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FOREST SURVEY

Prof. O. L. Sponsler Reports That Three-Fourths of the Wood-Lots Are Valueless.

Some interesting discoveries were made last summer in a forest and wood-lot survey under the direction of Prof. O. L. Sponsler, of the foreatry department of the U. of M. The counties of Wayne, Washtenaw, Monroe, Jackson, Hillsdale and Lenawee were thoroughly examined and deplorable conditions were found to exist in all of them.

It was ascertained that over three-fourths of the wood-lots are of no value to the farmers. There is on the average only four cords of wood produced to every 10 acres of wood-lot, where at least one cord should be produced to every acre. One-fifth of the lots contain trees under 20 years old. Thus it will take nearly 20 years to bring these lots into proper shape. Out of 600 farms examined, 93 per cent of the wood-lots were used as pasture, making it impossible for any young stuff that with proper care would take the place of the trees, to grow. Out of 600 lots examined over 60 per cent were in poor condition and only four per cent were in good shape. This means that in two decades it will be necessary for the farmer to purchase all his fuel unless many more trees are planted and good care is taken of those wood-lots already existing.

Professor Sponsler and his assistant, Mr. E. A. Gallup, are not only trying to help the farmer, but they are also performing a great service for the furniture manufacturer. Manufacturing plants send out men to look for certain kinds of wood. The survey aims to make maps describing the various forests in the different parts of the state, thos enabling scouts to find the kinds of lumber they desire without much difficulty.

An attempt will also be made to show why certain types of forests are located in certain sections of the state. This will enable farmers to plant the kinds of trees that will grow best.

Irritable Children Often Need Kickapoo Worm Killer.

There is a reason for the disagreeable and fretful nature of many children. Think of the unrest when the child's body is possessed by tiny worms sapping its vitality and clogging its functions. Whatever may be the cause—that children have worms is a fact. Your child's peevishness and irritability have a cause. Give Kickapoo Worm Killer a chance and if worms are there this humanly-harmless remedy will eliminate the annoying parasites. 25c a box.—Adv.

EVANGELISTIC BAND

A band of seven or eight young men together with their pastor, Rev. W. G. Coltman, of Highland Park Baptist church, will begin a week of special gospel meetings next Monday evening at the Baptist church.

Rev. Coltman is chairman of the evangelistic committee of the Detroit Baptist Association and has trained these young men of his church to do evangelistic work in the association as opportunity may offer.

They will hold their first meeting with the church here and a most cordial invitation is given to the public and to the members of other churches to join with us when the services do not conflict with their own church duties. The services will begin at 7:45 each evening with a song service under the direction of the young men.

Went to the Hospital.

C. E. Blanchard, Postmaster, Blanchard, California, writes: "I had kidney trouble so bad I had to go to the hospital. Foley Kidney Pills completely cured me." Men and women testify they banish lame back, stiff joints, sore muscles and sleep-disturbing bladder ailments. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

BAPTIST CHURCH NOTES.

EASTERN TIME

Sunday morning, preaching 10:30.
Bible school at 11:45 a. m.
Juniors at 3:00 p. m.
B. Y. P. U. at 6:30 p. m.
Evening preaching service at 7:30
Wednesday evening prayer meeting at 7:30.
All are welcome.

G. L. CONLEY, Pastor.

Complexion Blemish?

Yes, that sluggish liver often causes it. Dr. King's New Life Pills clear the complexion, throw off impurities and release bile naturally and easily. Unless the bowels move freely and regularly all the powder in the world will not permanently cover "that muddy complexion." This laxative is mild yet effective. It does not gripe or sicken in its effects. You will not dispute the merits of Dr. King's New Life Pills. Start a treatment today. 25c. —Adv.

Only Ten?

Jones says his wife is the most thrifty woman he ever knew. "Why, sir," he says, "she has made ten bedspreads during the last two years; made them herself, sir, out of the samples she collected in her shopping tours during that time."

TREE TRIMMING

Trees Benefitted by Trimming Given Them by Telephone Companies Farmers Acknowledge.

A few years ago when a representative of the telephone company proposed to a farmer the trimming of trees along the telephone line there was a great deal of objection on the part of the farmer. The farmer thinks a great deal of his trees and he feared the result of trimming.

The conditions have changed and it is the general impression of telephone men that the willingness of the farmer today to have the trees trimmed is the result of the careful attention that has been given to the trimming of trees by the telephone companies, and in addition to that, the knowledge that the farmers have today of the troubles caused on telephone wires by tree interference. The knowledge on the part of the farmers has been gained through their own experience in operating telephone lines. In nearly every section of the state farmers have organized companies and have constructed telephone lines to the city limits and there connected with the switchboards of the telephone companies. The keeping of the lines in condition is under these circumstances up to the farmers themselves, and they upon entering the business learned of the great difficulty of giving service when the lines were in the tree. The farmers have also discovered that the telephone company generally employ experts in tree trimming and that instead of damaging the trees there has been a real benefit to the trees from proper trimming. Not only is the appearance improved, but the trees after trimming show a much more healthy growth. The farmer has always appreciated that his fruit trees require trimming if he is to obtain the maximum crop of fruit, and he now realizes that there is just as great a necessity for trimming the shade trees.

Colds Do Not Leave Willingly.

Because a cold is stubborn is no reason why you should be. Instead of "wearing" it out, get sure relief by taking Dr. King's new Discovery. Dangerous bronchial and lung ailments often follow a cold which has been neglected at the beginning. As your body faithfully battles those cold germs, no better aid can be given than the use of this remedy. Its merit has been tested by old and young. Get a bottle today. 50c and $ 1.—Adv.

Garrick Theatre.

"Within the Loop"

One of the biggest and most promising entertainments to be offered in Detroit in a long time will be "Within the Loop," which can boast of special preparation for a big Chicago run and which Detroit is to have a chance to see ahead of Chicago itself at the Garrick theatre on next Monday evening for a week's engagement. Dave Lewis, who gave Chicago so many pronounced successes of this kind at the LaSalle theatre during seasons past, notably in "Don't Lie to Your Wife" and "September Morn," has been the inspiring spirit in the construction of "Within the Loop," while Harry Carroll, one of the most popular song writers of America today, has written all of its music, consisting of a grand aggregate of 34 musical numbers. Almost everybody knows Carroll's "Trail of the Lonesome Pine," "The Girl in the Heart of Maryland" and "Down in Bom-Bombay." In the large cast, which comprises 125 picked principals and chorus, will be, besides Mr. Lewis and Mr. Carroll who will give his unique piano specialty, such popular funmakers as Frances Kennedy, Anna Wheaton, Muriel Windowe, Mercedes Lorenze, Luella Gear, Lucille Todd, Robert Emmett Keane, James Duffy, Henry Coote, Eddie Coe, Bobby Watson and Gilbert Gregory.

Made Over Again.

Mrs. Jennie Miner, Davidson, Indiana, writes: "I can truthfully say Foley Cathartic Tablets are the best I ever used. They are so mild in action, I feel like I had been made over again." They keep stomach sweet, liver active and bowels regular. They banish constipation, indigestion, biliousness, sick headache. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

ADVERTISED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at Birmingham Michigan, Postoffice on December 4, 1915.

Crandall, Mrs. S. A. C.
Denly, Mr. and Mrs. Garner
Darling, Fred
Leadridge, Charles
Petron, Cristo
Rodenbo, Miss Lettie
Rigsley, Mrs. G. R.
Smith, Frederick F.
Serts, Fredrick
Sulge, Mrs. Willie
Silverwood, John
Taylor, Mrs. Carmen
Wallace, Harry

Persons calling for any of the above letters will please say "advertised."

GEORGE H. MITCHELL, P. M.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Many New Books of Fiction, Encyclopedias and Dictionaries Have Been Received Recently.

Among the new books at the public library is one called "Schools of Tomorrow." We are working more and more away from the idea of compulsory education, which has given Germany a higher rate of suicide among school children than any other nation of the world. A gentleman one day told us of a year when he for some reason did not go to school, but spent most of his time in the public library, and thought he learned just as much there. Now, we are not decrying school attendance, by any means, but only wish to tell you what a lot of books for boys and girls and older people, for the people of Birmingham, may be had at the public library just for the asking. Plenty of stories, plays, history, biography—nearly anything you want in English literature.

In reference work we have several fine sets of encyclopedias, the new International among them; also biographical dictionaries and the 1915 Webster's International Dictionary (much used by those studying botany, by the way). Altogether, we feel quite proud of our 5,000 or so books. Come in and see them.

The following is a list of new books just received: Around Old Chester, Deland; Foolish Virgin, Dixon; Measure of a Man, Barr; Secret History, Williamson; Mr. Bingle, McCutcheon; Lovable Meddler, Dalrymple; Rainbow Trail, Grey; Julia Page, Norris; Seahawk, Sabatini; Bent Twig, Canfield; Heart of the Sunset, Beach; Research Magnificent, Wells; Me, Anonymous; Fortunes, of Gorin, White; Rose O' Paradise, White; Minnie's Bishop, Birmingham; Marooning of Pegsy, Daulton; Cynthia, Deland; Lost Prince, Burnett; Maid of '76, Knipe; Two Little Women, Wells; Boy Scouts of Snowshoe Lodge, Holland; Camp Fire Girls at Brightwood, Blanchard; Cinder Pond, Rankin; High Priestess, Grant; Way of These Women, Oppenheim; Living up to Billy, Cooper; Scouts of Tomorrow, Dewey; Legends of Christmas, Smith.

Our "Jitney" Offer—This and 5c.

Don't miss this. Cut out this slip, inclose with 5c to Foley & Co., Chicago, Illinois, writing your name and address clearly. You will receive in return a trial package containing Foley's Honey and Tar Compound, for coughs, colds and croup; Foley Kidney Pills, and Foley Cathartic Tablets. Sold everywhere.—Adv.

SCHOOL NOTES

HIGH SCHOOL

The foot ball game with U. of D. High School was a more spirited affair than would be indicated by the score of 20 to 0. The slippery field slowed up the plays and made it difficult to gain ground on end runs.

The Literary Society election on Friday afternoon resulted as follows: President, Ray Wingar; vice president, Martha Rosso; treasurer, D. A. Green; doorkeeper, Don Skrine. The first meeting of the society will be held Thursday evening, December 2, in the High School room.

Grant and Ellwood Bunting have been absent for the past two weeks on a trip to the east. They expect to visit New York, Washington, D. C., and other places of interest.

Lee Dunham has left school. His parents have moved to Baton Rapids and he will enter High School there.

A stereopticon has been purchased by the Board of Education and will be used in both buildings.

Milton Betz has a fine new cornet. It is hoped someone will try to learn to play the flute or piccolo, as the orchestra needs one or both of these instruments badly.

BARNUM SCHOOL

The Seventh grade are studying magnetism and electricity.

Tony Duchess entered the Sixth grade last week.

The Fifth grade gave their Thanksgiving program Tuesday afternoon.

Katherine Trumbull was the last one standing in the Sixth grade spell down last week. Norma Clark stood second.

ST. JAMES' CHURCH NOTES

Rev. F. F. Kraft, Rector.

Services for the first Sunday in Advent:

Holy Communion at 7:15 a. m.
Bible School at 9:45 a. m.
Morning service at 10:45.
A cordial welcome to you.

No Mere Ornament.

Singing includes deep inspiration and expiration; muscular action; increased circulation; joyous and intelligent interpretation—bringing smiles and tears. Song is thus lifted to its rightful place of activity and accomplishment, and is not the ephemeral ornament that many suppose.

FREE DELIVERY

Postmaster Mitchell Rises to Remark That Interest of Patrons Seems to Have Died Out.

A short time ago the spirit for free delivery of mail to the citizens of Birmingham, the beautiful, seemed to pervade the land Today General Apathy seems to have the whole enterprise in hand. The desire looks like it had burned itself out and we are just jogging along as usual. There are two citizens who are alive and working and those are the ex-postmaster, John Hanna, and the present incumbent, and they won't lay down until this great benefit is assured to our people. Mr. Hanna is still passing around the petition, and all who wish to sign up are invited until the evening of November 30 to call in at the postoffice and affix their name to this good work. Women free-holders as well as the men folks.

Our sister village, Royal Oak, has it and worked for this end for the past four years, but we hope that we won't have that long wait. It is not just the proper thing for the postmaster to solicit names, but rather than to see the proposition die a still-born death he will try to get names to send to the powers that be at Washington.

One thing that all can do is to trade here at home. The merchants feel that so many people of this town are buying their supplies outside of town hurts their business. The same can be said of the postoffice. The salary is based on the amount of sales, and Birmingham would naturally become a free delivery office if the sales amounted to $10,000.00 per year. The sales this year will pass $7,000.00. It would be a great deal more if all patrons of this office bought their stamps right here at home.

One knocker was heard to remark that the reason Mitchell wanted free delivery was that he would get more salary. That makes no difference. If the sales of the Birmingham postoffice are more this year than last by one thousand dollars, the salary automatically raises one hundred dollars to the postmaster. If it fails back lower than the mark now set that makes the salary amount, then the salary lowers one hundred dollars.

Rural patrons can help their carriers by buying all their stamps from the carrier. It all helps.

So if you want Birmingham to have free delivery patronize the office. If enough patronage comes then we will have free delivery without asking or petitioning for it. But if we want it right away then we have to ask it as a favor, and try and get what is styled an Experimental Free Delivery, which can be had if we put up a strong enough petition and words strong enough to cause the Washington people to give us the great benefit. Enough said.

OBITUARY.

ALFRED ANDREW DEER

Alfred Andrew Deer, son of Frank and Sarah Deer, was born in Port Burwell, province of Ontario, Canada, September 1, 1855. He was one of 11 children, seven sons and four daughters, eight of whom are still living. At the age of 22 he was married to Miss Penelope Malcolm, at Tillsonburg, Ontario, near which, on various farms they made their home until coming to Birmingham about 10 years ago.

To Mr. and Mrs. Deer were born seven sons and three daughters, all of whom survive their father. Mr. Deer was not in good health when he came to Michigan, and for a number of years has been increasingly a sufferer. Especially during the last months of his life hours of comfort were rare; and while to many who were bereaved by his going the sense of loss is hard to bear, to him it has brought blessed relief from distress.

Our sympathy is shared by many friends for those who mourn, and particularly for the daughter now recovering from an operation at the hospital who could not be with the others to bid her father farewell.

Funeral at the home at Birmingham, November 22, conducted by Cassius E. Wakefield, pastor of the First M. E. church.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish publicly to express our appreciation and sincere gratitude for the many tender expressions of sympathy and the kindness shown us during our recent sickness and bereavement, for the beautiful floral offerings, to the singers and the minister for his kind words.

MRS. ALFRED DEER.
MR. AND MRS. EUGENE DEER.
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MISS FLOSSIE DEER.
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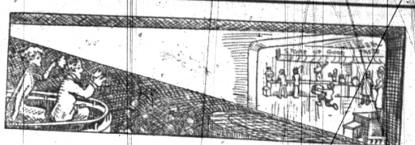

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The Point of View.

The astronomers say they have discovered a sun that is 2,000 miles wide. And just we suppose it doesn't look any bigger to an astronomer than a ten-spot does to most people.—Houston Post.