

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Green of Sunfield, motored to Traverse City Tuesday morning to attend the funeral held at 2:30 at the First M. E. Church that afternoon. They returned home Wednesday. Mrs. Ellen Downs and son Robert were former Vermontville residents and the family have the sympathy of their many relatives and friends here.

Thursday, August 9, 1934

**MRS. EDWARD AVERILL
PASSED AWAY MONDAY**

Mrs. Edward Averill, 80, for many years a resident of Vermontville, passed away of heart trouble at the home of her daughter and husband Mr. and Mrs. Harley Andrews in Nashville where she had been for a little more than a week. She had been failing in health for two weeks. Funeral services were held at the Andrews home at two o'clock Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Roth of the Congregational church, Charlotte, officiating, and burial was at Woodlawn cemetery, all the old neighbors attending.

Cecil Powers, M. A. Mahar, Pitt Pugh, John Lozo, Frederick Hatfield, Mrs. Lloyd Faust, Mrs. Claire Hine, Mrs. Lloyd Epley, and Miss Jennie Boyd took the Post Office examination at Charlotte last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Satterlee and Lynn and Miss Hazel Cronk were Saturday supper guests of Mrs. Una Moss, and the latter was a Sunday dinner guest at the Satterlee home and with them attended the Detroit Salvation Army band concert and speech by Frank D. Fitzgerald at Bennett Park Charlotte in the afternoon.

The children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest J. Granger completely surprised them Monday evening the occasion being their 41st wedding anniversary. They came with well filled baskets and four and a half gallons of ice cream. The company numbered twenty-four—all present but Robert Tyler who is north in CCC work.

Miss Jennie Martin accompanied her sister Mrs. Edith Biggs and Marthagene of Charlotte to Holland the first of the week to visit Mrs. Browning. Mrs. Elizabeth Downing who had been visiting her son Wesley at Grand Ledge accompanied them to Saugatuck and Miss Dean spent the time in Grand Rapids. Mrs. Biggs went to Saugatuck again Wednesday and with Mrs. Lura Niles will attend the World's Fair.

Miss Vera Rogers, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Rogers, received a scholarship in June to the Boston University and will enter there this fall.

At the school board meeting Tuesday evening Mrs. Milton Lamb and Miss Jennie Boyd were given the positions on the school faculty made vacant by the resignation of Miss Fenner and Miss Zies.

Miss Ethlyn Kidder of Racine, Wis., who has been attending W. S. T. C. at Kalamazoo this summer where she received her degree, and her brother Louis Kidder of Lansing were in town Sunday and called on friends.

Thursday, August 30, 1934

Clarence Hall of Los Angeles, Calif. visited his step-mother Mrs. Bell Hall and old friends here since Saturday, and left today with John Mahar and Agnes Devereaux for Detroit where his son has a Ford car ordered and he will drive it through to Calif. It has been twenty-six years since Clarence left the old home town. He has been a resident of Los Angeles for about twenty years and thinks that is the most ideal climate to be found.

The Gunn reunion was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Gunn, Hillcrest Farm, Vermontville last Sunday. Guests were present from Detroit, Grand Rapids, Battle Creek, South Bend, Ind., Bellevue, Watervliet, and Charlotte. There were sixty in number. The history of the Gunn family was read by George Gunn and dated back to 1635 when three brothers emigrated from Ireland to this country at which time educators were prominent. The house Sunday was beautifully decorated with autumn flowers and a pot luck dinner was enjoyed. The next meeting will be held at Flowing Wells Park in Battle Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Hawkins and daughters were in Grand Rapids Monday to visit their son Robert and Bobbie and with him went to St. Mary's hospital to see Robert's wife and little son David Jay who was born Tuesday 21 of August.

Mrs. Vera Ambrose Gregg of Belding has been enjoying a vacation from home duties, spending part of the time with her daughter Ruth at the home of Mrs. Vera Loveland Berry in Battle Creek and also with Mrs. Dorothy Loveland Gutchess and coming from there to spend the week end with her mother Mrs. Ambrose and Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Loveland. Mr. Gregg and son Frank came for her Sunday p. m. and Mrs. Ambrose accompanied them to Belding for a week's visit.

**FRED HOUGHTALING DIES
AFTER AUTO ACCIDENT**

Saturday night marked the second automobile tragedy for Vermontville in sixteen days when the Ed Rockafellar Chrysler 1927 sedan, driven by "Red" Houghtaling, 34, employee at the Rockafellar farm, crashed into a telephone pole just north of the driveway leading to the Mrs. S. A. Fuller home on South Main street.

The accident happened around 11:30 o'clock when Houghtaling who was accompanied by Frederick Walsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Walsh of Bismark and Emerson Newth of Kelly started to pass the car driven by Bud French with Earl Briggs, and lost control of the vehicle going straight across the road and crashing the left front of the car into a telephone pole. Both cars were headed south, and it was stated the ill fated Chrysler at a speed of 35 miles per hour. The car was completely wrecked as the impact clipped the telephone pole off a foot below the ground and left six or eight feet suspended by the wires.

French and Briggs were at the Wilson Lumber & Coal Co. buildings when Briggs heard the crashing of glass and yelled to the driver, "Stop. There's been a crackup!" They hurriedly returned to the scene of the accident and found the men lying on the ground, then immediately notified Dr. McLaughlin and K. K. Ward who took his ambulance and brought the injured men to the office of Dr. McLaughlin where they were given first aid assistance by the two doctors. McLaughlin and Kelsey, Newth having received bruises and cuts about his head and face only returned home, while Walsh and Houghtaling were removed to Hayes-Green hospital in Charlotte by the Ward ambulance.

Walsh suffered a broken rib and other cuts and bruises, while Houghtaling received a dislocated hip, broken collar bone and fractured skull. Houghtaling passed away at the hospital at 5:30 o'clock Sunday evening. His body was taken to the Cheney undertaking parlors in Charlotte.

**VERMONTVILLE SCHOOL
FACULTY**

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Lloyd Colburn, Supt.
Mrs. Iva Reed, Principal, Math.
Mrs. Milton Lamb, English
Martha Zemke, English and Civics
John Schuring, Junior High
Jennie Boyd, 5th and 6th grades
Helen Woodard, 3rd and 4th grades
Elizabeth King, 1st and 2nd grades