

ALL OVER

R. D. NO. 1

TROY

Mrs. Sam Martin, of Warren, is upon the sick list.

Miss Ellen Chaffin is placed on the sick list with a bad cold.

Mrs. Geo. Claffin, of Troy, is over the pneumonia and is slowly improving.

Mrs. Lora Bowers, of Troy, has been having sore tonils, but is now better.

Ice gathering for summer use has commenced. The ice has frozen about 14 inches thick.

Beware of a big heavy snow storm when the wind gets westerly on north-easterly. I will speak for no muddy roads this month and the thermometer to zero.

Mrs. Mack Chatfield recently met with a painful accident, raising her foot on her left foot to be quite badly jammed by a fireiron falling off the top of their heating stove.

Ersberger and Gray, of Wald Lake, recently carried over night at Stephen Chatfield while convalescing in the township of Troy for the Day Advent held by Mrs. Helen White.

The Union Sunday school at the Log Cabin changed the officers last Sunday for the coming year, appointing Mr. W. J. Wooster, of Clawson, superintendent; Joe Edger, treasurer; and Statly Brann, secretary.

Roy Denison, of Reid's Hill, in Royal Oak, last week had the grip, but is now better. This Denison family had a bad cold and swelling of the glands, last week, but did better at the writing, but Eunice who is still sick and the mother has quite a bad cough.

The farmer's traveling industrial salesman is now booming something of great interest to his farm friends. Let us stand pat on having money called for strength, and in a division world lead to our weakness in helping our farmer champion who is helping us.

An act of defense properly laid out and heavily and well fortified all along the German border, lines could not be held by the gallant and well-disciplined armies of Germany until death, and every attack made by their enemies would result in their defeat and terrible slaughter. This mode of warfare would be better than any other acting upon the offensive against the overwhelming number of their foes.

Mrs. Agnes Fancher, of Fair Haven, Mich., teaching in fractional school district No. 9, Sterling and Troy, was going last week Tuesday, January 5, to her board home after a long hour. She met at the gate of her home a strange lunatic who picked up a couple of lumps of ice, throwing at her and lifting her, cutting the bridge of her nose and blinding one of her eyes.

The insane man was caught by Walter Blount and Will Busch who took him into custody to Royal Oak and he was soon found to be wanted in Detroit.

Died, January 5, 1915, Will Martin at Coruna, Michigan, of a collection of diseases resulting from a paralytic stroke, occurring about three or four months ago, aged 55 years sometime next April. He leaves a wife, three sons and one daughter to mourn the loss of a real kind and noble husband and father. Let the bereaved here in heaven for the great Father who art heaven for their strength and consolation in the hour of their great bereavement. The funeral will be held on the 8th inst. at Coruna and all of his living relatives were present except his mother who was sick and not able to attend.

There is more cure in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until a few years ago was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment pronounced it incurable. It is a constitutional disease and therefore requires constitutional treatment. The famous Dr. J. C. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the planet. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful, it acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer \$100 for any case it fails to cure. Send for circular and testimonials.

J. C. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, Ohio. Sold by druggists. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation. -Advertisement.

Southfieldburg

Edith McBride is working at the home of Rev. Reid, of Coruna.

Mrs. Marion White is ill at this writing, but all we hope for a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Sly, a former resident of Southfield, was buried in the Franklin cemetery last Tuesday.

The Sophomore class of the Birmingham High school will be entertained by Maude Stephens this evening.

The Southfield Dairy association held their annual winter dinner at the home of Stewart Reed last Saturday.

The Five Hundred club met with Althea and Howard Matthews last Wednesday evening. A fine time was had by all.

The Banner League society elected the following officers for the coming year: President, Lilla Bender; vice president, Florence Brooks; secretary, Gertrude Remond; treasurer, Alta Stephens; organist, Ethel McBride.

Mrs. Sarah Peabody is away to the far South for the balance of the winter. She goes with her daughter, Mrs. Hattie Perry, and husband of Detroit, and we assure the good lady will be every moment away from the cold North.

William Maxwell is cleaning up his old school in Kings Hill.

Carl Agrim and Earl Wagner were at Toledo last Saturday last Tuesday.

John Krushel and son have their corn barn and will install a water system in it.

Mrs. Kidd, of Detroit, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Owsen Miller last week.

Joseph Egan, of Southfield is an Arbor hospital and is getting along nicely.

Mrs. R. J. Chase has quite regained her health and is back in the work of the church.

John Zimmerman will make his home with Charles to help the balance of his natural life and Carl Agrim will work the place.

The hearing of Malcolm Stewart was held at Pontiac Friday, to appoint a guardian for him. It was put over to January 19, 1915, for the balance of the hearing.

The Penalty of Sin.

To neglect your health is a sin against Nature, and frequently the penalty is severe, particularly when the trouble starts in the lungs and bowels. It is the best course to take of a doctor of Dr. Herring's Sigmoid-Coated Pills, if you feel feeble, constipated or uncomfortable. It will clean you out, restore appetite, cheer up spirits.

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Mr. Hayes Leves was in Detroit Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Wood were guests at their son Bert's for a few days.

Miss Mabel Roediger visited friends in Farmington for a few days last week.

Rev. D. A. Van Doren attended the Oakland County Ministerial association meeting in Pontiac Monday.

Frank Bowden started up his old stand as blacksmith, Saturday, so now Franklin has two blacksmith shops.

The Ladies' Aid society will meet with Mrs. Will Wenden for dinner Thursday, January 21. All are cordially invited to attend. Table committee: Mrs. Bert Wood, Mrs. James Strong, Miss Tillie Harger, Mrs. Will Milton, Mrs. Roy Currier.

The pastor of Franklin church began last Sunday morning, a series of sermons on the life of Nelson. The first was entitled, "The Beginning of a Great Revival." The purpose of these sermons is to stimulate study of the life of Nelson and to show that a real spiritual awakenings must depend on a "Divine Plan." Please remember the evening service at 7:30.

Life Insurance Refused.

Ever notice how closely life insurance examiners look for symptoms of kidney disease? They do, because weakened kidneys lead to many forms of dreadful life-shortening afflictions. If you feel any symptoms like pain in the back, frequent, scanty or painful action, tired feeling, aches and pains, get Foley's Kidney Pills today. For sale by all druggists. -Adv.

Mr. John Scanlan spent Sunday with relatives in Detroit.

Mrs. Mel Mathews had her daughter and other guests from Detroit for a visit last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schultz, with a party of friends, were a jolly theatre party in Detroit last Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Salino entertained last Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Tom McClelland, of Highland Park, and Tom Gray, of Sandusky, Michigan.

The Ladies' Aid Society will meet for their regular monthly meeting on the 12th Wednesday of the month, at the home of Mr. Fernald.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Taylor have returned to their home at Pontiac, after spending some time with his mother, Mrs. Sam James, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Ren Shanahan and brother, John Vokes, returned last Saturday from Coruna where they were called by the death of their sister's husband, Mrs. Edith McBride.

We regret to announce the death of Miss Jennie E. Ansoomb, which occurred in Detroit last Monday morning at 4 o'clock. Miss Ansoomb complained on Sunday, one week previous to her death, with what she supposed was earache, but which proved to be an abscess near the brain and she grew rapidly worse, though she had the best medical skill that could be produced, until death relieved her. Miss Ansoomb was about 37 years old and was a bright business woman, being employed in office work in Detroit where she lived with her sister, Miss Vera, the two ladies always spending the week ends at their childhood home here with their mother, Elmer. Surviving are two brothers, John, from near Pontiac, and Elmer and one sister, Miss Vera. Funeral was by funeral car from Detroit to Big Beaver, thence Coruna, Michigan, on one o'clock last Wednesday afternoon.

The Women's Foreign Missionary society of the M. E. church will meet with the W. M. C. on Wednesday evening, at 2 o'clock, Saturday, January 21. Program in charge of Mrs. Edwin Heacock. Supper will be served at 4 and 5:30. You are welcome.

Wm. Lakkie is visiting his sisters at Alvoa.

Margaret Wilbur is still in quite poor health.

Clara Burrows spent the fore part of the week at her father's.

Mabel Rearey entertained friends from Detroit over Sunday.

Mrs. Sam Scott, of Royal Oak, spent January 6 with Mrs. R. Niles.

Mrs. Mary Harris, who has been quite sick the last two weeks, is much better.

Mrs. R. J. Chase has quite regained her health and is back in the work of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Leonard spent the evening of January 5 at the Wm. Lakkie home.

The Aid meeting January 21, will be held at Mrs. G. S. Elliott's. Dinner will be served.

Troy has a blacksmith at the old time shop owned by Mr. O. Phillips. The family reside in the old parsonage.

An illustrated lecture of the "Crepit" was given at the Troy church, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights.

Mrs. G. S. Elliott was a guest of Mrs. Rose Schoch at supper Friday evening, and also attended the Bible study class at 7:30.

Mrs. Maude Smith served a fine spread to the E. C. ladies and invited guests Friday afternoon last. They talked and chatted and stitched.

The ladies of the Troy Embroidery club banqueted their husbands and guests Friday night at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lawrence. A feast fit for the gods was served. Cards were enjoyed by those who play. The banquet was capped at nine.

Elmer Matlock's brother Fred met with a horrible accident while shoring corn recently. Three fingers of his hand were stripped of their flesh and the cords from the arm and hand were drawn from his body like strings. Dr. Scoury, of Rochester, attends him.

Stops the Child's Colds—They Often Result Seriously.

Colds, croup and whooping cough are children's ailments which need immediate attention. The after-effects are often most annoying. Don't make the mistake that have to Dr. King's New Discovery checks the cold, soothes the cough, slays the inflammation, kills the germs and allows Nature to do her healing work. 50c at your druggist's. Buy a bottle today. -Adv.

Miles Theatre.

The "Eight Forget-Me-Nots" in what the press agent gleefully hail as a "miry novelty" is announced as the headline attraction for the new bit of vaudeville at the Miles theatre. It is an elaborate dancing revue made up of ensemble and solo numbers and is said to be a revelation in vaudeville and past stage effects. The girls, it is promised, are both young and pretty. Clarence Wilbur, late feature with "Funny Folks," will be an added attraction with a laugh creation of his own entitled, "Trampology." A third feature will be Fritz Von Schmied, "the Elveweisgerl," in a demonstration of rifle shooting out of the ordinary. From the auditorium she nips off the heads of matches with unerring accuracy, as to show her responsibility closes her act with a hymn, playing her own accompaniment on a pipe organ. Other acts will be: Wilson & Wilson, in colored character types; the Dole sisters, three little maids from Songland; the Carl Hansens troupe, European acrobats, and the photo comedie.

Children's Coughs—Children's Colds—Croup.

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GOOD WORDS FROM A GOOD FRIEND

South Haven, Kan., Jan. 4, 1915. To Whitehead & Mitchell, Birmingham Eccentric.

Enclosed find money order for three dollars for renewal of subscription to Eccentric.

Now let us have settled weather, please, for I want to put two four-hour teams in the field tomorrow to begin plowing for autumn. Weather fine. No frost in the ground.

My enjoy reading "Retrospection," for that brings us back to our Birmingham days.

CHAS. GLENN, R. R. 3, South Haven, Kan.

JUNIOR Y. M. C. A. GROUP

Fourteen boys from 12 to 15 years old of the Junior Y. M. C. A. group met Tuesday afternoon. The feature of the recreation period was indoor hockey. Much enthusiasm was shown in both the recreation and the study periods. The group is growing and expanding.

The feature of the next meeting is a zoological show at the home of Glen and Donald Voorheis. The boys will bring postcards of interesting nature from their travels.

Boys from 12 to 15 interested are requested to meet at the Voorheis home on Bates street, Tuesday evening at 7 o'clock.

DEPENDENCE ON DIRT ROADS

They Are of Much Importance to Farmer and Are Growing Monthly in Year if Properly Cared For.

For many years nine-tenths of the roads in the country consist of dirt roads. It is on these roads that farmers for the most part go to church and to school. They are much more important than the greater highways of travel in the country. We have a great demand for "good roads," meaning hard-surfaced roads of some sort, whether brick, macadam, gravel or cement; but we have come to know all too well that since the advent of the automobile no limitations road is worth putting down. In the corn belt, about the only road material we have, outside of our dirt roads, is limestone. The "best" road is better in the end than macadam, because it will correct the strain of automobile travel. The cement road is yet in the experimental stage. The gravel road is only possible where gravel is near. Hence the great majority of our farm folks must travel to and from the church and school, and wherever they go, on dirt roads.

If the dirt road is first properly drained to take off the water that comes in from below or from the side, if it is properly graded up and there are good, permanent culverts and bridges, and it is then properly dragged, the dirt road is good enough for some months in the year, and longer. If the above conditions are complied with, it is better during most of that time than any macadam or brick road that ever was built.

Some of our readers will say: "Oh, you are singing that old song again. You are talking about the drag." Very, we are. In our recent trip west, we have been glad to see that farmers in Ohio and Pennsylvania are dragging, says Wallace's Farmer. Although the drag is not as useful there as here, it is nevertheless using the drag.

There is no one dragging the road until it has been drained and rounded up with the scraper; but after that is done, the drag is the best tool that can be used. Our readers who have automobiles often find during the summer that the longer a road that is a delight; and then they run onto a place where the supervisors evidently had no suspicion, a piece of road that comes about six years of proper drainage, but dragging improves it from the start, and in time the clay of the road becomes almost like brick, but at the same time smooth, so that the wheels of the road are oval and well drained, it is an ideal road.

Our farmers who do not want to take their wives and families over bumpy, bumpy roads, and make them disgusted every time they go to church or to town, should see to it that the longer a road that is a delight; and then they run onto a place where the supervisors evidently had no suspicion, a piece of road that comes about six years of proper drainage, but dragging improves it from the start, and in time the clay of the road becomes almost like brick, but at the same time smooth, so that the wheels of the road are oval and well drained, it is an ideal road.

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