

Being a Collection of Various Topics of Local and General Interest

A FACT TO RECOGNIZE

MOTORING is America's biggest and best game but it has three very definite sets of rules...

Legislators have made some rules, decency has made others, and old Professor Physics has made still others...

BALANCING THE BUDGET

THE NATIONAL Economy League recently took a straw vote among daily newspaper editors...

Editors and publishers are business people who know what constitutes solvency and what runs risks of insolvency...

More taxes for balancing the budget will be highly unpopular. But there is one thing that is worse than taxes...

The American people have acted with great generosity in relieving the needs of unemployed workers...

THE "RIGHT TO DIE"

A CAMPAIGN has been started in England to make it a crime to take a life...

Also, if the right is given to take anybody's life as a means of ending his hopeless suffering...

But public sentiment is more liberal in regard to proper use of opiates. In former years, when people were in deadly agony...

SENTENCE STIMULANTS

When you greet a man by name whom you met but casually a year before...

People may weep with you once and genuinely pity you. They will laugh with you many times and appreciate you.

Great men are always willing to listen—even to things they already know. They're partly when they become great...

and ALTO SOLO

LOWELL, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, NOV. 28, 1935

NO. 28

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

The New York Herald-Tribune tells the story of a man in Brooklyn who laughed so hard at a funny story that he fell out of a fourth story window...

Up to November 13 more Michigan fishing licenses of various kinds have been sold by license dealers than in any previous year...

The current year of 1935 will mark a new peak of drilling activity in Michigan's 10-year-old oil and gas industry.

As a result of a violation of the Conservation laws, 55 residents of Michigan have no legal right to hunt and trap small game.

State-owned lands are expected to put approximately \$100,000 into Michigan's general fund this year in royalties, rentals, bonuses and fees from the oil industry.

A Mason girl dislocated her arm while wringing out a dish cloth. Only the hardest-hearted Mason mothers are having their daughters do dishes now.

At the General Motors proving ground near Milford there is a very delicate machine that keeps a record of the weather. It reports that on Saturday, Nov. 9, at 10:50 the sun disappeared...

Last week's Chesaning Argus was increased in size to 20 pages filled with announcements of Chesaning merchants in celebration of the "making over of Main street."

The codfish lays ten thousand eggs.

The codfish never cackles. To tell you what she's done; And so we scorn the codfish, And the homely hen we prize; Which demonstrates to you and me That it pays to advertise!

Construction programs launched by the state highway department within the last two years have included more than \$5,000,000 worth of rural feeder roads.

Admitting that he did not know what it was all about, Fred G. Austin, WPA director for the seventh Illinois district, announced that a \$25,000 sewing project has been approved for Monroe County...

Former Representative George Foulkes of the 4th congressional district was sentenced to serve one year and six months in the federal reformatory at Chillicothe, Ohio, and to pay a fine of \$1,000 by Federal Judge Fred M. Raymond Saturday for conspiring to solicit funds from postmasters for campaign purposes.

A nation-wide campaign seeking to reduce automobile accidents at least 35 per cent by 1941—thus preserving 38,000 lives—was announced this week by the National Safety Council.

Orson C. Smith who, as a boy, helped to survey Ionia county and who later was a lumberman in western Michigan's greatest logging days, died Sunday at his home in Grand Rapids...

West Michigan contributed at least two deaths in the week-end fatality list. The dead are Clyde Coleman, 38, Hastings farmer, and Miss Betherly Siple, of Charlotte. Coleman was instantly killed and his mother, Mrs. Dora Coleman, also of Hastings, was critically injured in a collision near Caledonia at 11 o'clock a. m. on Sunday.

Michigan's timber resources still bring considerable money into the state each year. Last year's sales of forest products from Michigan totaled \$2,370,000. The harvest from timber lots ranked ninth as a source of cash income to rural land owners.

Dr. Kenyon L. Butterfield, former president of Michigan State college and an international authority on farm sociology, died unexpectedly Tuesday at his home in Amherst, Mass.

A French car, driven by Benjamin Riles in 1904, is believed to be the first motor vehicle or taxicab, for hire in New York City, and possibly in the United States.

Capt. Rene-Paul Fonck of the French army brought down the greatest number of planes during the World War. He had 75 planes to his credit.

LIBRARY ADDS NEW BOOKS ON MANY SUBJECTS

Plenty of Reading for Every Taste

The public library announces the arrival of a group of new books. The list this time is quite a representative one, containing books for every taste.

You are invited to visit the library and look them over. A complete list follows: Pumpkin Coach by Louis Paul, Burning Beauty by Temple Bailey, Little Girl Lost by Temple Bailey, Moon Out of Reach by Margaret Hedder, Dash Knife Outfit by Zane Grey, Broad Arrow by Raine, For Honor and Life by Raine, Judge Colt by Raine, Tarpaper Palace by Lida Larriamore and William MacLeod Raine.

Mulberry Square by Lida Larriamore, The Silver Flute by Lida Larriamore, The Constant Sex by Elizabeth Corbett, Second Growth by Arthur Pond, Pole Star by S. E. White, Deep Dark River by Robert Ryloe, League of Frightened Men by Rex Stout, Lucy Gayheart by Willa Cather, Vein of Iron by Ellen Glasgow, Look Homeward, Angel by Thomas Wolfe, The River by Thomas Wolfe, An American Idyll by C. S. Parker, Up the Years from Bloomsbury by George Arias, R. D. B.'s Procession by Blumenthal, Tall Stories by Lowell Thomas, Old Jules by Mari Sandoz, Fire on the Andes by Carleton Beals, Life with Father by Clarence Day, Our Will Rogers by Jack Lait, Will Rogers by P. J. O'Brien, Night to the Orient by A. M. Lindbergh, The Real Abyssinia by C. F. Rey, Invincible Louisa by Cornelia Miegs, South America by F. G. Carpenter, Short Stories for Short People by Alicia Aspinwall, Danny's Country Store by H. F. Orton, A Story About Big Trees by H. S. Read, An Airplane Story by H. S. Read, Christmas Everywhere by E. H. Sechrist, Around the World With Children by Carpenter, Ancient World by West, Freedom of the Press by Geo. Seides, Come and Get It by Edna Ferber.

WPA LIBRARY PROJECT FOR KENT COUNTY WOMEN Ten Kent county women will be taken from the relief rolls this week and given employment on the Kent County Library project, under the WPA, according to Mrs. O. E. Balyeat of Sparta. The work will be under the supervision of the Kent County Library Association and Women's Relief Agency. Through this work it will be possible to continue the Kent County Library program for the year, according to Mrs. Balyeat, president of the county association.

At the time given last Friday at the Y. M. C. A. Mrs. Balyeat reported that a number of books had been donated to the library, and that Mrs. Adolph Kraus of Rockford had donated \$5 to the project. More than 100 guests visited the library headquarters during Book Week, last week. Mrs. Balyeat called attention of radio listeners to the Parent-Teacher Council hour on Wednesday at 1:45 p. m. over WOOD, where news of the Library is given from time to time.

Moving Pictures of School in Action

The Lowell schools are presenting in motion pictures on Monday, Dec. 2, scenes taken in practically all of the classrooms at the school, showing the children at work, play and study. Suppl. W. W. Gumsier will take over a special sound apparatus, explaining the pictures as they flash on the screen. There also will be several added attractions. The school's share of the proceeds will be used by school organizations.

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Typewriter paper, 8 1/2 x 11 size, 20c the pound, at Ledger office.

All-Russian Program On Friday, Nov. 29

Symphony No. 4 in F Minor by Tchaikowsky, played November 29 on the all-Russian program of the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra, is one of the few symphonies ever written having the advantage of being explained by its composer as to mood and meaning.

As the November 29 concert features an all-Russian program, in addition to the Tchaikowsky symphony, the orchestra will offer the overture to "Prince Igor," Russian opera by Borodin, and eight Russian folk songs, "Polovetzian Dances" and "Song of the Volga Boatmen."

Chest Clinic at Alto, December 4

A schedule of clinics which will provide free chest examinations for the people in the suburbs of Grand Rapids and villages of Kent County has been planned by the Grand Rapids Anti-tuberculosis Society as a part of its program in December and January. These clinics will be made possible through the 29th annual sale of the Tuberculosis Christmas Seals, which begins giving day.

People in Alto and vicinity will be favored with a clinic which will be held in Alto Grange hall on Wednesday, Dec. 4, from 1:30 to 4:30 p. m. Adults who attend will be given routine chest examinations and xrays will be provided for those who have lived in a family with tuberculosis or complain of such vague symptoms as unusual fatigue, loss of appetite and weight, possibly with slight stomach trouble or a little cough that hangs on. Children will be tuberculin tested and positive reactors given chest xrays.

Strikes & Snares

Last Thursday evening a match was played between teams headed by Jim Topp and Ed. Keil, in which Topp's squad were victors, winning two out of three games. Walter Kropf had high score of 142 and was closely followed by Jim Topp with a score of 139.

Table with columns for names and scores. Includes TOPPS, KEILS, and other categories.

High score for the week for men is held by Bill Haysmer with a score of 185, which is a new alley record, bettering the former record of 183 held by Paul Gardner, and a new alley record and weekly high score for women was set when Mrs. Mabel Scott turned in a score of 133. This beat the previous alley record for women of 122 held by Mrs. Essie Baird.

Good Record Made By Holstein Herd

The yearly herd improvement test conducted by the Holstein-Friesian Association on the Michigan State College herd of 16 pure-bred Holstein cows showed an average production for the cows of 463 pounds of butterfat. The high cow, Michigan Ormsby Queen Colantha, had a record of 710.9 pounds of fat and 20,926 pounds of milk.

Colt Numbers Gain Demand May Be Less

For the first time in many years, the supply of horses appears to be catching up with the demand, and any considerable increase in the number of colts raised will result in a supply of work horses in the near future larger than the number now on farms, according to information gathered by the Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

DRIVE SAFELY DON'T RISK HUMAN LIVES TO SAVE A FEW SECONDS

Help make Michigan highways SAFE

STATE OF MICHIGAN SAFETY CAMPAIGN

SHEEP, CATTLE OF W. MICHIGAN IN COMPETITION

\$600 in Prizes for Fat Stock Show

Twenty-nine cattle and 17 sheep breeders will exhibit in the show ring Wednesday, Dec. 11, for the \$600 in cash prizes offered at the West Michigan Fat Stock Show. These cattle and sheep will be sold on the 12th to the highest bidder.

Following are a list of exhibitors from the various counties: Ionia—George Coe, Harwood Hereford Farms, Woodstock Stock Farms, 4-H Club; Mary Joe Weisberger and Marguerite Houseman; Mecosta—Eldon and George McLachlan in the open class; Lois Lanning, Harvey Lanning, F. Nagelkirk, Marie Pading and James Rasch; Barry—C. A. and R. J. Williams, 4-H Clubs; Mary Williams; Calhoun—Ben Kelley, 4-H Club; Lawrence Kelley.

In Gd. Rapids With Former Lowellites

Last week we told you about Grand (Stone) so this week we'll start with the granddaughter. That's Mabel, of course! She is now Mrs. Larry Miller, and she and little Miss Suzanne watch for Daddy from the upstairs window at 36 Putnam, SW. Daddy is employed by the Consumers Power Co. Mabel's Uncle Frank Bieber and family now live at 16 Janet St. SE. (Godwin Heights). When in Lowell Uncle Frank lived on N. Washington St.

Strand Calendar

Friday, Saturday, Nov. 29-30, double feature, "Murder in the Fleet" with Robert Taylor and Jean Parker; also "Escapade" with William Powell, Frank Morgan, Luise Rainer. Sunday, Monday, Dec. 1-2, "China Seas" with Clark Gable, Jean Harlow and Wallace Berry. Tuesday and Wednesday, Dec. 3-4, "The Hoozier Schoolmaster" with Norman Foster, Charlotte Henry and Wallace R. Jr. Thursday, Dec. 5, "The Iron Horse" with Oliver Hardy, "The Bonnie Scotland" also Bank Night.

Liberate Pheasants In This Locality

The Lowell Board of Trade and the Rod and Gun Club liberated 75 pheasants in the vicinity of Lowell shortly after the close of the hunting season. The eggs were obtained from the State Game Farm at Mason and were hatched at the Foreman Poultry Farm.

Legion Convention Here December 6

Charles W. Clark Post and Unit will be hosts to the 53rd District American Legion and Auxiliary on Friday evening, Dec. 6, at the City Hall. Dinner will be served at 7 o'clock, followed by dancing.

So. Boston Grange Installs Officers

A very large crowd gathered at the South Boston Grange hall last Saturday evening to witness the installation of the new officers: Ira Sargeant, Master; Roy Kysar, Overseer; Mrs. Claude Barker-Lecturer; Lyle Boyce, Steward; Ralph Kysar, Assistant Steward; Mrs. Ralph Kysar, Lady Assistant Steward; Mrs. Ernest Tucker, Chaplain; Paul Wittenbach, Treasurer; Henry Tapley, Gatekeeper; Nita Clark, Esther Briggs, and the Grand Kyser, Three Graces, and the Executive Committee, Elmer Marshall, John Freeman, Reuben Lee and Fred Fahrni.

Along Main St.

From Main-st. bridge last Friday morning we saw the first sign of the season on Flat river. It was a thin sliver yet at times it creaked and roared like great guns. The mercury was 14 degrees below freezing, which means that it stood 18 degrees above zero.

Study Reveals Railroads Have Important Economic Value—Big Payroll in Kent

What "the railroad" means to Kent county is illustrated in the first study ever made of the economic value of its railroads to Michigan, recently prepared by the Michigan Railroad Employees and Citizens League.

The picture of the state's rail network is one of large proportions. Twenty-one lines, exclusive of bell, local and industrial railways, operate wholly or in part in this state. Their Michigan trackage totals 8,085 miles and they employ 27,600 workers, earning \$33,329,122.31 in 1934.

Comparing the state's current rail system with that in peak times, the survey shows that in former years 44,274 men were in railroad work in Michigan, earning annually \$6,542,515.75, and in the interval 610 miles of track have been abandoned and permission is now asked to abandon 516 miles more. This decline, attributed as much to unregulated hire-truck competition as to depressed conditions, is noted also in this county where in peak days 3,539 men, earning \$5,917,660.30, were employed in local rail service.

HOPE TO BRING ELECTRICITY TO RURAL HOMES

Large Enough Areas Is Main Problem

The utilities commission has been very active in attempting to bring to rural Michigan all the possible advantages of the federal appropriations for the advancement of rural electrification. Agreements have been secured which will wherever possible provide for the electrification of farm homes throughout the state.

Fewer Farmers Sign Reduction Contracts

K. K. Vining, county agricultural agent, reports a falling off in the number of farmers willing to sign contracts for reducing wheat acreage and the production of corn and hogs. The shrinkage is about one-third from last year. One of the reasons given for the falling off in contract signers is that farmers dislike the delay due to government red tape.

Sentence Stimulants

I am not worried about the lies another tells about me. I might be worried if he knew some half-truths and told them as true. But who wouldn't?

Travel Pushes Back Physical Horizon

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

Default has occurred in the conditions of the mortgage made by Grace Phelps, mortgagor, to Home State Bank of Grand Rapids, Michigan, corporation, of Grand Rapids, Michigan, mortgagee, of August 22, 1928, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Kent County, Michigan, on the same date in Liber 601 of Mortgages, page 277.

Good Short story

LITTLE ORPHAN MARY'S CHRISTMAS

long time in front of the fireplace. "I am so glad we could get together for a few days before Christmas," Mr. Bonner remarked. "How her eyes jumped when she saw the tree and when she told her that 'Christmas morning there will be presents under it for her, it seemed too wonderful for her to believe."

Council Proceedings

Regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Lowell held in the Council Rooms, City Hall, Monday, Nov. 4, 1935.

22 MORE SHOPPING DAYS BEFORE CHRISTMAS

A few suggestions for Christmas for men, women and children. Hosieery House Slippers, We will gladly lay away your purchases until you want them.

Your Advertising

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LUNCH AT NOON (yes or no) Prop.

Rid Yourself of Kidney Poisons

Advertise The Ledger Way

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Placid, dinner guests of Mrs. May ... Mrs. Gertrude Thomas ... Mrs. Henry Thompson accompanied her father, Henry Moore to Grand Rapids Friday.

Wayne Benton and Doris and Alice ... Mrs. and Mrs. Howard Houghton were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Merrill Karcher.

So. Keene-No. Boston By Mrs. Ed. Potter ... Keene Grange will have its installation of officers Dec. 1, at 7 o'clock.

F. EARLE HANER FUNERAL DIRECTOR ... Day or Night AMBULANCE SERVICE

Davis Lake By Mrs. Wm. Schrader ... Thora Dygert spent the past week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Loren Dygert.

Who Pays The Federal Payroll? By RAYMOND PITCAIRN ... National Chairman ... National Chairman ... National Chairman

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It is fitting at this Thanksgiving Season that we extend our sincere thanks to our many friends for their loyalty and the opportunities they have given us to be of constructive service during the past year!

In observance of Thanksgiving Day, this Bank will transact no business on Thursday, November 28.

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FOOD SPECIALS

Look at these prices

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Mince Meat (36 oz. jar 33c) 17 oz. jar 18c
Peanut Butter 2 lb. jar 29c
Green & White Coffee lb. 17c
Blue & White Coffee lb. 25c
Red & White Coffee lb. 29c

Fresh Ground Beef lb. 15c
Beef Ribs lb. 12c
Beef Pot Roast lb. 14c
Beef Chuck Roast lb. 16c
Rolled Beef Roast Rib 1b. 20c
Round or Sirloin Steak lb. 20c
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Link Sausage lb. 29c
Fresh Side Pork lb. 25c
Rolled Ham Roast lb. 27c

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More Local News

Beverly Davenport spent last week Thursday with Gloria Frost in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Houseman, Charles and Ruth are enjoying Thanksgiving dinner at the R. DeYoung home in Grand Rapids.

Guests at the Claude Thorne home for Thanksgiving are Mrs. Belle Eddy of Big Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Pickins of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kranz drove to Grand Rapids last Wednesday to attend the funeral of Drew Sweeter. They also called on a cousin of Mrs. Kranz's who is in the hospital.

Miss Frances McCarty, who is employed in Lansing, spent Sunday with the home folks.

Mrs. Clara McCarty and Frances are spending Thanksgiving in Grand Rapids with Mr. and Mrs. Don Johnson.

Mrs. G. O. Lawrence is spending the holiday week-end in Detroit with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Sisson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fuller and Charles of Grand Rapids were callers Sunday at the home of Mrs. G. O. Lawrence.

Edward Herald and Victor Clemens returned home from Northern Michigan Monday with two good-sized bucks.

Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Briggs of Grand Rapids are Thanksgiving dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry N. Briggs.

Mrs. G. G. Webster and Mrs. E. H. Roth attended a meeting of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Grand Rapids last Thursday.

Those desiring to take lessons in dancing will be interested in reading the announcement of Peggy's dance studio in another column of this issue.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rogers and the latter's sister of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Frank Keiser spent the week-end in Chicago with Lester Rogers.

Callers at the Kranz home the past week were August Judger and George Swager, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Gintill, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fimmerman of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Berkey of Godwin Heights.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Knight and son Harold of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. C. Althen Simpson and daughters, Betty and Marjorie, of Grand Rapids are enjoying their Thanksgiving dinner of turkey and all the fixin's with their parents and grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Simpson.

Elmer Ellis returned Monday from a deer hunting trip in the vicinity of West Branch, Fred Slama and his nephew of South Lowell also were in the party.

Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Nixon of Battle Creek were visiting friends here Saturday. Mr. Nixon was pastor of the Lowell Methodist church for three years, leaving here about eight years ago.

Jake Staal, who has been a patient at Blodgett hospital the past six weeks, suffering from blood poisoning, is reported as slowly gaining and it is expected that he will be able to leave the hospital about Christmas time.

Coming Events

The I. O. O. F. and Rebekahs will give a pedro party at their hall Friday evening, Nov. 29. Everyone welcome.

South Lowell Neighborhood Club will meet at Emerson Wieland's Tuesday, Dec. 3, instead of on Wednesday. All members be present. One o'clock luncheon.

Kent County Council Parent-Teacher Association will have an all-day meeting at Sparta Tuesday, Dec. 3. Conferences will be held in the morning. Following luncheon, Mrs. Mabel Sewall will give a talk on "Problem Parents."

Annual Convocation of Hooker Chapter, No. 73, R. & A. M., will be held Wednesday evening, Dec. 4, at 7:30 o'clock. Companion Robert Nostein of Columbia Chapter will give an interesting talk and show motion pictures of his recent tour in Europe, after which a light lunch will be served. All members are urged to attend.—D. A. Wingeier, H. P.

The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held Dec. 2 at 8:00 o'clock at the home of Mrs. R. M. Shivel. A Christmas box will be packed for two boys, age 12 and 14, and anyone who has books, puzzles, games, or any toilet articles is asked to get them to the meeting. Clothes for children of all ages will be reconitioned for the Christmas baskets and anyone who has anything which can be used will please notify Mrs. J. C. Hatch or Mrs. Mary Rittenger and arrangements will be made to get them.

STROKE PROVES FATAL
 Mrs. Helen Houghton passed away at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Allie Austin of Saranac, Tuesday evening following a stroke. Her son, Wilford Houghton of Rochester, N. Y., arrived at his mother's bedside before her death. Surviving are the son and daughter.
 Funeral services will be held from the Saranac Methodist church Friday afternoon at two o'clock.

CARD OF THANKS
 I wish to thank the Cheerful Doers, West Side Euchre Club, friends and neighbors for the flowers and many acts of kindness during my recent illness.
 Mrs. Philip Krum.

Near Houston on Buffalo Bayou is the famous San Jacinto battleground where the Texans under General Sam Houston defeated Santa Anna's army and won the independence of Texas on April 21, 1836.

WHY

Curious Customs Prevail in Clothes of Today
 Many curious customs which long ago were discarded are still reflected in a number of details in the clothes of today, says a writer in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.
 For example, why are men's hats surrounded by a useless ribbon? Because 4,000 years ago women bound a loose fabric about their heads by means of a fillet.
 Why does a man's morning coat bear two useless buttons above the tails? Because coats used to be almost like skirts, which needed buttons to keep them out of the mud.
 Why does a tailor place a man's coat buttons on the right side? Because this fashion enabled him more readily to get at his dagger.
 Why are stockings adorned with "clocks"? Because they were originally put in to hide the garter seams, when only cloth stockings were worn, and were later retained because they were considered ornamental.

Why Dry Ice Is So Cold That It Will Not Melt

If the air pressure on any substance is reduced, the boiling point of that substance is greatly reduced, while the freezing point remains almost unchanged. If the air is pumped out of a flask containing some water, eventually the boiling point of the water falls to the same temperature as the freezing point. At pressures below this, says a writer in the Chicago Tribune, the theoretical boiling point is less than the melting point, with the result that on heating the ice passes directly into vapor without melting. Dry ice is solid carbon dioxide. It happens that it shows this same property at atmospheric pressure. If dry ice is placed in a container and subjected to pressure much higher than atmospheric, it can be made to melt.

Why Term "Grass Widow"

Authorities have not agreed as to the origin of the term "grass widow." According to Doctor Brewer, the use of the term seems to have originated among Anglo-Indians about the middle of the Nineteenth century, from the practice of European husbands residing in India sending their wives and children to the hills during the hot season. In this section the grass is plentiful. A more plausible suggestion is that it arose in America during the gold rush in California; a man not infrequently put his wife and children out to board while he went to the diggings. This he called "putting his wife to grass" as a horse is put to grass when not in use for work.

Why Cincinnati Is "Queen City"

During the early eighteenth century the hills surrounding Cincinnati, Ohio, were covered with vineyards, which offered ready employment to the German population there, who hailed mostly from the Rhine valley. Up until the latter part of the Nineteenth century, Cincinnati was the most important wine center in the country. Henry Wadsworth Longfellow christened Cincinnati as the Queen City of the West in his poem, "Catawba Wine": "And this song of the vine, this greeting of mine, the winds and birds deliver, to the Queen of the West, in her garlands dressed on the banks of the beautiful river."

CAME TOO LATE

The following news letters did not reach the Ledger office until the forms had been closed for this week's issue: Elmdale, East Caledonia, Bowne Bugle Notes, Logan and Cascade.

FOR SALE—'35 Master Chevrolet Coach, '29 Olds Sedan, '29 Essex Coach, '30 Pontiac Coupe, '33 Chevrolet, 157-Dual Stake; '29 Chevrolet, 131 in. Stake.—Webster Chevrolet Sales, Lowell, Phone 298.

Aviators when flying in high altitudes wear electrically heated clothing, suits which are wired with batteries. These suits are also fur-lined.

Social Events

The Fortnightly Club met with Mrs. Byrne McMahon Tuesday evening. Mrs. Warner Roth was assistant hostess. T. E. Lawrence's book, "The Seven Pillars of Wisdom," was reviewed by Mrs. R. D. Hahn.

Miss Esther Carr of Saranac and girl friend of Lowell entertained 45 friends and schoolmates with a Thanksgiving party last Friday evening at the Carr home. Dancing and games were the diversion of the evening and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

BIDS WANTED

Advertisements for Bids for Lowell Grade School
 Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Education, Graded School District No. 1, Township of Lowell, Kent County, Mich., at the office of the Board of Education until 12:00 M., E. S. T., December 12, 1935, and then publicly opened.
 Separate bids will be received as follows:
 Architectural Trades
 Heating
 Electrical.
 All bids must be made out on the forms furnished by the Architect.
 The work under these contracts is a part of a PWA project, designation number 1335, and it is subject to all the rules and regulations established by the Federal Government.
 Bids must be based upon the payment of no less than the minimum wage scale specified.
 Access to plans and specifications for sub-plans may be had at the office of the Architect; at the F. W. Dodge Corporation, Detroit; the Builders and Traders Exchange, Grand Rapids, Mich.; and at the office of the Board of Education, Lowell, Mich.
 Plans and Specifications may be obtained from the Architect, Robinson & Campau, 760 Michigan Trust Bldg., Grand Rapids, Mich., by the payment, for the use of same, of \$3.50 for the plans and \$2.00 for the specifications. Plans and Specifications shall be returned to the office of the Architects within three days after receipt of bids.
 All proposals shall be accompanied by a certified check on some responsible bank, made payable to the Owner, for an amount equal to a percent of the proposal as named below:
 This check shall be offered as a guarantee, that should his proposal be accepted, he will enter into a Contract and provide bond, as required, for the faithful performance of this Contract.
 Under \$ 5,000.00 10%
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 \$25,000.00 up to 50,000.00 5%
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 A U. S. Government form of standard bid bond by a recognized surety company will be accepted instead of a certified check.
 The right is reserved to reject any or all bids in whole or in part and to waive any defect in same.
 BOARD OF EDUCATION,
 Graded School District, Township of Lowell, Kent Co., Michigan.

North America extends about 5000 miles to the south, or one-fifth of the distance around the globe.

In New York City there are nearly 40,000 stores that sell food much of which must be brought in fresh daily.

Mayflies that wash ashore in putrid masses during early summer months are said to be a food of black bears.

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Short Story



Her Christmas Guest

"WHAT will do, thank you, Elise," and Elizabeth dismissed her maid with a smile. It was her custom each Christmas to entertain her guest the Charities sent to her without Elise's help.

Once it had been a down-and-out ex-missionary well along in years, once a lonely girl from the West, and several times this little waif from the tenements. On those latter occasions Elizabeth had been glad of the fragrant tree which always stood in one corner of the apartment, alight with colored bulbs and hung with varied gifts.

There was no one in sight now—wait, wasn't that some one just turned the corner?

A moment later the bell rang and if, when she ran down the stairs and answered it, Elizabeth was decidedly taken back at the young man who stood before her, it is probable that he, too, had his moment of surprise as he gazed at the slender vision in a white dress.

"Miss Lowry, of the Charities sent me—" he began.

"Oh, yes," nodded Elizabeth quickly. She mustn't let him think for an instant she had hesitated. She had absolute confidence in anyone Miss Lowry, head of the board, might send. "Hang your coat and hat on the costumer at the head of the stairs. And, let me see, your name—"

Still the young man seemed a bit uncertain. Then, "Drake Gibson," he said, resolutely and abruptly.

Elizabeth breathed an unconscious sigh of relief, as she preceded him



up the carpeted stairs. After the first embarrassing moment, she had always found that things went more easily.

Yet it was hard to believe, during the meal which followed, that her guest was the sort of down-and-outer with which the Charities were wont to deal.

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ashamed of myself. You see, I've accepted your hospitality under false pretense. But—well, I'm only Miss Lowry's nephew home from globe trotting for my paper. She asked me to stop and tell you that the old lady she was going to send to your annual Christmas dinner had not shown up. You made the mistake of thinking I was the one and—oh, I've no proper apology but you know a fool reporter never turns down an experience of any kind." He paused and regarded her so wistfully that Elizabeth's anger melted. After all, it was Christmas time when one should be forgiving.

"I'll promise never, never to do it again!" he said with such an air of little-boyishness that Elizabeth laughed in spite of herself.

Neither one of them realized then that all their Christmases were to be spent together.

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BIRTHS
 To Mr. and Mrs. Willard Marks of Ada, at the Luz maternity hospital, on Nov. 25, a 7 1/2 lb. girl, Jeanne Carole.

To Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Failes of Farley, Mo., on Nov. 20, a son, William Harvey. Mrs. Failes, who was formerly Hazel Rector of Lowell, is in Vineyard Park Hospital, Kansas City, Mo.

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Woman's Club School News

Give Fashion Show
 A few high school girls played the part of manikins last Thursday afternoon and modeled some of the latest winter modes and fashions. The show took place in the high school session room. The stage was set as a girl's room in a dormitory. The girls taking part were Helen Lampkin, Cassie June Lee, Beth Burdick, Virginia Hosley, Barbara Fletcher, Violet Peck, Helen Frost and Madeline Kyser. Madeline interviewed each of the models.
 Entertainment was furnished by Jacqueline Day with her accordion and a violin solo by Ruth Houseman, accompanied by Dorothy Jean Goul of the piano.
 The 4-H Club girls of the sixth, seventh and eighth grades were guests at the show. The meeting was adjourned with a penny march.

Commercial Club Hold Party
 The members of the Commercial Club met for their first social get-together last Tuesday evening. The entertainment began with a scavenger hunt. All were divided up into groups and each group was given a list of items to bring back to the schoolhouse. The prize given to the winning group was a box of marshmallows. "Run Sheep Run," and a few other games were played, then refreshments of sandwiches, cakes and hot chocolate were served. Afterwards they danced until nine o'clock.

Mrs. VanHoesen is sponsor of this club. Miss McCarthy was the club guest.
 The next meeting will be a business meeting for the installation of officers.
 —Madeline Kyser, Reporter.

Peggy's Dance Studio
 GRAND RAPIDS
 Enrollment for local classes and private lessons at
Lowell City Hall
Saturday, Nov. 30
 From 7:00 to 8:30 p. m.
 Classes start Wednesday, Dec. 4, for tap, ballet, acrobatic and ballroom dancing.

The way to do things is to do them. The man who sits around waiting for something to turn up or for something to drop into his lap or hesitates to make a move for fear he might fail will never get anywhere. It is the man who says "I will do it" who succeeds. The man who starts in business or who joins in a movement for better social conditions, at the same time doubting his ability to succeed, will wind up four times out of five in failure. No man who is a doubter can put forth his best efforts. A man has just got to believe in himself before others will believe in him.

The Civil Service Commission says the salary of a Civil Service employee can not be garnished.

Mrs. S. B. Wenger, Reporter Pro tem.

James Denny favored with two piano selections, "Silver Nymph" by Carl Heim and "Moonlight Revels" by Carl M. Andre.

There was a very clever and interesting exhibit of colonial bedrooms which was an art project of the eighth grade girls; also a wood-carving exhibit of the "Mayflower" and early means of cultivation of the soil.

The club adjourned to meet on Dec. 4 at the home of Mrs. Chas. Doyle.

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To the Public

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