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LEDGER ENTRIES

Being a Collection of Various Topics of Local and General Interest

THE "SMALL" BUSINESS MEN

THE RECENT convention of so-called "small" business people, and reports that such citizens are forming organizations to express their ideas, raises the question, What is a "small" business? One suggestion in regard to the recent Washington meeting, was that anyone who employs less than 500 people was competent to take part in that convention.

Anyone who has had the management of any kind of business, with the perplexing problems it has to meet, will say it is no small task. Millions of people depend upon small concerns for daily bread. If conditions are hard for them, the distress is widespread.

It takes much ability to manage successfully any kind of business, big or little. The big business has bigger problems to meet, but it has its staff of experts to advise about every problem. The manager of a small business has to be his own expert in many lines.

A great number of people fall in business, and the average run of folks may not be qualified to manage commercial operations successfully. It takes an exceptional combination of gifts to do that well. The business manager has to be a keen judge of values, he needs a gift for pleasing the public, he must know how to deal with human nature, he must enforce discipline and yet show kindness and consideration.

Anyone who can do that, be his business big or little as measured in dollars, should not be called a small factor in his community or national life. Many of the managers of small concerns would be perfectly capable of taking on much bigger responsibilities.

The so-called small business people are one of the country's greatest assets. Their experience keeps them from falling for financial ideas. The country has much to learn from people of this type.

INCOME TAX BLUES

IF YOU see someone about this time who acts cross and grouchy, or complains of headache, perhaps he has been struggling with a federal income tax return. Such people note the heavy penalties enforced for willfully making false returns, and dread the possible day when some tax man may descend on them and demand to see their books. They worry and fret over their figures and make mistakes. Their return when finished may look like the schoolboy's first writing lesson, because of blots and erasures.

When the income taxes were first applied, many people resented them, as an intrusive inquiry into a person's private affairs. They have had to adjust themselves to such inquiries, as a part of the price they pay to live in the United States.

As to the labor, sweat, and bother of making returns, people relieve such troubles by keeping accurate accounts. Many people keep only fragmentary records and frequently fall to put down important items. No wonder they have trouble.

In making a return, they have to struggle through business transactions for a whole year, and they find some items that can't be accounted. Of course the law is complicated and sometimes hard to understand. The government should make it easy for taxpayers by removing all unnecessary difficulties.

If people will keep accurate records of their money affairs, the average tax return will be a fairly simple affair. The business concern has many items to report, but its bookkeeper should be trained to keep such systematic figures that the totals will be easy to compile. So if you have been tearing your hair over a tax return, better try to improve your accounting system.

AGREE WITH ADVERSARY

THE WORLD stews and seethes following the recent sensational events in Germany and England. Some people say the English government has shamefully yielded to the dictators of Germany and Italy. They say that the more you yield to such unreasonable demands, the more you will have to give in to them, until the dictators set themselves up to dominate the world.

The American people are warned that danger lies ahead from the dictator ruled countries. Japan, they say, is biting off a great slice of China. Germany demands more territory. Italy has grabbed Ethiopia and wants to rule Spain. How long will it be, these objectors ask, before some of these countries grab the Philippine Islands or seek to establish control over American countries? And what will we do about it? Better stop such doings now, say these objectors.

Against that point of view, one might quote the words of Jesus as found in St. Matthew: "Agree with thine adversary quickly, while thou art with him in the way; lest haply the adversary deliver thee to the judge and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison. Verily I say unto thee, thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou have paid the last farthing."

In these famous words the Savior of mankind expressed the thought that quarrels and disputes should be settled at the earliest possible moment. It is better to make compromises and reach agreements, even if sometimes you have to make concessions beyond the limits of reason. Continued bickering and controversy make more bitterness, and make people still more likely to do unjust and shocking things.

The English government seems to be trying to agree with its adversaries quickly. It is a policy that saves wars and other calamities.

Be sure to see the Photolaughes series now appearing regularly in the Ledger. Turn to page two and get a good laugh. Irvin S. Cobb is the author of the captions.

THE LOWELL LEDGER

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Winners Named In Rural School Reading Contests

Sectional Meet To Be Held Soon

Below are printed the names of the winners in the Reading Contests which have been held in the schools of Lowell and neighboring townships. All winners of first and second places will meet in a sectional contest to be held in the very near future and the winners of one of the six sectional contests will appear in the last of March which will probably be held over Radio station WOOD, Grand Rapids. Prizes of books will be awarded in the sectional contests and the Rural Teachers' Club is presenting a plaque to the final winner of each of the three grade groups.

LOWELL TOWNSHIP

Grades 3 and 4

- 1st—Gordon Depew, Morse Lake School; Teacher, Mrs. Beulah Hayward; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Depew.
- 2nd—Delores Scherbinski, Riverview School; Teacher, Mrs. Beatrice Krum; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Scherbinski.
- 3rd—Phillip Schneider, Merriman School; Teacher, Lester Bailey; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Schneider.

Grades 5 and 6

- 1st—Marian Haney, Riverview School; Teacher, Mrs. Krum; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Haney.
- 2nd—Lois Metternick, Morse Lake; Teacher, Mrs. Hayward; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Metternick.
- 3rd—Calvin Preston, Merriman School; Teacher, Mrs. Evogina Lester; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Preston.

Grades 7 and 8

- 1st—Tied: Lucile Preston, McBride; Teacher, Mrs. Lester; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Preston.
- Doris Stierick, Sweet School; Teacher, Miss Sweet Beahan; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Stierick.
- Theresa Rollins, Merriman; Teacher, Mr. Bailey; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Rollins.

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP

Grades 3 and 4

- 1st—Yvonne Brier, Fox's Corner School; Teacher, Mrs. Dorothy Kleefisch; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Brier.
- 2nd—Pattie Hesselstine, Moseley School; Teacher, Mrs. Essie Baird; Guardian, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Keech.
- 3rd—Josephine Budnick, Bennett School; Teacher, Mrs. Bertha Claus; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Budnick.

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We Asked For It And We Got It!

A couple of weeks ago the Ledger jokingly remarked that we felt sorry for our Lowell friends who were in California, what with all the floods, cyclones, incessant rains, etc., that they had been having out there of late. We knew at the time that our paragraph would bring a "rise" and here it is from Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Anderson, who left here a few weeks ago along with Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Simpson. The letter follows, dated Los Angeles, Feb. 23:

"Perhaps it may not be exactly in order to attempt to mitigate, in any way, the 'sorrow' as expressed in your February 19th issue for the Lowell friends sojourning in California and at the continuous rains, etc., here experienced.

"At the risk of getting my fingers burned will act as the self-appointed torch-bearer for the Lowell contingent of California tourists as well as for some of our friends of eastern origin who have become quite California-conscious. "In one of your columns, paralleling that in which the 'sorrow' was expressed, headed 'Rivers Go Rampaging,' we observe Lowell and vicinity are also experiencing some of those 'unusual' weather conditions frequently referred to by California friends. It would almost seem if there is a 'North in your vicinity, he should be urged to release a Dove or, if too stormy, perhaps some of the ducks down by the mill could make proper reconnaissance.

"Let me say, in justice to Los Angeles and herabouts that several days during the past two weeks it has rained but 26 hours a day whereas, up in the San Francisco region, many rainfalls and floods have occurred. That was the same part of the state, according to your column, where a dead whale was found. To that, all Los Angelesians to a man would say: 'Let the dead bury their whales.' "Some customs here which I have observed may be of interest to you. Car speedometers for use in this city are arranged to register a maximum of 300 MPH instead of the very usual 70 MPH customary in Michigan. Motorists who exceed that limit are often reprimanded and censured. Many motorists also belong to that modern school who believe that two cars can successfully meet and pass in the same lane of traffic. I met one recently but being old-fashioned, conservative and somewhat of a Tory, I turned sharply to the right and the damages consequently cost me but a few dollars.

"Met the 'Simpsons' a few evenings ago for Brags. 'Ma' and I were partners. He certainly can hold some of the puniest hands as a partner and the most malignant, as an opponent, of anyone I know! "In closing, never mind about sending those hip boots. There are still many high hills unoccupied by citizens inundated out of their homes. We spent the night on a few evenings ago, looking at the stars from Griffith observatory trying to determine whether it would rain the next day.

"Best regards to the Ledger and our Lowell friends."

DANCE

Dance every Friday night at Smyrna, featuring Clarence Gillis, radio singing caller. Bollock's orchestra. Admission 10 cents and 25 cents.

Lowell Squad Places Four Men On All-Star Teams

Tie For Second In Valley League

The second place tie in the Grand Valley Circuit remained intact as the result of Friday's games in which East took the measure of Godwin 29-26, while Lowell took their seventh straight win by the county by virtue of a 39-28 victory over the Association on Monday. This week Saturday, March 5, is the last day for registering. See the Village Clerk, L. E. Johnson.

Grover Hughes, a Federal surveyor, has been in town during the last few days surveying the land for Lowell's new post office. Mr. Hughes also took samples of the soil in order to determine the type of material to be used in the foundation walls of the new building.

The waters of Flat and Grand rivers have been receding rapidly during the past week and these streams are now at about their normal levels. P. S.—When you are able to observe the foundation of the late-lamented electric fountain, you may know that the Flat has returned to normalcy.

There never was a time when people could buy first class used cars at as low a price as now. March 5 to March 12 is National Used Car Exchange Week. See your dealer and own a better car for a small investment. Read the offerings of local dealers on page 3 of this issue.

Next week Friday, March 11 should prove to be a big day for farmers, as on that date the new implement firm of Percy J. Read and Sons will sponsor a Power Farming Day at their store on N. Broadway. The program will start at 11:00 a. m. and a light lunch will be served at noon.

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A feud which has been going on among our Main-st. trout anglers may be forced into a truce this year because of the opening of the season has been fixed as "the last Saturday in April," a considerable number of anglers hold fast to the argument that May 1 is the proper opening date. This year "the last Saturday in April" is also the last day in the month, which reduces the schlem in the opposing fishing camps to a matter of hours.

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The main drag will hum again soon with renewed activity, as Harold Jefferies and Orison Weaver are now homeward bound on a three weeks automobile trip which took them as far south as the Gulf of Mexico. They spent several days last week in Miami, going from there to New Orleans where they visited historical points and saw the famed Mardi Gras carnival. The boys were obliged to spend the first night in New Orleans sleeping in their car, but the next day succeeded in finding a conveniently located room. They started northward Wednesday and are expected to arrive in Lowell by Saturday or Sunday.

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Roth Chapel Adds Beautiful New Pipe Organ

The installation of a Stark Electrified Pipe Organ in the Roth Funeral Chapel was announced today by Mr. W. A. Roth. Mechanical work and final tests were completed yesterday. The new Stark Organ is a masterpiece of acoustical engineering. Those who heard the tests state that the tone closely resembles that of the large cathedral pipe organs. A feature of the new instrument is that it makes possible the re-creation of world famous organ music with sacred and secular pipe organ music of outstanding character and grand variety will now be available for services at the Roth Funeral Chapel.

Mr. Roth extends a cordial invitation to all to attend a recital to be held Saturday evening, March 5, 8:00 to 8:30 p. m.

W. H. HULLBERGER RITES

Funeral services for William Henry Hullberger were held at Pleasant Valley United Brethren church Wednesday. Burial was in the Clarkville cemetery. Mr. Hullberger passed away at his home in Campbell Sunday after a short illness. He is survived by the widow, Nina, and one daughter, Mrs. Arthur Hooper of Campbell.

HONORING HIRAM T. JOHNSON

UPWARDS of 50 Michigan newspaper publishers met at Saranac last Friday evening to do honor to Hiram T. Johnson who retired recently as publisher of the Saranac Advertiser after 44 years of continuous service. A fine dinner was served by the Rebekah ladies in the Saranac Odd Fellow Hall and local talent entertained the visitors with an enjoyable program of vocal and instrumental music. There were many speeches of felicitation and good will expressing the high esteem in which Mr. Johnson is held by the people of his community and by the newspaper fraternity in general.

The finest tribute that can be paid to Hiram T. Johnson is to say that throughout his entire life he has been an honorable man and always a courteous, kindly gentleman.

Along Main St.

Reported that a Gamble store will soon open for business here in the London block, next to the post office.

Main street is in need of a shoe shining parlor. Good opportunity for some young man with energy and ambition to start a business career.

If you are not already registered for the village election of Monday, March 14, be sure to do so now. This week Saturday, March 5, is the last day for registering. See the Village Clerk, L. E. Johnson.

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Strand Calendar

Friday and Saturday, Mar. 4-5. A treat for the eyes, a joy to the ears, a lift for the heart, "Manhattan Merryground" with Phil Regan, Leo Carrillo, Ann Dvorak, James Gleason and Gene Autry; also comedy, "Calling All Curtains," and cartoon, "The Fire Plug."

Sunday and Monday, Mar. 6-7. "Lloyd's Lullaby" the winning of the West, with Joel McCrea, Bob Burns, Francis Dae, Lloyd Nolan, Robert Cummings and Ralph Morgan; also Mickey Mouse in Hawaiian Holiday, Screen Snapshots and Pathe News.

Tuesday and Wednesday, Mar. 8-9. Gene Autry in "Boots and Saddles" with Smiley Burnette and Eddie Langford; added feature, Boris Karloff in "West of Shanghai" with Beverly Roberts and Ricardo Cortez; also Pathe News.

Thursday, Mar. 10. Joe Penner in "The Life of the Party" with Gene Raymond, Parkyakrus, Victor Moore, Harriet Hilliard and Helen Broderick; also comedy, "Oh, What a Knight," "Trotting Throbbred"; cartoon, "Air Hostess" and Fox News.

Kent County Farm Calendar Activities

To Discuss Bangs Disease

The following data concerning Kent county farm activities, 4-H clubs, dairy associations, etc., is furnished the Ledger through courtesy of County Agricultural Agent K. K. Vining:

Guernsey Breeders Association

Harold Kober of Conklin was elected president of the Grand Rapids Guernsey Breeders Association at their annual meeting last Wednesday. Jacob Stroven of Eastmanville was elected Vice-President and Victor Weller of Rockford, secretary and treasurer. Directors with the officers will be Wallace Clark of Rockford, E. W. Ruess of Caledonia, Harold Anderson of Holtan and C. Loew of North Dor.

Either a show or tour will be held the coming summer. Breeders from 5 counties were present.

Bangs Disease Meetings

Four meetings to discuss Bangs disease will be held in Kent County next week Tuesday and Wednesday, March 8 and 9. Meetings on Tuesday will be at the Courtland Town Hall in the morning and at the Ballards Corners Church in the afternoon. On Wednesday the morning meeting will be held in the Byron Center town hall and in the afternoon at the Holy Corners Parish Hall in Caledonia township. Morning meetings will start at 10:00 o'clock and afternoon meetings at 1:30 o'clock.

Dr. B. J. Kilham, extension veterinarian from Michigan State College, will have charge of the discussions.

So. Kent Cow Testing Association

The 288 cows averaged 839 lbs. of milk and 353.4 pounds of fat in the year's work just closed by the South Kent Cow Testing Association. John Potts was the tester in charge.

Orbit Butch of Walker township, had the herd high in butterfat production. This herd of 17 purebred Holsteins milked three times a day an average of 15,877 lbs. of milk and 530.1 pounds of butterfat. The high herd in milk production was the Butch herd.

High cow in fat production was a purebred Holstein five years old owned by Gerrit Butch. She produced 17,828 pounds of milk and 637.5 pounds of fat. The herd of 30 purebred Guerneys owned by E. W. Ruess of Caledonia, produced an average of 400.3 pounds of fat.

The following herds produced over 300 pounds of fat for the year: G. J. Butch, Grand Rapids; Rex Johnson, Grand Rapids; Wolcome Scott, Caledonia; Otto Fischer, Caledonia; E. W. Ruess, Caledonia; Perry Damouth, Alto; Fred Ruess and Son, Caledonia; Arthur Edson, Grand Rapids; Theo Bailey, Lowell; John Jousma, Caledonia; Maryland Farms, Grand Rapids; Vincent Cary, Lowell; Clayton Johnson, Alto; Byron Byrne, Lowell and Warner Terpsira, Grand Rapids.

At the business meeting E. W. Ruess of Caledonia was elected president, Arthur Edson, Grand Rapids, Vice-President; Otto Fischer, Caledonia, secretary and treasurer with Theo Bailey and Earl Thomas of Lowell as directors. John Potts will be the tester for 1938.

4-H Clubs

A new 4-H Livestock Club was organized at Bowne Center last week. Ernest Oesch was elected president. Walter Wingeler, secretary and Robert Rowlander, treasurer. Alex Wingeler is elected local leader. Projects to be carried will be dairy, sheep and crops. The membership is seven and will be increased.

The Bostwick Lake Livestock Club has organized for its 13th continuous year. Robert Sowerby of Oakford is president. President of Educational Association, George V. Pappin and Dr. John R. Stryker were also guests, each favoring with solos from last year's Showboat. Dr. J. A. MacDonell was program chairman for the day. It was the 27th consecutive meeting at which the club had had 100% attendance, a record breaker for the entire district. Guests present included Rev. F. Jewell, Frank Stephens, Fred Gramer, Carl Freyermuth, Carlton Runciman, Jr., Howard Smiley, Claude Thorne, Ray Dolan and Roy Waringa of Grand Rapids.

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FUNERAL RITES TODAY FOR LOWELL TOWNSHIP FARMER

Cornelius Geelhood, aged 58, passed away Monday afternoon at Blodgett hospital after a week's illness, death being due to pneumonia. For the past several months he had resided on the Harley Maynard farm, southeast of Lowell.

He is survived by his widow, Clara, five daughters, three sons, two sisters, one brother, and nine grandchildren. Funeral services today (Thursday) in Grand Rapids. Burial in Pine Hill cemetery.

Auction Sales

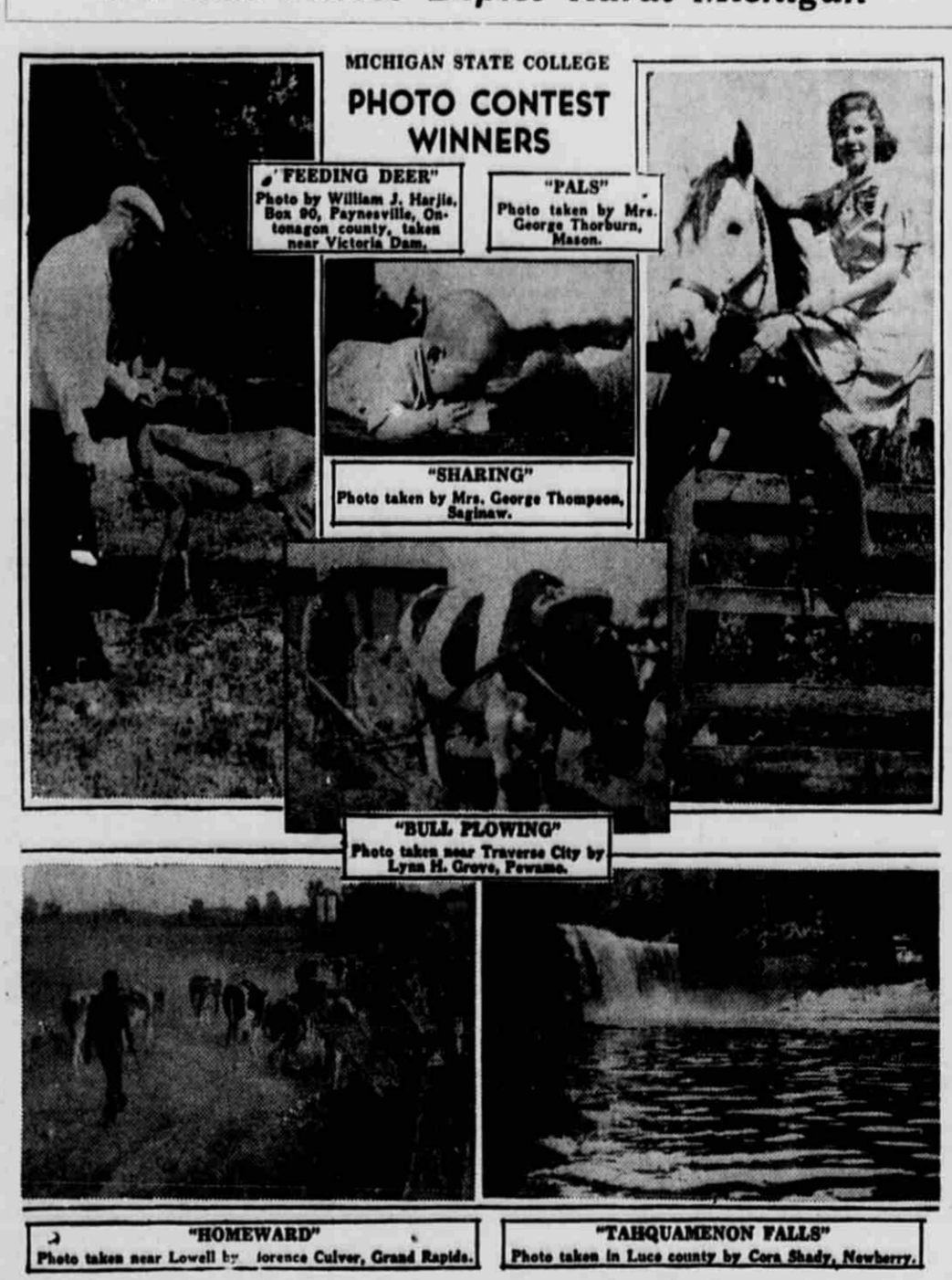
V. J. Byrne, March 8. Having decided to quit farming, V. J. Byrne will sell at public auction, beginning at one o'clock p. m., at his farm located 1/4 mile east and one mile north of Parrell, on Tuesday, Mar. 8, a list of fine horses, cows, some good implements and tools and feed. N. C. Thomas is the auctioneer and Harry Day, clerk. See advertisement in this week's Ledger.

Frank Bergsma, March 17

Having decided to quit farming, Frank Bergsma will sell at public auction at his farm (the old Hancock farm), 3/4 mile east of Lowell, thence one mile north, thence west to first house, on Thursday, March 17, commencing at 12:30 o'clock, 17 head of cattle, farm tools and implements and household goods. A. W. Hilszy, auctioneer, and E. W. Wingler, clerk. See complete list in next week's Ledger.

Eat Michigan Potatoes!

Six Best Photos Depict Rural Michigan



Out of the scores of photographs submitted to the Publications Department at Michigan State College, the above six were selected as most interesting and representative of phases of Michigan rural life.

COLLEGE NAMES PHOTO WINNERS

If it's true that a camera won't tell a lie, then Michigan is a right interesting and beautiful state, proved in the scores of pictures submitted in a recent photographic contest conducted by the Publications Department at Michigan State College.

Judges found difficulty in picking the ones that best suited the terms of the contest. Purposes are to find pictures illustrating the most interesting phases of rural life in Michigan.

Six photos finally found their way to the top. One submitted by Mrs. George Thompson, Saginaw, shows a baby trying to get its share of some milk in a bottle while a baby lamb is also trying to get its share.

From Lynn H. Grove, Pawama, came a picture of a farmer near Traverse City plowing a garden with a Holstein bull for power.

Feeding deer was the title given one picture which came from the Upper Peninsula. William Harjis, Payneville, submitted a picture showing his brother Emil feeding a young deer in an enclosure near Victoria dam in Ontonagon county.

Mrs. George Thorburn, Mason, submitted several photographs. One is called "False" and shows an attractive girl sitting on a fence over which a friendly farm horse is stretching its neck.

Two other pictures rated a place in the contest because they are among the best that will ever be taken of similar subjects, in the opinion of the judges. One is by Florence Culver, Grand Rapids. Judges called it "Home-ward" as it shows a herd kicking up the dust as the cows go down the trail along a rural fence. The other is of Taquamnon Falls in Luce county, submitted by Cora Shady, Newberry.

MAGICIAN EXPOSES SPIRITUALISM FAKE

"The spiritualism racket is now taking \$200,000,000 yearly out of the pockets of gullible people," declared Marquis, world celebrated magician, in a talk delivered at the Wednesday noon meeting of Lowell Rotary Club. The speaker told among the guests and made a few statements in 1948 in Pennsylvania by one John Fisk and his two daughters, one of the daughters on her death bed making a written confession in which she exposed the fake and told of the tricks employed in making people believe that they were able to talk with the dead. "Marquis," he said, "but did you ever get an answer?" The magician then performed one or two stunts to show how people are fooled in such matters.

Sheriff Hugh Blacklock was among the guests and made a few remarks concerning the examinations for motor car drivers which become effective in this state the fifteenth of this month. Bruce Walter led the group singing, pinch hitting for W. W. Gumsner who is in Atlantic City this week attending a meeting of the National Educational Association. George V. Pappin and Dr. John R. Stryker were also guests, each favoring with solos from last year's Showboat. Dr. J. A. MacDonell was program chairman for the day. It was the 27th consecutive meeting at which the club had had 100% attendance, a record breaker for the entire district. Guests present included Rev. F. Jewell, Frank Stephens, Fred Gramer, Carl Freyermuth, Carlton Runciman, Jr., Howard Smiley, Claude Thorne, Ray Dolan and Roy Waringa of Grand Rapids.

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MAKE MONEY FROM THIS GOOD HINT

Another pre-spring hint. You can get extra dollars from your storeroom for every person has dozens of good useful articles too good to throw away, taking up good space in attics, barns, sheds and store-rooms. You can easily convert these items, which may be useful to someone else, into cash by means of an advertisement in the Want Column in The Ledger. Up to 25 words, one time, 35c; two times, 60c; four times, 1.00.

Something we learned recently: That Aesop's fables were written by Socrates as political criticisms disguised to avoid censure. Maybe so.

Another thrilling story by F. Britten Austin appears in This Week, the color magazine with Sunday's Detroit News. Watch for this gripping yarn entitled, "Half An Hour . . . London." On sale at Christiansen's or phone for delivery.

BARGAINS IN WINTER OVERCOATS

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A SOUND DOCTRINE

Every governmental 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.

Lenten Observance Begins

The 46-day period of penitence which precedes Easter opens with traditional Ash Wednesday services, shown here as performed in Catholic churches throughout the world.

—And March Marches On!

Though it's just another month in the year, March probably has more traditions and superstitions behind it than any of the remaining 11 months.

FARMING IT... BY WILLARD BOLTE

When you buy cooking utensils and kitchen appliances, you should invest as sure as you can your money in a good kitchen.

FLOOD REFUGES

Bill Ahlberg of Portier county in Michigan, keeps his two corn cribs on strong stands so that they can float in his chickens around. One crib is filled with mash and hauled out on the range in summer.

THE CORN CRIB TRAVELS

University. Old lumber made the walls and frame and the roof was covered with tar paper and earth.

But It's True

The woman who is worried about her hair should use the hair tonic which is advertised in this advertisement.

FLIGHT

"Mamma, do angels have wings?" "Yes, dear," replied the mother. "And can angels fly, mamma?" "Yes, dear," replied the mother.

ROCK GARDEN

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Nancy Hart's HOME NEWS

New Shirt Lengths. Some fashion authorities are making skirts fifteen inches from the floor this spring.

HOME TOWN THOUGHTS

A town has to provide the essentials of a modern life. One of these essentials is a line of good modern stores.

MODERN WOMEN

Every time you improve the appearance of your home, you help say that Lowell is keeping up with the times.

VERGENES CENTER

Nine families on the road have signed up for an electric line. Mr. Moseley, owner of the Becker farm who is vacationing in Plover, has not signed.

PAID ON SAVINGS CERTIFICATES

45 Years of Dependability. Myrtle A. Taylor, Representative.

NEW SPRING HATS

Wool Felts at \$1.95. Fur Felts at \$2.95 \$3.95, \$4.50. Zipper Sport Styles, in two-tones, corduroy and shaker combinations \$2.59 - \$3.29.

NEW SPRING OXFORDS

New Spring Shirts \$1, \$1.30, \$1.95. New Spring Rookwear 50c, 70c, \$1.

COONS

Seelye Corners N. P. Reynolds. Show L.A.S. will meet on Wednesday, March 9, with Mrs. Alice Reynolds for dinner.

JOE GIB

With us, cleaning is an art! We use the best of cleaning fluids and treat the best of cleaning fluids and treat the best of cleaning fluids.

FREE ADVICE IS THE UNIVERSAL CHARITY... AND BEGINS AT HOME.

RENDS

No. 1: They call this the "angel" — the confidence of youth must be wonderful — knowing all the while, he had so in his foot.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Cyrus E. Hand and wife to Walter J. Hill and wife. \$3,000. Dora E. Hand and wife to Walter J. Hill and wife. \$3,000.

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For Lent Low Food Prices

TEXAS GRAPEFRUIT 96 Size **8 for 25c**

New Green Beans 2 lbs. 25c **Fresh Spinach** . . 2 lbs. 11c

HARD, CRISP HEAD LETTUCE head 5c

CAMPBELL'S TOMATO SOUP can 6 1/2c

BEL CARMO'NUT BUTTER SEA LAD SALMON
2 lb. jar 23c **Fancy pink** 2 cans 25c

RED & WHITE MACARONI RED & WHITE SPAGHETTI
2 8-oz. pkgs. 15c 2 8-oz. pkgs. 15c

RED & WHITE MILK Accepted by AMA 2 tall cans 15c

COFFEE Save while you drink - Best for less
RED & WHITE Vac. tin lb. 27c
GREEN & WHITE lb. 17c
BLUE & WHITE lb. 23c
BEECHNUT lb. 31c
MT. VERNON Webb's lb. 25c

RED & WHITE QUICK TAPIOCA pkg. 10c
GOOD LUCK OLEOMARGERINE lb. 21c
RED & WHITE RED SOCKEYE SALMON can 29c
APPLE BUTTER 58-oz. jar 25c
P & G SOAP 2 lge. bars 7c
SUPER SUDS Red Giant box 2 for 35c

STALEY'S or PENNANT SYRUP Light or Dark No. 1 1/2 can 9c

Phone 156 **Weaver's Food Market** We Deliver
WE GIVE GOLD STAMPS

LARD Open kettle rendered 2 lbs. 25c

BACON SQUARES . lb. 17c **SELECTED SIDE BACON** lb. 27c

VEAL SHOULD'R ROAST lb. 20c **BRANDED BEEF CHUCK ROAST** lb. 20c **GENUINE LAMB STEW** lb. 10c

LEG OF MUTTON lb. 13c

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Social Events

Marriage Announced at Tea
(From Battle Creek Inquirer-News)
At a tea given Saturday afternoon in Kalamazoo to Mrs. C. W. Perry announced the marriage of her sister, Miss Edith Althaus, 25 West Territorial road, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Althaus of Lowell, to John H. Burgess, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Burgess of 54 Cherry. The wedding took place Dec. 31, 1937 in South Bend, Ind., and the service was read by Dr. J. A. Holmes of the First Methodist Episcopal church.
The bride wore a frock of aqua blue crepe with black accessories and her flowers were violets. The couple was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Morse Johnson of Lowell.
Mrs. Burgess is a graduate of the Lowell high school and Western State Teachers college in Kalamazoo where she was a member of Kappa Delta Phi and Senate societies. She is now teaching at the Lowell high school.
Mr. Burgess is a graduate of Lakeview high school and the University of Michigan school of architecture where he was affiliated with the Alpha Rho Chi fraternity. He is now employed in the engineering and drafting department of the Post Products Division of General Foods.
Guests at the tea were sorority sisters of Mrs. Burgess. The table was centered with a silver bowl of daffodils and a color scheme of yellow and green was carried out. Mrs. Althaus, mother of the bride, and Mrs. Burgess, mother of the bridegroom, presided.

CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

The next regular meeting of the Vergennes Grange will be held on Friday evening, March 4.
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.
"Look Out, Lizzie!" will be presented Friday evening, Mar. 4, at Bowen Center school by the South Bell PTA. Potluck lunch. A free-will offering will be taken.
Mrs. Fannie Rogers and her division will entertain the Greene Circle at the home of Mrs. Howard Rittenger Tuesday evening, Mar. 8. All members and friends are invited.
The March meeting of the M. E. Ladies Aid will be held Friday afternoon, Mar. 4, at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. C. O. Lawrence.
The Peckham Group will meet Friday afternoon with Mrs. Clyde Collier.
The P. & P. Bridge Club will meet tonight (Thursday) with Mrs. Hattie Peckham.
CARD OF THANKS
We wish to thank the Lowell Manufacturing Co., Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wisner, Fred Gramer, and other friends and neighbors for the beautiful flowers and their kindnesses shown us during our recent bereavement. We also wish to thank Rev. Barkdale for his comforting words.
Mrs. Grace Rogers, Mae and Harry Holstein and Grandchildren.

Reading Contests

VERGENNES TOWNSHIP
(Continued from front page)
Grades 5 and 6
1st—Priscilla Johnson, Fox's Corner; Teacher, Mrs. Kieffsch; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Johnson.
2nd—Delores Beckett, Bennett; Teacher, Mrs. Claus; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Beckett.
3rd—Virginia Blaser, Moseley; Teacher, Mrs. Blaser; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blaser.
Grades 7 and 8
1st—Grace Tichelaar, Fox's Corner; Teacher, Mrs. Kieffsch; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Tichelaar.
2nd—Janet Fritz, Moseley; Teacher, Mrs. Blaser; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fritz.
3rd—Virginia Ford, Waters School; Teacher, Mrs. Dorothy Byrne; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Ford.
GRATTAN TOWNSHIP
Grades 3 and 4
1st—Patricia Hefferan, Ashley School; Teacher, Mrs. Magdalen Hefferan; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Hefferan.
2nd—Donna Swanson, Grattan Center School; Teacher, Mrs. Ellen Smith; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arvid Swanson.
3rd—Virginia Slayton, Mason School; Teacher, Mrs. Mary Brownell; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Slayton.
Grades 5 and 6
1st—William Wildish, Ashley; Teacher, Mrs. Hefferan; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. Wildish.
2nd—John Nelson, Grattan Center; Teacher, Miss Eleanor Jewell; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Nelson.
3rd—Virginia Slayton, Mason School; Teacher, Mrs. Mary Brownell; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Slayton.
Grades 7 and 8
1st—Phyllis McNaughton, Grattan Center; Teacher, Miss Jewell; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Myron McNaughton.
2nd—Patricia Beardslee, Mason; Teacher, Mrs. Brownell; Guardians, Mr. and Mrs. John Byrne.
CASCADE TOWNSHIP
Grades 3 and 4
1st—Alice Reynolds, Snow School; Teacher, Mrs. Lena Laubaugh; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Reynolds.
2nd—Edwin Wallace, Cascade School; Teacher, Miss Inez Frazer; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Wallace.
3rd—Dorothy Vandenhout, Whitteville School; Teacher, Mrs. Lula Ferral; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vandenhout.
Grades 5 and 6
1st—Tied: Patricia Cook, Cascade School; Teacher, Henry Plaggemeier; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Cook.
2nd—Mary Bates, Whitteville; Teacher, Mrs. Ferral; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bates.
3rd—Virginia Oates, Schuman; Teacher, Miss Spaten; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Oates.
BOWNE TOWNSHIP
Grades 3 and 4
1st—Margaret Kauffman, Logan School; Teacher, Miss Zona Smelker; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Kauffman.
Grades 5 and 6
1st—Vivian Wingler, Star School; Teacher, Claud Scott; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Philip Wingler.
2nd—Emmett Gless, Logan; Teacher, Miss Smelker; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gless.
3rd—Jacqueline Timpon, Alto School; Teacher, Mrs. Lillian VanKuiken; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Timpon.
Grades 7 and 8
1st—Naida Miller, Star; Teacher, Mr. Scott; Mother, Mrs. Lester Long.
2nd—Helen Leyer, Alto; Teacher, Mrs. VanKuiken; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Leyer.
ADA TOWNSHIP
Grades 3 and 4
1st—Billy Meuler, Farrell School; Teacher, Miss Elizabeth LaNore; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Meuler.
2nd—Tied: Hazel Kranz, Carl School; Teacher, Mrs. Gladys Abraham; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kranz.
Betty Bruinekool, Ada School; Teacher, Miss Lyn Prevey; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bruinekool.
Grades 5 and 6
1st—Barbara Canfield, River School; Teacher, Miss Margaret Boucher; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Canfield.
2nd—Lola Richards, Carl School; Teacher, Mrs. Abraham; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Richards.
3rd—Gustave Beuker, Atwater School; Teacher, Miss Ruth Doyle; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Beuker.
Grades 7 and 8
1st—Ruth Kranz, Carl School; Teacher, Mrs. Abraham; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kranz.
2nd—Thomas Shear, River School; Teacher, Miss Margaret Boucher; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Shear.
3rd—Tied: Donald Vinckemulder, Boynton School; Teacher, Miss Bernice Hughes; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Vinckemulder.
Gertrude Bomers, Ada School; Teacher, Willard N. Marks; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Bomers.
Bernadette Beuker, Atwater; Teacher, Miss Doyle; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Beuker.
OAKFIELD TOWNSHIP
Grades 3 and 4
1st—Nancy Peterson, White Swan School; Teacher, Mrs. Edith Steffensen; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. A. Peterson.
2nd—Marvin Hull, Lessiter School; Teacher, Mrs. Katherine Gibson; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hull.
3rd—Joanne Mitchell, Horton School; Teacher, Mrs. Addie Benham; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mitchell.
Grades 5 and 6
1st—Luella Brown, White Swan; Teacher, Mrs. Steffensen; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brown.
2nd—Barbara Wiersma, Horton; Teacher, Mrs. Benham; Parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Wiersma.
3rd—Rollin Lamphear, O'Brien School; Teacher, Mrs. Lean Doug-

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Pickups, Panels, Sedan Deliveryes, 1 1/2 ton Panels, 1 1/2 ton Stakes, Dump Trucks.
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Michigan's Largest Chevrolet Truck Dealer.
Burkholder Truck Dept.
Michigan St. at Ionia Ave., Grand Rapids Michigan

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank each and every one of my friends and neighbors for their kindnesses shown me during my illness by accident.
Mrs. E. Stinchcomb.

Gangster Berserk



Why will a man bawl out his wife for not turning off an electric light and still keep up memberships in four clubs which he never visits?
SAN FRANCISCO . . . Warden James A. Johnston at Alcatraz refused to confirm or deny reports that his No. 1 "guest," Al Capone (above) is suffering from paresis, a brain affliction resulting from a chronic syphilitic disease. Psychiatrist Edward Twitchell who examined Capone revealed that the erstwhile gangster had done suidic things as spending hours making and unmaking his bed, suddenly attacking other convicts, refusing meals, singing Italian arias in a loud voice and lapsing into comas. Friends of Capone have asked that he be transferred to an Eastern asylum for treatment.

More Local News

Harry Eickhoff is confined to his home with a mild case of scarlet fever.
Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lacey and Mrs. Emma Klipfer of Old called on Mrs. John Lyser Tuesday.
At a recent musicale presented by the Augmented Immanuel Choir at the Immanuel Presbyterian Church, Grand Rapids, we note that readings, including original poems and prose, were given by Mrs. Rosalie Maxson. Mrs. Maxson is a former Lowell girl.
Mrs. John Powers spent the week-end here with her family. She is now employed in Flint at the Federal office for Old Age Assistance. Mrs. Powers was formerly employed in the office of the King Milling Company here, leaving in February to take over her present position.
Mr. and Mrs. Bruce A. McQueen and daughter Marjorie returned last week Thursday from a month's trip in Florida and New York City. While in Florida they called on Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Bergin at Sarasota and also stopped at Lake Worth where they visited Dr. S. S. Lee. The McQueens called on Mr.

Change Urged in Length of County Officers' Terms

Plans are under foot in various parts of the state to change the length of the terms of the various county officers that are at present up for re-election every two years. The plan is to have the terms of the officers changed from two to four year terms. The reason advanced is that the official must spend almost a complete year to campaign for his office and that the four year term is a step in the right direction to eliminate this trouble and eliminate expenses. At present the offices of probate judge, circuit judge and school commissioner are on the four year term.
If adopted the new plan would begin Jan. 1, 1939, and would not effect the term of any official now holding office. Another reason advocated for the change is that it is practically impossible for a new officer to familiarize himself with the duties of the office and the laws pertaining thereto within the limited time allotted to him in any two year term.
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