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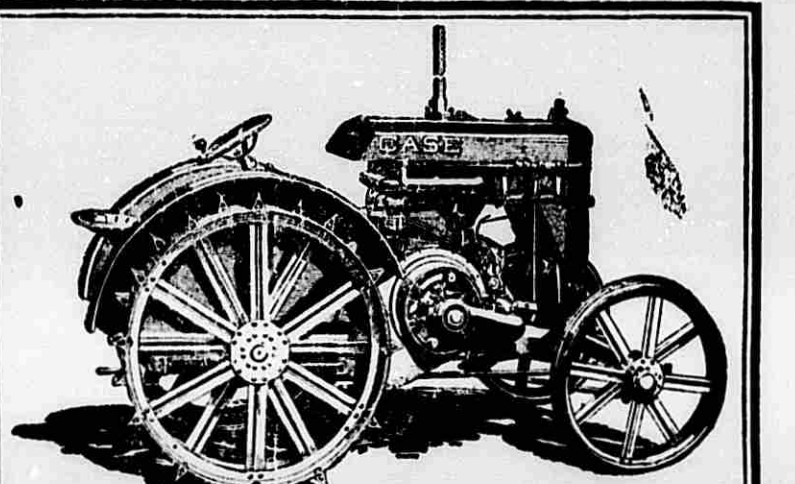
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MEMORIAL DAY GRAND OCCASION

PATRIOTIC DAY PATRIOTICALLY OBSERVED IN LOWELL MAY 30.

Full Text of R. E. Springett's Address to Unknown Dead. Outline of P. T. Colgrove's Splendid Address... Program of Exercises.

Aside from being excessively warm Decoration day and its observance in Lowell, was the morning parade to Oakwood cemetery was participated in by the Elks band of Grand Rapids, the G. A. R., W. R. C. returned soldiers of the World war, Boy Scouts, Camp Fire girls, Lowell schools and citizens in automobiles.

At the soldiers' monument, where a large crowd had gathered, Lieut. W. Doyle called the assemblage to order and gave the exercises over to the charge of S. P. Hicks. Following an invocation by Rev. A. H. Lash, the Elks band played "Nearer My God to Thee" and Robert E. Springett delivered the following address in memory of the "Unknown Dead."

See fourth column, this page. Following the decorating of the soldiers' graves and a selection by the band the exercises at the cemetery were closed on account of the heat.

At 1:30 p. m., the Elks' band gave a concert near the City hall. The decorating committee, Messrs. H. L. Shuter, Vern Ashley, Ward Willett and Harvey Avery certainly did a fine job at the hall and their efforts should be appreciated.

Following was the order of exercises: Overture—"The Bridal Rose"...

Invocation... Rev. W. M. Jerrett. Address, Village President, M. N. Henry, in which he paid tribute to several veterans of the civil war, of whom eighteen were present, notably to Simon Pettit, whose 89th birthday anniversary it was.

With R. D. Stocking at the piano, Mrs. R. T. Ford sang, "The Star Spangled Banner," the audience joining in on the chorus. Mrs. A. G. Peckham read "Lincoln's Gettysburg Address."

The Elks' band played, "Till We Meet Again," "The Battle Hymn of the Republic" was sung by Harley Maynard, with audience chorus. A finely rendered reading, "Our Honored Dead" was given by Audie Wright.

The Patriotic male quartet, Messrs. Yeiter, Sterkins, Maynard and Sissen sang, "The Beautiful Country." Brief addresses were given by S. P. Hicks and Rev. H. Bank.

The latter pleaded guilty to being proud of his boys, Lieut. Carl and Theo, who were on the platform, but who had declined to speak, saying that they had done the fighting and Dad could do the talking—that was his business.

Hon. P. T. Colgrove being introduced as a good roads' worker announced as his topic, "The Highway of Life." How was it possible he asked, for this nation to take the part it did in the late war, to win so quickly? Because of the American home life, the home training of the American boy. The good was already in the American soldier.

The government or army did not create it. You can not legislate men good. It was born in them. Then he told the story of Martin York, of Pocomo, Tennessee, a religious man, whose training was opposed to war; but who, when he had seen evidences of German barbarity, said he was ready to fight, and of all the ten millions of men on the fighting lines, he has been declared the greatest soldier of all.

The American army in all the war never yielded a foot of ground and this can be said of no other army. The military men of Germany at the Peace conference admit that America won the war. The American idea was to make the soldier strong in battle by making him strong and right in character, while the German idea of battle strength was an army of soldiers who would obey orders no matter what even to acts of brutality to children. An American soldier would face the firing squad sooner than obey an order to mutilate a helpless child.

The speaker recently visited Lookout mountain on which stands the New York state monument of the Civil war surrounded by two soldiers of the North and South, who stand there in sunlight and shadow, hand in hand, typifying the reunited country whose soldiers' under one flag marched to victory against the foreign foe. When America went into the war, Russia, England, France and Italy were fighting well but independently, under separate commands, a losing fight. America insisted upon a union of all forces under one command. The result—Victory. What is good in war is good in peace unity. Every community needs to find its common denominator. Over there, the Red Cross, the Y. M. C. A., the K. of C., and the Salvation Army found it in service. Our Army found it in the trenches, the lodges of many kinds and in the letter G and the Book of Books. And yet there are in every community Antis, who are always fighting something—anti this or anti that or anti some church. They haven't learned the lesson of the war, unity of forces and command under General Fochs—the lesson of unity.

Mr. Colgrove closed with a touching allusion to the union of the English speaking people brought about by the war and gratefully praised by Lord Chamberlain in his public utterance—"Our Child, America." The exercises were fittingly closed with "America" by band and audience and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Jerrett.

Among Lowell's Decoration day visitors were: F. W. Hine, Henry Hiler, C. Townsend, R. P. Morse, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. King and daughter Florence, Mrs. Mary Moore, Mrs. Simpson and daughter Thelma, Mrs. Schrouder, Mrs. A. C. Sherman, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Quick, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Woodcock, Mrs. Clayton Beach, Mrs. Katherine Stone, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Schriener, Ernest Agers, Mr. and Mrs. Ross C. English, Dr. and Mrs. Anderson and daughter Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Strong and son Richard and Miss Helen Shivel, all of Grand Rapids; Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Sisson, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Crawford and daughter Alice, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Carter and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hiler, all of Ionia; George Sherman, Mrs. A. J. Lewis, Geo. B. Willard and daughter June.

COMMENCEMENT.

Lowell High School Graduates, Twenty-Three in Class of 1919. Commencement exercises for 1919 will be held at the High school auditorium Wednesday evening, June 11th at 8 o'clock.

Following is the class roll: Class colors: Old rose and white. Class Flower—Pink rose. Class motto: "Launched but not Anchored."

Class Roll. Hatley Buttrick, president; Myrtle Pinkney, vice-president; Esther Wingeier, sec'y-treasurer. Dora Bangs, Ella Beebe, Erhart Bank, Evelyn Curtiss, Frank Cummings, Minnie Cummings, James Howard, Eva Hale, Berice Jones, Rose Kropf, Christopher Leonard, Ellen Merriman, Edwin Mueller, Letha Rogers, Walter Roth, Clifford Stinchcomb, Margaret Ten Cate, Gladys Walker, Sue White, Ruth Wallmark. The program is as follows: March—Miss Greaser and Miss Miller.

Invocation—Rev. Lash. Salutatory—Letha Rogers. Music—The Knags Clifford Stinchcomb, Evelyn Curtiss. Class will—Frank Cummings. Declaration—Walter Roth. Piano Solo—Ellen Merriman. Class Prophecy—Esther Wingeier, Myrtle Pinkney, Beatrice Jones. Presentation of Spade—Hatley Buttrick.

Class Song—Class. Valedictory—Sue White. Presentation of Diplomas—Dr. White. Benediction—Rev. Lash.

ALUMNI BANQUET. The Alumni banquet will be held in the High school gymnasium Thursday evening, June 12, at 8 o'clock. The meeting will be in the nature of a reception to the returning soldier boys. Parents of the graduates are eligible to attend, as well as the alumni. Addresses by returned over-seas soldiers.

TO GIVE FINAL DANCING PARTY. Hale's concert and Dance orchestra will return to the City hall, Lowell, Thursday evening, June 12, and give their final dancing party of the season. A most cordial invitation is extended to all dancers to attend and Manager Hale has been working overtime to give his patrons here the best dance of the whole season as the final.

The orchestra will be specially enlarged, featuring Tony Johnson and his famous banjo and wonderful singing. Mr. Johnson, it will be remembered, visited Lowell with the famous Naval Base quartette and his return visit with this orchestra makes a hard combination to beat for dancing. There will be also a number of other features. This party will be the best of the whole season and one you cannot afford to miss. There will be no advance in admissions, dancing 9 to 2, and remember you are invited—Advertisement.

FACTORY PROSPECT. Greenville Garment Company May Locate Branch Plant Here. Messrs. Ranney, Barber, Gibson, Beardley and Gish, of the Greenville Garment company were in town Monday with a view of locating a branch factory in Lowell. They were so pleased with the town that they propose establishing an all new factory here if assured of twenty women and girl helpers to start and given a building rent free for a year.

At Greenville they pay from \$1.00 to \$1.25 per day for learners and advance wages as fast as their earning power increases with practice. Some of the Greenville hands are said to be making as high as \$4.00 per day.

All women and girls who will accept employment with the new company are requested to leave their application with M. N. Henry or J. J. Lalley at once, as another town is being considered and the deal must be closed at once.

Let us take no chance of losing a concern that may grow to large proportions.

all of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Moser, Wash., and Bert Hawley, of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Burnett of Sand Lake and daughter, Mrs. Howard, of Saranac, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Covert, of Rockford, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Westbrook, of Caledonia, Dr. C. C. Sayles, of Langston, Miss Maurine Van Arsdale, of Pontiac, Harrison Blakelee, of Charlotte, Mrs. F. E. Bruna, of Freeport, Misses Ruth E. Johnson and Ruby Lane, of Belding.

SUFFERS NO MORE.

Long illness of Mrs. U. B. Williams Ends in Peace. Jessie Marguerite Cogswell, the only child of Eugene H. and Mary Cogswell, was born in Easton township, Ionia county, Michigan, Feb. 24, 1877.

She attended school in Ionia, graduating from the High school with the honors of her class, and for several years was a teacher in the Ionia schools.

She was united in marriage to Uriah E. Williams, August 26, 1903; departed this life at the residence in Lowell, June 1, 1919.

For several years Mrs. Williams endured great suffering, which she bore with patience and a hopeful spirit desiring to recover until the last days of her life.

Mrs. Williams was a rare type of womanhood; she was not afraid to undertake great things, never idle, but always on the alert to uplift humanity, and always did faithfully and conscientiously whatever she undertook.

She possessed a literary mind and the following are quotations selected from her favorite authors which she had preserved: "Every person has two educations, one which he receives from others, and one more important which he gives himself."

"A fresh mind keeps the body fresh. Take the ideas of the day, drain off those of yesterday. As to the morrow, time enough to consider it when it becomes today."

THE UNKNOWN DEAD

R. E. Springett's Memorial Day Address at Oakwood Cemetery.

This Decoration day is no more sacred than the many that have preceded it, but it is broadened in its scope as it has vitally touched the heart and life of a new generation.

On the first Decoration day of which we get any information after the close of the civil war there were but two of the comrades of that great conflict resting in this sacred ground. Today there are 115 monuments where those noble soldiers will be remembered with our flowers.

It is a peculiar coincidence, that on this—the first Decoration day after the close of the world's war—two of the boys who gave their lives to this cause are resting in this city of the dead. As they are not on their numbers must increase, and we will with loving gratitude honor their memories, as we honor the memories of those who took part in our former wars.

It is but fitting that on this day when we are placing flowers upon the graves of those who rest in our midst to remember and pay tribute to those who followed the flag and never returned and to those who sleep in unknown places and distant lands.

In many places today they are decorating the graves of those who fought in the revolutionary war and the wars of 1812. We have the remains of one who fought in the war of 1812 resting in this township but not in this cemetery. Their comrades who rest in unknown graves must number into the thousands.

Last summer I was at Fort Ticonderoga and at Crown Point. At Crown Point the old house where Washington had his headquarters at one time during the Revolution still stands. It is now used as a public library and the stars and stripes continually fly from a flag pole in the yard.

You cannot look upon these historic places without a feeling of reverence for our noble forefathers who made the great sacrifices, who were a great nation took. At Crown Point you can almost imagine you see the stately figure of Washington moving about the yard or passing in and out the door of his old headquarters.

As you look upon the old stone walls of Fort Ticonderoga the stories of history come back to you. You cannot help but picture in your mind the activities around that once busy place. Your mind will paint the outline of the sentinels pacing back and forth upon the walls, armed with their muskets and clothed in their quaint colonial uniforms.

You will picture to yourselves our brave ancestors fighting for our freedom from a German King who at that time ruled Great Britain. To the many who fought in our early wars and lie in unknown resting places, where it is impossible to place flowers upon your graves this Decoration day, to you, our noble ancestors, we pay all homage and respect.

In the Mexican and Spanish wars our soldiers had to go into the enemy country and of those who made the great sacrifices many lie in unknown and unmarked graves. Of those who lost their lives in marching into the jungles of Santa Anna at Chapultepec or who died in any part of Mexico but few of their resting places are known. A few of the boys who followed "Old Glory" rest in the sands of Cuba and the Philippine Islands. It matters not where their dust may rest, their memories are close to our hearts today.

To those who rest in these tropical lands we honor you and pay you all tribute and respect. To those of the navy who fought to make the earth a better place to live we honor them. No stone could mark the final resting place of those who lost their lives upon the sea. Mother Ocean could only take them in her arms and pillow them upon her breast, as she has done with millions of others who were down here by faithless depths. We shall always honor and respect the memory of those who fought with our great admiral, Paul Jones, the valiant Farragut at New Orleans. We pay tribute to those who served in our navy at any time and place.

Whether their remains rest in our inland waters, in the depths of the ocean or their dust rests in an unknown grave, we honor them this Decoration day. And to you our departed sailor heroes, whether you sleep on land or sea, we know that the Great God above gathered you into his fold the same as he did the boys who gave their lives at Gettysburg or Valley Forge.

In our great Civil war many of the boys in gray. There are thousands of them sleeping in the Southland, whether they fell at Antietam in the Wilderness, with Sherman on his glorious march to the sea or in whatever unknown spot they lie let us treasure their memory on this Decoration day. Had they not responded to their nation's call we would have been a divided country instead of the leading nation of the world today. It was the sacrifices of those we honor which made it possible for us to go to the aid of stricken Belgium and France and make us a powerful nation that could swing the balance of power in the European conflict and bring it to a speedy close.

To those of the recent war: Two of them rest in the French cemeteries, but most of them sleep by the roadsides, on the hill top, in the forest or in the field near where they fell. They may rest in groups of two or three, a dozen, fifty or hundreds. Each mound is marked with the rough wooden cross with the identification tag attached or the name crudely painted or carved which may some day be the means of loved ones locating their boy or husband.

The French cemeteries are mostly well cared for and last fall I saw the French observing their Decoration day. The number of women Continued on Last Page.

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Address to Congress Read by Regular Reading Clerk

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Smartly dressed young men are finding Hart Shaffner Clothes the best for style comfort value Our Waists are popular

Entire Stock of M. T. LaMonte & Co. at Alto must be sold at once.

GOING OUT OF BUSINESS PUBLIC SALE

The entire General Stock of M. T. LaMonte & Co., at Alto, Michigan, consisting of Groceries, Shoes, Rubbers, Underwear, Shirts, Hosiery, etc., etc. to be slaughtered. The prices are being slashed in every direction. Time is short. Stock must be disposed of quickly. Buying must be fast.

Sale Positively Opens SATURDAY, JUNE 7 at 8 o'clock Store will be closed Friday to arrange and mark down prices.

Below we quote a few prices just to illustrate to you the extraordinary price cutting, and please remember, the usual LaMonte & Co. guarantee will go with every sale, even until the last. Also every representation made by Sales people will be guaranteed and you may return, exchange or get your money back on any purchase.

Table with 3 columns: Department, Shoes are high in price, Furnishing Goods and Hosiery. Lists various items like brooms, laundry soap, shoes, and hosiery with prices.

Don't Miss the Opening Day Extra Specials Not Mentioned for Saturday M. T. LaMonte & Co. Alto, Michigan Extra Sales People Wanted

ALTO WEEKLY SOLO. Peter F. Kline local reporter and special for advertising and all publications. Subscriptions and local phone orders received by mail, phone or call. Office at Alto Furniture Store.

LOCAL ADVERTISING RATES. Front page reading notices 75 per line cash. Advertising in local columns 60 per line cash. Want ads classified, 10c per word, cash or stamps with order, 15c charged.

THE LEAGUE. In his Memorial day address in Paris, President Wilson pointed out convincingly the fact that the world must accept the League of Nations if it hopes to avoid wars, and if the people of all countries hope to live in peace and harmony.

MARKING A PARTY ISSUE. The League of Nations is too big and far-reaching in its scope to be a partisan decision, but that, apparently, is just what both parties are planning to do.

WEST BOWNE. Miss Mattie Stone rides in a Ford car. Willie Davis and wife and her daughter Frankie, of Grand Rapids, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. White.

WEST BOWNE. Mrs. Elizabeth Lewis left Sunday with Archie Rose and family. Mrs. Rose is home from Grand Rapids, where she visited a week with her daughter.

For Guaranteed Groceries. An incomparable hot weather drink—Chase & Sanborn's Orange Pekoe Tea—iced—a slice of lemon.

John J. Lalley. Sole Agent for Urethane Biscuits. At the top of today's market list by the unanimous vote of the family.

ATTENTION FARMERS. USE THE OLD MARSHALL'S BRAND.

ICE CREAM and ICE CREAM SODA. OUR FOUNTAIN IS NOW OPEN. We are ready to serve you with Ice Cream by the pint, quart or gallon.

Charles E. Brown. Alto, Mich. Both Phones. The Best in Guaranteed HARDWARE.

Carriages, Harness, Farm Implements, garden tools, lawn mowers, summer stoves (gas and oil) paints, oils, etc., for the least money.

Dintaman Bros. Alto, Mich. Let Us Shoulder Your Lumber Troubles.

ALTO LUMBER COMPANY. Now as summer is coming on look over your screen doors and window screens and have those cases replaced with new ones.

YEITER & COMPANY. Furniture and Bazaar Dealers and Undertakers. RELIABLE GOODS PROMPT SERVICE COURTEOUS TREATMENT REASONABLE PRICES.

Lowell and Alto Stores. Phones at Both Places.

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THE LOWELL LEDGER and the Alto Weekly Solo. CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING. FOR SALE—First quality yellow feed corn, 500 per crate.

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WE shall gladly assist you, if we may. FARMERS STATE BANK of Alto. Edson O'Harrow, Pres. W. H. Angell, Cashier.

R. E. COLBY. McCORDS, MICH. My reputation for fair dealing and reliable goods, coupled with the De Laval record of service and durability, has made the De Laval Cream Separator the leader in this community.

THEY can't fool the creameryman. That's why 98% of all the separators used in the world's creameries and milk plants are De Laval's.

DE LAVAL. I am buying WOOL 50c lb. for an Indiana firm.

Keeping Pace with the Weather! OUR STORE is keeping pace with the hot weather by getting in new lines of summer wearing apparel to meet the needs of the entire family at prices at which everyone can afford to buy and keep cool at the same time.

WATTS' DEPARTMENT STORE. Women's House Dresses, in all styles and colors. Summer Underwear for men, women and children.

My SILOS are made of Clear Oregon Fir with Red Wood Doors First class in every way. Prices on a few sizes:

WATTS' DEPARTMENT STORE. W. H. Watts, Prop. Open Saturday Evening Until 10:30 p. m.

F. A. Worden. McCord's Lumber Yard, McCords, Mich.



The New American Figure

YOUNG fellows today are paying more attention to themselves, FROM THE NECK DOWN. They realize that a level head must be supported by a sound body. Almost every young man hits the ball nowadays, either at the links, on the diamond, across a tennis net, or in a hand-ball court.

The House of Kuppenheimer

has produced styles and models especially designed for the New American figure. With natural shoulders and broad chest, the new styles taper down to a slender waist, and fall with a flare over the hips. No other garments follow so closely upon the heels of America's physical rejuvenation. These models are shown in a number of style effects, solid color and fancy mixture fabrics.

- Straw Hats** That are just a little better
- Summer Necessities** Palm Beach Suits, Wash Neckwear, Soft Collars, Fancy Silk Hose, Athletic Union Suits, Silk Caps, Cheney Bros. Silk Bow Ties

All our Straws come direct from the largest manufacturers in New York. Panamas, Toys, Banklocks, Leghorns and Balibuntals \$2.50 to \$6.00

John J. Lalley

The Kuppenheimer house in Lowell

ALL AROUND TOWN

Bits of News About People and Things You Know.

Order your magazines of Lasby & Son.

Mrs. Dexter Conklin, of Flint, is visiting her father, J. A. Mattern.

Carson Mead, who has been working in Lansing is home on a vacation.

Anthony Zahn, who has been very sick at Mr. Jim Mead's, is on the gain.

You know the place. Opposite the postoffice—Lowell Cleaning & Dyeing Wks.

Henry Warner sold his farm near Cook's corners' and moved to Greenville.

Frank and Sarah Moon, of Cook's Corners spent Sunday with Ab. Richmond and Albert.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hausserman and Henry Hauserman took dinner with Mrs. Walter Rogers Decoration day.

Calls answered night or day by Beaver's new auto livery.

Mrs. Jim Wright has gone to spend a week with relatives near Owosso. John Wright visited his parents over Sunday.

Ladies' and gents' panamas, banklocks, leghorn straws and felt hats cleaned and blocked—Lowell Cleaning & Dyeing Wks.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moon, of Belding, and Mr. and Mrs. Ab. Richmond, of Vergennes, called on Mr. and Mrs. R. Hyler Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Kneel, of Keene, spent a few days at the home of their son, Jesse and wife last week. Jesse was home from Ionia for Decoration day.

Taxes amounting to \$12,500 were paid to the county treasurer on the \$2,500,000 in bonds issued by the Grand Rapids Railway company. The Michigan Trust company of New York are trustees under the new first mortgage.

The draft boards have been officially discharged. All local boards received official communications Monday morning announcing that their work had ended and that certificates of discharge would be forthcoming within a short time.

We do all kinds of repairing, pressing and dyeing of ladies' or gents' clothing. Model Cleaning Works. Will C. Stone.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hausserman, of Saranac, were pleasantly surprised when their brother Henry, walked in Thursday night, he has been with the 32nd Division, crossed the water a year ago and Feb. He said there is no place like good old Michigan. Welcome home Henry.

Wrist watches at Stocking's. adv. Mrs. F. B. Ecker was in Grand Rapids Monday.

John Hatch was home from Grand Rapids for Memorial day.

Good second-hand organ for sale cheap. R. D. Stocking.

Mrs. Bela Cowles and sister were in Grand Rapids one day last week.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Burras, a 9-pound daughter, Elizabeth.

Miss Lisa Krantz, of Rockford, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Bela Cowles.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. William Parker, of Grand Rapids, a 7-pound daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Duffy, were Decoration day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hatch.

John Jay, a former Lowell boy visited his sister, Mrs. Howard Burt a few days last week.

Miss Maude Burras, of Kent City, spent Decoration day with her uncle Wilbur Burras and family.

Mrs. Wm. Staples is at Cadillac helping to care for her mother, who fell while visiting another daughter.

Ab. Richmond received word Saturday his brother Frank, who lived in Walla Walla, Washington, had died.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sissen, of Lansing, visited the home folks over Decoration day and the week end.

Frank Richmond died at Walla Walla, Wash., May 22. He was a brother of Ab. Richmond, of Vergennes.

Can you beat it? A 650 pound capacity cream separator for \$65.00. We have customers using these separators and they tell us they are O. K.

H. Nash Estate.

Bessie Osborn, who was seriously hurt, when knocked down by some reckless driver in Grand Rapids is improving. She was rushed to the hospital unconscious, but is slowly gaining. The party is known.

Graduation presents galore at Stocking's.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Duffy entertained with a house party Sunday, the guests being Mr. and Mrs. J. Duffy, of Seattle, Wash., Mrs. Mary Clark, of Benton Harbor, Mrs. A. W. Kneel, of Keene and Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hatch.

Mrs. Sherrard and sister Mrs. Denny, entertained on Decoration day, Laella Richmond, Mrs. Homer Gilland and daughter, Lottie, Charlie Woodworth, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rogers and son Lester and Elmer Richmond and family.

Get more mileage for less cost by using the Kokomo tires which are sold exclusively in this place by R. D. Stocking.

Born—To Mr. and Mrs. Leon Rogers, a daughter, May 30.

Bargains in canned goods at White's market and Goff's ranch.

Mrs. G. H. Simpson and Miss Hazel Maynard spent one day with week in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Geo. Haas, of Grand Rapids, visited her aunt, Mrs. John Andrews over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Duffy, of Seattle, spent part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Hatch.

R. T. Ford and family and Supl. and Mrs. Appleton motored to Campau lake Sunday afternoon.

Best quality silk gloves at Weekes'.

Kathryn Norton, of Grattan Center was in town Saturday night and reported her father, J. P., as being very low.

Messrs. and Mesdames Clark and Rob, Rainer, of Grand Ledge and Lansing were in town Friday of last week.

Harry Richmond, Stanley Clinebeck and Charlie Van Tilla, of Vergennes township are on the list to receive a diploma.

James McMahon was down town on crutches yesterday, improving slowly after a long confinement with his injured knee.

White voiles, organdies, batiste poplins and gabardines at Weekes'.

Chas. Kellogg who has been confined to the house for many weeks with rheumatism was able to ride to town Saturday evening.

Mrs. M. Fuller, Miss Margaret Hendersholt and Clarence Sharp of Grand Rapids, spent Decoration day with Miss Hazel Maynard.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kysner have moved into the house of F. Sissen for a few weeks, when he will attend summer school at Lansing.

Mrs. Bertha Archibald, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Howe and little son and Mrs. Florence Goldsmith and little son, of Grand Rapids, visited Mrs. Julia Hildreth Decoration day.

Messadines, taffetas, georgette and crepe de chine silks, \$2.00 per yard at Weekes'.

Carl and Theo Bank, after a visit with Lowell friends have gone to Flint to be with their own people. They will return to Lowell for the commencement and alumni meeting.

Charles Lester Howe, brother of Mrs. E. Van Dyke and Miss Carrie Howe, died Monday at Reed's Lake Sanitarium. Funeral will be held Thursday at 3 p. m., at Metcalf's chapel, Grand Rapids.

W. W. Brooks, of Ionia and Lewis Stevens, of Vergennes, were arrested Friday by Kent County Game and Fish Warden, Charles A. Merrifield for having in their possession undersized "blue gills" caught in Flat river. They appeared before Judge A. M. Andrews, pleaded guilty and were fined \$10.00 each and costs.

Headquarters for curtain nets and curtain yard goods. A. W. Weekes' & Son.

Supervisor of Boys' Working Reserve C. A. Palmer has several boys with two years' experience in farm work available for farms June 13 to 20. A number of boys who have not had farm experience will be ready at the close of school, and will remain on farms all summer. Farmers should apply at the offices of the Kent county farm bureau in the A. C. building—Grand Rapids News.

The Kent County War board, organized to help with the war, discontinued its work Saturday. Secretaries Edwin J. Quarles left for Indianapolis, where he will assume his duties Monday as chief of the field forces of the Indiana State Chamber of Commerce, and the war board headquarters will be discontinued. The files will be placed in the permanent war record files of Grand Rapids.

Silk and Wool poplins, \$2.00 at Weekes'.

Vard Raymond, of Detroit, is a guest at the home of Mrs. J. C. Train.

Miss Nina Wright will make her home with Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Denwick.

Mrs. Caroline Yeiter spent the week end with her son, Claud at Freeport.

Mrs. Geo. W. Rouse spent Thursday night and Friday with her son in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Nellie McCarty, of Grand Rapids was entertained at the home of O. J. Yeiter Sunday.

F. J. Hurley and family accompanied by Dr. F. E. White and family spent Friday in Ovid.

New Hat, 35 hair bow ribbons at Weekes'.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Schneider, of Albion were week end guests at the home of Mr. G. W. Parker.

The Misses May Vely and Pauline Behler were Grand Rapids visitors Saturday. Miss V. remaining until Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Asa Thomas, of Grand Rapids, spent Decoration day at the Geo. W. House home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Springell and Roger spent Saturday night and Sunday with the family of John Keiser at Alto, all spending Sunday at Gaupau Lake.

Ladies' sealap athletic union suits, \$1.00 at Weekes'.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Frevermonth visited the latter's father Mr. Clark at his home at West Lowell Sunday afternoon to help celebrate the father's 90th birthday.

Miss Lena Yeiter is spending a couple of weeks with friends in Lansing and with her cousin, Miss Addie Yeiter at Albion, where she is a college student.

Mrs. W. T. Webb and daughter, Florence, left Monday for Christiansburg, Va., to spend a month with her parents. Mr. Webb accompanied them part of the way.

Frilite gauze vests and union suits at Weekes'.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roth and daughter, of Detroit, came Friday morning for Memorial day. He returned Monday. Mrs. Roth and daughter will remain 4 or 5 weeks.

Mr. Geo. Bartlett and Miss Edna Allen, of Grand Rapids, were Memorial day guests of Mrs. Belle Hodges, leaving Saturday evening for the home of Howard Bartlett in South Lowell.

John Wright, Jr., member of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, spent the week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wright, of Vergennes and sister, Mrs. D. L. Townsend, of Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sissen, of Lansing spent Decoration day at Saranac with Chas. Kysner and family, returning Friday evening to Lowell, where they were over Sunday guests at the Kysner home.

The W. F. M. S. held a thank offering meeting at the M. E. church Sunday. Mrs. Jerrett gave a very interesting address and the male quartet favored with fine selections. The offering was over \$20.00.

For the Misses first corset, B. and G. school girl model, \$1.25 at Weekes'.

A tuberculosis clinic will be given at Grand Rapids, June 6th and 7th. This is a free clinic to be given under the auspices of the Red Cross and conducted by the local physicians and a state tuberculosis specialist.

Those from away who attended the funeral of Mrs. Stoughton: Mr. and Mrs. Edson O'Harrow and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Murphy, of Alto and Miss Ella Kopf, of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Walter Reeves, Mrs. Fred Reeves and Mrs. Marshall Stoughton, of Orliso.

Hammocks' at Weekes'. Adv. Born—Saturday, May 31, to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Potter, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Rockefeller, of McCords made the Ledger a call Monday.

Little Mary Collar has the measles at the home of her grandfather, E. R. Collar.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Blough, of Lansing, spent Sunday with Mrs. F. W. Braisted.

Plain and plaid gingham \$3.00 house dresses at Weekes'.

Earl Cole and sister, Mrs. Will Markle and two children were in Belding one dressed week.

Mrs. F. W. Braisted spent a day last week with her nephew, Paul Charon at St. Mary's hospital.

Licensed to wed: George Van Dellen, 25, Plainfield township; Martha Ederwen, 21, Ada township.

Silk and nerserized lingerie in all waists and sizes at Weekes'.

E. S. White has received a message from his son that he sailed from North Russia Sunday.

Baccalaureate sermon by Rev. W. M. P. Jerrett at the Methodist church Sunday evening, June 8. Subject: "Concentration."

Bungalow aprons, \$1.19 and \$1.39 at Weekes'.

Latelle Ecker's home from overseas and spent Decoration day with his mother and sister's family here and went to Detroit Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vanderwall received a cablegram via Washington yesterday from their son Ernest, stating that he was well and receiving mail.

Hugs and linoleums, right quality and prices at Weekes'.

Win. F. Howard, who has never recovered from the effects of the flu, has gone to spend the summer with his uncle, Win. Howard on his Moseley farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Rogers and daughter of F. B. Rhodes, formerly Ernest Miller, of Fremont were Memorial day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Engle Hanson.

One lot \$1.50 and \$2.00 corsets at \$1.19 at Weekes'.

Chas. W. Jones returned from the Rhine Thursday bringing with him a wound stripe and a healthy appetite. He fought on the St. Michel and Argonne fronts.

George Lucas, Orrin Sterkins, Leonard and Lee Braisted, Wayne Ford, Carl Speaker and Mr. and Mrs. P. Filling, all of Lansing, spent Decoration day here.

Wayne knit hosiery at Weekes'. Adv. Best 100 hair ties at Weekes'. Adv. Joe Emhuff, of Grand Rapids, spent over Sunday with Mrs. F. W. Braisted and went Monday to spend a week with his sister, Mrs. Chas. Nease, of Vermontville.

Users of city water are warned that in case of fire all sprinkling must be stopped at once. If the fire bell rings during sprinkling hours shut the water off at once.

New 100 crochets books at Weekes'.

Mrs. D. LeClear was called to Grand Rapids on account of the misfortune of her grandson Paul, son of Lena Chaerter of former Lowell girl. Paul lost the sight of one eye when hit by a steel arrow.

The Lowell State bank has taken an option on the Train opera house block of three stores at \$7,000 as an "indicator to windward," not as indicating any immediate change of location.

R. & G. Warner and Nemo corsets at Weekes'.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Kresbaugh, daughter Florence and son, Private Chas., and Mrs. Woodruff, all of Grand Rapids, were guests of Mrs. Greeney, Clyde Spencer, to domestic life after the woman gained the ballot, was received by the audience with a constant gale of laughter, especially the domestic, overworked nervous husband of Mayor Parmenter. The dashing young officer who rescued Clarence from drowning was Eula Lawyer who handled her role very well and the fair young Rosalie, Esther Rittenger, worked her brabe upon the Mayor in a most remarkable fashion. A most audible hit was made on the audience by the "Cullud Cook." Vesta Schwarward, as chief of police and her determination to use such chaotic means to solve the crime.

The success of the play was due to the efficient training of these pupils given by the English teacher, Miss Anna Howe, who worked with them steadily for three weeks and not only let the play interfere with her other school duties. We most heartily hope that they will make as splendid a success with their Senior play as they did this year.

Beaver's new autos are for hire. Mr. and Mrs. Elgie Condon, of Smyrna, visited Mrs. Orrin Sayles Sunday.

Clare Potruif, of Chicago, spent Decoration day with his father, F. O. Potruif.

Chauncey Townsend, of Grand Rapids, visited his son Dan and family Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Scott of Scott & Townsend store, made a business trip to Grand Rapids Wednesday.

Hooker Chapter, R. A. M. will hold a special meeting Wednesday evening, June 11, followed by a banquet.

For sale—Seasoned second-growth oak stove wood, \$3.50 per cord, delivered.—Edwin Fallas Canning Co.

The marriage of Miss Emogene, daughter of F. B. Rhodes, formerly of Lowell, but now of Gaylord is announced in the State papers.

John Wright, of Big Rapids, and sister Verna, Mrs. Mary Scott and Mrs. Dan Townsend and son Robert spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Freeman in Ionia.

Inquire of E. E. Brown for horses of all kinds.

J. W. Murphy, formerly of Peck's Hill is sick at his son's home at 901 Lafayette street, Grand Rapids. John has been failing since the death of his wife, who passed away April 2nd.

Miss Margaret House will give a puppet show on Friday, June 6th at 8 p. m. in the Congregational church, assisted by Mrs. P. C. Peckham, vocalist and Dr. E. Jackson, of Grand Rapids, violinist.

The city hall will be used as a comfort station for the convenience of the children and as a trading center and for tourists; but the privilege will be discontinued if it is abused or the property damaged. Voiles and tissue gingham at Weekes'.

Will Schneider accompanied by the Bank boys, drove the former's father's car to Grand Rapids early this week and there collided with a street car. No one was hurt but it will take a hundred red plunks to replace the auto.

Mrs. Herman Hagan and daughter Jane Elizabeth, of Ann Arbor, who have been spending a month with the former's father, F. O. Potruif, was joined by her husband Thursday and they motored home Monday accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Ada Condon.

R. M. C. Kloister and O. N. T. crochets cotton, 10c at Weekes'. Adv.

HER HONOR, THE MAYOR.

Junior Honor Was Well Presented and Well Patronized.

"Her Honor, the Mayor" a comic satirical farce given by the Junior class of Lowell High school, was not only a success financially but every character in the cast most certainly carried up to the expectation of the audience.

The charming yet high spirited Eve Greenway—Eva Laux, completely won the audience during the first act. Also the life and pep brought out by Ruby Oberly, in the character of the man-hating militant, Mrs. McNabb, was surely appreciated. The retirement of the three gentlemen, Lester Parmenter, Howard Houghton, Mick McGoon, Howard Hittenger, and Clarence Greeney, Clyde Spencer, to domestic life after the woman gained the ballot, was received by the audience with a constant gale of laughter, especially the domestic, overworked nervous husband of Mayor Parmenter. The dashing young officer who rescued Clarence from drowning was Eula Lawyer who handled her role very well and the fair young Rosalie, Esther Rittenger, worked her brabe upon the Mayor in a most remarkable fashion. A most audible hit was made on the audience by the "Cullud Cook." Vesta Schwarward, as chief of police and her determination to use such chaotic means to solve the crime.

The success of the play was due to the efficient training of these pupils given by the English teacher, Miss Anna Howe, who worked with them steadily for three weeks and not only let the play interfere with her other school duties. We most heartily hope that they will make as splendid a success with their Senior play as they did this year.

WARNING.

The ordinance prohibiting the use of fire arms, air rifles included will be strictly enforced within the village of Lowell.

Common Council.

CARD OF THANKS.

I wish to thank the neighbors for their kindness during the sickness and death of my grandmother, also Miss Maynard for the singing.

Nina Wright.

NOTICE

For Sale: Seven thoroughbred O. I. C. pigs, eight weeks old. Come and see them. Sanford Smith, Jr., Alto, Michigan. Cliz. Phone 16-5. [52]

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SERVICES.

Christian Science services are being held regularly at eleven o'clock each Sunday morning in the Idle Hour theatre. Every one cordially invited. Subject of sermon for next Sunday, June 8: "God the Only Cause and Creator."

NOTICE TO ADVERTISERS.

After June 1, all advertising copy must be in the hands of the printer by Tuesday afternoon to insure publication in the current issue. This is positively necessary. Please govern yourselves accordingly.

Publisher Ledger.

Belding-Hall Refrigerators

are built largely to conserve and preserve the health of its users. Built by a concern that has had years of experience in constructing sanitary refrigerators, assuring the people of better family health than refrigerators of doubtful or unknown qualities.

Belding-Hall Refrigerators are easy to keep clean, are built to perfectly preserve fresh and for a good length of time. They are also built to reduce the ice consumption, which means economy. Built for your service, for we believe you desire as Good as money can buy.

We ask that you, looking for a refrigerator, will let us show you and tell you about these splendid articles for the proper preservation of the food you eat.

Miller & Harris Furniture Co.

Furniture and Undertaking

THE UNKNOWN DEAD.

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wearing mourning in France is appalling.

More than one half of their young manhood has been sacrificed. No one was left to observe this day but the children and the very old men. It was a heart touching sight to see them working about the graves of their dear ones who had given their lives to protect their homes. The French surely appreciated the help we gave them when they were practically whipped when we entered the war and I know that in most localities, if not in all, they were most kind in caring for the graves of our boys who fell while fighting the common foe.

I have seen many of our boys laid away over there. The services were most simple. For those who rest near the front, possibly a short prayer, possibly none at all. They had given their all. They rest in peace but their acts will live in history and their memory will remain with us forever.

I do not exactly believe in the doctrine of Harry Lauder, that the spirit of every man who falls in battle ascends straight to heaven. But I do believe that the man upon the field of battle is in close touch with his God. He does not want a sermon. He may not even want a prayer. There are situations too tense for those. You of the Grand Army who stood before the guns of the South and saw your comrades slaughtered around you. You boys of the recent war who heard the deadly crash of the big shells and the whining of the bullets raining death and destruction around you, you know what I mean. You may not know where the shell or bullet was coming. You did not know that it had your name but you did know it was just as likely to find you as the other fellow.

You cannot exactly believe in dying all around you without thinking your time may be next. Your heart may be full of hatred for your enemy, and a curse on your lips may only mean love for a comrade who has fallen. I believe that the Father of the universe understands a soldier's heart, even in the turmoil of battle. A man cannot give his all without being recompensed in some manner. A large per cent of our unknown dead fell on the field of battle and they died that we might live—a great and glorious nation.

We are not a military nation but when it becomes necessary to fight for our national life or honor we have responded most nobly.

Of our gallant officers of all our wars we are most proud of any arm without efficient leadership is doomed to failure. Many of our officers have had most difficult tasks to overcome and they made good. But the best officer on earth without the right kind of men behind him can accomplish nothing. The men in the ranks have been taken from every walk in life, given the most elementary training and sent into battle. We actually had men sent to the front as replacements in our division who did not know how to load a rifle and when they met the machine like army of Germany, and they made good.

It is the men in the ranks who suffer most from the hardships of war. They get the most of the mud, the least shelter from the rain and the cold. They are the ones who most often go hungry and have the least clothing to protect them from the weather. They carry the physical burdens of war. I have always envied the men who wear the G. A. R. buttons and today I would be most proud could I stand with you a full fledged American doughboy, I honor and envy you every one. You parents, brothers, sisters and friends of the boys who have been in this recent war can never understand what the boys who have been through. The boys in blue can comprehend—they know. The returning boys may attempt to tell you their experiences—but no words can paint the picture. It was like the Civil war, too vast—too great—to be remembered and comprehended without seeing. Most of those who lie in unknown graves were principal actors in some of our great war tragedies. To those of the recent war our Decoration day should pay an important part in your future observance of this day.

You will always remember how your comrades fell and were left in their foreign land just as the boys of the Civil war were left in their comrades dropped from their ranks in our Southland. This day while we are honoring the memory of those who sleep in our midst let us lead should pay an important part in your future observance of this day.

We can never repay them for what they have done for us. Whether they sleep in our own beloved land, in Mexico, in far away France, in the bosom of the sea or in whatever far away corner of the earth let us honor and reverence their memory this day and forever.

LEDGER CORRESPONDENTS MEETING.

For the meeting appointed for Saturday, June 21, it has been thought best to hold the usual office gathering and theater party. The picnic meeting may be arranged for later. Further notice next week. In the meantime it is hoped that every correspondent of the Ledger-Solo will arrange to be present at the June meeting.

Baptist Church

A. M. Salyer will preach Sunday, June 8, at 10:30. Sunday school session at noon. Evening service at 7:30. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Congregational Church

Theme—Sunday—"Our Communion." 10:30. Observance of the Lord's supper and reception of members. Sunday school—11:45. Prayers, services, Thursday evening, 7:30.

State Mutual Rodded Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.

Their past record is their recommendation and advertisement for the future.

All principal buildings must be rodded to be insured against lightning.

At Risk	Ass't
June 15, 1908—\$ 121,995.00	
Dec. 31, 1908— 957,000.00	
Dec. 31, 1909— 4,311,935.00	
Dec. 31, 1910— 9,284,430.00	\$2.00
Dec. 31, 1911— 16,515,770.00	1.30
Dec. 31, 1912— 25,059,940.00	1.20
Dec. 31, 1913— 34,825,720.00	2.00
Dec. 31, 1914— 45,931,470.00	2.00
Dec. 31, 1915— 57,239,020.00	1.60
Dec. 31, 1916— 67,555,945.00	2.80
Dec. 31, 1917— 73,226,550.00	3.20
Dec. 31, 1918— 78,510,950.00	2.90

Average Cost per Year \$1.72 per \$1,000

The 1917 Assessment included \$1,000 for \$1,000 advanced Assessment, making the actual cost for the year \$2.20 per \$1,000.

About fourteen per cent of the farm property insured in Farmers Mutual in Michigan is insured in this company.

They insure buildings, for nine-tenths value instead of three-fourths as they have done in the past and they also pay nine-tenths for all personal property lost which makes a much better policy for their members.

They have paid their members over \$760,000 for losses since June 15, 1908. The average cost to the members to Jan. 1st, 1919 was only \$1.72 per \$1,000 per year.

They issue a blanket policy on personal property which is much better for the members than a classified policy.

This Company has been doing business less than eleven years and none (May 15, 1919) has over \$80,000,000.00 at risk.

Think of it! A Company having between seventy-five and one hundred and twenty-five thousand buildings insured and only losing fourteen of them by lightning in nearly eleven years is not this proof to you that rods are nearly one hundred per cent protection to buildings?

Is not a few dollars spent for lightning rods the best investment a farmer ever made?

If you want to learn more about the Company write them at their home office, Flint, Michigan, asking for a copy of their circular letter to their members, annual statement, etc.

If you want to become a member of such a company, or if you want to rod your buildings and your property in within reasonable distance of my home, phone or write me. I am at your service.

Very truly yours,
W. V. Burras,
Lowell, Michigan.

Community Auction

Saturday, June 7

Walnut Bedstead	3 Common Bedsteads
6 set Steel Springs	Wool-lined Mattress
2 Organs	Barrel Churn
New Pump Jack	Two-horse Gas Engine
Balance-wheel Meat Chopper,	Single Buggy
5 new Vacuum Cleaners	2 nearly new Autos

Bushel Roosevelt Seed Potatoes
Bushel Early Statesman, early
West side in afternoon, 4 o'clock
East side store, 7:30 p. m.

WHEELER HULL, Auctioneer.

Specials in Summer Suits

Practically all sizes in Men's, Young Men's and Varsity models. Broken lines but good style.

You save if your style is here. It's worth your while.

3 lots at \$10 \$15 \$20

Coons