

# The Farmington Enterprise

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## Township Given Two Plots For Potato Patches

### City May Also Adopt Plan; Offers To Cultivate Land Sought By Officials

With two offers of plots of ground received this week, Farmington Township officials are prepared to go forward with the plan for raising vegetables for food supply for indigent families of the Township. Indications are that there will be no difficulty in putting the plan in operation.

Already two or three farmers in the Townships have suggested that they might be able to contribute part of the work of cultivating and preparing the land, and further offers of this kind will be welcomed by the Township officials. Any who might be in a position to contribute work of this kind are asked to communicate with Supervisor Arthur P. Coe.

Mr. Coe expressed himself as being particularly pleased with the location of the two pieces of land obtained, and said that the soil is regarded as good for raising vegetables. The first offer received was from the owners of what is known as the "Stacker-Ball" Subdivision. Two plots not far apart, one at Farmington Road and Switzer Road, and the other near Grand River and Switzer Road were offered. The other offer came from P. R. DeLeuil, representing the owners of land in the vicinity of Eleven Mile Road and Orchard Lake Road. Together the pieces of land will total about 50 acres.

### Indigents To Work

Supervisor Coe expects that the Oakland County Poor Commission will provide at least part of the seed, and the labor will be done by men of families on the welfare list. Farmington Township Board is one of the first in the County to look into and adopt the plan.

### City Considers Plan

Mayor Arthur Lamb of Farmington City said this week that he viewed favorably the adoption of a similar plan by the city. While only eight families are on the welfare lists in Farmington, a small number compared with most places, the number does represent an increase within the past month or two. Hencefore not more than six were over on the list, and the average has been three or four.

Mayor Lamb said that work on the Cut-off this summer would take most of the families in the City off the welfare rolls, but that there could be no loss in the City's putting in a garden or two. Mr. Lamb's idea is that such foods as potatoes, tomatoes and sweet corn might be planted, and that in the fall various organizations in the community might unite a plan to meet in a central place and can the foods. The surplus, if any, could readily be sold to some other community for their indigents for enough to cover the cost of production, he believes.

Mayor Lamb said that he would take no steps on the garden matter until the City Commission has had an opportunity to consider it, at its meeting early next month.

## N. FARMINGTON AUXILIARY HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

Mrs. Arthur Coe, Re-Elected President, Mrs. A. Green Vice-President

The North Farmington Auxiliary held its annual dinner and election of officers Tuesday. All officers were re-elected as follows: Mrs. Arthur Coe, president; Mrs. Arthur Green, first vice-president; Mrs. Frank Dickie, second vice-president; Mrs. Clyde Sealey, corresponding secretary; Mrs. John Graham, secretary; Mrs. Joseph Graham, treasurer.

Tickets were drawn for a quilt donated by Mrs. Miller. Mrs. S. Stodgel drew the winning number.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Arthur Lamb.

## Steam Train Through Walled Lake, Operated 60 Years, To Stop Monday

The Grand Trunk passenger train that had carried mail and passengers between Walled Lake and Pontiac for over 60 years, will be discontinued next Monday, April 25.

Old residents of Walled Lake recall times when as many as 80 persons boarded the old steam train for Pontiac on a Saturday. Standing room only was available on Saturday nights until about 15 years ago.

Bids will be received for a driver on the route and the contract will be let for the next two months or to July 1. Bids will then be received for a three-year contract terminating June 30, 1935.

Mail will be carried by a motor "Star Route" from Pontiac to Rushton via Orchard Lake, Walled Lake, Wixom, New Hudson and South Lyon.

Mail will arrive at the Walled Lake postoffice at 4:00 and 8:30 a. m. Outgoing mail will leave at 2:00 p. m. making good connections to all parts of the State. The Postoffice will probably open at 7:15 a. m. and close at 5:00 p. m.

## Officers Chosen By Garden Club

### Mrs. C. Bicking Heads, New Organization Formed Wednesday; Committee Named

Farmington's newest organization, the Garden Club, is well on its way, with a successful organization meeting held and officers elected for the first year. Mrs. Clarence Bicking is the president of the club, Mrs. W. Allen Nelson vice-president, Mrs. Carl Hogle secretary, and Mrs. Emory Hatton treasurer.

The open meeting Wednesday at the American Legion Home called to form a Farmington Garden Club Wednesday afternoon was well attended by enthusiastic people. The Legion House, always home-like and attractive was especially bright like with beautiful bouquets of flowers, given for the opening occasion by Farmington Greenhouses.

A beautiful flower basket received much commendation. It contained lavender stock, tall snap dragon, and lemon yellow calendula.

Mrs. R. E. Weeks and Miss Hood president and member of the Strathmoor Garden Club brought those in attendance the significance and aims of Garden Clubs.

Two instrumental quartets from the school under the direction of Mr. Eaton furnished music with the program, after which Mrs. Armstrong presided at the tea table for a social hour.

Mrs. Elmer Dobany, J. A. Van Volkenburgh and Mrs. John Dalrymple were appointed to make arrangements for the next meeting.

With the corps of officers elected and various committees appointed, it is felt the formation of the organization is well under way. All are urged to watch for the date of the next meeting, and the splendid program that is expected the able committee will gather and by attending "The Lure of the Farmington Garden Club."

## LEGION POST TO HOLD MOCK TRIAL; OFFICERS ELECTED

### Event Planned For Next Month; Vacancies In Offices Filled

At a meeting and special election of Groves-Walker Post held Thursday night April 14 at Legion home, the following officers were elected to office: Les E. Doyle chairman of Board of Trustees was elected junior vice-commander; Dr. G. F. Weaver was elected to the place on the Board of Trustees vacated by Charles Lueke; Charles O. Raley was elected Post Historian.

The mock trial which was postponed indefinitely last winter was the topic of discussion. It being the wish and desire of the Post to proceed with the trial, Mr. Doyle chairman of committee in charge, stated he was ready at any time now to proceed. Commander Fred Schaepeler appointed Carl Hogle and Dr. G. F. Weaver to work with the chairman.

It is hoped by the committee to present the trial some time in May. The cast will be strictly Legionnaires.

The committee will report on the April 28th. After the meeting an oyster stew and cards were enjoyed.

## Supervisors Of This Section Get Important Posts

### Hamilton, Long, Head Foremost Committees; Coe Also Gets Chairmanship

Chairmanships of the most important committees of the Oakland County Board of Supervisors during the coming year will be held by men from this section of the County. Standing committees of the board were announced Tuesday by Mayor Arthur Lamb of Farmington, chairman of the board.

Charles Hamilton, supervisor of Novi Township, was named as chairman of the equalization committee, which handles assessments on property in the county. This chairmanship had been held by Mayor Lamb last year. Appointment of Mr. Hamilton to this chairmanship was anticipated, as he and Mr. Lamb have been closely associated in board matters during the past year or two. They were described as joint leaders of the successful fight some months ago against ousting the present Board of Auditors.

Chairmanship of the other of the most important committees on the board, the ways and means committee, went to Joseph A. Long, supervisor of Commerce Township.

Arthur P. Coe, supervisor of Farmington Township, was appointed chairman of the auditor-general account committee.

Supervisor George Bingham of Southfield Township and Supervisor Bruce Leggart of West Bloomfield, the latter of whom Mayor Lamb succeeded as chairman of the board, were both placed on the equalization committee, along with Supervisor Hamilton. The latter and Supervisor Coe were made members of the county roads committee, an important one. Supervisors Long and Leggart were named to the special court house committee, and Mr. Bingham to that on county drains.

## Shows Film Of Coal Industry

### Motion Picture Shown To Exchange Club, School Children, Reveals Processes

A highly interesting educational film showing how anthracite coal is mined, cleaned and made ready for delivery to millions of homes throughout the country was exhibited to members of Farmington Exchange Club and a large number of school children Wednesday afternoon in M. E. Community Hall. The program was arranged by Carl Hogle, of Farmington Lumber and Coal Co.

A representative of the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Co., world's largest anthracite distributing company, brought the film and made explanatory remarks. The motion pictures showed how coal is formed by the development of thick, heavy vegetation in swamp areas which prove unable to bear the weight of the vegetation. The trees and plants fall into the swamp and are gradually broken down by various processes of nature. The result of centuries of increasing pressure is, first peat, then the softest grades of coal, then harder grades, and finally the hardest of all, anthracite.

The film showed how Neecho Allen, a hunter accidentally discovered the greatest anthracite fields in the world while hunting in Pennsylvania in 1792, having gone to sleep beside his campfire and awakened to find the ground around him aflame.

The remarkable and complicated machine processes by which the coal is taken from the ground, crushed, washed, sorted and loaded upon cars was shown in the film.

The exhibitor, Mr. Runnels, declared that although we spend a large percentage of our entire income for coal, it is one of the least-known and understood of our great commodities. For instance, he said, there are 46 kinds of Pocahontas coal and three kinds of anthracite, but few people are aware of this. Mr. Runnels explained that anthracite coal burns without smoke or soot, because the greater the pressure in the formation of coal, the greater percentage of volatile gases is driven out. "Pocahontas" is known as "smokeless" coal because it contains the least volatile matter of the soft coals, but still much more than anthracite.

Left some should fear shortage, Mr. Runnels said that 250 billion tons remain underground.

## FAREWELL EVENT FOR MRS. SCHOEN ATTENDED BY 45

### Wife Of Pastor Is Honored By Aid Society Of Church

Last Thursday Mrs. A. G. Nette opened her home to the Ladies Aid of the Salem Evangelical church at a farewell mid-day luncheon honoring Mrs. A. A. Schoen. Spring flowers decorated covers laid for 45 members and friends.

Following appropriate addresses made by the officers, Mrs. Schoen was presented with a genuine leather overnight bag engraved with her initials.

A program of vocal, piano and elocution numbers furnished an enjoyable feature of the occasion.

## J. D. MUIR, FATHER OF FARMINGTON WOMAN, EXPIRES

### Former Cleveland Resident Had Lived With Daughter, Mrs. Edgar, For Two Years

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Heeneey Funeral Home for John D. Muir, 61, father of Mrs. Florence Edgar of Farmington. Mr. Muir died Monday at St. Joseph Hospital, Pontiac.

Rev. A. A. Schoen officiated at the service. Burial was at Oakwood Cemetery.

Mr. Muir had been ill three months. For the past two years he had lived with Mrs. Edgar, nearly all of his life having been spent in Cleveland. He was born in Earlville, N. Y. Mrs. Edgar is the only surviving member of his immediate family remaining.

## It's For Men Only—And It Makes Them Look!

A clever display appears in the window of Farmington Drug Co., one that attracts many male passers-by. A portion of the window is set off, all blocked from view except a small square opening. In large letters appears, "For Men Only." Men who are curious and approach the "peek-a-hole" see inside an attractive display of shaving preparations offered at attractive prices.

## TAKE OUT MEAT MARKET, THREE STILL REMAIN

The meat market in the A. and P. store in Farmington was removed this week, leaving three markets in town instead of four. With four markets, an unusual number for a town the size of Farmington, competition has been especially keen during the past few years. Two of the markets, that in Delos Hamlin's Red and White Store and the one just discontinued by the A. and P. have been in adjoining stores.

## Furnished Cards, Club Members "Must Write"

A score or more of greetings are on their way to Olin Russell, Farmington Ford dealer, who is in Florida on a vacation trip. When members of the Exchange Club sat down to luncheon Wednesday, each found at his place a Government postcard, attached to which was a slip of paper containing Mr. Russell's address in Florida.

It was announced that each member was expected to write a greeting to Mr. Russell on the card and drop it in the mail. The idea and the cards were furnished by Howard Warner.

## Plans Complete For Installation

### Retiring Matron Entertains Officers Of Past Year; Ceremonies To Be Tuesday

Plans for the installation of the new officers of Farmington Chapter O. E. S. are completed. Past matrons have charge of the work which will be exemplified next Tuesday evening, April 25th at 8 o'clock by members and friends of the order.

On Monday evening several members of the Chapter attended an installation ceremony of Fernside Chapter and others attended the ceremony of Whiting Chapter at Milford on Wednesday evening.

Thursday evening the retiring matron, Mary Johnson entertained her officers at a 6 o'clock dinner, after which there were five tables of bridge.

## "DAUGHTERS' DAY" TO BE OBSERVED BY WOMAN'S CLUB

### Former Resident Of China To Speaker, "Daughters" To Present Program

Wednesday of last week several members of the Farmington Woman's club visited Jack Miner's Bird Sanctuary at Kingsville, Ontario. The next regular meeting, Wednesday the 27th to be held at the home of Mrs. M. E. Pierce, promises features of unusual interest.

Mrs. Wellman of Pontiac will give a short talk of special interest to younger women, quite in harmony with the program, "Daughters' Day," Miss Ernestine Pierce, Mrs. Stocum and Miss Mildred Adams aided by other "daughters" will offer a musical program to which Mrs. Kennedy Snyder of Detroit will contribute.

This committee have also secured as speaker, Mrs. Clyde Hasley of Detroit, whose five years residence in China enables her to speak with authority on conditions in that distracted country.

## HERMAN GRIMMER IS APPOINTED AS GRASSELLI AGENT

### North Farmington Man To Represent Widely-Known Chemical Firm In This Area

Herman Grimmer of Halstead Road, Farmington, has been appointed as agent in this area for Grasselli spray and dust products which afford the fruit-grower a finer crop of fancy fruit when utilized in orchards.

Grasselli products are known throughout the country, being manufactured by one of the best known chemical concerns making spray and dust products in the United States. The firm has a large branch in Detroit.

Because of the extensive and increasing interest in fruit-growing in this area, particularly apples, the appointment of an agent in this area by the Grasselli firm is of more than ordinary interest.

## Enclosed Window To Be Built In Bakery

### A. L. Ross' of Farmington Bakery Is Planning To Enclose The Show Window of His Bakery Next to the Post Office; This Will Assure That Baked Goods Will Remain Entirely Sanitary

Mr. Ross recently announced new low prices on his baked goods. A list of the new reduced prices appears in his advertisement in this issue on page 4.

## Township Plans Re-Registration Beginning May 1

### All Voters Required To Register Under New System To Vote Next Fall

A complete re-registration of all voters in Farmington Township will begin on May 1. The Township Board, at its meeting Tuesday evening, decided to hold the re-registration and install a new card-index system of registration records.

No Township voter who does not make a new registration will be allowed to vote henceforth in election. All present registrations will be of no effect.

The re-registration is in compliance with the law passed by the 1931 Legislature, which provided for the new system. Under the new method, registrations are more likely to be kept up to date.

### Have Until August

The re-registration starting May 1 will continue up to and including the twentieth day before the next primary election, as provided by law. Voters have up to and including August 19 to record their names with Clerk Willard Campbell. After that date no one not registered under the new system will have an opportunity to cast his ballot at the primary election.

Township officials emphasize that the length of time a voter has been registered makes no difference, that the re-registration is compulsory, and that the law will not permit of any allowances to be made for anyone not registered under the new records.

Cost Is Considered

Townships and cities under 5,000 population are not required by the law to hold a re-registration, and some discussion occurred among members of the Township Board before the plan was adopted. Justice Ernest Blanchard strongly advocated the re-registration, asserting that it was imperative because of the condition of the present registration books. Supervisor Coe said he agreed as to condition of the books, and the desirability of the re-registration, but that he was hesitant to adopt the plan because of the expense, under the Township's present financial conditions. The cost is estimated at upward of \$300. Clerk Campbell also inclined to the opinion that while the re-registration was desirable, the expense was a matter to be seriously considered at this time. Mr. Blanchard expressed the opinion that savings could be made in other items of less importance to offset the expense of re-registration, suggesting the auditors be eliminated. He said he believed the bringing of the registration books up to date one of the most important matters. Justice Willis T. Roberts was absent.

### Expect Many Changes

The board finally voted to hold the re-registration and will consider several systems now on the market. The present registration books have about 2,500 names, and it is considered likely that many changes will develop in the re-registration.

An interesting skirmish is now going on between the City of Detroit officials and State authorities, the former objecting to a re-registration because of the enormous expense in a City the size of Detroit. The city officials say the City has not the money for the re-registration, and Attorney-General Paul W. Voorhes has advised that he does not know of any legal way to circumvent the statute.

## Farmington Enterprise Want Ads

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