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CAPACITY FOR DEMOCRACY

THE American people ardently believe in democratic government. In many countries the people have not been able to operate that kind of government, and it has gone to pieces. Dictators have obtained the governing job.

You can't make a success of democratic government by handing it to people as you hand a new toy to a child. Such a form of government is like a fine automobile. It is a wonder of mechanical science, but you can't hand it to a person of poor judgment, and expect him to run it well. He may run it into the ditch.

A group within the American Psychological Association recently questioned 300 University of California sophomores as to how large a proportion of the American people are capable of "democratic participation in our government"; that is, of ability to make a democratic system work. Sixty two per cent of these students said that 30 percent of the people lack such capacity. A more favorable view of the capacities of the people was taken by a group of psychologists of whom the same question was asked. Eighty per cent of them thought that not more than 10 per cent of the people are incapable of democratic action.

The question whether people can act intelligently on questions of politics and government, seems to depend mainly upon whether they want to do so or not. Many who are capable of voting intelligently refuse to give any thought to political questions. If an intelligent person never tries to find out what the government is doing, the chances that he will cast an intelligent vote are not too good.

The American people have been given the most wonderful government in the world, and the tools by which they can keep it going. If they refuse to use those tools, don't wonder if the machine should stall occasionally.

CHRISTMAS JOBS

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Many a youth climbed up the first round of the ladder of success when he made good in his holiday job. His alert mind, his quick motions, his observant habits attracted attention. When he graduated from school, somebody remembered that he had done very well as a holiday worker, and led to a permanent job. The one who handles well the small details of a little opportunity, is apt some day to handle the big questions of a large job.

BEHIND THE FIGHTERS

ANYONE who thinks the United States should get into the war should consider how war strains every resource of a nation. It is said, for example, that for every soldier fighting at the front, it takes 17 men in manufacturing and transport to provide for the needs of one soldier.

War used to be a proposition of a moderate sized army which could be supplied without such vast expense. In these days war has become enormously complicated, and it calls for a vast system of supplies and fighting tools. Practically the whole nation has to work for it behind the lines. You can't thus devote the energies of a nation to war and at the same time have a humane welfare, without paying a terrific price.

TIME FOR CHRISTMAS BUYING

WHEN does the Christmas buying season begin? Many thoughtful persons and many who have foresight say it begins any time in the year when they see a chance to get some articles they need for a gift, or for their own use. As things go, most people do not start buying their holiday presents until a short time before Christmas.

If they would all begin at least as early as November, or the first of December at the latest, they would save themselves a heap of trouble, avoid rushes at the stores, enable the merchants to do business at less cost, and save the store worker a period of extreme nervous strain.

The people who start buying early perform this task under the most favorable conditions. They have time enough to look at the goods, and the store clerks can give them good attention. The stocks have not been picked over by the crowds of buyers, and they come nearer getting what they want.

There is little satisfaction in holiday buying if you find the counters thronged with eager customers, and the store people so busy that they can give only the most hurried answers to questions. That is the reason why many people regret the purchases they make in the rush days. With so many people to wait on, the clerk is frequently unable to display the whole stock to the prospective buyer.

Stores of Lowell are now displaying stocks that the people need for gift and winter purposes. They have larger stocks than usual, encouraged by the recent revival of business and the general feeling that people have more money to spend. If you have not already bought your Christmas gifts, better make a list to-day of the things needed and start immediately on your buying campaign.

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Woman Speaker To Give Impartial Talk On Germany

Her Husband Now A Militant Nazi

The fourth and final address of the Institute of International Understanding sponsored by the local Rotary Club will be given next Thursday evening, Dec. 7, in the high school auditorium when Miss Gladys M. Perrow, of Chicago, Ill., will be present to speak on "Behind the German Scene." This promises to be one of the most interesting discussions of the course. Miss Perrow will speak from first-hand information, presenting an intelligent and fact-informing address.

This will be a great opportunity for members of Women's Clubs, the PTA, etc., to hear a member of their own sex in an absorbing address.

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Along Main Street

Reported that a new lunch room will soon open for business here in the store building next to Leonard Studios on the west. The proprietor will be Clarke Adams of Saranac, a nephew of Mrs. E. A. Compagner.

Silas Onlooker's philosophy: The habit of going off for the day, and forgetting that a heavy draft was left wide open heats many houses to the baking point, and has been known to make jobs for the firemen.

A farmer friend of ours sends to the Ledger a unique suggestion, namely, that farmers might eat their way to better prices and enclose a clipping from a well-known farm magazine which advocates the idea. The clipping referred to appears in another column of this paper.

Set aside Monday evening, Dec. 11, for the next dinner meeting of Lowell Board of Trade which will be held at the South Boston Grange hall, 7 o'clock. This is the annual occasion at which the ladies will be guests. Good speaking, says B. T. President F. J. McMahon. Dancing will follow the supper.

Workmen have been busy this week putting in new flooring in the Christiansen drug store, the work being done nights in order not to interfere with daytime business. The new flooring is of terrazzo type, elastic underfoot and is pleasing in appearance. The walls and ceiling are also being redecorated.

LOWELL'S NEW POSTOFFICE

Lowell's new postoffice will be formally dedicated with an appropriate program on Monday, Dec. 11, according to plans now under way. The exercises will take place at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The new school band will play for the occasion and a general invitation is extended to all people in the surrounding territory to be present. Further program details next week.

The Ledger is in receipt of a card from Robert B. Boylan which arrived Monday from Kisminees, Fla. Mr. Boylan recently suffered a severe sick spell but the tone of his card would indicate that he is feeling much better for he says in part: "Just a line that I am still on earth and takes my daily rations. It is mighty cold here right now. It was 40 this morning. Am sitting by the fire and the sun is shining bright. By night it will be around 70. This is the coldest weather I have seen in 23 years in Florida. Good luck and best wishes."

One of our younger deer hunters, Roy Lovelace, brings back from the north woods the story of an unusual experience which had a disappointing ending. Roy relates that he brought down a fine buck to which he attached his tag in the usual manner. This done, he called to Neil Blakeslee with whom he was hunting to come and assist him in carrying his trophy to camp. While he was calling he heard a noise behind him and he turned just in time to see the deer running into the woods. They attempted to trail the deer but without success. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Townsend were the two other members of the party.

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff: Now that Cedar Springs has become famous through red flannel underwear, we can't help wondering if the Clipper girls ever had to wear "em"—er maybe they do! Who knows? Mobby if all editors would "em," they would be able to forget most of their other troubles. . . . There is one way of making an enemy of any Lowell. Give him a shoe-shining outfit for Christmas! . . . "Why is it that on one hand they insist their country is overvalued," asks Doc Oatley, "and the next thing they offer rewards for bearing children?" . . . Is it safer to have a woman sitting on the back seat driving, than on the front seat hugging the driver?

Petition Filed In Mrs. Lawrence Estate

Estate of Mrs. Fannie M. Lawrence, resident of Lowell for half a century, is tentatively valued at \$11,000, according to a petition filed for probate Monday by a daughter, Mrs. Clara McCarty, Lowell. Mrs. Lawrence died Nov. 21.

The petition estimates the estate contains \$8,000 and upwards in personal property, and \$3,000 or more in real property. The estate, under the will which was filed Friday, is left to the children and members of the family. The Michigan Trust company and Harry H. Fuller, a son-in-law, are nominated as executors.

Tax Collection Notice

Vergennes Township To the taxpayers of Vergennes Township: I will be at the State Savings Bank, every Saturday from December 9, 1939 to Saturday, January 6, 1940, to receive and receipt for taxes. I will also receive taxes at my home any week day up to January 9, 1940. EDWIN MUELLER, Vergennes Twp. Treasurer.

Christmas Play at H. S. December 18

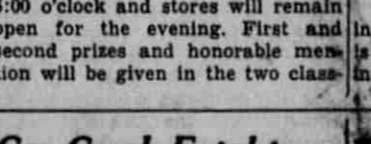
Orval Jessup, musical instructor at Lowell High School is busy rehearsing with the musical organizations of the school for the Christmas play "Christmas Story in Both Music and Drama" to be presented in the high school auditorium on Monday evening, December 18 at 8 o'clock.

All the musical organizations of the school will be represented including the lower grades in band, orchestra, quartettes, solos, ensembles, etc. Further program details will be announced later.

Window Night on Main Street To Typify Spirit of Christmas

Local persons and transients driving through the Main-st. of Lowell during the holiday season will feel that they have arrived in a veritable Christmas land with the holiday greens and colored lights strung above the highway and the usual lighted trees on the lamp posts. Many workmen have been busy this week getting the decorations ready for the holiday season.

Annual Window Night will be held Saturday evening, December 9 when business and professional places will have in readiness displays of Christmas merchandise or a display exemplifying the spirit of Christmas which will be judged by an expert window decorator who will come to Lowell for the evening. Windows will be lighted at 6:00 o'clock and stores will remain open for the evening. First and second prizes and honorable mention will be given in the two classes.



Car Crash Fatal to Amos Otis of Saranac

Amos Otis, 71, a resident of Saranac for 46 years was fatally injured Sunday night while returning to his home from the theater at Lowell. His truck was struck from the rear by an auto driven by Kenneth Hauserman 19, of Saranac who reported he failed to see Otis until it was too late to avoid hitting him.

The accident occurred on M-21 one-half mile west of the Saranac intersection. Hauserman and his companion Charles Thiesen 19, also of Saranac suffered minor cuts, bruises and wrenched knees.

Otis for the past 32 years had conducted a farm implement business in Saranac which he inherited from his father.

80 Future Farmers Going to Big Show

Members of the local chapter of Future Farmers of America will be among the group of 80 who, with their advisors, will leave December 4 for Chicago on a three day tour to see the International Livestock Show and other educational centers while there. The group will include boys from Sparta, Coopersville, Caledonia, Belding, Remus, Morley, Barryton, Farwell and Lowell, who have chartered two buses.

Those from Lowell to attend are: Peter Vandenberg, Perry Freeman, Lewis Gasper, Walter Wingeler, Robert Cranston, Jack Oesch, Lloyd Frost, Claud Condon, Paul Detmers, Chas. Belmers, George Krebs, Roy Johnson and Howard Ahelson. Instructor Kleinhekel will accompany the boys.

WPA Sponsors Gym Sports Here

Through the cooperation of Supt. W. W. Gunner and the Lowell School Board, the Recreation division of WPA, under the local leadership of James Topp, will sponsor community volleyball and basketball teams, games to be played in the high school gymnasium.

Volley ball for those business men and others who are interested will be played each Tuesday evening, starting at 7:30, and basketball for all young men of the community who are not attending high school will be played Wednesday evenings, starting at 7:30. Everyone who wishes to participate should bring to the gymnasium on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings, Dec. 5 and 6, to enroll for teams.

Mr. Topp states that he will try to organize league teams in basketball for inter-city play, on the order of the diamond ball league which created much interest here last summer.

All who are interested are urged to turn out for enrollment next week and be ready for some good, clean fun and exciting games.

Bible Exhibit At Methodist Church

A Bible exhibit will be held at the Methodist Church next Sunday evening in connection with the regular Sunday Evening Fellowship Hour. The Rev. Walter Ratcliffe invites all residents of Lowell to offer Bibles for the display. He suggests that old Bibles, those in foreign tongues, and Bibles made meaningful by special experiences of the owners, will be of most interest. Scripture cards showing the Bible in many languages will be shown.

The pastor will speak on the subject: "Why I Love the Bible." There will be special music. The service is at 7:30 p. m.

SIMPSON HOME BURGLARIZED FOR SECOND TIME

The M. E. Simpson home on Riverside-tr. was burglarized between 7:30 and 10:00 o'clock Wednesday night and a small sum of money taken from the drawer of a bedroom dresser. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson were absent from home at the time of the burglary. Finger prints have been taken and other investigations are underway.

Rotary Governor Coming

Frederick H. Mueller, who is Governor of this District of Rotary International, will be in Lowell Wednesday noon, Dec. 6, on his official visit to the Lowell Rotary Club.

Mr. Mueller is a furniture manufacturer in Grand Rapids, a member of the Rotary Club there, and was elected Governor of the 151st District at Rotary's 30th annual convention in Cleveland last June.

President Lee Lamplin and Secretary Frank Coons of the Lowell Rotary Club and all of the members of the club will confer with Rotary Governor Mueller on matters of club administration and activities.

Rotary Governor Mueller was one of the nearly 200 men who were elected to be of service to Rotary's 5,000 clubs and 210,000 Rotarians in 80 countries and geographical divisions of the world.

Following are the delegates from various townships: Nanda Grannis, Nelson; Elinor Johnson, Walker; Carlene Gross, Algoma; Eleanor Stevens, Oakfield; Claire Jensen, Walker; Doris Friend, Paris; Emil Ball, Byron; Dorothy Wingeler, Lowell; James Sheilard, Walker; Wesley Heasler, Courtland; Lewis Henderson; Walker; Warren Benjamin, Nelson; Gerald Allen, Walker; Bert Saur, Sparta; Keith Clinton, Ada.

While in Chicago they will see stream line trains, Chicago Board of Trade, museums, planetarium, aquarium, International Flat Stock Show, downtown stores and other points of interest.

They will be accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. K. K. Vining and Mrs. Francis Sattler.

Farmers, Eat Way To Better Prices

From Capper's Farmer: Some changes in the eating habits of 30 million people living on American farms, easily could result in better prices for their products.

It would be smart business for farmers to eat generously of the good foodstuffs they produce. They offer a substantial market for their own production. Their record in this respect, even in the face of heavy production, is not all that might be.

An increase in consumption by farmers of land butter, cream, meat, vegetables and fruits, would help relieve the pressure of any surpluses that might exist and would tend to support prices at profitable levels all the time.

Processors of foodstuffs, who seek to improve the quality of these products and to increase their consumption, are helping agriculture and deserve the support of farm folks at the table.

Mrs. Nettie Bowes Dies At Age 74

Military funeral services will be held this (Thursday) afternoon in the Roth Chapel for Mrs. Nettie Bowes, 74, who passed away Monday night at the home of her son, Frank Balcom in Flint, where she had been visiting for nearly two months. Mrs. Bowes was the widow of the late Patrick Bowes, well-known police officer and had been in failing health for some time. Burial will be made in Oakwood cemetery.

Mrs. Bowes had been a resident of Lowell for many years and she will be missed by the friends and neighbors who had learned to respect her friendship.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Lina Lewis; three sons, Frank, Harvey and Harley, all of Flint; and a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Obituary

Earl A. King was born in Campbell township, March 29, 1875, and departed this life Nov. 13, 1939, at his home near Elmdale, at the age of 64 years, 7 months and 15 days. He was married Dec. 28, 1904 to Minta Blough. To this union were born two children, Norman E., who resides at home and Helen B., who died at the age of 18 months. His wife, Minta, preceded him in death nearly six years ago.

He leaves to mourn his passing, Mrs. Norma A., a grandson, Richard Arland; four brothers, Royal and William of Freeport, Miner of Saranac and Orson of Lake Odessa; two sisters, Gertrude of South Lowell and Mary Johnson of Clarksville; an aunt, Ella Courter of South Lowell; an uncle, Silas Drew of Clarksville; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

4-H Boys, Girls Awarded Trip to National Congress

Nineteen Kent County 4-H club members will be leaving for Chicago to participate in judging contests, attend the National Club Congress and the Kent county 4-H Achievement trip.

Ed May and Lee Patterson, of Cascade and Dale Werner of Grattan, will leave Thursday afternoon to represent Michigan in the National 4-H Livestock judging contest. Dorothy Kropf of Vergennes will leave Grand Rapids Saturday afternoon with a 4-H poultry judging team to represent Michigan in the National 4-H poultry judging contest on Monday.

These four club members will attend the National 4-H Club Congress the balance of the week.

On Saturday morning, December 2, 15 boys and girls will leave by motor bus for a four day trip to Chicago. This is the Kent county 4-H Achievement trip sponsored by Grand Rapids and Kent county business firms. The group will stay in Chicago until Tuesday afternoon.

Following are the delegates from various townships: Nanda Grannis, Nelson; Elinor Johnson, Walker; Carlene Gross, Algoma; Eleanor Stevens, Oakfield; Claire Jensen, Walker; Doris Friend, Paris; Emil Ball, Byron; Dorothy Wingeler, Lowell; James Sheilard, Walker; Wesley Heasler, Courtland; Lewis Henderson; Walker; Warren Benjamin, Nelson; Gerald Allen, Walker; Bert Saur, Sparta; Keith Clinton, Ada.

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Box Elder Bug Pesting Homes Here

He's piped in red, but don't be alarmed, it's likely he's a box elder bug rather than a bedbug. Household in a number of Lowell homes report great annoyance from these pesky bugs and they will therefore be interested in the following information received by the Ledger direct from Michigan State College.

"Cold weather drove swarms of box elder bugs indoors. If the infestations are serious, the Michigan State College entomology department are good guides. These bugs won't do any damage, unless they get squashed on walls or free paper—they merely want some free heat until they can get outdoors to their favorite box elder tree next spring.

"In fact, say the college entomologists, the bug will even stay in hiding, unless the house warms up to such an extent as to fool him into believing spring has arrived prematurely.

"Besides the red piping, the box elder bug's description includes such details as length, one-half to three-fourths of an inch, and color, grayish-brown.

"Professor Ray Hutson recommends a sharp axe or hatchet, used in pruning the box elder tree close to the ground. One unsuspecting person visiting Hutson's office recently asked if that wouldn't kill the box elder tree.

"And the entomologist replied, 'That's just what I mean!'

See Local Talent In Stirring Drama

The Congregational and Methodist Churches are continuing the fine habit of cooperative efforts. Friday, Dec. 1st they will unite in presenting a temperance play, entitled: "Death Takes the Steering Wheel." This production will be given in the gymnasium of the Methodist Church at 8:00 p. m.

The following local people will have parts: Frank Coons as the Judge, Rev. Walter Ratcliffe as the State's Attorney, Malcolm Correll as the Defendant, The Rev. Robert Barkdale as the Coroner, Earl Hanco as the Detective, Mary Kent as Miss Brenton, Mrs. Malcolm Correll as Alice Ball, Carl Freyermuth as Clerk of Court, and Robert Warner as the Bailiff. Twelve local people will constitute a jury.

The play written by George Y. Hammond is based on a common situation of today—a drunken driver kills an innocent pedestrian. The Anti-Saloon League of Michigan is assisting in the presentation.

Everyone is invited to be present at 8 o'clock in the gymnasium of the Methodist Church for this timely dramatic production. An offering will be taken.

Kent Represented By 19 Delegates

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Green Pastures

We have never been at Martin Butth's farm in Plainfield township with a group of 4-H club members or farmers but our attention has been called to the excellent pastures. On the rougher fields there is ordinarily a thin pasture of spring and fall and exercise the balance of the year, the Butth Holsteins have plenty of feed. Asked the reason why, Mr. Butth told us that each year these pastures get an application of 200 lbs. of 20% acid phosphate per acre. This phosphorus in cooperation with the grass plants not only stimulates the growth but also white clover. The cost of this fertilizer application isn't excessive and the amount of feed returned more than pays. No seeding of the clover is made, the phosphate stimulating its growth.

Boys Keep Farm Records

Eight 4-H club members in Kent county are keeping farm account books in cooperation with the farm management department at Michigan State College. They are also enrolled in a national 4-H farm account contest. The boys enrolled are James Sheilard of Walker, Lee Patterson of Cascade, Roger VanLaan of Gaines, George Krebs of Bowne, Donald Anderson of Vergennes, Gerald Williams of Oakfield, Roger Gust of Nelson and Robert Sowerby of Oakfield. Not only do these boys keep the farm records but at the close of the contest they write a report of the effect the book has had on the farm operations.

4-H Club House

Last August we accompanied a group of 4-H club members to the Frank Hamblen farm in Coopersville for judging work with boys from that county.

The Hamblens have an extra house on their farm. The 4-H club in that neighborhood had fixed it up into a club house. Chairs had been brought from the various homes. An old organ furnished music. A stove was set up for cooking. Here these club members held their meetings, prepared their lunches, held their judging and demonstration contest. The place was neat and attractive and we could not help but wonder if there were places in Kent county where our 4-H clubs might have a club house.

School Forest Attracts Attention

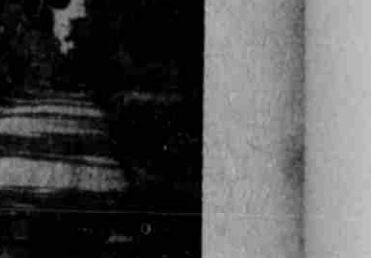
The Lowell school forest is surely growing and attracting much attention in that section. The Smith-Hughes students in the high school recently made a count of the trees planted in 1930 and 1931.

On 10.2 acres of land there was a total of 7,266 white and red pine trees averaging from six to 12 feet tall. A total of 15 acres has been planted in this plot and about five acres more around the new reservoir.

The State Department of Conservation will supply a limited number of trees for school forest purposes where the land is owned by some unit of government like the school district, township or village.

BOLL CALL CHAIRMAN EXPRESSES APPRECIATION

Mrs. Charles Doyle, who was the chairman for Lowell township in collection of the Red Cross contributions wishes to express her thanks and appreciation to the women who helped her in the canvass work and to the people of Lowell who so graciously responded. The total amount collected was \$200.16 which far exceeds that of any year.



Development of Rural Electricity

The first extension meeting to discuss rural electricity in Michigan was held at Ballard's Corners Church in January, 1927. Since that time rural power lines have had a slow but steady growth in Kent county. In 1927 there were 56.3 miles of line. Ten years later in 1937 there were 608 miles and 2,120 farm connections. A check-up October 1st, this year, showed 1,017 miles of line with 4,480 farm connections. Consumers Power Company in Grand Rapids report that of last May there were 816 miles with an average of about four possible connections per mile. Since that time there have been lines built reducing that figure.

The lines are divided among the utilities as follows: Consumers Power Company has 913 miles and 4,138 farms. Lowell municipal plant, 43 miles and 260 farms. R. E. A., 61 miles and 62 farms.

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# EXTRA FINAL FOOD NEWS

Good foods are always good news, but foods as fine and wholesome as these at such moderate prices are extra good news. Look over this list and see for yourself what values your money will buy today at Weaver's.

- RED & WHITE Evaporated Milk 3 tall cans 20c
- RED & WHITE Coffee Fresh ground Vacuum packed lb. 27c
- Bulk Dates Choice Hallowi lb. 10c
- Fresh Roasted Peanuts lb. 12 1/2c
- Eden Sweet Peas 2 no. 2 cans 19c
- Mich. Tomatoes 2 no. 2 cans 15c
- Red & White Matches carton 23c
- 999 Red Beans no. 2 can 8c
- Clorox pint 14c quart 23c
- Chipso Flakes large box 21c
- French's Bird Seed box 13c

- Fancy Assorted Mixed Nuts 2 lbs. 35c
- Pork & Beans Giant size 50-oz. can 19c

ANY OF THESE BIRDS EYE FOODS for 23c

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### Social Events

#### Impressive O.E.S. Installation

Cyclamen Chapter, No. 94, O.E.S., held their annual installation of officers Monday evening. They are as follows: Worthy Matron, Lila Johnson; Worthy Patron, L. E. Johnson; Associate Matron, Ella Purchase; Associate Patron, Wm. C. Hartman; Secretary, Emma Coons; Treasurer, Lora Hartman; Conductress, Florence Sney; Associate Conductress, Mary Warner; Chaplain, Myrtle Sinclair; Marshal, Grace Niles; Organist, Evelyn Wittenbach; Ada, Mary Kent; Ruth, Theta Ann Emelander; Esther, Ethel Schultis; Martha, Beulah Hayward; Electra, Mary Bennett; Warder, Anna Yardley; Sentinel, Katie Carr.

The Worthy Matron was escorted to the East by ten young ladies carrying large yellow mums and the past matrons of Cyclamen Chapter carrying lighted candles. The Junior Past Matron, Doris Roth, was then escorted to her place with the other past matrons. Jimmie Johnson escorted his father to his station. The young ladies also escorted the Associate Matron to her station and assisted in the installation of the star points.

The installing officers were: Worthy Installing Officer, Grace McFarlane of Grand Rapids; Chaplain, Minnie Lot of Clarksville; Marshal, Frances Jefferies; Organist, Rosella Yelter; Gifts were presented by Patsy DeGraw and Jimmie Johnson.

The ten escorting young ladies were: Florence Shea, Margaret Kysler, Marjean Fonger, Joyce Mettrick, Cleone Hayward, Jean Mettrick, Sally Gano, Marilyn Kysler, Priscilla Smith and Louella Warner.

The program preceding the installation consisted of readings by Rosella Yelter and Rene Fairchild and piano selections by Charlotte White.

Doris Roth and Wm. Hartman were escorted to the East by Beatrice Krum and Frances Jefferies and presented with their jewels. Refreshments were served to the many guests from Belding, Ionia, Clarksville, Ada, Grand Rapids and Lowell.

#### Past Noble Grand

Mrs. Anna Stinchcomb entertained the Past Noble Grand club of Island City Rebekah Lodge at the home of Mrs. E. L. Kinyon with Mrs. Hattie Walker assisting on Tuesday evening, November 28. Contests were indulged in and nice prizes were given to the lucky contestants. Mrs. Stinchcomb and Mrs. Walker served refreshments and a general good time was had by everyone present. There were 16 in all. Mrs. Jas. Topp of Saranac, Past Noble Grand Club was a guest.

#### Lowell Extension Group

The Lowell Extension Group of Michigan State College met at the home of Mrs. Harry Stauffer with Mrs. George Story as assistant hostess, on Tuesday of this week. "Nutrition" is the subject under discussion for the ensuing year and the lesson for Tuesday was "Better Breakfasts" which proved to be very interesting and helpful to those present.

#### Celebrate Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Potter were pleasantly surprised Saturday evening when twenty relatives and friends came to remind them of their twenty-fifth anniversary. The evening was spent playing euchre and visiting. Some lovely gifts were left them with wishes for many more years of happiness. Guests were from Lowell, Grand Lodge and Clarksville.

Wrinkles should merely show where the smiles have been.—Mark Twain.

**STYLE... You get it in a FORD**

#### Baker-Read

Miss Marion Read, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy J. Read of Vergennes and Frank Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker of Grand Rapids were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23. The single ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. L. Bradley of Grand Rapids and formerly of Lowell, who also married the bride's parents.

The bride was dressed in an afternoon gown of blue, carrying a bouquet of white carnations, and wore a garland in her hair. The bridesmaid was Mrs. Cornelia Koert of Grand Rapids, a sister of the groom, and wore an afternoon dress of dark blue and carried a bouquet of pink carnation.

Mr. Baker was attended by Jas. Read, brother of the bride.

Only the immediate families were present at the ceremony, after which all enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner of turkey, goose and all the trimmings, fifteen being present.

A reception was held for the couple at Lone Pine Inn on Saturday evening with about 400 neighbors and friends in attendance. The honored couple received many useful and expensive gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker accompanied by the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Read left on Tuesday morning for Long Beach, Florida, where the Read's will spend the winter and Mr. and Mrs. Baker will remain about ten days, returning home north along the Atlantic coast to New York City visiting a sister and an aunt in Pennsylvania.

#### Luncheon-Bridge

Mrs. Reuben Lee entertained on Monday afternoon with a luncheon bridge at her home. Five tables of bridge were in play, honors going to Mrs. Ray Bergin, Mrs. Paul Kellogg and Mrs. Fred Swarthout.

#### CARD OF THANKS

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all those who were so kind to me during my recent illness.

The Rev. E. J. Jewell.

Mrs. Bert James of Portsmouth, Ohio is visiting this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Webster.

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#### More Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Donald McPherson are spending next week in Chicago.

Harold Wester of Alto brought down a fine 8-point buck in the north last week.

Mrs. Frank Myers of Lake Odessa spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Ed. Walker.

Miss Janet Hill of Detroit was a Thanksgiving guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Dadds of So. Boston spent Thanksgiving with their sister, Mrs. Ed. Walker.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Condon were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hooker near Wayland.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Dadds of Saranac and Mrs. Ed. Good of Ionia spent Friday at the home of Mrs. Ed. Walker.

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

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer S. White entertained 12 guests for Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mrs. White's mother, Mrs. E. A. Hayward of Saranac.

Mr. and Mrs. Burnette Condon and children had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Seger. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kenyon of Hastings were callers at the Seger home.

Those from away to attend the wedding of Miss Marion Read and Frank Baker were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker and Miss Pearl Mungerson of Grand Rapids and Chas. Read of Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Malcolm and three children, Mrs. Walter Finger and Mrs. Henry Tomelshof of Grand Rapids spent Wednesday at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Malcolm.

Sam Yelter, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Yelter, has been selected as one of the Michigan State College seniors whose names will appear in "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Callers last week of Harley and Anna Maynard were Mr. and Mrs. Biggo Nielson of Ionia, Bruce Ball of Mason and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Bailey of St. Charles. Mr. Bailey is a former agricultural teacher in the Lowell schools.

Mrs. John Lalley and son Bill and James McMahon of Lowell, Robert Lalley of Lapeer, Jack Lalley of Dowagiac and Margaret Lalley of Grand Rapids were Thanksgiving guests of the Misses Kathryn and Anna Lalley in Grand Rapids.

Have heard of the following successful deer hunters in addition to those mentioned last week: Ralph Townsend, Arthur Schneider, Robert Schneider, Ben Kerekes, Vine Hunter, Richard Kerekes, Bill Haymer, Verne Hapeman, Fred Beimer and William Read a deer and a coyote.

Miss Mary E. Briggs of Chicago was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry N. Briggs from Thursday until Sunday. On Saturday evening they were dinner and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Briggs in Grand Rapids. Sunday they drove to Wayland where they were dinner guests of Mrs. Jennie Damoth. Miss Briggs remained with Mrs. Damoth for a visit.

Last Saturday, the Hesperian Fraternity boys of M. S. C. East Lansing, entertained their fathers in the football game and dinner afterwards in the Hesperian house. Among those from Lowell to attend were E. C. Foreman with Philip Althen, A. A. Curtis with Arthur Curtis and O. J. Yelter with Sam Yelter. As it was the last football game of this season, Sam put in his final performance as cheer leader for the Michigan State fans. Philip Althen, who is a freshman, has been acting as Sam's understudy and will take his place next year.

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### Coming Events

Regular meeting of Kent County Council of PTA, Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 10:30 a. m., at Kelloggsville school.

Officers of units of PTA associated with Grand Rapids Council meet with Kent County Council for luncheon on Tuesday, Dec. 12, at 12:00 noon, at Oakleigh school, West Leonard Road.

New Postoffice dedication, Monday afternoon, Dec. 11, 3:00 o'clock. Public invited.

Board of Trade dinner, South Boston Grange hall, Dec. 11, 7:00 o'clock. Ladies invited. Dancing following dinner hour.

Tea and apron sale Friday afternoon, Dec. 8, 2:00 to 5:00, at the home of Mrs. Hattie Peckham, sponsored by the Peckham Group. Everyone welcome.

The Townsend Club will meet Friday evening, Dec. 1, at the City hall. Phonograph records will be heard of a speech given by Dr. Townsend. A good attendance is desired.

The Lenora Perry Group of the Congregational Church will hold a Christmas gift, bake and wreath sale on Saturday, Dec. 2, at the W. A. Roth furniture store.

The Lila Group of the Congregational Church will meet with Mrs. Anna Yardley at the home of Dr. S. S. Lee on Riverside Dr., Friday afternoon, Dec. 1.

The Whitteville Ladies Aid will hold a sale and supper at the home of Vern Aldrich Dec. 7. Everyone invited.

Annual convocation of Hooker Chapter, No. 73, R. A. M., Wednesday evening, Dec. 6, at 7:30, for election of officers and work in the 4th degree.—Roy A. Richardson, H. P.

The December meeting of the Methodist Ladies Aid will be Friday, Dec. 1, at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Walter T. Ratcliffe.

The Junior Segway Community Club will have a party with a pot-luck supper on December 12, at 7 o'clock at the South Ward school. All young people are cordially invited.

Remember the date, Wednesday evening, Dec. 6—a euchre party at the American Legion hall.

The next meeting of the Lowell Women's Democrat Club will be a Christmas party, Dec. 6, at 8:00 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Wilson Washburn. Each member to bring a 10c gift to exchange.

The Good Will Club will meet Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Detmer for dinner and afternoon meeting. Each lady to bring a 10c gift.

Vergennes Co-operative Club will be postponed one week and will be entertained by Mrs. Donald McPherson on Dec. 14. Roll Call will be Christmas Jingles with the usual exchange of gifts at the December meeting. Members will also discuss "Dainty Dishes for Christmas Dinner." Bessie Frost and Selene Condon are the committee for this meeting.

Window Night, Lowell, Saturday, Dec. 9.

The South Boston extension group will meet with Mrs. Elmer Marshall on December 6 instead of December 13 as previously announced. The meeting will begin at 10:00 o'clock.

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**BIRTHS**  
To Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Lewis, on Monday, Nov. 27, a 9 1/4 lb. daughter, Virginia Lee, at the Low Maternity hospital.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bibbler, a 10 1/2 lb. son, Otis James Jr., on Monday, November 27.  
Ledger want ads. bring results.

**ODD BITS**  
Meeting in Geneva, Switzerland, the World Women's Party recently founded the "Women's League of Nations for Equal Rights With Men."  
After a fifty-day voyage from LaRochelle, 11 hungry Spanish war refugees arrived at Port of Spain, Trinidad, in their schooner Alexandrine Eudoxie.  
For the first time since its foundation in 1902, a woman, Rev. Dorothy Wilson, preached in Ramsgate (England) Congregational Church recently.

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**BEER! IT'S BEERY'S BEST!**  
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TUESDAY - WEDNESDAY, DEC. 5 - 6

**TOGETHER AGAIN!**  
**JOHN GARFIELD PRISCILLA LANE**  
**DUST BE MY DESTINY**

**GENE AURI**  
**IN OLD MONTEREY**

with Chester MORRIS \* Virginia GREY



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## LEDGER ENTRIES

Being a Collection of Various Topics of Local and General Interest

### CAPACITY FOR DEMOCRACY

THE American people ardently believe in democratic government. In many countries the people have not been able to operate that kind of government, and it has gone to pieces. Dictators have obtained the governing job.

You can't make a success of democratic government by handing it to people as you hand a new toy to a child. Such a form of government is like a fine automobile. It is a wonder of mechanical science, but you can't hand it to a person of poor judgment, and expect him to run it well. He may run it into the ditch.

A group within the American Psychological Association recently questioned 350 University of California sophomores as to how large a proportion of the American people are capable of "democratic participation in our government." This is an ability to make a democratic system work. Sixty two per cent of these students said that 30 percent of the people lack such capacity. A more favorable view of the capacities of the people was taken by a group of psychologists of whom the same question was asked. Eighty per cent of them thought that not more than 10 per cent of the people are incapable of democratic action.

The question whether people can act intelligently on questions of politics and government, seems to depend mainly upon whether they want to do so or not. Many who are capable of voting intelligently refuse to give any thought to political questions. If an intelligent person never tries to find out what the government is doing, the chances that he will cast an intelligent vote are not too good.

The American people have been given the most wonderful government in the world, and the tools by which they can keep it going. If they refuse to use those tools, don't wonder if the machine should stall occasionally.

### CHRISTMAS JOBS

THE holiday season annually employs a large group of special workers hired in the weeks before the Christmas rush. Many students get their first taste of the business world at this time. They have been studying in schools and colleges about how to use the tools of life. In these jobs they actually use them.

Many a young climber up the first round of the ladder of success when he made good in his holiday job. His alert mind, his quick motions, his observant habits attracted attention. When he graduated from school, somebody remembered that he had done very well as a holiday worker, and it led to a permanent job. The one who handles well the small details of a little opportunity, is apt some day to handle the big questions of a large job.

### MEN BEHIND THE FIGHTERS

ANYONE who thinks the United States should get into the war should consider how war strains every resource of a nation. It is said for example, that for every soldier fighting at the front, it takes 17 men in manufacturing and transport to provide for the needs of one soldier.

War used to be a proposition of a moderate sized army which could be supplied without such vast expense. In modern days war has become enormously complicated, and it calls for a vast system of supplies and fighting tools. Practically the whole nation has to work for it behind the lines. You can't thus devote the energies of a nation to war and away from human welfare, without paying a terrific price.

### TIME FOR CHRISTMAS BUYING

WHEN does the Christmas buying season begin? Many thoughtful persons and many who have fore-sight say it begins any time in the year when they see a chance to get some article they need for a gift, or for their own use. As things go, most people do not start buying their holiday presents until a short time before Christmas.

If they would all begin at least as early as November, or the first of December at the latest, they would save themselves a heap of trouble, avoid rushes at the stores, enable the merchants to do business at less cost, and save the store worker a period of extreme nervous strain.

The people who start buying early perform this task under the most favorable conditions. They have time enough to look at the goods, and the store clerks can give them good attention. The stocks have not been picked over by the crowds of buyers, and they come nearer getting what they want.

There is little satisfaction in holiday buying if you find the counters thronged with eager customers, and the store clerks can give them only the most hurried answers to questions. That is the reason why many people regret the purchases they make in the rush days. With so many people to wait on, the clerk is frequently unable to display the whole stock to the prospective buyer.

Stores of Lowell are now displaying stocks that the people need for gift and winter purposes. They have larger stocks than usual, encouraged by the recent revival of business and the general feeling that people have more money to spend. If you have not already bought your Christmas gifts, better make a list to-day of the things needed and start immediately on your buying campaign.

### Announcement

Gertrude Tredenick, Chiropractor, has now opened an office at 25 Monroe Ave., in the Porter Block, corner Monroe and Division, Room 69, 3rd Floor, Grand Rapids, Mich. adv c29

### 1940 GENERAL ELECTRIC KITCHEN AT SMITH ELECTRIC

The installation of the new 1940 General Electric modern kitchen has just been completed. Housewives and those interested are urged to come in and see the new features that make housework easier. adv c29

## Woman Speaker To Give Impartial Talk On Germany Her Husband Now A Militant Nazi

The fourth and final address of the International Understanding sponsored by the local Rotary Club will be given next Thursday evening, Dec. 7, in the high school auditorium when Miss Gladys M. Perrow of Chicago, Ill., will be present to speak on "Behind the German Scene." This promises to be one of the most interesting discussions of the course. Miss Perrow will speak from first-hand information, presenting an intelligent and fact-informing address.

This will be a great opportunity for members of Women's Clubs, the PTA, etc., to hear a member of their own sex in an absorbing address. The address will be given at 8 o'clock on Thursday evening, Dec. 7, in the high school auditorium when Miss Gladys M. Perrow of Chicago, Ill., will be present to speak on "Behind the German Scene." This promises to be one of the most interesting discussions of the course. Miss Perrow will speak from first-hand information, presenting an intelligent and fact-informing address.



GLADYS M. PERROW

Miss Perrow, is an American, born in Dallas, Texas, and educated in the United States. She married a German importer in the West Indies in February, 1937, and spent seven months in the tropics. Automatically she had become a German citizen. But the marriage was to end under the pressure of National Socialism. Her husband's gradual transformation into a militant Nazi began during their six months' residence in Germany the winter and spring of 1937-38. Back in the United States, the young German was torn between his desire to build a new life in democratic surroundings, and his intense love for what he thought was a revitalized Fatherland. In October, 1938, he gave up the struggle and returned to Germany. Miss Perrow has written of her experiences and observations in the Chicago Tribune, presenting an intimate knowledge of the forces at work today in the Third Reich.

Since graduation from Northwestern University in 1933, she has been occupied with newspaper and magazine work. She has traveled extensively in Europe prior to the visit in Germany. Her readjustment to the American scene in recent months has necessitated the development of a factual, honest and impartial point of view on international relations in general, and democracy in particular.

### Speaks on Vital Subject

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff: Now that Cedar Springs has become famous through red flannel underwear, we can't help wondering if the Clipper girls ever had to wear "em—er maybe they do! Who knows? ... Meby if all editors were "em, they would be able to forget most of their other troubles. ... There is one way of making an enemy of any Lowell lad. Give him a shoe-shining outfit for Christmas! ... "Why is it that on one hand they insist their country is overpopulated," asks Doc Outley, "and the next thing they offer rewards for bearing children? ... Is it safer to have a woman sitting on the back seat driving, than on the front seat hugging the driver?"

### Petition Filed in Mrs. Lawrence Estate

Estate of Mrs. Fannie M. Lawrence, resident of Lowell for half a century, is tentatively valued at \$11,000, according to a petition filed for probate Monday by a daughter, Mrs. Clara McCarty, Lowell. Mrs. Lawrence died Nov. 21.

The petition estimates the estate contains \$8,000 and upwards in personal property, and \$3,000 more in real property. The estate, under the will which was filed Friday, is left to the children and members of the family. The Michigan Trust company and Harry H. Fuller, a son-in-law, are nominated as executors.

### Christmas Play at H. S. December 18

Orval Jessup, musical instructor at Lowell High School is busy rehearsing with the musical organizations of the school for the Christmas play "Christmas Story in Both Music and Drama" to be presented in the high school auditorium on Monday evening, December 18 at eight o'clock. All the musical organizations of the school will be represented including the lower grades in band, orchestra, quartettes, solos, ensembles, etc. Further program details will be announced later.

## Window Night on Main Street To Typify Spirit of Christmas

Local persons and transients driving through the Main-st. of Lowell during the holiday season will feel that they have arrived in a veritable Christmas land with the holiday greens and colored lights strung above the highway and the usual lighted trees on the lamp posts. Many workmen have been busy this week getting the decorations ready for the holiday season.

Annual Window Night will be held Saturday evening, December 9 when business and professional places will have in readiness displays of Christmas merchandise or a display exemplifying the spirit of Christmas which will be judged by an expert window decorator who will come to Lowell for the evening. Windows will be lighted at 8:00 o'clock and stores will remain open for the evening. First and second prizes and honorable mention will be given in the two classes.

Slas Onlooker's philosophy: The habit of going off for the day, and forgetting that a heavy draft was left wide open, heats many houses to the baking point, and has been known to make jobs for the firemen.

A farmer friend of ours sends to the Ledger a unique suggestion, namely, that farmers might act their way to better prices and enclose a clipping from a well-known farm magazine which advocates the idea. The clipping referred to appears in another column of this paper.

Set aside Monday evening, Dec. 11, for the next dinner meeting of Lowell Board of Trade which will be held at the South Boston Grange hall, 7 o'clock. This is the annual occasion at which the ladies will be guests. Good speaking, says B. T. President F. J. McMahon. Dancing will follow the supper.

Workmen have been busy this week putting in new flooring in the Christiansen drug store, the work being done nights in order not to interfere with daytime business. The new flooring is of terrazzo type, elastic underfoot and is pleasing in appearance. The walls and ceiling are also being redecorated.

Lowell's new postoffice will be formally dedicated with an appropriate program on Monday, Dec. 11, according to plans now under way. The exercises will take place at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. The high school band will play for the occasion and a general invitation is extended to all people in the surrounding territory to be present. Further program details next week.

The Ledger is in receipt of a card from Robert B. Boylan which arrived Monday from Kalamazoo, Fla. Mr. Boylan recently suffered a severe sick spell but the tone of his card would indicate that he is feeling much better. He says in part: "Just a line that I am still on earth and take my daily rations. It is mighty cold here right now. It was 40 this morning. Am sitting by the fire and the sun is shining bright. By night it will be around 70. This is the coldest weather I have seen in 23 years in Florida. Good luck and best wishes."

One of our younger deer hunters, Roy Lovell, brings back from the north woods the story of an unusual experience which had a disappointing ending. Roy relates that he brought down a fine buck to which he attached his tag in the usual manner. This done, he called to Neil Blakeslee with whom he was hunting to come and assist him in carrying his trophy to camp. While he was calling he heard a noise behind him and he turned just in time to see a man slipping into the woods. They attempted to trail the deer but without success. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Townsend were the two other members of the party.

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### Bible Exhibit At Methodist Church

A Bible exhibit will be held at the Methodist Church next Sunday evening in connection with the regular Sunday Evening Fellowship. The Rev. Walter Ratcliffe invites all residents of Lowell to offer Bibles for the display. He suggests that old Bibles, those in foreign tongues, and Bibles made meaningful by special experiences of their owners, will be of most interest. Scripture cards showing the Bible in many languages will be shown. The pastor will speak on the subject: "Why I Love the Bible." There will be special music. The service is at 7:30 p. m.

### SIMPSON HOME BURGLARIZED FOR SECOND TIME

The M. E. Simpson home on Riverside-730 was burglarized Wednesday night and a small sum of money taken from the drawer of a bedroom dresser. Mr. and Mrs. Simpson were absent from home Tuesday night. The burglary, fingerprints have been taken and other investigations are underway. This makes the second time the Simpson home has been burglarized within a few months. The first time a quantity of silverware was stolen.

### Fat Stock Show Dec. 12-14

December 12, 13 and 14 are the dates for the 12th annual West Michigan Fat Stock Show to be held in the north unit of the Grand Rapids Municipal garage on Market Street. Seventy head of cattle and 21 pens of lambs have been entered in this year's show. Robert Mackie of Oxford will judge the cattle on the 12th. The sale will be held by Allen Haskins of Ionia on the 14th.

### Tax Collection Notice

Vergennes Township To the taxpayers of Vergennes Township: I was at the State Savings Bank, Lowell, every Saturday from December 9, 1939 to Saturday, January 6, 1940, to receive and receipt for taxes. Will also receive taxes at my home any week up to January 9, 1940. EDWIN MUELLER, Vergennes Twp. Treasurer. c29-21

### Lowell Township

Owing to the delay of the Board of Supervisors in agreement on tax rates, etc., I cannot be ready to receive taxes until around Dec. 7, at which time I will be at the State Savings Bank, as usual. ROBERT A. YEETER, Lowell Twp. Treasurer. c29

### Ledger want ads. bring results.

## Car Crash Fatal to Amos Otis of Saranac

Amos Otis 71, a resident of Saranac for 46 years was fatally injured Sunday night while returning to his home from the theater at Lowell. His truck was struck from the rear by an auto driven by Kenneth Hauserman 19, of Saranac who reported he failed to see Otis until it was too late to avoid hitting him.

The accident occurred on M-31 one-half mile west of the Saranac intersection. Hauserman and his companion Charles Thiesen 19, also of Saranac suffered minor cuts, bruises and wrenched knees. Otis for the past 32 years had conducted a farm implement business in Saranac which he inherited from his father.

### 80 Future Farmers Going to Big Show

Members of the local chapter of Future Farmers of America will be among the group of 80 who, with their advisors, will leave December 4 for Chicago on a three day tour to see the International Livestock Show and other educational centers while there. The group will include boys from Sparta, Coopersville, Caledonia, Belding, Remus, Morley, Barryton, Farwell and Lowell, who have chartered two large buses.

Those from Lowell to attend are: Philip Vandenberg, Percy Freeman, Lewis Gasper, Walter Wingeier, Robert Cramton, Jack Oesch, Lloyd Frost, Claude Condon, Paul Detters, Chas. Belmers, George Krebs, Roy Johnson and Howard Acheson. Instructor Kleinkeisel will accompany the boys.

### WPA Sponsors Gym Sports Here

Through the cooperation of Supt. W. W. Gumsier and the Lowell School Board, the Recreation division of WPA, under the local leadership of J. J. Gump, sponsor community volleyball and basketball teams, games to be played in the high school gymnasium.

Volley ball for these business men and others who are interested will be played each Tuesday evening and Wednesday evenings, Dec. 5 and 6, to enroll for next week. Mr. Tipp states that he will try to organize league teams in basketball for inter-city play, on the order of the diamond ball league which created much interest here last summer.

All who are interested are urged to turn out for enrollment next week and be ready for some good clean fun and exciting games.

### Mrs. Nettie Bowes Dies At Age 74

Military funeral services will be held this (Thursday) afternoon in the Roth Chapel for Mrs. Nettie Bowes, 74, who passed away Monday night at the home of her son, Frank Balem in Flint, where she had been visiting for nearly two months. Mrs. Bowes was the widow of the late Patrick Bowes, well-known police officer and had been in failing health for some time. Burial will be made in Oakwood cemetery.

Mrs. Bowes had been a resident of Lowell for many years and she will be missed by the friends and neighbors who had learned to respect her friendship.

Surviving are a daughter, Mrs. Inez Lewis, three sons, Frank, Harley and Harley, all of Flint; and a number of grandchildren and great grandchildren.

### Obituary

Earl A. King Earl A. King was born in Campbell township, March 29, 1875, and departed this life Nov. 13, 1939, at his home near Eldmade, at the age of 64 years, 7 months and 15 days. He was married Dec. 28, 1904 to Minta Blough. To this union were born two children, Norman E., who resides at home and Helen B., who died at the age of 18 months. His wife, Minta, preceded him in death nearly six years ago.

He leaves to mourn his passing, a son, Norman A.; a grandson, Richard Arland; four brothers, Miner and William of Freeport, Royal of Saranac and Orson of Lake Odessa; two sisters, Gertie Yeller of South Lowell and Mary Johnson of Clarksville; an aunt, Hilla Courter of South Lowell; an uncle, Silas Drew of Clarksville; and a host of nieces, nephews and cousins.

### Gifts For Men

The Christmas national poll shows shirts in first place as Christmas gifts for men. Our showing of shirts and holiday neckwear is exceptionally large. Coons.

## Rotary Governor Coming

Frederick H. Mueller, who is Governor of this District of Rotary International, will be in Lowell Wednesday noon, Dec. 6, on his official visit to the Lowell Rotary Club.

Mr. Mueller is a furniture manufacturer in Grand Rapids, a member of the Rotary Club there, and was elected Governor of the 151st District at Rotary's 39th annual convention in Cleveland last June.

President Lee Lampkin and Secretary Frank Coons of the Lowell Rotary Club and all of the members of the club will confer with Rotary Governor Mueller on matters of club administration and activities.

Rotary Governor Mueller was one of the nearly 200 men who were elected to be of service to Rotary's 5,000 clubs in the 210,000 Rotarians in 80 countries and geographical divisions of the world.

### Make All Homes Safe!

The 33rd annual sale of tuberculosis Christmas Seals is under way. This week 28,000 letters containing these little health stickers are mailed from the office of the Anti-tuberculosis Society, which is Seal Sale headquarters for Kent County. Mrs. Kenneth S. Wood, who is well known in PTA circles, is chairman of the committee this year.

"In the towns and all areas of Kent County outside of Grand Rapids seals are sold in two ways," stated Mrs. Wood. "First we have a selected list of about 2,500 people who like to receive their seals directly by mail. Our second method takes us into the schools, which makes it very educational. Children and teachers happen to be our best allies. Teachers stimulate the children to be interested in community service. When they sell seals they learn a great deal about tuberculosis, a disease which sows seeds during childhood and may flourish into illness during the teens or twenties. These children are supposed to contact those who do not receive their supply through the mail. A note fastened under the doorbell with a Christmas Seal ought to warn children not to bother the households which already have the seals."

"Some people want to help their school contact by making payment through the teacher. In such cases be sure the name and address of the person making such payment is forwarded to headquarters by the teacher so due credit may be given the records."

The annual report of the tuberculosis society shows that 15 clinics were held last year in Ada, Byron Center, Caledonia, Cedar Springs, Comstock Park, Grandville, Home Acres, Galewood, Kent City, Lowell, Rockford, Sand Lake, Alto and Sparta. Tuberculin tests were given to 2,904, mostly children in school and 292 had chest x-rays. "No home is safe until all homes are safe," is the slogan of the tuberculosis Christmas Seal.

### Kent PTA Council Meets December 5

Regular meeting of the Kent County Council of PTA will be held Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 10:30 a. m., at the Kelloggville school.

Conferences scheduled for the morning session are as follows: Student Aid, Glenn McCarty; Radio, Dale Morris; Historian, Miss Clara Wheeler, State Historian; Founders Day, Mrs. Wm. Sanders; Speakers Bureau, Mrs. Melvin Johnson.

R. A. Stone, Field Executive Boy Scouts, will be guest speaker, his subject being "Hobbies." Mrs. Wm. N. Bethune will discuss "Recreation in the Home." Clarence Tyssie, Supt. of Cedar Springs school, is also on the program as well as Supt. John Tynan of Kelloggville, who will extend words of welcome. Mrs. Loyde Garter, chairman of the committee on nominations, will meet with her committee after the program.

The once famous share-the-wealth program seems to be laboring under the handicap of having little or no wealth to share.

## 4-H Boys, Girls Awarded Trip to National Congress

Nineteen Kent County 4-H club members will be leaving for Chicago to participate in judging contests, attend the National Club Congress and the Kent county 4-H Achievement trip on Monday.

Ed May and Lee Patterson, of Cascade and Dale Werner of Grattan will leave Thursday afternoon to represent Michigan in the National 4-H Livestock judging contest. Dorothy Kropf of Vergennes will leave Grand Rapids Saturday afternoon with a 4-H poultry judging team to represent Michigan in the National 4-H poultry judging contest on Monday.

These four club members will attend the National 4-H Club Congress the balance of the week. On Saturday morning, December 2, 15 boys and girls will leave by motor bus for a four day trip to Chicago. This is the Kent county 4-H Achievement trip sponsored by Grand Rapids and Kent county business firms. The group will stay in Chicago until Tuesday afternoon.

Following are the delegates from various townships: Nanda Grannis, Nelson; Elmer Johnson, Walker; Charlene Gross, Algoma; Eleanor Stevens, Oakfield; Claire Jensen, Walker; Doris Friend, Paris; Enid Ball, Byron; Dorothy Wingeier, Lowell; James Shellard, Walker; Wesley Hessler, Courtland; Lewis Hendershot, Walker; Warren Benjamin, Nelson; Gerald Allen, Walker; Bert Saur, Sparta; Keith Clinton, Ada.

While in Chicago they will see stream line trains, Chicago Board of Trade, museums, planetarium, aquarium, International Fat Stock Show, downtown stores and other points of interest.

They will be accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. K. Vining and Mrs. Frances Sattler.

### Box Elder Bug Pesting Homes Here

He's piped in red, but don't be alarmed, it's likely he's a box elder bug rather than a beebug. Housewives in a number of Lowell homes report great annoyance from these pesky bugs and they will therefore be interested in the following information received by the Ledger direct from Michigan State College.

"Cold weather drove swarms of box elder bugs indoors, if the inquiries and samples reaching the Michigan State College entomology department are any guide. These bugs won't do any damage, unless they get squashed on walls or wallpaper—they merely want some free heat until they can get outdoors to their favorite box elder tree next spring."

"In fact, say the college entomologists, the bug will even stay in hiding, unless the house warms up to such an extent as to fool him into believing spring has arrived prematurely."

"Besides the red piping, the box elder bug's description includes such details as length, one-half to three-fourths of an inch, and color, grayish-brown."

"Professor Ray Hutson recommends a sharp axe or hatchet, used in pruning the box elder tree, to get to the ground level. The person visiting Hutson's office recently asked if that wouldn't kill the box elder tree."

"And the entomologist replied, 'That's just what I mean!'"

### See Local Talent In Stirring Drama

The Congregational and Methodist Churches are continuing the fine habit of cooperative efforts. Friday, Dec. 1st they will unite in presenting a temperance play, entitled "Death Takes the Steering Wheel." This production will be given in the gymnasium of the Methodist Church at 8:00 p. m.

The following local people will have parts: Frank Coons as the Judge, Rev. Walter Ratcliffe as the State's Attorney, Malcolm Correll as the Defendant, The Rev. Robert Burkadale as the Coroner, Earl Haner as the Detective, Mary Kent as Miss Brenton, Mrs. Malcolm Correll as Alice Ball, Carl Freyermuth as Clerk of Court, and Robert Warner as the Bailiff. Twelve local people will constitute a jury.

The play written by George Y. Hammett is based on a common situation of today—a drunk driver kills an innocent pedestrian. The Anti-Saloon League of Michigan is assisting in the presentation. Everyone is invited to be present at 8 o'clock in the gymnasium of the Methodist Church for this timely dramatic production. An offering will be taken.

### Service of Praise And Dedication

A special service of Praise and Dedication will be held in the Congregational church Sunday evening, Dec. 17, at 7:30. During the service the new Hammond electric organ will be dedicated, also the new drapes and cross and candlesticks. The choir will sing several appropriate selections and Mrs. David Cox will render special selections on the organ. There will also be congregational singing of well-known hymns. Reserve the date and plan to be present for this service. The complete program will be printed in a later issue of the Ledger.

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### Development of Rural Electricity

The first extension meeting to discuss rural electricity in Michigan was held at Ballard's Corners Church in January, 1927. Since that time rural power lines have had a slow but steady growth in Kent county. In 1927 there were 56.5 miles of line. Ten years later in 1937 there were 693 miles and \$320 farm connections. A check-up October 1st, this year, showed 1,017 miles of line with 1,480 farm connections. Consumers Power Company in Grand Rapids report that of last May there were 816 miles with an average of about four possible connections per mile. Since that time there have been lines built reducing that figure.

The lines are divided among the utilities as follows: Consumers Power Company has 913 miles and 4,158 farms; Lowell municipal plant, 43 miles and 260 farms; R. E. A., 61 miles and 62 farms.

### Boys Keep Farm Records

Eight 4-H club members in Kent county are keeping farm account books in cooperation with the farm management department at Michigan State College. They are also enrolled in a national 4-H farm account contest. The boys enrolled are James Shellard of Walker, Lee Patterson of Cascade, Roger VanLaan of Gaines, George Krebs of Bowne, Donald Anderson of Vergennes, Gerald Williams of Oakfield, Roger Galt of Sparta, and Robert Sowerby of Oakfield. Now only do these boys keep the farm records but at the close of the contest they write a report of the effect the book has had on the farm operations.

### 4-H Club House

Last August we accompanied a group of 4-H crop club members to the Frank Hamilton farm near Coopersville for judging work with boys from that county.

The Hamiltons have an extra house on their farm. The 4-H club in that neighborhood had fixed it up into a club house. Chairs had been brought from the various homes. An old organ furnished music. A stove was set up for cooking. Here these club members held their meetings, prepared their lunches, held their judging and demonstration contest. The place was neat and attractive and we could not help but wonder if there were places in Kent county where our 4-H clubs might have a club house.

### School Forest Attracts Attention

The Lowell school forest is surely growing and attracting much attention in that section. The Smith-Hughes students in the high school recently made a count of the trees planted in 1930 and 1931. On 10.2 acres of land there was a total of 7,260 white and red pine trees averaging from six to 12 feet tall. A total of 13 acres has been planted in this plot and about five acres more around the new reservoir.

The State Department of Conservation will supply a limited number of trees for school forest purposes where the land is owned by some unit of government like the school district, township or village.

### ROLL CALL CHAIRMAN EXPRESSES APPRECIATION

Mrs. Charles Doyle, who was the chairman for Lowell township in collection of the Red Cross contributions, wishes to express her thanks and appreciation to the women who helped her in the canvass work and to the people of Lowell who so graciously responded. The total amount collected was \$200.16 which far exceeds that of any year.

Mrs. W. V. Burras and Mrs. Claude Cole collected \$57 in southwest Lowell.



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WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS BY JOSEPH W. LABINE Battle to Raise National Debt Makes New Taxes Impossible; Touchy Topic in Election Year

NEWS QUIZ Know your news! One hundred in perfect score; deduct 20 for each question you miss. Score 60 or more is good.

Pen Picture of State Milk Situation BY GENE ALLEMAN Michigan Press Association Editor's Note: This is the first of a series of articles on Michigan's new milk pricing act.

Select YOUR Lane Cedar Hope Chest NOW! This conservative modern design is equipped with the latest in safety features.

This and That From Around the Old Town Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Harris of Wayland were in Lowell Monday calling on friends.

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America's Luxury Overcoat ROCKUNA More Warmth Less Weight \$92.75 Including tax

Ledger Entries RUNNING OUT OF HOME TOWN YOU probably will be a spender a little sum of money to get ready for Christmas.

WHITE HOUSE Budget Next spring the national debt will reach its \$45,000,000 legal limit. To circumvent the limit of \$45,000,000 the deficit to be covered is \$20,000,000 and \$25,000,000.

Setting the Pace The milk driver, whose hours of work are controlled by a week pay plan, is expected to be a busy man.

So. Keene-No. Boston Mrs. Ed. Potter with Mr. and Mrs. John Hoover was in Lowell Monday.

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ALTO DEPARTMENT (Mrs. Fred Pattison)

Methodist Church News
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South Lowell Church Dinner
The South Lowell Aid Society will serve a dinner Friday noon...

Old-Fashioned Supper
Mr. and Mrs. V. L. Watts entertained Saturday evening in their home...

Alto Ladies
Don't forget the colored moving picture to be shown and described by Atty. L. D. McGregor...

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Sinclair and Kenneth
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WANTED - Used automatic shallow well pressure system pump.

WANTED - Good 40 to 100 acre farm.

WANTED - Worn out and crippled stock.

PULLETS FOR SALE - White Leghorns, ready to lay.

SHAW & LONGSTREET, 14 1/2 miles east of Middleville.

Service Station
Kent County 4-11 Service Club has its monthly meeting...

Keene Brookes Mrs. A. Lo

Clayton Cahoon and Melville Buche hunted around Luther Saturday...

FOR SALE - 3 one-year-old heifers, also red oak wood.

FOR SALE - Heavy, sport-buck overcoat, in fine condition.

FOR SALE - Nice healthy meat rabbit, raised under sanitary conditions.

USED APPLIANCES - McCormick Deering, Farmall tractor.

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TAXIDERMIST - Deer heads mounted, hides tanned.

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**Boston Butt Roast** lb. 16c  
**Lean Pork Steak** lb. 17c  
**Fresh Pork Liver** lb. 10c  
**Bulk Pk. Sausage** lb. 12 1/2c  
**End Cut**  
**Pork Chops** - - lb. 19c  
**Fresh Spare Ribs** lb. 15c  
**Center Cut**  
**Pork Shoulder Roast** lb. 13c  
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## Social Events

**Impressive O.E.S. Installation**  
 Cyclamen Chapter, No. 94, O.E.S., held their annual installation of officers Monday evening. They are as follows: Worthy Matron, Lila Johnson; Worthy Patron, L. E. Johnson; Associate Matron, Ella Purchase; Associate Patron, Wm. C. Hartman; Secretary, Emma Coons; Treasurer, Lora Hartman; Conductress, Florence Shay; Associate Conductress, Mary Warner; Chaplain, Myrtle Sinclair; Marshal, Grace Niles; Organist, Evelyn Wittenbach; Ada, Mary Kent; Ruth, Theta Ann Emlander; Esther, Ethel Schulz; Martha, Boulah Hayward; Electra, Mary Bennett; Warder, Anna Yardley; Sentinel, Katie Carr.

The Worthy Matron was escorted to the East by ten young ladies carrying large yellow mums and the past matron of Cyclamen Chapter carrying lighted candles. The Junior Past Matron, Doris Roth, was then escorted to her place with the other past matrons. Jimmie Johnson escorted his father to his station. The young ladies also escorted the Associate Matron to her station and assisted in the installation of the star points.

The installing officers were: Worthy Installing Officer, Grace McFarlane of Grand Rapids; Chaplain, Minnie Lott of Clarksville; Marshal, Frances Jefferies; Organist, Rosella Yetter. Gifts were presented by Patsy DeGraw and Jimmie Johnson.

The ten escorting young ladies were: Florence Shea, Margaret Kyser, Marjean Ponger, Joyce Merrill, Cleo Hayward, Jean Metternick, Sally Gano, Marilyn Kyser, Priscilla Smith and Lucille Warner.

The program preceding the installation consisted of readings by Rosella Yetter and Rene Fairchilds and piano selections by Charlotte White.

Doris Roth and Wm. Hartman were escorted to the East by Beatrice Krum and Frances Jefferies and presented with their jewels. Refreshments were served to the many guests from Belding, Ionia, Clarksville, Ada, Grand Rapids and Lowell.

**Past Noble Grand**  
 Mrs. Anna Stinchcomb entertained the Past Noble Grand club of Ionia City Rebekah Lodge at the home of Mrs. E. L. Kinyon with Mrs. Hattie Walker assisting, on Tuesday evening, November 28.

Contests were indulged in and nice prizes were given to the lucky contestants. Mrs. Stinchcomb and Mrs. Walker served refreshments and a general good time was had by everyone present. There were 14 in all. Mrs. Jas. Topp of Saranac Past Noble Grand Club was a guest.

**Lowell Extension Group**  
 The Lowell Extension Group of Michigan State College met at the home of Mrs. Harry Stauffer with Mrs. George Story as assistant hostess, on Tuesday of this week.

"Nutrition" is the subject under discussion for the ensuing year and the lesson for Tuesday was "Better Breakfasts" which proved to be very interesting and helpful to these present.

**Celebrate Anniversary**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Howard Potter were pleasantly surprised Saturday evening when twenty relatives and friends came to remind them of their twenty-fifth anniversary. The evening was spent playing euchre and visiting. Some lovely gifts were left them with wishes for many more years of happiness. Guests were from Lowell, Grand Ledge and Clarksville.

Wrinkles should merely show where the smiles have been.—Mark Twain.

# STYLE... You get it in a FORD

**Baker-Read**  
 Miss Marion Read, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy J. Read of Ver-gennes and Frank Baker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker of Grand Rapids were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 23. The single ring ceremony was performed by the Rev. C. L. Bradley of Grand Rapids and formerly of Lowell, who also married the bride's parents.

The bride was dressed in an afternoon gown of blue, carrying a bouquet of white carnations, and wore a garland in her hair. The bridesmaid was Mrs. Cornelius Koert of Grand Rapids, a sister of the groom, and wore an afternoon dress of dark blue and carried a bouquet of pink carnation.

Mr. Baker was attended by Jas. Read, brother of the bride. Only the immediate families were present at the ceremony, and which all enjoyed a Thanksgiving dinner of turkey, goose and all the trimmings, fifteen being present.

A reception was held for the couple at Lone Pine Inn on Saturday evening with about 400 neighbors and friends in attendance. The honored couple received many useful and expensive gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker accompanied by the bride's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas W. Read left on Tuesday morning for Long Beach, Florida, where the Read's will spend the winter and Mr. and Mrs. Baker will remain about ten days, returning home north along the Atlantic coast to New York City visiting a sister and an aunt in Pennsylvania.

The couple plan to reside with the bride's parents until spring when they plan to take an apartment in Lowell. They have the best wishes of their many friends.

**Luncheon-Bridge**  
 Mrs. Reuben Lee entertained on Monday afternoon with a luncheon bridge at her home. Five tables of bridge were in play, honors going to Mrs. Ray Bergin, Mrs. Paul Kellogg and Mrs. Fred Swarthout.

**CARD OF THANKS**  
 I wish to express my sincere appreciation to all those who were so kind to me during my recent illness.  
 The Rev. E. J. Jewell.

Mrs. Bert James of Portsmouth, Ohio is visiting this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Webster.

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**More Local News**  
 Mr. and Mrs. Donald McPherson are spending next week in Chicago.  
 Harold Wester of Alto brought down a fine 8-point buck in the north last week.  
 Mrs. Frank Myers of Lake Odessa spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Ed. Walker.  
 Miss Janet Hill of Detroit was a Thanksgiving guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Hill.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Miles Dodds of So. Boston spent Thanksgiving with their sister, Mrs. Ed. Walker.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Archie Condon were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hooker near Wayland.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Dodds of Saranac and Mrs. Ed. Good of Ionia spent Friday at the home of Mrs. Ed. Walker.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Briggs of Grand Rapids were Thanksgiving guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry N. Briggs.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Elmer S. White entertained 12 guests for Thanksgiving dinner at the home of Mrs. White's mother, Mrs. E. A. Hayward of Saranac.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Burnette Condon and children had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Seger, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Kenyon of Hastings were callers at the Seger home.  
 Those from away to attend the wedding of Miss Marion Read and Frank Baker were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Baker and Miss Pearl Mungerson of Grand Rapids and Chas. Read of Flint.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Howard Malcolm and three children, Mrs. Walter Finger and Mrs. Henry Tenishoff of Grand Rapids spent Wednesday at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Malcolm.  
 Sam Yetter, son of Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Yetter, has been selected as one of the Michigan State College seniors whose names will appear in "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."  
 Callers last week of Harley and Anna Maynard were Mr. and Mrs. Biggo Nielson of Ionia, Bruce Ball of Mason and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Bailey of St. Charles. Mr. Bailey is a former agricultural teacher in the Lowell schools.  
 Mrs. John Lalley and son Bill and James McMahon of Lowell, Robert Lalley of Lapeer, Jack Lalley of Dowagiac and Margaret Lalley of Grand Rapids were Thanksgiving guests of the Misses Kathryn and Anna Lalley in Grand Rapids.  
 Have heard of the following successful deer hunters in addition to those mentioned last week: Ralph Townsend, Arthur Schneider, Robert Schneider, Ben Kerekes, Vine Hunter, Richard Kerekes, Fred Haysmer, Verne Hapeman, Fred Belmer and William Read a deer and a coyote.  
 Miss Mary E. Briggs of Chicago was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harry N. Briggs from Thursday until Sunday. On Saturday evening they were dinner and evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Hilton Briggs in Grand Rapids. Sunday they drove to Wayland where they were dinner guests of Mrs. Jennie Damoth. Miss Briggs remained with Mrs. Damoth for a visit.  
 Last Saturday, the Hesperian Fraternity boys of M. S. C., East Lansing, entertained their fathers to the football game and dinner afterwards in the Hesperian house. Among those from Lowell to attend were E. C. Foreman with Philip Althen, A. A. Curtis with Arthur Curtis and O. J. Yetter with Sam Yetter. As it was the last football game of this season, Sam put in his final performance as cheer leader for the Michigan State fans. Philip Althen, who is a freshman, has been acting as Sam's understudy and will take his place next year.

Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Lustig of Grand Rapids entertained with a Thanksgiving dinner last Thursday evening, after the South High school football game, for the following: Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Yetter, Evelyn, Robert and Sam and Don Wingeier of Lowell, Jack Curtiss of Morse Lake, Mr. and Mrs. Dale V. Curtiss and son Lawrence of North Manchester, Ind., Mrs. Doherty Priest and two children of Grand Rapids.

## Coming Events

Regular meeting of Kent County Council of PTA, Tuesday, Dec. 5, at 10:30 a. m., at Kelloggsville school.

Officers of units of PTA associated with Grand Rapids Council meet with Kent County Council for luncheon on Tuesday, Dec. 12, at 12:00 noon, at Oakleigh school, West Leonard Road.

New Postoffice dedication, Monday afternoon, Dec. 11, 3:00 o'clock. Public invited.

Board of Trade dinner, South Boston Grange hall, Dec. 11, 7:00 o'clock. Ladies invited. Dancing following dinner hour.

Tea and apron sale Friday afternoon, Dec. 8, 2:00 to 5:00, at the home of Mrs. Hattie Peckham, sponsored by the Peckham Group. Everyone welcome. c29-21

The Townsend Club will meet Friday evening, Dec. 1, at the City hall. Phonograph records will be heard of a speech given by Dr. Townsend. A good attendance is desired.

The Lenora Perry Group of the Congregational Church will hold a Christmas gift, bake and wreath sale on Saturday, Dec. 9, at the W. A. Roth furniture store. c29

The Lila Group of the Congregational Church will meet with Mrs. Anna Yardley at the home of Dr. S. S. Lee on Riverside Dr., Friday afternoon, Dec. 1.

The Whitneyville Ladie Aid will hold a sale and supper at the home of Vern Aldrich Dec. 7. Everyone invited. c29

Annual convocation of Hooker Chapter, No. 73, R. A. M., Wednesday evening, Dec. 6, at 7:30, for election of officers and work in the 4th degree.—Roy A. Richardson, H. P.

The December meeting of the Methodist Ladies Aid will be Friday, Dec. 1, at 3 o'clock at the home of Mrs. Walter T. Ratcliffe.

The Junior Segwon Community Club will have a party with a pot-luck supper on December 12, at 7 o'clock at the South Ward school. All young people are cordially invited.

Remember the date, Wednesday evening, Dec. 6—a euchre party at the American Legion hall. c29

The next meeting of the Lowell Women's Democrat Club will be a Christmas party, Dec. 6, at 8:00 p. m., at the home of Mrs. Wilson Washburn. Each member to bring a 10c gift for exchange.

The Good Will Club will meet Wednesday, Dec. 6, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Detmer for dinner and afternoon meeting. Each lady to bring a 10c gift.

Vergennes Co-Operative Club will be postponed one week and will be entertained by Mrs. Donald McPherson on Dec. 14. Roll Call will be Christmas Jingles with the usual exchange of gifts at the December meeting. Members will also discuss "Dainty Dishes for Christmas Dinner." Bessie Frost and Selene Condon are the committee for this meeting.

Window Night, Lowell, Saturday, Dec. 9.

The South Boston extension group will meet with Mrs. Elmer Marshall on December 6 instead of December 13 as previously announced. The meeting will begin at 10:00 o'clock.

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**BIRTHS**  
 To Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Lewis, on Monday, Nov. 27, a 9 1/4 lb. daughter, Virginia Lee, at the Lux Maternity hospital.  
 To Mr. and Mrs. Otis Bibbler, a 10 1/4 lb. son, Otis James Jr., on Monday, November 27.  
 Ledger want ads. bring results.

**ODD BITS**  
 Meeting in Geneva, Switzerland, the World Women's Party recently founded the "Women's League of Nations for Equal Rights With Men."  
 After a fifty-day voyage from LaRochele, 11 hungry Spanish war refugees arrived at Port of Spain, Trinidad, in their schooner Alexandrine Eudoxie.  
 For the first time since its foundation in 1662, a woman, Rev. Dorothy Wilson, preached in Ramsgate (England) Congregational Church recently.

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