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Editorial

REV. DUNLAVY

It is difficult to estimate a man's place in his community until he leaves it, and yet it is with certainty that he will be missed that Farmington bids goodbye, this week to Rev. Dunlavy of the Methodist Church.

While wishing him happiness in the new field assigned him by the Methodist Conference, Farmington regrets his departure. His standing as a minister and as a man in the community have been equally marked. Few there must be who have not heard of more than one unusual instance of Rev. Dunlavy's helpful interest and self-sacrifice, who have not come under the broad influence of his warm friendliness. Modesty and a retiring manner have rather widened than narrowed the circle of those who were pleased to call him their friend.

Farmington has been honored by Rev. Dunlavy's presence in this community, and that church which is fortunate in having him named pastor will be honored too, in the coming into its midst of a splendid character, a kindly spirit, and a true gentleman.

LEFT OUT

An impressive review of the growth of suburbs of Detroit since the census of 1920 has been issued by the Subdividers, division of the Detroit Real Estate Board. Says the bulletin:

"The widening circles of increasing values in suburban Detroit are daily assuming more commanding proportions.

"The Metropolitan Area embraces a number of communities whose growth is truly startling. 'We have become familiar with such incorporated communities as Pleasant Ridge, Lincoln Park, Berkley and a number of others.

"When the federal census was taken in 1920, many of these same little centers were not listed at all. Others contained so few structures as to not constitute the nucleus of an incorporated village. For instance:

"The detailed federal census of 1920 contains no mention whatever of Centerline. Today it has a population of 6,000. Neither was there mention of Roseville, Halfway, Pleasant Ridge, Berkley, Hazel Park, Clawson, Melvindale or Lincoln Park; yet today these communities boast of the following populations:
"Pleasant Ridge, 2,289; Clawson, 4,100; Roseville, 7,150; Berkley, 6,000; Melvindale, 7,500; Halfway, 8,500; Hazel Park, 14,000; and Lincoln Park, 13,500.

"It is because of these new communities that values are constantly rising in various portions of our Suburban Detroit. And what of some of the older settlements? They too are constantly sending out increasing circles of higher values."

The bulletin then proceeds to list the older suburbs which bear out its first statement, among them Birmingham, Royal Oak and others. Farmington, apparently not only fails to show a corresponding growth, but is in fact, quite absent from the list.

Farmington is not the only suburban community omitted, but the fact that it is missing should afford some food for thought. Farmington should seek the facts, the reasons for these facts, and the remedy. Since in matter of location and natural advantages, Farmington is far superior to most

and second to perhaps only one or two other Detroit suburbs, it is beyond doubt that most of the "reasons" lie right here. And the remedies, too.

Picked Up At Random

By Contributor

SCHOOL FOR ELECTION CLERKS

Macomb County officials contemplate organizing a school for election clerks, sessions to be held just preceding elections when all election clerks of the County will be gathered together at the County seat and given instruction in the best and quickest method of counting ballots and tabulating the same.

Officials who are sponsoring the movement claim that there is urgent need for such a school of instruction as under the present haphazard methods much time is wasted counting and many errors are made.

The unsatisfactory methods complained of by Macomb County officials exist in every county in the State. Many election boards are still using various methods made obsolete and impracticable by radical changes in election laws and conditions.

THE MOTIVATING CAUSE

The case of Harold Reside, known as a quiet home-loving mechanic and erstwhile Lapeer County farmer boy, who died in his boots recently while attempting of a pistol bullet while attempting to escape after holding up a Detroit grocer, is causing much speculation on the part of police officers and newspaper writers of that city as to why and wherefore.

Why indulge in useless speculations, mental analyses and abstruse deductions when the motivating cause can easily be found by turning to the first page of any daily paper.

Reside, from all accounts ran true to type, excepting that he was equipped with a slightly loosened mental balance wheel which was set wobbling by the many accounts appearing in the newspapers of money easily picked up at the point of a gun.

THEY LIKE THE BUNK

Frank Kent, chief political observer of the Baltimore Sun has just published a book entitled "Political Behavior," in which he makes the assertion that 35 per cent of the voters fall for bunk.

The most startling thing about the statement seems to be its uncanny exactness of percentage. The five unaccounted for are of course politicians and of them the author says "they are persons who know how to bamboozle the voters, but don't know much else."

Many, many volumes will be written before the voters are debunked. They like the dope.

NOW WILL THEY BE GOOD

A Redford Township justice seems to think he has discovered a means by which the wayward youths of that locality can be ranked back onto the straight and narrow path and made to trod that safe, if not always joyous, road.

When the devil finds work for idle hands to do and the youths of Redford get too deeply engrossed in it, stern justice takes a hand. A judicial ukase sends the young offenders to scythe in hand, into the weed patches, now flourishing undisturbed where once had eagerly trod the feet of men with "wonderful buys." There the youthful reaper of the whirlwind and weeds is forced to toil until justice has been appeased.

That this form of punishment is working out successfully is attested by the fact that the justice has made a requisition on the township board for an additional supply of scythes.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

As a resident and taxpayer of Noble School District No. 6, I attended the meeting at the Central School, Clarencville where a discussion was held on consolidation. Not many in the outlying district seemed in favor of consolidation.

Mr. Wirsham of District No. 6 said he attended a board meeting at Clarencville seven years ago, with a petition signed by 35 residents of his district, asking to be taken into the Clarencville school system. He showed them where a consolidation would have been to some advantage, but they turned it down flat, and claimed they were "doing fine" without taking in a few more districts. Now it seems as though the shoe pinches on the other side. Why the Clarencville School Board should want to consolidate this entire school district is be-

yond any logical reasoning at this time. Mr. Wirsham did a fine thing when he turned the proposition down flat. I believe he expressed the mind of his school district in doing so.

The Noble School district is now in shape to give its pupils as good, if not better than any consolidation could do. I feel sure the district will stay the High School tuition until such a time as we can build our own.
—A Noble School District Taxpayer.

CHURCHES

Evangelical Church
Rev. A. A. Schoen, Pastor
Evening School, 10:15.

Leo Gildemeister, who with C. C. Heise and Rev. A. A. Schoen attended a four-day Evangelical Brotherhood convention at Indianapolis, Ind., will address the men's class.

Baptist Church
Rev. E. W. Palmer, Pastor
10:30—Morning worship.
Sermon subject, "The Broadening of the Church."

11:45—Sunday School. Classes for all.
6:30—Young Peoples Hour.
7:30—Gospel service. Message, "Truth for Seekers."

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Clarencville

(At Settler Road)
Rev. Paul Graupner, Pastor
9:30—Sunday School.
10:30—English service.
Thursday, 8 p. m.—Bible class.

West Park Church

Geo. E. Gulien, Pastor
10:30—The Gospel of Pickles.
11:45—Sunday School.
6:30—Christian Endeavor.
Miss Margaret Schrandt will address the C. E.
7:30—Installation of club officers.
Two more Sundays until Rally Day. "Let's Rally."

Our Lady of Sorrows Church

Rev. E. J. O'Mahoney, Pastor
Sunday masses at 8:30 and 11.
Daily mass at 8:00.

Methodist Church

Rev. H. Addis Leeson, Pastor
10:30—Sermon. Rev. Leeson.

SIXTH DISTRICT SCHOOL NOTES

NEW FLAG AT NOBLE SCHOOL RAISED UPSIDE DOWN—THE FIRST TIME

Kenneth Graham was the young "patriot" who climbed the pole at the Noble School last week and ran the new rope through the pulley.

The pupil who volunteered to raise "Old Glory" the following day did not do so all—the flag was seen flying in a strong breeze up-side down.

Now Harold Credit is the official flag raiser. The bus driver lowered it and pulled it up to the top right side up.

Mrs. Thomas has posted a notice on the door regulating the "swing traffic." Little George Kargetta came back to school the day after he was hurt with bandages on his head.

The boys in the Noble School are taking up a collection to buy a new football.

Next week the coach will organize an athletic club at the Noble School with a president, secretary and other officers.

The bus driver says he "will soon need a trailer to carry the pupils."

The girls have been talking about starting a sewing club.

The pupils are wondering why Miss Graham sent the little Dickerson twins home. "Maybe she was afraid one would do something wrong and then she would punish the wrong one, so she figured by best to send both home," is one guess. Mrs. Plumton has the little Schulkins twins to "keep straight."

Ronald Case of the sixth grade, Noble School, will remain at home for a few days, to recover from effect of shomac poison.

The parents of School District No. 6 are urged at this time to see that their children are properly supplied with the necessary school books for the ensuing year. At the last annual meeting it was voted that parents buy the school books for their children.

Upwards of 16,000 men are employed at the Oakland-Pontiac factories and affiliated Fisher Body plants at Pontiac, Mich.

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THOMAS MOORE



Oh, that my soul would shine this night
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SPENCER J. HEENEY

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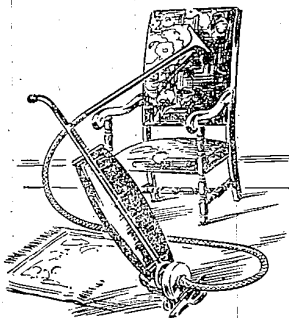
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