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Ada Cascade Eastmont

— REPORTS —

Roger Tusken

A few interesting items passed across our desk this week. Among them were a couple of complimentary ducats and a press release concerning the forthcoming appearance of one George Adamski, who will lecture at the Fountain St. Baptist Church in a nearby city, May 11, on flying saucers. Mr. Adamski claims to have talked with some "out of this world visitors" and taken the dollar tour in their saucer space ship.

We will approach this lecture with a very open mind. How soon we will close it is another question. Anyway, Mr. Adamski appears to be making several bucks by lecturing and writing several books on the subject. And who are we to knock somebody else's livelihood. If you desire more information we are told you can call Mrs. Rodney Burgess at CH 3-6346.

Every week we receive two letters from Kent County state representatives, Harry Emmons and Glenn Hunsberger. The Republican party at the state capitol must be working together now since both letters are identical, calculated to make enemies of no one. At least Mr. Emmons doesn't sign the one purportedly emanating from his office. Hunsberger always does.

However, this is one step better than Charles Feenstra, our State Senator, from whom we get exactly nil. Mr. Feenstra, as chairman of the state Utilities Committee is usually quite busy with Consumers Power. There is some rumor around at present that he has earned the nickname "pump-handle" due to his ability to suddenly appear at election time and shake every hand in his district.

Locally

This week, through a little extra struggle, Suburban Life is coming out with eight pages and we hope you like it. We now have over thirty advertisers from the ACE area and hope that this can be expanded. With spring gardening time on us, we have quite a number of ads offering gardening services, supplies and aids. Hope you give them all a good looking-over.

We talked with Mrs. Edward DeWitt Jr., over at Eastmont Wednesday, and it is our hope that she will furnish us with news of Eastmont and Martin from now on. It has been one of our shortcomings that there have not been too many items on the Eastmont folks and we would like to change that soon. I am also looking for more

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Cascade Teaching Staff Hired for Next Year

Russell E. Jensen, school board chairman, has announced that Cascade school No. 4 will have 8 teachers when school convenes next September.

Mrs. Dorothy Cheney, Miss Mary Delia, Mrs. Evelyn Lane and principal C. J. Boerman will be on hand.

New teachers hired include George VanOeveren, who will teach the 7th grade. Mr. Van Oeveren who received his degree at Hope College, has been teaching at Fairview school. Miss Joyce McNitt, a graduate of Western State Teachers College will have the 3rd grade. Mrs. Barbara VerSluis is moving to Grand Rapids from East Lansing, where she is teaching now, and will have the 1st grade. Mrs. Ethelyn Cook will teach the 5th grade and possibly part of the 6th.

The work on the addition of the two new class rooms is progressing as scheduled, and will be ready for occupation in the fall.

ADA RESIDENTS RETURN FROM NORFOLK VISIT

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Stukkie Sr. and Miss Ruth Duthler accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Case Heemstra on a week's motor trip to Norfolk, Va., where the Heemstras visited their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Boersma, and the Stukkies to see their son Roger who is in the navy and stationed there. They also visited many other places of interest, returning home last week, Wednesday.

NOTICE

The Ada Township Board has changed the date of board meeting to the 1st Saturday of each month. The next meeting will be Saturday, May 7 at 1 p. m. at Ada Township hall.

Blanch Loveless, Clerk.

addresses of anyone not on our mailing list. Every week some new ones are added and it is a pleasure to do so. Just drop a line to us at Box 147, Lowell.

The Thornapple Lions Club is progressing very well on their new park between Ada and Cascade. We understand that it may be called "Children's Park" and incorporate softball diamonds, space for pitching horseshoes and a beautiful setting for good measure when all is completed. These are long range plans, and we wish them the best. Suburban Life holds a belief that Ada-Cascade and Eastmont will be drawn closer together as the years go by, and anything that works to develop this, we heartily endorse. The Lions Club project is a big step in the right direction.

That just about covers it for today.

If you like Suburban Life—give your copy to a friend.

Ada Christian School To Participate in County Field Meet

Ada Christian School will participate in an "all-Christian-school Field Meet Friday at Johnson Park in Grandville, according to Gil VanSolkema, school principal.

Over 100 students from the seventh, eighth and ninth grades of Ada, Grant, East Paris and Walker Christian schools will take part in the all-day event. Mr. VanSolkema states that approximately 19 students from Ada Christian will do their best to bring home the most prizes.

Sponsored by the Grand Rapids YMCA, the event will begin with a spelling-bee for all students and then move into more physical competition with a 75 yard dash, and 300 yard relays for the girls. Boys events include a 100 yard dash, 400 yard relays, and high and broad jumps. All students will participate in a distance ball throwing contest in the morning and soft ball tournaments in the afternoon.

Ribbons will be awarded to the winners in each contest and a banner will be presented to the school with the highest number of points at the end of the meet. This is the first time an event of this sort has been held in the area featuring competition solely among Christian schools.

Honeycreek PTA To Hold May Day Fete

Honeycreek PTA is holding a May Day Festival and farewell party on the old school grounds on Conservation road Sunday afternoon.

The old school seats will be auctioned off to highest bidders. These make attractive flower benches, telephone or hall seats as well as what they were intended for; desks for children.

Also barbecues, pop, ice cream, cake and pie will be sold and horse back rides for the children. A good way to break up your Sunday afternoon drive.

The PTA of Honeycreek have been trying every way to raise money to pay for the seats in the new school on Honeycreek. After Sunday the 88-year-old school will belong to private owners.

ADA BOY BADLY CUT FROM BROKEN GLASS DOOR

Petie Bruinekool, age 8, son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bruinekool of Bronson st., received bad cuts on his head, face and arm, when he ran through a glass door at his home last Friday afternoon. He was rushed to Butterworth hospital by Herman Stukkie Sr. and Ruth Duthler, where 38 stitches were required to close the wound.

HOME GROUP HOLDS DISPLAY AT KINGSLAND'S

Cascade Home Demonstration Group will participate in National Home Demonstration Week, May 1-7, by having a display in the window of the Kingland's Hardware Store. Theme for the week is "Taking it Easy in the Kitchen." The local group have built their exhibit around "Saving steps With a Utility Cart." The committee working on the project are Mrs. Ray Jarvi, chairman, Mrs. James Scripps, and Mrs. Walter Goebel.

Bobby Hayes, age 10, who appeared on the Buck Berry show on WOOD TV last Tuesday night was one of the lucky ones to be called to rope a calf and won a beautiful western belt. Congrat-

Anglers Awaiting Trout Season

Something's fishy . . . trout fishing, that is. Saturday morning, April 30 hails in the start of the 1955 season and prospects point to a good year for anglers.

State regulations allow 10 trout in the creel, but remember that you must also buy the Michigan trout stamp along with the regular state license

Along with the many small streams providing natural habitat for trout in this vicinity,

Gove Lake in Cascade township is one of the two Kent County lakes stocked with Rainbow trout by the State Conservation Department. Here, the catch is limited to five.

According to Claude Quiggle, Gove Lake resident (he also rents boats,) the lake was stocked for the second time by the state last October with one-thousand and rainbows ranging from 9 to 12 inches in length. Normal trout growth promises some good size catches on the opening day.

Mr. Quiggle says that last year 340 trout were taken from a previous stocking of the lake. These ranged up to 17 inches in length. There is a good chance that this will be easily beaten this year. Gove was selected by the state for stocking because of its cold, spring-fed water and offers the pleasure of fishing for fighting trout without several miles of tramping through the back-woods.

Exchange Student Visits Cascade Future Farmers

Kurt F. Supersberg, a 19-year-old Austrian exchange farmer, visited with Gordon Kilmer and Michael Patterson recently, to pick up a few pointers on poultry raising. Gordon is president of the Caledonia High School Chapter of the Future Farmers of America.

The Austrian youth, who resides with the Clarence Rodgers of Caledonia, is spending a year living and working with Kent county Farm Bureau families. Kurt plans on raising chickens on his farm when he returns home. Poultry and eggs are very scarce in Austria, nearly all of the supply being imported from Italy.

An interesting sidelight on the young man's visit is his comparison of life in his homeland and life in the United States. Kurt lives on a 3300 acre farm that has belonged to his family for 700 years. The Austrian farmer lives in the village closest to his farm, and goes out to work the land each day, returning to the village every evening.

The Austrian children attend school six days a week, from 7 until 5, and tackle 12 subjects daily.

ONLY ONE GRASS FIRE IN CASCADE LAST WEEK

The grass and brush fire along the bank behind the George Walker residence, Thornapple River Dr., at 3 p. m. Saturday was the one reported fire in the Cascade vicinity last week.

At the regular monthly Cascade Fire Department meeting on April 18, at the fire barn, the volunteers decided to purchase new ladders for one of the trucks, and a supply of "Wet Water." The latter is a detergent that is mixed with the water used in combating a fire, making the water more effective in soaking into smoldering objects, (mattresses, etc.) thus quickly quenching the flames.

MISS OSMER HONORED WITH SHOWER THIS FRIDAY

Mrs. Wayne Fellows, Thornapple River Dr., and Mrs. Lyle Dykhuizen, also of Thornapple River Dr., will entertain the American Legion Auxiliary with a shower honoring Miss Phyllis Osmer, on April 29, at 8 o'clock, at the Fellow's residence. Miss Osmer will become the bride of Gordon Coller on May 6.

TB BUS TO GIVE X-RAYS AT EGYPT HALL, MAY 11

On May 11 from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. the TB bus will be at Egypt Grange hall on corner of Egypt Valley Road and Knapp road. Everyone in the community is urged to come and get x-rayed. Remember anyone who handles food in his or her employment must have a yearly chest x-ray.

Buy, sell, rent, hire and trade through Suburban Life want ads.

Safety-Check of Autos Increasingly Important

The traditional May safety check for automobiles is becoming increasingly important with improvements to highways and vehicles accelerating average driving speeds. W. B. Rice, director of service of Plymouth Motor Corporation, has urged that manufacturer's more than 10,000 dealers to assist drivers in a nation-wide safety campaign during the month by reducing the mechanical hazard element of driving.

Recent development of super-highways and one-way traffic streets, although necessary to expedite the flow of traffic, has tended to raise average speeds throughout the nation. Improvements to cars such as power brakes, automatic transmissions, and power steering have added to their safety value through ease of handling. However, the maintenance of cars in top driving condition is still a vital problem.

During the campaign these dealers and the public are being urged to pay special attention to checking brakes, lights, steering, tires, exhaust system, windshield wipers, rear view mirror and horn.

Six Cascade Students On Trip to New York

Caledonia High School Senior Class will leave on their annual trip on Wednesday, April 27, destination New York City. They will be gone until April 30. The funds for the trip were raised by the students through the sale of greeting cards, magazine subscriptions, car washes and numerous projects.

Those from the Cascade area who will be going are Leanne Burger, Dick Oatman, Don Kleinhans, Gordon Kilmer, Mike Patterson and Jack Orlap.

***** News of Our Servicemen *****

W. G. "Bill Parker of Cascade, has a new address: No. 442-67-69 Columbia River Gp., U. S. N. S., Tongue Pt., Machinery Div., Astoria, Oregon. He just returned to the coast after spending 30 days at home. Bill hopes to be stationed here another year, at which time he will be eligible for discharge.

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Police Safety Group Criticize "Easy" Driver Examinations

The Safety Committee of the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police has taken a firm stand urging stricter controls in licensing automobile drivers.

The group points out that the "too easy" examination now being used in Michigan creates a poor first impression on the part of the new crop of drivers.

"The high school youngster who passes a thorough course in driver education and then discovers the license examination is a cinch can't help but have a let down feeling and perhaps question to some degree the necessity of his having taken the course.

"The original examination must be so positioned that it is not the end of something but the beginning. The examinee should be notified that it is merely his first examination and that there will be re-examination to check up on whether he is still capable of being a safe driver," the report indicates.

The Police Chiefs see progress in the administration of the driver license law by the Department of State. They point out that suspensions following re-examination hearings have increased from 4,311 to 9,322 in one year.

Suspensions and revocations have more than doubled; drivers placed on probation have increased about 50 per cent; a new written examination has been prepared for new licensees and those who haven't driven for two years.

But Michigan is still not up to national minimum standards as set by the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators, the police group points out. In 1953, this state ranked 27th out of the 48 states and seventh among the heavily populated states.

The Police Chiefs say Michigan should suspend and revoke one-third more licenses than is now being done; 30 per cent of new applicants should fail their initial test; and there should be three times as many warning letters sent out.

On top of that, it is highly necessary to enforce any driver license revocation. It does little good for a court to take away a driver's license if you know that the odds are with you that you'll never be picked up for driving unless you happen to get into trouble.

Driving is a privilege, not a right, and anything reasonable that needs to be done to reduce menaces on our highways should be a first order of business all of the time.—Midland Daily News.

Letter to Editor

(Letters sent to this column must be signed and addressed. We will be glad to publish any letter of public interest. Views expressed in the letters are not necessarily our own.)

To the Editor:

There is a proposal that will soon be brought to a vote in Cascade Township which, if approved by the voters would permit that Township to bond itself in the amount of \$200,000 for a period of twenty years for the purpose of black-topping certain roads in the township during the coming summer. A companion proposal would also be placed on the ballot to vote four to six mills taxes over the fifteen mill limitation to guarantee repayment of the bonds as they become due.

We are told that the extra millage is needed only until a small reserve is created after which the returns from the state from gasoline and sales taxes would take care of the bond payments without any millage. However, once the millage is voted it is up to the discretion of the township board as to how the refunds from the state are spent and it may be that future township boards will levy the millage and use the refunds from the state for other purposes. Too, the refunds to the township from Sales Tax and Gasoline Taxes are a result of legislative action and can be changed from year to year. It is for this reason that this income cannot be used to guarantee the repayment of the borrowed funds and a voted millage is necessary.

This community is facing a somewhat more serious problem than the need for black-topped highways. I speak of the ever-increasing school census and our continuing need for additional school room facilities.

So far we have been mainly concerned with keeping ahead of our growing elementary school requirements. As the wave of children now in about the fourth grade reaches high school age it is very likely that school districts that do not offer a Kindergarten through 12th grade program will find it impossible to find high school districts that will accept their children. These districts will have two alternatives: (1) to merge with existing high school districts if such districts are found that will accept them and (2) the development of a high school district of their own. This second alternative is a very expensive one.

For this reason it should behoove us to protect our borrowing power to the utmost. The schools we MUST have and if we fail to provide them our districts will deteriorate and property values will decline.

Purchasers of municipal bonds are concerned with several facts regarding the borrowing community: (1) the valuation per capita, which, because of our lack of industry, is comparatively low, (2) the indebtedness per capita which varies greatly between school districts but is not yet out of line in any district and (3) our voted millage which is still not excessive but will necessarily rise with the further expansion of schools.

Cascade Township School District No. 4 is now raising about eleven mills on the county equalized valuation for debt retirement. The addition of four to six mills, whether collected regularly or not, would raise the voted millage to a point where further bonding of the district for school purposes would become increasingly difficult and expensive. To protect the future expansion of our schools as needed we must protect this borrowing power. We cannot afford the luxury of good roads at the expense of our schools.

As a citizen of Cascade Township, a taxpayer and a father I urge citizens to reject this proposal at least for the present.

Sincerely yours,
Russell S. Jensen

Give your copy of Suburban Life to a friend.

Audio-Visual Aids For Rural Schools?

Meetings have been scheduled by the Kent County Board of Education for school board members and teachers, concerning a study made by a committee regarding the establishment of a visual aids program in the rural schools. Tonight (Thursday,) there will be a meeting at Townline School Auditorium, for the southern half of Kent County.

Questions to be discussed are: The need for such program; how to finance; method of selection; and how aids will be supplied to the rural schools.

Meetings will start at 8 o'clock until 9:15. Dr. Charles Shuller, director of the audio-visual aids department of MSC will be present at the Townline school to explain advantages of the program.

Mrs. Stonebreaker Dies Tuesday at Flint Home

Mrs. Alma E. Stonebreaker, age 80, who passed away Tuesday at her home in Flint, was a resident of Lowell and vicinity many years ago. Funeral services are being held this afternoon (Thursday) at the Rose Chapel of Algae-Gundry Mortuary in Flint, the Rev. Marshall Hoyt officiating; interment is to be in Flint Memorial Park cemetery.

Mrs. Stonebreaker was born in Ada on February 2, 1875, the daughter of Horace and Laura E. Ward. She resided in Ada, Lowell and Grand Rapids until 1924, when she moved to Flint.

Her husband, William, survives; also three daughters, Mrs. Laura E. Boyd and Mrs. Edith Olson of Flint, and Miss Lucille Stonebreaker at home; also a son, Louis, of Newberry, Mass.; nine grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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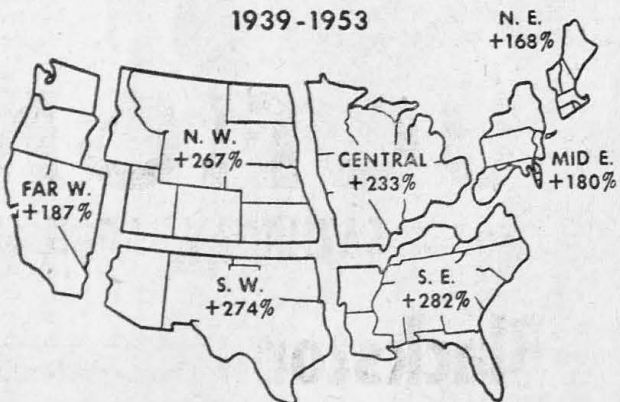
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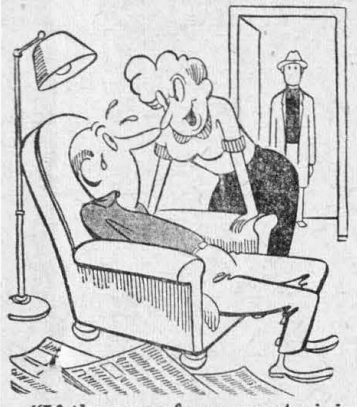
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Red Flannel Hash

- 2 cups cooked corned beef
- 4 medium-size cooked potatoes
- 2 cups canned beets
- 1 large onion
- 2 tablespoons vinegar
- 2 teaspoons sugar
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- 2 tablespoons fat

Put corned beef, potatoes, beets and onion through food chopper using very coarse blade, or chop on a board until fine.

Combine vinegar, sugar and seasonings with corned beef mixture. Heat fat in heavy skillet having a tight fitting lid. Add hash to hot fat.

Cover and heat slowly to form brown crust on bottom. Remove cover and slip under preheated broiler to brown top lightly (about three minutes).

Yield: Six servings.

Modern corned beef is packed in an easy-to-handle plastic bag with the spices already added to the brine. New Englanders cook a piece large enough for more than one meal.

The muster rolls of the Continental Army in the American Revolution revealed more than 4,000 enlisted men with Irish names, in a force that never exceeded 25,000. The Kelleys alone numbered 695.

Cascade Locals
Style Revue Winners

Carol Moore and Joan Bishop were presented with pins of recognition for their entries in the 4H Style Revue program at the Civic Auditorium on April 20.

Carolyn Kilmer and Susan Keck were placed on the county honor roll and awarded blue ribbons for their projects.

Cubs Meet Today

Martin-Cascade-Collins Cub Scout Pack 3284 will meet on April 28, at 7:30 p. m. in the fire-barn.

Theme for the month is "Cub Scout Foresters." The program will include two films, entitled, "The New Paul Bunyun," and "The Story of Little Smoky."

Mrs. Plume Lock's den will have the opening ceremony, and Lyle Dykhuizen's Webelos den will have the closing ceremony. Mrs. Joseph Mitner's den will enact the advancement ceremonies before the presentation of

Cascade School Mothers Club held a Hobo-breakfast at the home of Mrs. Frank Clark, Spaulding Ave., on April 21. Hostesses for the event were from the neighborhood group led by Mrs. John Breidenfield. About 45 members were present, and \$35 was raised, which will be contributed to a fund established this year to purchase and install a backstop for the playground.

Other Local News

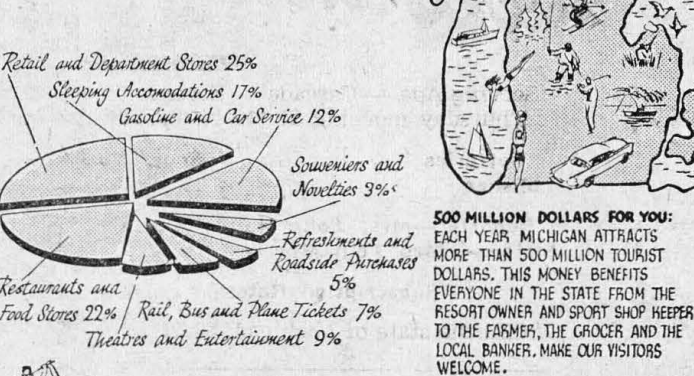
Mrs. E. Groenboom and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Groenboom, of Chicago, have been recent visitors of Mrs. John Timmer, Thornapple River Dr. Mrs. E. Groenboom, who is Mrs. Timmer's sister is planning on making Cascade her permanent home sometime in May.

Carolyn Kilmer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orval Kilmer, 28th st., is planning on entering two departments of the Youth Talent Exhibit opening April 29, at the Grand Rapids Public Museum. One entry, made in her 4H sewing class under the leadership of Mrs. Herbert Flynn, Kraft Ave., is a three piece pastel blue tweed suit, with the jacket lining and blouse made of gold colored silk. Carolyn is entering an angel food cake in the baked goods display opening May 7.

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Tuesday Is My Deadline

Recently, Mrs. Roger I. Wykes Jr., our very fine Cascade correspondent, who so aptly reports all news for the Lowell Ledger and Suburban Life, wrote an article which was published in the monthly bulletin of the Grand Rapids Women's City Club. This article concerns her weekly correspondence for the Ledger and we think you will be interested to read what Mrs. Wykes has to say. We are quoting the article as follows:

Being a local correspondent for a small town weekly newspaper is a thing I did not plan, but I find it suits me exactly. There is a nice balance between soothing routine and creative activity. I am serving my community, and have a certain place in it.

There are drawbacks of course. Some news is dull or repetitious. Events do not happen at my convenience. I work very hard the day and a half before my Tuesday noon deadline, and afterwards I feel as emotionally worn as a minister on Monday. But for anyone with the right temperament the work is immensely satisfying.

All cors (as we are known to the newspaper office, though not among ourselves) must, I think have an urge to write, a strong exhibitionist streak, and a really ravishing curiosity. Certainly I have the last two; and I have liked to write ever since when, at six or seven, I used to reel off "books" with sheerest pleasure. But for me, producing regularly to adult standards is such a discipline that I must have a deadline to make me perform.

My love affair with the Ledger began two years ago, when I called about publicity for a Girl Scout program. The paper was courteous and receptive; and when my story appeared IN PRINT, all twelve inches of it, on the front page, I was beguiled. Perhaps we might form a liaison? I proposed. The paper was agreeable, though wary, and I joined the twenty or so other local correspondents in the Ledger seraglio (for some reason cors are always women) on trial.

Naturally, there were adjustments, I learned that the Ledger is not the precarious little news sheet of fiction and the movies. Established in 1893, it now has its own brick building, and \$50,000 worth of the latest machinery. With 2,200 paid subscriptions, it ranks in the upper middle of the three hundred small town weeklies of the state, in size. Last year it won an award for its style, make-up and general lay-out from the Michigan Press Association.

Its readers, the people of Lowell (population 2,170) and its surrounding townships, like it that way. In fact, they become such addicts that three hundred have continued to subscribe after moving away, some for years; another hundred copies weekly follow servicemen over the world, or go south to winter sojourners.

To make the Cascade news as indispensable to my neighbors, and through it to develop a strong sense of community, were my goals.

Our village on the Thornapple has always been a charming, quiet place. But more and more people had been moving out since the war, and now, suddenly we were becoming a lively "commuter village," with new churches, stores and recurrent additions to our school, and best of all, with a fine type of young couples who were concerned and active.

To tell these newcomers and us established residents about each other, to gather up all the interesting, important things that were being done, and relate them to one another, seemed vital if we were to grow wisely.

It was a challenge and I was eager but quite untrained. The Ledger, for its part, was as if any thing too permissive. I needed guidance, but my only instructions were: get names—the more the better; give lots of school news; don't let church news get

disproportionate. My husband came to my rescue. He hunted out the small handbook from his college journalism course, and it became my mainstay. Further, he always reads, and praises, the Cascade news, gives justifiable criticism on occasion, and makes valuable suggestions.

That is the nicest thing about newswriting—the kind surprisingness of people. Our township supervisor, Gerrit Baker, introduced me to the geography of my territory when he and his wife drove me around the borders of the township and showed me all our five cemeteries, neatly green and flowering with May, in case I might want to do a story about Memorial Day.

Another neighbor, Archie Thomas, the Great-grandson of original settlers, has taught me its history—one golden autumn day, by pointing out to me the places where it had happened, as told to him by his ancestors, and also his wife's.

Older inhabitants stop me with tales of earlier days. Harried brides take time to fill out my official pink wedding blanks. Linemen, carpenters, bankers and officials, city and state, have affably answered questions about local developments. Our own community leaders are equally helpful, and the fresh, inventive things they are doing are even more interesting to write about. I relish hearing the details.

The deepest satisfaction of reporting have been of two kinds. One is, that sometimes it serves to bring a thing into focus, when by asking the right questions, the unsuspected scope or significance of an organization, an event, or a life, becomes clear. For example, when the Mothers' club sums up for me a list of achievements that amazes and warms us both.

The second is, to write something meaningful to another, as when a friend said, of her mother's obituary, "Thank you! That was better than flowers."

I am proud of that "COR" on the mailing address of my Ledger.

Marjorie (Mrs. Roger I.) Wykes

Lowell Band to Attend Grand Valley Festival

The Lowell High Senior Band will join with the senior bands of Grand Valley Schools in a Festival to be held at Lee High School gymnasium on Wednesday, May 4th. The other Grand Valley schools participating are East Grand Rapids, Godwin, Grandville, Lee, Rockford, and Wyoming Park.

This festival will not be rated but just a friendly get-together of bands in a concert atmosphere. A select group made up of players from all of the bands will practice in the afternoon and play four selections in the evening. The guest conductor of this select band will be Mr. Karl Schlabach of Benton Harbor. Mr. Schlabach has often judged Lowell bands in competition festivals.

Each band will play two numbers and the concert will end with the playing of the select band. The public is invited for a real musical treat. Tickets may be secured from Lowell band members.

Display Spring Frocks At Style Show May 12

The St. Mary's Altar Society is sponsoring a style show entitled "May Modes by Morgan", to be held at the Lowell City Hall Thursday evening, May 12, starting at 8 o'clock.

Trudy Fedorowicz is general chairman of the event, and her committees are headed by: Muriel Abraham, Tickets; Margaret McMahan, decorations; Ann Armstrong, staging; Josephine Willard, refreshments.

There will be prizes awarded and refreshments served. Tickets may be obtained from any member of the Altar Society, or by contacting Mrs. Abraham, the ticket chairman.

Michigan State Pioneered Extension Service, Giving Farm and Home Aid

Even at the founding of Michigan State College in 1855, there was talk of extending the benefits of the forthcoming agricultural research to all parts of the state. Though the college was new, the founders could envisage a program of farm and home aid to the entire population of the state.

Today, this hope is a reality. Through the Cooperative Extension Service, all of Michigan's 83 counties are served by agents for agriculture, home demonstration and 4H club work. Eight centers of population are served by consumer information agents. The Michigan State campus, with all its technical assistance, is as close to the farmer or homemaker as the nearest county extension office. Last year, more than 407,000 farm and city families got direct assistance from the Extension Service.

Not Overnight

But it didn't happen overnight. Constant searching for the best method of reaching the state's citizens produced a variety of activities through the early years. This philosophy has made Michigan State a leader in new developments such as the township agent program, farm and home development, consumer information, and the marketing education program.

Early in the college's history, Farmers' Institutes were organized as a means of reaching people distant from East Lansing. Professors went out in teams of three and four to all parts of the state to lecture and demonstrate new techniques. But a problem still remained. You couldn't show farmers a good cow merely by lectures. Muddy roads prevented taking detailed exhibits or equipment. From these needs grew excursion trains to the college. Then came trains from the college that spread out over the state carrying animals, equipment, and college speakers with timely information.

A fundamental need still remained; for a man who was intimately familiar with the agriculture of a certain area of Michigan and who could be called upon to help farmers with their special problems. Though the college "field agent" had been appointed in 1907, it was 1912 when a new kind of agent, located per-

manently in a county, was appointed. The Federal Smith-Lever Act of 1914 provided for the formation of the Cooperative Extension Service and the era of the county agricultural agent had dawned. Following close were establishment of home demonstration and 4H Club work.

One of today's fastest growing Extension programs involves aid to consumers, food handlers, and growers—a three-phase program to stimulate Michigan farm markets. Consumer information agents in centers of population carry on an intensive program to tell the food buyer which products will give her the most for her money. Stationed in other parts of the state are agents who work directly with food handlers and growers, helping them to recognize the wants of the buying public.

Through all of these new programs designed to aid Michigan citizens, the Cooperative Extension Service is still pioneering. As the forty-first year of service to the state begins, the Extension Service shares in Michigan State's hundredth birthday, drawing on the lessons of the past and looking forward to helping increasing numbers of Michigan citizens each year.

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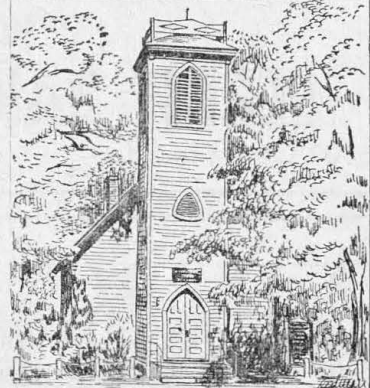
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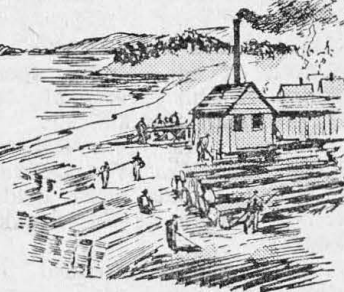
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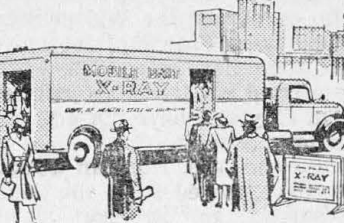
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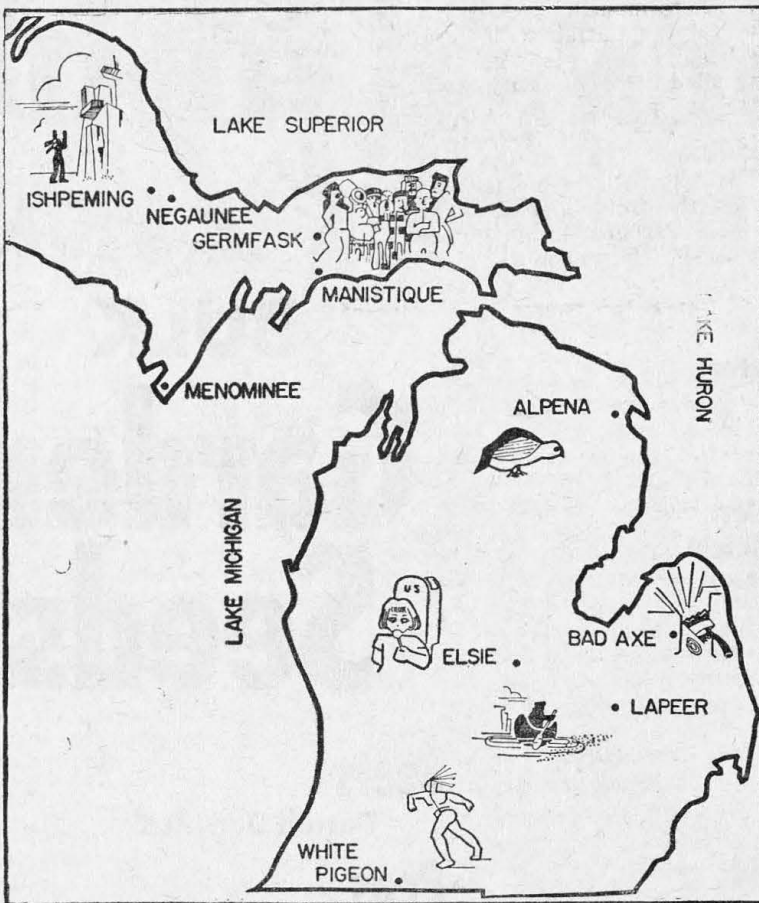
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Names of Many Michigan Towns Have Unusual Origins Wayne Students Find



"What's in a name?" asked Shakespeare.

Plenty, say Wayne University students of Michigan history who did a little research on the origin and meaning of the names of towns in their home-state of Michigan.

Most of the names of Michigan towns reflect the varied influences of the Indians and of the three nations which ruled at one time in Michigan. The name of the State itself is derived from the Mishigamaw Indians—the name meaning "great water."

The students found in their study that much of the history of the town names is legendary, but most of it is based on historical fact. Some towns were named after U. S. presidents — Jackson, Monroe, Grant, Harrison, Washington, and Lincoln. Many others assumed the names of their founders or of the geographical setting peculiar to the area of the townsite.

Elsie, in central Michigan, was named in 1857 when a meeting for that purpose was held at the home of Franklin Tillotson, the town's first postmaster. The story goes that while a group of men were trying to think of a suitable name for their town, Tillotson's little daughter, Elsie, ran into the room. She was a pretty little girl and at that moment all agreed that the town should be named after her.

Citizens of Bad Axe claim their city to be the only one in the world with that name. Bad Axe got its name from a broken, rusty axe found imbedded in a tree in 1861

when a location for a road from Bay City to Sand Beach, now Harbor Beach, was being laid.

Ishpeming, in the iron ore district of the Upper Peninsula, is an Indian name meaning "high place" or Heaven. Incidentally, the neighboring town of Negaunee is also an Indian name meaning "low place."

The resort town of Germfask got its name from the first letters of the last names of the first eight pioneer settlers in that area.

Other towns and cities in Michigan with interesting "name" backgrounds are:

Menominee—An Algonquian Indian name meaning "wild rice."

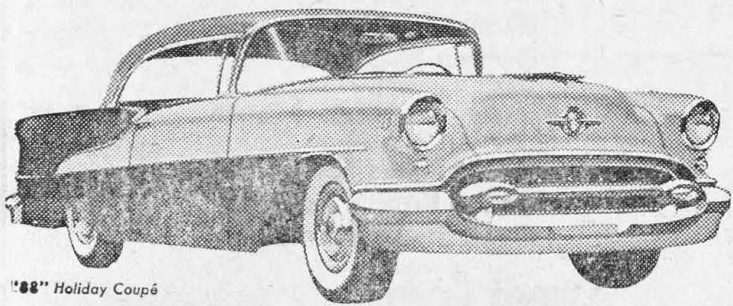
Lapeer—Early French traders observed the rocky bed of the river and called it Flint. The town that sprung up later was given the name of the French word for "the stone" which is "le pierre." The English adaptation resulting in Lapeer.

Alpena—Indian name for "partridge."

White Pigeon—According to legend, the town was named after the Indian Chief White Pigeon or "Wahbememe" who ran 140 miles without rest from Detroit to this village to warn its settlers of an impending attack by savage tribes.

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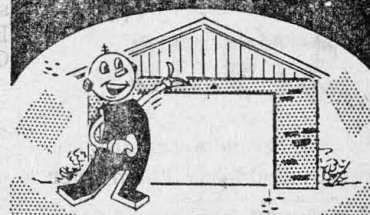
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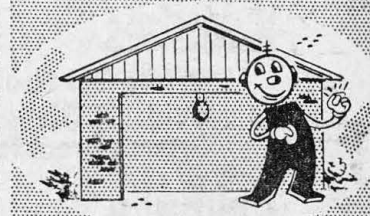
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Mrs. Mable Gross of Lowell is spending two weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Ken Anderson. Willard Marks and Jack spent the week-end at Beulah on a fishing trip also visited his sister Mrs. Paul Schaum. Mr. and Mrs. Pete Bruinekool Iris and Petie motored to Big Rapids Monday to spend the day with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. en DeYoung and help to celebrate her mother's birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hall and son Billie of Ypsilanti were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris. Mr. and Mrs. Neal Blakeslee of Grand Rapids and Mr. and

Mrs. Ed Dunneback and children of Alpine were Sunday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Art Loveless. Mrs. Lydia Miller and Elgin had Sunday dinner with her daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Boersma and family of Grand Rapids, it being Richard's birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Ward, Fat, and Buck of Ionia were Sunday dinner guests at the Webb and Don Ward home. After which Mr. and Mrs. Webb Ward accompanied them to Greenville to visit Mr. and Mrs. Hubert DeVries, returning home with them to Ionia for the night, returning home Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Orvie Kellogg were Sunday dinner guests of her son, Mr. and Mrs. John Krum of McCords. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Richardson had as their Sunday dinner guests, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cramton of Fulton road and Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Rooker of Ada Drive. Mr. and Mrs. John Postma showed pictures of the Pilgrim Fellowship southern tour at the Congregational church Sunday night. Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Anderson and Mrs. Mable Gross attended Kent County Pomona Grange at East Paris Thursday night, April 21. Senator Charles Feenstra was the speaker.

What we have been denied is precisely what we want.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Fase entertained with a hamburger fry at their home Saturday night, observing her father, Grover Hill's birthday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Irving Alexander, Joyce and Bob, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Hill and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lou Mulder and Mrs. Grover Hill. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hayes visited her brother Carl Johnson and family at White Cloud Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Pete Stukkie and children of Mt. Morris spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Stukkie, Sr. Mr. and Mrs. John DeGraaf and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. DeGraaf of Grand Rapids were Friday evening callers at the Stukkie home. Homer Morris attended the father and daughter Campfire Blue Bird banquet at the Lowell high school gym Monday night, as guest of his granddaughter, Sandra Wilcox. Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Nellist who purchased the Walter Afton property on Fase st., have moved into their new home. The Aftons purchased his father's farm near Kent City and have moved there. Mr. and Mrs. Herman Stukkie Jr., have moved from the Andre apartment on Bronson st., to their new home on Forrest Hill road. Rev. and Mrs. Wm. Rynders Mr. and Mrs. Merle Cramton, Mrs. Russell Kelley, Mrs. Geo. Dey and Mrs. Robert Morris attended the Spring Association meeting of the Congregational

churches at Smith Memorial church in Grand Rapids last week Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hayes accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roper of Grand Rapids attended the annual Maple sugar festival at Vermontville.

Why do we whisper words of praise, but shout criticism for all to hear.



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THIS FARMING BUSINESS

BY **CARL COLLIN**

Back in the "good old days" what some reigning sovereign did concerned us very little. Nations could pick fights with their neighbors and it could be a local affair. But today tiny political ripples, droughts, disaster, and economic changes can and do have jarring effects around the world. It's because of the close community of nations and their interdependence that I try to bring brief foreign reports to this farm column.

Farmers are very much more conscious of foreign affairs than they were a generation ago. They or their sons have had personal contact with the people in other countries. Their travels with Uncle Sam's service arms have changed their perspective. That holds true of city people too. But farmers know now how crop failures or surpluses in other countries can affect their incomes in no uncertain manner.

This column has reported a lot recently on the food and agricultural situation behind the Iron Curtain, specifically Russia. When reports began to seep out about food shortages in the USSR, the comment was made here that a country normally doesn't pick a fight without ample food supplies to back up its fighting machine. Since first word of poor Soviet food conditions were reported, a lot of interesting facts have become available about Russian farming troubles.

Nikita Khrushchev, currently the top man on the Soviet Totem pole, made a public confession recently. It admitted the failure of collectivized farms in the Soviet. Even though more than half the people live on farms, the country is short of food. The desperate drives of Communist leaders to boost farm production has flopped miserably. Basically, the main cause appears to be lack of incentive for farmers to produce crops and livestock. They've raised more hogs but less pork. They've produced more cows but less milk. Farmers just weren't bothering to feed the livestock they didn't own.

Khrushchev, who was Minister of Agriculture and responsible for this failure, now pleads with the farmers to perform miracles. He asks for almost double the production of grain in the next 5 years; double the supply of pork;

great increases in other meat and dairy products; boosted corn acreage almost 8 times current levels; and the bringing of 45 million acres of marginal land in uninhabited areas into production. He tells Russian farmers or political commissars in charge of collective farms to see that sows have 2 litters each year. He demands that egg and beef output be doubled and fodder supplies quadrupled in the new five-year plan. That boy has really cut out quite a job for the Russian people. Probabilities of accomplishing such feats are nil. But the demands do point up the desperate plight of farming in the USSR.

Potato growers in Maine have been taking a beating because of low spud prices. The little town of St. Agatha in Aroostock County (the top potato producing county in the world) had to close its public school. Reason—low tax returns because of poor potato season.

Recently Secretary of Agriculture turned down a purchase program for spuds. He figured buying potatoes would aggravate the situation later. The thinking back of this decision was that a government purchase program would siphon off lower grade spuds, those which wouldn't get to consumers anyway because of state grading laws. Government purchases therefore wouldn't actually affect the quality of spuds available for market and would have no buoying effect on farm prices of top grades.

MISCELLANY . . . Poultry diseases cost American poultrymen about 300 million a year. Sanitation will go a long way in cutting down losses . . . Next to dirty floors and ground, water pans are greatest source of contamination around the poultry house . . . One of the country's leading public relations counsels says advertising, selling and public relations could make the "milk break" as much of an American institution as the coffee break. It could make cheese one of the country's leading desserts, he added . . . Number of hogs under 6 months old on farms in 12 corn belt states was up 14 percent on January 1 from a year ago. These 12 states supply 75 percent of all hogs in the country . . . Number of cattle on farms January 1 was higher than a year ago, surpassing most livestock experts.

Bits O' Business

Department store sales rose last week, but the comparison was unclear because of the earlier date of Easter . . . Shippers foresee a 7 per cent rise in rail carloadings in this quarter.

Honor Carol Denkema, Teen-of-Week



If Carol Denkema were to really look like her role as the first president of the new Latin Club, she should probably be dressed in a toga and be surrounded by all sorts of handmaidens and other attendants. And, naturally, Mount Vesuvius should be seen erupting in the background. But, such props being hard to obtain, Carol is shown with the object that occupies a great share of each Latin club members time—the Latin book.

Carol, who is 15, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Denkema of R-1, Lowell. She was born on December 2, 1939. Carol's schooling was obtained at a great variety of places; she attended Kindergarten at Alger School in Grand Rapids, spent the first through third grade in Salt Lake City, Utah, the fourth in Elko, Nevada, and then returned to Michigan, where the fifth through eighth grades were spent in Ada. Carol, now a sophomore, came to Lowell last year as a freshman.

Busy Honor Student

Besides serving as the Latin club president, Carol is also the secretary of her sophomore class. She has been a member of the General Choir for the past two years, singing with the second soprano section. This

year she played the part of Josephine in the recent operetta, "HMS Pinafore". She has had five years of 4-H experience, including four sewing and one each of cooking, conservation and horsemanship. Outside of school she is a member of the Congregational Church Choir at Ada, as well as being a member of the Pilgrim Fellowship, having served as an officer of that group. Even with all these activities Carol still finds time to be on the Honor Roll repeatedly and to follow her hobby of horse back riding.

Planning Banquet

The major project of the Latin Club before the school year closes will be the annual Latin Banquet. Helping Carol with the plans are Mrs. Anna Mae Roth, Latin teacher and faculty sponsor, and Larry Wittenbach, vice president of the club, Darlene Stites, the secretary, and Jim Carr, the treasurer.

As for the future, Carol plans to go on to college, probably Michigan State, where she would like to take up some field connected with animals and the out-ofdoors, such as vet or conservation work. Carol's second choice of a career would be in the field of nursing, a worthy ambition for anyone.

—Cary Stiff.

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Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hoekstra of Grand Rapids visited her sister, Mrs. Pete Kamp Saturday afternoon.

Law Says Seed Must Be Tested

Many Michigan farmers are unknowingly violating the state seed law when they advertise their own seed for sale without first having it tested. This was disclosed by Director G. S. McIntyre of the Michigan Department of Agriculture following receipt of a report from Edward R. Zemmer, chief of the department's bureau of agricultural industry, which operates the state's seed testing laboratory.

The Michigan seed law requires seed be tested before it is advertised for sale. This includes farmers as well as seed dealers, and is for the purpose of assuring that the seed from which crops are to be grown is of proper germination and purity and free from noxious weed seed.

Tests must show amount of pure seed, other crop seed, inert matter, amount of weed seeds which must be free of primary noxious weeds and have only a limited number of secondary noxious weeds and buckhorn. Such tests cannot be more than nine months old.

The Department's seed testing laboratory is in the Cass building at Lansing. Tests are made at less than cost at \$1 a test for such things as clovers, timothy and alfalfa. Crop mixtures are \$1 per ingredient running more than five percent of total. Usually a cupful of small seed is enough for a test, while a quart is needed in the case of oats and other grains.

CHURCH MAPS PLANS FOR EDUCATIONAL FUND

After an inspiring message on April 24, by Rev. Roy Thorpe, National Director of Stewardship for Disciples of Christ, the congregation of the Cascade Christian Church held a business meeting to discuss the proposed plans for the Educational Building Fund Campaign. The 150 resident members were asked to raise \$15,000 during the next 50 weeks, and ultimately \$45,000 to cover the cost of the new building. The challenge was unanimously accepted.

Minute Men

Further plans of the fund raising committee include a squad of "Minute Men" who will individually visit all regular church group meetings with detailed reports on the need and value of the proposed educational building.

Mrs. Glen Marvin will lead the "Minute Men" into action by speaking to the Sunday School on May 1st.

At the afternoon and evening meetings of the CYF and CHIRHO youth fellowships on May 1st, "Minute Men" Mrs. Carroil MacInness and Carl Keck will speak to the young people.

Mrs. John Hamer will speak on behalf of the campaign at the Dennison Guild meeting on May 3.

During the regular morning worship service on May 1, Charles Dykhuizen will speak for the youth of the church on, "What the Educational Building Will Mean to Me."

The committee's next meeting will be at the church on April 28, at 8 o'clock.

Other Church Notes

Cascade Christian Church held a clean-up day on Saturday 23, under the leadership of Milton Heaven, property committee chairman. Fifteen workers cut and raked the lawn, cleaned storage areas, and made minor re-



Members of the Thornapple Lions Club pause from their work on the new children's park being readied on Thornapple Drive between Ada and Cascade. While plans are "long-range" and most of the work is still to be accomplished, this mechanized unit of the Lions Club was able to clear a great deal of the park area over the past two weeks for plantings of pine seedlings. It is always a great service to a community when men are willing to give their time as well as money for projects which will benefit everyone.

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pairs to the building. Two new highway signs, purchased for the church by the Tri-Cees organization, were installed at the corner of Cascade Rd. and Orange St. Mrs. Martin VanderVeen and Mrs. Herbert Barnard served coffee to the group.

Dennison Guild of the Cascade Christian Church will meet at 1 p. m. on May 3, at the home of Mrs. Milton Neaven, Dennison Dr. The study on India will be continued. Members are asked to bring their contributions for the project bags started at the last meeting. The bags, to be distributed overseas, will contain a washcloth and towel, comb, toothbrush and toothpowder.

An Omission

We wish to acknowledge the fact that Karen Snyder had an entry in the 4S Style Revue at the Civic last week. Through an error Karen's name was left off the list of entrants.

The Men's Fellowship of the Cascade Christian Reformed Church will hold their regular monthly meeting on April 27, at 8 o'clock at the church. Hudson Nyenhuis, Irene St., who is director of The Bethany Christian Home will speak on his work at the home, and the placement of

Kent Librarians to Inspect New Branch At Annual Meeting

The Kent County Library will hold their annual Spring meeting this year at the new Oakfield Branch Library in Harvard, on Monday, May 2. Miss Inez Rutherford, Lowell librarian, has been invited as well as Mrs. H. D. Smith and Mrs. Grace Whaley, Alto and Ada librarians respectively.

Those attending will inspect this new Branch Library, and will discuss the programs and plans of the branches. Miss Carol Thomas, director of the Kent County Library, will demonstrate the use of filmstrips in community group meetings.

Library Board members have also been invited.

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sion with Mrs. Orison Weaver as director. A delicious lunch was served by the hostesses and the honor guest received many beautiful gifts.

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