

# The Farmington Enterprise

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\$1.00 A YEAR.

## KILLED AT BATTLE CREEK

Ruff Courter a Familiar Character Some Years ago.

Undertaker W. E. Heeney was called to Battle Creek last Sunday to get the remains of Rufus T. Courter, who was killed by the cars last Friday, November 24th. Particulars of the accident have not been obtainable, but the body was terribly mutilated and disfigured.

Mr. Courter has been a familiar character in this vicinity for a number of years, having spent most of his life here. Four years ago he went to Battle Creek for his health and has made his home there since.

Rufus T. Courter was born in Farmington township on July 30, 1845, and died at Battle Creek November 24, 1916. He was a retired farmer on account of poor health.

Several years ago he spent some time in California and Florida, returning later to his home here, and shortly after going to Battle Creek Sanitarium, visiting his home here frequently.

He was the only son of Francis and Polly Thayer Courter, having had four sisters, two of whom Pamela and Sarah survive him, besides several nephews, nieces and cousins.

He was deeply interested in church work, and attended the Bible readings at the Sanitarium frequently.

The funeral services were held from the Methodist church in this village Tuesday afternoon, Rev. J. S. Priestley officiating, and interment made at Oakwood cemetery.

## Trolley Bowling League.

The Trolley Bowling League consisting of teams from Redford, Northville and this village, whose schedule of 20 games to be played during the winter months, is causing considerable excitement in the three towns, bids well to prove an interesting sport.

Besides the regular prizes to be awarded by the League, the merchants of each town are donating special prizes and seem quite enthusiastic in their efforts to outdo each other, especially those of Redford.

In the near future the League will publish a list of the special prizes, their donors and what they are donated for.

At the games played in this village last Friday night between the two home teams there was great excitement exhibited by the large crowd of spectators, including a number of ladies. Farmington No. 1 took two out of three games, tying Farmington No. 2 for first place.

The home teams play here, almost each other next Friday night, December 8th, and a hot contest is expected.

All interested in good clean sport are invited to attend these games, especially the ladies. Mr. Grace assuring us that no lady need be timid about attending, as nothing will be allowed that will offend the most fastidious.

Bowling is one of the most social and health giving winter games known, and takes preference over all others in many places.

\$1.00 gets the Enterprise for a whole year—only 2c a day.

Remember, we print auction bills that are attractive and at prices that are right. We also do all kinds of job printing, and can guarantee you satisfaction as to quality and price.

## SCHOOL NOTES

News Items of our Schools—the Pupils and Their Doings.

Report cards out this week. Examination in Latin I, Tuesday.

Physical geography examination Tuesday.

Vacation Thursday and Friday this week.

Ancient history examination Tuesday afternoon.

Fourth grade arithmetic are now working in long division.

Norwood Tibbets is back in school again, after a week's absence.

Seventh and eight grade examination in Geography Tuesday afternoon.

Pupils of second intermediate room are enjoying the reading of "Five Little Peppers".

The fourth grade has completed basic reading, and has taken up Carroll and Brook's supplementary reading.

The seventh and eight grades had an examination in reading Wednesday morning. The questions were taken from Longfellow's "Evangeline".

Pupils receiving half holiday last Friday were as follows: Grammar room, six; First intermediate room 17; second intermediate room 21; Primary room, 14.

## Fremont Boy's Narrow Escape

A letter received by friends from William Thomas, of Fremont, O., containing a clipping from a Fremont paper which stated that his grandson, little to year old Harold Bell Thomas, had a narrow escape from injury and perhaps death when he was passing an alley crossing with his express wagon.

A heavy ice truck bore down upon him unawares, demolishing his wagon entirely, but fortunately he was unharmed although terribly frightened, and on the verge of collapse, when he reached home. This should be a lesson to truck drivers and others to toot their horn at crossings as well as other more important places of walking.

Farmington friends will be glad to know that Harold was unharmed.

## Have a Balance of \$159.52

The Oakland County Dry Campaign committee treasurer's report has been filed with the county clerk as required by law, showing that the total collections were \$3,731.67, and the total disbursements were \$3,572.09, leaving a balance in the bank of \$159.52, which balance will be turned over to the office of the Michigan Dry Campaign committee at Lansing.

The campaign manager wishes to express his thanks to the members of the different splendid organizations in the townships of this county, who are responsible for the results of election day. No man or single organization of men could have accomplished such results without the co-operation which was given all over the county.

Another organization which was responsible for a large part of the result was the woman's auxiliary to the Dry Campaign committee, an organization made up of the W. C. T. U. and other women's organizations of this county, and to them much thanks is also due.

The finances of the campaign were gotten together by personal solicitation and have been ample at all times to take care of the expenses incurred.

P. W. PARMENTER, Manager.

Bay Casvas and Jersey Gloves of Cook & Co.

## From All Over.

One death is reported from scarlet fever at Holly, that of the 14 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Powell.

Mrs. Harriet Lewis, wife of one of Pontiac's pioneer grocers, aged 64 years, died Monday evening of infantile paralysis, after being ill only a few days.

The deer hunting season closed yesterday. County Clerk Babcock has issued 270 licenses this year, the largest number ever put out in a single year. Last year's issue was 217.

Two men while working on a gas connection at the Michigan Light Co. in Pontiac, were overcome by escaping gas early Monday morning, one requiring the use of a pulmonary to revive him.

John Compton, a prisoner at the city jail in Pontiac was detected in an attempt to saw his way out with a knife blade last Sunday. He was sentenced in October for 65 day on a charge of stealing bicycles.

Foot and mouth disease is reported among cattle from Kansas, Missouri and Nebraska. Cattle from the west are being quarantined at the Chicago stock yards until an investigation can be made.

Leslie Ross, a fifteen year old Pontiac boy was thrown over the handlebars of his bicycle, Monday night and a bad gash cut in his head when he ran into an automobile, his head striking the rear fender of the car.

## Ladies Literary Club.

Mrs. Laverne Adams very pleasantly entertained the Ladies' Literary club for its regular meeting Wednesday afternoon, November 29th. The business meeting was not long, so nearly the entire afternoon was given over to the program.

Under the direction of Zada Wilber a unique Thanksgiving entertainment was the result of assorted poems by Longfellow and Whittier. These are two of the wonderful New England poets which is our theme for the year's study.

The leader read short sketches of the lives of the above authors, giving in part some of the minor things which were inspirations for some poetical achievement. Those participating in the program were, Florence Moore, Minnie Wilber, Ernestine Pierce, Josephine McGee, Flora Hendryx, Ina Hambleton, Jennie Melow and Mary Johnson. Among the poems read were "The Village Blacksmith," "The Old Armchair," "Tales from a Wayside Inn," Poems on "Autumn," "The Harvest Moon," "The Children's Hour," "The Huskers," "Corn Song," and "The Pumpkin."

Minnie Wilber and Mary Kennedy beautifully rendered the harvest song.

At a late hour the meeting was adjourned to meet in two weeks with Una Ely.

MARY JOHNSON, Secretary.

## Are Having Their Share

While Varnel Catherman was riding horseback about 10:30 Tuesday evening the horse became frightened at a dog, throwing him off and causing him to strike on his head and shoulders and bending the collarbone in a very serious manner. The young man is obliged to stay in bed with arm strapped down, and it will be a few days before it can be ascertained just what the injury will be. Mr. Catherman, who recently fell from the silo, is able to be around, and Mrs. Catherman is gaining from her recent illness.

See Cook & Co. for a complete line of Headwear.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Items of Interest From the Surrounding Country, Cleaned by Our Correspondents.

### Powers Station

Charles Gill spent Friday afternoon in Detroit.

Mr. Rackham is able to be up and around.

Harry and Helen Rackham were Northville callers Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Beach, of Pontiac, were Sunday visitors at the Greer home.

The little daughter of Mrs. Mae Rear has the whooping cough. They are visiting in Canada.

Mrs. John Greer and family and James Tucker visited the latter's parents in Detroit Thanksgiving.

Fred Evert, whose wife died last week, is staying at the home of his son, Henry, on the Base Line.

Mrs. William Greer and baby Kenneth visited at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Burt Rice, in Detroit, Monday afternoon.

Rufus Courter well known in this vicinity, where he used to live, was killed by a car at Battle Creek Friday, where he had made his home for several years. No particulars learned.

Mr. and Mrs. Elza Simmons entertained Thanksgiving day their son Harry, from Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. William Greer and little son Kenneth, Mrs. J. M. Simmons and daughter Carrie, of Northville, Mrs. C. J. Sprague and Miss Electa Chilson, of Farmington.

We are sorry to learn of the sickness of Mrs. Grant Putman, of Novi, who was taken to Harper Hospital for an operation Monday. She is a sister of Mrs. Joe Graham of this place, who is caring for the two youngest children. We hope for a quick recovery.

Cook & Co. are showing a large stock of leather gloves and mittens.

### Clarenceville Items.

Miss Anna Nacker is on the sick list.

Miss Hazel Barnes was in Detroit Friday.

Vern Lyons had a fine cow die Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Jensen and Mrs. B. Cook were callers in Detroit Friday.

Mrs. Joe Lapham, of Northville, was the guest of Mrs. Cogsdell Tuesday.

The Larkins club met with Mrs. Carl Waack Thursday, and was well attended despite the rainy day.

The Richardson Art Embroidery club met with Mrs. Cogsdell Tuesday afternoon. All had a good time, and a fine lunch was served by the hostess. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Jensen Tuesday, December 12th. Everybody that wants to join be present.

The 45th annual meeting of the Michigan Horticultural society, which will be held in Grand Rapids December 5 to 7, is expected to be one of the best the society has ever held. A good program and extensive display is promised.

The Enterprise is in a position to save you some money on magazines this fall, when you are ready to send in your subscriptions or renewals. We also have a number of attractive clubbing offers. The offers we are now making may not hold good for long, as many magazines and newspapers are advancing their prices. If you want your winter's reading at a low price get your order in early.

See us for those auction bills. Fine new home for sale by Fred M. Warner.

## FROM OUR EXCHANGES

News Items Taken From Other Papers in and About the County.

W. D. Glaspie had two cows smother to death Sunday night, when a straw stack tipped over upon them—Oxford Leader.

J. C. Judson is so happy he hardly acts natural, but he has good reasons. A big bouncing boy—far nicer looking than Dad—has arrived at his home—Redford Record.

Jack Cupp, an employee of the piano factory, got his left hand in the work place in a boring machine Monday and had a big gouge taken in it that will keep him from work for some time.—Holly Advertiser.

Sunday morning fully 12 hunters with their dogs were counted as they were preparing to go out after rabbits. Where they went is some thing of a mystery as most farms in this section are posted.—South Lyon Herald.

The two-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lou Stadler on Monday was badly bitten on the face by a dog. Dr. Hathaway took several stitches just below the right eye. The Stadler's live on the Shoemaker farm.—Orion Review.

Several dog funerals were held in the township last Saturday, the victims being the untaged canines whose owners refused to pay the tax required. A couple of deputies from Pontiac officiated an executors—Milford Times.

The farm home on the Treat place, two miles south of this city, was destroyed by fire Wednesday morning, starting from a defect in the chimney in an upper chamber. Most of the household goods were saved. The residence was one of the largest farm homes in this section. Loss about \$6,000, covered by \$4,000 insurance.—Oxford Leader.

The Hughes club prophesies that as early as four months from the time of the inauguration of the president every store and factory in the country will be closed, 10 per cent of the men and women will be absent from work, all the industries of the land will be idle, loud reports and the noise of pistol shots and the explosion of gun-powder will resound throughout the length and breadth of the country, there will be the terrified screams of wounded men, women and children, and the great United States will be in a turmoil from one end to the other. (It will be the Fourth of July)—Ypsilanti Record.

Visiting cards printed or engraved.

## Bowling League Score

Following is the tabulated score of the games played by the Farmington, Redford and Northville Trolley Bowling League during the past week:

	WON	LOST	PUR
Farmington No. 2	8	4	666
Farmington No. 1	8	4	666
Northville No. 3	7	5	583
Redford No. 6	7	5	583
Northville No. 4	3	9	250
Redford No. 5	3	9	250

High Scores—B. Brown, 206; Harry Tait, 203; E. S. Grace, 209; J. W. Hawthorn, 213.

High team average, Redford No. 6, for three games played, 541 1/2.

See Cook & Co. for Blankets, Comforts, Outings, etc.

## LITTLE WANT ADS

FOR SALE—Your choice of my herd of ten Grade Holstein cows for \$100. Fred M. Warner. 511

WANTED—Holiday purchasers for a booklet, "Simple Life in a Nutshell," 2c by mail. Myral Utley, Farmington, Mich.

FOR SALE—Good Jersey Cow. Garvin Denby, 302R2, Northville. 45c

FOR SALE—Bed Davenport, in first class condition. Inquire at this office.

FOR SALE—Mitch cow with calf by side; also five shoats. Robert Graham, phone 4066. 31c

FOR SALE—White Giant Potatoes good cooks, \$2.00 per bushel. Inquire of C. H. Ely. 31c

HOUSE TO RENT—On electric car line. Steam heated. Inquire Harry McCracken or Fred Warner. 51f

FOR SALE—Ford Automobile, 1916 Model—demonstrable tires, extra tire and holder. A 1 shape. C. H. Ely and son. 491f.

For Sale—A new modern six or eight room house is offered by Fred M. Warner at a reasonable price and on easy terms.





TO RENT—100 acre farm, equipped for 20 cows, one mile west of Farmington village. W. H. Lewis, phone 132w2. 431f

WANTED—Casings of all sizes to Vulcanize by the latest improved machinery. Satisfaction guaranteed. Clyde E. Adams, phone No. 33. Farmington.

LOST—Tan colored Gauntlet Glove for right hand. Somewhere between the Enterprise office and the Methodist church. Will finder kindly return to Enterprise office.

FOR SALE—The Warner farm offers at reasonable prices, 2 Holstein Bull Calves (can be registered); Also 1 grade Holstein Heifer calf. Call and look them over. 1c

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