

SEPTEMBER 4, 1924.

GREENE-HAWKINS

A very pretty home wedding took place Tuesday at 4:00 p. m. Sept. 2nd 1924 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Hawkins, West Main St., when their daughter, Miss Hazel M. became the bride of Mr. Deon Greene, son of Mrs. Ida Greene of Ypsilanti. Rev. L. H. Cone of the M. E. church read the service, using the ring ceremony. The house was very prettily decorated with ferns and flowers. Only the immediate family of the bride were present. The bride wore a biege, Russian crepe gown and carried bridal roses. A wedding supper followed the ceremony, after which the bride and groom left for Detroit where they took a boat trip to Buffalo, the falls and other points of interest. They will be at home after Sept. 15th at Ypsilanti where the groom is connected with the First National Bank.

This wedding day was the 28th Anniversary of the brides parents Mr. and Mrs. Grant Hawkins.

The instructors are: B. L. Davis, Supt. and teacher of Science and Geometry. Del Brotherton of Escanaba, Prin. and Commercial teacher; Stewart A. Macnab, teacher of Latin and History; Bessie B. Grainger, English teacher.

Miss Kate Housler and Miss Frie-

da Surine are managing the Junior High School work. They report an enrollment of 24. Miss Ava Tubbs is in charge of the Intermediate room, where there is an enrollment of 35. Mrs. Powers takes charge again in the Primary room with 28 youngsters to look after.

SEPTEMBER 11, 1924.

Mrs. Laura Bridges Fay was born March 26, 1828 at Williamstown, Massachusetts.

For 16 years she was surrounded by the influence of Williams College. At the age of 16 her mother died leaving Laura the eldest of a large family to take the mother's place. The family soon moved to Prattsburg, N. Y. where she met Orlin P. Fay. In April of 1851 they married and came to Vermontville, Michigan. In this union two sons were born, both of whom died in early manhood. She lived here until the death of her husband in January, 1904, after which she made her home with a sister Mrs. Lucy Dunham at Manchester, Iowa, until four years ago she went to Grand Junction, Iowa, to live with a niece. From this home death called her on Sept. 6, 1924 at the age of 96 years, 5 months and 11 days.

During her long residence in Vermontville she was always active in the social life of the community, and was always interested and active in all lines of Church work, taking

special interest in missionary work. Both she and her husband were valued members of the Congregational Church Choir for many years.

Since her removal to Iowa and during her declining years she retained her interest in all these varied lines of activity. During the World War she did a large amount of knitting thus providing many comforts for the boys who were in the service. She was a member of the Relief Corps of Vermontville, and during her 20 years absence from here she has always kept up her dues in this organization. It may truly be said of her that a queen has gone to her coronation.

Funeral services were held at the Congregational Church on Tuesday at 2:00 p. m. Rev. Harold H. Rogers officiating.

Burial was made in the family lot in Woodlawn cemetery.

Mrs. H. H. Brown returned Saturday from a two weeks visit at Plainwell.

Miss Jennie Martin returned Monday from a visit with Mrs. George Downing at Holland.

OCTOBER 2, 1924.

DEDICATION OF HISTORIC MARKERS

First House Erected In 1837; First School House In 1838.

Hon. John C. Ketchum Tells of Ideals of Community Founders

The historical markers were presented to the town and community of Vermontville at an impressive service on Wednesday afternoon, October 1, 1924.

The opening number was a song by the pupils of Vermontville Schools. Following this came the Presentation Speech, delivered by Frank E. Hay, Worthy Master of the Vermontville Grange, No. 625, under whose direction the markers were obtained and erected. Mr. Hay briefly noted certain facts of historical interest. He called attention to the smaller marker emblematical of the smaller unit, the home; and of the larger marker which represents the larger unity of the community. Mr. Hay said: "Had it not been for the zeal and perseverance of the late Mr. Henry J. Martin, this enterprise would never have been started."

Mr. Arthur Crook delivered the speech of acceptance in behalf of the Village authorities.

The remainder of the exercises were conducted in the Congregational Church.

Mrs. Cone delighted her hearers with a vocal solo, "In the Days Gone by."

Mr. James H. McCotter, a direct descendant of one of the original settlers, was presented and discussed phases of the early life of the Community as he recalled it. He read three of the Articles of Association drawn up in Vermont by the emigrants in 1835.

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