

Baseball

MERCHANTS SPONSORING DONKEY BASEBALL GAME

There will be a donkey baseball game Wednesday evening, August 10, at Recreation Park at 6:30 o'clock, under the auspices of the Lowell Merchant's baseball team. Admission 15c and 25c. More fun than a circus. Come and laugh your head off.

FALLSBURG CUBS TO TANGLE WITH SARANAC

The Fallsburg Cubs defeated the Grand Rapids Pipers 13-7 last Sunday at Fallsburg. They will play the Saranac Independents this Sunday at Fallsburg.

4-H CLUB NEWS

Big Plans for 4-H Fair

A total of 1900 Premium Books of the Kent County 4-H Club Fair are being mailed to 4-H Club members, Smith-Hughes Schools, Granges and Community Clubs in Kent County this week.

A total of \$800 in premium money is offered this year plus special prize money for games, races, and other events.

Plans for the two day program are rapidly nearing completion. All exhibits will be placed on Tuesday, August 23. Judging in all departments will start Wednesday, August 24. Thursday, the 25th will be given over to games, sports, horse pulling contests and ball games.

The Wednesday evening program will feature the initiation of a group of boys and girls into the Kent County Service Club. The initiatory work will be in charge of a group of 4-H Service Club members from Barry County.

F. Earl Haas, District Club Agent, is general superintendent of the show. He will be assisted by the following: Barns, Roger Gust; Cedar Springs; Poulin, Dan De Leeuw; Grand Rapids; Crops and Handicraft; Wendell Beuschel; Sparta; Open Class Entries, Elmo Slater; Paris; Girls 4-H Clubs; Dorothy Kropf; Vergennes; Food Preparation; Ruth Lyons; Lowell; Canning; Lucile Holmden; Oakfield; Clothing; LaVon Graham; Cascade; Sports and Games; John Kleinhessel; Lowell.

Bovine Kitchen Maids

On Thursday afternoon July 21 the first year members of the class in Food Preparation served a Demonstration Breakfast at the home of Misses Virginia and Eloise Oesch. Mothers of first year girls and second year girls were served as guests. The girls took complete charge in preparing, setting table and serving correctly a delicious breakfast of cereal and fruit, toast, ham and eggs, and hot chocolate.

The second year girls felt a high standard had been set. They made plans for their Demonstration Luncheon to be served at the home of Mrs. Alex Wingeler July 22nd. Mothers of second year members and first year girls were guests and the meal was again completely in charge of the daughters.

Vegetable soup, salted crackers, molded salad, warm biscuits, freshly baked cookies and ice cream were served.

Mothers of these 4-H girls are very grateful at the interest shown in the home in the preparation of foods and feel that this vacation has been spent profitably for those in the canning and Food preparation projects.

It is hoped that all notebook and poster work will be completed very soon. A joint meeting of the clubs will be held at Alex Wingeler's on Friday evening, August 5th.

Morse Lake Classy Cooks

The fifth regular meeting of the Morse Lake Classy Cooks was held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Elaine and Eleanor Hobbs. The meeting was called to order by our President Priscilla Smith and all sang the club song and repeated the club pledge. Each member responded to roll call by naming some points to consider in producing clean milk. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Then Elaine and Eleanor Hobbs gave a demonstration on breakfast beverages using hot chocolate milk and serving the chocolate milk and cup cakes to the members. Following the business meeting games were played. Mrs. Amos Sterczek of Alto was a visitor.

Doris Secretary

Secretary of the Livestock Judging Meetings Dairy and General Livestock Club members from Barry, Otsewa, Allegan and Kent counties will participate in judging contests next Monday and Tuesday in preparation for the elimination contests at Michigan State College the middle of the month.

General livestock members will judge horses at W. J. McCarthy's and Sons at Parnell, sheep at Floyd Yeiter's in Lowell and beef cattle at Robert Macfarlane's in Paris township. Ralph May, of the Animal Husbandry Department at Michigan State College, will have charge of the work.

Dairy club members will work in Barry County on Tuesday.

Holsteins will be judged at the farms of Fred A. Smith and Son, L. A. Gaskill; Jerseys at Glen Ingram; Guernseys at the Lockshore Farms.

These trips will be under the supervision of Earl Haas, District Club Agent.

Crops and Poultry club members will have similar contests in Kent County next week.

GARDEN LORE CLUB CANCELS FLOWER DISPLAY

The Garden Lore Club announces the cancellation of the flower display planned this week. Notice of this August 15th meeting will be in next week's Ledger.

1938 Lowell Showboat Sails Proudly Into Home Port

Magnificent Robert E. Lee VII Thrills Great Audience, Program Received With Approbation, Performance To Be Repeated Thursday, Friday and Saturday Evenings at 8 o'Clock.

Four thousand spectators held their breath last night as Robert E. Lee VII, with her broad beam and 90-foot overall length seemed to falter and hesitate in the narrow passage off Cat Tail Point. The hesitation was only momentary until she gradually made the sharp turn and a wild cheer went up from the audience, the band started playing "Here Comes the Showboat," her 150 passengers gaily costumed, singing and dancing until the now famous river craft shivered from stem to stern. Admiral C. H. Runciman, accompanied by Mayor George W. Welsh of Grand Rapids as honorary captain and Frank Stephens at the controls, brought the boat safely and gracefully up to the new concrete pier.

Congratulations by Mayor Welsh

Mayor Welsh paid splendid tribute to Lowell's citizenry for their daring in staging a spectacle the size of this year's production in the face of the business recession. He pledged full cooperation of the city government in its work with the surrounding communities and said that only by working in harmony in projects like the Lowell Showboat can Western Michigan attain its full recognition as one of the cultural and civic centers of the state.

The Showboat opened with its permanent adopted theme song, "Are You From Dixie" and moved along under the direction of the Interlocutor C. H. Runciman with a sharpness and rapidity that pleased and astounded even the experienced theatre goers.

A Dream of Beauty

The 1938 edition of Robert E. Lee, Lowell's contribution to picturesque Michigan's evening entertainments is the most beautiful ever created for the occasion. Wm. Christiansen, who has become famous for his decorating and only manufactures ice cream for a past time, outdid himself this year. The boat, a symphony in green and gold, gave the appearance of a Christmas package wrapped in metal foil, cellophane and colored ribbon.

Great Program Pleases All

The program consisted of 20 numbers in a variety and balance that pleased everyone present. Little Nancy Hessler, daughter of Supervisor and Mrs. Carl Hessler of Algoma township, stole the show with her opening number. The little girl, 9 years old, impersonated Shirley Temple. She is the same size and age as the famous little movie star and could easily serve as a double for her.

The end men numbers were especially pleasing this year. They were "I'm Gonna Lock My Heart," by Bruce McMahon; "Shortnin' Bread," by Ted Diott; "Alexander's Rag Time Band," Clinton Hall; "You'd Be Surprised," Gerald Fineis; "Bill Bailey, Won't You Please Come Home?" John Roth; and "Way Down Yonder in New Orleans" by George Pappin.

Features Are Outstanding

The many other fine acts included Miss Inez Cole, who used the trap drums and

followed with a toe tap number; Manuel, the drunken Mexican who performs on a slack wire above the stage; the famous Tryon Sisters and their clever adagio dance; the Flying Howards in their unique roller skating act; those famous little girls close to the hearts of Lowell Showboat fans, the Morlok Quadruplets; Madeline Lewis, popular Detroit eccentric dancer; petite Patty Baughman, hometown talent, cleverly presented a "rag-muffin" dance; and Cops and Carew, delighted with a tap dance.

Beautifully Costumed Chorus

The chorus was one of the best and most beautifully costumed that Lowell has ever presented. The ladies wore evening gowns in the beautiful shades of American Beauty red, Chartreuse, Mahogany, Jungle green, Canary yellow and orchid. The material was satin taffeta. The men wore trousers of royal blue and white dinner jackets. The following people composed the chorus: William Christiansen, Adrian Zwemer, Mrs. Clarence Speaker, Miss Lucille Warner, Harry Eickhoff, Miss Barbara Sherwood, Forrest Buck, Miss Janice Denny, Mrs. Geo. Pappin, Mrs. C. H. Runciman, Miss Shirley Bannan, Robert Yeiter, Orrin Sterkin, Mrs. Arnold Wittenbach, Willard Bell, James Gaunt, Mrs. James Gaunt, Mrs. Ray Avery, Russell Kyser, Miss Charlotte White, Van-Arsdale Flynn, Miss Marjorie Bergin, Mrs. Howard Rittenger, Mrs. Ray Dolan, Raymond Denny, Arthur Curtis, Roy Webster, Miss Donna Stormzand, Louis Swartz, Mrs. Arthur Curtis, Miss Cassie June Lee, Carol Kyser, Arnold Wittenbach, Ray Dolan, Jr., Arthur Speaker, Miss Beth Burdick, Miss Nita Clark, Miss Jeanette Swartz, Miss Mary Kent, Miss Barbara McFarland, Mrs. David Cox, Mrs. Earl Henderson, Miss Mary Ann Weaver, Everett Butler, Miss Irene Bollock, Mrs. Elsie Hovinga, Billy Lalley, Phillip Althen, Paul Murray, Mrs. Paul Murray, Miss Agnes Condon, Miss Virginia Conant, Mrs. Alice Ford, Thomas Burns, David Conant, Miss Beatrice Schneider, Ray Dolan, Howard Kyser, Lawrence Potter and William Eberhardt.

Three More Nights of the Showboat

If you missed the opening performance last night you still have an opportunity to see this magnificent river spectacle, Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings, August 4, 5 and 6, but it is advised that you attend Thursday or Friday night if possible.

Referendum On Potato Marketing To Be in August

Helps Farmers, Protects Buyers

The referendum on the proposed Potato Marketing Agreement for the 17 late potato-producing states will be held either the second or third week in August, according to the latest information received by the Kent County Agricultural Conservation Committee.

"The Proposed Marketing Agreement," according to Mr. John McCabe, Kent County Committee Chairman, "prohibits the interstate shipment of cull potatoes. Cull potatoes are those grading below U. S. No. 2 or those which are less than 1 1/2 inches in diameter. The Agreement also provides that producers, through representatives on their area committees, can recommend to the Secretary of Agriculture that out-of-state potato shipments be further limited to still higher grades or larger sizes. Thus the program could limit interstate shipments to better quality potatoes, protecting consumers from inferior grades and restricting wastage and by-product use to those grades least desirable for table use."

"Last year's Marketing Agreement in Michigan," Mr. McCabe added, "prohibited the shipment of culls less than 1 1/2 inches in diameter. Later in the season the size was increased to include all No. 2 grades. The effect of these two regulations, particularly the latter, was to increase the farm value of Michigan potatoes about 20 cents a bushel."

The quantity of potatoes consumed varies very little from year to year. But potato acreage and yield per acre fluctuates greatly. Consequently, when the volume of potatoes available for sale exceeds the quantity consumers will buy, the excess supply quickly depresses the market price. Statistics from 1922 to 1937 show that whenever the production of potatoes from the 17 late States exceeds 270 million bushels a year, the farm value dropped sharply. The Marketing Agreement, through prohibiting the interstate shipment of the inferior grades, would thus limit the volume of potatoes on the market, stabilizing the price for the producers, and assuring the consumer of high grade potatoes.

Herald Praises Our Civic Spirit

When Citizens Work Together, Nothing Is Impossible

The Grand Rapids Sunday Herald of July 31 praised Lowell's civic spirit in promoting the Showboat in the following words: "Lowell offers an example of what a town can do when all the citizens join hands to accomplish one thing. The Showboat idea, developed seven years ago with the idea of having a small home talent entertainment, has grown to a place of importance in Michigan attractions for its summer guests."

The 2,000 residents of Lowell live in Show Boat from the first of July until the performance ends on Aug. 6. Nearly every citizen visits the dock daily to see how the work is progressing. The tunes of "Waiting for the Robert E. Lee," "Dixie" and "Alexander's Ragtime Band" are heard in every home. Nearly every family has someone on the program or on one of the committees.

The Leaders

Committees in charge of this year's river fete follow: General committee: N. E. Borgerson, chairman; C. H. Runciman, E. C. Foreman, D. A. Wingeler, F. E. Haner, B. A. McQueen, Mayor J. A. Arshart, ex officio. Finance—D. A. Wingeler, chairman; B. A. McQueen, E. C. Foreman.

Advertising—F. F. Coates, R. H. Dolan, Dr. H. W. Oatley, R. D. Hahn, Ed. Kiel. Lighting—F. J. McMahon, Dr. B. H. Shepard, L. W. Rutherford, W. A. Roth, Harry Day. Decorations—William Christiansen. Publicity—R. G. Jefferies, W. W. Gunner, Dr. J. R. Stryker. Engineering—C. W. Cook, F. L. Stephens. Seating—A. H. Stormzand, F. E. Haner, Paul Kellogg, R. M. Shivel, Byrne McMahon.

Strand Calendar

Friday, Saturday, August 5, 6—No. 1, "Three Blind Mice," David Niven and Stuart Erwin. No. 2, "State Police" with John King, William Ludigan and Constance Moore. Also Chapter 2 of "Secret of Treasure Island."

Sunday, Monday, August 7, 8—"Port of Seven Seas," a red blooded drama of the water front with Wallace Beery, Frank Morgan, Maureen O'Sullivan, John Beal and Jessie Ralph. Also Comedy, "Hide and Shriek," Travel, "Czechoslovakia on Parade"; musical, "Music Will Tell."

Tuesday, Wednesday, Aug. 9, 10—No. 1, "Courage of the West" with Bob Baker. No. 2, "Midnight Out" with Joan Fontaine and Allan Lane. Tuesday, "The Big Event."

Thursday, August 11—"Radio City Revels" with Bob Burns, Jack Oakie, Kenny Baker and Ann Miller. Also scenic, "Italian Libya." Travel, "City of Golden Gate." Coming soon, Shirley Temple in "Little Miss Broadway."

Grand Rapids Mayor Lauds Showboat



MAYOR GEORGE W. WELSH

Grand Rapids' energetic, progressive and well-liked mayor paid high compliments to Lowell's civic spirit last evening when he accompanied the 1938 Lowell Showboat down Flat river as honorary captain. Mayor Welsh was given a fine ovation by the large audience. Michigan's two United States senators, Hon. Arthur H. Vandenberg and Hon. Prentiss M. Brown have been wired congratulations by Showboat's chairman N. E. Borgerson to be honorary guests this (Thursday) evening and Mayor Max Templeton of Lansing has accepted an invitation to be present on Friday evening.

Along Main St.

The D. G. Look store building, west Main-st., has been sold to J. Kreekun of Detroit.

The sheriff's office reports that traffic fatalities in Kent county, January 1 to August 1 this year have been 14 as compared with 17 deaths for the same period last year.

Phillip Davenport requested the common council Monday night to close Oak street, south of E. Main street. Mr. Davenport owns the property on both sides and across the end of the laid out street and there is no passable road going to the river. The matter was referred to the village attorney.

Thieves broke into the Pere Marquette railroad car-house Monday night, where hand-cars, tools and gasoline are stored, and stole about \$45 worth of gasoline and tools. Entrance was gained by breaking through a window. The loss was discovered by workmen Tuesday morning and later investigated by Deputy Frank Stephens.

Royden Warner, local music teacher, is doing his full share for the Lowell Showboat. He has played at every rehearsal, has never been late, has faithfully performed every task from playing the puffing steam calliope through neighboring towns to teaching some \$2,000-per-week orchestra how to play old Mississippi river music taken from the archives for the annual river spectacle.

And here's a rat tale again. By experimenting with rats it is found that their hair can be made gray experimentally, and then again restored to its natural color. It takes eight weeks only, but in case with the human family if it worked at all it would take five years or longer. In time maybe we'll never see gray haired people. And we'd miss them, especially those attractive prematurely grayed heads.

Kenneth Hulzinger appeared at the common council meeting Monday night to secure permission to open a professional beano game here. The council referred the request to the village attorney, R. M. Shivel, who stated that beano is illegal and gambling, hence the village could neither approve nor give any permission to operate. According to unofficial expressions by members of the council, none approved of the idea.

William Christiansen has engaged the services of J. F. Zimmerman, a registered pharmacist, who began his work here this week Monday. Mr. Zimmerman will move his family here from Grand Rapids as soon as he can find a house. The Zimmermans have two children, a girl 5 and a boy 7. The store will be called Christiansen's Drug Company and will open for business as a drug store and pharmacy in about ten days or two weeks.

"When I could not get the truth into the metropolitan newspapers the country newspapers came to my rescue. God bless the country newspapers. They are a part of us. When we are married or given in marriage they tell the good news. They go to our weddings and our funerals. They rejoice with us when we rejoice and mourn with us when we mourn."—Uncle Joe Cannon. Although the above was written 20 years ago, we think Uncle Joe would feel the same were he here now.—Editor Sibley in the Springfield Signal.

Here's one for the Tall Story Club as told to a Ledger reporter by Frank Meeker. It seems that Mr. Meeker went fishing on Grand River last Saturday evening—but here's Mr. Meeker's own words for it: "I baited my hook, threw the line into the water, laved the pole in the bottom of the boat and before I could pick it up again a fish struck the bait and the pole went whizzing by my ear, striking the water some 30 feet away. It was lucky I didn't have the fish pole in my hands or I would have been dragged into the river." After going through this experience, Mr. Meeker admitted sadly that he lost his fish.

Try a classified ad in the Ledger and get results. If

Rail Employees In Kent Receive \$4,379,800 a Year

County Receives \$256,095 in Taxes

The economic value of the railroads to Kent County is featured in a poster prepared by the Michigan Railroad Employees and Citizens League and currently being exhibited in all railroad stations in this county and in the state.

The poster emphasizes the railroads' importance on the basis of employes, payroll, mileage and taxes in each county. In Kent county are 2,597 rail employes earning \$4,379,800 a year. There are 261 miles of track and \$257,095.85 of the state's railroad taxes come into this county in the form of primary money for school purposes.

"Michigan's railroads are among the state's three ranking industries and its greatest single taxpayer," Floyd E. Drake, executive secretary of the League and author of the poster, declares in discussing it. "They surpass every other industry in the universal fashion in which they serve the state. Their tracks, trains, stations and employes are in every county. Their payrolls are earned and spent in every county, supporting local families, helping to maintain many homes and to pay taxes on them and helping to make prosperous the business in each county."

"Their tax payments filter into every county, in many instances constituting the greatest single tax revenue of the county. It is for these reasons our League is asking the broader public viewpoint and more tolerant legislative attitude toward the railroads that are needed to insure their continued efficient operation."

In Kent county, says K. K. Vining, county agricultural agent, that many reports are coming to his office in regard to the presence of corn borers.

From Michigan State College, information reaching H. C. Rather, head of the farm crops department, leads to the suggestion that ensiling the borer-damaged corn will serve two purposes.

One job of the ensiling will be to conserve feed, for if heavily weighted ears are permitted to hang on until maturity the stalks will break off, the corn likely will be soft and moldy and harvesting difficult. Another purpose of ensiling is that normally the use of the ensilage cutter and the subsequent ensiling will kill off the borers.

"More borers are apparent this year," Rather announces. Reason for more borers is not definite. One factor probably is that the weather of 1937 and so far this year has been humid, a condition liked by the borers. Eradication is not possible but control measures do help keep down increased numbers and greater damage.

Ensilaging borer-infested corn is done at normal silo filling time and in the normal way. Cutting as close as possible to the bottom of the stalk is recommended, in order to reduce places where the borers may winter.

So. Bostonites Win Top Prizes at Cattle Show

Roy Kyser and daughter Margaret, Glendon and Verel Bovee of South Boston walked off with all the top prizes at the Sheridan Brown Swiss show last Thursday with their registered Brown Swiss cattle.

Mr. Kyser received the following ribbons: First, yearling bull; first, 3 year old cow; first, junior yearling heifer, which was also junior champion of the show; first for produce of dam, and first for get of sire. Margaret showed first senior yearling heifer.

Glendon had first bull calf which was also champion; second, two year cow; and Verel showed first heifer calf.

Ionia county placed first in the herd division. This was a fine showing against very good competition.

FORESTERS SPONSOR BASEBALL SEASON

The Catholic Order of Foresters of Western Michigan is sponsoring a baseball excursion to Detroit via the Grand Trunk on Sunday, Aug. 7, for the game between the Detroit Tigers and the Boston Red Sox. The excursion is being conducted in honor of Harry Hellmann, radio announcer and former Tiger star. Train leaves Lowell at 9:33 a. m.

Notice

Dr. J. R. Stryker announces that his dental office will be closed this week Saturday afternoon on account of the death of Mrs. Stryker's mother, Mrs. John Van Loosenburg which occurred this morning in Grand Rapids. Funeral services in Grand Haven, Saturday afternoon.

Harm: "Ah'm givin' two dollars reward for the return of my wife and coat." "Supposin' ah' jest find yore cow?" Harm: "Wah! in that case ah'll be willin' to double the reward."

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

LEDGER ENTRIES

Being a Collection of Various Topics of Local and General Interest

STARTING AT THE BOTTOM

A YOUNG FELLOW coming out of school and college with a good education, often feels he has to make some apologies if he really begins work at the bottom of the so-called ladder. He may remark to his friends in a supercilious way, that he hates the work he is doing and it isn't what he ought to have, considering his education and his abilities.

Before that fellow looks with too much contempt on that little job of his, he should consider its possibilities. Even if it is merely sweeping out some store and running errands and building fire, and doing the roughest work around that place, it gives him a chance to show what he can do.

If he sweeps that store cleaner than any boy did before, if he runs the errands quicker, if he tries to run the heater so the place will always be comfortable, somebody is going to notice that boy's work and keep an eye on him. Some day chance will open to do something better.

SOCIAL SECURITY TAXES

THE REALIZATION is gradually seeping into the public consciousness that the tax on wages collected for Old Age Benefits under the Social Security Act is not kept in a separate fund to provide for the old age of those who pay the tax, but is borrowed by the Federal Government, and is represented in the Treasury only by Government bonds.

This system makes it necessary for Congress to make new appropriations every year to pay the Old Age Benefits falling due that year. It must raise the money by new taxation, a part of which will come, as all tax revenues come, out of the pockets of the workers themselves, the very ones who have already had an income tax deducted from their pay envelopes for the same purpose. At the same time, the 3 per cent interest on the bonds in which the Social Security funds are invested, must be paid out of taxes.

In short, the wage-earners who are the ultimate beneficiaries of the system will be taxed three times over to provide for their own old age security.

There is no quarrel anywhere that we know of about the desirability of insuring retirement income paid for out of the accumulation of their own savings, to every worker. But the set-up under the Social Security Act seems too complicated and too burdensome to be fair and workable. It is one of the laws which needs revision when Congress meets again.

GIVE CHILDREN A CHANCE

A PHILANTHROPIC society official who has had much to do with placing orphan children in homes, says he never known one of these children to turn out badly. Without doubt he selected the homes carefully, or the results would not have been so good. His testimony is an indication that if you once give a child a good environment, where he will have care and direction and judicious guidance, he will turn out well.

Such a statement is a revelation of what could be done, if only all children had good home guidance. The terrible tale of crime and dishonesty that plagues the nation would be greatly reduced. Much of the enormous expense of jails, prisons, courts and police would be saved. If we are going to reform the world, we have got to reform the parents quite as much as the children.

HOW HISTORY IS SHAPED

THE COUNTRY needs great leaders. It is often said, men and women who can see truths which the great majority of us can not apprehend, and who shall rouse the people to do the things they need for their own salvation. Our country suffers from unemployment, the destitution of the poor, crime, fraud, and corruption, and it asks where the great leaders are who shall solve these problems.

The people have too much tendency to call for great leaders to solve their problems, when the answer should be found in their own common sense. Their practical judgment should be able to solve all problems.

The country has plenty of good leaders, but they can't see all truth. With a million voices clamoring, how can leaders tell in all this excitement, what is right and just, and what is practical enough so it will work?

The statesmen, philosophers and other leaders propose solutions, but often their suggestions don't work. Something is missing. It is like some automobile that is wonderful and shiny in every part, only that some vital screw or lever is missing, and the thing stalls when you try to run it.

The people in their common sense must solve their problems. They take the more or less grand ideas offered by the statesman and philosophers and sort them out. Some are good, some are poor, and some are indifferent. In the quiet lives of average people, who know how things work in the average home, shop, or farm, they should be able to decide whether these ideas are good or not. This force of the average mind is the force that shapes history. This mind must do some real thinking. It can't spend its life in lazy loafing and dreaming.

LIBRARY NOTICE
The library will be closed the second and third weeks in August. Patrons may draw extra books for the vacation period.

A number of new books have been added to the shelves recently: Madame Curie, a biography by Eve Curie and others classified as light romances, and mystery detective stories.

Audie E. Post, Librarian.

August clearance of summer suits at Coons' offer some outstanding values at under \$20.



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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.

HOME NEWS

By Mary E. Dugan

Fashions are so soft and frilly with pale blues and pale pinks and colors for the first time in years that we must look after our complexions and keep them as pink and white as those of our grandmothers. The ear is not functioning normally, the person so afflicted should submit to a thorough examination of the ear, canal, drum and other parts of the delicate auditory being devised to aid in locating the trouble quickly. Often it will be found a diseased condition of the nose, throat and teeth contributing to deafness. If the itching cause is not then revealed, every rhinologist should be made of the chest and blood tests conducted to facilitate diagnosis. The physician will seek, if possible, to aid natural body forces in the recovery of the hearing and as well, to remove any discernible factor tending to prolong the disability.

Not all ear trouble can be prevented. Sometimes it is an inherited condition. The physician will seek, if possible, to aid natural body forces in the recovery of the hearing and as well, to remove any discernible factor tending to prolong the disability.

WOMEN

By Mary E. Dugan

There never was a time, it seems to me, when so many women have been publicly heard as now. Rachel Crooks, nationally known playwright, has just received the annual award for the best play of the season in the play "Susan and John".

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Health - Hygiene

Disseminated Through the Kent County Health Department by the State Joint Committee on Public Health Education

SYMPTOMS OF EAR TROUBLE While a number of disease conditions often are characterized by symptoms which are mistakenly attributed to an infection or regenerative change in the ear, a careful examination by a trained otologist will leave no room for doubt.

But It's True... The doctor who has examined me has said that I have a cold in my ears. I have never felt better in my life.

Mr. Hill was drowned while swimming. His wife was thrown out of a boat when it collided with another, and was drowned immediately.

Church News

ZION M. E. CHURCH John Claus, Pastor. English preaching Sunday at 10 o'clock. Bible School at 11 o'clock. We are cordially invited.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH Sunday School at ten o'clock. Christian Endeavor every week. Worship at 11 o'clock.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY Morning services every Sunday, 11:30 a. m. Sunday School at 11:00 o'clock. A testimonial meeting is held every Wednesday evening at 8:00 o'clock.

ALTO AND BOWNE CENTRAL CHURCH We are invited to come every Sunday at 10:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. To preach Christ Crucified. To teach young and old the Bible. To cheer the sick and sorrowing. To comfort the bereaved. To Christians our community.

ALTO BAPTIST CHURCH A. Cedertun, Minister. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Classes for all. No Sunday evening services. Bible study and Prayer meeting each Thursday evening.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE C. L. Lovell, Mich. Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Lawrence Maxson, Supr. Classes for all ages and welcome to all.

LOVELL GOSPEL CHURCH Old Post Office Bldg., Main St. Charles W. Bonan, Pastor. Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. The whole school studying the whole Bible.

LOVELL BAPTIST CHURCH Robert C. Gentz, Pastor. Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Bible School. Classes for all ages.

WARE SCHOOL CHURCH Sunday School has been organized at the Ware school in Boston. Rev. Fred Cox is pastor.

CASCADE CHURCH OF CHRIST L. C. Dorr, Pastor. Sunday School—10:00 a. m. Church Services—11:00 a. m.

ALTO BAPTIST CHURCH W. B. Gardner, Pastor. Bible School at 10:00 a. m. Enoch Carlson, Supr. Preaching service at 11:00 a. m.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST Church services are being held every Saturday at Zion M. E. Church. Sabbath School—2:00 p. m. Preaching Service—3:00 p. m.

CATHOLIC PARISHES St. Mary's—Lowell Rev. Fr. Jewell, Pastor. 7:00 a. m., Low Mass and sermon. 9:00 a. m., High Mass and sermon.

St. Patrick's—Parosel Rev. Fr. McNair, Pastor. 8:00 a. m., Low Mass and sermon. 10:00 a. m., High Mass and sermon.

ALASKA LATTER DAY SAINTS Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Macey Ellis, Pastor. 10:00 a. m.—Church School. 11:15 a. m.—Prayer Services. 7:30 p. m.—Praching. 7:00 p. m.—Wedday—Prayer meeting.

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Trying His Luck

However, we are not satisfied with present attainments but want to press forward in the coming year and see more souls won for God's Kingdom.

ADA CONGREGATIONAL CH. Rev. L. Hart, Minister. Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Miss Nellie Smith, Supr. Christian Endeavor every week. Evening Worship and sermon. 7:30 p. m.

ADA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH You are invited to come every Sunday at 10:00 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. To preach Christ Crucified. To teach young and old the Bible. To cheer the sick and sorrowing.

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ALTO BAPTIST CHURCH A. Cedertun, Minister. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Classes for all. No Sunday evening services. Bible study and Prayer meeting each Thursday evening.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE C. L. Lovell, Mich. Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Lawrence Maxson, Supr. Classes for all ages and welcome to all.

LOVELL GOSPEL CHURCH Old Post Office Bldg., Main St. Charles W. Bonan, Pastor. Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. The whole school studying the whole Bible.

LOVELL BAPTIST CHURCH Robert C. Gentz, Pastor. Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Bible School. Classes for all ages.

WARE SCHOOL CHURCH Sunday School has been organized at the Ware school in Boston. Rev. Fred Cox is pastor.

CASCADE CHURCH OF CHRIST L. C. Dorr, Pastor. Sunday School—10:00 a. m. Church Services—11:00 a. m.

ALTO BAPTIST CHURCH W. B. Gardner, Pastor. Bible School at 10:00 a. m. Enoch Carlson, Supr. Preaching service at 11:00 a. m.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST Church services are being held every Saturday at Zion M. E. Church. Sabbath School—2:00 p. m. Preaching Service—3:00 p. m.

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This and That From Around the Old Town

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Lowell Items

Fresh Home-Made FUDGE lb. 15c H. C. SCOTT Home of Good Home Made Candies

Boyd Condon of Sunning hospital is spending the week at Murray Lake. Mrs. Lloyd Goff of Lansing spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Buck.

Miss Margaret Rittenger of Grand Rapids is visiting Mrs. Jacqueline Day this week. Norton L. Avery and son Hoyt of Lansing spent Sunday with his family at Grand Rapids.

Bill Berman of Grand Rapids was a weekend guest of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Fisher of Grand Rapids. Phyllis Jean Lewis of Grand Rapids spent last week with her grandmother, Mrs. Lena Lutz.

Philo Murray of Middleville, Sunday is spending several days with his mother, Mrs. George Murray. Dr. and Mrs. Maurice Court and Susan of Three Rivers are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Rollins this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Maynard of Pontiac will spend the week-end at the Anna and Harley Maynard home near Perinton Sunday. Mrs. Ruth Rollins and Kenneth Williams of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Rollins.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Burdick and two children of Berrien Springs spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. William L. Burdick. Bert Myers underwent an appendectomy at the Grand Rapids Biological hospital. He is reported as recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Washburn and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Washburn attended a school reunion near Perinton Sunday. Mrs. Eva Lindsay and son Richard of Flint are visiting her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Heaven and Mrs. Wilson Washburn, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Moll and children, Richard and Gladys of Grand Rapids, were the weekend guests of Mrs. George Murray. Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Roth and family and Miss Katherine Seeb had supper Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Depp at Baptist Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bennett and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rogers spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Duane Keith and family in Grand Rapids. Victoria Tusken, Mrs. Stanley Jansack and two children of Chicago spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Jansack in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Halbert and family of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Mary Alice of Grand Rapids called on Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Briggs of Grand Rapids Saturday. Rev. and Mrs. Robert M. Barkdale left the first of the week for a fishing trip to the north shore of Springport. Patsy stayed for a visit.

Mrs. John Loomis, Miss Charles Taylor and Mrs. Mike Tavaroz of Grand Rapids were the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Englehart of Detroit. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Purchase and son Collins, accompanied by Allen Hale, attended the Moffit family reunion at the Paris fair hatchery Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Warner called on Mrs. Mary Alice of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Merrill of Grand Rapids Sunday. Mrs. Merrill is slowly recovering from a brain concussion. The Women's Democrat Club at party which was held at Fairbanks Park in the afternoon.

Jack Lallek and Ethel Ann Thomas of Lowell are numbered among the 400 students of the Central State Teachers College according to information received by the college. Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Henry will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gillett and family of Grand Rapids for dinner and "showboat" this evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baker and sons, Clyde and Forrest, and James and William in Marion, Ohio, after attending the funeral of their son, Mr. Mary Jane of Lowell. Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Wales of Titus and Mrs. Clyde Springer of Onondaga, N. Y., were the weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Spencer, week-end guests were Mr. and Mrs. Orville Spencer and family of Berrien Springs. Mr. and Mrs. Minnie Will of Denver, Colo., and Mrs. Hattie Lewis of San Antonio, Tex., former Lowell school teachers and daughters of the late Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Blakeslee, called on relatives here Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Crooks called on Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Spouser and family of Ionia Saturday afternoon. Sunday they visited Mr. and Mrs. Orville Stahl of Montross Lake and Mrs. Lena Leiser of Montross Lake. Miss Opal Rimmel of Detroit and Mrs. L. Smith of Anthon, Iowa, were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gould. On Sunday they visited W. J. Smith of Anthon, Iowa, and also visited Mrs. Linda Loucks at Blodgett hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Hand and family of Grand Rapids were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Collins. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Collins and family of Hamlet, N. C., called on Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Spencer and family of Grand Rapids. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wittersheim of Dearborn visited their son and wife Mr. and Mrs. J. Wittersheim. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Goff and family of Lansing visited last Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Washburn, Sunday they attended the Myers reunion at Lake Odessa.

Miss Evelyn Eyer called Friday evening to congratulate on the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Rosella Yeter and family. Mrs. Yeter is spending the week-end at Sheridan with the Vanderjagt family. Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Spencer accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Claude Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Krysgman and Mr. and Mrs. Al Johnson of Grand Rapids to Johnson Park Sunday.

Vergennes Center

Mrs. Myrtle Burch of Lowell is being cared for by Mrs. Mary Kerr this week. Mrs. Lillian Peake of Grand Rapids spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Read.

Callers at the Mrs. Mary Kerr home last week and Sunday were Mrs. Stephen Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Roger Carter, Mr. and Mrs. James Cull, all of Middleville, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lauder Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Moll and Richard and Gladys Moll of Kent City, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Washbrook of Selsey Corner, Mrs. Ida Fairchilds and Mrs. Pearl Blair.

Marian read and Frank Baker attended a reunion at Myers Lake Sunday. Robert and Betty Stock of White Cloud are spending this week with their grandmothers, Mrs. Ross Kerr, Selma and Keith Kerr of Muskegon are spending their vacation at the home of Mrs. Annie Anderson. Mrs. Ansel Fairchilds spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. Annie Anderson.

Mrs. Ada Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Anderson and Mrs. Donald Anderson and Nell Hall spent Sunday with the latter's mother, Mrs. George W. Anderson, at her cottage at Murray Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Blackford and son Jimmy of Grand Rapids were Friday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Davidson and Mrs. Ryder's birthday. The Ryders were Sunday dinner guests of her mother, Mrs. George W. Anderson, on several friends while there.

Mr. and Mrs. R. McPherson and granddaughter Barbara Davis spent last week at Sault Ste. Marie. Mrs. John Fuhrenson and Mrs. Ralph Condon and little daughter visited Mrs. Effie Goosen one day last week. Mrs. John Haining had a toast operation Saturday morning.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Clark and Mrs. Jennie Williams motored with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Dill to Station on Sunday to visit Mrs. Nellie Swarthout. Covers were laid for 22 guests at a potluck dinner at Mrs. Swarthout's. Mr. and Mrs. Myron Henry and Charles Wood motored to Traverse City Thursday for the weekend.

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Richmond's Cafe Phone 916 Lowell, Mich. Mrs. G. B. Wood Thursday afternoon. Ledger Want Ads pay.

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Princess In Movies ADA DEPARTMENT (Mrs. Hattie R. Fitch) Ada Locals Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fitch...

Bowne Bugle Notes Mrs. Myrtle Porritt Bowne Center W.F.M.S. Wednesday evening, July 27...

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Never having seen a movie until months after starting in one, it is the unusual claim made for Princess Kouka, daughter of Sheikh Ibrahim...

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Country Club No. 2 10c Country Club Grapefruit Juice 3 Gall. No. 1 case 2.5c

LaBarge Ripples Mrs. Vera Loring Mrs. and Mrs. Louis Lunke and boys...

FOR SALE—Choice Hereford steers, weaned calves, yearlings and two T. B. tested...

FOR SALE—1937 Harley Davidson motorcycle, in good condition, newly tires...

SWEET PEAS Delicious, Tender 3 No. 2 25c PEACHES Georgia Elberta No. 2 can 10c

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FOR SALE—1937 Plymouth Truck Sedan, 1937 Plymouth 4-Door Sedan...

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How to Estimate Your Driving Costs Computed by Standard Oil Company (Ind.)

Maps District Mrs. M. Rowland West Lowell Community Club will meet with Mr. and Mrs. John Baker...

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DEAD ANIMALS COST MONEY WORM TABLETS

'A California Success' Mr. and Mrs. Fred Oesch and Mrs. and Mrs. Philip Wingler...

STAR CORNERS Mrs. Ira Bough Mrs. Marcella Miesler of Grand Rapids accompanied her mother...

"Get Out of My Way 'n' In a Hurry... TO BE KILLED" "Gosh am I making time! Look at my speedometer... 45 miles an hour!"

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MINCED HAM - lb. 19c

Macaroni & Cheese Loaf lb. 31c

HONEY LOAF - lb. 39c

PORK STEAK lb. 21c **ROUND STEAK lb. 25c**

MILD CHEESE lb. 18c **OLEO . . . lb. 10c**

Pork Roast Lean center cut of shoulder **lb. 16c**

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Blue & White Coffee lb. 23c

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More Local News

Carl Wood is visiting his brother, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wood at Buffalo.

Mrs. John Dawson spent last Thursday in Saranac visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clifford Kimble.

Mrs. Ottilie Warden of Grand Rapids is spending several days this week with her sister, Mrs. Will Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Royce and son of Grand Rapids were Sunday callers on Mr. and Mrs. Merle Dawson.

Mrs. Edward Herald and son of Mason are spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dawson.

Mrs. Meeker had the misfortune to fall in her kitchen and hurt herself quite badly. Fortunately there were no bones broken.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Gates and son Charles of Detroit are spending part of their vacation here with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rogers.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Coggriff and H. A. Johnson of Bowne spent the week-end with H. F. Miller and daughters at the Miller cottage on Gun Lake.

Week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Aldrich were Mr. and Mrs. Howard Carey and sons of Bronson and Mrs. Edith Carey and son of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Smith have purchased the U. B. Williams residence property on N. Jackson-st. and moved to their new home the first of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Phillips and Mrs. Ralph Boerna were week-end guests of Mrs. Maude VanHyzen at her apartment cottage at Emerald Lake.

Callers at the Frank Meeker home last Saturday were Mrs. Meeker's brothers, Chester Church of near Evert, Dorus Church of Alton and Mrs. Ida Beckwith.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Roudabush and family will leave Friday noon on a three weeks' trip via rail to New York City and will visit relatives in Pennsylvania and Ohio on their way home.

Mrs. John Murray has been quite ill the last few weeks. Her sister, Mrs. Cora VanBuren of Lansing is caring for her. C. L. (Roy) Murray and wife of Chicago spent several days last week with her.

Sunday guests at the John Dawson home were Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Rouse of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Kimble and son and Donald Kimble of Saranac and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Herald and son Jack of Mason.

Miss Ruth Clark and sister, Miss Theta Ann, returned home on Saturday evening from an eight day trip in the Upper Peninsula. They spent several days on Isle Royale and in the remaining time toured the Upper Peninsula.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Boerna visited Dutton and Caledonia Park recently and also called on Lucille Thayer, at the Hiram Raab home, Miss Thayer is a niece of Phillips and has been ill for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Siblek, her mother, Mrs. Christina Johnson and brothers Edwin, Manley, Carl and Albert with his wife, all of Lowell and Mildred and Loraine Welch of Grand Rapids attended the Modern Woodman picnic at Morrison Lake Sunday.

Mrs. Will Devering and Mrs. Truman Pratt of Saranac attended the 17th anniversary of the Irwin family reunion held at Johnson Park Sunday, July 31st. About 50 relatives were present from Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Nashville, Wayland, Byron Center and Dorr.

Fred Althaus met with a painful injury to his right eye a few days ago while working with a welding crew on the Grand Trunk railroad near Saranac. A fine piece of steel lodged in the optic but was successfully removed by an eye surgeon. Some infection has developed but fortunately no serious results are expected.

Mrs. Norma Frost of Moseley visited her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meeker last Sunday evening.

CALENDAR of COMING EVENTS

The Saranac school reunion will be held August 7 at Saranac school auditorium with a program. Everyone ever having attended the Saranac school, either as a pupil or teacher, is cordially invited. Tell all your classmates. All you who have the old red books, we used to sing from, please bring them as we will have a community sing. Dinner will be at 12:00, so please be on hand. Come and meet all your old acquaintances.

The fourth annual reunion of the Sagwon Community Club will be held Aug. 7 at the South Ward school at 2:00 p. m. Potluck dinner. Bring your own service. Everyone who ever attended the school, either as a pupil or teacher, and all Sagwon residents are cordially invited. Come and meet your old acquaintances.—Mrs. Sarah Chrouch, Sec'y. 11-12

The annual reunion of Freeport high school classes of '26, '27 and '28 will be held Sunday, Aug. 7, at the home of Mrs. Frances Hall Cook, 1 mile north, 2nd corner, 4 miles east and 1/2 mile north of Lake Odessa. All members of these classes invited to attend and meet with old schoolmates in another reunion.

The Catholic Young Women's League will hold a picnic and cake sale at Ed Reynolds' clothing store on W. Main-st. Friday, August 5. 12-13

The Greens Circle will hold its monthly meeting in the church house Tuesday evening, Aug. 9. The Burt division will be in charge.

The annual Sweet school reunion will be held at the school house Sunday, Aug. 14. Bring your dinner in a dinner pail. Ice cream and lemonade will be furnished by the committee. 12-13

The Loyal Lowellites will hold their third annual picnic Wednesday, Aug. 10, at Fallsburg Park. Each family bring own table service, sandwiches, coffee and a dish to pass.

The Good Will Club picnic will be held at Fallsburg Park Sunday, Aug. 7. Dinner at 1 o'clock. Each family bring your own sandwiches, dishes, something to drink and a dish to pass. All members and their families are invited.—Sarah Miller, Sec'y.

The 28th annual reunion of the Condons will be held at Fallsburg Park Sunday, Aug. 14. 12-13

Regular meeting of Lowell Lodge F. & A. M. Tuesday evening, Aug. 9, at 8 o'clock.—W. M.

The annual reunion of L. H. S. Class of 1920 will be held Sunday, Aug. 7, at Lone Pine Inn. Potluck dinner at 1:00 p. m.—Ethel LaBrecque, Sec'y.

The 17th annual reunion of the Morse Lake school will be held Saturday, Aug. 6, at the school house with a picnic lunch at 3 o'clock. Bring table service. Drink will be furnished.—Lucy Duell, Pres.; Glen Yelter, Sec'y.

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Social Brevities

The Book Review met at the Cascade Country Club last Wednesday noon. Mrs. Lee Miller reviewed "From Sunrise to Evening Star" by Marina King.

Mrs. Ottilie Warden was hostess at a seven o'clock dinner last Wednesday at Lone Pine Inn in honor of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Jay Guernsey of Lakeland, Fla. Other guests were Mrs. Hermine Tusch, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Fischer of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Will Clark of Lowell.

A reception was held at the Keene Grange hall last Saturday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Adams (nee Mary Lee Chahoon). Many friends and neighbors were there to extend their congratulations to the young couple. Mr. and Mrs. Adams received many lovely gifts.

Mrs. P. J. Finels honored Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Correll (nee Ruth Armstrong) with a cooperative lawn supper last Friday evening. Guests were Lowell high school teachers and their wives and husbands. Light refreshments of cake and ice cream were served, after which the guests visited the Correll apartment at the Finels home.

Needed the Money

Judge—Why did you commit a second theft after you had been acquitted of the first?

Prisoner—I had to pay my lawyer.—Stray Stories Magazine.

Her Idea of Happiness

Mrs. Smith—Are you happy, Mrs. Dasher?

Mrs. Dasher—There ain't no such thing as 'appiness so we just learn to be happy without it.—Grit.

A stout gentleman was having trouble with the telephone. He could hear nothing but a confused jumble of sounds, and finally he became so exasperated that he shouted into the transmitter: "Is there a blithering fool at the end of his line?"

"Not at this end," answered a cool feminine voice.

Marriage in Pawn

By E. P. O'BRYAN

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WHEN Max finally beat Ronny's time with Jenny, Ronny went around town telling people what he was going to do to Max, only he never done any of the things he said he was going to do. In fact, after a few weeks he got real friendly and wanted to be a good fellow about it all.

It is on a Saturday night when Max gets the red-hot tip on Hopppy-Skip in the fifth race at Jefferson, but on account of just paying for an apartment and a marriage license, he hasn't got enough in his pocket to buy an appetizer for a humming bird.

"How about your overcoat?" I says. "Won't Bugeye Banion take it as security on a small bet?"

"I pawned that to get the license," Max says. "Anyways, Bugeye has to have cash on the line." Then suddenly an idea popped into his head. "I got it!" he says. "I got it! Come on."

"What good's a marriage license to me?" Bugeye says. "I had two wives already and I wouldn't have another one if she had a million in cold cash. Anyways, how could I get my dough back out of a marriage license?"

"But don't you see?" Max says. "I simply gotta have it by two o'clock tomorrow so's Jenny and I can get hitched. If I lose I'll go borrow the dough some place. It's too near race time now and I got a hot tip."

"O. K.," Bugeye says finally. "I'll let you bet four bucks and you'd better have that dough in here first thing after the race. How do you want to bet it?"

For all I know Hopppy-Skip, the nag Max bet on, hasn't come in yet.

It is ten o'clock Sunday morning before we can raise enough dough to redeem the license and pay the minister. But when we get down to Bugeye's place, Bugeye just gives us a funny look. "Why," he says, "you sent for that license and redeemed it. What kind of a fast one are you trying to pull?"

"I didn't send for no license," Max says. "I just now raised the dough to pay you."

"Didn't you send Ronny Nash down to get it?"

Max turned all white around the gills. "That double-crossin' so and so!" he says. "So that's his little game, is it? And you give it to him?"

"Sure. He hands me the four bucks and says you sent him."

"Come on," Max says. "We gotta find Ronny quick. Why, I'll mess up the street with him—pullin' a trick like that on me."

But we didn't find Ronny, and when we got to Jenny's house it was nearly one-thirty, with the wedding scheduled for two. We met Ronny coming out the door and there was a grin on his face a mile wide.

"So you had to go tell her, huh?" Max rages. "You double-crossin' lug!" He lets one go from his heels that sends Ronny rolling down the steps like a hoop. When he reached the bottom he lay quite still, almost to still, in fact.

The door pops open suddenly and out comes Jenny, all excited. "Why, Max, what happened? What did you do to him?"

"What'd I do to him? What does it look like? I took a poke at him, of course."

"What did you hit him for?" Jenny demands, stamping her foot. There is fire in her eye.

"He ran off with our marriage license, that's what he done. So I socked him—see? Why, honey, what makes you look at me so funny? What's wrong, sweetheart?"

But Jenny has knelt down beside Ronny and is taking his head in her lap, sort of shaking her head and crying.

Another form came out on the porch and took the shape of a minister.

Jenny is caressing Ronny's head where it has bumped the steps and sort of moaning to herself.

The preacher came down the steps. "May I inquire what all the trouble's about?"

"Sure," Max says. "This guy ran off with the marriage license and I socked him. Fine way to double-cross a friend!"

"Ran off with your marriage license?" the preacher says. "I'm afraid I don't quite understand. He came to the parish only an hour ago to get me. Said some friends of his were going to get married and he wanted to do them a special favor by providing the minister. He gave me the license. I have it here. Made out to Jenny Miller and Max Horwinsky. Is that you, sir?"

"Sure, that's him," Jenny says, caressing Ronny's head. "But I'm not marrying him—not after what he's done to Ronny, who was only trying to be nice. The marriage is off."

So that's how Max swore off betting on horse races. He had to after that, only of course, after she'd thought it over all night Jenny did change her mind after Max had apologized to Ronny. She's Mrs. Horwinsky now and Max has more than one shirt to bet, which is something he never had before.

Probably no other living species produces more abnormalities than fish. Two-headed fish are not uncommonly hatched in the various stations of the fish division of the Michigan department of conservation.

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Not content with just "another county fair," Fred A. Chapman, the Ionia Free Fair association's secretary, determined years ago to make the Ionia exposition outstanding in every way possible.

Now, with this year's exposition predicted to be the best ever held, and with a background of numerous dazzling performances of previous years, the Ionia Free Fair is equaling easily its definition as "Michigan's Greatest Outdoor Event."

More money was spent this year to bring the best entertainment of two continents to Ionia for the 24th annual presentation.

Wednesday, Aug. 17, will be Governor's Day. It is then that Gov. Frank Murphy and numerous other state officials are scheduled to make a personal appearance at the Ionia fairgrounds. Gov. Murphy will present the Governor's Trophy Cup to the winner of the afternoon's harness racing.

This year the Ionia Free Fair will be a genuine farmers' exposition in every sense of the word. Besides 14 agricultural departments which are offering generous premiums, horse pulling contests, and special farmers' field events are scheduled.

Farmers' Day will be featured Friday, Aug. 19, when a huge program will be sponsored by Ionia County Farm Bureau and Grange organizations.

Urban folk, too, will not be neglected during the six big days and nights of entertainment. An all-star cast of stage, radio and screen performers will be seen in

"Bells of Liberty," nightly grandstand show.

Kent Wheat Farmers Insuring '39 Crop

Preliminary reports from several wheat producing counties indicate that the farmers of these counties are taking considerable interest in the Wheat Crop Insurance Program, Maurice A. Doan, Chairman of the Michigan Agricultural Conservation Committee, announced this week.

"Although the returns are very incomplete at this time," Doan said, "several counties, notably Branch, Clinton, Gratiot, and Otsewa . . . have reported that over fifty percent of the wheat producers contacted by the crop insurance representatives of the county agricultural committees have applied for 1939 wheat insurance."

"Even though a number of counties have not as yet reported, the total wheat acreage covered by insurance for this next year is over 14,000 acres," Doan added.

"Wheat insurance, which is part of the Agricultural Conservation Program, is being made available to farmers to protect them from losses due to such unavoidable causes as drought, flood, hail, wind, frost, winter kill, insect infestation and plant diseases over which farmers have no control."

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To Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Wilson of Ionia, at the Luz Maternity Home, Sunday, July 31, a 9 1/2 lb. daughter, Barbara Ellen.

Depending on food and water conditions, a muskellunge usually attains legal size in from five to seven years.

Japan's casualties in China have been put at 300,000 men in a little less than a year. Gosh, that's even killing 'em off faster than we do in this country with automobiles!

Housewife—"Look here, my man, why do you always come to my house to beg?"

Tramp—"Doctor's orders, madam."

Housewife—"Doctor's orders?"

Tramp—"He told me that when I found food that agreed with me I should stick to it."

A French statistician estimates that a man of 50 years of age has eaten 17,000 pounds of bread, 16,000 pounds of meat, 4,000 pounds of vegetables, eggs and fish, and has drunk 7,000 gallons of liquid during his lifetime.

Pumpkinseed: "Were you out in all that rain?"

Woodhead: "No, just the part that fell around me."

One Exception

"And let me impress upon you once and for all," the orator shouted reaching a climax, "that nothing that is false ever does anybody any good."

"You're wrong there, Mister," a little old man in the audience interrupted. "I've got false teeth and they do me a lot of good."

Making It Plain

"Missus says she is not receiving, sir!" said the maid to the man at the door.

"Go back and tell her I'm not delivering today," quoth the caller. "I'm collecting."

EVER THUS

Mrs. Clatter—Those Kidmore's actually seem proud of their child's nasty temper.

Her Husband—Well, I suppose your parents were just as proud of you when you began to talk.

Meeting a Dilemma

"Henrietta," said Mr. Meekton, "if I were to run for office would you vote for me?"

"No, Leonidas."

"Then you would work against me."

"No, Leonidas. I'd merely retire from politics and avoid any argument as to whether I love my husband or my country."

"Can you tell if the defendant was expensively garbed?"

"Deed she was, sub. Ah knows expensive garbage when I sees it."

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