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## OUR CLUB NOTES

### From the Woman's Literary Club Which Meets Tuesday Afternoon of Every Week

The meeting of April 13 was called to order promptly at 2 o'clock by the president.

Roll call was responded to with bits of sentiment.

The ballot was taken for the election to membership of Mrs. Lawrence McHugh, who was unanimously elected.

A vote of thanks was given to Prof. Griffith for the great kindness shown to the club by the entertainment given to it at the museum of art April 6.

The corresponding secretary read the following communications:

House of Representatives, Washington, D. C. April 6, 1909. Mrs. Retta M. Barr, Birmingham, Michigan.

Dear Madam: I have yours of the 3rd with resolutions in behalf of Dr. Wiley. I shall take pleasure in presenting them to President Taft.

Sincerely yours, S. W. Smith, The White House, Washington, April 7, '09.

My dear Madam: Your letter of April 6th, enclosing one from Mrs. Retta M. Barr, of Birmingham, Mich., together with some resolutions in behalf of Dr. W. H. Wiley, has been received, and will be brought to the President's attention.

Very sincerely yours, Fred W. Carpenter, Secretary to the President.

Hon. S. W. Smith, House of Representatives, Washington, D. C.

The regular program of the day opened with a paper from Mrs. Shaw on "Modern Industries of Italy."

Mrs. Stearns gave a sketch of "Pope Pius X." This paper closed the year's study of Italy.

The third paper of the afternoon was given by Mrs. Saterlee on "Our Great Northwest." This paper called attention to many things of interest to the tourists in Alaska, our wonderful territory.

There are now in the club 30 active members, eight honorary members and four on the waiting list.

The Michigan state chairman of civil service committee reports the organization of such a committee is complete, with 50 asking for information.

When some of the members of our legislature say they did not understand the forestry bill, we can but think what a pity they did not belong to a woman's club. There is scarcely a bill in the state that is not posted along all of these lines.

Remember to sleep with your window open; One in seven die of tuberculosis.

### Swept Over Niagara

This terrible calamity often happens because a careless boatman ignores the river's warnings--growing ripples and foamy current--nature's warnings are kind. That dull pain or ache in the back warns you the kidneys need attention. If you neglect nature's warnings--drowsy, diabetes or Bright's disease. Take Electric Bitters at once and see backache fly and all your troubles return.

"After long suffering from weak kidneys and lame back, one 81 bottle wholly cured me," writes J. B. Blankenship, of Bell, Tennessee. Only 50c at James W. Cobb's, Charles J. Shain's and James F. Wootter's.

### UNITED PRESBYTERIAN NOTES

Themes for Sabbath morning, "God's plan for man;" the same at Troy in the afternoon. Evening, "The hero of faith." An offering will be taken in both churches for the assembly fund. Let us make our full quota.

Young People's prayer meeting at 6 p. m. Subject, "Heroes of African missions."

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## TWO GOOD DEALS

### A. Whitehead, of the Exchange Bank, Make Two Big Deals This Week in Real Estate

The real estate department of the Exchange Bank made two large sales during the past week, one of which will prove an important factor in the growth and improvement of our neighborhood.

Mr. L. D. Haines, a very wealthy citizen of Cincinnati, Ohio, a member of the firm of Hales, Halsted & Zaich, of that city, has purchased the old Stevens property on the west side of Woodward avenue, about a top north of the village.

The price paid was very near \$300 per acre for the 43 acres and Mr. Hales will immediately proceed to build a fine residence, with all the necessary outbuildings and conveniences, almost remaining unchanged from the old building, clear out the underbrush, drain and fence the property into the best manner known to architects and landscapers.

We predict that there will be developed one of the most beautiful of the many homes of wealthy people between here and Pontiac.

Mr. Halsted, with his wife and three children, will take up their permanent residence in the beautiful rolling land of the Bloomfield Hills district, with fine beautifully located and "Ronie" is as happy over his new purchase as a boy with a new pair of boots with red tops.

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## WAGES OF FAME

### A Real Live Poet Can Be Heard at the Methodist Church, Thurs- day Evening, April 15, '09

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BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES. Sermon themes, Sunday morning, "Occupy." Evening, "The Print of the Nails."

The B. Y. P. U. prayer meeting, Topic, "Madame Feller and her work." Leader, Mrs. Carter.

The Bible class is arranging to perfect a class organization. A constitution and officers will be elected in the near future.

## A FAMILY MOURNS

### Death in a Barrel Comes To Pretty Little Walter Leach

The funeral of Walter Leach, aged two years and two months, took place Monday of this week.

He was a son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Leach, who lives on the I. K. Adams' west and south of this place and met his death by drowning in a will barrel.

This barrel stands at the corner of the back porch, the top of it about even with the floor of the porch and it is thought that the little fellow in his play stumbled and fell head foremost into his sad death. The accident occurred Thursday forenoon of last week.

The baby was not raised for over 15 minutes and was found by the eldest son, who was horrified to see his brother's feet and legs sticking up-out of the barrel. Dr. C. M. Raynal and many willing hands from sympathizing neighbors, who came in quickly, did everything possible to bring back to life the little victim, but no use.

Besides the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Leach, there are three brothers, Elmer, Edward and Samuel, and one sister, Stella, surviving.

The cause of the shocking death in the family, so long time ago they resided west and north of this village and the house and all household effects were lost. One child, a son, was lost in the fire.

Foley's Orino Laxative cures chronic constipation and stimulates the liver. Orino regulates the bowels so they will act naturally and you do not have to take purgatives continuously. Sold by all druggists.

## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

BIRMINGHAM, April 12, '09. Regular meeting according to law. President Daines in the chair. Trustees present--Mills, Crawford, Spencer, Schlaack and Wilkinson.

Reading of bills--Smith. The following are the bills: WATER WORKS.

Smith Brothers 822 97 James Cobb 2 40 Michigan State Telephone Company 3 75 J. A. Row & Company 2 30

GENERAL EXPENSE. Walter Nichols 1 20 Roy Keyser 2 20 J. L. Campbell 15 00 D. B. Wilkinson 2 00 Charles E. Smith 56 03

Highway. A. J. Ferguson 112 00 W. Valentin 12 00 Mills moved, supported by Crawford, to transfer \$115 from the Highway Fund to the Water-Works Fund.

Called by roll call. Ayes--Schlaack, Mills, Spencer and Crawford. Nays--None.

Crawford moved, supported by Schlaack, to transfer \$113 from the Highway Fund to the General Fund.

Called by roll call. Ayes--Schlaack, Mills, Spencer and Crawford. Nays--None.

Mills moved, supported by Crawford, that the resignation of Mrs. E. M. Crawford be accepted. Carried.

Mills moved, supported by Crawford, that Mrs. Bigelow be appointed to fill the vacancy of Mrs. E. M. Crawford. Carried.

The following committees were appointed: Ways and Means--Smith, Spencer and Crawford.

Streets and Sidewalks--Crawford, Smith and Schlaack. Lighting--Mills, Crawford and Spencer.

Water Works--Wilkinson, Schlaack and Mills. Claims--Spencer, Wilkinson and Mills.

Ordinances--Schlaack, Mills and Smith. Cemeteries and Parks--Crawford, Mills and Schlaack.

President Daines appointed Charles Smith for Marshal and Street Commissioner.

Wilkinson moved, supported by Schlaack, that the appointment be confirmed. Carried.

## IN OLD MEXICO

### H. M. Gibbs Tells Entertainingly of Experiences in Old Mexico. Saw Real Bull Fight

The Howard City Record prints another one of H. M. Gibbs' interesting letters from Old Mexico, and we are permitted to make the following extracts.

Mexico City, March 8, 1909. Dear Reader Friends: After leaving you and the snow banks of Michigan on "groundhog day" we made rapid progress to the southwest on the Golden State Limited.

We saw practically no snow west of Chicago and the big wheat fields of Kansas were nearly as bare as when I was here. Our first stop was at El Paso, Texas, and the newspapers there morning said the day would go down in history as "the day of the Big Wind."

Well, that was the last of winter. The sun has shone bright every day since it dawned every day in Mexico, except from June to November, during the rainy season.

Now, as you will be down here some day, so I hope will a lot of Howard City people, I will tell you some of the things I expect to see when I get to El Paso, Texas, in a few days.

What so complete a change could take place in so short a distance or time. From El Paso to Ciudad Juarez is about a mile. Here you will encounter the custom officers who will examine your baggage and have you declare on paper if you can read or write, your occupation, color, married or single, etc.

In an hour you pass from the civilization of the twelfth century to that of the fifteenth century. The farming implements and methods of many sections are the same as Cortes found them when nearly 400 years ago he established himself here.

In most sections of Mexico the patient or still has the yoke fastened to his horns instead of to his neck and the sharp pointed stick held in its place by a upright one serves the purpose of a plow.

We have visited seven cities so far, while each one is different from the other, there is a similarity. All have a great number of old churches, some of them apparently very costly and finely decorated. The houses, in the outskirts of the smaller cities are made of adobe or mud, but in the main part are built of stone and many of them have their fronts beautifully sculptured and ornamented.

Nearly all are in the Spanish style with a patio, or open court, reached through a large door in front, with the apartments opening from arcades or galleries. The stores open on the streets direct but the counters run parallel with the street and the pleasant clerks smoke cigarettes while they wait on you.

In fact there are but two places where the Mexican, and Northern, too, don't smoke here--in the Pullman cars and in church.

The Topo Chico hot springs are only three miles from the city and the ride is very nice. The water in the bath is natural spring water at 104 degrees is worth four times the price.

Tampico is the seaport city on the Gulf of Mexico where the big tarpon fish are so numerous and the surf is so high. San Luis is noted for its large opera house and of course we attended the play there as all visitors do. The play was in Italian so we could understand as much of it as the natives. It was called a great success though and Tina Lopez received lots of applause and roses.

Agua Calientes is noted for its linen drawn work and it is so cheap that your wife will want to buy the whole display. The women work for a month or two on one piece and then bring it to the hotels or depot and sell it from \$5 to \$10.

That the language of signs--even when pictorially illustrated--is liable to misconception, was brought home to two American women during a visit to Sevilla. It happened in the best known hotel in that Andalusian city. They signed for milk; but all their efforts to make the waiter understand were fruitless until one of them took paper and pencil and sketched what was intended to represent a cow. With a quick smile of intelligence the man disappeared, and presently returned with tickets for the bull fight.

Guadalajara is a day's ride to the west and toward the volcano, Colima, which is 12,000 feet high and one of the few active volcanoes in Mexico. It is impossible to get closer than 25 miles except on muleback and Mrs. G. declined to travel that way. We waited here a week for an earthquake but none came. They claim here that the earthquakes are more numerous in the northern newspapers than in reality. There are plenty of other attractions. Mexico City is just as lovely as ever. It has grown wonderfully in the last four years and the buildings going up now at a great rate. The biggest bull fight of the year is on this afternoon and we can't miss that.

"Bye," H. M. Gibbs.

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