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Meet To Discuss Town Hall; Mayor Seeks Opinion

Representatives Of Interests Are
Called To Gathering On
Thursday Evening

Representatives of various interests in the Farmington Town Hall property were ready Thursday for one more attempt at settling the much-debated question. Arrangements had been completed for the meeting Thursday evening in the Warner Dairy Co. office.

Increased importance was attached to the meeting in view of the fact that Township and City officials and members of Farmington Masonic Lodge have expressed the opinion that unless this attempt is successful, the matter will have to be settled in court.

The four members of the Township Board, a committee of the Masonic Lodge, and City officials planned to attend. No committee had been appointed by the City but all members of the Commission were authorized to attend by Mayor Arthur Lamb.

Seeks Legal Opinion

Monday evening on motion of Commissioner Amos Otis, that a committee from the City be appointed to attend the meeting. Mayor Lamb declared that he was awaiting a report from Lansing. Asked by Commissioner Hutton whether he had requested an opinion on the question of ownership Mayor Lamb said that he had. Commissioner Otis contended that a committee should be appointed, and Mayor Lamb said he would appoint the entire Commission, and anyone could go who wished to do so.

James L. Hogle, William Way, Howard Warner, Howard Bond and A. L. Ross are the Masonic Lodge committee.

STUDIO OPENED IN REDFORD BY DANCING SCHOOL

Detroit's Largest School Offers
Farmington Residents Art
Instruction

The Fred J. Ireland School of Stage Dancing and Dramatic Art headed by Mr. Fred J. Ireland, has opened a new studio in Redford over The Everett-Taylor Hardware Store, which offers the opportunity to the residents of Farmington to receive the benefits of the teachings of a master of the arts very reasonably.

Mr. Ireland has appeared on the stage in all parts of the world, having been a child star at 5 years of age, ballet master at 19 and stage director and author at 22. He received his master's rating in the Queen's Theatre in Dublin, is well known to the northwest section of Detroit as former producer at Grand Riviera Theatre, Detroit.

His school is the largest of its kind west of New York and classes are personally directed by Mr. and Mrs. Ireland, who staged a large dance revue with pupils of their school last June at La Salle Gardens Theatre which was a huge success.

Mr. Ireland is to produce a much larger one this year with school talent.

Mr. Ireland will give free courses in dramatic art to Farmington pupils. He also offers his assistance to churches or schools in any benefits or amateur shows.

City Seeks Reduction In Garbage Deficit

Farmington's City Commission is to investigate conditions regarding garbage disposal, following receipt of bills from E. N. Geney, Plymouth, for large deficits in the last four months. Geney billed the City for \$36 in November and December, and \$54 in January and February.

The City agreeing Geney \$50 per month, guaranteeing to make up any deficit. This contract, it was discovered, expired in August, 1929. Commissioner Emory Hutton was appointed to work on the matter.

Arthur Lamb and Dr. G. F. Weaver attended an Exchange Club meeting in Detroit Thursday evening.

New Baptist Church Educational Unit Dedication Week Celebrated



DR. RALPH T. ANDEM

City Votes 4-3 To Have Signs

Commissioners Divide Evenly On
Question And Mayor Casts
Deciding Vote

The City of Farmington is to have some new street signs, but the question was decided Monday night only after a vote, the first since the present Commission took office.

Commissioner Amos Otis, one of the sign committee, moved that the matter be deferred until after work had been done on some new sewers. The motion was supported by Commissioner Goer Goers. Commissioner Emory Hutton, other member of the sign committee, reported that he could purchase porcelain-enamel finish signs of the highest quality for a total of \$317, and favored signs this year.

Vote on the motion found Commissioners Otis, Goers and Stamen voting "yes." Commissioners Hutton, Gildemeister and Hogle voted against delaying the purchase. Mayor Lamb withheld his vote for a considerable time while the entire Commission debated the subject. He finally voted "no," and the motion was lost. Inasmuch as the sign committee had previously been authorized to buy signs, it was expected that Commissioner Hutton would go ahead with the purchase in the Spring.

THIRD HOLDUP AS HIGHWAY BANDITS START SENTENCES

Prominent Northville Man Robbed
By Two Men; Driven
About For Three Hours

A few hours after two Grand River road "hitch-hike" bandits had been sentenced in the County Jail at Pontiac, the third victim of this type of banditry on the Grand River road within a few days was held captive for three hours, then robbed and thrown from his car.

Stephen Armstrong, well-known Northville citizen, gave two men a ride at Grand River and Seven Mile roads Friday afternoon, about 1 o'clock. One pressed a gun into his back. After driving about at their direction until 4 o'clock, he was relieved of his money and ordered out.

The car was later found at Grand River and Five Mile roads. Armstrong's loss in cash was small.

CARD PARTY PLANNED

Farmington Chapter, O. E. S., is planning a card party for Tuesday evening, February 25, in the Chapter dining-room. Mrs. E. Middlewood, worthy matron, announced that there will be no cards after the regular meeting February 11.

A St. Patrick's Day card party is planned for the evening of March 18.

Basketball Game—Northwestern A. C. vs. Pontiac Monarchs Saturday, Feb. 8 at West Bloomfield Town Hall, 8 games, first game at 7:30. Adm. 25c—Adv. 14-1-p

Conclusion of a five days' dedication program in celebration of completion of Farmington Baptist Church's new educational unit, was planned to mark the beginning of ten days of evangelistic service in the new structure.

The Farmington church was host to State Baptist leaders Sunday, when the dedication services were held. J. C. Netting, president of the Detroit Baptist Union, presided, Ralph T. Andem, State Executive Secretary of the Michigan Baptist Union preaching the dedication sermon. The dedicatory prayer was offered by Dr. H. C. Gleiss, superintendent of the Detroit Baptist Union.

Greetings from other churches and organizations in the community were brought Tuesday evening, and on Wednesday evening a dinner was given in the new assembly hall.

Approximately half of the \$3,000 which the church requires to meet immediate financial obligations have been raised since the dedication started Sunday. The building cost something over \$12,000. Numerous pledges have been received.

Evangelist Coming

The first of a series of ten evangelistic services was scheduled to begin Thursday evening in the new unit. Harry Clarke, nationally known evangelistic singer and preacher is conducting the services. Mr. Clarke was formerly associated with Billy Sunday.

Invitation has been extended to all in Farmington and in the nearby communities, of Redford, Plymouth, Northville, Novi and Walled Lake.

Mr. Clarke will preach every evening to and including Saturday, February 15, and will also preach in the Church on February 16. Rev. H. H. Savage of First Baptist Church of Pontiac will speak in the Farmington church, February 17.

TWO GRAND RIVER THUGS TAKEN TO STATE PRISONS

Charles Taylor And Paul Killen
Begin Serving Time At Jackson
and Ionia

Prison terms of 25 to 50 years and 5 to 10 years respectively were begun this week by Charles Taylor of Colorado and Paul Killen of Clarencville, who pleaded guilty a week ago to holding up George Carpenter, Hollywood sub driver, Farmington, a few days before.

The minimum terms were recommended in both cases by Judge Frank L. Doty. Taylor was taken to Jackson prison by Deputies William Tamm and Lee Shields, along with two other prisoners, while Killen was taken to the Ionia Reformatory.

Taylor endeavored to win freedom for Killen by assuming all the blame. Although this was Killen's first arrest, it is said that he admitted having broken into a residence.

SOUTHFIELD TO HAVE A CONTEST FOR SUPERVISOR

George Bingham Of Franklin
Opposes Charles Bilkovsky,
Present Supervisor

A spirited contest for the office of Supervisor in Southfield Township is expected, with George Bingham of Franklin opposing Charles Bilkovsky, present incumbent. Work has been going by supporters of both men.

William Clark, present clerk, is unopposed as is Arthur B. Baynes treasurer and David A. Hughes, highway commissioner. William Rodenhous, former township clerk, is a candidate for justice of the peace on the Republican ticket for the full term. Henry J. Rohl, Jr., is a candidate for justice of the peace to fill the vacancy.

Petitions have been taken out for Walter E. Kent and William Mimmoth for constable. Howard Kennedy is a candidate for the board of review (full term) and Joseph McCellan is a candidate for the board (to fill vacancy).

'Fill' Dirt Found, Can Pay Grand River This Year

State Official Declares Paying Is
Certain Under Next
Summer

Four thousand yards of "fill" dirt, required for the Grand River road stretch east of Brookdale drive in Farmington have been located, and as a result, State officials have declared that paying this year is certain.

State Engineer Covvill of Plymouth and P. E. Bradt of the Detroit office came to Farmington Wednesday morning. Commissioner Emory Hutton and Howard Warner had been appointed a committee to work with them. A section of earth available in the rear of the former Methodist Children's Home property, west of Farmington, was inspected, and Mr. Covvill declared it would prove satisfactory.

'First On Program'

According to Mr. Covvill, the Grand River and Cut-off projects are among the first on the State's list for the coming Spring. The Cut-off will be paved first, and work on Grand River will follow as soon as possible. The south side will be paved first.

The amount of fill dirt required is 3,000 yards. The arrangement made will give the City the broken-up concrete from the present pavement for filling in the bank on the north side of Siliawasee street at Warner avenue. The filling on Grand River will not be made until after the frost is out of the ground.

TWO HURT, OTHERS ESCAPE IN CRASH ON ORCHARD LAKE

Automobiles Collide Head-On
When Detroitier Loses Control Of His Machine

Passengers of two automobiles escaped serious injury last week in a collision on Orchard Lake road, near Thirteen-Mile road.

Miss Ethel Bond of North Farmington was slightly injured, but was able to return next day to school at Ann Arbor. A woman in the other car was badly cut by being flung. Harlan Morris, driver of the car in which Miss Bond was riding, and the other driver, escaped being hurt.

The driver of the Detroit machine lost control of his car and it crashed into the rear of Mr. Morris' automobile. Both vehicles were damaged.

One Dead, One Hurt In Automobile Crash

Mrs. Helen Langley of Lansing was fatally injured and James McIlroy of Detroit so seriously hurt that he will probably die, when the automobile in which they were riding overturned on Grand River avenue west of Novi at 4 o'clock Sunday morning. Mrs. Langley died Monday night in Jackson Hospital, Redford, where McIlroy lies injured.

The car was bound for Lansing and struck a tree. The driver was Hartwick Floody of Detroit. He said he had been asked by McIlroy and Mrs. Langley to take them to Lansing. Floody was taken by Deputies Tamm and Marek before Prosecutor Norman Orr, to whom he made a statement.

Reminded 15 Times, He's Sure To Attend

President Spencer Heeneey of Farmington Exchange Club, who has demonstrated some original and effective ideas in recent weeks, has a new "stunt" to stimulate attendance. It was worked for the first time this week.

Present Heeneey selected a member whom he fears may not be present, and gets a dozen or fifteen others to telephone him on Wednesday morning, reminding him of the meeting, Wednesday's evening, the first, was Olin Russell.

Time On City Taxes Extended One Month

City of Farmington taxpayers will have another month in which to pay taxes without incurring four per cent penalty, it was decided by the City Commission on Monday evening. The date had been previously set at January 31.

Treasurer George Gildemeister stated that the books will be closed March 1, and no taxes will be accepted after that date. Up to February 1, Treasurer Gildemeister had received \$32,400, or 47.5 per cent of the entire City tax.

Survey Of Sewer Needs Planned

Engineer To Be Employed To
Make Study And Estimates
In Maple Section

Residents in the vicinity of Maple avenue are to get sewer relief soon. On motion of Commissioner Carl G. Hogle, the City Commission voted Monday evening that an engineer be employed to make a survey and estimate on an adequate sewer system for Maple, Brookdale and Power avenues.

Commissioners Hutton and Goers were empowered to employ an engineer. It is planned also to care for Grand River sewer needs after consultation with State authorities, planning the new highway.

It is probable that the State plans only a surface sewer on Grand River, and it is expected that the City will endeavor to make arrangements for a larger sewer instead, the City paying the difference in cost.

TOWNSHIP BOARD CONSIDERS BUYING NEW FIRE TRUCK

Motor Equipment Carrying 120
Gallons Of Chemical Believed
Best

Purchase of a fire truck for Farmington Township was discussed by the Township Board at its meeting Tuesday evening. After discussion of the Township's needs, it was decided that a motor truck carrying a large amount of chemical would probably be most efficient. The Board asked a salesman for a fire equipment company, who was present, to make a quotation on equipping such a truck. The truck considered was a Ford Model AA truck, to be furnished by the Township, the chemical tanks and other pieces to be mounted by the equipment company.

The quotation is to be ready at the next meeting, February 18th. The specifications call for three 40-gallon chemical tanks, with extra canisters for making more chemical.

BASKETBALL TEAM WALKS OFF FLOOR IN HECTIC GAME

St. Johns Squad Of Bloomfield
Quits In Third Quarter Of
Contest

Following decisions of the referee which they regarded as unjust, members of the St. Johns' basketball team of West Bloomfield walked from the floor Saturday evening at Farmington High School, forfeiting the game to Northwestern A. C.

The dispute involved calling of fouls by the referee, A. A. Kaldor, superintendent of Clarencville Schools. Booming and hissing were followed by further calling of fouls and warnings. The calling of numerous fouls ended when the St. Johns team was called together by the captain, and left the court.

Northwestern was leading, 12 to 10 at the time. It was the first defeat for St. Johns in four years. Curtis Hall starred for Northwestern.

Next Wednesday evening Northwestern will play St. Mary's Alumni at Farmington High School. Northwestern has recently defeated West Hudson, 30 to 25, but lost to the Class of 1928, 33 to 22.

Contest Appears For Supervisor; 2 For Road Job

Coe Likely To Again Oppose McCracken; Graham And Goers To Battle

One vigorous contest has already been begun and another is reported certain in the Farmington Township primary to be held on Monday, March 4th. Petitions for candidates for various offices have already been put in circulation.

Petitions for Supervisor Harry N. McCracken for re-election appeared early in the week. Arthur Coe, former treasurer and opponent of Supervisor McCracken last year, was undecided as to whether he would seek the winning office again, but it was reported Thursday that a petition was in circulation for him.

The other contest already announced is between Highway Commissioner Clayton Goers and former Commissioner Joseph Graham. This is regarded as likely to be the even harder battle than occurred last year, when the result was in doubt until near the end of the counting.

One For Treasurer

Mark Bachelor is the only candidate for treasurer who has appeared thus far, and Willard Campbell is as yet unopposed for clerk.

One other contest has developed, between William Sage and Charles Heiker for highway overseer in the northeast quarter. Treasurer Elmer Emson will be a candidate to succeed Mr. Graham in the southwest section. J. W. Currie will seek re-nomination in the southeast quarter, and Albert C. Ferguson is mentioned for another term in the northwest quarter.

Petitions are in circulation for re-nomination of Don Button as member of the board of review.

The last day for filing petitions is Monday, February 10, at 5 p. m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL HOLDS ITS FIRST ANNUAL BANQUET

Salem Evangelical Church Is The
Scene Of Enjoyable Event;
Tables Decorated

The first annual Sunday School banquet of Salem Evangelical Church was a very enjoyable affair, held last Wednesday evening. The members and guests numbered 110 (enrollment 122). The banquet dinner was prepared by Mrs. Schoen's class. After prayer two guests, Hayward Sawyer and Floyd Pierson, performed the first cup for the new class. Three numbers by them were enjoyed very much.

A class yell, for the superintendent, Louise Bollens, was a surprise. Various stunts causing much smiles were given by the classes. Singing by the entire school was led by Miss L. Bruder. Rev. Schoen gave a short talk and made an earnest plea to increase membership as well as efficiency.

The main speaker of the evening, A. G. Leonard, gave an interesting and inspiring talk on "Dominions and Life." Each class had their own table decorated by their teacher and helpers. After a decision by the judge, Mrs. Leonard, the prize was awarded to the primary and beginners' class, who had the most names in various colors. The prize for the best stunt was given to the peppy junior boys, who imitated a human Ford car. Their table decoration was in keeping with their stunt, and Victor Schoen read a story about two young folks trying to run a car.

The junior, intermediate, and senior classes had their tables decorated representing a winter scene with a snow man, a Dutch scene with Katrinas and a Valentine party of ten members. The adult classes had as their centerpiece a lighted church with a banner across the lawn, reading, "Kumjohans."

—E. Gildemeister, Sec.

CITY PLATS DELAYED

Proposals for making City assessors' plats for the City of Farmington were apparently abandoned for the present Monday night by the City Commission when it voted to lay the matter on the table.

The bid for making seven plats was \$1,600.