

CORRESPONDENCE

North Farmington

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lowe and son, Elmer, visited their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Anglin, last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wixom have moved into "Auntie" Marlett's house.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Artie Coe, Monday, March 4, a boy.

Ellis Randall and family have moved back on their old farm, Clyde Seeley having moved on the Wm. Irish farm.

Mrs. Seibert was in Detroit Tuesday and Wednesday.

Marquita Wixom is spending a few days with her grandparents at Southfield.

The young people are enjoying the skating on Chas. White's place.

There are many "grippe" victims in this vicinity.

John Tamm lost one of his cows this week.

Miss Blanche Anglin is assisting one of the teachers in the lower rooms of the high school along with her school work.

Northville

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Harger and daughter, Lizzie, returned home last week after an extended visit with relatives in Philadelphia and other places in the east.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Vanderhoof arrived here Monday from the state of Washington, being called here by the death of the latter's mother, Mrs. McLern, who passed away last Friday after a few days' illness of pneumonia. The funeral was held Tuesday.

Mrs. D. F. Griswold is again very ill with facial neuralgia.

Mrs. Angie Hueston came out from Detroit Tuesday for a few days' visit.

Harry White has secured a position in the advertising department of the Detroit Free Press.

Mrs. N. I. Colt has been very ill being threatened with pneumonia, but is now convalescing.

Mrs. J. M. Burgess and Mrs. T. J. Murdock attended a meeting of the Missionary society at the North Woodward Avenue Baptist church in Detroit Tuesday.

The "Main 500" club were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Neal last evening.

Starr Root and son of Detroit were calling on Northville friends Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth Ostrander is again at work in Ponstorf's store after a two week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Simonds are ill. The former recently suffered a slight stroke of paralysis. Miss Elnelue Lapham is caring for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dusenbury and son of Detroit were over Sunday guests at the home of her brother, W. G. Verkes.

The Knights of Pythias are making great preparations for the bar dance or poverty party which they will give in the rink March 18.

Mrs. Merrill and daughter, Dorothy, of Detroit and Mrs. Draper of Plymouth visited the former's daughter, Mrs. E. A. Kohler Tuesday.

Mrs. Harry Clark attended a party at the home of her sister in Perrinsville Tuesday.

Miss Margaret Bliz, W. C. T. U. worker, of Spring Lake, was entertained at the home of Mrs. Helen Gray from Saturday until Monday.

Mrs. Ernest Kohler royally entertained the First 500 club Tuesday evening. Prizes were won by Miss Carrie Simmons and Mrs. Grace Dolph. A three-course lunch was served, after which Mrs. Kohler rendered a number of selections on the violin. Northville friends regret that they are soon to lose Mr. and Mrs. Kohler from

their midst as they are planning to move to a farm near New Boston. George Bradley, one of Northville's oldest citizens, is in very poor health.

At the village election next Monday the principal fight will be for the office of president. Jud Lanning seeks that position on the Workingmen's ticket, while Chas. Dolph heads the Citizens' ticket.

Conroy's Corners

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Naback were Pontiac callers Thursday.

Clara Shear entertained her schoolmates, Rosa Lehr and Edna Lausung Tuesday afternoon in honor of her ninth birthday.

Mrs. Harry Reynolds, who spent a few days last week with relatives and friends at Birmingham, returned home Thursday.

Frank Shear was a Redford caller Saturday evening.

Omer Conroy was a Detroit business caller one day last week.

Miss May Erwin, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. Beadigan Toledo, has returned home.

Mrs. Harry Bartlett and Mrs. C. Dohany spent Saturday afternoon with their sister, Mrs. R. Langebecker, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Laderoot spent Saturday at the home of Albert Greer.

Fred Cheue of the Boys' Home, who had been at the home of Fred Newman for the past two months, expects to make his home with Frank Shear and family.

Frank Cone of Detroit stopped off a couple of days this week to visit relatives in this vicinity. He was on his way to visit relatives in London.

Mrs. Lucinda Conroy entertained relatives from Farmington and Detroit Sunday.

Our correspondent had a letter from Los Angeles, California, one day this week saying that they had been having awful weather there with the wind blowing at the rate of 100 miles an hour, destroying boats so they had to be laid up for repairs and they haven't had any rain as yet this year. So cheer up, Farmington isn't so bad after all.

Chas. Spaller and Fred Becker of Farmington called at Omer Conroy's one day last week.

E. Robinson of Redford was in this vicinity Monday.

Base Line

Little Laura Simmons has been sick.

Mrs. Greer and son, Will, were in Pontiac Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Safford were in Detroit Sunday to visit Ben Dennis, who recently underwent an operation. Mr. Dennis came home from the hospital Tuesday.

Clara Simmons attended the Monroe-Huffman wedding at Novi Monday.

A very pleasant time was had at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rvort last Thursday when so relatives came in to help Miss Nellie celebrate her second birthday, she being eight years old. Her birthday coming only every four years, Mrs. Rvort had planned the day one not soon to be forgotten. A bountiful dinner, at which Nellie was hostess to one table of fifteen little folks, was served, to which all did ample justice. After dinner all proceeded to the parlor, where Nellie was delightfully surprised to see a table loaded with presents, from a beautiful willow rocker down to books, hair ribbons, etc. All departed at a late hour, wishing Nellie had a birthday party oftener than every four years.

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Redford

The dinner served by the Dorcas society last Friday was a good old-fashioned Methodist affair. Lots to eat and everybody feeling good-natured. A good crowd was out and the bountiful dinner suffered accordingly, yet all were duly filled and consequently happy.

A bazaar sale was also conducted and was well patronized. Many from Detroit and other points were on hand who never miss these enjoyable occasions.

The Eastern Stars fed the Masons Saturday night and it is said to have been a good supper, well served and fully enjoyed by the brothers who seem to be getting their full share of such things.

George Briggs has disposed of his southern Florida property.

C. A. Lahser, J. F. Stahelin and George Miller took a run up to Lansing Tuesday to hear the legislative debate on the governor's primary scheme.

The electric motor for use in running the feed grinding department in the Redford mill was received Tuesday and is being placed this week. It is a 30 h. p. and ought to do the required work with ease.

Grand Lecturer F. O. Gilbert will hold a Masonic school of instruction here next Monday night and every member of the local lodge should be present.

Jim Kirchoff is quite sick with typhoid fever.

Mrs. Frank and Mrs. Britton of Detroit were guests of Mrs. Rose Sherman Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Green, who had been staying for some time with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Lahser, have returned to Detroit.

The Woman's Union will serve dinner at their next regular meeting, Wednesday, March 13, in the church parlors. A welcome is extended to all. Dinner, 20c.

Twenty-five years ago Saturday A. M. Bosworth made a lucky strike when he took the present Mrs. Bosworth for an abelment and life partner. She had lived on the town line road between Redford and Dearborn with her parents.

R. C. Launing, a Methodist minister was stationed on the circuit then and as he had tied the matrimonial knot for Mr. Bosworth's parents 28 years before he was called upon to repeat the ceremony for the youngsters.

Everything has gone smoothly with the affairs of the couple since. They have been among Redford's leaders, both socially and in a business way, have accumulated a good portion of that which makes life pleasant, including four children, and are healthy and happy.

But Saturday, about supper time, they were suddenly and without notice brought to a realizing sense of the passing of time when their home was invaded by a whole bunch of relatives, about 50 in number, including all but two who were in attendance at their wedding 25 years ago.

It was a family celebration and they say that it was never surpassed in the good feeling that prevailed.

A very fine and handsome silver service and many other pieces of silverware all beautifully engraved were left as mementos of the occasion.

The parents on both sides were present and both couples have passed the golden wedding date by two and three years.

C. A. Glossner, 24 Ontario St., Rochester, N. Y., has recovered from a long and severe attack of kidney trouble, his cure being due to Foley Kidney Pills. After detailing his case, he says: "I am only sorry that I did not learn sooner of Foley Kidney Pills. In a few days' time my backache completely left me and I felt greatly improved. My kidneys became stronger, dizzy spells left me, and I was no longer annoyed at night. I feel 100 per cent better since using Foley Kidney Pills." Sold by T. H. McGee.

Cook & Co. are showing a large line of new Prints, Gingham, Percales, etc.

A Bit of Early History

The following is the paper prepared by Mrs. James L. Wilber, which was to have been read at the meeting of the State Historical society at Pontiac Feb. 21 and 22, but owing to the storm she was unable to be present:

Our pioneers unconsciously write the first pages of history, either of state, county or township. Their biography, the story of their lives, their ambitions, their hardships; their successes is the essential theme around which all details of growth and development cluster. History is the written narrative of events and dates.

How fine it would be if our earlier records were more complete. The first land entered for settlement in surveyed township north of range 9 east in Oakland county was in 1823.

In February of the next year, Arthur Power, two sons and two men in his employ left their home in Farmington, Ontario county, New York, with no lack of courage, in a sleigh drawn by a pair of good horses, to make their home in the wilderness, a journey then of more days than hours now, or a trip across the continent. The first tree was cut the 8th of March.

The first physician, Dr. Webb, as well as Mr. Powers were members of the society of Friends and their settlement was first called Quakertown.

The opening of the Erie canal from Albany to Buffalo made it much easier to accept Greeley's advice (given years later) "young man go west," and the tide of travel was greatly increased in the year 1825.

Some incidents in the life of Seth Andrew LeMoyné Warner, a pioneer of 1825, we think worthy of repeating.

Born in Saybrook, Conn., in 1786, ten years before the region we call Michigan became a part of the United States. While a young man he moved to Seneca county, New York. Here he practiced his chosen profession and married his first wife, Miss Sally Wixom. His next and greatest move was when he came with his wife and children to settle in the new world—as then thought—on the northwest quarter of section 15, in the surveyed township mentioned. He received a license to practice his profession as an attorney, being admitted to the bar of the county court in March, 1830 to the circuit court in April following.

He was one of six delegates from Oakland county to the convention held in Ann Arbor in 1836 to determine the state boundary on the south.

His commission appointing him master in chancery is dated March, 1840, signed by Governor Wm. Woodbridge.

The name of Farmington was given to the township in 1827 by legislative counsel, a very gratifying thought to the earliest settlers from Farmington, N. Y. The first township meeting was held at Mr. Wixom's house the last Monday in May of the same year, 1827. The first township assessment roll bore the names of 79 resident tax payers.

The first postoffice with Dr. Webb as master, was obtained in 1825. The service was very infrequent. The free delivery occurred when the Dr.'s professional visit made it convenient. Each letter postage was two shillings.

John Collins was the first white child born in Farmington.

The first school was taught by Nathan Power in 1826, supported by subscription. As late as 1830 this was the only school taught in the winter. The first female teacher during a summer term was Miss Parley Ann Mead, afterward Mrs. Ladd.

Uncle Nathan, as he was called, by everybody in later years, while teaching lost one of his oxen. The expedient resorted to to meet the expense of another was to catch wolfs and from the bounty of eight (\$8) dollars from the state and five from the county raise the needed amount. It was done and



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A second marriage was made in 1837, with Mrs. Emma Palmer as bride. Three children of this union are now living. Incidentally, I may mention that the life of our pioneer ancestor with my own, cover all the years since the close of the American Revolution—every presidential administration to the present day.

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