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By MINNIE HUNT SALTZER

The William Camp house on the south west corner of Saginaw and Brown Streets has been described. The Camp barn stood on the east side of the alley and about twenty-five feet south of Brown Street. There were several berry bushes in the north east corner of the Camp property. Before her arrival in 1881 Mrs. Maude Camp had a swing in the Camp barn and I have often been told that she would swing until her toes touched the upper floor of the barn. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Staley's home was the west side of the alley. Mr. Staley and Mr. Wesley Fair were, for many years, painters in the Painting and Decorating business. The Staley children were Allie, and Fred, Minnie, Florence and Anna. The sons passed on years ago. Florence has been a successful teacher for a number of years.



Mrs. Saltzer

Minnie married a son of Mrs. Aurilla Wilson. Mrs. Wilson was the Matron of the Woman's Rest Room, in the north east corner of the Court House basement for a long time. I believe this portion of the Court House is now used as offices by Prosecuting Attorney Pence.

Anna is the wife of Mr. Major Jones. Mr. Jones came to Birmingham with his parents and his sister Zeida, and brother Harry about 1900 and lived on the south side of James Street. The Staley home had double doors at the outside entrance to the reception hall and the upper half of the doors were of stained glass, in a basket design. One day some of the neighborhood children were playing with the Staley children out in front of the house, and some one broke the glass in one of the doors. Mrs. Staley felt very badly about the mishap but she did not scold. Mr. Staley's return home, with fear and trembling and kept well until he was recalled to Birmingham. However, nothing was said to us about it and the glass was replaced by the artist of Newcastle. I never recall the incident until a sister of mine told me the pattern of that glass.

Between 1881 and 1886 Mrs. Clarissa Alger, mother of John Alger, built a home at the west side of the Staley property. It seems to me that Mrs. Alger was sister of Mrs. Lester Stanley. Mrs. Alger's former home was the old red brick house on East Maple Avenue which has for years been the property of Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Plumstead. For years, Mr. Plumstead was a nationally known entertainer and reader.

The Plumsteads are the parents of Mrs. Juanita Erwin, who is the wife of Lewis Erwin, and also of Charles, Phillip and Donald Plumstead. Charles Plumstead was the husband of Mrs. Carol Hayes Plumstead and was actively interested in the civics of the town.

A family named Shultz, or Shoutly, I cannot be sure about this name, lived in a cottage that stood on the property west of the Alger home, on Brown Street. I recall one of the children who was a cute little chap about two and a half years old. He would run away and come up to the alley and Nolle and me and though we often tried to tease him he was always sweet tempered and giving. This property was purchased by Mrs. Grace Arthur McKinney, widow of James A. McKinney.

Mr. and Mrs. James A. McKinney owned a farm in Southfield Township. Their children were Lizzie, Jennie, Mary Ida, Verna, Ed and Renwick. Lizzie is the widow of Mr. Adam Grey, who was a rural carrier for a long time. Their children are Leslie and Preston. Jessie was a valued assistant in the office of the Oakland County Treasurer's Office for many years and still lives in Pontiac as does her brother Leslie. Mrs. Grey lives in Detroit with her son Preston, who is in business there. Mrs. Jennie Lawson lives in Royal Oak and is a member of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. One of her sons is James Lawson.

Mrs. Mary Good passed away several years ago. Mrs. Ida Parks is the wife of Mr. Charles Parks and is the mother of Norman Parks. She resides in Royal Oak with her husband and Charles works in Detroit. Verna is Mrs. Verna Patterson.

Renwick McKinney is the husband of the former Miss Nettie Young, sister of Mrs. Jerry Russell (Maude Young) of Silver Lake. Miss Margaret Young of Birmingham (Aida Young), Nettie's daughter, Mrs. Mildred McKinney Boardman.

Ed McKinney is the husband of Mrs. Ione Bassett McKinney. Mrs. Grace McKinney had a new modern house built on her Brown Street property and this two young daughters, Ida and Verna. I believe that this house was later the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parks and their daughter. Mrs. Parks was the former Miss Allie Converse, daughter of Mr. E. B. Converse, of Pontiac, and of the late Mrs. Anna Ford Converse.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Parks live in Denver, Colo. Their daughter is married and lives in California.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—In the Probate Court for the County of Oakland. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Pontiac, this said County, on the 29th day of May, A. D. 1936.

Present: Hon. Dan A. McGuffey, Judge of Probate. The Matter of the Estate of Sarah Sillman, Deceased. Harry Sillman, administrator of said estate having filed in said Court his final account and petition for discharge and allowance thereof, do hereby order that the same be read and assessed at the residence of said estate at 11:30 o'clock, on the 30th day of May, A. D. 1936. It is Ordered That the 29th day of May, 1936, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition. That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three consecutive weeks preceding said day of hearing in the Birmingham Evening Post newspaper printed and circulated in said County. DAN A. MCGUFFEY, Judge of Probate.

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Peck's Store Starts Sale This Morning

Starting this morning, Peck's Store, located at 108 Woodward Avenue, is holding a clothing sale to play off the contract to the administrator of the estate of Chas. R. Peck, deceased. It was announced that the sale would continue until the entire present stock was completely sold out.

Charles R. Hammel of the C. S. Norton Sales Service of Chicago has been employed to handle details of the sale and dispose of the stock. All prices have been drastically reduced and many exceptional values are offered to the public, it was stated.

Church News

First Baptist Church, Wilkes at Bates St. Rev. L. Earl Jackson, Minister. Sunday School, 10:30 A. M. A one-hour service, Victory choir and soloists. Sunday, June 7, 10:30 A. M. Church school classes of all grades meet at 4:30 P. M. at the church building. All are invited to attend. Services on Wednesday before and after the day of Pentecost.

Christian Science Church, Chestnut and Willis Streets. Church each Sunday at 10:30 A. M. Wednesday 4 P. M. Church school classes of all grades meet at 4:30 P. M. at the church building. All are invited to attend. Services on Wednesday before and after the day of Pentecost.

Christ the Only Cause and Creator will be the subject of the Lenten service of all Christian Science Churches throughout the city on Sunday, June 7, at 10:30 A. M. Among the Bible citations in this program are: "For ye have not commanded the light to shine out of darkness, but ye have been the first to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of the only true God, Jesus Christ."

First Methodist Episcopal Church, Lincoln near Woodward. Rev. Dr. R. D. Hopkins, pastor. Sunday School, 10:30 A. M. Morning worship, 11:15 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Church for children.

St. James Episcopal Church, W. Center at Woodward. Rev. Dr. R. D. Hopkins, pastor. Sunday School, 10:30 A. M. Morning worship, 11:15 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Church for children.

Redeemer Lutheran Church, Lincoln near Woodward. Rev. Theodore W. Wagner, Jr., pastor. Sunday School, 10:30 A. M. Morning worship, 11:15 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Church for children.

Holy Name Catholic Church, Harmon at Woodland. Rev. A. J. Bennett, Assistant Pastor. Sunday Masses, 7:30, 9, 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Daily Masses, 7, 8 and 9. Holy Communion by appointment. Confessions: Saturdays from 4 to 8 P. M. and from 7:30 to 9 A. M.

Calvary Church (Undernominational), Severn in 14 St. Woodward Ave. Sunday School at 10. Young people meeting, 8 P. M. Evening devotion, 7:45 P. M. South Woods. Prayer meeting at home of J. D. Schuler, 655 Forest avenue, Tuesday, 7:45 P. M.

United Presbyterian Church, Miss Janet G. Kerr, Bible school. Sunday Services, 10:30 A. M. Morning worship, 12:15 P. M. Family devotional service, 7:30 P. M. Prayer meeting Wednesday, 7:30 P. M. at the homes of congregation members.

Embury Methodist Church, Bond at Woodland. Rev. Ernie King, pastor. Church School, 10:30 A. M. Morning worship, 11:15 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Church for children.

Christ Church, Conraback. Rev. W. B. Marston, pastor. Rev. Robert W. Woodroffe, Jr., vicar. Holy communion, 9 A. M. each Sunday and 11 A. M. first Sunday of each month. Morning prayer and sermon, 11 A. M. Church school, Guild Hall, division, 11 A. M. Services, 8 P. M.

First Presbyterian Church, North Woodward at Euclid Avenue. W. Clarence Wright, M. A., pastor. Children's Day service will be conducted on Sunday, June 7. This is the annual joint service of adults and youth of the churches of our suburb. Features will be demonstrations by primary children. The children's presentation of the Bible and the Map, under the direction of Mr. Franklin W. Whitney. Christian Conference will convene at 6 P. M. Regular services of Sunday school and morning worship at 9:15 and 11 each week through the summer.

Franklin M. E. Church, Rev. Francis Wilson, Pastor. Morning Worship, 11:15 A. M. Sunday School, 10:30 A. M. St. Hugo of the Hills Church, The Rev. Daniel T. Whitham, pastor. Morning, 10:30 A. M. and Evening, 7:30 P. M.

Red Cross Annual Dinner Meet Held

The Oakland County Chapter of the American Red Cross had as their speaker for the annual dinner meeting of June 3, Mr. F. A. Winfrey, assistant manager of the Milwaukee Branch, St. Louis, Mo. He told of the service which the Red Cross gave to the communities where the floods raged during the past spring. Film depicting Disaster Relief, which was shown at the National Red Cross convention, was also shown at this meeting which was held at Hotel Heldenbrand, Pontiac.

Mr. Winfrey has had a major role in many of the largest disaster relief operations in Red Cross, particularly the Mississippi flood of 1927. The sales-splendor of 1931, Gulf Coast hurricane of 1933, and Spring floods and tornadoes of 1936.

FOREIGN TELEPHONE CALL RATES LOWERED

Effective July 1 rates for telephone calls to most foreign countries will be reduced substantially, according to W. B. Palmer, local manager for the Michigan Bell Telephone Company. Notice of the reduction has been filed with the Federal Communications Commission at Washington.

The reductions will apply to both day and night rates and to new reduced Saturday rate will be established. The reductions will be effective on calls made to 41 of the 67 countries that can be reached by overseas radio telephone from any Michigan point. With proportional reductions from all points in the Bell System. Reductions also will be made in rates to points in Cuba, which are reached by means of deep sea cable from Key West.

EGGS MUST BE KEPT COOL. POULTRY DEPT. WARNS

Thousands of dozens of Michigan eggs will be spoiled by hot weather unless attention is paid to proper gathering and cooling. Eggs must be kept in temperatures below 60 degrees at all stages of the marketing process from the time the egg is laid until it is eaten. This is the advice of the poultry department at Michigan State College, East Lansing. Since Michigan starts twelfth in the nation in egg production with an annual yield of over one and a quarter million dozen eggs, the problem of keeping eggs cool is one worth attention in warm weather.

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