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Dr. Prothro Warns `Of Spring "Colds"

According to Winston B. Prothro city county health director, spring is the season for numerous sore throats and respiratory illnesses and he warns that proper medical care should be taken.

Prothro advises parents to contact the family doctor at once if, their children have any illness that hangs on for 48 hours, if a sore throat is present or to contact the doctor sooner if the illness seems to be particularly severe.

The current wave of sore throats and other springtime illnesses can be expected to "get worse before it gets better". Infections of this type always increase in March and April.

These diseases, stated Prothro, are caused by bacteria or viruses that get into the body through the mouth and throat, and usually cause a running nose, cough, or sore throat. Dr. Prothro said these spring "colds" cause more than half of all absences from work and school and are spread to others when an infected person coughs or

Warning that what might at first be thought to be a cold in a child, could turn out to be strep throat or scarlet fever, Prothro urged parents to be alert to the danger signs. Strep throat is among the more dangerous forms of upper respiratory infections, because it may lead to rheumatic fever, a leading cause of heart damage to children.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Morris ning with his parents, Mr. and

No Increase In Cascade Tax Rates

Gerrit Baker, Cascade township supervisor, stated this Wednesday that the board had decided to recommend to the voters of Cascade township the same 3 mill county equalized valuation budget that was used last year.

This will take care of the usual one mile of blacktopping of township roads.

A proposal by the fire department asking for a rate of pay for each fire in the township will also be presented.

The annual township meeting will be held at 8 P. M. Monday, April 2

"Creaky Joints" Lose To Ada in Thriller

In spite of a valiant struggle, Ada's regular team upset the "Creaking Joints" in a 46-44 thriller at the Ada gym last week Wednesday evening.

Made up of "not quite so spry as they thought" faculty and board members, the puffing Creaks suffered only one noticeable casualty Gerrit Slanger, who sported a black eye, gained in a tremendous but futile effort to score.

Howard Butts, Ray Price, Ferris Post, Joe Gillard, John Verhil, Dan Free and Glenn Morse, were seen limping the next day but no visible evidence of the battle was to be Star of the game was Post with 22 points to his credit.

LUMBER COMPANY MGR. BUYS ROCKFORD STORE

Ray Slayton, who has been store at Rockford. Charles Snay of Lowell is the new manager.

Reception Honors Ada OES Members



Hah DenBoer

Monday evening, March 19.

Ilah DenBoer and Dorothy Weaver, who both serve the Grand Chapter of the Michigan Order of the Eastern Star, were the special guests. Mrs. DenBoer is a Grand Committeewoman for the Grand Chapter, and serves on the publicity committee, while Mrs. Weaver is the Grand Representative from Illinois to Michigan.

gan's Grand Chapter were present at the dinner and reception held in the Ada Masonic Temple, and also attending the festivities were members from all the neighboring Eastern Star Chapters, and many from other chapters throughout the State.

Ida Morris presented the invocation at the banquet, and Mildred Harter, Past Matron of Vesta Chapter presented the address of welcome. Worthy Grand Matron Glenna P. Hagel responded to the welcome for the Grand Chapter.

Individual tributes to the honored



Dorothy Weaver

The Vesta Chapter 202, Order guests were presented by Worthy of the Eastern Star of Ada, honored Matron Evelyn VanderMaas for Mrs. Joe White and Mrs. Jack two of their distinguished members Mrs. DenBoer, and Past Matron Bowie were unable to attend. Alice Morris for Mrs. Weaver.

Bethel No. 10 of Job's Daughters also presented a special service in honor of the Ada Grand Chapter members.

was provided by Miss Barbara Wittenbach.

Committees

Many of the Officers of Michi-chairman of the entire reception and dinner with the following committees serving her:

Decorations: Lydia Stilson, Hattie Fitch, Marvel Averill.

Dinner: Erma Summers, Elura McPherson, Ruth Bates, Mona Rooker, Daisy Alexander, Bernice

Dining Room: Alice Morris, Irene Nellist, Cheryl Collins, Pat Nellist, Ruth Cramton, Pat McCaul, Bar-will be Mrs. Salem Kennedy of bara Coger, Ann Tusch.

Tickets: Grace Whaley, Katherine Richardson. Programs: Doris VanderMaas.

Slippery Road, High Speed Causes Early Morning Crash



Robert C. Haney, Smyrna, received minor injuries when his car left Pettis rd., near Chief Hazy Cloud park last Monday morning about 3:00 a. m. According to the Sheriff's department, a combination of excessive speed and a slippery road were contributing factors to the "accident". Haney discovered, the hard way, what happens when, according to science, "movable force meets irresistable object". Dykhouse and Buys' wrecker towed the proof of this observation from the scene.

Resolutions Now In Fire Dept. Distributes Clark's Office

Latest report on the ACE area school consolidation issue came from Lynn Clark's office last Wedmanager of the Ada Lumber & nesday. At that time all the nine Coal Co. for the past 8 years has remaining districts had sent in, and children spent Sunday eve- resigned and purchased a grocery either by resolution from the board or petition by electors, a request seeking preliminary approval for the second time from the state.

These resolutions and petitions will then be forwarded to Lansing and it is expected that the matter will be quickly taken care of and that an election day could possibly be set for the middle of April.

Pink and Blue Shower Honors Mrs. Houghton

Thursday March 15 a neighborhood surprise pink and blue shower was held at the home of Mrs. Robert Jones of 3540 McCoy for Mrs. Cecil Houghton of Duchess Ave. During the evening games were played, after which Mrs. Houghton opened the many lovely gifts. Refreshments rounded off an enjoyable evening. Attending the shower were Mrs. Eldred Hellberg, Mrs. Edward Drumm, Mrs. Robert Johnson, Mrs. Vern Bazler, Mrs. Garritt Nicola, Mrs. Dale Shepherd, and Mrs. George Kish.

COMING EVENTS

The Cascade Extension Group Special music for the occasion will meet on Tuesday, March 27, vas provided by Miss Barbara at the home of Mrs. Ray Jarvi, Heaven, accompanied by Evelyn 1767 Thornapple River Drive, at 12:00 o'clock noon with Mrs. Martin VanderVeen and Mrs. I. Song-Mildred Harter was general stad as hostesses. The lesson topic will be "When You Buy a Dress"

> Wednesday March 28th, at 9:00 a.m. The Ada Drive Coffee Group will meet at the home of Mrs. Edna DeWitt of 4807 Cascade Rd. Please note change of time for this meeting only.

> Hostess for the Cascadia Meadows Coffee Group which meets Monday March 26th at 8:00 p.m. 1030 Waltham.

"A college girl may be poor on history, but great on dates.'

Emergency Numbers

Plans were made at Monday evening's meeting of the Ada Township Fire Department to distribute the department's phone number to every home in the town-

Little plastic buttons that snap over the inside of the telephone dial will have the Ada fire number, county fire number, Sheriff's department and Roth Ambulance number printed on them.

The department hopes that all their phones as soon as they receive them. In this way they will not become lost and in case of fire or accident, all the necessary numbers will be immediately available.

In case of fire or accident, the few minutes wasted in looking up a number may mean the difference between major or minor dam-

The Roth Funeral Home in Lowell is financing the project and the local firemen will distribute at this time, stated Van Wessep, them in the next two or three might not be the wisest move.

Church News

Thursday, Mar. 29 the Sr. Pil-

he Garden". The program is in charge of Mrs. Wm. Reynders; | devtions by Mrs. Kenneth Ander-

Mar. 8, Wednesday, there will e a family night dinner at the church in Fellowship Hall. A program has been planned. Bring table service and a dish to pass.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Gibbs of Ada wish to announce the birth of a son Richard Edmund, weighing 4 lbs. 9 ozs, March 5 at Butterworth hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cramton announce the arrival of a daughter Shelly Lynne, weight 11 lbs., 3 oz., at Blodgett hospital Mar. 16. into convenient shape for handling.

Honey Cr. Discusses School Bus

A large number of Honeycreek School district residents attended a meeting at the school last Tuesday evening and discussed possible solutions to the transportation problem with the board.

The board appointed a committee of four to study the problem and they will give their report at a later date. The committee will recommend one of two possible residents will put the buttons on courses of action, (1) purchase of a school bus or (2) the hiring of two parent drivers living at opposite ends of the district who will transport the children each day.

George Van Wessep, assistant county superintendant, was also present at the meeting. According to Van Wessep, Honeycreek will eventually, probably in the next two years, be forced through a new state ruling, to annex with a high school district. Purchase of a bus

Annual Meetings

Cascade Township

The annual township meeting of grim Fellowship will present a Cascade township will be held Mon-Maunday Thursday service at the day, April 2, 1956, at 1:00 p. m., Congregational church. Everyone at the Cascade township hall, At welcome to attend at 7:30 p. m. Thursday, Mar. 22 the Mary Martha Guild of the Congregational church will meet at 1:00

8:00 p. m. This is in accordance with action taken at the Cascade townsnip hall. At the cascade p. m. at the home of Mrs. David with action taken at the annual Carpenter. The topic will be "In township meeting of 1954. At this meeting the annual financial statement will be read and such other business as should properly come before the township will be transacted at this time.

M. J. Vanderveen, Cascade Twp. Clerk

GERALD BRIAN SERVING FOURTH EXCHANGE TERM

Mrs. Gerald Brian accompanied her husband to Lansing for the week-end to attend the annual meeting of the Michigan State Livestock Exchange at the Hotel Olds.

He was re-elected director for three years the beginning of his fourth term. He is also secretary of the board of directors.

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Your Washington Review



Congressman

Wihle legislative activity on the floor of the House of Representatives was fairly light during the past week, there was no let up in



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Cascade Christian Church

Sunday School - 9:45 A. M. Morning Worship — 11:00 A. M. Pastor: Rev. Herbert Barnard

Committee work nor in volume of mail on a number of controversial subjects.

The Appropriations Subcommittee on the Army continues to hear both civilian and military leaders on the Army budget for next fiscal year. Although these hearings are in executive session they will be published and released at a later date. I can say, however, that I have the utmost confidence in our defense leaders and believe that our present defenses are adequate and shall remain so in the future.

Jet Air Base

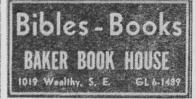
Numerous letters and telegrams in reference to the jet air base in light of the Supreme Court's de- the wording of the provision to northern Michigan were received recently. It seems to me that the Air Force must be permitted to base at Kalkaska. To do otherwise will delay at least a year the completion of this vital link in the a loss of upwards of a half a million dollars to the American taxnual maintenance cost by at least \$400,000.

School Construction

While the Kelley bill for federal aid for school construction is pretwell tied down in the Committee on Rules, most of our letters have favored the bill. The Kelley bill will distribute federal basis of school population. The Administration's proposal would distribute these funds by a formula which takes into consideration the school needs of the state and its efforts to meet these needs. the first instance.

Powell Amendment

Letters for and against the Powcontinually. If this Amendment of the latter group by modifying should be attached to the school construction bill, federal funds would be withheld from those educational systems maintaining schools. Proponents insist that in



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Ada High School Has New Band; Practices Weekly



This informal picture shows the newly organized band at Ada Public school, Thirty-two members, under the direction of Herman Johnson, band director at Catholic Central for many years, are in their fifth week of instruction and are making good progress. Ray Price, principle at Ada, said that the instruments are being used under the rental plan and eventually the school will own them. Johnson stated that the band will be ready for "public showing" before the school term has

cision and of the moral and social require the Secretary to set the principles involved, the Amend- rates at "not less than those ment must be approved. Oppon- prevailing on similar construction proceed with the construction of the ents feel that to add this provi- in the immediate locality.' sion dooms the school bill to defeat, and that the principle of federal aid to school construction defense of our country, will mean must be considered on its own merits and not be used to change a social pattern. Viewing the probpayers, and will increase the an- lem as a whole, I feel obligated to support the Amendment if it is presented to the floor.

Davis-Bacon Division

Those interested in both the school bill and Fallon Bill for tederal aid to highway construction have written us in reference to the Davis-Bacon Act. This Act, passed in 1931 and amended in funds to the states solely on the 1935, requires that the prevailing wages in the area as determined by the Secretary of Labor must be paid on federal construction projects. An attempt will be made to include this provision in the school and highway construction It is difficult to justify federal bills which provide for construcaid on any basis which does not tin with the aid of federal funds. consider real community need We are told by some that this and demonstrated effort by local is only fair and just. Others argue citizens to solve the problem in that these wage rates ought to be determined by state officials rather than the Secretary of Labor. The Committee on Public ell Amendment flow into the office Works tried to alleviate the fears

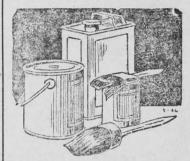
Highway Legislation

The present version of the highway proposal and its accompanying tax bill have not caused any great influx of mail. The Commit tee on Ways and Means has unanamously approved (15 Democrats and 11 Republicans; a compromise which will add new taxes

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Honey Creek News Mrs. Leona Hunt

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Knoop and son Harry spent Sunday at the home of her brother and sister-inlaw Mr. and Mrs. Ralph King on Auburn St. The King family are moving to Connecticut in the near

Mrs. Dorothy Hunt spent Tuesday in Grand Rapids at her mothers, Mrs. Albert Morris.

Mrs. Hammer's children are sending Easter cards to pen pals in other countries.

Mr. Leona Hunt attended the township chairmen dinner at Fountain St. Baptist Church, Monday evening. The Cancer Drive will open April 2nd this year. Volunteer workers will be honored by the kick off dinner at this date.

Mr. and Mrs. Moses King from Central Lake are visiting their daughter Mrs. J. Knoop this week

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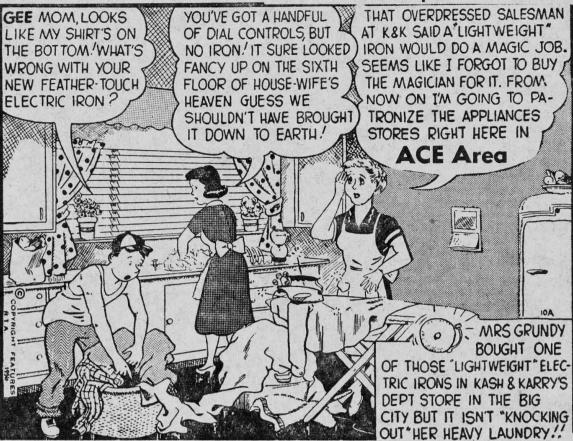
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Last Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Anderson were Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, Eugene and Fred from Gowen, Mr. and City where he is attending the conference school for high school. Mrs. Robert Anderson, Mary and Marie and Bobby, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Keena and Miss Mary J. Hefferan all of Grand Rapids and Alice Morris Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Anderson and Daryl.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nordof of Cascade were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louie Gillispie and Bob.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cramton of E. Fulton road entertained for dinner Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Afton of Kent City, Mrs. James Gee of Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert

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Pamela and Susan Courtright of Grand Rapids are spending 10 days with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Courtright while their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Courtright are in New York conference school for high school principals.

Mrs. Louise Clinton of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Ruth Cannon were luncheon guests of Mrs.

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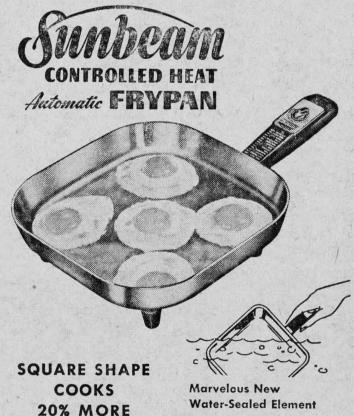
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Lost and Found

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These Scenes Recall Area's Early Logging History





A team of well trained horses stands ready to pull another oak log to the pile near the truck which will haul the timber to Wayland. Clearing the property of Grand Rapids Mayor, Paul Goebel, on Thornapple River dr., three loggers from Hastings took several loads of valuable timber from the wooded land along the river bank. Eventually, after the property is platted, more new homes will be built in the Cascade area. Some of the trees were almost two feet in diameter.

Last week the once common sound of saw and axe was again heard in the ACE area as three Hastings loggers cleared some large timber from the property of Mayor Paul Goebel on Thornapple River dr. near the end of Burton

The loud ripping sound of big oaks beginning their fall and the dull, ground shaking thump as they hit the frozen earth, once echoed throughout the entire state as early settlers cleared their farms for future planting. But few indeed are those living today who have worked or watched, a well trained team of big horses snaking 20 foot logs through the brush or wiped the sweat from their brow in the middle of the winter after manhandling a big log with the heavy peavy.

Masters of their trade, the three Hastings men, George and Lloyd McNutt and Gaylord Glenhart, felled the oaks, many of them almost two feet in diameter, lopped the branches and cut them into 20 foot lengths with the air of nonchalance that all master craftsmen have when they know and enjoy their work.

The big team of bays, well matched and perfectly trained, pulled the heavy logs to a clearing near the truck where they were loaded with the aid of a small crane. Without an obvious word of command, the team would take up the slack in the heavy chain, strain mightily, and as the log began to move, walk swiftly to the ever growing pile. Chain unhooked, they would turn smartly and repeat the

While the crane operator pulled the logs onto the truck, two of the men guided them into position with their peavys. Each load was taken to a saw mill in Wayland where they were cut into boards and sold to lumber dealers. The Goebel property will eventually be platted into lots and more beautiful homes will be built along the

A

want ad gets rid of those "don't wants".

At the last meeting of thte Thornapple Valley Lions club held at and children and Mr. and Mrs. the Cascade Christian school 6 Webb Ward were Saturday night new members were admitted. The supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. dinner was served by the Mothers' Hubert DeVries, observing their

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Ortowski daughter, Sharon's 14th birthday.

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Farm Bureau

Farm Bureau at Al Thomets was well attended. Farm Safety discussion was led by Mrs. Ernie Gates. Visitors were Mr. and Mrs. J. Letson from the John Martin farm on Grand River Drive.

Notice of next meeting will be made next week.

EATRE Lowell, Michigan

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And Once at 8:45



Sun., Mon., Mar. 25, 26 Sunday from 3 P. M.



Tues., Weds., Thurs. Mar. 27, 28, 29



by Ken Ezinga

We once read a story entitled "The Day There Was No News" It seems that one day no one died, was born or got married, no crimes were committed, accidents failed to happen, in fact throughout the entire world, nothing newsworthy took place. The story (fiction of course) went on to tell of the resulting confusion that reigned in the newspaper offices throughout the world.

We find ourselves in almost the same situation this week. Instead of hoping the phone will not ring because we are too busy; we find ourself desperately calling various persons trying to dig up news of any kind. But everyone seems to be gone for the day.

We fervently hope weeks like this are few and far between.

This week's paper is the 52nd issue of Suburban Life. Obviously we are a year old.

We have learned many things in the past year that will prove to be of value towards making your paper in the coming year, a bigger and better one.

Like all newcomers, we have made many friends. There are naturally, those who do not think too highly of our standing in the community, and that of course is their privelege. All we can do is attempt to change that opinion in the coming months. We will continue to do our best to make this a paper that all will enjoy.

When our darkroom is completed and we get a better camera, more pictures will result. We feel that pictures are important and hope to have, in the coming year, a complete pictorial record of ACE area activities.

Mistakes in the paper are sometimes funny, sometimes humiliating, sometimes almost tragic, but they are always bad. We have made our share of them in the past and will attempt to keep our "Mistake average" down to a minimum in the future. We realize that gaining your faith and confidence depend on accurate, unbaised re-

porting. Sometimes we express our opinions in this column and that we will continue to do.

Once again we urge all secretaries of the many school groups, mothers clubs, PTA's, etc. to notify us of coming events. By doing this they will be helping both their own organization and this paper.

As we have stated repeatedly, 'We cannot bring you the news unless we know that it has happened or is going to happen". Your continued cooperation is not only hoped for, it is a necessity.

In a certain sense all of our readers are reporters. I dare say that at least half of our news results from someone's tip.

* * * Many charter subscribers have asked me when their subscriptions will run out. To clear up the problem-all those who were the original subscribers last spring and early summer will not have to sign up again until July. Whether you subscribed in April or June, your subscription will not be up unitl July. We will notify each subscriber through the mail as their subscriptions become due.

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