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FITZGERALD'S PROGRAM

A PROGRAM of economic reform, the like of which Michigan taxpayers have never before had presented to them, was laid before a joint session of the Michigan legislature last Thursday by Governor Frank D. Fitzgerald. The program as laid down is of such scope that the reforms asked for will of necessity require a considerable period of time. Constitutional changes will be required in some cases and there will also be opposition from the professional politician who hates to see jobs abolished—especially those calling for elimination or consolidation of boards and departments and the cutting of the legislature to half its present size.

Here are the chief points of Fitzgerald's program:

Reduction in cost of government through curtailment of governmental activities without developing new sources of revenue.

Enactment of a single budget bill.

Abolition of the state administrative board and continuance of an emergency board.

Exemption of foodstuffs from the state sales tax.

Creation of county and city delinquent tax adjustment boards, the state holding power of review.

Reduction in tax on non-commercial motor vehicles.

Creation of a three-man commission consolidating duties of state tax commission, state board of tax administration, and gasoline and weight tax bureaus.

Equalization of school revenues to make cost of education of a child the same in all parts of the state.

Abolition of many small school districts.

Consolidation of the state public school at Coldwater with state psychopathic hospital at Ann Arbor.

Creation of a three-man pardon and parole commission with staggered terms of six years to handle all prison problems.

Consolidation of various state commissions and boards handling securities and utility matters.

Consolidation of state welfare department and state emergency welfare relief commission.

Creation of a seven-man state highway commission with staggered seven-year terms.

Unemployment insurance legislation.

Repeal of the head tax law for old-age pensions.

Prohibition of the sale of liquor to persons under 21 years of age, reduction in number of state liquor stores, and reduction in number of beer gardens.

Initiation of constitutional amendment to reduce number of elective state officers to governor, lieutenant governor and auditor general.

Clarification of the state constitution giving the state board of canvassers authority to conduct recounts.

Reduction of number of members of legislature to 16 senators and 50 representatives.

Prohibition of marketing of prisonmade goods in competition with free labor.

Creation of an advisory board to seek unification of the bar.

Repeal of the malt tax law.

Repeal of the law creating the stream control commission.

Consolidation of state laboratories with the University of Michigan laboratories.

Consolidation of state library and historical society with activities of the university.

Repeal of the act creating the legislative council.

Some people think that among the duties of government is to see that nobody interferes with the rights of others. That is something the politicians seem to forget, as illustrated by their efforts to put the government into business in direct competition with its citizens and, by so doing, take their rights and business away from them.

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

JOHN GARLAND POLLARD, former governor of Virginia, says: "Other nations of the world have their ruling classes—their aristocracy, with inherited titles passed down from father to son. But not so with us. Yet sometimes in my fancy I have set up a new American aristocracy—merited, not inherited; one of which every loyal American may become a member. It is not the aristocracy of money. It is not the aristocracy of blood. It is not the aristocracy of learning. But it is the aristocracy of public service.

"If I could bestow titles of nobility I would not bestow them upon the rich, for I have known rich men to use their wealth to oppress rather than to help. I would not bestow them upon the blue-blooded, because I have known men to disgrace their family name which they bear. I would not bestow them upon the learned, because I have known many educated men to use their knowledge to little account. But I would bestow the titles on those noble men and women who recognize that they have a duty to perform to the community in which they live and who bravely proceed to perform that duty.

"Aristocracy is not determined by the blueness of the blood which flows in one's veins, but by the nobility of the impulses which direct the heart, the head and the hand; the heart throbbing with love for our fellow men; the head thinking just and generous thoughts; the hands doing deeds of kindness. This is the only kind of aristocracy in which I believe."

JANUARY CLEARANCE OF MEN'S DRESS OXFORDS

$2.95, $3.45 and $4.45 oxfords, solid leather construction, January clearance price $2.59, $2.89 and $3.69.

Coons.

A pioneer is a fellow who can remember back when the leading attraction at a bathing beach was a hot dog stand.

FROZEN ASSETS SHOW SIGNS OF THAWING SOME

THE FORMER DEPOSITORS OF LOWELL'S OLD BANKS HEAR GOOD REPORTS—PROGRESS BEING MADE IN LIQUIDATION OF SLOW ASSETS

The first annual meetings of the Lowell State Depositors Corporation and the City State Depositors Corporation were held on Monday of this week, both meetings being well attended. The annual reports read by R. G. Jefferies, sec'y-treas., and J. B. Nicholson, sec'y-treas., through F. H. Swarthout, Liquidator, brought a note of cheer to the stockholders and holders of certificates of indebtedness, the reports revealing considerable progress being made in the liquidation of assets of the respective corporations, the same being accomplished at a minimum cost of salaries and operating expenses. As a matter of fact, the corporations have been conducted at a satisfactory margin of profit. The earnings coming from interest on notes, bonds and mortgages for the four and one-half months' period since the opening of the new consolidated State Savings Bank on August 20, 1934, have been in excess of expenses. The surplus and profit account has been increased, debt or interest service to the RFC paid monthly, and borrowed money obligations to the said RFC reduced by 23.1 percent in the City State Depositors Corporation and by 27.1 percent in the Lowell State Depositors Corporation.

In the case of the Lowell State Depositors Corporation, the net assets have been liquidated from $360,014.13 to $342,672.73, the surplus and profits account increased from $61,655.23 to $62,924.44, and borrowed money from the RFC reduced from $64,670.26 to $47,122.29.

In the case of the City State Depositors Corporation, the assets have been liquidated from $340,189.40 to $328,131.24, the surplus and profits account increased from $73,625.73 to $76,016.48, and the borrowed money from the RFC reduced from $60,008.85 to $46,132.56.

The originally appointed and approved boards of directors were re-elected as follows: Lowell State Depositors Corporation, F. F. Coons, R. G. Jefferies, C. E. Bowen. For the City State Depositors Corporation, George Klahn, J. B. Nicholson and W. S. Winegar.

Following adjournment of the above meetings, a joint meeting of both corporations was held, at which time the services of F. H. Swarthout were engaged to continue as joint liquidator of both corporations for the year 1935. Mr. Swarthout has rendered capable and efficient service as liquidator and, in addition, has conducted the affairs of both corporations with economy. William VanVorst has also given splendid service as assistant liquidator and he was also re-engaged to continue in that capacity.

Contests For All At Farmers Week

Skill in Many Activities Will Bring Rewards to College Visitors Jan. 28-Feb. 1

Farmers' Week visitors at Michigan State College, Jan. 28 to Feb. 1, will have chances to obtain awards for degrees of skill in many lines of activities.

Strong men can enter the wood sawing and chopping contest and woodsmen who are not so strong but who know their trees can display their knowledge in identifying samples of common Michigan woods. Women who can sing will be competing in the Grange choir singing contest along with their masculine choir mates, and the rural drama contest will permit full display of all degrees of ability as players for both men and women.

Men have monopolized the rifle shooting contest in previous years but there is no law to prevent homemakers from getting a little practice on the range where guns and shells are furnished to contestants who do not bring their own.

Horse traders will do well to tie up their pockets after the identification of unsoundnesses in horses has trained Michigan farmers to beat the traders at their own game. This is a new event this year as is the livestock judging contest for teams of three farmers from a county. For the livestock judging the counties will have to select their team before Farmers' Week because only one team can enter from a county. The agricultural agents can help farmers in choosing teams.

Visitors who had rather watch than compete can get their cheering exercise at the horse pulling contests which will be held Wednesday and Thursday evenings. These events always prove popular with the crowds.

MRS. JOHN KRUGER PASSES

Mrs. John Kruger, (formerly Florence Northway of Lowell), passed away Thursday afternoon at St. Mary's hospital. Surviving are the husband of Grand Rapids, her mother, Mrs. Jessie Northway Denny; two sisters, Mrs. John Regan and Mrs. Emil Nelson, of Lowell. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon in Grand Rapids.

Advertising brings business. If

Mrs. J. J. Link, 58, Dies New Year's Day

Mrs. Edith R. Link, 58, wife of Rev. Jacob J. Link, formerly of Lowell, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 1, in Hurley hospital, Flint, after a week's illness with diabetes.

Mrs. Link was born Feb. 6, 1876 in Lowell. On April 8, 1897 she was married to Rev. Link. He served as pastor of the Lowell Zion M. E. Church for nine years. During that time Mrs. Link was very active in church work, ever doing good and helping others. She was president of the Ladies Aid society, acted as church organist and gave musical instruction to many who will always cherish her memory. They moved to Flint eight years ago after living for a year in Toledo.

Funeral services were held Friday. Dr. Deming Idle of Flint, district superintendent, and Rev. Dwight Lawson conducted the services in Flint and Rev. Brown was in charge in Allegan where interment was made.

Surviving are Rev. Link, who was 75 years old Jan. 2, three daughters, Mrs. Leslie G. Lee of Northville, Mrs. Phillip Morgan of Flint and Miss Hildegard Link of Detroit; a son, Milton C. Link of Ann Arbor; two granchildren and a sister, Mrs. Fred Leichti, of Allegan, besides a host of friends.

JUDGE POTTER AND WM. OTTO TO SPEAK HERE

BOTH HAVE PROMISED TO ATTEND ANNUAL MEETING OF LOWELL BOARD OF TRADE ON WEDNESDAY EVENING, JAN. 30—COMMITTEES ARE NAMED

The date of the annual meeting of the Lowell Board of Trade has been set for Wednesday evening, Jan. 30, at the Lowell city hall.

The speakers' committee, consisting of N. E. Borgerson, J. A. Arehart, E. C. Foreman and W. V. Burras, has succeeded in securing Judge Wm. W. Potter of the Michigan Supreme Court and "Bill" Otto, secretary of the Lansing Chamber of Commerce, as speakers of the evening. The board of trade is fortunate in being able to secure these two outstanding men for the annual meeting.

The committee also extended an invitation to Governor Fitzgerald to be present, but the governor stated that it would be impossible to do so because of the press of state affairs. Governor Fitzgerald did state, however, that he was going to bend every effort to be present at the 1935 Lowell Showboat.

President Burras has announced the following committees to look after the details of the annual meeting:

Membership—W. A. Roth, Dr. D. H. Oatley, P. Speerstra, Jr., Dan Wingeier, Art Walker, Floyd Steed, M. D. Hoyt, J. Hilderley.

Decorations — Wm. Christiansen, F. J. McMahon, Wm. J. Smith, Carl Freyermuth, Dr. H. P. Gotfredsen, Arthur Armstrong.

Program—W. W. Gumser, A. H. Stormzand, Dr. B. H. Shepard, W. C. Hartman, Dr. J. R. Stryker.

Nomination—E. C. Foreman, Frank Coons, R. VanDyke, M. N. Henry.

Reception, Wm. Doyle, R. E. Springett, Robert Hahn, W. E. Hall, Oscar Brezina, Bruce McQueen, H. K. Fisk, C. G. Watterson.

Publicity—R. G. Jefferies, J. M. Hutchinson.

Toastmaster—C. H. Runciman.

Speaker and Guests—N. E. Borgerson, R. M. Shivel, D. G. Look, J. A. Arehart.

Banquet—Paul Kellogg, C. W. Cook, Harry Day, Wm. VanVorst, Dr. J. K. Altland.

President Burras has also appointed the following members on By-Laws: J. A. Arehart, E. C. Foreman and N. E. Borgerson. This committee will make suggestions for changes to be voted upon at the annual meeting.

Along Main St.

Ben Wepman & Son report a big business in pelts this season. On Friday they disposed of 6,830 muskrats and 130 mink hides to a Chicago buyer. All of the animals were bought from trappers in the vicinity of Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Yardley have exchanged their farm, located west of the Grand Trunk depot, for the Lloyd Dennie residence on Kent-st. The transaction was made by A. R. Smith, local real estate broker.

Lowell friends of M. B. McPherson are extending congratulations on his selection as chairman of the State Tax Commission. Mr. McPherson is an expert on matters of taxation and government and his elevation to the chairmanship of the commission is a just recognition of his ability and his worth to the state.

Earl Curtiss, who arrived home recently from a two years' absence in Washington, D. C. and other sections of the eastern part of the United States, was a pleasant caller at The Ledger office on Tuesday. Mr. Curtiss said, "You may quote me as saying that my travels convince me that prosperity is returning. Business is on the steady upgrade in the east, and improvement is steadily and surely moving forward across the country. The depression is over." That's good news and we believe Mr. Curtiss knows what he is talking about.

No great achievement without great enthusiasm.

STATE SAVINGS BANK HOLDS ITS FIRST ANNUAL

NEW INSTITUTION GETS OFF TO A GOOD START—FIRST FOUR MONTHS OPERATED AT A PROFIT — OFFICERS AND DIRECTORS ARE RE-ELECTED

The first annual meeting of the State Savings Bank of Lowell was held on Monday of this week with a goodly number of stockholders in attendance. All of the directors were re-elected as follows: Wm. T. Condon, Harry Day, H. J. Englehardt, J. P. Freeman, L. E. Lampkin, E. D. McQueen, P. C. Peckham, C. H. Runciman, H. L. Weekes and R. VanDyke. Following the election, the directors met and re-elected the following officers: R. VanDyke, president; C. H. Runciman and L. E. Lampkin, vice presidents; Harry Day, cashier; D. A. Wingeier, assistant cashier.

The State Savings Bank began business here on August 20, 1934, being the merger of the two former Lowell banks, the City State Bank and the Lowell State Bank. During the trifle over four months of its existence, the State Savings Bank has made a splendid showing. Since the date of opening, its commercial accounts have shown an increase of upwards of 75 per cent, while savings accounts have also shown a steady gain. During these four months the bank has been operated at a profit in spite of the large initial expense in the way of new supplies and equipment necessary in the setting up of a new bank. Service charges have formed quite a portion of the bank's income. There has also been some demand for loans and in other ways the bank is rendering a useful service to the general public. Patrons from a wider area than formerly are now making their banking connection in Lowell and are finding these connections both satisfactory and pleasant.

A report of the condition of the bank as of December 31, 1934 appears on another page of this week's issue of The Ledger.

McQueen Motor Co. Show New Plymouth

The new 1935 Plymouth, announced as a "high-speed safety car" with a high compression engine, new type of body construction and a "Floating Ride," is on display in Lowell at the McQueen Motor Co.

The new car is streamlined from its massive new radiator shell back over the slanting windshield to the tapering (beavertail) rear deck.

A host of quality refinements found on the new car include—syncro-silent transmission, a new ventilated clutch, an air-cooled generator, aluminum alloy pistons, silent-U and rubber-cored spring shackles, valve seat inserts, roller bearing universal joints, four-bearing crankshaft, a double-drop rigid-X frame and a new simplified system of single-control ventilation.

Revelers to Sing at Civic Auditorium

The famous Revelers are coming to the Grand Rapids Civic Auditorium for a concert on Monday, Jan. 14, as the third number of the East Church Concert Course. These four singers, Lewis James, Elliott Shaw, Robert Simmons and Wilfred Glenn, are not, in the accepted term, a male quartette. They do not indulge in the "close harmony" effects of the conventional quartette but apply their distinctive type of singing to every kind of music, from the classics to current popular songs.

Opening Home Game This Week Friday

East Grand Rapids comes to Lowell Friday night for the opening home game of the local high school basketball team. Each team in the county league has lost a game with the exception of Lee, who has a team of championship caliber this year. A win over East this week will help Lowell near the top in the county race.

The strong Lee Street five will invade the local gym next Tuesday and Grand Rapids Christian will be here next week Friday.

The second team games will start at 7:00. The admission to the games this year has been set as 25c for adults and 20c for students.

Auction Sales

A horse sale will be held Saturday, Jan. 12, beginning at 1 p. m. at Randall's Barn in Cedar Springs. The sale will be held under cover in case of bad weather. A carload of good young horses will be offered. R. L. McIntyre, auctioneer.

A big horse sale will be held at the Ionia Free Fair grounds horse barn Saturday, Jan. 12, commencing at one o'clock sharp. The list consists of 20 head of first class heavy horses, some young mares and a few cows. Johnson & Jarvis, Props. Allen Haskins, Auctioneer.

See adv. elsewhere in this issue for further details.

The interstate commerce commission has issued an order permitting the Pere Marquette railway to abandon its Elmdale-Freeport branch, 6.19 miles long in Kent, Barry and Ionia counties.

Jones Scorebooks Fall to Superiors

Many people missed a real treat last Monday night when the Jones Scorebook basketball team played the Ryskamp team from Grand Rapids. This team is one of the strongest teams in that section and the Jones Scorebooks gave them a real scare by leading and outplaying the Ryskamp's during the first half 12 to 10. In the second half the superior height of the Ryskamp team took its toll and they started clicking on their shots and pulled away from the Lowell team to win by the score of 32 to 15.

If the Jones Scorebooks could have kept up the first half scoring ability it would have been a different story, but many good shots failed to find the basket. The Lowell team played an excellent game considering the team they went up against and should be commended.

The Jones Scorebook B team played the St. Stephans from Grand Rapids and for a little team played an excellent game against the tall rangy players from the Furniture City to lose 7 to 10.

Next Wednesday night the Jones Scorebooks bring the Parisian Cleaners from Grand Rapids which is considered a strong major league team. Bring along your friends and see a lot of real basketball for only 5c and 10c. This goes to buy the gasoline so the Lowell team can play out of town. The Jones Scorebooks wish to thank the large crowd that gave the Lowell team such excellent support Monday night. Let's make it even better next Wednesday and give the Lowell team some real support for the effort they are putting forth in bringing Lowell such good games.

COUNTY PARKS SHOW GAIN IN POPULAR FAVOR

FALLASBURG AND TOWNSEND HOLD THE LEAD—JOHNSON PARK NEAR GRANDVILLE A VALUABLE ADDITION TO COUNTY'S PARK SYSTEM

Kent county's parks did more than hold their devoted enthusiasts, the last summer, according to Linus C. Palmer, county forester, in charge of the system of recreation spots. Palmer reports little money "to do with," but considerable improvements the past year and a hopeful attitude for the new.

Two improvements, were shelter houses for Johnson park and for Fallasburg park at an outlay of around $11,000 each.

Townsend and Fallasburg parks maintained their popularity the past summer season with Johnson park coming along fast in public esteem.

The three park commissioners, Warren R. Townsend, Henry A. Johnson and Edwin Owen, each have their favorite parks, Townsend and Johnson naturally "babying" their namesakes while Owen keeps a zealous eye out for Fallasburg. The three are the largest and most popular of the rural play-spots.

An idea that has been growing in the minds of the park commissioners and Palmer is the development of bathing spots in the parks at least for small children. Fallasburg on Flat river offers an excellent possibility, as does Johnson on Grand river near Grandville. Townsend park has Bear creek that can be backed up for a pool.

Johnson Park is the product of Johnson's vision. He saw the possibilities when he was buying right-of-way for the west belt line, wasted land, for the state highway department. With the necessary right-of-way, Johnson induced the state to buy the land for the park and the state turned it to the county for maintenance, after building a pump to drain the lowlands. Since then a scenic road has been built through the wood over the hills and Veterans highway has been paved to increase accessibility.

News and Notes of Freshman College

The second term of school year began on Monday of the present week. Enrollment is the same as at the close of the first term. Members of the student body have not wearied of the work. Instead, the interest in the various classes seems stronger. All are eager to make better records than those of the past term.

Trigonometry is the only new course in the curriculum. The courses which continue from last term are Rhetoric, Spanish, German, European History and Psychology.

New students who wish to register for one or more courses will be admitted—if they can qualify for college entrance—any time this week or on Monday of next week.

Afternoon classes are held from one o'clock until five o'clock and night classes are in session from seven o'clock until eleven o'clock.

Vergennes Grange

The regular meeting of Vergennes Grange was held Friday evening, Jan. 4, with Lee Hessler, the newly installed Master, in the chair. Committees were appointed for the ensuing year and plans for the year's work and recreation were discussed at length.

The fellow that thinks the world owes him a living seems unable to find a collector who will take the job on commission.

Good Boost For So. Boston Grange

The following boost for South Boston Grange appeared in the Open Forum of the Grand Rapids Herald Wednesday, Jan. 2:

Editor of The Herald: If there are any laurels being passed out to organizations which have during the years of depression kept up a loyal, fighting, working membership, developing a fine community spirit, South Boston Grange should come in for a generous share.

This grange, owning one of the largest halls in the state of Michigan, located in Ionia county on US-16 near the Kent county line, has for the last three years been directed by Reuben Lee, master; John Freeman, secretary; Ernest Tucker, treasurer, and Mrs. Esther Vanderwall, lecturer, who has recently been succeeded by Mrs. Edna Marshall. Other members of the executive committee are Fred Fahrni, Roy Kyser and Elmer Marshall.

Forty-one new names have been added to the membership during the past two weeks. The hall has been leased for five years to grange members, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lewis, who keep a general store and oil station for the convenience of the community and who also furnish lights and heat for bi-weekly meetings regularly attended by 100 to 300 persons. After an interesting, and generally instructive, program, directed by the lecturer, the room is cleared for dancing, which stops at midnight.

Rain or hail does not deter residents of this live community from attending these meetings, which have continued with unabated interest for three years.

HERALD READER, Lowell.

Civil War Veteran Of Bowne-tp. Buried

Funeral services were held on Sunday afternoon at the home of Henry Johnson in Bowne for Daniel L. Nash, 91, Civil war veteran and resident of Bowne township 82 years, who died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fred Sharp, at Elburn, Ill. The Lowell American Legion post had a part in the funeral services, furnishing the palibearers, color guard and firing squad. Rev. E. A. Armstrong officiated. Burial was in Bowne cemetery.

In the Civil war Mr. Nash enlisted at the age of 18 in Company D, 2nd Michigan cavalry, and reenlisted for further service in March, 1864. He fought with the Army of the Potomac, serving until the end of hostilities. Mr. Nash was born in Welshfield, O., and came to Bowne township with his parents at the age of 9. He is survived by a sister, Mrs. Rose Califf of Grand Rapids; a daughter, Mrs. Sharp, and a son, Robert, both of Elburn, Ill.

Sugar Beet Men To Meet Friday

The third of the AAA reduction program will be offered to Kent County farmers when the details of the sugar reduction contract and possible benefit payments will be explained at a meeting of sugar beet growers in the Byron town hall at Byron Center Friday afternoon of this week. The meeting will start at 1:30 o'clock. D. H. Hootman, of the extension department of Michigan State College, will be present to discuss and explain the provisions of the contract and benefit payments.

Only 54 farmers grew sugar beets in Kent County the season of 1934, the bulk of these were located in the southwest corner of the county. Farmers who intend to plant beets in 1935 are asked to attend this meeting.

Sugar beet growers from Dorr and Salem townships in Allegan county are being invited to the Byron Center meeting.

Coming Events

Regular meeting of South Boston Grange this week Saturday evening at 7:30.

Regular meeting of Cyclamen Chapter, No. 94, O. E. S., Friday, Jan. 11. Practice. —Lora Hartman, W. M.

The Island City Rebekah lodge will hold regular meeting Jan. 15. Installation of officers and potluck lunch.

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held in the city hall at eight o'clock Tuesday evening, Jan. 15.

The Sesqui Centennial of American Methodism is to be celebrated at the Trinity Methodist church, Grand Rapids, Sunday night, Jan. 13, at seven o'clock. The guest speaker will be a former pastor, Rev. Russell H. Bready, who will deliver a lecture on "Methodism, Its Past, Present and Future."

Garden Lore Club

The next regular meeting of the Garden Lore Club will be held on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 15, Mrs. Raymond Bergin hostess and chairman. She will be assisted by Mrs. Lewis Yeiter and Mrs. M. B. McPherson. Rev. Fr. Jewell, the speaker of the afternoon, has selected the subject, "Beaver Island." Having spent eight years there as missionary, Fr. Jewell will be able to give a very interesting talk on the different phases of life there. Anyone interested is cordially invited to attend this meeting.

Use The Ledger want column if you have anything for sale, for rent, lost or found.

160 MILES OF DRAIN WORK IN KENT IN 1934

CLEANING, DEEPENING AND STRAIGHTENING UNDER FERA AND CWA—$105,419 SPENT ON PROJECTS—SEVEN DRAIN PROJECTS NOW IN OPERATION

One hundred sixty miles of drains in Kent county have been cleaned, deepened and straightened during the past year by CWA and FERA labor at a cost of $105,419.52, it is reported by Geo. H. Waring, director of FERA Work Division.

The drain program has been one of the most important county wide projects undertaken. Its benefit in rural areas is manifold, Mr. Waring declares. It is valuable as a sanitary measure, as well as from the angle of conservation. Many drains had had no improvement or care since they were installed 25 years ago. As a result of their poor, sometimes unserviceable, condition about 25 per cent of the best soil in Kent county had been vitally affected in recent years.

CWA spent $74,494.52 on its drainage project and at the peak of operation employed 750 men. Under FERA $30,925.00 has been spent on this work, of which $397.50 has been contributed locally, in the form of materials, equipment and supervision. The number of men employed on this work has varied. At present 132 men are engaged.

Growing trees, dumped-in rubbish, thick brush and caved-in banks had so clogged up many long sections of these drains that they were of little or no service when work was started on them last winter. Crippen Creek drain in Paris township was an important drain which, neglected since it was built 26 years ago, was in extremely poor shape. Quicksand banks had caved in, changing the course of the stream. Grading the banks, sodding and re-enforcing with rip-rap walls and logs have put this drain in better condition than ever before.

This was the case with some drains in practically every township in the county. The initial investment had been large but, since no maintenance fund had ever been provided, depreciation was enormous.

"The preservation of game cover has been kept in mind at all times," says Grant A. Rice, project foreman in charge of drain work. "Where the ground adjacent to the drains is thickly grown to brush it has been necessary to cut it back for a rod on each side of the center of the ditch, to prevent destructive action by the brush and to provide cow paths. However, no game bird cover has been cut unnecessarily."

Seven drain projects at present are in operation. They are Ball Creek in Tyrone township; Wenger-Nulty in Cascade and Gaines; Beaver Dam in Courtland; Schooley in Gaines; Buck Creek in Byron and Wyoming; and Moseley in Grattan.

The value of the drainage project can be gauged by the fact that one farmer told Mr. Waring that improvement of a ditch near his farm means $1,000 a year to him.

FERA Band Class Has Twenty Enrolled

Considerable interest is being taken in the FERA Band project which is being conducted in Lowell by Howard White, an experienced instructor in band music. The class now has a membership of about 20 persons, three of the number being women.

For the benefit of those who may be interested, it should be stated that those eligible for instruction are not confined to the limits of Lowell, but persons living in any town in this section, who are interested in receiving band instruction, will be cordially welcome. Instruction is given every Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening in the Lowell city hall. Application for enrollment may be made with Mr. White, the director, or with W. W. Gumser.

Instruction is available for both beginners and those more advanced in band music.

Strand Calendar

Thursday only, Jan. 10, "Student Tour," Jimmy Durante, Chas. Butterworth. Also Bank Night, $25.00.

Friday and Saturday, Jan. 11-12, "One Exciting Adventure," Binnie Barnes, Neil Hamilton.

Sunday and Monday, Jan. 13-14, "Barretts of Wimpole Street," Norma Shearer, Frederic March, Charles Laughton.

Tuesday and Wednesday, Jan 15-16, "Have a Heart," James Dunn, Una Merkel, Jean Parker. Also first episode of "Mystery Mountain."

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The Ledger acknowledges with appreciation to the Grand Rapids Press the use of the half-tone cut of the new grain storage tank at the King Milling Company, which appeared in last week's issue of this paper. The Press is ever generous in extending courtesies to this paper.

Moseley Gleaners Notice

Moseley Gleaner dues are due this month and must be paid before Jan. 31. There will be a meeting at the Moseley Gleaner hall on Jan. 18th for annual business at 2 p. m.

c34 Mae Belle Mills, Sec'y-Treas.

It isn't genuine success if it didn't benefit others.

Odds and Ends Here and There

Pithy Points Picked Up and Patly Put By Our Peripatetic Pencil Pusher

Warren R. Townsend, with a record of 15 years service as a member of the Kent county road commission, was re-elected chairman of the board at a meeting held in Grand Rapids Thursday.

Enumerators selected from relief rolls, who will be paid wages, will be named shortly by James G. Bryant, administrator of the Kent county welfare relief commission, to take an unemployment census in this county as part of a state-wide unemployment census.

Representative Carl E. Mapes of Grand Rapids has introduced in Congress a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution to tax income from securities issued by state or federal governments. If passed by congress and ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the states, the amendment will form another method of taxing individuals with high incomes.

Thomas Conlon, editor of the Crystal Falls Diamond Drill, has been named by Governor Fitzgerald as the Upper Peninsula member of the State Prison Commission. Michigan newspaper men are proud of the fact that one of their number has been chosen to membership on this important commission and especially proud that the member chosen is Mr. Conlon, a man who represents the very highest ideals of honor and good citizenship.

More than a billion dollars more money went to the nation's farmers in 1934 than in 1933, a United Press compilation of farm income shows. Michigan's income jumped from $85,140,000 in 1933 to $114,779,000. Almost all districts except New England benefitted, with government payments adding to the total. Severe drouth over the middle west was overcome greatly by government payments. In the northwest, however, there was sufficient drouth damage to bring down farm income.

At the present rate of wearing away, Niagara Falls moves westward toward Lake Erie at the rate of three and a half feet a year, says Hilary J. Eason, biologist of the United States Bureau of Fisheries. Eventually the American Falls will be dry and many thousand years later Niagara Falls will reach Lake Erie, drain it and leave nothing but a river. Lakes Huron, Michigan and Superior will be reduced in size to only that area which lies below the bottom of the present Lake Erie.

A Plymouth minister, alive to do some good advertising for his church and at the same time profit to the extent of a lot of new song books to be secured through the clever advertising scheme of a smooth and pretty female saleslady, gave the female permission to go ahead with her advertising scheme. She did go ahead and with a bang quickly collected nearly three hundred dollars worth of advertising and being nice and pretty she not only collected the advertising and also the pay for it but she hasn't been back. Other towns down there were caught as well.

Hon. John C. Ketcham of Hastings, for twelve years congressman from the fourth district, has been selected by Gov. Fitzgerald to become Commissioner of Insurance to succeed Charles E. Gauss of Marshall. Mr. Ketcham has been in public life, first as a school teacher 45 years ago in Barry county, and later as school commissioner of that county, an office to which he was elected at the age of 26. Later he became postmaster, and in 1920 was elected to congress, where he served ably until the landslide of 1932 carried him out of office. He has long been active in Grange work, and was Master of the State Grange from 1912 until 1920. The office to which he has been appointed calls for executive ability and strict integrity, both of which qualities Mr. Ketcham possesses.

Books Help Reduce Losses of Dairymen

Permits Fitting Rations To Production and Detection of Boarder Cows

Michigan dairymen have found that herd record books have helped them to cut their losses by reducing the rations of low profit cows, by hastening the detection and sale of low producers, and by furnishing sales arguments to help the sales of bulls from the herds, according to the dairy department at Michigan State College.

Members of herd improvement associations sold 215 boarder cows out of herds totaling 10,000 animals in the last month for which records are available. This is a faster rate of culling than has been customary in the past and has been caused by the relatively high price of feeds. Members also sold 18 bulls during the month. These animals go out as herd sires and are either mature animals whose value has been proved or calves from high producing dams. Increasing feed costs raise the expense of producing 100 pounds of milk 30 cents during the month. Many farmers were already losing money on their herds, and, now, only the best cows are showing a profit on production.

Ninety per cent of the herds for which records are available were being fed grain and 70 per cent received silage or its equivalent in beet tops. Legume hay was included in the roughage of 67 per cent of the herds but the other 27 per cent were being carried on corn fodder or corn stover.

The owners of these herds are wide awake dairymen who are using every effort to maintain their herds through this period in the hope that shifting price ratios will make their business more profitable in the future.

International commerce should take on new life next year.

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A YOUNG FOLKS' WORLD

MORE THAN HALF of the people in the world at any given time are under 30 years old. In the United States only 55 percent of the population enumerated in the Census of 1930 were more than 21 years old.

Seventeen years ago the World War began, resulting in social and economic upheavals so widespread that it is fair to say that since 1914 no part of the world has returned to its former normal conditions. More than half of the people of this country have never had any conscious experience of the world that older folk knew and lived in.

It is hard to teach the young to see through the spectacles of the old. Men and women of mature age look back to a background totally outside the experience of youth. Young people who are now arriving at voting age have had no contact, since childhood, with anything but economic depression. Since they were fifteen or so they have heard little from their elders but moans of anguish over vanished prosperity, a prosperity which, so far as the young are concerned, is entirely mythical; they never experienced it.

It is not to be wondered at that young folk are easily led into belief in economic and social experiments which older ones deprecate as impractical and unworkable. We don't know what anybody can do about it; we are not sure that anything ought to be done about it. It's their world, and they have to learn from their own experience. And maybe, somehow, they'll find ways to make it a better world than the one upon which the old folks look back with longing and regret for the "good old days."

Sayings by Other Editors

THE FUTURE OF DEMOCRACY

Democracy is in the balance. Political maneuvering, chicanery and trickery of the past month has brought home to honest Michigan citizens that there are issues more important than tax exemptions, liquor legislation and school aid. The liberty, the freedom and the franchise of honest men and women is in jeopardy.

The democratic party as it is recognized up-state is not primarily at fault. The men responsible for prostituting a legislative minority are neither democrats nor republicans. They are the natural product of a patronage system, a foreign-bloc metropolitan center and the apathy of the general public. Leaders in party politics as they are played in Detroit and by the Detroit gang in state circles are neither democrats nor republicans. They are jackals. They follow the patronage wagons of the two parties like dogs follow a gut wagon.

Duncan McCrea, now Wayne prosecutor and a power in the rotten recount affair, is a leader in the democratic party. A year or two ago he was a prominent republican. Bernard, read out of the republican party at Flint last fall after the republicans waited several years too long before they frowned on men of his stripe, was prominently identified, it is reported, with the election stealers. Henry Behrendt, at one time a prominent Ingham democrat, was the republican candidate counted out by Wilcox, the democratic candidate who was formerly a republican. Detroit working politicians change their party labels with as little thought as they change their socks.

Those well known names of O'Hara and Roosevelt receiving prominent mention during the recount affair have allowed their possessors to reach political heights. How the honest Polish and Jugoslavian parents of the spurious O'Haras and Roosevelts must blush over the deeds of their sons.

Political careers of too many Detroit politicians are built on fictitious names, trickery, fraud and graft. We out-staters have tolerated such conditions for many years. The republican party finally came to grief by winking at the machinations of Wayne jackals. The democratic party is not yet fully cognizant of the danger of admitting the same men and others of their stripe to the inner councils of their party.

Political parties are not so important that their wreckage should should cause undue alarm. But when the honest men and women of major parties become accessories to crime by tolerating such conditions as have become notorious within the past decade and which have openly violated the peace and security of a state in the past few weeks; there is something greater than party endangered. The state itself, the liberty of citizens of this great republic founded by the blood of our forefathers, the future of our children are in danger. Some sturdy blows are the immediate need if our heritage is to be rescued from the clutches of greedy, dishonest, crooked and morally corrupt political perverts.—Ingham County News.

ALMANAC

"Never ask a man a favor until he has had his dinner."

JANUARY

8—General Jackson whips the British at New Orleans, 1815.

9—First trolley electric cars run in Richmond, Va., 1888.

10—League of Nations holds its first meeting, 1920.

11—Bayard Taylor, author and traveler, born 1825.

12—First public museum in U. S. opens at Charleston, S. C., 1773.

13—Great Central Italy earthquake kills 30,000, 1915.

14—Daniel Webster makes his first speech in Congress, 1814.

Your Health

The following is one of a series of articles prepared by the Kent County Health Department and appearing at regular intervals in The Ledger. The articles deal with personal and public health matters.

ACCIDENTS IN THE HOME

Although this short article is not strctly in the category of public health, it is an article on prevention which embodies the same principles at least as are involved in the prevention of communicable disease.

We frequently think of our home as the safest place on earth, yet the facts are that a high percentge of accidents occur in the place where we think we are safe. Accidents in the home add materially to the doctor's revenue and are a liberal source of income for hospitals. Any or all of the following conditions may produce an accident which will not only be expensive but which may produce permanent disability.

Rugs laid on waxed floors are not infrequently the cause of an unexpected fall which may result in a broken arm, leg or hip. This accident is particularly likely to happen when small rugs are used. And then at this time of the year we have to contend with slippery steps. These are particularly treacherous as we leave the house. A box of sand kept handy and sprinkled on steps as required is here an effective preventative.

Slipping in a bath tub frequently results in severe bruises or broken bones. For assistance in getting out of a bath tub, a short piece of strong rope securely attached to the wall will prove convenient and helpful.

Another habit many of us have is standing on rickety chairs to obtain things in the cupboard or to replace an electric light bulb. The remedy here is obvious, viz. a small step ladder the cost of which is cheap insurance.

And of course at this season of the year we still have dumb garage men who insist on running a motor with the doors closed. Garages who practice this method are not worthy of your business. Each winter claims many deaths from this foolish habit. Open the doors and play safe or leave the garage.

Likewise it is perhaps worth repeating here that gasoline for cleaning purposes has no place in the home. Dry cleaners will now do the job for about what the gas costs.

And lastly, turn the spout of that kettle on the stove away from you to prevent being burned by steam. And incidentally, don't put anything but cold water on a burn until the doctor comes. However, if you insist on putting on something, perhaps a paste made from ordinary saleratus and water covered with a bandage is as good a first aid as any.

Remember When

Folks had inflammation of the bowels, instead of appendicitis, and never were operated upon?

There was no bootlegging, taxes were lower, no bandits with nerve enough to hold up a bank or an oil station and people yearned for something exciting?

Lowell society ladies kept "open house" on New Year's day, and the young unmarried men of the town made the rounds in sleighs in making formal calls. The hostesses served refreshments that had no alcoholic content, but it sometimes happened that the guest carried a bottle on his hip.

A Good Story For Readers of Ledger

The attention of our new subscribers is called to the serial story which is now running in The Ledger. The story is entitled "When Worlds Collide," the first installment of which began four weeks ago. Our new readers can easily take up the thread of this story by reading the synopsis of the four chapters which have been printed thus far. If you wish a story of love, adventure and absorbing interest be sure to read "When Worlds Collide."

If a man tells you your virtues, watch him; if he tells you your faults, heed him.

Homemaker's Corner

By Home Economics Specialists, Michigan State College.

Durability is not emphasized to the extent that it used to be in buying table linens, according to Miss Julia F. Tear, home economics textile instructor at Michigan State College. Small cloths or doilies have replaced the large damask cloth for all but the more formal dinners. These small cloths are attractive, very practical, reduce the laundry problem, and are inexpensive.

Cloths for the table come in a wide range of materials and colors, all cotton or part cotton, and part linen or all linen. Some of the cotton crepe cloths are inexpensive and launder easily. Linen comes in many low priced varieties and is more desirable because of its more satisfactory appearance and natural luster which improves with repeated washings. It is smooth and does not gather lint or dust. Stains can be removed more easily from linen than from other materials.

In buying any linen, no matter what type, one very important thing to consider is the fact that there are many grades on the market. Many women feel that the statement "all linen" is sufficient information, ignoring the fact that there are many grades of linen and that the poor grades will not wear as well as cotton.

To give real service, linen should be closely woven. The firmness of the material should be due to compactness of the yarns and not to starch, and this may be determined by rubbing the material between the hands to see if the starch rubs out. The yarns should be even.

In selecting table linens, consider how their color and design will harmonize with the china and glass with which it is to be used. The use to be made of it and its quality shoulde be considered in relation to the price and the length of time it is expected to last. With the wide range of materials, colors and designs, offered on the market today, desirable and attractive linens can be found at any price one wishes to pay for them.

Rambling 'Round New York with Hugh Kenny

Tobacconists of New York suburbs are jubilant about New York's new sales tax for the unemployed. Commuters storm their counters for cigarettes before coming into town, thus avoiding another one cent tax.

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The depression has been hard on New York clubs, and membership drives have been the order of the day for those that haven't been forced to close their doors.

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The University Glee Club is of a different order. Without an expensive building of their own, they are financed largely by their honorary members such as my host at their recent concert at the Waldorf-Astoria, Frank D. Waterman of fountain pen fame.

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New York divorce courts grind out their grisly verdicts day after day. Newspapers make sport of it with references to the stereotyped "unidentified blonde in a pink slip" who is cited so frequently in efforts to obtain a divorce according to New York's sole provision—adultery. Collusion? It is an acknowledged fact in hundreds of cases every year.

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New York's new favorite in fashionable dogs is the Dachshund, that underslung bit of affection and intelligence. The report is that they are selling three to one of any other variety.

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Contour photography is the new development in semi-silhouettes perfected by Clarence B. Mitchell of Santa Barbara. Winner of many prizes abroad and on the Pacific Coast, Mr. Mitchell is preparing an exhibition for the National Alliance of Art and Industry at Rockefeller Center starting January 31. Samples shown to me warrant his claim that he took up the silhouette where Daguerre left off and carried it to new heights.

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Into the galleries of one of New York's largest dealers in rare books, antiques, paintings and art goods, and learned to my surprise that they have thrice-weekly auctions of rare book collections from all over the world. A collection worth about a thousand dollars they wouldn't handle. It was too small!

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An elderly jurist, seventy years in New York, recently asked what this town would be seventy years from now. If the trend is marked by Knickerbocker Village and Rockefeller Center, the two newest developments, it will mean more light, more park space, more terraces and more gardens. And how welcome that would all be in this city of palaces and hovels!

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The newest location for big-diggings-gazers is at the largest hole in town—the new Post Office site on Vesey Street where the big shovels chew out about 265 truck-loads of dirt a day. There's a hole nearly two acres in extent and already below high tide level, as deep as a well for the fascinated passers-by to look at. Soon the shovels will be through and then the caissons will be dug and sunk for months to come.

A little Chinese girl was carrying a chubby boy on her back. "Is he heavy?" somebody asked. "No," was the reply, "he is my brother." There are duties which are pleasures, there are tasks carried through with a right good will, there are deprivations and hardships cheerfully endured. And all because there is enthusiasm or affection, idealism or devotion, patriotism or consecration in the toil or hardship.

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Lowell Items of 25, 30 and 35 Years Ago

January 13, 1910—25 Years Ago

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Getty, after four years' residence in Saskatchewan, N. W. T., visited old friends in Lowell vicinity.

Fred Waters, Lowell boy, wrote the Ledger an interesting letter from Pasco, Wash., giving his impression of the new western country.

E. M. Doxey of Sturgis bought the Towsley barns and D. U. Lepard's lease of Hotel Lowell.

Miss Jennie Flynn, formerly of Lowell, was united in marriage to Cornelius Beutine at St. Mary's church in Kalamazoo.

The much beloved and venerable old citizen, Rev. A. N. Hudson, aged 95 years, passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J. B. Hawk, near the Grand Trunk depot.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. George Kilgus of Elmdale.

Will Klahn of South Lowell underwent an operation for appendicitis at Ann Arbor hospital.

Alexander Campbell, 75, died at the Wm. Bouck home in Boston township.

N. F. Johnson purchased the interest of his brother George in the Masonic hall property, planning to give the building a thorough overhauling, with new floors, etc.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Alexander, a son.

John Lott entertained a number of his Lowell high school classmates at his home in Elmdale one evening.

A marriage license was issued to Glenn T. Smith and Alice Slayton, both of Grattan township.

Oscar J. Reyburg, postmaster at Alto, died at a Grand Rapids hospital.

January 12, 1905—30 Years Ago

Births: To Mr. and Mrs. Will Klahn of South Lowell, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. John F. Rittenger, of South Lowell, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Yoder, of Logan, a daughter; sons to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gehan and Mr. and Mrs. Ownie Howard at Parnell.

Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Loveland returned from a two weeks' trip to Washington, D. C., Columbus, O., and Atlanta City, N. J.

Jacob Steele died at his home in Ada township after an illness of three months.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Lewis of East Lowell were given a farewell surprise by fifty friends and neighbors before their departure for their new home in Dakota.

Clyde Purdy clerking at the A D. Sturgis drug store.

The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Armstrong of Vergennes passed away.

Frank Sherrard of Fallasburg received a letter from Seattle, Wash., from his brother Edward, whom they had long given up as dead.

Henry W. Booth received an appointment as assistant janitor at the capitol at Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Bennett left for a three months' stay at Pomona, Fla.

Licensed to marry: Don M. Miller and Mary Churchill, both of Alto.

R. E. Heffron opened a meat market at the corner of Lake Ave. and Cherry St., Grand Rapids, with Chris Klumpp working for him.

Mrs. Charles Althen received the news of the death of her sister, Mrs. S. T. Beers, of Lincoln, Ill., well known in Lowell.

Harry Goodell left for Minnesota to work that state in the interests of the Michigan Ladder Company.

January 11, 1900—35 Years Ago

Newcomb Godfrey, one of Alton's pioneers, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George N. Fletcher in Lowell, at the age of 93 years.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Will Thompson of Keene, a daughter.

Norman Stewart and Christie McArthur of near Elmdale were united in marriage.

Robert Jones, former Lowell boy, was badly injured in a Washington saw mill.

A. B. Waterman, former landlord at Hotel Brace here, died at Saranac.

Alonzo E. Culver purchased the Ed. Craw residence property.

Edward E. Wright fell from a scaffold in Music hall, striking on the back of his head and inflicting very severe injuries.

Robert Hefferan and Miss Anna McCarthy of Grattan were united in marriage at Parnell church.

Bethel McLean was transferred from his former position to that of baggage master at the Lowell depot of the P. M. Railroad.

W. H. Sanderson severed his connection with the Lowell Journal. A farewell party was tendered him at Train's opera house.

JOE GISH

Hickory Hollow
By Mrs. Mary Rickert

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Sparks and children spent New Year's eve at the M. E. Rickert home.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Reed of near Potter's Corners and Mr. and Mrs. Versil Reed and daughter of Lansing spent Sunday at the Harley Hunter home.

A good many from this way attended the Ideal Club party at the Keene Grange hall last Saturday evening. All report a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Raymor and little son Duane spent Wednesday evening at the M. E. Rickert home.

Verl Tefft is home from the Ionia hospital and coming fine.

Bert Tefft is working for Dell Hardy at the present time.

School began Monday morning after two weeks' holiday vacation.

The Letter Box

Weather and Politics in This Brief Letter from Earl Curtiss

Alto, January 7, 1935

Dear Editor:

Well, I have been frozen up so tight since I arrived in Michigan that this old bean of mine would not let go of anything till today, and then I got to reminiscing of the past. So I will try and give it to your readers.

Several years ago the wife and I had got so tired of the cold Michigan that we loaded ourselves on the cars and journeyed to the grand old state of Oregon to bask in perpetual sunshine and absorb its invigorating air from that wonderful Japan current. Well, it was grand up to the fourth of December of that year, then in twelve hours it snowed thirty-six inches and the next night the temperature went down to 35 degrees below. Snow lay on the ground until March. It was the coldest winter the old timers had ever had. We returned to dear old Michigan, satisfied. Then, you all remember, I went down in the dear old state of Virginia just to escape the cold of the north. Well, by gosh, down there everything was just lovely till the last of January and Oh! My gosh, if it didn't snow one inch an hour for twenty-four hours. Then two days clear as a bell, then rain for another twenty hours, then the temperature dropped to seven above and played between fifteen and seven for three weeks. Crust on that snow so thick and hard it was good skating. Hardware merchants wired for skates and sold them as fast as they could get them. It had not been so cold or so much snow since 1884. You should have seen me when I got dressed for work! I looked just like Santa Claus. We slipped and slid, sweated and thawed for four weeks, then mud and slush until we became web-footed on corns for we both had to be operated for foot (not mouth) trouble.

Now all that may seem funny to you readers but it was no fun for us. Now comes the funny part. I returned to dear old Michigan and, suffering tom cats, I have been frozen solid ever since until today. I am now partiallly thawed out.

Now I am wondering was it the governor's or the president's message, or both, that started the warm wave. Well, I think both were fine. If they can't harmonize the wild jackasses and keep them from celebrating in the hotels and club houses and not try to make more than one law book, then I will be glad that cold and snow follow me wherever I go.

Say, I am not going to California or Florida for I have got to have organge and grape fruit juice to keep my system at an alkaline reaction so I will not take any of those childhood diseases as I am feeling very kiddish.

A Happy New Year and lots of good old Democratic Prosperity for it is coming. It's in the east and going west like all good things Even the wise men came from the east, also the Holy Bible. Now good night.

Earl Curtiss.

South Boston
By Miss Belle Young

Levi Birkey and family will soon move from the Lester Stuart farm, where they have lived for several years, to the McKenna farm, south of Clarksville.

Chris and Fred Fahrni each purchased a horse at the sale on the Ionia Fair grounds Saturday.

Chester Nash of Belding is working for Verne Klahn this winter.

Melba Sterzick spent the holiday vacation in Lansing with her sister, Mrs. Edwin Ransom.

Mrs. N. M. O'Beirne and sons, Boyd and Scott, Maynard Tucker and the Misses Ellen Leonard and Margaret Densmore of Hastings spent Friday with the Arno O'Beirne family in North Plains.

Ben Alderink has purchased the Aldrich farm in Bowne and will take possession soon. His oldest son, Harold and family will move from Sebewa and occupy the Alderink farm here. Miss Anna Alderink will stay with her brother's family on the home farm and finish her senior year in the Clarksville high school.

Maynard Tucker has returned to his school work at Hastings after a two weeks' vacation at home.

Mr. and Mrs. N. M. O'Beirne and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Verne Klahn and two children spent New Year's at Harry VanDyke's near Clarksville.

Donald Kyser spent part of his holiday vacation in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Tallant entertained New Year's in honor of their 23rd wedding anniversary.

Mrs. E. E. Church, a former resident here, but now of Clarksville, is reported to be in nearly a helpless condition due to a fall some weeks ago. She will be 92 years old this month. She is being cared for by her daughter, Miss Lena and a nurse, Mrs. Anna Atchison.

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Black Wolverine Horsehide Work Shoes. Regular $2.81. Clearance Price	$2.00
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Men's 15-inch Black Rubber Hunter's Lace Boots, red soles. Regular $3.98. Clearance Price	$3.29
Men's Black 4-buckle Arctics, red sole, wool fleece linings. Regular $2.95. Clearance Price	$2.69
Men's $3.45 Black Calf Oxfords	$2.89
Men's $2.95 Black Calf Oxfords	$2.59
Men's $4.45 Black Calf Oxfords	$3.69
Black Wolverine Horsehide, 16-in. Hi-cuts	$3.81

Sale of Winter Underwear

Men's $1 Ribbed Unions medium weight, now	89c
Men's $1.69 Unions 10% wool, heavy, now	$1.39
Men's $2.95 Unions 50% wool, heavy, now	$2.69
Men's $4.85 Unions 100% wool, heavy, now	$3.98

Winter Work Clothes at Clearance Prices

$3.95 Heavy Waterproof Suede Button Coats, fleece lined	$2.98
29c Wool Sox, heather mixed red tops	23c
All Horsehide Choppers' Mitts, stay soft	69c
$4.45 Boys' Navy Corduroy Sheepskin Lined Coats	$3.89

Specials for Saturday Only

One lot George Brown's Trojan Work Pants, heavy weight. $1.79 grade	$1.39
Men's Navy Wool Railroader Caps with Pulldown, warm linings	49c
24 Reindeer Suede Zipper Lined Jackets. Suede collar and cuffs. Reg. $5.45	$3.98
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Coons

This and That From Around the Old Town

Mrs. Elmer Pletcher visited relatives in Plainwell Sunday.

Mrs. Clare Pratt of Saranac spent Tuesday with Helen Brown.

Dress and work socks, 10c to 50c, Men's Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Sigler called on Dr. and Mrs. Green of Greenville Sunday.

Miss Helen King is occupying an apartment in the Leo Denny home on East Main-st.

Mr. and Mrs. James Helder of Holland visited Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Smith Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Putnam and daughter Mary visited friends in Charlotte Sunday.

George L. Miller of Alto spent the week-end with his friend, Donald MacNaughton.

Earl Curtiss of Washington, D. C., is visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Rosella Yeiter.

Miss Maxine Hunter and Miss Dorothy Hardy attended a party in Hastings on New Year's eve.

Week-end guests at the W. J. Warren home were Harry E. Hunt and Charles H. Bennett of Detroit.

Nelson Meengs and Helen Brown were supper guests Friday of his mother, Mrs. John Meengs, at Zeeland.

Mrs. Edith Carey and son of Grand Rapids were Saturday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Easterbrook.

Mrs. Ernest Althaus spent Sunday and Monday in Grand Rapids at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. W. Welch.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Gould spent Sunday afternoon and evening with Mr. and Mrs. Pearle Houghton of Mulliken.

Howard White spent several days last week in Grand Ledge with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hathaway.

Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Court were Sunday dinner guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Court, of West Lowell.

Miss Audie Vanderlip spent Saturday night and Sunday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Vanderlip, of Alto.

Mrs. Belle Ecker, who spent the past two weeks at the home of Mrs. Neil Cameron, has returned to the home of Mrs. Jennie Hunter.

Dr. and Mrs. S. S. Lee and the latter's sister, Mrs. Kronenberger, left Sunday for Florida where they will spend the rest of the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Armstrong and son Donald of Rockford were Saturday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vern Armstrong and family.

Mrs. Jennie Townsend won the $50.00 given away at the Strand Theatre drawing last Thursday evening. $25 will be given away this Thursday.

Mrs. H. J. Englehardt, who sustained painful injuries about the neck while coasting with friends recently, is improving nicely and will soon be about as usual.

Dr. Maurice Walters of Jefferson City, Mo., called at the home of Dr. and Mrs. M. J. Court one day last week. He and Dr. Court were classmates at Michigan State College.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Roth and Carl Roth and daughter Lizzie spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Williams and family and Rev. Rudolph Roth and family of Charlotte.

Dr. M. J. Court is spending this week in East Lansing at the Pathology Laboratory at Mich. State College learning the technique of conducting the Bang's Disease Agglutination test.

After attending the funeral of Mrs. J. J. Link in Allegan Friday, Mrs. Ernest Althaus returned to Kalamazoo with her daughter, Mrs. C. W. Perry and spent until Sunday with her.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Catlin (formerly Mrs. Earl Vanderlip of Lowell) of Pike, N. Y., and her daughter, Mrs. Glen Woodman and two children of Lansing visited relatives in Lowell Friday and Saturday.

Miss Ethel Stinton, who had spent her two weeks' vacation here with her mother, Mrs. Mary Stinton, returned to Dearborn on Saturday. Miss Ella Ross accompanied her and was her guest over Sunday.

Fine dress shirts, 79c to $1.59. Men's Shop.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lee and family, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Catlin of Pike, N. Y., and Mrs. Glen Woodman and two children of Lansing visited Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Cook and family of Grand Rapids Friday evening.

Albert Raimer, who has spent the past five weeks in the University hospital, Ann Arbor, where he underwent an operation for prostate gland, is now at his home just east of Lowell and is steadily regaining his strength.

Mrs. Neil Cameron returned Sunday from a two weeks' visit in Youngstown, Ohio, with Mr. and Mrs. Don Weeks and in Wyandotte with Mr. and Mrs. Don Cameron. The latter came home with her and spent the week-end here.

Sunday evening callers at the Rosella Yeiter home were Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Lustig and Mrs. D. I. Priest of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Curtiss of Alto, who came to say goodbye to Mrs. Yeiter, who left Wednesday for Washington, D. C., where she will spend the remainder of the winter with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. William Zens.

Mrs. J. J. Link, wife of a former pastor of the German Methodist church here, died on New Year's day, following a short illness. Mrs. Link leaves a large circle of friends in Lowell who mourn her untimely passing. Among those from here who attended the funeral services in Allegan Friday were Rev. John Claus, Mrs. Ernest Althaus, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blaser, Mrs. Godfrey Bieri and G. Friedli.

Special for Saturday, January 12
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J. R. Phillips of Edmore was a Wednesday caller at Ralph Kiste's.

Harold Chalmers has joined the CCC Camp and reported for duty Monday.

Dan Stauffer is doing chores at the Clare Culver home during Mr. Culver's absence.

Mrs. Ralph Kiste and daughters spent last Wednesday with the former's sister in Ionia.

Jeannetta Kiste and Albertine Blaser spent Monday, Dec. 31, with Mae Granstra at Ada.

Joe Castor and friend of Muskegon spent New Years with his sister, Mrs. Fred Reusser and family.

Clayton Engle and Maurice Blazo of Lowell spent Sunday afternoon with Paul and Junior Kiste.

Jeannetta Kiste returned to Lansing Monday after spending a two weeks' vacation with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Warner are spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Merrill of Cascade. Mrs. Merrill has been quite ill.

Mrs. A. V. Shilling of Fremont, Ohio, and her mother, Mrs. Fred O'Harrow of South Lowell, called on Mrs. Ernest Roth Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wood of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Alex Reusser and daughters of Jackson were recent callers at Fred Reusser's.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Johnson, daughter Helen and Mrs. Lucille Watts and Mrs. Lydia Porritt of Bowne were Thursday callers of Mrs. Wm. Cosgriff.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cosgriff attended the funeral of their uncle, D. L. Nash, of Elburn, Ill., which was held Sunday afternoon at the Bowne M. E. church.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Buttrick of Cascade entertained with a Christmas and New Year's party at their home Dec. 31. Thirty-four guests were present from Lowell, Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo and Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Beamer of St. Johns and V. Hunter of Lowell were Saturday afternoon callers of Mrs. Wm. Cosgriff. Mr. Beamer was 6 years old when Mrs. Cosgriff saw him last, which was 35 years ago. His father conducted a blacksmith shop at Bowne Center at that time.

Mrs. Myrtle Sinclair and Mrs. Frances Jefferies were guests of Oriental Chapter, O. E. S., at Grand Rapids Tuesday evening when all Kent County Association officers and Harmony Chapter of Sparta were entertained. A fine program and refreshments were enjoyed. The meeting was the first in a series of Friendship Tours in which each chapter in the county will be visited.

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ZION M. E. CHURCH

German preaching Sunday at 10 o'clock a. m.
Bible School at 11:00 a. m.
You are cordially invited.
John Claus, pastor.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
S. B. Wenger, Minister

Next Sunday, Consecration and Communion. All Church and Sunday School officers urged to be prompt.
Church School at 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship at 11:00 a. m. Subject, "The Power of a Liberated Life."
Tuesday evening at 6:45, all Pioneers meet at schoolhouse.
Wednesday evening, Campfire Girls meet at 7:00.
Friday, Shepard Group meets with Mrs. F. E. White.

Alton Community Church
S. B. Wenger, Minister

Note: The service will be held Sunday evening at 7:30. Pre-service for young folks followed by sermon, "Utilizing Our Resources for God."
Community leaders are planning great and interesting events. Be on hand.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH
R. S. Miller, Pastor

Morning Worship at 10:30. The pastor will be the preacher.
Sunday School at 12:00 o'clock. Bring the children.
Epworth League at 6:30 p. m.
Evening Worship at 7:30. We are commencing a new type of service. You will find what you want and need.
The Men's Club will meet Monday night. Watch for further announcement.
Mid week service Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock.
The Triple C Circle will give a tea at the M. E. parsonage Friday afternoon at 2:30.

Vergennes

The service at the Vergennes church will be held in the afternoon at 2:30.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
Corner S. Washington Ave. and E. Kent St.

Morning service every Sunday, 11:00 a. m.
Sunday school, 11:00 a. m.
"Sacrament" will be the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Christian Science churches throughout the world on Sunday, Jan. 13.
Among the Bible citations is this passage (Matt. 26:20-26): "Now when the even was come, he sat down with the twelve. And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and blessed it, and brake it, and gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat; this is my body."
Correlative passages to be read from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, include the following (p. 32-33): "Jesus prayed; He withdrew from the material senses to refresh his heart with brighter, with spiritual views. His followers, sorrowful and silent, anticipating the hour of their Master's betrayal, partook of the heavenly manna, which of old had fed in the wilderness the persecuted followers of Truth. Their bread indeed came down from heaven."

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE
Rev. Vernon Shirley, pastor.

10:00 a. m.—Sunday School.
11:00 a. m.—Preaching service.
7:00 p. m.—Junior N. Y. P. S.
7:00 p. m.—N. Y. P. S. Service.
7:45 p. m.—Evening Service
Revival meetings each evening Dec. 30 to Jan. 13 with Rev. Raymond V. Smith as evangelist.
Mid-week prayer service Wednesday, 7:45 p. m.
Sunday School Rally Sunday, Jan. 13. Rev. Raymond V. Smith, Evangelist, will give a special number at the assembly hour.

LOWELL BAPTIST CHURCH
A. J. Hoolsema, pastor.

Bible School—10:00 a. m.
Preaching—11:00 a. m.
B Y. P. U., three departments, 6:30 p. m.
Preaching, Evangelistic—7:30 p. m.
Mid week Prayer and Praise service Wednesday evening at 7:30.
Young People's Bible Class—Thursday evening, 7:30.
January 20 the pastor speaks at the Grand Rapids Mission and a group of musicians of the Rescue Mission will conduct the evening service.
Rom. 8-28. "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to His purpose."

CATHOLIC PARISHES
St. Mary's—Lowell
Rev. Fr. Jewell, pastor.

8:00 a. m., Low Mass, sermon.
10:00 a. m., High Mass and sermon.

St. Patrick's Parnell
Rev. Fr. McNeil, pastor

8:00 a. m. Low Mass and sermon.
10:00 a. m. High Mass and sermon.

Cascade and Bowne
Rev. Fr. E. H. Racette, pastor.
Services at 9 and 10:30 a. m

UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH of WEST LOWELL
F. W. King, Pastor
Lake Odessa, Mich.
West Lowell Church

10:30 a. m.—Sunday School. Mrs. Seymour Dalstra, Supt.
11:30 a. m.—Preaching.
7:15 p. m.—Chistian Endeavor.
8:15 p. m.—Preaching.

South Ward School

Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Chester Place, Supt.
A cordial invitation is extended for each service.

ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH
Rev. Howard B. Scholten, Pastor.

10:00 a.m.—"Wholesome Thinking."
11:00 a. m.—Sunday School for all ages.
7:30 p. m.—"Giants in the Earth."
8:15 p. m.—Christian Endeavor. Topic, "What Do I Know About Prayer."
Thursday, 8:00 p. m.—Young People's Bible Class.
Friday, 8:00 p. m.—Prayer service in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Steenman.
"In Jehovah do I take refuge."—Psalm 11:1.

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Phillips Milk Magnesia 50c size	39c	Mi 31 Solution, pint	37c

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Preaching 10 a. m.
Sunday school 11 a. m.
James G. Baillard, Pastor.

CASCADE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday school, 10 a. m.
Church services, 11 a. m.
L. C. Doerr, pastor.

ADA CONGREGATIONAL CH
H. A. Luten, Pastor

Sermon at 11 a. m.
All are welcome to attend.

ALTO PARISH M. E. CHURCHES
E. A. Armstrong, Pastor

The usual public worship services Sunday morning next with preaching by the pastor. Alto at 10:00 o'clock and Bowne Center at 11:30, with Church Schools at the usual hours. All are welcome.

ALTO BAPTIST CHURCH
W. B Gardner, Pastor

Bible School at 10 a. m. Enoch Carlson, Supt.
Preaching service at 11 a. m.
Cottage Prayer meeting every Thursday evening.
Communion the first Sunday in each month.
You are cordially invited to join us in all these services.

WHITNEYVILLE CHURCH
F. G. Bailard, Pastor

Sunday School—10:30 a. m.
Morning service—11:30.
Epworth League—7:30 p. m.
Weekly prayer meeting Thursday evenings at 7:45 Everyone welcome.

Saturday FOOD SPECIALS

Meats	Groceries
Beef Pot Roast Lb. 9c	Forbes' Santa Fe Coffee Lb. 25c
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By Mrs. S. P. Reynolds

Mrs. Fred Houseman entertained the young men and young women's classes of Snow Sunday School at a watch party on Monday evening of last week. All present report a most enjoyable time.

Mrs. Helen Reynolds entertained Mr. and Mrs. Gabe Onan, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Schmidt and children and Phil Schmidt of West Lowell and Mrs. Lois Tidd and children of Lowell on New Year's day.

Miss Margaret Cole returned to her home Sunday from St. Mary's hospital and is recovering splendidly from her operation.

School opened Monday after a two weeks' holiday vacation and the children were given a New Year's treat by their teacher, Miss Mildred Herman.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Schmidt and children of West Lowell spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Sherm Reynolds.

Rev. John Claus of Lowell preached and served Communion at Snow church Sunday evening.

The United States was not overly shocked at President Roosevelt's statement that our public debt might reach 31 billion dollars by 1935. It is only $250 per capita, while France today owes nearly $500 per capita, and Great Britain owes nearly $900 per capita. Owing $250 apiece to ourselves can be taken care of without serious worry in this great and rich country.

Want ads bring results.

ALTO DEPARTMENT

(Mrs. Fred Pattison)

To Hold First Aid Classes

Instruction in First Aid will be given by Dr. J. K. Altland of Lowell at Bowne Center L. A. S. hall, beginning Monday afternoon, Jan. 14, and continuing weekly for twelve lessons. All who are interested are invited to enroll.

Alto Locals

The very interesting letter written by Agnes Sorenson Richardson, formerly County Extension Club Supervisor, in the Dec. 27th Ledger was enjoyed by myself and all other Ledger readers. Sorry to hear of your illness and hope for your speedy recovery and hope to hear from you again soon. Much success to you and your husband.

Those from Alto in the cast of "The Antics of Andrew," which will be presented this week are Mrs. Valda Watts, Mr. and Mrs. George Houghton, Basil Hayward, Charles Colby and Mr. and Mrs. Dale Curtiss. The play is sponsored by the Goodfellowship class of the Alto M. E. church. Night rehearsals are being held at the Grange hall.

The Neighborhood Bridge Club met with Mrs. Fred Pattison Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. G. M. Thorndike won high score and Mrs. Albert Duell second.

Howard Aldrich left Thursday to spend some time with his brother Warren in San Antonio, Tex. From there he will continue to the west coast to join his family. He was accompanied as far as San Antonio by Neils Larson.

Matie Stone returned home on Thursday from Charlevoix where she went to attend the funeral of Dr. and Mrs. Wilkinson and Mrs Roxanna Morrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Proctor were New Year's dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kline.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Roark and family attended a party at Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Ellis' New Year's eve.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Davis spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis of Campbell Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Houghton and children were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Houghton.

Jake Konkle and Henry Weaver of Hastings called on Mr. and Mrs. Ray Linton Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. John Freyermuth and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Freyermuth were Sunday callers at Mrs. Ella Freyermuth's.

Mary and Addie Sinclair, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kline, Mildred King and Wm. Bunker attended the funeral of Dan Nash at Bowne Center Sunday. Mr. Nash was 91 years old and a number of years ago resided in Bowne, but latter years at Elburn, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Slater were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Bartlett Saturday night.

Dr. and Mrs. G. M. Thorndike visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ward of Lansing Sunday.

Alto Locals

Eleanor Hayward returned to her school at Hastings Monday after having a two weeks' vacation.

Mesdames Chas. Smith, Fred Pattison and R. T. Lustig were Saturday guests of Mrs. O. E. Meyer of North Park. The afternoon was spent playing bridge, the hostess' mother, Mrs. Pattison, receiving first prize, after which light refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sullivan and sons, Elwood and Edison, of Ionia and Thomas of Grand Rapids and Forrest and family of Battle Creek were New Year's dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Rosenberg.

Eleanor Hayward assisted at the Bank during her vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Bryant are the proud parents of an 8¼ lb. girl, who arrived Wednesday, Jan. 2, and answers to the name of Helen Marie.

Master Roger McMahon has returned to his Grandpa and Grandma Linton's for the winter.

Mrs. Irene Kegereis spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bergy and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Bergy.

Mrs. Metta Ferguson of Grand Rapids called on Mrs. Fred Pattison Thursday.

Messrs. and Mesdames Ernest Rosenberg, Merle Rosenberg, and Lloyd Houghton and Suzanne were all Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Loring.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Smith of Ada called on Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Foote Friday.

Mrs. Esther Ferguson returned to Aurora, Ill., Sunday where she is employed. Norman will join her next Sunday, then will go to Arkansas, where he has secured a position.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Linton spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Thaler.

Marion Colby was the guest of Alice Porritt at the home of Mrs. Grace Armstrong in Detroit from Friday until Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Armstrong brought Alice and Marion home New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Proctor and Mrs. Frank Kline were in Grand Rapids Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Curtiss called on Mrs. Rosella Yeiter and children in Lowell Sunday.

Mrs. R. D. Bancroft and Mrs. Alice Slater were in Grand Rapids Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Flint Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Eldred of Clarksville spent Sunday evening with the former's daughter, Mrs. Harold Cisler and husband.

Mrs. Rose Bryant and Leona ate New Year's dinner at the Krebs-Blough home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank MacNaughton had an oyster supper with Mr. and Mrs. Sid MacNaughton and family Sunday night, the occasion being in honor of the latter's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Davis enjoyed a turkey dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Reed Cooper and family Sunday.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE FARMERS STATE BANK

AT ALTO, MICHIGAN, AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS DEC. 31st, 1934, AS CALLED FOR BY THE COMMISSIONER OF THE BANKING DEPARTMENT.

RESOURCES		Commercial	Savings	Moratorium
Loans and Discounts, viz.:				
Secured by collateral	$ 3,749.00			
Unsecured (including endorsed paper)	18,282.92			
Total		$22,031.92		$ 22,031.92
Real Estate Mortgages:				
Mortgages in Office			$ 9,319.77	9,319.77
Bonds & Securities, viz:				
Municipal Bonds in office	$ 4,640.00			
U.S. Government Obligations Direct and Fully Guaranteed in Office	11,500.00			
U. S. Government Obligations Direct and Fully Guaranteed Pledged	10,000.00			
Other Bonds and Securities in Office	2,800.00			
Totals		$28,940.00		28,940.00
Reserves, viz:				
Due from Banks in Reserve Cities and Cash on Hand		$43,839.34	$ 294.32	
U. S. Government Obligations Direct and Fully Guaranteed legal reserves in Savings Department			17,700.00	
Totals		$43,839.34	$17,994.32	$61,833.66
Combined Accounts, viz:				
Banking House				$ 1,500.00
Furniture and Fixtures				500.00
Outside checks and other cash items				2,450.00
Other Assets				148.70
Total				$126,724.05

LIABILITIES

Common Stock paid in		$25,000.00
Undivided Profits, net		742.94
Reserve for Taxes, Interest, Depreciation, etc.		14.00
COMMERCIAL DEPOSITS		
Commercial Deposits Subject to Check	$26,649.80	
Demand Certificates of Deposit	17,703.81	
Cashier's Checks	356.07	
Public Funds (Secured)		
State Deposits	5,000.00	
U. S. Government Deposits	6,000.00	
Public Funds—No assets pledged	11,264.80	
Time Commercial Certificates of Deposit	5,000.00	
Total	$70,974.48	$70,974.48
SAVINGS DEPOSITS		
Book Accounts—Subject to Savings By-Laws	$19,841.32	
Certificates of Deposit—Subject to Savings By-Laws	7,472.77	
Total	$27,314.09	$ 27,314.09
LIABILITIES FOR MONEYS BORROWED		
Customers' bonds deposited with bank for safekeeping		2,450.00
Other liabilities		228.54
Total		$126,724.05

State of Michigan, County of Kent—ss.

I, Earl V. Colby, Cashier, of the above named bank do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and correctly represents the true state of the several matters therein contained, as shown by the books of the bank.

EARL V. COLBY, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of January, 1935.
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Alto Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Donovan Bates and daughter spent Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Ray Linton.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Deming attended the funeral of D. L. Nash at Bowne Center Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Slater were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Freeman of South Boston.

Mrs. Pappert and daughters and Miss Frances Sydnam returned to Pontiac Sunday after spending their vacation with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Ellis of East Caledonia spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ellis.

Mrs. Jennie Yeiter and Donald and Allie Rice spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Mack Watson and called on Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dygert of Clarksville in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Fineis and Irwin Fineis of Lowell spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dintaman and family.

Mrs. Matie Fitch and children called on Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bergy Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grill of Grand Rapids spent Saturday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Vanderlip.

Mrs. Glenn Oversmith and Mrs. Vern Trowbridge of Clarksville spent Friday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Sydnam.

Ted Ellis spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ellis.

Mrs. Lucy Duell visited Mrs. Elmer Ellis and Mrs. Essie Howard in Lowell Friday and Saturday and returned home Sunday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Deming and daughter spent New Year's with Mr. and Mrs. Owen Nash.

Henry Tredenick was in Lowell Saturday.

Mrs. Leta Shillings of Fremont, Ohio, called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed. O'Harrow Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Meyer of Grand Rapids were Sunday dinner guests at the Pattison home.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Carr and Neva Vanderlip were Sunday evening visitors at the Vanderlip home.

Mr. and Mrs. Alford Carlson were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Freeman of South Boston spent Thursday afternoon and evening with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Slater.

Sunday afternoon callers at Ed. O'Harrow's were Mrs. Viva Hazel and son Dale and George Klahn and son Bert.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bunker and Gerald had as their New Year's guests: Mrs. Estella Cress and son Howard and Jim Ferguson of Freeport, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Ferguson and Miss Connie Ferwerda of Grand Rapids.

Miss Audie Vanderlip of Lowell, Miss Leona Bryant and Mrs. Elmer Dintaman called on Mr. and Mrs. Walter Grill of Grand Rapids Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Hayward spent New Year's at a community gathering at the home of the latter's parents near Hastings.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Houghton and children were six o'clock dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fairchild New Year's.

Charles Bancroft visited Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sharp of Detroit on his return home from attending the funeral of his sister in New York.

Mrs. Verlie Daniels and children spent New Year's with Mrs. Daniels' brother, Leon Roush and family, of Clarksville.

The Whist Club members were entertained Monday night by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Keiser at the home of the latter's mother, Mrs. Della Silcox. Mrs. Perry Damouth and R. D. Bancroft were the lucky ones to receive head prizes.

Installation of officers was held at the Grange hall Friday night. Mr. Leavett of Byron Center being the installing officer, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Bigler, who with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bloomer, were present from Whitneyville Grange.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Silcox spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Valda Chaterdon of Lowell.

Shiftlessness expresses itself in a thousand different ways.

Sales Manager: Were you able to entertain yourself while waiting for me here in the office, darling?

His Wife: Yes, dear, I amused myself with those colored pins in that map on the wall. I changed them all around and made them look a lot prettier.

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ADA DEPARTMENT

(By Mrs. Hattie R. Fitch)

Ada Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Anderson and sons, Kenneth and Bobbie, were dinner guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Merle Cramton.

Mr. and Mrs. Orvies Kellogg and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Thomas of Mc Cords motored to Grand Rapids on Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kinyon.

Mrs. Lettie Kellogg, who has been with her daughter, Mrs. Gene Doran, of Grand Rapids since Christmas, returned home this week.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sillaway, Sr. were Mr. and Mrs. Stanley DeGurse and baby daughter and Miss Eula DeGurse of Ovid.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Martin entertained the officers of Kent County Association O. E. S. at a meeting held at their home on Saturday evening.

Mrs. Ethel Kuipers, who was so painfully burned in an accident at the Bissell home last week, is reported to be recovering nicely.

New Year's guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Afton were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blockall and Eleanor of Grand Rapids.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fase were Mr. and Mrs. Ben Speerstra and family of Lowell.

Mrs. Fanetta VanderPeerle is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. Henry Fase.

O. C. Kellogg and Mrs. Lettie Kellogg called on Mrs. Hazel Boynton on Sunday afternoon.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Furner were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Keeler and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Keeler of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Furner entertained the Ada 500 Club at a meeting held at their home on Thursday. Honors of the game went to Mrs. Robert Courtright and Robert Morris and consolations to Mrs. Alfred Nordberg and Alfred Faulkner. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morris will entertain the club at its next meeting.

Mrs. Ida Morris will entertain the Ada Ladies Literary Club at the first meeting of the new year at her home on Thursday afternoon. The topic for study is a book review to be given by Mrs. Daisy Ward.

Two hundred and four couples attended the Dawn Dance held at the Ada Rink on New Year's eve, and Mrs. Loveless and the boys wish to thank everyone for their last year's patronage.

The Ada Arbour of Gleaners held a meeting on Thursday at the home of Mrs. Katie Burt.

Mrs. Margaret McPherson was an overnight guest on Wednesday of her sister, Mrs. Quiggle, of Cascade.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fitch and daughter Charlotte called on Mrs. Charlotte Harris of Grand Rapids on New Year's day.

Guests of Mrs. Margaret McPherson Saturday evening were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Quiggle and Mrs. Charles Nellist.

Harris Creek

By Mrs. Basil R. Vreeland

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Sanborn and Mr. and Mrs. Basil Vreeland attended a show in Grand Rapids on New Years eve.

Mr. Flannery is very bad at this writing.

Miss Margaret Batey is entertaining the mumps at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Vreeland and son Harold and Mrs. Margaret Silcox were supper guests at the Glenn Sanborn home New Years night.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Thomas and sons of Hastings spent the week end with their father. Peter Thomas.

Lyle Sanborn spent Monday night and Tuesday with Harold Vreeland.

Mrs. Burns Anderson of Freeport spent Sunday at the Wm. Anderson home and her daughter Alice returned home with her.

Davis Lake

By Mrs. Wm. Schrader

Mr. and Mrs. John Barnes and son of Grand Rapids were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Stewart.

Miss Evelyn Pitsch called on Mrs. U. S. Hunter and daughter and Mrs. Wm. Schrader Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Ed. Lind spent Thursday in Caledonia.

A number from this vicinity attended the milk meeting in Grand Rapids Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schrader and Tom Forward spent Wednesday evening with Allen Lasby and family of Mc Cords.

Evelyn Pitsch returned to her school in Grand Rapids Monday after spending the past two weeks with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Schrader and Tom Forward made a trip to Grand Rapids Saturday.

Visitors at the Wm. Schrader home the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rowland and grandson, Eddie Rowland of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Daniels and family of Carlton Center, Mr. and Mrs. Donovan Bates and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. Ward Stewart and son.

Raymond Bannon and Robert Cole called on Roger Pitsch Sunday evening.

Mrs. Nick Pitsch and daughter Evelyn called on Beatrice Kelsey several days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Dygert were Monday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Hunter and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Arch Ross called on Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Stauffer Sunday afternoon.

Albert Stauffer of Lake Odessa is visiting his brother, Ed. Stauffer.

Mrs. Nick Pitsch called on Mrs. Cobb Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Curley and daughter of Grand Rapids, Miss Ann Howard of Lowell and Ray Borgerson of Jackson were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Kate Curley.

Compete with your possibilities; not with your neighbors.

Five great enemies of peace inhabit with us—avarice, ambition, envy, anger and pride; if these were to be banished we should infallibily enjoy perpetual peace.

Cascade

By Mrs. Clarence Mulder

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mulder and sons John and Bill had New Year's dinner and spent the rest of the afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Mulder. Later in the evening Mr. and Mrs. C. Mulder attended the Isis Theater with Mr. and Mrs. C. VanderMaas and son Frank.

The children of the higher grade school spent Monday in a vacation because their teacher, Miss Ryan was recovering from a tonsil operation.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. McDonald and sons Ted and Kenneth attended the show "Home on the Range" Sunday evening.

Al. Doezema is spending the week with Clyde Watterson of Grand Rapids on one of his trips through part of Michigan.

Don't forget the PTA meeting Friday night Jan. 11. A big night is planned. Prof. Koepnick of Ottawa Hills High School is giving a talk on "A New Deal for Education". Music, entertainment and lunch will follow the address.

Lloyd Stevens, Pearl and Ruby Beak with friends from Newago attended the theater in Grand Rapids Sunday evening.

Lee Auble was escorted to Kalamazoo to continue his studies there by Ronald Auble, Andrew Stevenson, jr., and Sam Peterson of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Osmer, Mr. and Mrs. W. Beak, Mr. and Mrs. S. Stevens, Lloyd Stevens, and Nelson Koetzier were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. Doezema Saturday evening with a card party.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Beak and family spent New Year's with the Walter Beak family and later Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. A. Doezema and Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stevens and daughter, Jean Elaine called at the Beak home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. T. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. A. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. B. Cahill joined twenty friends to enjoy a hilarious evening at the Civic Auditorium at the Malta dance New Year's Eve.

Mrs. P. VanderMaas and children, Betty, Eleanor and Jimmie visited Mrs. C. Vander Maas and Mrs. C. Mulder Saturday evening.

Many of us are looking forward with expectancy to the great ten-round bout between two of our rising young light-weight boxers. Right now the main draw-back is a fit location for the ring.

Fallasburg & Vicinity

By Mrs. Wesley Miller

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Sneathen and nephew Frank Kohn and Mrs. Edinger and children Evelyn and Pete were Sunday visitors at the home of Emiel Stauffer.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Miller and Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Boynton of Grand Rapids visited at the home of Wesley Miller on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Garfield entertained Voyht Gundel of Blanchard last Wednesday.

Miss Burns returned from her vacation on Saturday. School opened on Monday. The three beginners, Mary Venema, Billy Vaughan and Dale Miller will stay at home during the cold months.

Ferris Miller was in Grand Rapids on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Zwiers and baby of Kalamazoo visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Stauffer from Friday till Sunday evening and called at the homes of John Dennis and Ed. Bradley.

North Bowne

By Mrs. Abbie Lee

Mrs. Hannah Johnson, son Erin, and grandson, Edward Anderson, were among those present at the family gathering held at the home of Edward's people, Otto Anderson and family, of Hastings New Year's.

Mrs. Rufus Lee spent a few days last week at the home of L. A. Bieri and family in Lowell. Mrs. Bieri and little Yvonne were quite sick with the flu and sinus trouble.

Rev. and Mrs. Hoff of Elmdale were Tuesday evening visitors at the Rufus Lee home.

Miss Frances Lee returned to Lowell Sunday to take up her school duties at the Freshman college after her vacation spent at home.

Merle, Inez, Vivian and Yvonne Bieri of Lowell spent a few days of their vacation with their grandparents, R. Lee and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Shaffer were among those who attended services at the Nazarene church in Lowell Sunday evening and heard Rev. Raymond Smith of Portland who is conducting a two weeks' revival there.

The waste involved in postponing thinking until the last moment is colossal.

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Morse Lake

By Mrs. Frank Houghton

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Hilton and daughter of Kent City are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Lambson.

Reka and Marion Metternick and Nick Yonkers of Hudsonville spent Sunday at M. Metternick's.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Morrison spent several days last week with their sons in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. George Houghton and children were Sunday dinner guests at F. Houghton's.

Lewis Houghton of East Lansing spent New Years with his parents.

Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Lustig and daughters and Mrs. D. I. Priest and daughter of Grand Rapids were Sunday dinner guests at Charles Smith's.

Miss Berenice Yeiter spent Monday at the Charles Colby home in Alto.

Mrs. Jennie Yeiter and son Donald were Sunday dinner guests at M. A. Watson's. In the afternoon they all called on Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Dygert of Clarksville.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Yeiter and Donna Jordan were Sunday guests at Charles Sterzick's.

About twenty attended the Young Peoples Sunday School Class Party at the home of Donald Yeiter, Friday night.

Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Lustig of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith called on Mrs. Rosella Yeiter Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Yeiter is going to Washington D. C. to stay with her sister, Maud.

Surely times must be getting better as we understand men are around buying cats at twenty-five cents apiece.

Harold Juhlin of Des Moines spent his holiday vacation with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Freyermuth. Other guests and callers were Miss Ida Horn of Olivet, Dr. Schaffer, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Land of Grand Rapids and Clay Shoemaker of Grand Marais.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Klahn and son Clarence spent Sunday in Charlotte with Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Flower.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Yeiter and Glen Yeiter from Morse Lake are part of the cast in the play "Antics of Andrew", to be given at the Alto Grange Hall this week Friday and Saturday night. Several others from Alto complete the cast.

John Mesler and James Rice spent several days in Grand Rapids during the holidays.

LaBarge Ripples

Mrs. Vern Loring

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Dawson and children called on Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Harper and baby and Mr. and Mrs. Manley Eldridge and family of Middleville a week ago Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Wood and family of Freeport spent Sunday with their grandfather, H. Linsley and Florence Harper.

Miss Dorothy Kaechele spent the week end with her parents at Carlisle.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Loring and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Higley and daughter of Conklin, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Luneke and son were New Years guests of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Higley and children of Caledonia. Miss June Higley remained for the rest of the week with her brother and sister-in-law.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd McWhinney and son Gordon took New Year's dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Rathburn.

Ed. Colburn remains about the same.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Fincher and children of Grand Rapids, Mrs. William Fincher of Pentwater enjoyed a pancake breakfast with Mr. and Mrs. Colin Campbell Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kaechele of Carlisle called at the Oro Dawson home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernie Frisbie and son, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Frisbie and Mrs. Emma VanSteel from Grand Rapids were New Years guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Frisbie and family.

Lee Rathbun is working for Louis Luneke.

Mr. and Mrs. C. LaMaire and children were New Years guests of his parents in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Colin Campbell took dinner with Mrs. M. E. Campbell of Grand Rapids the past Sunday. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Henry Witz and Mrs. Rena Witz who is in very poor health.

Whitneyville

By Mrs. Carl Graham

Mr. and Mrs. Byron Patterson were in Grand Rapids Jan. 3 in honor of Mr. Patterson's mother Mrs. W. A. Patterson's 86 birthday at a dinner given at the home of her niece, Mrs. English on Ransom St.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Bigler have moved from the Bazuin house into one on VanDerjagt's Corners.

Rev. and Mrs. Ballard entertained the Sunday School party Friday evening.

Mrs. Ren Postma entertained the Ladies Aid Society Thursday for dinner.

The Junior Class of the Whitneyville M. E. Sunday School enjoyed a sliding party at the home of their teacher, Forrest Graham, Saturday afternoon.

Whitneyville School opened Monday after a two weeks vacation. There are a few cases of whooping cough in this community.

Mrs. Vern Aldrich returned home Tuesday of last week. She is able to be around some.

Merle Aldrich, who is at CCC Camp near Petoskey was home from Saturday evening until Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Rothrick and family and Rev. and Mrs. Ballard and family were New Year's supper and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Andy Zoet.

The Misses Eileen Ballard and Nancy Hanshaw spent their vacation with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Graham spent New Years day with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller of East Caledonia.

The Misses Louise and Nancy Hanshaw were New Years dinner guests of Miss Thelma Graham at the Earl Douglas home in Alaska.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewie Douglas and family motored to Sand Lake Sunday to visit Mrs. Douglas' brother, Joe Densmore and family.

Elmdale

By Mrs. Ira Sargeant

Sunday guests of Rev. Schrock and family were Will Hoffman and wife, Roy Seece and family and Mrs. Susie Miller and daughter Eloise.

Mr. and Mrs. Addison Erb and Mrs. Mary Clemons enjoyed Sunday dinner with Carlos Seece and family. This is the first time Mrs. Erb has been away from home since she returned from the hospital.

Jesse Kime and children are moving back to Detroit, after having lived in the local vicinities the past three years.

Carlos Seece made a business trip to Grand Rapids Friday.

Mrs. Nelson Thomas was taken seriously ill Sunday morning with an attack of appendicitis. Owing to her weak heart the doctor advised not to operate unless absolutely necessary. At last reports she was resting comfortably.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Lott attended the funeral rites for Daniel Nash at Bowne Center Sunday afternoon. His remains were brought back from Illinois and burial was made in the family lot in the Bowne Center cemetery.

Miss Fannie Kauffman of Indiana is attending the housework for Mrs. Nelson Thomas.

Anita and Bobbie Thomas have gone to reside with their father in Grand Rapids.

Aretha and Naida Miller were Sunday guests of Gladah Sargeant.

Congratulations are now in order for Orva Stahl and bride, nee Irene Reusser of Lowell, who sometime ago slipped away to Elkhart, Ind., and were married. They are now getting nicely settled in the Sargeant house in Elmdale. Ye scribe extends hearty congratulations and welcomes them to this locality.

Erwin H. Thompson Dies Sunday

Funeral services for Erwin H. Thompson, 69, lifelong resident of Elmdale, who died Sunday evening following a long illness, were held Wednesday morning at the Old Mennonite church.

Mr. Thompson at one time was the largest landowner in Campbell township and each year produced thousands of pounds of maple sugar, which he marketed in Grand Rapids. His sons took over the business four years ago.

Surviving besides the two sons, Lester and Floyd, is a daughter, Mrs. Daniel Stahley, of Elkhart, Ind.

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Baking Powder lb. can 14c Wabash Brand
Northern 3 rolls 17c TISSUE - Sterilized
Tobaccos 3 for 25c All regular 10c varieties
MICHIGAN BEET SUGAR 10 lbs. bulk 49c
Fresh Cookies lb. 12c Assorted varieties
Jewel Coffee lb. 21c Country Club Coffee lb. 29c
KARO 5 lb. pail 29c Blue Label Syrup
Harvest Time 5-lb. sack 27c Rowena or Famo Pancake Flour
Pancake Flour 5-lb. sack 25c Country Club or Henkel's
SPAGHETTI OR MACARONI 3 lbs. bulk 25c Made from guaranteed U. S. No. 1 Semolina
Chocolate Drops lb. 10c Rich, creamy
Block Salt 50-lb. block 39c Coarse Salt, 100-lb. bag 89c
PINEAPPLE large No. 2½ can 19c SLICED — Fancy Country Club
LABORATORY TESTED FEEDS
SCRATCH FEED 100-lb. bag $2.13
LAYING MASH 100-lb. bag $2.29
Dairy Feed 100-lb. bag $1.79 16% Protein
Dairy Feed 100-lb. bag $1.89 20% Protein
G. E. MAZDA LAMPS each 20c 20-40-50-60 watt — TYPE D LAMPS 60 watt each 10c
Grapefruit Florida — 70-80 size 5 for 17c
Bananas FIRM — RIPE lb. 5c
ARMOUR'S SMOKED HAMS MELROSE SHANK HALF lb. 17c
BUTT HALF lb. 22c CENTERS lb. 32c
Bacon Squares lb. 19c Parchment wrapped
Ground Beef lb. 10c Lean and Fresh
Whole Haddock lb. 12c Small
CHOICE CENTER CUTS CHUCK ROAST lb. 12c
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Mrs. Paul Dean

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FOR SALE—Dry oak and hickory body wood, $2.75 per cord, delivered. Phone 59-F2. p33-34

WANTED—To buy breeding ewes. Robt. G. Palmer, Belding, Mich. p33-3t

FARMERS—Exchange your wheat at Smyrna and get 40 lbs. of flour per bushel. Smyrna Milling Co. p33-34

FOR RENT—Well heated rooms, with bath. Mrs. Lyle Webster, 117 N. Jefferson, Lowell, Mich. c34

FOR SALE—Hay, straw, bean fodder, baled or loose, delivered or at barn. Phone 20-F4, Alto, Mich. Amos Sterzick. p34-4t

WANTED—Meat rabbits, 6 lbs. and up, any color. Also pedigreed New Zeeland Reds for sale. George Francisco, Lowell, R. R. 1. p34

FOR SALE—McCormick Six-Roll corn husker, drag saw. J. C. Tillyer, Ada, Mich., R. 1. p34

FOR SALE—12 breeding ewes, 1 buck (Shropshire), 40 White Leghorn hens, Ford four door Town Sedan, Model A, 1929. Will take Jersey cow in trade. Peter Tilkens, Alto, R. R. 1. Phone Alto 29-F4. p34

FOR SALE—Good horse, 1600 lbs., sound. Also DeLaval cream separator, No. 15, A-1 condition.—Ernest Roth, R. 1, Clarksville. c 34

FOR SALE—1932 Plymouth Coupe, 1933 Ford V8 Coach, 1932 Plymouth Coach, 1928 Buick 6 Sedan, also good used 1½ ton truck. Gould's Garage, Dodge and Plymouth Sales. Phone 269. c34

FOR SALE—Large size Parlor Circulator stove as good as new. Elmer L. Buck, 906 N. Washington St. p34

FOR SALE—144 acre stock or dairy farm, 20 acres muck, 15 acres timber, good buildings, fruit. Cement road. Terms.—Mrs. Edith Boulard, Alto, Mich. p34

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TRADE—80 acres good hardwood land, some timber, nearly new building, for larger place.—Louis Graff, LeRoy, Mich., R. R. 2. p34-4t

So. Lowell Busy Corners

By Mrs. Howard Bartlett

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Freyermuth and Janette and Jean were Sunday afternoon callers at Emerson Weiland's.

Howard Bartlett's and Emerson Weiland's have telephones installed.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Yeiter of Freeport were dinner guests of her sister, Mrs. Geo. Weiland on Sunday. Other afternoon guests were her parents, John Clark's and brother Ernest Clark and wife and son Rodney.

Howard Bartlett's were in Lansing Sunday.

Mrs. Hannah Bartlett and Edna Allen, Miss Bushnell and Miss Little visited at C. G. Weiland's Sunday afternoon.

So. Keene-No. Boston

By Mrs. Ed. Potter

Jolly Community Club meets next week Wednesday, Jan. 16, with Nora Baird for dinner. Everyone cordially invited.

Charles Vandenhout is in Detroit.

School began in Cutler district this Monday, Jan. 7.

Eddie Potter was in Pewamo and Grand Rapids Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Raimer spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Carnahan and Mrs. Nick Kingma and Freddie Workman were Sunday afternoon guests.

Andrew Hoover spent Saturday night in Grand Rapids and returned to his work in Lansing Sunday afternoon.

There were 31 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Potter Saturday evening. Dancing and a midnight potluck supper were enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Sowers had as supper guests recently, Libbie Carr and Fred Roasch and evening guests were Mr. and Mrs. Joe Multikitis and family.

Mary Anna Potter returned to her school work at Saranac after her vacation with her parents.

Lowell Dist. No. 5

(Mrs. J. P. Needham)

Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Needham and children called on the latter's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Doan, in Grand Rapids on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Nelson attended the funeral of the latter's sister in Grand Rapids Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Marian Evans entertained her aunt, Mrs. Heath and son of Grand Rapids one day during the past week.

Mrs. Isabelle Needham entertained her mother, Mrs. W. H. Graham, of Campau Lake and her brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Graham, one day recently to dinner.

Don Miller shipped a number of hogs on Monday.

Alton - Vergennes

By Mrs. Clyde Condon

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Ford returned to their home at Biteley Sunday after visiting relatives here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Houserman, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Devine were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clark. The men were hunting rabbits for the Maccabee supper next Saturday night at Smyrna.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Blazo moved from Detroit to Lowell Friday where Mr. Blazo will work for the Pere Marquette at Elmdale.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blaser, Mrs. Katie Althaus, Mrs. Elise Bieri and G. Friedli attended the funeral services in Allegan of Mrs. Link.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Shutz and son and Mr. and Mrs. Gus Schroeder of Belding visited Mr. and Mrs. George Kellogg Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Church and Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Ford visited Mr. and Mrs. Harrington at Cannonsburg and Mr. and Mrs. Will Converse in Keene last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blaser and Miss Louise were in Grand Rapids Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wingeier were entertained Sunday in Lowell by Mr. and Mrs. Jud Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blaser, Katie and Jean Blaser called at the John Blaser and George Fingleton homes at Hastings a week ago Sunday.

Friends of the Rev. Claus family are glad they escaped with slight cuts and bruises when their car was wrecked at Niles, Michigan recently. Mrs. Claus is able to be back at school this week. Albert Blaser is loaning her a car to use until theirs can be repaired and brought home.

Seven hundred and fifty bushels of apples were loaded out of Gordon Frost's cold storage at Moseley one day last week when truckers came from Dayton, Ohio; Indianapolis, and Peoria, Illinois. Frost's storage has a capacity of ten thousand bushels.

David Condon is spending this week in Keene with his grandparents.

Asel and Pete Kellogg and Gus Schroeder spent Sunday evening with Fred Blaser.

Mrs. Miche and son Marcel called on Mr. and Mrs. Bry Condon Sunday.

Mrs. Priscilla Richmond has not been very well lately.

Fred Blaser spent Saturday evening in Lowell with Lew Wingeier, trying to win a game of euchre from a couple of lady experts.

Alton Community will decide Sunday evening whether or not Sunday School will be organized at this time. Please be in attendance at 7:30 next Sunday evening and lend your assistance as there are many children in Alton and Moseley districts that are interested in coming to Sunday school.

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Lowell Market Report

Corrected Jan. 10, 1935

Wheat, bu.	$ .94
Rye, bu.	.67
Buckwheat, cwt.	1.20
Barley, bu.	.70
Flour, per bbl.	7.65
Oats, bu.	.48
Corn, bu.	.80
Corn and Oats Feed, cwt.	2.20
Corn Meal, Cwt.	2.20
Cracked Corn, cwt.	2.20
Shelled Corn, bu.	1.13
Bran, per cwt.	1.75
Middlings, per cwt.	1.75
Pea Beans, cwt.	2.55
Light Red Beans, cwt.	4.25
Dark Red Beans, cwt.	5.50
Cranberry Beans, cwt.	4.25
Potatoes, cwt.	.40
Wool, lb.	.18
Eggs, per doz.	.24
Butterfat, lb.	.32
Butter, lb.	.31½
Hogs, dressed, cwt.	10.00
Hogs, live, cwt.	7.75
Calves, dressed, cwt.	12.00
Beef, live, lb.	.04-.10
Beef, dressed, lb.	.06-.11
Fowls, lb.	.12-.14

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Mrs. H. H. Aldrich Describes 7,000 Mile Auto Trip From Bowne Township To Oregon

Grant's Pass, Ore., Dec. 27, '34
To our many friends in Michigan:

Instead of writing letters to each of you, will write one to all.

Since leaving Michigan Nov. 8, we have seen a lot of the old U. S. A.—some parts nicer and some not as nice as Michigan.

We visited friends and relatives in Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico and California, besides driving thru several other states, and now we are in Oregon.

For general beauty Michigan is as pretty as any of them, at least six months of the year. But for all-around beauty and comfort in living I think California has them all beat. The roses in full bloom and oranges and lemons on the trees and everything green makes quite a picture, especially this time of the year. You can see the snow capped mountains in the distance which adds to the scenic beauty.

We spent several days with my sister Dorothy in Oklahoma City, also cousin, "Bill Hunter." We also visited relatives in Enid, Okla. Bud took a rifle out one morning and came in after an hour and a half with eight rabbits and two squirrels. He decided to do his hunting in Oklahoma hereafter. We went from there to San Antonio, Tex., and spent four days with Warren Aldrich's. It is a beautiful city. They have one of the prettiest parks and zoos in the country—well worth seeing.

From there we drove to Carlsbad, N. Mex., and went through the great Carlsbad Caverns. One would have to see it himself to appreciate it; mere words could never explain the wonders.

We left there after reaching the surface by elevator at 3:30 p. m. and drove to El Paso, Tex., that night, stayed in a tourist camp and drove to Salome, Ariz. the next day. We camped again and made El Monte, Colo., the day after Thanksgiving. (We ate our Thanksgiving dinner in Phoenix, Ariz). We spent two weeks and a half with a step-brother in California, took several sight-seeing trips and drove up Mt. Wilson to the big observatories, nearly seven thousand feet straight up. It made our ears ring something awful. The road wound around the side of the mountain and was just wide enough for a car. You could look down just as far as you cared to. I usually looked the other way myself. I wasn't sure but what they would have to give me chloroform to get me back down. But we all lived thru it.

The next day we visited Gay's Lion farm—two hundred and twenty-five lions of all ages. It is only two blocks from my brother's home. We woke up every morning to hear them roaring. I felt better after seeing that they were well caged.

One day we drove all through Hollywood and Beverly Hills and saw the beautiful homes of the movie stars.

Sunday we visited W. W. Kellogg's Arabian horse ranch. They put on a free show every Sunday afternoon. They train the horses for circus acts and sell them. It is quite a sight to see them go through their stunts.

Our most enjoyable trip was a drive to Long Beach and up the coast line through San Pedro, Wilmington, Oceanview, Manhattan Beach, Venice and Santa Monica and back to Los Angeles through Culver City, where several of the large movie studios are located. It was quite a clear day and we could see Catalina Island, twenty-two miles out—it didn't look over two miles.

We left Los Angeles Dec. 18th, drove up to Stockton the first night and stayed over with an aunt. We drove from there to Middletown and spent two days at a quicksilver mining camp with my youngest brother and his wife. We left there after supper Thursday night, bringing them with us, and drove the four hundred miles to my mother's here in Oregon, pulling in here at six o'clock in the morning. It was a beautiful moonlight night and no traffic to bother us. We averaged fifty miles an hour, mountains most of the way. Mt. Shasta was beautiful. We could see it for miles before and after reaching it. It alone was white with snow; the surrounding mountains were green.

It seemed pretty nice to spend Christmas at home again after twelve years. The little brothers and sisters I left behind are all grown up and married but one. She is in high school.

I had six Ledgers to read when I got here and was sorry to read of so many deaths and so many being ill. Mother says there haven't been as many deaths here in the five years they have been here as I read of in those six papers. (Not so good for Michigan).

Bud ran into a patch of poison oak at the mining camp, so he isn't enjoying himself a whole lot at present. He hasn't been able to see out of one eye at all and is covered from his heels to his head with it. He even has it in his mouth from chewing on the twigs, not knowing what it was.

I plan on visiting here through January and then meeting Howard in Southern California around the first of February and begin looking for a place to settle down. One can't bum for ever; although it hasn't been hard to take so far.

We started out with a new car and now have seven thousand miles on it—averaged twenty miles to the gallon of gas and had no trouble whatever. We had two flat tires but that was not the car's fault (picked up nails).

Well, I guess you have heard enough out of me, so will call this good.

I often think of all of you back there and of all the kindnesses shown me through illnesses and times when we needed help, and hope that you continue to do for the next occupant of the old farm as well as you did for us. Would be glad to hear from any of you at any time.

Our address will be for the next month: Mrs. H. H. Aldrich, R. 3, Care of E. J. Baker, Grants Pass, Ore.

Fern Aldrich and Bud.

East Caledonia

By Mrs. S. Van Namee

Mrs. Frank Presly and daughter Esther and husband of Grand Rapids spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Crans.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Miller and Mrs. Cora Miller and Virginia were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Snyder and family at Caledonia.

Mr. and Mrs. S. VanNamee were New Year's guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Huizinga.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Davis of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Glen Sanborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Crans and sons spent Sunday afternoon in Ada visiting friends.

The Home Economics Club will meet Jan. 17 with Mrs. Mary Stauffer.

Mrs. George Miller and children of Leighton spent Saturday with her aunt, Mrs. Cora Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Irwin Merriman of Alto visited Mr. and Mrs. Howard Miller Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Welton and Patricia and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Welton and Shirley Ann were Sunday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Sheehan and family.

Ionia visited at the Wilbur Tyler home Sunday evening.

Emanuel Stahl, wife and son Vern visited Joe Berkey and wife of Lowell Sunday.

Alton Rodgers of Battle Creek is working for S. S. Weaver.

Born, to Ovid Miller and wife, Dec. 31, a son, David Charles. Mrs. Herman Miller and daughter Maxine having been caring for baby and mother.

Mrs. Louise Mishler of North Bowne was the guest of Mrs. Lena Mishler last Thursday while her daughter Alma and grandaughter, Velma Milshler, attended the Aid at the home of Mrs. S. S. Weaver.

Mrs. Daniel Stahley, nee Minerva Thompson, of Indiana came Sunday evening and arrived at her father's bedside just before he passed away.

Wilbur Pardee, wife and Marion with Mrs. Jennie Pardee attended the funeral of their uncle, Dan Nash, at Bowne Center Sunday afternoon. Uncle Dan had many friends in this vicinity who are sorry to hear of his passing. We will miss him at our Logan school reunions. He was one of the two oldest former pupils of this district, having attended school here over eighty years ago. Mrs. Elizabeth Coons of Lowell is now the remaining one, having also been a former pupil here eighty years ago. We extend our sincere sympathy to the family of Uncle Dan as he will be missed as a grand old man who had the respect of all who knew him.

Logan

By Clara Vandewerker

Ervin H. Thompson passed away at his home in Campbell on Sunday evening after a several weeks' illness, aged 66 years. He has been a life-long resident of this vicinity and is survived by his wife, formerly Lydia Weaver, one daughter, Mrs. Minerva Stahley of Indiana, two sons, Lester and Floyd, of Campbell; five grandchildren and other relatives. The funeral was held from the home and from the Mennonite church Wednesday at 11:30, Rev. C. L. Wilkins of Freeport officiating, assisted by Rev. Tobias Schrock of Zion Hill. Burial was in the Mennonite cemetery.

George Leece and wife were at the home of Mrs. E. H. Thompson Monday and part of Tuesday.

Mrs. S. S. Weaver was the guest of Mrs. John Reamer of Freeport Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Raymond Seese and daughter Vada visited the former's mother, Mrs. E. Krebs, of North Bowne last Friday.

Mildred Trowbridge is employed in the home of Mrs. Dale Curtiss of Alto.

William Forbey, who has been at the home of Jerry Blough for several months, returned to his home in Freeport Sunday evening.

George Leece and wife were the guests of their son Jay and family of Elmdale Sunday.

S. S. Weaver and wife were at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. E. H. Thompson, Sunday afternoon and night.

Lillian Bleam entertained the Busy Bee Sewing Club with their teacher, Miss Miller, at her home Saturday afternoon.

Lester Ackerson and family with William Ackerson, Elmer and Herbert Ketcham of near

Use The Ledger want column if you have anything for sale, for rent, lost or found.

Governments, like clocks, go from the motion men give them, and as governments are made and moved by men, so by them they are ruined also. Therefore governments depend upon men rather than men upon governments.—William Penn.

HORSE SALE
Saturday January 12
AT 1 P. M. Sharp
Randall's Barn
CEDAR SPRINGS

Carload Good Young Horses.

Sale will be held under cover in case of bad weather.

R. L. McIntyre, Auctioneer
W. J. Lessiter, Clerk

Moseley-Murray Lake

By Mrs. W. Engle

John Cook and Henrietta Swaggerman of Grand Rapids were New Years guests at the Ted Elhart home.

Mrs. Lewis Fritz and children spent Thursday at Ted Elhart's.

Mrs. Frank Batchelor and daughters of Lake Odessa spent Saturday with her mother, Mrs. Gertrude Weeks at the Leon Weeks home.

Sunday visitors at the Leon Weeks home were Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Weeks of Sunfield, Harold Weeks, "Buster" Byrnes, Joe Finn and Frank Malone.

About fifty attended the Community Club last Friday evening. Plans are being made for a farm institute some time in February. Names drawn for work in Feb. were Leone Kiste, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blaser and Carl Kropf. Tom Read was unable to attend and give his talk on England, on account of a bad cold. Mrs. Barnes gave a humerous reading in Irish and German dialects which was greeted with roars of laughter from the crowd.

Mrs. Ralph Kiste entertained a number of friends and neighbors Saturday evening in honor of her husband's birthday.

Miss Emma Kropf spent Wednesday night with her sister, Mrs. Hilton Briggs in Grand Rapids.

K. K. Vining met with the 4H boys Saturday morning at Dell Ford's bringing material for their work. Officers are President, Vern Wingeier; Vice President, Junior Kiste; Secretary, Orren Ford; Treasurer, Howard Kropf.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ford spent Wednesday evening at the Dorus Church home.

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk Ford of Biteley spent Thursday night and Friday at the Clare Ford home.

Morris Blazo of Lowell spent Sunday at the Will Engle home.

Mr. and Mrs. Dell Ford spent Sunday afternoon with Dell Kropf and family of Lowell, and attended the show in the evening.

New Years guests at the Chris Kropf home were James Phelps of Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Kropf of East Grattan.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Engle spent Monday with Guy Purdy and wife of Smyrna.

Mrs. Dell Ford and daughter, Donna Jean spent Thursday afternoon at the Linn Mason home.

J. B. Cummings of Morrison Lake but formerly of Moseley is at the hospital at Ann Arbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Karl Kropf and Mrs. Chris Kropf spent Saturday and Sunday in Lansing.

Dell Ford is putting in a new ceiling in the basement of the Alton church.

Chris Kropf spent Tuesday with his brother Fred of Lowell.

Sins of the parents are visited upon their children unto the third and fourth generation. And so are their bond issues.—Exchange.

WEAK AND SKINNY MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN

Saved by new Vitamins of Cod Liver Oil in tasteless tablets.

Pounds of firm healthy flesh instead of bare scraggy bones! New vigor, vim and energy instead of tired listlessness! Steady, quiet nerves! That is what thousands of people are getting through scientists' latest discovery—the Vitamins of Cod Liver Oil concentrated in little sugar coated tablets without any of its horrid, fishy taste or smell.

McCoy's Cod Liver Oil Tablets, they're called ("Cod Liver Oil in Tablets"), and they simply work wonders. A little boy of 3, seriously sick, got well and gained 10½ lbs. in just one month. A girl of thirteen after the same disease, gained 3 lbs. the first week and 2 lbs. each week after. A young mother who could not eat or sleep after baby came got all her health back and gained 10 lbs. in less than a month.

You simply must try McCoy's at once. Remember if you don't gain at least 5 lbs. of firm healthy flesh in a month get your money back. Demand and get McCoy's—the original and genuine Cod Liver Oil Tablets—approved by Good Housekeeping Institute. Refuse all substitutes—insist on the original McCoy's—there are none better.

Tax Commissioner Fox asserts that half the automobiles in the state are not listed for taxing purposes. Just the same, Brer Fox, they're on the eating up end of the gasoline business.—Western Democrat, Weston, W. Va.

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FANCY DOLE PINEHEART PINEAPPLE
No. 2 Can Sliced 18c
No. 2 Can Crushed 16c
PEAS Radio Brand Sweet - Tender Medium size can 10c
Hominy 3 No. 2½ Cans 25c
Everit Brand Pumpkin 3 No. 2½ Cans 25c
Campbell's TOMATO JUICE 2 Cans 15c
Lawrence-Michigan ASPARAGUS Cut Green Tips Medium Size Can 15c
Dates Fresh Unpitted Lb. 9c
Prunes Fancy 40-50 Size Lb. 10c
GOOD QUALITY GRAHAM FLOUR 5-lb. Sack 17c
"WHOLESOME" SELF RISING PANCAKE FLOUR 5-lb. Sack 19c
"BEST YET" FLOUR Finest Hard Kansas Wheat 24½ Lbs. 95c
BULK P'NUT BUTTER lb. 14c
SEEDLESS RAISINS Bulk 2 lbs. 15c
FELS NAPTHA SOAP 10 Bars 47c
SANI FLUSH 10-oz. Can 9c
CAMPBELL'S TOMATO SOUP C. THOMAS STORES' LOW PRICE 3 Cans 20c
GOLDEN BROWN SUGAR 10 Lbs. 47c
SODA CRACKERS Fresh from the ovens Sealed 2-lb. Pkg. 17c
Wheaties 2 Pkgs. 25c The Breakfast Food of Champions
Post Toasties 3 Small Pkgs. 20c
Rolled Oats 5-lb. Pkg. 29c
Cocoa Delicious Ambrosia 2-lb. Pkg. 21c
CHINESE MAID Bean Sprouts 9c No. 2 Can (3 for 25c)
CHOP SUEY Sauce 2½ oz. Bottle 10c
Chili Sauce 12-oz. Glen Crest 17c
Miracle Whip Pint 25c
SURESET Gelatin Dessert 4 for 17c
OXYDOL Large Pkg. 22c
IVORY FLAKES Large Box 24c
CAMAY SOAP Bar 5c
Calumet Baking Powder 1-lb. Can 22c
SWANSDOWN Cake Flour For Fine Cake Baking Package 28c

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When Worlds Collide

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THE NARRATIVE

CHAPTER I.—David Randell, approaching New York on the liner Atlantic, receives a concession of rights, offering him $1,000,000 or $2,000, for an exclusive newspaper interview divulging the site upon that brings him from South Africa. Randell, noted aviator, has been secretly commissioned at Capetown by Lord Rhondin and Professor Bronson, the astronomer, to fly across the Mediterranean to the last liner, with a large travelling case containing photographic plates. His instructions are to deliver them to Professor Bronson in New York. Cora Drake, stenographer at the Hendron apartment, Randell arrives and Eve Hendron, with whom Tony is deeply in love, introduces Tony to Randell.

CHAPTER II.—New York newspapers publish a statement made by Hendron and concurred in by all of the world's greatest scientists. The prepared statement says that Professor Bronson has discovered two planets, which have been broken away from their mother star or nebula and, following the laws of nature, they came to a region of the heavens which brought them at last under the attraction of the sun. The statement ends: "Their present course, consequently, has been modified by the sun, and as a result, they are now approachable us." The result of the inevitable collision must be the end of the earth. The approaching bodies are referred to as Bronson Alpha and Bronson Beta, the latter being the smaller—about the size of the earth, and revolving about Bronson Alpha as the moon does about the earth.

CHAPTER III.—"It's going to be doomsday, isn't it?" Tony Drake asks Eve. "No, Tony—more like doomsday. Dawn after doomsday," she tells him. She explains that the first time the Bronson Bodies approach the earth they will not hit it, but the second time, one, Bronson Beta, will pass, and the other will hit the earth and, according to Dr. Hendron's means of transporting to Bronson Beta a party of men to the earth, is what is occupying the minds of the members of the League of the Last Days.

CHAPTER IV.—Hendron tells Tony he is to be a member of the selected crew of the projected Space Ship which Hendron plans to build, with the idea of landing on Bronson Beta, and the reason Hendron gives him to gain a knowledge of agriculture and proficiency in manual arts and elementary mechanics. Tony rounds up suitable men and women to build the ship at a cantonment in Hendron's laboratory in northern Michigan. Jack Coley, a pilot, is selected to be Tony's pilot. Hendron the existing conditions throughout the country.

CHAPTER V.—Hendron has not been able to find a metal or an alloy which will withstand the heat and pressure of atomic energy to be used in propelling the Space Ship. The night before Hendron and his immediate party are to go to Michigan the tides rush through the streets of New York.

CHAPTER VI

EVE was at a tiny table where a blue flame burned below a coffee percolator, and where an oil lamp, following the failure of electricity, augmented the faint gray of approaching dawn.

Was it the light, Tony wondered, or was Eve this morning really so pale? He came to her, and whatever the reason for it this day, he claimed her with his arms and kissed her.

"Now," he said with some satisfaction, "you're not so pale." She did not disengage herself at once; and before she did, she clung tightly to him for a moment. Then she said, "You've got to have your coffee, Tony."

"I suppose so—but there's no substitute in the world like you, Eve."

She turned the tiny tap of the silver coffee pot, filled a cup for him, one for herself. A few minutes later they went down together.

The rushing ebb of the tremendous tide was swirling less than a foot deep over the pavement, and was falling so rapidly that the earth emerged even while they were watching. From upper floors, where many automobiles had been stored against the tide, cars were reaching the street. One drove up to Tony and Eve and stopped. The driver turned it over to them; and Tony took the wheel with Eve beside him.

They went with all possible speed, no longer encountering the tide itself, but lurching through vast puddles. Debris from offices, shops and tenements swept by the tides bestrewed the streets.

Bodies lay in the street; and now on the right a barge of smoke drifted from an area that had burned down during the night.

The East river, when they reached it, was a torrent low in its channel being swelled dry toward the sea. Wreckage strewed the strangely exposed bottom. The bridge; a few miles more of flood debris in steaming streets. Then towns and villages which also had been overswept.

Now the country with its higher hills, whereon Tony and Eve had marked the line left by the water at its height. They dipped through empty villages and rose to hamlets whose inhabitants still lingered, staring in a dulled wonderment at the speeding car. The effect of the vast desolation lent into the sun, a derelict, helpless people, occasional burning houses.

They climbed a slope with a sharp turn which was blocked; and there two men sprang at them. Tony jerked out his pistol; but to-day—and though he was on his way to his mother who was murdered—he could not pull the trigger on these men. He beat down one with the butt, instead, and with the barrel cowed the other.

He got the car clear and with Eve drove on. Ah—here was the road home! Home! His home where he had been born and where he was a little boy. Home, the home that had been his father's and his grandfather's and before that, for four generations. Down this road from his home, some man named Drake had gone to fight in the World war, the Civil war, in 1812, and to join the army of Washington.

Tony tried not to think about his mother yet. Eve placed her hand over his which held the steering wheel. "You'll let me stay close beside you, Tony," she appealed.

"Yes. We're almost there."

Familiar landmarks bobbed up on both sides, everywhere; a log cabin rose over the eastern horizon. Nearly a thousand people came from the great metropolitan area. Tony and Hendron's daughter. The scientist had given up his New Mexico ventures entirely, and brought his congregation of human beings all to his Michigan retreat.

Hendron had prepared admirably for the days which he had known would lie ahead of his hand picked community. There were two prodigious diesel hulls, two bulldozers unlike apartment houses in which men and women were dozed. In addition there was a building resembling a hangar set on end, which towered above the surrounding forests more than a hundred feet. At its side was the landing field, space for the sheltering of the planes, and opposite the landing field a long row of shoes which terminated in an iron work.

It was to the machine shops and foundry that Eliot James took his companions.

"The crew here," he said to Eve "has already finished part of the construction of the Ark which your father is planning. If we wanted to, we could build a battleship here in the laboratories anything that has been done could be repeated; and a great many things have been accomplished that have never been done before. By tomorrow night I presume that the entire New York equipment will have been rein stalled here."

Tony whistled. "It's amazing. Genius, sheer genius! How about food?"

Eliot James smiled. "There is enough food for the entire congregation as long as we will need it."

"Now show us the 'Ark.'"

Eve's father came out from the hangar to see and shake guests.

From the hysterical white glare of the Bronson Bodies Eve and Tony were taken into a mighty chamber which rose seemingly to the sky itself, where the brilliance was even greater. A hundred things inside that chamber might have attracted their attention—its floodlighting system, or the tremendous bracing of its metal walls; but their eyes were only for the object in its center. The Ark on that late July evening—the focal point, the dream and hope of all those whom Hendron had gathered together—stood upright on a gigantic concrete block in a cradle of steel beams. Its length was one hundred and thirty-five feet. It was sixty-two feet in diameter, and its shape was cylindrical. Stress-bracing was unnecessary for travel in the outer reaches of space, where there was no air to set up resistance. The metal which composed it was a special alloy eighteen inches in thickness, electrocuted on the outside with an alloy which shone like chromium.

After Tony had looked at it for a long time, he said, "It is by far the most spectacular object mankind has ever achieved."

Hendron smiled at him and continued his exposition. "A second shell, much smaller, goes inside; and between the two there will be an outer guard are several layers of insulation material. Inside the shell will be engines which generate a current, which in turn releases the blast of atomic energy, store-chambers for everything to be carried, the mechanism of control, the aeration plant, the heating units and the quarters for passengers."

Tony tore his eyes from the light. "How many will she carry?" he asked quietly.

Hendron hesitated; then he said, "For a trip of the duration I contemplate, she would be able to take about one hundred people."

Tony's voice was still quieter. "Then you have nine hundred identits in your camp here."

The older man smiled. "Unless I am greatly mistaken, I have a thousand."

"They all know about the ship?"

"Something about it. Nearly half of them have been working on it, or on apparatus connected with it."

"I see. How long a trip do you contemplate?"

Hendron took the young man's breath. "Ninety hours. That is provided,"—and his voice began to shake—"provided we can find proper metallic which to line our blast tubes. Otherwise we wouldn't be able to propel this ship for more than a few minutes. I—"

Eve looked at her father. "Dad, you've got to go to bed. And don't worry so. We'll find the alloy all right. We've done everything else."

Hendron nodded; and Tony, looking at him, realized for the first time how much the scientist had aged recently.

Tony escorted Eve to the women's dormitory. Eve bade him good night, then went inside. Tony walked with slow strides to the top of a neighbor-ig hill. Hendron's village looked on the northern side like a university campus, and on the southern side like a heart of a manufacturing district. All around it stretched the Michigan wilderness. The ground had been chosen partly because of the age and firmness of its geological base, and partly because of its isolation.

Tony's mind ran unevenly and irresolutely. "All these people," he thought, "these brilliant, temperamental men and women, have subsided and have transferred their allegiance in Hendron's service—amazing man—Only a hundred people—"

Fears assailed him: "Suppose they don't complete the Ark successfully, and she never leaves the ground? Then all these people would have given their lives for nothing. Suppose it leaves the earth and falls—falls back for hundreds of miles, gaining speed all the way, so that when it hit the atmosphere it would turn red-hot and burn it up just like a meteor."

Tony thought of the tides that would rise that night and on following nights; of the Bronson Bodies, the palpitation of a steamer's deck, the earth shook beneath his feet as if in answer to his meditation. And Tony realized that the heart of the earth was straining toward its celestial companions.

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On the night of the twenty-fifth tides unprecedented in the world's history swept every seacoast. There were earthquakes of varying magnitude all over the world. In the day that followed, volcanoes opened up, and islands sank beneath the sea; and on the night of the twenty-sixth the greater of the Bronson Bodies came within its minimum distance from the earth on this their first approach.

No complete record was ever made of the devastation. Eliot James, who gave some tabulation of it in the succeeding months, could never believe all that he saw and heard, but it must have been true.

The eastern coast of the United States sustained a tidal wave seven hundred and fifty feet in height, which came in from the sea in relentless terraces and inundated the land to the very foot of the Appalachians. Its westward rush destroyed every building, every hovel, every skyscraper, every city, from Bangor in Maine to Key West in Florida. The tide looped into the Gulf of Mexico, rolled up the Mississippi valley.

It roared around South America, turning the Amazon basin into a vast inland sea which stretched from what had been the east coast to the Andes mountains on the west coast. The speed of this tide was beyond calculation.

Every river became a channel for it. It spilled over Asia. It inundated the great plain of China. It descended from the Arctic regions and removed much of France, England and Germany, all of Holland and the great Soviet empire, from the list of nations. Arctic water bore dreds of feet deep flowed into the Caspian sea and hurled the last of its august inertia upon the Caucasus.

Western Asia and Arabia, southern India, Africa and much of Australia remained dry land.

More than half the population of the world died in the tides that rose and subsided during the proximity of the Bronson Bodies. But those who by design or through accident found themselves on land that remained dry were not necessarily spared.

The earthquake which Tony had felt in Michigan was the first of a series of shocks which increased steadily in violence for the next forty-eight hours, and which never afterward wholly ceased. Hendron had chosen his spot well, for it was one of the relatively few portions of the undeluged world which was not reduced to an untenable wasteland of smoking rock and creeping lava.

As hour by hour the earth presented new surfaces to the awful gravitational pull of the Bronson Bodies, a series of stupendous cataclysms took place. Underneath the brittle crust which man considered both solid and enduring lie thousands of miles of dense compressed molten material. The earth's crust does not lie like a hard shell; it is kept in place only by a delicate adjustment of gravity; and the influence of one of the Bronson Bodies distorted that balance. The earth burst open like a ripe grape! In a geological standpoint the tides which swept over were a phenomenon of but trifling magnitude.

The center of the continent of Africa split in two as if a mighty cleaver had come down on it, and out of the grisly incision poured an impenetrable tumult of the hell that dwells within the earth. Chasms yawned in the ocean floor, swallowing levels of the sea and returning it simultaneously in continents of steam. The great plateau of inner Tibet dropped like an express elevator nine hundred feet. South America was riven into two islands, one extending north and south in the shape of a sickle, and the other, roughly circular, composed of all that remained of the high lands of Brazil. North Asia reeled and shuddered, split, snapped, boomed and leaped. The Rocky mountains lost their humbility and danced like waves of water. From the place that had been Yellowstone park a mantle of lava was spread over thousands of square miles. The coastal plain along the Pacific disappeared, and the water rushed up to dash itself in fury against a range of active volcanoes that extended from Nome to Panama.

Gases, steam and ashes welled from ten thousand vents into the earth's atmosphere. The sun went out, the stars were made invisible. Blistering heat blew to the ends of the earth. The polar ice melted and a new raw land emerged, first and shattered, mobile and catastrophic.

Those human beings who survived the world's white-hot throes were survivors for the most part through good fortune. Few escaped through design—in the entire plan of only a dozen places which had been picked by geologists as refuges remained habitable.

Upon millions poured oceans of seething magma carrying death more terrible than the death which rolled on the tongue of the great tides. The air which was breathed choked with sulphurous fumes, and they fell like gassed soldiers, strewing in the streets of their destroyed cities. Lava steam, blown with the violence of a hurricane, scalded populous centers and hurtled steepest impartially. From a sky that had hitherto deluged mankind only with rain, snow and hail fell now burning torrents and red hot steel. The very earth heaved, showed in its motion, sped up again, sucked and dragged through agape at the caprice of the bodies of everything above. It became gridlled in smoke and steam, and blasts of hot gas; and upon it as Bronson Alpha and Beta drew away, there fell torrential rains which hewed down rich land to the bare rock, which cooled the lava from the earth to vast metallic oceans, and which were accompanied by lightnings that furnished the infernal scenery with incessant illumination, and by thunder which blended undetectably with the terrestrial din.

At Hendron's camp forty-eight hours in the Pit were experienced; and yet Hendron's camp was on one of the safest and least disturbed corners of the world.

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The earthquake which Tony had felt in Michigan was the first of a series of shocks which increased steadily in violence for the next forty-eight hours, and which never afterward wholly ceased. Hendron had chosen his spot well, for it was one of the relatively few portions of the undeluged world which was not reduced to an untenable wasteland of smoking rock and creeping lava.

As hour by hour the earth presented new surfaces to the awful gravitational pull of the Bronson Bodies, a series of stupendous cataclysms took place. Underneath the brittle crust which man considered both solid and enduring lie thousands of miles of dense compressed molten material. The earth's crust does not lie like a hard shell; it is kept in place only by a delicate adjustment of gravity; and the influence of one of the Bronson Bodies distorted that balance. The earth burst open like a ripe grape! In a geological standpoint the tides which swept over were a phenomenon of but trifling magnitude.

The center of the continent of Africa split in two as if a mighty cleaver had come down on it, and out of the grisly incision poured an impenetrable tumult of the hell that dwells within the earth. Chasms yawned in the ocean floor, swallowing levels of the sea and returning it simultaneously in continents of steam. The great plateau of inner Tibet dropped like an express elevator nine hundred feet. South America was riven into two islands, one extending north and south in the shape of a sickle, and the other, roughly circular, composed of all that remained of the high lands of Brazil. North Asia reeled and shuddered, split, snapped, boomed and leaped. The Rocky mountains lost their humbility and danced like waves of water. From the place that had been Yellowstone park a mantle of lava was spread over thousands of square miles. The coastal plain along the Pacific disappeared, and the water rushed up to dash itself in fury against a range of active volcanoes that extended from Nome to Panama.

Those human beings who survived the world's white-hot throes were survivors for the most part through good fortune. Few escaped through design—in the entire plan of only a dozen places which had been picked by geologists as refuges remained habitable.

Upon millions poured oceans of seething magma carrying death more terrible than the death which rolled on the tongue of the great tides. The air which was breathed choked with sulphurous fumes, and they fell like gassed soldiers, strewing in the streets of their destroyed cities. Lava steam, blown with the violence of a hurricane, scalded populous centers and hurtled steepest impartially. From a sky that had hitherto deluged mankind only with rain, snow and hail fell now burning torrents and red hot steel. The very earth heaved, showed in its motion, sped up again, sucked and dragged through agape at the caprice of the bodies of everything above. It became gridlled in smoke and steam, and blasts of hot gas; and upon it as Bronson Alpha and Beta drew away, there fell torrential rains which hewed down rich land to the bare rock, which cooled the lava from the earth to vast metallic oceans, and which were accompanied by lightnings that furnished the infernal scenery with incessant illumination, and by thunder which blended undetectably with the terrestrial din.

Two Men Sprang at Them. Tony Jerked Out His Pistol. He beat Down One With the Butt, and With the Barrel Cowed the Other.

In he had built as a boy; here was the way to the old well—the "Hero lutionary well."

The house was before them, white, calm, confident. Tony's heart leaped. How he loved it—and she who had been its spirit! How often she had stood in that doorway waiting him!

Some one was standing there now—an old woman, slight, white-haired. Tony recognized her—Mrs. Haskins, the minister's wife. She advanced toward Tony, and old Hezekiah Haskins took her place in the doorway.

"What happened?"

Old Haskins told Tony, as kindly as he could:

"She was alone; she did not feel afraid, though all the village and the area were deserted. On the hand of men came by. She did not try to keep them out. Knowing her—and judging by what I found—she asked them in and offered them food. Some of them had been drinking; or they were mad with the intoxication of destruction. Some one shot her cleanly—once. Tony. It is certain, Tony, she did not suffer."

Tony could not speak. Eve clung to his hand. "Thank God for that, Tony!" she whispered.

Briefly Tony unclasped his hand from Eve's and met the old minister's quivering gaze. He bent and kissed Mrs. Haskins' gray cheek.

"Thank you. Thank you both." he whispered. "I wish you should have stayed here; you shouldn't have waited for me. But you did."

"We—"

Old Hezekiah and his wife, and Orson the sexton, and Tony Drake and Eve Hendron stood on the hilltop where the men of the Drake family had lived and were reinduced them in all generations of memory lay buried. A closed box lay waiting its lowering into the ground.

"Hear my prayer, O Lord; and with thine ears consider my cal ing. . . . For I am a stranger with thee, and a sojourner as all my fathers were.

"Oh, spare me a little, that I may recover my strength before I go hence, and be no more seen."

Old Hezekiah Haskins had the book before him, but he did not read. A thousand times in his 50 years of the ministry he had repeated those words.

"Thou turnest man to destruction; again thou sayest, 'Come again ye children of men.'"

Men and children of men on Bronson Beta, too. Men millions and thousands of millions of years in the making. Amid the—protoozoic time, hundreds of millions of years, while life slowly developed in the seas, hundreds of millions more, while it emerged from the seas; a hundred million more, while reptiles ruled the land, the sky and water. Then they were swept away; mammals came; and man—a thousand million years of birth and death and birth again before even the first brick could be laid in the oldest city on Bronson Beta, which men on earth had seen last night with their telescopes.

"For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday; seeing that is past as a watch in the night."

"For when thou art angry, all our days are gone; we bring our years to an end like a tale that is told."

The sexton and old Hezekiah alone could not lift the box to lower it. Tony had to help them with it. He did; and his mother lay beside her husband.

Tonight, when the huge Bronson Alpha and Bronson Beta with its visible cities of its own dead were on this side of the world again, the tide might rise over this hill. What matter? His mother lay where she would have chosen. A short time now, and all this world would end.

"I'll take you away," Tony was saying to the old minister and his wife and the older sexton. "We're flying west tonight to the central plateau. We'll manage somehow to take you with us."

"Not me," said the old sexton. "Do not take me from the will of the Lord!"

Nor would the minister and his wife be moved. They would journey today, when the water receded, into the higher hills; but that was all they would do.

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The airplane settled to earth on the high ground between Lake Michigan and Lake Superior, just as the Bronson Bodies, appallingly large, rose over the eastern horizon. Nearly a thousand people came from the great metropolitan area. Tony and Hendron's daughter. The scientist had given up his New Mexico ventures entirely, and brought his congregation of human beings all to his Michigan retreat.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE MORTGAGE SALE

Default having occurred in a real estate mortgage containing power of sale dated April 16, 1924, by Jan DeLeeuw and wife, Cornelia DeLeeuw, Mortagators, and Home State Bank for Savings, Mortgagee, recorded Register of Deeds office, Kent County, Michigan, April 16, 1924, in Liber 501 of Mortgages page 612, said mortgage having been assigned to Curtis M. Wylie on October 3, 1931, by assignment recorded May 7, 1934, in Liber 768 Mortgages page 55, and again assigned on November 6, 1934, to Kent Mortgage Agency, Inc. by assignment recorded November 6, 1934, in Liber 781 Mortgages page 2, Kent County Register Deeds office; the assignee of mortgagee declares principal and interest thereon due and payable, whereupon the power of sale has become operative. Amount claimed due this date is $2,323.91, principal, interest, taxes and attorney fee. No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover any part of debt now remaining secured thereby.

Notice is given that by said power of sale said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at North Door of Court House at Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, on February 4, 1935, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of the mortgaged premises, viz:

Lot 24 Block 2 Southwick's Addition to City of Grand Rapids, according to the 100 feet South of Northwest corner ... 4 Block 2 of said addition, thence East 142 feet, thence S. 44 feet, thence West 132 feet, thence 44 feet North to the beginning, being the South 32 feet of Lots 3 and 4 and the North 12 feet of Lot 5 Block 2 of said addition.

Kent Mortgage Agency, Inc.,
Assignee of Mortgagee.
Norris, McPherson, Harrington & Waer,
Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgagee.
Dated: November 6, 1934. c25-12t

MORTGAGE SALE

Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage dated April 12, 1927, made and executed by Willis G. Dollaway and Francis A. Dollaway, husband and wife, of the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan, to the Lowell Building & Loan Association of Lowell, Michigan, recorded March 25, 1929, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Kent County, Michigan, in Liber 504 of Mortgages on page 178, on which there has been declared to be immediately due and payable, and the shares of stock pledged as collateral thereto forfeited.

The amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice is $715.04 for principal and interest, and $53.83 for taxes and insurance paid by the mortgagee, being a total amount of eight Hundred Sixty-eight dollars, Eighty-seven Cents ($868.87). No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover any part of debt now remaining secured thereby.

Notice is given that by said power of sale said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at North Door of Court House at Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, on February 4, 1935, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of the mortgaged premises, viz:

The West ½ of Lot 18 Block 12 Scribner & Turner's Second Addition to City of Grand Rapids, Kent Co., Mich.

Kent Mortgage Agency, Inc.,
Assignee of Mortgagee.
Norris, McPherson, Harrington & Waer,
Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgagee.
Dated: November 6, 1934. c25-12t

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE MORTGAGE SALE

Default having occurred in a real estate mortgage containing power of sale dated April 16, 1924, by Jan DeLeeuw and wife, Cornelia DeLeeuw, Mortagators, and Home State Bank for Savings, Mortgagee, recorded Register of Deeds office, Kent County, Michigan, April 16, 1924, in Liber 501 of Mortgages page 612, said mortgage having been assigned to Curtis M. Wylie on October 3, 1931, by assignment recorded May 7, 1934, in Liber 768 Mortgages page 55, and again assigned on November 6, 1934, to Kent Mortgage Agency, Inc. by assignment recorded November 6, 1934, in Liber 781 Mortgages page 2, Kent County Register Deeds office; the assignee of mortgagee declares principal and interest thereon due and payable, whereupon the power of sale has become operative. Amount claimed due this date is $1,041.79, principal, interest, taxes and attorney fee. No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover any part of debt now remaining secured thereby.

Notice is given that by said power of sale said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at North Door of Court House at Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, on February 4, 1935, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of the mortgaged premises, viz:

Lot 42 of Reynolds and Franklin's Third Addition to City of Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan.

Kent Mortgage Agency, Inc.,
Assignee of Mortgagee.
Norris, McPherson, Harrington & Waer,
Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgagee.
Dated: November 6, 1934. c25-12t

ORDER APPOINTING TIME FOR HEARING CLAIMS

State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the City of Grand Rapids in said County, on the 8th day of December, A.D. 1934.

Present: Hon. JOHN DALTON, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of James H. Mead, Deceased.

Harry Day having filed in said court his petition praying that a certain instrument in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, now on file in said court be admitted to probate, and that the administration of said estate be granted to Harry Day or to some other suitable person.

It is Ordered, That the 18th day of January, A. D., 1935, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

JOHN DALTON,
Judge of Probate.

A true copy:
FRED ROTH,
Register of Probate. 32-33-34

MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the payment of a certain mortgage, dated August 12, 1927, made and executed by Willis G. Dollaway and Francis A. Dollaway, husband and wife, of the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan, to Ella M. Condon, and recorded on the 20th day of August, 1927, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Kent County, Michigan, in Liber 619 of Mortgages on pages 41 and 42.

The amount due on said mortgage to this date, of principle and interest is One thousand eight hundred eighty-four and 58-100 dollars ($1884.58) together with taxes paid by mortgagee on property and added to said mortgage as therein provided, of One hundred sixty-three and 4-100 dollars ($163.04) and insurance premiums of Ten and 8-100 dollars ($10.08) as therein provided and an attorney fee of Thirty-five dollars ($35.00), as provided for in said mortgage and by statute.

No proceeding in law or at equity have been instituted to recover said debt or any part thereof, now therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises, viz:

Lot 42 of Reynolds and Franklin's Third Addition to City of Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan.

Kent Mortgage Agency, Inc.,
Assignee of Mortgagee.
Norris, McPherson, Harrington & Waer,
Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgagee.
Dated: November 6, 1934. c25-12t

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Legal Notices

ORDER APPOINTING TIME FOR HEARING CLAIMS

State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the City of Grand Rapids, in said county, on the 20th day of December, A.D. 1934.

Present: Hon. JOHN DALTON, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Villa Hulst, Deceased.

It appearing to the court that the time for presentation of claims against said estate should be limited, and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court:

It Is Ordered, That all the creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court at said Probate Office on or before the 22nd day of April, A. D., 1935, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, said time and place being hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.

It Is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

JOHN DALTON,
Judge of Probate.

A true copy:
FRED ROTH,
Register of Probate. 34-35-36

ANNUAL ACCOUNT

State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent.

At a session of said court, held at the probate office, in the City of Grand Rapids, in said County, on the 4th day of January, A. D., 1935.

Present, Hon. JOHN DALTON, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of William H. Green, Deceased.

The Michigan Trust Company having filed in said court its third annual account as Trustee under Will for Lizzie E. Green of said estate, and its petition praying for the allowance thereof.

It Is Ordered, That the 1st day of February, A. D., 1935, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.

It Is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

JOHN DALTON,
Judge of Probate.

A true copy:
FRED ROTH,
Register of Probate. 34-35-36

NOTICE MORTGAGE SALE

Default having occurred in a real estate mortgage containing a power of sale dated August 18, 1925, John Ruggles and wife, Mildred Ruggles, Mortgagors, and Home State Bank for Savings, Mortgagee, recorded Register of Deeds office, Kent County, Michigan, on July 19, 1925, Liber 528 Mortgages page 254, said mortgage having been assigned on October 3, 1931, by assignment recorded May 7, 1934, in Liber 768 Mortgages page 281 to Curtis M. Wylie, and again assigned on November 6, 1934, to Kent Mortgage Agency, Inc. by assignment recorded November 6, 1934, in Liber 781 Mortgages page 3, Kent County Register Deeds office, the assignee of mortgagee declares principal and interest thereon due and payable, whereupon the power of sale has become operative. The amount claimed due this date on all of said mortgages, principal, interest, taxes and attorney fee, is $4,494.55. No suit or proceeding at law has been instituted to recover any part of debt now remaining secured thereby.

Notice is given that by said power of sale said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at North Door of Court House at Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, on February 4, 1935, at nine o'clock in the forenoon of the mortgaged premises, viz:

West ½ of East ¾ of Lots 93 and 94, Village South Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan.

Kent Mortgage Agency, Inc.,
Assignee of Mortgagee.
Norris, McPherson, Harrington & Waer,
Attorneys for Assignee of Mortgagee.
Dated: November 6, 1934. c25-12t

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Wildey and family of Grand Rapids visited her sister, Mrs. Howard Seeley and family Sunday.

Lowell Center

By Clara B. Aldrich

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Kinyon and children were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sherm Rowland.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Slocum visited with Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Slocum in Grand Rapids Sunday.

We hear that Evert Carey has gone to California for the winter.

Lester Place visited with his brother Chester over family Sunday.

Mrs. Helen Eckman and daughter Helen spent Saturday afternoon with her daughter Mrs. Lillian Aldrich.

Mrs. J. A. Carey and son Clare of Grand Rapids visited with Mrs. Hattie Easterbrook Saturday afternoon. They also called on Ernest Aldrich.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Slocum and son Carroll and wife of Grand Rapids were recent visitors at the Burch Slocum home.

WEST KEENE

(Last Week's Letter)

Ona Denton spent Sunday in Muskegon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Golds entertained their children and grand children for Christmas dinner.

James Denton and family were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orley Rulason.

Lee Lampkin and family were New Years guests of Mrs. C. A. Lee and Mrs. Myrtle Lampkin in Saranac.

Lode Shear and family were Christmas guests of his sister near Whites Bridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Avery and family and Mrs. Alvah Pinkney were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pinkney the week before Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Elvert Baird entertained Rob Hardy and wife and George Denton Sunday for dinner.

Mrs. Helen Klassen spent Xmas week with her sister, Mrs. George Denton, returning to Grand Rapids Thursday.

Mrs. George Denton and sisters, Mrs. Bird Thompson and Mrs. Helen Klassen were Thursday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Denton in Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. George Denton and Mrs. Helen Klassen were Wednesday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Wilcox.

Mrs. Ray Lampkin entertained the Good Will Club this week Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pinkney and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daniels were Monday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daniels were last week Thursday afternoon guests of Mrs. Cora Cobson and daughter Gladys in Saranac.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daniels and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lewis were Tuesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parker.

Mrs. Cora Cobson and daughter Gladys and Mrs. Minnie Pinkney were Wednesday guests of Mrs. Frank Daniels.

North Bell District

By Mrs. Elmer Marshall

North Bell PTA met at the school house Friday evening with a good attendance. At the business meeting the president read an article on Angelo Patri from the Parent-Teacher Magazine. Mrs. Frank Freeman presented the following program: Violin solo, Edward Walter, accompanied at the piano by his sister, Leona. He responded to an encore. Little Marie Kyser sang "An Old Spinning Wheel", accompanied by her mother at the piano. Four tom-boys from the South Bell school, dressed in dolls and doll clothes, sang a group of songs, accompanied at the piano by Miss Lorene Sherrick. Eudora Marshall gave a recitation. "A Modern Youth", and this was followed by a song by pupils of the North Bell school, "Voices Twing Path". Mrs. Myers accompanying. Mrs. Elmer E. Marshall played a piano solo, "Swaying Daffodils", and responded to an encore with "The Passion Flower". Mrs. Guy Tallant served coffee and doughnuts. The next meeting will be February first. Mrs. Reuben Lee is program chairman, and Mrs. Fred Walter will have charge of the refreshments.

Mrs. Fred Dalstra entertained a group of girls Saturday afternoon in honor of her little niece, Lena May Dalstra. The afternoon was spent in playing games, and the children ate a dime. Mrs. Dalstra served cocoa, ice-cream and cake, assisted by Mrs. Harold Tyran.

Mr. and Mrs. Harv Travis of Battle Creek spent Monday with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Travis, who returned to Battle Creek with them for New Year's.

The regular Community party sponsored by the South Boston Grange will be held in Grange hall Saturday evening, at eight-thirty. These should not be confused with the public parties being given on opposite Saturdays by Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Kyser and daughters went to Lake Odessa Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Lee attended Pomona Grange at Portland Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Freeman were in Ionia Saturday afternoon.

Vergennes Center

By N. M. K.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Carter and son Vere of Middleville were Sunday dinner guests of her sister, Mrs. Mary Kerr. Afternoon visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Odell.

Mrs. Horace Weeks and son and Mrs. Sam Myers and son of Lowell were Sunday afternoon visitors of the former's grandmother, Mrs. Tom Read.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Read, Mrs. Chris Kropf and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gilbert of Grand Rapids were Sunday visitors at the Mike McAndrews home. Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert just returned from Detroit where they have been with relatives. Mr. Jennie Fitzpatrick, who is in the hospital, having met with an accident while on her way to spend Christmas with Mrs. Mc Andrews.

Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Odell called on Miss Annie Anderson Sunday afternoon.

Albert Woodhead and Will Boylan of Detroit spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Woodhead.

Tim and Ralph Howard were Sunday evening guests of the Read boys.

Mrs. Ed. Vos's father spent several days last week with her.

Ben Baldus and children of Holland brought Keith Kerr home Sunday. Keith has been spending a week with his sister and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Clare Anderson, Estella and Dorothy Mae and Ed. Anderson attended the wedding anniversary party for Mr. and Mrs. John Wright, at New Year's.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Read, sr., Burton and Lorraine Biggs and Dorothy Bieri visited the former's sister-in-law, Mrs. Priscie Richmond at Saranac Sunday afternoon

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BEEF POT ROAST Lb. 10c

MILD CHEESE lb. 18c

Beef Steak Choice, Tender Round or Sirloin lb. 15c

Veal Breast lb. 10c **Sauer Kraut** 2 lbs. 7c

Large Frankfurters 2 lbs. 25c

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Social Events

Mrs. Leo Denny entertained the ladies of St. Mary's Guild at her home last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Ernest Roth entertained the Fortnightly Club at her home Tuesday evening. Mrs. Valda Chaterdon was assistant hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Armstrong entertained the members of the Pool and Poker Club at their home last Thursday evening, the occasion being a farewell party for Dr. and Mrs. S. S. Lee, who left Sunday for Florida. High scores were held by Dr. Lee and Mrs. Wm. C. Hartman.

Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Bowes were agreeably surprised Sunday when relatives and friends dropped in for a potluck dinner in honor of Mrs. Bowes' birthday. Those present besides Mr. and Mrs. Bowes were Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Covill, Mrs. Gay Barnes and daughter Carol, Robert Covill and Miss Pauline Norton, Mr. and Mrs. Guy C. Lewis and children, Harriet and Glen and Miss Arlene Nowak, all of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Reusser entertained with a surprise party for the pleasure of Ralph Kiste at the Kiste home Saturday night, honoring his birthday. Progressive pedro was the evening's diversion, honors going to Nina Vandenbroeck and Fred Reusser; consolations to Albertine Blaser and Asa Vandenbroeck. A nice luncheon with two birthday cakes was served by the hostess. All enjoyed a very pleasant evening and departed, leaving Mr. Kiste a silver gift and many good wishes.

Miss Evalyn Hotchkiss entertained with a birthday surprise party Saturday evening at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Hotchkiss, in honor of Bernard Briggs. Those present were Madeline Kyser, Anna Cahoon, Lorene Sterzick, Betty Hill, Lucille Roush, Bernadeen Tallent, Glendon Bovee, Everett Hotchkiss, Robert Lee, Donald Kyser, Walter Roush, Marvin and Matt Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Kyser, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Schrier and Mr. and Mrs. Ware Story. The evening was spent playing cards, after which delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

Reusser—Stahl

Miss Irene Reusser, daughter of Mrs. Wesley Crooks of Lowell, and Orvie Stahl of near Elmdale were married in Elkhart, Ind., during the holidays and are now at home to their many friends in Elmdale. Congratulations are extended to the young couple.

Maud Foster Weds

Friends in Lowell may be interested to learn of the marriage of Miss Maud Foster of Battle Creek, formerly of Lowell, to Mr. John Hokenstrom, also of Battle Creek. Mr. Hokenstrom is an employee of Postum Co. Mrs. Hokenstrom is a student of art under Gustave Hildebrand at the Allied Arts School of Battle Creek.

W. R. C. Installation

Installation of officers was held at the meeting of the W. R. C. in the corps rooms last Thursday. Visitors from Grand Rapids included the installing officer, Mrs. Ida Glasgow, and her assistants, Mrs. Hattie Heathman, Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Lorena Post.

About 25 attended the dinner before the meeting. Officers installed were: President, Ora Washburn; senior vice, Nina Chubb; junior vice, Emma Ransford; chaplain, Lida Kyser; treasurer, Mary Rittenger; conductress, Minnie Hawk; guard, Eva Raymor; secretary, June Dolloway; patriotic instructor, Hattie Rouse; colorbearers, Cora Fox, Lydia Chubb, Viva Hazel and Fannie Rogers.

The next regular meeting will be held January 17.

Press Cor.

Former Lowell Girl Weds

Miss Marian Evelyn Perkins, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Perkins, and William Richard Nott, son of Mrs. Minnie E. Nott of Ann Arbor, were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents in Plymouth on Christmas day. The ceremony was read at noon in the presence of only the immediate relatives and friends, the Rev. A. T. F. Butt officiating.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, wore a gown of white velvet with which she carried a sheaf of calla lilies. Miss Evelyn Frye of Saginaw, who was bridesmaid, wore a gown of green mate-lasse crepe and carried Talisman roses. Wesley T. Nott of Royal Oak attended his brother as best man.

Mrs. Perkins, mother of the bride, wore a dress of black velvet, while Mrs. Nott, mother of the groom, chose a gray crepe one. Both wore corsages of violets.

After a short trip in the East, Mrs. Nott resumed her duties as teacher of English and French in the Plymouth high school. Mr. Nott returned to Hillsdale where he owns and operates the Hillsdale Bottling Co. The marriage of Mr. and Mrs. Nott is the result of a romance which began several years ago while both were attending college.

OBITUARY

Joyce A. Frost

Joyce Adelaide, daughter of Marcus and Zilpha Frost, was born in Lowell December 14, 1921, and passed away December 30, 1934 at the age of 13 years, 16 days, in St. Mary's hospital, Grand Rapids, following injuries received while coasting on the Fletcher hill near her home.

As a baby she was enrolled on the cradle roll of the First Congregational church of Lowell, where she always attended. She was interested in her school work and a member of the seventh grade. She was also a Campfire girl. Six boys from the seventh grade and six Campfire girls acted as pallbearers.

She had a sunny disposition and will be missed by all who knew her.

Besides her parents she leaves a sister Gloria, a brother Wayne, her Grandmother Frost, Grandfather Hyde, and a host of other relatives and friends.

Gone, dear Joyce, gone forever,
How we will miss your smiling face,
But you left us to remember
No one on earth can take your place.

You have left the earth of sorrow,
You are free from pain and harm,
And now rest in peace and comfort
In our blessed Saviour's arms.

The days will be sad without you, dear,
And nothing will seem just right.
A face we dearly loved is gone,
A heart so kind and bright.

But there are some who will always linger
Around the place where you are laid;
And who will come and scatter flowers
On the grave that Christ has made.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere thanks to our many friends for the beautiful flowers and sympathy. We also wish to thank Rev. Wenger for his comforting words, Mrs. Haysmer and the school children.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Frost,
Gloria and Wayne.

Mrs. Clara M. Tillyer

Mrs. Clara M. Tillyer, daughter of Lafayette and Ann Green, passed away at her home in Cascade-tp. December 30, 1934, at the age of 73 years, 3 months and 6 days.

She was born Sept. 24, 1861. In October 30, 1881 she was united in marriage to Fred C. Tillyer. To this union five children were born, four of whom survive: John C. and Minnie of Cascade-tp., Mrs. Lottie E. Willette of Otsego and Orlow R. of Grand Rapids. The fifth child, Edith May, died in infancy. A grandson, Gerald Reed Tillyer, also survives.

Mrs. Tillyer was a member of the West Lowell M. E. Church and a charter member of Vesta Chapter, O. E. S., No. 202 of Ada.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank my friends and neighbors for the cards and flowers sent me during my stay at the hospital, also the many friends who called to give me words of cheer at my home.

Mrs. Fred J. Roth,
Vergennes-tp.

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Manager's Sale Next Week at A. & P.

An event of considerable importance to the food-buying public is the announcement of the Atlantic & Pacific Tea Co. setting aside next week, January 14th to 19th as "Manager's Week."

The sale here next week will be under the complete supervision of the manager, Mr. A. Walker, who has been manager of the local store for the past eight years. It is Mr. Walker's contention that the sale will surpass any other sale in the history of the local store.

Watch next week's issue of The Ledger for more complete announcement. Adv.

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LIVERY STABLE IS FORGOTTEN "TRADE"

We have heard much in the last decade or two about the return of the horse. When there is much to be done that must be done quickly the horse cannot compete with the motor. But on the other hand, says the Minneapolis Journal, a horse has a longer life than a motor and his feed bill is less. In times of stress, or where there is no great hurry, the farm horse may find a place.

The census of 1920 showed more than twenty million horses on the country's farms. In 1930 the number had sunk to thirteen and a half million. But in March of 1933 it had risen to fifteen and a quarter million.

The horse may return to the farm, to some extent, but he will not pull street cars again, nor can the bus make use of him. He is far too slow and he does not take the hills as the motor does. In the cities the horse's only place seems to be found in the practice of equestrianism. There will always be those who love the horse for himself, though they are comparatively few, in number.

One institution that, with the passing of the horse, the country has missed, has been the old-time open forum known as the livery stable. In this pleasant retreat, with its generous leisure, its good companionship and its familiar odors, national policies were discussed, the gossip of the day considered and judgments passed. The garage, lacking the necessary leisure, has not taken its place.

It is unlikely that the horse will return sufficiently to bring back this splendid national institution—the livery stable—now vanished from the coasts of time.

X-Rays Tested on Wood Reveal Further Secrets

The microscope, X-rays and polarized light have all been used to learn more about the structure of textile fibers. Recent tests by Charles W. Stillwell, of the department of chemistry at the University of Illinois, using X-ray scattering, have disclosed new facts about the structural arrangement of wood. As a cellulose compound related to cotton the experiments with wood take on new significance, says the New York Herald Tribune.

Reporting his results in the journal "Physics," Stillwell declares that there is evidence to show that the micells of the wood, those long chainlike arrangements of the cellulose molecules, are laid down in spirals about the separate wood fibers.

It was found that sometimes the wood fibrils or micells were oriented parallel to the fiber axis and lay along a spiral with constant slope. Others had fibrils with various slopes. It may seem foolish to measure these slopes, but recent experiments by Beyer of Wisconsin, indicate that the slope bears an important relationship to such physical properties of wood as its strength, shrinkage and density. Anything that can throw light on the causes of these often mysterious properties is real progress.

The Belgian Congo

The Belgian Congo formerly ranked as an independent state and had its own flag. At the present time, however, it is simply a Belgian colony and the flag of Belgium is used. This consists of three vertical stripes, black, yellow and red the black next to the staff. The Belgian ensign is the same as the merchant and national flag except that the royal arms are imposed on the center of the yellow stripe. The former flag of the Congo Free State consisted of a blue field with a large five-pointed golden star in the center.

Skylarks Are Banned

The skylark, although a favorite songster in Great Britain, is not allowed to be imported into this country, since it is apt to be destructive to wheat and vegetables. The New Zealand government has had disastrous results from importations of skylarks. This bird has been introduced into the United States, and there was for a long period a colony on Long Island, but there is no record of any of the birds living at the present time.

Noise Retards Melons

Why melons are fewer and more sickly in southern France than years ago has been learned. It is noise. Chinese gardeners declare that loud sounds are harmful to the fruitification of the melon blossoms. Auto horns and the shaking of heavy vehicles on highways and rails have so disturbed the blossoms that they have ceased to thrive.

NOTICE, LEDGER READERS

Friends of The Ledger and Alto Solo having business in the Probate Court of Kent County will confer a favor on the publisher by requesting the court to order probate notices published in this paper. The Court will be glad to comply with the request when made. Respectfully,

R. G. Jefferies, Pub. Ledger.

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10:35 a. m.	12:25 p. m.
2:35 p. m.	3:55 p. m.
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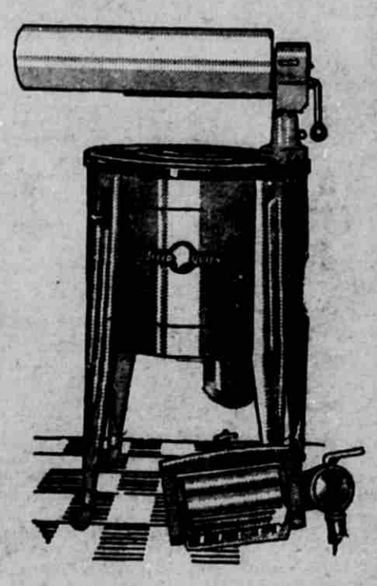

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Smyrna

By Mrs. Albert Houserman

The Sir Knights of the Maccabees elected their officers and will hold a joint installation with the ladies on January 24th. Everyone invited as it will be public.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hauserman and son Harold were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Peterson and daughter of Kalamazoo spent over the week end with Mrs. Alice Peterson.

Mesdames Nellie Cowles, Audie Joslin, Ellen Mays, Addie Mason, Florence Hauserman, Bessie Devine and Lucy Gardner and Lawrence Gardner, Joe Mays and Edgar Joslin were in Sheridan Friday evening where Mrs. Olive Insley installed the lady Macabees and the Smyrna color bearers did the floor work.

The Sir Knights have chosen sides with Howard Insley and Earl Norton as captains and will have a rabbit hunt and a supper Saturday night. The losers to do the work. The supper is for Maccabees of Smyrna and their families. After supper they will have a dance which is open to the public. Popular prices.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Cowles, sr. will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary January 15th.

There will be a Hard Time dance at Smyrna Tuesday night January 15th. Bollock's orchestra.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hauserman and son Harold and Henry Hauserman were Ionia visitors Saturday.

Will Cowles, jr., has returned to his work at Lansing.

The Lowell Ledger and your choice of either the Grand Rapids Herald or the Grand Rapids Press, one year for $5.50. This offer good only on R. F. D. routes or where there is no newsboy delivery. Send all orders to The Ledger office.

Every time leniency is shown to a law violator, more are encouraged to follow in his footsteps. Too many officers are too timid to do their duty. You would think by the weak-kneed actions of some officials when administering fines and punishment to criminals, that they were a party to the offense committed. Lord, give those who administer punishment to law violators the courage to do their duty! Cracking down on the offenders of the law is the only sure method of discouraging crime.—Tribune, Albert Lea, Minn

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BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Miller (nee Mable Stone), of Grand Rapids, Saturday, Jan. 5, a daughter named Suzanne. Mother and daughter doing fine.

To Mr. and Mrs. Leon Seeley of Lowell-tp., Wednesday, Jan. 9, an 8½ lb. daughter, Diane Ilene.

The Lowell Ledger and the Grand Rapids Herald, both for $5.50 on R. F. D. routes. All Herald clubbing offers are good at The Ledger office.

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West Keene

By Mrs. F. A. Daniels

Mrs. Ernest Pinkney and Mrs. Frank Daniels entertained with a seven o'clock dinner last Friday evening a party of Saranac and Lowell friends. Three tables of bridge followed the dinner, Mrs. Bert Talcott and W. E. Densmore being the lucky players.

Mrs. Anna Mick and sons of Clarksville were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Cilley.

Mr. and Mrs. James Denton attended an euchre party at Pete Mulder's in Lowell Saturday evening.

Miss Ona Denton was a guest of Mrs. Helen Jones a few days last week.

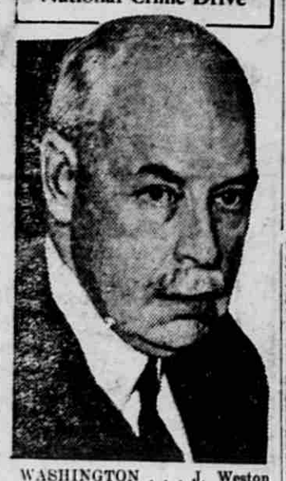
Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pinkney were Sunday afternoon callers of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ellison.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parker were Sunday luncheon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Daniels.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Raimer were Thursday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Denton.

Albert Raimer has returned from Ann Arbor and is gaining very satisfactorily.

National Crime Drive



WASHINGTON . . . J. Weston Allen, of Boston (above), is the newly named chairman of the National Crime Commission in the offensive launched against underworld forces. He voices the opinion that Congress will provide for the establishment of a national police school.

Any business that is going ahead is continually trying to make a better product.

Read the Ledger ads.

More Local News

Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Oatley were Sunday guests of his parents in Rockford.

Mrs. Margaret Perce of Grand Rapids spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. B. A. Charles.

Mrs. Ray Avery spent Monday afternoon in Grand Rapids with her mother, Mrs. Will Rexford.

Mrs. Nellie Andrews suffered painful burns on one of her arms Sunday while rekindling her furnace with kerosene oil.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Stone spent Sunday in Grand Rapids at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Miller and little granddaughter, Suzanne Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sexton of Grand Rapids called on Mrs. Margaret Dennis Saturday. They spent the evening with Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Charles.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Huffman, Miss Racheal of Potter's Corners, Miss Lee Huffman and friend of Bath were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wingeier.

William Stone brought a small bunch of dark purple pansies to the Ledger office yesterday from his garden. Mr. Stone says that the flowers blossom nearly all the year.

Harvey, eldest son of Rev. and Mrs. John Claus of Lowell, is ill in a Detroit hospital from an attack of appendicitis. He underwent an operation and, according to last reports, he was as well as could be expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Avery entertained the following guests to Sunday evening supper: Mr. and Mrs. Elton Avery and daughter Shirley and Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Wheeler of Grand Rapids and Miss Dorothy Avery of Cadillac.

Miss Gladys Armstrong, who suffered a slight attack of appendicitis last week while attending Michigan State College, East Lansing, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur F. Armstrong. She was able to return to college on Monday.

Phillip Schneider of South Lowell, who suffered severe injuries to his right arm while buzzing wood two weeks ago, has been seriously ill since. Although infection developed, Mr. Schneider has been putting up a good battle and appears to be slowly but steadily gaining.

New Army Air Chief

WASHINGTON . . . Lieut.-Colonel F. Andrews (above), has been named commander of the newly organized General Headquarters Air Force. The move is to establish a general headquarters for our air force which will embrace virtually every army combat unit in the U. S. In effect his appointment supplants Maj.-Gen. B. D. Foulois.

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