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THE LOCAL NEWS

AND OTHER ITEMS

HERE AND THERE

Still fine weather but no rain in sight.

Mrs. Goss was a Detroit visitor Monday.

Wm. Pauline, Jr., has been quite ill.

Mrs. David Prindle is on the sick list.

George Nacker was in Detroit Wednesday.

C. W. Botsford of Detroit was in town Tuesday.

Miss Della Parks spent Sunday at Walled Lake.

Mrs. B. F. Pierson spent Wednesday in Detroit.

John Mahaney was in Pontiac on business Monday.

A. H. Phelps and son had a sale at Pontiac last Friday.

Clyde Seely, who has been ill, is reported a little better.

Miss Cassie Johnston is learning the milliner trade in Detroit.

Apoles wanted at this office on payment of subscriptions.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Danton were Northville visitors Sunday.

Cecil Adams of Detroit visited his brother, Jerome, Sunday.

Fred Bowman, who has been seriously ill, is much better.

Charles Deer of Detroit was in town Saturday and Sunday.

George Francis made a business trip to Ironton, O., last week.

Miss Wilber of Charlevoix has been the guest of Mrs. Don Butten.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Follette of Detroit visited relatives here Sunday.

Mrs. Hannah Moore of Pontiac is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jerome Adams.

J. A. Miller of Birmingham spent Wednesday with Dr. and Mrs. Miller.

You can get post cards cheap at the Enterprise office. First class and up to date.

The Misses Ladd of Detroit called on Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Philbrick Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Heberling of Detroit spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. Payne.

Mrs. Nettie Cogsdill and daughter spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. B. Cogsdill of Novi.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Miller spent Sunday at Birmingham with Mr. and Mrs. Frank German.

Dr. E. F. Holcomb and wife and Dr. S. D. Holcomb and wife were in Pontiac Wednesday.

Mrs. George Clare and daughter, Alice, of Clareville spent last Friday with Mrs. Will Danton.

Miss Hattie Waters of Detroit, formerly of Southfield, has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lee.

John Arthur, who was so seriously injured some weeks ago, is able to sit up a short time each day.

Mr. and Mrs. James Conroy, who have been visiting relatives here for a few days, have returned to their home in Fremont, O.

C. L. Murray, Sr., who has been in Detroit for several months, is now with his son, Henry, at Walled Lake and says he expects to husk a thousand bushels of corn this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Steele and daughters, Zaida and Ida, spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Otton Everett in Southfield.

The occasion being Mr. and Mrs. Everett's fifteenth wedding anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Johnston were in Northville Saturday evening.

A. H. Phelps and R. C. Holcomb spent Thursday on a fishing trip.

Mrs. Ann Dart of Milford is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Will Irish.

Hiram Nichols of Brighton has been visiting his brother, G. C. Nichols.

Dr. Holcomb and Martin Hult were fishing at Walled Lake Thursday.

Mrs. Frank Parsons of Powers Station spent Saturday with Mrs. Alice Way.

Walter Nacker of Livonia spent Saturday night at the home of his brother, George.

Mrs. Ella Smith and daughter, Mettie, of Detroit were guests of Mrs. F. R. Riley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller of Birmingham were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Miller last Friday.

Mrs. John Harger and daughter, Mildred, of Detroit spent Sunday with Mrs. Sarah Chamberlin.

Mrs. John Phelps and daughter, Lillian, visited Mrs. Clyde Putnam of West Novi Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Ann Kennedy returned home from Redford Monday after caring for Mrs. M. D. Kennedy, who has been ill.

Isaiah Johnson and daughter, Mrs. George Hake, of Livonia, called on Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Adams last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Harlan of Livonia and Mrs. F. L. Cook and son, Robert, spent Sunday with Mrs. Alice Way and son, Will.

Mrs. Ida Osmus and daughter, Jeannette, have returned home from Ypsilanti after a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Brown.

A special meeting of the Ladies Aid will be held Friday at the home of Mrs. A. B. Peterson. All members are requested to be present.

Mrs. John Mahaney and daughter, Mabel, of this place and Mrs. Hannah Moore of Pontiac visited the latter's brother, E. H. Roberts, and wife in Northville last Saturday.

Little Grace Chamberlin was eleven years old last Sunday and Mrs. Ely helped her celebrate the occasion by providing a birthday dinner and inviting Grace's brother and sister.

Miss Emma Detrich and Herman Maass witnessed the marriage of the former's sister, Miss Lizzie Detrich, and Mr. George Collins of Detroit at the home of Rev. A. Martin in Detroit Wednesday.

There will be a Halloween social at the town hall Friday evening, October 30. Supper will be served and Halloween games and tricks will be the amusement of the evening. Everyone invited.

R. D. Roche of Howell made a democratic speech at the town hall Tuesday night. There were only a few voters out. Neither republicans nor democrats have been able to get out a crowd here, the people refusing to become enthused over politics.

Two new bridges are being built across the creek north of town, one on the road running north and the other on the road running east. They will be of steel and cement.

Another bridge has been completed on the road running north from A. J. Crosby's.

MICHIGAN'S SPLENDID SHOWING

Governor Warner's Effective Defense of Republican Management and Republican Legislation.

Governor Warner in a recent speech presented an effective defense of his administration as governor and a candid review of what he sought to accomplish. He referred to the fact that as a member of the state senate, about ten years ago, he had voted for Gov. Pingree's first bill to establish equal taxation in Michigan. At that time the entire income of our state from all specific taxation sources was less than one million dollars. Gov. Warner made it emphatic and very clear that the increase over that amount which the state is receiving from such source at the present time is directly due to republican legislation and a republican management of state affairs. The state's income from the different sources through which its earnings come has reached the splendid total of more than one million dollars in excess of Michigan's entire state tax. It was well noted that if those who are finding fault with state expenditures would look for a moment on the other side of the state ledger, they would realize that congratulation rather than criticism are due to recent republican administration of our state for the management which has produced this desirable situation. Gov. Warner referred to the added state expense caused by the state tax commission and the further cost of the railroad commission, and he made it plain that these commissions have returned in value to the state many, many times their entire cost.

The establishment of the railroad commission was directly in line with what has been done in some of the other progressive states. Up to that time Michigan had a thing to say with regard to freight rates. The state could take part in the regulation of passenger affairs, but the roads could charge any rate they saw fit from any point in Michigan to any other point in the state, and they could change their rates arbitrarily and without notice to the people of the state. Under the present law the railroad commission is given a authority to receive complaints from any shipper, and if upon investigation a rate is found to be an unreasonable one the commission has a right to take part in the formation of a fair schedule. The railroad commission also has the power to adjust complaints as to the denial of freight cars to one point while another point was being generously served. Already during the first year of the commission's existence this law has been made it a part of two hundred cases.

Within the period through which it is claimed state expenditures have most largely increased the enrollment state University of Michigan has increased from three thousand to over five thousand; the attendance at the Agricultural College has increased from less than four hundred to over fourteen hundred; the attendance at the Normal schools has increased from less than nine hundred to four thousand, and three additional state normal schools have been established. And further in the same direction, the state assists in the management and expense of over forty county normal schools, which are doing good work in the way of providing trained teachers for the country district schools. Within the period of which complaint of the growth of expenses is being made, the Mining College in the upper peninsula has more than doubled its attendance; the employment institution for the blind at Saginaw was created and is well justifying its establishment; the home for the Feeble-Minded and Epileptic at Lapeer has been built upon the sanitarium at Howell for the scientific treatment of tuberculosis has been provided for and put into operation, and the requirements of insane asylums, reformatory institutions and the penal institutions have largely increased. But the growth of the state and the growth of these institutions have not been regarded as cause for condemnation, especially in view of the fact that the earnings of the state during the same period have grown far more rapidly than have its combined expenses from all sources.

Gov. Warner called attention to the fact that the state executive has nothing to do with the expense of the legislature for its own purposes. His democratic opponent was a member of the legislature. Through four years he was in a position then to criticize legislative expenses, but he did not do so, nor did he at any time make objection to state expenditures or state appropriations. And that which Mr. Hemans approved through his silence while a member of the legislature cannot be consistently criticised at this time because of his wish to pose as a reform candidate for governor.

In explanation of the increase in the earnings of the state, the governor called attention to the fact that within twelve years the number of factories in Michigan had increased from about 2,840 to 7,500; and the number of men employed from 101,000 to 245,000. Two years ago the average wages paid in Michigan was \$1.22 while the average wage of today is \$1.80. This means he said, that every Saturday night there is paid out to the wage earners of Michigan almost two million dollars more than was paid out on the Saturday nights in 1896, or ninety million dollars more during the year. And these thousands of new factories and this great army of better paid workmen have not only made it possible for the state's income to increase to a million dollars beyond its total of taxes, but it has added to the income of other cities, villages and townships, and has led to the building of thousands of new homes, new school houses and churches and provided for better streets and improved roadways. And while this upbuilding and advancement has been in progress in Michigan, said the governor, it is worthy of note that the state tax rate has grown less rather than larger.

In 1899 the average rate of taxation of Michigan for state purposes was \$3.30 on each \$1,000; last year, 1907, it was \$2.81, and this year the state tax rate will be but \$2.42 on each \$1,000. While comparing figures in this direction Gov. Warner called attention to another source of gain. Twelve years ago the farmers of Michigan were receiving but fifty-eight cents for wheat; now wheat is bringing near to one dollar. Oats at that time were selling for eighteen cents, today for fifty cents; corn was worth but twenty-three cents, today it sells for eighty cents; beans sold for seventy-five cents, now they bring two dollars; creamery butter was sold for eighteen cents, today it is twenty-five cents; eggs then were sold for eighteen cents, now they are worth twenty-two cents per dozen. And best of all, the cost of living to the farmer has not increased in the same proportion. It is the proceeds of one hundred bushels of oats the farmer can buy by three hundred pounds of granulated sugar; today he can take one hundred bushels of oats to market and with the proceeds he can purchase seven hundred pounds of granulated sugar. And what is true of the comparison in value of oats and sugar applies to other products the farmer sells and other goods that he buys.

Norton Lapham of Detroit was in town Sunday.

Miss Tess Pierson was in Northville Wednesday.

Miss Leo Ike was in Detroit on business Monday.

Mrs. Frazer Steele is visiting in Detroit this week.

H. C. Stinner is in Flint on business this week.

George Nicker spent Saturday evening in Northville.

Mrs. Frank Walters spent one day last week in Detroit.

Will Warner is able to be out again after his recent illness.

Milton Wadrick of Adrian called on Farmington friends Monday.

Mrs. Ida Osmus and daughter, Jeannette, were in Pontiac Tuesday.

Ruth Seeley of Pontiac spent Friday night with Mrs. John Phelps.

Mr. and Mrs. John Thayer and children were in New Hudson visitors Sunday.

Mrs. Mar Crosby was with her sister, Mrs. E. Green, the latter part of last week.

Miss Alice Cole spent the latter part of last week with Miss Alice Grace in Redford.

Mrs. S. J. Springer of Detroit visited her sister, Mrs. C. J. Sprague, Tuesday.

Willard Long, a Philadelphia printer, gave the Enterprise office a pleasant Monday.

Frank Johnston is home from the northern part of the state where he has been working.

Mr. and Mrs. David Gage of West Novi spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Thompson.

Miss Esther Roynton of Detroit spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Willer.

Governor Warner went to see the fire-swept district and acted promptly in calling for relief.

W. H. Whitney, Pontiac, was here Wednesday looking after work in the Rue of cement walks.

Mrs. Don Butten entertained her sister and family and cousins from the city at the Butten farm last Sunday.

Mrs. Fran Botsford and daughter, Lizzie, of Clareville were the guests of Mrs. Ida Osmus Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hendryx and son, Leo, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hendryx in Northville.

The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Saller fell and hurt his arm quite badly Wednesday. Dr. Holcomb is in attendance.

Mrs. A. B. Green has so far recovered from her recent illness as to be able to sit up. Mrs. Ida Lee of Northville is caring for her.

Mr. and Mrs. James Wilber arrived at Weatatchee, Washington, safely. They were only one hour behind schedule time on the whole trip.

The remains of Mrs. Sarah Adams of Lansing, formerly of Farmington, were brought here last Saturday afternoon for burial beside those of her husband, Sanford Adams. Her death was due to diabetes.

The promptness with which relief is being rushed to the fire sufferers is good to see and it ought to show to the croakers who are always telling us how bad the world is, that there is some good left in humanity after all.

The Rally Day exercises will be held next Sunday morning in the Methodist Episcopal church at 10:30. Sunday school will meet as usual at 11:30. All of the former attendants of the Sunday school, as well as all who can find it convenient to attend, are cordially invited.

Mrs. Clyde Nichols of Detroit visited Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Nichols last Friday.

Mrs. Huldah Simmons, who has been sick in Detroit for so long, returned to Northville last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. Osmun of Pontiac spent last week Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. John Vorheis.

Mr. and Mrs. Walker Hostetter returned home from Bovee lake Tuesday, where they spent a week on a hunting and fishing trip.

Miss Eleanor Klugh of Detroit and Miss Edith Klugh of Dearborn spent Saturday afternoon and evening with Mrs. Bertha Steele.

Mrs. Mary Osmus attended the North Farmington Cemetery Auxiliary at the home of the Misses Kyle at St. Johns avenue Tuesday.

Rev. W. P. Cooley of Detroit will conduct services at the town hall next Sabbath. His topic will be "The Bible - Where We Got It and What We Do with It." All are cordially invited to attend.

Services at 2:30 o'clock standard time.

Mrs. E. L. Tighe, Mrs. David Patterson and Mrs. J. E. Stirling, all of Detroit, spent Wednesday at the Methodist parsonage. Mrs. Tighe is Mrs. Mealey's mother and the other ladies her aunts.

For Stealing Potatoes.

Joseph and Alex Brossard of Detroit, aged respectively 23 and 19 years, were arrested and tried here Tuesday for stealing a wagon load of potatoes from a field on Ben

Grace's farm east of town. They were fined \$10 or thirty days in jail. Elliott Call 17 years old, was also implicated and through him the other two were arrested.

It is claimed that 25 bushels were stolen, but the boys plead guilty to stealing only 12 bushels.

Reception.

A very pleasant reception to Rev. and Mrs. Mealey was held Friday afternoon and evening under the auspices of the Ladies Aid society at the Methodist parsonage.

Twenty-four of the sixty-four members of the church with thirty-two friends, including seventeen young people, attended. Refreshments consisting of coffee and wafers were served by the ladies and the time was spent in social chat and getting acquainted with the new pastor. Following an old custom many of those who attended brought substantial evidences of their good will and kindly feeling.

The pastor, gratefully acknowledging the receipt of the following: Three bags flour, thirty-two pounds granulated sugar, one bushel potatoes, two half bushels apples, five large Hubbard squash, four dozen eggs, eight cans fruit, one can chili sauce, one gallon jug of vinegar, two quart cans maple syrup, two pound cake maple sugar, ten cakes fies naphtha soap, three cakes toilet soap, two pounds raisins, one pound currants, two half pound packages tea, one pound baking powder, one package corn starch, one pail lard, one large bag salt, three pounds crackers, one cake chocolate, one can salmon, one small bag of eating apples, one small bag tomatoes and \$2.35 in money.

Roosevelt Saves Golden Trout Species.

Willard W. Garrison, in our next issue, tells of the president's un-noticed effort to shield from extermination the Salmo-Roosevelti-Evermann, which in twentieth century lingo is the Roosevelt Golden trout. His efforts have succeeded to the extent of a new lease of life for the finny creature and—but it takes too long to tell. So watch for the next issue and read how.