

Being a Collection of Various Topics of Local and General Interest

THE MOUNTING DEBT

IT IS ESTIMATED that the government debt will have risen to \$210,000,000 by July 1, 1944. The prospect that the war will be over at that date is not very good. So the debt will probably go far above that figure.

THE FARMERS HELP

THE FARMERS of the United States are asked to greatly increase their food production this year. The difficulties they face, particularly the shortage of labor, are so serious that only a small increase over 1942 is likely.

ACCIDENT CASUALTY LIST

OUR PEOPLE mourn deeply over the casualty lists in the war. There is also a formidable and deplorable casualty list on the home front, consisting of the people who are hurt in accidents in peaceable pursuits.

BACK TO "NORMALCY"

ONE OF THE favorite expressions of the period just after the first World War closed, was that the country was going "back to normalcy", back to normal times. The heavy burdens of war struck the people of that age pretty hard.

Walter to Lead Board of Trade

New Members Signing Up at Fine Rate

Bruce C. Walter, proprietor of Lowell Lumber and Supply Co. was elected president of Lowell Board of Trade at its 37th annual meeting held this week, Wednesday evening, at the Lowell City Hall.

Summary of Achievements

The meeting was called to order by President Henry Wesner, who called upon Secretary Claude Thorne and treasurer, Ed Compagner for their annual reports.

Board Will Carry On

For the first time in many years the annual meeting was held without the usual banquet, President Weaver and the directors deeming such action advisable because of the food situation due to the war.

Vining Next Speaker

Care of the milking machine, milk coolers, and cream separators, was discussed by the Caledonia Farmers' Club at the meeting last Monday evening.

Township Caucus Law

Tuesday, March 16th, is the last day for holding township caucus. Notice of Caucus must be posted at least 10 days before caucus, and may be published in newspaper of general circulation.

Rationing Rubber Footwear

Section 1404.45—By persons selling at retail. Every establishment selling rubber footwear at retail shall maintain at such establishment records of all footwear sold.

Double Glazing Advantages

When it is zero outdoors and 70 degrees inside, the inner surface of a pane of window glass unsheltered by a storm sash goes down to freezing.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

I will be at the State Savings Bank from February 23, to the end of the week collecting taxes and issuing dog licenses for all dogs 3 months or over.



Weather: Hints of spring in the air this week and enjoyable sunshine. A number of citizens report seeing "the first robin."

Tapping sugar trees is the order of the day, and this season's run promises to be good and of excellent quality. First run syrup is quoted on the Detroit Market at above 13 the gallon.

One of the lamp posts on Main-st. was smashed to smithereens, Tuesday afternoon, by the driver of a car, whose mind was evidently wandering somewhat because of worrying over the new point rationing system.

Remarkable how this winter's heavy accumulation of snow has sort of eased away under the past week's springlike weather. The water started rising over the flats early part of the week, but the threat of a spring flood has been considerably lessened by a more recent spell of freezing temperatures at night time.

Sealed proposals for carrying the United States Mails (including parcel-post mails) between the Post Office at Lowell, and the Grand Trunk Western Railroad, and Parc Marquette Railway, including direct transfer service between depots, when necessary, each way, as often as required, will be received by the Postmaster for a period of 10 days.

Ed Clemenz, of 730 E. Main-st., attended services at the Methodist church last Sunday, no doubt intrigued by the fact that Mel McPherson was occupying the pulpit. Mr. Clemenz reports that the services were fine but that someone walked away with his No. 11 rubbers, leaving in their place a pair of size 9 1/2.

People who are trying out as salespersons should study the effect of a bright and cheerful manner in meeting the public. If a salesman has a dull and discouraged appearance, if he acts as if it was hard work to sell goods, and he wished the day's work would end, he will often fall down on sales.

Michigan Republicans

The following state ticket was nominated at the Republican State Convention held at Detroit, Feb. 19: Charles M. Ziegler of Lansing, state highway commissioner.

Auction Sales

Murray Farms, Feb. 27 On account of the help situation, the understated will sell at public auction, at the farm, located 6 miles south and 2 miles west of US-16 and M-50 junction, on Saturday, Feb. 27, an exceptionally good lot of dairy cows.

Stamp Facts For All To Remember

There are three main points the consumer should remember about War Ration Book No. 2: 1. The color of the stamps (there are both red and blue) identifies the rationed commodities.

HOME TOWN THOUGHTS

There is an old saying that if you want something done well, do it yourself. That applies to home town life. Instead of constantly asking why somebody else does not do some needed thing, people should do more of these things themselves.

Masonic Notables Gather in Lowell

Ill. Potentate Chet H. Rose of Saladin Temple, Grand Rapids, was host at a dinner held at Richmond's Cafe on the evening of Feb. 16, 1943. Burial in Oakwood cemetery.



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Past Potentate Claude L. Goldner acted as toastmaster for the evening and the present officers of Saladin Temple were in attendance: Asst. Rabban, George E. Decker; Oriental Guide, Harold Vaughan of Sparta, accompanied by Dr. Miller of Sparta; Past Potentate Wm. R. Barney, our Ambassador at Large, accompanied by Dr. E. L. Inaus of Ionia.

The following Nobles who reside in Lowell also attended: Perry C. Peckham, Carlton H. Runciman, Melville B. McPherson, Lawrence W. Rutherford, Juri C. Armstrong, Roland M. Shivel. The invitation was also extended to the following Blue Lodge members of Lowell, who were also in attendance: Arnold Wittenbach, Dan Winger, Howard Rittenger, N. E. Bergerson, T. Richmond, Wilbur Burras, George Lundberg, Wesley Roth, Harry Day, Gordon Johnson, George Story, Elmer Cilley, Douglas Oatley, Frank E. White.

Enters Into Rest In His 94th Year

Funeral services were held Monday, at 2 p. m. from the Roth Chapel, for Samuel G. Fryover, age 94, who passed away at his home in Lowell, Friday, Feb. 19, 1943. Burial in Oakwood cemetery.

Crowds Throng Ration Center

Frank L. Stephens and his corps of volunteers issued in excess of 800 point rationing books on Monday. It was stated in the Ledger last week that instructions on point rationing would be issued but this will not be necessary inasmuch as the government has issued a notice to each family unit as they receive their books.

Point Ration Book No. 2 Book of the Hour

The rationing board has decided to issue books, Friday night until 9 o'clock, for those who find it impossible to get in at any other time.

A Year's Food Makes Big Total

Proof that one person in a year eats a sizeable quantity of fruits and vegetables is being used by the Michigan State College home economics extension service to indicate that in 1943 it will pay every family to produce some or all of that food at home.

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Keene Township chairman for Red Cross drive, beginning Mar. 1, 1943. Please leave your subscriptions with these chairmen as you pass their house. It will save tires, gas and valuable time.

Volunteers Help

Volunteers who assisted up until Tuesday night are: Mrs. R. B. Avery, Mrs. Orval Jessup, Mrs. Frank Schwacha, Miss Grace Walker, Mrs. J. Hawk, Mrs. Royden Warner, Mrs. Don Dickerson, Mrs. Byrd Beachum, Mrs. George Johnson, Mrs. W. W. Gunster, Mrs. Bert Purchase, Mrs. Bernie Bedell, Mrs. Everett Carey, Mrs. R. J. Rodgers, Rev. Warner, Miss Agnes Perry, Mrs. Wesley Roth, Mrs. Adrian Zwemer, Mrs. Carl Peckham, Mrs. Frank Stephens, Mrs. Wm. Helm, and Mrs. Morris Summers.

Champ Hats in the Ring for Spring

The hat with the million dollar look. New colors, new shapes, same old quality, \$3.95 to \$5.00, at Coons'.

NEWS OF OUR BOYS

With The U.S. Flag

Pvt. Lincoln Kranz came Saturday from Camp Wolters, Tex, for an 18-day furlough.

Ensign Art Curtis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Curtis, who received his commission on November 10, is happy to be home on a two weeks furlough, his first home leave in 14 months.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Budnick report a change of address for their son which is: Pvt. Chester Budnick, Btry. B, 604 A. (BN) (PK), Camp Carson, Colorado.

Corp. John W. Briggs, came Thursday for a ten-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Briggs, his first visit home since last June.

Sgt. Orison Weaver left last Thursday night for Grayland, Wash., after enjoying a well earned furlough with the folks at home.

Word from their son, Lieut. Albert Cole, 23, who was wounded in action in the southwest Pacific, that he expects to return home in April.

Michael Sheehan, glider pilot of the army air force, has recently been promoted to the rank of Staff Sgt. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Sheehan of Alto. His wife, the former Elvina Dutcher, who was an Old Age Assistance case worker in this vicinity, is with him at Roswell, New Mexico.

Lloyd A. Frost, son of Byron Frost, left a short time ago for the service in the hopes of becoming a paratrooper and was quite disappointed when both his eyes and feet disfigured him. His address now is: Pvt. Lloyd A. Frost 96421887, Co. L 81st Inf., A. P. O. 450, Camp Howze, Texas.

Flood Conditions May Affect Wells

Warning against use of untreated water from private wells which may be flooded in coming weeks is issued by the Michigan Department of Health. The safer course is to secure water for drinking purposes from sources which have not been affected by flood conditions.

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The Form Given Below Is for Use In Applying for Ration Book No. 2

At the request of the Kent County Board of War Price and Rationing, the Ledger is printing again this week the Consumer's Declaration Form. People are reminded that this is the only form that will be provided. It must be clipped from the paper and taken to the registration site with Book No. 1, for every member of the family, in order to get the new ration Book No. 2.

Don't forget that this week Friday, Feb. 26, is the last day for making application. In Lowell apply at Legion headquarters; in Ada at the Town Hall. Other application sites in this vicinity are the Alto School, Cascade Town Hall, Grattan Center Byrne Store, and Caledonia high school.

Form Approved. Budget Bureau No. 08-R126-42

OPA Form No. R-1801

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION

CONSUMER DECLARATION Processed Foods and Coffee

I HEREBY CERTIFY that I am authorized to apply for and receive a War Ration Book Two for each person listed below who is a member of my family unit, or the other person or persons for whom I am acting whose War Ration Book One I have submitted to the Board;

That the name of each person and number of his or her War Ration Book One are accurately listed below;

That none of these persons is confined or resident in an institution, or is a member of the Armed Forces receiving subsistence in kind or eating in separate messes under an officer's command;

That no other application for War Ration Book Two for these persons has been made;

That the following inventory statements are true and include all indicated foods owned by all persons included in this Declaration:

Coffee

1. Pounds of coffee owned on November 28, 1942, minus 1 pound for each person included in this Declaration whose age as stated on War Ration Book One is 14 years or older.
2. Number of persons included in this Declaration whose age as stated on War Ration Book One is 14 years or older.

Canned Foods

Include all commercially canned fruits (including spiced), canned vegetables; canned fruit and vegetable juices; canned soups, chili sauce, and catsup.

Do not include canned olives; canned meat and fish pickles, relish; jellies, jams, and preserves; spaghetti, macaroni, and noodles; or home-canned foods.

3. Number of cans, bottles, and jars (8-ounce size or larger) of commercially packed fruits, vegetables, juices and soups, chili sauce and catsup owned on February 21, 1943, minus 5 for each person included in this Declaration.
4. Number of persons included in this Declaration.

The name of each person included in this Declaration and the number of his or her War Ration Book One is:

Print Name	Number
1. _____	_____
2. _____	_____
3. _____	_____
4. _____	_____
5. _____	_____
6. _____	_____
7. _____	_____

If additional space is needed, attach separate sheet

NOTICE—Section 35 (A) of the United States Criminal Code makes it a criminal offense, punishable by a maximum of 10 years' imprisonment, \$10,000 fine, or both, to make a false statement or representation as to any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States.

(Signature of applicant or authorized agent)

(Address)

(City and State)

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FALLSBURG & VICINITY

Mrs. Wesley Miller

Helen Vaughan spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Ed Storey at Grattan. Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan and Billy spent Sunday with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Russell of Grattan were recent callers of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dennis.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rexford and Mrs. Dave Garfield were in Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Ward and Dale Miller were roller skating in Grand Rapids Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Dennis were in Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Mrs. Claude Booth, Mrs. William Stauffer and Mrs. Roman McInerney were in Grand Rapids Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Miller were

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness and beautiful floral tributes during the illness and death of our husband and father, Mrs. S. G. Fryover.

Mrs. A. B. Odion.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Fryover and Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Fryover and Family.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Fryover and Family.

Mrs. Bessie Fryover and son, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kerekes and Family.

It pays to advertise in the Ledger.

Treat the Wife and the Family!

They will enjoy Richmond's good meals on Sundays or any other time. The wife deserves a rest occasionally, don't forget that.

Table and counter service both day and night.

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Phone 16 Phone 193

MORE LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Elmer Marshall spent Tuesday in Ionia.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard White spent most of last week in Chicago on business.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Erb of Delton were Friday callers of their daughter, Mrs. W. N. Penneck.

Mrs. Lydia Chrysler of Ionia called on Mrs. Charles Kraft and other friends Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Edith Pratt of Saranac and friend, Miss Verburg visited at the home of Will Devering Sunday.

Mrs. Edwin Marshall and son of near Ithaca were dinner guests on Monday of Mrs. Elmer Marshall and Eudora.

Edward Baker of the Murray Cafe returned from Blodgett hospital Sunday and is convalescing at his home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kunkle were in Grand Ledge Monday to see their daughter, Mrs. Stuart Lyon, who is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burley and daughter Halle of St. Joseph, attended the funeral of their uncle, Clarence Myers, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Shaw of Middleville were guests from Saturday until Tuesday in the home of her aunt, Mrs. Frank Gould.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kunkle had their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Miles and Mr. Miles' sister Marguerite of Lansing as guests Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Niles and daughter Margaret were in Lowell Sunday visiting relatives and friends, and returned to their home in Detroit on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Burdick and children of Berrien Springs and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Garrett of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Burdick.

Friends of Mrs. A. Vely will be sorry to learn she has had a recurrence of her former illness, suffering a bad spell Monday morning and is again confined to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Miller and Lester Ramey of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Beaumont of Detroit were Sunday callers of Mrs. W. N. Penneck and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith of Grand Rapids were guests of Mrs. O. J. Yelter Monday. Mrs. Smith graduated with the Gray Ladies from Butterworth hospital Wednesday night.

John Godfrey of Grand Rapids, one time a well known Lowell business man, was a Lowell caller on Wednesday. Mr. Godfrey has been engaged in the life insurance business for the past 41 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Beaumont of Detroit were Saturday night and Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gable, Mr. and Mrs. J. Emelander of Grand Rapids were Saturday evening callers.

Attending the ordination of Dr. Paul Voelker at South Congregational church, Grand Rapids, last week Thursday from Lowell were Rev. and Mrs. David Warner, Mrs. C. H. Horn and Rev. and Mrs. N. G. Woon.

Mrs. Marion Whitehead of Grand Rapids (nee Marion Kisor) entered Butterworth hospital Monday for a serious operation. Mrs. Whitehead is the daughter of Mrs. James Muir and has many friends here who wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Florence Snay of Detroit was called here because of the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Joe Snell, who suffered a severe heart attack on Monday and was taken to the Osteopathic hospital in Grand Rapids. Her condition remains unchanged.

Delbert J. Woon spent the weekend visiting a former schoolmate, Fritz Bryant, a pre-medical student at Ann Arbor. He left Tuesday with the Grand Rapids contingent for Camp Grant, Rockford, Ill., having been inducted into the army at Kalamazoo a week ago.

The fire department was called out Tuesday afternoon at 8:30, to the George Kerr home, northeast of Reservoir Hill. The blaze did about two or three hundred dollars damage to the house and started from a grass fire of undetermined origin. The loss is covered by insurance.

Mrs. Frank M. Newell attended the Patriotic luncheon given at the Women's City Club in Grand Rapids Wednesday, following which the Civic Players presented "The Damask Check" and on Thursday morning the review of the current Broadway play, "The Skin of Our Teeth," by Thornton Wilder.

Miss Hazel Hoag, Art Hill and Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hill of Grand Rapids attended the funeral of their aunt, Mrs. Susan Hill, in Grand Ledge last Friday. Mrs. Hill, 91, lived here many years ago and will be remembered by many as the sister of the Messrs. Hill's mother and Miss Hoag's father.

The Rev. E. J. Jewell, pastor of St. Mary's Catholic Church, returned home last Friday night after spending several weeks in St. Mary's hospital, Grand Rapids. All will be glad to know that he is recovering nicely and that he expects soon to be able to resume his pastoral duties. Father Jewell wishes to express his heartfelt appreciation to all who remembered him with flowers, cards and good wishes during his stay in the hospital.

NEWSPAPERS, Like Farmers, Face Critical Situation Yet Both Held Essential

Michigan Press Association News Service

MANPOWER: Uncle Sam's global war is going to precipitate the greatest manpower crisis in 1943 in our nation's long history. You can't take 11,200,000 men out of civilian economy without disrupting the lives of the rest of us back home. It means greater use of substitute products as more merchandise is affected by priorities. Increased demand for used merchandise. Living standards are bound to suffer as today's inflation continues to deflate the purchasing power of money through gradual, insidious rise in prices.

OVERTIME: When the federal wage-hour bill was first introduced in Congress, sponsors declared it was needed because of a depression surplus of labor. "Spread the work" was the slogan at that time. Now Washington orders a 48-hour week with overtime beyond 40 hours for workers in certain critical war areas, and the reason is given as just the opposite: Alleviating a shortage of labor. Which is true? And if overtime is good for the industrial worker, how about the farm laborer? If food is just as essential to the winning of the war as munitions, why does Uncle Sam favor one group and not the other?

COUNTRY PRESS: Many small town newspapers in Michigan have quit during the past 18 months. The coming manpower shortage in 1943 may bring suspension of many more. Here's the list of war casualties: White Pigeon News, Niles Mirror, Bancroft Commercial, Birch Run News, Bridgeport Examiner, Columbiaville Press, Ewen Cloverland Press, Kalamazoo News-Advertiser, Marshall Calhoun County Advertiser, Muskegon Observer, Burton Banner, Gailen News, Horton Journal, Jackson Republican, Oak Northport Leader, Sawyer News, Baroda Booster, Rockland News-Review, St. Louis News-Advertiser, Spring Arbor Times, and Webberville Index. Shortage of labor, chiefly printers and operators, has been critical for months and may get worse in 1943. Printers and operators, as well as editors, are in "essential" classifications for war deferments. If draft boards decline to grant deferments in these classifications, the above list of small town newspapers will be doubled or tripled by next Christmas.

CONDENSED NEWSPAPERS: Today's newspaper still is today's biggest bargain. Weekly newspapers, which sell for \$1.50 a year, represent a consumer enjoyment use of only 3 cents a week, delivered to your front porch. What else can you get today for 3 cents a week, and delivered too? An increase to \$2 a year, or from \$2 to \$2.50 a year, is less than a penny a week. It may mean the difference between a newspaper surviving in your community or suspending forever. Daily newspapers, likewise, are adjusting their circulation rates. Readers are paying a larger share of the cost of producing a newspaper, much of which heretofore has been borne by the advertisers. Out of this will come better edited newspapers, streamlined in news content. Fewer bulky comic sections will follow newspaper cuts. Radio is licensed by the government; your newspaper is not. That alone is worth an additional penny a week, or even five pennies a week if your newspaper is published daily.

FARM LABOR: High school students, women and towns-people may be called next fall to harvest Michigan's 1943 war crops. Michigan State College is inaugurating a six-week training course for farm youth selected by the farm security administration of the United States department of agriculture. Boys recruited for farm service will be draft exempt and will remain on the "food front" for the duration. As this column has hinted before, Washington is gradually releasing news of the serious food shortage. Last year we consumed and exported more food than we produced, and the 1942 growing season was unusually favorable. Have you planned your Victory Garden yet?

SOCIAL EVENTS

MARRIED

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Mullen of Lowell announce the marriage of their daughter, Amelia Bernice to Gene J. Wirtz, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Wirtz of Ionia, Feb. 8, 1943, in Los Angeles, Calif. The bride wore a grey suit with red accessories and corsage of red roses. The only attendants were the Misses Virginia and Elizabeth Young, also of Lowell, who, for their corsages wore yellow roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Wirtz will make their home for the present in Los Angeles, but plan on returning to Michigan in early summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Laux Honored

Wm. P. Laux and Mrs. Laux were the honored guests at the mid-winter meeting of rural mail carriers' association and auxiliary, held at the Town Hall in E. Grand Rapids Monday noon, Mr. Laux having retired at the beginning of the year. They were presented with a fine occasional table by the members.

Social Brevities

Mrs. Adrian Zwemer had charge of the program at the Forthnightly Club which met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Jay Bolens. Mrs. Byrne McMahon was assistant hostess.

The Neighborhood Club was entertained to a one o'clock luncheon last Wednesday at the home of Mrs. John Lalley. Honors at bridge went to Mrs. W. W. Gumsner and Mrs. C. H. Runciman.

A Valentine party was held at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Gilmore at Alton on Feb. 19, 26 being present. The evening was spent playing games and singing and refreshments were served.

Mrs. James Topp entertained with a shower Tuesday evening for Mrs. Frank Keiser. The fifteen guests present enjoyed the social evening and dainty refreshments served by the hostess, and many lovely gifts were left for the guest of honor.

Mrs. H. J. Englehardt entertained with a luncheon Monday noon for the officers and program committee of the Lowell Garden Lore Club. At this time the program was outlined for the coming year.

The Child Study Club met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Russell McCarthy with 19 members and guests in attendance. Mrs. Harold Nash gave the lesson, "The Parent as Recreational Director." A musical contest was entered into and enjoyed by all present and delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

COMING EVENTS

The Lowell Extension class will meet Thursday, Mar. 4, at 11 a. m. in the home of Mable Stauffer, Potluck.

The Cheerful Doers will meet Monday evening, Mar. 1, at the home of Mrs. Royden Warner.

Boy Scout Rally, troops 101 and 102, at the Congregational church on Monday, Mar 1st at 7:30 p. m. Parents and troop committeemen are urged to attend.

There will be a special meeting of the Lowell Garden Lore Club at the City Hall on March 3, at 3:00 p. m. for the purpose of deciding whether the day of meeting should be changed from Tuesday to Wednesday because of Red Cross, and for the consideration of any other necessary business.

The Past Matrons of Kent County O. E. S. will meet Wednesday, March 10, at the Masonic Temple in Grand Rapids, with a picnic lunch at 12:30, business meeting following the luncheon.

The St. Mary's League has postponed its March meeting and the April meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. E. P. Quick, Riverside Dr.

The Kent County Council of PTA will meet at the Y. M. C. A., Grand Rapids, on Tuesday, March 2, at 2 o'clock.

WOMEN'S CLUB

The Lowell Women's Club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Frank Coons. Mrs. C. H. Reynolds gave an informing talk on Contributions of Racial Minorities to Our War Effort. Music was furnished by students from the high school.

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Miss Betty Roth was a Sunday morning caller at John Miller's. Dinner guests were Mrs. Miller's parents from Vestaburg, a brother, Sgt. J. B. Ward and wife from Chanute Field, Ill., a sister, Mrs. Clarence Marlett, husband and daughter from Grand Rapids and their son Ward Marlett from University of Michigan. Alfred Miller came home with his grandmother. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kyser visited their son Jack Stiles and family on Sunday.

Howard Bartlett attended the funeral of Clarence Myers in Lowell Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth Hostettler was called to her home in White Cloud Saturday evening by the death of her mother. Neighbors and friends extend sincere sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rittenger were in Grand Rapids Saturday. Mrs. Howard Bartlett accompanied Mrs. John Miller to a bridge luncheon at Mrs. Fred Pattison's in Alto Friday and carried off high score.

The Bartletts called on Frank Rittenger's Thursday evening.

George Wieland tapped his sugar trees Monday. Sunday Mr. and Mrs. Wieland called on his mother and aunt, at John Livingston's and on Mrs. Wieland's father, John Clark in West Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kilgus called on John Sterleck and family Sunday.

Lucille Visser of Grand Rapids spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Ray Rittenger and family.

The South Lowell P. T. A. will be held at the schoolhouse this Friday night. There will be a humorous program and carry-in lunch. Mrs. Wm. Kilgus is program chairman. All come.

The Bartletts entertained for dinner Saturday evening, the John Millers, Floyd Huns, Mrs. Claud Scoville, Mrs. Elizabeth Nelson, Clinton Elyke and Arlene Bryant.

Mrs. Alvin Wends called at Leona Wieland's Monday.

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