

WELCOME TO VISITORS

THE summer season brings many visitors to Lowell. Some of them come to stay with friends for a brief or longer time, some just give us a look over and speed on their way. However long or short a time they may stay, our people are glad to see them, and give them the sign of welcome.

If there is any service that can be done for them, our folks are glad to do it, and they do many things of that kind without expecting any pay. They feel it a privilege to meet and talk with people from distant states. They desire to show such kindly hospitality that visitors will wish to come again, and those who rush through will wish they could take time for a longer stay. The glad hand is ready to meet all these.

BUSINESS COMPETITION

PEOPLE engaged in business often complain about the sharp competition. That is natural enough, for competition is sharp in most lines. It is better that it should be so, as such rivalry spurs people on to do their best, and try to please the public by superior service.

The folks who have to meet this competition have one strong protection, and that is the power of advertising. If they have as good goods as their competitors, and are offering them for equally low prices, they can expect their share of trade, provided they let the public know what they have to offer, and what it costs. They can't expect to win in a competition when the public is not given a reasonable amount of information about their goods.

THIS PAROLE BUSINESS

PERHAPS you have thought sometimes about our parole system and wondered just how it works, says the Cassopolis Vigilant, continuing: Danny Kent, paroled convict, who killed his benefactor for the purpose of robbery, was a former Ingham county boy, and the Ingham County News last week published Kent's record. It is surprising how often he was arrested, but more surprising how often he was paroled. We herewith publish Kent's record as given in his home county. Read it and see what you think of parole:

"The criminal record of Kent is a long story. After numerous crimes in and around Williamston over a period of years, he was brought into the Ingham juvenile court in 1916 and sentenced to the Boys' Vocational school. The specific crime was stealing chickens. He was there just over 12 years of age. He was released from the Vocational school in 1921 and in a few weeks was arrested for stealing an automobile. He was placed on probation and a month later was again brought into court for another automobile. His length of probation was then increased to four weeks, but it didn't do any good. In 1924 Kent was sent to Ionia to serve from two to three years after he had made an escape from the Ingham jail where he was serving time on a larceny charge.

"Kent was paroled from Ionia in September of 1926 and two months later was again arrested for stealing an automobile. Records disclose that he received no punishment whatever for the theft. Six months later, though, he stole another car and was returned to Ionia as a parole violator. He was discharged from Ionia November 19, 1927, and just a week later was arrested for larceny. He was sentenced to Ionia for two and one-half to five years and was paroled at the end of his minimum term. He was discharged from parole a year later. In May of 1934 Kent was caught in an auto theft ring and sentenced to serve from two and one-half to five years in Jackson prison. He escaped from prison for making his escape from the walls. Before his term was completed he was given a parole and was still on it when he killed Hall.

"Kent has been a criminal for more than 20 of his 32 years. His father is Arthur Kent. His mother divorced her husband and married Herbert Lyter. The mother resides in Williamston.

COLLECTING THE DEBTS

THE people of England greatly desire the friendship of the United States. They need it, in a time when the British empire is almost cracked under the hammer blows of dictators. One difficulty in the way of that friendship is the unpaid debts owed by Britain to the United States. The same is true of unpaid debts owed by France.

One way to greatly strengthen that friendship, it is pointed out by some very eminent men, would be for England and France to turn over some of the island territory in the West Indies which they possess, to the United States as part payment on those debts. In a time when some nations are showing excessive interest in the Panama canal defenses, those islands could be used.

Member When

When people with spirited horses insisted on driving them up as close to the musicians as possible when the band was playing? This didn't make the players feel very secure, but it helped tame the horses.

When skin tight pants for men were the fashion?

COOL HOSE FOR MEN
Cool, hose anklets in a variety of colorful patterns, reinforced at all points of wear. 3c; 3 pairs, \$1.00. Coons.

Rehearsals For 1939 Showboat In Full Swing Practising Under Actual Setting

Rehearsals for the 1939 production of the Lowell Showboat started last night in the high school gymnasium. According to C. H. Runciman, chairman of the entertainment committee, excellent progress was made. Several new songs were rehearsed and on Monday night the show will be in full progress.

A stage will be set up in the gym to represent the actual setting of the boat so that the entire cast will be fully acquainted with actual conditions on the opening night. This will eliminate any possibility of an inferior show the first night. This will be doubly important this year as the district newspaper association will meet in Lowell on Wednesday, Aug. 2, and newspaper men from all over the state will be guests of the American Legion and Board of Trade at the opening Showboat performance.

The showboat committee is making arrangements to provide costumes for a chorus of 70. The enlarged seating capacity and stage require this added number of voices to provide proper volume. Fifty extra gas drums will be placed under the boat to give it sufficient carrying capacity for the added number of people.

Runciman Given Unanimous Vote

C. H. Runciman was the unanimous choice of the voters of Lowell School District No. 1 last Monday, July 10. A light vote was cast during the voting hours from 1:00 to 7:30 p. m., which indicates very clearly that patrons of the district are well satisfied with the conduct of school matters. Mr. Runciman has given many years of valuable service on the school board and his unanimous re-election testifies to the appreciation in which his services are held.

The annual school meeting was held at 8:00 p. m. the reports of Secretary F. F. Coons, Treasurer H. L. Weekes and Librarian Audie Post were given in detail and ordered placed on the school record. Patrons present at the meeting by unanimous vote adopted a motion by F. L. Stephens and seconded by Mrs. M. N. Henry, endorsing the administration of Supt. W. W. Gussner during the past year, not only for the high standard maintained in our school along educational lines, but also for his effective service in securing legislative action at Lansing resulting directly in bringing about a fairer division of state aid among the larger cities and the smaller districts and through his successful campaign bringing to Lowell the sum of \$8,484.00 that we very likely would not have received otherwise. Further, that his ability and untiring energy in behalf of the interests of our district are recognized and appreciated unanimously.

Coming Events

Ionia Free Fair, Aug. 14-19. The South Ward school reunion will be held July 22 at 1:00 p. m. Potluck dinner.

The Triple C Circle will meet on Friday afternoon, July 14, with Mrs. D. A. Wiegeler. Ice cream and cake will be served and everyone is cordially invited.

The Rice reunion will be held Sunday, July 16, at the home of Mrs. Fannie Smelker near Middleville.

Lowell Showboat dates August 2, 3, 4, 5. Mention these dates when you write to your friends—the first Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday in August.

Parnell's annual chicken supper and fair will be held Thursday, Aug. 10, beginning at 4:00 p. m. The men and women of the parish are making extensive preparations for the event.

Fifth annual Kent County 4-H Club Fair, Recreation Fair, will be held August 23, 24, 25. New building and bigger and better than ever. West Michigan Jersey Parish show at same place on August 24.

The 55th annual Michigan State Camp meeting will be held in Eaton Rapids, July 27, through August 6.

Christian Youth Class of the Congregational Church will hold an ice cream social at the parish house on Wednesday, July 19, at 6:30 p. m. Everyone welcome.

The German Ladies Aid will meet at Mrs. Rosa Thomet's home west of Ada on the Knapp rd. on Thursday, July 20, at 2 p. m.

Installation of officers for the Odd Fellows will be held Monday evening. All members are urged to be present.

The Townsend Club has changed its plans and will hold a cake walk and entertainment at the City hall Friday evening, July 21.

DUST LAYER

The village will furnish chloride at cost, or one dollar (\$1.00) per sack and spread same free for home owners within the village limits.

Phone your orders to Fred Gramer, street commissioner. c8-2t



"There is not much glory attached to war," asserts Civil War veteran Bob Boylan, "when gas masks enter the picture."

The first open-air band concert of the season which was held last night in Richards Park was greatly enjoyed by a large number of people. The music rendered was of an unusually high order. Bruce Walter, the director, announces that the band will again play next Wednesday evening during the amateur try-out for the Lowell Showboat.

For the past couple of weeks or more, rumors have been current to the effect that Dr. B. H. Shepard contemplated quitting the practice of his profession here and locating elsewhere. These rumors have been received with much disappointment by many persons. A Ledger representative interviewed Dr. Shepard yesterday morning regarding the matter and this was his reply: "I have no intentions of leaving Lowell and will continue to remain here as long as the people want me." That is good news and should definitely set at rest contrary reports.

Night football under electric lights was first introduced in Michigan nine years ago by the Lowell H. S. grid team and immediately sprang into popular favor, with many other high school teams following Lowell's cue. Night baseball is growing in popularity in both major and minor leagues and no doubt within a few years major league teams will be playing regular night schedules during July and August. Night games are popular because they enable a larger number of people to attend and this probably is the reason for the large crowds attending the diamond ball game under the lights at Recreation Park.

Master Frank Oatley, 5-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Oatley, is not likely to forget his celebration of July 4, 1939. Master Frank had a toy pistol for the occasion and as is the habit of youngsters, it found its way into his mouth, a piece of the pistol more than an inch long by a quarter inch wide slipping down his throat. X-ray pictures were taken, the proper remedies applied and, presto! last Monday night, six days after the "Y" birth, Master Frank responded, yielding the foreign piece according to the laws of nature. He will undoubtedly keep the same as a souvenir to show his children how he once celebrated Independence Day.

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff: Many a Lowell man has run into more trouble forgetting to burn letters he didn't want his wife to see, than when he forgot letters she asked him to mail. . . . With words as they are today, we can hardly accuse a girl of putting everything she has on her back on the floor. . . . The fellow who talks about the country he came from being better than the U. S. can always find an ocean boat travelling both ways, says every U. S. citizen. . . . Anything is possible! Some day you will find a wife in Lowell who thinks her husband is as brilliant a man as she thinks he is. . . . Read where a man has been delivering and collecting laundry for 49 years without an interruption. Who said that laundries are hard on clothes? . . . The man who advocates a dictator, figures on him dictating to somebody else.

Leave it to Master Jimmy Johnson to do the unexpected. This eight-year-old son of Village Clerk L. E. Johnson is a chip off the old block in his fondness for fishing which accounts for his frequent pilgrimages to two bars of Flat River. On one of these trips a few days ago Master Jimmy secured an unusual trophy which he promptly brought to the rear of his father's garage, placing the same behind a door. Then Jimmy forgot all about it. But within two or three days business neighbors began to notice most unusual odors and they were not of the Sabaean kind that the poet has written about. Shakespeare made one of his characters use words that better fit the situation, viz: "There was something rotten in Denmark!" Everybody in the vicinity continued to search for the cause of the awful stench and it was not until three or four days more had elapsed before the efforts of the searchers met with success and that is when Jimmy's father armed with a searchlight found the cause of it all—the dead body of a huge carp swollen twice its natural size. Ed hurried home and in his attic unearched a gas mask, relic of World War days and after donning same was able to remove the remains of the scavenger. It is quietly reported that Master Jimmy partook of his meals standing for the next day or two.

Strand Calendar

Thursday, July 13—Melynn Douglas and Virginia Bruce in "There's That Woman Again," plus "Forged Passport" with Paul Kelly and June Lang.

Sunday and Monday, July 16-17—"Row of Washington" and "Farewell" with Tyrone Power, Alice Faye and Al Jolson; also Popeye in "Cops is Always Right," The March of Time, Champion Air Hoppers and Latest Paramount News.

Tuesday and Wednesday, July 18-19—"The Hour of the Baskervilles" with Richard Green, Basil Rathbone and Wendy Barrie. Added feature, Gene Autry in "Mountain Rhythm" with Smiley Burnette; plus "Nick's Coffin Pot," a cartoon.

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Young and Old Now Think, Whistle and Talk Showboat Days

Ye Editor, on his morning walk to the office, picked up some pretty definite clues that "Showboat time is here again." On starting from the house, we heard voices from the Cox home singing "Sailing On the Robert E. Lee," which suggested to you scribe that more of our married folks with their matured voices should join the chorus this year.

Coming by Ed Reynolds' home, we observed that the children were building a play Showboat in the yard with a lively argument as to who should be the captain.

Next we heard someone whistling "Here Comes the Showboat" and it turned out to be none other than the Grand Interlocutor, Admiral of the Michigan Navy and Welfare Chief "Runcy" himself.

When we reached Wes Roth's store we heard him yell "Hello, Golden Silencers!", a name which has stuck to Dr. Stryker since his famous appearance as Endman on the Robert E. Lee. It reminded us that one song graduated Doc into the job of Master of Ceremonies Extraordinary of the pre-docking program.

When we reached the Palace Cleaners, Ed. Kiel, the advertising chairman, was arguing across the street with "Cold Storage" Chris as to whether or not a mixture of the drug business, ice cream plant, soda fountain, serve-yourself cold storage business and other things too numerous to mention, would leave any room in Chris' head for the State Ag. Dept.

State Ag. Dept. To Push Use of Michigan Produce Press of State To Cooperate

Pointing to the necessity of making available advertising funds serve two-fold purpose of an educational program among the producers and winning the favor of consumers for Michigan farm commodities, Miles A. Nelson, director of the Bureau of Agriculture Industry of the Department of Agriculture, pledged members of Michigan Press Association at the annual summer banquet at Grand Haven, that funds would be handled to encourage the State Legislature to increase appropriations. The department is seeking standardization of trademark for use in advertising all Michigan farm produce.

"It is our desire to direct the expenditure of advertising funds, and conduct our regulatory services in such fashion as to bring credit to our state, to start with, the one of its first actions will be to approve of efforts and provide an even larger advertising fund. We understand the dangers of expending this money without obtaining results, we know that failure will result in discontinuance of appropriations by the Legislature.

"Michigan has shown a more rapid progress in marketing problems than has probably ever been shown by any state. While it is true that Washington, Maine, Idaho, California, Florida and New York have laid extensive advertising campaigns, I would like to point out that in Michigan these states have had on Michigan. These states were confronted years ago with problems of surpluses in certain products and recognized the necessity of boosting these particular products. They laid the ground work first with right inspection and then proceeded to advertise. Michigan was fortunate in having near-by markets and it has only been in recent years that the advertising of other states have gained and taken away some of these markets of Michigan.

"When these out-state producers began to enter Michigan, the producers were prompt in recognizing that Michigan should put up a fight for their markets. The first thing necessary in the opinion of the Department of Agriculture was to provide that Michigan had an ample supply of first class merchandise and since the fall of 1937, over 30,000 cars of Michigan farm produce of first class graded quality has been shipped in and from this state. No other state has had such a volume of products inspected in the infancy of their program. This demonstrates to the Department of Agriculture that the producers are whole-heartedly in favor of an intelligent marketing and inspection program and we feel that we have reached the point where it is a safe and sound program to advertise Michigan farm produce.

"The funds that are available are limited and we realize that coordination of every program will be necessary to bring about full value for every dollar spent. We must keep an educational program among the producers in Michigan and we must recapture Michigan's market for Michigan's farm products. We have studied various methods and we are fully acquainted with the efforts of Michigan editors to promote Michigan goods. There was a real obstacle to overcome because of the housewives' prejudice against beet sugar for canning purposes.

"There is a similarity in our present problems to the problem faced by the beet industry and we feel that there is no better medium than the Michigan press to solve the problems of distribution of Michigan's farm produce within the state.

Several important public works projects have been started in Guatemala. People of England are expected to spend \$5,000,000 in ocean cruising this year.

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Alto Nine Wins Over Ada, 12-5

Perry Preston pitched and Danny Wiegeler batted Alto to a victory over Ada at Alto Sunday. Wiegeler having a perfect day with four hits in four times at bat. The catching of Lloyd Dygert and the fielding of Johnny Briggs featured the 12 to 5 victory.

Next Sunday Alto plays at Fallsburg Park and Med Burns, their sensational young strike-out artist, will be in the lineup. Alto plays Saranac a twilight game at Alto Saturday.

Swimming Program For Boys and Girls Starts Friday

A swimming program for Lowell boys and girls will get under way this week Friday, July 14, when they will be transported to Crooked Lake in the Lowell school buses, leaving the high school at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon and returning at 4:00. The swimming will be supervised by capable directors and all children must have a form of consent signed by their parents. These forms will be obtainable from James Topp at Recreation Park or from Mr. Gumberson's office at the high school building. Next week swimming date will be Friday, July 21 and thereafter, if possible, there will be two trips a week.

Life Saving Instructions Junior and Senior life saving instructions will be conducted by Clifford Schaeffer, director of First Aid and Life Saving of the Grand Rapids chapter, American Red Cross. The Junior division will include those 12 to 16 years of age. The Senior division will include those 17 years and over. There will be eight lessons and at the completion of the course, Red Cross awards will be given.

Free Transportation

The Board of Education will provide transportation free of charge to the children who wish to participate in the program of swimming which will be conducted by members of the Red Cross and the Recreation Department of the WPA. The insurance carried by the Board of Education will protect the children while in transit but the Board cannot be held responsible for children while they are outside the buses. However, the Board feels that there will be ample supervision of children and that every effort will be made to provide for their safety.

Double Header Here Next Sunday

There will be a double-header baseball game this Sunday at Recreation Park. The N. Y. A. team of Grand Rapids will play the Lowell Board of Trade, and the class A team of Trufant will play the Lowell Merchants. The first game starts at 1:30 and the second game follows immediately. Everybody turn out and support the local boys in two good games. The Lowell Merchants defeated the Ionia Reformatory at Ionia last Sunday, 8 to 3. Rookie Jim Briggs did the hurling for Lowell with Brooks behind the plate.

The Fallsburg Cubs will play Alto next Sunday afternoon at Fallsburg Park. The Cubs were defeated last Sunday by White and White Pharmacists, 7-3.

Diamond Ball

The Staal girls diamond ball team was defeated last Friday night by the LaMar girls of Grand Rapids, 8 to 5. The Lowell Moose were also defeated in one of the best games of the year by Jim's Lunch, 4 to 2. Maloney of the Moose with two triples and Hamstra of Jim's Lunch with a home run, were the hitting stars. Lowell got six hits to Grand Rapids' seven.

75 Members Present at Am. Legion Aux. Meet

The Fifth District American Legion Auxiliary annual meeting was held at the Lowell American Legion club rooms recently with 75 members present. After a delicious luncheon, Mrs. Don Niles, president of the local unit, introduced little Renee Fairchilds, who gave two readings. Mrs. Ruby Beebe, District President, conducted the meeting which followed.

The following officers were elected: District President, Alta Squires, Rockford; District vice president, Florence Maestbrook, Grand Haven. The members voted also to have district meetings every two months, starting in September, for the next year.

WOMEN FRUSTRATE THIEF AT RUTHERFORD HOME

The L. W. Rutherford home on Hudson-st. was entered last night around 9:30 o'clock but the thief was frustrated when he was seen leaving the house by Mrs. Dick Rutherford and Mrs. John Roth. He had pilfered a carpet sweeper but got no further than the back porch with it. Local officers picked the man up on Vergennes-rd a couple of hours later. He is now confined in the county jail pending charges. He gave the name of Lee E. Smith and his address as New Castle, Pa.

Farmers' Day At Michigan State Friday, July 28

Observance of 25 years of service to the state's agriculture and home life by the federal-state-county cooperative extension service in agriculture and home economics is to be the keynote of the Michigan State College annual farmers' Day to be held Friday, July 28.

Each summer the college invites the rural public to stroll the campus, through barns, field plots and laboratories as an inspection of current progress in research and experiments.

Big Program For Men and Women

A bit of entertainment starts off the program this year. The four Girards of Gladstone, Mich., will display their bag of tricks in bringing logs and fancy and trick log riding. This opening event at 9:30 a. m. is to be held on the Red Cedar river near Farm Lane bridge.

E. L. Anthony, dean of agriculture, is general chairman for the day, working with V. R. Gardner, director of the experiment station, and R. J. Baldwin, extension director. R. W. Tenny, short course director, is program chairman.

Rules and Regulations

Rule 1. The manager of each team is the only man eligible to protest the rules and decisions of the umpire. In case of unportantlike conduct the umpire may first warn the offending player, and on second offense put him out of the game.

Life Saving Instructions

In the afternoon a program on the lawn north of the library opens with a concert by the Michigan Future Farmers' band. At two o'clock Frank Peck, president of the Federal Land Bank of St. Paul, will describe phases of a quarter century of agricultural progress. Mr. Peck served 22 years in Minnesota as extension director. Floats depicting how Michigan has been served by the extension service in agriculture and home economics will conclude the day's events.

Two Play Leaders At Recreation Park

The WPA has assigned Ralph Sherwood, Jr., as Recreation leader at the Lowell Recreation park, to assist James Topp. There are now two play leaders who will be at the park between the hours of 10:00 and 12:00 o'clock in the morning and 1:00 to 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon to direct play for all children who wish to come to the park during those hours.

ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE

Dresser, cedar chest, ladies' clothing, small size; silverware, rummage and miscellaneous household furnishings, Friday and Saturday, July 14-15, in old Bank Bldg., corner Riverside-rd. and Main-st., Lowell.

Amateur Try-Out Night For The Showboat, July 19

The Lowell Board of Trade will sponsor a second annual amateur tryout for the Lowell Showboat on Wednesday evening, July 19, according to an announcement by F. J. McMahon, president. The event will be staged at the Showboat dock where seats, lights and a sound system will be installed to not only give the amateurs every assistance possible but will give several thousand Lowell visitors an opportunity to hear and see the performance which is free to everyone.

TRUTH about ADVERTISING

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SOME of the critics of advertising—and in this world there are those who criticize every good thing—level their lances at what they think is a weak spot: its cost.

They read of the million-dollar advertising appropriations, they brood on the cost of a full page of advertising in a metropolitan newspaper or a national magazine—and then they lose their sharpest barbs against the waste which they say is involved in this costly process.

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Council Proceedings
VILLAGE OF LOWELL, Official
The regular meeting of the Council of the Village of Lowell, Michigan...

The State Savings Bank
REPORT OF CONDITION OF
OF LOWELL, IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JUNE 30, 1939

Ware District
K. M. A.
Lee Pitsch is expected home Friday from the hospital where he has been the past night...

Church News
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
Morning service every Sunday 11 o'clock.

Harrie Creek
Mrs. Beal R. Vreeland
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Baker of Newberry and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Moore of Detroit spent a week ago Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. John Flynn and son Joseph...

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Magpie Files Into Course of Bullet
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA—Australian sportmen labor under greater inconveniences from the greater number of magpies...

INMATES OF PRISON FIND USE FOR TIME
Many Devote Their Talents To Inventions
POLSON PRISON, CALIF.—Convicts in Polson prison do more than their share of work in their cells...

CAUSE ENOUGH
"Archimedes," read the school-boy, aloud, "passed from his bath about 'Bureaucracy'!"

So, Keene-N. Boston
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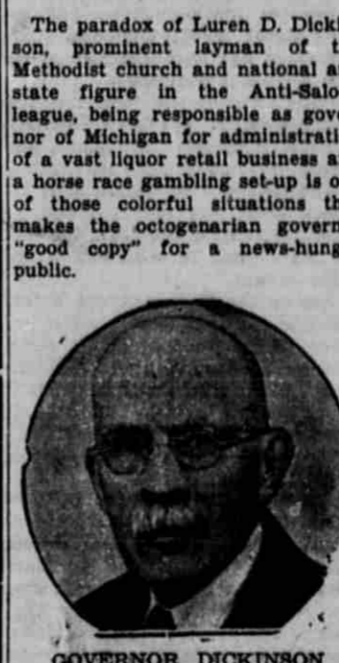
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Gov. Dickinson Finds Himself In Odd Position

State In Liquor And Gambling



The paradox of Luren D. Dickinson, prominent layman of the Methodist church and national figure in the Anti-Saloon league, being responsible as governor of Michigan for administration of a vast liquor retail business and a horse race gambling set-up is one of those colorful situations that makes the octogenarian governor "good copy" for a news-hungry public.

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Of course it is called a sport for the improvement of the breeding of better (and faster) horses. But we all know that it is gambling, pure and simple, and not so much of either at that.

This gambling business is condoned and supervised by the state under legislative authority. Being legitimized by the legislature, betting has become a law which Governor Dickinson, by his oath of office, agreed to enforce along with all other laws on the state statute book.

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Walter and Edward Ryder and Betty Longstreet, fiancée of Jason Ryder, all of Muscatine, Iowa, were Saturday and 4th of July guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ryder and visited other relatives in Lowell over the 4th holiday.

Frank J. McMahon is in receipt of a very interesting letter from P. J. DeVine of Portland, Oregon, who is remembered here by our old-timers. Mr. DeVine, or "Patsy" as he is known to his old friends was at one time in the grocery business here, being associated with the late John Giles.

Miss Myrtle Taylor, local insurance agent, is still confined to her bed as the result of severe injuries sustained several days ago when she was thrown to the pavement near the intersection of Main and Monroe by a car as it was backing away from the curb. She visited her office on Tuesday evening to look after business matters but had to be carried from her car. Miss Taylor's many friends hope to hear of her speedy restoration to health.

Francis Wessinger of Ann Arbor has been permanently engaged as pharmacist at Christiansen's Drug Store. Mr. Wessinger has for several years been connected with the pharmacy department of the U. of M. and is highly qualified in his profession. Mrs. Wessinger will be remembered as Doris MacFarlane, daughter of F. P. MacFarlane. At present, they are living at the Mac Farlane home but will occupy a home of their own as soon as one can be secured.

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REYNOLDS' MEN'S WEAR

Obituary 4-H CLUB NEWS

Norman B. Fullington
Norman B. son of Mary Sabine and Ormus Fullington was born July 31, 1882 in Vergennes township, Kent county, on what is known as the old Fullington Homestead, where he spent his whole life, passing on Thursday, July 7, 1939.

The Fullingtons were among the earliest pioneers to locate around Priscilla Smith and Dorothy Clark. Priscilla and Dorothy were chosen to represent Kent County in the Food Preparation Demonstrations to be held at Michigan State College in August. The afternoon was spent in a tour through Joppe's Creamery and the Colonial Baking Co.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Dorothy Scott on July 14. A demonstration on the preparation of salad will be given by Marilyn Winslow and Dorothy Scott. Doris Dewey will demonstrate how to make salad dressing. Dorothy Scott, Secy.

Judging Delegates
Kent County 4-H delegates to the Elimination Contests at Michigan State College were chosen last week in clothing and canning judging, and food preparation and canning demonstration contests. The following delegates will go to East Lansing for the finals on August 18 and 19.

Clothing Judging: Betsy Chase, Walker; Mary Low May, Cascade; LaVon Graham, Cascade; Claire Jensen, Walker.
Canning Judging: Lorraine Homrich, Byron; Doris Friend, Paris; Eleanor Johnson, Walker; Mary Fahling, Sparta.
Food Preparation Demonstration: Priscilla Smith, Lowell; Dorothy Clark, Lowell.
Canning Demonstration: Eleanor Stevens, Oakfield; Harriet Green, Oakfield.

BIRTHS
To Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cordtz (nee Ella Bowen) of Grand Rapids, a 9 lbs., 5 1/2 oz. daughter, Janet Beverly, on Wednesday, July 5, at St. Mary's hospital.
To Mr. and Mrs. Basil Hattiger, an 8 1/2 lb. son on Sunday night, July 9.
To Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lavender of Lansing, formerly June Lucille Sterlick of South Boston, on Tuesday, July 11, at 8 lb., 11 oz. daughter, Glenora Lucille, at the Neller hospital, Lansing.
To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Biggs of Lowell, a daughter.

CARD OF THANKS
In this way we wish to say "many thanks" for the lovely gifts which were bestowed upon us by our many friends, neighbors and relatives for our golden wedding anniversary.
Respectfully, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lott.

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Social Events

Potter-Taylor Reunion
The 16th annual Potter-Taylor family reunion was held at Fallsburg Park Sunday with 55 present for dinner. After the dinner the business meeting followed with officers elected: President, Charles Potter; vice president, Byron Frotter; secretary and treasurer, Edith Wheaton; entertainment committee, Virginia Chickering and Eula Taylor.

The oldest member present was Will Potter, aged 84; youngest was Joyce Elaine Taylor, aged 13 months. A very pleasant day was spent in contests, etc. Guests were present from Reed City, Greenville, Ionia, Saranac, Lowell, Belding and Grand Rapids.

Reception for Newlyweds
Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Condon gave a reception last Thursday evening to about 300 guests at Fallsburg Park pavilion for their daughter-in-law and son, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ricker. Bollock's orchestra furnished music for dancing. Guests were present from Muskegon, Saranac, Lowell, New York City, Rockford, Freeport, Milwaukee and Grand Rapids. Refreshments were served and many beautiful gifts were given to the newlyweds with their congratulations and wishes for many years of happiness.

Birthday Party
Mr. and Mrs. Archie Thomas of Cascade gave a birthday supper Friday evening in honor of Wm. Cosgriff of Lowell. A beautiful birthday cake with candles adorned the table with all the goodies including ice cream. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Tate Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Webb, Fred Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stone of Grand Rapids; Wm. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cosgriff and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Thomas. A merry good time was reported by all.

MacFarlane Clan Picnic
The 18th annual MacFarlane clan picnic and reunion was held Sunday, July 9, at Fallsburg Park. Forty members including families from Everett, Reed City, Paris, Big Rapids, Harsy, Lowell and Detroit, were present. John A. MacFarlane of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, came the farthest to attend the family gathering. Frank P. MacFarlane of Lowell was re-elected president of the organization and plans were made to hold the 1940 reunion again in Fallsburg Park.

Book Review
The Book Review is holding its luncheon meeting this afternoon (Thursday) at the Cascade Country Club. Mrs. Byrne McMahon will review the book, "A Good Home With Nice People" by Josephine Lawrence.

DR. PAUL STAMSEN Optometrist, Ionia at Kent Jewelry Store Lowell Wednesday-Saturday Correct lens may improve poor vision to normal.

Marriage Announced

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Margaret Davis, daughter of Mrs. Jennie Davis of Ionia, and Lynn Gardner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edson Gardner of Lowell, which took place June 17 at Goshen, Ind. Mrs. Gardner attended the Ionia high school, and Gardner the Lowell high school. They expect to make their permanent home at Lowell where Gardner is assistant janitor of the Lowell schools.—Ionia Daily Sentinel Standard.

Bridge-Luncheon
Mrs. Anton Tusken and Mrs. Arthur Curtis entertained Tuesday with a bridge-luncheon at the Morrison Lake Gardens. Lunch was served on the veranda, the tables being prettily decorated with a lovely centerpiece of sweet peas. Ten tables of bridge were in play, honors going to Madames George Ahehart, Ray Avery and Ray Bergin. A delightful afternoon was enjoyed by the ladies.

Hill Reunion
Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hill entertained the Hill reunion in the Morrison Lake club dining room on the Fourth of July. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Art Hill and family, Christopher and Richard Bergin of Lowell, Mrs. Wm. Hill and her mother, Mrs. Susan Hill and Frederick Parker of Napoleon, Ohio.

Washburn-Condon
Miss Reva Condon of Conklin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Art Condon, and Clyde Washburn of Ravenna were married on June 28 in Rockford at the Congregational parsonage by the Rev. Paul Malory. Mr. and Mrs. Washburn will reside at the farm home of the groom near Ravenna.

Book Forum
The Book Forum met Wednesday at the Cascade Country Club. Mrs. Vada McMahon reviewed the book "Dr. Norton's Wife," by Mildred Walker. Guests for the day were Mrs. Malcolm Correll and Mrs. Hamburg of Chicago.

Social Brevities
Mrs. Marie Godfrey entertained on Tuesday afternoon with one table of bridge. Those present were Mrs. Bert Charles, Mrs. Ida Krum and Mrs. Dell Condon.
Mrs. H. P. Gofredsen entertained Monday evening with a supper party honoring her son George, who is leaving this week for Camp Custer, and also in honor of his friends, Miss Cecile Morey and James Paynter of Grand Rapids, who were married Wednesday.

Marriage Licenses
Laurence Scott, 26, Ada, Route 2; Margaret Cooper, 28, Ada, Route 2.
Here's one for the Ledger's But It's True! Floy Foster of Lowell District No. 8 has a Sweet Bough apple tree which, although laden with nearly ripe fruit, has several large clusters of blossoms.—The above item contributed by Mrs. Rosalie Maxson.

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More Local News

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Mrs. Colet Condon and Mildred Converse of Grand Rapids were Friday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Doll Condon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Stauffer have purchased a home on Spring st. from Mrs. Harker.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cosgriff called on Ed. Headworth, who is very ill at the home of Charles Harris of Alto, Monday evening.

A. R. Smith and son Orrin have been camping out at Murray Lake this week. Orrin's faithful pooch made up the third party.

Mr. and Mrs. John Arehart and Mr. and Mrs. Juri Armstrong left Sunday morning on a business trip to Dollar Bay and Minneapolis.

Mrs. Jennie Zerba and Mrs. Josephine Dennis received notice of their brother Albert Ball's death in California. He was formerly a Lowell boy.

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Being a Collection of Various Topics of Local and General Interest

WELCOME TO VISITORS

The summer season brings many visitors to Lowell. Some of them come to stay with friends for a brief or longer time, some just give us a look over and speed on their way. However long or short a time they may stay, our people are glad to see them, and give them the sign of welcome.

If there is any service that can be done for them, our folks are glad to do it, and they do many things of that kind without expecting any pay. They feel it a privilege to meet and talk with people from distant states. They desire to show such kindly hospitality that visitors will wish to come again, and those who rush through will wish they could take time for a longer stay. The glad hand is ready to meet all these.

BUSINESS COMPETITION

PEOPLE engaged in business often complain about the sharp competition. That is natural enough, for competition is sharp in most lines. It is better that it should be so, as such rivalry spurs people on to do their best, and try to please the public by superior service.

THIS PAROLE BUSINESS

PERHAPS you have thought sometimes about our parole system and wondered just how it works, says the Cassopolis Vigilant, continuing: Danny Kent, parole convict hitch-hiker who killed his benefactor for the purpose of robbery, was a former Ingham county boy, and the Ingham County News last week published Kent's record. It is surprising how often he was arrested, but more surprising how often he was paroled. He herewith publishes Kent's record as given in his home county paper. Read it and see what you think of parole:

"The criminal record of Kent is a long story. After numerous crimes in and around Williamston over a period of years, he was brought into the Ingham juvenile court in 1919 and sentenced to the Boys' Vocational school. The specific crime was stealing chickens. He was then paroled over 12 years of age. He was released from the Vocational school in 1921 and in a few weeks was arrested for stealing an automobile. He was placed on probation and a month later was again brought into court for automobile stealing. His length of probation was then increased to four weeks but it didn't do any good. In 1924 Kent was sent to Ionia to serve from two to three years after he had made an escape from the Ingham jail where he was serving time on a larceny charge.

"Kent was paroled from Ionia in September of 1926 and two months later was again arrested for stealing an automobile. Records disclose that he received no punishment whatever for the theft. Six months later, though, he stole another car and was returned to Ionia as a parole violator. He was discharged from Ionia November 19, 1927, and just a week later was arrested for larceny. He was sentenced to Ionia for two and one-half to five years and was paroled at the end of his minimum term. He was discharged from parole a year later. In May of 1934 Kent was caught in an auto theft ring and sentenced to serve from two and one-half to five years in Jackson prison. He escaped from prison in August of 1935 but was captured six weeks later in Chicago where he had started to build up an Illinois record under the name of Robert O'Brien. Kent was returned to Jackson to finish his term and was given a further sentence of from one and one-half to four and one-half years for making his escape from the walls. Before his term was completed he was given a parole and was still on it when he killed Hall.

COLLECTING THE DEBTS

THE people of England greatly desire the friendship of the United States. They need it, in a time when the British empire all most cracks under hammer blows of dictators. One difficulty in the way of that friendship are the most cordial terms, the unpaid debts owed by Britain to the United States. The same is true of unpaid debts owed by France.

'Member When—

When people with spirited horses insisted on driving them up as close to the museum as possible when the band was playing? This didn't make the players feel very secure, but it helped them the horses.

DUST LAYER

The village will furnish chloride at cost, or one dollar (\$1.00) per sack and spread same free for home owners within the village limits.

SUMMER HOSE FOR MEN

Cool, light anklets in a variety of colorful patterns, re-inkings in points of wear, 50c; 3 pairs, \$1.00. Coons.

Rehearsals For 1939 Showboat In Full Swing

Practising Under Actual Setting

Rehearsals for the 1939 production of the Lowell Showboat started last night in the high school gymnasium, chairman of the entertainment committee, excellent progress was made. Several new songs were rehearsed and on Monday night the show will be in full progress.

Runciman Given Unanimous Vote

C. H. Runciman was the unanimous choice of the voters of Lowell School District No. 1 last Monday, July 10. A light vote was cast during the voting hours from 1:00 to 7:30 p. m., which indicates very clearly that patrons of the district are well satisfied with the conduct of school matters. Mr. Runciman has given many years of valuable service on the school board and his unanimous reelection testifies to the appreciation in which his services are held.

Coming Events

Ionia Free Fair, Aug. 14-19. The South Ward school reunion will be held July 22 at 1:00 p. m. Potluck dinner. The Triple C Circle will meet on Friday afternoon, July 14, with Mrs. D. A. Wingeier. Ice cream and cake will be served and everyone is cordially invited.

The Rice reunion will be held Sunday, July 16, at the home of Mrs. Fannie Smelker near Middleville.

Lowell Showboat dates August 2, 3, 4, 5. Mention these dates when you write to your friends—the first Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday in August.

Parnell's annual chicken supper and fair will be held Thursday, August 23, 24, 25. New building and bigger and better than ever. West Michigan Jersey Parish Show at same place on August 24.

The 53th annual Michigan Camp meeting will be held in Eaton Rapids, July 27, through August 6.

Christian Youth Class of the Congregational Church will hold their ice cream social at the parish house on Wednesday, July 19, at 6:30 p. m. Everyone welcome.

The German Ladies Aid will meet at Mrs. Rosa Thome's home west of Ada on the Knapp-rd. on Thursday, July 20, at 2 p. m.

Installation of officers for the Odd Fellows will be held Monday evening. All members are urged to be present.

The Townsend Club has changed its plans and will hold a cake walk and entertainment at the City hall Friday evening, July 21.



"There is not much glory attached to war," asserts Civil War veteran Bob Boylan, "when gas masks enter the picture."

The first open-air band concert of the season which was held last night in Richards Park was greatly enjoyed by a large number of people. The music rendered was an unusually high order. Bruce Walter, the director, announces that the band will again play next Wednesday evening during the amateur try-out for the Lowell Showboat.

For the past couple of weeks or more, rumors have been current to the effect that Dr. B. H. Shepard contemplated quitting the practice of his profession here and locating elsewhere. These rumors have been received with much disappointment by many persons. A Ledger representative interviewed Dr. Shepard yesterday morning regarding the matter and this was his reply: "I have no intentions of leaving Lowell and will continue to remain here as long as the people want me." That is good news and should definitely set at rest contrary reports.

Night football under electric lights was first introduced in Michigan nine years ago by the Lowell H. S. grid team and immediately sprang into popular favor, with many other high school teams following Lowell's cue. Night baseball is growing in popularity in both major and minor leagues, no doubt within two or three years major league teams will be playing regular night schedules during July and August. Night games are popular because they enable a larger number of people to attend and this probably is the reason for the large crowds attending the diamond ball games under the lights at Recreation Park.

Master Frank Outley, 5-year-old son of Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Outley, is not likely to forget his celebration of July 4, 1939. Master Frank had a toy pistol for the occasion and as is the habit with youngsters, it found its way into his mouth, a piece of the pistol more than an inch long by a quarter inch wide slipping down his throat. X-ray pictures were taken, the proper remedies applied, and presto! last Monday night, six days after the Fourth, Master Frank was again yielding the foreign piece according to the laws of nature. He will undoubtedly keep the same as a souvenir to show his children how he once celebrated Independence Day.

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff. Many a Lowell man has run into more trouble forgetting to burn letters he didn't want his wife to see, than when he forgot letters she asked him to mail. . . . With styles as they are today, we can hardly accuse a girl of putting everything she has on her back on the floor. The fellow who talks about the country he came from being better than the U. S. can always find an ocean boat traveling both ways, says every U. S. citizen. . . . Anything is possible! Some day you will find a wife in Lowell who thinks her husband is as brilliant a man as she thinks he is. . . . Read where a man has been delivering and collecting laundry for 49 years without an interruption. Who said that laundries are hard on clothes? . . . The man who advocates a dictator, figures on him dictating to somebody else.

Leave it to Master Jimmy Johnson to do the unexpected. This eight-year-old son of Village Clerk L. E. Johnson is a chip off the old block in his fondness for fishing which accounts for his frequent pilgrimages to the banks of Flat River. On one of his trips a few days ago to Master Jimmy occurred an unusual trophy which he promptly brought to the rear of his father's garage, placing the same behind a door. But within two or three days business neighbors began to notice most unusual odors and they were not of the Sabran kind that the poet has written about. Shakespeare made one of his characters use words that better fit the situation, viz: "There was something rotten in Denmark!" Everybody in the vicinity continued to search for the cause of the awful stench and it was not until three or four days more had elapsed before the efforts of the searchers met with success and that is when Jimmy's father armed with a searchlight found the cause of it all—the dead body of a huge carp swollen twice its natural size. Ed. hurried home and in his attic unearthed a gas mask, relic of World War days and after donning same was able to remove the remains of the scavenger. It is quietly reported that Master Jimmy partook of his meals standing for the next day or two.

Strand Calendar

Thursday, July 13—Melynn Douglas and Virginia Bruce in "There's That Woman Again," plus "Forged Passport" with Paul Kelly and June Lang.

Sunday and Monday, July 16-17—"Room of Wonders" Square with Tyrone Power, Alice Faye and Al Jolson; also Popeye in "Cops is Always Right," The March of Time, Champion Air Hoppers and Latest Paramount News.

Tuesday and Wednesday, July 18-19—"The Hound of the Baskervilles" with Richard Green, Basil Rathbone and Wendy Barrie. Added feature, Gene Autry in "Mountain Rhythm" with Smiley Burnett; plus "Nick's Coffee Pot," a cartoon.

Thursday, July 20—Robt. Montgomery and Rosalind Russell in "East and West"; added feature, Corinne Luchaire in "Prison Without Bars."

Several important public works projects have been started in Guatemala.

People of England are expected to spend \$5,000,000 in ocean cruising this year.

Try a wand ad. in the Ledger.

Young and Old Now Think, Whistle and Talk Showboat Days

Ye Editor, on his morning walk to the office, picked up some pretty definite clues that "Showboat time is here again." On starting from the house, we heard voices from the Cox home singing "Sailing On the Robert E. Lee," which suggested to your scribe that more of our married folks with their matured voices should join the chorus this year.

Going by Ed Reynolds' home, we observed that the children were building a play Showboat in the yard with a lively argument as to who should be the captain. "Next we heard someone whistling 'Here Comes the Showboat' and it turned out to be none other than the Michigan Inter-actor, Admiral of the Michigan Navy and Welfare Chief "Runcy" himself.

When we reached Wes Roth's store we heard him yell "Hello, Golden Slippers!", a name which has stuck to Dr. Stryker since his famous appearance as Enman on the Robert E. Lee. It reminded us that one song graduated Doc into the job of Master of Ceremonies Extraordinary of the pre-docking program.

When we reached the Palace Cleaners, Ed. Kiel, the advertising chairman, was arguing across the street with "Cold Storage" Chris as to whether or not a mixture of the drug business, ice cream plant, soda fountain, serve-yourself cold storage business and other things too numerous to mention, would leave any room in Chris' head for one of his new, gorgeous decorating ideas for this year's boat. Mr. Christiansen playfully suggested that if Ed. would slap up his signs on the boat would be decorated even though he finds it necessary to keep a crew nailing on the trimmings all through the first performance.

Ernie Foreman greeted us with "This would be great weather for the Showboat, Jeff." Ed. Johnson, of the ticket committee, remarked "Well, we have our front all painted up for the Showboat." Which reminded us what a fine thing it would be if every merchant improved his store front just a little for the thousands of visitors who will be with us in just three weeks.

On our arrival at the office we received a mild scolding from General Chairman Norm Borgerson for arriving at 7:35 instead of 7:30 when there were Showboat tickets to be printed. Norm says "Demands for tickets are coming 10 days earlier than other years."

Oh yes, we almost forgot to mention Bill Kerekes told us a new story for the Showboat which will be submitted to the Board of Showboat censors.

And now to conclude by saying that the Showboat committee is securing some unusual features for this year's show—something different and better than ever before—but more about that later. In the meantime remember the dates, August 2, 3, 4 and 5.

State Ag. Dept. To Push Use of Michigan Produce Press of State To Cooperate

Pointing to the necessity of making available advertising funds serve two-fold purpose of an educational program among the producers and winning the favor of consumers for Michigan farm commodities, Miles A. Nelson, director of the Bureau of Agriculture Industry of the Department of Agriculture, pledged members of Michigan Press Association at the annual summer banquet at Grand Haven, that funds would be handled to encourage the 61st Legislature to increase advertising. The department is seeking standardization of trademark for use in advertising all Michigan farm produce.

"It is our desire to direct the expenditure of advertising funds, and conduct our regulatory services in such fashion as to bring credit to this form of promotion, so that when the 61st Legislature meets one of its first actions will be to approve of efforts and provide an even larger advertising fund. We understand the dangers of expending this money without obtaining results, we know that failure will result in discontinuance of appropriations by the Legislature.

"Michigan has shown a more rapid progress in solving problems than has probably ever been shown by any state. While it is true that Washington, Maine, Idaho, California, Florida and New York have laid extensive advertising campaigns, I would like to point out the start that these states have made in Michigan. These states were confronted with various problems of surplusage in certain products and recognized the necessity of boosting these particular products. They laid the ground work first with rigid inspections and then proceeded to advertise. Michigan was fortunate and having only a few years ago it has only been in recent years that the advertising of other states have gained and taken away some of these markets of Michigan.

"When these out-state producers began to enter Michigan, the producers were prompt in recognizing that Michigan should put up a fight for these markets. The first thing necessary in the opinion of the Department of Agriculture was to prove that Michigan had an ample supply of first class merchandise and since the fall of 1937, over 38,000 cars of Michigan farm produce of first class graded quality have been shipped in and from this state. No other state has had such a volume of products inspected in the infancy of their program. This demonstrates to the Department of Agriculture that the producers are wholeheartedly in favor of an intelligent marketing and inspection program and we feel that we have reached the point where it is a safe and sound program to advertise Michigan farm produce.

"The funds that are available are limited and we realize that coordination of every program will be necessary to bring about full value for every dollar spent. We must keep an educational program among the producers in Michigan and we must recapture Michigan's market for Michigan's farm products. We have studied various methods and we are fully acquainted with the efforts of Michigan editors to promote Michigan sugar. There was a real obstacle to overcome because of the housewives' prejudice against beet sugar for canning purposes.

"There is a similarity in our present problems to the problem faced by the beet industry and we feel that there is no better medium than the Michigan press to solve the problems of distribution of Michigan's farm produce within the state."

Alto Nine Wins Over Ada, 12-5

Perry Preston pitched and Danny Wingeier batted Alto to a victory over Ada at Alto Sunday. Wingeier having a perfect day with four hits in four times at bat. The catching of Lloyd Dygert and the fielding of Johnny Briggs featured the 12 to 5 victory.

Next Sunday Alto plays at Fallsburg Park and Med Burns, their sensational young strike-out artist, will be in the box.

Swimming Program For Boys and Girls Starts Friday

A swimming program for Lowell boys and girls will get under way this week Friday, July 14, when they will be transported to Crooked Lake in the Lowell school buses, leaving the high school at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon and returning at 4:00. The swimming will be supervised by capable directors and all children must have a form of consent signed by their parents. These forms will be obtainable from James Topp at Recreation Park or from Mr. Gummer's office at the high school building. Next week swimming date will be Friday, July 21 and thereafter, if possible, there will be two trips a week.

Life Saving Instructions Junior and Senior life saving instructions will be conducted by Clifford Schaeffer, director of First Aid and Life Saving of the Grand Rapids chapter, American Red Cross. The Junior division will include those 12 to 16 years of age. The Senior division will include those 17 years and over. There will be eight lessons and at the completion of the course, Red Cross awards will be given.

The Board of Education will provide transportation free of charge to the children who wish to participate in the program of swimming which will be conducted by members of the Red Cross and the Recreation Department of the WPA. The insurance carried by the Board of Education will protect the children while in transit but the Board cannot be held responsible for children while they are outside the buses. However, the Board feels that there will be ample supervision of children and that every effort will be made to provide for their safety.

Double Header Here Next Sunday

There will be a double-header baseball game this Sunday at Recreation Park. The N. Y. A. team of Grand Rapids will play the Lowell team of Trufant and the Lowell Merchants. The first game starts at 1:30 sharp and the second game follows immediately. Everybody turn out and support the local boys in two good games.

The Lowell Merchants defeated the Ionia Reformatory at Ionia last Sunday, 6 to 3. Rookie Jim Briggs did the hurling for Lowell with Brooks behind the plate.

The Fallsburg Club will play Alto next Sunday afternoon at Fallsburg Park.

The Cubs were defeated last Sunday by White and White Pharmacy, 7-3.

Diamond Ball

The Staal girls diamond ball team was defeated last Friday night by the LaMar girls of Grand Rapids, 8 to 5.

The Lowell Moose were also defeated in one of the best games of the year by Jim's Lunch, 4 to 2. Maloney of the Moose with two triples and Hamstra of Jim's Lunch with a home run, were the hitting stars. Lowell got six hits to Grand Rapids' seven.

This week Friday, July 14, the Staal girls will play the All-Colored girls team from Grand Rapids at 7:00 p. m. and the Moose will play the Creston Townsend Club at Recreation Park on Tuesday night, July 18. The Moose will play the Ludington Market Baskets and the girls will also play, opponents to be announced later.

75 Members Present at Am. Legion Aux. Meet

The Fifth District American Legion Auxiliary annual meeting was held at the Lowell American Legion club rooms recently with 75 members present. After a delicious luncheon, Mrs. Don Niles, president of the local unit, introduced little Renee Fairchild, who gave two readings, Mrs. Ruby Beebe, District President, conducted the meeting which followed.

WOMEN FRUSTRATE THIEF AT RUTHERFORD HOME

The L. W. Rutherford home on Hudson-rd. was entered last night around 9:30 o'clock but the thief was frustrated when he was seen leaving the house by Mrs. Dick Rutherford and Mrs. John Roth. He had pilfered a carpet sweeper but got no further than the back porch with it. Local officers picked the man up on Vergennes-rd. a couple of hours later. He is now confined in the county jail pending charges. He gave the name of Lee E. Smith and his address as New Castle, Pa.

Farmers' Day At Michigan State Friday, July 28

Big Program For Men and Women

Observance of 25 years of service to the state's agriculture and home life by the federal-state-county cooperative extension service in agriculture and home economics is to be the keynote of the Michigan State College annual farmers' day to be held Friday, July 28.

Each summer the college invites the rural public to stroll the campus, through barns, field plots and laboratories as an inspection of current progress in research and experiments.

A bit of entertainment starts off the program this year. The four Girards of Gladstone, Mich., will display their bag of tricks in bringing legs and fancy and trick riding. This opening event at 9:30 a. m. is to be held on the Red Cedar river near Farm Lane bridge.

E. L. Anthony, dean of agriculture, is general chairman for the day, working with V. R. Gardner, director of the experiment station, and R. J. Baldwin, extension director. R. W. Tenny, short course director, is program chairman.

When the lumberjacks' hand quits playing after the Girards perform, guests will scatter over the campus and farms to pick out those departments which interest them most. Until noon the department holding field and office open house will include agricultural engineering, animal husbandry, dairy, farm crops, farm and horse, farm management, landscape, forestry, horticulture, poultry, short course, soils, veterinary, botany and entomology.

In the afternoon a program on the lawn north of the library opens with a concert by the Michigan Future Farmers' band. At 2 o'clock Frank Peck, president of the Federal Land Bank of St. Paul, will describe phases of a quarter century of agricultural progress. Mr. Peck served 22 years in Minnesota as extension director. Floats depicting how Michigan has been served by the extension service in agriculture and home economics will conclude the day's events.

Two Play Leaders At Recreation Park

The WPA has assigned Ralph Sherwood, Jr., as Recreation leader at the Lowell Recreation park, to assist James Topp. There are now two play leaders who will be at the park between the hours of 10:00 and 12:00 o'clock in the morning and 1:00 to 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon to direct play for all children who wish to come to the park during those hours.

There will be group play in the afternoon for children too small to play softball and other older games.

Carrying practically every variety of seed as samples a special train is touring Argentina to aid farmers in raising better quality products.

Amateur Try-Out Night For The Showboat, July 19

The Lowell Board of Trade will sponsor a second annual amateur tryout for the Lowell Showboat on Wednesday evening, July 19, according to an announcement by F. J. McMahon, president.

The event will be staged at the Showboat dock where seats, lights and a sound system will be installed to not only give the amateurs every assistance possible but will give several thousand Lowell visitors an opportunity to hear and see the performance which is free to everyone.

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COST: 3 CENTS

SOME of the critics of advertising—and in this world there are those who criticize every good thing—level their lances at what they think is a weak spot: its cost.

They read of the million-dollar advertising appropriations, they brood on the cost of a full page of advertising in a metropolitan newspaper or a national magazine—and then they lose their sharpest barb against the waste which they say is involved in this costly process.

Their only trouble is that they judge without having all the facts. For the truth is that advertising is the least expensive cost of doing business. Everything else costs a good deal more in proportion than the advertising.

The wise and capable business man bases the amount of money he spends for advertising upon the volume of business he either is doing or expects to do. This money set aside to advertise is called the appropriation.

It seldom runs, take the country over, more than 3 per cent, which means that for every dollar of sales made the advertising cost will be just three pennies. That is all—three pennies.

The large advertising appropriations come when a business, through the help of intelligent advertising, becomes so great that its annual volume through C. H. Runciman's pen reaches a million dollars a year. But without an advertiser spends \$10,000 a year or \$100,000, his percentage remains the same—an average of 3 per cent.

The amount of money spent in advertising well-known products is so small as to be ridiculous, when you really know the facts.

Take oranges. How much do you suppose the growers spend to advertise their product? A third of a cent per dozen is all.

A national cracker baker reveals that he sets aside only one-tenth of a cent to advertise a package of crackers, while the manufacturer of a soft drink spends 1.578/100,000 of a cent in advertising a five-cent glass of his product.

The manufacturer of a medium-priced automobile spends less than 3 per cent for advertising—he spends only \$12 in advertising a \$1,000 sale.

And even this small amount, this three cents on the dollar, isn't an expense, an added premium on the business. By spending three cents out of every dollar for advertising, the manufacturer or merchant can sell for less and give you more for your money.

Charles B. Roth.

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Ledger Entries THE DEFICIT FILLS UP THE deficit in running the fiscal year government for the fiscal year 1938-1939 is \$43,000,000 less than expected last January. But...

Look Young By Striving For Posture By PATRICIA LINDSAY 2-Weeks' Course. THE way you carry yourself is not merely a matter of vanity, but it is a matter of health...

Weekly Scrapbook Week's Best Recipe Tomato Jam. 5 lb. ripe tomatoes, 2 c. brown sugar, 2 1/2 c. vinegar...

Odds and Ends Barry county has a dog population of 3,865. Reports are going around that one Cabinet member has drawn an industry White House rebuff...

SOME LEAD While Others Follow In Farm Mutual Fire Insurance, as in other types of business, there are leaders and followers...

From Around the Old Town Mr. and Mrs. Edward Bennett spent Sunday at Crystal Lake. Keith Grinnell of Midland spent the day at Crystal Lake...

Fresh Home Made Candy H. C. SCOTT Home of Good Home Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kellogg spent last Friday in Benton Harbor on business...

Lowell Items of 25, 30 and 35 Years Ago July 16, 1914-25 Years Ago Miss Margaretta Wain of Lowell was united in marriage to William...

Alton-Vergennes Pete Petersen has been having an attack of pleurisy and asthma. Henry Larson, family of Grand Rapids, spent Sunday at Murray Lake...

UNCOMMON AMERICANS by ELLIOTT WATSON "Hot Water War" Leader "Soybean Rebellion" and the continuing "War" which somehow manage to get into our schools...

Health - Hygiene Disinfectant Through the Best County Health Department by the State Joint Committee on Public Health Education...

Wring Posture Right Posture. The unpleasant and yet frequent complaint may be relieved by doing something to help. The feet should be washed and stockings changed each day...

Spilling Liquids When you spill any liquid on your clothing, do not panic. Take a few minutes to get a good coat of oil paint on your clothing...

State Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Michigan 702 Church St. Flint, Michigan W. V. BURRAS, President H. K. FISK, Secretary

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SUMMER SUITS In July Clearance Worsted Suits, 100% pure wool, in light summer colors—also some light weight dark shades grouped together for quick close-out.

Summer Shirts These hot days require lots of shirts. We are stocked with plenty of summer fabrics—cool, light weight, durable percales, broad-cloths and rayons in both regular and "NEW LOW" collars.

Wash Slacks Cool, cotton tub trousers, gabardines, nub weaves, crasles. All sanforized. Stripes, checks and fancy weaves.

Bathing Trunks Lastex and wool. Smart looking white, maroon, royal and navy. A large selection at \$1.59 to \$1.95

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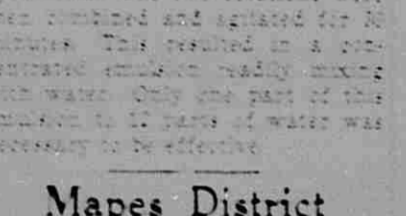


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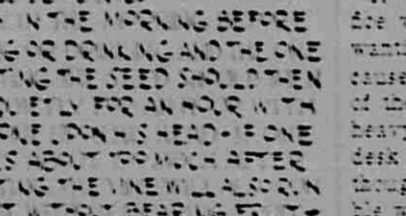


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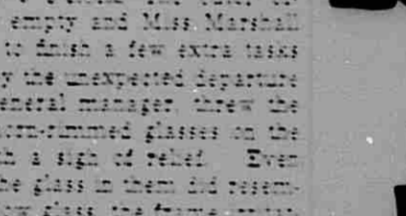


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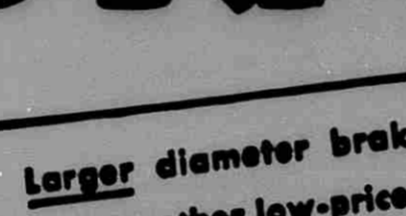


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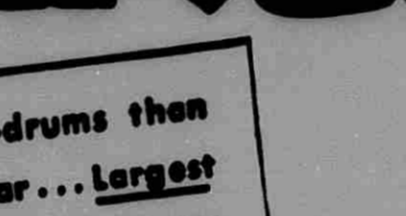


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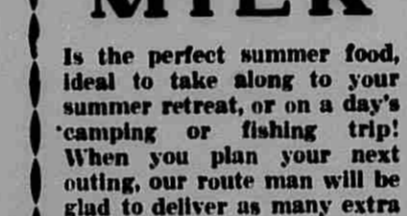


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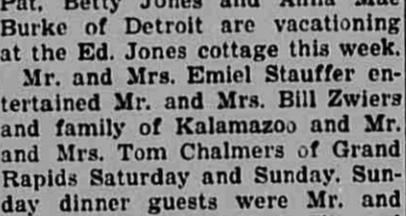


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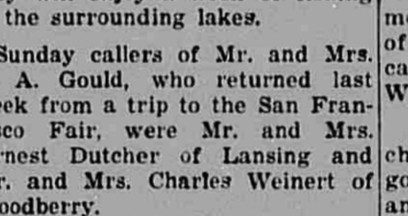


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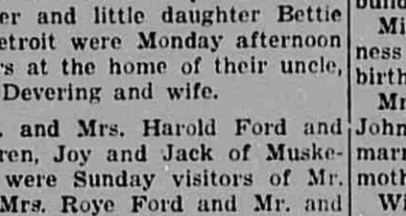


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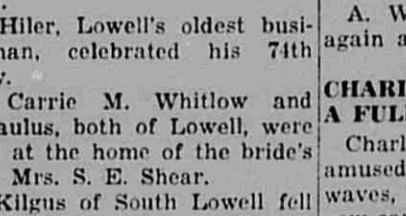


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Council Proceedings

Official
The regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Lowell was held in the City Hall, Room 101, Monday evening, June 19, 1939.



"Archimedes" read the schoolbook, "Archimedes" read the schoolbook, "Archimedes" read the schoolbook...

The State Savings Bank

REPORT OF CONDITION OF
OF LOWELL IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON JUNE 30, 1939.

Ware District

Lee Pisch is expected home Friday from the hospital, where he has been the past eight weeks recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia...

Church News

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY
Morning service every Sunday, 11 o'clock.

FORGET

FORGET THE TEA
Don't judge this tea by its Heavy-Saving Price. Its quality will surprise you.

Magpie Files Into Course of Bulletin

MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA.—Australasian publisher under the name of the Bulletin, a magazine which has been in existence for many years...

INMATES OF PRISON FIND USE FOR TIME

Many Devote Their Talents To Inventions.
POLSOM PRISON, CALIF.—Convicts in Polson prison, Cal., have been busy with their hands and brains...

Not Guilty

The Inspector was examining the class. "Who drove the Isralites out of Egypt?" he said, pointing to a sign...

JUST A SUGGESTION

Inspection party for installation of gas piping in Lowell. The village of Lowell, Mich., is installing a gas piping system...

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10c quality CUT BEETS 4 No. 2 cans 29c

Swift's PORK & BEANS tall can 9c

RED KIDNEY BEANS 3 No. 2 cans 25c

Coffee GREEN & WHITE lb. 15c

Coffee RED & WHITE lb. tin 27c

4 bars LIFEBOUY SOAP 25c

large size OXYDOL box 19 1/2c

Red & White CORN FLAKES box 8 1/2c

Regular PINT JARS Mason doz. 59c

Regular QUART JARS Mason doz. 69c

Mason CAN COVERS doz. 20c

Phone 156 **Weaver's Food Market** We Deliver

Fresh Fruits

Georgia Queens Watermelons 20 lb. av. whole 39c

California Oranges 344 size each 1c

California Sunkist Lemons 360 size each 2c

Crisp Vegetables

Michigan Celery well bleached 3 stalks 10c

Michigan Firm Cabbage lb. 2 1/2c

New Yellow Onions No. 1 3 lbs. 10c

The Meat You Eat Makes Your Meal a Treat

Beef RIBS lb. 14c

Beef Pot Roast lb. 19c | Beef Chuck Rst. lb. 22c

Fat Salt Pork lb. 9c

Fresh Ground Hamburg lb. 19c | Center Cut Pork Roast lb. 17c

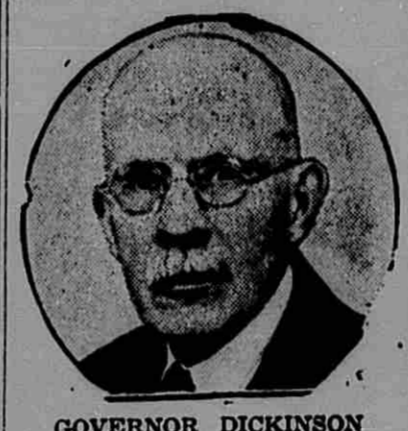
PURE LARD 2 lbs. 15c

SLICED BACON End slices lb. 17c

For a Quick Meal Bar-B-Q Spare Ribs lb. 32c READY TO EAT

Gov. Dickinson Finds Himself In Odd Position State In Liquor And Gambling

The paradox of Luren D. Dickinson, prominent layman of the Methodist church and national state figure, being responsible as governor of Michigan for administration of a vast liquor retail business and a horse race gambling set-up is one of those colorful situations that makes the octogenarian governor "good copy" for a news-hungry public.



GOVERNOR DICKINSON

Being a practical man of all things, Governor Dickinson probably smiles at the moral dilemma in which he finds himself. Perhaps no governor in a half century is so fervently and unequivocally dry as Mr. Dickinson. He is state president and national vice-president of the Anti-Saloon league which in prohibition days was a powerful pressure group, along with the Ku Klux Klan, in Mid-West states.

The Eaton county figure is high in laymen's circles of the Methodist church. He headed the Michigan delegates to the national conference in Kansas City.

As lieutenant governor, Dickinson had no direct responsibility in what the state did, or did not do in the field of selling liquor and running horse races. But fate intervened unexpectedly this year. Upon him was placed the mantle of chief executive of the commonwealth of Michigan. Attorney General Read ruled that he was both acting governor and lieutenant governor, and that he would draw the governor's salary. In any event Governor Dickinson today finds himself indirectly running liquor stores and horse races, and you can imagine his extreme distaste in engaging in either of these activities of old-fashioned moral ill repute.

Like a stenographer voice from the sky is this indictment of gambling, also expressed in the inaugural address: "Conceded gambling practices, permeating all grades of our society, can well be likened to these ancient countries' indulgences. The vehement outcry from every locality of our people, as well as from other sections of the country sending millions of tourists into our commonwealth annually, are uttering vociferous demands that we purge our state of these gambling practices, habits of our fairs, races, resorts and roadshows, extracting millions by every conceivable device from fathers, mothers, boys and girls that should be used to buy shoes, clothing, fuel, food and other necessities thus turning over thousands upon thousands to be fed, clothed and warmed by State or Federal aid." To all this you need only a loud "amen" to complete the picture.

Political Patronage

Michigan's retail liquor business is politically controlled to the extent that a large number of its jobs are handed out as patronage to deserving party workers.

The Murphy administration put its followers into store managerships before civil service, "jellied" them in their jobs. Now the Republicans are doing the same thing, handing out plums to those who served faithfully during the campaign.

The same thing could be said of the Michigan racing commission, a board responsible to the governor, which manages the legalized pari-mutual betting system at the state fair ground track in Detroit.

Following a visit to the state fair office where Dr. Linwood Snow, Northville, is doing an efficient job as manager (despite attempts at political interference) he visited the nearby race track. Twilight races were being run, 4:30 to 7:30 p. m. Several thousand people (a small box-office) were there, not to witness the races as much as to gamble.

Long rows of betting windows, \$2 to \$100, would require a good two blocks. Loud speakers carried frequent reminders of the time available to place bets. After each race the winners present their tickets to the cashiers for the payoff.

Of course it is called a sport for the improvement of the breeding of better (and faster) horses. But all know that it is gambling, pure and simple, and not so much of either at that.

This gambling business is condoned and supervised by the state under legislative authority. Being legalized by the legislature, betting has become a law which Governor Dickinson, by his oath of office, is bound to enforce along with all other laws on the state statute book.

Surely here is a paradox, a conflict of moral issues, if there ever was one.

Governor Doesn't Worry

Despite his age of 80 years, Mr. Dickinson enjoys the responsibilities of being governor.

He relishes it.

In fact, he has gained weight. Worries which plagued the late Frank Fitzgerald into an early grave apparently do not inspire a wrinkle on the Dickinson brow.

Admitting frankly that he wasn't "losing any sleep" over the then prevalent budget problem, the governor packed his bags and left in a state police car for the governors' conference in the East. Let the legislature worry about a prospective deficit, he said, if it failed to cut school aid to \$38,250,000.

And worry the lawmakers did, while Governor Dickinson enjoyed himself at New York City and Washington, D. C. They reduced the school aid to \$38,000,000 and left a loophole for \$2,000,000 more revenue if budget-balancing would permit it.

It is a triumph for economy, on paper at least. Actually, however, the state is still in the hole financially and another "recession" or a prolonged automobile strike would impose another heavy burden on welfare needs, enough to quickly exhaust the reduced appropriation which the legislature authorized.

The Dickinson administration then would be bogged down in the same morass that befell Frank Murphy. It would be a case again of inducing the Great White Father at Washington to feed the jobless or of dipping more into non-existent state funds. With an election due, and the 1940 balloting isn't so far away, politicians would see to it that plenty of spending was done. As the records prove, welfare rolls have a funny habit of going up just before votes are to be cast.

Milk Price Fixing

Michigan's experiment in the field of price fixing is about to begin.

On Saturday, July 17, the state milk board will hear arguments of the Michigan Milk Producers association and Detroit milk producers that an emergency exists in the metropolitan milk-shed and that the state should intervene.

Anticipated by producers is an increase in the price of bottled milk.

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Obituary 4-H CLUB NEWS

Norman B. Fullington

Norman B., son of Mary Sabine and Ormus Fullington was born July 31, 1882 in Vergennes township, Kent county, on what is known as the old Fullington Homestead, where he spent his whole life, passing on Thursday, July 7, 1939.

The Fullingtons were among the earliest pioneers to locate around Lowell and the old homestead was the scene of many social activities, the kindly hospitality of the family drawing friends to their big parties from far around the country.

The farm of some two hundred acres has been in constant possession of the Fullington family since early settlement days.

Christian Science services were held from the home last Saturday afternoon, Grace Walker conducting.

Burial was made in the cemetery at Foxes' Corners on the lot where the parents were laid.

Arrangements were by F. Earle Haner, Mrs. Ethel Kinsley sang.

Mr. Fullington leaves one brother, Ernest, two nephews, Ray Fullington of Lowell, Ernest Fullington of Missisquoi and a niece, Mrs. Nina Kaufman.

Those here from out of town for the services were Ernest Fullington of Hazelhurst, Miss., Mrs. Jennie Dakin of Mason and Mrs. Chase of Lansing.

Morse Lake Classy Cooks

The members of the Morse Lake 4-H Food Preparation Club spent a very enjoyable day in Grand Rapids last Thursday. The morning was spent at the Y. M. C. A. A food demonstration was given by Priscilla Smith and Dorothy Clark. Priscilla and Dorothy were chosen to represent Kent County in the Food Preparation Demonstrations to be held at Michigan State College in August. The afternoon was spent in a tour through Joppo's Creamery and the Colonial Baking Co.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Dorothy Scott on July 14. A demonstration on the preparation of salad will be given by Marilyn Winslow and Dorothy Scott. Doris Depew will demonstrate how to make salad dressing. Dorothy Scott, Secy.

Judging Delegates

Kent County 4-H delegates to the Elimination Contests at Michigan State College were chosen last week in clothing and canning judging, and food preparation and canning demonstration contests. The following delegates will go to East Lansing for the finals on August 18 and 19.

Clothing Judging: Betsy Chase, Walker; Mary Low May, Cascade; LaVon Graham, Cascade; Claire Jensen, Walker.

Canning Judging: Lorraine Homrich, Byron; Doris Friend, Paris; Elinor Johnson, Walker; Mary Fahling, Sparta.

Food Preparation Demonstration: Priscilla Smith, Lowell; Dorothy Clark, Lowell.

Canning Demonstration: Eleanor Stevens, Oakfield; Harriet Green, Oakfield.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Carl Cordix (nee Ella Bowen) of Grand Rapids, a 9 lbs., 5 1/2 oz. daughter, Janet Beverly, on Wednesday, July 5, at St. Mary's hospital.

To Mr. and Mrs. Basil Hattiger, an 8 1/2 lb. son on Sunday night, July 9.

To Mr. and Mrs. Glen Lavender of Lansing, formerly June Lucille Sterick of South Boston, on Tuesday, July 11, an 8 lb., 11 oz. daughter, Glenora Lucille, at the Neller hospital, Lansing.

To Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Biggs of Lowell, a daughter.

CARD OF THANKS

In this way we wish to say "Many thanks" for the lovely gifts which were bestowed upon us by our many friends, neighbors and relatives for our golden wedding anniversary.

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Social Events

Potter-Taylor Reunion

The 18th annual Potter-Taylor family reunion was held at Fallsburg Park Sunday with 55 present for dinner. After the dinner the business meeting followed with officers elected: President, Charles Potter; vice president, Byron Potter; secretary and treasurer, Edith Wheaton; entertainment committee, Virginia Chickering and Eula Taylor.

The oldest member present was Will Potter, aged 84; youngest was Joyce Elaine Taylor, aged 13 months. A very pleasant day was spent in contests, etc. Guests were present from Reed City, Greenville, Ionia, Saranac, Lowell, Belding and Grand Rapids.

It was voted to meet the same place and time next year.

Reception for Newlyweds

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Condon gave a reception last Thursday evening to about 300 guests at Fallsburg Park pavilion for their daughter-in-law and son, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rickner. Bollock's orchestra furnished music for dancing. Guests were present from Muskegon, Saranac, Lowell, New York City, Rockford, Freeport, Milwaukee and Grand Rapids. Refreshments were served and many beautiful gifts were given to the newlyweds with their congratulations and wishes for many years of happiness.

Birthday Party

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Thomas of Cascade gave a birthday supper Friday evening in honor of Wm. Cosgriff of Lowell. A beautiful birthday cake with candles adorned the table with all the goodies including ice cream. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Tate Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. Lavern Webb, Fred Cook and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stone of Grand Rapids; Wm. Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cosgriff and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Thomas. A merry good time was reported by all.

MacFarlane Clan Picnic

The 18th annual MacFarlane clan picnic and reunion was held Sunday, July 9, at Fallsburg Park. Forty members, including families from Ewart, Reed City, Paris, Big Rapids, Hersey, Lowell and Detroit, were present. John A. MacFarlane of Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, came the farthest to attend the family gathering. Frank P. MacFarlane of Lowell was re-elected president of the organization and plans were made to hold the next reunion again in Fallsburg Park.

Book Review

The Book Review is holding its luncheon meeting this afternoon (Thursday) at the Cascade Country Club. Mrs. Byrne McMahon will review the book, "A Good Home With Nice People" by Josephine Lawrence.

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Marriage Announced

Announcement is made of the marriage of Miss Margaret Davis, daughter of Mrs. Jennie Davis of Ionia, and Lynn Gardner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edson Gardner of Lowell, which took place June 17 at Goshen, Ind. Mrs. Gardner attended the Ionia high school, and Gardner the Lowell high school. They expect to make their permanent home at Lowell where Gardner is assistant janitor of the Lowell schools.—Ionia Daily Sentinel-Standard.

Bridge-Luncheon

Mrs. Anton Tusken and Mrs. Arthur Curtis entertained Tuesday with a bridge-luncheon at the Morrison Lake club dining room on the Fourth of July. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Art Hill and family, Christopher and Richard Bergin of Lowell, Mrs. Wm. Hill and her mother, Mrs. Susan Hill and Frederick Parker of Napoleon, Ohio.

Hill Reunion

Mr. and Mrs. LeRoy Hill entertained the Hill reunion in the Morrison Lake club dining room on the Fourth of July. Those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Art Hill and family, Christopher and Richard Bergin of Lowell, Mrs. Wm. Hill and her mother, Mrs. Susan Hill and Frederick Parker of Napoleon, Ohio.

Washburn-Condon

Miss Reva Condon of Conklin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Art Condon, and Clyde Washburn of Ravenna were married on June 28 in Rockford at the Congregational parsonage by the Rev. Paul Malroy. Mr. and Mrs. Washburn will reside at the farm home of the groom near Ravenna.

Book Forum

The Book Forum met Wednesday at the Cascade Country Club. Mrs. Yada McMahon reviewed the book, "Dr. Norton's Wife," by Mildred Walker. Guests for the day were Mrs. Malcolm Correll and Mrs. Hamberg of Chicago.

Social Breivites

Mrs. Marie Godfrey entertained on Tuesday afternoon with one table of bridge. Those present were Mrs. Bert Charles, Mrs. Ida Krum and Mrs. Dell Condon.

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Here's one for the Ledger's But It's True! Floyd Foster of Lowell District No. 8 has a Sweet Bough apple tree which, although laden with nearly ripe fruit, has several large clusters of blossoms.—The above item contributed by Mrs. Rosalie Maxson.

Francis Wessinger of Ann Arbor has been permanently engaged as pharmacist at Christiansen's Drug Store. Mr. Wessinger has for several years been connected with the pharmacy department of the U. of M. and is highly qualified in his profession. Mrs. Wessinger will be remembered as Doris MacFarlane, daughter of F. P. MacFarlane. At present, they are living at the MacFarlane home but will occupy a home of their own as soon as one can be secured.

More Local News

Mrs. Cora VanBuren is at the home of Mrs. James Ward helping care for her sister, Mrs. John Murray.

Mrs. Colet Condon and Mildred Converse of Grand Rapids were Friday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dell Condon.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Stauffer have purchased a home on Springfield, from Mrs. Harker.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cosgriff called on Ed. Headworth, who is very ill at the home of Charles Harris of Alto, Monday evening.

A. R. Smith and son Orrin have been camping out at Murray Lake this week. Orrin's faithful pooh made up the third party.

Mr. and Mrs. John Aehart and Mr. and Mrs. Jurl Armstrong left Sunday morning on a business trip to Dollar Bay and Minneapolis.

Mrs. Jennie Zerba and Mrs. Josephine Dennis received notice of their brother Albert Ball's death in California. He was formerly a Lowell boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Harter and children, Richard and Betty, left Sunday morning on a two weeks' vacation trip, visiting in South Dakota and Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Murray of Chicago spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. John Murray, who is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. James Ward.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen VanBuren and Mr. and Mrs. Alva Johnson of Lansing spent Sunday with their mother, Cora VanBuren, and their aunt, Mrs. John Murray.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cole and daughter Inez left early Tuesday morning for a ten days' visit in the New York World's Fair, Mrs. Clayton Malley and Mrs. Sophia Carnahan are caring for the store in their absence.

Walter and Edward Ryder and Betty Longstreet, fiancée of Jason Ryder, all of Muskegon, Iowa, were Saturday and 4th of July guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ryder and visited other relatives in Lowell over the 4th holiday.

Frank J. McMahon is in receipt of a very interesting letter from P. J. DeVine of Portland, Oregon, who is remembered here by our old-timers. Mr. DeVine, or "Patsy" as he is known to his old friends was at one time in the grocery business here, being associated with the late John Giles.

Miss Myrtle Taylor, local insurance agent, is still confined to her bed as the result of severe injuries sustained several days ago when she was thrown to the pavement near the intersection of Main and Monroe by a car as it was backing away from the curbing. She visited her office on Tuesday evening to look after business matters but had to be carried from her car. Miss Taylor's many friends hope to hear of her speedy restoration to health.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul Baker and family of Greenville were Wednesday callers of his mother, Mrs. Susie Baker at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Fahrnt.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Chaffee and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Proctor and two sons of Carson City were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Chaffee.

John Weldon of the U. S. S. Dobbin, stationed at San Diego, Calif., is visiting at the Vern Armstrong home during a month's leave from his naval duties.

Misses Genevieve and Virginia Seeley of Cascade spent last week with their Grandma Seeley at Seelye Corners. Genevieve is staying with her Grandma while her Grandpa is clamming.

Misses Theta Ann and Ruth Clark have returned from a 10-day trip. The points of interest that they saw in Kentucky were My Old Kentucky Home and many racing horses. Included among the horses were the famous Man O'War and War Admiral. They spent several days in the Great Smoky Mountains, most of the time riding the mountain trails on horseback. In Washington, D. C. they saw Congress in session and had a guide that took them on tours of the various public buildings, legations and other interesting points of the city.

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