

FIGHTING MAD THE AMERICAN people were probably never quite so fighting mad as they are at this moment.

ADOLF HITLER, as we know him, may think this sudden assault may lead the United States to let up on its shipment of war supplies to the Anti-Nazi powers.

OUR NATION up to now has been seriously divided on war policies. When the Japanese give us an object lesson of the violence and brutality of Axis hate, the American people rush to the support of their government.

Political differences end at the water's edge. When sailors and soldiers of our armed forces are swept to death as martyrs in their country's defense, differences of opinion vanish, and the American people rise in the majesty of their power.

HOME STORE ENTERPRISE IT TAKES a lot of business ability to manage a retail store in these days of strong competition.

THE SONGS OF CHRISTMAS THERE is a great library of music included in the songs known as Christmas carols.

As the Editor Sees It Private Opinions Publicly Expressed We are at the threshold of another Christmas season and as the editor sees it, there never was a time in our country's history when it is so important as now that the Christmas spirit should prevail.

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Brief Illness Fatal To Wilbur Pennock Funeral services will be held in the Henton Chapel at Delton, two o'clock Sunday afternoon for Wilbur N. Pennock, 41, who passed away Wednesday afternoon in Pennock hospital, Hastings, following an illness of about four weeks.

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Aspucio, Mexico, is to have a new powerful broadcasting station.

Lowell Plans Home Defense

Hold Public Meeting to Name Committees

Lowell has taken its first step in preparing for home defense and will work in conjunction with the state and federal organizations to do whatever is necessary to protect the lives and property of our people and the community as a whole.

All citizens of this community, in view of the recent unwarranted attack upon our nation by the military and naval forces of Japan at the instigation of Hitler, will realize the vital necessity of co-operation of our nation and its principles.

Acting upon orders from state American Legion headquarters an organization meeting was held last Friday night in the high school assembly room, about 150 persons being present representing nearly all local organizations.

Commander Peter Mulder of the American Legion Post was elected Chairman and Village President J. A. Arehart was elected co-chairman. Harold Jefferies was elected secretary.

Citizens Approve Plan After Commander Mulder had outlined the purposes of organizing for defense several local citizens expressed their endorsement including Village President Arehart who stated that every citizen should be ready to do his or her part also stating that the Common Council was taking steps to safeguard the Municipal Plant, fire headquarters, the City Hall and other public properties.

R. M. Shivel said that it is a matter of common sense to get ready to defend not only the physical things in the community but the morale of the community as well. We should be on the alert for any subversive activity in this community.

C. H. Runciman said that they should be prepared at all times. Frank Stephens spoke for Fire Chief Paul Kellogg, who asked for 10 volunteers to serve without pay in case of need by the Lowell Fire department.

Committees Named Acting on motion, a recess was taken at the conclusion of which Chairman Mulder and Co-Chairman Arehart announced the appointment of the following home defense committees:

Electric, Water and Sewage Disposal Plant—John Arehart, Frank McMahon.

Fire Warden—Paul Kellogg. First Aid—Mrs. H. P. Gotfredsen, Olive Schwacha.

Public Health—Dr. H. P. Gotfredsen, Dr. J. A. MacDonell. Public Morale—R. M. Shivel, M. C. H. Runciman.

Air Raid Shelter—Clarence Drolla, Sam Myers. Rescue Squad—Wm. Doyle, Rev. N. G. Woon.

Shortage of Necessary Food Supplies—Wm. C. Doyle, C. H. Runciman. Bridges and Highways—L. W. Rutherford, Arthur Carter.

Schools—W. W. Gunster. Air Raid Wardens—C. L. Shear, Fred Gramer.

Black Out—Frank Stephens, Bob Starkey. Air Craft Warning—Ed Kiel, Bruce McMahon.

The chairman of each committee was given authority to add additional names if deemed necessary.

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Obituary Sketch Warner C. Roth was born February 3, 1899, in Lowell, Mich., the son of Carl and Maria Althaus Roth. He had spent his entire lifetime in this vicinity, graduating from Lowell high school in 1916. He also attended Ferris Institute. In August, 1939, he was united in marriage with Miss Anna Mae Tyssse of Holland, a teacher in the Lowell public schools.

Mr. Roth had been in the last World War, serving nine months overseas and was a member of the Lowell American Legion post, and the Lowell Lodge No. 30, F. & A. M. He was a member of the First Methodist Church of Lowell.

Surviving are the widow, Anna Mae; his father, Carl; four sisters, Elsie, at home, Mrs. Freda McKinney of Oak Park, Ill., Marian of Detroit and Mrs. Irma Williams of Vergennes, Vt.; four brothers, Fred and Carl, Jr., of Vergennes, Vt., Ernest of Lowell, Mich., and William of Vicksburg, Miss.

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Installation of the new heating plant at the City Hall has been completed and is now in operation.

The Lowell Creamery has just installed a new churn. Mr. Compagner says it will give Lowell butter a finer, smoother texture than ever before.

All Lowell food stores will close on Christmas eve at 7 o'clock but will be open on Tuesday evening for the convenience of Christmas shoppers.

The Common Council on Monday night voted to bid \$2,500 worth of Defense Savings Bonds from earnings which have accumulated from the Dr. S. S. Lee estate. That was a good investment in more ways than one.

Mrs. H. P. Gotfredsen of Lowell has been appointed chairman of the Kent County Defense Council. The appointment came through the Grand Rapids office. Her job will be to enroll all volunteer workers in Kent County.

The Lowell Light and Power committee and the Fire committee of the Common Council were given power to act in a vote at the regular meeting Monday night, in holding night watchmen for the Power Plant and the City Hall.

The Lowell Board of Trade has announced that Lowell stores will be open evenings starting Monday, Dec. 22, continuing through Christmas eve, being closed all day Christmas, Thursday, Dec. 25. The evening hours are being carried out for the convenience of Christmas shoppers.

Guy Shaw, who was a familiar figure to all Main Street people until his retirement a few months ago, will be in the city as a mail carrier, was a pleasant caller at the Ledger office last Friday. It will be recalled that Mr. Shaw became very ill about the time of his retirement and spent some time in a hospital. Guy stated that he is enjoying his new position and that he misses the daily trips to stores and homes that he once enjoyed.

Village Treasurer, Elmer S. White, completed the collection of the village tax for 1941 and has returned the tax roll to the village treasurer. The total assessments were \$13,431.97, all of which was collected with the exception of \$286.05 unpaid on real estate. All personal tax was collected. In 1939 Mr. White collected 94% of the tax spread and in 1940 he collected 92% of the tax. Mr. White thought that he would never be able to beat that record but he did as this year's collections totaled 97.9% of the roll.

A caller at the Ledger office the other day said he could not understand why it was that the government was so anxious to have everybody save all kinds of waste paper. The answer is that thousands of tons of paper are needed for manufacturing into sheets, castings and other war munitions. Also waste paper is being manufactured for business and private use because many chemicals used in such manufacturing are the same kind of chemicals that are used in making many explosives or used in war papers used in printing have already advanced from 10 to 40 percent and many kinds are not available at any price.

All but five of the 91 years that marked the life span of the late Ella Post were lived in or near Lowell. When she thought of her career as an reflects upon the changes and events that have taken place in our country during the lifetime of one who has lived for nearly a century! Mr. Post's life began in the days of the covered wagon and the stage coach, she lived through many of our Indian wars, our great Civil War, the Spanish-American war, the first World War, and before her life's candle had been snuffed out, she saw the beginning of the most far-reaching war in all the world's history. During Mr. Post's lifetime, she saw the country united from the Atlantic to the Pacific with bands of steel. She saw Michigan's great pine forests of the lumbering era, heard the hum of the saw mill and the woodman's axe as it felled our magnificent trees. She saw our state as it was changed into a great agricultural and manufacturing commonwealth. In her lifetime occurred the development of our great West and Northwest. She saw the telegraph and the telephone come into universal use, the discovery of wireless, the invention of the airplane, the automobile, the radio and sound pictures, and the widespread use of electricity—in fact, so many things in all fields of endeavor that it would take a book to describe all. What deep satisfaction it must be to her children to know that their mother was spared to live through so many years of our country's great history.

Obituary Sketch Morgan C. Wood was born October 11, 1855, in Lenawee County, the son of Charles and Jeanette Carpenter Wood and on February 23, 1887, was united in marriage with Nettie J. Hubert. They made their home in Adrian for about 23 years where Mr. Wood was in the dry cleaning business with his brother. They came to Lowell about 19 years ago, residing here since then.

Surviving are the widow, Nettie; two daughters, Mrs. Bernice Bekker and Mrs. Eva Peckham of Grand Rapids; six sons, Charles, Carl and Otis of Lowell, Boyd of Grand Rapids, Ray of Buffalo, N. Y., Ralph of Salt Lake City, Utah; 12 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

The family has the sincere sympathy of the many friends and neighbors.

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A LETTER TO...

LOWELL

From Glendon and Kathryn Swarhout

Written for readers of The Lowell Ledger

Our Columnists Find That War Is Very Real Tankers come wallowing into the harbor every few minutes, heavy with crude Venezuelan oil. And every few minutes others leave, heavily from their masts fluttered the white flag of surrender. The refinery here is tremendous in size.

The other day I asked directions of a bronzed soldier in khaki shorts. He looked English. He was English; He is a part of a large detachment of English troops which stands watch night and day over the refinery.

Again, the reason for this vigilance was soon obvious. For up in the harbor, standing sea-beaten and tired, was a large group of tankers. Our boat, the S. S. Cuba, was met by an armed Dutch cutter patrolling the coast, surveying all ships before they entered the harbor.

Next we noticed that the small boat which brought our harbor pilot out carried a large machine gun on a tripod aft.

The harbor authorities were very strict. We were forced to itemize all money upon our persons, and it must be checked when we leave. And no Europeans were allowed to leave the boat, even for a moment. I was warned to take no pictures of the harbor, or the harbor mouth. We were not long in seeing the reasons for such precautions.

After all, Curacao is an island at war. And it is playing an essential part in that fight. Armies move not alone on their stomachs today; all is doubtless as vital as food. And what Adolf Hitler wouldn't give for the gasoline and lubricating oil that leaves Curacao daily!

Pioneer Resident Is Laid to Rest

One of Lowell's most highly esteemed pioneer residents was laid to rest Saturday in his ninety-first year. Mrs. Ella C. Post passed away at her home early last Friday morning following a long illness. The Rev. N. G. Woon officiated at the services which were held at the Post home and burial was in Oakwood cemetery.

Obituary Sketch Ella Carter was born August 20, 1850, in Savannah, N. Y., the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Carter. The family travelled by train and stage coach to Lowell in 1855. They settled on a farm west of Lowell, his brother owning the adjoining farm.

Little Ella was five years old when the family came to Michigan and she attended the district school on a hill north of M-21. She has no vivid memories of the Indian settlement here and the day of its exodus. Later, Miss Carter was a student at Lowell's one time private school, conducted by Miss Sarah Jennings.

After a year in the high, or union, school, during which she occasionally supplied for teachers, Miss Carter spent a short time at Vergennes, Vt., where she was married to Mr. Leander Joseph Post, a farmer resident of Connecticut. The young couple moved onto the farm three miles south of Lowell on M-66 which became well known as the Post farm. They made one extensive trip East in 1875, visiting relatives and traveling through eight states.

In 1907 Mr. and Mrs. Post moved into Lowell and bought the home on Vergennes Road where Mrs. Post has lived since. They had four children, Wilber, an eminent doctor in Chicago; Audie, local librarian; and Otis, living in Grand Rapids; and Zeno, who died in 1911. Mr. Post passed away in 1917.

Mrs. Post was an old member of the First Congregational Church and also a member of the Cyclamen chapter, W. E. S.

Surviving are two sons, Dr. Wilber E. Post of Chicago, Zeno Post of Grand Rapids, one daughter, Audie E. Post at home; two grandchildren, six great-grandchildren; three great-great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Post had a wide circle of friends and acquaintances who held her in highest regard. The sincere sympathy of all is extended to the members of her family.

Morgan Wood Dies After Long Illness

Morgan C. Wood, 86, a resident of Lowell for the past 19 years, was laid to rest in Oakwood cemetery Tuesday afternoon following services which were held in the Raker Chapel. The Rev. N. G. Woon officiated. Mr. Wood had been ill for the past several months.

Obituary Sketch Frank H. Daniels, son of Thomas and Elizabeth Lewin Daniels, was born June 10, 1869, on the farm in Keene-tp., Ionia County where he had lived continuously except several winter seasons spent in Florida.

He was the youngest member of his family, two brothers, Adelbert and Charles, one sister, Nellie, wife of Mark Brown, all of whom have passed on and are buried on the family plot in Oakwood cemetery. On January 9, 1907, Mr. Daniels was married to Miss Addie Warren of Belding.

Mr. Daniels was a member of Lowell Lodge No. 90, F. & A. M., which group conducted the services. Surviving are the widow, and five sons, Dr. J. P. Will of Jackson; Mrs. Ida Jackson of Manitow Beach, Mrs. Vena Helmes and Miss Hilda Lewis of Mt. Pleasant, Mrs. Lida Coleman of Grand Rapids.

Mr. Daniels was a kind husband, a friendly neighbor, an upright citizen and a successful farmer, specializing in fruits in which he took great interest. His passing is mourned by a host of friends and neighbors.

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Christmas Pageant At Cong'l. Church

Next Sunday evening, December 21st a Christmas pageant entitled "The Nativity" by Kimball will be presented in the Congregational Church of Lowell at 7:30 o'clock.

The Christmas story will be told graphically and beautifully by Christmas Carol, by a reader, and by pageantry consisting of four main scenes depicting the most important events of the story of the birth of Jesus. In the first scene, Zacharias, a devout priest of the temple, is observed offering sacrifice to God for the people when an angel appears announcing the promised birth of John, the forerunner of Jesus.

In the second scene, Mary in the midst of her devotions, is confronted with the angel who proclaims that she is "Highly honored among women" and promises the birth of the Son of God.

The third scene is of the shepherds in the fields and the announcement that the child is born. The fourth and last scene is of Mary and Joseph, the Babe in the manger, the shepherd and wise men who come to do Him homage and to bring their gifts.

The pageant is being presented by the officers and teachers of the School, the organist and choir of Lowell, by a large number of young people who are taking part in the cast.

The public is invited and a silver offering will be taken.

News of Our Boys With the U.S. Flag

Word has been received from the Fort Custer Recruit Reception Center that Pvt. Robert M. Schneider of Lowell is stationed at Fort Monmouth, N. J., a Signal Replacement Training Center.

Roy Hull, who enlisted in the Royal Canadian Artillery about three months ago, is stationed at Chatham, Ontario, and expects to leave for service overseas shortly after the first of the year. Roy is the nephew of Sidney Hull of Lowell.

Erwin A. Hoag of R. 2, Lowell, is one of approximately 90 Aviation Cadets who have completed two-thirds of their flight training and will report soon to one of the Advanced Flying Schools for the final part of their training before getting their wings and commissions. With the completion of his training at Bush Field, Ga., he will be sent to the Air Corps Advanced Flying School, Barksdale Field, La., to complete his training. Before receiving his appointment as an Aviation Cadet, Mr. Hoag, son of Ralph A. Hoag of Lowell, attended Lowell high school and Michigan College of Mining and Technology at Houghton, Mich.

P. F. C. Arthur Gross of Ft. Knox, Ky., returned to camp this week after spending a 5-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gross of Vergennes. Arthur expected to enroll in the radio school for a six months' course upon his return to camp.

Among enlistments from this vicinity on Monday at the Grand Rapids recruiting stations, were the following:

Army—Harrison O. Elliott, 19, of Caladonia, sent to Sheppard Field, Texas; George E. Christy, 18, Caladonia, sent to Quartermaster Corps at Panama.

Navy—Eugene E. Gagne of Ada and Robert E. Flynn of Caladonia, sent to the Detroit induction station Monday night.

Hugh Miller of Lansing, who spent his senior year in Lowell high school, graduating with the class of 1935, is now serving with the U. S. Army in the Hawaiian Islands. He is a brother of Prin. Lee R. Miller of L. H. S.

Several men from this vicinity left Tuesday evening with others from local No. 1 for Kalamazoo where they were to receive their pre-induction physical examination. Those who will probably enter into army service in January. Those from this vicinity include: Lowell, William M. Kollar, Oscar F. Chapin, Albert L. Oesch, Cornelius Huyser, George H. Roberts, Orison M. Weaver; Ada, James C. Jasperse; J. Julian S. Scherbinak; Ligour A. Nugent, Adrian Vader, Robert C. Hefferan; Alto, Warren E. Bergy, Thomas C. Anderson, Albert E. Porritt, Gerald F. Anderson; Caladonia, Richard F. McGowan; Saranac, Vernon J. DeGroot. Word has been received that an additional quota of men will have to be furnished for pre-induction examination Dec. 31.

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Cole's Describe City Blackout

Former Lowellites Give Vivid Pen Picture

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Cole, formerly of Lowell, send the following interesting letter to the Ledger, written from Hollywood, California, December 11:

"I suppose you know how tense the war situation is here on the coast. The people are trying to be very calm about it all, but all are preparing for the worst. Last night the whole city was a complete blackout about nine o'clock until nearly midnight.

"Everyone was ordered to park cars at once as no one was allowed to show a light. The city was in pitch dark. Cars were parked all over in the middle of streets, just where people were when the warning came. Hundreds of boys and girls and police were guarding the street corners to get people safely across as you couldn't see in front of you to know where you were going.

"All business places closed or blacked their windows. Every store completely sold their supply of black oil cloth which was used for window shades. One store building had gone home and left their window lights on and a group of men forced a pole through the glass and then turned off the lights. Everyone was very willing to comply with orders.

"Thousands of Japanese seen so much on the streets and in the stores have completely vanished. Many are good citizens of the city but I guess they are frightened to death to be seen. I guess Lowell would be far the safer place right now, but somehow I believe we will do like the many other outsiders, stay and face it with the rest.

"Inez Louise is very busy. She plays in a 6-piece all-girl orchestra. They play every evening in one of the most beautiful eating places in Beverly Hills. They cater to the rich people and the very wealthiest class. The girls are very well dressed and have an indefinite contract with the owner of the place. During the day she keeps busy part of the time with her other work. The war is affecting the picture business very seriously so many have been drafted and the people are not attending the theaters here.

The letter is signed by Mr. and Mrs. Cole and Inez Louise.

Workers Must Have Birth Certificate

Men and women who want jobs on defense work should prepare themselves now with a certified copy of their birth record, says the Michigan Department of Health.

"In order to obtain work in defense industries, a birth record as proof of citizenship must be shown the employer," Dr. H. Allen Moyer, State Health Commissioner, explained. "Without that proof of citizenship, even old workers who are transferred within a plant to production for defense."

In the next few weeks and months, thousands of old factory jobs will be abolished and new defense jobs will be created. To avoid unemployment in defense work and to avoid unemployment in defense work, workers who anticipate a shift to defense jobs should apply now for certified copies of birth records.

Birth records can be obtained from the county clerk of the county where the birth occurred, from the State Health Department at Lansing, and for certain years from full-time city health departments. The fee for a certified birth record from the State is \$1.00 in cash or money order. Name, date of birth, place of birth including county and names of parents must be supplied.

J. D. Brook, M. D., Kent County Health Officer.

U. S. Navy Modifies Physical Standards

A relaxation of physical standards for enlistments in the U. S. Navy and the Naval Reserve was announced this week by the Navy Department. In commenting on this action, the Navy Department announced that the number of men who will probably enter into army service in January. Those from this vicinity include: Lowell, William M. Kollar, Oscar F. Chapin, Albert L. Oesch, Cornelius Huyser, George H. Roberts, Orison M. Weaver; Ada, James C. Jasperse; J. Julian S. Scherbinak; Ligour A. Nugent, Adrian Vader, Robert C. Hefferan; Alto, Warren E. Bergy, Thomas C. Anderson, Albert E. Porritt, Gerald F. Anderson; Caladonia, Richard F. McGowan; Saranac, Vernon J. DeGroot. Word has been received that an additional quota of men will have to be furnished for pre-induction examination Dec. 31.

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By K. K. Vining

Agriculture's Big Part

Here we are in a double decked war. By double deck I mean both sea boards are involved. Agriculture is going to have no small part of it in the prosecution of the war. This county agent cut his eye teeth as an emergency war agent over 20 years ago in a north Michigan county. The slogan then was "Food Will Win the War." It is a good one today. A lot is said about tanks, bombers, battleships of all classes, but not much about the men who build them. Then too little is said about those folks back home on the farms who are producing the food, clothing and shoes for the men to say nothing about feeding the civilian population.

Napoleon made a remark once that "an army moves on its belly." It is just as true now as in his day.

Agriculture in this country has as hard a job ahead as it had 25 years ago but it should be an easier one if experiences at that time are remembered.

Today there are ample food stocks of wheat, corn and cotton. There should be no dust bowls. The Agricultural Conservation program, with its requirements for soil conserving crops has built a reservoir of plant food. Who knows but for a situation like this, every once in a while some one gets scared that some day this country might not have food enough. The real ability of this country to produce food has never been touched. The use of fertilizers, improvement of pastures, better livestock and control of disease and insect pests, better seed stock, can all be improved to a point where we can really produce food.

But there is a labor factor to be considered in developing a food producing program. Man power has to be considered. Whether men are going to be needed worse in the army or in the fields is a question for selective service boards to decide and it is not going to be easy in a lot of cases.

Cooperative marketing of farm products lost a leader when Jesse Bettles, of Sparta passed away last week. For 22 years he had managed the Sparta Livestock Shipping Association. He had always been on hand at the yards in that town to weigh and tag the cattle, see them loaded and many times went with the cattle to Detroit to see them sold.

The person who consigned cattle through this association could be sure they would be in the mail Thursday or Friday for that week's shipment.

The growth of the auction sales in Western Michigan didn't seem to affect the volume of this co-op's business but we always had a hunch that it was Jesse Bettles' personality and promptness of service that kept folks coming back week after week and year after year.

The folks who marketed their livestock through the Sparta Shipping Association are going to miss Jesse Bettles. We know we are going to miss him.

FALLSBRIDGE PARK
Mrs. Harry Richmond

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Higgs and sons were Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Higgs and baby of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Roberts, and Mr. and Mrs. John Oles and daughter Marilyn of Grand Rapids.

David and Harry Richmond are on the sick list. Eugene Erickson has been helping with the chores the past two weeks.

Mrs. Patricia Richmond suffered a severe heart attack last Friday morning and is again confined to her bed.

Mrs. T. J. Reed had several bad teeth extracted last week. She has been suffering with arthritis for the past several weeks.

We are very sorry to hear of the death of Frank Daniels and extend our sympathy to his bereaved ones. We also extend sympathy to Will Booth, who just recently lost his mother, and to Frank Jones whose wife was buried last Sunday.

Peggy Bollock and I attended the Young Women's League Christmas party on Monday evening at the home of Ed and Edna Erickson. Bill and Peggy Bollock announce a benefit Christmas dance to be held at Lowell City Hall, Thursday evening, December 23. All are invited to attend and enjoy a good time.

The Alton school Christmas program will be held on Monday evening, Dec. 22 instead of on Thursday, Dec. 18 as originally scheduled. Recent guests at our home were Mr. and Mrs. Morris Kalwad of Lowell, Ronny Olson and family of Montpelier, Royden Warner of Lowell, T. J. Reed, Fay Clark, Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. James McCaul, Mrs. Al Thomet, Mrs. Orville Summers, Mrs. Paul Thomet and Herbert Lindfield.

Mr. and Mrs. David Vesterlund and daughters spent Sunday with folks, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pea, Sr., and family.

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Mr. and Mrs. James McCaul spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. David Vesterlund and daughter. They were accompanied by Mrs. John Vandorpe at Cedar Rapids.

The Henry Creek Sunday school is having a Christmas program Sunday, Dec. 21, at 10 a. m. at the school house. Everybody welcome. We are glad to hear that LaVerne Paunkjer is very much improved. Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson and family spent Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. David Vesterlund and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. George Anderson and family spent Tuesday evening in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Kroger Increases Life Insurance Group life insurance for approximately 19,000 employees of the Kroger Grocery and Baking Co. has been increased from \$2,000 to \$20,000 with no increase in premiums. Albert H. Morrill, president of the grocery firm, announced recently.

Rita De Janeiro-Fashion's demand for gaudy fur for the women's apparel has caused the increase of the fur to double in price in the last year in Brazil, home of the animal.

Beauty Home for Christmas

You will enjoy your Christmas a lot more this year if you will try to make your home as attractive as possible. Start on the outside and then look at each room in the house. When you're all through you'll feel that the result was well worth the effort.

There are few houses as large as this one, but it shows what can be done with a home of any size to improve its appearance during the Christmas season. A string of Christmas tree lights around windows will make an unusually effective appearance at night. If this is impractical or too costly, a similar effect can be achieved by placing a lighted wreath in each window.

Up and Down Kent County Roads

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Tedh Didn't Click

Sometimes we wonder what the Kent County roads are doing. We have heard of the physical requirements of the men in their service.

One of our older 4-H Club members had more of a yen for fishing than he did for milking cows. He took two years at Grand Rapids Junior College, did all the fishing he could at the local airport, about a month ago he called us with joy in his voice to tell us he had been accepted by the naval aviation corps and would be sent south for training. He was a happy youngster. Last week he came to our office a rather dejected lad. He had been sent to Florida, to a training camp, spent five days there and then he was back home. His teeth didn't just click. Mind you, he had passed all physical tests and was in good condition, but didn't just click.

We have an idea that had this young man been sent to the week of December 7, he would have been taken, teeth clicking or not.

Why a Bill of Sale

The county agents' office has known what to do since the war broke away. Christmas trees this year has been a problem. We have had the male and female bank property bills out. We have had the supply of the blanks from the State Department of Agriculture distributed. Many some of the bills and in person came for the same. Some folks just want to get out of their homes from a friend's farm. Perhaps it is in the hands of the county agents' office as a result.

HICKORY HOLLOW
Mrs. Mary Rickard

Audrie Hansen of Belknap was the guest of Mrs. Clair Berard Friday afternoon.

Diak Cahoon went with his uncle, Paul Cahoon, to Virginia and Ohio last Thursday night, returning home Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Rickard and Mr. and Mrs. Clair Berard were Sunday evening guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Triff near Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Berard were Saturday evening guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Theron Cahoon.

Theron Cahoon and daughter, Janice Rae, were callers Tuesday afternoon of Mrs. Doris Sparks in Lowell.

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Christmas Carols in the Camps

Feature American Soldier's Year

LUCKY indeed is the soldier who obtains Christmas cards. He has a rough and spends a portion of his holiday season in some arctic or sub-arctic zone. He has to make do with the few cards that he can get. He has to make do with the few cards that he can get. He has to make do with the few cards that he can get.

Ledger Entries

NATURAL HISTORY WONDERS

Overseers in Louisiana are conducting about the swarms of golden brown butterflies floating down to that warm country, and these are supposed to come from as far as Canada. How do they get there? They travel all that long distance, probably in thousands, standing up under all cruel blasts of the storm, and all violence of the winds of heaven, keeping any prowling birds of prey looking for their sustenance. They are fascinated by the adventures of insects, birds, and beasts.

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The farmers in Kent County are being urged by the Kent County U. S. D. A. to place their orders now for repairs on farm machinery and equipment and to also order necessary new farm machinery. If the order is placed by the end of the year, the repair parts and new machinery is put off until spring, resulting in getting the orders filled by the end of the year. Metals used in the production of farm machinery and equipment are getting more scarce due to the increased demand of military defense needs.

The Kent County Chairman suggests that the farmer take inventory of his farm machinery and equipment, and to order the same immediately, this is very important. The farmer finds it necessary to order the machinery as early as possible, he should order the same without delay. This time and the delay caused by break-downs and the waiting for new parts at the time the machine is most needed.

If the needed parts or new machinery cannot be obtained, you should notify your County U. S. D. A. Defense Board located at 214 Spencer St., N. E. Grand Rapids, Mich., as soon as possible. The farmers should realize that the world-wide shortage of machinery greatly increased the demand previously made on them in the production of war material. The Kent County U. S. D. A. Defense Board urges the cooperation of all farmers in the interest of National Defense.

The rank of pay officer, a position which is held by the U. S. Navy, is indicated by chevrons-shaped bits of metal sewed onto the sleeve midway between the shoulder and the elbow.

Arrange two small circles at right angles to the sleeve, one above and one below the chevrons. The chevrons are placed on the sleeve in the center so that it will be held securely in place during the whole procedure. The chevrons are made of metal and are placed on the sleeve in the center so that it will be held securely in place during the whole procedure. The chevrons are made of metal and are placed on the sleeve in the center so that it will be held securely in place during the whole procedure.

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Official Proceedings

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FOR CHRISTMAS'S

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Light & Power

Table listing utility companies and their rates, including Michigan Electric and Gas Co., and others.

Water Works

Table listing water utility companies and their rates, including Grand Rapids Water Works, etc.

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Table listing various general services and their rates, including telephone, etc.

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Table listing city hall services and their rates, including street cleaning, etc.

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Table listing light and power services and their rates, including Lowell Electric, etc.

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Church News

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More Local News

Miss Donna Storms and of Grand Rapids spent Thursday night and Friday at her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Altenburger and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Newell spent Monday in Detroit.

Rev. H. H. Harris of Wayland called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Laver Tuesday afternoon.

Nelson Meengs and daughter Rowalyn of Flint called on Mrs. John Laver Wednesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parker were Sunday evening callers at the Paul Bradford and Floyd Ellison homes in Easton.

Robert Yelter of Michigan State College spent Saturday night and Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Rosella Yelter and sister, Evelyn. He expects to return home Friday night for the Christmas holidays.

Tuesday evening dinner guests of Mrs. Frank Daniels were Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Conklin of Stanton, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Wetherby of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pinkney and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Parker.

Mrs. Howard Green and new daughter of Grattan, returned from St. Mary's hospital today (Thursday) to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morrison Brighton where they will spend a couple weeks.

Among those from a distance here to attend the funeral services for Frank Daniels on Tuesday afternoon were Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Sibley and Lyle Bowen of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. Myron E. Conklin of Stanton and Mr. and Mrs. Dell Wetherby of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Newell recently entertained several groups of their friends for dinner at the Women's City Club, Grand Rapids. On Wednesday evening following the Bob Cratchit dinner, bridge was played and honors were awarded to Mrs. Byron McMahon and E. C. Foreman.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. John Weldon (nee Nita Clark) of Los Angeles, Calif., a 9 lbs., 10 oz. boy on Tuesday, Dec. 16, at Culver City hospital. According to word received by relatives here, both mother and son are doing fine.

To Mr. and Mrs. Howard Green (nee Mable Brighton) of Grattan, a 7 lbs. girl, Gloria Jean, Dec. 8 at St. Mary's hospital, Grand Rapids.

Sales of Defense Savings Bonds for November amounted to \$23,487,000, it was announced December 8 by the Treasury Department. The November figure carried total Defense Bonds sales past the two billion dollar mark, and revealed that \$2,008,610,000 worth of Bonds have been purchased by the American people since the Defense Savings program was launched on May 1 of this year. Total sales had passed the one billion dollar mark during July.

Social Events

Young Women's League

The Young Women's League of St. Mary's Church enjoyed a most delightful Christmas party Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Ed Quick on Riverside Drive. A delicious potluck supper was served at 7:30 o'clock, with Rev. Fr. Jewell as honored guest.

The exchange of gifts followed the supper, each member drawing her gift by a novel comparison of pictures. The honored guest was made to follow a paper trail which ended in the furnace room, where he found a beautiful 3-way floor lamp, his gift from the League.

Next came two laugh-provoking quiz games, prizes being won by Irma Richmond and Peggy Bollock. Katherine Pappin received the door prize.

A short business meeting was then held; several bills were ordered paid; the president appointed Peggy Bollock, Katherine Pappin, Veronica Morse, Christine Gallagher and Vada McMahon as a committee to take charge of the League-sponsored Children's Christmas party which will be held after Catechism class on Saturday afternoon, December 29, at the City Hall.

All the children of St. Mary's Church are invited to attend, and each child is asked to bring a small gift to exchange. The children who were unable to be present for last Saturday's drawing of names, will be given names to change at the party. Games will be played, refreshments served, and each child will be presented with a favor. The decorations for this party are in charge of the older girls of the Catechism class.

Much credit is due to the hostesses and the committee in charge of the Christmas party who worked hard to decorate the rooms and the trees and to make the supper a success. It is regrettable that so many members did not attend. It is hoped that more will turn out for the ensuing meetings. We point out here that it wouldn't be amiss to include in your New Year's resolutions the one to be more faithful in your attendance at meetings during the coming year.

We have lots of fun, do some useful work, and could do more and better with your help and cooperation.

The place and date of the next meeting will be announced from the pulpit.

Reception for Newlyweds

Rev. and Mrs. Gordon E. Truedell and Mrs. Elmer E. Marshall entertained with a reception at the home of the latter honoring Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Y. Marshall, recently married. The reception was held Sunday, Dec. 7 with more than 40 guests attending. The Christmas motif was carried out in decorating the rooms in blue and silver. Several beautiful bouquets of chrysanthemums and snapdragons were displayed. A three-tiered wedding cake graced the dining table from which guests were served fruit punch and cake. Many lovely gifts were received by the happy couple, along with the best wishes of their friends, neighbors and relatives.

Honor Newlyweds

The Misses Maxine and Eileen Shores and Mrs. Phlorus Hale entertained with a miscellaneous shower Friday evening, Dec. 12, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Willard Richard (nee Helen Shores) at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shores, about 64 friends and relatives of the young couple being present. The evening was spent in playing progressive pedro, after which many lovely gifts were opened. Refreshments were served and every one departed leaving best wishes for the young couple.

Entertains With Luncheon

Mrs. Harry L. Shuter of East Grand Rapids entertained with a one o'clock luncheon and bridge on Friday afternoon for six Lowell ladies and two from Grand Rapids. Those attending were Mrs. H. P. Gotfredsen, Mrs. Norman Bergerson, Mrs. Fred Swarthout, Mrs. Reuben Lee, Mrs. P. J. Finels and Mrs. R. G. Jefferies of Lowell and Mrs. Erle Maynard and Mrs. Rudy Hieri of Grand Rapids. Mrs. L. W. Ashford was unable to attend because of illness.

Goofus Club

The Goofus Club had its annual Christmas party last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. D. H. Outley. A delicious lunch was served by the guests. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. John Roth, Mrs. Gus Wingeier, Mrs. Eugene Carr and Mrs. Vern Ashley. Gifts were exchanged.

Social Brevities

The Vergennes family night supper and bazaar held at the Vergennes Grange hall last Friday night was a big success.

Coming Events

Avery-Phillips

About two hundred relatives and friends witnessed an informal but impressive ceremony performed before the beautiful altar of Grace Episcopal Church, Grand Rapids, at 12:30 last Sunday when Miss Virginia Jane Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Phillips of Jefferson Ave., S. E., became the bride of Morris Gould Avery, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Avery of Fairmount St., S. E.

The bride was given in marriage by her father in the double ring ceremony performed by the Rev. Donald V. Carey, Rector of Grace Church, with Mr. Verne Stillwell at the organ.

The couple were attended by Miss Jane Wagner of Ann Arbor and Mr. Willis Kuebler of Jackson.

At the close of the ceremony the couple received their guests informally in the auditorium of the church.

The bride and groom are both graduates of Grand Rapids South high school, and Junior College, where the bride was president of the Women's League, and both attended the University of Michigan from which the bride was graduated last June. The groom was a prominent engineering student at Junior College and a member of the Grand Rapids Engineers' Club. Mr. Avery is now associated with the Continental Motors Corporation of Detroit in engineering work and on account of the necessity of his work the couple left immediately for Detroit where they are at home at 1229 Newport St., E.

The Averages are well known in Lowell where Morris spent many of his childhood days with his grandmother, uncle and aunt, and all their relatives join in wishing the young couple a happy and prosperous married life.

Vergennes Cooperative Club

The annual Christmas party of the Vergennes Cooperative Club was held Dec. 4th at the home of Miss Lizzie Roth, with Mrs. Irma Williams as assistant hostess. The president, Mrs. Edward Bennett, was in charge of the business meeting.

An enjoyable Christmas program in the capable charge of Mrs. Chase Collier, followed the business meeting. The program included singing of Christmas songs by all, several short poems read by various members and two very delightful readings given by Mrs. Gilmore and Mrs. George Johnson. The program ended with the singing of a Christmas hymn by a choir composed of Connie Odell, Mabel Gross, Lena Hermann and Laura Ford with Peg Ryder at the piano.

The gift exchange came next and then the food committee served a most delicious Christmas luncheon. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. George Johnson on Thursday evening, January 8. This will be a potluck supper, with the husbands of the members as the honored guests of the evening.

Auxiliary Christmas Party

The ladies of the American Legion Auxiliary met at the pleasant, newly remodeled home of Mrs. Elizabeth Phelps on Monday evening for the annual Christmas party. A prettily decorated Christmas tree adorned the supper under which Mrs. Phelps had prepared a large box in which to place the canned fruits, vegetables, jellies, etc., which each lady brought to be placed in the American Legion baskets for the needy.

At the business meeting, Mrs. Peter Mulder was installed as treasurer, which was followed by the various committee reports. Several games were then played, the prizes also being placed in the Legion box. Candy and popcorn were served and the ladies left for their homes thanking Mrs. Phelps, who was assisted by her daughter Catherine, for a most enjoyable evening.

The next meeting will be held on January 5 in the City Hall.

Vergennes Extension Class

The Vergennes Extension Class met on Tuesday, Dec. 2, at the home of Mrs. Adelbert Odell. The lesson for the day was on "Kitchie Conventions."

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RED & WHITE JELLIED Cranberry Sauce 2 tall cans 25c

FRESH ROASTED Peanuts lb. 15c

Mixed Nuts lb. 27c

HARD MIX Christmas Candy lb. 12c

Choc. Drops lb. 13c

BLUE GOOSE Calif. Navel Oranges 200-size doz. 25c

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TEXAS SEEDLESS Grapefruit 6 for 19c

California Red Grapes lb. 10c

MILLER'S THRIFTY IDAHO Potatoes 10 lb. bag 35c

Nancy Hall SWEET Potatoes 4 lbs. 15c

Hubbard Squash lb. 3c

FANCY CRISP ARIZONA ICEBERG Hd. Lettuce each 10c

Sunspun Salad Dressing Pure as Golden Sunshine qt. 37c

R & W COFFEE Pound Vacuum Tin Drip or Regular Grind lb. 33c

Green & White COFFEE lb. 20c

Pitted Dates 6-oz. pkg. 15c

Turkish Style Figs pkg. 13c

Mince Meat pkg. 10c

Silver Dust pkg. 23 1/2c

Red & White Soap Flakes box 23c

Red & White Cucumber Pickles 17 oz. jar 15c

Swift's Corned Beef 12 oz. can 23c

Bulk Popcorn lb. 12 1/2c

Peanut Brittle lb. 13c

100% Filled Candy lb. 15c

Red & White Semi-Sweets 7 oz. pkg. 12 1/2c

RED & WHITE Pure Vegetable SHORTENING 3 lb. can 59c

Am. Beauty Pumpkin 3 large cans 25c

Hekman's Saltines lb. box 17c

White House Fruit Cake, 46 oz. size \$1.00

Red & White Tomato Juice 46 oz. can 21c

Red & White Stuffed Olives 4 1/2 oz. bot. 25c

Red & White Flav-R-Jell 4 pkgs. 19c

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GREENVILLE WINS

Last Friday night the locals traveled to Greenville and held the highly favored Bulldogs to a low score of 17 points. Lowell kept their opponents bottled up throughout most of the game. During the first quarter Greenville was held to 3 points, the second quarter was their big quarter when they netted 4 field goals, the third period gave them 2 field goals and the final period they were held to 1 field goal.

Grandville held the locals to three field goals and 2 foul shots which were distributed throughout the 4 periods.

From the foul angle Lowell contributed 8 out of the 10 called and these were by Kingdom and Coe. Seven Grandville men had one each. The high scorer was Wisner of Grandville who made 5 of his team's 17 points.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS

Lowell Board of Trade to Frank Newell, block 36, Richard and Wickham's plat.

Byron C. Weeks and wife to Mabel Hall et al, lot 11, block 3, Fox's addition.

Eoy L. Lowmest to Annes Nordman and wife, part southeast 1/4, sec'tion 12-9-9, Lowell township.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Correll of Chicago, a daughter, Lowell, a 4 1/2 lb. daughter, Lisa Luella, on Sunday, Dec. 7.

To Mr. and Mrs. Donald McPherson, a daughter, Elizabeth, on December 8, at Butterworth hospital.

WOMEN'S CLUB

Mrs. F. F. Coons was hostess to the Lowell Women's Club at her home last Wednesday afternoon.

After reading the Club Women's Collect, the president, Mrs. H. P. Gotfredsen called attention to the Red Cross, telling the ladies how necessary it is for them to give more and more of their time for this most needed work.

After this call to women, Mrs. F. E. Haner gave three very interesting readings appropriate for Christmas.

A musical program was then given of which Mrs. Coons was chairman. Christmas carols were sung by the club. Mrs. R. N. Miller accompanying at the piano.

The Lowell High School choral quartette, the Misses Marilyn Kyster, Barbara Thorne, Roberta Hahn and Dolores Dolloway, played several selections which were greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Charles Doyle sang "My Country's Flag" which was written for the Federation of Women's Clubs and was very appropriate at this time. Mrs. Doyle was accompanied by her daughter Virginia.

The two talented daughters of Mrs. Doyle, Virginia and Gloria closed the program by playing "Tea for Two" and "Night and Day," piano duets.

The next meeting will be on January 7, 1942 with Mrs. N. E. Bergerson at 219 N. Washington.

Summary

Player	PG	FT	PF
Wingeler	0	1	0
Kingdom	0	1	2
Bouser	1	0	0
Pullen	0	0	0
Coe	2	0	1
Klumpp	0	0	0
Grandville (17)			
Greenlycke	2	0	1
VanValkenburg	1	0	1
Hendrickson	2	0	1
Wisner	2	2	1
Merrit	0	0	0
Zondergan	0	0	0
Dykhouse	0	0	1
Austin	0	0	0
Thompson	1	0	1

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CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our appreciation to all our friends and neighbors for their help and assistance at the time of our fire, a year ago this month.

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We sincerely thank relatives, friends and neighbors for the kindness, sympathy and beautiful floral offerings at the death of our beloved husband and father, Mr. Guy Edgar Bowman. We also wish to thank Mr. W. A. Roth for his courtesy and the giftfulness and Rev. Norman Woon for his consoling words.

Mrs. Guy Edwin Bowman
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Clingen and Family.
Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Armstrong.

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