

Lloyd Faust, Mrs Reed, Miss Mary Grant.

This is the only project in which the whole county can cooperate so let every one join and help make it a success.

**DR. NEIL McLAUGHLIN WILL BE GLAD TO GREET FRIENDS OLD AND NEW**

Dr. Neil McLaughlin is now nicely located in his dental parlors over the Lynn Grant garage and will be pleased to meet all his old friends and to make many new ones.

The people of the town and vicinity surely appreciate having a dentist here as it has been very inconvenient to drive several miles to have dental work done.

Our last resident dentist was Dr. H. W. Davis who left here about eighteen years ago and located in Jackson and who is still practicing in that city.

**ADMINISTRATEURS SALE**

I will sell at Public Auction July 29, 1933, commencing at 1:30 Eastern Time, the household goods formerly belonging to Amanda C. Sprague of South Main St., Vermontville, consisting of bedding, large and small rugs, electric pad, side board, oak bookcase, black-walnut table, walnut stand, walnut bureau, one-four piece walnut bed room suit, 1-3 piece bed room suit, books, canned fruit, etc. Cash Sale.

F. P. Sprague, Admr. Mrs. Beulah Hammond, Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. Edith Alsover and Miss Ethel Powers were guests of Mrs. Irma Inwood at their Thornapple Lake cottage Wednesday.

Dr. Edna Waack gave her final lecture here Wednesday afternoon. She said the Vermontville group was the largest in the county to attend her talks with about sixty at each meeting.

Mrs. Mary Morehouse and Mrs. Laura Satterlee visited the latter's children in Hastings last week Tuesday and Wednesday and helped Mr. and Mrs. Royal Meyers celebrate their wedding anniversary.

The Community Sunday School class was taught by Rev. Henry A. Lyon, Sunday, in the absence of the teacher, Mrs. W. L. Gebman. There were also three other out of town visitors in the class, Rev. Cedarholm of New York and Mr. and Mrs. Roe Stevens of Evanston, Ill.

The American Legion men who went to Dr. McLaughlin's cottage at Diamond Lake Wednesday for an over night fishing trip were E. H. Fields, C. E. Dickey, Dr. McLaughlin, Herman Hull, Lloyd Ep-ley, K. K. Ward, Tom Dancer, Ern-est, Hubert Wilson, Vance bride-her and Laurence Tubbs.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Strait were stalled in about three feet of water on one of Hastings' flooded streets Sunday afternoon during the storm. Mrs. Strait was obliged to get out of the car and wade in water up to her waist, and the men pushed the car out. Traffic was blocked there for some time. Their new Dodge was badly damaged from the water.

**Thursday, August 3, 1933**

**FORMER VERMONTVILLE GIRL IS WINNER**

The following account of the choir singing contest held at East Lansing last Friday as a part of the Farmers' Day program will be of special interest to our readers as the director of the winning choir was Greta Hayward Bettes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Hayward, who received her early training in music in Vermontville with Miss Jennie Martin as instructor. She is a graduate of V. H. S. class of 1917 and we are all justly proud of her in her varied accomplishments.

Sparta, July 29:- Entering the modest choir in the class A section in the R. E. Olds community choir singing contest at Michigan State college Friday, the Sparta Methodist group of nine won first honors. First prize totaled \$55.00 in cash.

Mrs. George W. Bettes, director, later was named secretary of the state choir directors association, which promotes choral singing.

The Sparta choir competed with 13 other prize winning groups.

Howard City Methodist, Mrs. H. Margaret Gaffield, director, won class B honors.

**MRS. C. F. LA FLEUR**

The deceased whose maiden name was Eva Abbott, was the daughter of Levi and Salome Abbott, and was born at White Oak, Ingham County, August 11, 1856.

At her home in White Oak, Oct. 16th, 1878 she was married to C. F. LaFleur, and the journey of fifty-five years of married life has been one of fond hopes and mutual satisfaction.

To them were born two sons, Claire of Waverly, N. Y. and Ernest of Vermontville, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Haskins of Battle Creek, friends of Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Edemum, have a novel method in which they distribute wedding gifts. They pilfered their own plane on a Vermontville Saturday in the early evening and dropped a useful present to the Colemans in their dooryard. We must admit that is service, but wouldn't exactly advise a set of dishes for the bride or an easy chair for the groom in that manner.

**FRED B. BENEDICT PASSED AWAY MONDAY**

Another well known former resident, Fred B. Benedict, was brought here for burial Wednesday. No one was better known in this village than he was prior to his departure for Battle Creek. He was the second son of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Benedict and was long identified with the grocery and elevator business here. We clip the following from the Battle Creek, Monday Moon Journal, but hope for a complete obituary next week.

Fred B. Benedict, 68, an employe of the Postum company for the last 25 years, passed away at 9 o'clock this morning at his home, 18 Orchard avenue, following an extended illness. Mr. Benedict came to this city 25 years ago from Vermontville. The deceased had been a Mason for many years, retaining his membership in the Vermontville Lodge, F. & A. M. Besides his widow, Mrs. Cora Benedict, he leaves a sister, Mrs. May Scarvell, of Greenville, Mich., and a brother Laurence Benedict of Grand Rapids. Funeral services will be held at 10 o'clock Wednesday morning at Farley's Funeral Home with Hiram German, Christian Science reader officiating. Interment will be in the Vermontville cemetery.

Eli Chatfield came home from Camp Custer Friday for a week end visit with his family. He expects to leave there soon for reforestation work.

Mr. and Mrs. Edson Fuller of Detroit came Friday to visit his mother Mrs. S. A. Fuller, and Saturday went to the northern part of the state for a little cutting.

Laurence Gardner of Battle Creek was in town over the week end and played ball with his old teammate Alton Faust and the Charlotte Independents, Sunday, winning from a Lansing team 8-4.

Mr. and Mrs. Jones Martin and daughter were over from Battle Creek Saturday evening and enjoyed the moving pictures while partaking of the ladies homemade ice cream and cake.

**Thursday, August 10, 1933**

Marthagene Biggs, in company with fifty other Charlotte people, returned last week Monday from the World's Fair and she joined the Square Deal girls at their camp at Crooked Lake, near Clare.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kroger and Frances and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kroger left Sunday for Chicago to attend the World's Fair and other places of interest.