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## Fruit Growers Of County Plan Inspection Tour

To Visit Representative Orchards In County To Study Cultivation Methods

Fruit growers in this community will have an excellent opportunity to inspect the leading orchards of the county and to see the latest methods in the raising of fruit demonstrated in a tour sponsored by K. D. Baskley, County Agriculture Agent, in co-operation with the fruit growers of Oakland County, to be held on August 13.

The inspection trip will last all day and will include visits to orchards owned by George Henry, Fred Simmons, Jay O. Button, Charles Halsted, Arthur Green, Ray Marsh, and L. R. Love. Following a basket lunch at Halsted's, the fruit growers will be addressed by Professor H. A. Carnidelli, of Michigan State College who will talk on "Current problems of interest to fruit growers and crop outlook for 1932."

All of the fruit growers in the County are invited to take the tour. While it is impossible for all of the leading orchards to be shown, a representative variety as best chosen for inspection.

The tour will start at 9:15 o'clock at the farm owned by George Henry, located 1 1/2 miles south and 3/4 of a mile west of New Hudson. Mr. Henry has made a canvas irrigation hose and with the aid of a second hand pump was able to irrigate several acres of strawberries this summer. The practicability of the hose will be demonstrated.

Fred Simmons' orchard on the Ten Mile Road will be visited at 10 o'clock. Mr. Simmons has 140 acres of fruit, most of which are devoted to raising pears. The trees have been sprayed, scraped, and banded, with remarkable success. The result has been very little trouble from the codling moth. A commercial fruit grader will also be demonstrated.

At 10:45, the party will stop at Jay Button's, two miles north and three miles west of Farmington on the 12-Mile Road. Here a home made grader and polisher will be shown. The machine is of a portable type, is very compact, and can handle 25 to 30 bushels per hour.

The inspection trip will stop at Charles Halsted's on Halsted Road at 11:15 o'clock. Mr. Halsted has banded a young orchard for the codling moth. He has five acres of matted strawberries that are beginning to yield a crop now and will continue to bear for the remainder of the season.

The basket luncheon will be held at Mr. Halsted's as well as the talk by Professor Carnidelli. After lunch, the next stop will be at 1:30 o'clock at Arthur Green's on the 13-Mile Road. The effect of sodium carbonate on quack grass, bounding grass and golden glow will be shown. A demonstration on spacing, fertilizing, and dusting potatoes will be given. The use of gypsum and calcium arsenate in fighting the striped cucumber beetle will also be shown. A home made grader and duster will be on exhibition.

The party will then stop at Ray Marsh's one mile east of Greens, at 2:30 where grapes which have been pruned and sprayed correctly will be seen. Mr. Marsh has a well sprayed apple orchard and potatoes that have been planted with certified seed and sprayed and dusted twice.

The final stop will be at the orchard of L. R. Love on 14-Mile and Northwestern, at 3:15 o'clock. Here, a new air cooled storage house is being constructed, with storage space in the rear and a show room in front. Mr. Love has a 25-year old apple orchard that is yielding an excellent crop. The trees have been sprayed and thinned.

## Whooping Cough Fatal To Farmington Child

Funeral services for Roy Duane Smith, 2 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Smith, who died Wednesday night at his home on 38299 Orchard Street, in Farmington, will be held Saturday with Reverend Johnson and Dunlavy officiating. Burial will take place at the Franklin cemetery. The young boy was taken sick Sunday with whooping cough and death is believed to have been a result of some complication of this disease.

## Young Farmington Inventor Seeks To Perfect Apple Grader-Polisher

Out in a small frame building, near the corner of Halsted and Twelve Mile Roads an electric motor hums, then stops, then motor works and tests, then works some more and tests again. And out of the little shop where Ronald Button works each day may soon come forth another of those marvelous pieces of machinery that turns days into hours for the farmer, as well as for other workers—not without, as we now know, some accompanying drawbacks.

Young Mr. Button, a little over a year out of his engineering classes at Michigan State College, is with his father, Jay Button, on

the farm, but he's devoting much of his time and effort to the perfection of a process that has only in recent years been attempted by machinery—the grading and polishing of apples for market. What he seeks to perfect is a machine that will both grade and polish the fruit in one process, without damage to the apples; it must not be too complicated to be practical and yet within the reach of an average fruit-grower's pocketbook.

Not Seeking Fortune Not that Button dreams of a vast fortune that he will make by the invention, or that he is led on solely by a copy of great (Continued on page four)

## Seeking Title To 70-Yr. Old School

Land Must Be Cleared Before New School House Is Constructed

Although almost 70 years old, the Pentst school, in which more than three generations have learned their reading, riting and 'rithmetic, has no title for the property on which it is located. It was learned at a meeting of the School Board held last Thursday night.

Two School Board members are to go to Lansing and attempt to clear the title to the land. When this is completed, it is expected that plans for a new school house will be drawn up.

Unofficially condemned and believed beyond repair, the school which has not been in active use since 1926, will not open up to receive pupils this year.

The School Board, by a vote of 18 to 8, decided to continue to send the children of the district to Farmington schools. At the time the School was first closed, it had an average enrollment of about 25 pupils.

Although the state officials have not declared the building actually condemned, they have advised that the Farmington schools be used if possible. In the last six years, the school building has served primarily as a meeting place for the board.

## GARAGE BUILDING LEASED

The garage building owned by Mrs. E. F. Holcomb, on Grand River opposite Ford Garage, has been leased for a wholesale produce and poultry salesroom, it is announced by Lloyd S. Gullen, Farmington real estate broker who arranged the tenancy. The new occupant has already taken possession.

## Papers Of Nation Print Picture Of Dr. Grace Making Demonstration



The remarkable properties of permalloy, a super-magnetic material, developed during the course of telephone research in the Bell Telephone Laboratories in New York, are demonstrated in this picture by Sergius P. Grace, assistant vice-president of the company. The permalloy, along the lines of the earth's magnetic field. In this position the rod becomes a magnet, strong enough to support a piece of sheet permalloy. As he turns the rod to east and west, across the earth's magnetic field, it ceases to be a magnet, and the piece of metal which it holds falls to the ground. This material is very responsive to the influence of small magnetic forces, of which the earth's magnetic field is an example.

## Couple Held Up In Car, Officers Seeking 2 Men

Sheriffs Charge To Detectives To Find Hold-Up Men's Hide-Out

Two men in this vicinity are being hunted in connection with a hold-up of a Detroit couple who were parked at the side of Seven Mile Road early Wednesday morning. Farmington sheriffs stated Thursday that they knew the names of the hold-up men but would not reveal them until arrests were made. The suspects disappeared when they learned that the deputies were on their trail.

Automobile tracks in muddy roads, hasty descriptions, the names of several streets that the crooks who had held them up had forced them to drive over, were the only clues that deputies William Tamm and Joseph DeVriendt had to go on in hunting down the suspects. Charles H. Schweikie, 24, and Dorothy Wise, 19, both of Detroit, reported that they had been robbed of \$7.50 in cash and of their automobile. Within half an hour, however, the car had been recovered and the names of the two hold-up men known.

Schweikie and Miss Wise were parked off Grand River on the Seven Mile Road, when the two men shoved a shot gun in the window, and took the money and a wrist watch from Schweikie and a pocketbook containing some change from Miss Wise.

Getting into the rear seat, the hold-up men forced them to drive into Farmington and over many of the City streets in an effort to make them lose their sense of direction. Finally they dumped them out of the car on Inkster Road, between 11 and 12 Mile Road and themselves drove away. Schweikie described the two crooks to the Deputies and told them the streets that he had been forced to drive over. Tamm and DeVriendt went back over the same streets and picked up the two men from time to time in the dirt roads and finally found the car abandoned. Following a hunch, they went to a house in the neighborhood and found the two men ran out the front door, both barefoot.

## DRUNKEN DRIVER GIVEN 90 DAYS IN JAIL TO SOBER UP

Detroit Man Wrecks Car, Injures Self But Fails To Spoil Evidence

The trial of Charles Clewley, Detroit, who was arrested at 4 o'clock Sunday morning in an intoxicated condition, on the corner of Grand River and Inkster Roads after his car had left the road and torn up the countryside, had to postpone to 8 o'clock in the afternoon until Clewley, the respondent, was able to literally "stand up for himself."

Clewley appeared at Justice John J. Schuyler Court in the afternoon, much subdued, slightly out from the crash, and still a little intoxicated. He pleaded guilty to a drunken driving charge and was fined \$100 or 90 days in jail. He took the 90 days.

A pint of the evidence on which Clewley was convicted still reposes in a desk drawer in Justice Schuyler's office awaiting disposition.

## Verna Leet Is Married To Cecil C. Newstead

At a ceremony performed in Stetson Chapel at Kalamazoo, Miss Verna Leet, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Leet, became the bride of Mr. Cecil C. Newstead, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Newstead of Pontiac.

The ceremony was read by Rev. Dr. H. Service Stetson, president Emeritus of Kalamazoo College. Attending the couple were Miss Winifred Leet and Mr. Howard Olds.

Miss Newstead is a graduate of Michigan State Normal college of Ypsilanti. Mr. Newstead is a registered pharmacist.

After the ceremony Mr. and Mrs. Newstead left for a tour through the Upper Peninsula. They will reside in the Oakgrove Apartments at Pontiac.

## Hygienic Tacks The Latest From Science

Since man for the first time drew a nail to hold parts of his dwelling-place together, carpenters, professional and amateur, have used their mouths as a reservoir for nails while at work. Not one, probably, ever thought he might catch a disease from the practice, although now and then a nail might have found its way to the lower regions.

## Auto Hits Truck, Four Badly Hurt

Detroit People Rushed To Hospital Following Accident At Novi

Three men and a girl were seriously injured Thursday noon when a car driven by Arthur Graham, 30, of Detroit, crashed into a heavy cement truck driven by Leo Scherer, 31, of Novi, within 200 feet of the traffic light at the center of Novi.

Three other occupants of Graham's car, Al Graham, 24; John Duggan, and Gladys McDona, 18, as well as the driver, were injured.

All are suffering from possible fractured skulls and Duggan was a possible fracture of the spine.

## EX-SERVICE MEN'S VOTERS LEAGUE BEING ORGANIZED

County-Wide Organization Being Formed To Improve Quality Of Government

A new organization which undoubtedly will exert a vast influence on public affairs in Oakland County is the Ex-Service Men's Voters League, units of which are already being organized in various parts of the County.

A Farmington unit is in process of formation. Myron Carrier is prominent in the organization work, and all ex-service men interested are asked to communicate with him.

As soon as the local units throughout the County have completed their organization work, they will meet and form the County-wide organization.

All ex-service men in the county who have served in any war, are eligible.

## WEST FARMINGTON SCHOOL WILL PAY MINIMUM TUITION

Sixty Dollar Per Pupil Will Be Paid To Farmington High School

Attempting to reduce taxes, voters of School District Number 4 Fractional, West Farmington, in a special meeting held Tuesday, August 2, decided to pay only \$60, the minimum required by law, as tuition for students attending Farmington High School. The meeting, which was called by Jay Button, was held solely to decide about the tuition. This matter was not cleared up at the annual meeting held a month ago. A motion that all the tuition be paid lost by a vote of 9 to 13. The motion that the minimum be paid then carried by acclamation.

## Hearing Monday Will Decide On Bank Dividend

To Determine Whether Public Accounts Should Be Paid Before Dividends

A legal question, the decision of which will be of vast importance to every depositor in a closed bank in Oakland County, will be debated next Monday morning in Circuit Court at Pontiac, when arguments are heard as to whether deposits of governmental units are to be treated as preferred claims.

The hearing Monday results from the filing of a petition by Earl L. Phillips, attorney for Howard C. Knickerbocker, Receiver of Farmington State Savings Bank. Mr. Phillips, in his petition filed on July 30, asked the court for instructions as to municipal deposits, and requested a ruling that deposits of public funds "should stand as general claims and without preference as to priority of payment over other creditors."

The importance of the forthcoming decision may be understood from the fact that Mr. Knickerbocker has in the bank a few months collected sufficient money to distribute among the bank's depositors another 5 per cent dividend. Payment of this has been held up, however, due to the public-money question of deposits of municipalities and school districts are held to be preferred claims, the money already collected will have to go to satisfy those claims and private depositors will have to wait for their dividends.

Another Court Decree A number of Circuit Courts throughout the State have already held that public-money deposits are not preferred claims. The Oakland County Circuit Court ruled a short time ago that these deposits are preferred claims to the extent of the money on hand at the time of closing the bank. This decision does not have sufficient bearing, however, to measurably affect the matter of a dividend. If, on the other hand, Mr. Phillips is able to obtain a favorable ruling, as to the relation which will be heard Monday, it will mean that distribution of a dividend can be made at once.

Five governmental units are involved in the hearing Monday. Mr. Phillips' petition listed the City of Farmington, County of Oakland, Township of Novi, Walpole Lake Consolidated School District, and School District No. 1, Novi, as depositors of public money. An order was issued for these five units to show cause Monday why their claims should not be paid equally and ratably with those of other creditors of the bank.

The decision will be binding not only upon the Farmington State Savings Bank case, but upon all others in the County and State and thus the interests of thousands of depositors and the distribution of hundreds of thousands of dollars in assets is at stake Monday.

## THE SUGAR BOWL IS NOW MAKING OWN ICE CREAM

New Equipment Makes Home Made Ice Cream And Sherbet Economically

With the installation of an electric ice cream mixer and freezer in the Sugar Bowl, on the corner of Grand River and Farmington Road, Farmington people have not only had the opportunity to buy real home-made ice cream, but also, the opportunity of "seeing it made."

The entire freezing equipment has been placed in the window of the store in a room built especially for it, and is on exhibition for all those who wish to inspect it.

Because of the economy of making their own ice cream, the proprietors of the Sugar Bowl have been able to increase the butter content without raising the price, making the product richer and more nourishing. They have also been able to increase the quantity of the helpings served at the fountain and to reduce the cost of ice cream and sherbet bought in bulk.

Mrs. Frances Halsted entertained Mr. and Mrs. Charles Halsted and son Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Judd Hammond of Novi and Mrs. Childson of Northville, at Sunday dinner.