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4-H CLUB BOYS ON DAIRY SHOW TRIP

Won Privilege by Outstanding Work During Past Season

Three boys representing 4-H clubs of Oakland County made the trip to the National Dairy Show at St. Louis, Missouri, in company with M. H. Avery, Assistant County Club Agent. The group drove to Lansing Saturday evening, October 10, and left from there with the Michigan group of about 60 boys and leaders for St. Louis early Sunday morning. The first night was spent at Champaign, Illinois, and the next morning a tour of the campus of the University of Illinois was made. Continuing the trip on towards St. Louis a stop was made en route to see the monument to Pioneer Mothers. They arrived at St. Louis Monday evening.

While at St. Louis the time was spent in looking over the stock, watching judging and visiting places of interest such as Shaw's Gardens (noted all over the world for its collection of plants), Lindbergh's Memorial and Historical Museum, Lambert's Flying Field, the St. Louis Zoo (Forrest Park), containing a wide range of animals of historical and geographical interest, and the Purina Food Mills.

The group left Friday morning early for Michigan, stopping at Lincoln's Monument and home at Springfield and at the Farm Bureau Insurance offices at Bloomington, Indiana, arriving back at Lansing Saturday noon.

The boys won the privilege of going on the trip by their outstanding work in 4-H Clubs during the summer. The boys who represented Oakland County were Harold Baldwin, Oxford, dairy; Leonard Render, Pontiac, dairy, and Robert Van Leuvan, Milford, poultry.

PACK YOUR BEES FOR THE WINTER

Then Colonies Will Enter Spring in First Class Condition

East Lansing, Oct. 22.—The protection of bees in Michigan apiaries from winter winds and low temperatures by the use of windbreaks around the bee yard and by packing the hives either in wooden or tar paper cases is recommended by specialists in apiculture at Michigan State College.

Bushy shrubs, evergreens or groups of buildings can be utilized as windbreaks and should be on the north and west sides of the colonies of bees. When no natural windbreak is available, a board fence six to nine feet high built with boards spaced two inches apart will give ample protection from winds.

Occasionally, in mild winters, unpacked bees pass through the winters in good condition; but, in average Michigan winter temperatures, packed bees will be in enough better condition in the spring to enable them to produce one more super of honey than the unpacked bees.

In northern Michigan, three inches of packing material between the tar paper or wooden packing case and the sides of the hive will be needed but less insulation is necessary for hives in southern parts of the State. The cost of the tar paper case will be only about 15 cents a hive and an extra super of honey will pay packing costs for several years.

Colonies going into the winter should have a vigorous queen, three to five pounds of young bees, and 50 pounds of well-ripened honey. Bees which have too little food supplies can be strengthened by feeding sugar syrup, which is made by dissolving two pounds of sugar in one pint of water. If there is any question about the quantity or quality of the honey in the hive, the feeding of one gallon of the syrup to each colony is excellent insurance against winter losses.

ORCHARD OWNERS' SCHOOL AT M. S. C.

Will Be Held Four Days, Beginning on November 17th

East Lansing, Oct. 22.—A four-day school, Nov. 17-21, at East Lansing, has been planned for the owners of Michigan orchards and vineyards by the horticultural department of Michigan State College.

New orchard pests and new means of controlling fruit insects and diseases makes it necessary for horticulturists to keep posted on the latest developments in their industry, the members of the College department state.

The fruit-tree leaf roller and the European red mite which are causing damage to apples in this state are two of the insects which will be discussed at the fruit grower's school. These insects are comparatively new species in Michigan and control methods are also recent developments.

Peach diseases and insects which will be subjects for study at the school are peach yellows and little peach, winter injury, bacterial spot, carynum blight, arsenical injury, circulio, bark beetles, peach borers, and the oriental fruit moth.

Practices of handling the orchard soils will also get their share of attention. The influences which fertilizers, soil water, and other factors have upon the size of the fruit, the frequency of bearing in the orchard, and the maintenance of soil fertility will be explained.

Class room work will include lectures, laboratory periods and discussions.

GRASS IS BUILDING NEW LAND ALONG ATLANTIC

Grasses play an important part in building up the very earth we live on, says Dr. A. S. Hitchcock, of the U. S.

Department of Agriculture, an example of which is the case of beachgrass building barrier dunes along the north Atlantic coast of America. Beachgrass is found as far south as Maryland.

Extensive mud flats and tidal estuaries on our Atlantic coast are occupied by species of grass named Spartina, which thrive in the soft mud submerged at high tide. Their stout underground stems form a dense lateral network, ever pushing outward, assisting in the formation of good dry land.

Large-scale land building has been brought about recently in England, France and Holland, too, by a Spartina, the only plant found capable of gaining a foothold on these bottomless muds. Spartina has been planted outside the dikes of Holland and is building up land at a rapid rate.

WATERFOWL TO BE SCARCE NEXT YEAR

Drought Has Reduced Hatch by Over Half It Is Claimed

The waterfowl of the country this year find themselves figuratively between the devil and the deep sea—only most sportsmen are not devils and the birds have been hard pressed to find enough water to meet their requirements.

Game protectors of the Bureau of Biological Survey of the U. S. Department of Agriculture have made careful observations in some of the States worst hit by this year's drought, and their reports, together with others that have come from Canadian Provinces to Paul G. Redington, chief of the bureau, are to the effect that many of the sloughs, ponds, small lakes, and even larger bodies of water are at the lowest level known for years, and that some of the best waterfowl lakes are dry.

Shortage of water and other conditions have cut the hatch of the game-

fowl species 50 per cent below that of last year, according to estimates made by certain Canadian observers, and last year's hatch in Canada was far below normal. As a result, the waterfowl of both Canada and the U. S. are facing a serious situation.

It has been reported to the Biological Survey that many of the large duck clubs are pumping or preparing to pump water into their lakes from larger bodies of water, and that State game departments are transferring fish from one point to another or pumping water into the smaller streams.

Furthermore, the Government has reduced the bag limit on waterfowl for the individual hunter to 15 ducks and 4 geese a day and has prescribed a possession limit of two days' bag. This should help—but there is still cause for apprehension. For example, local observers who see plenty of wild fowl in their localities may think that there are plenty in all other localities. This conclusion, according to officials of the Biological Survey, would very likely be wrong. They point out that reduced water in many States may concentrate the birds in places where there is water. Most hunters are interested in maintaining the game-bird supply, and Mr. Redington has made an urgent appeal to the sportsmen of the country to recognize the situation now menacing the waterfowl and to be governed thereby in taking ducks and geese during the present season.

SEED YIELD WAS GIVEN IN ERROR

Reporting Alfalfa, Bushels Was Used Instead of Pounds

East Lansing, Oct. 22.—Total alfalfa seed yields in Michigan this year, previously reported through error as 250,000 bushels of certified and 750,000 bushels of uncertified seed, are actually 250,000 and 750,000 pounds

of seed in the respective classes, according to H. C. Rather, head of the farm crops department at Michigan State College.

The corrected figures, while only one-sixtieth of the first report, place Michigan among the four leading producers of certified seed. Alfalfa, both for hay and seed, is one of the more recently introduced of Michigan's important field crops, and the production of alfalfa seed has been on a quantity basis only during the last few years. The shift from timothy and ordinary clovers to alfalfa has aided greatly in the building up of Michigan's dairy industry and in the building up of Michigan soils, and the farm crops department of the College expects still further increases in the acreage of alfalfa.

FOUND—Pocketbook. C. G. Fiske.

WANT ADS PAY

History of Aviation

A curious old catalogue of books on aviation in the print department of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, brings to mind the interesting and often amusing inventions, scientific and literary, from the time of Leonardo da Vinci to the first successful ascent in 1783 of the Montgolfier balloon. With a charitable mind, one may accept 1783 as the high point in the history of ballooning. All before that date was experimental. Since that time man has been perfecting the invention.

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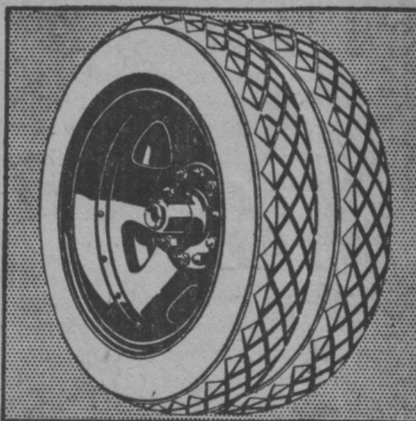
Members of the various Granges in the county and Farm Bureau members are interesting themselves in opposition to one of the amendments to the constitution to be voted on Nov. 4. It is the one relative to the number and apportionment of representatives and senators in the state legislature.

Rural sections generally are opposed to this amendment. The reason given is that it will increase Wayne county's representation in both branches of the legislature, which they argue will be detrimental to the interests of other sections of the state.

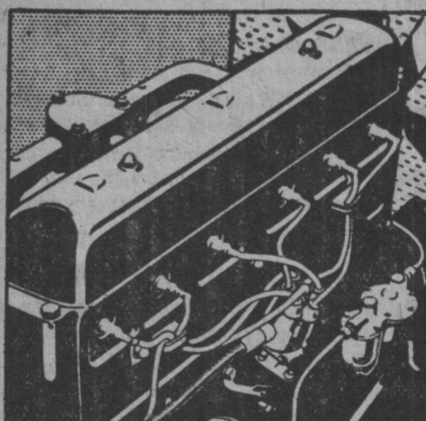
The basis of the opposition lies in the proposed elimination of what is known as the "moiety" clause, which provides that each county shall be entitled to a separate representative when it has attained a population equal to one half of the ratio of representation. By the elimination of this clause, several more representatives would be apportioned to the very populous counties, the loss being sustained by the smaller ones.

The proposed amendment provides that if the legislature fails to reapportion according to the Constitution, then the Secretary of State shall do so.

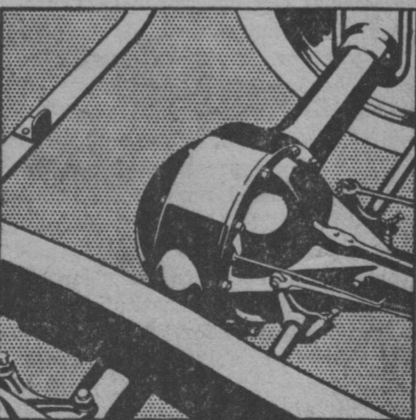
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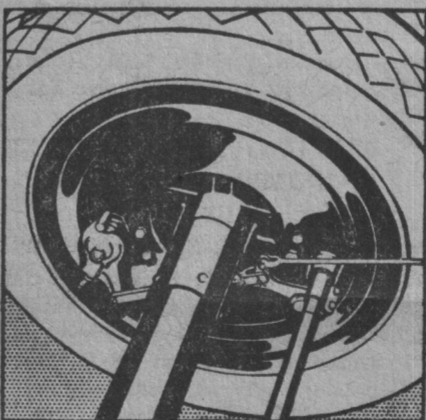
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COUNTY NEWS-LETTER

By F. M. BLUNK, Special Correspondent

Taking cognizance of the county-wide agitation for an investigation of county affairs and specifically of various criticisms launched at them and their official activities, the Oakland County Road Commission, Luther D. Allen, Isaac Bond and Howard C. Hillman, today expressed themselves as unequivocally in favor of such an inquiry if it is desired by a majority of the taxpayers.

"If the property owners want to know how the county is run, why certain construction projects have been carried out, who the petitioners for these projects were; if they want to know how the county departments are conducted and where their money goes, then they are entitled to know."

"This commission's records and its personnel are always open and at the service of the people and if an investigation is ordered this commission will do everything it possibly can to cooperate."

Defending the commission's activities in the building of certain roads, Mr. Allen declared that these roads were petitioned in the usual manner and then approved by the County Board of Supervisors and that the commission had no alternative but to build them.

He added, however, that if the commission had had the power to veto or approve certain roads that have been built it certainly would have strongly opposed their construction until a later time.

"As a matter of fact," said Mr. Allen, "I do not think that Oakland County should embark on any new big road building program until after the present period of depression is ended and forgotten. We have many, many miles of good roads in the county and it would be a good idea to devote all our time to maintaining them. They are adequate for present county needs."

In the comparatively short span of twenty years Oakland County has grown from a strictly rural county of 49,576 people to a highly "urban" manufacturing center of 204,000. The annual budget for salaries of county officers has grown from a mere sprout of \$26,760 to a giant of more than \$726,000. The per capita cost for county salaries has grown from roughly 55 cents in 1910 to more than \$3 in 1930.

Yet the actual cost per capita is more than these figures show. When, for instance, we consider that in 1910 that a greater percentage of the then population of 49,576 were taxpayers in comparison to the number of property holders included in the present population of 204,000.

Now, from 1910 until 1920 the population grew to 90,000 and the annual salary budget grew in proportion and in 1920 was approximately \$100,000. At that time, the County Board of Auditors was created by statute and the salary budget has grown like a beanstalk.

Digressing for a moment, let us consider where this tremendous population growth has occurred. In a few large centers, of course, Pontiac and the southern section of the county which is nothing more than a Detroit suburb. Thus we still have remaining tremendous agricultural acreage.

The farmer then is still the backbone of the tax structure. His number has not been increased in the population boom. He naturally has derived some benefits from the population increase for to an extent there is a greater market for his produce. This is theoretical, of course. But his increased costs are far from commensurate with his theoretically increased earnings.

For, through the efforts of the "go-getting" progressives of these new urban centers of the county, great and costly institutions have been set up; through the shrewd operations of real estate exploitation experts many miles of beautiful new roads have been built, costly drains have been constructed; new departments of government have been created; old departments have increased staffs.

But, as the Oakland County Association for the Reduction of Taxes points out, none of these improvements have increased the price of farm products. And, as the average farmer points out, he sold all his produce in 1920 and his taxes were not too burdensome, but in 1930 he has had difficulty disposing of his products and the tax burden has all but broken his back.

In 1929, according to the Auditor General's report, there was returned delinquent in Oakland County 143,000 lots and 108,000 acres of land, having an assessed valuation of more than \$102,000,000, the amount of delinquent tax being \$6,531,000. This seems to be some sort of proof that real estate in Oakland County is being overtaxed by both county and state.

Now it is impossible to say that any one man or any one department or any certain group connected in any way with the affairs of the county is to blame for such a condition. That is, one cannot say that any one has deliberately gone about the business of mulcting the taxpayer of his money. But it may be said that in some quarters there has been too much enthusiasm in spending the taxpayers' money and too little thought given to saving.

There is no doubt that the system of government in Oakland County is in itself conducive to great waste,

All one has to do is to pay a visit to one of the Board of Supervisors' sessions. There we have 45 county supervisors all apparently intent on doing their best to help conditions. And all about them are county office holders, department heads, subordinates, and often some ex-office holders hanging around to hear what might be said about them.

A matter of some importance is brought up. The question immediately arises: Who has jurisdiction in the matter? Can the supervisors legally do this or that thing? Should the Board of Auditors have done this according to law? Why did this thing occur? Why wasn't that done? Who's responsible? The thing grows panicky in a way and reminds one of a ping-pong game, with an official at each end of a green table batting the issue at the other fellow.

The salary reduction matter, for instance. It has been shunting back and forth between supervisors and auditors for more than a fortnight. Why the delay? The answer is simply: No system, no co-ordination. It was apparent, however, that both supervisors and auditors would have liked to have disposed of the matter and forgotten it. Yet it was a bull whose horns nobody wanted to take. There was no outstanding leadership on either side.

There is too much hem and haw in the conduct of the county's affairs.

We need not only an investigation of the present system and its results but a concerted movement toward establishment of a form of government and government system in keeping with the vastly changed county conditions. We cannot expect to operate efficiently and with justice a county of 204,000 people with a system that probably was good enough for a county of 50,000.

The Oakland County Association for the Reduction of Taxes, with headquarters at Farmington, Michigan, directed the following letter to this department:

"Dear Mr. Blunk:
"We have been taking a great deal of interest in your weekly letters and last week's report was a 'humdinger'.

"Well there are many of us who fear that you may have overlooked a thing or two and we want you to answer a few questions in your next article. For instance: Was the County Dog Catcher's salary of \$3,000 and Car Allowance of \$600 actually cut or was it only recommended for a cut? We noted that it was to be \$1,000 and fifty cents for every dog license. Now we are wondering if you couldn't pull a little nigger out of that joker. We have a good sized hunch that there are better than 15,000 dogs in Oakland County.

"Also what was the idea of all cuts coming into effect a year from now? Why not at once?

"We would also like the name of the gentleman (?) that challenged you to show a road that 'went nowhere and past nothing'. And we don't think that the road in Orion Township is the only one. How about the Northwestern Highway? We are of the opinion that that challenge is one of the crowd that has been preaching the doctrine of every good road increasing valuations, until they have pauperized every farmer who believed them. He is either a danged fool or a deliberate liar. Values are determined by earnings and if he can show us a single farm in Michigan that a good road helped raise more potatoes, corn, wheat, oats or anything per acre or increased the prices on these products in the open market then he is a Dandy. And he will be the first one we ever met who even tried, but we want to get him to make that statement publicly so we can get at him.

"We want to tell the taxpayers what we know about certain roads, how they came to be, etcetera. And how syndicates speculated on the land along the right of way of these roads; who were the stockholders in the syndicates. But most of all we want the taxpayers to know that these road commissions, drain commissions and other commissions have been spending monies like drunken sailors, without any regard as to where it was coming from until now, when the taxpayer's property is taxed beyond his ability to pay he isn't paying it simply because his property won't produce it. Now these wanton spenders have a job on their hands of proving up or shutting up and most of them not only shut up but RUN.

"Hoping to see some good hot stuff next week we wish you good luck."

The Board of Supervisors' Salary Committee made the recommendation for the cut in the dog chaser's pay to \$1,000 with the fifty cent fee and his 1931 budgeted salary will be something closely approximating that figure. And still he will make a nice salary. For there are quite a few purps in Oakland County and it's quite certain that under the fee system they'll either be licensed or shuffled promptly out of this dog's life, for in addition to the fifty cents licensing fee the dog catcher is entitled

under the new recommendation to fifty cents for every mutt he puts under the ground. And the chances are, if conditions in Oakland County are not remedied that ere the leaves fall again many a faithful Bonzo will lie beneath the sod.

The salary cuts recommended by the Supervisors, or the cuts recommended by the Board of Auditors, are to take effect in the forthcoming county budget.

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WOOD DUCKS ARE MORE PLENTIFUL

In Places Rival the Numbers of Black Mallards and Teal

Lansing, Oct. 19.—Reports from hunters and conservation officers indicate that in many parts of Michigan the wood duck is far more plentiful than in years, according to the Game Division of the Department of Conservation. On many beaver ponds and inland lakes and streams, hunters are finding as many wood ducks as black mallards and teal. Even hunters on the larger lakes and bays are expressing surprise at the number of wood ducks which have come into their decoys.

Possibly the increased number of wood ducks this fall is due to migrations from other areas; but for the past two years the Department has known of considerable numbers of wood ducks on certain of our larger wooded streams and lakes in both the upper peninsula and lower peninsula. Without doubt, the cessation of spring shooting and the closed season afforded by federal regulations and state law have had much to do with the increase in the numbers of this beautiful bird.

In many parts of the country, wood ducks are still reported to be scarce in spite of the legal protection given them. Lack of suitable wooded streams and lakes, rather than faulty enforcement, probably accounts for the scarcity of wood ducks in these other states.

Many duck hunters complain that they find it difficult to identify wood ducks, especially the females. The Department offers the following aid:

Wood ducks are quite a bit smaller than the grey mallard and have darker plumage above, but are white on the underparts. The head and wing markings are very helpful in identifying both sexes. Aside from its green crest, the drake can be identified quite readily by his white throat and two white markings on each side of the head, extending from the throat onto the cheek and the side of the neck, in sharp contrast with the dark green head. The female has little of the brilliance of the drake, for her plumage is chiefly gray and olive. She can best be identified by the white throat and the large area of white encircling the eye.

The wood duck's wings have many blue and purple feathers, and the tips of the inner flight feathers show as a white band. The body and the tail of a wood duck appear heavy in flight. The presence of wood ducks is usually indicated by the "peeping" or squeaky note, characteristic of this species.

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ORTONVILLE

Mrs. Bliss Turnbull was hostess to the J. B. Club at her home on Wednesday. Dinner was served at noon. Dr. C. E. Marsh was appointed health officer last Friday to succeed Archie Zimmerman, who leaves shortly for a visit to Australia. Clarence Borst and his Syncopators will play regularly three nights a week all winter for the dancers at the Crescent Lake Country Club. The members of the biology class of the high school were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Murphy, of Goodrich, to view the Spicer collection of birds and animals at their home. The Boy Scouts are planning on a Sunday afternoon hike if the weather permits. Petitions are in from eight candidates for a new patrol which will go through the next court of honor. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon for Donald, 7 months old son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burt, who died Saturday at Hurley Hospital following a short illness with meningitis. Besides his parents, there are two brothers, Junior and Max, and a sister, Lois, in the immediate family. Burial was in Ortonville cemetery. Ortonville Chapter, No. 286, O. E. S., celebrated its 30th anniversary last Wednesday at a special meeting held in the Masonic temple. Past officers were honor guests and each was presented with a flower in an appropriate ceremony. The associate matron, Nina Hummer, gave a history of the chapter, Mrs. Jennie Saunders gave a reading, and Ella Gregory rendered a violin solo, Mrs. C. Owen as accompanist.

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WATERFORD

Mrs. O. H. Baker, of Detroit and Minneapolis, is a guest of Mrs. Frank Byrne Fox, of "Maple Leaf Lodge". Mr. and Mrs. Andrus Bradley, of Grand River Ave. and Pond St., have returned from their trip north. Mrs. Youngs is staying with Mrs. C. M. Friday, of Maple St., for the present. Mrs. Judson Phillip Grow, of Grand River Ave., has returned home from her visit in Lansing. Maurice Andison is spending the week in the northern part of the state at the home of his grandmother. Del Ladenberg, of Maple St., spent the week-end in Cleveland, returning home Sunday. L. V. Van Syckle, of Andersonville Road, who has been ill at his home, is much improved. Jack Pratt attended the Pontiac-Monroe football game at Monroe Saturday. Howard Stout, of Fort Scott, Kansas, was a recent visitor of his uncle, F. B. Fox. Mr. and Mrs. Leman Cambrey, of Flint, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Spooner, of Williams Lake Road, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Lunger, of Van Syckle Road, entertained at a dinner party for friends from Flint on Wednesday night. Imogene Persinger, of Dixie Road, has been ill at her home here for several days, threatened with appendicitis. Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Pratt and family, of Andersonville Road, were the dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Harrup on Monday. Mrs. E. L. Paulus, of "Lilac Cottage", has returned home from Detroit and Ferndale after spending a fortnight with her nieces and friends. Miss Aneta Harris and Miss Grace McVittie, of Waterford, attended the pep meeting of the Pontiac High School before the game on Saturday at Monroe. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chamberlain, of Royal Oak, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. Miller, and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrus Bradley, at Lewiston, in the northern part of the state. Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Buck and Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Disbrow, of Andersonville Road, accompanied by Mrs. Earl Kniffen, of Armada, and Mrs. Lulu Seely, of Walled Lake, attended the funeral of their aunt in Marion, Mich., on Monday. Guy Disbrow, who had been visiting at the home of his sister, returned with them on Tuesday. The Good Will Club will be entertained today (Friday) by Mrs. Kenneth McVittie, beginning with a 1:00 o'clock luncheon at the Hunt Lodge, followed by an afternoon meeting at her home, with Mrs. J. H. Reed in charge of the program. Each member has been asked to donate an ar-

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ticle of clothing at each meeting for the next three months. Mrs. E. D. Spooner will have charge of this work. The Ladies' Community Club met at the home of Mrs. W. A. Habermass with Mrs. Ella Artley as joint hostess. About 30 ladies were present and listened to a very interesting program in charge of Mrs. Robert Munro. The club donated \$5 to the Red Cross fund and plans to spend various afternoons to sew for the needy. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Roy Stroupe, of Oakland Manor, and a committee will be appointed to have charge of affairs.

CLARKSTON

Mr. and Mrs. William Buzzard spent one day last week in Corunna. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hoisington have moved to Detroit. Mrs. William Kyle spent Thursday in Pontiac. Mrs. C. W. Merritt is spending the week-end in Columbus, Ohio. Louis Walter and Leroy Addis were in Detroit Thursday on business. Mrs. William Jones, of Pontiac, is convalescing at the home of Mr. Jones' mother, Mrs. Ira Jones. Mr. and Mrs. Daniell Kellogg, of Fairgrove Ave., Pontiac, were recent callers at the home of J. D. Ogden. Mrs. Wendelborn, of Pontiac, spent Thursday with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Steiner, of Orion Road. Mrs. Ira Jones is opening a maternity hospital at her home, 43 Robertson Court. Miss Shirley Miller, of Salamanca, N. Y., spent several days recently as the guest of her sister, Mrs. Harold Vaughn.

Thursday evenings. Bridge was played and refreshments served. Mrs. Charlotte Smith and Mrs. David McClelland were recent guests of Mrs. Smith's daughter, Mrs. Julia Yaeger, of Lapeer, and had a very interesting trip through the Michigan Home and Training School. The regular meeting of the Royal Neighbors was held Thursday at the home of Mrs. George Nelson on Depot road. The business session of the afternoon was followed by a pot luck supper and social hour. Don't miss the minstrel show "Lady Minstrels from Dixie", to be given at the Clarkston Opera House, Saturday evening, Nov. 1, at 8:00 o'clock. Plenty of music and black-faced comedy. Admission: adults, 25 cents; children, 10 cents. Given by the Ladies' Aid Society of the Drayton Plains United Presbyterian Church. In honor of the eighteenth birthday of her sister, Mary Miller, a student at Albion College, Mrs. Guy Scott was hostess to a group of 28 of her young friends Friday evening. 500 was played, the winners being Louise Mann, Cecelia Seeterlin and Ralph Marshall. Refreshments were served and the guests presented Miss Miller with a case of toilet articles as a birthday token. The Eastern Stars sponsored a bridge and 500 party Wednesday evening in the Eastern Star Temple. At bridge, high for men was won by D. M. Winn and second by M. Lunn; for women, Mrs. R. Sherd won high and Mrs. F. C. Dunston second. At 500, Mrs. Ed O'Roark won high and Mrs. Floyd Andrews second among the ladies, and Ralph McKann high and Floyd Andrews second among the men. Refreshments were served.

A Halloween Box Social is to be given at the Clintonville School on Walton Blvd., Oct. 24, at 7:30 p. m. Anyone interested is welcome. ROAD COMMISSION MAKES AN ANSWER Concerning Interview Reported in the News Last Week A petition for the improvement of Assessment District Road No. 148 in proper form was received by this Commission and approved by the Board of Supervisors. The hearing of objections to the kind of improvement and the hearing on the assessment rolls were had, at which time a very few objections were made. To our knowledge, Mr. Anderson did not attend these hearings and did not make a complaint until after the proceedings were closed, the bonds sold and the road partially constructed. The Commission cannot change the rolls

DRAYTON PLAINS

A fire of unknown origin completely destroyed a two-car garage, with small contents, at the home of Alfred Burmister, Sunday morning. Engine company No. 3 of Pontiac responded to the fire alarm and saved an adjoining garage and nearby lumber piles. Let Winglemire's (Holly) install a Majestic radio in your home so you can enjoy the radio programs.

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SPRINGFIELD

The We-all-go Bunco Club held its meeting at the home of Mrs. Potter, where a 1:00 o'clock pot luck dinner was served, after which the ladies held their business meeting and bunco was played. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. W. Ross, first; Mrs. N. Scribner, second, and Mrs. McGrain, third. Their next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Mary Powell, Thursday, Oct. 30, and will be a hard time party. Guests of the club were Mrs. Cranston, of Pontiac, and Helen Cole, of Springfield.

DAVISBURG

Mrs. Harry L. Thompson, of Davisburg, has been drawn to serve as a grand juror at the November term of the Federal court in Detroit. The Juniors of the Davisburg M. E. Sunday School will hold a Halloween social in the church parlors Friday evening, Oct. 31. Menu: sandwiches, pickles, pie, fried cakes and coffee. All are invited.

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after confirmation except for clerical errors. A good deal of censure has been had in the past that all the concrete roads were being built in the southern part of the County and as no serious objections were had as to a concrete road in Assessment District No. 148, the Commission were perfectly willing to extend the building of concrete roads to the northern section of the County. Mr. Allen was not aware that Mr. Anderson had visited the office until after he had been there. Mr. Bond states that the report of the interview was not as he remembers the conversation and that the author of the article has never called at this office to get the true facts. Mr. Allen states that this road was not built to benefit the Hunt Club and this Club does not own property in the district. OAKLAND COUNTY ROAD COMMISSION.

that a tank could not successfully test wind driven vessels. Most of the testing work is done for companies which have already determined upon the design of a ship and want to know the power needed to drive it. This is not the most economical method however, states Professor Bragg, since a little preliminary work on the lines of the vessel might save from five to 10 per cent of the power needed. Much experimenting has been done for the United States Shipping Board as well as for other ocean and Great Lakes shipbuilders. Recently a proposed application of fins or horizontal rudders to lessen the rolling of a large motor yacht was found to be impracticable as the outcome of research done for a prominent official of General Motors, thus saving a considerable expense to the owner. The Michigan naval tank is located in the West Engineering Building, where it occupies practically the entire length of the ground floor of one wing. The capacity is 16,000 barrels of water and it is 100 yards long, 22 feet wide and 10 feet deep. The only other covered tank in this country is located at the Washington Navy Yard. A novel feature of the campus fire fighting service allows this body of water to be used in emergencies, as the tank has a capacity equal to about one-half that of the present city reservoir. The models used are fairly large, measuring from 8 to 12 feet, which allows for exact construction out of paraffin. Clay moulds are made and filled with the paraffin. The rough wax model is then cut to shape by a machine which duplicates exactly the lines of prepared drawings. Ballast is added to bring the model to the desired waterline. They are drawn thru the long tank by an overhead moving car which carries observers and dynamometers to make continuous records of results at varying speeds.

MICH. UNIVERSITY HAS NAVAL TANK Is Used for Research Work in Lines of Experimentation Ann Arbor, Mich., Oct. 20.—The distinction of possessing one of the two naval testing tanks in the country, and the only one in a college, is held by the University of Michigan Engineering Department, whose large covered tank is the scene of much theoretical and practical research and instruction. A wide variety of tests are regularly carried out by Professor Edward M. Bragg, specialist in marine engineering and naval architecture. A recent investigation was made for the designers of the racing yacht Weetamoo which was one of the boats built to race Sir Thomas Lipton's Shamrock. Two models of different length and beam were tested and the fastest determined. This was a novel piece of work since it had been thought

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