Community Letters

From News Correspondents

Voorhees Hill

Mrs. Raymond Church, Reporter

Jan. 15—Mrs. Margaret Adams passed the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Stout in Wellsville.

Miss Christine Church underwent an emergency operation for appendicitis at the Wellsville hospital Saturday night about midnight.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Coats of Hallsport were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Burritt Perkins, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Lewis were in Belmont on business one day last week.

Mrs. Howard Woodfield spent several days at the late home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. O. E. Cline at Stannards the first of the week. Mrs. Cline passed away Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Robinson and daughter Sharon of Wellsville spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. James Lewis.

Carroll Church is attending a G.L.F. committeemen's meeting in Wellsville this Tuesday afternoon.

Independence

Mrs. Floyd Clarke, Reporter

Jan. 14.—Mrs. Milford Crandall has been visiting her brother, Ernest Greene and Mr. and Mrs. Benj. Crandall in Alfred.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Clarke spent the week-end with their daughter, Mrs. Merle Matteson and family.

Master Robert S. Clarke is ill with the flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Greene were in Cuba Monday night to see their daughter, Mrs. Bernard Bertrand, who is ill.

Norman Drew of Andover was a guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Spicer.

Mrs. W. E. Greene was called to Alfred Monday by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Ina Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hawks and Mr. and Mrs. Roy VanSchaick and sons of Wellsville were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hawks.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Clarke went to Wrights, Pa., Tuesday, to spend a couple of months with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wasmer.

C. M. Crandall was a guest of his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Crandall in Alfred, Saturday. Mrs. Crandall, who had been visiting them accompanied him home.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleon Clarke and Shiela were in Wrights, Pa., Tuesday, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Wasmer.

Jan. 9.—Mrs. Charles Clarke and Sally spent the week-end with Miss Florence Grantier and Mr. and Mrs. Campbell at Little Valley.

Director S. W. Clarke started for Chicago, Ill., Sunday on a ten-day trip for the Dairymen's League.

Joseph Seymond of Elmira was a Sunday caller of Mr. and Mrs. Decatur Clarke.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Keough and family were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Whitesell on the Marsh. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Whitesell and children of Elmira were also guests.

Wally Clarke is ill with flu and sore throat.

MISSING

Two farmers met in town a few days after a cyclone hit the countryside.

"Yes, it did quite a bit of damage out our way," said one. "By the way, was that new barn of yours injured in any way?"

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ASK THE SCIENTIST

If you have a question to ask the scientists, mail it to the New York Press Association, The Castle, Syracuse, 10, New York. The Science Board of the Radio Workshop at Syracuse University will answer each week in the Andover News those questions considered most interesting and timely.

Question 1.—Is it true that Jap bayonets were less dangerous than diseases during the early part of the war in the Pacific?

Answer.—Yes. For a time more soldiers were admitted to the military hospitals on certain Pacific islands because of malaria than for all other causes combined. Had our malaria control methods not been superior to those of the Japanese we might not have won the war at all. At least, it would have taken much longer.—Dr. Reginald D. Manwell, zoologist.

Question 2.—How does a fluorescent light work, and why is it more efficient than an ordinary electric light?

ANSWER.—A fluorescent light is a small glass tube from which most of the air has been pumped, and which contains a small amount of mercury. The inside walls of the tube are coated with a carefully prepared chemical known as phospher. When the current is turned on, there is a slight pause while the small heater coil in the end of the tube warms up the mercury to provide sufficient mercury vapor to carry the current. As soon as the current can flow thru the length of the tube, invisible ultra-violet light is produced. The phosphors on the tube wall absorb this ultra-violet light and fluoresce or glow with different colors, depending on the chemical nature of the phosphor.

Fluorescent lights are much more efficient than ordinary lamps, because in the latter a large percentage of the electric current is wasted in heat. A 25-watt fluorescent tube produces light equivalent to a 100-watt tungsten light and is cool enough to hold in the hand. It is often referred to as cold light.—Dr. Aden King.

Question 3.—Is DDT poisonous to man and domestic animals?

Answer.—Cases of DDT poisoning in man and animals have occurred, and they can be serious. However, they have been few, and as ordinarily used, DDT is not likely to cause trouble. Nevertheless it is important to keep oil solutions containing it from contact with the skin.—Dr. Manwell.

Question 4—How much water will a cut flower, say a single lily, absorb in 24 hours? Do flowers differ materially in capacity for water absorbtion?

Answer.—Flowers do differ materially in this respect. The amount of water which a cut flower will take up will depend upon several things. The temperature of the room would be an important matter, as would the humidity of the room. More important still is the number of leaves on the stem of the flower because the greater the leaf surface, the more water taken up.—Dr. Reed.

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