres.

The man who deserts the farm for city life discovers sooner or later that the golden harvest he anticipated was only a mirage, only a seductive dream that had to have its end, and that the road was not exactly as he had imagined it would be.

FROM OUR EXCHANGES

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

To speed up your car you put your foot on the accelerator and blow your horn. Why not apply this same method to speeding up your business?—Oxford Leader.

Just before we went to press word reached us that Jack Tucker an old resident of Greenfield Township passed away Wednesday night, October 1.—Redford Record.

The Livingston Reporter has figured out that the December taxes for Howell will be approximately \$38 per \$1,000 valuation. That's going some.—South Lyon Herald.

Fourteen mandrel training teachers in Detroit schools have resigned since the opening of the current term to accept positions in other lines where they could earn more money, according to Asst. Supt. Spain.—Detroit Courier.

Using a lighted match to determine how much gasoline there was in a storage tank resulted in a couple of thousand dollars loss to Brown Bros. store at Inkster and put Clarence Jones, standard oil agent at Wayne under the physician's care with two very badly burned legs.—Wayne Weekly.

In September 335 automobiles valued at \$312,443 were stolen in Detroit and 244 Detroit machines valued at \$243,539 recovered, according to a report made by Inspector Lucius H. Parker, of the police automobile recovery squad. In addition 18 other cars, worth \$18,525, were recovered and returned to their owners in other cities. In August, 386 cars were stolen and 248 recovered.—Free Press.

Loren Lapham, who resides alone at the old Lapham homestead, was found in an unconscious condition, last Saturday, by a real estate agent, who happened to call at the house. Medical aid was summoned and several bruises were found on his face, which he is supposed to have received in falling. He was later removed to the home of his niece in Detroit.—Livonia Center Cor., in Plymouth Mail.

Although the Michigan State Telephone Co. raised their rates but a few months ago, it will be seen by advertisements printed in The Era this week they are after another one. It would seem as though it would be better policy on the part of the company to improve their service before they seek to again bleed the people. Nearly 200 municipalities will fight the rate at the hearing. The long distance service is most wretched.—Rochester Era.

Five bandits made an ineffectual attempt to rob the bank at Goodrich just over the Genesee county line, Tuesday night. Stories differ as to why they were frightened away, but three of them were seen to rush out of the bank into an auto in which two others were waiting. One story is that something heavy falling on the sidewalk aroused the people in the hotel across the street. The telephone wires had been cut, cutting the attempt to call the office. The vault door had three holes put in it and some of the yegmen's tools were left behind in their flight.—Milford Times.

Ladies' Literary Club

The first regular meeting of the L. L. C. for the new year was October 8th at the home of Irene Bickling. Twenty members responded to roll call.

The program for the day consisted of two papers: "Rivers Mountains and Volcanoes of Alaska," [Bertha Stein] "Physical Characteristics of People of Alaska," Margaret Truscott.

Club to meet October 22nd with Martha Schroeder.

On Saturday at 3 o'clock there will be another blue rock shoot, and rifle practice, on the range west of the cemetery. Bring your guns. Shells sold on the grounds.

Try a liner. It will pay you.

IN MEMORIAM



THEODORE ROOSEVELT

A PROCLAMATION

To the People of the State of Michigan:

The people of the United States of America and its possessions, under the leadership of a nonpartisan association of friends and admirers of the Great American, are about to provide suitable memorials to the late Theodore Roosevelt.

It has been decided, during the week of October 20th to 27th, inclusive, to set forth the aims and purposes of the movement to the end that all shall have the opportunity to contribute to the fund for such memorials.

Theodore Roosevelt was an outstanding exponent of the "square deal" in all the relations of life, a champion of the common people, a passionate lover of his country, and an uncompromising defender of its institutions, its laws and its highest traditions.

Therefore, as Chief Executive of the State of Michigan, I deem it a high privilege to urge a universal participation in this movement, without regard to political ties, and the hearty cooperation of all citizens of the state in contributing of their efforts and their gifts to the perpetuation of Roosevelt's memory. In honoring him we honor the principles for which he stood and inspire in this and future generations a greater reverence for our beloved country.

It would seem fitting to observe in some special manner the twenty-seventh day of October, the anniversary of Roosevelt's birth, and I, therefore, suggest appropriate exercises in our schools and the holding of public meetings in all communities to mark the event.

Given under my hand and seal of the State of Michigan this twenty-fourth day of September, 1919.

ALBERT E. SLEESER,
Governor of Michigan.

Poisoned Little Girls.

Mrs. Hazel Luckart, who resided in Royal Oak township, is in jail at Pontiac, charged with giving her two little girls, Edna, aged 6, and Shirley, aged 3 years, corrosive sublimate, a slow, but deadly poison, and the children are said to be in a hospital at Detroit in a dying condition.

The woman claims the poison was taken by accident, and went into hysterics.

Later the children were rushed to Chicago Thursday morning, where upon the offer of Dr. Thomas A. Carter, a noted toxicologist, to take the case free of charge, they will be treated, and an effort made to save their lives. Dr. Carter made the offer through the solicitation of his wife, who had read the circumstances surrounding the poisoning of the little girls and was moved to interest her husband.

It is said Dr. Carter has performed cures in similar cases of poisoning.

Hurt in Auto Wreck.

As Lewis Fulkerson and family were returning from Redford last Saturday night they were following a big car with their Ford, when they passed another car, and in passing the Fulkerson car struck a machine standing at the side of the road, whose driver was repairing a tire badly damaging both machines and severely injuring Mrs. Fulkerson and her mother. No bones were broken, however.

According to Mr. Fulkerson's story the machine standing at the edge of the pavement was without a tail light, and as the big car ahead of him turned on his bright lights Fulkerson failed to see the machine.

To Erect Community House.

With the view of being useful to the community the Methodist Church of Farmington will be equipped to serve the people as efficiently as possible.

The first step in this direction has been taken by the purchase of a movie camera. The machine, which is the largest and most modern make is purchased and will be installed at once.

Pictures of the highest grade will be shown constantly. All motion picture events will be open to the public. Special children programs will be given regularly. Another step toward community service by the church was taken this week when the church officials ordered plans to be prepared for the erection of a community house on the church property which will be equipped for social, recreational and educational purposes.

Provision will be made for suppers, socials, concerts, lectures and recreational events. It is expected that the building will be ready early this winter.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our relatives and friends for their kind sympathy during our bereavement. Special thanks to the D. U. R. boys, the trackmen and inspectors, the line crew, the New Idea club and neighbors for the beautiful flowers; Rev. Gullis for his comforting words, and those that furnished autos.

Mrs. Minn Ryder and Children, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Colden, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Ryder.

IN HONOR OF TEACHER

High School Students Give Party for Mrs. Norman Lee at High School Gym.

Last Friday evening the students of the high school gathered in the auditorium, ostensibly for a social time, but in reality for a party in honor of Mrs. Norman Lee, principal whose marriage occurred recently, to participate in the gathering.

Mrs. Lee, formerly Miss Florence Hicks, whose work in our school for the past six years has been greatly appreciated by both pupils and all interested in the schools, began her teaching here, coming from her home in Webberville, and has by her untiring work and interest endeared herself to all who have known her.

A short program, consisting of solos by Misses Julia Eisenlord and Alice Brock, was followed by jokes, under the leadership of the Harger brothers and Russell Calerman, when a basket full of presents was brought in and Mr. and Mrs. Lee called upon to unwrap the packages, which consisted of aluminum kitchen utensils and an electric cook.

Russell Calerman made a short and appropriate presentation speech, expressing the appreciation which the students, and in fact everyone in Farmington, held for Mrs. Lee, to which she responded in a happy and touching manner.

Following the serving of ice cream and cake the remainder of the evening was spent in dancing and a good social time.

School Notes

Sarah Davis is absent on account of illness.

Mrs. Johnson was a visitor at school Tuesday.

Robert Selw is absent on account of illness.

Harold Kelly has entered the Ninth grade.

New desks have been put into the assembly room.

Lorine Schmidt is a new pupil in the Second grade.

Miss Boynton was a visitor at school Monday afternoon.

Mrs. John Clark was a caller in the Primary room Wednesday.

No school today (Friday) on account of the teachers' institute at Pontiac.

Doris Mills and Virginia Boswick are new pupils in the Kindergarten.

Clarence Wright and Irma Kippenburg are new pupils in the First grade.

Mr. Rawhouser gave us a talk Thursday, and Miss Kler gave the girls a talk.

The chemicals for the Chemistry room arrived this week, and experiments will be started next week.

A shower given in honor of Mrs. Lee at the High School Gym, Friday evening, and a good time was had by all.

Mabel Mahoney, Hope Perkins, Alice Arnold, Ruth Schroeder were perfect in their spelling lessons the past week.

A High School chorus is being organized and expects to give a public musical in the near future. New chorus books have been ordered and all are very anxious to begin this new work. We are also organizing a young men's elite club in the High School, and should be very glad to have any young men in the village who can and like to sing in our club.

Last Friday afternoon the High School football team went to Northville, where they lost, with the score 30 to 0. Three of the regular players were unable to play on account of not passing the required subjects. This week Friday the team will play at Wayne with the Wayne High School. Wayne is at the strongest team in the "Four Square League", and today's game will be the hardest game of the season for Farmington. Our fullback, Harley Catherman, has left school and will be unable to play in any of the other events.

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Mack, of Detroit, took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Reed Webster last Sunday.

Mrs. Grace Newman is delegate, and Susie Mairs alternate, to Rebekah Grand Lodge held in Detroit the week of October 20th.

Mrs. Will Walters, worthy matron, and Mrs. John Clark, past worthy matron of the local Eastern Star chapter have been attending the Grand Chapter of the order at Grand Rapids this week.

There will be a reception at the M. E. church next Wednesday evening for Rev. Sidney D. Eva, the new pastor. Every resident of the village is urged to be there and get acquainted with Rev. Eva and wife.

Marguerite and Murray Moore attended a dancing party at Detroit Saturday evening, and Mrs. Moore, daughter Florence, and M. T. Murray, of Lansing, attended the theater there Saturday.

Supervisors meet next week, when the appointment of a county board of auditors, consisting of three men, will be named.

The state tax this year \$17,509,000. Last year the amount was something over \$8,000,000, making this year's state tax levy about double that of 1918. Oakland county's share is \$493,875, and a year ago we were asked for \$196,477.

LITTLE WANT ADS

FOR SALE—Ten Pigs five weeks old. L. R. Pike, phone 79w4, Farmington. 48c

STATIONERY—Let us print you some nice stationery. Good work and reasonable prices.

WANTED—Two good Pin Boys to set pins at Owen House Bowling Alleys. Good Pay 48p

FOR SALE—A number of young Pigs. Inquire of John H. Johnson, phone 132j3, Farmington.

FOR SALE CHEAP—Detroit Vapor or gasoline range. Inquire of Elmer Dohany, Clarenceville, phone 87w2. 48p

FOR SALE—Eight 3-months-old pigs, cheap, Edwin Seates, near corner Switzer and Farmington roads. 48c

FOR SALE—Three work horses cheap, or will exchange for anything I can use. Amasa Grace, Farmington, Route 1. 48p

FOR SALE—Visiting cards—either printed or engraved. Best of work and prices right. Ask the Enterprise man.

FOR SALE—Modern house on good street in Farmington. Inquire of K. F. Lord, Ford Sales & Service garage.

WANTED—Anything in Brick Built or Repaired. Repair work a Specialty. T. B. Quigley, Route 1, Farmington. 48p

FOR SALE—Quantity of Corn Stalks; will deliver in Village. Thomas Irving, half mile south and one mile west of Farmington. 50p

WANTED—Janitor for the M. E. church. Reasonable wages will be paid. Inquire of Mrs. W. Irish, Mrs. D. L. Dickerson or C. Wesley. 48c

FOR SALE—Large sheets of Blotting paper, also Bristol Board, cards of all kinds, either printed or plain. Call at the Enterprise and see what we have.

WANTED—Man with Ford car, who wishes to earn a little "easy" money during spare time. For particulars write W. B. Magel, 902 Liberty street, Flint, Michigan. 48p

AUCTION—James W. Hilliker, on the old Drake Farm, section 9, will sell his stock, Farm Tools and Farm of 100 acres (if not sold before date of sale) at auction on Friday, October 31st. Farm contains 15 acres of apple orchard; also all kinds of fruit. 48p