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Editorials

Working To "Save The Fair"

The coming month will bring to a climax a tremendous effort that has been made to sustain a public enterprise of this State, a struggle that few people know of and appreciate. It is the fight to retain, on at least an expense-paying basis, what was once the greatest event of the year in Michigan—the Michigan State Fair.

For months a group of disinterested citizens, most of them serving without pay, have worked tirelessly in the task of "saving the Fair." Public officials and public-spirited citizens have used every resource of wit and work to retain the Fair, in the face of the worst business conditions. Everyone, from the Governor, who began months ago with offering suggestions on vital matters that met with enthusiastic response, and has since followed up with every sort of encouragement possible, down through these whose tasks are among the humblest in preparing for the year's exhibit, this great public affair has been the object of devotion rarely seen in public endeavor. The job of transforming the Fair from an exclusively agricultural exhibit into a combined exposition of the State's agriculture and industry, and at the same time educating the public mind to this altered aspect of the Fair, all in the atmosphere of the most discouraging economic conditions, is a monumental work. It deserves to bear fruit, and it will, if the people of Michigan but support it with a fraction of the loyalty and enthusiasm displayed by those who have been laboring to "save the Fair" for Michigan.

Many Times He Said "No"

School board members throughout this section seem to have satisfied their fellow-citizens in the trying tasks that have been the lot of all public officials these last twelve months. With but a few exceptions retiring members were returned to office, and rarely was dissatisfaction sufficient to disturb tranquility of the district. In the midst of many troubles, the people seemed to feel that those representing them had done a pretty good job. The most evident desire for a change was among some of the officials themselves, who, wearying of their burdens, felt that they could fairly ask that the responsibilities be shifted elsewhere.

A conspicuous example is Novi's Archie C. Atkinson, president of the Board. For a dozen years he has served in school affairs, through those turbulent days when the big question (forgotten now), was as to where the new school would be located; through the critical period of building, and now into the wearisome question of how to keep things going inside the new structure.

So year and year out he served, and this year, with his term ending, declared he would serve no more. Declared it in advance, his answer to the demands of his fellow-citizens, and let it be put into print to make it more decisive, if possible. But meeting night came, and Novi's most popular citizen met defeat at the hands of his own best friends. For they adopted the simple strategy of refusing to nominate anyone else, and thus they, matching his every determined "no" with an equally insistent "yes," finally prevailed upon him. Knowing his good nature, they felt sure of their ultimate victory.

Many men seek office, some of them achieve it; and Mr. Atkinson may well feel that he has had it thrust upon him. This may prove some consolation to him as he looks forward to perhaps even more vexatious days ahead, reflects upon his capitulation, and looks back with remorse upon that final surrender.

Another Library

Proximity to Detroit gives residents of this section, and especially children, one bit of advantage, regardless of what other benefits or detriments may exist. Those who have read all of the books in Farmington's library, or who find that they have read all which interest them and that the new ones do not come quite fast enough, may slip down to West Point Park, where a Wayne County branch library is maintained. It is not a large one, true, and thus it possesses many of the limitations of the Farmington book-centre. There may, however, be some noticeable difference: in the list of volumes available, and there is always the possibility, too, that what might not look too attractive when easily available in Farmington, may take on a more alluring aspect at the end of a couple of miles' journey. For those who happen to live south of Eight Mile Road it is a "free" library—but one must use that word guardedly these days, for we have come to learn painfully in the last two or three years that "free" means it is paid for by the people. Those above the County line may obtain books by depositing a dollar for a year's permit to borrow.

Three hundred books will not serve many people, but like any other service, it will grow with demand, and a healthy interest will, we can feel sure, bring a greater supply to meet it. Even though the demand did for a time exceed the supply, that would be far less unfortunate than to have the branch languish and perhaps die for lack of interested patrons.

In this issue are published reports of various school districts in this area for the past fiscal year. They are published in the interest of public welfare and for the information of citizens, who may learn from them the details of management of school affairs. They should receive the attention of conscientious citizens, and none will welcome a genuine, helpful interest in these public matters more than the officials who duty it is to conduct them.

Reminiscence

Three years ago heads were held high,
And some held me in scorn.
But Ah! I had no silver spoon
To sup when I was born.

They owned some stock in local banks.
Alas! I thought, I'd none,
But now the Gods were good I see,
Their troubles just begun.

Directors they! They said with pride,
And broadly did they smile.
I envied them their lofty place.
Success did them beguile.

Depression's reaper then did cross
This field of yellow grain,
And now the stubble that is left,
In height is all the same.

Stockholders then, Stockholders now.
Alas, they needs must pay
Far value on the stock they own.
Their smile has gone away.

'Tis Nature's law that great shall fall,
And lowly shall arise.
The mountain ever toward the plain
Is creeping, while Time dies.

Some times it's fine, success to gain,
As viewed by eyes of Man.
Oh Yes! We love to hear acclaim,
And be in, up in the Van.

But when the Reaper grim has come,
To lead us by the hand,
The one who loved his fellows most,
Will lead the marching band.

Royal Oak, Michigan.

HARRY J. MERRITT.

VOTERS ATTENTION

There seems to be some doubt in regard to the New Registration Law. All citizens who have voted at previous elections in the City of Farmington are not required to re-register this year. The new law applies only to cities of 5,000 inhabitants or over or to such cities and townships as chose to come under its provisions. Because of the expense necessary to put the new law in force, the city commissioners chose to operate under the old law.

N. H. Power,
City Clerk

CHURCHES

Our Lady of Sorrows Church
Rev. James A. Callanan, Pastor

Sunday masses at 8:30 a. m. and 11 a. m.
Daily mass at 8:00.

Baptist Church

Rev. E. W. Palmer, Pastor

10:10 Prayer meeting.
10:30 Morning service. Ronald Butten of the Novi Church will preach. This young man is worth hearing.

11:45 Bible School with classes for all. We are aiming at a new high mark in attendance. Every scholar is urged to be present.

6:30 Young People's Hour.
7:30 Open Air service on Town Hall Lawn. The pastor will speak on, "No Parking Here". There will be special musical numbers. The Quarterly Business meeting will be held Wednesday, August 3.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Clarenceville

Middle Belt and Baseline Roads
Rev. Paul Graunert, Pastor

9:30 Sunday School.
10:30 Divine Service.

The first and third Sundays of the month the services are conducted in the German language. All others are English.

West Point Park Presbyterian Church

Rev. Roy J. Miller, Minister

10:30 Sunday school.
11:30 Morning worship.

Rev. Roy Miller will deliver a twenty minute sermon on the subject "Withered Hands." Growing congregations enjoy Mr. Miller's interpretation of the mind of God. We welcome you. The service closes before 12:30 o'clock. Come Sunday.

Co-Operative Purchasing

The modern co-operative buying movement first took practical form with the formation of the Rochdale society in England in 1844.

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CHANCERY SALE
In pursuance and by virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, in Chancery, made and entered on the 15th day of June, A. D. 1932 in a certain cause therein pending, wherein UNITED GUARDIAN TRUST COMPANY a Michigan Corporation, complainant and CARMELO V. DIPIETRO and JOHN DIPIETRO, defendants, Notice is hereby given, that I shall sell at public auction to the highest bidder, at the Saginaw Street entrance to the Court House in the City of Pontiac (that being the place of holding the Court for said county) on Monday the 15th day of September, A. D. 1932, at eleven o'clock the forenoon, Eastern Standard Time, the following described property, viz: all that certain place or parcel of land situate in the County of Oakland and State of Michigan, described as follows: Lot numbered Five Hundred Sixty-seven, in the Township of Woods, being a Subdivision of part of Section 21, Town 1 North, Range 11 East, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 18 of plats on page 34, Oakland County Records, said land being situated on the southwesterly side of Cambridge Avenue between Salem and Concord Avenues.

Dated: July 25, 1932.
HARRY J. MERRITT,
Circuit Court Commissioner
Oakland County, Michigan
SCHUELER & FREUD,
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2365 Penobscot Bldg.,
Detroit, Michigan.

ALERT OPERATOR SUMMONS AID, SAVES WOMAN'S LIFE

Mrs. George M. Roche, of Los Angeles, Cal., is alive today because of the presence of mind of a telephone operator. Alone in her home, Mrs. Roche suffered a stroke. She managed to get to the telephone and grab the receiver, pulling it actually at the hook, but was unable to utter a word. An alert operator heard her low gasp and a sharp outcry, and then a muffled sound as she collapsed. The operator at once notified the Hollywood police, and although she was found to be in a serious condition, her recovery was expected because assistance reached her so promptly.

World's Oldest Volume?

The world's oldest book is said to be a volume discovered in China recently. It consists of 78 wooden leaves fast together with string, and dates back to 100 B. C.

Facts About the Telephone

Cleveland, with 256,000 telephones, has about 100,000 more than it had ten years ago.

Radio telephone service has been inaugurated between all parts of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and all parts of New Zealand.

Twenty-six new communities were recently connected by telephone in the Province of Thrace and the regions of Drama and Kavalla in Eastern Macedonia.

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