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HOME NOTES

New Advertisements. I. Lee Truxa—Hardware—Birmingham. The J. L. Hudson Co.—Clothing—Detroit.

Junior Ex at U. P. church tonight. Ray Russell is teaching school in Troy township.

Born to Mrs. J. Bert Peabody. Jim 18—a son. May 18—daughter.

The Sigma Tau will hold a food sale next Saturday. Fred Lee visited his sister, Mrs. Warren Brown, last Monday.

Last week relatives from Port Haron visited Mrs. Seeley Peck. A new roof has been put on the home of Mrs. Volney Goodwin.

Mrs. James Davenport visited with Pontiac friends this week. Geo. Warner made a business trip to Cleveland, Ohio, this week.

Mrs. Della Wolfe, of Oxford, was a guest of Edna Ford over Sunday. Memorial services will be held at the M. E. church Sunday evening, May 29.

It's up to you to keep your eye on the small boy with his sidewalk automobile. Wanted—Farm hand. Steady job to the right man. Inquire at this office. Frank Evans.

The social at the Baptist church Saturday evening was a success both socially and financially. Birmingham has her quota full of dogs. If you don't believe it just look out of the window.

Last week the Sigma Tau held its monthly meeting with Miss Abbie Michael in Detroit. Scott Jones, of Detroit, conducted the league services at the M. E. church Sunday evening.

Robt. L. Todd, of Marquette is visiting among his many friends and relatives in our vicinity. Mr. Todd's home is in the far north, but he solemnly avers that it is not a bit more cold than right here in our own county.

The Misses Jennie Bassett and Irene Bristol accompanied by their teacher, Miss Margaret Young, attended the eighth grade examination held at Pontiac last Friday and Saturday.

Dogs and gardens are just as incompatible as chickens and gardens and many of our garden people have placed poison. A word to dog owners is sufficient. Look out for the dog. Beware of the pizen.

A special meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held at Mrs. Miller's on Middle street, Tuesday, May 24, at 2:30 p. m., to our perfect arrangements for the coming banquet, and other business to be done. Let every member be present. Sec.

Mrs. Joseph McBride, of Troy, near Big Beaver, who was a daughter of Al Lamb, is dead. She leaves a husband and a baby about a year old. Funeral was held yesterday (Thursday) at the late home of the deceased and was largely attended. Mr. McBride has the sympathy of the entire community.

The Detroit Conservatory of Music gave its third Faculty concert last evening (Thursday, May 19) at the Central M. E. church chapel to a delighted audience. Miss Oleana Doty, of our village, presided at the piano and many distinguished musicians of Detroit were on the program.

Monday of this week Mrs. Flora McHenry attended the funeral of her brother, Mr. Charles E. Adams, who died at St. Mary's hospital, Detroit. He had undergone the second operation for stomach trouble and was a great sufferer before he passed away. His remains were placed in Elmwood.

We are glad to say that Mr. Jacob Trend is home again and able to about town on crutches, much to the joy of his many friends who all rejoice with the family over his recovery. We imagine Birmingham must seem real nice to him after being confined so long within hospital walls.

The ice cream social given by the Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church at the church parlors Saturday night was not the success the ladies anticipated. However, through the generosity of Cobb & Cobb, who furnished the ice cream, the ladies came out a little ahead. They extend their hearty thanks to Messrs. Cobb & Cobb.

The Algonac Press is forging its way to the front. Workak Bros., the publishers, seem to have the knack of getting onto all the little by-plays of the town and they are written up in a manner to make the best of reading. Nothing of a local interest escapes them, and they should receive the hearty support of the entire town and surrounding country.

Next Sunday, May 22, the Grand Trunk Railway System gives another of its popular excursions. You can go to Grand Rapids and return for \$2.15; Battle Creek, \$1.75; Lansing, \$1.25; Saginaw and Bay City, \$1.55. Train leaves Birmingham 7:55 a. m., returning at 11:10 p. m. No baggage checked on Sunday excursions.

The bridge over River Rouge near the old Wooster farm has been condemned by Highway Commissioner Wm. Brown. It has been placarded and if you insist on driving over it you do so at your own risk. Highway Commissioner Brown will take steps at once for a new bridge built on the modern plan and he estimates its cost somewhere near \$400.

Down at the C. W. Bruce home there is much joy and happiness just now for the three girls are all home at 'twanst and together, Mrs. Grace Dennis and baby from the Keystone State, Mrs. Iva Healey and babe from Iowa, and Mrs. Ethel Lee from Forest City, in the Buckeye State. From grandparents down all are enjoying this unusual visit.

There will be a meeting of the Presbyterian Church Society on Wednesday, May 25, at 2:30 p. m., to consider the matter of pulpit supply. All persons who attend the church services and contribute to their support are entitled to vote in this matter. It is hoped that all who can possibly be present at this meeting will do so, as it is desirable to have a full expression from everyone.

Since the days of "Westward Ho" have such thrilling descriptions of Spanish contest come as Miss Johnson has given in her last work, "Sir Martiner." Those who have read her earlier works, know her power. Ask for these at the library.

Imagined burglars in the home of Dr. N. T. Shaw one night recently gave the lady of the house, Mrs. Shaw, creeps, chills and heart failure. She threw up the window and screamed for help. Strange to say no sound came, the lady had lost her voice. It came all right the next morning when she discovered a picture had fallen to the floor.

It is reported that Fred Quarton recently caught a pickerel in their creek, which he solemnly avers was four and one-half feet long. He didn't weigh it, but he said there was at least 15 pounds missing from its side, which proves "Coon-Skin" Jenks' story of a few years ago the time he speared "Old Tom" in the pond. Old Tom got away but he left 15 of meat on the spear tines. Do you remember it?

Geo. G. Booth, of the Detroit Evening News, paid \$35 in Justice Doty's court Wednesday afternoon for violating the speed ordinance regulating automobile driving. The offense was committed Saturday, but as Mr. Booth showed quite clearly that he had no intention of violating the ordinance, the justice did not deem it necessary to impose any fine with the exception of the cost of prosecution.

The long list of pleasant evenings with the Ladies' Literary club gained an added one last Monday. It was the musical evening, and Mrs. Bigelow's large parlors were filled to overflowing to listen to the pleasing program. The musicians were Mr. Kenneth Kinniston, Mr. Edwin Hulbert, Dr. Mackridge of Detroit, Mr. Plumstead, Miss McNair, Miss Carlisle, Miss Munn, Miss Kay, Miss Randall and Miss Doty. Miss Agnes Hulbert added much to the pleasure of all by giving a reading full of pathos and feeling. It was certainly a success.

Judge Smith has appointed Friday afternoon, May 20, as the time for holding the farewell service for the old court house. The farewell address will be delivered by Aaron Perry and reminiscences of the old building will be told by J. A. Jackson and Thomas L. Patterson. The only living ex-judges of this circuit who have presided in the old court room are Judge Stickney, of LaPeer, and Justice Moore, of Lansing. Judge Stickney will be present and Justice Moore will endeavor to get to the meeting, which will be in charge of the Oakland County Bar association.

Monday last an old fashioned barn raising was held on the farm of Martin Groves in Troy township. The building is a large one and went up without an accident of any kind. The raising was in charge of Wm. Cockerline & Sons of this village and about 50 men assisted in the work. A bountiful supper was served by the ladies present and everyone did ample justice to the viands served. It was a success in every way. Among those present from Birmingham who aided materially in the work were Dr. J. L. Campbell, Andy Anderson, Will McClelland and Will Baum. They do say Will Baum has not been able to speak aloud since the raising, having done so much shouting.

More Suggestion. "I believe I'll get out a golf course on the farm, father," said the returned college youth, sweeping his gaze over the signing pasture. "All right, my son," responded the gray-haired man, "an' while you're out let me suggest that you turn the old home into a clubhouse. Of course, I'm a leetle too old for a caddy, but I could act as scrubber, an' your mother could do the scrubbin'."—Indianapolis, Ind.

Same Then as Now. Mrs. Bacon—See that pins have been found among the Egyptian mummies, and in the prehistoric caves of Switzerland. Mr. Bacon—Oh, yes; I suppose too follows in other ages had as much trouble getting buttons sewed on as we do.

The Refinement of it. "Of course, Mr. Brulle may have his faults, but he's exceedingly well." "What? The man is nothing but a common wife beater!" "Oh! not common, not at all common. He always beats her with a gold-headed cane."

Not Beating His Way. Indigent Ike—Diss housecleaning gals wounds me proud spirit in a new life asked me to beat a rug for me breakfast. The Retort Courteous. Miss Bizzy—I notice your cleaning house, Mrs. Newcome, and I was afraid you might be tempted to throw your rubbish out on the back end. I just wanted to say that we don't do that sort of thing here. Mrs. Newcome—I burned all our rubbish in the furnace this morning, Miss Bizzy, including an old book on "Etiquette" which I might have saved for you.—Philadelphia Press.

His Method. "Your grandfather is nearly 100 years old. How did he manage to live so long?" "Pure contrariness." "Contrariness? How's that?" "You know there are rules prescribed for people who want to live to be old. Well, he never follows any of them."

Rural Opinion. Mrs. Crawford—They do say that Fanny and her city husband have a comfortable parlor. Mr. Crawford—Nothing comfortable about it. Why, when I sat in my shirt sleeves and started to smoke Fanny objected.

No Malaria. "Is there any malaria around here?" asked the tourist. "No," was the prompt response. "There's a heap of chills an' fever, but if anybody gets to callin' it by high-toned names he's liable to get into difficulty."



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