

Pliff, Hugh, Clair Figg, Dee Rogers, Clarence Faust, George Hall, Gall Lykins, Karl Weiler, Charles Dane, Lloyd Hitt, Glenn Randall, Lon Baker, Jess Baker, Walter Scott, Dorr Rawson, Fred Rawson, William Ward, Erbie Ward, Keith Seitz, Earl Hadden, Earl Shetehelm, Vance Barber, and Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Mosier and family are among those from Vermontville and vicinity who have gone North to enjoy the deer hunting season.

Mrs. George Ward, mother of K. K. Ward, was visiting friends in Lansing last week and was going Thursday in the early evening from one of the homes to another, and at an intersection as she stepped from the curb was struck by a car and thrown to the pavement. The driver, as witnesses stated, was driving not more than ten miles an hour, as he had just left a house around the corner. Mrs. Ward received, however, a fractured skull and back injuries and has been confined to Sparrow hospital also suffering from shock. Her many Vermontville friends were very sorry that this dear old lady, 78 last June, should have met with this painful accident. She is recovering nicely now and will probably be brought home in a few days.

Thursday, November 21, 1935

Our attention has been called to an error in a recent issue of the Echo, stating Rev. Stein's ordination was the first such service in Vermontville. There was an ordination service of a Congregational minister back in 1865, and in the 80's of Rev. Wm. H. Spence, then in 1907 the ordination of Rev. St. Clair Parsons who served the local church for four years, going from here to Greenville where he still is a beloved pastor. In 1929 Olivet college conferred on him the degree of doctor of divinity. The fine service Thursday evening will long be remembered by those who attended the ordination of Rev. James Rauch Stein, Jr. There were nine ministers who participated in the evening service besides others in the congregation.

News has been received from Oakland, California of the death of Miss Gracia McGregor which occurred on Friday, Nov., 15. Miss McGregor, who formerly resided in Vermontville and Ann Arbor, leaves two sisters, Mrs. Hubert Vering of Oakland and Miss Mae McGregor of Ann Arbor. Funeral services and burial will occur at Oakland.

Thursday, November 28, 1935

On Sunday the two daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Hawkins, made a family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lver Snoke, in honor of the 44th wedding anniversary of their parents, at which the following were present, all being relatives of Mrs. Hawkins' side of the family, and who had not met together before in a long time.

ERNEST J. GRANGER

Ernest J. Granger, elder son of Thomas and Mary Baker Granger, was born in Southeast Vermontville August 12, 1872. The following year his parents moved to Northeast Kalamao, and this township was his home for the rest of his life except for nine years spent in Vermontville village and East Vermontville. He was united in marriage to Addie J. Gehman on August 6, 1892, and to this union were born seven children, one of whom died in infancy.

He is survived by his faithful wife and six children, Mrs. Iva Anspacher of Carmel, Mrs. Gertrude Tyler of Hastings, Mrs. Mildred Carey of Augusta, Dorr Granger of Lansing, Keith Granger on the home farm in Kalamao, and Mrs. Marjorie Childs of Charlotte. Also survivors are 14 grandchildren, one sister, Bessie B. Granger, and many other relatives. His one brother, Philip, passed away in September, 1930.

Thursday, December 5, 1935

Dr. McLaughlin reports a 7 1/2 lb. daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Powers of S. E. Vermontville on Friday, November 29th. She has been named Carla Gene.

Milton Sprague was in Howell Wednesday to see his niece Evelyn Sprague who is suffering from injuries received in an automobile accident in which two people were instantly killed and two others injured.

Mrs. Janette McCarty left Wednesday p. m. for Amhurst, Mass., Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Gehman taking her mother to Battle Creek to take the train. Mrs. McCarty will reach the home of her daughter, Mrs. Margaret Burgman, late this afternoon.

Ray Dunlap of Poplar Bluffs, Missouri came to attend the funeral of his mother Mrs. Addie Briggs and with the assistance of Miss Eliza Gehman, her housekeeper and nurse, has been packing some of her household effects, having sold the property to Joe Faust.

HENRY E. CROSS

Henry Eugene Cross, aged 88, departed this life on Tuesday morning, December 3rd, at 6:30 o'clock, after an illness which became critical three weeks ago.

Mr. Cross was born in Ashtabula, Ohio, on May 20th, 1847, the son of Moses and Matilda Darrow Cross. He was one of eleven children of whom Mrs. Hattie Tarbell, 95 years old, is the only one who survives. Mr. Cross came to Vermontville with his parents when he was 17 years old and spent practically all the rest of his life here. He was a carpenter by trade and kept a carpenter shop with his brother Moses Cross and Edgar Rawson. Together they built quite a number of the homes in this community.

On May 22, 1869 he was married to Helen Brown. Two children were born to them who are now Mrs. Carrie Sparks of Vermontville and Mrs. Effie Allen of Lansing. Besides his wife and sister and two daughters, he is survived by six grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Mrs. Mary Adelaide Briggs, aged 88, widow of the late Alfred Briggs, passed away on Thursday evening, November 28th, at 10:45 o'clock at her home on South Main Street. She had been an invalid for more than twelve years and had more recently suffered from a fall.

Mrs. Briggs, the daughter of John and Mary Williams, was born April 1, 1847 in Boston, Mass. When she was a young girl she moved with her parents to a farm a few miles east of Vermontville and she lived in this vicinity all the rest of her life. In 1867 she was married to Levi Dunlap and to this union was born a son, Ray Dunlap, now of Poplar Bluffs, Missouri. On November 19, 1911, after the death of her first husband, she was married to Alfred M. Briggs. Mr. Briggs died in June, 1934.

Mrs. Briggs was known as a fine seamstress. She was well read and had artistic ability. She was a member of the Congregational Church, baptized March 3, 1889, and for a long time was an active worker in the Ladies Christian Association. She was also a member of the Eastern Star Lodge.

Besides a son she is survived by a granddaughter, Hilda Dunlap Marshall, now of Detroit; a niece, Mrs. Irma Inwood of Chicago; and a nephew, Harry E. Hammond of Vermontville.

Funeral services were held at the home on Monday afternoon, December 2nd, at 2 o'clock, conducted by Rev. James R. Stein, and burial was made at the Wood.