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FORTY-NINTH YEAR

LOWELL, MICHIGAN, SEPTEMBER 11, 1941

No. 18

TO ARMS AND FORWARD

BACK THEY SWING again to admit through their entrance-way the army of America's youth...

GETTING MAD IN ARGUMENTS

CAN YOU ARGUE with someone who differs from you without getting red in the face...

SWEET AND MELLOW

COMES SEPTEMBER with the passing of summer's drought and heat...

BLOOD ON HAND

THE LATEST in medical news for the protection of soldiers, comes in the fact that the time may not be far off when the body will carry their own blood...

BUYING FARM LAND

FARM LAND is being purchased through the land at the fastest rate in the last ten years...

LIBRARY NOTICE

For the convenience of those who ride to school in the bus the library will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

NOTICE

Your new Watkins dealer for Ionia county and the townships of Keene, Berlin, Boston, Otisco, Easton and Orleans will start about the 10th of September...

Lowell Showboat Official Report

1941 Net Profits Above All Records

The annual business meeting and election of officers of Lowell Showboat, Inc., was held at the City Hall last Monday evening...

Treasurer's Report

Dan A. Wiegeler, treasurer of Lowell Showboat, Inc., gave a very complete report of the 1941 receipts, disbursements and attendance...

ATTENDANCE RECORDS FOR PREVIOUS YEARS

Attendance records for previous years were as follows: 1938, 12,400; 1939, 13,791; 1940, 13,271.

NET PROFITS FOR FORMER YEARS COMPARED

Net profits for former years compared with 1941 were: 1939, \$1,708.03; 1940, \$1,338.01.

Tomato Pack Here Beating All Records

Things are booming in great shape at the L. W. Rutherford canning factory where a total of 165 employees are working industriously putting up this season's tomato product...

Local Science Group Aiding in War Relief

One war relief activity which has been little publicized is the Christian Science War Relief Committee, with main offices at 237 Huntington Avenue, Boston, Mass.

Ten Selectees Named By Draft Board No. 1

Ten men for draft board No. 1, last of the local boards to announce its September selectees, were named Saturday by Chief Clerk Donovan Wheeler.

Services Friday for Bernard J. Flynn, 88

Bernard J. Flynn, 88, resident of Caldonia township, for 42 years, died Tuesday afternoon at his farm home.

NEW FALL TOPOCATS READY

New Fall Topcoats for men ready. Tweeds, Herringbones, Sheltdans, Fleecees, Cavalry and Twills, the swiftest and most complete showing we have ever presented for your verdict.

Young Man's Death Is Deeply Mourned

Along Main Street

This community was shocked beyond measure when word reached here early Monday morning of the tragic death of Raymond J. Denny, 21-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denny.

Not a vacant store building in Lowell's business district.

William C. Doyle was informed by state highway officials on Tuesday that all of the brick pavement between the two main street bridges will be replaced this season by the Lamk Construction Company.

Here's probably the oddest bit of news of the week.

After the outbreak on the L. R. farm southeast of Lowell was moved from its concrete foundation by a sudden gust of wind.

Wind of considerable velocity hit Lowell about 5:30 p. m. Tuesday.

Raymond's death occurred about four o'clock Monday morning on US-16 three miles east of Portland while enroute to his work in Lansing where he was employed by the state cow testing association.

It didn't take the Lowell golfers of the Cascade Country Club very long to make up their mind to take up the challenge made by the Lowell members of the Ionia Country Club.

Purple dye in the food of a black and white cow tinted the milk that she produced.

There's little commercial application but the process is highly useful to scientists. C. F. Huffman and C. W. Duncan at Michigan State College took up the challenge as a guide and perfected a process that enables them to determine the rate at which food fats go through a cow's digestive tract to emerge in the milk and fat produced.

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New Cancer Consultant

Dr. Moyer announced that Dr. F. L. Rector, who was for 11 years midwestern field representative of the American Society for the Control of Cancer, will become the Department's cancer consultant on September 15.

Strand Calendar

Thursday, Sept. 11—Frank Craven and Eileen O'Hara in "The Richest Man in Town"; also added, "They Dare Not Love" with George Brent and Martha Scott.

Good Typing Paper

Strong, white Sulphite bond 100 sheets, 8 1/2 x 11 for 28c including tax.—Lowell Ledger.

Emil Ludwiga's novel, "Diana" will be filmed in Mexico.

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Services Held Monday For Mrs. Blanche Clapp

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon for Mrs. Blanche Clapp, 74, who passed away Saturday morning after a long illness.

Former Resident Is Buried Here Sunday

Funeral services were held in the Haner Chapel here Sunday afternoon for Mrs. Victoria Heydlauff, 75, a former resident and widow of O. Heydlauff, who was at one time a station agent at the Grand Trunk railroad here.

Junior Farm Bureau Unique Dance Idea

The Junior Farm Bureau met on September 4, at the Vergennes Grange Hall, the main part of the program was a panel discussion on rural social graces, led by Mary Farrell.

Rittenger Announces New Insurance Service

A new service now rendered by the Rittenger Insurance Agency is arrangement for automobile finance. Mr. Rittenger states that many people in buying new and used cars, through the regular finance companies find that they must cancel the insurance they carried on the old car and buy new insurance through the finance company.

Kent County Grangers Elect State Delegates

Kent County Grangers held a convention at the Pantlind Hotel last Thursday for the purpose of naming delegates to the Michigan State Grange convention to be held at Sault Ste. Marie October 28, 29 and 30.

DIES AT SISTER'S HOME

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Complimentary Dinner For the Showboat

All members of Lowell Showboat chorus of 1941 will be entertained at a dinner and dance at the Hotel in Ada next Tuesday evening, Sept. 16. The dinner will be served promptly at 7:00 o'clock. Those needing transportation should contact Arthur Curtis.

Vacancies to Fill U. S. Naval Academy

Trend Favoring Smaller Towns

Representative Bartel J. Jonkman, of the 8th District of Michigan, announces an examination to be held on Saturday, October 4th, at 8:30 a. m., in the Post Office Building at Grand Rapids, to enable him to fill two vacancies for 1942 at the United States Naval Academy.

Banner Enrollment For Lowell Schools

The Lowell school enrollment is the largest in the history of the institution. On the third day, seven hundred-twenty boys and girls had registered, marking an all time record.

Highways, Autos

Rural living has become more urban in character because of the automobile, radio, and motion pictures and the advent of good roads and electricity.

3-Year-Old Ada Child Badly Hurt on Highway

Janet Koning, 3-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Koning of R. F. D. Ada, was taken to Blodgett hospital Wednesday after she had been struck by an automobile on M-21 north of Ada when she was returning from the mail box to her home.

Empty Houses Scarce

As any Michigan country editor will tell you, empty houses are pretty scarce in small towns.

Calculations

What the 1940 census means in long-range calculations was the subject of a recent Kiplinger service letter in Washington to its clients. Here are some forecasts.

Right Kind of Propaganda

One of the daily columns in a local paper carries a few days' worth of 4-H clubs. It has a picture that will rate attention. Its title will be "Young America" with Jane Withers the star.

Defense Bond Quiz

Q. Can Defense Savings Stamps be redeemed? A. Yes; they can be redeemed for cash at face value or exchanged for Defense Savings Bonds.

Did You Know That?

Less than 1/4 of the original saw timber in this country remains standing. That more than one third of this is in Western Oregon and Washington, while the east with 1/4 of the land and 4-5 of the people has less than one third of the timber? That 1/2 of our commercial forest is privately owned and produces 95 per cent of our timber cut? That the United States now uses 4 of the lumber, more than 1/4 of the paper and 1-5 of the wood in all forms consumed in the world? It pays to advertise in the Ledger.

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PETER PUBLIC—Small Wonder!



NEW HEATER SENSATION DRIVES HEAT BY FORCE!



AMAZING NEW DUO-THERM POWER-AIR UNIT SAVES UP TO 25% ON FUEL COSTS!

Now you can drive heat to floors and far corners—beat the whole house faster and more evenly with the Duo-Therm... \$59.50 EASY UP TERMS

WHITNEYVILLE HONEY CREEK

Mrs. Walter Flynn entertained the Ladies Aid Society... Mrs. Leo Warren and Mrs. Jerry Raab on evening last week...

EAST CALEDONIA

Mrs. S. VanNoman... Mrs. and Mrs. Joe Baty attended the Ladies Aid Society...

Enjoy Everything

A friend of ours, speaking about her husband, said: "Jim has a simple little philosophy that helps him. Everything that he does he tries to do with a spirit of enjoyment. He looks for joy and expects to find it."

Refrigerator Prices Reduced

The average price of an electric refrigerator 20 years ago was \$600. The average price today is \$154—for a lot better product.

One thing that made this price reduction possible was that millions of people bought electric refrigerators. Volume brought prices down. And one thing that made volume possible was advertising, which taught people to want electric refrigerators.

The Lowell Ledger

SO. KEENE—NO. BOSTON

Jolly Community Club will meet next Wednesday and hot potluck supper with Mrs. George Glend...

Alto News

Halloween Pet Parade... Alto business men at the pet parade to be held Oct. 31...

Mothers' Club Meeting

The first meeting of the Mothers' Club will be Friday evening, Sept. 19 at 8 o'clock at the schoolhouse...

Alto Local

Mrs. Elmer Dintaman was taken to hospital Saturday in preparation for an operation next week. We hope she can soon be back with us again...

CAMPAU LAKE

Mrs. E. H. Hard... Mrs. and Mrs. John McGivern of Detroit were Labor Day callers...

Country Club Assn.

Meat loaves... HERRUD'S... CHUCK ROAST... BOILING BEEF... SWIFT'S PREMIUM... VEAL ROAST... YELLOW PIKE... VEIN-X SHRIMP

Nature's Recipe for Bumper Crop

Plenty of Plant Food Helps low yield of poor quality at harvest completes the story. "Physiological deficiency does not set in slow growth and lateness of maturity, in stunted plants, discoloration and poorly formed kernels or fruit."

"When potash—the balance wheel of plant life—is missing, growing plants are an easy prey to diseases and extreme variations of temperature. A complete lack of potash may result in a slight sweeping over an entire crop."

"A lack of potassium results in stunted growth. The young seedling will exhaust its food supply from the seed soon after germination. Then, having received what little it can from the soil, it ceases to grow. Leaves become thick and brittle. A

STAR CORNERS

Mrs. and Mrs. Lloyd Short of Midland... Mrs. and Mrs. Harry Doughner and Mrs. Mary Hooper called at Ray...

SOUTH BOSTON BUS CORNERS

Mrs. and Mrs. Eric Strand and Dorothy Johnson of Battle Creek visited at Wm. Johnson's over the week-end...

HICKORY CORNERS

Mrs. and Mrs. George Schwandt and sons Lloyd and Lytle of Clarksville spent Saturday night and Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Robert Yetter and family...

USED CORN HUSKER

FOR SALE—5 pigs, 6 weeks old, all grades A, at \$5 each... FOR SALE—Fur school, weight about 13 pounds, red color...

FOR SALE—Transcendent

Wholesale, quality apples and juice grapes at Carl James, Lowell, Mich. 4-1212

WANTED—CORN CUTTING

Wanted—CORN CUTTING to do by the acre with binder. Harry Matthews, 4 1/2 miles west of Lowell, 11 miles from Lowell, Mich. Phone 48-111

FOR SALE—Peaches

FOR SALE—Peaches, while they last, all grades A, at \$5 bushel... FOR SALE—3-year-old Guernsey cow, freshened in August...

CONCORD GRAPES

CONCORD GRAPES are ripe. Come anytime but Saturday. Bring your containers. Frank Deibel, Anderson, Mich. Phone 3-2144

AMERICAN BANNER

AMERICAN BANNER seed wheat, hard, white, no chaff, vetch, timothy, clover, alfalfa, timothy, alfalfa and clover in the spring...

EVERYTHING FOR THE HOME

EVERYTHING FOR THE HOME... 2-piece living room set in beautiful... 1-piece living room set in beautiful...

WEST BOSTON

Mrs. Harvey McClure and daughter of Detroit are spending a few weeks at the former's parents, Mrs. Lydia Karcher and Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Thomas...

SOUTH BOSTON

Gaylord Lewis is attending Saranac high school and goes to the Saranac school bus...

WANT ADS

FOR RENT—5-room apartment, bath, automatic hot water, garage if desired, located on Riverfront, Phone 29-72, Ralph's Furniture & Appliances...

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FOR SALE—Red Star high quality fertilizer, 80 lb. bags, F. P. MacFarlane Co., Phone 133-72, Lowell, Mich.

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RED & WHITE

SHORTENING

AND THRIFTY TOO!

3 lb. can 53c

FRANCO-AMERICAN

Spaghetti 3 cans 25c
Contains delicious tomato sauce and choice cheddar cheese

RED & WHITE

Extra-Sifted Peas No. 2 15c
Picked young, they're sweet, tiny and tender

Green & White

Coffee lb. 20c

Blue & White

Coffee lb. 27c

Red & White

Coffee lb. 31c

Red & White

Gl. Starch lb. 7 1/2c

Washo 2 boxes 37c

Lye can 10c

Red & White

Sauer Kraut large can 10c

Kellogg's

Corn Flakes large box 8 1/2c

Hekman's

Saltines lb. box 16c

Chipso large 21 1/2c

Ivory Flakes 21 1/2c

French's

Bird Seed box 12 1/2c

JACK & JILL

Ammonia qt. 10c
For easier cleaning

A. B. C. DIET

Dog Food 5c
POUND CAN

FEIS-NAPHA

Soap 10 bars 41c
Chase away tattle gray

Choice Fruits and Fresh Vegetables

Mich. Apples

Wealthies McIntosh

Wolf River

10 lbs. 25c

Hubbard Squash lb. 4c

Bagas pound 3c

SWEET Potatoes 6 lbs. 19c

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WEAVER'S FOOD MARKET

PHONE 156 **We Give Gold Stamps** **WE DELIVER**

Get Your VITAMINS in the Meat You Love

For patties, meat loaves, or combination dishes

Fr. Grd. Beef lb. 23c

Noodles are good with

Beef Sh'r't Ribs lb. 17c

Meat to fry

Mutton Chops lb. 19c

Regular 20c value

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One-half pound cello pkg.

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ECONOMICAL and NUTRITIOUS

Mutton Shldr. Rst. lb. 14c
CUT FROM BRANDED BEEF

Beef Chuck Roast lb. 25c

More Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carr spent last Tuesday in East Lansing with their son Russell and wife.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bowen and son Fred were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hitchcock near Ionia.

Mrs. Charles McIntyre was taken to Blodgett hospital in Grand Rapids Tuesday where she was operated upon the same day, her left eye being removed. It is expected she will be able to return home sometime this week-end. Mrs. McIntyre's many friends offer best wishes for a quick recovery.

Douglas LaDue of Midland, recently of Lowell, was severely burned about the face, head and arms last Friday when a pall of paint exploded at the Dow Chemical Company where he is employed. Mr. LaDue will not be able to return to work for some time yet, but his Lowell friends send expressions of hope for a complete recovery.

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Mrs. Bert Merriman and Mrs. Fred Davis just returned from three weeks' trip touring northern Michigan, visiting Sault Ste. Marie and Tahquamenon Falls.

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Guatemala has only two common carrier railways and some of the trains of one are operated over the private lines of a fruit company.

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Social Events

Harker-Gregory

The marriage of Della Gregory, daughter of Percy Gregory of Grand Rapids and James M. Harker, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Harker of Saranac, took place at 8 o'clock last Friday evening at Klise Memorial chapel in Grand Rapids.

Rev. Leo B. Niles of the Burton (Eight) Methodist church performed the ceremony before an altar decorated with peach and white gladiolas. The bride's uncle, Arthur A. Bloomer, gave her in marriage. The groom wore a gown of white sharkskin taffeta, styled on princess lines with a sweetheart neckline and long full skirt. Her fingers were tipped with diamonds. Her finger-ring veil of bridal illusion was held in place by a coronet of white seed pearls and her only jewelry was a necklace of three-strand pearls. She carried a shower bouquet of white gladiolas and white roses.

Mrs. Della Gregory, maid of honor for her cousin, wore a clay rose taffeta dress with shirred taffeta trim and styled similarly to that of the bride. She also wore a necklace of pink pearls, gift of the bride. Her arm bouquet was of roses and white gladiolas. Her bridesmaid wore a soft blue sheer silk. Her flowers were tied with rose ribbon. Jane Connor, cousin of the bridegroom, was flower girl and wore a floor length dress of yellow taffeta made on princess lines. She carried pink roses, asters and daisies.

Earl Harker assisted his brother as best man, and seating the guests was Theron Bloomer, cousin of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Wasdyke, cousins of the bride, were master and mistress of ceremonies. Mrs. Wasdyke wearing beige romaine crepe and a corsage of scarlet roses and daisies.

For her granddaughter's wedding Mrs. George Gregory wore navy blue crepe with a corsage of pink roses. Mrs. Harker wore white velvet and bronze daisies and roses in a shoulder corsage.

Following a reception for 75 guests in the church parlors, Mr. and Mrs. Harker went on a northern wedding trip.

Harker is a Lowell high school graduate and both have many friends in this vicinity who extend best wishes.

Merris Caledonia Girl

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Kropp, who were married at Toledo, Ohio, on August 15, will be at home to their friends at 407 Highway St. after Sept. 15. Mrs. Kropp was formerly Maxine Dygert of Caledonia and is teaching at the Cook school in Cascade.

Their many friends here wish them lots of happiness.

Teesdale-Weeks

Announcements have been received by friends here of the marriage of Miss Norma Weeks and Shelby Teesdale of Grand Rapids in Detroit on August 18. They are now residing in Detroit. Mrs. Teesdale was a former Moseley girl and will be remembered by folks in this vicinity.

Goofus Club Entertained

Mrs. Eugene Carr entertained the Goofus Club at her home last Wednesday at a 1:30 luncheon. Prizes were won by Mrs. John Roth, Mrs. Gus Winglee, Mrs. Oscar Brezina and Mrs. D. H. Oatley.

St. Mary's Altar Society

Mrs. Ed. Maloney entertained the St. Mary's Altar Society last Friday. Entire was played and prizes were won by Mrs. Raymond Bergin and Mrs. Ethel Burt.

Social Brevities

The Fortnightly Club held its first meeting of the year in the form of a picnic supper at the cottage of Mrs. Bruce Walter at Morrison Lake, on Tuesday evening.

The Book Review Club members entertained their husbands with a picnic supper Wednesday evening on Reservoir Hill.

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National Defense

The experience of England in moving many defense plants into small communities in order to minimize bombing losses has prompted officials at Washington to advocate a "farming-out process" for our national defense orders.

One of the problems of the present defense situation, which calls for haste in manufacture of munitions, is the efficient utilization of industrial facilities in the small cities and towns of 10,000 population and under. Big business has been getting most of the defense orders. Thurman W. Arnold, assistant U. S. attorney-general, recently declared that the largest concern were not farming out orders to small business as they should because "letting the little fellow in means future competition and lower prices."

This charge has been repeated. In substance, by a number of Washington correspondents. The White House itself has come in for severe criticism. Big business has a ready answer: Small concerns lack equipment, experience and personnel to handle orders in any quantities. Take your choice.

Peace Economy

Stuart Chase, author of many books on economics, recently pointed out:

"The better the defense program succeeds in shifting arms production to the larger towns, the easier it will be to go back to a peace economy."

He believes that the bombing of London will probably result in larger open-air spaces and an actual reduction in the sizes of the metropolises.

"Pleasantly smaller cities, better houses, more efficient farms and stores, new machinery in the mills; all these are likely in the future."

Such is a happy prospect if it can only be realized.

Two bakers at one time had to one the job of closing a laundry, and if memory serves the writer eight, two laundries operated here for a time. But that was before Hartford had a garage or an oil station. It was before the days of the modern theatre, about the time that the first soda fountain came to town. It was way back when a restaurant instead of four catered to the public's appetite.

"A majority of towns lost their bakeries, laundries and livery barns before Hartford did. But new enterprises, created by the changing times and affording employment to more people, have taken their places."

"The future of the smaller towns is by no means dark. Indeed, with the persistent trend away from the congested metropolitan areas, which is due in part to transportation facilities, the future of the less populous communities—where life is worth living—is brighter as compared to the cities than at any time in history."

The Hartford editor quotes William H. Berkeley, editor of Cassopolis as saying that the "business renaissance" of the town is justifying the wake of the automobile and good roads has robbed the small town of some of its enterprises" but Cochran makes the point that "it has brought it other and newer enterprises and is continuing to bring in new forms of activity, new residents and new assets. Life in the small town is less drab, less circumscribed than before that 'business readjustment.'"

400-Acre Woods Opened To Public

What can be done with 400 acres of run-down land?

An example of the solution to this problem is now open to public inspection after years of planning and work by the forestry department of Michigan State College.

The tract of land was donated to the college in 1932 by W. K. Kellogg of Battle Creek. The land is located near Augusta, with an entrance on Augusta road.

In donating the land the request was made that the college illustrate rehabilitation of eroded and abandoned farm land by conservation practices. The forestry department carried out this request. Multiple land use programs were involved. These plantings have now grown up sufficiently to show results.

Eventual production is assured of sawlogs, firewood, Christmas trees, nuts, honey, game food and game shelter and game fish. At the same time further erosion has been stopped and the area improved to permit use of the land for public recreation. The stream has been improved with 82 deflectors, barriers, cover and other structures to improve depth and water conditions. Walter F. Morofsky, college specialist, on insect foods for trout, has supervised the stream improvement work. In 1937 out of 225 fish found in the creek only one was a trout. Legal catch of trout in 1941 was 585 in this stretch of water.

Encourage Fox Squirrels With Nut Trees in Rows

Farmers wishing to encourage fox squirrels should allow nut trees to grow in fence rows, as shade trees in pastures, along lanes, and in woodlot borders, according to the conservation department field man at Rose Lake wildlife experiment station near Lansing.

Open-grown trees getting plenty of sunlight develop large crowns and bear better crops of nuts and seeds than woodlot trees. The Rose Lake study discloses, providing squirrels with their chief food. Most yields were smallest in years in 1940 but fence row hickories at Rose Lake averaged eight quarts of shelled nuts and walnuts from one to two bushels, while woodlot trees yielded practically nothing.

MICHIGAN FARMERS CAN HELP RAILWAYS AVOID TRAFFIC JAM

CHICAGO.—Whether American railroads can handle the biggest freight hauling job of the decade this year depends on two factors, authorities believe:

1—The cooperation of shippers in speeding the loading and unloading of cars; in keeping freight equipment in circulation and making each unit do a more efficient job.

2—A speeding up of the new car construction program now seriously hampered by shortages of steel and delays due to strikes.

"To these two might be added a third—the cooperation of agriculture," says a bulletin issued here. "Right now this cooperation can consist of avoiding delays in ordering supplies that run into tonnage."

"For instance, if such essential commodities as fertilizer are bought immediately and shipped to the farmer before peak traffic clogs the tracks, this will help take some of the strain of the transportation system later on. This applies not only to rail shipments but to trucks, also, for with the greatly increased rail movement trucks have been pressed into extra service all over the country."

"Moreover, such a procedure can help in the defense program, too, for the farmer's ability to produce bumper crops depends on the productivity of the soil. And this soil productivity, in turn, is dependent on whether the land receives a sufficient supply of necessary nitrogen, phosphorus and potash. By ordering his fertilizer now the farmer can be assured of an adequate supply later on which will help him make the slogan 'Food Will Win the War' a reality."

Scene of Villa Ra'd

History was made at Columbus N. M., March 9, 1916, when Francisco (Pancho) Villa, called by an American author "The Enchanted Captain," invaded the United States at the head of his revolutionary band of Mexicans, killing 16 Americans, soldiers and civilians, and setting fire to the town. Driven off by U. S. cavalry, the raiders left 230 of their number dead on the battlefield. The motive for Villa's attack has never been definitely ascertained. The incident caused President Woodrow Wilson to order the Punitive Expedition into Mexico under command of Gen. John J. Pershing, who later became the commander of the American Expeditionary Force in Europe during the World war.

Rocking Children to Sleep

A few years ago amateur experts claimed that the child's emotional development would be injured by such a motherly act as rocking a child to sleep. We now know from thousands of clinical cases, however, that this cuddling is good for both child and parent. Lack of cuddling causes the emotional trouble. The practical difficulty for some parents is time and for many others a rocking chair. This seems to have gone out of style. A theoretical difficulty is that the child may want to be rocked every night.

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Reunions

Shull Family

The Shull family reunion met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ryder Sunday, Aug. 31, with 48 present. There were only three from Lowell, Mrs. Adelbert Odell, Betty Dennis and Mrs. Sam Ryder. Other towns represented from Michigan were Grand Rapids, Portland and Nashville, Indiana, Auburn, Cornuna, Mishawaka, Ft. Wayne, Waterloo, Rome City, Garrett and Warsaw; also Puyallup, Wash., and Honolulu, Hawaii.

We had a very fine program and enjoyed a talk from Indiana State representative Harry M. Shull, our uncle.

We meet next year the Sunday before Labor Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Lehr at Mishawaka, Ind.

Softball News

The Lowell Moose defeated the Lowell Hotpoints last Friday night to even the series at one game each. The Moose held the Hotpoints to three hits, while the Moose collected seven off Glass, the 15-year-old Hotpoint pitcher, to take the game 5 to 3.

This week Friday night at 8 o'clock, the final game of the series will be played. All sports fans in Lowell and vicinity are invited to attend. There is no gate admission to these games and there are plenty of seats for all.

Cubs Win, 7 to 5

The Fallsburg Cubs defeated the Schantz Hawks of Grand Rapids at the Park last Sunday, 7 to 5. This Sunday the Cubs will meet Saranac at the Park at 2:30. The Saranac team is one of the fastest the Cubs have ever played and the game promises to be a good one.

Next Monday night the Hotpoint will meet the Ionians in the last 4-county league game of the year. This game will decide the 4-count championship.

So. Boston Grange

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wittenbac and Mr. and Mrs. Raulie Seitz attended the County Grange convention at Ionia last Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Smith of Berli Center and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Curless of Lakeside were elected as delegates to attend state grange at Sault Ste. Marie in October.

The first fall meeting of Pomona Grange will be held Saturday evening, Oct. 11 with South Boston Grange election of Pomona officers at this meeting.

Regular meeting of South Boston Grange will be this week Saturday evening, Sept. 13. The Lecturer's program is entitled "Everybody's Hour" in which all members present will participate, followed by games and contests. No refreshments.

The first dancing party of the season is being held Saturday evening, Sept. 20. Come and bring your friends and enjoy an evening of good music and a good time.

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