

The new dam goes about fifty feet to the south of the old one, a general view of the region of which is given in the photograph in this issue of the Times. First operation is the removal of all muck and silt material down to the hard gravel under all areas to be covered by the dam. It is estimated that the shovel will have to excavate to a depth of two to three feet, as the gravel is relatively near the surface at this point. The area will then be filled with fresh dirt, secured from a nearby bank.

The dam itself, which is to say the complete project, will be about 150 feet across, running through a natural ravine. A tamped clay core, 9 feet thick at the base, and tapering to four feet at the top will form the dam proper, running out from either bank to the reinforced concrete wasteway in the center.

Splays of concrete to form the sides of the wasteway, will run north and south, about 25 feet each side from the core, an overall length of 50 feet. Steel piling will be driven down, on which the concrete rests, and a four foot walkway is provided over the top, to give access from one side to the other.

Fill earth is banked along either side of the core, as a protection. The spillway will be equipped with a 60-inch gate valve to control the flow of water.

The top of the new dam will be about four feet above the new water level, to be raised by the construction about 20 inches.

J. H. Fleming, estimator and engineer for Mueller, was here Wednesday, and will be in touch with the job. Oscar Pullen, of Detroit, is the construction foreman.

Building at the factory site continues to lag, awaiting new plans. About 6 men have been working every day this week.

SOCIAL SECURITY MAN HERE WEDNESDAY A.M.

WILL GIVE INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE IN FILING OF CLAIMS; TO BE AT P. O.

Walter B. Redman, manager of the Pontiac field office of the Social Security Board, will be in Milford on January 19 from 10:00 until 12:00, a. m., having his headquarters in the post office.

At that time Mr. Redman will be prepared to give all services of his office in connection with the old-age insurance portion of the Social Security Act. Employers and employees may receive information about this plan at that time. Mr. Redman will also have blanks for per-

COUNCIL CONSIDERS DRIVING TEST WELL AT POWER HOUSE SITE

SEEK DATA ON SOIL CONDITION;
TEST WELL AT ATHLETIC
FIELD ENDS AT 133 FT.

With the clearing up of the municipal water supply during the past week, pressure on the various members of the water board and council to "do something" has been eased considerably. Test samples taken directly from the wells a week ago came back "clear", and for the remainder of the winter no trouble is expected. However, the water question is not definitely settled, as last spring, and during the summer, various tests taken directly from all wells, save No. 4, showed evidence of some contamination. Should this reoccur next spring and summer, the health department has advised something will have to be done here.

A test well being drilled since Christmas was completed at 133 feet last Saturday, with the driller submitting samples to the department at Lansing and also his report to the council Monday night. He reported that from 89 feet to about 115 feet water-bearing gravel was encountered which would make a good well. Whether it would produce the volume needed by a town this size depends on the extent of the gravel bed. The state health department recommended drilling of a second well 400 feet to the south in the southwest corner of the athletic field, in an effort to learn the nature of the gravel strata at that point.

The council further discussed the water problem at the council meeting. Several members cling to the opinion that good water is still obtainable at the present location, and they recommend putting down a test well at this time there. This would have the advantage of giving definite information as to soil conditions, etc. existing, of which at the present time there seems to be no record. Present village wells are

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Advises Boycott as Effective Means to Keep Peace

The Monday Literary Club opened the new year January 10 with a program in charge of the international relations department. Mrs. R. V. Woods, as chairman of the day gave a most

Dramatic Elimination Contest to be Held Jan. 24

Debby, which will again compete in the dramatic contest among Michigan rural women's groups, has been notified that place of the elimination contest will be in Milford this year, rather than in Pontiac.

As the host organization, they secured the school auditorium for the contest. Date is Monday evening, Jan. 24. Three groups will compete. Big Beaver, Royal Oak and Milford. The plays are to last 40 minutes each, and will be judged by Prof. Nichols of the dramatic department, M. S. C. and several of his students.

The six highest of the 43 groups in the state, are selected to compete at M. S. C. during Farmers' Week. Debby has selected "Our Dearest Possession" as their play, and is holding rehearsals regularly. The play was presented at Wixom Tuesday night. There are six characters and Mrs. Chas. Pittenger is play director. Prof. Nichols will come to Milford Friday night to see a rehearsal and offer criticisms. The Methodist church is sponsoring the ticket sale for the elimination contest, which is open to the public.

Memories of Old Main Street Recalled by O

BY MRS. G. S. ROWE

Residents of our village quickly become accustomed to changes in the appearance of the business section of Main st., such as has recently taken place, but we fail to realize how much the appearance has altered after a lapse of ten, twenty or more years. This thought prompts the Times to endeavor to ascertain what Main street looked like back in the early sixties, while it is yet possible to get such information from the memories of residents of that period.

It is unfortunate that so much local history has been lost with the passing of the pioneers, and what can yet be preserved should be a pleasant task for the present generation. In this article we have had the assistance of Mrs. Lillian Buell, Chas. B. Andrews and Frank S. Hubbell, all past the four-score mark.

The Main street of the sixties was unpaved, probably not even an improved highway as we know them today. There were wooden sidewalks here and there and hitching posts for the teams or oxen that brought the farm folks to town. The world knew naught of cement roads or sidewalks.