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## LEDGER ENTRIES

**SEPTEMBER 8**

THE BIRTHDAY of the first coast-to-coast air route is a worthy date to remember with progress and achievement in mind. Imagine living to see mail flown through the air! The same air transportation has been carried past our boundaries and now to many points abroad. The Atlantic and Pacific will see many new routes after the war. Freight will fly as well as man and mail, the ocean crossed in little time and in stratoliners of great size carrying tons of goods. Gazing back shows how transcontinental transport has progressed in over two decades, so well can we in Lowell look forward and realize the stride into the tomorrows. Military aviation in time of war builds for commercial aviation in time of peace. Many birthdays await the September 8th before us, the dreams to come.

### THE PRINTING ART

HAVE YOU ever thought what a tremendous jump in progress was achieved when the world discovered the art of printing? In many ways it seems as if human nature 2,000 years ago was a good deal the same as it is now. The Bible and the old books of ancient Greece and Rome showed that the ancient ideas about life were not so different as you might think.

The world had made such great progress above barbarism at that time, as you suggest that 5,000 or 10,000 years ago there was a great deal of intelligence. The ancients of 5,000 years ago had one terrible handicap. They had no good way of transmitting their thoughts. If they attained wisdom, about all they could do to make these thoughts permanent was to record them by carving them on pieces of stone. As that was a very toilsome process, and it took a long time to read writings carved on stone, few ideas or discoveries were transmitted that way.

In the time of the Bible, books were written by painful effort on substances something like our paper. That was a most toilsome process, and few books were produced in that laborious way.

When the idea was invented some 500 years ago of printing from type, it became possible as the art developed for scientists, statesmen, and educators to communicate their ideas to the rest of the world and to their descendants. In that way knowledge spread very rapidly, and the masses of the people kept getting better education, until now most people can read books and newspapers.

Modern progress is based on printing. The people who use it in daily life attain business success through publicity, and the leaders of the people persuade the public by the printed word to follow their ideas.

## Sprayer Employees Hold Grand Picnic

The annual picnic of the Lowell Sprayer Co. was held Saturday, Aug. 26, at Fallsburg park, upwards of 300 attending. An enjoyable time was had by all and many prizes, generously donated by Lowell business firms, were won by employees and guests. The abundant picnic lunch was furnished by the employees, the Lowell Mfg. Co.

Dinner was followed by several games of Beano, then followed games for young and old. The prize for the oldest person present was won by Mr. John Miller, a guest aged 81 the day of the picnic. Prize for the mother with the most children in the service was won by Mrs. Anna McCaul, who has three sons in service and another waiting call.

The drawing for the \$25 war bond was won by Crystal Hall, and a coffee maker set, donated by the Lowell Light & Power Co., was won by Loyal Mullen.

The dressed pigs were caught by Bob Van'tatenhove (in the river) and Danny Quillan.

Other prizes were donated by Ralph's, Hartman's, Coons', Richmond's, Murray's Cafe, Hoppoint's, C. Howard Rittenger, Runciman's, Roth's, Mabel Scott, Howard White, Chris Leonard, Henry's, Carl Mucke, Hazel Hoag, Price-Rita, Jack Fahni, Vern Armstrong, Gess's Hardware, Hill's Store, Thomas Store, Palace Dry Cleaners, Bickford's, Bert McNelly, Weaver's, A & P Tea Co., Lowell Creamery, King Milling Co., Kroger Store, Lowell Liquor Store, Kent's Jewelry Store, Harvey Callier, Frank Stevens, George Story, and Rutherford's.

The soft-ball game, married men against single men, was won by the single men.

Use Ledger Want Ads.

## O.E.S. County Fair Here September 9

All Chapters Will Participate to Raise Funds for Veterans at Percy Jones Hospital; Anything Saleable Can Be Donated

All Kent county chapters of the O. E. S. are invited to participate in the "County Fair" to be held in the 4-H Club building at Recreation park, Lowell, Saturday, Sept. 9, from noon until dark. This is an Association project, and since funds realized at this fair are to be turned over to that most worthy cause, "Aid to our veterans at the Percy Jones hospital," it is hoped that members of all chapters will take part and help make it a success.

Mrs. Cecile Wallace, president of Kent County Association, has named all associate matrons to act as chairmen for their own chapters, and all donations are to be turned over to these chairmen or their assistants. Any article saleable can be donated—aprons, hand-made articles, vegetables grown in victory gardens, canned fruits, jellies, baked goods, etc. All persons desiring to aid this worthy cause should contact Mrs. Howard White, 515 W. Main-st., Lowell.

There will also be a picnic pot-luck supper.

One feature of the occasion that will attract many will be the music furnished by the DeMolay Commandery Band of Grand Rapids.

## Strange Story of Odd Goings-On in Duck Family Here

An interesting little drama took place on Vergennes road the past week, involving a pair of Muscovy ducks belonging to Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Martin. One morning Mrs. Martin was out around the neighborhood looking for Mrs. Duck who had come out missing from her nest. It seems Mrs. Duck had been disturbed from setting, by the children, and so found escape through the fence into the yard of Miss Audie Post next door, where the duck made and feathered her own nest in a large bed of day lilies in the corner of the front steps. Miss Post discovered her when she went out for the morning paper.

Soon the whole neighborhood began watching over Mrs. Duck to see that she was not disturbed, and she would lift her head and gaze around at them unafraid. Every day she would leave her nest to go back home for food and water leaving the eggs so carefully covered over with feathers that they could not be seen.

Last Saturday the baby ducks hatched—fifteen of them. Will C. Doyle, living next door showed his neighborliness by bringing home a sack of King's chick mash, to make sure the babies would get their proper vitamins. Then on Monday, Mama Duck with a little coaching, started home with her brood. She led them through the fence where she came face to face with Donald Duck, who showed his indignation by attacking his wandering spouse in a most belligerent manner, driving her back through the fence. Repeated attempts at a reconciliation only made him more vicious, until his owner was forced to have him taken away.

Mama Duck however, having had a taste of freedom refuses to stay behind her own high board fence and goes roaming about the neighborhood yard with her flock trailing behind her. And Miss Post has laughingly dubbed herself "The Goose Girl," as she repeatedly leads them back to their own enclosure, hoping in time that the mother duck and her brood will be content in their own back yard.

LOWELL BOYS ENTERED IN STATE 4-H SHOW

The following entries were among those selected at the recent Ionia County 4-H Club Fair to be entered in the State 4-H Club show:

George Wittenbach, Jersey heifer, Jersey cow, Duroc Jersey fat hog; Jack Story, Yorkshire fat hog; and Leonard Blossom, a poultry entry of White Leghorns.

### PROBLEM OF TOMORROW'S FLYING JEEPS

Anticipating when skyways will be as crowded as prewar highways, engineers are working out plans to expedite air travel. Read . . . in The American Weekly with this Sunday's (Sept. 3) issue of The Detroit Sunday Times . . . how air-lanes will become definitely marked, with flying officers with electronic "eyes," "ears" and "voices," keeping you in line. Get Sunday's Detroit Times.

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## Former Keene Woman Dies in North Wales

Mrs. Evalena Bowen Nickell died at her home in North Wales, British Isles, August 13. Cause of death was a heart attack. She was born in Keene township 58 years ago, the youngest daughter of the late Alfred and Josie Bowen. A brother and sister, Dale Bowen and Mina Bowen Gardner, have preceded her in death, both of whom are buried at Lowell.

Mrs. Nickell had attended district school at the Marble school, and was a graduate of Lowell high school. With her husband and children she moved from St. Louis, Mo., thirteen years ago, to England, where her husband's work took him.

Besides the husband, Dr. Lloyd Nickell of North Wales, she leaves two sons, Bob and Tom, both in service, one in the South Pacific; a married daughter, Charlotte, who lives in Texas, and a younger daughter, Anne; also a half-brother, Jay Cooper of Grand Rapids.

## What Service Men Are to Do to Vote in Fall Election

Application Must Be Made in Writing to Obtain Absentee Ballots

Note—The following instructions have been prepared for the purpose of aiding men and women in service who wish to vote at the coming general election in November.

Persons in service MUST make their own applications in writing, for absent voter's ballots to enable them to vote either the Michigan War Ballot or the Federal War Ballot in the coming November election. This application card may be secured from their commanding officer.

The applicant must state the date of birth, that he or she is an American citizen, has lived in Michigan six months, and in the township or ward 20 days previous to his or her entry into the service in this country. This information may be given in a letter instead of using the above mentioned card. Either card or letter should be signed by an army officer, not below the rank of sergeant.

This application should be mailed to the Secretary of State at Lansing, Michigan or to the County Clerk of the applicant's home county. As soon as the application is received, the Michigan War Ballot which gives the applicant the privilege of voting for federal, state, and county officers, will be mailed back in envelopes printed in green ink with a red bar, one above and one below the word, "official absent voter's ballot". These bars give the ballots priority over other mail thus making possible the speedy delivery and return by postal authorities.

If the applicants do not receive their ballot by October 1, they should then apply to the War Ballot Commission in Washington, D. C. for a Federal War Ballot which entitles the applicant to vote only for President, Vice-President and Congressmen. This Federal War Ballot will be in blank form. The applicant must write in the names of the persons or their preference for these offices, BEING SURE to make a cross (X) in the square ( ) to the left of the written name of the candidate.

The affidavit on the back of the envelope in which the ballot is returned should be filled out by the voter.

All ballots should be voted and returned to the Secretary of State or the County Clerk of the applicant's county.

## Michigan State Radio Highlights

Station WKAR... 570 KC Michigan State College

Alumni of Michigan State college are welcoming the return of "From the Alumni Record" program to the air over WKAR, Michigan State radio station. Heard each Tuesday at 5:30 p. m., the program features information concerning the college, activities of alumni and former students, and news of alumni activities. It is presented by Glen Stewart, Director of Alumni Relations.

A change in the news service has been announced, with the 11:55 a. m. daily news summary now being devoted to Michigan news and brief headlines of general news.

Following a month's vacation, poultry information is back on the air, with F. N. Barrett, of the poultry department, presenting pertinent facts on the business of raising poultry. Listen at 12:30 p. m. each Friday for this feature. Professor Barrett is glad to answer any questions which may be addressed to him.

## News of Our Boys

Pfc. Kenneth E. Fletcher has recently been transferred from Iran to somewhere in India.

George A. Rogers has entered the Air Corps and is at Fort Sheridan, Illinois.

Pfc. Richard Warner is home on a 5-day leave enroute to a new base at Nashville, Tenn., from Reno, Nev.

Arthur W. Gross, who lives on Route 2, Lowell, has been promoted to sergeant. He is a radio operator with the 1st Armored Division of the Fifth Army in Italy.

Mrs. Burt Tefft received a letter from her husband, Pfc. Burt Tefft, who is in France, saying he is receiving the Lowell Ledgers and enjoys them very much. Says "It's just like getting a letter from home."

Mrs. Clara Geeshold received a letter from her son, Cornelius, Jr., Geeshold, who was transferred from North Africa and is now stationed in England. He is feeling fine and doing well.

Among the upper classmen at Hendricks Field, Sebring, Fla., is Second Lt. Harry V. Camp of N. Riverside Drive, who is training as a Flying Fortress pilot at the AAF Training Command School.

Tech. Sgt. Robert J. Slater arrived home last Wednesday from Santa Rosa, Calif., for a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Slater, and other relatives and friends. Robert has seen two years of service.

Sgt. Lester Stauffer returned Monday to Sinton, Field, San Antonio, Texas, after a ten-day furlough home. Lester has been in service two years and is busy teaching jiu jitsu and assisting in the physical training program.

Bruce Myers and Bob Kropf returned to Great Lakes Naval Training station last Friday after a ten-day leave at home following their boot training. The Purchase twins, Virgil and Victor, are at home now after their boot training and will return to Great Lakes this Friday.

Warner Scott, chief pharmacist, is home visiting his mother, Mrs. Mabel Scott and other relatives, after two years of submarine service in the north and south Pacific. He will report at noon, London, Conn., September 8. His wife and baby who accompanied him from Norfolk, Va., will remain in Lowell until he receives his assignment.

Private George Sverko received shrapnel wounds about the head, August 14, somewhere in France, according to word received by his wife. He is confined to a hospital, but reports that he is getting along O. K. so not to worry. Mrs. Sverko is taking his place at the Kroger meat market until his return from service.

Those long serial numbers given our soldiers are significant. Perhaps you have thought as we did that they are merely numbers taken in consecutive order as men were sworn in to service.

Not so. They mean something. If the first digit of a man's serial number is 1, it means he joined the regular army after the national draft began; if the first digit is 2, it means he was a National Guard unit member called up for service; and if the first number is 3 or 4 it means he was drafted through selective service. If the first digit is 6, it means the man is a member of the regular Army. If the first is an 0, it means he is a commissioned officer. The second digit of the serial number indicates the service command in which the man joined the Army. And so it goes, with much more to it.

In our reading this week we found this information, and thought it might quiet the "wonder" of some of our readers, as it did ours.

### BUSINESS ANNOUNCEMENT

The undersigned, who has been employed at a local garage for the past 15 years, will operate a garage in the former Sinclair station on W. Main-st. in the near future.

Victor Clemens.

Scotchman, entering a saddler's store, asked for a single spur.

"What use is one spur?" asked the man.

"Well," replied Sandy, "if I can get one side of the horse to go, the other will have to come w' it."

## Schools to Reopen Monday, Sept. 11th

The Faculty is Complete, With the Possible Exception of One Member; Complete Course of Study in Next Week's Ledger

The Board of Education announces that Lowell schools will open Monday, Sept. 11. The faculty has been secured with the possible exception of one member. The Board is still hoping that Capt. John Kleinhekel will return to take over the Agriculture Department. Mrs. Doris Clark has resigned and the Home Economics position has been offered to a graduate of Michigan State College. There will also be one or two other changes.

In next week's edition of the Ledger there will be a complete course of study and a list of the teachers. Students who expect to enroll for the first time in Lowell High School will be asked to arrange their courses of study on Friday and Saturday, September 8 and 9, and the office will also be open Friday evening.

The Board of Education was very much disappointed recently when the Office of Defense Transportation turned down the application for a new bus. According to advance requests made by rural areas, the demands for transporting high school students will be greater than ever, and this, together with the restrictions and regulations laid down by the O. D. T., will present a very serious problem.

Although there will probably be many changes in the Selective Service regulations, those now in effect which apply to high school students provide that a boy may complete that semester of school during which he becomes eighteen years of age.

Boys are urged by the Superintendent of Public Instruction to stay in school as long as possible.

## Citizenship to Be 4-H Club Keynote

The Four-Day 4-H Show from Sept. 5 to 8 Inclusive, Will Feature Citizenship; Sept. 7th Devoted to Events for Farm Families

The meaning of citizenship will be firmly impressed in the minds of Michigan 4-H club boys and girls during an impressive ceremony to be conducted in the Michigan State college stadium Thursday night, September 7, as one of the feature events of the 29th annual state 4-H club show and Farmers' Day.

R. J. Baldwin, director of extension at M. S. C., will officiate during the ceremony. Governor Harry F. Kelly will explain the meaning of citizenship, and J. W. Hoffman, Calhoun county, and Carol Bacon, St. Clair, will carry speaking roles. A total of 80 4-H members will participate.

Other events on the evening's program, which starts at 7:30 o'clock, include the lowering of the colors; 4-H livestock parade; welcome by Dr. John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State college; state 4-H girls' dress revue; and the presentation of awards to winners of the achievement contests by Charles Figy, state commissioner of agriculture.

The four-day 4-H show gets under way Tuesday, September 5, with the placing of exhibits and ends Friday, September 8, with the ram and boar sale.

Michigan farmers and their families are invited to visit the campus on Thursday, when they will have an opportunity to see the 4-H exhibits and will be conducted through departments and experimental plots. R. W. Tenny, director of short courses, is in charge of the inspection tours.

## One-Time Jap Prisoner To Speak at Elmdale

Reverend and Mrs. Osborn, returned missionaries from China, will be at the Elmdale Nazarene church on Monday night, Sept. 4, to talk and show pictures of China. Rev. and Mrs. Osborn spent 25 years in China. After Pearl Harbor he was taken prisoner by the Japs. Interned in a concentration camp for six months, he spent 36 days adjoining the torture chamber where Japanese officers sought military information from their captives. The Osborns returned to the U. S. A. aboard the Gripsholm.

A welcome is extended to all to attend the lecture September 4.

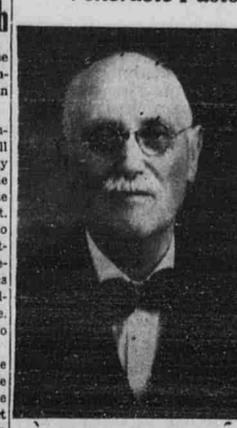
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## Birthday Honors for Venerable Pastor



Reverend John Claus

During the morning services at Zion Methodist church last Sunday, Reverend John Claus was presented a purse of silver by members of the Ladies Aid Society and congregation, in honor of his 80th birthday which he celebrated August 26.

Fred Fuss, Sr., read an original poem, Mrs. Lucy Blaser extended congratulations and Mrs. Laura Blough gave a reading, all in keeping with the occasion.

Mr. Claus has been preaching for 56 years and has served the Lowell congregation over nineteen years.

## Jamaicans Wreck Car Loaned Them; Four Hurt

Two of the six Jamaicans, who were severely injured Wednesday night of last week when they were involved in the wreck of an automobile belonging to C. H. Runciman of Lowell, are still confined to St. Mary's hospital, but will be released soon. Clinton McKoy, 24, received severe head injuries and Hubert Lows, 22, serious back injuries. Kenneth Reynolds, 26, the driver, and Harry Philipotts, 24, were less seriously injured. The other two, Patrick McKoy, 21, and Allen Martin, 24, were unhurt.

According to Deputy Patrick Stephens, the automobile, a 1942 Buick sedan, had been loaned to the farmer to commute from the Ray Parker farm in Keene where they were regularly employed, to the Runciman elevator in Lowell, where they worked part time.

The accident occurred two miles north of Lowell on M-91 when the car overturned on a curve and rolled over, striking a power pole. The passengers admitted that Reynolds was driving as fast as the car would go. The automobile was a complete wreck.

## Up and Down Kent County Roads

By K. K. Vining, Kent County Agricultural Agent

No matter how much farms become mechanized horses will always be an attraction that tractors can't equal.

If you don't believe it go to a homecoming, or 4th of July celebration, county fair, or any rural celebration where a horse pulling contest is scheduled. The folks turn out in numbers.

This was true at the 4-H Club Fair on Thursday of last week. Two contests were scheduled. Heavy weights in the morning and light weights in the afternoon. We never know how many teams will show up for such a contest. I got to the fair early but the teams were ahead of me, also the folks were coming to the contest. Six teams were entered in the morning and eleven in the afternoon. The bleachers were full, the fences strained with the crowd behind them. The folks cheered the teams and as the contest drew to a close there was a tenseness that you see with baseball teams tied in the ninth inning with three men on base and two men out.

Then when the last pull was made and the winners announced there was plenty of cheering and handclapping.

On Wednesday night was another equine event when the Grand Rapids Western Horse Club put on a show under the floodlights. Thirty-eight horses were entered with both men and women riders. Six events were scheduled. Did folks come? The crowd looked like a Show Boat crowd. Horses again. People like them. The Western Horse Club put on a good show. People liked it and made many favorable comments. Yes, people like horses and will always like them.

Jersey Parish Shows will come and go and Mr. and Mrs. Emmet Davis and daughters, of Oakfield township, will always have good Jersey herds in the ring.

This year's West Michigan Jersey Parish Show was held at Fremont

## Drought Endangers Well Water Supply

All Wells Are in Danger of Pollution Due to the Lowering of the Water Table Because of the Drought; Frequent Testings are Advised

Danger of the pollution of shallow wells in Michigan as a result of the drought and lowering of the water table makes it advisable for users to check up on their water supply, reports Dr. W. L. Mailmann, Michigan State college bacteriologist.

Wells of 25 feet depth or less, which have heretofore been sources of safe drinking water, may now be, or may become, contaminated. The lowering of the water table, which will take place to a greater degree if the drought continues, brings surface contamination nearer to the area around the well casing from which the water is drawn.

It is better to be safe than sorry, particularly in view of the fact that there is no cost involved in having well water tested. All users of well water are invited to send samples to the Department of Bacteriology, Michigan State college, where a test will be made without charge.

Before attempting to send a sample for inspection, write for Dr. Mailmann's Extension Bulletin 173, "Safe Drinking Water". Full directions for submitting water samples are included in this bulletin.

Diseases carried by contaminated drinking water include typhoid fever, dysentery, and so-called "diarrhea". An increased number of polluted samples are being received by Michigan State college, indicating the greater danger during the dry period.

A large number of driven wells are now being used in Lowell, and Dr. B. H. Shepard, village health officer, warns persons using these wells to have them tested regularly, several times a year is not too often. Those wishing to have their wells tested should leave their names and location of the well at the health officer's office. No charge is made for this service.

### STRAND CALENDAR

Thursday, Aug. 31—"The Story of Dr. Wassell" with Gary Cooper and Lorraine Day in glorious technicolor.

Friday and Saturday, Sept. 1-2—"Call of the South Seas" with Janet Martin and Allan Lane; also "The Lodger" with Merle Oberon, George Sanders and Laird Cregar; also latest News Events.

Sunday and Monday, Sept. 3-4—Rene Clair's "It Happened Tomorrow" starring Dick Powell, Linda Darnell and Jack Oakie. Selected Short Subjects and latest News events.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 5-7—"The White Cliffs of Dover" starring Irene Dunn with Alan Marshal.

The following advice from Miss E. I. McDaniel, M. S. C. entomologist, regarding worm-infested trees, is applicable to Lowell. The entomologist says: "Take steps now to reduce next year's population of web worms that infest trees in this area. Do this by pruning the cobwebby masses from tree branches and destroying them, preferably by burning, she advises. Practically all types of shade trees, some fruit trees, and even bush flowers are attacked, making them unsightly and resulting in the destruction of foliage."

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Some camps have had some trouble with them. There have been reasons for it. One thing the folks in the county should remember, they are enemies of the United States, were captured by our soldiers in combat and should positively be treated as prisoners. There should be no sympathy or attempt to mollify coddle on the part of we folks. Leave them alone. No doubt there will be little trouble.

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The Board of Trade announces that Lowell stores will be closed next Monday, Sept. 4, on account of Labor Day.

Vine Hunter, who has conducted a machine repair and welding shop on Broadway for a number of years, has sold his business to Cecil Brooks, who has moved here from Saginaw. Mr. Brooks states that he has had many years experience in this work.

Supt. W. W. Gumser returned last Saturday from Cleveland, where he attended the 15th annual sales meeting and educational conference of the Brodhead Garrett Company, Inc. Mr. Gumser was one of the speakers on the program, talking on the subject, "Area Vocational Schools, Present and Future Needs."

The Kent County Association of the O. E. S. is sponsoring a county fair to be held at Recreation Park, Lowell, on Saturday, Sept. 9, for the purpose of aiding disabled veterans at the Percy Jones hospital, Battle Creek. This is a worthy cause and should be generously supported. Additional information is given in another column on this page.

Senor Amadeo Fernandez of Havana, Cuba, where he conducts a jewelry and importing business employing upwards of 30 clerks, was here the first of the week transacting business at the Foreman Poultry Farm. Senor Fernandez makes a hobby of poultry breeding and will feature the Foreman strain of White Leghorns to be entered in laying contests in Cuba.

The travels of a cardboard carton attracted the attention of Dick Fife at Christiansen's this week, when he noticed the Lowell Sprayer name on a box. This carton containing sprayers had been sent to a Chicago oil company who evidently sold the box to a wholesale drug company, who, in turn, shipped the drugs in it to Lowell. Christiansen's will return the box to Chicago to be used again.

The scrap paper drive conducted here on Tuesday proved to be somewhat disappointing in results, as only about five tons were collected, which, added to the amount already on hand, will bring the total up to ten tons. Roth & Sons donated the use of a truck and driver, and Rutherford & Sons furnished a driver for the village truck. Anyone having more waste paper please take same to the city garage, as there are no more trucks available now.

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# ALTO NEWS

Mrs. Fred Pattison

Alto School Starts Sept. 5  
The Alto school will begin Sept. 5 with Mrs. Fred Pattison as teacher. She has requested that all children having books to sell or exchange please bring them the first day of school.

W. S. C. S. Meeting  
The W. S. C. S. will hold their quarterly business meeting Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Alto Methodist church.

Alto Locals  
Mrs. Myron Henry of McCord called on Mrs. Fred Pattison Tuesday and Mrs. Floyd Yetter was a Monday caller.

Mrs. and Mrs. Gerald Finis of Lowell were Thursday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dintman.

Mrs. S. W. Strouse has received word that her grandson, Orville Strouse was killed July 15 during the invasion of France.

Corp. Don Brannan and wife spent Wednesday evening at the home of their mother, Mrs. Emma Brannan.

Marie Watson and Bobby Mill of Birmingham were Saturday evening callers of Jacques Bank and Clarence Collins in Lowell.

Mrs. Roger McMahon and children were Sunday dinner guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Linton. Mr. McMahon and children spent part of last week with Mr. and Mrs. Lee Speck in Grand Rapids, who are at their cottage at Myers Lake.

Mrs. A. F. Bether is spending a few days with her son and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Bether in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Wm. C. Anderson spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Gleditsa at Harris Creek.

Miss Dorothy Clark, who has worked at Farmer's State Bank for over three years, will soon start to Junior college in Grand Rapids and Miss Helen Lavelle will take her place in the bank. Dorothy has been most efficient and pleasant and we will miss her, but will also welcome Helen.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Berry and family of Caledonia and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Berry and Bruce were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Yetter.

Walter Houghton was a Sunday evening dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Dintman. Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dennis and son of Kalamazoo were Sunday callers.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shodor of Caledonia called on Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pattison enroute to Lansing to visit their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Pettison. The 4-H Fair at Lowell was well attended from here, with the usual fine reports.

Jane Creniger returned home from visiting the Otto Dygert family at Kalamazoo on Monday. Mrs. Lawrence Gophers spent a few days last week with her daughter, Mrs. Don Kendall in Grand Rapids.

Rev. Junior Leroy Blocher came Saturday evening for a 15-day fund-raising camp at Panna, Texas, and will return to a camp in Kalamazoo, Sept. 8. Mrs. Willard Haight of Muskegon is also visiting her parents and family while her brother is home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank MacNaughton, Sid MacNaughton and Mrs. Kramer attended the Brew school reunion Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Skinner near Caledonia. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brew also attended this reunion.

Mrs. Nettie Ellis spent several days this week with her sister, Mrs. John Taylor in Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Mayer entertained Sunday, guests being Mr. and Mrs. Will Riddle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Pattison of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pattison.

Mr. and Mrs. George Skidmore were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kline and all attended the Lowell theatre in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Bancroft and children were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Davis at Rockford.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Schwarzer of Lake City and Mrs. Fred Pattison called on their mother, Mrs. Lucy Duell.

Miss Bobby Mill of Birmingham spent the week-end with Miss Marie Watson before going back to school at Duke University, South Carolina.

Miss Alice Ford of Gobles spent a few days last week with her great aunt, Mrs. Glen Loveland, and accompanied her to the Red Cross class Friday.

Mrs. Martin Devenney and daughter Marjorie are moving from Marshall to Lowell this week. Mr. and Mrs. Mack Watson and family, Mrs. Lucy Duell, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Mosbeck, Harold and Lois of Chicago were dinner guests of Mrs. Jennie Yetter Sunday.

# ALTON - VERGENNES

Mrs. Olive Mosbeck

Mrs. and Mrs. Mike Waska and Mrs. and Mrs. Archie Condon. Mrs. Maxine Brandt returned Sunday to her home in Dover, Ohio after a two weeks' visit with Jean Blaser.

Alton school will begin on Sept. 5, with Mrs. Kliefoth as teacher. Sarah Purdy spent Saturday evening with her grandparents here for a few weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gave spent Sunday with the Elmer Wittenbach family.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Kropf visited relatives Sunday at Trufant.

Sarah Purdy spent Saturday evening with her husband at Ventura, Calif., where she is starting home Monday.

Mrs. Olive Mosbeck of Chicago entertained with a party at the Regent, to see "Going My Way." Her guests were Mrs. Jennie Yetter and Donald, Mrs. Lucy Duell, Mrs. Elmer Yetter and Mrs. Geo. Yetter Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Ralph Huntington and Mrs. George Lansing spent several days at their home here in Alto. On Sunday they were joined by Ralph and Mr. and Mrs. Axel Lambson of Cedar Springs and Mr. and Mrs. Elmer of near Rockford.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Freeman of Lowell were Sunday night dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Slater.

Mrs. Howell Wood and son, and Mrs. Don Dutcher and daughter of Cedar Springs were in Alto on Sunday with Mrs. Ray Linton.

Mr. and Mrs. Gae Packer entertained with a birthday dinner Sunday at the home of Mrs. Ray Linton. Guests were Mrs. John Harold, wife and two children of Grand Rapids.

Local Miss Mabel Watta and two lady friends from Chicago visited Mrs. Vera Watta Saturday.

Julius Wester slipped and fell recently and was laid up a few days, however he is again able to help Lon Hoek paint Matt Hattinick's home.

Chas. VanVranken of Hastings spent the week-end at the Hayward home.

Mrs. Mabel Scott of Lowell, Chief Pharmacist Mate Warner Scott and Mrs. Scott and baby of Norfolk, Va., Mr. and Mrs. Harold Scott of Silver Spring, Md. and Mrs. Claud Pilmore and sons of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Grant Warner of Lowell were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pattison.

Mrs. Naomi Hayward was a lunch-guest of Mrs. Royden Warner in Lowell Friday.

Martin Devenney 2 1/2 and Mrs. Devenney and Leo Puskar, M. M. 1/2 and Mrs. Budzik of Marshall were Wednesday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ted Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Dymmer drove to meet their daughter, L. M. S. Sydman, who took a plane from Chicago to Lansing. They had a picnic in her honor, where 17 relatives and friends met at Oak Lake near Pontiac.

Bill Fairchild called on Walter Finn at Whitesville Friday evening. Mr. Finn has recently returned from hospital.

Mrs. Emma Crawford and Kenneth Silcox of Gleanhart were Tuesday night guests of Mary and Adelle Simons. Their other friends and were Wednesday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fairchild.

Virginia Parkin, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Don Uter of Ypsilanti and spent the week-end in Lansing arrived in Alto Sunday.

Frank Kline, Elvin Berry, Owen Nash and Mrs. Fred Pattison, Mrs. Bruce Clark, Mrs. Otto Hottel and Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Wright and daughter Marjorie of Dowling were recent callers of A. F. Pettit at the home, Fairchild home. Mrs. Lewton Cole and three daughters and Victor Porritt were their Sunday dinner guests.

Mrs. Howard Berry has arrived in Spokane Wash., to stay with her husband who expects to be stationed there for some time. Mr. and Mrs. Basil Hayward had a supper in Grand Rapids Friday night and attended the theatre.

Mrs. Richard Court and two children of Decatur and Dale Wheeler of Grand Rapids spent last week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Court.

Miss Matine Duffy of Sunfield spent Thursday night with Velma Dawson.

You can prepare yourself for a postwar career and help speed victory by becoming a War with the Army Air Forces. The need is here.

# Church News

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY

Or. Washington and Kent Morning services at 11 o'clock every Sunday. The subject of the lesson-lesson in all Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, Sept. 3. The Golden Text, Psalms 61:1-4. Among the Bible citations is the passage (Genesis 1:1 and 26). Correlative passages to be read from the Christian Science Text book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, include the following (p. 281).

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FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CH.

Rev. H. G. Woon, Pastor Church School at 10:00 a. m. Our school is on the up-swing in attendance again after the "winter weather."

Worship Service at 11:00 a. m.

Mrs. Stauffer and Miss Lucie Warner will present an organ and piano duet. The pastor appreciates greatly the good attendance at church during these summer weeks, and is looking forward to the resumption of the full activities of the church organization in the fall and winter months.

The Grand Rapids Association of Congregational and Christian churches will meet in the Lowell church for a morning and afternoon session on Tuesday, Sept. 26. The ladies of the church plan to serve noon luncheon to the delegates.

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ALTON CHURCH

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GOSPEL HALL MEETINGS

At German Methodist Church 8:00 p. m.—Sunday School. Interesting lessons and classes for all ages. God's complete text-book. 8:00 o'clock Thursday evening—Prayer meeting and Bible Study.

# ANA COMMUNITY REFORMED CHURCH

W. R. Melander, Pastor

Morning services at 10 o'clock Sunday School at 11:15 a. m. Evening services at 7:30 o'clock Christian Endeavor at 8:40 p. m.

ALTO BAPTIST CHURCH

W. B. Gardner, Pastor Bible School-10:00 a. m. Charles Thompson, Supt.

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# SOUTH BOSTON

Mrs. Belle Young

North Bell school began Aug. 28 with Mrs. Marie Omara as teacher again this year.

Walter Roush, a former South Boston boy, is a truck driver in the U. S. services in Salpan, after being stationed in the Hawaiian Isles for a long time, and where he was located at the time of the Pearl Harbor attack.

Kenneth Whitney of Grand Rapids spent last week with his cousin, Russell Condon.

Mrs. Nellie Young, Mrs. Nancy Leech and Mrs. Hattie Richardson were dinner guests at Mrs. Nettie Kibbey's in Lowell Thursday. Mrs. Ida Young of Lowell was also a guest.

Pfc. Gerald D. Parnell is now in France. He writes to the home folks that he and his buddies can't speak French very well and have to use the sign language.

Pfc. Warner Nash, who is quite well known here, and who has been in service in the Southwest Pacific, is now located at Little Rock, Ark. His wife has a position there in a government office.

Fred Klahn was an exhibitor at the 4-H and F. F. A. Fair held at Ionia recently.

HICKORY CORNERS

Mrs. Ethel Yetter

Harry McGarvey spent Sunday evening with Robert Yetter and family at Forters Corners.

Mrs. Marvin Hoyer entertained her brother from Wayland over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Yetter and son, Dennis Joe and Mr. and Mrs. George Schwander and grandchildren, Martine and Wayne of Lake City called at the Hunter and Yetter home Sunday.

Facing famine of moth-proofing, Fred Klahn, a former South Boston boy, is a truck driver in the U. S. services in Salpan, after being stationed in the Hawaiian Isles for a long time, and where he was located at the time of the Pearl Harbor attack.

Mrs. Elizabeth Kimp received letter on Monday from her husband, Frank Kimp, P. O. 2, S. N. and this is her first letter in six weeks. Frank left San Francisco on July 10 and his letter states he is working on a turbine on the U. S. S. Wasp, and that as yet, none of his mail has caught up with him.

Ada Enslin

Miss Geraldine Hand, student nurse at Walter Reed hospital, Chicago, is spending a few weeks vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Holly Hand.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Wride and Marion spent Sunday evening at Dutton visiting Mr. and Mrs. Robt. VanLan.

Pfc. Clark Washburn of Topeka, Kan. has had a five day extension to his furlough, due to the serious illness of his sister, Mrs. Claude Richardson.

Mrs. Claude Richardson underwent a major operation at Dutton hospital, Grand Rapids, on Saturday and on Monday morning was reported to be as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

Miss Caroline Gieseler of Upper Ada Road was a luncheon guest of Mrs. George Washburn on Friday.

Mrs. Wm. Slager went to Grand Rapids Saturday evening to visit Mr. Clayton Ashley at Dutton hospital and her new son, Ronald Arden.

Mrs. Charlotte Tronson and daughter, Patricia Anne, of Ambler returned to their home Thursday after visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Charney for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Stukkie went to Grand Rapids Sunday to visit Mrs. Garrett Stukkie, who is seriously ill.

Darwin Boorman, who has been spending the past several days with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Miller, returned to his home in Grand Rapids Monday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Pitt spent Saturday afternoon in Grand Rapids visiting Mrs. Charlotte Harris and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Wicks.

2nd Lieut. Grover Foss underwent a tonsillectomy at the hospital at Santa Angelo, Texas, as he has his past week and has recovered fully from the effects of the operation.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Foss and two, Darwin Nellie, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. McCool and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Foss and family enjoyed a picnic party and fishing at Murray lake on Sunday.

# Ada News

(Mrs. Hattie B. Piles)

Albert J. Lewis laid to rest  
Albert J. Lewis, aged 74 years, died at his home on Sunday after a long illness. He is survived by his widow and four sons, Carl of Midland, Jay of Grand Rapids and Francis and Albert of Ada; also several grandchildren.

Funeral services under the auspices of Ada Lodge, No. 208, F. & A. M., were held at the Beth Chapel in Lowell on Wednesday afternoon with interment in Ada cemetery.

Brief Reminders of Important Dates

Wednesday, Sept. 6, evening meeting of Booster Club at 7 o'clock. Ada Masonic Temple dining room. Potluck supper. Remembrance year contribution to the Kent County Association Fair can be brought to this meeting and turned over to the chairman.

Thursday, Sept. 14, first meeting of Ada Ladies Literary Club, at the home of Miss Nellie Rollins and Mrs. Lynn Prevey. Mrs. Lynn Wenzel club president, presiding at meeting.

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# SEELIE CORNERS

Mrs. E. P. Rollins

About forty people attended the Sunday School picnic at Fairbank Park shelter house on Friday evening and all report the event a grand success. After a beautiful supper at 7:30 we gathered around the fireplace to sing hymns and have a worship service. Then games were played in which both old and young took part, and ice cream was served before we left for home.

Dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Lester Antonides were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Darling and children of East Paris.

Mrs. Lavon Cole and daughters were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Fairchild at Alto.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Schneider and Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Kraft and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schneider in Lowell Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Antonides entertained the latter's cousins, the Misses Martha and Doris Dornow of Grandville and Gerri Smith of Ada, Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Claude Cole is caring for her mother, Mrs. M. P. Schneider who returned to her home near Hastings from Fenwick hospital Friday.

Nearly everyone in this vicinity attended the 4-H Fair in Lowell last week. Our boys and girls brought home quite a number of prizes.

Mrs. M. P. Schneider says she is very partial to cabbage-an-swiss salad.

Mrs. and Mrs. Seymour Heboe of Grandville spent Sunday afternoon at Blue Lake.

Walter Houghton of Harrah, Wash., accompanied W. V. Burras on a business trip Tuesday and was a supper guest at the Burras home in the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Dennis and son of Nantville were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Seelye, and Betty Oxford of Grand Rapids spending the week at the Seelye home.

Ada Locals



### Bus Schedules

#### SLOW TIME

To Lansing, Ann Arbor, Detroit and Toledo

9:05 a. m.  
9:50 a. m.  
10:10 a. m.  
10:50 a. m.  
2:40 p. m.  
9:35 p. m.

To Gr. Rapids

9:05 a. m.  
9:50 a. m.  
10:10 a. m.  
10:50 a. m.  
2:40 p. m.  
9:35 p. m.

To FLINT  
7:40 a. m.  
11:10 p. m.  
5:00 p. m.

LOWELL STATION AT HENRY'S Drug Store

Buy Tickets Before Boarding Bus

Junior—What was your greatest ambition when you were a boy, dad?  
Dad—To wear long pants. And if there is anybody who wears pants longer than I do, I should like to see the gentleman.

### BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Baker (nee Pearl Bowen) of Ionia, on Sunday, Aug. 27, a son, Samuel Charles, weight 7 lbs., 6 ozs.

To Robert, A. M. M. 1/2 Warner and Mrs. Warner, at Blodgett hospital, August 9, a son, weight 9 lbs., 1 oz.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bob Denick on Wednesday, Aug. 23 at St. Mary's hospital, Grand Rapids, a son, Robert Gary, weight, 7-lbs., 14 ozs.

### GOOD REPUTATION



A man in court pleaded "guilty," but the jury brought in a verdict of not guilty. "What do you mean?" asked the judge. "The man has confessed his guilt."

Cheerfulness and content are great beautifiers and are famous preservers of youthful looks.—Charles Dickens.

### SOCIAL EVENTS

#### Marriage Announced

Miss Charlene M. Kyser of Grand Rapids and Leslie L. Wilson of Ada were married Saturday evening at eight o'clock in the Methodist parsonage, the Rev. Cecil E. Pollock officiating.

#### Engagement Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Schneider announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Ardis Marie, to Donald H. Merrill, USNR, son of Mrs. L. Maud Merrill of Muskegon and the late Reverend Ray W. Merrill. The wedding will be an event of October.

#### Quiet Home Wedding

Emma J. Ryder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Percy Read, and Louis J. Oesch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey Oesch, were quietly married Wednesday evening at 9 o'clock at the home of the bride's sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baker, only the immediate relatives being present.

After refreshments were served, the bride and groom left for a short wedding trip to Muskegon and Milwaukee by way of the Clipper.

#### Social Brevities

The Bridge-a-dears are meeting with Mrs. Ed. Reynolds this Thursday evening.

Members of a former bridge club enjoyed a luncheon and get-together last Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. N. E. Borgerson, those present being Mrs. B. A. McQueen, Mrs. J. R. Bergin, Mrs. Wm. C. Doyle, Mrs. W. J. Kropf, Mrs. E. C. Foreman, Mrs. Paul Kellogg and Mrs. Rosella Yeller.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Rogers entertained with a seven o'clock dinner, last week Tuesday for their son George, who left on Wednesday for Fort Sheridan to enter the air service. Guests were Jake Callier, Edward Stormzand, Merle Alexander, Cecil Good, Robert Weaver, Clyde Davenport, Richard Fonger and Don Keiser.

Last Monday evening fifteen past Noble Grims and their guests were pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. Don Phillips. Games were enjoyed throughout the evening and delicious refreshments were served by the hostess and committee.

#### FRONT MAN WANTED

He was obviously a novice at boxing, and as he entered the ring and saw his hefty opponent he felt far from happy.

As he went to his corner he saw a man with a towel thrown over one shoulder.

"Who are you?" he asked. "I'm your second," was the reply. Over the novice's face there flashed a look of relief. "No," he said firmly, "you go first—I'll go second!"

#### Straight Up!

Stranger—Can you tell me how I go to get where I'm going?  
Cop—Where are you going?  
Stranger—I can't tell you, it's a surprise party!

#### Our Animal Friends

Dumb—I have to teach my cat medicine.  
Dora—Why?  
Dumb—So I can have a first aid kit!

#### WHAT ABOUT A BOOK?

Cowboy (demonstrating a lasso)—This rope is to catch cows with.  
Dude—And what do you use for bait?

#### Slight Exaggeration

Arab (to Yank in bathing suit on the Sahara)—Why the bathing suit?  
Yank—I'm going swimming in the sea.

Arab—The water's over 800 miles from here.  
Yank—This sure is some beach, isn't it?

#### No Cents!

Nit—Why do dollars have eagles on them?  
Wit—To symbolize their swift flight!

#### And Don't Push

Stranger—What's the quickest way to the hospital?  
Cop—Just poke me in the back again with that umbrella and you'll find yourself there in no time!

#### Real Fairy Story

Harry—I know an artist who painted a cowbeef so real a maid tried for an hour to sweep it down.  
Jerry—I don't believe it!  
Harry—Why not? Artists have been known to do things like that.  
Jerry—Yes, but not maids!

#### No Hurry!

Jones—Where are you going?  
Smith—Home.  
Jones—But you don't go that way.  
Smith—I know. It's longer this way!

#### Use Ledger Want Ads.

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### Use Sound Waves to Test Hosiery Fiber

Sound waves, which have been put to a variety of unusual scientific tasks in the past, have now been assigned the job of appraising women's hosiery yarns.

Purpose of the work is to measure accurately the elasticity of the fibers. This is a factor of importance to the wearers of stockings and of such stretchy articles as garters and girdles, as well as to the users of automobile tires. But exact knowledge of the degree of elasticity is even more important to the manufacturers of these articles and of many textile products which are not obviously elastic in themselves.

For the elasticity of any yarn must be taken into consideration in adjusting the loom or knitting machine in which it is to be fashioned into a fabric. The experiments reported were carried out on textile yarns—linens, rayon, nylon and wool—and on various types of cellophane.

The specific property measured by the sound waves indicates the extent to which a material is elongated when a stretching force is applied. The usual method of measuring this factor in fibers has been to hang a weight on the fiber and note the load required to bring about a certain amount of stretch. But this slow application of the force or load often not only produced elastic stretch but also permanent deformation, which spoiled the results.

### Mexico Finds Many Uses For the Flowery Agave

Mexico's agave when it crosses the United States border is known as the century plant. It is a plant of many species, many uses. Sisal hemp or henequen comes from the thick, fleshy leaves of one variety. Other types of the plant yield Tampico hemp, maguey, ixtle, pita, yarenc and lechuguilla.

Agave plants mature and flower in three to fifteen years according to species. The flower stalk—issuing like a flag pole from the center of the plant—may push up 30 feet.

A brisk foreign and domestic trade rested on agave fibers. Some were exported; all are used in their home land for making rope, mats, bags, harness, hammocks, hats, baskets and brushes. Flower stalks provide building material and razor strops. Roots make soap substitutes. The sap of some species, mixed with milk and rennet, makes the drink pulque. The fermented juice of other species when distilled becomes the heavy liquor known as mezcal or tequila.

### Insecticides

Popular insecticides for garden use are rotenone dust or rotenone or pyrethrum spray. These are effective against most common insect pests, both the chewing kinds like bean beetle and cabbage worm, and the sucking kinds such as plant lice. They have the advantage of being safer to use on leafy crops than the arsenic poisons.

Nicotine sulfate spray kills plant lice and squash bug, as well as eggs of the squash borer, if soap is mixed in the spray to wet the insects.

To kill chewing insects, dust or spray of calcium arsenate, lead arsenate, or cryolite is cheaper than rotenone or pyrethrum. Cryolite can be used on beans, the arsenates are apt to burn bean leaves. Arsenate or cryolite dust mixed with fixed copper dust can be used to control both insects and the diseases such as tomato and potato blight, and bacterial wilt and mildew of vine crops.

### Liked Dancing

The Mayas of Central America were an Indian race fond of dancing from morning 'til night. The recreation was a manly art, however, in which the women were not allowed to indulge.

Another art respected by the Mayas was music which they beat out on hollow wood drums with rubber-tipped goons. Other musical equipment included wind instruments shaped from turtle shells, flutes, whistles of bone or reed, conch shells and rattles.

To practice these recreations wealthier people gave dinners and banquets which the invited were obligated to repay. If the guest failed to do so before he returned the dinner, his heirs automatically inherited the obligation. At these frequent events Mayan wines, made from honey and tree bark, were potent, and banquets traditionally ended in drunkenness.

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### IN MEMORIAM

In loving memory of our dear husband and father, Cpl. Albert P. Curley, who met his death one year ago, Sept. 4.

While he lies in peaceful sleep, His memory we shall always keep.  
c17 Mrs. Eva Curley and Son.

In loving memory of our dear wife and daughter Mary, who passed away Sept. 3, 1943.

Ed. Umbenhour.  
Mr. and Mrs. John Pike.  
Mrs. Margaret Veneman and Family.  
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Boyce.

### CARD OF THANKS

Words cannot express the deep appreciation we feel for the help given us by our neighbors during our fire. We wish to thank friends of Lowell, Alto and the surrounding community for their gifts of grain, hay and money.  
c17 R. A. Wittenbach and Family.

### Immunity to Foisin Ivy Only a Poor Fallacy

While no one is immune to poisin ivy, and the remedy of Captain John Smith—gunpowder soaked in milk, along with thousands of other so-called remedies, are not effective, the spread can be prevented.

The plant has been active in America for more than three centuries, growing only in North America.

The poisin is the milky sap, and is not air borne. It evaporates so slowly, however, that tools may retain the poisin for months. It is also known that the smoke particles can carry droplets of the oil, otherwise it is not to be feared from the air. The bare stalk is dangerous in the winter, as the leaves are in summer. There is no closed season on the vine. In the winter the birds eat the grayish white berries of the plant, thus carrying the poisin.

A toxin has been placed on the market which seems to give immunity to some for a time, while with others the injections give a severe case of poisin. The injection does not always cure the person already infected.

Those exposed to the plant should lather the whole body with a good soap and thoroughly wash or rinse off the soap together with the ivy oil. This might forestall or minimize the irritation. The best method is to detour the plants, except when they must be removed from the property.

### The Wright Way

Wilbur Wright was born on a farm near Millville, Ind., in 1867—and Orville was born four years later in Dayton, Ohio. Their first business venture was selling and repairing bicycles, which they financed by selling kites, folding papers and collecting junk. In 1905 they brought out a custom model of their own make. Their father, the Rev. Milton Wright, encouraged them to read scientific magazines, and they soon became interested in glider experiments.

In 1899 the Wright boys began with a biplane kite, equipped with wing controls. Their first man-carrying kite cost them about \$15, which they took to Kitty Hawk, N. C., for their first experiments. It was not until December 17, 1903, after months of disappointments, waitings and failures, they made the world's first successful flight of a self-powered, heavier-than-air flying machine. Orville was the pilot and managed to keep the machine in the air for 12 seconds.

### Cancer Is Curable

The rate of cure is higher in several forms of cancer than in some of the other diseases, according to Dr. Ita T. Nathanson of Harvard Medical school. Cancer of the stomach, when operation is possible, offers the greatest difficulty, but in this case from 15 to 50 per cent are cured or survived the disease. In cancer of the skin the curability rate is from 40 to 60 per cent and in cancer of the breast it is around 50 per cent. The present-day treatment is effective in the early stages of the disease, before it has spread to distant organs or tissues that are essential to life.

### Prevent Rancid Lard

The prevention of lard from turning rancid has been announced by the University of Minnesota chemists. By using a concentration of 50 per cent nordihydroguajarenic acid, derived from creosote bush, no harmful results were found. By using the treated lard in ready mixes for biscuits, pastries, etc., the storage life of these products is greatly increased. Under accelerated aging tests, treated lard stood up 30 times longer than the untreated lard. This is equivalent of 50 weeks of the treated lard at kitchen temperatures. The new method will aid the pork producers in retaining their lard markets.

### First Soldier: "Where'd you get that black eye?"

Second Soldier: "You know that tiny, trail-looking creature I had a date with last night?"

First Soldier: "Yes, but—"

Second Soldier: "How was I to know she was the champion riveter at the shipyards?"

Her father: My boy, you'll never be able to support my daughter. Why, I can hardly manage it myself.

Her suitor: Tell you what, sir, let's go fifty-fifty.

### MORE LOCAL NEWS

David Lee Nead is spending a few days with his aunt, Mrs. Olga Mier, in Keene.

Mrs. Ola Condon was at the Hannah McCarty home near Parnell over the week-end.

Mrs. G. A. Plumb of Grand Rapids was a Tuesday guest of Mrs. Fred Malcolm and Abby.

Mrs. Belle Hargie of Kalamazoo was an overnight guest last Wednesday of Mrs. Ida Young.

Mrs. H. L. Bargwell of Grand Rapids spent Friday with her mother, Mrs. Phil S. Krum.

Miss Alta Russell spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Freda Russell and family at Alto.

Mrs. Raymond Shaffer and baby of Caledonia spent Monday afternoon with Mrs. Earl Starbard.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Wood have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Ray Wood at Buffalo, N. Y., since last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hill of Grand Rapids were Sunday guests of Mrs. James Muir and called at the Art Hill home.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Schultz of Grand Rapids were recent supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Thompson.

John Cuddihy of Grand Rapids was in Lowell on business last Thursday and called on a number of old friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Zimmerman and son of Ypsilanti spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Dick Nead and family.

Aloystus Hoover and family of Ionia and Capt. Andrew Hoover of Eslet Lansing were Sunday guests of their mother, Mrs. Lizzie Hoover.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Starbard and daughter, JoAnne Lashy, attended the Weaver reunion at the Ira Blough home at Star Corners last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Townsend and two daughters are here from Niagara Falls visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Townsend for the rest of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Roth and Arlene and Mrs. Ernest Althaus are visiting relatives in Brooklyn, Wisconsin. Mrs. Pauline Weenink of Lansing, a niece of Mrs. Roth, is here while they are away.

Mrs. B. A. Charles returned last week from a month's visit with relatives and friends in Flint and Owosso. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Percu of Grand Rapids were Friday evening guests of Mrs. Charles.

Mrs. Harry Rinehart and Mrs. Foster Deihl of Elkhart, Ind., were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. I. O. Altenburger. This week the Altenburgers' daughter, Mrs. J. Walker of New York, is visiting them.

Miss Frances Drew of Toledo, who was in Lowell to attend the funeral of Mrs. Wm. McGrath a week ago Saturday, spent the week-end with the Misses Kathryn and Anna Lalley and visited other Lowell friends.

Rev. Frank Howard of Whiteville, N. C., arrived in Lowell last Wednesday for a several days' visit with relatives here and at his old home in Parnell, and said mass Sunday morning at St. Mary's church, Lowell.

John Ingenthron underwent a minor operation at St. Mary's hospital last Thursday and is getting along fine, expecting to return home some time next week. Mr. Ingenthron is employed by the Lowell Manufacturing Company.

Marilyn Lou Rieckner of Grand Rapids is spending several days this week at the home of Miss Della Hatch. On Wednesday afternoon Marilyn entertained a number of her former schoolmates at the Hatch home. She will spend Saturday and Sunday with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Loyal Rieckner.

Donald Avery of Sturgis visited his grandmother, Mrs. James Avery, and uncle, Norton L. Avery, and family, last week and attended the 4-H Fair. Accompanying him from Sturgis were Mrs. Earl Hagerston and daughter, Mary Ann, to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. VanVorst, also Mrs. Donald Wetters and daughter Gloria, who visited Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Krueger.

### SAME OLD ACT

The class was not particularly bright that afternoon, and when teacher had given an explanation of the meaning of the word "miracle," she asked if it had been understood. It hadn't, at least, not by little Willie.

With weary patience she started all over again.

"Suppose a man fell a thousand feet and wasn't hurt, what would that be?" she asked.

"A fuke, miss," replied Willie.

"And if he did it again?" asked teacher, hopefully.

"Another fuke," said Willie, briskly.

"And if he did it a third time, what would it be then?"

"Habit," said Willie, firmly.

Harry—I can drive a car with one hand behind my back. Mary—I'll stick to George. He can drive with one behind my back.

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**COMING EVENTS**

The Cheerful Doors meeting has been postponed to Monday, Sept. 11, at 8:30 p. m.

The Rebekahs will meet Tuesday evening, Sept. 5, at 8 o'clock. Refreshments will be served after the business meeting.

The Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Fred Franks on Thursday, Sept. 7. Roll call will be "Bring interesting dish."

The Lila Group of the Congregational church will meet Thursday, Sept. 7, at 2:30, at the home of Mrs. T. O. Altenburger, Riverdale Dr.

The Good Will Club will be entertained by Mrs. Frank Boynton and Mrs. Wesley Miller at the Boynton cottage in Fallsburg on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 6.

The 18th annual Ford reunion will be held on Labor Day, Sept. 4, in the Alton church basement. Our service will be furnished.—Mrs. Hazel Ford, Sec'y.

The Lowell Garden Lore Club will meet Wednesday, Sept. 6, with Mrs. F. J. Fines. Mrs. Lee Lampkin is chairman, assisted by Mrs. Harold Englehardt, and Mrs. John Gallagher. The subject is "Fall Planting." Tea will follow the program. Members please bring surplus perennials and bulbs for sale.

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Winton Wilcox

According to scientists who should know, it is safer to kiss your dog than your girl. The reason is that most dog diseases are not transmittable to humans. Come here, "Spot," and give me a kiss.

To the many who expressed thoughtfulness in various ways during my illness, my appreciation and thanks.

Mrs. Floyd Yeiter.

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