



Interior decorations have been completed at Van's food market, also at Mabel Scott's Vanity Shoppe.

The report of condition of the State Savings Bank, published on another page of this issue, shows that the bank's footings have hit the two million mark.

While in town the other day, K. K. Vining remarked that the corn on the George Lundberg farm west of Lowell is the best field of corn he has seen in Kent county.

Right around 350 persons met accidental deaths during the recent 4th of July week-end holiday, but we haven't heard that any of the deaths were caused from drinking iced tea or lemonade.

We hear that some of our Lowell girls are imitating the complexions of the belles of the South Sea Islands through the use of brown tinted face powder. Hope they don't get to wearing grass skirts on Main Street.

Extensive improvements are now under way at the elevator office of the C. H. Runciman Company on Broadway, in order to make room for its expanding business. The building is being extended 24 feet. New equipment and a new heating plant will also be installed.

The report of the annual school meeting of Lowell Graded School District No. 1, held last Monday evening, will be found in detail on Page 6 of this paper. At the annual school election held during the afternoon, Frank F. Coons and Frank L. Stephens were re-elected to succeed themselves as trustees for the term of three years. The district's statistical and financial data, compiled by Secretary Coons, also appears on the same page. The report is complete in all details and should be carefully read by school patrons. It is shameful to record the fact that only five persons attended the annual school meeting.

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff: Let a woman use cologne and she smells like a breath of spring; but let a man dip into it and he has the aroma of a hair tonic factory. . . . It doesn't make any difference how false it is, flattery always seems to find a welcome in most ears. . . . Idaho druggists are restrained from selling tombstones, operating rooming houses or paving streets, which still leaves them a fairly wide market. . . . Germany used to offer prizes for new cokes. Now that the biggest one is n.c.m. it, seems they will be left holding the booty. . . . Another reason the government should suggest we do not crowd the day coaches, is because it is hard to buy bananas.

Brown Beats Keyes

Republicans of Michigan on Tuesday named Auditor-General Vernon J. Brown as Governor Kelly's running mate for lieutenant governor in the November election. Returns up to Wednesday afternoon indicate that Mr. Brown will probably have a majority of 50,000 over Eugene C. Keyes, the incumbent.

Michigan Democrats selected Edward J. Fry of Fremont, former state facing commissioner, to oppose Republican Gov. Kelly for re-election in the November election. Kelly was unopposed for the Republican renomination.

James H. Lee of Detroit won the Democratic lieutenant governor nomination without opposition.

DOING IT NOW

SOME BUSINESS PEOPLE post over their desks the motto, "Do it now." They evidently feel that they need some reminder not to postpone needed action, and they want to avoid a postponing and delaying habit.

Cities and towns and the people in them are also apt to need the "Do it now" idea. Some people keep postponing some job of work around their home pieces which they are able to do, and which badly needs to be done. They will feel better if they take hold of it and get it out of the way.

There are many communities that realize some improvement or change or provision for public welfare should be accomplished, but they keep postponing action from year to year. Often they miss favorable opportunities to get things done. The public fails to get the results that come from progressive and public welfare movements.

Notice

My office will be closed from July 13th to the 18th inclusive.

Dr. H. R. Myers

Johnny's mother was obsessed with the idea of cleanliness. In spite of the very frequent baths to which he was subjected, the boy thrived. One day a friend commented upon his rapid growth. "Oh, yes," said Johnny, "it's mother's fault. She waters me too much."

Phone your news to the Ledger.

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News of Our Boys

Kent Passes Quota In Fifth War Loan

Seventh Area Exceeds Its Quota by \$37,000; Nation as a Whole Invests Over \$16 Billion in Fifth War Loan Bonds

Area 7, including the townships of Ada, Lowell, Vergennes, Cascade and the village of Lowell, has gone over the top in the Fifth War Loan Drive by \$37,000. W. W. Gunser, chairman of the Seventh area, says that this splendid record is due to the untiring efforts of all the salespeople in the Area, to those individuals who purchased bonds and to the corporations and the bank which made large purchases.

The cost price total of bonds in the Area was as follows: "E" bonds—\$114,419; "F" bonds—\$148,000; "G" bonds—\$50,500; "C" bonds—\$15,500; 7/8 bonds—\$85,000; 2% bonds—\$90,000, making a grand total of \$305,567.

Special credit should go to Gerrit Baker in charge of Cascade Township where the people went over the top by almost \$3,000; over 2/3 of the bonds sold in this district were of the "E" bond variety. Frank Stephens, chairman of the village of Lowell went over the top by almost \$79,000. The quota for the village was \$150,000 and \$228,779.25 were sold, but of this amount only \$48,631 were in "E" bonds.

Other sales and chairmen in the area are: Ada, Merle Cramton, chairman, sales of \$18,400 with a quota of \$22,000; Lowell township, Seymour Hesch, chairman, sales of \$17,775.25, quota of \$46,000; Vergennes township, Orlando Odell, chairman, sales of \$7,775 with a quota of \$20,000.

Citizens are urged to continue buying bonds for the month of July, for all purchases made during the month will count on the quota.

Notes on Fifth War Loan
E. G. Schaefer, manager of the Lowell Manufacturing Company, reports that their employees bought over \$4,000 worth of war bonds, in addition to \$15,000 of bonds purchased by the company. Over two-thirds of the company's employees purchased bonds.

The L. A. Weaver Food Market sold \$600 in bonds on a special offer with soap.

The Strand Theatre sold \$700 worth of bonds at a premier showing of a new film.

Kent county exceeded its quota of \$21,800,000 by a good margin. The nation as a whole has exceeded its quota of \$16 billion by a splendid margin.

GARBAGE COLLECTION

Village of Lowell
Until further notice, for the collection of garbage, the village of Lowell is divided, and time for collection designated, as follows:

Residential
N. E. Section, East of Flat River and North of Main Street—Monday of each week.

N. W. Section, West of Flat River and North of Main Street—Tuesday of each week.

S. W. Section, West of Flat River and South of Main Street—Friday of each week.

S. E. Section, East of Flat River and South of Main Street—Saturday of each week.

Garbage from stores, hotels and restaurants will be collected as necessary.

All garbage is to be placed at the curb in water-tight covered containers by 7:00 a. m. of the days above designated.

Garbage Collector, Mr. Eli Lett.
This order is made under authority of the Garbage Ordinance of the Village of Lowell.

Board of Health of the Village of Lowell.
By E. H. SHEPARD, M. D., Health Officer.
Dated at Lowell, Michigan, July 10, 1944. c10-2t

STRAND CALENDAR

Thursday, July 13—The roaring story of America's greatest fighting man and the woman he loved! "Buffalo Bill" with Joel McCrea, Maureen O'Hara, Linda Darnell, Anthony Quinn and Edgar Buchanan.

Friday and Saturday, July 14-15—Chester Morris and Nancy Kelly in "Tornado"; also "Swing Out the Blues" with Bob Haynes and Lynn Merrick.

Sunday and Monday, July 16-17—"Four Jills in a Jeep" with Kay Francis, Carole Landis, Martha Raye and Milti Mayfair.
Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, July 18-19-20—"See Here, Private Hargrove" with Robert Walker; also Musical and Novelty.

MEN'S SUMMER SHIRTS

A long delayed shipment of summer broadcloth, soft collar shirts finally arrived. Assorted neat patterns, light weight and starchless collars, cool and inviting and inexpensive, buy your needs. Sizes 14 to 17. \$1.75.

Lowell Public Library Gets Grant of \$222.56

The Lowell Public Library received a check this week for \$222.56 from the State Board for Libraries, Miss Inez Rutherford, Librarian, announces.

This grant is from the Equalization portion of the State Aid to Public Libraries Fund. Such grants-in-aid are made to public libraries in areas where the assessed valuation is less than 2/3 of the average for the state.

The purpose of the Equalization Fund is to give extra help to libraries in areas with low assessed valuations in order to assist these libraries to meet the standards set by the State Board for Libraries.

Corp. Edw. Anderson Writes From Iran

The Ledger is pleased to acknowledge a letter from Corporal Edward D. Anderson from "Somewhere in Iran" written June 16, in which he says:

"I get the Lowell Ledger regularly and enjoy it very much. It's just like a letter from home. They are usually two and a half to three and a half months late but they get here, and that's what I like. I enjoy reading the letters of the other fellows very much. They are very interesting. Especially Earl Doyle's letter from Italy that he wrote in February. That surprised me.

"The fellows here have been doing a great job in spite of the heat and the conditions. We had an early summer and in May it was 170° in the sun. It has been 150° in the shop where we are working. It's been so hot that it seems colder than heck at 85°, and you will use a blanket nights.

"Living conditions are better this year. That is for me they are. We have straw mats to shade the windows and in the barracks where the fellows who work nights sleep, there are fans. We have fans in the mess hall now and that helps out a lot.

The Red Cross has a snack bar at the Recreation hall where the fellows can get free coffee and doughnuts. Polish girls from the Polish refugee camp do the serving. It's open every night until ten o'clock.

"We have dances here once a month. Our band plays and the Polish girls are guests. That is usually quite a night.

"We have an open air theatre also with four shows a week. Some are quite up to date. I notice that by the Lowell Ledger.

"I must close now and get my place cleaned up for tomorrow's inspection. Don't care about that extra duty you know. Hope to be seeing you all soon."

Sincerely yours, Ed."

Jonkman Wins Race

Republicans of the Fifth Congressional district, comprising Kent and Ottawa counties, have named Representative Bartel J. Jonkman as their candidate to succeed himself in the November election, according to returns compiled up to Wednesday afternoon.

Jonkman's opponent for the nomination was Dr. Benjamin H. Masselink. The city of Grand Rapids gave Masselink 5,707 to 5,980 for Jonkman, 54 100 of the 173 precincts in the district. Jonkman had 9,345 and Masselink 8,511, a margin of 884 for the incumbent.

A Sizable Check

Louis M. Nims, state commissioner of revenue, takes a second look at a \$1,769,142 check from the Michigan Bell Telephone Company as its semi-annual property tax payment, earmarked by the Constitution for the Primary School Fund. Its tax of \$3,538,284 is the largest payment into the Primary Fund and is paid in lieu of local levies. The company's total tax bill for 1943 was over \$14,000,000.

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Lowell Infantryman Enjoys Swim at Mussolini Forum



Private First Class Lavant Potter, 221 S. Division, Lowell, gets set for a plunge into the swimming pool in the Mussolini Forum in Rome, built for the Olympic games, which is now a rest center for Fifth Army troops. Son of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Potter, he is an infantryman with the 46th "Thunderbird" Division. He entered service a year ago on June 26th and has been overseas since last December.

Wounded Men Obligated to Sit on Floor of Baggage Car Because Civilians Crowd Day Coaches

MICHIGAN Press Association Service
Gene A. Hensch, Manager

MACKINAC ISLAND—Five overseas battle casualties and three training camp casualties, convalescent patients from the Percy Jones government hospital at Battle Creek, sat on the floor of a partially filled railroad baggage car. The Pennsylvania train, jammed with vacation-bound civilians was leaving Grand Rapids enroute to Mackinac City with intervening west-coast resort cities.

No accommodations were available in the coaches. It was the 1944 Fourth of July week-end, our third national holiday since Pearl Harbor.

And this happened in Michigan.

At the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, where the eight men were the personal guests of Stewart Woodfill, owner and president, we were shocked and angered when one of these valiant, Lt. Ray Marty, former artist from Detroit and New York City, casually mentioned the fact.

"Don't misunderstand me," he hastened to explain. "We're not complaining. After what some of these men have gone through, the floor of a baggage car isn't so bad. It's just a bit messy on your uniform, that's all."

"The cheerful spirit of these wounded men is wonderful—yes marvelous. They're anxious, every man, to rejoin their old outfits."

"Major Robert Acheson, for instance, was with the 504th Paratroopers, a Commando regiment in Italy. The men jumped down from the sky and became surrounded by Germans. Ammunition ran low.

"Acheson led a detail of ten men to fight their way through. The going was tough. Acheson, an all-around expert in handling weapons, was wounded in the shoulders. Ahead was a German tank, the last obstacle.

"As Acheson ran forward, a shell from the tank clipped off his right arm, above the elbow. Instinctively, he picked up the severed member and stuck it under his belt.

"His orderly, uncathed by the murderous fire, wiped out the tank's crew of six Germans with hand grenades. Only Acheson and three others were alive when they managed to reach the American lines.

"For this valor in action, Acheson was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross and the Silver Star. He's quite a guy."

There is no doubt that historic Mackinac, sold by the Indians to the English for \$25,000 in the Revolutionary war, knows now it is in a war.

More than 300 years ago, Jean Nicolet, wearing a robe of Chinese damask, first saw this rocky isle in the straits between Lake Huron

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Cascade Township Goes Over the Top

Gerrit Baker, Fifth War Loan chairman for Cascade township, reports that his township exceeded its quota of \$30,000, and wishes to give credit to the following area chairmen who made the drive in Cascade township a success. Maturity value of sales reported totaled \$32,637.50. Individual sales with the amount turned in are as follows:

Mrs. A. Roodvoets, \$825; Gerrit DeGood, \$1,375; Mrs. Ella Buttrick, \$2,725; Mrs. Hugh Slater, \$700; C. S. Cookingham, \$325; Hollis Parker, \$2,075; Albert Bishop, \$225; Alfred Scott, \$3,875; Mrs. Roger Wykes, Jr., \$3,575; Elizabeth Kagle, \$650; Leo Bloomer, \$575; Seymour Dalstra, \$325; Harold Meines, \$825; Carl Graham, \$375; Mrs. John Krum, \$11,900; Reid C. Towne, \$875. In addition sales to the amount of \$1,787.50 were credited to the township at the Lowell State Savings Bank.

Emeline Austin, 90 Laid to Rest Here

Mrs. Emeline L. Austin, 90, a lifelong resident of Kent county, passed away Thursday, July 6, at the home of her niece, Mrs. Carril H. Perkins, in Grand Rapids.

"Aunt Em", as she was known to her many friends, was born September 21, 1853 near Lowell, where her parents settled in 1850. She was the youngest of 10 children, 5 boys and 5 girls, born to David and Elizabeth Innis Dawson. When she was 13 the family moved to Lowell where she attended school. The old homestead on the hill is occupied by the 3rd generation of Dawsons.

Mrs. Austin spent her early life in Lowell, moved to Grand Rapids where she lived many years, then returned to Lowell and lived with her brother, the late Heenan F. Dawson. Since his death she had lived with her sister, Mrs. Mary E. Moore, and niece, LaVanche Moore, until the past year with Mrs. Perkins.

She had three brothers in the Civil War and was a life member of the Lowell W. R. C., being the widow of L. Carlton Austin, who died 33 years ago.

Besides her sister, Mrs. Moore, who is 99 years of age, she is survived by several nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held at the Roth Chapel, Saturday afternoon, the Rev. Edward A. Thompson of Grand Rapids officiating. Interment in Oakwood cemetery.

Attending the services from out of town were, Mrs. Mary E. Moore, Miss LaVanche Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll H. Perkins, Mrs. Chris Naum, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Austin and Miss Mabel Righter, all of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Norman H. Hazeltine, Evanston, Ill., Mrs. Leslie Stuart, Saranac, and Paul Stuart, Detroit.

Back their attack! Buy more War Bonds. Drink Lowell Creamery Pasturized Milk for health. c10

Up and Down Kent County Roads

By K. K. Vining, Kent County Agricultural Agent

Last fall we had a delightful three hours with Albert Palmer, a photographer from the National Geographic Magazine, who was taking pictures for a Michigan series in that magazine.

In the current issue of the Geographic we found one of the pictures. It was Albert Waldeck, of Holy Corners in Caledonia township, and a load of corn they were just ready to put in the crib. It was a good picture of Albert and his corn. Waldeck recently went into the Navy where he is getting some special training in signal work.

4-H Club Camp is in full swing at Bostwick Lake. We had our doubts once if we could get a full camp, but even turned boys away. The camp sections for boys are set up by projects so that special work can be given to judging contests, etc. Each section is having its annual hike to Townsend Park. Morning swims are given over to instruction. Livestock boys are judging cattle on nearby farms. Handicraft boys are making articles for Red Cross. There are no dull moments from flag raising ceremonies in the morning until lights are out at 10 o'clock. 4-H Camp will close July 19. Miss Densmore will have a farm women's camp the first week in August.

In addition to the 4-H Camps, there will be three church camps and one adult group.

Premium look for the 10th annual Kent County 4-H Club Fair will be in the mall before long. Doesn't seem like ten years have passed since R. G. Jefferies and I made plans for the first fair at Lowell.

Cattle were housed in the horse barn at the park and other exhibits in the Lowell City hall and that

Lt. Herb Reynolds On Normandy Front

Germans Seem to Be More Active As Night Comes On; Writes That Evacuation and Surgical Care of Wounded is Remarkable

Lieut. Herbert Reynolds, in charge of First Aid and ambulances at the front in Normandy, writes to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reynolds, that he thinks he has gone through the worst part of combat—the "baptism of fire" and his letter, dated June 22, from the invasion front follows:

"This has been a nice spring day. It felt wonderful after the rain and cold, and we're all taking advantage of the sunshine—getting wet blankets and clothes dried out. I am still wearing the same things I got on the boat with about three weeks ago. Our unit made the crossing on a Polish freighter and were on the boat for a week. I am afraid if I washed, I might take cold, but have washed out socks and had my hair cut. The officers and men all look alike now because the snipers are so well acquainted with our insignia.

The country we are in now is almost like home. Lots of orchards and some very fine farms. I'll try and tell some of the things I'm sure you'll be wanting to know. Things are quiet at the moment, but we've been through the mill in the past two weeks and we will soon be in the line again. Our minds are through making those initial adjustments. I think we have gone through the worst part of combat—our "baptism of fire"—and it's a comforting feeling to think that is back of us. Our first real shock came from being bombed, and I've anticipated the Lord many times for our superiority. You'll want to know how we live, so I'll start with the most important factor—food. I can't remember exactly when we started eating K-rations, but it must have been nearly a month ago. A meal comes in a cardboard box and things all about the same except that the main course is changed for each meal. You remember the stuff I brought home from winter maneuvers. We have been getting along very well on the same type of food. I've lost a few pounds that I didn't need. When we are better organized they'll send in some fresh vegetables and fruit so we'll never suffer from lack of food. We drink coffee now and then some cider that the native people give us.

To sleep, most of us use a variation of slit-trench, which is nothing more than a shallow grave with a few logs over the head and of it to keep the A.A. flack from waking you up. You're well protected from almost anything but a direct hit on one of them, and I've been sleeping very well most of the time.

Last night was an exception. About 0130 Lt. Derpa woke me up. His trench is right next to mine, and I heard him calling, "Herbie, (Continued on page 8)

Lt. (jg) Bruce C. Walter, who is now located at the U.S.N.A. T. B. Solomon's Branch, Washington, D. C., writes the Ledger that "it is a large base built to accommodate 3,500 men and now has over 10,000 billeted here. It is nice rolling country down here, but not so good as Lowell!"

Staff Sergeant Joe L. Hill is home from overseas and is spending a 21-day furlough with his wife in Ionia and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Hill, in Lowell. Joe, a radio gunner, has been in service two years last May, and in New Guinea since a year ago April. He is to report at Miami, Fla., August 1.

Pvt. Wayne M. Kingdom, who is now stationed at North Island, has received his P. F. C. rating in the Aviation Engineering Division of the Marine Corps. Wayne enjoys reading the home news in the Ledger and says, "It sure gives out the news and is really something for a guy to get in service. I read almost every word of it."

In a letter to his parents Walter Gunser stated that the Japs were not too tough, and he also declared the Ledger was a most welcome visitor on his destroyer out in the Pacific. Walter is now a Naval Petty Officer, 3/c, and his rate is under Fire Control. He explained that Fire Control does not mean fighting fire, but does mean the control of the firing of the offensive weapons.

Lieut. Allen Wisner Missing in Action

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wisner received a telegram Saturday from the War Department, stating that their son, Lieutenant Allen Wisner, was reported missing in action June 26. Pilot of a P-38, he has been in Italy two months and had completed 12 missions.

Lieut. Wisner has one brother, Lloyd, of Lowell who is home from the army on a medical discharge. There are also two sisters at home. He was a graduate of Lowell high school with the class of 1938.

Many friends sympathize with the family over this sad news, and join them in hoping that word will soon come that he is alive and safe.

VACCINATION URGED FOR SMALLPOX PREVENTION

Dr. Wm. De Kleine, State Commissioner of Health, states that smallpox has broken out in two widely separated counties in the state.

Because of a large number of unvaccinated persons, vaccination is urgently recommended for protection against this disease.

So the public may take advantage of the situation, fresh vaccine has been distributed to local physicians by the County Health Department. Consult your physician at once for this service.

Be prepared by being protected.

Did you know that

Chickens cause 90% of all the tuberculosis in hogs? Get the T. B. hens off your farm. That 10 to 12 million dollars yearly are lost by hog producers this way?

That better than half the beef slaughtered in Michigan comes from dairy herds?

That more women were graduated from Michigan State College this year than men? Something that hasn't happened since 1919.

Elides damaged in Michigan by cattle grub would make enough shoes for 100,000 soldiers a year?

SHORT LINES

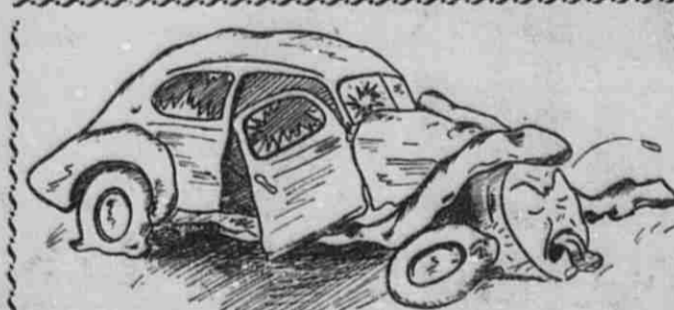
Bus Schedules

SLOW TIME

To Lansing, Ann Arbor, Detroit and Toledo	To Gr. Rapids
9:05 a. m.	9:30 a. m.
9:30 a. m.	10:00 a. m.
7:10 a. m.	2:25 p. m.
10:30 a. m.	2:50 p. m.
2:40 p. m.	6:30 p. m.
9:35 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.	Fri., Sat., Sun.
5:00 p. m.	

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SOCIAL EVENTS

"Mr. G. Strings Along", by Robert Wilder, was the book chosen by Mrs. D. A. Wingeler for her review at the Book Review Club Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Warner Roth.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Reynolds entertained at dinner and bridge Saturday evening honoring the birthdays of Mr. Reynolds and son, L. Herbert, now in France. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Altenburger, Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Lee and Pfc. and Mrs. Kenneth Wood.

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of C. Henry Alexander, who left us four years ago, July 11.
Surrounded by friends, we are lonesome.
In the midst of pleasure, we are blue.
With a smile on our faces, our hearts ache,
Longing, dear Henry, for you;
To have, to love, and then to part,
Is the greatest sorrow of one's heart.

Mrs. Agnes Alexander and Family.

Fourteen fish hatcheries, 13 trout rearing stations, and eight major bass and bluegill rearing ponds are maintained by the Conservation Department to produce game fish for stocking waters over which the state exercises jurisdiction.

MORE LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mullen and children have moved to New Hudson.

Mrs. E. A. Hayward of Saranac is visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. S. White.

Mr. and Mrs. Theron Richmond are vacationing this week in the northern part of the state.

Charlie Kropf left Monday for Chicago for a visit at the home of his uncle, Dr. Bruce L. Stocking.

Mrs. Hattie Scott has returned to her home here after a few weeks' visit with her sister in Charlotte.

Mrs. Charles Posthumus, Jr., and baby have moved here from Lake Odessa and will reside at 419 Spring Street.

Lyle Denick was taken to Blodgett hospital, Grand Rapids, Tuesday night, suffering with a strep infection.

Betty Hall has returned home from a month's visit in Washington, D. C., with her uncle, Captain W. W. Hall.

Sunday dinner guests of Willard Hunter and Mrs. Jack Hunter were Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hunter of Ionia and Bill Hunter, Coxswain, and wife of Lowell.

Marilyn Goff spent a few days last week in Grand Rapids with her grandmother, Mrs. Hannah Buck, the latter returning home with her for the summer.

Friends of Mrs. Charles Doyle will be glad to know that she is happily situated in the Chi Omega house in Ann Arbor, where she is substituting for the chaperone who is on vacation.

Mrs. Addie Daniels, accompanied by Mrs. Maude VanDusen, is staying at the cottage on her farm until after the cherry season is over. Montmorencies are now at their best and in great demand.

Mrs. Frank Keiser and son Larry recently spent a week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Rogers, near Fort Custer. Darlene Keiser came home last Friday from Grand Haven, where she had been working for the past three weeks.

Master Ronald Jessup feels pretty proud of a fish he pulled out of Cowden Lake, near Trufant, while camping there last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orval Jessup. It was a black bass 21 inches long and weighing five pounds, and gave Ronnie quite a tussle.

Mrs. M. E. Simpson was grieved this week by word that her niece, Mary Ellen Miller, had lost her husband, a P-38 pilot, who was killed in action over Germany on his 14th mission. The news came in a letter from Mary Ellen's mother, Mrs. Clare Althen of Denver, Colo., with whom she lives.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Speerstra, Mrs. Rosella Yelter and Mrs. Harold Yelter were dinner guests on Sunday of Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Lustig at Whitefish Lake. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Curtis and two nieces and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Curtis and two sons were callers. On Wednesday Mrs. Rosella Yelter went to spend a week at the cottage with her nieces during Mrs. Lustig's absence.

Mrs. Harold Knight is spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Simpson, coming Sunday with her husband and son Harold from Wall Lake, where they had been visiting Mr. Knight's parents. Harold had also spent two weeks with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Althen Simpson in Grand Rapids, and returned to Detroit on Sunday with his father after the day here with his grandparents.

The Misses Jessie and Ina O'Harrow have returned to Detroit after a week here helping to care for their brother-in-law, Ernest Roth, who was hurt in an accident while unloading hay on his farm in South Lowell two weeks ago. A rope broke causing him to fall to the barn floor. A doctor was summoned and it was found that he had suffered a skull fracture, fractured ribs and bruises about the body. Mr. Roth is now able to be up and about the house some.

4-CLUB news

Bowne Kitchen Maids

The third meeting of the Bowne Kitchen Maids was held Monday evening, June 26, and seven members answered to the roll call. Kathryn Oesch was elected as assistant treasurer. Discussion was held on whether there would be a canning club or not, and on the poster and demonstration meal. Committees for the next meeting are as follows: Food and preparation—Isabelle Boulard, Eileen Russell and Marjorie Posthumus; clean-up—Geraldine Flynn and Frances Posthumus. Refreshments of ice cream and cookies were served.—Secretary.

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WEDDINGS

Young—Clark

The attractive home of Mr. and Mrs. Phil Andres, Saranac, was the scene of a quiet wedding, Friday, June 30, when Miss Helen Jayne Clark of Saranac, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fay Clark of Muskegon became the bride of Phillip Bruce Young, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Young of Saranac.

The fireplace was beautifully decorated with baskets of salmon and white gladiolus, Madonna lilies, yucca and ferns, before which Rev. Humphrey, father of Mrs. Andres, read the single ring service.

The bride wore a gown of white satin brocaded taffeta, with crystal beads and a corsage of red rose buds. Miss Florence Clark of Belding, sister of the bride, was maid of honor and also wore brocaded taffeta with a corsage of red rose buds. Mrs. Virginia Andres was mistress of ceremonies, in a navy blue silk suit dress. David Burgi of Belding, brother-in-law of the groom was best man.

The bride's mother chose for her daughter's wedding, a green and white two piece jersey suit dress with white accessories, while the groom's mother wore a burgundy silk print dress with black accessories. Both wore corsages of pink and white carnations.

Immediately after the ceremony refreshments of wedding cake and ice cream were served. The cake made by Mrs. Humphrey, was a tiered creation beautifully decorated with miniature bride and groom, lilies of the valley and love birds.

After refreshments the many gifts were opened and admired. The bride was graduated from Lowell high school in 1940 and is working at the A. C. in Ionia. The groom attended Saranac high school and is at present farming with his father south and east of Saranac.

The young couple will be at home to their many friends at the Andres home for the present.

Guests for the wedding were Mr. and Mrs. Fay Clark and two sons from Muskegon, Mrs. David Burgi from Belding, Mrs. Humphrey, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Young and Luella Young of Saranac.

REUNIONS

Potter-Taylor

The above was held Sunday, July 9, at Fallsburg Park, 70 being present for the wonderful potluck dinner. Afterward election of officers was held as follows: Eddie Potter, president; Irving Taylor, vice president; and No. a Hudnut, secretary treasurer. Voted to have reunion same place and time next year. Afterward games and visiting. Folks were present from Belding, Lonia, Grand Rapids, Lowell, Clarksville, Saranac and Keene township.

Schwab Reunion

The 29th annual Schwab reunion was held at Fallsburg Park Sunday. Those being present were Lewis Schwab, the father, Clate, Mylo, John and families and Mrs. Ethel Yelter and family, 50 in all being from Rockford, Sunfield, Eagle, Clarksville, Belding, Lowell, Chicago, Grand Rapids. Clate Schwab was elected president and Mrs. Beatrice VanDyke, secretary-treasurer. For the coming year, and will be held at the same place.

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WOULDN'T SAY

A party of tourists were being shown over the cathedral by a guide.

"Behind the altar," he told them, "lies Richard the Second. In the churchyard outside lies Mary Queen of Scots, also Henry the Eighth and who," he demanded, halting above an unmarked flagstone, "who do you think is a-lying 'ere?" "Well," answered a near-by tourist, "I don't know for sure, but I have my suspicions."

P-P-Pleasel

An old Southern planter was discussing the hereafter with one of his workers.

"Sam," he said, "if you die first, I want you to come back and tell me what it's like over there. If I die first, I'll come back and tell you what it's like."

"Dat suits me fine, sah," replied the old Negro, "but if you dies first, ah wants you to promise me dat you'll come back in de daytime."

CROAKER



"Why do you dislike Mr. Frog?" "Oh, he's always croaking, that's why!"

He Said It

Tom—Harry always was lucky. He won a prize worth \$100,000 yesterday by using the right word in the right place.

Dick—I don't believe a word of it. How did it happen?
Tom—He said "yes" when the minister asked him if he took Miss Goldust to be his lawfully wedded wife.

For Something

"I'll be good for a penny, mother," coaxed little William, hopefully.
"Oh, Willie," reproved his mother, "why can't you be like your father? He isn't good for a penny. He's good for nothing!"

(Sum?) Burned

"I always get dreadfully burned at the seashore."
"I suppose you mean that some girl works you for all the money you bring with you."

Demonstrated

"So you want I marry my daughter? Well, you look like a fellow with good sense."
"Sure, I showed it by wanting your daughter."

Never Sits?

Doctor—Is your insomnia of long-standing?
Recent Father—No; long-walking. Our baby has had the colic for the last three months.

DOUBLE INDEMNITY, TOO



Goat—Don't you wish you had nine lives like a cat?
Dog—No, indeed. Think of the life insurance you'd have to carry.

Independent

"So your new job makes you independent?"
"Absolutely. I get here any time I want before eight, and leave just when I please after five."

Abruptly

"That life insurance agent left your office in a hurry."
"Yes; I told him that I was going to take up airplaning."

Postman

"He's one of those thought transfer chaps."
"Mind-reader."
"No, letter carrier."

Got Bit

I find a boundless pleasure On the boardwalk by the shore; If I were a mosquito I'd enjoy it even more.

Me, Too

Nay, do not ask the question That upon your lips I see; I'll save you all the trouble— Yes, it's hot enough for me.

Marked

"I saw a tattooed man today."
"What did you think of him."
"He made a very marked impression."

Disguise

"Do you believe in that old saw that a woman is as old as she looks?"
"No; in this day and age the chances are that she is much older."

Proverbial

A poor man never looks so poor as when riding in a rich man's automobile.

Not With Words
Patient—How can I ever repay you for your kindness to me?
Doctor—By cash or by check

People seldom improve when they have no other model other than themselves to copy after.—Goldsmith.

Wounded Men Ride Baggage Car Floor

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and Lake Michigan while he was seeking the elusive Northwest Passage to China.

Capt. Patrick Sinclair, a sturdy Scot, moved the fort from below the straits to the island in 1781 at the very time George Rogers Clark was making American history at Kaskaskia and Vincennes and menacing Detroit.

The bull-dogged English, stubborn as they are today, held tight to Mackinac following the Revolutionary war and until 1796. During the War of 1812 they seized it from the American garrison without firing a shot.

Federal troops manned the fort during the Mexican war and the Civil war.

The fort was a state park during the War with Spain and World War I. Today, 89 of the island's population of 517 persons are in the armed services.

Major Acheson and his companions may not have been aware that Mackinac Island, the historical shrine and for a good three-quarters of a century a nationally famous summer resort, reflected a thoughtful and sober mood on July Fourth, 1944.

Members of the Michigan Tourist council and the Michigan Agricultural Marketing council were concluding a three-day conference on post-war planning. Governor Kelly and the "Kelly Kids", as an island youngster called them, were there for a quiet rest at the only residence the State of Michigan provides for its governor—a modest summer cottage adjoining the old fort that crests the hill by the harbor.

The John Jacob Astor house, headquarters of the American Fur company a century ago, has been restored and is open to the public.

The Biddle log house, oldest building on the island, was purchased recently by Frank McKay of Grand Rapids and will be restored by him as a personal contribution to the state.

The old Earley house, famed for the medical studies of Dr. William Besumont, has been purchased by the Park-Davis company of Detroit and donated to the state as a memorial. Adrian Langius, state architect, was to arrive this week to prepare plans.

At the Grand hotel, with its world's longest porch overlooking the straits, the Casino night club was dark for the first time in years.

As the battle casualties from Percy Jones hospital stepped from a trim, white ferry boat, the Mackinac Islander, they alighted upon a modern concrete dock.

This wharf, one of the finest on the Great Lakes, is the product of the new park and harbor commission, a utility of the city of Mackinac Island.

Near the Grand hotel is a public bathing beach, three-quarters of a mile long, costing \$17,000.

These improvements, as well as the Astor house restoration, were financed by a tax paid by steamship companies on their passengers.

Thus the tourists are making possible, just as they have done at Bermuda for years, a gradual rejuvenation of this quaint, secluded, carefree island resort, so rich in historical lore under three flags.

In addition to Lt. Marty, who is a talented portrait artist, were Lt. Russell L. Holcomb of the Military Police corps and Lt. Rex B. Yocum of the 117th Field Artillery, 31st Division, both of whom were nursing training injuries—a broken arm and a twisted back.

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Herb Reynolds Letter

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Herbie! I asked him what the trouble was and he said, "The damn Germans are getting the range on us." I heard one coming and I thought Charlie was right. I was sore because he woke me up. It's much better to sleep through those things. There is really not a thing to worry about as we have good protection but we all get jittery just the same. At 0800 this morning I asked Charlie if he were asleep. He said, "Hell, no, I'm shaking like a leaf." I was too.

The shells all went over, sounding very much as they do in the movies. There's the long whistle, and then the explosion, one after the other all night long. Our guns were firing from all around us and we had the consolation of knowing that it wasn't half as hot for us as for the Boche. I've been under fire many times during the day, but it doesn't seem so bad then. There's nothing quite so rough on the nerves as being shelled or bombed at night. German air power seems almost nil during the day. We've had a few planes over and the bombers gave us plenty to worry about at the beach, but I don't think they'll ever give us any great amount of trouble.

The men we're fighting are good soldiers and plenty tough, but we're better all the way around. Now, it seems only a matter of getting our power consolidated. Our evacuation of the wounded has been working splendidly. Men can be hit on the front line, and less than an hour later be on an operating table less than ten miles back getting expert surgical care. The plasma we use at the front brings them around so remarkably that it's hard to believe your eyes, sometimes.

Tell me about all the boys. Never worry about us, but pour out your prayers for those who are giving so much—the dead and the wounded and their families.

Give my love to all, Herb."

COMING EVENTS

Zion Methodist Ladies' Aid and Missionary meeting, Thursday, July 20, at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Claus.

The annual Lowell Loyalty picnic will be held at Fallsburg Park on Wednesday, July 19, at 6:30 p. m. (C. W. T.). Bring own service, drink, sandwiches and dish to pass. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Weekes and Mr. and Mrs. Art Hill are the Lowell committee.

The Jolly Community Club picnic will be held at Fallsburg Park on Sunday, July 16, with dinner promptly at one o'clock. Bring own service, drink and dishes for ice cream.—Committee.

The Garden Lore Club will meet on Wednesday, July 19, at 3:00 p. m. at the home of Mrs. John R. Coe.

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