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THE SEWER PROBLEM

The weather conditions of the past six months have greatly emphasized the importance of proper drainage and sewer systems. Everywhere in this section a majority of building basements have been more or less flooded due to inadequate sewers and poor drainage.

Sewers and drains have been a popular subject of discussion for several months which apparently has resulted in a strong sentiment for better sewers. In Farmington conditions are far from ideal and will not be bettered until a master plan of drainage is adopted and one of more trunk sewers constructed for taking care of the sewage and surface waters of the streets.

The construction of such a system will of course necessitate the raising of a large amount of money which would prove a judicious investment in enhancing the value of real estate and giving to it a much readier market. Lack of and inadequate drainage is today the greatest drawback in the sale of real estate for building purposes. Home builders when purchasing lots have so often been disappointed in the matter of drainage and have published this fact so broadly that those now seeking locations are cautious and inquiring closely into actual conditions. "Proposed" drains and sewers served for a time as a talking point for dealers, but buyers today are mostly from Missouri and want to be shown.

The severest question is the first big problem that should be solved by the City of Farmington. It would be a waste of money to resort to temporary expedients for the relief of any one particular section of the city. A comprehensive plan of drainage for the entire city should be formulated by a competent engineer and the trunk lines constructed just as soon as possible. With the trunk sewers established lateral lines will soon follow and new subdivisions can be provided with proper drainage as they are opened.

The trunk sewers should be of sufficient capacity and depth to take care of outlying territory which will eventually become a part of the city.

WHEN THE GOVERNOR GETS HOME

Governor Goebeck is expected home this week from his trip through Mexico which fact is causing a hush and much knocking of knees under the big dome at Lansing. When the big boy says "Boo!" the kittens will fly to the cathole.

FRESHENING BREEZES

F. D. K.

If winter continues to linger much longer in the lap of spring we can see where another world scandal is likely to start.

Now that the state is broke that ought to make it unanimous.

After all is said and done the wet and dry question will remain with us as long as there is any danger of rainy weather during the golf season.

Death, which claims all seasons for its own, seems to have a faithful ally in the cucho who tries to beat the train to the crossing.

What has become of the old-fashioned housewife who uses to dose the kids with liberal potions of sulphur and molasses along about this season of the year?

Life's greatest tragedy is the woman with a new spring outfit in the midst of stormy weather.

Before you make that investment consult your banker. It will save you many sleepless nights.

And Now in Closing—

Happiness is born of sentiment. Reason is cold and sometimes cruel, but sentiment is always gentle. Sentiment may be foolish and extravagant, but it benefits in making others happy.—Edgar A. Guest.

IDEAL HIGHWAYS DUE IN 25 YEARS

According to highway engineers roads twenty-five years hence will be a minimum of 120 feet in width. They will be well lighted at night and policed by stop-and-go signals. All surface drainage will be carried in storm sewers beneath the ground line. All telephone, electric light wires, etc., will be carried underground.

All railroad grade crossings will be eliminated by a separation of grades. The highways will be beautified by the planting of trees and shrubbery in the parkways. Speed limits will be fixed at a minimum rather than a maximum, as is now the vogue. Street cars will be supplanted by buses to connect with the rapid transit rail lines. Pedestrians will be prohibited from crossing the street.

Subways or overhead crossings will be provided for their use. In the downtown congested districts elevated sidewalks will be provided for them.—Detroit Free Press.

NICK LUCAS HEADLINES AT TEMPLE THEATRE

Nick Lucas, "The crooning troubadour," headlines the bill at B. F. Keith's Temple Theatre, starting Sunday matinee, April 11. Mr. Lucas is a well-known tenor and his original method of singing songs have made him a great favorite wherever talking machine records are played. Others listed: Detroit's own Roy Cummings' famous acrobatic comedy with Irene Shawin their latest skit, "One Afternoon;" Nelson Snow and Charles Columbus assisted by Cynthia Maece and Morton Howard in "Like This Like That;" by Irene Franklin and Jerry Jarnagan; Mollie Fuller & Co., in "An Even Break;" Bob Hall, the extemporaneous chap; Hurst and Vogt, big vaudeville favorites; "Proteering in Fun;" Conner Twins in a clever routine; Margin Clifton and Parsons in classic poses; the Aerial Drifters, sensational gymnasts and the weekly screen subjects.

GEORGE ARLISS IN "OLD ENGLISH"

George Arliss appears in Winthrop Ames' production of John Galsworthy's play, "Old English" at the Garrick Theatre, in Detroit, for two weeks beginning on Monday, April 12, with matinees on Wednesdays and Saturdays. A year ago Arliss made his first appearance anywhere in the character of Sylvanus Hetherop. The part has proven the most successful role Arliss has acted, not forgetting his Disraeli and Rajah of Ruk. For 200 performances he acted it in New York. In Philadelphia, Boston, Chicago, Baltimore and Washington he has broken all records for a dramatic star.

"Old English" tells of the staunch, alert, unscrupulous shipbuilder who in his eighty-sixth year still is fighting his battle in commercial circles and domineering everyone about him. When about to make secure their remainder of his life and the fortunes of his grandchildren, he meets his first defeat. He goes to his end with his colors flying, unrepentant, unafraid, without self-pity. It is a gorgeous, human portrait. The cast includes the players who impressed New York last season.

Laughs at Time's Passage

At Vernal, Utah, Dr. Harvey Cee Hullinger, who claims to be the oldest practicing physician in the United States, with seventy-five years of practice to his credit, celebrated his one hundred and first birthday by going about his work as usual. Doctor Hullinger, Mormon pioneer and Civil war veteran, is known as Utah's oldest citizen. He was born in Ohio and went to Utah in 1859.

Old Musket Still Good

Seventy-nine years old, C. W. McPherson of Port Washington, Ohio, hunts rabbits, and kills them, too, with a musket more than a century old. The gun has been in McPherson's possession more than forty years. He killed four rabbits, with it one day this season. The gun is a muzzle loader, with powder horn and ramrod.

COMMISSIONERS

PROCEEDINGS

Regular meeting of the Commissioners of the City of Farmington, held April 5, 1926.

Called to order by Mayor Butfield.

Commissioners present, Hogle, Johnson, Russell, Gildemeister.

and Cook.

Minutes of the last meeting read and approved.

The following bills were read:

Lee Hardware	\$18.07
Detroit Edison	444.04
Earl A. Vivier	2.15
Dr. Ashenbrenner	2.50
N. H. Power, postage	3.50
Olin Russell	39.42
Wixom & Walbank	2.46
Farmington Hardware	18.94
Farmington Lumber & Coal Co.	31.82
L: F. Fendt	2.00
H. G. Nichols, balance of salary	80.00
Farmington Enterprise	126.20
E. L. Phillips, attorney	225.00
1000 Stamped Envelopes	22.82
A. Lemerand, labor	5.40
Herman Krueger	129.24
George Grant	85.40
Harvey Blough	70.88
Jessie Peasley, labor	49.00

Moved by Hatton, seconded by Hogle that the bond of George Gildemeister, city treasurer, be accepted as read. Carried all yeas.

Moved by Russell, supported by Johnson that the bill of Frank Bachelor for damage to his truck be allowed. Yeas, Johnson, Gildemeister, Hogle, Butterfield, Nays, Cook, Hatton, Russell.

Moved by Russell, supported by Gildemeister that the firemen be paid \$5.00 each for past services. Carried.

Mayor Butfield appointed Hutton, Russell and Johnson to consider the matter of street pavement and report at an early meeting.

Moved by Johnson, supported by Hogle that Attorney Phillips' bill be referred to Howard Warner, chairman of the Charter Commission. Carried all yeas.

Moved by Hogle, seconded by Hatton that bills be paid as read.

N. H. POWER Clerk.

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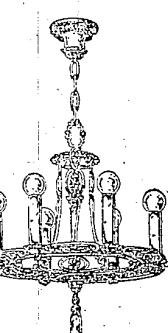
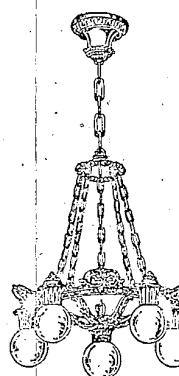
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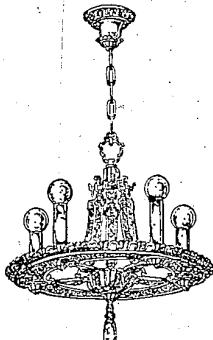
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