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MEMORIAL AND DECORATION DAY

Rev. E. R. Stevenson will deliver an Address at the M. E. Church Sunday May 28th.

On Sunday, May 28th, the annual Memorial services will be held at the Methodist Episcopal church in Farmington, Rev. E. R. Stevenson preaching the sermon. All are invited.

Members of the G. A. R., Post No. 267, and all veterans, will assemble at the vestibule of the church before 10:30 a. m., eastern time.

The usual Decoration Day exercises will be held in this village on Tuesday, May 30, 1916.

The pupils and teachers of our school, together with those of all the district schools in this vicinity, will assemble at the high school in this village, and march at 1 o'clock p. m., from the school house to Oakwood cemetery, led by the Farmington cornet band, where the members of the Grand Army, assisted by the pupils, will decorate the graves of comrades and the citizenship of the unknown dead, after which the procession will re-form and counter-march to the Town Hall, where appropriate exercises consisting of songs, recitations and drills will be given by the pupils.

There will also be several patriotic talks and addresses, to which all are invited. By Order Adjutant and Commander G. A. R. Post No. 267.

Want Will Declared Void.

The heirs of the late Hugh Rye, who died in this township in 1911, leaving an estate valued at present at \$8,478, tied up for two generations have asked the circuit court to set aside the will and order a division of the property, which has been converted into cash. Isaac Bond is executor of the will.

Mrs. Rye, the widow, according to the will, was to have the use of the property during her lifetime, after which it was to be divided among the five children, who, in turn, were to have only a life lease, and at their death to go to their children.

The widow agreed to take a third of the estate as allowed by law, and the children and grandchildren want the remainder divided equally among the five children, which Mr. Bond refused to do except on an order of the court.

County Politics.

There are a number of aspirants for the office of sheriff of Oakland county, among whom are Dr. Orton, Democrat; O. H. P. Green, Ward Holloway, Chauncey Harris, Republican. Glenn Gillespie, J. A. Tillson and C. S. Matthews are out for prosecutor on the Republican ticket, while Floyd Babcock will run again for county clerk, D. A. Gaffey for register of deeds, and A. M. Young for county treasurer, the latter three of which will undoubtedly secure the nomination without opposition.

CHURCH NOTES

Salem Evangelical

Rev. A. C. Stange will preach in the Clarenceville German church next Sunday morning at 10:30 central standard time.

Methodist Church

Memorial services next Sunday morning. The old soldiers will attend in a body. "Self-Sacrifice" will be the subject.

Sunday evening service at 7:30. The choir gives an entertainment and concert in the Town Hall Friday evening, June 2. See the program in another column.

Cook & Co. are showing their new line of Straw and Cloth Hats.

A benefit performance for Wah-ne-gish Rebekah Lodge No. 219, I. O. O. F., will be given at the Alhambra theater Saturday evening, May 27th, when Wm. Fox's great drama, "A Gilded Fool," as played by Nat Goodwin, will be presented. This is said to be one of the best reels ever shown at the local theater. Admission 25 cents.

Putting in Storage Tank.

The village is putting in a cement storage tank on their lot just south of the Enterprise office for the storage of oil for oiling the streets.

The tank will be 68x32 and will hold 3,000 gallons of oil, and is situated alongside the D. U. R. track making it possible to run the oil from the car tanks into the storage tank, using what is needed for the streets and storing the remainder for a later application.

Heretofore has been the custom to apply the oil at one time, while under the present system an application can be made early in the season and allowed to work into the roads, and later on repeat the operation.

In this manner it is estimated that a better job can be made with less oil and at much less expense.

Mother's Day Program.

The Methodist Episcopal church was the scene of a very interesting program last Sunday evening, given by the teachers and pupils of the Sunday school, in commemoration of Mother's Day.

The church was tastefully decorated with potted plants and flowers, and a good sized crowd assembled to listen to the following:

Singing..... By School Prayer and Scripture..... By School Singing (My Mother's Prayer)..... Choir Announcements and Offering..... A Talk—Mothers..... Rev. Stevenson Singing..... By School A Mother's Day Welcome..... Helen Pauline Mother..... Ronald Allen Recitation..... Frazier Holcomb Recitation..... Madeline Walters Who Loves Best (an exercise)..... Howard Pitts, Madeline Walters, Helen Steele.

A Fellow's Mother..... Cecil Habermehl Mother's Work..... Jessie Bradford The Ministering Mother..... Mrs. Collins A Song..... Mrs. Stevenson's Class God Gave us Mothers..... Elizabeth Holcomb Mother's Day (an exercise)..... Viola Walters, Helen Steele, Ila Durham.

My Mother..... Dorothy Wynn Mother's Day..... Isabelle Pauline A Mother's Mother..... Austin Sherman Recitation..... Charlotte Prindle Faith of our Mothers, Marguerite Kreeger The Widow Mother..... Chester Pickett The Mother of James and John..... Ruth Pauline Make Your Mother Happy, Percy Pauline The Sick Mother's Mother, Mrs. Cook Singing..... By School Benediction.

Ladies Literary Club.

The annual President's Day of the L. L. C. occurred Wednesday, May 24th, at the home of Mrs. Anna Cook. Another day of feast and fun, to mark the close of a banner year in research and study.

The regular business meeting was hurriedly concluded, that the time might be given to the very excellent program which was to follow.

The afternoon's pleasure began with a song by Mesdames Cook and Pauline, with Mrs. N. Whipple at the piano. The paper by Mrs. Moore concerning the "Early History of Farmington," which was to have been given at the "Open Day" at the hall, was read at this meeting, and proved very interesting. Pioneer days in Farmington were not all days of pleasure, happiness, ease and convenience according to the author of the paper. "A Toast to Our Presidents," by Mrs. Melow, was an excellent original poem, giving great honor to the holder of this office and adhering closely to the good old rule:

"Sufficiency then, the simple plan, That they should take, who have the power, And they should keep who can." Miss Hard, a literary teacher in Central High School, Detroit, was secured to give a discourse on "Laddy Gregory, and the Irish Drama," giving one reading in the Irish dialect called, "The spreading of the News." The whole was done in a most natural and easy manner, holding the hearers spell-bound for one of the shortest hours a day ever possessed.

The conclusion of the program was a second song by Mesdames Cook and Pauline.

Then came a very delicious banquet of dainty salads and frozen sweets, which tempted the appetite of the most exacting.

The ladies then withdrew to their homes knowing it to be the last meeting for four months.

MARY JOHNSON, Secretary.

If you need Wall Paper, go to Cook & Co.

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FROM OUR EXCHANGES

Newsy Items Taken From Other Papers Over the County and Surrounding Territory

Lightning struck the chimney on the Baptist parsonage, occupied by Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Weeks, Sunday night, demolishing it badly.—Brighton Argus.

Wednesday morning the body of Joseph Ingamells, a White Lake farmer was found hanging from a rafter in one of his barns. The find was made by his sons, who, becoming alarmed at his absence, had gone out to look for him. He had been in ill health for some months, and his mind was at times affected. This had been noticeable the previous evening, and in the early morning.—Milford Times.

On Wednesday evening of last week the members of the eighth grade gave their teacher, Mrs. Larkins, a very pleasant birthday surprise at the home of Lottie Davison. When all were seated at the beautifully spread table, which was prettily decorated in the class colors, cream and crimson, Miss Pierson, third grade teacher presented Mrs. Larkins in honor of her class, a handsome bouquet of red carnations.—Redford Record.

To keep pace with growing traffic demands in various departments of operation and maintenance the Detroit United Railway has placed orders for a large number of new cars for city and interurban service. Light rail interurban cars will be added to the limited service on the interurban lines. These cars are single end and arranged to run in trains. They have smoking compartments and two toilet rooms, with running water. The seats are upholstered in plush and leather with a high roll top back so placed as to give the passengers greatest comfort. The seating capacity is 50. Incidentally each one of them costs a small fortune.—Rochester Clarion.

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HURRAH RINGLING DAY

Almost Here! Big Circus and Great Spectacle Occupy Five Trains Crammed With Wonders.

The big event for which the youngsters and grownups have been impatiently waiting is drawing near for on Monday and Tuesday, May 29 and 30, Ringling Brothers' circus is to exhibit afternoon and night in Detroit. Expectancy never so high before and it is likely that this district will send a large delegation to feed the elephants. Unusual interest centers around the gigantic spectacle, "Cinderella," with which the famous showmen are this season opening their wonderful main tent program. "Cinderella" is probably the best loved of all fairy tales and to see it produced with more than 1000 persons, hundreds of dancing girls and glorious pageants, indeed gives promise of making "childhood's golden dreams come true." In the same great tent will come the marvelous circus numbers in which 400 men and women performers, scores of trained animals and galaxy of special features are introduced. The majority of the acts are entirely new to America, the Ringling Bros. having secured the pick of those European performers who have been obliged to seek engagements in this country because of the war. The all new street parade will take place show day morning.

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Two good lots for sale on Oakland Road. F. L. Cook & Co.

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CELEBRATED BIRTHDAY

Mrs. A. McGee Entertains Her Children on Seventy-Ninth Anniversary.

Wednesday afternoon, May 24th occurred a very pleasant and enjoyable gathering at the home of Mrs. Albiga McGee, when her children assembled at the family home to help her celebrate her 79th birthday anniversary.

The afternoon spent in visiting and social converse, and was thoroughly enjoyed by all, after which six o'clock dinner was served.

Those present from out of town were her son, Rev. James McGee, of New Haven, Conn., who had been attending a convention at Minneapolis, Minn.; Attorney Clinton McGee, of Pontiac; Mrs. E. J. Temper and daughter, Grace, of Northville.

Mrs. McGee received a number of beautiful remembrances, and letters of congratulation from those of her children and grandchildren not able to be present.

Although in her 80th year, Mrs. McGee is a well preserved woman, and enjoyed the afternoon greatly. Among those present from this village were Mr. and Mrs. T. H. McGee, Mrs. Matilda Doherty and Margaret Truscott.

Win First Prize.

Miss Kathleen McNulty, of Grove land, won the silver ring offered by the County School Commissioner in a county spelling contest. The second prize, a volume of Longfellow poems, was won by Miss Hazel Kathe, of Avon.

There were over three hundred pupils entered in the contest, and Commissioner Craft says that one-third of the number passed above 90 per cent, and several from 93 to 100, showing the good work of the teachers and the interest manifested by the pupils.

Two contests were necessary, there being four tied for first prize in the first trial.

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Decoration Day Proclamation.

At this hour the great European nations are engaged in deadly conflict. History fails to record any other war of like magnitude and ferocity. Human imagination utterly fails to appreciate the agony of the millions of mothers and children whose wishes were never consulted. Millions of human lives have been ruthlessly sacrificed, to say nothing of the widespread destruction of property. Chaos has been substituted for order; hate and revenge dominate the minds of the contesting rulers of these great nations. Death is their watchword.

In the United States peace reigns. This great nation is fearlessly conserving the faith and loyalty of its people. Our watchwords are "life liberty and pursuit of happiness." At this hour we look back to our last awful sacrifice upon the altar of liberty. On May thirtieth the remnant of the Grand Army of the Republic, together with one hundred million freemen, will pay tribute to the living and the dead. Let us reverently and lovingly join the spirit of the immortal Lincoln in dedicating our lives to the task of increasing our "devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of their devotion; that we here highly resolve that these dead shall not have died in vain; that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom; and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

May the democracy of our beloved nation in this hour of world peril fearlessly and successfully point the way to universal peace. The regenerating need of Europe and the whole civilized world is democracy and more democracy. While decorating the graves of the "Boys in Blue," let us lovingly remember our Spanish war veterans; likewise the patriotic self sacrifice of American mothers who gave us our lives.

Therefore, I, Woodbridge N. Ferris, Governor of the State of Michigan, do hereby issue this, my proclamation, and heartily urge the observance of Tuesday, May 30, 1916, as Memorial Day.

As a part of the public exercises of Memorial Day, I suggest that bells be tolled from 12:00 o'clock noon until 12:05; that flags be placed at half mast, and that comrades stand with uncovered heads during this period.

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FRANK B. LELAND

Candidate for Republican Nomination for Governor Opposed to Present Methods of State Tax Commission.

Frank B. Leland, candidate for the Republican nomination for governor, struck a note that met with a warm response in the hearts of all taxpayers when, in his recent address at Ewart, Mich., he pointed out the unfairness of the present method of sending strangers into a community to assess the valuation of property.

The idea that a stranger, unacquainted with local conditions, can come into a community for a few days and fix valuations better than the officials who are residents of the community is utterly absurd, and the working out of the plan in every township and county has proven this.

In continuing the present methods of the Tax Commission, Mr. Leland voices the opinion of ninety-nine out of every one hundred residents of the state, who heartily applaud his stand.

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LITTLE WANT ADS

FOR SALE—Late seed potatoes. Inquire of Will Spaller. 29p

FOR SALE—Yellow Deert 1914 Seed Corn. H. C. Thayer, phone 2312. 25c

WANTED—1000 pounds of Chickens at Rosemond Farm, phone 5873.

FOR SALE—Good seed and eating Potatoes. Leon A. Carey, Walled Lake. 29 30p

FOR SALE CHEAP—Good Iron Bedstead. Just the thing for your cottage at the lake. Inquire at this office.

For Sale—A new modern six or eight room house is offered by Fred M. Warner at a reasonable price and on easy terms.

FOR SALE—Two Top Buggies, one nearly new; also Single Harness and a Cream Separator. J. B. Dilling, phone 5813. 28c

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FOR SALE—For eating or planting, choice beans. Peter Haines, 1/4 mile north of the Farmington Junction, on old Farmington road. Also choice Holstein Heifer. 29p

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