

IN MEMORIAM
MARY O. YOUNG

Nov. 16, 1845—Feb. 27, 1934

The death of Mrs. David Young at Holland, Michigan, during the last days of February marked the passing from earth of one who, after a residence of nearly seventy years, may be considered a pioneer of Vermontville.

Mary Olive Hammond was born at Waterford, Vermont, November 16, 1845, and came to Michigan with her parents in girlhood locating in Vermontville during the early '60's and occupying the house on South Main Street known for so many years as the "Young residence".

She became the wife of David Young April 27, 1872, a union lasting nearly sixty years and severed by his death five years ago. At that time she went to Holland to make her home with Mrs. George W. Browning, a close friend through many years, and where she resided until she passed away after a brief illness during which she was lovingly cared for by her niece Mrs. Bertha Canberg and her friends, on the morning of February 27th.

The funeral service was held in the Congregational Chapel in Vermontville Thursday afternoon, March 1st, conducted by Rev. St. Clare Parsons of Greenville, with songs by Mrs. Della Welshon, the burial being at Woodlawn Cemetery. A group of old friends gathered for the service, among them being Mrs. Browning and Mrs. Estelle McLean of Holland, and it was fitting that the Chapel should be the place for this service, being

RANDALL—FREY

George A. Frey of Chester and Miss Marguerite Randall of Vermontville were united in marriage at the Potterville M. E. parsonage, by Rev. Karl H. Keefer, Saturday evening, May 28th, accompanied by Myron Randall and Miss Helen Lake.

Mrs. Frey is a Vermontville High School graduate, class of 1925, and also attended Eaton County Normal, taught two years and spent a year at Western State Teachers College, and has since been a very successful teacher in nearby schools.

Mr. and Mrs. Frey began house-keeping on their farm in Chester township, one mile east of the Randall home. A shower was given by neighbors and friends Friday evening.

MRS. LYDIA STORR

Mrs. Lydia Ann Storr, 74-year-old resident of Olivet, who suffered a paralytic stroke a short time ago, passed away at her home on Shepherd street, that village, Saturday morning, May 13th. Mrs. Storr was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Hayner of Vermontville, pioneer settlers of Eaton county. She attended elementary schools in Vermontville and completed her high school studies in Charlotte, graduating in 1884, one of a class of nine members. She taught one year in Vermontville school and then was married to Albert E. Storr in 1886, who was then engaged in the milling business in this village. In 1887 the family moved to Olivet where Mr. Storr entered in business with his brother, Robert E. Storr in the operating of a general store, which line of business he followed until a short time before his death in 1921.

Mrs. Storr leaves one son, Merle Storr, who teaches in the Grand Rapids Junior college and resides with his wife and small son at 839 Bates Ave., of that city. There are also left two sisters of Mrs. Storr, Mrs. Frank Ward of Charlotte and Mrs. Amos Hulett of Sunfield. Mrs. Fidelia Remalie, deceased, was also Mrs. Storr's sister. The funeral services were held from the late home on Tuesday afternoon, May 16 at two o'clock with Rev. Mark Gordon Ingrham officiating. Burial was in the family lot in Mt. Olivet cemetery.

SPRAGUE—WICKSALL

Rev. and Mrs. F. P. Sprague attended the wedding of their granddaughter Miss Margaret Sprague who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Sprague of Kalamazoo, Mich., to Mr. Robert J. Wicksall, Attica, N. Y., son of Mrs. G. J. Wicksall of South Haven.

The wedding was June 18, 1932, eight p. m., in the Congregational church parlors. St. Clare Parsons D. D., an uncle of the bride officiated. Mrs. McCarty, grandmother of the groom attended.

BAKER—BENNETT

Every one was pleasantly surprised to learn of the marriage of Miss Viola Baker, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Baker of this village to Mr. Alfred Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orwell Bennett, a young farmer of Sunfield township. The wedding was performed by Rev. Dewey, at Hastings, on Wednesday evening, February 10th, at 6:00 p. m. Mrs. Bennett will finish her year as teacher of the Dunn, school, in Barry twonship. The News extends congratulations — Woodland News.

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MRS. ETTIE HALLENBECK

The death of Mrs. Ettie Hallenbeck at her home in Vermontville, Feb. 27, 1932, marks another break in the now-slender chain which links the old days with the new. While cherishing an almost fierce loyalty to the past with all of its traditions, she was, yet, never out of tune with the present, always alive to its problems, and wholly optimistic of the future. And she wielded a mighty influence in her community, quite in contrast to the frailty of her body. On a question of principle one never asked where Mrs. Hallenbeck would be found, her standards were as high and as fixed as the very North Star, and like this star, she became for many people the guide, the criterion, when the road of life seemed uncertain or difficult to follow.

Mrs. Hallenbeck was devoted to high causes, especially to every activity of the church and of the Relief Corps. In these organizations she found both her companionships and her life work. Many of the improvements in the church of her choice are there today because she saw a need and filled it. Yet so simple and so natural was her giving that few people ever thought to inquire the source.

She asked and wished no ostentation; but she gained that perfect tribute: the love of many; the respect of all.

Ettie Kent was born in the town of Wilson, Niagara County, N. Y., December 28, 1847 and came with her parents to Kalamo, Michigan in 1853, where she grew to young womanhood. At the age of eighteen she became a member of the Methodist Church. On the 20th of April 1870, she was united in marriage with Cornelius Hallenbeck and came with him to the farm in east Vermontville.

To this union was born one child, Clare, who died in infancy.

In 1898 they came to the present home in Vermontville. Since the death of Mr. Hallenbeck in 1910, Mrs. Hallenbeck has been solicitously looked after by her adopted son, Byron E., who with his wife and one small daughter, Dorothy Rose, survive her.