

I know a lot of chaps who are capable of doing nearly more than they are doing to make out only themselves, but the entire world, a bit better. One of them I see every morning as I am shaving myself.

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FARMERS SET FOR MEETING

Sixteenth Annual Conference At East Lansing Week Of Feb. 3-7

East Lansing, Jan. 30.—Traffic signals on Michigan highways and on the campus at Michigan State College are ready to swing to green for the thousands of visitors who will travel to East Lansing for the sixteenth annual Farmers Week, February 3-7.

Farmers Week had its inception in a resolution adopted by the State Board of Agriculture in 1875 when the governing body of the college voted to appoint a committee which was instructed to prepare the way for the holding of farmers' institutes.

These meetings were to be held

PLANS FOR COMMUNITY HOUSE ACTIVITIES WILL BE DISCUSSED

Plans for activities during the first month of occupancy of the new building will be discussed, reports of the officers, staff, and at various points in the State and were for the purpose of acquainting the College with the needs of the farmers and the farmers with the facilities possessed by the College for the solution of problems concerning farm life. The purposes of Farmers Week have not changed at all in the half century which has passed.

The first farmers' institutes were held at Hastings and at Ann Arbor, Jan. 11, 1876. Attendance was limited by the mode of transportation to people living in the immediate vicinity. The automobile has now made possible audiences as large as the 6,000 who attended one evening meeting at the College last year.

OAKLAND COUNTY NEWS

Fire believed to have started from a defective chimney, Saturday, destroyed the large frame farm house on the property known here as the Ward Clark farm, northeast of Clarkston, now owned by a Detroit physician, Dr. A. Porter, and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Boner.

An illness lasting for a long period, Saturday ended in death for Luther Hitchcock, 73 years old, a native of Oakland County and a lifelong resident of the section.

Mr. Hitchcock died in Milford General Hospital where he was a patient for the last two weeks.

Two men who asked for transportation to an address on Johnson road Saturday night robbed Peter Bonfiglio, 278 Oakland avenue, Pontiac, taxi driver, of his car and \$130, he told police shortly after the holdup.

Leaders of girls' 4-H club in Oakland County met in Pontiac Saturday for luncheon and an afternoon conference on the club program and activities. Forty leaders from all parts of the county were present for the luncheon and meeting at the Board of Commerce.

Mrs. Iva Miller, Clarkson, was elected secretary-treasurer of the Oakland County Farm Bureau when the executive committee met here Saturday afternoon. She succeeded Mrs. Milo Detarino, of Highland.

The unexpected arrival of the stork saved Mervyn Trotter, 30 years old, of Detroit, from a venereal disease.

Copies of all these reports will later be mailed to all members. Contrary to the usual custom, the pot-luck dinner preceding the meeting will not be held. The meeting will take place at 8 p. m. and will be presided over by Mrs. Charles J. Shain.

ARTIST EXHIBITS HIS ETCHINGS AND WATER-COLORS AT LIBRARY

An exhibition of water-colors and etchings by Reginald Marsh, of Flushing and New York, the nephew of Mrs. H. R. Kiddle, of Frank street, the art instructor at the Baldwin High School, may be viewed in the Baldwin Public library during the next few weeks.

VILLAGE ROTARY IS ENTERTAINED

A program devoted to vocational service was put on before Birmingham Rotarians Monday noon at the First Baptist church when Victor Peck provided singing and

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AMATEUR CAGERS MEET AT PONTIAC

Fourth Annual Tourney Will Be Held March 17 To March 22

The fourth annual Oakland County Amateur Independent Basketball tournament will be held at Pontiac, Mich., 17 to 22 under the direction of the Pontiac Department of City Recreation.

To insure that all players are bona-fide members of the teams they represent, all managers planning to enter teams must send their lists of players to the Director of Municipal Athletics, 29 East Lawrence street, Pontiac, not later than February 10. This does not mean that the team must necessarily enter the tournament, but this rule has been made as a protection against loading up with high school or college players for this tournament. The entry fee is \$5 and payable on or before March 1. Managers interested in entering teams should apply to the Director of Municipal Athletics for application blanks.

Celebrate Their Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. John A. Dalton, of Grace, Idaho, who are spending the winter with their son, Clyde E. Dalton and his family at 1555 Humphrey street, celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last week with a sight-seeing tour of Detroit.

The anniversary date of their wedding was Jan. 22 and their trip to Detroit included a visit to Belle Isle, Grosse Pointe and the downtown district of the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Dalton were married at the old Endowment House at Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1880. Mr. Dalton, a dairyman, was born at Willard City, Utah, Oct. 26, 1858 and Mrs. Dalton was born in the same community, Nov. 2, 1860. They have 11 children, six daughters and five sons, 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Mr. and Mrs. Dalton have resided at Grace, Idaho for 32 years with the exception of two years spent at Boise, Idaho.

The great 200-inch telescope being designed for erection on a mountain in California will have a mirror weighing 30 tons. The telescope will cost about \$12,000,000.

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