

BLUE MARK NOTICE
A blue mark around this notice will draw your attention to the dress label, which shows that it's time to renew.

LEDGER ENTRIES

Being a Collection of Various Topics of Local and General Interest

HOME BUILDING NEEDED

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE seem to need several million new houses or apartments. They do not build them, because the income of the average family does not seem sufficient to pay the cost of building the home the average family wants. How solve this difficulty?

1. People might move out into country towns where building costs are usually less. Not so many can do this unless the factories can be employed there.

2. The cost of building might be reduced. That would stimulate a construction boom. Apparently the only way to accomplish that would be to guarantee building workers regular pay for at least a year, in which case many of them might be willing to put up houses for less money.

3. A large reduction in taxes could make building cheaper. Anyone who can see the way to do that will qualify as a national hero.

4. A great increase in national property so that families can have the nice and ample homes they desire. Perhaps if people would give up trying to get something for nothing, and if all would work for the general welfare, this could be accomplished.

5. The solution many families may choose as the best in sight, is to build or buy a quite small house. The family that wants a six room house but can't afford it, may have to put up with one of three or four rooms.

6. Many people in great cities live in one room, two rooms, or three rooms, and are happy. They may feel it is a cramped life if they have children, but if people are good tempered they can be contented. Give the children a good backyard, and they won't mind the lack of space.

THE JEFFERSON NICKEL

THE U. S. TREASURY informs the country that a new nickel coin will soon be designed, to take the place of the present buffalo nickel. Some will perhaps be sorry to see the old coin go. The powerful old buffalo raising its humped back on one side and the warring Indian face adorning the other, told of a day when the pioneers had to fight for their lives and struggle for their food.

The country will be glad to honor Thomas Jefferson, famous author of the Declaration of Independence, whose name would be a big share in shaping the life of the country. His eloquent language in that Declaration had much to do with convincing the people that the time had come to separate themselves from the English king. It rang like a trumpet call through the American colonies, bidding them build their own government and create new institutions for human welfare.

Jefferson was passionately devoted to two great principles, the rights of state sovereignty and faith in the wisdom and virtue of the common people. He would be heard in sympathy with every truly liberal movement of to-day, but would view with some alarm the present concentration of power in the federal government.

The coins and paper money of the present day show the faces of the great men who built our republic. Their views differed, sometimes they were right, and sometimes wrong. But they approached their great tasks in a noble unselfishness. They did no grasping for themselves, but were anxious only to create human welfare. If we could be inspired to better citizenship every day, we shall look at a Jefferson nickel or a Washington dollar bill, the money would accomplish more than buying the articles of daily life.

'LITTLE FELLOW' IN BUSINESS

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT is said to have received an enormous number of letters from the so-called "small" business men. Apparently the owners and managers of many small concerns have been giving him their ideas about trade and employment. These letters must contain a vast amount of practical wisdom, from which any statesman could learn much. Upwards of 500 of the writers of the letters have been invited to Washington this week for conference with the President.

The man who does business on a small scale has a point of view which is usually reasonable and fair. If he has been making a living, he understands the fundamental principles that make business thrive. He comes closely in contact with the people who work for him, and he knows how to keep them satisfied. He sees the public daily, so he knows how business and government policies affect the average family. It could be wished that every business man of this type in Michigan could write to the president about these things.

What does the average small business man say should be done to get the unemployed millions to work? He would probably be strong for the following principles:

1. The government must pay its bills. Continual borrowing ruins any business including that of government.
2. Prices must be cut, as the only way to stimulate business when trade is slow.
3. The destitute unemployed must be aided. A rich country like this can't allow anyone to go hungry.
4. Labor must have a fair wage, but it never pays labor to ask so much that the people can't afford to buy its product.
5. The small business man will say his experience shows the above principles produce prosperity.

Member When

When every property owner chomped off his own walks after snow storms?

When it was quite the fashion to wear mammoth knitted scarfs, or various colors, in winter time?

When farmers came to the post-office for their mail instead of having it delivered at their doors, and whenever one called he got the mail for his whole neighborhood?

When sleigh after sleigh, loaded with wood, could be seen on the streets of Lowell, awaiting purchasers, who were required to pay the enormous sum of \$1.50 cord for dry beech and maple?

FEBRUARY CLEARANCE SALE

Coons' final February clearance offers some great values in sturdy, worsted suits at \$23.95.

CONGRESSIONAL SENTIMENT WAS REVEALED

last Friday to be overwhelmingly in favor of outright repeal or drastic modification of the corporate undistributed profits tax in the belief that either would stimulate business and put thousands back to work.

Gertrude Trednick, Chiropractor, King Block, Lowell, Wednesdays and Saturdays, 9:00 a. m. to 8:00 p. m.

Get Michigan Potatoes!

Alto Creamery Closes Another Successful Year

Patrons' Profit Over \$20,000

The twenty-seventh annual meeting of the Alto Cooperative Creamery Association was held Thursday, Jan. 27.

One of the outstanding features of the day was the wonderful dinner served by the Union Ladies Aid Society under the guidance of Mrs. Charles Smith. Everything was served and handled with such order and friendliness that this organization should have honorary mention at this time.

During the dinner hour moving pictures were shown to entertain the patrons who were waiting to be served. The main speaker of the day was Professor Earl Weaver of M. S. C., who gave a very interesting talk on the advantages of selling cream, and diversified farming.

Professor Jensen of M. S. C. gave a summary of the new laws relative to cream production and cleanliness.

Col. N. C. Thomas, ably assisted by Vern Loring of Caledonia, gave his usual inimitable line of songs and stories.

The following directors were elected for the coming year: Leon Anderson, Glenn Yetter, Glenn Lovell, William Lott and N. M. O'Beirne.

The Creamery paid off an average of thirty-eight cents a pound for butterfat for the year 1937. The value of the overrun, minus expenses, paid the patrons a profit over \$20,000 during the year, on 1,607,830 pounds of cream received.

Newspaper Publishers Hold Profitable Meeting

CHESTER M. HOWELL, New M. P. A. President

Chester M. Howell, publisher, Chesaning Argus, is the new president of the Michigan Press association, which met in Lansing last week. Howell was elected at the editors' annual meeting held last week at Michigan State College. He succeeds Claude D. Riley, Ontonagon Herald. Howell is a member of the National Editorial Association, and is also a member of the National Editorial Association, and is also a member of the National Editorial Association.

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At the annual banquet Thursday night, the editors were addressed by W. W. Loomis of LaGrange, Ill., president of the National Editorial Association, and George O'Brien, humorist of Saginaw. Dr. M. S. Rice, Detroit Metropolitan Methodist church, spoke at the "Methodist" fourth annual pancake-sausage supper Friday evening.

A major part of the convention program was devoted to a safety clinic at which the following state officials spoke: Dr. Eugene E. Elliott, public instruction; Murray D. Van Wagoner, highway department; Oscar Olander, state police; and Leon D. Case, secretary of state. How the newspapers can aid in reducing the mounting highway massacre was the chief theme of discussion.

The publishers voted to affiliate with the National Editorial Association, extending membership in the national body to all sustaining members of the state association at no extra cost. Publishers also took steps to provide a clearing house service for national advertising and to undertake a retail advertising and merchandising service to assist merchants in getting more business on Main Street in 1938.

Donkey Basketball Here February 21

On Feb. 21, Donkey basketball will put in an appearance in the local gym. Real live donkeys will do the basketball court and efficient teachers and business men acting in the capacities of cowboys will be riding the "bucking bronchos." The local men will demonstrate that Lou Gehrig is not the only made-over westerner. More detailed announcement will be made of the event next week.

PARNELL FARM HOME DESTROYED BY FIRE

The house on the Toby Byrne farm, one mile south of Parnell, burned to the ground Monday afternoon about four o'clock. The house was occupied by Katie Byrne, Mr. and Mrs. Malone and their young son.

The cause of the fire is attributed to a defective chimney. All the household goods on the second floor were destroyed but neighbors and school children assisted in saving most of the contents on the ground floor and basement. The loss is partially covered by insurance.

RUMMAGE SALE

Rummage sale Saturday, Feb. 12, only. Good clothing, books, dishes, etc. up. Old Lowell Journal office. (Charity). p38-2t

Ledger readers appreciate stores advertising.

Official Call For Citizens' Village Caucus

Notice is hereby given that a Citizens' Village Caucus will be held at Lowell City hall on Monday, Feb. 21, 1938, at 7:30 o'clock, p. m., for the purpose of placing in nomination the following candidates for village offices for the ensuing term: Village president, village clerk, village treasurer, village assessor, all for one year; and three trustees for two years; and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

By order of H. J. Englehardt, William W. Hull, R. G. Jefferies, Village Committee. Dated Feb. 1, 1938. 38-39-40

McPherson Battles For Home Rule

State Tax Commissioner M. B. McPherson of Lowell is battling steadily for the principal of local governmental control as against centralized control. Of his address a few days ago at the annual meeting of the Farmers Co-Op at Hudsonville, the Grandville Star-Alliance says:

Lashing out against the new welfare act, McPherson declared that it deprived the citizens of every vestige of home rule and he contended that the original bill as agreed upon was satisfactory but that "they were sold down the river" later and passed a wholly unsatisfactory act, which he is attempting to repeal and against which he has been successful in obtaining enough signatures to compel a vote at the fall election. His pleas for defeat of the present welfare act were in the interest of home rule and strictly non-partisan.

He argues that the local supervisor is in a much better position to determine welfare aid than outside administrative setups under the act passed. He pointed out the tendency to do away with local governments and cited the McNitt act as one of the acts depriving local home rule.

McPherson said that he fought for sales tax exemption for the farmer which has saved them five million dollars in 1937. Heading further for home rule, in a dramatic gesture, McPherson remarked, "Let's keep what we have and bring back what we lost."

CALENDAR OF COMING EVENTS

The Cheerful Doers will meet on Monday, Feb. 7, at the home of Mrs. Elmer Fletcher.

Fortnightly Club will meet next Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Doris Roth, Mrs. Beatrice Krum assisting.

The M. E. Ladies Aid will hold a business meeting Friday afternoon at the home of Miss Anna Maynard at 2:30 o'clock.

Don't forget the Father and Son banquet at the high school gym March 22. Ben East, well known wild life writer, will be speaker. Plan now to attend.

Lowell Woman's Democrat Club will hold its next meeting on Wednesday, Feb. 9, at the home of Mrs. Norwood. The meetings have been changed from Monday to Wednesday evenings.

Regular communication of Lowell Lodge, No. 80, F. & A. M., will be held Tuesday evening, Feb. 8, at 7:30 p. m. Work in the Fellowship degree to be conferred by the Beiding lodge.—D. A. Wingeier, W. M.

Mrs. Lydia Chubb and daughter Nina will entertain the members and friends of the Greene Circle on Tuesday evening, Feb. 8, at their home. They are planning for an entertaining evening and extend an invitation to all.

The Girls' Club of Lowell high school will sponsor a benefit bridge to be held Monday evening, Feb. 7, at 8 o'clock at the City hall. Both auction and contract bridge will be played. Admission 25c per person. Everyone invited.

Dr. Galen Starr Ross To Hold His Famous Question Box and Institute Here

Dr. Galen Starr Ross, whose inspiring address here Jan. 21st at annual shippers' banquet, is still being discussed throughout the county, has been secured for a four day return engagement by a local good-will committee composed of a number of prominent local citizens. Beginning Monday evening, Feb. 7, Dr. Ross will be the speaker for four nights in high school gymnasium, presenting his famous People's Question Box and Institute of Public Affairs. After his prepared address of each evening, Dr. Ross will answer from the stage, all questions submitted in writing by members of the audience. Questions on current events and economics and taxation, etc., are especially interesting to the public at this time. Questions are not required to be signed so no embarrassment is felt by those wishing to submit questions. Vocational guidance, public health matters, political questions of the moment such as Father Coughlin, Townsendism, Ford versus NLRB, etc., are always of intense interest to public audiences.

Dr. Ross does not claim to be a walking encyclopedia, but he travels all over the country yearly and reads forty hours each week. He can answer your pressing questions on public affairs, or advise

Meetings Soon For Farmers on Soil Conservation

Farm Men Urged to Attend

All members of the State Committee and the State statisticians are attending a conference of the North Central Region at Chicago this week, to receive instructions and information regarding the 1938 Agricultural Conservation program. The principal topics for discussion will be the 1938 Agricultural Conservation Program, the North Central Region Program bulletin and listing sheet procedure.

During the week of Feb. 7, 1938, meetings will be held throughout the State to instruct county committees, county agents, and county office clerks on the same subjects presented at the same Regional and State conferences.

The county committees and county agents will receive definite information relative to the 1938 Agricultural Conservation program, in order that they may hold instructional meetings for the farmers throughout the State.

Local Meetings to Be Held

According to John McCabe, chairman of the Kent County Agricultural Conservation committee, as soon as local meetings have been arranged for each community, there will be a schedule published in the paper, in order that the province may attend and learn how they will affect his own farming operations. It is the intention of the planning committees to have all necessary information presented to the farmers throughout the State before planting time in the Spring.

The success of the Agricultural Conservation Program depends upon the farmers, and all farmers are urged to attend their local instructional meetings, so they may have a thorough knowledge of the program.

Charles Yetter, 76 Spent Lifetime Here

Charles Yetter, 76, a lifelong resident of this community, was laid to rest in Merriman cemetery this week Tuesday afternoon following funeral services held at the Yetter home in South Lowell, conducted by the Rev. F. E. Chamberlain of Martin and formerly pastor of the Alto Methodist church during the years 1912-16. The burial took place just one week after Mr. and Mrs. Yetter had observed their golden wedding anniversary. Mr. Yetter had been confined to his bed most of the time during the two weeks before his death. He passed away in Blodgett hospital about one o'clock last Saturday morning, where he had been taken Thursday.

Mr. Yetter was a highly esteemed citizen, well liked by all who knew him, and the entire community joins in extending sympathy to the members of the bereaved family.

"CAMERA FACE," a thrilling love story of an artist's model by Tiah Devitt appears in This Week, the color magazine with which next Sunday's Detroit News. Be sure to read it together with the second installment of "Blind Date with Death" by Edie Stanley Gardner. On sale at Christian's, adv

Eat Michigan Apples!

Demand Michigan Sugar!

Lowell High School Breaks Attendance Record

For the first time in the history of the Lowell high school the number of Freshmen at the beginning of the second semester exceeds the number that enrolled during the first semester. The largest Freshmen class in the history of the school enrolled last September, when 89 boys and girls entered the 9th grade but due to added enrollment the number in this class has mounted to 93. The rest of the

enrollments in grades 10, 11 and 12 have also been maintained and the total number of students in the school is 315. It appears now that a class of over 65 will graduate in June. The largest number to have received diplomas heretofore was in 1935 when 63 were awarded the coveted certificates.

Ledger want ads are noted for results.

Used Car Owners Should Get Titles Without Delay

Cannot Avoid Transfer Charge

People who must transfer titles of cars to themselves before purchasing 1938 license plates or half year plates should not delay this action longer. Department of State officials have warned that license plate sales continued to lag.

While a record for title transfers was established in 1937, there is every indication that thousands of people who have acquired used cars in the past few months, are still deferring title transfer until they are ready to buy their new plates or permits. As a rule, motorists defer this transfer in the belief they will evade the \$1.00 fee for transferring license plates. However, this charge is collected regardless of the time of the title transfer.

Frank W. Carney, Director of the Motor Vehicle Division of the Department of State, points out that those selling cars to subsequent purchasers should see to it that titles are transferred before cause for responsibility for damages resulting from operation of a motor vehicle, rests with the recorded owner.

Indications are that more than a million motor vehicles will lack 1938 plates or permits on Feb. 1, the date titles are transferred by March 1. Those who involve plate purchases with title transfer applications will not only slow down the whole process for themselves, but for everyone else applying for plates, motorists are reminded.

Girls Glee Club Delights Rotary

The members of Lowell Rotary Club enjoyed a delightful surprise at their luncheon meeting on Wednesday night when the Lowell Girls' Glee Club of the high school rendered four songs in a manner that would please the most exacting critic. The girls have been making splendid progress in voice culture under the guidance of Bruce Yetter, musical director.

The Girls' Glee Club is another one of the many activities which our local school is contributing to the pleasure and benefit of the entire community.

Other features of the meeting included interesting remarks made by the new Congregational minister, the Rev. Robert M. Barkdale, who told of the blizzard which swept the Upper Peninsula last week and of the depth of the snow, in many places up to the second story windows of houses.

W. W. Gummer sang an original song composed by Royden Warner and F. Earle Haner, Edward Kiel and Dr. J. A. MacDonnell were received into club membership. Chris Leonard was program chairman for the day.

Along Main St.

Lots of double holidays promised in the 1938 calendar, with Memorial, Independence, and Labor days coming on Mondays, Christmas and New Year's on Sundays, and Lincoln's birthday on Saturday.

Mrs. Mabel H. Bibber, manager of the Lowell auto license bureau, is receiving a number of applications daily for 1938 license plates. There are less than 30 days left in which to procure plates as March 1 is the deadline.

Village Clerk L. E. Johnson is now receiving registrations of qualified voters for voting at the coming village election which will be held on Monday, March 14. Those who are not registered must do so before Feb. 21.

The time is not far distant when calls should be issued for the annual township elections. The annual township election this year falls on Monday, April 11. Township caucuses must be held not later than March 15.

Chester M. Howell, editor of the Chesaning Argus, who was elected president of the Michigan Press Association at its annual meeting in Lansing last week, is well known to many Lowell people. He never misses seeing the Lowell Showboat.

Dr. J. H. Rickett, formerly of Lowell, who has been practicing his profession of dentistry in London, England, for a number of years, in renewing his subscription to the Ledger, says "The Ledger is better than ever. Continued success and happiness for the new year."

If you find that many of the proprietors of the business houses of Main-st. are absent this week, it may possibly be due to the fact that they are in Washington attending the President's conference with small business men. You see, those invited are the ones doing an annual business of a million dollars or more.

We recommend to our subscribers the reading of a department which appears regularly in the columns of the Ledger, entitled, "Michigan Mirror," and which is prepared by the Michigan Press Association, of which this newspaper is a sustaining member. The article is not only of great interest but it is also of vital concern to every citizen.

Farmers Meet Tuesday to Plan '38 Account Books

Other Meetings On Farm Program

Kent County farmers who are desirous of starting a farm account book for 1938 should plan to attend the farm account book school Tuesday afternoon, Feb. 8, in Room 203, Grand Rapids Y. M. C. A. at 1:30 o'clock. Those attending should bring with them an inventory of tools, livestock, feed and supplies. The account book recommended by Michigan State College will be explained and those present helped to properly start the book.

Those farmers who have been keeping books in the past will have them checked in at various places in the county Feb. 7-9.

Best Secretaries

Three girls and two boys were selected as the best secretaries of summer 4-H Clubs in 1937. The girls were Alice Timinsky of the "W. B. B. A. Club" in Vergennes and Ada townships; Crystal Homich of the "Jolly Workers Club" of Byron township and Lucile Holmden of the "Oakfield Preservers" of Oakfield township. The boys were William Dodge of the "Caledonia 4-H Community Club" in Caledonia township, and James Shellard of the "New Bend Livestock Club" in Walker and Alpin townships.

Selection of winners are based on monthly reports sent to the local extension office and the completion of the secretary's book which they turn in at the end of the year. Suitable awards will be given for this honor.

Greenhouse Meeting

Producers of greenhouse crops will have a meeting Friday evening, Feb. 11, at the Grand Rapids Growers Warehouse to discuss soil testing, sterilization problems, Mr. H. Seaton, extension specialist in vegetable gardening, will have charge of the discussion.

Sparta Co-Op Meet

The Sparta Cooperative Association will hold its annual meeting Saturday afternoon, Feb. 12, at the Sparta Library.

Strand Calendar

Thursday, Feb. 3.—A beautiful young girl, Phyllis Brooks, fond of gams and a gayly romantic adventure, Caesar Romero, fond of danger. They keep a step ahead of the law, but they can't escape from their own hearts in "Dangerously Yours" with Jane Darwell and Alan Dinehart. Also Laurel and Hardy in Beau Hunks, a Pete Smith Specialty, "Gilding the Lily" and Fox News.

Friday and Saturday, Feb. 4-5, "White Bondage," with Jean Muel and Gordon Oliver; also "Borrowing Trouble" with the Jones Family, Jed Prouty, Shirley Deane, Spring Byington, Russell Gleason, Kenneth Howell and June Carlson.

Sunday and Monday, Feb. 6-7. The looniest lovers who ever stood the town on its ear, Irene Dunne and Cary Grant, who are going wilder than ever on Broadway; doing that dance which made Park Avenue's eyes pop out, handing you the season's smartest screenful of madcap love, and laughter, "The Awful Truth" with Ralph Bellamy, Alexander D'Arcy and others; also Our Gang Comedy in "Male and Female"; Musical, "Roof Top Frolics" and Pathe News.

Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 8-9. Gene Autry in "Public Coward No. 1" with Smiley Burnette and Ann Rutherford; also "Here's Flash Casey" with Eric Linden and Boots Mallory; also Pathe News.

Thursday, Feb. 10. With three loves in her life and three scars on her head in "Betty Davis in 'The Certain Woman'" with Henry Fonda, Ian Hunter, Anita Louise and Donald Crisp; also Rhythm Rangers, Rover's Rival and Fox News.

Segun Community Club

Segun Community Club will entertain in the South Ward school house Friday evening, Feb. 11, at 8 o'clock. Hot coffee and fruit will be served. There will be a service, sandwiches and other dishes. Good music and a speaker will help make the evening a pleasant one.

If you have ever lived or now live in the community or ever attended school there you will be welcome. Children, if attended by adults, may come.

Support the community by being present on this occasion. If the weather happens to be bad, forget it, come out and you will not regret the effort.

Dental Office Notice

Dr. J. R. Stryker will not be in his office on the afternoons of Feb. 7, 9 and 11, due to an engagement in Grand Rapids to examine contestants for the Golden Gloves boxing tournament.

Auction Sales

Julius Peterson, Feb. 17

Julius Peterson and wife, having decided to quit farming, will be proprietors at an auction sale to be held at 12:30 p. m. on Thursday, Feb. 17, at their farm, 1 1/2 miles west of Alto. A. W. Hizey will be auctioneer and D. A. Wingeier, clerk. A large list of good cattle, a good team, implements, tools and household goods.

Gordon Eldred of Climax has been made master of the Climax Manic lodge founded by his grandfather in 1832. He is the third grandson of the founder to hold the office.

Only 5 Days Each Year To Earn Dividends

It takes the receipts of 5 months and 6 days of the Michigan railroads to meet their annual payroll and 29 days of their income to satisfy the tax collector, according to a survey by the Michigan Railroads Association.

There are numerous other days each year when railroad income immediately becomes outgo, declares the survey which is based on 1936 I. C. C. reports. For instance, it takes 21 days of income to pay the roads' locomotive fuel bill; 55 days' work to pay the materials and supplies bills; 31 days for all other operating expenses and 67 days for interest, rents and other fixed charges. That leaves only five days each year whose income goes toward dividends. And 1836 needed to have an extra ten days to have enabled the lines to meet their dividends in full that year, something they failed to do by that much margin.

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The Wagner-Van Nuys anti-lynching bill would empower the Federal Government to fine and imprison "local police officers who are negligent in protecting a prisoner from a mob, and also make a county in which a lynching takes place pay a fine up to \$10,000 to the victim's family.

Most participants in White House business conferences report the President has done more listening than on similar occasions. Some were surprised by the contrast with their experiences on visits over the last three or four years, when it was common gossip that the President did most of the talking.

Proposals for broadening the tax base to raise additional revenue from income tax levies, which are expected in the Senate, and pending revenue revision legislation is introduced there, are considered to have small chance of enactment. Under present laws only about half of the income of the National Government is received from direct taxes such as the income tax.

As a step toward "dry-cleaning" the city's night life for the benefit of its young people, Milwaukee ministers have announced they were entering the night club business. The Rev. Raymond H. Ewing, chairman of the Militant Ministerial association, said the association intended to prove liquor was not necessary to a good time by opening a modern night club with a soft drink "bar."

You all remember how, under NRA, the government tried to force oil companies to get together and discontinue the competition which made it difficult for some of the companies to continue. Now the government is prosecuting and convicting a large number of oil companies and individuals for doing what four years ago the government forced them to do. It's a funny government, isn't it!—The Casopolis Vigilant.

The Couzens inheritance tax of \$4,403,739 was received last Friday by the state of Michigan. The money, under the law, is credited to the primary school fund to be disbursed in the fiscal year beginning July 1, next. The late Senator James Couzens left an estate of more than \$32,000,000 and the state's tax was the largest ever received. Since July 1 the state has received \$7,312,195 in inheritance taxes.

Floyd Soper, sixteen-year-old Jackson high school student, is making bees pay for his education. Soper, a Future Farmer of America, said he started as an apiarist in 1933 with a swarm of bees bought for a dollar. Next year he bought seven more swarms, but lost one. "In 1936," he said, "I lost all seven swarms, but bought six new ones and made money at that. This year I bought 14 swarms and now have 20 hives. I cleared \$129 this year." His aim in 1938 is 40 hives.

Apparently the young doctor looking for a place to establish his practice would do well to consider the opportunities offered by small-town and rural areas as contrasted with the cities. Calling attention to the decline in the number of country doctors, the Agriculture Department points out that while the more urban States have one doctor to from 500 to 700 persons, the more rural states have only one doctor for every 1,000 to 1,500 persons.

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A SOUND DOCTRINE. Official or board that handles public money should publish at regular intervals an accounting of it, showing where and how each dollar is spent. We hold this to be a fundamental principle of domestic government.

FOR BETTER HEALTH BY DR. J. ROSSLYN EARP. Director, New Mexico Bureau of Public Health.

HOW OLD SHOULD FATHER BE? Every year 1000 babies born alive in up-state New York, 49 die before they are a year old. Thirty-two of these die before they are one month old and a large proportion on the day they are born.

Children in Court

A court officer discovered that a delinquent girl shared two rooms with her parents, nine brothers and sisters and two additional relatives. She was practicing communism in its broadest interpretation.

FARMING IT... BY WILLARD BOLTE

WIRE FLOORS FOR HEALTHY CHICKS. THE OHIO RANGE SHELTER. FOR PLANTING. FOR DUSTING SEED CORN.

In the brooder house partially sketched, both feeders and troughs are placed on wire-covered frames—which can be easily lifted for cleaning.

But It's True. Interest in maternal and infant health and welfare has become widespread that Miss Katharine Lenroot, chief of the Children's Bureau of the Department of Health, has decided that such problems must be taken up in general conference on Better Care for Mothers and Babies in Washington, in 1928.

Ledger Entries

LIVE WIVES. THE TOWN values a certain type of person who is called a "live wire". Such a man or woman makes almost anything in sight.

Success with house plants need not be limited to those lucky people who seem to have a "green finger". If you have a basic understanding of the essentials the main difficulties will be overcome.

PLEDGE. THE USE of advertising is an important point to keep in mind is adequate drainage. The advertiser cannot expect to make as much difference as this matter of handling.

WORLD GOING BACKWARD? MRS. GARRIE CHAPMAN CUT, a veteran woman speaker and leader, recently said she did not fear the world would go backward.

HOME TOWN THOUGHTS. The world forgets very fast. What you are doing by advertising to keep yourself remembered?

SICKLY CHILD, NOW 100. JOHN MICHAEL HORAN of Milwaukee, who at 11 years of age was called a sickly child, is now 100 and is still working.

Stopping the Drip. For instance, with all the running of hot water during the winter months and cooking, perhaps a faucet is beginning to drip.

When Tom Lee, the Memphis Negro who saved thirty people from drowning in the Mississippi river two years ago, was asked how he was able to accomplish such a feat.

Earlene White. The National Federation of Business and Professional Women's press release.

Her great love for birds, which she studied whenever she had free time for reading or writing.

Internationally known Chinese women have organized in New York a group known as the Chinese Women's War Relief.

THE SAFEST DRIVER. A PSYCHOLOGIST of Iowa State College has tested 1500 state motorists and he has found that between 32 and 37 years of age is apt to be the safest driver.

A WILL IS IMPORTANT. A person comes to the end of a lifetime. From childhood he has learned trade well helps in solving the unemployment problem.

THE SEEKING WORLD. THE PEOPLES of the world are in a mind one of a vast seething teat kettle. The passions of men and women are being kindled.

When "Boss" Cooper applied for a job on the police force he was asked the distance between New York and London.

"What kind of a dog is that?" said the friendly lady to the little boy with a mongrel pup.

To be encouraged to refrain from harsh criticism; to inspire a man to better things; this is a distinguishing feature of a gentleman.

Ground Hog Week

by A. B. CHAPIN. In former ages, poor and struggling people were apt to settle down in a rural area.

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Fallaburg & Vicinity. Mrs. Wesley Miller. Mr. and Mrs. Emiel Stauffer and Mrs. Ed Bradley spent Sunday in Grand Rapids.

So, Keene-N. Boston. Mrs. Ed. Potter. I made a mistake in one of my items last week. It should have read, "Mr. and Mrs. Lanings of Grand Rapids were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blaser, Wayne."

So, Lowell Bury. Mrs. Howard Bartlett. The neighborhood is shocked and saddened by the death of our old friend and neighbor, Chas. Yester.

As Spring Near. Mrs. and Mrs. John H. Wainwright of Lansing spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Wainwright.

WHAT EVERY DRIVER MUST KNOW. STOPPING AND TURNING. You may be asked about stopping from the left of the car.

Logan. Mrs. Ellen Seese is spending a week with her daughter, Mrs. Wm. O'Brien.

Casualties Mount As Spain Fights On. Here is a digest of the state law which requires every driver to observe the above regulations.

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Sun Cured Fruit Sale

So Good and So Good for You

Bulk Prunes Med. size 5c lb.

Dr. Peaches lb. 10c

TARGET Flour 24 1/2 lb. bag 67c

TARGET FLOUR 5 lb. sack 19c

RED & WHITE Coffee lb. 27c

Flavor fresh in vacuum tins

Red & White Dried Fruits

Prunes lb. box 9c

Apricots 1-lb. cello. pkg. 25c

Raisins either kind 15 oz. pkg. 10c

Currants 2 9 oz. boxes 25c

Blue & White Coffee lb. 23c

AMERICAN BEAUTY Tom., Veg. Soup can 5c

Green & White Coffee lb. 17c

RED & WHITE Evaporated Milk 2 cans 15c

Red & White Pumpkin No. 2 1/2 can 10c

LIBBY'S Orange Juice 12 oz. can 10c

AMERICAN BEAUTY CATSUP large bottle 10c

Phone 156

Weaver's Food Market

WE GIVE GOLD STAMPS

Grocery Prices Effective to Feb. 10

SWIFT BRANDED BEEF

CHOICE CHUCK ROAST lb. 19c

Beef Ribs - lb. 14c

Beef Pot Roast lb. 16c

Ground Beef lb. 17c

BULK SAUSAGE lb. 15c

Pork Steak lb. 19c

Veal Stew - lb. 15c

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PK. ROAST Center cut shoulder lb. 16c



Head Lettuce Large crisp, 60 size ea. 5c



Florida Oranges Sweet, juicy 10 lbs. 35c

CHOICE GOLDEN RIPE BANANAS lb. 5 1/2c

Lard Home rendered style 2 lbs. 25c

Pig Liver Blood, Chalk lb. 10c

Sp. Ribs Meaty lb. 17c

Oleo TIP TOP 2 lbs. 25c

Social Events

Clark Circle Meets

Miss Anna Maynard entertained the members of the Phila. A. Clark Circle at her home Friday afternoon.

Bible Ceremony Inaugurated by Cyclamen Chapter, O. E. S. Nearly one hundred members of the O. E. S. from Kent county chapters gathered last Friday evening at the Masonic Temple to witness the ceremony of the passing Bible when the County O. E. S. president, Lila Armstrong started it on its way by presenting it to Peninsular Chapter, Grand Rapids.

Book Review Notes At the January 18 meeting of the Book Review Club held at the home of Mrs. Ed. Reynolds, the book, "You Can't Take It With You," by Kaufman and Hart, was summarized by Mrs. R. D. Hahn.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Swarthout entertained the P. D. Club last Thursday evening, honors going to Mrs. John Roth and Dr. H. P. Gofredsen.

Announcement has been received by Mrs. Albert Roth of the marriage of her friend, Grace Adella Clark, to Mr. Harvey Ormsus Knickerbocker at St. Petersburg, Fla., Jan. 27. Mrs. Clark was a guest of Mrs. Roth in Lowell last August.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Carson Mead, a 6 1/2 lb. son on Tuesday, Feb. 1.

To Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Mackey, Wednesday morning, twins, a boy and a girl, wt. 6 1/2 lbs. each, at their home on W. Main-st.

Local Sports

Volley Ball League Standings of teams in the Business Men's Volley Ball League for week ending Feb. 5, 1938:

Table with 3 columns: GP, GW, Pct. Rows include Professionals, Rotarians, Clerks, Methodists.

The two most serious chronic infectious diseases are tuberculosis and syphilis.

One art alone has made indubitable progress in history, and that is the art of war.—Dr. Will Durant.

Sharks Grow to Great Length Sharks, of which there are 150 species and some individuals attain the great length of 80 feet, are converted from a malediction into a benediction.

Whether it be in orchards or in gullies, Hauck is a firm believer in the use of sod as a soil-saving agent.

"Whenever you have a slope, you'd better leave sod," he tells neighbors. He is using sod buffer strips in his apple orchard, which is gently rolling, and has sodded the banks of a ravine to stop washing.

Basketball

High School Basketball Team Climbs Out of Cellar

By scoring two victories over Grand Valley opponents in five days the local cagers have climbed from the cellar post to a position which threatens the teams occupying second place. The flag is conceded to Grandville but the runner-up position is the goal for East, Lee, Rockford and Lowell. The victories were achieved at the expense of Godwin on Friday, 27-16 and of Lee on Tuesday night to the tune of 31-23.

At Rockford The team plays at Rockford Friday night and the outcome of the game will determine whether Lowell may harbor any thoughts of climbing into second place.

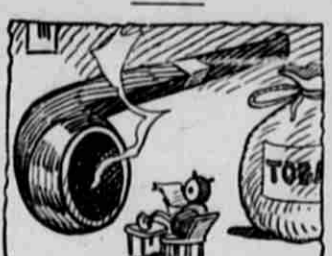
It is important not to fall; it is more important to get up again courageously.

The best way to start retrenching is to stop asking "Washington for money. Let everybody skin his own skunk."

Michael Angelo's "Last Judgment" is said to be the first picture in existence in which Christ is given an athletic expression.

Demand Michigan Sugar!

PRETTY SOFT



Mr. Bug—Now this is what I call solid comfort—a nice open fire and a big bag of fuel.

Self-Confidence Restored "You have resumed your study of music?"

"Yes," answered Miss Cayenne. "I used to be diffident, but after listening to some of the radio programs, my own singing seems pretty good to me."

Well Garbed "Was the defendant expensively garbed?" asked the lawyer of the negro witness.

"Deed she was, sah," answered the witness. "Ah knows expensive garbage when ah sees it."—Atlanta Constitution.

Eggs for All Tastes Customer—Have you any eggs that have no chickens in them? Grocer—Yes ma'am: duck eggs.

BUT A STRONG ONE



Jim—I want to sweep the cobwebs from my brain. Bess—I would suggest a vacuum cleaner.

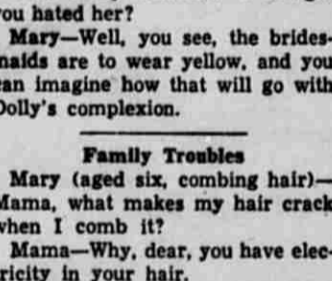
Disguised This might, in some cases, prove a bar to identification: Friend—How did you manage to evade the photographers who have taken so many pictures of you? Movie Actress—Easily. I disguised myself.

Friend—How? Movie Actress—I threw away my lipstick and washed my face.

Color "Harmony" Joan—Have you chosen any of your bridesmaids yet? Mary—Yes, I'm having Laura Brown, Dolly Jackson and— Joan—Dolly Jackson? I thought you hated her? Mary—Well, you see, the bridesmaids are to wear yellow, and you can imagine how that will go with Dolly's complexion.

Family Troubles Mary—Yes, six, coming hair—Mama, what makes my hair crack when I comb it? Mama—Why, dear, you have electricity in your hair. Mary—Aren't we a funny family? I've got electricity in my hair and grandpa has gas on his stomach.

IN STYLE



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Devil's Bargain

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FIVE minutes to nine. Already a crowd of impatient women were pressing against the plate glass doors of Goldberg's department store.

Outside, the pack of bargain hounds was straining at the leash, panting to be on the trail. Inside, the clerks stood behind the counters comparing "dates" of the night before.

The gong sounded, the doors swung open and the crowd poured in. Mammie pocketed her lipstick and assumed her professional air of sang froid.

"Step back into the elevator, please. Don't crowd. Room for only one more. Lady, you'll have to take the next car. Face the door, please."

"Second floor," called Mammie, and the car disgorged passengers.

"Third floor. Ladies suits, coats and dresses."

The car slowly emptied and a man stepped in. He was bareheaded and Mammie caught a swift impression of good looks.

"Floor, please," she said mechanically, but he made no answer. Mammie could hear his heavy breathing.

"This is the top floor," Mammie said in a conversational tone.

"I want the street floor," he answered shortly.

They dropped past Four, and were almost down to Three when Mammie saw two men coming toward the elevator in a walk that was almost a run.

They were bulks and they were after the man behind her. They would seize him with their big hands and throw him into the wagon.

She felt his hand on her shoulder for an instant. "Thanks, Kid. You're a brick," he said and stepped out of the car.

The car filled again and, at the click of the starter, Mammie descended to the main floor, there were two detectives waiting for her.

"He got off on the second floor," she said coolly.

One of the detectives sprang into the next elevator. The other still faced Mammie. "Young woman," he said slowly, looking straight into her eyes, "do you know what it means to shield a criminal?"

"Was he a criminal?" Mammie's air of shocked surprise was cleverly assumed.

"He was a murderer. He just killed the watchman down at the First National bank. Shot the old man down in cold blood, damn his rotten soul!"

Mammie grasped the detective's arm. Her bravado was gone, her voice a weak whisper as she asked: "What was the old man's name?"

"MacGregor," answered the detective.

"Oh God!" Mammie's voice broke on a hoarse cry. Her father—dead! The gay signs were grinning at her as she slipped from her stool and fell in a crumpled heap on the floor.

4-H CLUB NEWS

Happy Maids' Club

On Saturday afternoon, Jan. 8, 1938, the Happy Maids' Sewing Club met at the home of Mrs. Orle Groenboom, Sr. The girls worked on the darna, after the business meeting. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Groenboom and her daughters.

The next meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Wm. Timinsky on the afternoon of Jan. 22. The Happy Maids worked on finishing various articles, such as patches and darna, and the older girls started on their dresses and aprons. After the adjournment of the meeting, Mrs. Timinsky and daughters served ice cream and cake.

W. B. B. A. Meeting

The W. B. B. A. Club met at the Boynton school on Tuesday evening, Feb. 1, for their monthly business and social meeting. Meeting was called to order by the president, Donald Anderson, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved and roll was taken, nearly everyone of the 41 members being present.

Fay Vinkemulder was chairman of the social part of the meeting and Miss Hughes assisted her in the entertainment. Games were played and prizes given to the winners. Refreshments were served, carrying out the valentine idea.

As an American citizen, I can see many dangers in the too-great dominances of one of our political organizations.—James A. Farley.

"Today in Washington a public man is a liberal in proportion to how liberal he is with other people's money."—Senator Byrd.

Overland in '32



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