

AUGUST 1921 Grass Lake News Articles

Local & Personal News

Trist—A large crowd attended the social held at Ferdinand Siegrist's July 30. A very nice time reported by all. Little Holbert Fuller has recovered from an ill attack.

Waterloo—Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leigh Beeman, a son, Wilbur. Mother and babe are doing well.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wolfe and Mr. and Mrs. George Wolfe and their families attended the Wolfe reunion at Wamplers Lake Saturday.

Mr. O.D. Somerville, who has been the fireman of the big mixer laying the cement foundation of the great highway passing through Grass Lake had the three fingers of his left hand crushed Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Maute and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Maute attended the funeral services at Unionville, Tuscola Co., Mich., of a nephew Oscar Bitzer, a sergeant who died in France. His body was returned to the U.S.A. and the funeral services were held Sunday.

Village Council Orders Special Election—The Village Council has granted the citizens of Grass Lake the opportunity to vote upon the question of extending the width of the pavement six feet and curbing from the business section east over the hill to the D.J.&C. crossing. If you are not a registered voter you will have the opportunity to register at the Town Hall Aug. 20. The Election will be held Aug. 22. If you think that the curb and cement gutter is the best way to take care of this serious water problem on both sides of the hill which has been a constant source of expense to the village for years. Go to the polls and vote "Yes".

Miss Nina H. Zick who is having a two weeks vacation from her duties at the Peoples National Bank in Jackson, leaves Saturday with a party of friends for a motor trip to Houghton Lake. They will be gone ten days.

The Third Annual Jackson Co. Picnic will be held at Hague park August 11th. Sports for men and women, good speakers, no admission tickets, bring well filled picnic baskets. Barbeque lunch served for 15 cents per person. In the Tug of War contest the Township of Grass Lake has won the Loving Cup two years. If won this year they can keep the cup. All autos will be checked and coupons must be surrendered before taking car out of parking place. Last year 4300 cars representing a value of more than \$4,000,000 were parked. The County Farm Bureau and the Chamber of Commerce are cooperating to make this a wonderful County Play Day. Every body welcome.

Miss Louise Merriman, assistant at the Girls Industrial Home at Adrian, spent the week end at her home in Grass Lake.

Miss Elizabeth Lemm, Matron of the Methodist Children's Home in Detroit, is a guest of her mother, Mrs. J.R. Lemm, at the farm home in Sharon.

Dr. Olthouse's bay mare won second money at the races in Jackson last week.

A watch dog is usually irritating to a few people, but as a rule he isn't bad for a community, and is seldom appreciated.

Dr. and Mrs. C.B. Wilcox and daughter, Virginia, and Miss Lillian Kalmbach, left Friday afternoon on their vacation trip by automobile to Niagra Falls, Buffalo and other eastern points.

We have a “public prosecutor”, why not a “public defender”? The idea and the work is growing. Plan to hear Rollo H. McBride tell how this great work is progressing, at the M.E. Church Sunday evening, Aug. 21. Take your pocketbook along. The admission is free, but you may feel that you would like to give your “mite” toward the support of this great cause.

Waterloo—The marriage of Miss Bessie Prentice, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Prentice and Milton Barber, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Barber, was quietly solemnized at the U.B. Church on Aug. 3. The happy couple left later on an auto trip to Ohio to visit friends and relatives. The best wishes of the community goes with them.

Leoni—Mr. August Lantis, highway commissioner of Leoni township, has commenced building a strip of road north of the Village between Hagaman’s corners and Wohlgemuth corners.

Francisco Village—Mrs. Emma Kalmbach and Mrs. Willeta Richards left Wednesday evening for northern Michigan to avoid hay fever.

Grace Jones is the proud possessor of a little Pomerain puppy.

We set our clocks ahead to save time, why not turn the thermometer down to save ice, and reverse the order to save coal.

Mr. Allan Sawdy, who served two years and eight month in the U.S. Navy, received his discharge Aug. 10th and is now at home.

The Huttenlocker reunion was held at the Portage Lake, Aug. 9. There were 60 in attendance. Four new members. A bountiful dinner was served. The day was spent in visiting.

The famous “DeWitt” Clinton locomotive and cars will stop in Grass Lake today at 12 noon for ten minutes. This is America’s first and most famous train and it has been on exhibition at the recent Pageant of Progress Exposition at Chicago. This exhibit will be drawn by the famous “999”, which formerly hauled the famous Empire State Express, and which established a record of 112.5 miles an hour in 1893.

The Wolverine which dashes through Grass Lake east every afternoon hit an automobile Sunday at the Guthrie crossing between here and Chelsea, severely injuring Miss Pearl Woodworth of Milford. It was another case of waiting for a freight to pass and then quickly driving on the track in front of a train coming the other way.

Thieves broke into Maurer’s garage Saturday night and stole three tires, a battery, some inner tubes, and also broke into Hazelschwerdt garage and stole two dollars in cash. No trace of them has been found.

Dr. J.D. Finlayson has accepted the position of teacher of Psychology at the U of M. He and his family will make their home in Grass Lake, occupying a part of the E.W. Crafts home.

AUCTION SALE—As we are now using tractors for all our heavy farm work, we have on hand a number of farm tools which we purchased for use with horses and for which we have no further use. These will be sold at public auction at the **Grass Lake Stock Seed Farm**, which is located 3 miles east of Grass Lake Village, on Friday, Aug. 19. Sale will begin promptly at 1 o’clock p.m.

There will be some Live Stock included in Sale.

8 Gale sulky gang plows, 2 bottom. 1 Gale sulky plow, single bottom. 1 John Deere sulky hillside plow. 5 Gale 15-A walking plows. 1 Thomas disc drill, fertilizer attachment. 1

Farmers Favorite disc drill, fertilizer attachment. 1 Farmers Favorite hoe drill. 1 Deering corn binder. 2 International manure spreaders. 1 McCormick grain binder, 5-ft. cut. 2 McCormick grain binders, 7-ft. cut. 1 Whirlwind silo filler, complete. 1 small power cutting box. 10 sets bob sleighs. 1 bean puller. 1 stalk cutter, new. 1 Gale corn drill. A number of sets of drags. Spring-tooth harrows, etc. 10 2-horse cultivators. 1 2-horse cultivator sulky. And many other items.

LIVE STOCK—Two Hampshire sows, pigs at side. 2 Hampshire sows, due very soon. 25 thrifty spring shoats, all barrows. 1 Holstein family cow, fresh.

TERMS OF SALE—All sums of \$10 and under, cash. All sums over \$10, 6 months' time will be given on approved, endorsed notes with interest a 6 per cent. 5 per cent off on all cash settlements.

GRASS LAKE STOCK SEED FARM, GEO. E. STARR, SUPT.
John Smith, Clerk Irving Kalmbach, Auctioneer

AD—A Treat for Grass Lake—ROLLO H. MCBRIDE, of Pittsburg, will Lecture Sunday Evening, Aug. 20, 7:30 o'clock, at the Methodist Church. Subject: "Making A Crooked Man Straight". Mr. McBride is a high priced Lyceum Lecturer of Note. His experience in the underworld puts him in the class with Billy Sunday. The City of Pittsburg has appointed him "Public Defender", the first one in the land. He is a cousin of O.J. McBride of Grass Lake. The Lecture is FREE. You will regret it greatly if you miss this.

Obituary -- Maud Hartley

Maud Hartley was born at Tekonsha, Mich. April 7, 1887, and died at Grass Lake, Aug. 14, 1921, being at the time of her death 34 years, 4 mos. and 7 days of age.

She was married to Albert Early, Oct. 14, 1903. To this union was born three children, Basil, Donald and Doris.

She is survived by her husband, three children, father, T. Hartley, and four brothers, Fred of Coldwater, Will, Claud and Roscoe of Jackson to mourn their loss, all of whom were in Grass Lake Tuesday, when a short service was held by Rev. W.J. Dudgeon, after which the remains were taken to Tekonsha where the funeral was held and the interment was made.

Obituary -- Henrietta M. Rhoades

Henrietta M. Rhoades was born Oct. 7, 1839 in the township of Freedom, Washtenaw Co., and died at Francisco, Aug. 4, 1921.

In 1858 she was united in marriage to Braton L. Doud, who death occurred June 7, 1913.

One child was born to this union, Charles E., whose tragic death in Francisco is well remembered by all.

Two sisters, Mrs. Hattie Cook and Mrs. Jennie E. Teeples, both of Francisco, survive her.

She was of a kind, thoughtful, home-loving disposition, never sparing herself in time or strength when ever she could lessen the cares or brighten the way for others. Though seldom mingling with the outside world, she leaves many friends who deeply feel the passing of this noble character.

Curb & Gutter Proposition Loses by Three Votes

The special election held Monday in Grass Lake for the purpose of deciding whether the citizens were willing to bond the Village for the purpose of building a curb and gutter on a portion of Main Street to take care of the serious water problem on the hill, resulted in the rejection of the proposition by three votes. A two thirds majority is required since the question only lacked three votes of this two thirds majority the vote shows that the people want this improvement. The vote stood 174 in favor and 91 against. We believe that this result is a very serious mistake for Grass Lake for in recently motoring some thousand mile in the east and many hundred miles on concrete pavement we do not remember a single town like Grass Lake which did not have cement curb and gutter.

Rev. Dudgeon Unanimously Invited To Return

The 4th Quarterly Conference of the M.E. Church was held at the church parlors Monday evening. Dr. A.B. Leonard, District Supt. was present and was greatly pleased with the splendid reports from every department of the church.

This has been one of the best years in the history of the local church and the Quarterly Conference by a unanimous vote requested the return of Rev. and Mrs. Dudgeon for another year. The church has enjoyed an increase of 112 in membership and stands one of the first six churches in the Pontiac District in the ratio of its Centenary offerings.

The election of church officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: Trustees—Eugene Close, C.B. Wilcox, D.A. Rowe, C.W. Wahl, W.T. Snyder, W.F. Campbell, F.G. Mellencamp. Stewards—John Lemm, Mr. and Mrs. Madison Davis, Clyde Kelly, F.H. Shelly, J.M. Rohrer, Steenie Hays, Olive Cadwell, H. B. Mellencamp, Raymond Crouch, Robert Struthers, C.R. Curren, Robert Lemm, H. Ordway, John Leeman, Max Irwin, Guy Gardner, C. Mosher.

Sunday School Supt. Roy Trevidick. President Ladies Aid, Mrs. E. Carter. President W.F.M.S. Miss Maggie Preston. President W.H.M.S., Mrs. A. Gardner.

Obituary -- John S. Field

John S. Field was born Aug. 14, 1847 and died at his home in Chicago, Aug. 17, 1921. Mr. Field was chairman of the Consumers Co. of Chicago and a member of the boards of directors of many railroads. He was a trustee of Dr. Gunsaulus' Central Church for many years. He is survived by a sister and brother. Ex Gov. Lowden and J. Ogden Armour were among his honorary pall bearers. Mr. Field was known to Grass Lake people as the owner of the Village Farm and the herd of Guernsey Cattle which made this farm famous.

Happenings in the World & State Tersely Told

A holy war has been proclaimed by the king of Hedjaz, as a measure assisting the Turkish nationalists in their fight against the Greeks in Asia Minor, says an Angora news.

A special Bolshevik automobile carrying six Americans who had been released from Russian prisons arrived in Estonia, where the American Red Cross will supply them with comfortable clothing.

Jack Ryan was killed and Pierce Ryan was probably fatally injured in a fight that was believed to have followed a moonshine party in the town of Texas, Wisconsin.

One Memphis, Tennessee, policeman was killed and three wounded by a posse of sheriff's deputies, which fired on them in mistake for robbers who earlier in the day shot and killed two policemen and wounded another.

President Harding, Secretary of the Treasury Mellon, House leaders and Republican members of the Ways and Means Committees at Washington slashed government as expenditures and revenue estimates to the tune of nearly \$600,000,000, and determined to create no new taxation.

Lansing—Men of 1861 who fought under General Custer will come together again at the twentieth annual reunion of Custer's Michigan Cavalry Brigade.

Lansing—Statistics show that in 1910 there were 7,519 Indians in Michigan. Statistics for 1920 show only 5,613. A high death rate and immigration to the west are assigned as reasons. The general death rate was 21 per 1,000 for 1920.

Houghton—Two men were killed and five injured when the party was buried under several tons of debris by a fall of rock in the Quincy mine here. The cave-in was caused by an air blast due to the sudden slipping of ore formations.

Menominee—Saw mills at Marinette and in this city suspended operations. Hundreds of men were laid off. High freight rates are blamed for the shutdowns.

Sixteen officers and men of the United States Navy and 27 officers and men of the British army met death in the collapse of the dirigible ZR-2, the "Titanic of the Air" at Hull, England. Every one of the Americans perished. Three British civilians who were aboard also perished, making a total of 47 dead. Only five of the 52 men who were making the trial trip prior to the vessel being turned over to the United States Navy are known to have been saved.