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TWO ARE DEAD SIX INJURED IN CAR CRASH

SLEET-COVERED PAVEMENT CAUSE OF ACCIDENT INVOLVING THREE CARS AND A TRUCK ON U. S. 16—LOWELL OFFICERS AND AMBULANCES CALLED TO SCENE

One man was killed outright, another received a skull fracture from which he died later, and six others were injured in an accident which involved three automobiles and a truck on U. S. 16 at the viaduct at Pratt lake, just over the line in Ionia county, at about 5:15 last Thursday evening.

The man killed was George Wyma, a road commissioner of Allegan county. The man who received a skull fracture from which he died Saturday morning was Peter Ringold, of Grand Rapids; the others injured were his wife, Goldie M., his brother Harry, his sister, Wilma, and Clarence Hekhus.

Although Deputy Sheriff Chas. Knapp of Lowell, was unable to definitely ascertain the cause of the accident, he and Deputy Charles Lawyer, of Grand Rapids, pieced together the story from information given by the occupants of the three cars and from the appearance of the wrecked vehicles.

The two officers stated they believed that a light delivery truck driven by Peter Ringold, who was driving east, collided head-on with an automobile driven by Mr. Van Anroy, and the third motorcar driven by Mr. Datema, crashed into the rear of Mr. Van Anroy's car.

Steers Off Road
A fourth car barely missed piling up when the three crashed. The driver managed to steer his car off the road into a narrow ditch and back onto the pavement without striking the wreckage.

Cars Are Damaged
Riding with Peter Ringold in the front seat was his brother Harry, while Mrs. Ringold and Miss Ringold were in the back part of the truck. In the third car, driven by Datema, were Bush, Baker and Sterling. The Ringold and Van Anroy cars were badly damaged and both turned on their sides after the crash. Datema's car did not turn over and suffered less serious damage.

The injured persons and Wyma's body were taken to the farm house of W. McGrath immediately after the crash and Deputy Sheriff Knapp, of Lowell, notified. He summoned the Yelter and Roth and Brezina ambulances from Lowell and a third from Grand Rapids.

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Spirit of the Legion

By W. W. GUMSER

The American Legion was born in the cradle of comradeship. "Buddies" who suffered and triumphed together agreed to pool their mutual interests. But to stop at mutual helpfulness among themselves would be selfish. And so the Legion has taken on a bigger task. As the boys were banded together over there for the sake of those at home, so are the ex-service men united today in an effort to be of service to those about them. The ever present ideal of a Legionnaire is to be of some good to his "Community, State and Nation." It cannot be "gained" that the principles of the Legion are fundamentally sound.

The Legion is a democratic institution and as such reflects the very customs of our democratic society. Men from all stations in life are proud to call themselves members. It is a matter of course, therefore, that in the eyes of some people such an institution should at times be looked upon with disfavor. We will frankly admit that we have not always been in sympathy with the "accomplishments" of the Legion. But neither do we condone the misdeeds of other organizations which are frequently undemocratic in nature.

The exploits of the Lowell Legion are well known. Much good has been done. Unselfish service has been the watchword of

Amateur Boxing May Be Sponsored By Amer. Legion

At a regular meeting of the Legion Monday night it was decided to investigate the advisability of sponsoring an amateur boxing show. A committee was appointed for the purpose.

William Christiansen, who is chairman of the toy committee, reported that many toys had been collected and that men were going to re-condition them this week. The work will be done at Cook's plumbing shop.

Commander Knapp and Adjutant Stryker gave their report of the state convention at Grand Rapids.

"Bat Whispers" Sets Record as Thriller

The thrill picture of the year will open Sunday at the Strand theatre.

It is "The Bat Whispers," Roland West's production for United Artists, featuring that dynamic young actor Chester Morris.

When "the bat" whispered—the audience sat spell-bound. Morris, who skyrocketed to screen fame in "Alibi," and increased his following in "The Divorcee" and "The Big House," gives the most startling performance of his career.

The production is a succession of dramatic, mystifying situations with scarcely a pause for breath. The comedy moments are splendid. Genuine laughter is provoked by three fun-makers drawn from the stage, Maude Eburne, Charles Dow Clark and Spencer Chartier.

Una Merkel, lovely lady of D. W. Griffith's epic, "Abraham Lincoln," and co-star of "Eyes of the World" provides the feminine romance. She is destined to become one of the finest actresses in the realm of pictures.

Steal Two Wheels From Stolen Car

A Pontiac sedan stolen at Greenville last Friday was wrecked that evening on M-21 about five miles west of Lowell as the thieves were making their way toward Grand Rapids.

The car struck a guard rail, then veered across the road into the bank on the opposite side. The thieves abandoned the car, then two other thieves were observed on the scene, making away with two wheels with tires attached.

The car was towed to Webster Bros' garage. The owner, Emerald Jones, is awaiting the return of the stolen wheels and tires. If they are returned to Webster Bros., garage, it is said there will be no prosecutions.

Notice to Herald and Press Readers
To those who wish to renew or subscribe for the Grand Rapids Herald or Press, I will take care of your orders and appreciate the same.

Mrs. Jennie Townsend. At Look's Drug Store. Phone 356. (c 29)

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Mrs. Evelyn Cahoon, Treas. (c 29)

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Ledger Entries

Being a Collection of Various Topics of Local and General Interest

Everybody's looking more cheerful.

It is reported that the three or four cases of home brew, hidden on the roof of one of the buildings on Main street, was rescued before the recent freeze.

Youthful lovers in Lowell admit that the course of true love never runs smoothly, but we have a horrible opinion of the young man who breaks with his girl friend just before Christmas in order not to give her a present.

Frank C. Miller, Ionia, chairman of the sub-committee of the crime commission, is supporting a bill for public flogging of first offenders. He believes the public humiliation would take one of the "glory" out of crime.

An attempt to develop an all-year-around demand for "fresh" cherry pie is to be made soon by the Michigan Cherry Growers Packing Company of Beulah, Stores are to be opened in Chicago, New York and Boston.

The new quick freezing process enables one to buy "fresh" cherries. About one-third of this year's crop was frozen.

After reading of the bank failures in many southern states, the statement of R. E. Reichert, state banking commissioner, is comforting. He says: "The position of banks in Michigan, as reflected in the last call reports of state banks, is fundamentally sound. Our financial institutions have met the changing business conditions without difficulty. This year only two small banks have closed."

A prediction is made at Cadillac by officials of the Michigan Potato Growers' Exchange that the time is rapidly approaching when many farmers will raise the tubers under irrigation. The recent hot summer resulted in many of the growers hastily establishing irrigation systems to save their crops. Their efforts, though hurried, were well repaid.

Many of Michigan's cities which have rivers or streams running through them fail to take advantage of their natural beauty. Flint, after many years of delay, is putting its unemployed to work cleaning the banks all the way through the city. This is the first step in preparation for grass and shrubs. The day will come when Flat river will be a thing of beauty in Lowell. Speed the day.

Michigan's prisons hold 251 deportable aliens, according to Richard W. Nebel, commissioner of pardons and paroles. The policy of the department is to make them serve the minimum sentence and then deport them. This is a severe penalty to them and saves the state's money. If, after deportation, they are arrested in this country they are made to serve out their maximum sentence and then deported.

Many Lowell people as well as those in the country will be interested in the following item from the Perry Weekly: George Winegar, Sr., has sold his interest in one of the finest fruit farms in Michigan situated near Morris to his son, George F. Winegar, a co-worker with his father many years. This splendid farm of 160 acres has been in the family nearly a century. It was taken over from the government by the great-grandfather of the present owner, George Winegar, Jr. The senior Winegar was a former Lowell business man, well and favorably known. He has been in poor health for several years.

A letter dated November 30, from the Boylans in Kissimmee, Fla., states they rode five days in the rain, no showers, but pouring down rain, until they were obliged to stop over for a day as the roads had become "like soap." Later they spent three days in Gallatin, Tenn., with R. B.'s nephew. Driving on their reached their destination, finding the weather like some of the hot days we enjoyed (?) last July and August. Since then they had frosts which blighted the tomatoe and egg plant vines. Recently they attended a banquet and the tables were profusely decorated with roses. They report having a fine time.

What may be termed a spectacular invention is called the Rotolactor, a device on which 50 cows are washed, dried and milked as they make one complete revolution. The cows step upon the rotating platform, receive their baths, are dried by waves of warm air, and milked by automatic milking machines, each cow's milk being collected in sealed glass jars and conveyed through sanitary pipes to an adjoining room. At the completion of the 12 1/2 minute revolution, each cow steps off the platform and returns unaided to her place in the barn at a eighth of a mile away. Sixteen hundred and eighty cows are thus milked, almost automatically, three times a day.

The Legion Auxiliary meets at the City hall next Monday evening, Dec. 15.

Read Houseman's Specials, p. 4.

Sunshine



Masonic Orders Hold Elections

Hooker Chapter No. 73, R. A. M., elected the following officers for the ensuing year on Dec. 3, 1930:

H. P. Harry E. Dodds. K.—Charles I. Colby. S.—Dan A. Wingeier. Treas.—Edwin R. Kniffin. Secy.—Arthur F. Armstrong. C. of H.—Carl E. Freyermuth. P. S.—Howard J. Rittenger. R. A. C.—John R. Stryker. V. 3.—John P. Lott. V. 2.—Royden R. Warner. V. 1.—Roy A. Richardson. S.—Wm. F. Murphy.

The above officers were installed the same evening, P. H. P., Wm. Murphy acting as installing officer.

Blue Lodge
Last Tuesday evening Lowell lodge No. 90, F. & A. M., elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

W. M.—Howard Rittenger. S. W.—Wesley Roth. J. W.—Dan A. Wingeier. Secy.—Elmer White. Treas.—Wm. Hartman. S. D.—Charles I. Colby. L. J.—John R. Stryker. Tyler—W. F. Murphy.

The above officers were installed the same evening, W. F. Murphy, P. M., acting as installing officer and O. J. Brezina, P. M., acting as marshal.

Harry L. Shuter, P. M., was chosen alternate delegate to the meeting of the Grand Lodge. The officers and members are looking forward to a year of increased activity and interest in local Masonic circles.

Charles Knapp to be Named Dep. Sheriff

Sheriff-elect Fred Kelley informs The Ledger that he will appoint Charles Knapp, of Lowell, deputy sheriff. Mr. Knapp will represent Lowell and vicinity. Mr. Kelley also stated that Mr. Knapp will doubtless be called upon at times to do service in regular department work in Grand Rapids.

RESPECTED RESIDENT PASSES

Corra Bristol Chase was born at Deorra, Mich. March 13, 1856, and departed this life Dec. 7, 1930, at the age of 74 years, 8 months and 24 days.

For the past three years she had made her home with her son, Ralph Chase, of Ionia, Mich., where she passed away Sunday evening at 10:30 o'clock, following a second stroke suffered one week before. She had been slowly recovering from her first severe illness which occurred in June of this year.

Most of her childhood was spent in Ada, Mich., where she attended the public schools. Later at the age of 27 years she was united in marriage to Emmet Chase, and to this union was born one child, Ralph.

At the age of 41 she moved with her family to Lowell, having previously lived at Vassar, Mich. Following the death of her husband in 1903, she purchased a home in Lowell and successfully conducted a boarding house for many years, thus raising her son and gaining the love and respect of all with whom she was associated. She was a member of the M. E. church of Lowell for many years.

Left to mourn her passing is her son, Ralph Chase, also one brother, James Bristol, of Ada, and their families, besides other relatives and many friends. The funeral service was held in the First Methodist church of Lowell, Wednesday afternoon, Rev. A. T. Cartland, officiating. Burial in Oakwood cemetery.

PERFECT IN ATTENDANCE

NAMES OF PUPILS OF THE LOWELL GRADE SCHOOLS WHO MADE ATTENDANCE RECORDS THIRD MONTH OF YEAR—FIFTH AND SIXTH GRADES IN LEAD.

KINDERGARTEN—Betty Brezina, Peggy Brezina, Donald Fisher, Robert Hahn, Betty Lou Kyser, Marilyn Kyser, Richard Lewis, Jack Maxson, Jane Peckham, Ward Rogers, Dorothy Shafer, Lillian Stormzand, Clair Thorne, Harret Van Tatenbove.

Perry School
GRADE 1—Elinor Bowery, William Basler, Harold Dohla-way, Jacqueline Fahrni, Darrell Hohlt, Edward Myers.

GRADE 2—Carrine Callier, Virginia Conant, Phillip Coveri, Lloyd Frost, Richard Gazella, Betty Koyler, Shirley Hagle, Elizabeth Myers, Marion Peckham, Helen Rogers, Glen Rogers, Beatrice Schneider, Clifford Verburg, Gerald Wood, John Phelps.

GRADE 3—Dorothea Baker, Tom Bowen, King Doyle, Bertha Holland, William Lalley, Loree Pennek, Howard Demmie.

GRADE 4—Dick Bowen, Bradford Gibson, Doris Johnson, Edward Maloney, Ardis Schneider, Thurston Tidd.

East Ward
GRADE 1—Charles Barber, Phyllis Brown, Robert Cahoon, Robert Christiansen, Cleone Collins, Karl Hall, Clifford Klump, Charlene Kysner, Marguerite Kropf, Richard Sisson, Harold Semerly, Virginia Shafer, Richard Warner.

GRADE 2—Raymond Barber, Gordon Hill, June Havens, Virginia Havens, Edward Havlik, Robert Kysner, Shirley Lee, Theodore MacTavish, Bob Palmer, Robert Stiles, Donna Stormzand, Agnes Shafer, Janet Staal, Fred Pinkney.

GRADE 3—Shirley Bannan, Inez Cole, Thomas Cook, John Cook, Charles Dawson, Janice Denny, Marjean Fonger, Charles Hill, Carol Kysner, Leon Mella, Edith Merwin, Alice Lou Racine, Gordon Ridgeway, Dorothy Scott, Kenneth Smith, Martha Stevens, Lucille Warner, Lloyd Wisner.

GRADE 4—Lucille Armstrong, William Christiansen, William Frost, Betty Jane Klump, Lorene Kysner, Maxine Kysner, Kenneth Robinson, Robert Shafer, Barbara Sherwood, Gladys Wisner.

GRADE 5—Lawrence Armstrong, Beth Burdick, Barbara Cahoon, Theta Ann Clark, George Cook, Raymond Dennis, Florence Dowling, Mac Fonger, Dorothy Jean Goul, Harry Gould, Alice Haines, Ruth Houseman, Morris Merwin, Kovelie Millard, Mabel Osborn, Lovisa Ridgeway, Grace Roberts, Melvin Rogers, Robert Sayles, Jane Seyforth, Audrey Shafer, Lloyd Stauffer, Doris Stormzand, Betty Stuart, Lillian Van Den Heuvel, Betty Venlet, Marguerite Walters, Arthur White, Allen Wisner Hugh Young.

South Ward
GRADE 1—Frank Balcom, Albert Hawk, Lorena Perry, Marian Richards, Opal Steele, James Stephens, Edith Torrance.

GRADE 2—Wayne Dawson, Neil Richards, Richard Young.

GRADE 3—Barbara Dawson.

GRADE 4—Harley Balcom, Elsie Richards.

GRADE 6—Junior Ayers, Doris Basler, Paul Berman, Evelyn Collins, William Dawson, Grace Dennie, Leila Dennie, George Goffredsen, Virginia Hall, Joseph Hill, John Jones, Cassie June Lee, Mamie Merwin, Helen Mitchell, Elaine Pinckney, Rena Pinckney, Clara Phillips, Lura Potter, Frank Princekavich, Alice Richards, Anna Rogers, David Sigler, Evelyn Staal, David Swanson, Lena Swanson, Raymond Wittenbach, Roy Myers.

Friday and Saturday: Bessie Love, Mary Law, and Cliff Edwards in "Good News." Aesop Fabie, "A Bug's Romance." Fox Movietone News.

Sunday and Monday: Chester Morris in "The Bat Whispers." "Our Gang" comedy, "Pups in Pups." Pathe sound news.

Tuesday and Wednesday: Fanny Brice in "Be Yourself." Comedy, "Doctor's Orders." Musical novelty, "An Irish Fantasy."

Musings and Amusings

By UNCLE MARCUS

Hot Springs, New Mexico, Dec. 1, 1930. Dear Jeff and Ledger Folks:— Well, here I am way out here in "No Man's Land" with nothing to do but take hot baths straight from the bowels of the earth and bowels is right too. I verily believe it must be the infernal regions our good friend Nixon used to yell about sometimes when his breakfast didn't agree with him. I guess if he was immersed in it until he had to yell "For Mike's sake turn it off," he'd think that "Eternity" is a long time for every-day sort of sinners to be parboiled in.

And that reminds me of the Oklahoma City preacher who resigned because some of his "From Kiver to Kiver" people didn't like it because he wouldn't swallow the Jonah and the whole story, took and line, sinker and bobber. I'm thinking some of these "fundamentalists" are going to be surprised—not to say disappointed—in the crowds they'll find beyond the Pearly Gate like the good woman whom St. Peter told the imp to escort round to hell while he sent her erring husband to a seat with a cushion up near the heavenly orchestra. Anyhow, if the Oklahoma City preacher isn't to be allowed to follow his conscience and the reason God Almighty gave him to use, he is right to resign. This is still free country, thank goodness!

Come to think of it, the father of the prodigal son wasn't so much after all. I know an old codger who went two thousand miles after his prodigal and found him pretty well thought of in that far country. And the son greeted his father gladly and gave him to eat of the fattened-chicken.

Before I left the Cozy Corner Mrs. Jeff advised me to cheer up and find me a "black-eyed senorita" down here, suggesting that I could fool her with my black hair into thinking me a young spark. So, after taking three hot baths and being stood up under a hot shower each time I discovered to my chagrin that my hair has grayed more in three

days than in the previous three years. I reflected that most of the black-eyed Susies I have seen here are black all over—and I don't suppose they are; and I don't like 'em that way.

I attended church Sunday under conditions as primitive as those which obtained in Michigan 75 or 80 years ago, in a bare, plastered room, seated with rough wooden benches, on bare unvarnished floor, the preacher standing behind a square carpenter-built pine altar, the only modern touches being a piano and a "circulating" heater. And yet, the good minister, truly a missionary, with a few devoted followers, maintaining the Christian with a bravely and truly. When he prophesied the ultimate triumph of prohibition, I could hardly express an old-time Methodist "Amen!"

I left the little church feeling that America owes much to its pioneer preachers who carry on under adverse circumstances and amid rough surroundings. From rude beginnings like this have come the stately edifices with their heaven-pointing steeples and their beautifully finished and furnished interiors. All hail the pioneer preacher! May his future be as bright as his past has been hard.

I note that the murder rate in this country has risen to five a day—such a contemptible failure has God Almighty's law against killing been—not after 10 years, but ten thousand. So what's to do but let the killers have their freedom to do as they please? Away with prohibition! Let every man drink and drive as he pleases. One man's right on the highway is as good as another's. Law and order are fool's talk, let every man drink and drive and damn, as he will. Freedom! That's what I say. Liberty, regardless of God, man or the devil! Each one for himself and Old Nick get the hindmost!

Maybe that will work; but I doubt it. God is in his heaven and justice shall be done. As ever, Uncle Marcus.

Two Faults

From the Rockford Register: "The untimely death of Captain Forrest Colby brings to our attention the need of more aid in handling High School athletics. A lone coach finds it impossible to check the boys' water supply at the games. He has also difficulty in keeping them from drinking when they should not. The college team has a coach and trainer as well as a doctor and several assistants. These are able to handle the situation. High school athletics need more help."

We are also reminded most vigorously of the failure of our cities and villages to obey the law relative to river pollution. Had this been observed the river would not have been in dangerous condition. We can never be entirely healthy as communities if we have taken care of these infection spots. Rockford is as much a transgressor as Lowell."

Wanted--Old Toys To Make New Again

The American Legion boys volunteered to do a splendid work in Lowell this Christmas when they set out to see that every child of the community who might otherwise be overlooked, should receive a Christmas toy or game. In order to do this they have asked all who have discarded playthings about the home, to turn them in to the Legion and they would be repaired and perhaps repainted and made bright and new again for some other kiddie.

200 Attend Poultry and Dairy Meetings

The poultry and dairy meetings held in Lowell City hall last Friday, sponsored by C. H. Runciman were attended by upwards of 200 persons. The meetings were addressed by Prof. Walter B. Krueck, who brought out many practical points in regard to proper care and feeding.

Liquidation Sale At Stocking's Store

R. D. Stocking, well known jeweler and radio dealer, has filed a trust mortgage in favor of his creditors and his entire stock of goods is being offered for sale at greatly reduced prices. Sale is in charge of Edward De Groot, who has been appointed trustee. Read the full page advertisement elsewhere in this issue.

Ladies will be interested in Humming Bird Full Fashioned Hosiery—read H. L. Weekes adv. on page three. (p 29)

Read the Want Column.

BRUCKER TALKS TO OLDER BOYS AT CONFERENCE

GOVERNOR-ELECT SPEAKS ON "CHRISTIAN LIVING IN CITIZENSHIP"—DECLARES THAT CHRISTIANS ARE OBSERVANT, INDUSTRIOUS, SELF-DISCIPLINED.

The final address of the 28th Annual Michigan State Older Boys' Conference at Bay City was given by governor-elect Wilbur M. Brucker. He spoke on the subject of "Christian Living in Citizenship."

In introducing his topic, Mr. Brucker stated that he was strictly against using the Sabbath for speaking to voters, and that he had come to appear before the Older Boys' Conference in order to speak frankly and directly concerning the topic. He made clear that Christian citizenship is something beyond the usual accepted rights of citizenship such as voting, holding office, and paying taxes. He gave three tests of a Christian citizen. First, he is observant. He is critical and comprehends what he sees. Mr. Brucker said he wanted folks to be dissatisfied with conditions so that they might better them. In the second place, the Christian citizen is industrious. He works. He does not being indolent, he will go ahead even when he makes mistakes. He pointed to Christ as a great example of industry, having crowded into three short years the work of a life time. In the third place, the Christian citizen is self-disciplined. He comes and goes at his own beck and call. Self-discipline means that every body is his own man. He can think for himself. He is himself. He is independent in thought.

At this point the governor-elect remarked in telling an anecdote that concerned his experiences overseas. He said that he did not feel right unless he was in church somewhere on Sunday. In closing, he stated, "What a wonderful state to leave if your idealism (referring to the delegates of the Older Boys' Conference) characterized this commonwealth during the next two years of my administration."

Mr. Brucker referred to his coming inauguration on January 1, saying, "Guiding me will be that Pilot whom I'm not ashamed to own, and who has always guided me up to this hour."

The other speakers of the Conference included Dean Thomas Graham of Oberlin Theological Seminary, Dr. Frederick B. Fisher, recently returned from India, where he was Bishop of the Methodist church, and now pastor at Ann Arbor, and Dr. Laurence M. Gould, second in command of the Byrd Antarctic expedition.

Next year the Conference will be divided into two sections. The president-elect of the Western District is Donald Winters of the East Grand Rapids High school. The first vice president is William Pifer, of Kalamazoo; second vice president Ronald Gillette, of Grand Rapids Junior.

Over 1200 boys were in attendance at the Bay City gathering, representing communities from the entire lower peninsula.

Warning on Use of Yule Decorations

With Christmas only two weeks away and Yuletide decorations appearing in stores and homes, Wesley Both of the Lowell Fire Department, is urging that every precaution be taken to guard against fire. The use of flimsy decorating materials near open flames is forbidden by state law, and the chief urges that instead of candles on Christmas trees, electric sets be used.

The law provides that even in decorating electric light bulbs, asbestos materials shall be used. Fire has turned Christmas joy into tragedy in more than one home heretofore and too much care cannot be exercised to prevent the loss of property and human life.

Honor Roll

The following students of the Central building, Lowell schools, had highest marks the third month of the school year:

12TH GRADE—Esther Beahten, Evelyn Bowen, Ruby Boyga, Audrey Chase, Lois Hall, Ernest Hoover, Lena Mae Huffman, Esther Kerr, Margaret Reynolds, Florence Webb, Charlotte White.

11TH GRADE—Edith Althaus, Jean Beatham, Gladys Bieri, Audrey Carey, Marian Colby, Richard Gorey, Maxine Hunter, Velma Keech, Frances McEnty.

10TH GRADE—Emma Covert, Esther De Vries, Dorothy Hawley, Mary Jackson, Helen Kinsley, Ruth Rollins, Mildred Shores, Elizabeth Stormzand.

9TH GRADE—Gladys Armstrong, Maryan Ashley, William Boylan, Fred Roth, Jane Runciman, Katherine Stued.

8TH GRADE—Norma Ashley, Anna Green, Kathryn Schneider, Jean Weekes, Gerald Yelter.

7TH GRADE—Barbara Fletcher, Helen Frost, Pauline Kyser, Irene Speersta.

POULTRY
I will be at Runciman's elevator Tuesday, December 16 to buy poultry. Will pay highest market price and pay cash. Louis Epstein. (c 29)

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HOOPER SPEAKS HIS MIND

Those who have been clamoring for a Hoover ready to speak his mind and fit his deeds to his words, both from the ranks of his admirers and the files of his calumniators, have no cause to complain in the light of recent events. If it be true that the American people like a two-fisted President, there is reason for exultation. The Rooseveltian ways are not Hoover ways, yet "T. R." in the pink of his fighting form seldom hit harder or straighter from the shoulder than Herbert Hoover has done on three major occasions within a period of one week.

President Hoover took the liberty of appointing a Secretary of Labor of his own choice, instead of selecting an appointee from a list furnished him by the American Federation of Labor. In his statement announcing the appointment of William N. Doak, of West Virginia, who has been legislative agent for the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, the President makes it clear that he resents what he regards as an attempt at dictation in the matter of appointments to office.

The second article in President Hoover's declaration of independence was the announcement of his intention to submit the Word Court protocols to the Senate during this short session of Congress. In this he defied bloc government to do its worst. In this, as in his defiant appointment of Mr. Doak, he displayed the best sort of courage. In both acts, he spoke his personal view, scorning the pussyfooters and politicians.

Whether or not adherence of the United States to the court is desirable, consideration of final action on the issue should not be longer delayed, and the President's disregard of the advice of politicians, possibly against his own best political interests, is applauded by every right-thinking voter.

There was this in the President's answer to the appeals from New York and Chicago to Uncle Sam to look after their gangsters and racketeers for them. They were told very promptly that disinfection, like charity, should begin at home. When offenses against the federal government are included among derelictions, the former will continue to see that its own quarters are kept in order, but it will not undertake the entire necessary house-clearing.

Few of us are familiar with White House menus, but the prevailing view in Washington is that the country hopes Mr. Hoover will feed on more of the same meat.

Don't carry around a lot of opinions with which to start an argument. Facts are better.—Haughton Linn.

Congress meets in the midst of fervent and untimely hope that there will be no session between March and December, 1931. Even when things are going well, the general wish is manifest that Congress remain in session as short a time as possible so that "business won't be disturbed." When things are going ill, the same desire is based on the fear that recovery from depression may be deferred. Government is a vast business. But it is by no means the only business where the management does not want the board of directors to meet every day in the year.

The world is blest most by men who do things, and not by those who merely talk about them.—James Oliver.

The anxiety about the special session can only be realized in quarters distant from Washington without understanding the conditions. The regular Republican leaders do not want a special session of a new Congress in which their power is reduced to nothing or nearly so. The regular Democratic leaders want to postpone the responsibilities and dangers of a Congress in which they may have a majority. In this position the regular leaders of both parties are taking account of a business condition which fears the contentions and excitement inevitable in a Congress in which it is not quite certain which party has a majority.

President Hoover's annual message to the two houses of Congress brought forth a flood of comment from Senators and members of the House. In general the recommendations of the President to meet the unemployment situation and other features of the message met with the warm approval of Republican leaders. The exception of this

related to the World Court. Senator James E. Watson, of Indiana, Republican leader of the Senate, said frankly he disagreed with the President in his decision to send the protocol to the Senate this session. He held the message as a whole was wise and statesmanlike. On the other hand, Democratic chiefs sharply arraigned the message and failed to display the spirit of "cooperation" with the Administration as advanced in the post-election statement of the Democratic "seven."

VIEWES AND REVIEWS

"What They Say Whether Right or Wrong"
Winston Churchill, British political leader: "We are a generation which lives on newspapers just as the caterpillar feeds on the green leaves."

William E. Borah, United States Senator from Idaho: "Not a dollar in the United States Treasury is so sacred that it must stay there when we have men walking the streets in search of work they cannot find."

Herbert Hoover, President of the United States: "Our country has a vast majority of competent mothers. I am not so sure of the majority of competent fathers."

George Arliss, English actor, famed for good diction: "The American is so afraid of being meticulous in his speech that he allows himself to become careless."

W. O. McGehean, newspaper writer: "The tragic part of it is that the undergraduates and the alumni still clamor for touchdowns instead of ethics."

Edwin B. George, chief of the Marketing Service Division of the Department of Commerce: "With all their open credit and installment commitments the American people is not hopelessly mortgaged."

Ruth Bryan Owens, congresswoman from Florida: "The public has the wrong idea about congressmen. They're really a hard working crowd."

NOTES AND COMMENTS

Modern fairy tales: "It's good as new."

What mere man doesn't know, he doesn't suspect.

Some men are nuisances and others are amateur magicians.

Personally, we find it especially difficult to wait for anything.

Skating on thin ice is one way to keep loud the family expenses.

One of the main barriers to efficiency is common, ordinary conversation.

This is the time of the year to buy Christmas seals. Use them on your mail.

In the long run most of us would make a grand success, but we stop with a short run.

Correct this sentence: "I think that the people should rest, even when they overrule me."

Now that Thanksgiving is over some people think there is no reason to be thankful any more.

So far as we know few men, or women, think that praise is the idle flattery of a favor-seeking hound.

It won't be many months before the baseball fans will believe everything that they read from training camps.

Agricultural communities, yearning for industrial development, remind us of the dog that dropped his bone for the image that he saw in the stream.

The Ledger has often emphasized the advantages to Lowell of trading at home. The more money in circulation locally the better will be the financial condition of people here.

The trouble with most cities, like most individuals, is that they dream of a greatness to be thrust upon them, rather than to work upon the opportunities around them.

Any idea that Mussolini follows the lead of American politicians must be abandoned in the view of his decision to cut the pay of all government workers.



They All Gussed Right

His friends were discussing the question of what to buy him for Christmas. Silence! Perplexity! Then someone suggested shopping at his favorite shop—COONS. They came, they saw, and they conquered the difficulty. And they all gussed right. Some of the guesses:

- Broadcloth Pajamas..... \$ 3.00
- Leather Slippers..... 2.45
- Bath Robes..... 5.50
- Silk 4-in-Hands..... 1.50
- Sweater Jackets..... 4.00
- Silk and Wool Hose..... .75
- Silk Reefers..... 3.00
- Leather Windbreakers..... 10.85
- Broadcloth Shirts..... 2.50
- Auto Robes..... 5.50
- Traveling Cases..... 5.95
- Silk Square Mufflers..... 2.50
- Imported Wool Reefers..... 2.50
- Pigeon Gloves..... 3.50
- Linen Handkerchiefs..... .35



1931 Automobile License Plates On Sale Dec. 13

A. A. Throp, branch manager for Kent County, will be in Lowell Saturday, Dec. 13, from 4 to 9 p. m. at the Lowell State Bank. You must know the following things in order to obtain your automobile license plates.

1—You must fill out your own application or have it filled out before presenting to the clerk.

2—You must know the model and year of your car. This is imperative.

3—If you live outside of an incorporated village or city, you must know your township.

4—If a commercial car, you must have a weigh bill of this year.

5—No transfers of over ten days will be accepted.

6—Resist any material by having all your papers in the proper shape.

7—Mrs. Eva Eagle and son Clayton, spent Sunday with their aunt, Mrs. Leland Davis and family. Callers were Mrs. M. A. Alchin and son, Francis E., and Francis A. Bowler, and Peter and Hazel Kellog.

8—Mr. and Mrs. Clare Alchin and son Harold, of Grand Rapids, spent Saturday and Sunday with their parents, George and Kelly and wife.

9—Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Frost and Mrs. Burr Davis spent Thursday in Grand Rapids.

10—Ella Weeks spent Wednesday night at Will Engler's.

11—Moseley 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th, under the auspices of the "Admiral Lincoln" at Lowell Tuesday afternoon.

12—Norma Weeks spent Tuesday night with Louise Blaser.

13—Ed Tabor, of Holland, was a caller at George Crady's one day last week.

HOYT'S KORNER

Builders' Hardware and Builders' Supplies
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THE TROUBLE
The molder ain't makin' as much as he might. The boss at the furnace says business is light. The business is light, so the fingers reveal. Because certain people ain't buyin' much steel. It seems that the factories makin' the cars ain't buyin' as many sheets and coils of steel. They say that one reason the business has slid is lumbermen buyin' less cars than they did. The lumberman says that he had to slow down. Until there's more buildin' in this here man's town. The lumbermen are waitin' the reason is plain. Till people start buildin' their houses again. We're all standin' waitin' but waitin' for what? Well, some say it's one thing and others say not. I talked it all over and said to my spouse, "I wish that that molder would build him a house." The fellow who built it would buy him a board. Then the men who sell lumber a car could afford. The man who builds cars then would have to buy sheets. And the steel maker then would stop walkin' the streets. The furnace would start, as it's started before. And the molder, of course, would be makin' much more. In fact, make so much, in that kind of a case, he'd soon have it paid for, his own little place.
From Am. Lumberman.

Speaking of startling experiences, that fellow who went to the electric chair the other day in New York no doubt got the shock of his life.
Meanest man—Mrs. Smith says "My husband talks in his sleep. Doesn't you?" Mrs. Jones—"No, and it's so exasperating. He only smiles."—Capper's Weekly.

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Heavy Truck with Winch Equip't

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Mrs. Santa Claus IS HELPING US .. AND YOU THIS Christmas

Anyone knows that where the gift problem centers in a home, no mere man can fill the bill. Let old Santa peek up his trains and dolls and cowboy suits. He'll have more than enough to do looking after the kiddies. Where grown-ups are concerned, listen to one who knows. "In this modern age," says Mrs. Santa Claus, "noother gifts combine versatility with beauty and usefulness as do Westinghouse Electrical Appliances." For instance, what could serve more purposes and be so convenient to use as a graceful Cozy Glow or a Portable Room Heater? A Warning Pad of fluffy softness is a comfort on any night or during any time of sickness. And a shining, new curling iron will speak your thoughtfulness every day for many years. We have dozens of such delightful gifts, by Westinghouse. Would you like to see them?

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As a continuation of this service do not fail to remember the sale of Automobile License Plates at this bank on Saturday, Dec. 13, from 4:00 o'clock p. m. until 9 p. m.

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Useful Gifts

We mention below many useful items that make ideal presents and invite your inspection of these lines now on display at our store.

Dresses, Aprons Handkerchiefs, Newest Hand Bags
New Smocks, Kimonos Latest Silk Neckersquares
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This and That From Around The Old Town

Fred Swarthout made a business trip to Lansing Monday. Henry Weaver spent the week-end home from Olivet college. Raymond B. Avery spent the week-end with friends in Ann Arbor.

Dorothy Burt and Evelyn Borgerson spent Wednesday in Grand Rapids visiting their mother, Mrs. John Henry, of Muskegon, spent Friday with Mrs. Peter Mulder.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Finck were business visitors in Battle Creek Tuesday.

A. F. Jay, of Iowa, spent Monday with his daughter, Mrs. Howard Burt.

Deer Loxton, of Iowa, was Sunday dinner guest at the Frank Taylor home.

W. T. Burch left this week for Seattle, Wash., where he expects to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Morse spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Fred Swarthout in Saranac Monday evening.

Mrs. George Cheatham, of Grand Rapids, was a recent visitor with Lowell friends.

Peter Mulder and wife were entertained Saturday evening by friends in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Swarthout entertained friends for dinner at their home Saturday evening.

The "Midnight Orchestra" gave some special numbers at the dance-party at Freepost Saturday night.

Fred Marshall, of Saranac, Ont., is spending the winter with his family.

Mr. and Mrs. E. White and son Gerald, spent Saturday and Sunday in Ovid with her aunt, Mrs. Cora Sedgwick.

Mr. and Mrs. David Washburn, of Aho, spent Sunday with his wife, Mrs. E. White and son Gerald.

Mrs. Elizabeth Charles is contemplating her route one day at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Charles Knapp.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Walker and Audrey Chase were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Sedgwick.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schultz, of Grand Rapids, were week-end guests of her people, Mr. and Mrs. George Miller.

Mrs. Hazel Ross, of Walker, LaSalle, was Sunday dinner guest at the home of Frank W. Rapids, were Sunday guests at the home of Mrs. Wm. Mason and Miss Kittle.

The Misses Bessie Foster, of Lansing, and Cora, of Ada, were week-end guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Foster.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Pennock were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Lawrence, of Grand Rapids.

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Friday Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Finck motored to Lansing to visit her sister, Mrs. Oscar Rice who is a hospital nurse in Lansing Sunday.

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This and That From Around The Old Town
Mrs. Robert Hahn spent Monday in Grand Rapids.
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Howk were business visitors in Belding Thursday.
Miss Cora Foster spent her Thanksgiving recess with friends in Detroit.
Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Gould visited Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Cooper, of Sebawa, Sunday.
Mr. and Mrs. George M. Parker and Miss Hazel Hoag spent Friday in Grand Rapids.
Russell Carr and wife were Sunday guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carr.
Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Maxson and son visited her parents in Grand Rapids over the week-end.
Mrs. Walter Yardley spent Saturday in Grand Rapids with her daughter, Mrs. H. A. La Brique.
Mrs. Hattie Davis, Mrs. Byron Frost and Mrs. Edith De Vries spent Monday in Grand Rapids.
Mrs. Thomas Walsh, of Ionia, was a week-end visitor of her son, Howard Walsh and family.
Mrs. Lida Kysar spent Wednesday afternoon in Saranac with her sister, Mrs. Walter Trumbull.
The Junior Literary club was entertained by Mrs. Carl Freyermuth at her home Tuesday evening.
Menno Walters, of Grand Rapids, was a Saturday evening visitor at the Russell J. Maxson home.
Mr. and Mrs. John Casterline, of Sand Lake, were Saturday guests at the W. J. Anderson home.
Miss Lettie O'Harrow, of Ann Arbor, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred O'Harrow.
J. C. Martin, wife and son Leonard, of Grand Rapids, were Sunday visitors at the John Laver home.
Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Howk were Tuesday evening luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Engle, of West Lowell.
Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dowling and children motored to Belding Sunday and were guests of Mrs. Minnie Pickard.
Mr. and Mrs. John Fahrni entertained for their Sunday guests Mr. and Mrs. Earl Church and son, of Clarksville.
Mr. and Mrs. Ed. La Brique, of Grand Rapids, were Saturday afternoon and evening guests at the Myrtle Kingdom home.
Mr. and Mrs. Allen Behler and children, of Lake Odessa, were Sunday visitors of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Keil.
Mrs. Chet Leary accompanied her son, Verne Leary and wife, of Hastings, to Grand Rapids, and spent Friday in that city.
Carl Rittenger and family, of Grand Rapids, were Sunday evening guests of his brother, Howard Rittenger and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Wierenga and children, of Middleville, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Walsh.
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Lewis and children, of Grand Rapids, spent the week-end with her people, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Morse.
Mrs. Ben Soules is spending the winter months in Grand Rapids with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Woodworth.
Wm. Foster and wife, of Marshall, and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Foster, of Hickory Corners, were Sunday visitors at the W. J. Foster home.
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gibson son were Sunday dinner and afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Gibson at their home in Grand Rapids.
Mrs. V. A. Snell and Mrs. Robert Hahn spent Thursday in Grand Rapids and had luncheon at the Woman's City club with Mrs. J. B. Nicholson and Miss Estabrook.
Mrs. Harry Anderson and Glenn Carey drove to Grand Rapids Saturday and visited Mr. and Mrs. A. Osbourn and John Carey and family and called on other relatives.
Mrs. John Henry, of Muskegon, spent from Wednesday to Sunday with Mrs. Willard Dennis. Mr. Henry was a Sunday dinner guest, his wife returning home with him.
Mr. and Mrs. Carl Freyermuth visited her brother, Frank Keil, and family in Jackson, Sunday, finding him able to sit at the dinner table after a serious illness of six weeks.
Mr. and Mrs. Leon Burns and mother, Mrs. Ella Beckey, of Ionia, with Mr. and Mrs. Al Morse, motored to Otsego Sunday and visited their daughter, Mrs. Willard Hall and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Mart Kuhn, of Grand Rapids, former Lowell business people were Sunday guests of W. and Mrs. Fred Gramer. They report their mother, Mrs. Hiscutt in very poor health.
Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Laux Saturday, Dec. 6, an 8 1/2 lb son, William Bryce, at the home of Mrs. Lena Laux, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Laux are very proud over the fact that they are grandparents.
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shuter entertained with a bridge luncheon Wednesday evening for the pleasure of Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Finis, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Rutherford and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Borgerson.
Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Henry were in Greenville Monday to attend the burial of Mr. Henry's uncle, Chas. Locey, who died Friday at Sparta where he had lived many years. Mr. Locey was 88 years of age and was known as "Sparta's Grand Old Man." He formerly lived in Greenville.
Toilet sets suitable for the men, women, boys and girls, at reasonable prices. Henry's drug store.
Notice, Vergennes Taxpayers I will be at the City State Bank, Lowell, every Saturday to and including Saturday, Jan. 10, 1931, to receive and receipt for township taxes. T. E. Bailey, c28-31 Vergennes Tp. Treas.

BURT-BRIGGS WEDDING
Miss Dorothy Alice Burt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burt, of Lowell, and Harry Lowing Briggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Briggs, of South Boston, were married at St. Thomas Parish House, Grand Rapids, Dec. 8, at 8 o'clock p. m., by Rev. J. S. Drew, who used the impressive ring ceremony in the presence of the immediate families. The bride was beautiful in a gown of bluglory crepe and her bridesmaid, Miss Evelyn Borgohle Borgerson, charming, in a creation of figured chiffon. Joseph Fran, of Grand Rapids, brother-in-law of the groom acted as best man. After the ceremony the bridal party retired to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Fran of 522 Spring street, brother-in-law and sister of the groom, where a reception was held with about fifty guests present.
The couple were the recipients of many rich and beautiful gifts. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Briggs will be at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Burt for the present. Mrs. Briggs, as was her mother, has been a life long resident of Lowell and has many friends, who wish her and her worthy husband a long life of happiness. She was a graduate in the class of 1929 from Lowell High school.

MILLERS SURPRISED
About fifty friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. George Miller, Sr., Mrs. Nettie Miller and George Miller, Jr., having gathered at the nearby home of Mr. and Mrs. Myrtle Kingdom, walked in upon them, keeping step to music of a harmonica played by George Kingdom. The Millers were satisfactorily surprised as was evidenced by their state of unexpectedness. A nice little program under the direction of Mrs. Myrtle Kingdom was carried out as follows: Mrs. Wm. Christensen most beautifully sang "When You and I Were Young, Maggie." It being most appropriate as Mrs. Miller's name is Maggie.
Mr. George Kingdom gave a violin selection, "Listen to the Mocking Bird" with variations, also responding with an encore. Robert Peckham read "Old Friends" by Edward Guest. Mrs. Almira Shear gave a memory reading "They Tell Me I'm Growing Old."
After which all sang "Auld Lang Syne," Mrs. Stanley Lewis, accompanist. A beautiful console mirror was presented the family. The neighborhood hummings of W. F. Murphy, then in a neat little speech in behalf of the party wished them God speed and a "hasty departure," to their new farm home recently purchased of Charles Paulus near Morse Lake. The Millers have made many friends in their few years residence among us.
After the set program a few old fashioned dances with old fashioned fiddlin' by Geo. Kingdom created much merriment to the onlookers as well as the participants. A sumptuous buffet luncheon was served and the company left at a late hour with hearty good wishes to our hosts, the Miller family.
One Who Was There.
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5:30 to 8:00
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WEST VERGENNES
The Ladies' Aid society will meet with Mrs. D. D. Krum Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 17. Ladies please bring your pieces and needle and thread.
WOMAN'S CLUB
The final meeting of Lowell Woman's club for the year was held Dec. 3. Mrs. Charles Doyle acting president in the chair. Following the business Mrs. Horn, chairman of the committee, presented Rev. Lemke, who was the speaker of the day, his subject being "The Religious Background of Michigan."
A musical number, with Miss Mable Hall at the piano, Zeona Rivett playing the flute and Gould Rivette the saxophone, concluded the program, the last meeting until after the holiday vacation. Press Rep.
Read Houseman's Specials, p. 4.

ELMDALE ETCHINGS
John Overholt attended the funeral of his uncle, Abram Overholt, whose funeral was held in Grand Rapids Sunday.
The Brethren Sunday school are preparing a Christmas program. The date to be given will be announced later.
Mrs. S. W. Custer and Mrs. Ira Sargeant called on Mrs. Charles Youngs, of Lowell, Friday afternoon.
Mr. and Mrs. Will Hayter called on Mr. and Mrs. Joe Lehman, of near Logan, Friday afternoon.
Addison Erb received the message Sunday of the death of his mother, Mrs. Mary Ann Erb who passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. E. Gable, Perkasie, Pennsylvania. The remains are being brought back to this place for burial. Funeral services will be held Thursday forenoon at the Old Mennonite church with burial in the O. M. church. Mrs. Erb was born in Waterloo, Canada in the year 1855, and moved to Ionia county, Michigan, about forty-two years ago. She was the mother of five children, all who survive her, Addison, of Elmdale, Austin, of Alto, Daniel, of Delton, Mrs. Clara Hallman, of Rochester, N. Y., and Mrs. Elsie Gable, of Pennsylvania, also grandchildren and great grandchildren.
Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Little visited at the Custer Sargeant home Thursday evening.
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CHRISTMAS PRESENT
Many readers are placing orders for The Ledger to be sent the coming year to some relative or friend living away, but who formerly lived in this locality. It makes a fine Christmas present not only one day, but all the year round.
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The Lord is thy keeper: the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand. The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night. The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil: he shall preserve thy soul. The Lord shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore.—Psalm 121.
Psalm 19.
The Beatitudes. — Matthew 5:1-12.
(Compiled by the Bible Guild.)

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Bananas Firm Yellow Fruit 4 Lbs. 23c
Oranges Fancy California 252 Size Doz. 29c
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25c
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