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HOME MANAGEMENT AND CLUB WORK

New Home Demonstration Agent
Hired by County Now
On Job

Oakland county's new home demonstration agent, Miss Muriel Dundas, has arrived in Pontiac, says the Pontiac Press, and is at present busy getting located in her office on the second floor of the post office.

Miss Dundas comes to this county from Allegan county, where she has been doing the same kind of work. Her home is in Bad Axe. Before going to Allegan county she was employed by Gladwin county in the same capacity. She comes to Oakland county highly recommended. In preparation for her work as home demonstration agent Miss Dundas spent four years in the Michigan Agricultural college, of which she is a graduate. She has also attended the University of Wisconsin, where she did graduate work. The Farm Bureau officers believe that this training with what experience she has had, will make her a valuable asset to the women of the county, who take advantage of their opportunity to learn what they can.

Miss Louise H. Campbell, state home demonstration leader; Mrs. George Hendrie of Bloomfield Hills, and Mrs. DeLano of Oxford, will meet with Miss Dundas to outline a campaign of work to be done in the county. It is probable that this program will contain work in nutrition, clothing, home management, and junior girls' club work.

Three organizations are co-operating to make the new office possible for Oakland county. The United States department of agriculture, the extension department of the Michigan Agricultural college, and the local Farm Bureau, all are responsible for bringing Miss Dundas to the county, and all will help to pay her wages and the expenses of her work. She is hired by the local Farm Bureau, of which she is now a member, and on the recommendation of the extension department of the college, with the approval of the national organization.

FORMER RESIDENT DIES AT TOLEDO

The funeral of Alvina Bishop was held at his home in Toledo, Ohio, Monday and attended by Mrs. W. A. Gates, Mrs. Jess Gates, Mrs. Frank Edwards, Orland Gates, Stanley Gates and wife and Bert Gates and wife of Farmington. The deceased died at his home of Farmington during his early life.

CIRCUS DAY

Ketrow Bros. circus is billed for Farmington, Wednesday, June 11, with two performances at 2 and 8 p. m. Performing elephants, bears, monkeys, ponies and other animals with many startling acrobatic feats are on the program.

TWO GOOD ONES

Two pictures of unusual excellence are next in order at the Methodist community hall. On Saturday evening James Whitcomb Riley's beautiful story, "An Old Sweetheart of Mine" which is as beautiful in pictures as it is in poetry, will be the feature. Strongheart and Mrs. Strongheart will be seen in their first picture together, "The Love Master." Both Saturday and Tuesday programs begin promptly at 8:15 p. m.

LAW ENFORCEMENT LEAGUE MEETING

The Oakland County Law Enforcement League will hold a meeting at Wixom Thursday evening, June 12th at the Methodist church. Supper will be served by the ladies at 6:30 and the lecture given at 8 o'clock. Everybody interested is cordially invited.

PILLS FORMER PULPIT

Dr. and Mrs. A. B. Beresford have returned to the manse after a two weeks trip to Cincinnati, Ohio. While in Cincinnati Dr. Beresford occupied the pulpit of the Universalist church, where he had been pastor for over ten years prior to coming to Farmington. A capacity congregation crowded the church, and after the services an informal reception was extended to Dr. and Mrs. Beresford.

NEW HIGHWAYS TO LINK THE NATION

An interesting account is given by the Firestone News Service in a special dispatch just released, of the accomplishment soon to be realized whereby the large cities of the nation will be linked up by a network of improved highways which will, at the same time, take in all cities and towns of any importance.

An analysis of the improved highway system for 35 states shows that of 1,100 cities of more than 5,000 population, all but 50 lie directly in the path of the system and it is said that at least 90 per cent of the total population live within 10 miles of some route on these highways.

An outstanding achievement in this direction has been the work done in selecting the roads to constitute the federal aid highway system. This has been done in accordance with the provisions of the federal highway act which require that a system of roads consisting of not more than seven per cent of the total rural mileage in each state be designated, and that all federal aid be spent on such a system.

The total mileage of rural roads in the United States is 2,859,575, which will limit the federal aid highway system to 200,170 miles. At the end of the fiscal year thirty-five state systems, comprising 11,699 miles, had been approved by the federal department of agriculture, and it was not thought likely that the initial program will exceed 180,000.

DEATH OF MRS. EYA A. SLOCUM

Mrs. Eva A. Slocum passed away at her home in Farmington, Michigan, Monday, June 2, of cardiac insufficiency. Deceased was 64 years of age, and leaves three children, Mrs. Harley Warner and William Slocum of Farmington, and Mrs. Fred Slocum of Detroit. The remains were shipped to Albion Thursday for burial.

HORSESHOE THROWERS' CLUB PROPOSED

The horseshoe throwing mania has reached Farmington and has caused a number of the organization of a club. The council has been asked to allow the use of a part of the town hall park for games.

There are quite a number of good quail and horseshoe pitchers in this local area and are anxious for an opportunity to indulge in the exercise. If the use of the park is permitted it is proposed to provide the space with suitable benches for spectators.

Mrs. Fred Rollette and Mrs. Herbert Littlefield of Detroit, spent the week-end at the home of the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Edwards.

NOTES OF THE CHURCHES

Farmington Methodist Church
S. D. Eva, Pastor
10:30 Children's Day address.
Baptism. Installation of W. H. M. S. officers.
11:45 Sunday School. Children's Day features. "When Two Americans Shook the World."

Clarenceville Community M. E. Church
Rev. T. J. Gregg, Pastor.
10:30 "Forgiveness a Sacred Duty."
11:45 Sunday School.
8:00 Children's day observance.

First Baptist Church
C. W. Townsend, Minister.
9:45 Church School.
10:45 Children's Day Cantata "The Garden of Gethsemane."
8:30 B. Y. P. U.
7:30 Worship and Convention Impressions.
Wednesday at 7:30 p. m.—Mid-week service.

Universalist Church
A. B. Beresford, Minister.
10:30 Worship and sermon Dr. Beresford will preach. Subject, "What the Child has to say to the Grown-ups."
12:00 Sunday School and Adult Bible class.

Evangelical Church
Rev. J. J. Collins, Pastor.
10:15 Pentecost service in German and English.
11:45 Sunday School.
Wednesday, June 11—Y. P. L. social.

WOODEN MAIN LETS LOOSE

Causing Water Famine in Farmington—Repairs Being Rushed

A break in the old wooden main on Orchard street Wednesday afternoon put the water system of the city out of business. The break was an unusually bad one from which a large stream of water shot several feet into the air, quickly draining the reserve reservoir, thus cutting off all water supply.

So great has been the demand on the wells of late that they have been taxed to their capacity. The pumping record at the station shows an average daily supply of 225,000 gallons, being in excess of 200 gallons per capita, which is a rather liberal water supply. There seems to be no question but what many gallons are wasted daily by reason of defective mains.

At a meeting of the council held Wednesday night it was decided to re-lay at once the old wooden main on Orchard street, which has given much trouble, with an iron main and at once put down another well on the property in order to increase the water supply.

There have been several breaks during the past few months in the main on Grand River avenue and it is only a question of time when it will be necessary to replace it with a new one.

All cities and villages depending on wells for a water supply are having trouble. There is a limit to the amount of water that can be secured in this way. Even Detroit with Lake St. Clair to draw on is not satisfied and is contemplating going to Lake Huron for purer water.

The present shortage here is due to a sudden filling in of sand at the bottom of the wells.

NORTH FARMINGTON TEAM STARTS A WINNER

The North Farmington baseball team won its opening game Sunday afternoon at DeConick field, from the Pontiac Independents 12 to 3.

Next Sunday the Five Points A. C. will furnish the opposition and a good game is expected as the Five Point boys have had a good club for the past two years and claim as good a one at the present time.

ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting and election of officers of W. H. M. S. of the M. E. church was held Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Mary Johnson with a pot-luck dinner at noon. A good time was enjoyed by the sixteen present and an extraordinary spirit prevailed. The result of the election was as follows:

President, Mrs. Victor Tomlinson.
1st Vice-president, Mrs. F. L. Cook.
2nd Vice-president, Mrs. J. A. Miller.
Recording Secretary, Mrs. L. F. Schroeder.
Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Margaret Truscott.
Treasurer, Mrs. Willard Adams.
Miss Box Secretary, Mrs. Elmer Empson.

Secretary of Missionary Education and Literature, Mrs. Emil Roos.
Secretary of Deaconess Work, Mrs. Ella Irish.
Secretary of Supplies, Mrs. Mary Johnson.
Temperance Secretary, Mrs. W. D. Butterfield.
Thank Offering Secretary, Mrs. H. A. Boice.

Home Guard Superintendent, Mrs. S. D. Harger.
Mothers' Jewels Superintendent, Mrs. Glenn Mills.
These officers will be installed at the morning service in the M. E. church next Sunday, June 8th.

MEMORIAL MORNING BLAZE

The quiet of Memorial day morning was broken by an alarm of fire caused by a blaze at the Frank Parson home on West Grand River avenue. A quantity of kerosene oil which had overflowed from a stove, became ignited and soon the kitchen was ablaze. By energetic work Mr. Parson saved the day but not without some burns.

Dinner guests Thursday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Hutton were Dr. and Mrs. E. R. Hutton and daughter Julia of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. George Milne and son, and Mr. George Grinnell of Northville.

SIX YEAR OLD LAD KILLED BY TRUCK

Henry Raymond, the six year old son of George Raymond of Clarenceville, was instantly killed on Grand River road in front of his home, Monday afternoon, by being smashed under the wheels of a heavy truck.

Harold Howard, 4490 Fourteenth street, Detroit, told the boy darted out ahead of the truck. A rear wheel crushed his head. The body was brought to Farmington. Howarth was not held, the officers investigating learned from eye witnesses that the accident happened as he stated.

FARMINGTON KNIGHTS AT CONCLAVE

Knights Templar from 80 Michigan cities attended the sixty-eighth annual convocation of the Michigan Grand Commandery at Saginaw this week.

Those attending from Farmington were, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Osmus, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Otis, Mr. and Mrs. H. McGee, Mr. Howard Eisenlord and sister Mrs. Wood, Mr. Wilmer Johnson, Miss Winifred Walling, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pagel, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bickling, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hogle, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hogle, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lamb and Mrs. J. A. Miller.

BOOZE AT THE STEERING WHEEL

Failing to make the turn at Steven's Corner on Pontiac road an auto being driven by Max Baglak of Detroit, went into the ditch Saturday night and was totally wrecked. In the car with the driver were Andrew and Frank Surko, brothers, of Detroit. All three were badly bruised and Baglak so badly so that he is still in the Pontiac hospital. Too much booze rather than any defect in machine or highway seems to have been responsible for the accident. The Surko brothers were fined \$25 and costs and given 15 days in jail. Baglak will be arraigned when he is able to leave the hospital.

FAREWELL PARTY

On Thursday evening, June 12 from 8 to 10 there will be an informal farewell party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Cook for Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Beresford, who are leaving for a two weeks visit to England. All their friends are cordially invited to come and wish them a pleasant trip and a safe return.

UNIQUE CHILDREN'S DAY SERVICE

In commemoration of the centennial of the American Baptist Publication society the local Baptist Sunday school will present a cantata entitled, "The Golden Century Garden," Sunday evening, June 8th.

There are seven parts, as follows:

1. The Beginnings.
2. The Waking of the Flowers.
3. The Summer Flowers.
4. The Harvest of the Kingdom.
5. The Golden Autumn.
6. Golden Century Fruits.
7. Golden Opportunities of the New Century.

LADIES UNION ENTERTAINED

Mrs. Minnie Johnson, on Saturday last at the spacious Johnson home on Oakland road, was hostess to the Ladies Union of Farmington and their guests, the Ladies Union of the Church of Our Father, of Detroit. The festivities lasted from 2 until seven o'clock, and more than forty ladies were present. The afternoon was spent in renewing old acquaintance and forming new friendships.

After a dainty and substantial lunch there were a number of addresses upon the work of the women in the churches. Mrs. John Delling, of the Farmington Union presided. Dr. Beresford spoke of the inspiring power of comradeship in the work of the women in the churches—illustrating the point by the present group—the churches of Detroit, and Farmington co-operating.

Mrs. F. D. Adams of Detroit, spoke of the most helpful and appreciated mission work among the people of the South that is being carried forward by the Universalists. Mrs. M. E. Prue of Detroit, spoke for a fuller co-operation of the Unions in the North, to further the work of the church.

In the work of the church Mrs. Johnson was assisted by Mrs. John Delling, Mrs. Ida Steele, Miss Zaida Steele, Mrs. Addie Pierson, Mrs. Charlotte Walter, Mrs. George Walter, Miss Mary S. Green, Mrs. Perry Wixom and Mrs. Beresford.

PIONEERS HAD A BAD YEAR

Present Backward Season Ideal Weather Compared with Spring of 1843

The year 1843 was a year long remembered by the pioneers of Farmington. On the night of 17th of June of that year a killing frost occurred. It was so severe that it could be scooped up by the handful from boards, walks and fences. It was disastrous to all growing crops. Wheat was in bloom and was a total loss in almost every case. There was hardly a farmer that raised enough wheat to supply him with bread. Very little hay was grown that year. Corn and potatoes that were out of the ground were cut down and had to be re-planted. No fruit was raised that year. The following winter 1843-44 was noted for its unusual snow fall. It began to snow early in December and from that time until late in the following March few days intervened without an addition to the snow fall. The farmers were illly prepared for such a winter. Because of the frost and cool summer of 1843 they had raised scarcely any hay or corn fodder. These articles, which were indispensable for the raising and keeping of live stock, could not be had at any price. There was none to sell. In their dilemma the settlers drove their cattle to the woods where they cut down the young trees and let them eat the tops. This was a poor substitute for hay and grain and many a farmer saw his stock get weaker day by day until they died from starvation. Only a few were strong enough to survive this terrible ordeal. It was in this winter that Halley's comet appeared in the northern sky. It was very bright and large. Not much was known at that time about this celestial visitor. Many thought it an omen of disaster. A man in New York state, Miller by name, claimed to have received a revelation in which he saw the earth and comet come together in a mighty collision, causing the total destruction of both by great heat. He drew large pictures of this dire calamity. He exhibited them in Farmington in a building near where the Baptist church now stands. He warned people that the destruction of all earthly things was at hand and set the date when the earth was to roll up like a scroll and be consumed with fervent heat. Some believed what he said, and sold or gave away their possessions, made their graves, robes and prepared for the ascension of the faithful into realms of bliss. They were called Millerites after Miller. But the day and hour came when this prophecy was to be fulfilled and nothing unusual occurred. The heavenly bodies pursued the even tenor of their ways, the comet disappeared, the snow melted and nature, it would seem, as if anxious to make amends for her somewhat erratic behavior, made the summer of 1844 one of the most beautiful and one of the most productive ever known in Michigan.

N. H. P.

THE HIGH SCHOOL TATTLER

News

Kindergarten—The children have taken several walks to the creek and have found the habits of the different birds very interesting.

After the story, "How the Singing Water got to the Tub" was told the children discussed the city water system.

In connection with the zoo at Belle Isle the children talked about the different animals including Sheba the three year old elephant bought by the school children of Detroit.

The meaning of Memorial day was discussed and the children told why we should observe it.

A counting home was made on the sand table. The buildings were made of stiff paper.

Second Grade—They are reviewing the reading stories of the year.

For the opening exercises Miss Palmer is reading the "Famous Hazel Square" the book being furnished by Virginia Hinborn.

The children are having picture study this week and are writing short paragraphs about them.

Third Grade—The children are reviewing in all the studies.

In geography they are studying "How to Travel."

CENTENNIAL PROGRAM NEARLY COMPLETED

The date for the Centennial Celebration is near. A hard day's work is being done in the completion of the work necessary to the success of the affair. The committee on the horse show have chosen Warner field for the site of their exhibit. They have built a fence and enclosed sufficient ground to give them ample room for the splendid program. Work on the pageant is under way. Superintendent Leonard and the teachers of the school are conducting rehearsals, with the pupils taking an active and enthusiastic interest in the staging of this splendid historical review of the progress made by the town in its one hundred years of existence.

The committee on advertising have ordered a large number of posters suitable for window display and out-door posting. These have arrived and are being distributed. Large street banners will soon be here and will be placed in position at the proper time. The official program is in the hands of the printer and will soon be ready for general distribution. The program of athletic events is full of interesting contests. Boys and girls, men and women also will have an opportunity to compete for some good prizes.

The committee in charge of the various features of the program have done excellent work.

FORD MOTOR CO. FLOAT TAKES FIRST PRIZE

The one note of happiness in Detroit's annual safety parade signaling the opening of safety week was the beautiful float entered by the Ford Motor Company. Judges awarded it the first prize, a large silver loving cup.

The float was designed to suggest the spirit of happiness which is the reward of safety. It presented a Maypole party, with little girls dressed in white holding the varied colored ribbons which hung from the gold topped pole. The floor of the float was all of sod, the natural grass coming in a terrace effect, the words, "Happiness is Our Reward" was worked in bright yellow tulips on either side of the float. A white net enclosed the "yard," little green chairs were placed for each of the girls and a pleased mother, seated on a lawn bench, looked on the happy party of little ones.

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE TO HOLD MEETING

There will be a meeting of all the committees Thursday, June 12th.

We want a large attendance, not only of the committees but of the men and women of the town who are interested in making the celebration a success. Come out and help boost.

Fourth Grade—

They are making bird posters and making rhymes about each bird.

For geography they are studying the Panama Canal.

Fifth Grade—

Thelma Garlick's team won the exciting game in base ball. Rah! Rah! Rah!

For English they studied grasshoppers. They had some live specimens.

Sixth Grade—

We are very sorry to have Mary Cairns leave school.

For geography we are drawing maps from memory.

Clarence Wright is back in school after an illness of two weeks.

Society

The Girls' League gave a party Monday evening at the high school in honor of Miss Mitchell, dean of girls. The evening was spent in playing games and dancing.

Refreshments were served and Miss Mitchell was presented with a fine gift.

On Wednesday evening a party was given at the Middlewood home. The entertainment of the evening consisted of music and many games which were enjoyed by all, after which refreshments were served.

Athletics

Farmington took third place in the state track meet, held at Lansing last Friday and Saturday, which was a good showing considering the teams they had to buck against.

For the first place for three successive years, again took the front, with Clinton second. Allen broke two records, tying for first in the pole vault with 11 feet, 1 inch and took a clean record in the broad jump with a hop of 20 feet, 5 1/2 inches. Graham tied for first in the high jump at 5 feet, 5 inches.

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