

Town Briefs

Victor Schoen of Dexter, Michigan spent a few days last week with Gerald Grace.

Mrs. and Mrs. Wallace Grace and daughter Mrs. August Houghton of Bedford spent New Year's Day with U. A. Grace and family.

Mrs. Emma Greechower is still confined in the Plymouth hospital.

Ralph Hunt, son of William Hunt, is improving from his recent illness.

Virginia Otis, who was home from the University of Michigan for her vacation returned to Ann Arbor Monday evening.

Howard Otis and friend Miss Winifred Lee attended the Michigan Theater Saturday evening.

Mrs. Bertha Westfall who has been very ill is better.

Mrs. Minnie Wilkinson, son Olin and daughter Edith returned from Bad Axe Monday where they have been spending the holidays with her mother.

Mrs. Rosa, who has been very sick with influenza is improving. Mrs. Edna Laing has been caring for Mrs. Butterfield who is ill.

Mrs. Sims spent Tuesday with Mrs. George Clare.

Clare Grace and Howard Otis were Detroit business callers on Tuesday.

Gerald Grace is again in school after a month's absence with a broken arm.

Miss Ruth Holsky is visiting her parents in Akron, Ohio during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lamb and daughters Viola and Marietta were New Year dinner guests at the home of Mrs. Lilly Angell at Northville.

Mr. and Mrs. George Checketts and son Billy were callers on Sunday at the home of Mrs. Checketts, parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stark in Northville.

Mrs. Schoen called on several friends in Farmington last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Johnson were visitors Sunday in Detroit at the home of Miss Charlotte Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Joslin.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dennis were business callers in Redford Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dellling called on Mr. and Mrs. Burke Dodge and family of New Hudson on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dellling were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Pike on Friday.

Dr. George Mann of Detroit was a caller at the M. Wixom home on Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. Allen Killom of Beantown, Ontario and Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Wilkins and daughters called on Mrs. Ida Shepko and daughters Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Seeley and Mr. and Mrs. William Baum were entertained at Mr. and Mrs. John Thayer's Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eural Clark, Mr. and Mrs. William Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Schultz, all of Northville, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Heeneey and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Switzer were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard O'Connell on a bridge and dinner party Saturday evening.

Miss Viola Lamb has returned to school after spending the holiday vacation with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Johnson were among the guests who enjoyed dinner and bridge at the home of Mrs. Harry Pearce in Pontiac on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Milne and son Alex of Northville were New Year guests at the E. O. Hutton home.

Howard Otis, Miss Lest, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Grace motored to Ann Arbor Monday and called on Henry Otis.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Steiner of Flint were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Eckler.

Miss Irma Gray returned from Flint on Sunday.

Louis Bridges, who makes his home with Mr. and Mrs. William Eckler returned from Georgia Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Tuck and family of Kalamazoo were week end guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. Switzer.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dellling were callers at Milford.

Francis Hutton spent her holiday vacation in Detroit and Ypsilanti.

Mr. and Mrs. William Eckler and family were New Year dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cable of Detroit.

Albert Kohler left Monday on a business trip to Florida. Mrs. Kohler will stay with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Banfield during his absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Donaldson of Pontiac and son Vernon Donaldson of Buffalo, N. Y. called at the home of William Richardson, Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Whitlock and daughter Imogene were shoppers in Detroit Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Johnson were hosts to a small group of guests at a "depression dinner" on New Year's Eve.

Raymond Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Richardson and Doris Brady of Saginaw were married by Rev. Carless at the Walled Lake M. E. Parsonage Saturday evening. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dewey of Walled Lake.

Mrs. Gravin, who has been ill the past week with heart trouble, is improving and expects to be sitting up soon.

"The Golden Rule Circle of the M. E. church Aid will meet with Mrs. Frank Oliver next Thursday at one o'clock. Mrs. Oliver will be assisted by Mrs. A. C. Worstford."

Miss Kathryn Richardson spent the New Year week end with Miss Kathryn Reading of Armada.

Mr. and Mrs. Hake, Mrs. Johnson spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. Beckwith at Highland.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Worstford visited his sister Mrs. Barrens and her family Monday.

Mrs. M. Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Hake were entertained by Mr. and Mrs. W. Johnson of Detroit Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Byers and family of Redford were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Worstford and family.

Mr. G. H. Riddle and son Dixon returned to their home in Lewis town, Pennsylvania Sunday night after visiting with friends and relatives in Farmington.

Mrs. G. R. Norton returned from Saginaw Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Houghlin and daughter Mable were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Manley Newman New Year's Day.

Mrs. Ruth Russell and sons Richard and Robert were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Halsey Russell at Fowlerville Monday. Robert Jubb returned home with them.

Mrs. Edith Green spent Saturday night with her son Forest and family. They were all guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Jenette of Detroit on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanborn Smith spent New Year's with Mrs. Harrison Gravin. Mrs. Smith remained to care for Mrs. Gravin who has been ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Meister, Mr. and Mrs. Linn J. Doyle and son were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Doyle on New Year's Day.

Mrs. John Dellling and Mrs. James Snyder were Detroit visitors Wednesday.

Miss Vera Jean McChaffery has been home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard O'Hearn and daughter Betty were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph DeVriendt, Monday. Betty is spending the week with them.

Relatives from Toledo, Redford, Detroit, Ann Arbor and Farmington were Christmas guests of Miss Mary Kennedy.

Miss B. R. Yerkes of Northville is spending a few days with Mrs. C. W. Wilbur.

I SHOULD APPRECIATE an opportunity of taking care of your present fire and automobile insurance needs. Howard Otis, Phone 1.

Lois Murphy Marries
S. B. Tickard in Ohio

Miss Lois Murphy of Farmington was married to Stafford B. Tickard of Five Points at Napoleon, Ohio, on November 31. The couple will make their home in Five Points.

Miss Murphy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Murphy.

Fire! Thief!

By PEGGY STOKES

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IT WAS all so startling, the gunshot that made Marian decide not to marry Stewart Browley. It wasn't that they didn't love each other. They did. But they were both a bit hot tempered, and when Stewart came to Marian to work after she was married, they both said more than they really meant, and soon found themselves involved in a real quarrel.

Marian had wanted to work, really. She had even told the principal of her school that she would resign at Christmas because she expected to be married early in January. But she had found for the right of a woman to work outside her home and still be a good wife.

"And," Marian had ended up, after hot and unconsidered words on both sides, "I won't be a slave in your kitchen."

"I don't want a slave," said Stewart. "If I did hire one. What I want is a decent wife—not a shouting, quarreling."

So before they knew it, they had broken their engagement. Within five minutes after they had parted each had realized the mistake—the absurdity of letting something trivial like this what was so beautiful, so strong. And it wasn't just that. Their house was waiting for them.

Marian couldn't think of that house rented to strangers.

Half the time she realized herself for her stupidity. She realized that she and Stewart were usually well suited—unusually likely to make a real success together.

If anyone had kept track of what Marian did with her time, it might have seemed strange that she spent so many hours shut in her room sewing.

Marian had looked at the house, the big, comfortable one on the other side of the street. Nevertheless she could feel the unwelcome and resentful attitude of the house that should, even now, have been filled with furniture and rugs, dishes and curtains, to make ready for her first homecoming.

That's what started Marian to sewing. Table and household linen lay all finished and mended in a trunk. She had done this work in summer vacation. But she had planned to make the curtains for the seventeen windows of the little house after she had had a chance to measure them and now that most of her evenings were free, she could just as well spend them sewing as, not well, she decided to make the curtains anyway.

Those staring windows were getting on her nerves.

She took the dotted net from her bureau and went to work.

Then, one moonless night, with a flash light in her pocket and a yardstick butted under her coat, she stole over to the little house, went up the front porch, measured a window.

When all the domestics curbed the problem of the staring windows. Then on the edge of the house were probably the same height as those downstairs, but those at the front and back, dormered out from the deeply sloping roof, were surely shorter. She had to measure them.

That night, with her trusty flashlight and yardstick hidden away, she went to the dark little house. She would have liked a ladder, of course. But she hadn't lost her childhood ability to climb trees, and it wasn't long before she was stepping along the flat little strip of roof outside the back dormer.

It was rather spooky work up there in the dark, Marian thought. She peered into the darkened windows as she pulled at the yardstick under her coat. But they weren't dark. A dull glow, flickering, not bright, now dim, showed through the half-opened door into the hall. The house was on fire!

Marian's only thought was to get inside and put out the blaze. It was her house that was burning—hers by every right. She couldn't bear to see it consumed or even damaged by flames. She must save it.

She tried frantically to open the windows. But they were securely locked. Then she tried her shoe. If she could only get in! She didn't remember, at the moment, that the water would not have been turned on and that a far more sensible course would have been to get up the back dormer.

And when she heard the glass crack under the heavy impact of her shoe heel she gave a little cry of joy. Then she screamed.

There was a loud sound of foot steps coming up the stairs, and in another minute one of the windows was pushed open. A man's head appeared and, "Stop, thief!" he cried.

"Fire!" shouted Marian.

And that's all there is to the story. The man, crying that, on hearing Marian's voice, had crawled through the window to the roof and taken her into his arms.

"Fire!" he shouted, as he pulled her into the empty house after him. "The—down in the living room—the fireplace, where I was trying to think things out, wondering how I could get on without you, Marian."

"What?" echoed Marian. "Nonsense, Stewart. If you'll take me back I'll never again try to steal anything that belongs to you or your little house, as I did when I left you Stewart. Have you seen candles? I mean candles to go get the downstairs curtains and put them up?"

Christmas Seal Sale

Totals Over \$2,700

A total of \$2,735.87 has been received from the 1932 sale of Christmas seals according to figures compiled by the Oakland County Branch of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association.

"In view of the times, a truly remarkable response has been made to the Christmas seal sale," Joseph E. Hays, president of the Oakland County Association, states. "Letters accompanying remittances reflect the denials many, many families made to buy this year their usual quota of seals."

Quality Produce Sells

Better At Pontiac

Ray Marsh of North Farmington told fellow producers at the Pontiac Community Market last Thursday that quality produce sells better in Pontiac than in Detroit.

Marsh said that in Detroit, however, lower priced foods sell better than in Pontiac.

He gave as an example the fact that he had sold only two bushels of first grade apples out of eighteen he took to the Detroit market on Wednesday, while sale in Pontiac are much better.

TOWNSHIP OF FARMINGTON NOTICE

The tax-rolls of the Township of Farmington are now in my possession. I will be at the Peoples State Bank, Farmington, for collection of taxes for the Township during business hours, until March 1, 1933. Dog taxes are also payable at this time.

(Signed) LORETTA E. COX

Township Treasurer

Notice To Water Consumers

Please pay January water bills at Peoples State Bank—Farmington Hardware or to the City Clerk.

Dec. 29 Jan. 5.

Central Wheat Market

The reason for the importance of Liverpool as a leading wheat market is the fact that Great Britain is one of the principal industrial nations of the world and consequently needs a great supply of wheat to feed her population, since practically no foodstuff of this kind is grown in Great Britain.

Beautiful Venice

The city of Venice is situated on 120 islands in a shallow bay of the Adriatic sea, the gulf of Venice. The islands are close together, and are only separated by narrow canals, which serve as streets. There are about 375 of these, over which there are 378 bridges. The city is two and a half miles from the mainland and is connected by railroad bridges which contain 222 arches. It covers an area of 64 square miles and the population in 1921 was 192,008.

Famous French Castle

Built by English King

The Chateau-Gillard, built by Richard Coeur de Lion, is one of the most picturesque ruins in France today. It is between Rouen and Paris and was built by the English king, who is said to have been his own architect. It was erected in one year, with walls 14 feet thick. Richard called it his "Saucy Castle," as it was built in defiance of Philip Augustus, king of France.

When the French king saw it he vowed, "I will take it, were it made of iron," to which Richard replied, "And I will hold it, were it made of butter."

Richard died in 1199 and Philip took the castle by siege, but the garrison surrendered only at the point of starvation. Henry V of England retook the castle after a siege of 16 months, when the ropes were worn out with which the besieged drew water from the well. The castle was considered the best specimen of military architecture in Europe.

"Saucy Castle" remained intact until 1604, when King Henry IV of France dismantled it, lest a stronger one be turned into a stronghold.

RED & WHITE

Coffee Blue and White 3 lb bags for 77c

Coffee Green & White One Pound 21c

Red and White SPECIALS

Regular Oats Large Box 13c

Wheat Cereal 28 oz. box 16c

Floating Soap 5 Bars 18c

Tomato Soup 10 oz. cans 13c

Pancake Flour 5 pound bag 19c

Soap Chips 2 1/2 lb. box 25c

Hershey's Cocoa Pound Box 17c

Macaroni In Bulk 9c

Spaghetti 2 Pounds for 9c

Silver Floss Kraut 8 cans for 20c

Quaker Asstd. Preserves 16 oz. Jar. 14c

L & C Salt 2 lb box 9c

Butter "HOWELL MAID" 24c

Tangerines Two Doz. 25c

Bananas, 4 lbs. 19c

SOME NEW BOOKS AT THE LIBRARY IN FARMINGTON

Over Two Thousand Book Withdrawals Made by Township Patrons

In a statement concerning the Farmington Public Library, Miss Mary Kennedy, librarian, says that several new books have been received and that during the last six months, Farmington Township patrons have made two thousand, one hundred and forty-four book withdrawals.

Miss Kennedy says: "We have at the beginning of a New Year a few new books to start things off, thanks to our City Commissioner, so let us be at least grateful and obliging in returning them on time. I fully appreciate those that do get them back, it is such a help. Two weeks will be required perhaps on some of them but you can renew them and that really helps. We have a large number of new patrons so it requires a number of books to keep every one satisfied, so that means for you to be on time if possible."

"The number of books drawn by the township patrons during the six months have shown that the library has been and is fully appreciated by a large number."

About two thousand, one hundred and forty-four books have been exchanged up to date. It has at least been a safe haven for a good many in this time of stress and discouragement. Here's hoping the library with its patrons stand by you all is the wish of your Public Library."

"With all good wishes for a happy and prosperous New Year to you all is the wish of your Public Library."

CEMETERY AUXILIARY

Mrs. Mildred Irving will open her home on Nine Mile Road to the North Farmington Cemetery Auxiliary for a dinner to be served at noon on Tuesday, January 17, when a business meeting will also be held.

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