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News of Our Boys

Pvt. Alfred Martin, Jr., is visiting his folks on a 10-day furlough from his camp in Texas.

T/S Harold M. Dawson has been transferred from Santa Maria to Camp Cooke, Calif.

Russell Swart, Jr., R. I. Alto, is receiving pre-flight training at San Antonio Cadet Center, Tex.

Jack Maxson notified his mother this week that he is now with the fleet in the Pacific.

Henry Davenport, A/S, is home for five days between semesters and will return to Ann Arbor today.

Pvt. Bob Ellis and wife arrived from Ontario, Calif., last Thursday to enjoy a 15-day furlough with Lowell relatives.

Capt. Oren Frost has been home on leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Frost, and has returned to Fort Sill, Okla.

Lloyd, Paul and Carl Kerekes have been transferred from Camp Hale, Colo., and are now at Camp Swift, Tex.

Gordon L. Murray, son of Mrs. Clyde Murray left Detroit Friday by train for other duties in the navy and is now stationed at Great Lakes, Ill.

Mrs. Lucy Barkley received a letter and nice picture of her son, Pvt. Arthur Burrows, who was in England but now on the invasion front.

Pvt. H. Russell Holmquist and wife of Camp Ellis, Ill., spent Friday night and Saturday with Mrs. Chas. McIntyre and Eidon, leaving Saturday afternoon for Detroit to spend a few days with her mother.

Lieut. C. F. MacTavish, Jr., of San Marcos, Tex., made a surprise visit of a few hours on his parents and sister Doris last Sunday, and they drove him to Battle Creek Sunday afternoon to catch a plane back to his base.

Pfc. Fred Pinckney, Jr., has recently been transferred from Fresno, Calif., to Stinson Field, San Antonio, Tex., and is looking forward to a furlough soon, so that he may see his three-month-old baby girl for the first time.

Aviation Cadet Howard R. Acheson, of 931 Monroe Ave., was recently awarded an Expert's medal for proficiency in firing the .45 Calibre Automatic Pistol at Maxwell Field, Ala., where he is completing nine weeks of intensive training.

Pfc. Kenneth Fletcher, who is a laboratory technician stationed in Iran with the 18th Field Hospital, stopped over for a short visit with Lieut. Jack Beckham, another Lowell boy, while taking a week-end trip for study on tropical diseases of that country.

Award of the bronze star for meritorious service at New Georgia, Solomon Islands, last July has been made by Lt. Gen. Milford F. Harmon to Pvt. Lloyd L. Bloomer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo T. Bloomer of Route 1, Ada. The citation accompanying the medal describes an "incident" of July 28, when Bloomer, member of a medical detachment, worked for three hours in the midst of bursting Jap shells which fell 15 to 25 yards from the aid station where he was on duty, giving immediate attention to men wounded during the bitter fighting.

While on a three-day pass that he spent at the University of Oxford the week of May 25th, Pfc. Robert D. Yetter, paratrooper, met an American Red Cross girl on the station platform. In exchanging some "good old American humor" she says he found out she is from Michigan. When she said " Lansing" he said "Lowell" and by that time they were both screaming. And then she asked if he knew Sammy Yetter, and Bob hollered "Know him! He's my brother!" Her name is Doris Schoedie and she is attached to the paratroopers, already having made one jump with them. She and Sam were in the same class at M. S. C., having worked together on the Wolverine and Spartan magazine. Bob is with one of the paratroop divisions that spearheaded the invasion.



Harvey Callier of Lowell has purchased the Belding hotel, one of Belding's landmarks, built in 1883. The building will be razed and a modern theatre erected as soon as war conditions permit.

Dr. H. R. Myers has purchased the Racine building on east Main-st., which he will use as his office building after extensive improvements, now under way, are completed.

There is now one less snapping turtle to molest the little ducks in the bird sanctuary. Roy Vaughan being the crack shot that eliminated one big fellow with his .22. This snapper measured about fifteen inches across and had a baby duck in its mouth when killed.

Invest every dollar you can spare in E bonds of the 5th War Loan. Every three dollars so invested will return four dollars at maturity. But of more importance than all else, your investments will help to hasten the end of the war. Why it will even help bring back the good old Showboat days.

Improvements or property along Main Street continue. The L. A. Weaver Food Market has just finished the installation of their building, and the King Milling Company have replaced an old walk and platform connecting their East side mill and the Feed Mill in the rear, with new cement construction.

It may have been merely a happy coincidence when our friend Norman Borgerson was selected to take a course in Safety Education at Northwestern while a Republican national convention was going on in Chicago. Almost any of us would be glad to go to college, if it meant the same privilege.

Old Sol has been turning on the heat in dead earnest during the past few days. As late as 7:30 Tuesday evening Lowell thermometers in the shade registered 100 degrees above zero. Perhaps we shouldn't bellyache when we think of our soldier boys in old Persia who have had to endure 150 degrees above zero. The weatherman promises relief Thursday.

This locality experienced the heaviest downpour of rain in years last Thursday night, the storm breaking about 10:30, accompanied by much lightning and sheets of thunder. R. W. Bettes, who is in charge of the government weather Bureau recordings here, reports a fall of 2.83 inches of rain during the storm.

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff. Fiesta the riveter will like to return to her post-war kitchen for it will have so many mechanical gadgets for her to work on. . . A Lowell man says you are lucky today if you can get a good five-cent cigar for 15c. . . Perhaps the safety razor is the cause of increased juvenile crime, for in our day the old razor strap was the best curb for youthful waywardness. . . That Indiana motorist who is forbidden to drive until 1945, will probably have a new model by then to start on.

FORMER LOWELL MAN DIES IN CALIFORNIA

Word has been received from Mrs. Frank Davy in California that her son, Joe, passed away last Saturday, June 24, following a heart attack at his home in Beverly Hills. He leaves a wife and two daughters.

The Davys lived in Lowell some 25 or 40 years ago, moving from here to Detroit. Another son, Will, also lives in California.

BOYS SHOES NOW IN STOCK

A fresh supply of boys' pajama check undershorts, sizes 34 to 38 waist, 50c; ribbed athletic shirts, 35c, at Coons.

Bert—'m a happy man because I have the best wife in the country.

Cur—Who wouldn't be happy with his wife in the country?

Back the invasion with war bonds.

Good Farm Markets Abound in Lowell

Staff Writer for Grand Rapids Press Says Our Privately Owned Concerns Make Co-Operatives Unnecessary Here

A staff correspondent, writing in a recent issue of the Grand Rapids Press, emphasizes the fact that "Lowell is no 'co-op' town" and that all farm market places are privately owned. We quote from the article as follows:

"Lowell—Some small cities and villages in Michigan are called 'co-op' towns because farmers' organizations own and operate many places of business. Lowell is not one of these towns. It is an 'independent' city. It has no co-operatives, yet it enjoys the reputation of being one of the state's best farmers' markets.

"The Elevator is owned by the C. H. Runciman Co., a family enterprise. The flour and feed mills are the property of the King Milling Co. The canner is owned by Lawrence W. Rutherford. The Paul Kellogg Vinegar Co. is privately owned. Spray rigs are produced by the Lowell Manufacturing Co.

Sales Increase 26 Times

"Donald McPherson, a Vergennes township farmer, said farmers in the area have not felt the need for organizing co-operatives with firms like these paying 'co-op' prices for their products.

"The Lowell trading area used to extend about 10 miles in each direction, but in recent years Carleton H. Runciman said he no longer can call half the patrons of the Runciman elevator by their names.

"In business here since 1917, Runciman revealed that his sales last year, totaling \$8,250,000, were 50 times the dollar volume in his first year's operations. His company is widely known in the bean trade. The beans are processed by 'electric eye' pickers.

Cannery Employs 150 Persons

"The Rutherford cannery at the peak of the tomato pack, employs between 150 and 200 persons. The cannery kept 60 persons busy most of the winter processing 250,000 pounds of mince-meat. The army was one of its largest customers, ordering the pie mix by the cart-loads packed in barrels. The cannery purchased 40,000 bushels of apples for mince-meat."

Notice of Annual School Meeting

The annual meeting of School District No. 1 of the Township of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan, will be held at the Central School Building on Monday, the 19th day of July, 1944, at 8 o'clock p. m. to transact such business as may lawfully come before it. Notice relating to election of Board members will be found posted below.

Dated this 28th day of June, 1944.

F. F. COONS, Secretary.

Notice of Annual School Election

The Annual Election of School District No. 1, Township of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan, for the election of two School District Trustees, will be held at Central School Building on Monday, July 19, 1944, between the hours of 1 o'clock p. m. and 7:30 o'clock p. m. Nominating petitions have been duly filed for Frank L. Stephens and Frank F. Coons.

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PEACH THINNER MADE OF POLES

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While it may seem wasteful to destroy some of the fruit when it is just beginning to form, Professor Hootman asserts, thinning is necessary in order to secure large-sized and more marketable peaches. In addition, he says, it is good orchard practice because it benefits the health of the trees.

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Lowell Man Named New Welfare Head

Carlton H. Runciman



The State Social Welfare Commission, at a meeting held Friday in Lansing, elected Carlton H. Runciman of Lowell, chairman to succeed Walter F. Gries of Ishpeming, who has served three terms as chairman since 1939.

Mr. Runciman, a Republican, has been a member of the Commission since 1920, when the new social welfare statute went into effect, and served for two years before that under the old Emergency Relief Act.

The Commission elected George S. Fitzgerald of Detroit, vice chairman, succeeding Runciman.

Other members of the Commission are Louis C. Miriana, Detroit, and Dr. Leo G. Christian, Lansing.

A New Definition of a Country Weekly

Of interest is this definition of a "country weekly" from the new Dictionary of Sociology, published by the Philosophical Library, New York City:

"A newspaper published in a community of rural characteristics for distribution through the mail as second class matter on a stated day of the week to the residents of the town and the surrounding open country as a medium of local information, intercommunication and co-ordination of town and country activities, in which is reflected the life, customs and institutions of the people who constitute its readership."

FIVE-YEAR-OLD TOT LOSES FOUR FINGERS

Ruth, the winsome five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Bloomer, R. I. Ada, met with a painful and tragic accident last week, losing four fingers when her hand was mangled in a pulley at her home. She was taken to Blodgett Memorial hospital for treatment.

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Youth Badly Hurt In Farm Accident

Walter Wingeier, 20, son of A. E. Wingeier of Alto was seriously injured Monday morning, when a well needed change from regular routine? Do you need to tone up the body with exercise and tighten the slack muscles? Then here it is. From one end of the country to the other—vacation farmers will be needed to harvest the crops.

Emergency, seasonal workers, 20,000 strong are needed on Michigan farms. It does not make any difference what your regular occupation is—college girls, teachers, housewives, women with husbands in service, women in offices, factories and stores can all do farm work.

Jobs consist of picking fruit such as berries, cherries, peaches, apples, as well as harvesting vegetables. You can have a vacation and earn a tidy sum too, for that extra bond you'd like to buy to speed up victory and to "Bank Him Up."

You may enroll in work for this county, or any other Michigan County, by calling 94680 or writing to the Emergency Farm Labor Office, 420 Murray Building, Grand Rapids, Michigan. They will give you any further information you may wish.

Here's Your Chance Pitch In and Help

Are you interested in a vacation? Do you want a chance to enjoy the outdoors, fresh air, good food, a well needed change from regular routine? Do you need to tone up the body with exercise and tighten the slack muscles? Then here it is. From one end of the country to the other—vacation farmers will be needed to harvest the crops.

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Good Program July 4th at Lake Odessa

Lake Odessa's tenth annual homecoming and celebration will be held at the fair grounds on Tuesday, July 4.

With some of the best horse pulling teams having been registered, we assure the fans plenty of excitement.

A pet parade will be held for the children.

The harness races will consist of 2:28 pace, 2:24 trot, 2:22 pace, 2:17 trot. Free for all trot or pace. Three heats to each race with U. S. T. A. rules to govern. Race horses have been entered from Mt. Pleasant, Fremont, Marne, Coopersville, Holland, Grand Rapids, Ionia, Flint and Hastings, which certainly will give one of the best racing programs ever held.

Music will be furnished by the high school band. Other special entertainment to be added between races.

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Several Cows Killed In Thursday's Storm

Five cows were killed by lightning on the Sam Ryder farm in Vergennes township in last Thursday night's severe electric storm. There were six cows grouped under a sweet cherry tree but one escaped injury although all the cherries were stripped from the tree by the bolt. The loss is covered by insurance.

Lightning struck also in an adjacent corn field and broke off a telephone pole along the highway, putting the Ryder's phone out of commission as well as burning out their lights. In the farm house of Mrs. George Kerr, directly across the road, the telephone was knocked off the wall by the force of another bolt.

This is the third time the Ryders have suffered such a loss, having had three horses killed by lightning about five years ago, and a heifer killed in the same field two years ago.

Glenn Lavender and John Sterick of South Boston also had five cows killed by lightning during the same storm, one of them being a heifer raised by Mr. Sterick's son as a 4-H project. Their loss is partially covered by insurance.

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Lowell Rotary Club Begins Tenth Year



Wesley A. Roth, President

Lowell Rotary Club held its tenth annual meeting Wednesday noon this week at the Fallsburg Park club house, at which time the following officers were installed for the ensuing year: President, W. A. Roth; vice president, L. W. Rutherford; treasurer, Howard Rittenger; secretary, F. F. Coons; new directors, George Story, Theron Richmond.

F. J. McMahon, the retiring president, was presented a beautiful past president's pin, the presentation on behalf of the club being made by Past President Harry Day. Past President E. C. Foreman presented Secretary Coons with a beautiful picture entitled, "Home on the Range," the same being an advance copy of a 1945 calendar.

Mr. Coons has served Lowell Rotary Club continuously as secretary since the club was organized in March, 1935, starting with 17 charter members. The club starts its new year with 32 members.

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10:20 a. m.	9:50 a. m.
2:40 p. m.	2:25 p. m.
9:35 p. m.	2:35 p. m.
	8:10 p. m.
	1:25 a. m.
To FLINT	Trip to Grand Rapids
7:40 a. m.	11:10 p. m.
12:15 p. m.	Fr., Sat., Sun.
5:00 p. m.	

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SOCIAL EVENTS

Mrs. John Taylor entertained with a one o'clock luncheon last Thursday for her former school pupils, Miss Audie Post, Mrs. Clifton Baker, Mrs. Mabel Hall of Lowell, and Mrs. Dell Weatherly of Grand Rapids. Included in the party were Mrs. L. B. Roth of Concord, N. H., an old friend, also her sisters, Mrs. Will Geary of Lowell and Mrs. A. J. Kime of Detroit.

Mrs. C. A. Hall and Mrs. Tony Tusken were joint hostesses at a bridge luncheon at Lone Pine Inn last Wednesday afternoon, seven tables being in play. Roses were artistically arranged for table decorations.

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Vows Are Pledged At Church Wedding

Miss Virginia Hooley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Hooley of Lowell, became the bride of Herbert C. Elzinga, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Elzinga of Ellsworth, before a background of palms and baskets of Madonna lilies and hydrangeas in the Lowell Congregational church last Saturday afternoon at four o'clock. Rev. N. G. Woon, pastor, read the single ring service.

The organist, Mrs. Mabel Stauffer, played the traditional wedding music, and also accompanied Miss Geraldine Lerg of Litchfield, who sang beautifully, "Because" and "At Dawning."

The bride was escorted to the altar by her father. She was gowning in white net over white satin with fitted bodice trimmed in seed pearls and long pointed sleeves and a train. Her long veil fell from a pearl band and she carried a bridal wreath of white roses.

Miss Lucile Hooley, sister of the bride, was her only attendant, and wore a form-fitting blue taffeta with a Dutch net cap to match and carried an arm bouquet of pink carnations and sweet peas. Henry Elzinga of Lansing attended his brother as best man. Ushers were Jay Bolens and Dan Wingeier.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, for one hundred guests. The bride and groom cut the elaborate bride's cake which graced the beautifully appointed table and the Misses Betty Megarrah of Portland, Jane Leighton of Albion, Barbara Stout of Belding, and Virginia Blanchard of Battle Creek, served. Flowers throughout the house were roses and baskets of other flowers.

Out of town guests included Mr. and Mrs. Bradford G. White and son of Detroit, Pvt. Fred J. Hooley of Camp McCoy, Wis., Lt. and Mrs. Herbert C. Jennings, U. S. M. C. R., of U. S. Naval Air Station, Bunker Hill, Ind., and Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Raynor of Belding; also Miss Virginia Doyle of the U. of M., David and Eunice Miller and Miss Mildred Souzr of Grand Rapids.

The groom's parents were unable to attend, but the young couple, who are on a wedding trip through Northern Michigan and Mackinac Island, expect to spend the 4th of July with them in Ellsworth.

The bride chose a purple linen suit with white accessories for her traveling attire. Upon their return they will reside in the Smith apartment at 404 1/2 North Washington St.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Harold Rittenberger, on June 18, a 7 1/2 lb. son, Bruce Allyn, at Hodgeet hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Christoff are being congratulated on the birth of a son, Wendell Lee Christoff, Sunday, June 25, at Osteopathic hospital, Grand Rapids.

In placing dishes on ice in the ice box, place a rubber jar ring under the dish. The ring will adhere to both the dish and the ice.

A NEAR MISS

Old Congressman Horsefeathers was stumping the district before election. He stood on a worm-eaten platform in an old town hall as he thundered through an impassioned address at his opening meeting.

"And," he shouted, "if a lie has passed my lips this evening may a thunderbolt from the skies fall on my head!"

As he spoke the ancient platform collapsed in a cloud of dust, and the orator disappeared from view. The audience sat spellbound. After a few tense moments the speaker emerged from the wreckage.

"Gosh!" exclaimed a voice from the rear of the hall, "it's missed him."

SEEMS HEALTHY



Stranger—It isn't sanitary to have your house built right over the pig pen.

Farmer—Well, I dunno, we haven't lost a hog yet.

Wild Animals

One day when a famous gorilla died, the circus manager put a man in the gorilla's skin. As the "gorilla" entered the cage where a lion was about to be let in, he yelled, "Help, he'll kill me!"

"Shut up, you fool," shouted the lion. "Do you want us all to get fired?"

Pardon Me

Stranger—Why aren't you in school, little boy?

Youngster—Well, the teacher's sick, the schoolhouse burned down and it's Saturday. Besides this is vacation and there ain't no school.

Give Her a Ring

Will—I told her that each hour I spent with her was like a pearl to me.

Bill—And did that impress her?

Will—No. She told me to quit stringing her.

Found and Lost

Stranger—Are you still looking for your roller skates?

Tommy—No, my brother found them.

Stranger—Well, now what are you looking for?

Tommy—My brother!

Seat Cat!

Mabel—Do you know my cat is worth \$1,000? That's more than I'm worth.

Jane—Sure, some cats are worth more than others.

IN THE ARMY

Sergeant—Why didn't you salute me yesterday?

Private—I didn't see you.

Sergeant—Good. I was afraid you were mad at me.

Chicken Feed

Jones—How's your wife coming along with her chicken raising?

Smith—Terrible. She thinks she's been swindled. She's bought two incubators now and neither of them has laid an egg.

Title to Fit

Artist—What name would you give my picture?

Critic—"Home."

Artist—But it's a landscape.

Critic—I know it, but there is no place like it.

Willing to Learn

Missionary—Do you folks know anything about religion?

Cannibal—Well, we had a little taste of it when the last missionary was here.

Define It, Too

Rastus—Can youall use osmosis in a sentence?

Colored Boy—Yassuh. Ah's Moses an' mah brother's name am David.

Greater Love Hath No Man

Mrs.—Will you love me when my hair is gray?

Mr.—Why not? Haven't I stuck by you through brown, red, black and blonde?

Farewell Forever

Harry—Why are you whistling that tune?

Jerry—My girl friend just gave me the air!

Bad Case

Joe—Poor Harry will be in the hospital for a long time.

Fred—Why? Have you seen the doctor?

Joe—No, but I've seen the nurse!

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U. of M. Girl Artists Design Insignia For Fighter Pilots

A group of American boys turned fighter pilots invited girl art students at a carefully selected list of universities to submit designs for their squadron insignia, and according to word from the air-field, a flying-horse figure suggested by students of the College of Architecture.



Helen Muller, Colchester, Ohio; Anne Singer, New Rochelle, N. Y. (background); and Phyllis Buck, Port Huron, Mich.—University of Michigan coeds, admiring the flying-horse figure.

ture and Design at the University of Michigan is out in front in the race for the honor.

The pilots, members of the 539th fighter squadron of the 328th fighter group, training at a field in North Carolina, fly new P-47 Thunderbolts, and they probably will see active service as one of the Allied fronts in the near future.

Speech, Not Grammar, New Language Goal

Post-war students will be taught to speak the foreign languages they study—conversation and not grammar will be the goal.

This new concept of language education was predicted today by faculty members at the University of Michigan, and the statement was endorsed by executive officers of the National Federation of Modern Language Teachers, which recently convened on the campus here.

The Army Specialized Training Program has wrought great changes in language teaching, according to these leaders in the field, who already are preparing for a great rush of new students.

Statistically speaking, there is little defense for the old excuse for black eyes, "I bumped into a door."

In a recent survey of 3,521 home accidents in Chattanooga, only three involved persons who were hurt by running into open doors, according to the National Safety Council.

Teacher: Did you reprimand your little boy for mimicking me?

Father: Yes, I told him to stop acting like a fool.

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Infantry Training

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killed. Japs don't take prisoners, and neither do we.

Or perhaps you practice hurling hand grenades at distances of 30 to 128 feet into enemy fox holes.

Your duties will depend, of course, upon the task the army selects for you. You may be attached to an automatic rifle team, or a 60 to 80 millimeter mortar squad. You may be assigned to a light or heavy machine gun squad, or even an anti-tank gun team or the 105 millimeter howitzer cannon which is used by the infantry, strangely enough in combat fighting.

Firing of many infantry weapons must be done on ranges where there is plenty of room for practice shooting.

That involves a nice, long hike there and back.

And the pack on your back—brother, you haven't seen anything! You must carry a rifle, bayonet, pistol, gas mask, field glasses, raincoat, first aid kit, entrenching tool to dig your own fox hole, a shelter half with poles and pins, blanket, canteen and cup, meat can, knife, fork and spoon, cartridge belt, three grenades and grenade launcher, anti-tank grenade, ammunition bag and six rounds of mortar, plus your clothes and shoes.

Yes, all this, mister. And it weighs only 92 pounds!

For an afternoon's diversion, you may undergo the following.

It's required of every man in the infantry—private or officer—before he is permitted to enter actual combat dangers.

It is called infiltration training, and mister, is it mean! You must crawl over a simulated no-man's land, pocked with shell holes filled with mud and shrapnel crossed by barbed wire.

Live machine gun bullets whistle over your head. In fact, observers can view each bullet's path, as it is marked by trails of red fire. This tracer shows you exactly where the bullet travels.

You crawl on your belly, head down, inching your way toward the enemy trench. Inside a watch tower overlooking this no-man's land is an officer. He has a map on which is located land mines. He presses a button, and off goes a dynamite blast, shooting mud and dirt and smoke high into the air, with the sound and force of an artillery shell.

The day's field work over, you march back to camp.

Your feet are tired. You are weary all over. It's no strawberry festival.

And then perhaps for an evening's climax you will have an event known as a divisional review. In the case of the Camp McCoy party, various infantry units started to assemble at 4:30 p. m. to march to the reviewing field although the review itself was not to begin until 7 o'clock—two and a half hours later.

At 5:30 p. m., while the guests were enjoying a quick dinner, a thunderstorm roared out of the west. The sky was purple black. It rained in sheets. At 6:30 p. m. it was time for us to leave in jeeps and trucks for the parade ground, and it was still pouring cats and dogs.

This divisional review was a classic. Major General William R. Schmidt, the "old man" of the 76th Division, and his aides including Brig. General H. C. Ervay, (artillery), stood in a blinding, torrential rain. The band marched and played bravely and dogboys in battalions of about 500 men in each slogged by the divisional staff and the visitors' reviewing stand. Everyone was wet as drowned rats. You don't call off a war when it rains, and you don't postpone a divisional review if the weather is bad.

Witnessing the 76th division in action at Camp McCoy, we grasped anew why modern war is a young man's war. We retreated couldn't take it. The average civilian would fizzle badly.

If these impressions make you more determined to do your bit, to buy another bond, and to give a hand to the doughboy, then the writer's mission was a success. Sure, we think these American boys are wonderful. But they're not boys; they are real men!

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IN MEMORIAM

In loving remembrance of our son and brother, Charles L. Schwab, who passed away ten years ago, July 1.

The Family.

CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank all my relatives and friends for the many flowers, candy, cards and letters sent me during my illness and while I was in the hospital. Your kindness will always be remembered.

Mrs. Lisle Clark.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

George Lee Mooney, 24, Lowell; Mildred L. Sage, 22, Lowell.

Charles VanDusen, 37, Alto; Martha Frances Spellman, 43, Alto.

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MORE LOCAL NEWS

Mary Ellen Curtis is home from M. S. C. for the summer vacation.

Mrs. Ida Young spent Sunday with her son, Wayne, at Silver Lake.

Billy Murphy of Detroit is visiting for several days with Lowell relatives.

Mrs. Elmer S. White spent the weekend at Saugatuck meeting relatives from California.

Mrs. Wm. Spencer of Grand Rapids spent Wednesday of last week with Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Nash.

Mrs. Orley Rulason and Mrs. Anna Yardley were hostesses at Mrs. Rulason's home to the Past Noble Grand Club of Rebekahs last week.

Miss Hazel Hoag and Mrs. Lucile Byrne were at the Apparel Market at the Hotel Statler in Detroit on Sunday.

Miss Ella Wiley of Grand Rapids has been spending a few days visiting Mrs. E. G. Nash and other friends.

Mrs. Chas. Frary of Grand Rapids spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Richards and John.

Walter B. Kropf went to Detroit Tuesday to start work on the steamer "Greater Detroit" on the Detroit-Buffalo run.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Nowell were guests of Attorney Gerald White at the Kiwanis Club luncheon at the Pantlind, Monday noon.

Mrs. G. V. Wright of Alma, Miss Tate and Miss Brewer of Galesburg, Ill., were callers at the Ray Rogers home last Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hatch are spending a few weeks in Nashville, where Mr. Hatch has a contract for repair work on the school there.

Don Dickerson has been in the University hospital at Ann Arbor for several days for tests and observation. Mrs. Dickerson accompanied him.

Perrin McQueen of New York City paid an unexpected visit on his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. McQueen on Wednesday night until Sunday.

Mrs. Frank M. Nowell attended the Membership luncheon on Friday at the Women's City Club where Mrs. J. M. Marie Colbjornsen, whose husband is counselor of the Norwegian embassy, gave an address.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Garrett and L. S. Eugene Segiev of Grand Rapids spent last Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Burdick. Andy Burdick and son Billy also came for the week-end to go fishing.

Mr. C. W. Ramsey received word Monday that his nephew, Clinton Otto Read, son of Mr. and Mrs. Otto Read of Olney, Ill., was killed in action, June 6, D-Day. Mr. Read was a technician first class in the Ranger division.

Mrs. Jennie Townsend, Mrs. Estella Wright and Miss Estella Anderson spent Sunday in Lansing at the home of Pfc. and Mrs. Clair Townsend, Clair being home on a few days furlough. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Townsend and son, Bobby, of Charlotte were also guests for the day.

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COMING EVENTS

Ada, Saranac, Clarksville and Lowell Blue Lodges will hold a joint picnic for members and their families at Fallsburg Park on Wednesday, July 12. The event is being sponsored by Hooker Chapter of Lowell.

The Vergennes Cooperative Club will hold their annual potluck picnic on Sunday, July 2, at Fallsburg Park. Dinner at 1 o'clock sharp. Also bring own service and drink.—Thelma Hellman, Press Reporter.

The W. S. C. S. will sponsor an ice cream social in the Methodist church dining room, 4th of July evening. Home made cakes. All are cordially invited.

Island City Rebekah Lodge will hold a special meeting Wednesday, July 5, at 8:00 p. m.

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