



This is what our area looked like before farms and roads. Credit to Shirley Ann Opfer standing where road being put in South of 13.



There was no welfare help or food stamps. **The goodfellows and other groups organized food drives.** The oddfellows hall on 9 mile Rd was used as a food closet and hundreds of families were helped. Hunting increased and helped feed families.

Most of Warren outside of Van Dyke and Center line **remained a rural farming community** until the 1940s. Many families **still raised chickens, turkeys and rabbits and had their own small crops** corn, beans, onions, berries, vegetables also fruit and nut trees. Chickens are no problem. Except for the rooster chickens aren't very noisy. And a rooster is not needed for eggs for eating. So we could have chickens today. They eat most anything including insects, table scraps, weeds, and weed seeds. It would be a good idea to allow people to raise chickens and other small animals. Fish can be grown in small ponds. All of the above cause no harm and help people to survive. They provide recreation for all, useful learning for young people, beautiful balance to urban life and food. People learned to be more self sufficient. Wood stoves provided for free cooking, heating and put good use to junk mail.



By 1922 Radio was big.