

BOYHOOD FRIEND OF HENRY FORD

La'd to Rest Here Sunday—Later Days Cheered by Visits From Auto Magnate

Willard H. Woodworth, 59 years of age, died last week, Thursday morning at the Henry Ford hospital, Detroit, where he was taken for treatment the Saturday before. The family residence is in Pontiac. Mr. Woodworth attracted considerable attention a year ago when Henry Ford found him ill and had him conveyed to the Ford hospital where he was successfully treated for nervous disorder, and was able to return to his home.

Henry Ford and the Woodworth boys, Willard and Josiah of Pontiac, were chums in school at Dearborn years ago, when they all lived in that vicinity. They had not met in many years, until last year when Mr. Ford tried to arrange a reunion of the schoolmates and personally looked up his friends.

Mr. Ford signified his intention of attending the funeral but was unable to do so. Mr. Woodworth is survived by his widow and a brother, Josiah Woodworth of Pontiac, and a sister Mrs. Mable Smith of Novi. The funeral was held from the Nelson home here Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. S. D. Eva officiated and burial was at Oakwood cemetery.

A JOLLY SURPRISE

A. L. Ross of the Farmington Bakery was given a genuine and happy surprise Wednesday evening when twelve of his former associates in the Cadillac aluminum foundry at Detroit, swooped down on him at his place of business here. After a hearty handshake all around the visitors were invited to the family apartments where a pleasant evening was spent.

Mr. Ross was at one time a foreman in the factory. He visitors were foremen and clerks who worked with him.

FAREWELL PARTY TO MR. AND MRS. DELLING

Sixteen persons made up a happy gathering last Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Wixom. It was a farewell party in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John Dellling who have just left for Florida. Travel talk, music, radio concert and meal that satisfied the soul and body of the hungry filled the evening.

Somebody suggested that as so many Farmingtonians are going to sunnier climes that we stay-at-homes make a move to get folks from Manitoaba—and other snow-bound places—to spend the winter in Farmington, than which there is no finer resort in all seasons, under the sun.

NEW MASONIC OFFICERS

The following officers for Farmington Lodge No. 151, F. & A. M., were chosen at the annual election held Monday night: Edward N. Dickie, W. M.; Ernest H. Ash, S. W.; Howard Eisenlord, J. W.; John Thayer, treasurer; James L. Hogle, secretary; Edward D. Thayer, S. D.; William C. Way, J. D.; Frank L. Lee, Tyler.

On Wednesday evening a special communication of the lodge was held for third degree work.

BAPTIST ACTIVITIES

The Sunday School pupils are rehearsing for the sacred cantata, "The Messiah" on Tuesday, Friday and Sunday afternoons. The church expects to install a new outfit of hymn books, "Hymns of Praise" Sunday evening, Dec. 23rd. and it is the plan to have each donor to present the one or more books they are providing in person, that they may be publicly dedicated to the ministry of song. Plans are under way for the observance of New Year's eve at the church with a special time, program, imported speaker, stereoscopic pictures, pageant and consecration service.

Fred J. Napier of Lyon township, is holding up work on Grand River road by legal proceedings. He wants pay for his land.

FARMINGTON WOMAN'S CLUB

The F. W. C. met Wednesday, Dec. 6th at the home of Mrs. Mary Johnson. Roll call was responded to by naming a notable colonial character.

During the sojourn in Florida of the president, Mrs. Flora Hendryx, the vice-president, Mrs. Johnson asks that the hostess provide, or be responsible for the miscellany at each meeting. The Educational committee gave a report of the night session held at the school Nov. 22. Great praise was given all branches of the school work and to the very efficient staff of teachers. But one very severe criticism was given, regarding the extremely unsanitary condition of one of the toilets.

The program for the afternoon was as follows:

Growth of Democratic Government, Magna Charta, English House of Commons, Decline of Royal Powers and House of Lords—Jennie Melow.

Mayflower Compact, Forms of Early Colonial Government, Continental Congress, Declaration of Independence, Articles of Confederation—Josephine McGee.

Biography of Thomas Jefferson—paper prepared by Mrs. Hendryx and read by Mary Kennedy.

A social half hour closed the program of the day. The club adjourned to meet Wednesday, Dec. 19th with Mrs. Zayda Wilber.

LIGHT FINGERED SHOPPERS

A Farmington merchant states that some trouble and no considerable loss is caused during Christmas shopping seasons through petty pilfering from counters by visitors in the stores and that this season the loss has been quite heavy. Certain parties are under suspicion. In fact some of them are known and there is a probability of prosecutions.

CARD PARTY

On Thursday evening, Dec. 6th, about 20 friends and relatives were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Nacker at a progressive pedro party. Mrs. Adolph Nacker was awarded first prize for the ladies; Mrs. Albert Nacker received the booby prize; Mrs. Sankara Smith received first prize for men and Mr. Clayton Nacker received the other booby prize.

After the prizes were awarded a luncheon was served by the hostess.

NOTES OF THE CHURCHES

Farmington Methodist Church

S. D. Eva, Pastor
10:30 "Bringing Heaven to Earth."
11:45 Sunday School.
6:30 Epworth League.
7:30 "What a Sailor said to Me."

Clarenceville Community

M. E. Church
Rev. T. J. Gregg, Pastor.
10:30 Subject: "Jesus Christ in the Common Things of Life."
11:45 Sunday School.
7:30 Subject: "The Accepted Time."
Good music, spicy sermon—Come!

First Baptist Church

C. W. Townsend, Minister.
10:30 Congregational worship. Sermon: "Love Response."
11:45 Church School. Adult lesson: "World-Wide Missions."
6:30 B. Y. P. U. Topic: "The Place of Prayer in Worship."
Mabel Turner, leader.
7:30 Popular hour. Subject: "Neighborliness, in Theory and in Practice."
7:30 Wednesday—Neighborly meeting at the home of Mrs. Utley on Rogers street.

Universalist Church

A. B. Boreford, Minister.
10:30 Worship and Sermon. Dr. Boreford will preach.
12:00 Adult Bible class and Sunday School.

Evangelical Church

Rev. J. Bollens, Pastor
10:15 Services in English.
11:45 Sunday School.
7:30 Advent Service.
Choir rehearsal Friday.

OUR GREETING AND WISH

AS THE three wise men rode on that first Christmas to find the manger-craddled Babe of Bethlehem, they bore gifts on their saddle bows, gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. And so the spirit of Christmas giving crept into the world's heart.

The injunction was to go into the highways and byways and seek out the poor and distressed, the humble and afflicted, the ragged children and the outcasts and the aged, and in the name of Him who was born on Christmas day, carry some sunshine into their lives. Give unto the poor and afflicted and your hearts shall glow with that peace which passeth understanding.

The two dominant characteristics of the Christmas season are kindness, expressed by good will toward men, and the inward joy wrought by kind acts, and suggested by peace on earth. "The earth has grown old with its burden of care, but at Christmas it always is young," and with each recurring Yuletide we like to think of the spiritual blessings brought to the children of men on that first Christmas.

Our greeting to you is one of kindness in return for the good will you have displayed toward us. Our wish is that you may be filled with the fresh, clean joys of the season and receive a liberal endowment of that spirit which at this time rises like a mighty flood over the world.

THE PUBLISHERS

NONAGENARIAN SURPRISED

The 90th anniversary of the birth of Mrs. Kate Pettibone of this city was pleasantly celebrated Wednesday evening by a number of her friends who gathered at home for felicitations. The party was planned as a surprise and carried out most successfully. Early in the evening Mrs. Pettibone was invited to the home of Mrs. William Irish and there detained until the guests had gathered at her home and prepared the surprise. There (thirty in the party, all of them life-long and intimate friends of Farmington, Detroit, Pontiac and Novi. The evening was spent in retelling incidents of interest in early days, talks and an address by Rev. S. D. Eva.

BIG CHRISTMAS PICTURE

At the community motion picture program next Tuesday the feature will be "The Man who Played God," with George Arliss as the star. Those who have seen him in "Disraeli" and "The Ruling Passion" will be more than glad to see him in this, his best production. The theme is appropriate to Christmas.

THE HIGH SCHOOL TATTLER

News

Kindergarten—

The latest "fad" in the grade school is to have the mumps. In the kindergarten there are two absent with the unwelcome "fad."

The border for the blackboard for December is some very splendid deer, cut from brown paper, and hitched to a large red sleigh containing old Santa and his toys.

At the far end of the blackboard there is a house where Santa is going to visit. The border has a realistic appearance of action, and is very appropriate for the coming holidays.

The kindergarten is enjoying Christmas stories.

First Grade—

In the first grade there are seven pupils absent with the new "fad," the mumps. The teacher, Miss Sheffer, is also unable to teach because of the mumps. Mrs. Conroy, formerly Miss Johnson teacher of the first grade last year is taking Miss Sheffer's place during her illness.

First graders are very anxious to plan the Christmas party to be given by the kindergarten, first and second grades.

Second Grade—

Miss Kotaba, teacher of the second grade, has been ill with grippe. Lucille Halstead and Velma Cook taught during her illness.

Second graders have planned how they are going to arrange their tree for their Christmas party.

Third Grade—

The third grade has three pupils absent with mumps.

The pupils are learning "America." There are some who already know it.

A Christmas border is being made by the third graders. Each month a border is made to represent something important from that month.

Fourth Grade—

The poem, "The Three Giants" has proved of interest to fourth graders.

A very interesting and useful picture catalogue is almost complete. The pictures are used to illustrate subjects in lessons that are not clear to the class.

For Christmas entertainment the fourth graders are going to stage the play, "His Christmas Tree."

Fifth Grade—

Fifth graders are greatly enjoying some poems. Those studied to the present date are: "The Blindmen," Darius Green and His Flying Machine."

The pupils have drawn names for Christmas gifts, but for high school students, "Those days are gone forever."

Sixth Grade—

For literature, Longfellow's poem, "The Birds of Killingworth" is the subject studied.

The Sixth grade teacher is very proud of her pupils. They are almost always on time. In fact there has been only two tardy marks since last month.

FOUR SUNDAY HUNTERS FINED

Harry Myer Charged with Shooting Pheasant—Warden Over To Game Warden

Deputy Sheriff Grimm rounded up a number of young men last Sunday who were found illegally hunting. They are Harry Myer, Lee Stonebraker, Glenn Buck and Carl Hitsman of Detroit, and Fred Oumka of Farmington. Harry Myer was charged with shooting an English pheasant and turned over to a deputy game warden for prosecution. Lee Stonebraker, Fred Oumka and Carl Hitsman were charged with hunting on Sunday and taken before Justice LeFevre of Farmington township, where they pleaded guilty and were sentenced to five days in jail of \$15 fine and costs which they paid. Glenn Buck was charged with hunting without a license, pleaded guilty and sentenced to four days or \$20 fine and costs which he paid.

In the freshman good English contest, Irene Vader's side was victorious by a large margin.

Freshmen have ordered a page, or two sides, in the annual.

Sophomores—

In the sophomore good English contest, Alma Lorenz's group came out winners. From the first till the last it looked gloomy for Alma, but at the close of the contest that division won by six mistakes, the total was 236.

Juniors—

The juniors' play, "Patty Makes Things Hum" is to be staged in the near future.

After the juniors have given their play, they will make plans for a chop suey supper. The proceeds of the play and supper are to help pay for the two pages, or four sides, they have ordered in the annual.

Seniors—

The seniors have sold \$100.00 worth of candy.

Three pages, or six sides, of the annual have been ordered by the seniors.

Music and Art—

The art class students have made some splendid things from clay. The main objects are several pairs of book ends, and some jars.

The sixth graders are making dainty but useful things for Christmas.

Each grade has learned a carol for Christmas.

Miscellaneous—

Christmas vacation begins the 21st of December and school starts on the 2nd of January.

There are two new pupils enrolled in the high school. Florence Ross enrolled in the junior class. She is a former student from Detroit southeastern high school. Ethel Penahan enrolled in the freshman class. She comes from the Harbor Beach high school.

The junior play, under the direction of Supt. Leonard, is going to be given the 10th of January.

The four pianos belonging to the school have been tuned.

Miss Stewart is absent with the mumps.

—Lillian Collins.

Athletics

Saturday night the boys' basketball team will play their first game. The game will be played at the Polish seminary.

Society

There was a party given last Thursday night in the gymnasium of the high school. The party was given to the sides that won in a contest called "Good English Week." The leaders of the losing sides were Elizabeth Clark and Cedric Harger. The party began promptly at 8:00 o'clock. There was a large number of pupils there. The first on the program was playing games, which everyone enjoyed. After playing games for about an hour, the lunch was served. Very good it was, too, for it consisted of some very nice cakes that the girls made, and ice cream that the boys bought.

The party closed at 9:45, and I'm sure everyone had an enjoyable time. Hurrah for Good English! Let's forget our "ants."

—Barbara Empson.