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SOCIETIES.

U. S. CHURCH—Morning service at 10:30 Sunday School at 11:45; Praying service at 7:30. Rev. E. C. CLAPP, Pastor.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH Morning service 10:30; Sunday school 11:30. Evening service 7:30 p. m. Rev. A. J. FURNELL, Pastor.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH (Episcopal) Sunday services, 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Sunday school after morning services.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH—J. M. WOLFE, Pastor. Morning services 10:30; Sunday school 11:30. Evening service 7:30. Young People's meeting Sunday evening at 8:10; Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30.

BAPTIST CHURCH—Morning service 10:30; Sunday school 11:30. Evening service 7:30. Young people's meeting 8:00 Sunday evening. Junior's Society 2:30 p. m. standard time. Prayer meeting Thursday evening.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST SCIENTIST. Services: a. m. in W. R. C. hall. This church school: Free Reading Room, where all Christian literature can be found. Open Saturday 2 to 4 p. m. at 508 State st.

SEVENTH M. E. CHURCH: Sabbath School, 9:30 a. m.; Free Reading Room, 7:30 p. m.; Praying service, Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. A. A. YORK, Pastor.

Church of Christ. Services every Sunday. Praying 11:30 a. m.; Bible School 12:00 m. Christian Endeavor 7:30 p. m. H. CARL, Pastor.

LODGE

ALMA Chapter, No. 12, B. A. Regular meetings on Monday nights. Regular meetings after full moon. FINE, Sec'y.

ALMA LODGE, F. A. M.—Regular meetings on Wednesday nights at 7:30 p. m. M. POLLAS, Sec'y.

ALMA CHAPTER, O. E. S. No. 42. Regular meetings on the first Friday of each month. MRS. E. L. SMITH, W. M. A. HILL, H. O. F., Sec'y.

ALMA ENCAMPMENT, No. 62, I. O. O. F. Meetings every alternate Wednesday night in I. O. O. F. Temple. Ed. NEWCOMER, C. P. D. PACKARD, Scribe.

O. T. M. Alma Hive No. 22. Meets alternate Friday afternoons 3 o'clock. K. of P. hall. Visitors always welcome. Mrs. FRANK LEONARD, L. C. MRS. ADA GARIB, R. E. K.

ROSEWOOD CAMP No. 221, R. N. of A. Regular meetings every 2nd and 4th Wednesday evenings in the month at 8 o'clock in W. R. C. Hall. MRS. CAROL E. FULLER, O. EDNA WHELAN, Rec.

G. A. R.—William Mayer Post, No. 122. Department of Michigan, G. A. R., meet on 1st Saturday of each month at 7:30 p. m. and on the 4th Saturday of each month at 7:30 p. m. LEVI STEPHENS, Commander.

W. M. MOYER RELIEF CORPS, No. 123. Meet every second and fourth Wednesday in the month. Visiting members always welcome. Mrs. MARIETTA HAWLEY, President. Mrs. May Baker, Sec.

DELWESS CO. NO. 4, U. E. R. of P.—Meet in K. of P. hall, Tuesday after 10:30 of every month. CARIS BROWN, Captain. BERT HICKS, Recorder.

K. O. T. M. Regular meetings of Alma Temple No. 284 are held every alternate Wednesday night in Woodmen Hall, Young men members of the Order are welcome. H. A. BECKER, Com. CHAR. HARLOCK, R. E. K.

SUPERIOR REBEKAH LODGE, No. 101, I. O. O. F. Regular meetings Friday nights in I. O. O. F. hall. Mrs. IDA SOPER, R. E. S.

Equitable Fraternal Union No. 225. Regular meetings every alternate Thursday evening in G. A. R. hall. Ed. L. BROWN, Secretary. OTIS WHITE, President.

ALMA LODGE No. 228, I. O. O. F. meets every Monday evening in I. O. O. F. Temple. BEN CARTER, N. G. VICTOR SHEPHERD, R. S.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS—Fit James Lodge, No. 10, K. of P. hold its regular meetings every Friday night. DR. J. N. DAY, K. of P. & S.

BATHONE SISTERS, Royal Temple No. 10. Meet every alternate Wednesday night in K. of P. Hall. CARIE FULLER, M. E. C. Mrs. SCATTERGOOD, R. O. C.

Alma Camp No. 212, M. W. of A. Regular meetings every Thursday night in Woodmen Hall. FRANK J. NESTLE, Consul. J. E. FULLER, City.

Rosewood Camp No. 221, R. N. of A. Regular meetings every alternate Tuesday evening in Woodmen Hall. Mrs. S. HARDON, Orator. Mrs. CAROL E. FULLER, Re cord.

PROFESSIONAL.

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From whom The Record Company purchased the handsome Whitney Piano, which is to be given away in the great Christmas Voting Contest, have one of the largest stocks of pianos in Saginaw. Their prices are reasonable and you will receive courteous treatment. If you contemplate buying a piano, call or write the Gregory Music House.

Problem Seeks Solution. Since there is a father in most families, so-called "man hatred" on the part of some women seems foolish. But, on the other hand, what shall be done with the good brother who believes that all really good and sensible women die before he was born?

THE FIRM OF MOBLO

One of The Pioneer Establishments Of The Village.

Cash, The Elevator Man. IN FOR BUSINESS 26 YEARS.

R. E. Moblo Came To Riverdale When It Was Just a Hole in the Woods.

To go back 26 years in Riverdale history is to turn back a long way—almost back to the very beginning of the town. Picture, if you will, a little half cleared settlement nestling down in a big pine forest. Near the edge of the forest, and covering what is now bare river bottom, was a big mill pond, its surface covered with floating logs. Close at hand stood a big saw mill, humming with busy industry. Off at the southeast corner of the present Riverdale is what constituted the settlement of Riverdale. This comprised a general store and about a half a dozen houses. The present main street of Riverdale was a flat piece of stump land, recently lumbered and partly covered with underbrush. This was the Riverdale of over a quarter of a century ago.

It was to this outpost of the Michigan frontier of that day that R. E. Moblo, the present senior member of the firm of R. E. Moblo & Co., and his good wife, Isabella Moblo, came. This was the spot they chose for their future home 26 long years ago. And here they have remained until today, the firm of Moblo is one of the surviving business firms of that early day and the only one to remain continuously in business since that time. In this time the name Moblo has become a synonym of the word Riverdale or vice versa so that the mention of either name suggests the other.

Mr. and Mrs. Moblo came to Riverdale from Calhoun county to go into business—and, after looking over the settlement, they chose the site of the present store occupied by Moblo & Co. Here they erected soon after a wooden store building 50x75 feet in dimensions and two stories in height. Into this building they put in a general line of merchandise and the firm of Moblo came into existence.

Those were strenuous days for Mr. and Mrs. Moblo. The latter worked even harder than her husband for besides helping in the store, she had her many household duties and the rearing of the family. Jack Moblo the present junior member of the firm was then a lusty, howling youngster of two years.

But Mr. and Mrs. Moblo were persevering and slowly they began to prosper and the business began to grow. The village was growing too but Moblo & Co. kept pace with the village and gradually more stock was added and the variety of the stock increased until the store became well known for miles about as the best general equipped store in this section of Michigan. Other stores came and prospered but Moblo & Co. kept the lead at all times.

Few go through life without some set-backs and Moblo & Co. met theirs in 1897, when a fire, which started in an adjoining store owned by D. Fleming laid their store and home in a pile of smoking ashes.

But old "Bob" Moblo was not the man to be daunted by an adverse turn of fortune and, soon a new and better store building was rising on the ruins of the old one. This building was also 50x75 feet in dimensions and covered with steel sheathing inside and out to eliminate the danger of fire. Into this store, as soon as it was completed, came load after load of stock, groceries, dry goods, shoes, everything that can be found in any up-to-date store of today.

About this time, Jack, the eldest son, came into the firm, taking charge of the grocery, dry goods and shoe department and succeeding his father in the undertaking business which the latter had started five years previous.

And so down through the last ten years the firm has expanded and been enlarged. Today people go miles to trade with Moblo & Co. In fact it is almost a safe to say that in 26 years that turns toward Riverdale as a trading center has had occasion to trade at their store.

Everyone knows "Bob" Moblo and they are both hustlers. None of us go through life without meeting with some little troubles and disagreements. And to be frank, both of them are able to put up a good argument and many who have tried conclusions with them know this to be only too true. But summed up in a nutshell, the firm of Moblo & Co. give a man a square deal, only asking the same in return. Riverdale is to be congratulated in having them for citizens.

"Bob" Moblo is a man of resource and action when the occasion demands. This was amply illustrated in the Record's news columns two or three years ago. A saloon at Riverdale was fast becoming a nasty snarl on the village. It came time for the better citizens of Riverdale to assert themselves. And in a ringing public letter published through the Record, he set forth the facts as they were—calling on the Gratiot county officers to enforce the law there and blazing the way to the eventual banishment of this particular saloon a few weeks later from the village limits.

This same line of activity is in-

herited by the son from the father, and each takes an active, progressive part in everything that helps Riverdale. Such citizens count and the little village is to be congratulated in having them enrolled in her territory.

One of the events of Riverdale that marked the epoch of better times was the coming of the train and bean elevator and feed mill. This was established by Vincent P. Cash, our well known elevator man, in 1892. Mr. Cash came from Portland, Mich., where he had built up a good business. But Riverdale looked more alluring to him, and he left Portland for this town.

In coming here he had to first build an elevator building and spur track connecting him with the P. M. railroad. This required an outlay of several thousand dollars, and before he finished Mr. Cash had put more than \$10,000 into the business. Since then he has maintained a good reliable market and farmers in and about Riverdale have been benefited greatly by the same. In fact the coming of an elevator almost doubled the

value of farm crops about here since it did away with the long hauls to market. Mr. Cash keeps in close touch with the markets outside, and those who have had occasion to compare his prices with others find that he gives a good liberal price often higher than any other elevator.

He makes quite a specialty of buying beans and ships an average of 20 carloads of beans in a season. During the bean picking season he employs about 20 girls. He also buys grain, clover seed and wool, the latter fact being a boom for wool growers about here. His elevator is the place to buy lime, coal, cement and tiling.

In addition he keeps William Horton and D. M. Zinn regularly employed the year round. The former looks after the elevator and the latter the feed and grain department.

Since coming to Riverdale he has purchased about 60 acres of farm land near the village and devotes a part of his time to farming. Mr. Cash is a man who gets interested in his home town every time anything looms up that looks like a benefit to it. In consequence he is always found pushing in Riverdale all the time. As a citizen he is well liked and he can always be depended on to do his part. His presence in Riverdale is a mighty good thing for the town, for his hustle and activity is contagious.

Speaking of blacksmiths, the village is well off in that respect. A. J. Looker, who keeps the blacksmith and wood-working shop in what was the old school building, is a Riverdale hustler since 1906. Mr. Looker is a good workman and is kept busy all the time, attending to the demands of his trade. His handy carts are a specialty of his and are in great demand.

The popular school faculty is composed of H. A. Lyons, principal; Miss Gertrude Brannan, Mr. Lyons was formerly a Shepherd man and came to Riverdale after Mr. Gilson's death two years ago. He is an experienced teacher and has done much to develop the present high standard of the public schools in Riverdale, all of which helps the town.

Miss Maynard has charge of the intermediate department of the village school and is a very popular young lady. She is a graduate of Mt. Pleasant Normal.

Miss Brannan is a graduate of the county Normal and has charge of the kindergarten work. She too is very successful with her work and is well liked by all.

There is another firm in Riverdale whose advent is quite recent. Three years ago W. H. Wyeth and his son, Arthur, opened a big general store here. They made it a success from the word go, and it was only two years afterward that they began the erection of a big store for themselves. This building is of cement blocks and is ample in space and dimensions. The ground floor is given up to an immense general store and the upper floor to a big hall. With the interior furnishings the Messrs. Wyeth have one of the best store buildings in this section of the state. There is plenty of light, floor space and shelf space.

Arthur Wyeth is really the directing manager of the firm, and gives the store his personal attention. He is an adept buyer and keeps the store filled with a first class line of groceries, dry goods and shoes.

Both members of the firm are for Riverdale first, last and always. They believe it is a coming town, and they built their new store on a plan of large dimensions on purpose to be able to meet this future growth of the village and the constant expansion of their trade.

Start something for the benefit of Riverdale and it won't be very long before you will find the firm of Wyeth & Son behind it. Each is a firm believer in the "get busy" policy, and each is always on hand to meet and take successful advantage of all his possible opportunities.

In three years they have built up a big line of trade, devoting themselves to dry goods, shoes and groceries. Their store is one of the leading ones of the village and they are making rapid headway every day. They are enrolled in the front rank of Riverdale hustlers, and if any one doubts this statement, he has only to say something disparaging of the village to start things a going.

F. C. Hyde used to be a farmer. But he was so confident that he could make a store pay that in 1892, right in the face of a run of hard times, he started in business in Riverdale in his present store building. His first venture was the meat business but he soon drifted into a general store, later putting in clothing. He then disposed of the meat business. So much for the optimism of Hyde.

Mr. Hyde has prospered in business. Recently he went to Texas and bought up a big ranch. He is of the stock that believe in work, and in fact frankly admits his only capital when he started was his ability to work. He is another of those capital good fellows you find in Riverdale.

His store is stocked full of good things and we urge you all to look him up if you are thinking of buying anything.

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As a man he is loved and respected by all. He places a high regard upon his profession, and does much out of pure love of his profession instead of for material gain.

Being a county doctor has many drawbacks and discouragements. Yet Dr. Gardner always meets all obstacles with a smile and a determination to surmount them.

This summer he bought the old Strong hotel property, and he has since fitted it up into a commodious house. A part of the house he devoted to his consultation and operating room. In addition he has two in the house to accommodate one or two private patients, should the occasion arise.

But it is his willingness to turn out in any kind of weather, his efforts to please and be successful, and his dogged determination to succeed that have won him the place he holds in the hearts of all. Genial, always smiling and cheery, his very presence is beneficial to his patients.

Personally, he is very modest and no one ever heard him refer to himself. But you cannot always hide a lamp under a bushel basket, and Riverdale people are fast awakening to their good fortune in having a physician like Dr. Gardner. Nor is his fame limited to Riverdale. His advice is frequently sought by his fellow practitioners in other towns.

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He is a hard worker and an optimistic man. He never sees failure in anything and he is by his pleasant disposition able to spread some of his optimism among his fellow men. He has put his faith in Riverdale, and we will venture that if the truth were known, Riverdale would unhesitatingly place her faith in him.

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night they will give you a clean, white bed in a modest neat little room. When you get up you will be surprised at how well you slept. All of which goes to show that a good hotel man is doubly successful if he has a wife who is a first class housekeeper. Traveling men don't jump by Riverdale any more. They are all catching on to the fact that Miner is in Riverdale and runs the hotel.

John G. Young has opened up a jewelry store and watch repair shop in Talland's store building. This is the first jewelry store Riverdale ever had and its advent is a welcome one. Mr. Young comes from Shepleton and is an experienced jeweler and watch repairer.

He has put in a big line of jewelry, watches, etc., and will in addition make a specialty of repairing watches and clocks. His line of holiday goods will be very complete and worth seeing. He will be glad to have you drop in and get acquainted, even if you don't care to buy. Go in and see him. Remember every one who comes to Riverdale to live becomes part of the village just as you have become a part. From what we learn of Mr. Young, he is a fellow who believes in hustling and don't let the grass grow under his feet—and we are sure he will be welcomed by all.

W. A. Bradley and wife are early Riverdale settlers. They have always been identified with every progressive movement made in Riverdale. Since Mr. Bradley became postmaster, Mrs. Bradley has conducted a millinery store. Their present store in which the post-office is also situated was built within the last year. The rear is devoted to the postoffice and the front to Mrs. Bradley's millinery department. The name Bradley is a famous one in the section where Riverdale is. Mr. and Mrs. Bradley has witnessed the growth of the village from the time it was first settled. They evidently are also believers in its future expansion, else they would have curtailed expenses and not have built their present new store. Mr. Bradley is a member of Riverdale hustle club.

Another New Firm.

D. V. Phelps is one of the new comers among Riverdale merchants. Until last spring he had for several years operated a large farm near Elwell. Mr. Phelps, however, is not without experience in the retail line. He was for years a partner of the firm of Phelps & Phelps when that firm was doing business in Elwell.

Mr. Phelps operates on the cash plan entirely and carries a small, well selected stock of dry goods and groceries. He is making a success of his store and is becoming known as one of the progressive forces of Riverdale.

C. E. Going, the real estate man and barber, has been in Riverdale 16 years. He has witnessed a good many changes here, but has always kept the fact in his mind that Riverdale was bound to grow. And now he is seeing this fulfilled. Mr. Going has made several judicious investments and has acquired a comfortable sum against times of adversity.

DO YOU Trade at this store? YES or NO

If you are in need of anything and want a Square Deal

Come and See Us.

We are not so anxious to make money that we will sell you anything save what you call for

Here's wishing you all A MERRY CHRISTMAS And A HAPPY NEW YEAR

W. D. OWEN, THE DRUGGIST, Riverdale, Michigan

Consumption

is, by no means, the dreadful disease it is thought to be—in the beginning.

It can always be stopped—in the beginning. The trouble is: you don't know it; you've got it; you don't believe it; you won't believe it—till you are forced to. Then it is