

Mr. and Mrs. James Boples and Mrs. Alice Reynolds attended the funeral of his brother William in Charlotte, Tuesday.

Elh Strait lost his last horse from heat last week. There have been many horses losses in the last two weeks from this cause.

Mrs. Bell Hall and Mrs. Anna Thomas went to Brookfield Wednesday to help Mrs. Lois Hawes celebrate her birthday.

Mrs. Dorothy Gutchess and baby son, Nolan, returned Sunday from a week's stay with her husband, at the home of his sister, Mrs. Frank Jones and family, in Battle Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Sprague and children entertained a small dinner group Friday evening in honor of Miss Faye Beebe who is visiting Mrs. Byron Hallenbeck this week.

Miss Mabel Sprague came home Sunday night from Indianapolis, Indiana for the summer, and Miss Celia Sprague will be home the last of this week from Cleveland.

Mrs. Lydia Wells went to Leila hospital, Battle Creek, Wednesday, where she will undergo a goitre operation. Her many friends hope for her a speedy recovery.

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We have been asked a great many times the status of the Post Office situation in Vermontville. Up to the present time there have been no hats definitely thrown in the ring. However, by inquiring at the proper places we have been informed of the following facts which will presumably govern the appointment of the Postmaster.

In the first place, a civil service examination will be held, the time and place to be determined at the proper time, of which everybody will have proper notice. Someone from this examination will be the next postmaster.

The Democrats realize that to stay in office after having been out so long that they must adhere to all principles of fairness and must aim to satisfy the greatest number of people in a given community.

We are informed reliably that the following essentials will be the political requirements for the candidate: First, he will have to have been a Democrat a long time previous to the landslide of last November, and must be tried and true in-so-far as political affiliations are concerned. This will eliminate a whole lot of these life-long Democrats since last November, which is only fair.

He must be a man of good character and probity, and reliable, and must not be burdened with a lot of debts either past or present. This is a very logical determination, as a man or woman who is

deeply involved would be laid open to great temptation handling Government money. The Democrats are absolutely right in this.

They must be a property owner, preferably a small home owner. Home need not be all paid for, but if progress has been made in the last five years determination of character is indicated. This is a correct condition and shows the wisdom of the Democrats.

They must have been residents of the community in which they live, preferably born in and a part of the community itself, not necessarily in the place wherein the Post Office is located but within a radius of five or six miles and presumably at the time of appointment must live in the village of city where appointed.

As we are informed there will be no non-service men appointed in any community where an ex-service man in either the Spanish or World Wars is available. This probably is the factor from which no deviation will be made.

Taken altogether this is showing astuteness and wisdom on the part of the Democrats and if adhered to and carried out in its fullness will guarantee their remaining in power, but on the contrary, if any appointments are made to feather any particular individual's nest, and what we mean by this is the old fashioned spoils system without regard to the people, the Democrat's name will be

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Mrs. Flossie Rawson will take Mrs. Nellie Bowes place as afternoon operator at the telephone office beginning Saturday, Mrs. Bowes having resigned.

Mrs. Ernest Jones and daughter Mrs. Blanche McDougall of Owosso attended Alumni and were Saturday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith.

Mrs. Alice Hallenbeck, Miss Ora Hallenbeck and Miss Abbott of Pontiac are visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hill and family after spending the week end at the Clark Wells home in Charlotte.

Mrs. Hayes Tieche and her younger children, Agnes, Henry and Morris of Centerline arrived late Saturday night to spend some weeks with her mother, Mrs. Sarah Brown. Richard and Ralph Tieche of South Bend, Ind., were week end guests.

The 19th annual gathering of the V. H. S. Alumni Association, held June 24, 1933 at the High School gymnasium, was a very happy occasion for the one hundred and fifty members and invited guests. The gymnasium had been made beautiful by the artistic decoration by Mr. Irvin Powers.

After registration and the greeting of old friends, the meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Ruth Hallenbeck. The roll call by classes revealed 107 members present, with the classes of 1933, 1920, 1928 and 1931, having the largest number of members present. However, the class of 1903 had a 100% attendance, as the only living member, Mrs. Iva Hill, was present.

The usual reports of secretary and treasurer were given and approved.

On motion the nominating committee's report was adopted making Ray Anderson, President; Mrs. Una Moss, Vice President, and Ilo Ferris, Treasurer. The report of the necrology committee showed only one death, that of Burr Chance, among the members and among the teachers, that of Mrs. Cora Hammond. The president appointed as 1934 nominating committee Ilo Ferris, Mrs. Margaret Coleman and Kenneth Childs; with Mary Grant as necrologist.

Letters of greetings were read from Ernest Beck, Seattle, Wash., and Mrs. Myra Buchanan, Detroit.

Miss Bessie Granger, as chairman, introduced Miss Katherine Rogers who gave two fine accordion solos.

The welcome to the class of 1933 was given in a splendid way by Hilda French and the response by Alene Figg.

Reminiscences of various classes were given by Ora Hallenbeck, Kenon Hull, Ethel Powers and Armond Hammond. Brief talks were given by Clarence Martin, Roy Benedict, Mrs. Minnie Jones, Mrs. Jennie Twitchell, Mrs. Nellie Austin, Edgar Sprague and Jones Martin. The program closed as usual with the Alumni song.

Refreshments of punch and ice cream and cake were served.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Tubbs, Glenn Randall and Dellabell, and Greta Nidy who was their guest, attended the Norton reunion at Potter Park, Lansing, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Martin of Cleveland, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Jones Martin and Mary Ann of Battle Creek, Mrs. Edith Biggs and Martha-gene of Charlotte were guests of Miss Jennie Martin during the week end.