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A RAISE IN WATER RATES

The Village Council at its regular meeting Monday night, raised the water rates from \$1.50 per quarter to \$2.50 per quarter, less ten per cent discount if bills are paid on or before the 15th of the month on which they bear date. This action, it is claimed, was absolutely necessary if our water system is to pay the expense of its maintenance. Under the new rates the charge will be less than that made by most of the surrounding towns.

For tapping water main for private residences the charge was increased from \$20 to \$40. Under the old rate a loss was incurred every time connection was made. Owing to the increased cost of material the new rate will barely cover the expense of the work performed and the material used. Because of the reasons stated and excellent service now given, but little objection to the council's action is anticipated.

SUPERVISORS' ASSOCIATION OPPOSES PRIMARY LAW

The State Association of Supervisors now in session at Lansing is making a fight against the present primary election laws. John C. Nagel of Detroit in speaking on the question said:

"The curse of the primary now is that a man gets into office, and by gathering a minority group around him, manipulates things so that a number of other candidates will get in against him in the next primary and he will be renominated, although supported by a minority."

Some of the outstanding resolutions adopted by the association are:

Indorsing the plan to advertise the state as a resort and tourist region.

Abolish co-participation in the cost of construction of trunk line highways.

Encourage owners of cut-over lands to retain them and keep them on the tax roll, instead of turning them back to the state, by reducing their valuations to a minimum.

Amend the constitution to permit 50 per cent of the fines collected in any county to be placed in the general fund, instead of using it for the establishment of libraries.

Make the state, instead of the county, liable for damages incurred on state trunk line highways.

Permitting townships to assess the township for lighting unincorporated villages.

GIRL REPORTED

Wilhelmina Bonning, seven years old, who has been making her home with Mrs. E. R. Stodgel and attending Eagle school, left Tuesday for Holland, Europe, having been reported with other brothers and sisters. Wilhelmina has proved a likable youngster and Mrs. Stodgel was loath to part with her.

NOTES OF THE CHURCHES

Clarenceville Community M. E. Church

Rev. H. B. Duttweiler, Pastor

10:30 Morning Service

2:00 Sunday School

7:30 Evening Service

Farmington Methodist Church

S. D. Eva, Pastor

Sunday

Lincoln Sunday—10:30—"A Man For the Age"

11:45—The Lincoln Sunday School

6:30—The Grenfell League

7:30—A visible sermon—"Talking with Lincoln Face to Face"

Wednesday—Mid-week service—"The Perils of Liberalism"

Evangelical Church

Rev. J. Bollens, Pastor

10:15—Services, German

11:45—Sunday School

Wednesday, February 11—Y. P. L. meeting

First Baptist Church

R. F. Willson, Pastor

10:30—John 8:16

11:45—Sunday School

6:30—B. Y. P. U. Service

7:30—The Translation of Elijah

The newly organized choir which assisted so ably last Sunday evening, will lead the singing again next Sunday. Two of our young people will sing a duet, which will add considerable attraction to the evening service.

Any young people wishing to join a choir composed of young people, may come to choir practice at 7:30 P. M. Thursday, any week.

The attendance at the evening service last Sunday was double that of the preceding Sunday, so we are expecting big things February 8.

SELL HOME TO COUNTY

Residents of the same house for fifty-eight years, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Osman of Pontiac have sold their fourteen-room home to Oakland County for \$150,000, for use as a juvenile detention home.

O. E. S. DANCE

Don't forget to keep an open date for Friday, February 13. The O. E. S. dancing party at Town Hall occurs on that evening. Stone's five-piece orchestra will furnish music.

Michael-Sulkowski is erecting a dwelling house on Pickett avenue, which he will occupy with his family.

STATION F. H. S.

A change of officers has again been made for the month of February. The preceding officers have done good work, and we sincerely hope that their successors will do as well. The appointed officers are:

Editor in Chief—Genevieve Forsyth.

News Editor—Netha Sheets.

Athletics—Percy Spaller.

Society—Ethel Penman.

Business Manager—Doris Shepko.

Kindergarten

We are going to have a "Valentine Party," and are making decorations for it.

Billie and Dick Barron, Harrison Fletcher and Tony Himelach are making cookies and pies for a bakery store, which they are going to make out of "patty hill" blocks. Some new nursery rhymes have been learned. In picture study they have had "The Snow I Seen" and "The Sad Man."

First Grade

Robert Kelly started to school this week. The children are learning to tell time. They are also learning the poem "Winkom, Blinkom and Nod," for their literature class.

The children are using "clay igloos" for their sand table.

Second Grade

Teddie's class dramatized "The Twelve Months."

Carl Ufferman has been in the second grade for two weeks, but owing to excellent work has been promoted to the third grade.

Third Grade

Jack Elmer's side won in the spelling contest, with fifty-one perfect scores, while Catherine Lorian's side had thirty-nine.

Carl Ufferman is the new boy in our room, and Harold Rice has left.

They are reading the story "East of the Sun and West of the Moon."

Fourth Grade

We are gathering boxes and materials for a store in arithmetic class. "C" class in reading are making flash cards to help in difficult words. Doris Schroeder has been ill with a cold, but is back to school again.

Fifth Grade

We are progressing more rapidly than the seniors, for we have already taken a trip to the "coal mines" and put our hats and coats on, "I want you to know." In geography class we made a map of Mexico.

Sixth Grade

For literature they are studying "Paul Revere's Ride." The arithmetic exercises for this week have consisted of exercises for speed and accuracy.

Spring will soon be here for the boys "are collecting" marbles.

Seventh Grade

We are studying a course in science instead of studying geography.

The following pupils had perfect attendance last week:

NEW SONGS HITS FOR CLUB

The members of Farmington Exchange Club had their "pictures" in group at Tuesday's noon-day luncheon, from which a plate will be made that will be used in the circulars advertising Farmington at the Builders' Exposition at Detroit, February 28 to March 7.

Floyd Nichols, Harley Warner.

FOUR TOWNSHIPS WILL CELEBRATE CENTENIALS

One hundred years have rolled round since Oakland county was settled by sturdy pioneers from the east. Last year Farmington held its centennial celebration, making of the occasion a three-day event.

This year four Oakland county townships celebrate their centennials. They are Novi, Commerce, Oakland and Orion.

Oakland and Orion townships will mark the close of their first century, by taking charge of the annual meeting of the Oakland County Historical Society to be held at Pontiac February 24 and present appropriate programs. Novi and Commerce townships intend to join in a big celebration next summer, carrying out a program similar to the one here last June.

A large attendance from all parts of the county is expected at the meeting in Pontiac this month. The large number of townships planning celebrations is expected to increase the number materially and an interesting program is also being planned.

COMMUNITY FATHER AND SON BANQUET FEB. 19

A Community Father and Son banquet will be held on Thursday, February 19 under the auspices of the local Y. M. C. A., committee of which Mr. E. V. Tomlinson is chairman. The principle speaker will be Dr. Robert L. Tucker of Detroit. The banquet will be served in the dining room of the Methodist Church. The Y. M. C. A. committee is organized to carry on boys work in Farmington is made up of men of all the churches, and is putting on the Father and Son banquet as its first united effort. The committee has planned a Father and Son banquet with all the trimmings. Fun features, songs, novelties, and speakers who know boys and men what they like will compose the program. Tickets at the stores in a few days. Places for 250 will be set. To get tickets early guarantee a place!

BIRTHDAY

The birthday of Lincoln will be observed at the Methodist Church on Sunday with interesting features including famous Lincoln poems, such as Markham's "Lincoln," Walt Whitman's "Captain," O Captain and Lowell's "Lincoln." A famous portrait of Lincoln will be on display. The sermon theme will be a paraphrase of Stanton's famous "He now belongs to the Ages."

The evening sermon will feature a visible sermon "Talking Face to Face with Lincoln"; Lincoln's favorite hymns and Lincoln stories.

SHOULD NOT LEAVE CHILDREN ALONE

The following clipping from Pontiac Press will bear reprinting:

Frank W. Kuhn, Pontiac fire chief: "If Pontiac parents had been given an opportunity to see the little girl yesterday afternoon who was buried to death when she was left alone with three smaller children at her home, fewer small children would be left at home by their parents. The fact that little Frances Rollison, only 9 years old, ran out of doors when her dress caught fire, probably saved the other three children from being trapped in the house where they would have been fried. Parents should be exceedingly careful about leaving small children at home alone."

PROPOSE SEPARATION OF COUNTY Y. M. C. A.

At the section meeting of the Oakland County Y. M. C. A. recently held in Birmingham a resolution was passed favoring separation of the northern and southern divisions.

The separation cannot be made by the southern division, but the proposition will be discussed and voted on at the annual meeting. Inasmuch as the northern organization is said to favor the project it is considered probable the separation will be made. Roy Vail, who was present from the northern division, voted in favor of the plan, and said he believed it would be supported by the other half of the county.

Have you paid your taxes yet?

FARMINGTON SHRINERS AT CEREMONIAL SESSION

Farmington Shriners in attendance at the annual ceremonial session of the Shrine in the Coliseum at the Detroit fair grounds, Wednesday afternoon and evening were Nobles James Hogle, H. C. Thayer, Amos Otis, Dr. E. F. Holcomb, Ben Storms, Clarence Bickling, John Clark and Olin Monahan.

This is the first time the Coliseum has been used in the winter time because of inability to heat. Now that the heating problem has been satisfactory solved the Shrine circus will be held there next week.

POULTRY PEST FOUND HERE

The European pest, a much dreaded poultry disease, has been found to have infected Michigan poultry. Its first known appearance was in the Detroit poultry market. The disease seems to spread very rapidly and to be fatal in about forty hours. It first effects the eyes of the chicken, later the wattles. The eyes lose their brightness and begin to close and the wattles become swollen. Internally there is evidence of hemorrhage. Poultry raisers are warned against permitting any person to bring poultry into their yard or in any close proximity to their fowls. The crates, according to Michigan Agricultural College authorities are the best possible carriers of the disease.

CHRISTMAS TREE PLANTING PROFITABLE

Norway spruce the best trees for plantings to raise Christmas tree stocks commercially, according to B. F. Kroodsma, forestry extension specialist at M. A. C. Great interest has been shown lately in evergreen nurseries to supply the Yule trade, as pressure is brought on bear to stop indiscriminate cutting of young forest trees.

That there is a chance for good profit in Christmas tree raising is shown by estimates of the M. A. C. forestry department. Figures based on their experimental plantings place the earnings at \$111 a acre per year. A profit of \$200 an acre, under good conditions, is claimed a prominent grower in Pennsylvania.

Triangular planting, three feet apart, gives 5,684 trees to the acre, according to Kroodsma. A 4 by 4 foot spacing would require 2,722 trees to the acre. Four year old transplants are said to cost about \$15 a thousand.

FARM FOLK GATHERED AT M. A. C.

Agricultural interests of Michigan are gathered at East Lansing this week, more than thirty different farm groups holding meetings and hundreds of other rural folk attending the general sessions of the big Farmers Week conference.

No estimate of the attendance figures were available yet in the middle of the week, but college authorities estimate that the 5,000 mark of recent years will be equaled or passed with good weather.

Agricultural exhibits and nationally known speakers on the general programs compete with each other for chief interest among the visitors.

Women are holding a conference of their own, the Homemakers Section, with their own exhibits and meetings.

LOCAL ROBINSON READ THE BIOGRAPHY

Josephine McGee read one of his essays "Truth of Intercourse."

Nola Switzer discussed the problem of the Japanese in California which was followed by an open discussion by the club.

The club adjourned to meet February 18 at the home of Mrs. Ernestine Pierce.

Dr. Weaver and Floyd English told what they heard and saw at the Lansing convention, last week.

Several new musical gems were introduced by Director Weaver. They are in his own inimitable style of quick and devilish movement and made a great hit.

Mrs. Joseph Vorbeck is on the sick list.