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GROVES DEATH IS CONFIRMED

Official Notice of "Supreme Sacrifice" Made to Mrs. Groves Tuesday

A telegram was received by Mrs. Addis Groves Tuesday afternoon, announcing the death of her son Bertram Groves, while on patrol duty in France.

In a letter from Howard Eisenlord, written September 30th, he says: "I never saw a fellow show more nerve than Bert Groves. He was on patrol duty when he was hit, and he swam a river and walked a mile to the dressing station before he would let them fix him up. He had one arm nearly off and a number of body wounds. What put him out was the loss of blood in walking so far. He was a good fellow and there wasn't a better soldier in whole outfit."

The following verses were received last week in memory of Farmington's hero, who gave his life for you and me:

As I look from my window outward,
I see dreariness, dull and gray,
And I think of the one over there
Who but recently passed away.

What undaunted courage and bravery,
By this good lad, were shown,
In going to fight for all that is right,
Far from his loved ones at home.

This hero—just grown to manhood,
Nipped, as it were, in the bud,
Having given his life for his country,
Has simply gone home to God.

And today, as tho' to reflect,
The thoughts of those whom he loved,
It rains, is gray and dreary,
And the sun shines not above.

But we must not think of him dead and buried
Over there under the sod,
For his spirit does not, but lives on,
And he has simply gone home to God.

With the death of Bert Groves Farmington's service flag has three golden stars. The first to give his life for his country was Joseph Yerkes; the second Bertram Groves and the third Bert Middlewood, whose death occurred from Spanish Influenza at Camp Johnson, Florida, one day last week.

Mr. Middlewood had just been promoted to the rank of sergeant, and the notice had hardly been received before his wife, who with six small children, living near the Base Line Curve, just south of town, received word of his death. The remains were expected to arrive in this village last evening for burial at Oakwood, arrangements for the funeral not having been completed as the Enterprise goes to press. Thus the effect of the war was brought home to us with telling force, and it behooves us to do all in our power to help protect those left at home who are showing their heroism on the firing lines.

Our money, even though it calls for some sacrifice, does not compare with the sacrifice our boys are making. Let's do our best.

Mrs. Carl Borchart

Mrs. Carl Borchart, who suffered a stroke of paralysis last week, died at her home in North Farmington last Monday, September 30, 1918, aged 64 years, 1 month and 1 day.

Mrs. Borchart was born in Germany on August 31, 1854, and came to this country 34 years ago, coming to this township in 1900, where she has since made her home.

She survived by her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Charles Gow and Lizzie Borchart, and two sons, William and Frank, besides many warm friends and neighbors.

The funeral services were held at the German church Thursday afternoon, Rev. A. C. Stange officiating, and the remains laid to rest in Oakwood cemetery.

CHURCH NOTES

Salem Evangelical

Rev. A. C. Stange will preach next Sunday morning at 10:45, eastern time, in the Farmington German church.

The Farmington Ladies Aid meets on the first Wednesday of each month at the parsonage.

PATRIOTIC MEETING

Farmington Town Hall

Saturday Evening, Oct. 5

when W. J. CAMERON, of Detroit

will speak to the people of Farmington (NO SOLICITING) and vicinity on the war situation. Mr. Cameron is a good speaker and is thoroughly acquainted with his subject, being one of the foremost war writers of the Detroit News. Don't miss hearing him.

EVERYBODY COME OUT

Regret Loss of Citizens

The following clipping, taken from the Clio (Genesee county) Messenger, of September 27th, tells pretty well what the people of that village think of Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Benson, the new pastor of the local M. E. church:

"An Hevior—It is with sincere regret the Messenger announces that Rev. and Mrs. E. C. Benson are about to conclude their long residence in Clio, and in a new field take up the duties incident to the elevation of society or the progress of the town, as well as being faithful and earnest in their work for the church. But along with our sense of regret there comes also a feeling of satisfaction, because our friends are going to a splendid field, where they will be most pleasantly situated, and where they will find new friends from whom they will gain, as well as help and inspiration, that will be helpful and gratifying."

Mr. Benson's pastorate of eight years in Clio, longer than any other clergyman has served in such a capacity since the founding of the church, is a sufficient testimonial to his faithful service and popularity among his parishioners, while Mr. Benson's splendid musical talent and gracious personality has been a consoling source of pleasure and inspiration, and a very important factor in the work of the church and Sunday school.

Rev. and Mrs. Benson will go to Farmington, 25 miles from Detroit, which city it is considered by electric lines, and which is now growing as a residential suburb of the city. It is a fine town, situated in the midst of a fertile farming country, and we feel sure that our friends will like their new home, once they become acquainted. We are glad to state, also, that Rev. Benson will receive a substantial increase in salary in his new calling, which in any calling whatsoever is the surest indication of promotion.

In conclusion, we beg to commend Rev. and Mrs. Benson to the good people of Farmington, and to themselves, on behalf of the community, we would say: God speed and our reverent

Quietly Married

Walter H. Nacker, brother of Adolph Nacker, of this village, and Miss Bessie D. Paulker, both of Redford, were married by Rev. Evans at South Lyon on September 25th.

Mr. and Mrs. Nacker spent a week at Buffalo, N. Y., and the forepart of this week with his brother and wife in this village. They will be at home to their friends at the home of the bride's father, near Redford, about the middle of October.

Michigan State Fair

The rise of the State Fair has been meteoric. When the reins of office were assumed five years ago by Mr. Dickinson it was considered one of the smaller state fairs, and from that lowly position it has risen to be the premier of all exhibitions. The attendance this year reached a total of 500,000, and although the cost of staging the exposition was much larger than last year the receipts will be in advance of a year ago.

During the past two years the Michigan State Fair has been recognized as one of the five leading institutions of its kind in the country, but the recent exposition surpassed the records of all previous exhibitions, and leaped ahead of all its competitors.

Open season for rabbits began Tuesday.

A SUBSCRIPTION FUND STARTED

Banish Solitude by Sending Enterprise to Boys of Farmington

Last week, in response to an appeal that has "taken root" all over the country, we made an effort to start a fund for sending the Enterprise each week to the boys who have gone from Farmington, and are in the front line trenches and training camps.

Up to the time of our going to press the following subscriptions have been received:

Frank Lee.....	\$1.50
Farmington Lumber & Coal Co.....	1.00
Miss Helen Harri.....	.50
W. E. Lord.....	.50
Mrs. Harry Young.....	.25
Mrs. Adolph Nacker.....	1.50

There are at present about 50 of our boys who have been called into service and are either in France or in the training camps, and nothing gives them more pleasure than to receive the old home town paper. It puts "pep" into them to know what the folks back home are doing, and every boy should receive a copy of the paper.

This movement is not anything in which the publisher of the Enterprise will profit, as the cost of sending the paper to France will exceed the small subscription price. We are not looking for profit, but our whole desire is that the boys get the home paper. Up to the time of the government ruling that no publisher was permitted to send his paper free, we had mailed each week a paper to every boy from Farmington township whose address we were able to procure, but Uncle Sam said "stop it," and we were obliged to comply. Now another way has been provided, and the boys "over there" are calling to you to give them the home town paper. Will you do your bit?

The money sent in will be used for this purpose only, and a strict account will be kept of every cent contributed. At the end of the war if there remains a surplus it will be turned over to the Red Cross committee. We will also publish each week the names and amount contributed, and anything from 5 cents up to \$50 will be accepted, and as fast as the fund accumulates a boy's name will be added to the list of those receiving the paper and their names also printed.

Let us see that our boys are not forgotten in this important matter. We are running an advertisement in another column which explains the movement fully. Read it, and then toss in your mite.

School Notes.

Julia Eisenlord was absent last week.

Russell, Catherman visited school last week Wednesday.

Viola Owen was absent last week.

week on account of the illness of her mother.

Mrs. Baxter spent the week-end at Ypsilanti.

The Latin III class has started translating Cicero.

Hazel Chavay absent Wednesday and Thursday last.

Misses Hicks and Kenney spent Saturday in Detroit.

Quite a number of our pupils attended the Northville fair last week.

Fine experiments in Physics last week, on effusion and surface tension.

Supt. MacDougall attended the superintendent's meeting Saturday.

No school today (Friday) on account of the teachers' institute at Pontiac.

The American Literature class is beginning to read "Democracy Today" this week.

A photographer was around at the school taking pictures last week Thursday.

St. Clair Switzer was called from school Friday by the death of his mother. The high school presented them with a bouquet of flowers.

An airplane which alighted in a field north of the school house last Thursday afternoon was great excitement for the school, the scholars being allowed to go out on the hills to see it. It was one of the government planes returning to Mt. Clemens from the Northville fair.

Mrs. G. R. Switzer

Mrs. Abbie Switzer, who has been a sufferer from cancer for a number of years, died at her home in this village last Friday, September 27, 1918, aged 49 years, 2 months and 19 days.

Abbie Whitney was born at Walkerton, Ont., on July 3, 1869, and on May 19, 1891, she was united in marriage with Dr. George R. Switzer, and to them were born two sons, Elmer E. and St. Clair, who, together, with her husband and daughter-in-law Mrs. Elmer Switzer, survive her. Mrs. Whitney was a member of the local M. E. church in 1890, and transferred her membership to Milford upon their moving there in 1901. Since their coming to this village in 1915, Mrs. Switzer has been an active member of the local M. E. Missionary society and the Ladies Aid, up to the time of her failing health.

The funeral services were held at the late home on Church street Monday afternoon, Rev. James S. Priestley officiating, and was attended by a large number of relatives from Detroit, Marine City, Pontiac, Milford and New Hudson; the remains laid to rest in Oakwood cemetery.

The more Bonds the fewer Casualties.

OVER THE TOP IN TWO DAYS

Farmington's Minimum Quota Oversubscribed at Closing of Hall Sunday Night

Farmington's Liberty bond sale started last Saturday morning with \$19,650 subscribed before the opening of the hall, and with a steady stream of volunteers pouring into the Town Hall all day nearly half of our quota was before night, and before the closing time Sunday night our minimum quota had been passed by the volunteers of the township—no soliciting being done.

This proves conclusively that most of our people are awake to the situation and are ready to back the boys to the limit.

At the close of the volunteer days Sunday night, there still remained a number who had not volunteered, but they have been "coming to the front" all the week, until there remains only a very few to be solicited by the committee, but they will be reached.

Although our minimum quota was over-reached last Sunday night, we must, if we "hold up our end" and fully back our boys at the front, reach the hundred thousand dollar mark, and to do that everyone in the township must "come across" with his or her full quota, so if you have neglected this important duty thus far, go to the Town Hall next Sunday and "make good."

The committee will be in session from 10 a. m. to 6 p. m.; come to them; don't make them go to you. Be a volunteer and have your name published as such, rather than in the column of slackers.

Reports from Pontiac and the whole county, and in fact the country in general, are indicative of the same success, and when the drive is over the big four loan will be a huge success.

Up to the time of our going to press it is reported \$85,000 worth of bonds had been sold in Farmington township.

A patriotic meeting will be held Saturday evening (no soliciting), when W. J. Cameron, a prominent writer and a good speaker, will address us from the band stand, if the weather permits; otherwise in the Town Hall. His talk will undoubtedly be one of the most interesting yet heard here, and everyone within reaching distance of Farmington should hear him.

Too Several Prizes

School District No. 4, Farmington, took six prizes at the war garden exhibit in the county building at Pontiac last Saturday. The prizes were furnished by the Pontiac merchants.

Those won by the Farmington school were as follows: Best exhibit of fruit; a rug; largest watermelon, \$5.00; heaviest cabbage, book; best sample of field seed corn, first prize hat; second, book; largest potato, lantern; best collection of vegetables, silver loving cup.

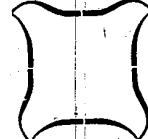
The contest heated the Round Table club \$188, which was turned over to the Red Cross, which sum was secured in an auction of the exhibits. The exhibit is pronounced as the most successful ever held.

Upon the order of Justice Fredenburgh Monday, over \$2,500 worth of beer and intoxicating liquors, seized at a farm in Novi township, were poured down the sewer at the county jail.

During August there were 3,096 deaths reported as having occurred in Michigan. Pontiac State hospital reports 17. In the same month there were 7,840 birth certificates returned to the department, an increase in births of 94 over July.

Mrs. Fred Hill a Milford woman, charged with boarding sugar, having admitted to having between 50 and 60 pounds of sides what she had drawn on her sugar card, contributed \$15 to the Red Cross of that village last week.

SUBSCRIPTION EXPIRED



If a Cross appears in the above space your subscription has expired, and according to the government order, we are prohibited from mailing any papers not paid for. Therefore, this will be your last paper, unless subscription is renewed.

Among the subscriptions that we are obliged to discontinue at this time, unless renewals reach us promptly, are a few of our personal friends whom we know wish to continue taking the paper, and it is not from choice that we take your name from the list, but by order of the United States government.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our deep appreciation to our friends and neighbors for the many kindnesses shown us during the sickness and death of our wife and mother, and especially for the singing.

Dr. G. R. Switzer,
Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Switzer,
St. Clair Switzer.

On a return motor trip from Meaford, Ont., last week Assistant Prospector Floyd Blakeslee, of Pontiac, encountered a snow storm.

Last Call for Taxes

The time for paying Village Taxes is nearly up, and there are a number yet to come in. I am at the Warner Dairy Co. office Saturday and Wednesday, from 3 to 6 p. m., for collection of same.

N. J. Eisenlord,
Village Treasurer.

Enterprise liners sell things.

LITTLE WANT ADS

FOR RENT—House. Inquire of C. R. Ely.

HOUSE FOR RENT—Inquire of Dr. E. F. Holcomb. 44tf

FOR RENT—An up-to-date apartment. Inquire at Warner Dairy office. 22c

FOR SALE—Top Buggy, Robe and Single Harness. Inquire of Mrs. Oscar Smith. 46-47c

STATIONERY—Let us print you some nice stationery. Good work and reasonable prices.

FOR SALE—Visiting cards—either printed or engraved. Best of work and prices right. Ask the Enterprise man.

FOR SALE—Strong and pure apple cider, Vinegar, 50 cents per gallon. Don B. Button, phone 4233, Farmington. 47p

LOST—Pair gold bowed glasses in case somewhere on streets of village last week. Finder will receive reward if returned to Enterprise office. 47c

PAINTING—Do you want your Auto or Buggy painted? Expert painting done at reasonable prices. Carl Ely, Farmington. 34tf

FOR SALE—Large sheets of Blotting paper; also Bristol Board, Cards of all kinds, either printed or plain. Call at the Enterprise and see what we have.

BIRTH CARDS—We will print you a neat card announcing the birth of your baby, and furnish the envelopes for \$25 for 50 cents. Enterprise office.

ESTABLISHED 23 years; specializing in farms. Buyers for all kinds of farms; also small places. Address Mr. McAdams, 1250 West Euclid Ave., Detroit, Mich. Phone Garfield 1117. 1mar9

FOR SALE CHEAP—A modern 8-room house; four bed rooms, large front and rear porches, sleeping porch, full size basement and attic; extra large lot, chicken house and park; all in first class condition. Inquire of P. J. Haugh, Maple Grove avenue. 47p