

LEDGER ENTRIES

Being a Collection of Various Topics of Local and General Interest

WRITING TO THE SOLDIERS

THE MEN of the armed services live a life of strain. In many circumstances they have to stand great discomforts and sometimes suffering. Arrangements are made to give them recreations so far as possible while in training, and they need these good times for their best morale. When they leave for active service, there can be little entertainment. They have to settle down to the hard and grim facts of war. It is a hard life. If we can do anything to make them feel happy for a little, we should gladly do it.

The letter from home is a bright spot. It carries a message of love or friendship. The mere written words suggest the undertone of affection. The absent ones seem nearer as those words are read. Thoughts of happier times in the past and to come in the future enter the mind. The day is brighter for that communication with peaceful home scenes.

The men turn up eagerly when the mail man hands out his letters, all hoping something will come for them. A smile lights up tired faces when a letter is handed out. Disappointed ones turn away with a chilled feeling.

Many services men are more or less anxious about home conditions, how things are going, if they are having difficulties. It is a relief to read cheerful words of how they are carrying on at home and conquering obstacles. Perhaps some men fear the home hearts are growing cold, and they get a thrill when they see words ardent with affection.

Let us not be slow or tardy in writing these letters. Even a very brief one will make a bright spot in the day. If we can stretch our activities so as to write to friends outside our own family, that helps spread the message of good cheer.

CONSERVING RESOURCES

THE AMERICAN PEOPLE have been told many things about conserving their resources. They are urged to care for their forests and their soil and their water power, and see that such resources of wealth do not go to waste.

Every town has a source of wealth consisting of the money which it earns or receives. When a good part of that money goes away to buy goods, that portion of the resources of the community is not conserved for the home town.

If it is spent at home, the money helps enrich the home community, improve its business, make it possible to hire more labor, enable people to pay more in taxes, and provide more public improvements and better homes.

AIR RAID DANGERS

THE COUNTRY in the early days of the war felt in serious danger of enemy air raids. An elaborate organization has been built up along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts to meet this peril.

People in the interior states seemed to think they were not exposed to a comparable danger. Now some authorities say that if air raids come, the Germans or Japs might attempt them on interior cities. Our enemies may think these locations are less well prepared for this danger.

A concentration of heavy bombers could do tremendous damage over some great war plants, if the preparations to meet them were not adequate. The public of all sections should cooperate with any precautions in the way of blackouts, or anything else that may be requested by the military authorities.

AN SOS FOR NURSES

OTHER YEARS in May the National Hospital Association named one week in honor of the nation's hospitals, in appreciation of the great services rendered and concerning their continued needs. There are hospitals in every size town today and if the village does not maintain one you can bet it isn't far from a center where there is a hospital. How busy, how crowded are these hospitals today and how richly they deserve praise for serving the home front through suffering from a shortage of doctors and nurses to keep their services going.

This is a problem in most institutions and there is a continued call for help to relieve the strain. It is for the cause of nursing we write today. They make pleas by air, by the press, for nurses not employed, girls who have had training in this fine profession to come forward and help. Every man who bears a gun is sending out this SOS for nurses, don't forget.

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THE LOWELL LEDGER

FIFTY-FIRST YEAR

LOWELL, MICHIGAN, MAY 27, 1943

No. 3

Lowell to Honor Nation's Heroes

Memorial Day Exercises Sunday, May 30

Plans for the Memorial Day program have been completed, according to Frank L. Stephens of the American Legion, who is in charge of this year's preparations. The memorial services will be observed on Sunday, May 30, rather than on Monday as has been customary in former years when the holiday fell on Sunday. This is out of consideration for the many war workers who otherwise might not be able to attend, as most all defense plants and factories will be in operation on Monday.

The parade will form in Richardson Park at 1:30, and leave the park promptly at two o'clock in the following order:

- The colors and color guard.
 - Firing squad.
 - Veterans.
 - High School Band.
 - Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts.
 - School Pupils.
 - The Public.
- The usual salute will be fired on the Main-st. bridge when the procession stops to honor the Navy dead by casting flowers upon the water in a short ceremony.
- At the Soldier's Monument in Oakwood cemetery, Rev. R. C. Warland will present the address for the day. The invocation will be given by Rev. David Warner, and music will be furnished by the high school band.
- Flags will be placed on the soldiers' graves on the preceding Friday, and the W. R. C. ladies will have charge of placing the wreaths as in other years, and will also place a basket of flowers before the Soldier's Monument.

Memorial day, 1943, honors more war dead than any previous anniversary of the day has known. Not only the Civil war dead, the veterans of the Spanish American war, and of World War I, will be honored this year, but the newly dead of World War II, whose bodies lie in far-off New Guinea, in North Africa and in the depths of the sea.

Let all who can, attend these services, more full of meaning this year because the sacrifices made by those we now honor become clearer and more significant because of the present conflict, which is touching the lives of us all. And let those who do attend, stand at reverent attention during these services as their contribution of respect for the memory of those we now honor.

Jennie A. Chaterdon Laid to Rest Sunday

Jennie A. Scott, 63, daughter of John M. and Lois Scott, was born on December 20, 1874, in Caledonia township, Kent County, Michigan, and departed this life Thursday, May 20, 1943, at the age of 68 years and 8 months, at the home of her daughter in Clarksville.

Her girlhood was spent on the farm in Caledonia-twp., and she moved, at the age of 17, to Alto. She was united in marriage to John C. Chaterdon, January 9, 1895. To this union were born three children, two of whom survive.

Mr. and Mrs. Chaterdon spent their early married life on the farm at Alto, moving to the village of Lowell in the winter of 1914, where they spent the remainder of their married life.

Since the death of her husband, December 8, 1938, Mrs. Chaterdon lived part of the time with both her son and daughter.

She leaves to mourn their loss, the son, Valda J. Chaterdon, of Lowell, the daughter, Mrs. Louis Wride of Clarksville; three sisters, Mrs. Ernest Pinkney of Lowell, Mrs. Leon Hale and Mrs. Garry Rainer of Saranac; three grandchildren, Dorothy June, Phyllis Elaine, and Richard John Chaterdon, all of Lowell, also many relatives and friends.

Mrs. Chaterdon was a patient and loving mother, a true friend, and one of her many admirable characteristics was to make the very best of whatever the circumstance might be.

Funeral services were held Sunday at 2 p. m. in the Roth Chapel, the Rev. Norman G. Woon, officiating. Burial in Merriman cemetery.

It pays to advertise in the Ledger.

Along Main Street

Next Saturday is Poppy Day! Poppy headquarters will be at Mabel Scott's Beauty Salon.

Almost anybody can prognosticate the weather nowadays by simply saying, "It will rain tomorrow."

By action taken by the Lowell Board of Education at their last meeting, there will be no school on Monday, May 31. This is conforming with the other schools of Kent county.

Staal's Lunch has quit serving coffee and sandwiches, and for the time being at least, there'll be no dunking of doughnuts as patrons have been wont to do while they discussed politics and baseball over their morning coffee.

Local sportsmen, both young and old, have been enjoying the best wall-eyed fishing in recent years near the spillways just south of Main-st. bridge. A number of four and five-pounders have been caught. The wall-eye makes mighty fine eating and requires no ration stamps.

The Ionia county gasoline rationing board announced Friday that it had suspended the supplemental gas ration books of seven Ionia county motorists convicted of speeding by driving in excess of the nationally decreed 35-mile-per-hour wartime speed limit. The books will be suspended for periods ranging from 30 to 45 days.

Don't be surprised if the telephone operator asks you to limit your long distance call to five minutes or less. Monday of this week, the Michigan Bell Telephone Company mutilated the new practice in order to help conserve time on overloaded telephone lines. The request by the operator will be made only on calls which have been delayed because circuits were unavailable.

The public is being informed officially of the new practice thru advertising.

Several times during the past few years the Ledger has printed poems written and sent in by H. S. Schreiner, who conducted a harness shop on Lowell main-st. fifty years ago, and who nearly lost his life when his store building over by the flood waters of 1905. Mr. Schreiner, who is past 90, has contributed a poem written especially for this Memorial Day, which will be found elsewhere in this issue. He was taken sick in March and confined in St. Mary's hospital, later being transferred to the Cramer Convalescent Home, 215 Ransom Ave., Grand Rapids, where he is at the present time.

The people should realize that present conditions are hard for retail trade, that dealers are likely to confront such conditions as lack of help, rising prices, drafting of experienced men, difficulties in getting supplies of merchandise, handling of ration points, etc. There should be a general desire to do everything possible to assist the home town stores to carry on through these difficulties. One thing that people can do is to pay their bills promptly. When they pay cash instead of running up charges, they enable the store to do business on a smaller capital, and thus avoid expense. The stores do so many things for the people and serve so generously in so many ways, that it should be a pleasure for the public to do all it can to help them.

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff: Have you ever stopped to realize that it costs more to maintain bad habits than it does good ones? ... About the only way you can keep ahead of help these days is to marry! ... One band that entertains the boys in camps has a program that sounds over the air as if the leader thought the armed forces were half-wits. ... When we used to speak of them as flaming youths we didn't realize they were so soon to be called flying youths. ... A taxpayer has never been able to figure what they mean when they say "cheap politics." ... At the present price of eggs and poultry, chickens really have something to cackle about.

Silas Onlooker's philosophy: By staying on the level you will probably have a better chance to reach the top even if you started at the bottom.

Household Goods at Auction Dick Bergin is offering household goods at auction at his residence, 504 Vergennes Road, on Saturday, May 29, at 2:30 o'clock; N. C. Thomas, auctioneer. See ad. on page 6.

Closing Events Of School Year

Busy Days for Students And the Faculty

The final activities of the seniors will begin Thursday, May 27, on which day they will hold their annual Class Day. The seniors have asked Rev. R. C. Warland to be their speaker at the Baccalaureate ceremonies which will be Sunday night, June 6, at the school gymnasium. All seniors will return on Tuesday, June 7, for their final exams.

To terminate the school year the Class of 1943 will participate in Commencement exercises at 8:00 p. m. on Thursday, June 10. Dr. Arthur Secord from the University of Michigan speech department will give the commencement address. The school calendar for the balance of the year is as follows:

- Calendar of Closing Events
- May 27—Afternoon, Senior Class Day.
- May 28—Junior-Senior Prom for class members and faculty, 8:30 p. m. in the gym.
- May 30—Memorial Day Parade for pupils, Richards Park, 2:00 p. m.
- June 1 and 2—Exams all day for Seniors in 9X room.
- June 4—Afternoon, 8th grade Mother's tea, in the Home Ec. room.
- June 4—9th grade party for class and sponsors, 8 p. m.
- June 6—Baccalaureate, sermon by Rev. R. C. Warland, 8:00 p. m. high school gym.
- June 7—Exams all day in high school session.
- June 7—Board meeting for members, Superintendent's office, 7:30 p. m.
- June 8—Exams all day in high school session.
- June 8—Student party, high school gym, 8:00 p. m.
- June 9—All day, Junior high picnics for all classes and sponsors. Recreation Park.
- June 9—No school in high school. Grades as usual.
- June 10—No school.
- June 10—Commencement, 8:00 p. m., high school gym.
- June 11—Teachers mark cards in library, 8:30 a. m.
- June 11—Receive report cards in home rooms, 2:00 p. m.

Rationing Facts At a Glance

- Coffee Stamp 23 valid for 1 lb. through May 30. No. 24 good for 1 pound May 31 through June 30.
- Sugar Stamp 12 valid for 5 pounds through May 31. Stamp 13 good on June 1 for 5 pounds, through Aug. 15. Stamps 15 and 16 are good for 5 pounds of canning sugar each; apply at board for additional amounts.
- Shoes Stamp 17 good for 1 pair through June 15. (Certain types of shoes not rationed). No. 18 good June 15.
- Gasoline No. 6 coupons in A book good through July 21; B and C book stamps good as noted on book, but renewal applications should be mailed 30 days before expiration. Books expiring May 31 should be renewed now.
- Tires Second inspections due: A book vehicles 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 G, H and J are good through June 7. Stamps K, L and M through July 7.
- Meats, Cheese, Butter, Fats and Canned Fish Red stamps E, F, G and H expire May 31; J good now; K, May 30; L, June 6; M, June 13; N, June 20; J, K, L, M and N expire June 30.
- Ration Board is closed Wednesday afternoons.
- Liquor Rationing The Michigan State Liquor Control Commission announces all persons, who desire to purchase liquor, must register by May 29. No liquor will be sold to anyone not registered as of that date.
- Cards are available at the Lowell Beer Store. Bring your No. 2 War Ration Book and assistance will be given you in registering.
- Want ads bring results. Try one and be convinced.

Sgt. Lee Hoag Dies Serving Nation's Flag

News reached Lowell Thursday morning, May 20, of the death of Staff Sgt. Lee E. Hoag, who was killed when a medium bomber crashed on Wednesday, eight miles east of Lebanon, Tenn. The plane was on a routine bombardment flight from Godman field, Fort Knox, Ky., in connection with second army maneuvers. One other also met death in the crash which claimed Hoag's life, and four others were injured, one later dying.



Staff Sgt. Lee E. Hoag

Word of the disaster came to Hoag, route 2, father of Lee, in a telegram from the war department, which read as follows: "I regret to inform you that your son, Lee, died as the result of an airplane accident near Lebanon, Tenn., at 8:15 a. m., May 19, 1943." Lee, who was 22 years old, attended Lowell high school and entered the service July 22, 1941. He served as a tall gunner and had been stationed at Denver, Colo., Shreveport, La., Tyndall field, Fla., and McDill field, Fla., and had been transferred to Fort Knox only five days prior to his fatal crash.

Surviving besides the father are seven brothers: Raymond at Willow Run, Lieut. Erwin Hoag with the air forces in North Africa and Leslie, Arnold, Wayne, Leonard and Bryant all at home; two sisters, Bonnie at home, and Betty who is Mrs. D. L. Fisher of Brazil, Ind.

The body, accompanied by Sgt. Carl Stockford, honorary guard, arrived in Lowell Monday morning and lay in state at the Roth Chapel until one o'clock Tuesday, when funeral services were held in the Lowell Methodist church with military rites under the auspices of Charles Clark post, American Legion. The Rev. J. G. Ballard of Whiteville delivered the sermon and burial was made in the family lot at Oakwood cemetery.

The tragic death of Sgt. Hoag in the service of his country came as a great shock to the members of the family and hosts of friends by whom he was held in high esteem, and who join in extending sincere sympathy to those bereaved.

His death brings to six the number of those who have paid the supreme sacrifice in the service of their country, since the beginning of the present war, the others being Gerald Ellis, Robert Finels, James Read, Hoyt Phelps and Rollin G. Fraser, reported killed on the island of Guam on December 8, 1941.

Important Date To Be Observed In Vergennes-Tp.

The Vergennes Methodist Church Memorial service will be held Sunday, May 30, with Rev. H. H. Harris giving a short address at 2 o'clock (Farmers' time). This will be followed by an address by Rev. W. T. Ratcliffe. It is very unfortunate that this particular year comes during war time with its gas rationing and rubber shortage.

The auspiciousness of the occasion is magnified by the fact that this year is the centennial of services in this immediate church community and the 80th of the local organization.

One of those who attended the Sunday School exactly 80 years ago is still active and lives in Lowell. This member of the Girls' Class 80 years ago is Mrs. Rouse (Harriet Fuller of Sunday School days).

Tables will be available for picnic dinner in the Grange hall. All those interested in our community of today or those whose pleasant memories of the past are still strong are invited to again mingle with their old or present friends.

News of Our Boys

Ward Rogers enlisted in the navy last week at Detroit.

Pvt. Richard M. Doezema is now located at Camp Pendleton, Ocean-side, Calif.

Corp. Paul Birman is now receiving his mail in care of Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Corp. Ted MacTavish of Ephrata, Wash., is home on a short visit, his first one since entering the army about 8 months ago.

Junior Ayres, who is in the Marine Corps in the Southwest Pacific, has been promoted from corporal to sergeant. Congratulations.

When Harold Vreeland returned to San Angelo, Tex., after a 15-day furlough at home, he was transferred to Keesler Field, Miss.

Pfc. Robert Hotchkiss of Bowman Field, Ky., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hotchkiss, at Parnell during a three day furlough.

Pfc. Thomas H. Read, son of Mrs. Lulu O'Brien of Lowell RFD No. 1, has completed a course in airplane mechanics at Sheppard field, Tex.

Mrs. L. A. Davis of Gratian has received a letter from Pfc. Robert Howard, now stationed at Camp Stuart, Ga., where he is serving in the anti-aircraft division.

Lester C. Rogers, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rogers, who is in the 22nd Battalion at Camp Santa Anita, Calif., will appear in "Skinny Ennis" Band about June 1.

Please notice. Newspapers are no longer permitted to print addresses of men in the armed forces. Friends desiring to write must obtain the complete address from relatives.

Harold Dawson, Kenneth Fletcher and Hugh Young passed their physical examinations at Kalamazoo Monday and have returned home awaiting their call for military service.

Corp. William Christiansen spent the week-end at his home here. After being graduated from Army Air Force Tech. Training Command School, Seymour Johnson Field, N. C., as skilled aircraft mechanic, he was made a corporal. He is now in Detroit studying Pratt-Whitney airplane engines. On completion of this course he will be an engine specialist.

Mrs. Wesley Miller received a very interesting letter recently from the Director of a U. S. O. Club, "The Boston J. W. B. Army and Navy Club, 17 Commonwealth-av., Boston, Mass. The letter expressed their delight in having Auxiliary Elaine Miller visit their club, and stated that she looked well and happy. Their goal is to make their home a "Home Away From Home," open to all those in service. Among the facilities they have for the comfort and well being of their guests is a well-equipped writing room and library from which a book can be taken and passed on to someone else in the service. They also have the kind of programs planned to fill the needs of those who desire social contacts, entertainment, or the opportunity to devote themselves to their favorite hobbies. Elaine made a letter on a record last week which this club sent to the home folks. Needless to say the record has been played many times. We hope to see her home on furlough before many weeks, and are hoping that other girls or boys of Lowell and vicinity may have the opportunity to visit this U. S. O. club, if they should be stationed in camps near Boston.

Letter From Dr. Jim The Editor of the Ledger is happy to acknowledge receipt of an interesting letter from Dr. J. A. MacDonell, lieutenant in the Medical Corps, U. S. N. R., who is stationed at San Diego, Calif. The letter says in part:

"The family stood the trip fine and are enjoying the climate. We are living in a little town 10 miles from the station, complete with victory garden and a magnificent view of the mountains. On a clear day we can see the ocean.

"Rem, I can't really tell you how much I appreciate reading the Ledger, one doesn't realize just how much the home paper means until he is torn away from all his friends. Keep up the good work—Dr. Jim."

Grow More Food For Home Table

Victory Gardens Really Necessary; Facts Do Not Make Pleasant Reading

Michigan Press Association News Service

Here is the prospect of food for Michigan, as revealed by Governor Kelly's fact-finding committee: Unless more residents grow more food in victory gardens, Michigan will have to import 70 per cent of its vegetable needs during the coming 12-month period.

A study of carload shipments of fruit and vegetables into the Detroit market alone reveals a 15 per cent reduction in supplies received. This trend is expected to continue downward.

Military and lend-lease are going to dip heavily into the normal supply available to civilians. This will be true not only of canned goods but also of potatoes and onions, much of which will be dehydrated in Michigan plants.

Bad weather this spring, delaying the planting of crops, has already prompted federal experts to forecast a 14 per cent decline in the 1943 truck crop as compared with 1942 yields.

While the situation is not serious, continued unseasonal weather could make it so. Consider, for a minute, what Uncle Sam is requiring to feed our armed forces.

Federal demands for canned goods based on 1942 needs: Spinach, 48%; snap beans, 38%; lima beans, 56%; peas, 48%; beets, 100%; carrots, 130%; tomatoes, 40%; tomato juice, 43%; sweet corn, 40%; pumpkins and squash, 51%; oatmeal, 51%; tomato puree, 71% tomato paste, 40%.

The average of these percentages is about 50 per cent—HALF of all the commercially canned vegetables!

Dehydration of vegetables will also remove substantial amounts of vegetables from the civilian market. We quote from the governor's food report:

"The government is greatly expanding its program for the production of dehydrated vegetables which is best evidenced by the fact that there were fifteen million pounds produced in 1941 and this is expected to increase to at least seventy million pounds in 1943.

"This increased demand for foods for dehydrating will be an additional drain upon Michigan's food supplies. At present, a dehydrating plant at Traverse City is ready to start operations. Plants at Holland and Port Huron are also in the process of construction.

"Two other plants have been approved: A potato dehydrating plant at Greenville and an onion dehydrating plant at Marshall. Present plans call for these plants to be in operation by August 1. The Greenville plant will be the largest of its kind in America.

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All Empty Bottles Are Badly Needed

A bottle conservation program has been organized in the State of Michigan for the prompt return of empty milk, beverage and beer bottles.

The American public is conserving food . . . salvaging tin cans and waste kitchen fats—and now are urged to join the program for bottle conservation . . . because glass bottles are made of essential materials and bottle-making plants are being called on more heavily than ever for glass containers for special war needs. By promptly returning all empty deposit bottles, essential materials, manpower and machinery are conserved . . . and the public can get the products they want . . . in sanitary, re-sterilized glass bottles.

UP and DOWN



By K. K. Vining

Caledonia and Boyne City high schools are going to swap Smith-Hughes teachers next year. Kenneth Leckrone, who has been at Caledonia for seven years, is going to Boyne City and Paul Wolf, who has been teaching in the northern town, will come to Caledonia.

Kenneth Leckrone in his sojourn at Caledonia has built a very good Smith-Hughes department. Besides his regular school work he has found time to assist in adult educational work, 4-H Clubs and for two years his F. F. A. boys have been operating a sheep dipping tank in the south part of the county that has given good service to the sheep owners.

We have enjoyed our association with Kenneth Leckrone and wish him well in the new job. Paul Wolf is no newcomer to Kent county. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Wolf, of Nelson township. He attended Cedar Springs high school and graduated from Michigan State College in June 1942. His family has been identified with agricultural and home economics extension work for many years. Paul and his brother, Ralph, sisters, Marie and Dorothy, did fine 4-H Club work. He isn't the only teacher in the family for both his sisters taught in Kent county rural schools and are now employed in city schools.

We anticipate picking up our relationship with Paul Wolf when he assumes his new job at Caledonia.

American soldiers are well fed and are good eaters. Here is some information coming to our desk about army food rations. A civilian becoming a soldier increases his food consumption. On the average the soldier will gain from 6 to 10 pounds of weight the first few weeks in the army. The average citizen in civilian life consumes about 3 pounds of food daily. This includes everyone, men, women and children. The per capita consumption of the average soldier is 5% pounds per day.

There will be an average of 6,600,000 men in the army this year. Multiply that by 5% pound per individual and then transfer that weight back into beef, pork, beans, potatoes and many other foods and there is one good reason for food shortages and rationing.

Our fighting men on the fighting front eat 2-3 of their food from tin cans. Isn't this answer enough to high ration points on canned goods? Civilians should sacrifice on canned fruit and vegetables that our overseas forces might be properly fed. Remember also that with our forces spread over the whole globe it means some planning and buying ahead to keep the boys in food. So grow all you can in your garden. Can and preserve sufficient of its crops to relieve the commercial canned food for the army.

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Bd. of Trade Tackles Farm Help Problem

The Lowell Board of Trade is volunteering its services in order to do everything possible towards meeting the serious help problem facing farmers. Bruce Walter, president of the B. of T. states that Percy J. Read and Sons will assist in the effort by receiving applications from farmers needing workers, and also by listing the names of men seeking jobs. In this way it is hoped to bring farmers and farm hands together. Make wants known by calling at the Read and Sons implement store, where full records are being kept.

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SUNDAY CALENDAR

Friday and Saturday, May 28-29—"Beast of Berlin" with Alan Ladd and Steffi Dunas; also "Calaboose" with Jimmy Rogers and Noah Beery, Jr., also News.

Sunday and Monday, May 30-31—Jon Hall, Maria Montez and Sabu in "Arabian Nights" also Cartoon, News and Shorts.

Tuesday and Wednesday, June 1—"War Against Mrs. Hadley" with Edward Arnold and Fay Bainter; also Charles Starrett in "Bad Men of the Hills".

Thursday, June 3—"Fighting Devil Dogs" with Lee Powell; also "Sherlock Holmes Secret Weapon" with Basil Rathbone.

MASONIC NOTICE A special communication will be held Tuesday evening, June 1, for work in the second degree F. & A. M. A. Wittenbach, W. M.

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Editorial Comment

SHUT AT HIS As we go to press there still hangs over our heads the unsettled question between the coal miners and our government. Taking over the mines didn't put a stop to the striking for the defiant attitude struck by the labor leader has continued. It has brought up the point that the absence of wage increase has not been as important as the main purpose of stimulating a struggle between the union head and our President, making it more of a personal issue on the part of Mr. Lewis. What over the real motive in the manner in which it has been carried on leads people to ask just what is running the government? There is no doubt, during time of war, of keeping reins taut against inflation, trying to level prices to equate wages, to keep the ceiling on our home during the storm, in other words, to keep it as dead as an influenza as Tojo or Hitler. These are our boys and girls. It is our duty to keep them right here at home. So let us hold the line, hold our temper and practice common sense.

INTO ITS OWN SALVAGE DRIVES

Every great war opens a new frontier. Prior to the first world war, frontiers were geographic. The civil war was followed by the great westward trek of war weary men and women looking for new opportunities and a new life. The close of the current conflict, at least a major portion of the new frontier, like that of the early days, will be in the industrial field. But instead of automobiles, it will be the time in the scientific development of the nation's natural resources. Research men of the coal, metal mining and oil industries, working quietly in laboratories surrounded by military security, have lifted the veil of the future. They have seen the new frontier in all its promise, and enough hints regarding its nature and extent have leaked out to stir the imagination of the man in the street.

The Letter Box

To the Editor: Will you please insert the following in the Ledger regarding the Memorial Day—Mrs. A. Sillaki, 809 Elgin St. Lowell.

Remember America On our own and on foreign soil, and on the seven seas, has gone another army of young men, many not returning, that we may be left living in a free country.

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SO. KEENE—NO. BOSTON Mrs. Ed. Potter

Jolly Community Club met last Wednesday afternoon with Mary Potter, vice president, presiding. Over 100 persons met at the Alto Methodist church Thursday evening for a potluck supper and farewell for Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Chamberlain, who are moving to their newly purchased home in Saranac. Following the supper a fine program was given by Mrs. Elmer Yetter as chairman was enjoyed. Mrs. Y. L. Watta lead in the singing with Dorothy Clark accompanying. The following numbers were well rendered: Piano duet by Marion and Marie Wieland; duet by Elaine Houghton and Marilyn Clark, and Mrs. Dora Yetter sang "Sweetest Story Ever Told" and dedicated it to Mr. and Mrs. Will Klain, as it was their 40th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Grant Warner of Lowell and Walter Skidmore were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Scott. Afternoon callers were Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Henry, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lyon and Mrs. Chas. Rittenger attended the baccalaureate services at Lake Odessa Sunday evening. Their niece, Barbara Taylor, was one of the graduates.

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Mr. and Mrs. Glen Loveland visited the former's mother, Mrs. Paul J. Averill in Grand Rapids Friday. Mrs. H. D. Smith and daughter, Constance and Mrs. Henry Slater were Thursday luncheon guests...

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Miller of Ada were Wednesday lunch guests of Sada Wilson. Mrs. Elmer Distman accompanied Mrs. Helen Finck...

I wish to sincerely thank the Bowne Center Ladies Aid and other friends and relatives for the lovely plant, cards, flowers and other kindnesses shown me during my recent illness. Mrs. Clara Perritt.

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Mr. and Mrs. Byron Goodsell and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jager of Lake Odessa were Tuesday callers at 1.15. Other callers during the week were Mrs. Erna Fisher of Detroit and Mrs. Evelyn Briggs of Lowell. Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Lee, of Grand Rapids the past week on business. Mrs. Katherine Mow of Holland and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Starbuck and Mrs. Edna Mow of Grand Rapids guests of their sister, Mrs. Isabelle Neuman. Mr. and Mrs. Guy Talant and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Norton of Detroit were Sunday dinner guests at the Jack Palmer home in Lowell. Charles Hubbel is visiting Roy Hubbel in Lansing this week.

I envy no man who knows more than myself, but pity them that know less—Sir Thomas Browne.

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South Lowell 4-H Club. The first meeting of the South Lowell 4-H Livestock Club was called to order at Merriman school at 8:30 p. m. on Friday, May 7. Officers were elected and their business discussed. The elections were as follows: President, Dale Shade; vice president, Junior Caplinger; secretary and jail warden, Larry Blocher; treasurer and reporter, Harold Maxson.

Eight members were present before the WEST, Antioch, Wingers. The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p. m.

Among the Bible citations is the passage (1 Tim. 4:13): "And the Lord shall deliver me from every evil, and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom—to whom be glory for ever and ever, Amen."

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THE OLD JUDGE SAYS...

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Mr. and Mrs. Russell Morgan of Chicago spent the past week with his wife, Mrs. A. O. Fisher. Mr. and Mrs. Duane Kraus is enjoying an 11-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kraus.

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Want Adv. Rates—35c for 25 words or less, if over 25 words, add 1c per word. If ordered by mail, please enclose coin or stamps.

FOR SALE—Modern 7 room house, good garage, close in, priced to sell. Phone 164.

FOR SALE—No. 13 Oliver riding plow, No. 480 Oliver walking plow. Arch E. Wood, McCormick, Mich.

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ELECTRICAL WORK—All kinds of electric wiring. We furnish material. Minkar Electric Co., 3 miles west of Ionia on M-31, R. 3, Ionia.

FOR SALE—New milk cow with calf by side. Reid C. Towne, R. 1, Ada, Mich.

FOR SALE—Pigs, six weeks old. Pearl Cornell of Ada, Mich.

FOR SALE—1934 Ford coupe, 2 door, 16 in. good condition, 35; also ice refrigerator, 75 lb. also ice chest. Howard Bartlett, Lowell, Phone 68-713.

FOR RENT—Unfurnished 3-room upper apartment. Heat and electricity furnished. Located at Avery St., Lowell. George Layer, Lowell, Mich. Phone 298.

FOR SALE—Furniture of the late Mrs. Agnes Hoffman must be sold at once. Inquire of Mrs. J. P. Taylor at 829 Avery St., Lowell, Mich. Phone 20, Lowell.

FOR SALE—1940 Chrysler Windsor 4-door Sedan, radio and heater, 5 good tires, excellent condition throughout. H. J. Englehardt, Phone 20, Lowell.

FOR SALE—New brown kid gloves on Main street or around Strand theatre. Finder please leave at Henry's drug store, Lowell, on Lincoln Lake road, then 1/2 mile west.

FOR SALE—Milk drink. Milk from health David F. Warner, Lowell, Phone 241-74.

PRIORITY FOR FARMERS—Enjoy 40 years farmers have enjoyed A-1 priority on food comfort in Wolverine Shell household, work shoes, soft new and staid soft, \$2.95 up. Coons.

FOR SALE—1930 Ford, 500 cash. Call 209 before Sunday. Melbourne Hartley, 138 Pleasant St., Lowell.

COOK

Plumbing and Heating. Sheet Metal Work. Call 78. DAVE CLARK, Mgr.

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FARMERS—We need more cream. Paying 22c for butterfat. Butter milk for feeding, 2c per gallon. Lowell Creamery, E. A. Compagnon, Prop.

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NOTICE FARMERS—We give higher prices and better service for worn-out and crippled cows and horses. Rockford Tankage and By-Products, Phone 298, Rockford, Mich. Reversers change. Phone 298.

FOR SALE—Black Percheron gelding, 17, 1700, excellent worker, sound; heavy double harness; also seed corn, Vaughan's Golden Seed, Lowell, R. 2, Phone 155-F3, p2-2.

WANTED—All kinds of country plowing. No Sunday calls. Garrett DeVries, 1 mile east of Lowell, R. 2, house in Ionia county, Lowell, R. 2.

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YOU CAN SAVE MONEY! If you have ever held a State Mutual Auto Insurance policy, you can save approximately one-half the cost of car insurance by reinstating. If you have ever held one of our policies, save your money and let our insurance company worry for you. Above all, let us insure you. Complete take the load from your shoulders. C. A. McPHERSON, Phone 71-0, Grand Rapids, Mich.

FOR SALE—1 1/2 weeks old Rock and Leghorn pullets. Clinton Blocher, Alto, R. 2, p2-2.

FOR SALE—2 sows ready to breed. Cheap if sold at once. Leonard Blocher, Grand Rapids, Michigan, Charles G. Galt, 138 Pleasant St., Lowell.

WANTED—Potatoes, seed or table stock. Wm. DeLan, 1523 Chamberlain, Grand Rapids, Michigan, Charles G. Galt, 138 Pleasant St., Lowell.

FOR SALE—New milk Holstein-Jersey cow, calf by side; also 102 lbs. oak tub. Emill Pfeiffer, Lowell, R. 1, p2-2.

APPRENTICE WANTED. Learn the printing trade and newspaper business from the ground up. Always a steady job with no layoffs. Applicants should have fair schooling and be between 16 and 21 years of age. Please call at Ledger office.

Wife: Darling, a moth was in my bathing suit. Hubby: Well, it must have looked very well on him.

SOUTH BOSTON GRANGE

A Grange Memorial service will be held Saturday evening, May 29. The worthy Chapter, Mrs. Pearl Roth has charge of arrangements. Three members have passed away during the past year. Mrs. Marie Baker, Perry Freeman and Norman Stuart. As the hall is to be in use again Sunday morning, the chairman of the economics committee, states there will be no refreshments served at this regular meeting.

The South Boston Grange Memorial service will be held at the hall on Sunday morning, May 30, at 9 a. m. Central War Time of 10 a. m. Eastern War Time. The flower committee requests that all those wishing to donate flowers should bring them to the hall, the wreaths and baskets etc., may be made up. Worthy Lecturer.

News From Grand Rapids Of Former Bowne Falls Clara M. Brandstuder.

Jack Dieffenbacher, who has been attending the University at Ann Arbor, returned home Monday evening. He was the guest of friends who spent the week-end at Byron Falls.

MY FRIEND FLICKA

By MARY OHARA

CHAPTER I
CHAPTER I—The old Kim McLaughlin was a son of the sun. But he didn't know that until he was a boy and then he knew it. He had a friend named Flicka and she was a horse. She was a horse and she was a friend. She was a horse and she was a friend. She was a horse and she was a friend.

CHAPTER II
When Ken left the kitchen the alarm clock on the wall still showed the time. It was ten minutes to ten. He wondered if he should time himself right from the moment he went into his room, or from when he set his books on the table. This was a very important point, but when he thought about it, he decided that he would time himself from the moment he set his books on the table. This was all part of the hour.

He paused on the landing in front of the picture of the duck. It had stood there looking at the duck picture for so long that he could get into another world. He knew how to do it. To get into another world you had to make yourself the same size, in your mind. But he felt misgiving, standing there. His mother would hear, from the kitchen, that he hadn't gone the way upstairs. He went on up, down the hall, into his room, and noisily closed the door. Possibly he would time himself from the moment he stood a few moments looking around. He and Howard each had a small room in the house.

Ken loved his room. The walls were white-washed, and there was a big window opening out front over the terrace and the Green. He could see everything from it. Sunshine poured in.

Best of all, Ken loved his little walnut bed. Because that was really home. It wasn't very high. He and Howard had to make their own beds, and he had made his in a hurry, before he went out riding. Now he would be a good time to straighten it up. That was a good thing to do about as good as studying—it probably could be counted in the room. The quilt, which was light green with sprigs of pink and blue flowers on it, was crooked and bumped over the bedclothes underneath. He threw it back, then pushed his eyes on the wall at the head of the bed.

There were these pictures—one on each side—about eight inches square, with a fat wood frame an inch wide.

And inside the frame— He dropped the quilt, moved up to one picture and stood minutely examining it. What a picture! The artist, painter, his mother had told him, probably Swiss.

Down at the end of his room was the strangest picture of all. Ken went to look at it. There was a verse written in the corner which he knew by heart.

"Treat me not to leave thee, Nor to return from following after thee.

For whether thou goest I will go, And where thou lodgest I will lodge."

It was a picture of a deer's head. And a man stood by it, as if waiting to go, looking at the matter for whom he was waiting. But she had run back to throw her arms around a woman, and there they stood, arm about each other. And the verse in the corner was what she was saying. They were dressed in long, draped, brightly colored shawls.

"Treat me—" He jumped and ran back to the bed when he heard quick steps across the kitchen floor below. Outside the kitchen door his mother's voice called, "Here, Kim—Here, Chaps."

"This time he really finished the bed and smoothed the quilt. It looked very nice. He stood regarding it, thinking that now he must take down his books.

Resolutely he picked out his arithmetic book, sat down, opened it and began to think.

Suddenly Ken heard the sound of horses coming near the house and started up so quickly that the leg of his chair tangled with the leg of the table and he went sprawling on the floor, then scrambled up and over to the window.

Ken leaned out the window as far as he could to see the last of them as they went down the Green, just jogging-trotting, and disappeared around the end of the house— "Ken!" Nell's voice came floating up from the open window below.

"What are you doing?" He scrambled back to the table and made it true before he answered. "I'm doing my arithmetic."

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Dill Pickles	qt. 21c
Ripe Olives	9 1/2-oz. bottle 28c
Plain Olives	10 oz. 33c
Crown Stuffed Olives	10 oz. 49c
Sandwich Bag	pkg. 40 10c
Rite Wood Spoons, 14 per pkg.	10c
Rite Wood Forks, 14 per pkg.	10c
Cigarettes	carton \$1.25
Camels, Luckies, Chesterfields, Old Golds	
Staley Cube Starch	3 pkgs. 19c
R & W Milk	4 tall cans 39c
R & W Flour	24 1/2 lb. bag \$1.13
R & W Rice, celo. pkg.	1 lb. 12c

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

Fresh Peas	3 lbs. 35c
Head Lettuce	each 15c
Fresh Tomatoes	lb. 17c
New Crop California Oranges 200 size	doz. 41c

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Dedication of Honor Roll and Service Flag, Caledonia Park, May 30

There will be a dedication ceremony of Service Flag and Honor Roll, Memorial Day, Sunday, May 30, at the Caledonia Lakeside Park shelter house, at 1:15 o'clock p. m., sponsored by the Thornapple Valley Pioneer Association, Caledonia Business Men's Association, and the American Legion Auxiliary, Arthur C. Finkbeiner Post No. 305. Taking part in the program will be our own N. C. Thomas, President of the Pioneer's Association, acting as Master of Ceremonies, Clark Wilber of Grand Rapids, the main speaker, assisted by Mrs. William Bottrell, President of 5th District American Legion Auxiliary, and representatives of the Woman's Army Auxiliary Corps of Grand Rapids. Special music will be furnished by Miss Jean Detmold and Miss Leona Fitch of Dutton, and the Caledonia High School Band. All parents and relatives of boys in service, honored on this occasion, are especially invited to attend.

GARDEN LORE CLUB

Members and friends of the Lowell Garden Lore Club enjoyed a pleasant afternoon on Wednesday as Miss Ora Chadwick of Grand Rapids showed us in her pleasing manner, the fundamentals of flower arrangement. About fifty members and guests were present.

Mrs. Gordon Johnson explained to the ladies how to make wax vases, and had a number of miniature models on exhibition.

From a lovely appointed table, tea and dainty cakes and cookies were served by the chairman, Mrs. John Lalley, assisted by Mrs. P. J. Finels, Mrs. Arthur Martin, and Mrs. Harold Englehardt.

Miss Martha Perry will entertain the club for their next meeting to be held at three o'clock sharp, Wednesday, June 2. There will be a plant sale, and all members are requested to bring plants and cuttings to sell. There will also be a sale of bird houses. Chairman of the day will be Mrs. Art Schneider, and hostesses are Miss Martha Perry, Mrs. Anna Yardley, and Mrs. F. E. White.

BIRTHS

Mr. and Mrs. Claude J. Staal are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Maryann Frances, in Blodgett Memorial hospital on May 19.

To Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wittbach, on Thursday, May 20, in Blodgett hospital, a daughter, weighing 5 lbs., 11 oz. She will be called Elizabeth Kay.

WILD DEER IN GRATTA

Mrs. L. A. Davis of Grattan saw a wild deer in the alfalfa field on their farm last Thursday evening. Mrs. Davis, who is 86 years of age, is a life long resident of Grattan, and says this is the first wild deer she has seen in upwards of 70 years.

Peru is seeking ways to develop its great coal deposits.

Return EMPTY DEPOSIT BOTTLES Promptly!

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New bottles are almost impossible to get and we have more need for them than ever before.

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SOCIAL EVENTS

Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. McCarty of Wayland announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Nora Marian of Grand Rapids, to Gerald F. Anderson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph B. Anderson of Alto. The wedding will be solemnized in St. Francis Xavier church June 12.

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Mr. and Mrs. Russell W. Bettes announce the engagement of their daughter, Erna Jean, to Staff Sgt. Theodore N. King, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. T. N. King of Jackson. No definite date has been set for the wedding.

Social Brevities

The Monday Book Review Club met this week at the home of Mrs. Jean Wachterhauser. Mrs. Charles Houseman, who was guest for the afternoon, gave an interesting talk about the country around Las Vegas, New Mexico, and Mrs. B. A. McQueen reviewed "Perilous Journey," a book started by C. M. Sublette and finished after his death by Harry Harrison Kroll.

Mrs. C. H. Runciman was a recent hostess to the Neighborhood Club at a one o'clock luncheon and bridge. Honors were won by Mrs. P. J. Finels and the hostess presented each guest with a lovely handkerchief.

The son and daughters of O. F. Kellogg gathered at his home on Sunday, May 23, to help him celebrate his 91st birthday. Light refreshments added to the enjoyment of the occasion.

The South Lowell Extension Club met Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. E. H. Roth. Mrs. O. K. Graham led the discussion on home gardening and wartime planning. The group plans to meet in the fall to continue the extension course.

The Child Study Club held their annual picnic Monday evening in the Fallsburg shelter house, and in spite of torrents of rain it was well attended by members with their families and guests.

The Book Forum met at the home of Mrs. C. A. Hall Wednesday evening. Roger McMahon was the reviewer.

Miss Lois E. Hall, Albert VanDyke To Wed June 18

June 18 is the date set for the marriage of Lois Elizabeth Hall, daughter of Mrs. William Earl Hall of Lowell, and Albert VanDyke of Chicago. The wedding will be solemnized in Lowell Congregational church at 3:30 o'clock that afternoon. Rev. Henry VanDyke of the Fourth Reformed church of Holland, an uncle of the prospective bridegroom, will officiate. Reception will be held at Lone Pine Inn following the ceremony.

Miss Hall, a graduate of Hope college and the Marion Louise Withey School of Nursing, Blodgett Memorial hospital, for the last two years has been clinical supervisor at the hospital.

Mr. VanDyke is a graduate of Hope college and Western Theological seminary.

Among pre-nuptial parties for Miss Hall has been a miscellaneous shower given recently in the home of Mrs. Cornelius Scherpenze, with Vivian O'Brien as assisting hostess. Attending were Mrs. Harold Hesselink, Mrs. Charles Powers, Mrs. Thomas Birdley and Mrs. Jay S. Ide of Grand Rapids; Mrs. Bruce Cleveland and Mrs. Jack Rork of Muskegon; Mrs. Raymond Koolstra and Laura Stegenga of Holland and Mrs. James Alvoord of Grand Ledge.

Members of the junior class of the Blodgett nursing school also entertained with a party.

COMING EVENTS

The Ladies' Aid of the Congregational church will meet at the home of Mrs. H. T. Thurtell, Division-st., on Friday, May 28, at 2:30 p. m. A good representation from each of the groups is expected.

The June meeting of the Vergennes Cooperative Club has been postponed from June 8 to June 10, at which time it will be held at the home of Mrs. Ray Rogers.

Helen Western, a returned missionary from China, will be the speaker at a special missionary meeting at Lowell Baptist Church June 7, at 7:30 p. m. Miss Western has been in China for some time under the support of the South China Boat Mission. She was held captive by the Japanese for some time before her release. Miss Western gives a very interesting message. Everybody welcome.

The Garden Lore Club will meet Wednesday, June 2, at three o'clock sharp at the home of Miss Martha Perry.

The South Boston Decoration Day program will be held Sunday, May 30, at the Grange hall, starting at 9:00 a. m. (C. S. T.) or 10:00 a. m. (E. W. T.).

The Eastern Star Social Club will meet for a dessert luncheon at 1:30 at the home of Mrs. M. M. Sinclair, 514 Lafayette Ave., on Thursday, June 3.

Notice, All Correspondents

It would be greatly appreciated by the Ledger staff if all correspondents would mail their news letters so that same will reach the office not later than Tuesday of each week. War conditions are affecting the newspaper and publishing business which makes it necessary to give the mechanical department more time for doing typesetting and printing. Thanks for complying.—The Publisher.

EAST CLARKSVILLE I. P. R.

Bushnell school and the PTA held a picnic at Morrison Lake Sunday, a very good time being reported. It was decided to send boxes to the boys from this district who are in the armed forces.

We are glad to report that Lloyd Curtis is very much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Parsons and children were Friday evening callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Roth.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Roberts are the parents of a baby born Friday, May 21, at Blodgett hospital.

I honor the man who is willing to sink Half of his present repute for the freedom to think. And when he has thought, be his cause strong or weak, Will risk the other half for the freedom to speak.—Lowell.

Up and Down Kent County Roads

Michigan farmers bought heavy of farm account books according to Clyde May in the Farm Management Department at Michigan State College. Twice as many books were purchased this year as in 1942 and four times as many as in 1941. Income tax problems were the prompter for purchase of many books. In our county not a few farm folks who had kept books in past years came back for books and are keeping them again.

These account books are in addition to many other types farmers purchased or had given them.

There was a grand total of 18,263 books distributed from Michigan State College of which Kent county farmers purchased 368.

Each year the Department of Entomology at Michigan State College studies outbreaks of cutworms. Incidentally there are more than one kind of a cutworm but to the gardener who finds damage from this pest there is only one.

The department at the college would appreciate receiving specimens of cutworms wherever there is an outbreak. Send 15 to 20 specimens if possible. Place the worms in a tight container packed in grass, clover or weeds and mail to Miss Eugenia McDaniel, Michigan State College, East Lansing. Be sure your name and address is on the package. Or if you prefer bring them to our office and we will be glad to mail them.

And while we are talking about cutworms here is a bait you may make and use in your garden.

Two pounds of dandelions cut up fine. Mix with them 1 ounce of white arsenic, parts green or sodium fluosulfate. Scatter this on a warm evening soon after plants come through the ground or are set out or when insects start doing damage.

Farmers are taking advantage of more money and paying their debts. The U. S. D. A. reports that one out of every ten or more than 100,000 farmer borrowers who had Federal Land Bank and Land Bank Commissioner loans repaid his loan in 1942 and many made substantial payments on their loans. This is continuing into 1943.

Herbert Hope, secretary of the Grand Rapids Farm Loan Association, told me the other day that many loans were being repaid in this area.

Daily Bible School Contemplated Here

A number of ministers and Sunday School workers of the community have been in conference with each other and with Mr. Gummer exploring the possibilities of a daily vacation Bible school to be held as a community project in the public school buildings. A meeting will be held in the office of the High school building on Tuesday evening, June 1, at 7:30 p. m., to which all persons willing to help with such a project are cordially invited.

Daily vacation Bible schools will be held in the school buildings in a number of nearby cities this summer. The sessions of the school are for 5 days a week, held during the forenoons only, for periods varying from two to four weeks. All the children of the community are eligible to attend, including some of those of pre-school age. The securing of volunteer teachers for the project will be the main problem, locally. It is hoped that definite action can be taken on Tuesday evening, that there will be sufficient teachers available to staff the school, so that the project can be presented to the School Board at its meeting on June 7.

The first locomotive used in the construction of the Panama Canal, "Old 104", weighing 70 tons, has gone to scrap in the national salvage drive.

STRAND, LOWELL (Programs on Eastern War Time)

FRIDAY AND SATURDAY, MAY 25-26

EARL HARBOR LIFTED the BAN!

"I DON'T WANT MY CHILD TO BE BORN A NAZI!"

Alan LADD HITLER BEAST OF BERLIN

ALSO **CALABOOSE** With JIMMY ROGERS

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Grow More Food For Home Table

In the frozen food field the governor's report says that Uncle Sam is also taking over 70 per cent of 1943 production.

"The increase in output of frozen foods will be primarily for the purpose of meeting expanding requirements of the armed forces."

What about the commercial truck growers?

"In the Detroit area it is apparent that commercial truck gardeners do not plan an increase of acreage over last year in vegetables because of limited facilities and limited labor supplies. Outstate our survey would indicate that growers who produce food for local consumption will not be able to increase their planting in 1943 to any extent. In several sections there will be less produced in 1943 than in 1942."

These facts do not make pleasant reading. But war isn't a picnic, and the home front must expect to be second to the armed forces for all needs—clothing and food and everything else.

What can we do about it?

Here are recommendations of a group of Michigan food experts—Paul R. Krone, chairman of the O.C.D. victory garden committee; Charles Fieg, state agricultural commissioner; Robert J. Baldwin, M. S. C. extension director; Lawrence O'Neill, state department of agriculture; C. J. Borum, state and federal cooperative crop reporting service, and M. L. Lowe, United States department of agriculture:

1. If you have not planted a big victory garden, do so.
2. Grow enough food to take care of your family needs next fall, winter and spring. That means home canning of food.
3. Grow non-perishable vegetables which may be stored, such as potatoes, carrots, cabbages, onions, and rutabagas.
4. Avoid waste. Sell any surplus crops to your neighbors, local merchants and markets.

There is still time to act. It is not "Too little and too late."

JUNIOR FARM BUREAU

The Wenie roast, held by the Junior Farm Bureau on Thursday evening, May 20, at Fallsburg Park, turned out well despite the rain. It was held in the pavilion and a large crowd attended.

A Lawn Party, with picnic lunch, is planned for Thursday evening, June 3, at Fallsburg Park. Elsie Groenboom, Oren Ford and Edna Myers are in charge of the entertainment and Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kropf and Marilyn Fritz are on the refreshment committee.

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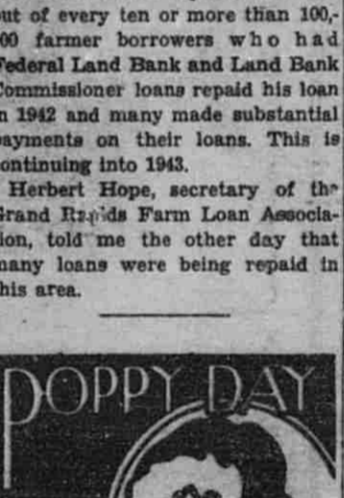
AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY

Men who served in the first World War were urged to be first to put on a poppy on Poppy Day, next Saturday, in a message issued today by L. E. Johnson, Commander of Chas. W. Clark Post of The American Legion.

Recalling the service and sacrifice of the men who fought for America twenty-five years ago, Commander Johnson said: "Men are again being called upon to give their lives for America, as did our comrades in 1917 and 1918. Our own boys and our neighbors' boys are among them. Our hearts are heavy at the thought that these young men must meet the same fate as those other young men we left beneath the poppies of France twenty-five years ago.

"To show that we honor and remember the dead of both wars, we have our memorial poppy. By wearing this little flower on Poppy Day, we express feelings we cannot put into words. We signify that we are carrying on in their spirit for the final triumph of the cause for which they laid down their lives.

Poppies, made by disabled war veterans, will be offered on the streets all day Saturday by the women of the American Legion Auxiliary. I feel certain that they will be accepted eagerly and worn proudly by all citizens. I urge that among the first to put them on be the members of the The American Legion for we, before all others, should understand the significance of the little red flower and should lead the way in paying tribute to the nation's fallen defenders."



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