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John Yipe's hotel is being pushed rapidly to completion.

J. F. Graves spent several days in Waters the past week.

I. B. Rowley was very sick the past week but is better now.

Mrs. Ellen Hughes of Owosso has been the guest of Mrs. C. E. Blair.

Miss Lenore Lyon is spending the week at Long Lake near Fenton.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Dewey of Detroit visited friends in town Sunday.

Miss Lillian Springer, of Detroit was the guest of friends here this week.

George Taylor, of Milwaukee, Wis., was the guest of friends in town last week.

Richard Rose spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother and other relatives in Clio.

Dr. and Mrs. W. I. St. John spent several days with relatives in Highland last week.

Frank Freda, a former resident of this place but now of Detroit, was a caller in town Saturday.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church met Tuesday at the home of Mrs. F. C. Blenman.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church meets today (Friday) in the social rooms of the church.

Maude Chamberlain, of this township, has commenced suit against the D. U. R. for \$5,000 damages.

Mrs. Belle Wilcox, who has been the guest of Mrs. Hatt's Rofe, has returned to her home in Syracuse, N. Y.

Miss Tuttle Hamilton, who has been visiting relatives here for several days past, returned to Toronto, Ont., Saturday.

Mrs. Sarah Hammond and niece Miss Sadie Hammond have returned from a very pleasant visit with friends in Canada.

Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Gardner and son Ferris left Monday evening for Mackinaw, Caumet and other points in northern Michigan.

M. J. Carley left last week for Berrien Springs, where he will address a county picnic. His subject is, "Is the liquor traffic a crime or a business."

Word has been received from Mrs. H. L. Mellen, who is spending several weeks in the mountains of old Vermont, that she is having the time of her life.

Miss Flora Trudo of Cincinnati, Ohio, and Miss Schridder of Highland Park, spent the day recently with Mrs. E. A. Rogers. We noticed that they were wearing suffragist buttons.

The meeting of the Baptist Mission circle recently was in the nature of a surprise party on Mrs. Quick. Refreshments were served. Those present joined in wishing Mrs. Quick many happy returns.

On account of the uncertainty of the weather the W. C. T. U. have decided to hold their annual open air meeting in the M. E. church today (Friday) at 2 p. m. Light refreshments. A cordial invitation to all.

Miss Grace Pennington of Grand Rapids has been the guest of Miss Lenore Lyon recently. Miss Lyon gave a luncheon at which guests were present from Detroit. Miss Muriel Chambers gave a theatre party on Thursday at the Temple and on Friday Miss Schmeltz gave a bridge party. Miss Pennington spends this week in Detroit.

Died, at his residence in this village Aug. 10, Silas Brasington aged 55 years. He leaves besides the widow, two sisters, Mrs. Henry Ford and Mrs. George Butler. In politics Mr. Brasington was a republican and held many positions of trust both in the township and village and enjoyed the love and respect of a host of friends who deeply sympathize with the widow and relatives in their deep affliction. Mr. Brasington was a member of the Foresters of America and the funeral services were under the auspices of that organization which was held from his late home Tuesday afternoon with interment in Royal Oak cemetery.

J. A. Merritt and Gus Dondero have gone to Roseman, Mont.

Several from here attended the supervisors picnic in Orion last week.

Wm. L. Rose, who has been visiting friends in town for several days, returned to his home in Clio Friday.

John O'Leary, of Bowling Green, Ohio, who has been visiting friends in town the past few days, has returned home.

Robert Barkley and his daughter, Mrs. Thomas Bower, returned last week after spending several days in Duluth and other points in Michigan.

Tomorrow, Saturday, Aug. 17, at 1 o'clock p. m., M. H. Blunt will sell at auction for L. H. Rousseau on the old Wm. Soult's farm, 12 Mile road, 1 mile west of Woodward avenue. Terms easy. Sale absolute. All live stock must be taken away on day of sale.

Peter Pawlowski was granted a pension last week of \$72 per month dating from June 4 last, for injuries he received in the Spanish American war. Mr. Pawlowski is a helpless invalid, being obliged to go in a wheel chair. He is indeed fortunate in securing the pension.

**ORDER FOR PUBLICATION**—Sale of Real Estate. State of Michigan, the Probate Court for the County of Oakland, At a session of said Court, held at the Free store office in the City of Pontiac, on the 17th day of August, A. D. 1912, present, H. K. Huber, Judge of Probate. In the matter of the Estate of JAMES LEITCH BURNHAM, decedent.

Emily H. Churchill, guardian of said decedent, do hereby certify that a certain inventory of the real and personal property of said decedent, as the same is set forth in an affidavit sworn to and filed in said Court, on the 17th day of August, A. D. 1912, at 9 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate office, and is hereby appointed for hearing and sale, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said Court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license should be granted to sell the real estate included in said inventory, and that if no cause is shown to the contrary, the same should not be granted. It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for two consecutive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Birmingham Excitator, a newspaper published and circulated in said county. (As to be done.) JAMES LEITCH BURNHAM, Judge of Probate. JAMES A. VAN DENBURGH, Probate Clerk. Filed Aug 17, 1912.

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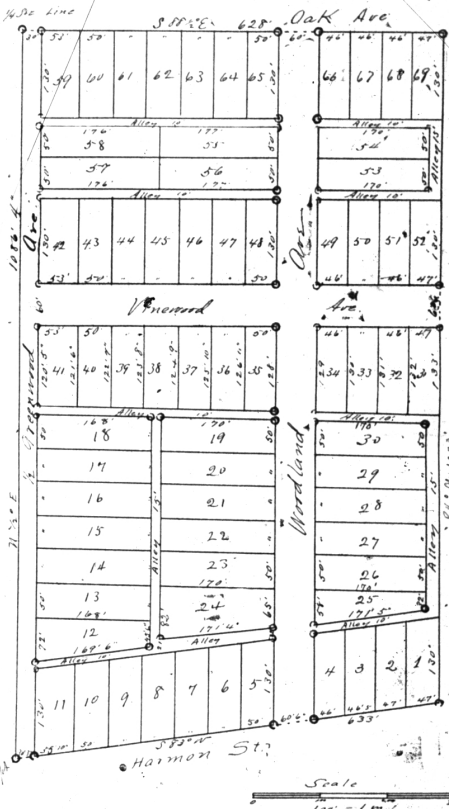
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See A. Whitehead or George H. Mitchell for Particulars