

FRANKLIN

Miss Doris Facer spent the week end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Tidderington at Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shaw and family were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Chrysler and family at Detroit, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Gray had their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stockwell and family, and Mrs. Merle Eastman and family and Mrs. Frances Jones of Detroit.

The meeting of the 4-H Sewing Club was held at the home of Mrs. Earl Shaw, Monday night.

Mrs. William Walker of Hadley spent a few days last week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bingham, on the Thirteenth Street Road.

Mr. Ralph Blackburn of Detroit, formerly of Birmingham, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Shaw and family, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Gray and children spent a day last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Freeman at Pontiac.

Preparations are being made by the teachers of the Franklin School, Mrs. Elizabeth Robbins and Mrs. Gladys Luce, for a Christmas program to be given by the pupils, on Friday evening, Dec. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Orion Everett of Bedford visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roediger, Tuesday.

OPENS BLOOMFIELD FORGE
H. F. Busch, Jr., has announced the opening of the new Bloomfield Forge, at 727 Purdy street, where he will cast ornamental works in iron. Mr. Busch says that he will manufacture fireplace boxes, lighting equipment, stair rods and other iron fixtures for the homes.

By An Eccentric Classified Ad.

The Vision of Christmas

It is surely more than most that vision that entered the Christian's faith about a Child. Little children, with their laughter and tears, their joys and their sorrows, touch the better instincts of all mankind. For of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.

It is again the center of the family, and the family is the center of the true spirit of Christmas. The radiance of Christmas shines into every crevice of human life, but only those about the family hear those know the full glow of its enlivening warmth.

It is the instinct which prompts an at Christmas time, to draw the family together and be once again as little children. Then the aspirations of the heart end: the cares and hindrances of life cease their clamor, and Love settles upon the family circle. Even the empty chair may have its occupant of the spirit, and the touch of a vanished hand may be felt by the soft stirrings of the Night of Peace.

THE REAL Vision of Christmas is lost to those who fail to see in the family circle the symbol of the greater group—the Family of Mankind—and to catch in this season of goodwill on earth some glimpse of the Larger Brotherhood. Slowly, for nearly two thousand years, that Vision has been taking form. Although from time to time eclipsed, it invariably returns, burning over every cloud of war and hatred, a little brighter, a little nearer, a little more defined. Whenever the call of sudden disaster or spectacular suffering is heard, generous hearts in every land respond. And in millions of distant instances, mercy is not strained and charity springs protecting wings as gently as falls the dew from summer skies.

It HAS ordained Christmas that once a year the harmonies of Heaven may fall on ears unsealed by selfishness, on hearts miraculously softened from the hardness of the daily grind, that in that hour of peace may come a clearer vision of the Brotherhood of Man.

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BIG BEAVER

Mr. and Mrs. W. Fall of Clawson were Thursday guests of Mrs. Theresa Harris and daughters.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Simpson and daughter, Madeline, spent last Sunday at Drayton as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hodson.

Mr. Harold Winters has been confined to his home by illness for the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman C. Orr attended a dinner and dancing party at Eastwood on Tuesday, Dec. 3.

Mrs. A. N. Dean will entertain the Thursday 500 Club at her home on Rochester road this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Forbes of Novi were Friday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Hardy and children of Boyd avenue.

Many young people of this community participated in the indoor track meet held at the Oak Ridge High School on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Forsythe of Dequindre road and Mr. R. E. Hale of Rochester, and Miss Grace Howlett were guests on Friday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ford.

Mrs. H. Harrigan and son, Billy, of Detroit, were Friday guests of her mother, Mrs. James Truesdale, of Rich street.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Miller of Ferdinand avenue, Detroit, were week end guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Welch of Boyd avenue.

Mr. George Breyfogle and Mr. Milton Barrett are recovering from injuries suffered Sunday in a tobogganing accident at Bloomer State Park.

The Brotherhood of the Big Beaver Methodist Church met Tuesday at the church and each young man was asked to bring six doughnuts. In the future the organization will meet once a month at various homes and at the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Marquis Harris of Boyd avenue were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Pyne of Ferndale. Mr. Clyde Pyne, also of Boyd avenue, also was a guest.

Mrs. R. V. Welch returned to her home last Sunday after spending a week at Armada at the home of her mother, Mrs. Carrie Drinkhorn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Tucker, formerly of Rochester road, are new residents of Boyd avenue. Mr. and Mrs. M. Harris of Boyd avenue, will make their home in Ferndale in the future.

Miss Grace Howlett and Mr. R. C. Hale of Rochester, were theater guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. Brown of Detroit last Wednesday evening. They attended the Cass Theater to see the four Marx brothers in "Animal Crackers."

Twenty-five young people attended the Epworth League at the Methodist Church on Sunday. The topic for the evening was, "Do

the heart and conscience work together?" A larger group is expected at the next meeting and all are invited.

Mrs. Mary Ford of Detroit was a Monday guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Ford of the Sixteen-Mile road.

Mr. Palmer Howlett and daughter, Grace, were Thursday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dolan of Hickory drive, Crescent Lake.

A PEACEFUL WORKER LOOKS BACK AT WAR

(Continued from preceding page) grad after escaping from the Bolshevik prison.

Well, the diamonds were in Riga, I was in Berlin. How was I to get them? I had met a most charming American, the head of the Red Cross, Col. Ryan. I

worked with Colonel Ryan to aid unfortunate prisoners of war with food and clothing.

Colonel Ryan had a mission to perform in Riga and asked me to accompany him. This gave me my opportunity, needless to say I grasped it. Under the protection of the American flag I dug up my hidden diamonds which had escaped detection. These diamonds were my sole means of support for a long time, in fact, they helped to pay my passage to this country, finally.

I came here purely on a visit never expecting to remain.

Fate plays us strange tricks—yesterday Petrograd—today Birmingham. Yesterday—carefree, wealthy with no thought of what lay ahead. Today—sadder, wiser, but nevertheless happy—that I have found a haven in a country free from strife and revolution.

Boys Are Offered Training Course

Owing to the increased demand being made upon men to take positions of leadership in the various luncheon clubs and organizations, the Community House will offer an opportunity for young men of Birmingham to get training for leadership in club work. Mr. Yaple will be in charge of the group.

He proposes to give the young men training in Public Appearance. The group will take up parliamentary procedure, public speaking, and discussion of current topics. All young men between the ages of 18 and 25 are invited to join the group. This will be held at 7:30 on Thursday evenings.

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