

Sunfield, Mich
Jan 3. 48

Dear Friends: well how do you like our winter weather? we are o.k and hope you are to. I think that you made a mistake about the number of chickens I dressed and sold it was 510 instead of 200. our chickens are doing well now we got 86 eggs the other day. Betty has been home for 1/2 weeks and is real well has gained 4 lbs ~~is~~ must ring off and go to work. Elmer + Maggie + Hopper.

Charlotte

(Special to The State Journal)
CHARLOTTE, Dec. 26—Corp. Charles McGee, who has been stationed with the air force near Fairbanks, Alaska, for the past two and one-half years, is home on a 30-day furlough. He spent Sunday with his grandmother, Mrs. F. W. Sassaman.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Roys and Mrs. Frank A. Purchis reports the sudden death of Don Pember at Detroit Nov. 18 at the Masonic temple where he was employed. He was a former Nashville resident and a graduate of the local school, and quite frequently attended the alumni banquets. He is survived by one son, one grandson, and a brother, Bert, with whom he made his home for 28 years.

WILLETTS, ELMER J.
3569 Ferley st.

Age 68. died Tuesday at a local hospital. Funeral services will be held at 12 noon, Saturday, Jan. 10, 1953, from the Gorsline-Runciman funeral home, Rev. C. B. Tefft officiating. Interment in North Star cemetery. Mr. Willetts was a resident of Lansing for the last 20 years, and was a member of the M. C. B. A. He was employed at the Mc Wheel for the last 21 years. Survivors are: wife, Almira Jane; daughter, Vena Walker of East Lansing; 1 child; 2 great-grandchildren; 3 Mrs. Bessie White of Lansing; Ruth Gough of San Jose, Cal.; Bernice Latimore of Mountain Cal.

Dr. Niles
Dies at 80

Oculist and Civic Leader
Succumbs in Florida;
Retired in 1945

Dr. Byron D. Niles, 80, of 726 W. Ionia st., longtime local oculist and civic leader, died Tuesday in Winter Park, Fla., after a brief illness.

Holder of a citation from the Ingham County Medical society for 40 years of service, he had retired

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from active practice in 1945. He had been made an emeritus member.

In addition to his profession, he had taken an active part in civic and community affairs, having served on the boards of directors of the United Community Chest, Y. M. C. A., and Plymouth Congregational church. He was for 30 years a member of the Lansing Kiwanis club, was a life member of Lansing Lodge No. 33, F. and A. M., and was a Master Mason.

Born in Wacousta Nov. 11, 1872, he did his undergraduate work at Olivet college and completed his general medical training at the University of Michigan, where he was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity.

Dr. Niles began his general practice in Grand Ledge, later studying at the Royal Ophthalmic in London, England, prior to starting his work as an oculist in Lansing.

The physician is survived by the widow, Mrs. Lydia B. Niles; a daughter, Mrs. H. A. Shadduck of Cleveland, O.; two grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. E. C. Rowe of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 1 p. m. at the Estes-Leadley Colonial chapel, Rev. John W. Claxton officiating. Burial will be in Deepdale cemetery.