

## SGT. MILAN PRATT INSTANTLY KILLED

Young Officer Instantly Killed  
Near Wayne Saturday Afternoon—Mourned by All.

Sgt. Milan Pratt, in charge of the Farmington station of the Michigan state police was instantly killed in an accident near Wayne Saturday afternoon while on duty.

The news of the accident was received by Troopers Roberts and Hansen at the barracks a few minutes after four o'clock. They at once started for the scene of the accident in a car driven by Carl Goers who made a record-breaking trip.

The body was removed to the morgue of Undertaker Morton in Wayne where the remains were prepared for shipment to the



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young man's home in Honor, Michigan. Col. Vandercok, commissioner of public safety, of whose department the state police are a part, was on hand at a very early hour after the occurrence of the accident to see that the dead officer's remains were accorded tender and proper attention, for the deceased was held in the highest esteem by his superiors.

Trooper Hansen of the local station and a detail from the Wayne station stood guard over the remains until Sunday morning when Trooper Roberts of the Farmington station and other members of the police as escort started on their sad journey to the home of the parents of the dead officer.

Immediately after Col. Ray Vandercok came to Wayne and the officer was dead he dispatched a motorcycle trooper to honor to convey the sad news to the deceased's parents.

While there were several rumors reaching this place regarding the manner in which the young officer had met death, what is presumed to be nearest to correct was the particulars brought back from the scene of the accident by Trooper Roberts.

Pratt was patrolling the highway a few miles outside of Wayne on his motorcycle when he came up to a car going in the same direction, the driver of which "stepped on it," when he saw the officer, who thereupon gave chase, probably being suspicious of the fellow's actions, at a hot pace, and just before reaching a four corners in the road, so it is alleged, a mail carrier being absorbed in watching the speeding car did not look about but turned into the road right in front of the rapidly approaching motorcycle.

The officer seeing he could not stop, and must either smash into the car or go into the ditch, he did the latter and as he came up on the road again his rear tire blew up and he went cross-wise of the road for several feet when he was thrown head first against the guard walls of a concrete culvert. The poor fellow's head and face was literally smashed to a jelly, the doctors saying not a whole bone was left in his head, so death was instantaneous, causing suffering.

conservative, manly demeanor as an officer was known to all who did not lose an opportunity to express their appreciation, confidence and respect of him as such.

Having known the deceased and his parents for several years, and having seen him mature from a stripling of a kid to a reliable and responsible young man of character and a likeable disposition, the writer joins with the people of this community who so respected him as an officer and friend that they contributed liberally to a testimonial of their regard for him that his grief-stricken parents, brothers and sisters might know their loved one is sincerely mourned in Farmington and community.

The officer was laid to rest in the family lot at Honor, dressed in a new uniform and reposing in a beautiful silk lined gray cloth covered casket.

The floral offerings from his comrades and the people of this community were beautiful and grand. The funeral was held on Wednesday.

Had Sgt. Pratt lived until the 23d day of May he would have reached his 23d birthday. He and Trooper Roberts were planning upon a double birthday party as their birthdays occur upon the same date.

The deceased officer was to have been married in August to an estimable young lady at Two Rivers, Wisconsin, who was prostrated with grief upon the receipt of the news of the tragic death of her betrothed.

### Easter Observed.

At early dawn Sunday gave promise of a beautiful day for Easter and continued as a typically bright spring day. Appropriate services were conducted throughout the day at different hours in the florally decorated churches, conducted by their respective pastors and the attendance was larger than usual, indicating growing inclination to show proper respect and honor to Him upon the anniversary of His Resurrection. Ex-Gov. Fred M. Warner, the sojourning in far away California, did not forget his old home town on Easter Sunday but gave beautiful Easter lilies to each of the churches in Farmington.

### Golden Key Class.

The Golden Key class of the M. E. Sunday school held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Miss Ernestine Pierce. The guests of the evening were Miss Francis Knight's class of high school girls and Rev. and Mrs. S. D. Eva. Miss Knight gave an interesting talk on the plans, aims, and problems of the Methodist children's home. Ice cream and cake was served by the hostess. About thirty were present.

### Don't Get Alarmed.

The people of Northville are naturally a bit scared because a case of small pox has developed in that village and as a matter of due caution the schools are closed. In these days when the doctors understand how to handle and treat small-pox, it is not as bad as an epidemic of measles. Good nursing and proper diet coupled with medical attention have brought the death down to one case in a thousand as resulting fatally. Should the disease come into this community do not be alarmed. Cleanliness and abstinence from a diet containing fats in any great quantity, coupled with plenty of fresh air is a preventative.

### Sail for Europe.

Farmington friends will be interested in the announcement of the marriage of Mrs. Maud Cohoon, wife of Detroit, and Mr. William F. Korf of Rochester, Mich., Wednesday afternoon in St. Matthias Episcopal church, Rev. Andrew S. Gill officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Korf will sail Saturday on the S. S. Olympic to spend several months in central and southern Europe.

### Died in Newark.

Mrs. Annette Hlop, sister of M. B. Pierce, died April 11 at her home in Newark, New York. She left two sons beside her brother, now the only member left of a family of nine children born to Cynthia Botsford Humboldt Pierce, long since deceased.

## BOARD OF COMMERCE BANQUET

Big Speakers, Big Eats and  
A Big Time Thursday  
Evening, April 27.

Yes, indeed, it's going to happen just as advertised. What's going to happen? Don't know, Eh? Well, we'll tell you.

The much-talked about and anxiously awaited banquet of the board of commerce will be given in the community hall of the M. E. church on Thursday evening, April 27, 1922.

You, who have attended these affairs in the past know what to expect—good eats, an enjoyable program and an evening of community and fraternal mingling, such as only the people of this community are able to bring to light and being.

The committee in charge of the program have received positive assurance from notable people from different parts of the country who were formerly Farmington boys, who have never severed the tie that binds them to the old home town and are in spirit and loyalty yet Farmington boys, though they have become permanently associated with the business, social, and religious life in other communities, as esteemed and honorable citizens, reflecting credit upon the community from whence they went forth to different walks and duties of life, that they have accepted the invitation to be here.

Look over the following list of distinguished gentlemen who will do their part by furnishing the intellectual feast for those in attendance:

Judge Fred S. Lamb, of Cadillac. Rev. Clyde McGee, of Chicago. Rev. James McGee, of New Haven, Conn. Clinton McGee, of Pontiac. The latter has been selected as toastmaster, and Thomas McGee, our obliging and painstaking postmaster, as president of the board of commerce will give us something worth while, too. And he isn't the only one who will have something to say to enliven the occasion. Farmington has a lot of good speakers.

Everyone is invited to attend this event and have an enjoyable time. Tickets are now on sale at the drug stores, hardware stores and the banks at the price of only one dollar each, which not only assures you good eats, but permits you to partake of the oratorical pyrotechnical productions. Bring your family and your neighbor's family, too, for that matter. Anyhow, come.

### Where Do You Stand?

You are either an American or you are not—you cannot be part American citizen and part something else. Neither can you be a real citizen of Farmington and spend your money elsewhere instead of patronizing your home institutions. You are either a loyal citizen or you are not. There is no neutral ground in this matter. If you really are loyal to your town you will not be ashamed to prove it by backing her to the limit.

### Hot Air Artists.

During the past week no less than "leventy seven" phantoms have visited our sanctum and insisted upon selling us different kinds of cork protectors. Now, just why those fellows thought we were in need of anything of that kind in a country print shop is not plain. A chest protector or gas mask that we might be prepared for hot air artists of their kind would appeal more to us.

### Cold as Ice.

Steffens, the market man, is erecting an ice station on Division street, upon D. U. R. property. This will be a cash and carry station and when the weather warms up should be appreciated by the public.

### A Real Treat Sunday.

The young people of Farmington will be provided with a treat and an inspiration next Sunday when one of the student teams of the University of Michigan will be heard at all of the services at the

Methodist church. The team will be composed of two young men and three young women, all students in the university, as follows: Robert Kneebone, L. H. Bettison, Estelle Cozine, Lois Housel and Esther Hood.

Mr. Kneebone will be remembered as the leader of the team that visited Farmington last year and so successfully and happily directed the programs at that time.

All the young people in the team are accomplished speakers, and among their number will be a singer of ability. All young people, and especially parents, are urged to hear, this student team next Sunday. The team will share in all the services of the day.

### Motorman Injured.

Wednesday afternoon Arthur Gorman, a motorman on a Detroit-Pontiac car on the D. U. R. line when going across the street at the Junction to get his orders was hit by an automobile traveling toward Detroit from Farmington. The driver stopped, however, and acted on the square in the matter. The injured man was taken to the hospital in Detroit where it was found that he was badly bruised.

### A Newspaper's Mission.

It is not the mission of a newspaper, and more especially the local or community paper to publish scandal, gossip or matters reflecting upon the moral or business integrity of anyone unless the same be a matter of record in court, therefore if The Enterprise fails to contain some morsel of gossip or rumor not entirely wholesome do not be disappointed.

### Seniors' Play.

The high school seniors are a pretty busy bunch this week aside from their lessons they are getting ready for their play, entitled "And Home Came Zed," a royalty play which promises to be something decidedly good. The dates are Friday and Saturday evenings, April 21 and 22. You will miss something if you do not attend.

### Memorial Day.

To be sure it is quite a while before Memorial day will be here but it is not a bit too early to begin to plan for the proper observance of this, the grandest and most sacred of American holidays. At another time The Enterprise will have something to say along the line of what we consider this day to mean to us as a people.

### Ladies Literary Club.

The last regular meeting of the L. L. C. was held at the home of Ira Hatton, Wednesday, April 12, 17 members and 5 guests being present.

After the regular program, the prize winners in the history of Oakland county contest read their prize essays, "History of Holly," by Miss Verduyn and "History of Farmington," by Miss Durham. Miss Boynton expressed the appreciation of the club and presented each with a book.

The club adjourned to meet April 26th, with Mrs. Irish.

### Phone Service Coming.

The telephone company is doing all possible to restore their service so badly knocked out by the recent sleet storm but progress is slow it seems as if most people who have phones but no service, but they absolutely do not realize the disastrous change the company has sustained. Everything will soon be all right once more. The rural patrons are the hardest hit and the worst of repairing those lines is bound to consume patience.

### We Have 'em.

Right here in Farmington two nights in the week the people are given the opportunity to see excellent moving pictures. Every Tuesday and Saturday evening in the community hall of the M. E. church these attractions are given at a reasonable price. Therefore there is no need of taking a trip to the city to see good movies. Trade at home applies in this case, too.

### Oh, My!

Many had a little dress, which you could hardly see. It started just above the waist and ended at the knee.

## PRE-PINK SPRAY ADVISED NOW

Early Development of Scab  
Fungus Makes Spraying of  
Vital Importance.

East Lansing, April 20.—Pre-pink spray of apples to control apple scab as well as the standard pink spray is advised this year by plant pathologists of the Michigan Agricultural college.

"The scab fungus is developing early this year," they declare. "There is every promise of spore discharge as soon as the buds push out a little more. Nearly mature spores have been found in material from Grand Rapids and Augustus, Michigan orchards. Lansing material is as yet considerably behind in its development as compared to the western localities."

Efficient control of apple scab, the pathologists explain, depends upon the timeliness of application of protective sprays to prevent early infections. This is especially true with such varieties as Duchesse and McIntosh.

The apple scab fungus winters on the fallen leaves and in the spring develops a spore stage which infects the unfolding leaves and developing blossoms. Leaves carrying the fungus have been obtained from various fruit-growing centers, and on examination it is found that the apple scab fungus has responded to the high temperatures of this spring and is developing extremely rapidly.

"The scab fungus gives every indication of producing infections very early this year," says Professor C. W. Bennett. Ordinarily fruit growers depend upon a spray when the buds are in the 'pink' stage, but this year, judging from the advanced development of the apple scab fungus, a 'pre-pink' spray will also be necessary to secure best scab control."

If the early infections are not prevented very serious spotting of chalyx of the fruit results. These early infections also give rise to severe later infections. The advice to give the pre-pink spray as well as the pink spray seems well warranted by the microscopic findings of this spring.

### Garage Burglarized.

Tuesday night burglars entered the Willys-Overland garage owned by Kahrl & Tamm, by jimmying the front door of the office. Tires, batteries, tubes, other auto accessories and a shotgun and rifle were taken away, making the loss about \$250. This is the second time the place has been broken into within the past year. As the days lengthen and warm up so that traffic will be heavy, it might not be a bad idea to have a night watchman for the village.

### One "Cute" Saying.

A ten-year-old boy was playing puz zuzzz pto-squoun-gt sqz upz he looked up in his face and said, "Go way Silly Billy."

### Barn Blown Down.

During the wind storm Wednesday afternoon a large barn on the Charles Asch farm was blown flat to the ground demolishing the entire structure. One horse which was in the barn was killed.

### D. U. R. Policy Is Explained.

Gen. Mgr. E. J. Burdick in an interview with E. J. Burdick, vice-president and general manager of the Detroit United Railway, respecting what effect the municipalization of the so-called Detroit City Lines will have upon the interurban service, he advises that, if any, it will be for the betterment of the out-lying communities.

"This operation," he said, "has always required an enormous amount of detail and with this eliminated to a great degree it will allow us to devote our whole time and attention to our interurban properties and other cities in which we operate. It means that we will practically have to reorganize our forces in such a manner as will best meet these conditions."

"Our experience in Detroit has taught us many lessons which we hope to profit by in the future. The stereotyped franchisees that

have been entered into throughout the country by our forefathers have proven highly unsatisfactory and future agreements will have to be greatly modified to in any way attract capital."

Although Mr. Burdick does not believe in any manner in governmental or municipal ownership, he believes firmly in state control through utility commissions.

"We deal," he said, "in our interurban system with over 150 regulatory bodies, which for the benefit of the public should be correlated in one general constructive plan. This can only be done by some governing body that is thoroughly conversant with railway operation and has the interest of the entire community in mind."

"It will be our earnest endeavor to come in closer personal touch with our patrons with the paramount thought—that of good transportation, at only such cost as will make a reasonable return upon a reasonable investment."

### Change of Press Day.

Beginning next week The Enterprise will print on Thursday afternoon, going to press on the last side at 3:30 sharp. All advertising matter must be in our office not later than Tuesday noon and no other matter accepted for publication in the current issue of the paper later than Thursday noon except news of a death, fire or accident. These rules are necessary in order that we will be able to give our patrons the better service we are proposing.

### Died in Detroit.

George Newbound, one of the prominent and well known citizens of Novi community, taken suddenly ill the first of the week was removed to Harper hospital in Detroit where an operation was performed. However he continued to sink until about 5 o'clock Thursday morning he passed away.

The weather man gave us genuine March weather Wednesday. From warm sunshine in the forenoon to a terrible wind storm in the afternoon and snow in the evening with a cold wind blowing all night, was the program for

## NOTES OF THE CHURCHES

### THE METHODIST PARISH.

—Farmington—

—North Farmington—

2:00 Preaching service.

3:00 Sunday School.

—Clarencville—

10:30 Preaching service. Rev.

W. W. Dale, preacher.

11:45 Sunday School.

7:30. Evening service.

Sidney D. Eva, Pastor.

W. W. Dale, Associate Pastor.

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### First Baptist Church Notes.

10:30 Dr. Ford will preach on

the subject: "Proving God."

7:30 Dr. H. C. Gleiss, super-

intendent of the Detroit Baptist

Union, will preach.

Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock

prayer meeting.

A cordial invitation is extended

to all to attend these meetings.

### The past week the Baptist people

have built a new baptistry in

the church to replace the one that

has most mysteriously disappeared.

They also installed a water

heating plant, thus making it

possible on Easter Sunday to

commemorate the death and resurrec-

tion of our Lord by the baptism of

three candidates. A piano and

organ have been placed in the

church for which we are very

grateful.

### Salem Evangelical Church Notes.

There will be preaching next

Sunday at 10:30.

Sunday school after the service.

The new pastor, Rev. Buken of

Chicago, will deliver his first ad-

dress.

### Universalist Church.

10:30 Worship and sermon.

Dr. Borenford will preach. Sub-

ject: "Easter—What After?"

Sunday school and adult Bible

class at 12:00 noon.