

Mrs. E. D. Lake has been very ill but is slightly better.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Hawkins received word from their son Robert that he, in company with his foreman and another student were going to New Orleans, La. to attend the World's annual Mardi Gras celebration. He expects to be in La. the rest of February and my be longer.

Mr. and Mrs. Vance Barber and Mr. and Mrs. Keith Barber were in Grand Rapids attending the convention of the Michigan Apparel Club. There was a dance at the Pantlind Hotel which they attended.

Mrs. Roy Hager and children have moved to Lansing to keep house for John and June Kerlin. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kerlin have fine positions and Pat has had several fine offers there.

The members of the W. R. C. No. 107 met at the home of the president, Mrs. Gertrude Brown, on Saturday, Feb. 9th, to hold their regular meeting, and also to observe Lincoln's birthday, a short program being given.

### February 21, 1929

#### MRS. HARVEY HAWKINS

Jane Melissa Bradley was born in Beachburg, Ontario, March 9, 1857, the eldest daughter and one of nine children of David and Jane Bradley. She left for that Better Land, from her home in Vermontville, Michigan, on February 16, 1929, at the age of seventy-one years, eleven months, and seven days.

She came to Michigan in 1880 and was married to Harvey Hawkins in 1883. To this union were born two children, Ray and Hector.

Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Davis and son Donald of Jackson spent the week end with their parents Mr. and Mrs. Walter Davis.

Lloyd Faust has assumed the management of the local Kroger store and Von Northrup is working for the Wilson Lumber and Coal Company, taking Lloyd's place.

Mrs. D. D. Hess of Nashville, underwent an operation at Pen-nock hospital, Hastings, Monday forenoon. She is reported as doing as well as could be expected.

### Thursday, February 28, 1929

Miss Vera Loveland returned to Battle Creek Sunday night, after a week spent at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Loveland, on account of sickness.

Mrs. Jennie Sargent, sister of Mrs. C. S. Snell, who came here from Portland, Maine, in November, to spend the winter with Dr. and Mrs. Snell and Norena, passed away Friday morning after being confined to her bed a little more than a week, following the third paralytic stroke, the other two being light. Mrs. Sargent became a member of the local Womens Relief Corps and entered, when opportunity offered, into the social and religious activities of the community. She spent very happy hours visiting with the family and with new and old friends who called at the home. She had a very keen intellect, a sunny disposition, and was so friendly one felt they had always known her. She could not be called an old lady, even though she had passed her 80th birthday, for her heart was young, and her cheery voice and manner and her interest in the world and its advancements, made her seem much younger.

During her short sickness she was tenderly cared for by the family assisted by Mrs. Lizzie Lake. Her earthly life closed at 6:30 Friday morning, February 15th, 1929.

#### WORDS OF APPRECIATION

I wish to express my thanks this way

For a beautiful dish on my birthday. Filled with choice candy so nice and sweet

Which made the pretty gift very complete.

Then a dear sister from Lansing came

Mrs. Libbie Semans is her name With 81 candles to trim the cake It sure was a beauty and up to date.

Some of my friends, perhaps you've seen,

They are Norena and Maud and Clara Surine,

They are all loyal, patriotic and true. And have carried the flags of the red, white and blue.

Then later on, a friend who came Brought a plant with a pretty name A red cyclamen, ready to bloom, A beautiful plant to keep in my room.

One thing sure, I'll never forget The many dear friends, in life I have met,

To those dear friends, I can never repay

For their kindness in coming this way.

2-25-'29 S. A. Brown  
Boston, Mass., 8-21  
Providence, R.I.

Middleville—After 15 years in the employ of the Citizens and later the Michigan Bell Telephone Co. here as combination man C. L. Verne Hiar has recently been promoted to transmission inspector of the southern division. The plant department at a recent meeting in

Hastings presented Hiar with a cash gift in appreciation of his services.

### March 7, 1929

E. D. Lake received a call from Leila hospital Wednesday saying Mrs. Lake was much worse and left at once for Battle Creek, Glenn Lake and a Charlotte ambulance also went and Mrs. Lake was brought home. She has what is known as Addison disease—a kidney trouble—with no hope of recovery. The entire community is saddened. Mrs. Lake is one of the best loved residents of Vermontville.

Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Ilo Ferris were Charlotte visitors. Ilo went to see Dr. Vance who has drawn all his teeth and Mrs. Ferris visited her people. Mrs. William Ferris accompanied them, to consult an optician.

W. B. Thompson will tell you that the wind blew out at his farm home last night. It took the shingles off the north side of their house. At the former Homer Morgan farm, now owned by Glenn Dickinson and occupied by Phil Green, the barn doors were blown off and carried a hundred feet.

E. D. Lake was over to Nashville a couple of times last week to call on his father A. D. Lake and brother John E. Lake and family. June Lentz, six year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lentz of Chester township had her tonsils removed at Hall hospital, Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Weiler celebrated their 38th wedding anniversary last Sunday and entertained their sons Karl and Oliver and families and F. H. Thrun and family.

A terrible wind storm visited this section last night. The village was in darkness for about an hour—the lights coming on again at 8:20. No one missed the lights more than Mathews and Tubbs baby chicks as they didn't know what dark was. A drop of 30 degrees makes us realize that springs isn't here yet.

Mr. and Mrs. George Semans of Lansing and children, Mr. and Mrs. John Bahs, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bahs and son Carl of Castleton Center came Sunday to help Asa Brown celebrate his 82 birthday. The Center piece on the dinner table was a beautiful cake with 82 candles a gift from Mrs. Semans.