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## Volunteers Save Catholic Church; Garage Burned

Fire Early Sunday Morning Threatens Church Building And Parsonage

Fire which threatened the church building and parsonage of Our Lady of Sorrows Church after destroying a garage nearby early Sunday morning, was brought under control by the Farmington Fire Department after the rear of the church structure had been badly scorched by flames. The loss included destruction of the garage and Rev. Fr. James A. Callahan's automobile, which had been inside, and the damage to the north side of the church structure.

A valuable dog owned by Thomas Conway, caretaker of the church property, was burned to death.

Mrs. Kate O'Connell, housekeeper for Rev. Callahan, discovered the fire. Hearing some noise she looked out and saw the garage in flames.

The fire department arrived a few minutes after the alarm was sent in. It was impossible to save the garage. During the burning of the garage the flames reached the gasoline tank of the machine, which exploded.

The firemen were forced to fight against a wind which blew the flames south toward the church, and also toward the house. The church was separated from the garage by only a few feet.

A large crowd gathered, despite the early hour, the fire lighting up the sky for some distance.

The car which was burned was a Buick sedan about a year old. Besides the loss of the car and garage, over one hundred folding chairs purchased only recently by the church, and which had been stacked in the rear of the garage, were destroyed. Tools valued at about \$15 were included in the loss, as was a quantity of linoleum, bedding, and other articles. Of the contents of the garage, only the car was insured.

The church building and house are both covered by insurance.

The cause of the fire is unknown.

The dog, a hunting dog named "Clinker," had recently suffered a broken leg, and Mr. Conway had prepared for him a place in the garage where he might recuperate.

Rev. Callahan praised the Farmington firemen highly for their prompt arrival and excellent work at the fire.

Building of a new garage will be started next week, according to Rev. Callahan. It will be located north of the former building, farther from the church, and parsonage.

## NORTHWESTERN IN FIRST DEFEAT OF GRID SEASON

West Lawn Club Scores In Last Five Minutes Of Play And Wins, 6 to 0

Northwestern A. C.'s football team met its first defeat of the season Sunday, when they were conquered by the fast West Lawn squad of Detroit, by a score of 6 to 0. The visitors scored in the last five minutes of play.

Early in the game, Northwestern started a desperate drive that brought them within 15 yards of their opponents' goal line. There West Lawn held and a forward pass by Northwestern was intercepted.

Next Sunday Northwestern will meet the greatest underdog team of Detroit. The game will start at 3 p. m. Northwestern will now have good games scheduled for every Sunday afternoon from now on, including November 10.

## TWO FIRE CALLS

Grass fires resulted in two calls for the Farmington fire department this week. On Tuesday afternoon a fire near the Ten-Mile road, and another Thursday noon for a fire near Farmington Junction.

## Chief Speaker At Centennial Will Be Returning To First Pastorate



DR. CLARENCE E. ALLEN

## Town Takes Part In Edison Fete

Contests Under Way, Judges Named In Window-Dressing Contest

Farmington merchants are co-operating with the Detroit Edison Company in the final week of preparation for celebration of "Light's Golden Jubilee," honoring Thomas A. Edison. At least a dozen business places are engaged in keen competition for a prize of \$10 offered by the Edison Company for the best window display in connection with the event.

Judges of the contest were appointed by President Edgar S. Pierce of the Farmington Exchange Club Wednesday, at the request of the Edison Company. They are Mrs. Thomas McGee, Miss Helen Hard, and Spencer, J. Heeney.

Materials for the displays are furnished by the Edison Company, but much of the effectiveness on the originality and ability of the merchants. The judging will take place this week-end.

The essay contest for Farmington school students is also under way, under the guidance of Sup't. Ralph E. Baker.

Souvenirs of the golden jubilee of light were distributed to members of the Exchange Club at their luncheon meeting Wednesday. They consisted of vest-pocket flashlights embossed with the "golden jubilee" material of Thomas A. Edison, golden jubilee coins, match-boxes, and papers which reproduced articles from the New York Herald of 50 years ago, on the invention of the electric light.

## PUBLIC LIBRARY HAS NEW WORLD HISTORY

The Public Library of the city and township of Farmington has purchased for its patrons a new reference work, "The Standard History of the World." Complete in ten volumes. The Public Library of Farmington is at home on the first floor of the City Hall (or Town Hall) as it is generally known, and the new volumes were opened from 1 o'clock in the afternoon, closing at 9 or 9:30 in the evening.

—M. Kennedy, Librarian.

## 'Best Window' Contest Brings Forth Fine Exhibits, Relics Of Olden Day

If anyone thought that the judges in Farmington's contest for the best Edison "golden jubilee" window were going to have "lee" they're mistaken. Within the few days since the competition was announced, half a dozen lively contenders for the ten-dollar prize have presented as attractive a group of windows as might be found in a day's travel. Even more keen than the contest for the prize is the friendly rivalry for the honor of winning the event.

One of the first windows to be completed, was that of the Consumers Power Co., which has used autumn leaves, crepe, and pennants very effectively to achieve a beautiful effect. Another early entry was that of the Central Market, whose display is notable for its neat and unified effect. Others who followed quickly were the Butch and Ford garages, both using autumn leaves. Oakland-Pontiac Sales,

The approaching Centennial celebration of Farmington Methodist Church will be a homecoming event for many people, including also the chief speaker of the occasion, Dr. Clarence Eugene Allen, now of the First Methodist Church, at Erie, Penn. Dr. Allen, who will preach the Centennial sermon at Farmington Methodist Church November 3, was assigned to the pastorate of the Farmington Methodist Church in the fall of 1894, 35 years ago. The value of the church property at that time was \$2,500 and there were but 64 members and the pastor's salary was \$450.

This was Dr. Allen's first pastorate and he remained but a single year, and was transferred to the church at Wyandotte.

Dr. Allen is the son of one of the best known and best loved ministers of the State, the late Capt. Charles T. Allen, D. D., an army officer and preacher and lecturer known throughout Michigan. Dr. Clarence E. Allen is the twin brother of Dr. Eugene C. Allen, pastor of the First Methodist Church of Owosso.

Dr. Allen will be accompanied by Mrs. Allen, who was formerly Miss Lottie Rich of Pontiac. They will be entertained while in Farmington by Mr. and Mrs. Emil Roos, who were formerly associated with them in church work in Detroit.

## PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATION TO BEGIN ITS WORK

First Of Seven Topics To Be Discussed At Meeting On October 24

The Farmington Parent-Teacher Association will open its 1929-30 program next Thursday afternoon, October 24, with a meeting at the school building. At this meeting, the first of seven topics of education which the Association will emphasize this year, will be discussed in detail.

The topic is "Worthy Home Membership," and will be discussed from the viewpoint of the parent, the teacher, and the pupil. Mrs. F. DeVere Fleming will present the parents' viewpoint, Principal A. W. Crawford that of the teacher, and Alice Parker, the pupil's viewpoint.

A general discussion will follow, with Mr. Crawford leading the group of high school students' parents, and Mrs. Fleming the group of grade pupils' parents.

The "seven objects of education" which will occupy the attention of the Association this year are:

1. Worthy Home Membership.
2. Health.
3. Ethical Character.
4. Citizenship.
5. Vocational and economical effectiveness.
6. The wise use of leisure.
7. Mastery of the tool, technique and spirit of learning.

John Dowell is building a garage in the rear of his home on State street.

## Brothers Admit Burglarizing 22 Lake Cottages

Two Caught North of Farmington By Deputy Tamm Confesses Entries

Two young men who later admitted burglarizing 22 cottages at nearby lakes within the last two months were captured by Deputy Sheriff William Tamm north of Farmington last Friday evening, are in the County Jail awaiting sentence next Monday morning by Circuit Judge Frank L. Covert.

The two, who are brothers, are said by police to have confessed to stealing hundreds of dollars worth of furniture, clothing, and accessories from the cottages. Two truckloads of merchandise

## 2 Brothers Divide A Two-Pants Suit

The two brothers Summey, said by police to have confessed entering 22 cottages, were fair with one another.

When C. W. Lee, owner of a cottage at Spring Lake, met the deputy sheriffs and the accused brothers Sunday morning to identify his property, he discovered that each brother was wearing a pair of trousers from a two-pants suit which he had left in the cottage. They had left him only the coat and vest.

The brothers, Harry Summey, 27 and Ross Summey, 21, lived at 48 Oakland avenue near the Eight Mile and Lahser roads, Southfield Township. The older brother is married and the father of three children. A quantity of goods was reported by the police to have been recovered at his home.

The cottages entered were at Walled Lake, Wolverine, Pleasant Spring, and other adjacent lakes. One was entered twice, and in almost every case the cottages were stripped of everything of value.

Taken At Grader Shed Arrest of the Summey brothers was the result of a surveillance. (Continued on page four)

## TWO CUPS, DINNERS FOR WEST POINT PARK BALL TEAM

Game Scheduled For Sunday Against One Of Best Teams In Detroit

Following the winning of the Inter-County League baseball championship by the West Point Park team, preparations are under way for celebrating the club's achievement. Cups, a banquet, and the Inter-County League championship will be presented to the team, and two-dinners will be given in their honor.

In addition, an extra game has been scheduled for next Sunday, when West Point Park will meet one of the fastest teams in Detroit. It is probable that the cups will be presented at this game.

The opponent next Sunday will be the Schmidt-Nash club, which played in the Detroit Federation. It is made up of stars and considered to give West Point Park one of its hardest battles of the year.

The Inter-County League will give a banquet for the West Point Park players soon, and Earl Wolfe, who promised the players a chicken supper if they defeated Hamtramck in the postseason series will give the supper next week.

The Inter-League championship, was won from River Rouge leaders of the Down-River League Sunday, by a score of 9 to 5.

The entire West Point Park team hit the ball hard and enabled Carl Goers to ease up on his pitching. He held the visitors well in check throughout the game.

A second game of five innings was played with Shields and Crowe pitching and winning easily for West Point Park.

## Parents Asked To Instruct Children

Parents of Farmington School children are asked by Chief of Police, Lee Doyle to co-operate in safety measures by instructing their children as frequently as possible regarding the crossing of Grand River.

Parents whose homes are south of Grand River and west of Division street, are asked to instruct their children to cross at the main corner, with the traffic light, where Chief Doyle will watch them. All others should cross at School street, where a high school student is stationed.

## School Easement Question Raised

Board Concerned To Maintain Protection of Children From Traffic

A possible exchange whereby children attending the Clarenceville School may be safeguarded against traffic hazards is before the Board of Education of District No. 5 Fractional, in charge of Clarenceville Schools. The situation arises as a result of possible closing-up of a pathway which pupils have used for some years.

Parallel to the north line of the school property is a 25-foot street, running east and west, which is a 'dead-end' at the east termination, ending at the creek. From the end of this street, running north to Grand River avenue is a ten-foot strip of land over which the school-children living to the north of the school have been walking to school. It was believed that the Board of Education held a permanent easement across this stretch from the three owners of property whose land was being used. Elevated walks were built for the children at an expense of several hundred dollars across the low land, crossed twice by the creek in that area.

According to Walter Headerle, president of the Clarenceville Board of Education, difficulty has arisen regarding the supposed easement. The owner of property nearest the school has agreed, it is understood, to permit he use by school-children to continue if the Farmington Township Board will close and deed to him the 25-foot dead-end street which adjoins his property.

Another proposal in regard to street was placed before the Township Board at its meeting Tuesday night. This is for the straightening of Power road where it intersects the Cut-Off, near the Snyder property.

## FIRE DESTROYS 5 HOMES IN LAKE REGION IN WEEK

Loss By Flames Totals \$33,000; Origins Are Unknown As Yet

A cottage on the west end of Wolverine Lake was destroyed by fire on Thursday evening about 8:30. The building, which was the fifth in less than a week to be destroyed, was valued at about \$3500 and the contents at about \$800 by R. H. Thompson, 304 East State Fair avenue, Detroit, owner of the building.

The cause of the blaze is unknown. It was first noticed by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Roberts who live across the road. They rushed over to see what they could do to help but no one was at the cottage and the fire had such a headway that nothing could be done. Residents of Oakley Park noticing the blaze turned in an alarm, but as the location was not given definitely the fire truck went the long way around and the building was burned to the ground when it arrived.

The cottage formerly belonged to L. E. Driller, who sold the property to Mr. Thompson about three years ago. Mr. Thompson stated Friday morning that the cottage was rented for this week.

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## Sheriff Moves Office; May Put Men In Township

Town Board Given Until Nov. 1 To Provide Headquarters For Deputies

The deputy sheriff's office in Farmington was moved early this week from the police booth owned jointly by the City and Township to The Auto Shop, where Deputy William Tamm is now maintaining headquarters. Sheriff Frank Schram has notified the Township Board according to Clerk, Willard Campbell that if it wishes to provide a headquarters outside the City limits, he will maintain Deputy Tamm on duty there and send another man to assist him.

Sheriff Schram has given the Township until November 1 to arrive at a decision. The Farmington headquarters in The Auto Shop will be maintained only until the end of this month, and if the Township has provided no headquarters by that time the Farmington office will be discontinued, it is stated.

The message notifying the Farmington office and plans for the future was delivered to Mr. Campbell by Deputy Clayton Stokes. Tuesday morning, Mr. Campbell reported to the Township Board at its meeting Tuesday night. The notice was later verified by Sheriff Schram by telephone, Mr. Campbell said.

Mr. Campbell told the Township Board that Sheriff Schram had stated he would be glad to co-operate with the Farmington Township, but would have nothing further to do with the City, in any way. As to location of a headquarters, a site near Farmington Junction was suggested as central for all the Township.

Mr. Campbell stated that Sheriff Schram had told him that an additional deputy has already been engaged for Farmington. He said also that the Sheriff had intimated, but not stated definitely, that his office might assist the Township in the expense of maintaining the office.

The Board, on motion of Justice Ward Eagle, supported by Mr. Campbell, voted that Supervisor Harry N. McCracken act as a committee of one to negotiate with the City, either for sale of the Township's interest in the City booth, or purchase of the building, which cost \$800.

## EXCHANGE CLUB COMMITTEES ARE NAMED BY PIERCE

Ladies' Night For 1929 Will Be Held Next Month; Golf Cup To Be Awarded

Two committees were appointed by President Edgar S. Pierce of the Farmington Exchange Club Wednesday noon. One is the airport sign committee, which is to investigate their proposal for a sign to guide airplanes. Earl Vivier was named chairman of the committee, other members being Harley Warner, Harrison Johnson, and Floyd Nichols.

A welfare committee was named, in response to a request from the Farmington American Legion Post. The committee consists of Arthur Lamb, chairman, Dr. H. Addie Leeson, Elmer W. Palmer, Leo Goldmeister and Hiram Nichols.

The Club decided to have a "Ladies' Night" again this year. It is customary to hold the event about Halloween time, but due to conflicts and prospective decorating work in the Methodist dining hall, it will be necessary to postpone the dinner. It will probably be given about the middle of November.

The Club golf cup, offered by Harley Warner, will be awarded next Wednesday to the winner of the recent tournament, Dr. Z. R. Aschenbrenner. To compensate him for the delay, President Pierce on Wednesday presented Dr. Aschenbrenner with a toy stork.

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