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Ethel May Begins Her Schooling

Last week, little Ethel May Johnson started school for the first time. She only attends school on Tuesdays and Thursdays and wishes she could go every day like other children do.

But Ethel May is blind and the school she attends in Grand Rapids is crowded so two days is the best that can be managed. Without the co-operation of the members of the Thornapple Valley Lion's Club, it is doubtful if she could attend school at all.

Local Lions, taking turns on the various days, pick Ethel May up at her home on Bailey drive and take her to the Association of the Blind School on Sheldon in Grand Rapids. Both Ethel and her varied drivers enjoy the trip and talk over many things on the way to school. She likes to listen to the car radio, too; and in fact, one morning, she fell fast asleep while listening to a musical program. By this time she is getting to know her teacher and classmates and looks forward to her school days.

Ethel May, blind from birth, doesn't miss her sight. To her, the everyday darkness is nothing to fear and she is happy as all five-year olds are. She has her share of squabbles with her sisters and brothers and they treat her, during their childish spats, like the little nuisance she can sometimes be.

But Ethel has had her share of troubles. Last July her father, Lonnie, was injured severely in an auto accident and for months was not expected to live. Only last week was he removed from the critical list. Permanent injury to his brain and hips, however, will prevent him from ever being a real daddy to her; the kind that can romp and play with her, the kind that can spank her when she's naughty and kiss and squeeze her when she's extra good.

Ethel May doesn't see much of Mommy either, since the accident happened. For weeks Mrs. Johnson spent both day and night at her husband's bedside.

But a family with seven children needs quite a bit of money to keep everyone well fed and clothed and so Mrs. Johnson had to find a job. She works nights in a manufacturing plant in Grand Rapids and doesn't get much chance to see Ethel May or her sisters and brothers.

Christmas at the Johnson home on Bailey drive won't see heaps of new toys, games, clothes, and other presents scattered in happy disarray throughout the house. There just isn't any money for things like that. But we'll bet there will be a tree and we know there will be happiness. Because a mother who can keep going, with head held high, through a tornado when everything the family owned was lost, through a tragic accident that heaped almost unsurmountable bills upon the family; when a mother can do these things, we know that although the material things that go with Christmas may be missing, the spirit and love that we who are more fortunate sometimes miss will fill the Johnson home.

Besides Ethel May, the other Johnson children are Steve, 13, Morris, 9, Robert, 8, Mary, 7, Alana Kay, 2, and Sheila Rae, one year old.

LITTLE FACES by M. Moerdyke

Smiles, scowls and mischievous smirks,
And tears on little faces,
Where candies, cake and sticky gum
Have left their tasty traces.

Mothers' Club Makes Christmas Candles

Hand-made Christmas candles are being made by members of the Whitneyville Mothers' Club this year as a fund-raising project. The candles, in different sizes and shapes make attractive centerpieces for table or mantle.

Mrs. Orland Smith, publicity chairman for the group stated that samples of their candles are on display at the Caledonia Drug store and at Ray Razmus service station on US-16.

Seek to Keep Old M-21 Bridge

If a group of Ada area residents have their way, the old M-21 bridge across the Grand will remain exactly where it is for many years to come. Concerned over the location of the new bridge, the group is seeking an audience with Charles Zeigler, state highway commissioner, in an attempt to keep the old bridge.

According to this group, most of them residing on the East side of the river, the old bridge would be used for local traffic only and trucks would be banned. In case of a fire, precious moments would be saved if the fire trucks could use the old structure.

With Vergennes rd., Bailey dr., Honey Creek and Pettis ave., all converging near the old bridge crossing, those seeking to retain the structure feel that a hardship would be imposed upon them in the form of inconvenience and possible loss of good fire protection if the old structure was removed.

Cascade Scouts Receive Honors

Saturday, Dec. 1st the following boys attended an all day Junior Leaders Training Session at Godwin school: Scouts, Douglas Stiles, Denny Hussey, Kenney Hussey, Tom Patterson and Bill Merrow: Explorers, Leroy Smith, Don Heaven, James Atherton, Larry Cheyne and Harold Richardson.

Monday night, Dec. 3, the largest Court of Honor troop 334 had ever had was held at the church. Eighteen boys received advancement awards. Seven new boys received their Tenderfoot pins: Mike Haisen, Roy Charters, Tom Prys, Kenney Hussey, Roger Hardesty, Robert Hamer and Clarence Stiles. Five boys received 2nd class pins: Lyle Dykehuizen, Sybrant Dykhouse, Bill Merrow, Dick Dean, Gordon Oatman. Gordon Oatman also received two merit badges. Two boys received first class pins, and one merit badge each: Denny Hussey and Douglas Stiles. Two boys received Star pins: Tommy Ray and Nick Duiven. Tommy Ray received one merit badge and Nick received two. Explorers James Atherton and Don Heaven each received two merit badges.

Committee and Scout leaders wish to thank the parents for the wonderful turnout. Coffee, punch and doughnuts were served after the meeting.

Ada Student in U-M Play

Ann Arbor—The University of Michigan Department of Speech and School of Music have announced members of the cast for a student production of Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel", scheduled for presentation in Lydia Mendelssohn's Theatre Wednesday through Saturday, Dec. 5-8.

Among the members of the cast is Frances Spitalo, 5951 Grand River dr., Ada, who performs the part of an angel in the production.

Ada Red Wings Trounce Oakview School in Friday Game



In their first game of the basketball season, the Ada Red Wings defeated Oakview, 33 to 13 last Friday evening. Jerry Boomers led in points with 12 to his credit. Harold Bailey sank three shots for six points and many of the remaining points were gained by other Ada team members. The score at the half was 11 to 4 and Ada rapidly gained their big lead in the last half. Team members shown are (top row) Mike Reed, Harold Bailey, John Lyons, Richard Fase, Roger Grimes and Paul Roy Bottom row shows Richard DeGreen, Joe Gillard, Jerry Boomers, Steve Bushouse and David Van-Heulen. Ferris Post is the Red Wings' coach.

Ada Auction Nets \$600.00

According to Cornie Heemstra, vice president of the Ada Athletic Association, \$600 was taken in at the auction held in the Ada Town Hall this past Wednesday.

Once again the people of this area proved, by their presence at the sale and by their willingness to bid good prices on the various items, that they are definitely in favor of the Association's goal of providing the young people of Ada and surrounding communities a good, well equipped athletic park.

Proceeds of Wednesday's sale will pay the balance that was due on the \$3500 flood lighting system. George VanderMeulen was the auctioneer at the sale and his good humor and appropriate remarks helped keep the crowd in a good humor and a buying mood.

Power Loss Creates Troubles

Many oil furnaces backfired and washing machine motors began to smoke last Monday morning in the Ada and Cascade area when a partial power loss occurred. Lasting only a few minutes, the reason for the loss was not explained by the power company.

At the Ada Christian school, the burner on the oil furnace was jarred loose from its fittings when the power resumed full current. In most cases however, startled residents heard only a loud "whoomp" in their homes.

Several ladies who were doing their Monday wash reported that the electric motors on their washings machines began to smoke and others thought their water pumps were giving out as the flow of water was cut down to a thin, jerky stream. Many fuses were blown in homes throughout the area.

Doerr Guild to Meet

On Monday, December 17, the Doerr Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Frank Clark, Spaulding ave., at 8:00 p. m. This will be a Christmas meeting and members will bring a gift for the Guild's Christmas project, proceeds of which will go to the Crystal Beach Building Fund.

You Will Be Dialing Your Own Long Distance Calls by April of '57

A ghostly application of electronics magic will extend the dialing range of telephones here to nationwide limits in April of next year, according to H. L. Lawford, division superintendent for the Michigan Bell Telephone company.

Lawford said that while there would be no visible change in existing facilities on users' premises, some 20 million telephones in the nation would be as accessible as the telephone next door through the miracle of direct distance dialing.

The transformation from the limited dialing of the present to the continental dialing of the future is made possible through a five million dollar installation of ultra-modern switching equipment now nearing completion at Grand Rapids which, with the speed of lightning, will accept a call, record billing information, and automatically select one of thousands of routes to whisk a message across the nation to any of 30 major cities.

The Grand Rapids equipment will make it possible for users in the following 31 western Michigan communities to participate in the direct distance dialing plan: Ada, Alto, Byron Center, Caledonia, Casnovia, Cedar Springs, Clarks-ville, Dorr, Dutton, Freeport, Grand Rapids, Grant, Grattan, Greenville, Hastings, Holland, Hudsonville, Jamestown, Kent City, Lake Odessa, Lowell, Marne, Middleville, Moline, Nashville, Rockford, Sand Lake, Sparta, Tru-fant, Wayland, and Zeeland.

Building Drops In Ada Township

Value of building permits dipped sharply in Ada township in the past month. According to John Slinger, building inspector, projects totaling only \$6,250 were begun in the period of November to December.

Two of the permits were for remodeling jobs and the third for the erection of a real estate development sign. Last year at this time, said Slinger, \$28,800 in building projects were begun.

Final figures for total construction in Ada township will be revealed in the next few weeks and Slinger believes they will total almost \$300,000.

State Law Puzzles Electricians

With the new State law requiring all electrical contractors to be licensed supposedly going into effect after the first of the year, many questions regarding licensing procedure have arisen among local electricians.

Since the law was passed last August, those seeking information have met nothing but evasive answers and blank looks. Apparently no one connected with this problem knows exactly what is involved.

According to Herman Remtema, president of the Grand Rapids Electrical club, details of the new law should be revealed next week. Remtema stated that in spite of repeated attempts to clarify the situation it has been impossible, to date, to get a satisfactory answer to the Club's queries.

Remtema has learned however, that each electrician will need an approved license to carry on his work. Examining boards will be set up in the various townships and those passing the exam will be able to work anywhere in the state.

If townships do not set up their own examining boards, said Remtema, the exams will have to be taken elsewhere although it is not known at this time where the state examining board will have its headquarters. A \$50 fee will be charged for the exam.

Completed jobs would be approved by the township inspector, if they appoint one, or by the state if the townships do not set up their own inspection system.

Remtema stated that those wishing further information should contact him next week. He expects that further details will then be known.

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Hold Church Reunion

The 10th annual reunion of the church of Christ of Sweet St., Grand Rapids was held in the Ada town hall, Saturday, Dec. 1 with 56 members being present.

Among those from away were Rev. and Mrs. John Warnock of Ashland; Mr. and Mrs. Merle Palmer of Newaygo and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ellenbaas of Holland.

Those from Lowell who attended were Rev. Edward Kryger and son Ronald, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Brown and Mr. and Mrs. Clemenz and daughter. The rest were from Grand Rapids.

The program consisted of singing, readings, recitations which were given by Mrs. Clemenz and daughter, Randy Hamilton and Marsha Cooper, and a solo by Chris Snell. Rev. and Mrs. Kryger and Rev. Warnock and Mr. Stebby were in charge of the program.

Bountiful refreshments were served with Rev. and Mrs. Kryger and Mrs. Stebby in charge.

Half the time the people you didn't look up to turn out to be your best advocates.

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Evening Worship... 7:00 P. M.
Pastor—Rev. A. J. Verburg

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Evening Worship — 7:15 P. M.

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(My Address)

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"Having these people found early and placed under medical supervision is important in the preservation of health", according to Mr. Baehre. "Yes, that colorful little TB Christmas Seal is truly a powerful bit of paper."

Special Fund Drive Launched by Red Cross For Hungry Relief

The tragic suffering of the people of Hungary has caused every American to want to send help. The Red Cross responded immediately with more than \$300,000 from funds on hand to get the work started.

Now that the stream of refugees is mounting each day, it has been estimated that the cost of this relief program will exceed \$5,000,000 and a special campaign has been launched to raise this amount.

Kent County Chapter has been assigned a quota of \$13,647 and contributions are being accepted at Red Cross headquarters, 55 North Division or by mail. Kent County Chairman, B. Russell Dooze is urging every one to reply to this appeal with an early contribution as remittances are being made daily to National headquarters from all over the United States so that the work may progress rapidly.

President Eisenhower, in approving the decision to conduct the special campaign said: "I urge all Americans generously to support the special Red Cross disaster appeal for five million dollars to aid in emergency relief both in Hungary and to Hungarian refugees in Austria.

"By contributing to the Red Cross emergency campaign each of us individually can express our sympathy and admiration for the brave Hungarian people".

Saturday evening guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Collins were his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Collins of Lowell, and Sunday evening guests were Mr. and Mrs. Darwin Nellist and family and Clark Nellist for the ice cream and cake observing Ronald's birthday anniversary.

Show Film at Baptist Church

On Sunday evening, December 9, the film "Martyred Men" will be shown at 9:00 p. m. at the West Cannon Baptist church on 5 Mile and Pettis rds. The film is an account of the young missionaries who were killed in South America last year by the Auca Indians.

The public is invited and the pastor, Rev. Keith Williams, stated that those who wish to attend the evening service should remember that the services begin at 7:30 p.m.

The Roy Richardson and Charlie Cramtons were Sunday afternoon guests at the Walt Afton home at Kent City.

The Woman's Fellowship Board of the Congregational church are meeting with Mrs. Merle Cramton this Thursday at 9:30 a. m.



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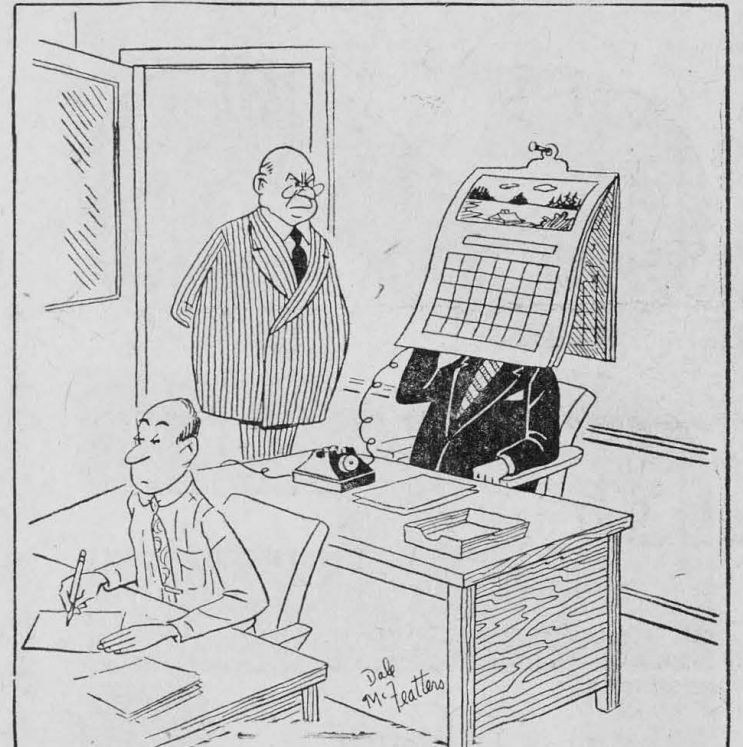
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Don't be in a hurry when you are buying books for children's Christmas presents. But stay in the book store long enough to read and look at the book and judge it on its relationship to the child.

Fire Extinguishers

In wintertime, it is often tough going for fire apparatus respond to an alarm. Because of this, it would be wise to have firefighting equipment on hand. Don't attempt to fight the fire, of course, until everyone is safely out of the house and you have called the fire department. Although there is no all-around extinguisher which can be used on every type of fire, the 2½-gallon soda-acid type or 2½-gallon water pump tank will be suitable for most parts of the home. Exception is the kitchen, where because of the danger of fires involving fats or greases, a carbon dioxide or dry chemicals extinguisher is preferred. Whatever type you choose, be sure every extinguisher you buy bears the label of Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc. As soon as you buy one, carefully read directions for operating it. Inspect all extinguishers at least once a year. Follow manufacturers' instructions for re-filling.

Know his interests, explains Mrs. Lennah Backus, family life specialist at Michigan State University, so you can suit the book to him personally. For example, if the child has a yellow cat for a pet, he will be very interested in a book about cats.

Mrs. Backus claims that this principle of choosing books with subjects which are familiar is important in selecting books for preschoolers. The picture books should also be vivid in color and have pictures which are simple and arranged one on a page. When considering what material books should be made of, Mrs. Backus says the hard cardboard ones will probably last longer and are easier for children to handle and turn pages. However, cloth books, which are now washable, are easy to carry around. The subject you choose is important in books for pre-schoolers too. Poetry, like Mother Goose, is a perennial favorite; some books have even devoted the last pages to putting the rhymes to music. Mrs. Backus says that children especially like to hear repetition. A good book for this is Winnie the Pooh by A. A. Milne. It's a book that grown-ups can enjoy, too. Above all, reading should be fun. And, it will be if, before you buy the book, you think of it in relation to the child who will receive it.

News of Servicemen

Specialist Third Class Marquis A. Spidell Jr., 23, whose parents live on Route 1, Ada, recently participated in "Sabre Knot", a field training exercise with the V Corps' 317th Engineer Battalion in Germany. Specialist Spidell, a driver in the battalion's Headquarters and

Service Company, entered the Army in February 1952 and arrived overseas in May 1954. He was employed by Michigan Fleet & Equipment Co., Grand Rapids. His wife, Lydia, is with him in Germany. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Rooker attended the K. T. Order of Eastern Star meeting last week Monday night at the home of Mrs. Leona Kleine of Dutton.

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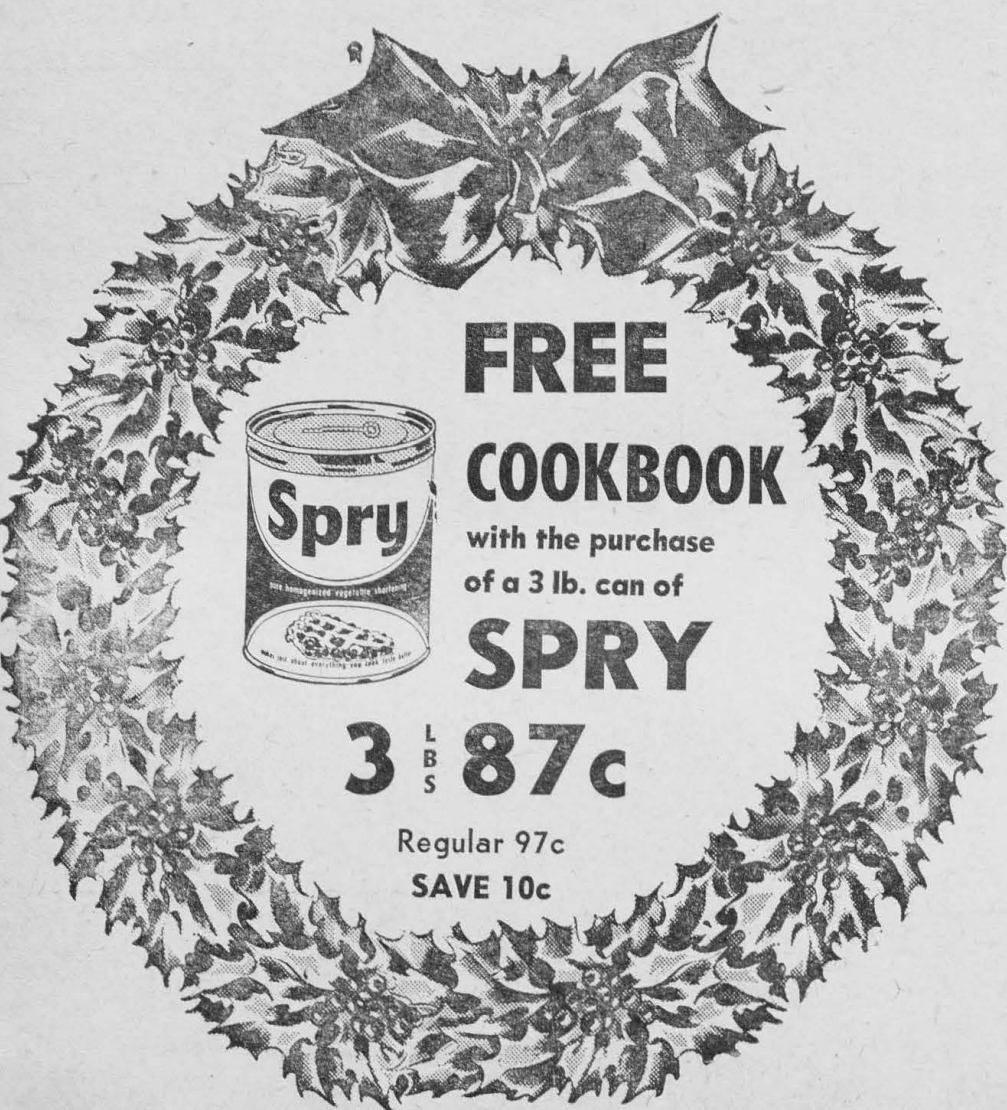
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Ada Community News

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Announce Polling Places, Corn Referendum

The following polling places have been designated for the vote on the corn referendum Tuesday, December 11, in Kent County, according to Harold Storey, chairman of the Kent ASC Committee:

- Ada Township: Dewey Store, Egypt Valley and Knapp.
- Bowne: Bowne Center Town hall.
- Cascade: Cascade Town Hall.
- Grattan: Grattan Township hall.
- Lowell: Lowell City Hall.
- Vergennes: Vergennes Township Hall.

All polls are to be open from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Dec. 11.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Ortowski, Ory Chaffee and Mrs. Ollie Ritter attended the funeral of Mrs. Nora Chaffee, relative, at the Congregational church in Carson City last week Thursday.

KEITH KRYGER HAS TWELFTH BIRTHDAY

Rev. and Mrs. Edward Kryger of McCabe road entertained 16 boys and girls from the Farrell school in honor of their son Keith's 12th birthday last Friday afternoon. Games were played and Keith entertained with several selections on the Hammond organ.

Refreshments were served and he received many nice gifts. An enjoyable time was had at the happy birthday party.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Morris and Mrs. Tom Morris visited the Cross-Miller funeral home at Caledonia Saturday evening to meet the family of Ivan Shear of Alaska who was fatally injured in an auto accident on Clyde Park road, Friday morning.

Glenn Chaffee of Ivanhoe drive was admitted to Blodgett hospital Monday night after having a heart attack.

Other Ada News

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Courtright Pam and Susie of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Courtright.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ward were supper guests of his mother, Mrs. Alice Ward of Grand Rapids Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Ortowski and Mrs. Ollie Ritter motored to Fremont Sunday to attend the birthday anniversary of a cousin, Mrs. Cora Burt who was 89 years old.

Mrs. Orison Weaver spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. John Mowinkle of Phoenix, Arizona, making the trip both ways by plane.

Eugene Pettis, who has been a patient in the veterans hospital for several weeks is able to return and is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Rooker spent from Thursday until Sunday visiting his sisters and nieces at Montrose, Corruna and Flushing.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Svoboda and Mrs. Merle Cramton attended the dedication service at the Bostwick Lake Congregational church Sunday afternoon.

Holidays Mean Many Parties

Parents: Know Your Baby-Sitter!

The baby sitter. A problem this Holiday Season? Here are some helpful suggestions from the National Board of Fire Underwriters:

1. Know the sitter. Make inquiries about training and family background.
2. Employ only sitters who have a sense of responsibility and who like children.
3. Try to have the same sitter regularly, if possible, and one who lives nearby.
4. Have a preliminary "get acquainted" interview with sitter. Acquaint the sitter with children and pets, especially the watch-dog.
5. Give instructions orally and leave them in writing.
6. Show sitter all exits and how to get children out of house in case of fire.
7. Be sure sitter understands that, in the event of fire, the children should be gotten out of the house first, then the fire department called, and then the parents notified.
8. Give the sitter the telephone number of the fire department,

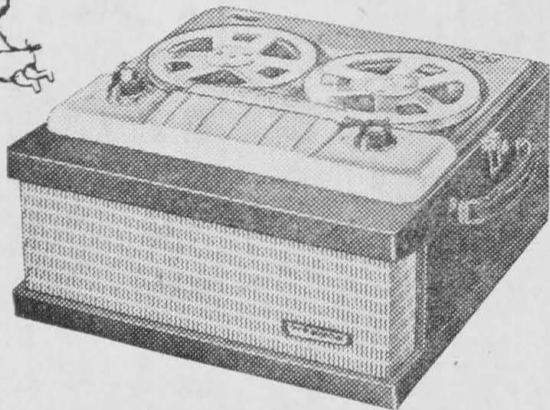
family doctor, and place to which you (parents or adult members of the family) are going. Also, what neighbor to call in the event of any emergency.

9. If there is no phone, explain to sitter other means of notifying fire department in case of a fire.
10. Caution sitter against permitting child to play with matches, electric cords, or other electric appliances. Also, tell sitter to keep the child out of the kitchen, if possible.
11. If sitter is to bathe youngster, make certain she has had such experience.
12. Leave a first aid kit with sitter and explain how to take care of simple burns, cuts, bruises.
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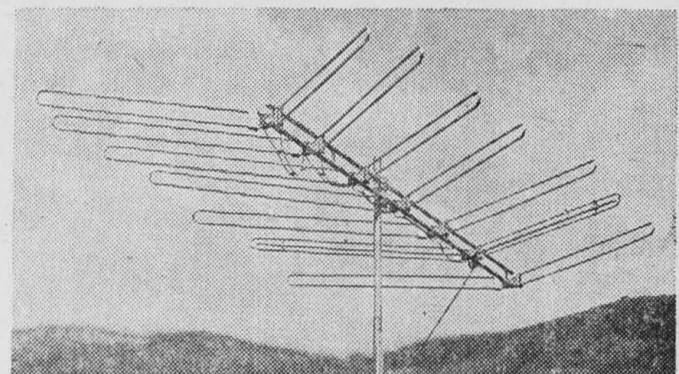


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Tax Notices

Ada Township

I will be at the Ada township hall to receive property and dog taxes on the following Fridays: December 7, 14, 21, 28, 1956; January 4, 11, 18, 1957. Hours 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Also I will be at the Dewey store Thursdays, December 20, 1956, and January 17, 1957, from 2 to 4:30 p.m. Neal Vandepoerle, Treasurer, R-2, Ada, Michigan. Phone No. OR6-5026. c36-37

Cascade Township

I will be at the town hall to collect property and dog taxes on the following Fridays: December 7, 14, 21, and 28, 1956; January 4, 11 and 18, 1957. From 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Phone No. CH 5-2241. Mrs. Edna Osmer, Township Treasurer c36-37

NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL MEETING ADA TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD

Ada township citizens are hereby notified that the annual meeting of the Ada Township Zoning Board, Township of Ada, County of Kent, State of Michigan, will be held at the township hall in the village of Ada at 8 p.m. on Tuesday, December 11, 1956. Purpose of the meeting is to discuss zoning and any recommendations that may be brought forth before the board.

Ada Twp. Zoning Board,
John McCabe, Chairman
James McCormick, Secretary
Thomas Boylon and
Vern Morse, Members
c36-37

Roger I. Wykes, Jr., Thornapple River dr., was elected president of the American Shropshire Registry Association last week Tuesday at their Annual Meeting which was held at the International Live Stock Show in Chicago.

Phone your want ads to the Suburban Life.

G. R. Twp. Zoning Board Meets

The zoning board of Grand Rapids township will hold a meeting on Monday evening, December 10 in the township hall on the East Beltline. One of the items on the agenda is the adoption of lot sizes for the township.

Rumors that an attempt to zone a corner lot as commercial property in the Eastmont area were not substantiated by the township clerk.

Attend P.T.A. Council Luncheon

This past Tuesday, December 4, Mrs. Robert Roodvoets, Mrs. R. I. Bulson, Mrs. R. Groening and Mrs. L. P. Farnsworth attended a Christmas luncheon given by the Kent County Council of PTA at the Fountain St. Baptist church.

After the luncheon an interesting discussion on "Christmas In Five Different Countries" was held.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice to all inactive, qualified members of the Thornapple Valley Ground Observer Corps and to anyone wishing to serve in Civil Defense now.

The Thornapple Valley Post is dangerously undermanned. Two weeks ago 15 observers operated your post for only 45 hours. Last week it was less.

Around-the-clock operation requires more than 100 ACTIVE volunteers, working in pairs only two hours a week.

An emergency now would mean long and lonely hours for a few—so do your share. Anyone who can use their eyes and dial a phone can serve their community.

The present world situation demands your vigilance. Check the post schedule. Many evening and week-end shifts are open. Many shifts could use a second observer. Call Anne Spaulding at OR6-3471—TODAY.



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In some cases this is true but it is also true that if you patronize your local merchants often enough, they will soon begin to carry, regularly, the items you want. They are in business to please you and

will gladly get what you want to have.

Give it try this year. You'll find your neighborhood merchant a mighty fine fellow.

Hats off to the local Lion's club for helping Ethel May Johnson get to school. Those taking part in the transportation schedule are Gordon Campau, Wm. W. Wilson, Sherman Coryell, Louis J. Hawkins, Charles R. Beaver, Robert VanStrien, Dave Lehnen, Marshall Belding, James Locke, Joseph Gillard, Robert Somerville and Wm. Wagner.

The transportation committee is made up of Dr. Reuben Seine, William Wilson, and James R. Timmons.

Perhaps the story of Ethel May and her courageous mother, found elsewhere in this paper, will make us realize that our troubles, in comparison, are actually pretty small ones.

The whining roar of plane engines, the rapid chatter of machine guns and the blasting concussion of exploding bombs were the last sounds heard by many Americans on December 7, 1941, Pearl Harbor became a common word in this country a few hours later.

It could happen again, right here in our own state. With possible aggressors only a few air hours away, let's not become complacent. Don't belittle the efforts of the men and women who watch while you sleep. Join and support the Thornapple Valley Ground Observer Corps.

A Year Ago

A year ago today local school children were busily preparing for their annual Christmas programs.

The state board of public instruction granted preliminary approval for school consolidation plans in this area and four persons were injured when a truck crashed into two cars at the Ada dr., M-21 intersection.

Christmas trees were appearing for sale and an outdoor Christmas decoration contest for local residents was announced.

Local Lion's Club members had "mooseburgers" and the auction sponsored by the Ada Athletic Association was a success.

The filler, "A turned head now and then is a very reassuring sign to women" still holds true, we imagine.

Ada P. T. A. Meets Tuesday

Sidney Straight, administrative counselor at the University of Michigan, will be the main speaker at the meeting of the Ada PTA next Tuesday evening, December 11. Straight will speak on "The Practical Aspects of Going to College".

Harold S. Chambers, superintendent of the Forest Hills school district will also attend the meeting and will report on the present status of the recent school consolidation.

Refreshments will be served and the public is invited to attend.

Forest Hills School News

This week Thursday, a delegation from the Citizen's Advisory Committee to the Forest Hills school board will visit various schools in Lansing and Fowlerville.

Purpose of the trip will be to gain ideas of construction and planning that may be incorporated in the new Forest Hills High School.

Harold S. Chambers, superintendent of the school district stated that definite approval for bond qualification has been received from the state board of education and it is expected that approval of the \$800,000 bond issue by the state finance commission will soon follow.

This past Wednesday Chambers attended, along with many other superintendents and board members from Southern Michigan, a panel meeting on consolidation problems.

The Citizen's Committee met with the Forest Hills school board this past Wednesday evening. A full report of this meeting will be given in next week's paper.

Prize Winning Service

Two employees of the Ada Oil Co., Jim Rooker and Tom Harrall, were \$50 richer this past week when the "Mystery Motorist" sent by the Phillips Petroleum Co., stopped at the local station.

According to Gordon Svoboda, manager of the Ada Oil Co., the "Mystery Motorist" checks on the service and efficiency at various stations handling the Phillips products. No one knows who he is and if the station attendants follow a prearranged schedule of check points and service they are eligible for a \$50 prize when the "Motorist" reveals himself.

Svoboda set up an additional \$50 for the dealers handled by the Ada Oil Co., and last week Jim Rooker serviced the car of the "Mystery Man". The local station was the second in Michigan to receive the award in the first eleven months of this year proving that the service given to each motorist must be far above average.

Knowing full well that his partner Tom Harrall, would have given the same type of service, Rooker split his bonus with Tom. With Christmas just around the corner the boys know exactly what to do with their money.

Free Kittens

Five Siamese, well almost half Siamese, kittens are eagerly looking for new owners. It's first come, first serve, at the Joseph Gillard residence on Fulton road.

An annual affair it seems at the Gillard's home and last year's pre-Christmas kittens all found happy homes. They're yours for the asking so you'd better hurry. To facilitate matters the address is 9133 Fulton road.

CARD OF THANKS

Thanks to friends, neighbors and all fire departments who helped to extinguish the fire in our home and move out the furnishings. It was fast, efficient, careful and thoughtful service on the part of all.

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Miss Abbott Weds Richard DeVries



Miss Ruth Abbott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Abbott, Byron Center, became the bride of Mr. Richard (Ben) DeVries, Ada, in a ceremony at the home of the bridegroom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris DeVries on Thursday, November 22.

Attending the bride was Miss Yvonne Wyn, Burlingame rd., while Mr. Donald Brummel of Grand Rapids was the best man.

The bride wore a powder blue suit with white accessories. The Maid of Honor wore a pink suit with black accessories. A beige dress complimented with emerald green was chosen by the groom's mother and the mother of the bride wore a grey and turquoise dress with black accessories.

A reception was held at the home of the bridegroom's parents and the couple left on a wedding trip to Florida.

COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, Dec. 11, the Community Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Leon Madsen, 4751 Cutter Parkway for a potluck dinner. Anyone attending is asked to bring a \$1.00 gift to exchange.

Don't forget Dec. 11, at 7:15 p. m. at Martin school the P. T. A. Family Christmas Night will be held in place of the potluck dinner.

"Middle Age—the time of life when a man looks back and discovers that the mountain he's been climbing is only a molehill."

Honey Creek News

Mrs. Leona Hunt

The Executive Board of the P.T.A. met at the home of the president, Mrs. Carl Andrews, Monday evening.

Pedro Club met at the home of Hazel Knoop Wednesday evening. Visitor for the evening was Mrs. Paul Raimer. Prizes were won by Lee Bentley, Vera Carmer and Edythe Andrews.

Carl and Barry Hunt spent Sunday in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bentley spent Sunday in Grand Rapids visiting relatives.

Mrs. Bea Wegusen, Mrs. Monette Baer and Mrs. Bertha Nowack were in Saginaw Monday buying materials for her Christmas Shop.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Richard DeVries just returned from their honeymoon in St. Petersburg, Florida.



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