

## Farmington Constable Says License Is False

The newest in practical jokes is the false marriage license. At least, so states Constable Marl Pettibone of Farmington.

Several days ago daily papers lists of licenses issued contained one, naming Mr. Pettibone, 33, as groom and "Grace McCormick, 24", no address, as the bride. Questioned day after day by scores of acquaintances, Mr. Pettibone is beginning to "have enough of it." It's all news" to him, he says, declaring he has taken no marriage license, and knows no "Grace McCormick." Mr. Pettibone has been married twice, but vigorously asserts that this is not his third time—so that's "out."

### Unprofitable Talk

Uncle Ab says we could get more done in the present if we did not have to spend so much time telling what we have done in the past.—Michigan Farmer.

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## TOWNSHIP HEARING IS EXPECTED TO BE NEXT SPRING

Lack of Time Before Spreading Of Winter Taxes Reason Given

Farmington township will probably not have a hearing before the State Tax Commission this year, in the opinion of Mayor Lamb, who is also chairman of the Equalization committee of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors. The reason given is lack of time and the necessity of having the tax rolls in the hands of the assessors so that winter taxes may be spread early in December. Mayor Lamb stated that notice in writing is always given by the commission sufficient time before a township hearing is held to enable all tax payers to attend.

Many Oakland County townships have already had their hearing before the Commission but about half of the townships will be left over until Spring. The Michigan Tax Commission, meeting informally with the Board of Supervisors recently at Pontiac, announced that Pontiac City's appeal from the equalization of the Board of Supervisors last July would be denied. The report as presented to the Equalization committee was accepted by the commission.

In response to a request that the tax commission hold up all its values until they could all be placed on the rolls representatives said this could not be done because it would require at least two years to put the figures on the rolls. Once they are there they cannot be lowered for three years without the consent of the tax commission.

## FARMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL TO MEET BELLEVILLE TEAM

Blue And White Loses To Rochester High In Opener, 26-0

Farmington High School will play its second football game of the season Friday afternoon at 4 o'clock when the Blue and White will meet Belleville there. Farmington defeated Belleville last year and has high hopes of repeating this season.

Coach R. C. Burns will take his complete squad of 30. The starting lineup will probably consist of Ferris, center, Davis and Howard Westfall, guards, Harold Westfall and Reynolds, tackles, Lancaster and Cairns, ends, Fendt, quarter, Swede and Spaller halves, and Hamilton, fullback. This will be the first league game of the season.

Rochester defeated Farmington last Friday at Farmington, 26-0. Coach of Farmington met heavily against the Blue and White and straight line plays accounted for most of the visitor's gains.

Farmington was unable to gain consistently but gave promise of developing into a strong team. After the first quarter when Rochester scored three of its touchdowns, Farmington held Rochester practically even until the final period when another touchdown was pushed over.

Ray Fendt, halfback, was an outstanding performer for Farmington. Cairns gave a good exhibition of end play as did Lancaster.

## ISSUE FIRST OF MONTHLY BULLETINS FROM LANSING

Lansing, Mich., Oct. 7.—The first of the monthly bulletins to be issued by the Department of Conservation was mailed from the Lansing office this week.

The new bulletin, a four page printed sheet, replaced the weekly mimeographed bulletin issued by the Department for the past two and a half years.

The bulletin is sent to a large list including schools, libraries, conservation officers, and a miscellaneous list of interested persons. The bulletin details all current activities of the various divisions of the Department.

### Everglades' Formation

Federal soil experts say the Florida Everglades were formed over a period of 8000 years through decay of vegetation. In dry weather the soil cracks open and fire starts easily to a great depth. Burned areas are rendered useless. Land destroyed in a fire some years ago today shows no sign of vegetation except dwarfed saguaro.

### Small Boys Wonder

Scotland Yard is now considering a plan for training women as detectives. Many a small boy thought his maternal parent a pretty good detective without need for training.

## HISTORY'S MYSTERIES

Unsolved Riddles That Still Puzzle Authorities Here and Abroad

### The Murder of Grand Duke Peter

**S**URROUNDED by a cloud of rumor and concealed in a haze of official secrecy, the murder of the Grand Duke Peter, husband of Catherine II of Russia, remains one of the many unsolved mysteries connected with that country, particularly since it is coupled with the personality of one of the most remarkable figures in the annals of royalty—Catherine the Great.

The story of Catherine II, the Semiramis of the North as her contemporaries delighted in calling her, is revolting not only because it is the story of a prodigious woman but its deepest horror is to be found in the extreme corruption of the age and people to which the empress belonged. Peter the Great said of his country: "Russia is rotten before she is ripe" and to realize the true meaning of these words and the fullness of their implication, one must study in detail the reigns of Elizabeth and Catherine II. Never was there such a mixture of squalor and magnificence as in the palace of the former. Filth and splendor alternated throughout the royal apartments and the vilest food was eaten from plates of gold.

The first question concerning Catherine, therefore, is whether she corrupted Russia or Russia corrupted her when, as a girl of eighteen, she came from Germany to marry the Grand Duke Peter, heir to the Russian throne. At the time, the Empress Elizabeth, who ruled Russia as a usurper and kept the rightful czar in prison, was morally as corrupt as Catherine because in later years and under drunkenness, gross superstition, cruelty and insanity to her other vices. Yet, at the mere word of this frenzied empress, torture or an execution meant worse than death, could at any moment be pronounced as lightly and as easily against the heir to the throne as against the poorest peasant.

An even more revolting figure was that of the grand duke himself. "A half-crazed savage in a wig and lace coat," "a swarzerling, cursing, bawling, punch-swilling ruffian," "a royal degenerate to whom nothing was sacred save his own whims"—these are some of the descriptions of the man to whom Catherine was given as wife. Left absolutely alone in such surroundings and with such a husband, there is little wonder that Catherine not only became corrupted but outdid the corruptions in which she found herself.

In daily and almost hourly peril from the insidious plots of the empress, Catherine may well have experienced the deadening effects produced by the loss of all security and, with respect to the question as to whether she might justifiably be accused of the murder of her husband, it is only necessary to refer to the notes of Wallenski, Polish historian who made a deep study of the facts in the case of this strange household.

"Peter remains the same gross, extravagant and insupportable being that he has always been," says Wallenski. "A strange brute streaked with insanity," according to St. St. Beauvis expression, and he still knows how to make himself thoroughly odious. Frequently he comes to bed dead drunk and, between bleechnose, speaks to his wife of his favorite topics—his amorous with the duchess of Courland, a hunchback, or with Freiline Voronstov, who is marked with smallpox. If Catherine attempts to go to sleep he punnels her with his hands and feet to keep her awake until sleep overcomes him. He is almost always drunk and becomes more and more mad."

The first step in the downfall of this royal brute was his removal from the throne at the undoubted instigation of his wife, a removal which was followed by his virtual banishment to his country home at Ropcha where he died, officially of "apoplexy" but in reality as the result of a direct plot against his life. The fact that the murderers dared to act as openly as they did and that no attempt was made to prosecute them indicates that Catherine had shown that the permanent removal of the grand duke would not be distasteful to her. The truth about the affair has, however, never fully come to light, for Catherine had no need even to defend herself. Her rule was absolute and she doubtless destroyed any records which would tend to implicate her with one of the not infrequent murder mysteries of the royal families of Europe.

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### Pilgrims Using Busses

Since religious pilgrimages to Persia have been prohibited for political reasons, from going to Kerbela, which is in Iraq, they must, if possible, visit Meshed or Kum, so they have abandoned the picturesque caravans for auto bus travel. Technicians have found that they can make the journey and return home in ten days instead of two months as in the old way.

### Obedience

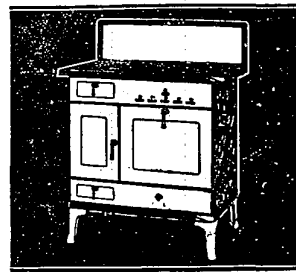
Kathrine Kestel, Red agitator, said, ancient domestic relations: "I asked of a young American bride: 'Did not you and your husband have words over you coming to the beach alone?' I understand that he did not want you to come." "Oh, no," said the bride, "we didn't have any words. I said I was going; he said I wasn't, and here I am."

**Variable Weight**  
A "stone weight" is a measure of weight, avoirdupois, in Great Britain, legally equal to 28 pounds, or to one-eighth hundredweight, but varying in practice at different places and times from five to 32 pounds.

**Inventors' Ideas**  
Recent inventions registered at the United States patent office range from a snowplow to a new kind of hen's nest, replacing the conventional straw variety so long in use, and to an improved type of sea wall.

**Educational Necessities**  
The subjects which are necessary tools in securing an education, such as reading, writing, arithmetic and grammar, are known as 'tool subjects' by educators.

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