

LEDGER ENTRIES

Being a Collection of Various Topics of Local and General Interest

YOUTH'S CHANCE OF HEALTH

OUT OF 22,000,000 young men of military age, it is figured that only 14,000,000 are physically fit for military service. It seems as if the American people were falling down in some way, when 8,000,000 of their young men fall to come up to this high requirement. One reason why Germany has been able to conquer so many countries, is that they have made a specialty of good physical development among their youth.

Good food, healthful exercise, plenty of sleep, and good habits are essentials. Some folks lack perfect health because of bad habits. Good food will not do you any good, if you persist in constantly missing sleep.

Many people suffer some impairment of health through no fault of their own, by contracting disease. Adequate public health services are necessary to combat epidemics and infections. Many of the men rejected for military service were dropped because of defects in eyes, hearing, teeth, feet, etc. These defects can usually be partly or wholly cured by treatment.

If a thoroughly healthy generation of young people is to be developed, it is absolutely necessary for business and the government to find some way to avoid industrial depressions. If people do not have regular work, they will not probably be able to buy the good food they need. Substitutes lacking nutrition value will not create physical power.

Boys are very apt to take pride in good physical development, and ability to lift heavy weights and run long distances. Quite frequently they will attend some gymnastic or physical culture class, and faithfully perform their exercises.

As they get a little older, they frequently give up this excellent habit. They may think the exercises interfere with getting to work promptly. They would better get up a few minutes earlier. Men and women should never get too old to take care of their health, and suitable physical exercise should be kept up permanently.

MILITARY DISCIPLINE

CIVILIANS may get the idea that military life is regulated by too many rules which are needlessly strict. Also that an unnecessarily detailed system of red tape has been elaborated. The new soldier may feel that these requirements hold his life under too close control, and that it is a burden to learn and put into effect these many rules.

If one reads the instructions given to new soldiers, one sees that these regulations grow out of the pride which the military men feel for the army, and their ambition to keep it at a high level, also their belief that strict discipline and regular habits of action make a military force more effective. History has often demonstrated that without discipline no body of troops can hold its own against a well disciplined enemy. A team of a few well disciplined soldiers is worth more than a larger body of poorly disciplined men.

If the new recruit is inclined to doubt the value of this discipline, he should remember that good discipline is a part of successful effort in almost any form of life. The lack of discipline in home and school life has gotten many fellows into difficulties. If a ball player cannot submit to the discipline of his team, he is likely to find himself watching the game from the outside.

New soldiers may ask why all this emphasis on such a formal act as saluting the officers. Why is it necessary to do it so strictly, and to take care that the salute is neatly and smartly given? The salute emphasizes the respect due the commanding officers, and this respect promotes obedience. A soldier who is slack about his saluting may be slack about obeying orders, which could do great harm. The soldier profits by discipline. He forms regular habits of action, and he acquires the dignity that goes with the service, all which will help him in his life after the war.

Restrictions Now Lifted

"Good news for home owners has resulted from a recent amendment made by the War Production Board to Construction Conservation Order L-41," said Bruce Walter, proprietor of the Lowell Lumber & Supply Co. "Asbestos-cement sidings and shingles are again available without restriction for the protection of homes in need of re-painting or other maintenance and repair."

The purchase of asbestos sidings and shingles, Mr. Walter pointed out, serves a dual purpose—it contributes to the war effort by establishing the production of more long fibre asbestos and the product furnishes fireproof protection to the home.

Classified ads bring results. Try one and be convinced.

THE LOWELL LEDGER

FIFTY-FIRST YEAR

LOWELL, MICHIGAN, MAY 13, 1943

No. 1

Air Raid Warning Signal System Is Given First Tests

Michigan's new air raid warning signal system which went into effect May 1 was successfully tested for the first time May 4 in Kent County, followed two days later by a practice blackout in seven Southeastern Michigan counties.

It is expected that blackouts in other areas will be ordered in the near future so that the public may become familiar with the system as quickly as possible.

Particular interest was attached to the new all-clear signal, which Michigan is the first state to introduce.

The system has a sequence of four signals—an even two-minute blast on whistles, horns or sirens to warn that enemy planes are approaching; a fluctuating three-minute blast on sirens or short intermittent blasts on horns and whistles to signal that the planes are near or overhead; another two-minute steady blast to indicate that the planes have passed, but the community must remain on the alert as they might return, and finally the all-clear—three one-minute steady blasts alternated with two-minute periods of silence, to indicate that the danger is past and the community may return to normal status.

The new system is designed to increase the protection of the public, minimize interruption of community activities, and relieve the strain on communication facilities by having civilian defense forces mobilize on the first warning signal instead of being summoned by telephone and other means as has been the practice in the past.

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Lowell will be represented at the annual Wolverine Boy's State to be held at M. S. C. June 17 to 25, inclusive, by Oswald Bieri, who is sponsored by the American Legion post and Keith Franks, sponsored by the Rotary Club. Selections were made on the basis of the following characteristics: Leadership, physical cleanliness, mental alertness, vigor, enthusiasm, good personality, honesty, thrift and good sportsmanship.

Canning Sugar Available Soon

The Kent County War Price and Rationing Board, Lowell Branch, has disclosed that effective on and after May 15, 1943, they will be accepting applications for home canning sugar.

Sugar for home canning is being shipped on substantially the same basis as last year—that is, one pound for each quart (or eight pounds) of the finished product. No special form is required unless it is planned to sell the home product, and application may be made in person or by mail. The applicant must furnish the following:

1. A copy of War Ration Book One for each person for whom home-canning sugar is sought;
2. The total number of quarts or pounds of finished fruit to be put up; and
3. The amount of sugar to be used for making jams and jellies (not more than five pounds per person, within the 75-pound overall maximum).

Decoration Day Program

Sunday, May 30, at 2:30

The Lowell American Legion is making plans for Memorial Day. The parade and program will take place on Sunday, May 30, at 2:30, but more detailed information will be given in next week's paper.

The Lowell Board of Trade announces that business places will be closed all day Monday, May 31.

Share-the-Ride Club Organized Here Monday

A "Share the Ride Club" was organized here Monday when will be conducted through the cooperation of the local civilian defense council, the American Legion and the local ration board. Workers going either east or west out of Lowell may apply at the local ration board for transportation. Those who have cars to share should also list their names at the local office.

NOTICE

Special communication of Lowell Lodge, No. 90, F. & A. M., Saturday evening, May 15, Master Masons degree. Also special on Tuesday evening, May 18, at 8 o'clock, work in First degree.—Arnold Wittenbach.

WEMBLEY TIES FOR MEN

A marvelous assortment of these famous ties, Wembley Norsemen, wrinkle-proof, in plain colors, plaids and stripes, Wembley Classics in silk, Wembley Summer Foulards, pure silk ties all for \$1, a truly gorgeous showing, at Coons.

BERGIN AUCTION SALE

The Richard Bergin auction sale of household goods which was originally advertised to be held on Friday, May 21, has been changed to Saturday, May 29.



You cannot help but notice the new awning at Hahn's store. Like Joseph's coat, it has many colors.

Farmers hereabouts have been set back more than a month because of the cold, wet, backward spring, while farmers in several other states have been praying for rain.

The Ledger has now been going for half a century. No doubt you will be interested in what made news here 50 years ago, as reprinted in another column, from the Ledger's first issue.

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Frank L. Stephens, commander of civilian defense for Lowell township, reports the blackout of last week Wednesday night as very successful. There were no accidents reported, and only a few violations of lighting restrictions. The only difficulty experienced was in one district where the appointed air raid wardens had left town to work in other localities. These posts will be filled from other districts. There are six auxiliary police districts and all together 189 turned out for protective service. This includes auxiliary police and auxiliary firemen, air raid wardens, messengers, the medical division and staff.

The smashing victory of the United Nations forces in Africa, has brought great thrill and hope to the liberty-loving peoples of all nations, and we are especially thrilled because of our own American forefathers. Boys of our own home community have been participating in the great victory, and we who know them personally know that they gave a splendid account of themselves. Our home boys in that contest include: Jack Fonger, Earl Doyle, Allen Roth, Sam Yetter, Arthur Gross, George Gofredsen, Bob Schwacha, Dee Rogers, Alton Mick, Martin Postma, Leo Bettes, Harold Denton, George Hoover, Richard Loughlin, Wm. Frost, and Erwin Hoag, Howard Malcolm. There are doubtless other names that should be included in the above list, and if so the Ledger will appreciate being notified.

"In all things, however, we must remember that this is a world of change, and that much that today is called truth may tomorrow be known as error. Nothing seems stable. The clouds of the summer sunset are ever changing and beautiful. New lights, new truths are constantly appearing, while old things are passing away. He is a simple person who agrees to believe next year, next month, or even tomorrow just what he believes today. Beliefs must change with knowledge, and we ought to know more tomorrow than we do today. The best plan is to keep your windows open toward Jerusalem, and follow each day with the light that comes through them."

Below is a summary of who and what made news in the first issue of the Ledger:

Local News of 50 Years Ago

Wheat looks pretty good and hay is well under way. Gottlieb Ritterger had the misfortune to fall and break an arm.

Norton Henry returned from the World's Fair city.

Amos Andrews learning the art preservative at the Ledger office.

Web Cilley of South Boston has a new barn, 100x64, with an iron roof.

The Lowell schools closed their year's work. There were no graduates.

Joe Quick and Fred Malcolm took in the great American derby run at Chicago.

Roy Eaton returned from Chicago, where he had been attending a medical college.

Mr. Munton, formerly employed by the Electric Light company, went to Kalamazoo.

Strawberries have been down to an astonishing low figure, as low as two and three cents.

Funeral services were held for Conrad Haner at the home of his daughter, Mrs. G. B. Avery.

A fat man's race took place on our streets, between citizens, Frank Giles and Fred L. Falls, the latter winning the heat.

H. S. Schreiner started a new industry for Lowell, the manufacture of fly nets, and also added hammocks to his line.

News of 50 Years Ago

What Made News in Lowell in the First Issue of the Ledger, That Came Fresh and Reeking Off the Hand Press Upon Which It Was Printed Fifty Years Ago, Or to Be More Exact June 1, 1893

Well the local news of fifty years ago will doubtless prove fully as interesting today as it did then, hence a little further on in this article we will give a summary of the same, the reader bearing in mind that the Ledger of a half century ago was much smaller in size than it is today. In fact, it would take four issues of the Ledger of that day to equal the amount of community news given in a single issue today. The paper then had but five short columns to the page and four of its eight pages were known as "ready-print" and were printed each week in Chicago.

The Pioneer picnic at the home of J. S. Hooker was largely attended, about seventy being present.

John Karcher of Bowse, who recently injured a foot in a fall, had to undergo the operation of amputation, in order to save his life.

S. S. Lee returned from Oberlin College. He spent a few days in Lowell, bringing home a Columbia bicycle, the only one in Lowell.

W. B. Rieker freezing his ice cream by the aid of a water motor. Business so good these hot days that muscle power gave out.

Worden's Orchestra to furnish music for a Fourth of July ball at Ada rink and also for a ball at Coopersville the following evening.

Frank Clark and Gertrude Fallas were married at the residence of John W. Fallas, by the bride's grandfather, Rev. W. Johnson of Grand Rapids.

Porter Carr purchased the interest of his partner, J. C. Moore, in their general blacksmithing and machine shop, continuing the business at the old stand.

At the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Winegar, their daughter, Miss Ella, was united in marriage to Philip Gamber, Pastor E. H. Shanks officiating. They left for Genoa, Ohio, to make their home.

Muir & French had a contract to furnish one million ties for the D. G. H. & M. railway. Something like 600,000 ties from timber grown on the lands of the Morgan Lyon estate near Lowell were delivered.

Frank McMahon, Tom Murphy, George Hunter, Eustace Anderson and C. Kellogg ran down to Grand Rapids on their wheels. The first two made the return trip in two hours and five minutes and from Reeds Lake to Ada in forty-five minutes.

The West Michigan Electric company have the immense stone breastwork for the flume up and ready for the seven-foot in diameter pipes, which are expected soon. Work on the dam will be pushed as soon as the water in the river reaches its usual low stage.

In addition to the P. M. and G. T. Lowell had another railroad, the Lowell & Hastings, which ran between Lowell and Freeport. It was known as the G. O. P. which stood for "Get Off and Push."

Norton Henry says that the train crew had the habit of stopping and milking the farmers' cows.

Dr. E. D. McQueen was agreeably surprised by his friends, honoring his 30th birthday. Guests were Orton Hill, C. A. Church, W. S. Winegar, Dr. O. C. McDannell, Dr. M. C. Greene, R. VanDyke, C. A. Althen, D. G. Look, George Parker, M. N. Hine, Charles Hine, W. H. Clark, C. W. Wisner, George Winegar, R. D. Stocking, Dr. J. E. Rieker, H. N. Stone, Will Price and Clyde Collier.

When people went to Grand Rapids fifty years ago it made news, as per the following: George Giles spending a couple days in Grand Rapids. . . Benjamin Morse and wife went to the Rapids one day last week. . . Chris Bergin reports business good. He has been doing supervisor's duty in Grand Rapids this week. . . George Coppens was in Grand Rapids Tuesday. . . Miss Bessie Hunt was in Grand Rapids Tuesday.

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Auction Sales

Wayne Benton, May 14 Having sold his farm, Wayne Benton will sell at public auction, on the premises, 1 1/2 miles south of Bowse Center, on Friday, May 14, a good lot of cattle, hogs, hay and feed, implements and tools and some household goods. N. C. Thomas, auctioneer; M. A. Watson, clerk. See complete adv. in last week's Ledger.

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News of Our Boys

Pvt. Morris W. Blazo is now stationed at Greensboro, N. C.

Lieut. John B. Peckham is now getting his mail Care Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Lieut. Dale Ford, son of Mr. and Mrs. Royce Ford, is home on a ten day furlough from Fort Belvoir, Va.

Pvt. John Thorne has been placed in the medical department of the air corps and is stationed at Kearns Field, Utah.

Roland Acheson who was wounded some time ago in New Guinea, is now out of the hospital and has been promoted to the rank of corporal.

Pfc. William Scherbinski, who is stationed at Los Angeles, Calif., is spending a ten day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Scherbinski.

Mrs. Mary Bowler writes the Ledger that her son, Dennis, has been promoted to a Corporal. Corp. Bowler has been in a rest camp in Australia since January 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Seece have received word that their son Orton of Westover Field, Mass., has finished his parachute school and been promoted to P. F. C.

Among the American flyers pouring death on the Germans in Tunisia was Lt. Erwin A. Hoag, Lowell high school graduate, son of Ralph Hoag of R. 2, Lowell.

Orrin W. Sterkin, Jr. has received a promotion to lieutenant, junior grade, and is now stationed as a communications officer aboard the U. S. S. Bullard, a new destroyer which went into commission last month.

The Ledger is in receipt of a card from Dick Lester at Camp Peary, Va., which says: "They sure keep us plenty busy here in the Navy Seabees, but I like it. It is a great life. Good eats and a swell bunch of officers."

A letter written on April 14 by Pvt. Allen Roth, who is in North Africa and received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Roth of Lowell, R. 2 says that he had the pleasure of a long visit with Arthur Gross, a friend and neighbor boy.

Pvt. Robert E. Ellis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer C. Ellis of 111 N. Jefferson St., Lowell, has graduated from an intensive course in aviation mechanics at Lockheed Air Craft Corp., Burbank, Calif. and now is prepared to blast the Axis.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Miller received a letter last week from their son, Pfc. Bernard L. Miller in Australia. He was about to be released from a hospital where he has been confined most of the past four months, from shock, concussion and malaria.

Pvt. Harlan Dick Lee called his mother, Mrs. Reuben Lee, from a base in Pennsylvania on Mother's Day. Dick is one of three tank-guns of Co. H. in the tenth armored division at Fort Benning, Ga., to volunteer last week for immediate action in North Africa.

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Notice, Holders of B or C Gas Books

The Kent County Ration Board announced today that all people who held B or C Gasoline Books that expire June 1 must mail their Renewal applications and Tire Inspection Records to the various Ration Board Offices in the county, immediately, and in any event not later than May 20, which has been set as the deadline if books are to be back in users hands by June 1 when old rations expire. Applications must not be delivered in person, only by Plant Transportation Officials. Transportation officials of the various plants must receive and certify the applications of all their employees and then turn them over to the Ration Board for issuance.

All applicants must have had at least one tire inspection since December 1, 1942, to be eligible for renewal of their gasoline ration; C applications received after May 30 must show a second inspection. B's must have their second inspection by June 30.

All books will be mailed back in users hands by June 1, if applications are submitted by May 20.

This applies only to books expiring June 1, other book holders should apply 30 days prior to expiration of their rations.

Renewal applications will be available at plants and most gasoline stations Tuesday.

People in the area of Lowell, should be sure their application is mailed to the proper office.

Herbert W. Florer, Adm.

Garden Club Sponsors Spring Flower Exhibit

The Lowell Garden Club flower exhibit and tea will be held Wednesday afternoon, May 19, at Richmond's Cafe (west door). All members are invited to bring flower arrangements to be judged by Mrs. Ora Chadwick of Grand Rapids. We all received many helpful suggestions from her last year and it is hoped that many more will be benefited by watching her work with flowers. It's a rare opportunity we should not miss. An invitation is extended to all ladies interested in flowers. A small fee to defray expenses will be charged.

We were surprised to see the volume of trees ordered by individuals this year. A summary of orders now that the trees have been distributed, and we hope by this time planted, shows total orders as follows: Red Pine, 19,250; White Pine, 11,700; Jack Pine, 4,900; Scotch Pine, 3,600; White Spruce, 22,500.

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The Ledger Completes 50 Years

(EDITORIAL)

The Lowell Ledger begins, with this issue, its 51st year of continuous publication. The value and permanence of the service it has rendered are indicated by the fact that it has had but two owners during this half century. The late Frank M. Johnson who founded it, served this community so well that he published it for nearly 37 years. The present editor and publisher, E. G. Jefferies, finds great satisfaction in his 13th year of this service.

In our job as an expression of the life of this community, it is a great satisfaction to look at its fine development, and to feel that we have had some share in its progress. The prosperous and scientific agriculture of this section, our community which lives up to its slogan of "The Friendly Town", our admirable electric light and water and sewage systems, our excellent schools and churches and parks, are a splendid demonstration of community development. We have reason to feel very proud of our organizations, and the completeness with which they meet the needs of the community and provide centers of activity. Associations like the Board of Trade, the Rotary Club, the Women's Club, the Garden Club and several study clubs are activities of incalculable value.

How far our newspaper has contributed to this development is not for us to say. As it has been our purpose to present a complete record of all the activities and the progress of Lowell and the surrounding country, it would seem as if this constant stream of publicity and favorable comment had helped greatly to excite enthusiasm and enlist support and workers for all our community activities.

The enterprising industries of our community, and the very able group of business people who carry on retail trade, have done wonders for our town and nation. It has been a great pleasure to work with them for progress and development.

The past 50 years have completely revolutionized life in America. The transformation our communities have undergone since 1893 would have been considered inconceivable at that date of former years. To publish a newspaper successfully through all these changing conditions, to keep up with new forms of competition, to respond to new needs, and keep pace with modern thought, has not been an easy proposition. The words of commendation which our people speak from time to time give us reason to hope we have passed through this test successfully.

For the future the Lowell Ledger will as in the past work with all its heart for the success of our community and the surrounding region, for the good of our great state, and grand country. May the coming years give us new ideas and development that shall realize all our present hopes.

We ask the cooperation of all who are interested in the progress of the community, for a newspaper not merely represents the effort of its publisher to carry on business and earn a living, but it is a public institution on which the community depends, and the success of which helps the community and expresses the views of the public.

We have a strong faith in the future of towns like Lowell, feeling that they are ideal places for homes, and offer excellent chances for business enterprise, and that the changes of the future will make them even more desirable as centers of opportunity. In the present critical war situation of the United States, the Lowell Ledger joins ardently in support of the government, and the efforts of our soldier boys, and it desires to aid in the great cause in every means within its power.

So with warm thanks for the public support which has made possible the life of this newspaper, we enter on a new period of enthusiastic service.

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UP and DOWN



By K. K. Vining

Sorry to Lose Moran

Leon Moran, supervisor of Farm Security Administration in Kent and Ottawa counties, has tendered his resignation to take effect May 2. Moran has been a supervisor for farm security work for eight years. He came to this county from Montcalm County and in the last year had Ottawa county added to his Kent work.

Moran is taking a position with the Detroit Creamery Company as a field man. His headquarters will be at Howell.

Farm Security work in Kent county under Moran's direction has had a safe and sane administration. The farm folks he had worked with have made real progress.

Along with his regular work Moran has put in much time with the Kent County U. S. D. A. War Board. Recently he was appointed loan representative for the R. A. C. C. which work has been exciting.

We are sorry to see Leon Moran leave Kent County for most cordial relations have existed between his work and agricultural extension service.

Forest Plantings on Increase

By the time this column is printed five high schools will have added five more acres each to their school forest plantings with East Grand Rapids High School making an initial planting of 3 acres. The Rockford school forest has completed the planting of their 20 acres at Edgerton and will be looking for another site to continue their 1944 operations.

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THE OLD JUDGE SAYS...



Quite a stack of newspapers I left you yesterday, Judge. Aren't you in the newspaper business, are you?

KEENE BREEZES

Mr. and Mrs. L. Weeks of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Ny...

The Good Will Club met with Mrs. Glenna Nelson last Wednesday...

Church News

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Rev. R. C. Warland, Pastor Sunday School at 10:00 a. m.

ZION METHODIST CHURCH

German preaching at 10:00 a. m. Bible School at 11:00 a. m.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Cor. Washington and Hope. Morning service and Sunday School at 11 o'clock every Sunday.

WHITNEYVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. Don Carlson of Muskegon were week-end guests at the home of...

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CH.

Rev. N. G. Wom, Pastor Church School—10 a. m. Morning Worship—11 a. m.

UNITED BRETHREN CHURCH

W. B. Harwood, Pastor Church School—10:00 a. m. Morning service at 10:00 o'clock.

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WHERE—Price-Rite Hardware.

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FOR RENT

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FOR SALE

FOR SALE—Pair of 3 and 4 year old colts, not broke.

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MORE LOCAL NEWS

John Dawson is on the sick list. Mrs. Otis Bibbler, Sr., is much improved from a few days' illness. Clare Brown spent Sunday with his family. He is employed in Detroit.

George Hale of Ypsilanti spent Sunday with his family on S. Hudson St.

Mrs. Maude Segar has moved from Center St. to the rooms over Richmond's Cafe.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bargwell of Jackson were Sunday evening visitors of Mrs. Phil S. Krum.

Mrs. Leonard Blossom was the guest of Mrs. Ira Blossom at a luncheon in Grand Rapids last Wednesday.

Mrs. Louise Friedl of Saranac is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Gehrler, helping with the cleaning.

First Sgt. Albert C. Kyser and friend, Sgt. Louis Talon of Fort Sheridan, Ill., spent Sunday with Lowell relatives.

Mrs. Lida McNaughton and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Morse and Sally of Carson City spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Will Morse.

Mrs. Jennie Townsend spent Sunday in Lansing visiting her son, Pvt. Clair Townsend of Camp Grant, Ill., and her son Bob of Charlotte.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Meengs and two children of Kalamazoo came Wednesday to visit a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Morse.

Mrs. Reuben Lee attended a Mother-Daughter banquet at East Congregational Church in Grand Rapids last Wednesday evening as a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Rudy Bieri.

Mrs. Alice Wingeier spent Sunday with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Geiger. Mr. and Mrs. Gus Wingeier and son, Dickie, of Hastings were also guests.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Piano Recital
Miss Charlotte K. White, faculty member of the Berger School of Music in Grand Rapids, will present a group of students from her class in a piano recital at the school recital hall, in the Gilbert building, Thursday evening, May 20, at 7:30. The following pupils will appear on the program: From Lowell, Susan Gee, Anita Doyle, Beverly and Nola Bedell, Phyllis Lewis, Marjorie McQueen, Suzanne Miller, Jane Rittenger.

From Ada, Duane Averill, Rose Fase, Joan Morris, Yvonne and Gordon Svoboda.

From Grand Rapids, Barbara Hansen, Nancy Keller, Phillip Ruitter, Ida Lyn Cook, Helen Thiel, Audrey Vandenberg, Charles Water, Mary Clare Weeks and Elaine VanTuinen.

Honors 75th Birthday
Mr. and Mrs. Grant Warner, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Randall, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Seelye and Walter Blakeslee of Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. John Schwab and Louis Schwab of Rockford spent Tuesday at the Schwab cottage at Brower Lake to celebrate the 75th birthday anniversary of Mr. Blakeslee. A potluck lunch was served at noon and all spent a very enjoyable afternoon visiting and playing cards. A five o'clock lunch of ice cream and cake was served and all returned to their homes wishing the honor guest many happy returns of the day and many more to come.

Child Study Club
The Child Study Club held their meeting last Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Olive Kiesler, 17 members being present. Election of officers for the coming year took place as follows: President, Pauline Carey; vice president, Olive Kiesler; secretary, Lela Wolfe; treasurer, Marion Bushnell.

After the business meeting, delicious refreshments were enjoyed. All members are reminded to plan for the annual picnic, date to be announced next week.

115 at Final Party
The final party of this school year, given by the Child Study Club for the Junior and Senior high students, took place last Friday evening in the City Hall with 115 present.

The parties were considered to be very successful and the club members wish to express appreciation for the fine cooperation they received.

Social Brevities
The fortnightly Club enjoyed their annual dinner meeting at Lone Pine Inn Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Art Curtis was hostess last Friday evening to the St. Mary's Altar Society. Bridge and euchre were played and honors were won by Mrs. James Gee and Mrs. Harry Richmond.

Mrs. Clarence Dollaway entertained last Sunday afternoon for the pleasure of Mrs. Frank Kelsner. Eight ladies were present to enjoy the delicious refreshments served by the hostess, and many lovely gifts were left for the guest of honor.

The Monday Book Review Club met this week at the home of Mrs. F. E. White. Mrs. M. N. Henry reviewed "Head Hunting in the Solomons" by Caroline Mytinger.

Mrs. Lyle Denny of Saranac gave her husband a surprise party on Sunday, it being his birthday. Dinner guests were Mrs. LeVina Marek, Frances, Charles and Barbara and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Denny and Glenn. The table was decorated with pansies and violets. A delicious pork roast dinner with all the trimmings and a lovely birthday cake trimmed with candles graced the table. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Denny of Lowell were evening guests.

Pet Dog Crushed by Truck
Mrs. Maggie Carr and daughters of Beiding, RFD, are sad over the death, a few days ago, of their pet Pomeranian dog "Snacks" which was crushed and killed by a truck as he left their car to cross the street.

WEDDINGS

Dollaway—Green
The marriage of Harold Dollaway, 26, son of Mrs. Merritt Miller of Lowell and Floyd Dollaway of Ypsilanti, to Miss Fay Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Green of Muskegon, formerly of Lowell, took place Friday afternoon at four o'clock in Grand Rapids.

Harold received his promotion to seaman second class on Wednesday and is on a nine day furlough before returning to Great Lakes. Mrs. Dollaway will remain in Lowell for the present.

Daly—Verborg
Blanche Palmerton Verborg of Grand Rapids and Saranac and W. O. J. G. George C. Daly of Fargo, N. D., were united in marriage April 28, 1943, at Fargo. They are making their home for the present at Fargo, where Mr. Daly is attending Army Officers' school.

COMING EVENTS

The Martha Group of the Methodist Church will meet on Monday, May 17, at 8 p. m. with Mrs. Lloyd Knapp on East Main St.

The German Ladies Aid will meet Thursday, May 20, at 2:00 p. m., at the home of Mrs. John Bieri in Alton.

Regular meeting of Cyclamen Chapter, No. 94, O. E. S., will be held Friday evening, May 14, preceded by a Mother-Daughter get-together supper at 6:30.

BIRTHS
To Mr. and Mrs. John Burgess (nee Edith Althaus) of Aberdeen, Maryland, on Sunday, May 9, a daughter, Mary Katherine, weighing 5 lbs., 10 1/2 oz. A nice Mother's Day gift.

To Mr. and Mrs. Keith Slagle of 2335 Kress Ave., Detroit, a 7 lb. daughter, named Kay Ellen, on April 25. Mrs. Slagle is the former Helen Smith, grade teacher in the Lowell schools.

To Mr. and Mrs. Albert Zigmont, in St. Mary's hospital, on May 7, an 8 1/2 pound daughter, Shirley Jane. Mrs. Zigmont is the former Helen Mitchell.

Up and Down Kent County Roads

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These with the 29,000 planted by the school forests, make a good addition to future Kent County forests.

The Kent County Road Commission is also planting about 10,000 trees. The county planting has been going on for several years under the direction of L. C. Palmer, forester for the commission. Many fine roadside plantings are in evidence but some extensive plantings are being made. These plantings are being made in Cannon, Tyrone and Spencer townships. The trees that the urban high schools will plant at the "Picnic Acid Plant" are furnished by the county.

Summer Clubs Organizing
Kent County 4-H summer clubs are busy organizing these days. Clubs at More Lake, South Lowell, Caledonia, Bowne Center and Solon have sent for enrollment blanks. The Rockford Livestock Club has elected Ray Alles as president and Bill Stacey as secretary. Adrian Alles will be the local leader. This club is one that has been organized since 1926.

Kent County garden club members will have a chance to participate in the County Wide Victory Garden Contest sponsored by the Grand Rapids Press and Grand Rapids Herald. Top prize is a \$100 War Bond and second prize is a \$50 bond, plus lesser prizes to be offered. Any 4-H Club member who enrolls in a garden project will automatically be enrolled in this contest.

A Growing Hazard
Sandblows in our Coloma types of soils are increasing in number. They certainly show up at this time of year. Seemingly as if each year they become more numerous and older ones get larger. One on M-131, north of Plainfield Bridge, will soon become a traffic hazard. While these areas are on lands not suited for agriculture they are a menace to the good lands they adjoin. Some of the problem land areas in counties not too far from Kent started in just the same manner.

Probably one of the best methods of contour has been demonstrated by Mr. John E. Martin on his farm in Ada township. Planting of Red, Jack and Scotch Pine have effectively controlled this blow. For anyone interested in control methods we would suggest a visit to the Martin farm.

Commendable Work
We were glad to hear that Kenneth Leckrons and his F. F. A. boys from Caledonia will again dip sheep this spring.

There is no animal on the farm that has any more parasites, both inside and outside than the sheep and the control is not so bad. Dipping is a mess if you're not prepared and is rather expensive if you have no equipment.

The Caledonia boys have a portable outfit which they move from farm to farm. Not only do they dip for ticks but they drench for internal parasites as well.

Last year they treated over 2,000 sheep and lambs on 63 farms. Anyone interested can get costs and further information from Kenneth Leckrons, Caledonia High School at Caledonia. Dipping and drenching pay good dividends.

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On the non-rationed list is Cottage Cheese which has a protein content as high as lean meat. We have fresh cottage cheese at all times.

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Wanted '42 Crop Dry Edible Beans

Farmers in Kent County are being urged by John McCabe, chairman of the Kent County USDA War Board, to get their 1942 crop dry edible beans into channels where they may be used for food.

Support prices announced on April 8, 1943, apply only to dry edible beans produced in 1943. No change is contemplated in the existing ceiling prices or in support prices for 1942 crop dry edible beans, so there will be no advantage in holding beans in expectation of higher market prices.

The Chairman of the Kent County USDA War Board pointed out that these beans are urgently needed to meet constantly increasing civilian, military, and Lend-Lease demands. Beans are one of the basic foods of the Allied Army, particularly the Russian Army. Dry bean dealers have been ordered to set aside 55 percent of their monthly purchases for the government. Not only are these beans vitally needed during the remainder of the season, but it is highly desirable that all cleaning and storage facilities be fully available to care for the expected 1943 crop.

County shippers to whom the growers sell their 1942 crop beans should make sure that they are not offering such beans at the 1943 crop support prices. The regulatory measures available to the War Food Administration will be used, if necessary, to accomplish this objective.

JUNIOR FARM BUREAU

The Junior Farm Bureau met on Thursday evening, May 6, at the Vergennes Grange hall. K. I. Vining spoke and showed some very interesting colored slides. A number of parents were present which is very encouraging and the members appreciate this interest on the parents' part very much.

A picnic is planned for Thursday evening, May 20, at Fairburg Park. Each member will be charged 15c. Mary Farrell is in charge of refreshments.

—Oren Ford, Publicity Chair

Rationing Facts At a Glance

- Coffee: Stamp 23 valid for 1 lb. through May 30.
- Sugar: Stamp 12 valid for 5 pounds through May 21. Apply at box for canning sugar.
- Shoes: Stamp 17 good for 1 pair through June 15. (Certain types of shoes not rationed).
- Gasoline: No. 5 stamps in A book good for 4 gallons through May 21; B and C book stamps good as noted on book, but renewal application should be mailed 30 days before expiration. Books expiring May should be renewed now.
- Tires: Second inspections due: A books by Sept. 30; B's by June 30; C's by May 31; commercial vehicles every 60 days or 5,000 miles whichever is first.
- Fuel Oil: Coupon No. 5 is good for 11 gallons. It must last until October 1 for both heat and hot water. Save ration sheet stubs for registration next heating season.
- Processed Foods: Blue stamps C, H and J are good through May 31.
- Meats, Cheese, Butter, Fats and Canned Fish: Red stamps E, F and G are good now. E, F and G are good until May 31.
- Ration Board is closed Wednesday afternoons.

SOUTH BOSTON GRANGE

Following the opening session of the business meeting, another fine class of candidates were initiated. Among those who were in the class, also those who were reinstated, were Mr. and Mrs. Burt Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Stuart, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bedell, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Roush, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Courter, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. Burton Austin, Earl Harker and Miss Jean Tucker. This now makes a total of forty who have been received into the local order during the past few weeks.

Following the initiatory work, a program was given by the lecturer: Group singing, led by Ralph Kyser; a play, "Spring Has Come," by Mrs. John Miller and son Keith; musical number by Mr. and Mrs. Harold Fosburg, and Vercel Bovee

gave a very interesting report of the State F. F. A. meeting at Lansing, where he received the Master Farmers' degree. Following the program, all retired to the dining room where a splendid lunch and social hour was enjoyed.

RETIRED KEENE-TP. FARMER DROPS DEAD IN SARANAC

George E. Hardy, 80, dropped dead near his home in Saranac Monday morning. The body was discovered by a son, David, who resided with him. Coroner Harry Myers said death was due to a heart attack. Mr. Hardy, a retired farmer of Keene township, was born in Ontario Jan. 23, 1863.

He is survived by three other sons, George, Jr., of Saranac and Robert and Delbert of Keene-tp.

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Obituary

Michael D. O'Keefe
Funeral services for Michael Dennis O'Keefe, 73, who passed away April 27, were held in the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Chicago, and interment was in Mt. Carmel cemetery, Mt. Carmel, Ill.

Surviving are his wife, Frances; two daughters, Mrs. Russell Mandoli and Mrs. Joseph Marous, and four sisters, Mrs. P. G. Moore, Mrs. J. L. O'Conner, Mrs. Arthur Barry of Chicago and Mrs. George Raible of Walworth, Wis.

Card of Thanks
The family takes this opportunity of extending their gratitude to his many friends in Lowell for their many acts of kindness to him while in the hospital and during his residence in Lowell.

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GARDEN LORE CLUB

Mrs. Jean Wachterhauser was hostess to the Lowell Garden Lore club, Wednesday afternoon, May 5. She was assisted by Mrs. E. Foreman, chairman of the day, and Mrs. R. G. Jefferies. Our president, Mrs. Englehardt, opened the meeting by having the ladies repeat the club poem, "Trees."

Mrs. E. Foreman opened the program by having Susan Gee and Anita Doyle favor the group with piano solos. She then introduced Mr. Marvin, from the State Highway Department, who gave us a very interesting talk on variety and culture of evergreens and other trees. The final number on the program were two vocal solos, "Because" and "The Slumber Boat" by Mrs. Vivian Schneider.

Mrs. Hulda Finels announced the Spring Flower exhibit and tea to be held May 19.

IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of my husband, who passed away May 1, 1942.
Mrs. Charles West.

In loving memory of our beloved son and brother, Ernest Aldrich, who passed away May 11, 1941.

Dearest Ernie, how we miss you. Since part on earth you passed away, And our hearts are sad and lonely, As we think of you today.

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