

**FRANKLIN**

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Chamber of Pontiac were visiting friends here one day recently.

Mrs. Ed. Johnston has been having a gripe her sisters are caring for. A speedy recovery is the wish of her many friends here.

The many friends of Albert Fisher were sorry to hear of his demise. The family has the deepest sympathy from many friends here.

Special meetings are being held each evening at the P. L. Church in this village and without doubt many people will be the result, which is no much needed.

Mr. W. Wood attended the two days session of the farmers institute at the court house in Pontiac last week. Many interesting discussions were in vogue.

Some of the young people of near this village who are attending high school and the business college, at Pontiac were enjoying the holiday at their homes here on Washington's birthday.

Mrs. Bushnell (alias Grace Walstead) formerly of this place but now of Pontiac has returned to her home in this city after an extended visit with Mr. Bushnell's people in New York.

Frederic German, of Oregon, lately purchased the W. Adams farm of North Farmington, and has been moving his goods there the past week. Welcome thrice welcome from his many friends who are delighted to know he has decided to settle in old Michigan, his home state.

The death of Mrs. Elmore Higby of Walnut Lake on the evening of Feb. 22 came like a thunderbolt of a clear sky to her many friends from this village. As one week ago she helped at the Aid Society and on Sunday last attended church services. The family has the deepest sympathy from this village.

Walter German and Howard Spier met with, what might have been a sad accident, while with a skating party on Gilbert Lake a short time ago. Howard Spier in skating too near where they had been ice cutting, broke through the thin ice that had formed there. His companion going in after him, being a good swimmer, succeeded in helping him out. Both were nearly exhausted after their escape from their cold plunge with overcoat and skates on and were completely drenched for a cold night. They were obliged to run a mile before reaching their homes. Their many friends are thankful that it wasn't any worse.

One of the most important events of the week was the marriage of Miss Allie Nichols, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. Nichols, of North Farmington, to Mr. Arthur Coe on Saturday P. M. Feb. 15 at the parsonage of the M. E. Church in Pontiac. Ontaking the car for home soon afterwards a surprise awaited them. A party of their friends and acquaintances met them at the Orchard Lake line and a big shower of rice was in order until they reached their home. The looks from the bride showed she was not so well pleased over the surprise. But the groom took it in a more smiling manner. Both have resided here all of their lives. Congratulations from their many friends and especially from those who stole a march on them and literally covered them with the cereal as an omen of good luck over the "matrimonial sea."

Big carpets and rugs woven at Mrs. Sarah Bookbinder's, on Willow road.

**R. D. NO. 1**

James Sharp is on the gain, now the robbers are here and also summer.

Miss Mary Cox spent the latter part of the week at her home in Farmington.

Dr. F. W. Young will finish his auto drive around his home this summer and also his pond.

If you want to see 14 Silver White pigs just call on George B. Dort, at the Willow Brook farm.

Mrs. Wm. McGuffin is getting better after being sick the past two weeks. Dr. Reynolds is in attendance.

Miss Margaret Young has just returned home after a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. Wiggins Shepherd.

Miss Margaret Gray, of Jackson, spent the latter part of the week with Miss Ruth Russell.

Mr. and Mrs. Rose and son, of Ovid, have been spending four or five weeks with their parents on the two Oaks farm. They returned to their home last Wednesday.

George J. Henning has returned from the Lansing Agricultural College, after attending a full term. Now then, George has it down pat. Everything in the farming line is under George's skillful and educated eye.

The Banne League will hold their next meeting, Friday evening, March 10th, at the Presbyterian church, in Southfield. Besides the families of the members, the members of the Willing Workers and their husbands are most cordially invited.

Herbert Rendall has closed the deal with Elmer Rose. Herb bought all the hay, his cows and everything. He took the reins March 1st. Now, Elmer Rose moved March 1st to the Benwick McKinney farm, and now has the lines well in hand. Everybody is happy. Let the good work go on. There is nothing like keeping the wheels rolling.

**BIG BEAVER**

Mrs. Wm. Clark entertained guests from Detroit recently.

Miss Mary Cox, of Detroit, was the week end guests of her parents here.

Frederick Smith, of Monroe, was the guests of his parents here recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Han Shanahan recently visited their daughter, Mrs. H. McClinton, in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bowers enjoyed the play, "East Lynne" an attraction produced at one of the Detroit theatres recently.

Mrs. Ed. McHugh and little daughter, of Royal Oak, were recent guests of her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bowers.

Mrs. Anna Rolland, son and daughter, also Joseph Hunt, all of Mt. Clemens, were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Hunt and family.

Owing to the disagreeable weather, the dancing party which was to have been given by Ray Hawthorne at the Macabee hall was postponed indefinitely.

Richard Strong, who has been seriously ill for the past two weeks, died on Sunday last at the home of his son, William of this place. Mr. Strong, who was greatly advanced in age, had lived here for many years and was highly respected. He leaves a wife and two children and several adult children and grandchildren.

Dr. Bennie, who has been very ill with typhoid pneumonia, is reported much better at this writing. Dr. Bennie is being cared for by Dr. Anderson and Gans of Royal Oak, and a trained nurse from Detroit. The doctor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bennie, also a friend Miss Fletcher of Chatham, Ont., are with him at his boarding house here.

A happier crowd of young people would be hard to find than those, about 40 in number, who completely surprised Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith Friday evening of last week, the occasion being the 30th anniversary of their wedding. As the guests were seated to partake of a delicious oyster supper, Mrs. Ross Lamb and Mrs. Stephen Hill took occasion to merrily shower the happy "bride and groom" with rice. A number of presents were received by the host and hostess and regrets from a number of invited friends who were unable to present themselves after several hours spent in a general good time the guests departed after wishing Mr. and Mrs. Smith many more years of wedded bliss. The arrangements were made and invitations sent out by Mrs. A. Converse and Mrs. W. R. Ford.

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Fred Warner, of Troy, is troubled with sore throat.

At present writing Robert Groves Jr., has la grippe.

Mrs. Stephen Hill and daughter were in Detroit last Friday.

Frank Halsey spent last Saturday with his brother in Pontiac.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Will Dill, of an eight pound girl. Mother and child doing nicely.

Mrs. Winnie Halsey, of Pontiac, visited relatives in Big Beaver several days last week.

Ernest Ernest and Minerva Cromie, of Sterling, visited their sister Mrs. Mac Chaffield.

Mrs. Sct Smith, of Troy, visited with sister, Mrs. Nettie Zoller, of Oakwood, over Sunday. She had not seen her sister in over a year.

Mr. Whitney and family have moved from the John Adams farm into Ralph Bailey's mother's home in Troy. He will work for Ralph this summer.

Grover Cook, son of Allie Cook, of Southfield, one day recently while climbing in a wagon to ride with Will Bell, the horses started up throwing the lad, the back wheel passing over his left ankle and badly bruising it. He will be able to attend school in a couple of weeks.

**TROY**

C. Sullivan was a Pontiac visitor Friday.

Mrs. L. Blount is improving after a recent illness.

Cy Jarvis is at home after a couple of weeks stay at his daughter's home in Pontiac.

George Washington Wm. Henry H. Colmar was a business caller in Rochester Saturday.

Mr. Krell and family will get all over this week, having settled the kitchen Saturday.

The town was well represented at the show given by a sleight of hand performer at the hall Tuesday.

A royal good-time was had by the Ladies' Needlework club held at Mrs. Helen Clark's last Wednesday.

Mrs. Maggie McCullough of the Oak sister of Mrs. Carter of Birmingham, and Mrs. Jarvis of Troy, is not quite as well late.

The many friends of F. D. Cutting are very glad to know that he is fast gaining the use of his left foot and hand and is able to be up most of the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott entertained recently seven gentlemen and their wives to meet and welcome Mr. and Mrs. Charles Aspinwall, who will reside in the Harris home south of Troy.

**THE LYCEUM THEATER.**

Al. H. Wilson, or rather "Metz" Wilson, as he is better known by his many admirers, will present his latest success, "A German Prince," at the Lyceum theatre next week. The new offering suggests a wide departure from his former successes, though the main character is of the same rollicking, and jolly German type in which this famous comedian has become identified and beloved by a host of admirers.

An added attraction to the performance will be the new musical numbers introduced by the star. Among the most noted of the new songs are "My Queen of Dreams," "Love Thoughts," "The Banquet," "Erin's Isle," and "Still as the Night."

The engagement opens with a Sun day matinee in addition to which the regular Wednesday and Saturday matinees will be given.

The profits of Gardening.

In this winter world a large part of the profits of a town garden are made by the hardware store—Aitchison.

Appropriate.

Contributor—What has become of that poem, "The Turtle Dove," I sent you?

Editor—I've placed it in a pigeon hole.—Boston Transcript.

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**ROYAL OAK CLUB**

Entertained at the Home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Sage. An interesting Program Was Given

The Royal Oak Woman's club held their midwinter special Monday evening, Feb. 20, at the pleasant home of Mrs. Charles Sage.

Coming as it did so near Washington's birthday, the national colors were used as decorations and cut flowers were everywhere in evidence. Several of the ladies were dressed in Colonial style and their costumes were quaint and pretty.

The mid winter special which has come to be an annual event is looked forward to with pleasing by both the members and their guests, the guests on this occasion being the husbands of the members.

A pleasing program was given consisting of readings and music, both vocal and instrumental. Little Miss Mildred Campbell gave two readings which were very much enjoyed.

After the program a dainty luncheon was served under the direction of Mrs. C. F. Gibson, who is certainly master of the culinary art.

The next regular meeting of the club will be held at the home of Mrs. Ansel Smith.

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