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## FARMINGTON GIRL WRITES HOME

Miss Eva Bradley, Daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bradley Tells of Travels

Enroute from Innsbruck, Austria, to Oberamgagau, Dear Folks at Home:

This train causes my pencil to make unexpected marks, but I hope the writing will be legible. Just think, we see the Passion play tomorrow! We enjoyed Italy but it was so very warm that we often felt very uncomfortable, especially at Florence and Venice. I believe I sent your last letter from Rome on the way to Florence. Florence is a lovely city on the Arno river. It is the intellectual and art center of Italy. The galleries contain many originals by Raphael, Michelangelo and Murillo. The famous madonna pictures are here. Michelangelo's famous sculpture of David is in Florence. His sculpture of Moses is in a church at Rome. His sculpture of Mary and Christ, called "Pieta" is in St. Peter's at Rome.

In Florence (in a church, of course) there is a monument to Michelangelo, Dante and Galileo. Savonarola (a Dominican priest of long ago, and about whom one often hears) was burned to death because he would not follow the orders of a very rich and influential family (the Medici family). A bronze tablet in the street has been erected on the spot in the street where he was burned. One church in Florence has interior decorations of Florentine mosaics, in various designs, each one symbolical of some reconciliation or date in the Italian history, or history of Florence. In Florence very fine jewelry is made, typical of the place, most of it is called Etruscan style. From Florence we went to Venice, on all days ride. Traveling even first class over here (especially in Italy) is not luxurious. There is no water for washing most of the time and never any towels, so we all looked several shades darker when we arrived at our destination. On entering Venice we passed from the mainland over a bridge, 2 miles long, to Venice (built on 117 islands and connected by 365 bridges). As soon as we passed thru the railway station we espied the Grand Canal and the gondolas. We were taken to our hotel in a gondola. They are like long, black canoes, only much more stable. They carry from 6 to 9 people, and often baggage, too. The gondolier stands in the rear and by means of a long paddle propels the boat. When one nears the hotel he creeps up to the passengers and mumbles something that means "to tip."

Well, Venice is the dream of a place it is said to be. The buildings are old and Venice is really in a decadent state, since it is not the commercial center it once was. The main artery of traffic is the Grand Canal, over 2 miles long, and people travel by boat entirely here.

A few steamers go on the Grand Canal now, and have regular stops. The charges are 25 centissima, which in our money is about 1.5 cents. In Rome a street car ride cost less than 2.5 cents, in Paris less than 5 cents. But most people who have any money at all hire a taxi or bus, for that costs from 10 to 15 cents with the tip. Everybody expects a tip here, for they always get it. To return to Venice steamers can not run on the smaller canals, so gondolas are the only means of travel. There are a great many very narrow streets from 5 to 8 feet wide.

St. Mark's church in Venice is world-famed. It has bulbous-like domes near the front, and is the combination of Gothic (spired) and Oriental (low and domed) art. During the war the four bronze horses from the front of the church were removed to Rome for safety. In fact, everything precious was sent away to Southern Italy. They have just recently been replaced. The church was practically covered with sand bags for protection. There is a place marked by a memorial stone

## YEAR'S SCHOOL ENROLLMENT 369

The Farmington public schools opened for the fall term Tuesday morning with an enrollment of 369 pupils. More are reporting each day and it is expected that the number will be considerably increased with the close of the first week of school. As classified by grades the enrollment stands:

Kindergarten—19, first—26, second—41, third—43, fourth—32, fifth and sixth—47, seventh—16, eighth—12, ninth—51, tenth—33, eleventh—24, and twelfth—25.

About 12 to 16 feet from the church where an Austrian bomb fell. In fact, the enemy were only about 20 miles from even Venice. In the church lies what are said to be the bones of St. Mark, brought from Alexandria. There are also marble columns said to have been in Solomon's temple. The mosaics here are of a superior type. They are glass, and many of them are covered by gold leaf, with another thin coat of glass to protect it. Figures of people are in colors, of course. Whole ceilings will be of this mosaic work. Think of the gold here! It is difficult for us Americans to get their point of view. In Venice very famous hand-made lace is made. I bought a piece of real file and real Venetian lace.

I am having lots of fun buying gifts for you people. We came from Venice to the Dolomites (Italian-Austrian front) by auto. The ride thru the mountains was delightful, but unfortunately our bus broke down and we were held up by the roadside for seven hours before another bus came. The other car load of our party went ahead and expected us to follow. We couldn't even talk to the chauffeur for he did not understand us. Mrs. Stancer had an English-Italian book, but there was no conversation in it that we could use. We bought melons, tomatoes and water from boys who appeared immediately. It was the first real serving of melon we have had—since we all had a quarter of a melon. So everything seems to have its compensations. We visited a farm house nearby and washed our hands. We were so glad they asked us to go inside for it gave us an opportunity to see their way of living. The house and barn are in one, the whole being a sort of stucco structure. The floor of the dining room-kitchen combined, was brick and there was a fire place, with an oven for baking. While we were there the priest came, called "permitted" or something like that and walked in.

We were delayed so long that we rode thru the Dolomite region and war front at night, and did not see much of the ruins or methods used, but the others told us. The place at Tablac, at which we stayed over night was an Austrian possession for 50 years, it is again Italian. The small town was a headquarters for the army and the inhabitants fled to the woods. The day at the hotel we saw us where we had during the attacks and air raids. We never could have realized the utter and absolute destruction had we not come this year, for the people are rapidly making reparations. We came into Austria last night and stayed in a mountain-valley village, called Innsbruck.

P. M. We have recently passed over the German border and have gone thru the German customs. Expect to arrive at Oberamgagau about 8:30.

Later. Can you imagine our good luck to have been assigned to rooms at Anton Laing's home. He is taking care of his shop and writing signatures this afternoon, so we have talked with him. His wife assigns the rooms so we have also talked with her. The entire party have their meals here. This village is much as Stoddard pictures it—stones on roofs to fasten down loosely fastened shingles, men and boys with very long hair and a peculiar costume, and the walls are often frescoed. I have passed thru both doors and have stood on the little balcony above. Isn't that exciting?

Eva Bradley.

All teachers have resumed their school duties this week.

## WHY LAKE FISH WILL NOT BITE

A. T. Stewart, Supt. State Hatcheries Gives Fish Migration as the Cause

"Not a bite," and "plenty of fish" are contradictory statements often made by many upon returning from an outing at the lakes in Oakland county.

Conditions causing this exasperating state of affairs for the piscatorial enthusiasts are possibly explained by A. T. Stewart, Supt. of Michigan Fish Hatcheries. He says:

"Fish, like other forms of animal life, are subject to periodical migrations. In the case of these marine creatures, this migration means the movement of vigorous species from greater depths to the shallower weed beds and shore line and back again, occurring during the different months of the year.

There are three essential causes of fish migration. First, during the summer months when the deeper areas of the lakes, are supplied abundantly with absorbed oxygen, small and large mud bass, wall-eyed pike, grass and great northern pike, blue gills and perch will be found in the deeper water. In early autumn, owing to the great amount of oxidation of dead plankton, which during the summer has been gradually falling to the bottom of the lake, these fish will have exhausted and used up the supply of oxygen in these depths and of necessity must seek the shallower grounds to which they are able to adapt themselves.

"Second, there is another migration from greater to lesser depths and back again that is in no way related to the oxygen content of the water, but is due entirely to a search for better feeding grounds, more abundant supply of food and better physical protection in the weed beds.

"The smaller species, such as sun fish, blue gills, and perch seek the protective covering of these weeds, while at the same time, the basses, wall-eyed pike and other members of the pike family seek the same grounds for food.

"Third, there is still another movement that occurs daily, and one with which the 'all knowing' fisherman is familiar. This is the coming of these various fishes particularly bass, into the shallower waters near shore each night and occurs during the summer months. This is clearly a factor in the feeding habits of these fish. At that particular time of day, they will find more insects and so gobs of smaller fish upon which to feed near the shore line. For this reason, it is easy to understand why the man who casts for bass toward sunset and night, follows the shore line pretty closely.

"These are essentially the three movements of fish migration. However, during the spawning season, these fish must of necessity build their nests and rear their young in the shallower parts of the lake or near the headwaters of the stream and themselves return to the deeper waters as soon as this duty is performed. But this is not a migratory movement in any sense and not unlike the movement of the salmon from salt water to fresh water during its spawning season.

"The migration of fish that inhabit our inland waters is really governed by three things: food, shelter and temperature."

## GRATEFUL

To the men and women who volunteered and so earnestly and conscientiously worked in the American Legion Gala Day organization, the Groves-Walker Post No. 346 of Farmington, extends the glad hand of appreciation.

To the merchants and others who so willingly and materially cooperated to make that day a success, we also extend our thanks.

GROVES-WALKER POST 346  
American Legion,  
Howard C. Eisenlord,  
Commander.

C. G. Hogle,  
Adjutant.

## JAIL OPEN TO VISITORS SATURDAY

Sheriff Butler announces that the county jail will be open to public inspection on Saturday of this week from 9 a. m. until 9 p. m. Oakland county's new jail, one of the finest in the state, modern in every respect and one that the citizen can feel proud of so long as such institutions are a necessity for their protection. On this occasion the public will be given an opportunity to see just how the work of running a jail is conducted; how smoothly the several departments function under modern methods for caring for and confining prisoners. Officials will be in charge and will be pleased to conduct visitor through the jail.

## CONFERENCE YEAR ENDS

With the services of next Sunday the Methodist church comes to the close of its conference year. The record of the year's work surpasses all previous years. The new church, the beauty of which draws commendation and approval from all quarters, the increase of members, the generosity of its congregation and the successful activities of all the societies and the church at large registers a year's work of surpassing excellence. On Tuesday next the pastor will leave for the annual conference which meets this year at Pontiac. Both congregation and pastor have reason to be proud of the year's work. The members of the official board have shown devotion, and wisdom in the discharge of their duties and are to be commended in the efficiency displayed in their leadership.

The pastor, Rev. Sidney D. Eva, who has served the church for the past three years, was unanimously voted to return next year, at the quarterly conference which met last week.

## NOTES OF THE CHURCHES

### THE METHODIST PARISH.

—Farmington—  
10:30 "What's a Church Member?" Reception of members.  
11:45 Sunday school.  
7:30 "Success Through Failure."

Sidney D. Eva, Pastor.

### —North Farmington—

2:00 Preaching serv.  
3:00 Sunday School.

### —Clarenceville—

10:30 Preaching service Rev. W. V. Dale, preacher.  
11:45 Sunday School.  
7:30 Evening service.

### First Baptist Church

10:30 Dr. Ford's subject will be, "The Duty of the Christian is to Adapt Himself to Changing Conditions."

12:00 Sunday school. We have a splendid corps of teachers and an interesting school.

6:30 B. Y. P. U. Topic: "The Baptist Principle—The Supreme Lordship of Jesus."

7:30 Dr. Ford will preach on the subject: "God's Supply of Love is Inexhaustible."

### Universalist Church

10:30 Worship and sermon. Preaching by the minister. Subject: "The Religion for the Needs of the Day in which We Live."

12:00 Bible school. All children that are not in any Sunday school are cordially invited to join us. Bible instruction by competent teachers.

"Everybody's Class" will be led by Dr. Beresford.

Salens Evangelical Church  
9:30 Sunday school. English, 10:30 German service.  
2:00 German services at Clarenceville.

Wednesday evening, Sept. 13th, Y. P. L. social. All young people are cordially invited to attend.

There will be no services held at this church on Sunday, Sept. 17 because of the absence of Rev. Bollens who will preach that Sunday in Frazer, Michigan.

Instructions in Catechism will be given every Saturday morning from 9:00 to 11:30, beginning on Sept. 16th. Children from 12 years and over are welcome.

J. Bollens, Pastor.

## GALA DAY A BIG SUCCESS

W. F. Merrill of Detroit, Gets the Ford—Post Realizes Over Five Hundred Dollars

The much heralded Gala Day is a thing of the past, leaving behind pleasant recollections for both old and young who made it a point to visit Farmington on Labor Day.

All day Saturday the members of Groves-Walker Post American Legion labored getting the settings ready for the affair. Merchants and citizens touched by the spirit of the occasion put out their flags, bunting and decorations, giving to the village a gay and festive appearance which attracted the attention of the hundreds of autoists who passed thru Farmington on Sunday.

Labor Day broke bright and clear and gave every promise of an ideal day for outdoor sports. Autos and cars brought pleasure seekers from the surrounding villages and country and at noon a goodly number of people occupied those portions of Grand River avenue and Division street roped off for the use of the public to the exclusion of vehicular traffic. The events of the day opened with a concert by the Plymouth band, followed by a morning game of ball between Farmington and Center Line resulting in a victory for the home team by a score of 8 to 5.

At noon the parade was put on. What it lacked in size it made up in quality and held the attention for a time. The several prizes were awarded as advertised, but as no record was kept of the winners The Enterprise is unable to publish the list. The various sports were entered into with enthusiasm by contestants and the merry-makers followed them closely.

Major John G. Emory, former national commander of the Legion and a candidate for the United States Senate, spoke to the crowd on "Americanism." He dwelt at some length upon the ideals of the Legion, praised the patriotism of its members and told of the necessity for maintaining the patriotism of wartime through times of peace. He made no mention of his candidacy for the senate, nor was politics discussed.

A game of ball was played in the afternoon between the Farmington team and a select nine from North Farmington. This was one of the finest and most exciting games witnessed by local fans in some time. It took 10 innings to decide it and again the local team scored a victory, score 5 to 4.

From early morning the merry-go-round wheezed and tooted to the delight of the youngsters, the vendors from their booths shouted and the band played on.

It is estimated that several thousand people visited Farmington during the day. The crowd was not an "all day" one but came and went in a round of the many pleasure resorts of this locality.

The evening witnessed an increase in the arrival of visitors, an especially large number gathering around the big truck at the intersection of Grand River avenue and Division street, on which rested the Ford touring car to be given away to some lucky person. The drawing for this capital prize was turned over to Messrs. Dodds and McGee. A little Miss Bishop of Toledo, a visitor here, was blindfolded and drew the numbered tickets from the big chum in which they had been well-mixed.

The third ticket out was held by George Peterson of Redford. It drew a prize of \$500. The 10th number out was for the Ford. W. F. Merrill, commander of George Washington Post, American Legion, of Detroit, was the lucky holder. Mr. Merrill organized the Post here and has done much to put it on its feet. Three hundred tickets for the days sports were bought by his post.

The day's diversions closed with a pavement dance on Division street. It was a brilliant scene. Hundreds of dancers filled the space, making a pleasing

## WHY HE OPPOSES "NEWBERRYISM"

Fred M. Warner of this city in a circular just issued gives the following reason why he opposes "Newberryism."

"I am opposed to it because 'Newberryism' is a denial of the very foundation upon which our government was founded. It conceives of political power as something that can be purchased rather than a trust bestowed by the free consent of the people.

In power so obtained and so exercised the people can have no confidence. It is something that is not of them, or for them, or by them; but something rather separate and apart seeking for its own selfish end, and caring for interests other than their own.

## BARN STRUCK—BURNED

An electric storm of more than usual severity visited his locality last Friday morning. Several barns were struck by lightning in the county. The principal damage in this vicinity being at the Russell farm, two miles southwest, occupied by Guy Simmons when a bolt hit the barn, setting it on fire. It was soon enveloped in flames and quickly reduced to ashes with its contents, consisting of 25 tons of hay, 150 bushels of oats, 50 hens and a number of farm tools. There was \$550 in insurance on the building and \$900 on the contents, the loss being far in excess of that amount. Two cows standing outside of the barn were killed by the lightning. A calf which was inside the barn was rescued uninjured.

The farm is the property of Mrs. Lucey Russell of Buffalo, N. Y.

A bolt struck a chimney on the farm house of Charles Manzell, but no serious damage was done.

## LOCAL NEWS.

Next Tuesday, Sept. 12, being primary election day both the Farmington State Bank and the Peoples State Bank will be closed all day.

While canning fruit Wednesday morning Mrs. Howard Staman so severely burned both hands that the services of a physician was required. She will not be able to use them for several days.

Conduits are being laid under the pavement into the Farmington State Bank building for conveying the heavy telephone cables into the new exchange which will be located on the second floor of that building.

The members of Farmington Lodge No. 51, F. & A. M. are invited by the Detroit Masonic Country club to attend the second annual marathon track and field athletic meet at the club grounds, Jefferson avenue, east, and Masonic Boulevard, Macomb county, Saturday, Sept. 16th, 1922, at two o'clock p. m. A basket picnic. By order of W. M.

## Northwest Farmington

The Cox reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cox, Monday, Sept. 4th. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Green, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer See and family of Detroit, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Green Monday.

School opened in the West Farmington district No. 4, Tuesday, Sept. 5, with Mr. H. E. Baldwin of Linden, Mich., as teacher.

Mrs. Will Campbell entertained about 20 little folks Thursday, August 31st, in celebration of the sixth birthday anniversary of little Anna Belle.

The Gleaser meeting held at the home of Starr Gleaser was well attended. The next meeting will be on Sept. 30, at the home of William Graham.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hewitt and two sons of Detroit, spent Sunday at the home of Arthur Green and attended the Gala Day at Farmington Monday.

A number from here took in the American Legion Gala Day at Farmington, Sept. 4. Mrs. Lawrence Geigler took third prize in the ladies nail driving contest.

A kaleidoscopic picture under the electric lamps.

The affair was a fine success in every particular. Hard work by the members of the post and an appreciative public made it such. The post realized about \$500.00.