

CEMETERY MEMORIALS

ALLEN MONUMENTS
Northville, Michigan
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Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hauck of Buffalo, New York, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Gill and Mrs. Frank Martinus from Windsor, Canada, enjoyed a picnic supper Tuesday with the Alfred DuCharme and John Stipeaks on Kirby Street.

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Townline News

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Brian Bolg of Schroeder Road celebrated his fifth birthday on Thursday. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bolg, gave a family dinner in his honor.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Bush and children, David, Paul and Kathleen, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Varian of Glenmuir Street at their cottage near Gaylord over the Labor Day week end.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bidwell and daughter Freda of Church Street, Northville, formerly residents of 10 Mile Road, accompanied by Jerry LaMott of Omer returned last week from a trip to Fort Simpson, New York, where they visited their son and brother, Albert Bidwell, who is stationed there with the Air Force. They also visited the Falls, Watkins Glen and made a trip through the glass works at Corning, New York.

Mrs. Harley Gibson of Halsted Road, along with Mrs. Fred Cook and Miss Meriah Andrews, journeyed to Delta, Ohio, on Wednesday to visit Mrs. Rufus Crossman, a former resident of Farmington. They found her in good health in spite of the fact that she is blind.

Mrs. Freda Bidwell returned to Omer, Michigan, on Monday where she will again this year teach in the Twinning Consolidated Schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Warren and son Jay Lee spent the Labor Day week end with Mrs. Warren's brother and family, Rev. and Mrs. Ronald Butten of Davidson.

Guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Gibson of Halsted Road were Mrs. Gibson's cousins, Miss Beverly Wood of Alma and Miss Lola Howland of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Green and son Robert were at Cherry Beach on Lake St. Clair last Sunday to get their sons George and James, who have been guests of their aunt, Mrs. Lucy Seastead for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hults of Garden City visited their father, Martin Hults on Sunday. The Clyde Hults left on Tuesday in their trailer home for Corpus Christie, Texas.

Corporal Bernard Thompson, son of Mrs. Albert McDonald, 23220 Power, has just been re-assigned to the West Coast. He is a member of the Army Air Force.

Start In April 1857

Erect New Church Building, Organize Baptist Society In Church History

An invitation was issued April 18, 1857, to all those wishing to organize a Baptist Church in Farmington Village to meet at the Presbyterian House. Brother J. H. Rasco was called to the chair. Fifteen names were handed in. The Articles of Faith and Covenant published by the Michigan Baptist State Convention were read and approved. Two were baptized at the next day's following conference, adding two to the original number.

Conference for recognition convened August 19, 1857, with Eliza Weaver in the chair. Council approved, accepted and extended the hand of fellowship. Right hand of fellowship extended to delegation consisting of J. H. Rasco, Jacob Loomis and J. M. Adams at Wayne Association convening at Milford October 21 and 22, 1857. Church to be known as the Baptist Church of Farmington Village. The new church, a frame structure, 28 by 40 feet, costing \$1,650, was built on Shawansee Street at Farmington Road (McGee's Hill) October 9, 1861. Elder N. Eastwood was our first Pastor, coming from the Old Baptist Church April 27, 1861.

March 29, 1862. The first Deacon was Isaac Place, who also served as Church Clerk for some time. May 27, 1863, Elder William B. Grove began preaching and was with the church two years. In his book "Eighty-Five Years of Life and Labor," he says: "The membership included many of the best and best people of the community, whose character and worth gave stability to the work. Here had labored some of Michigan's best known ministers among whom were the Lamba (father and son) and the foundations laid by these men were deep and broad and strong. The spiritual condition of the church had been kept at a high point and nearly every family in the neighborhood were religiously inclined."

In the fall of 1863, the record gives the first mention of Home Missions, when a \$100 was sent.

May 25, 1864, fifteen members from the old church which had disbanded united with the village church. October 15, 1864, the Wayne Baptist Association held its annual session of two days with the village church. The membership at that time was 52.

On December 30, 1865, Thomas Lamba, son of Nehemiah (who was probably one of the first, if not the very first, homeopathic physicians in Michigan) and J. H. Adams were appointed Deacons.

A revival began with the labors of Elder W. B. Northrup in November, 1865, who was with the church two years. Somewhere around 1868 during the Brothers Truman Cary's pastorate, who was ordained in 1859, the home of one of our members, Mrs. Emma Palmer Warner, deceased widow of Seth A. L. Warner, one of the first pioneers of Farmington, was purchased for a parsonage. The Reverend Mr. Judson D. Perry and wife

were the first to occupy it. This building is now the property of and occupied by the Grand sisters at 23704 Cass, Farmington. (Series to be continued)

To Resume Previous Service Hours At Church

The Methodist Church of Farmington will resume its regular hours of services on Sunday, September 9, which is Rally Day for the church and church school, a spokesman reported.

The sermon will begin at 11:15 a.m. There will be a nursery at the same hour for the care of children. Sunday School is to begin at 10:00 a.m. Youth Fellowship meets with its sponsors at 6:00 p.m.

It is expected that last year's church school enrollment of 437 with a teaching staff of 41 will be exceeded this year.

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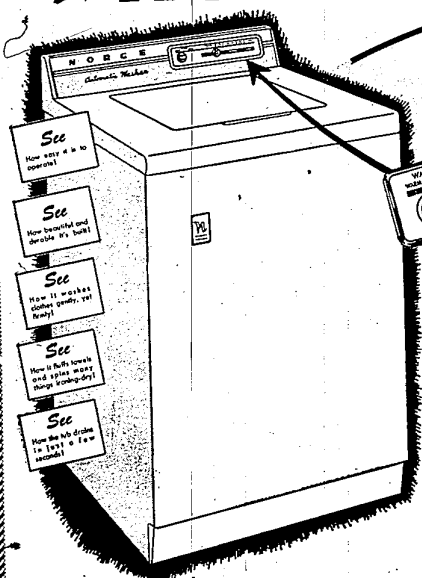
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