

A. H. PHELPS

Prominent Citizen and Pioneer Resident Buried Tuesday

After a long and well-spent life, practically all of which was spent in Oakland county, Alfred H. Phelps passed away last Friday night and was laid to rest in the North Farmington cemetery on Tuesday afternoon.

His death occurred at Harper hospital, where he had been for some time for treatment, and followed an operation. His faithful wife was with him, herself nearly sick, and ministered to his daily needs all through his illness.

The funeral was held at his late residence in Farmington village on Tuesday afternoon. The services were under the auspices of the Masons, of which order he was a prominent member.

Rev. George E. Gullen of Detroit, the former Methodist pastor of this place and a friend of the family, preached the sermon at the funeral which was in charge of Rev. Dr. Horner, the present M. E. pastor, and Rev. D. M. Ward assisted. The funeral was very largely attended many coming long distances to pay their last respects to the deceased.

Alfred H. Phelps was a member of a family of four children of Erastus and Hannah Phelps, and was born in North Greece, N. Y., Sept. 18, 1843. In 1854 his parents moved to Novi, Oakland Co., Mich., and he was married to Clara A. Tanner Dec. 25, 1866. To them a family of four children were born, viz., John E. of Birmingham; Nellie and Edna, who died in infancy; and Alfred E., who resides upon the old homestead in West Bloomfield.

Mr. Phelps was among the best known of the older inhabitants of this section and was highly esteemed by the whole community. A large circle of friends extend their sympathy to the devoted wife and the two sons.

Local News

Miss Faye Palmer, formerly an employe of this office, but for several years past connected with the Plymouth Mail, was married at her home in Plymouth on Wednesday of last week to Wm. T. Downs of Detroit, where they will reside.

It is said that more mechanics are needed in Farmington.

When the new road is completed Clint Wilber is going to walk clear to Detroit some fine day. Who wants to go with him?

It will pay you to take a look at Cook & Co.'s line of caps and sweater coats for men, women and children.

For Sale—A Good horse.—C. H. Ely, Farmington.

Local News

"Capt. Racket" is worth the price. Louis Sallow of Dearborn was in town Thursday.

Miss Elsie Spaller spent last week in Detroit.

Rev. and Mrs. A. C. Stange are entertaining their son from Newark, New Jersey.

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Davis were in Detroit Friday.

Mrs. Gust Wagner and daughter, Alice, of Northville visited Mrs. Ben Meyers Saturday.

Mrs. Jack Spaller of Detroit was in town Saturday.

Harry Brace of Birmingham visited friends here Thursday.

Fred Becker and family were in Northville Saturday.

Mrs. Lockwood of Northville visited her sister, Mrs. William Pauline, Sunday.

Mrs. Herman Spaller was in Detroit Sunday.

Miss Edna Schuett visited in Pontiac Saturday.

Mrs. Ethel Grantham was in Detroit Friday.

Edwin Gildemeister was home from Lansing from Friday until Monday.

Miss Grace Tremper of Northville was in town Monday and Tuesday.

Thos. Davis left Sunday for British Columbia.

John Aland was in Detroit Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. S. W. Horner entertained their son from Detroit Sunday.

Miss Addie Beach has moved her household goods and will live with her sister, Mrs. H. C. Thayer.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Springer of Detroit spent Tuesday with her sister, Mrs. Mary E. Sprague.

Mrs. Herman Goers gave a birthday party to her little four year old daughter, Kathleen, Saturday afternoon. Sixteen little boys and girls were present and merry time was had. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

The attention of readers is called to the article headed "Would a Change Benefit You?" and signed by the Republican State Central committee. There are some pertinent questions asked the voters.

Anyone having an intention to purchase a piano in the near future can glean some information of value by reading the big advertisement of Grissell Bros. in this paper. They are the largest dealers in this country and are perfectly reliable.

Some fun at the town hall Friday night.

"Capt. Racket at the town hall this Friday night. Benefit of the high school piano fund.

Eight new buildings for Farmington this year is not a bad showing. There will be more next year.

Beginning with the present quarter the salary of rural carriers was advanced \$100 a year, from \$1,000 to \$1,100.

On account of the parcel post law which goes into effect Jan. 1st, the postmasters are required to weigh all incoming and outgoing mail for the months of October and November.

Dr. E. F. Holcomb and family are home again having returned from their trip east.

A Democratic meeting is billed for Farmington this Friday afternoon and it will be addressed by Elmer R. Webster, the candidate for prosecuting attorney. Mr. Webster is rated a good speaker as well as an able lawyer.

Attend the Republican meeting at Redford next week Saturday night. Congressman Smith has some facts bearing on the present political situation that are of deep interest to the voters of all parties and Governor Warner has some mighty hard nuts for the opposition to crack in the way of figures that do not lie but that convey a truth that is unassailable.

Last Monday the M. E. church of this place received a thorough cleaning at the hands of Mesdames Pauline, Way, Truscott, Osmus, Bent and Grace. The ladies gathered early in the morning and worked all day and deserve much praise for their good work. Dr. J. A. Miller very kindly polished the brass railing.

"They Say"

That Farmington made flour is better than a good many brands that are shipped in from outside cities. Try it.

That Farmington needs more fellows like Carl Ely. The kind that are not afraid to tackle things.

That Cook & Co. are doing a big business installing heating plants hereabouts.

That Armstrong & Co. are quietly, but surely, working up a big grocery trade.

That if a good responsible contractor with plenty of ginger should come along he very likely could induce Gov. Warner to build a few cottages on his plat on east Grand River avenue.

That our new dentist will make good because he is to make his home here and is also a good workman.

That Farmingtonians are satisfied with present conditions, the dumbed politicians to the contrary notwithstanding.

Buy groceries of Cook & Co.

Announcement

To the people of Farmington and vicinity:

On and after the 28th day of October, 1912, we the undersigned do hereby agree to close our places of business promptly at eight o'clock standard time, excepting Saturday nights.—T. H. McGee, druggist; H. L. Maas, meat market; W. K. Armstrong, groceries; H. A. Schroeder, meat market; E. C. Grace, groceries and dry goods; Fred L. Cook & Co., groceries, dry goods and hardware.

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Mr. and Mrs. Louis Gildemeister entertained Mr. and Mrs. L. Paetel and Mr. and Mrs. J. Raether of Detroit and Mrs. Sophia Pent of this place Sunday afternoon and evening.

Mrs. Henry Pauline and Mrs. Harry Newcombe were in Northville Wednesday.

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Card of Thanks

We desire to express our sincere and heartfelt thanks to all who rendered assistance and sympathy in our recent bereavement. Especially do we appreciate the services of the fraternal order, the singers, the ministers, those who sent flowers and all the kind neighbors and friends.

MRS. A. H. PHELPS,
JOHN E. PHELPS,
ALFRED E. PHELPS.

The best of teas and coffees are found at Cook & Co.'s.

POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENT



Sheriff Tripp's Record

An Open Book

The Republican County Committee, with the design of aiding their county ticket and boosting my opponent, has published a grossly unfair and misleading statement as to the expense of the sheriff's office during my incumbency. It is grossly unfair and misleading because it is not telling the whole truth. An eminent author says a garbled statement may be the most effective perversion of the truth. The people of Oakland county have a right to know the truth, and the whole truth, as to the conduct of the sheriff's office—whether it has been as efficient and economical as possible under conditions as they exist now, and as compared with those that have obtained in the past.

Every sane person, even a politician, must admit that the criminal and moral pervert must be taken care of, and the person and property of individuals must be protected. And every informed person knows that with the rapid growth and increase of population of a city the shocking penalty of a rapid growth and increase in the number of crimes and misdemeanors accompanies it. This adds to the amount of work required of the sheriff's force and other peace officers. It was true of Detroit, Lansing, Flint and other cities having a "boom," and it is true of Pontiac.

Now, a just and fair way to judge of the reasonableness of my account is to take into consideration not only the size of the bills, but also the number of persons confined in jail, the duration of imprisonment and the cost of maintaining the jail during the same period, and perhaps comparing these items with like items of my predecessors in office. For example take the amount of my bill from Jan. 1 to October 1, 1912, and from that sum deduct the cost of maintaining the jail and the actual and necessary expenses connected therewith:

Amount of sheriff's bill from Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1912	\$8,264.27
Cost of board of Prisoners at \$3.50 per week	\$3,537.00
Wages paid to deputies and help at jail, including board	2,005.50
Paid R. R. fares and expenses in traveling to make arrests	430.89
Deducting these expenditures the bill amounts to	\$2,290.88

The sum is but little more than the amount of fines collected by the sheriff's force and Justice Stockwell since January 1st, which amount of fines is \$2,173.00, and has been turned over to the county. Besides the expenditures stated there have been other items of expense since January 1st amounting to upwards of \$300.00.

Everybody knows that wages are higher than they were a few years ago, and that the price of provisions has been high—so high that there has been very little, if any, profit in boarding and waiting on prisoners at \$3.50 per week. In most of the counties of Michigan the cost per week for board and keeping of each prisoner is higher than in Oakland county. In Genesee county where the sheriff and deputies are paid by salaries instead of by fees, the cost last year to the county per week for board and keeping each prisoner was \$4.70. The number of prisoners in the jail during the year was 1,302. Further facts might be given, but it would seem that any fairminded and impartial person, who seeks the truth cannot fail to perceive the reasonableness of my bill.

The garbled campaign statement to which I have referred compares my bill with those of ex-Sheriffs Harris, Greer and Brewster, but only as to the amount. Why not be fair and honest and extend the comparison to the number of prisoners in the jail, the number of days board and the average cost per prisoner? Allow me to extend the comparison sufficiently to further demonstrate the injustice and unfairness of that "Political Announcement."

Time	Sheriff	Account	No. of Prisoners in Jail	Av. Cost Per Prisoner
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1901	Wm. A. Brewster	\$4,574.32	313	\$14.61
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1902	Wm. A. Brewster	4,275.82	435	9.82
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1903	Wm. A. Brewster	5,253.12	332	15.82
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1904	Wm. A. Brewster	9,002.11	445	20.22
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1905	George Greer	5,216.98	270	19.32
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1906	George Greer	4,451.08	245	18.14
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1907	George Greer	5,849.70	388	15.08
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1908	George Greer	5,336.57	267	19.95
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1909	Chauncey Harris	4,931.61	253	19.49
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1910	Chauncey Harris	6,522.69	524	12.44
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1911	Andrew J. Tripp	7,953.47	685	11.61
From Jan. 1 to Oct. 1, 1912	Andrew J. Tripp	8,264.27	843	9.81

In justice to myself and my friends I will say further that it has come to my knowledge that statements have been made in all parts of the county that when I have made arrests oftentimes two officers went so that double fees might be collected. There is not a word of truth in any such statements. There are occasions when the services of more than one officer are necessary, and compensation should be made accordingly. There are four such occasions in my bill where, a charge is made of two officers. More than three times as many such charges are contained in the bills of ex-Sheriffs Greer and Harris, where from two to five deputies were charged for and allowed. The sheriffs know best, usually, when extra help is needed.

ANDREW J. TRIPP, Sheriff

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