

Mrs. Lauren Dean is suffering with a severe attack of asthma, which it is thought was brought on by handling peaches.

Mrs. Bell Hall spent Saturday and Sunday with her daughter Anna and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas, in Lansing.

Mrs. W. J. Ferris accompanied her brother, Harry Kelley, wife and son, George on a motor trip, Sunday morning, to visit relatives in Ohio, and also to Niagara Falls. He and family are on the farm this week.

### Thursday, October 29, 1931

The monthly meeting of the Community Class of the Methodist Sunday School held Tuesday evening, October 27th, was attended by about seventy-five members and friends who all seemed in the best of spirits to enjoy the fine program prepared, which followed a short business session. Every number on the program was well rendered and the young people taking part showed much talent in their musical numbers and readings. Mr. Lent was master of ceremonies.

- Piano Solos—Theressa Merriam
- Heading—Lucile VanDerVeere
- Vocal Duets with Violin and Piano accompaniment—Margaret and Virginia Powers, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ford
- Reading—Christine Powers
- Piano Solos—Dorothy Hitt
- Vocal Solo—Edson Ford
- Piano Solo—Christine Powers

Mr. E. W. Stevens was called on for a few remarks and told something of the work of the class along serious lines, and the special service Ava Tubbs Kroger had given the church and Sunday School and after some very apt stories, in a pleasing manner presented Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kroger with a fine piece of furniture—a walnut table, book and magazine rack combined. Mr. and Mrs. Kroger both responded, expressing their thanks for the many nice things said by Mr. Stevens and the gift from the members and friends of the class.

The refreshment committee then served fried cakes, apples and cider and a social time was enjoyed.

Mrs. Lauren Dean was taken to University hospital, Ann Arbor, Friday. They found her trouble was in the lower part of her bronchial tube which was three or four times its normal size and filled with pus. They have drained out quite a quantity of it and although she is very weak, is improving slowly. Her many friends are glad to know there is no tubercular trouble and hope for a speedy recovery. Her mother Mrs. Crook, Miss Anna Dragan and Lauren and little Thela visited her Tuesday.

### MRS. ETTA PARK PASSED AWAY AT HER HOME IN PORTLAND

(Portland Observer)

Mrs. Etta Park, 66, died last Saturday afternoon at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James Nichols, following a stroke of paralysis suffered several days previous. Funeral services were held from the home Tuesday afternoon, with Rev. J. H. Stewart and Rev. C. W. Punter officiating. Burial was made in the Portland cemetery.

Mrs. Park was born in Vermontville in 1865. Her maiden name was Etta Gunn, and some time after her marriage to Mr. Park the couple came to Portland where Mr. Park filled the position of station agent for the Pere Marquette, holding that position until ill health forced him to give up active work. He passed away several years ago.

Six children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Park, four dying from diphtheria during an epidemic that swept Portland in 1894. In 1907 another son died from the same disease, leaving only one of the six, Mrs. James Nichols, to survive the mother. A sister, Mrs. Frank Smith, of Vermontville, and a brother, Chauncey Gunn, of Long Beach, California, also survive.

### HILL—WELLS TWENTY-FIFTH WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

The farm home of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill was the scene of a very pleasant and happy event Saturday, October 24th when Mr. and Mrs. Hill and Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wells celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of their marriages.

A bountiful seven o'clock dinner was served. Those present to celebrate this double event besides Mr. and Mrs. Wells and family and Mr. and Mrs. Hill and family were Mrs. Alice Hallenbeck, Miss Ora Hallenbeck and Miss Eva Abbott of Pontiac; Mr. and Mrs. George Humphrey, Detroit; Mrs. Ruth Bennett, Olivet; Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wells and Miss Winnifred Wells, Charlotte; Miss Genie Hill, Caledonia; Mr. and Mrs. P. B. Wells, local, also Miss Alice Hill came home from Albion and William Hill from M. S. C. for the occasion.

Their many friends are hoping they may be able to celebrate their golden wedding together in 1956.

### Thursday, November 5, 1931

Roger Sacket and Hinman Sackett, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Hale Sackett of Nashville, are vice president and secretary respectively of the Hi-Y organization in their village.

Dr. C. S. Snell is preparing to move his office building onto his lot on Maple street, and convert it into a house. Luther Hess has been excavating for the cellar and has it ready to lay the wall. The building will be moved in the spring.

Mrs. Eugene Carey, who fell from her porch a week ago last Friday, breaking her left arm just above the wrist and bruising it quite badly, is getting along nicely and able to be up and around. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Carey and Neil of Augusta called on her Sunday.

Mrs. Lauren Dean is still very ill at University hospital, Ann Arbor. Her father, A. E. Crook, who is with her, reports her condition by telephone to the home folks every night. This morning Mrs. Crook and Lauren were called to Ann Arbor and Mr. Ward went for Mrs. Dean with his ambulance as she does not improve.

Mrs. E. E. Loveland, Mrs. F. F. Ambrose, and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Loveland drove to Battle Creek, Sunday, going first to Springfield Place, where Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Gutches and baby son are nicely located, at 442, 23d St. and then all gathering for dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Berry at 2410 West Michigan, where Mrs. Ambrose remained to spend the week, her granddaughter, Miss Ruth Gregg of Belding, also being there, to spend the winter.

A 6½ pound daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Georgie Root (Irma Beck), Monday morning, November 2. Miss Dema Cheery Root and mother are doing fine.

Earl Norton, Eaton Rapids, is the new president of the Eaton County Rural Carriers organization. Mrs. Grant Hawkins of Vermontville heads the auxiliary.

The fifty-fifth wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Barrett was fittingly observed at the home of their daughter Mrs. W. B. Thompson last Sunday, November 1, 1876 came on Wednesday—the day Rev. W. J. Swift united in marriage Mr. Hugh Barrett and Miss Julia Coon. While they are not looking as young as they did then, yet they bid fair to celebrate many more anniversaries.

### Thursday, November 12, 1931

#### ALTA CROOK DEAN

Alta Edythe Crook daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Crook was born in Hastings Township, January 17, 1907 and passed to the great beyond November 6, 1931, at the home of her parents in Vermontville. She came at the age of five years, with her parents to Vermontville, where she has since resided. She graduated from the Village