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Michigan Bell Is Making Big Plans

Rural Telephone Service to Be Greatly Improved Scope Extended

The Michigan Bell Telephone Company has announced plans for a \$7,500,000 rural program within three or four years after manpower and materials are available. Theodore H. Dawson, director of the company's rural operations, said the program will include improvements in the quality of the farmer's service as well as extension of its scope. He pointed out the program will help provide jobs not only for the company's 3,000 employees in the armed forces but for many others as well.

The postwar undertaking primarily will be an expansion of a rural program that has been under way for a number of years. In 1940, the company, in cooperation with Michigan agricultural leaders, set up a plan for customers to pay for farm-line construction through small monthly installments. Since then, the company has installed service at nearly 14,500 additional farms, including 4,800 where construction was necessary. Actual, rural installations have increased proportionately at a faster rate than urban during the war, Dawson said.

Dawson disclosed that two-thirds of all rural homes in Michigan Bell territory are located along existing pole lines and about half of these homes now have telephone service. He estimated that 75 per cent of rural families in company territory live along existing pole lines or near enough so that service can be provided without special construction charges.

Service on Economical Basis
The company plans to take advantage of research developments to extend the service on an economical basis. It already is using long-span, steel wire construction with distances of 350 to 450 feet between poles compared with 150 to 200 feet in former days. The company also has been using a new type, rubber-covered wire which is buried by a special plow.

Under consideration is the installation of small dial switching units near groups of farms, providing farm families more direct communication among each other and reducing the amount of line wire required to connect them to the telephone central office.

Possibility of extending the service through new research developments interrupted by the war is in the picture. In cooperation with the Rural Electrification Administration and private power companies, the Bell Telephone Laboratories have been working on a means of providing service through the use of power lines. That method, known as "power line carrier," makes it possible for a high frequency current, carrying conversation, to "hitch-hike" a ride along a power line and hop off to a pair of telephone wires serving the farmer's premises. Carrier also may be applied on telephone lines to provide more circuits over existing routes.

Micro-wave radiotelephone systems may be employed to provide service in isolated areas.

Radiotelephone systems already are in use by the Michigan Bell to bridge gaps brought about by storm damage and to provide ship-to-shore service in the Detroit-Port Huron lakes area.

Dawson said the company will continue its program of converting the few remaining magneto-operated telephones to dial or common battery service and of reducing the number of parties on the line where excessive.

NEW HIGHWAY MAP NOW BEING ISSUED

The State Highway Department begins distribution of its new road map this week according to Highway Commissioner Charles M. Ziegler.

"The map will have a light green background, with state trunklines shown in red and county roads in black. Names of cities will be larger than on former maps. The map will be easier to read than any of its predecessors," Commissioner Ziegler said.

SAM J. DETMERS BUYS HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN

Three registered Holstein-Friesian cows were recently purchased by Sam J. Detmers, Lowell, R. 2. The cows are: Tessen Korndyke Rossline 247476, Tesko Poch Dinah 2484513, and Erindale Pabst Estelle 254493.

Change of ownership for these animals has been officially recorded by the Holstein-Friesian Association of America, Brattleboro, Vt.

Summer Weight Feels For Men

New arrivals in Champ Hats for early summer wear, in tans, grays and blues. From every angle the best hat buy of the season. \$5.00 to \$7.50.

I envy the beasts two things—their ignorance of evil to come and their ignorance of what is said about them.—Voltaire.

Pays Supreme Sacrifice.



CPL. HARLAN RICHARD LEE

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Lee of Lowell, R. 3, received a telegram from the war department Monday night informing them that their son, Cpl. Harlan Richard Lee, had been killed in action in Germany, April 3, while serving in the Second Armored Division. Dick had been overseas over two years, and had previously been reported missing on April 18th.

A letter received here Tuesday from one of the Division officers states that Dick was killed instantly when he went to the assistance of a wounded comrade who had called for help.

Harlan Richard Lee was graduated from Lowell high school in 1940. He was a young man of clean character and the entire community joins in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved parents and other relatives.

STRAND CALENDAR

Thursday, June 7—"For Whom the Bell Tolls" with Gary Cooper, Ingrid Bergman, Akim Tamiroff, Katina Paxinou, in technicolor. Due to the length of this picture the features will start at 7 o'clock and 9:30 each evening.

Friday and Saturday, June 9-9—Lulu Belle and Scotty, Roy Acuff and His Smoky Mountain Boys and Harry (Pappy) Chesire in "Sing Neighbor Sing" also "Girl Rush."

Sunday and Monday, June 10-11—Marie Monty, Joe Hall, Tushan Bay in "Sudan."

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 12-14—Edward G. Robinson and Joan Bennett in "The Woman in the Window" with Raymond Massey.

Read the want ads in the Ledger.

Story of Our Schools

Fourth Article

Alternatives or Possibilities

When a survey was made of what remained of the high school on the morning of January 22, the Board of Education realized that many interesting problems had to be settled expeditiously and as wisely as possible. Time was a matter of consideration for it was necessary that the work of the school should go on. The Board realized, however, that mistakes could very easily be made which might cause serious handicaps to the children for years to come. And, therefore, it was decided that before any decisions were to be made a careful appraisal of all factors involved would be based upon sane judgment. It was agreed that a determined effort would be made to house all children in as comfortable and as safe a manner as would be possible, and that the program of studies and standard of instruction would not be seriously impaired. It was decided that less confusion and more efficiency would be brought about by retaining the high school grades as a unit. The grades were, therefore, sent to the Methodist church and the City Hall, and the high school took over the grade building. The Board of Education, through its many deliberations in the matter of the settlements for insurance, was convinced that there was no question about the advisability of reconditioning what remained of the high school building for classroom purposes. The costs of replacing the structure would have been prohibitive. Considered from all angles there seemed to be no alternative between razing what remained of the high school and putting it back into use as soon as possible. This was based not only upon financial reasons but because the arrangement would make it possible to take care of the children in a fairly satisfactory manner in property belonging to the district. To have planned otherwise might have meant the use of temporary quarters in churches and other places for years instead of months. As the rooms became available in the high school building the grades were brought back to their own quarters, and for the past several weeks only the

\$5 Windshield Tax Is Now Due Again

That windshield tax is due again. The new \$5 automobile tax stamps will go on sale next Saturday, June 9, it was announced Saturday by the collector of internal revenue.

Beginning July 1, the stamps must be exhibited on all motor vehicles which are used on the highways. You can buy the stamp at all postoffices.

Motorists are advised to protect against theft by keeping a separate record of the serial number on the stamp. Another recommendation is that they write on the back of each stamp the make, model, serial number and state license number of the vehicle.

Petitions Now Due For Membership on Board of Education

The terms of two members of the Lowell Board of Education will expire on July 1 of this year, and in accordance with law the vacancies will be filled at the annual election which will be held on Monday, July 3. The terms of H. L. Weekes and D. A. Wingersel will terminate. Those who wish to become candidates for the vacancies must file nominating petitions with the Secretary of the Board of Education at any time between June 8 and June 23, inclusive.

Any qualified voter in the district whose name appears on the assessment roll and who is the owner of property so assessed is eligible for the Board of Education. The nominating petitions must be signed by at least fifty registered qualified electors. It is to be noted that electors are not to sign any more petitions than there are vacancies. Only the names of those candidates who have qualified by filing these nominating petitions will have their names printed on the ballot.

In another column of this paper there will be found the notice of registration which applies to those people who have not registered as school electors in the School district. It is hoped that all qualified electors will register so that there will be no difficulties about voting at the election, or annual meeting, on July 9. It is to be noted that the registration is to take place between Friday, June 8 and Saturday, June 30. Nominating petitions are available at my office. Dated June 7, 1945 F. F. Coombs, Secretary.

children in the kindergarten and sixth grade have lacked accommodations in the school buildings. With the exception of painting and cleaning, the reconditioning of the high school building was completed within a short time, and it is hoped that the structure will be ready for public inspection during the summer months. With the resumption of school in September all of the grades will be back in their own quarters and most of the high school classes will be held in the reconstructed building. The work has entailed the expenditure of thousands of dollars—perhaps one-half of the money received through insurance. What remains of the structure will be in better condition than ever before. New wiring throughout the building was found to be necessary; heating and plumbing facilities had to be altered and replaced; some windows, floors and equipment had to be replaced; most of the walls and ceilings had to be replastered or refinished; and the interior walls now exposed to the elements will have to be covered. When the Board discovered that the cost of resurfacing these walls would cost approximately as much to have them covered by cement-plaster as it would to cover them with brick, it was decided that many arguments favored the latter course.

NEWS OF OUR MEN and WOMEN IN UNIFORM

S/Sgt. Charles Houseman is attending a chaplain's training school in San Antonio, Tex., for two weeks.

Pvt. Robert Denny, who has completed his paratroop training at Ft. Benning, Ga., is spending a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Denny.

T/Sgt. Joe Hill spent Wednesday with his parents and sisters here, enroute to his new assignment at Scottfield, Ill. Mrs. Hill came from Iowa to spend the day with them.

Kenneth Pietcher writes from India that he has received two promotions recently—from Pfc. to T/4, and from T/4 to Sgt. He has been very ill with a tropical disease, but is improving.

Among the western Michigan soldiers who have recently been liberated from German prisoner-of-war camps is Pfc. Sheldon B. Bonzug, son of Leonard C. Bonzug, of Keene township.

Sgt. Fred A. Cox, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cox of Ada, has been transferred from Tyndall Field, Fla. to Fort Benning, Ga. where he will attend officers' training school. Sgt. Cox has been in the army for four years.

T/Sgt. Perry C. Peckham, aerial engineer serving with the Eighth Air Force, son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry C. Peckham of Lowell, has been personally congratulated by Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle for his part in the defeat of Germany, who said in part, "you may be proud of your part in the defeat of Germany. I am proud of you and the world is proud of you."

Pfc. Richard A. Warner, aerial radio operator, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Royden Warner of Lowell, has been awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster to his Air Medal, having completed 450 hours of operational flight in transport aircraft over the dangerous and difficult India-China air routes, considered by airmen as the world's toughest air trail.

M. Sgt. Theodore N. King, Jr., whose wife, Erma Jean King (the former Erma Jean Bettles) who resides with her mother in Lowell, has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal "for meritorious service in connection with military operations against the enemy." Sgt. King entered the Army Air Forces in August 1940, and had been serving B-17 Flying Fortress of the 8th Air Force for flying missions over Germany and military targets of industry.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph R. Kiste of Belding, former residents of Moseley and well known in this vicinity, have received word that the third of their four sons, Cpl. Ralph R. Kiste, Jr., had become a war casualty, having been wounded during the last stages of the war in Germany before VE-day. Cpl. Paul A. Kiste was killed on Iwo Jima, February 25, while serving with the Marines there, and Pvt. Robert E. Kiste was killed in Germany last December. The fourth son, Cpl. Lloyd Kiste, is an aviation mechanic with the Army Air Forces in the Philippines.

Hybrids Ideal For Sweet Corn

By O. I. Gregg, Extension Garden Specialist, Michigan State College. The many improved hybrid varieties are making it possible to plant more sweet corn in the home garden without using too much space and with the probability of a good crop.

Hybrids with yellow kernels are the only kind that should be considered. They retain the highly delicious flavor of Golden Bantam and are vigorous and more productive. Also, they can be planted closer with good results than the "old fashioned" varieties. The short, early hybrids can be planted in rows 2 feet apart and the single plants left 8 inches apart. The more productive later hybrids should be planted in rows 2 1/2 feet apart and the single stalks left 1 foot apart.

One of the most generally distributed early hybrids is Narcosis. Carmel Cross, Bancross and Lincoln, although not so generally distributed, are all good midseason varieties, with Golden Cross Bantam the universally grown main crop hybrid. Hybrids mature all their ears at the same time, so if continuous pickings are desired, it is necessary to have more plantings than with open pollinated varieties. No value results in removing suckers. Some of them may produce ears. First spinster: Is it true that you're going to be married? Second Spinster: No, but I'm thankful for the rumor.

Services Today for Theodore Mueller, 72

Theodore Mueller, aged 72, a well known and respected resident of this community for many years, passed away in Blodgett hospital, Grand Rapids, this week Monday morning.

Funeral services for Mr. Mueller will be held today (Thursday), from the Methodist church, with interment in Oakwood cemetery. Mr. Mueller is survived by five sisters, Mrs. A. F. Harner and Mrs. Margaret Clark of Oak Park, Ill., Mrs. Anne Light and Mrs. Frances Gorman of San Antonio, Texas, and Miss Katherine Mueller of Lowell. A more extended sketch of Mr. Mueller will be given in next week's Ledger.

Pvt. Douglas E. LaDue is receiving his basic training at the Signal Corps training center at Camp Crowder, Mo.

Correction: Harold Dollaway, who has been serving in the Pacific area, has been promoted from S F 3/c to S F 2/c.

S 2/c William A. Cook has returned to Norfolk, Va., after spending a week's furlough with his mother, Mrs. Charles Cook.

Sgt. Clayton D. Engle has arrived in this country from overseas, and is expected to be with the home folks in a week or so.

Mo. M. M. 3/c Gordon Hill left Friday for San Diego, Calif., after spending a 10-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Art Hill and daughter.

Merchant Marine Harold Washburn has reached the United States from Italy and will soon be in Lowell to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Washburn.

Among the 56 men who have been called by Kent county draft board No. 1 to report Monday, June 11, for induction are the following men from Lowell and vicinity: Richard Rutherford, Darrel Swanson, Lyne Covert, Ross Johnson, Lynn Gardner, Robert Lee, Ernest Collins, J. B. Hawk, Harry Yeiter, Robert VanTahenove, Frank Johnson, Virgil Daniels and Harold Ploester. The men will meet at the draft board office at 3:00 p. m. and leave an hour later for Chicago.

Clifford Draper, 3 K V 1/c, who has served 18 months in the Pacific and is now stationed in Ottumwa, Iowa, and his brother, Lieut. (j g) Rex Draper and wife, the former Doris Yeiter, are spending their furloughs with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Draper. Rex is a V C-88 navy fighter pilot and has been in combat in the Pacific since October, 1944.

Horace M. Summers, M. M. 3/c, who is serving with the Merchant Marine and has visited various ports in Europe and Africa, writes the Ledger that not only does he enjoy its arrival, with all the home town news and "news of our boys," but that the entire engineering division reads and enjoys the Ledger, also. Horace, who would have graduated with the Class of '45 of the Lowell high school, wishes all his classmates all the happiness in the world and says "God bless them."

Sgt. Lawrence C. Armstrong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vern E. Armstrong of Riverside Drive, has been awarded the Philippine Liberation Medal by the Commonwealth government of the Philippines. Sgt. Armstrong, who entered the army in January, 1940, and who left for overseas duty in April, 1942, and was assigned to the 32nd Division, saw his first combat action on Luzon, where the battle-scarred "Red Arrow" division is now exterminating the remaining Jap forces there.

CASCADE TOWNSHIP GOES OVER THE TOP

Gerrit Baker, chairman of Cascade township for the 7th War Loan Drive, reported Tuesday that his township, whose quota was \$25,000, had exceeded that amount by \$500, and had received many more pledges which would greatly increase Cascade's investments in bonds.

MAPES FARM BUREAU MEETS

The Mapes Community Farm Bureau met June 1 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thompson. It was well attended and all had a very nice time.—Claude Schmidt, Reporter.

MEMORIAL SERVICES HELD FOR CPL. RICHARDSON

Memorial services were held at the First Methodist church Sunday afternoon at two o'clock for Orley Charles Richardson of Alto, who lost his life in the line of duty while serving in the U. S. army in Germany. Rev. C. E. Pollock officiated, assisted by the Lowell Post of the American Legion. Mrs. C. H. Reynolds sang two hymns and Mrs. Arnold Wittenbach presided at the organ.

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Wounded in Action In Pacific Battle



WALTER GUMSER, JR.

Supt. of Schools and Mrs. Walter W. Gumsir were notified by telegram Saturday, June 2, that their son, Walter W. Gumsir, fire controlman 3/c, had been wounded in action aboard a destroyer, suffering wounds about the face and head, back bruises and injuries of both legs from shrapnel. The time and place of the battle were not divulged.

In a letter to his parents written May 27, which arrived here Monday of this week, "Sonny" as he is called by everyone here, stated: "From the first hit until I awoke upon a sick bay on a different ship, I don't remember anything. At first I couldn't move my legs, but this morning I stood up so there is now definite improvement there. I believe that I can say that I am on the way home, thank God. Don't worry."

In another place in his letter Sonny said: "I can't tell you in what area I was wounded, nor the hell we went through, but there was plenty of it."

A graduate of Lowell high school in 1943, Sonny entered the service two years ago and has been overseas a year.

Mr. Edmund M. Alger

Pioneer of Vergennes

Has 92nd Birthday

Congratulations and good wishes have been in order during the past few days for Edmund M. Alger, lifetime resident of Vergennes-Vt., who on Monday, June 4, celebrated his 92nd birthday.

Mr. Alger was born on the farm site where he now lives, in 1853, his father, Lewis Alger, who came here from Ontario, Can., in a covered wagon in 1846, having bought the property, about 300 acres, from the Fox people for whom Fox's Corners was named. Mr. Alger had two brothers and three sisters and is the only one now living.

Mr. Alger was married to Fanny Beckwith of Fallsburg, March 21, 1877, and whose death occurred May 14, 1927. One daughter, Ina, was born to them who now keeps house for her father.

Mr. Alger has held the offices of school director, township clerk, justice of the peace, township treasurer and supervisor, holding the last named office 11 years.

He has been an Oddfellow for over 40 years, belonging to Lowell lodge and has held all of its various offices.

Mr. Alger was happily remembered with many cards, gifts and flowers, and although he has been ill during the past few weeks, he has enjoyed a great many callers.

Recalls Interesting Events

Mr. Alger remembers many incidents of the early years of his community, and recalls the swiftness of the mill race below the mill, where one of the men who had been washing sheep got into the whirlpool and kept going around and could not get out. Men held Mr. Alger by the feet, and by stretching out his entire 6 ft. 2 in., he was able to hold the drowning man by the hair, until he was rescued, thereby saving his life.

He was one of several farmers who used their hayracks to bring back the covered bridge that had been washed down the stream by the float and the log jam.

When the old mill burned Mr. Alger helped save the house by staying on the roof and using the water that was passed up to him, by the bucket brigade to good advantage.

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Last Battle Days On Swiss Border

Sgt. Arthur Gross Tells of Fierce Fighting At End of Conflict

A letter from Sgt. Arthur Gross to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gross of Vergennes, written May 11, gives his location as Vercelli, Italy, near Como, where he was stationed at the time of writing.

Sgt. Gross, who has never had a furlough since entering service in April, 1941, went across in May 1942, and has been stationed in Ireland, England, North Africa, Sicily and Italy and is now serving near the Swiss border.

It is interesting to record that Arthur doubtless owes his life to a hunting knife he was carrying while serving in Africa. The knife had been given to him by his father, and that knife proved to be the means that deflected shrapnel bullets, which the enemy had aimed directly at him.

Part of the letter, as follows, gives some idea of how fierce the battles were. Arthur writes: "This is the town (Vercelli) we ended up in when the war stopped. We were the bunch that went all the way to the Swiss border near Como, Italy, to close off the escape routes of the 'Krauts'. What a chase we had! We got so close, once, that the last to leave, took off in a couple of little planes right in front of us, and we were close enough to shoot at them with our machine guns. That's really chasing them."

"We also caught a convoy at Brescia and shot it all to pieces. They didn't have a chance as our tanks weren't over 30 yards from them when we started firing. It was at night and they didn't see us until too late. Next morning there were 'Krauts' scattered all over the streets. What a mess we made. We knocked out about 20 vehicles and killed and captured plenty of 'heines'. There were pieces of them all over, some burned and still burning the next morning. In places the streets were red, and arms, heads and legs were lying all over. Where they got direct hits, there wasn't much left of them. After we had cut them off we finished off what we had bypassed."

"We were getting ready to tangle with the big bunch that gave up, but they surrendered, before we slaughtered them."

Diplomas Tonight For Class of 1945

Sixty-eight seniors of Lowell High School are eligible to receive diplomas tonight, June 7, but several who are in the services will have theirs accepted by proxy. The public is invited to the exercises and three hundred unreserved seats will be available for those who do not hold tickets. Four hundred seats have been reserved for the close friends and relatives of the graduates who hold tickets, but no reserved seats will be held after 7:45.

The commencement program was published in full in last week's Ledger, also names and pictures of the graduates.

500 Attend Baccalaureate

In delivering the Baccalaureate address to the Seniors last Sunday night in the High School auditorium, Rev. Robert C. Warland chose "A Sound Mind" as his theme. He admonished the graduates to overcome fear, to have faith and love, to have confidence in whatever talents they might possess, and he told them that right thinking was power.

About five hundred people were in attendance. The Glee Club sang beautifully and Bertha Jean Schneider rendered a sacred solo in a very pleasing manner.



Sgt. Stanley Guild, who was killed in action on Okinawa, on May 11, as recorded in last week's Ledger. Going across in February, 1943, he served on Guadalcanal, Russell Island, Leyte, New Guinea, Okinawa and Palau Island, where he received the Purple Heart for injuries in action.

Stanley was a graduate of Lowell High school, class of '41.

It pays to advertise in the Ledger.

Up and Down Kent County Roads
By K. K. Vining, Kent County Agricultural Agent

MORSE LAKE
MR. LESLIE HOBBBS
The Morris Farm, an excellent January...

MCCORDS MATTERS
MR. E. Y. WILLIAMS
The Morris Farm, an excellent January...

VERGENNES CENTER
MR. ANVIL HELLMAN
Don McNeill and his Swifts...

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Miss Maxine Gragg of Detroit...

YOUTH RANS WILD
BOB CROSBY in
The Singing Sheriff

NEW SARANAC THEATER
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PEPPER SATURDAY, JUNE 9

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SEELY CORNERS
MR. E. P. REYNOLDS
Mrs. Mike Lewis and daughter...

SOUTH LOWELL
BUSY CORNERS
MR. HOWARD BARTLEY
Mrs. E. H. Roth and Mrs. H. E....

LOWELL DIST. NO. 5
MR. J. T. NEWMARK
Little Miss Ruth Ann Duncan is...

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A number of friends and relatives...

FALLSBURG & VICINITY
MR. WESLEY MILLER
Mrs. Ed Storey, Mrs. Harry...

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King Milling Company
Lowell, Michigan
You don't want your hogs to be steady boarders—you want them to thrive, fatten, and be off to market.

5 REASONS why you choose this coffee everytime!
VIGOROUS AND WHIPPED
Lb. 26¢

FOOD STORE
FANCY—RED RIPS NORTHOUSE
TOMATOES lb. 35¢
FRESH GREEN CUCUMBERS 2 for 23¢

STARVEL BREADS
FRESH CALIFORNIA SWEET CHERRIES lb. 39¢
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Gee's Hardware
Lowell, Mich.
Don't just clean the wall paper this spring. Do a thorough job—Renew your wall finish with the easy-to-apply, one coat, oil base, washable—SATIN SHEEN

Gee's FARM and HOME SUPPLY STORE
YES SIR, YOU'VE GOT A REAL LONG LASTIN' JOB HERE—THIS IS PITTSBURGH PAINT
AND PITTSBURGH'S COLOR DYNAMICS MAKES THE INSIDE LOOK SWELL, TOO!

Ruberoid Roofing and Roof Paint
Paint, Oil and Turpentine
Aermotor Electric Pump Systems

THE COMBE MILKER Electric Motors
V-Bolts - V-Pullays
Milk Cans and Pails
Lo-Box

FISHING TACKLE
Plug Baits, Cast Line
Compressed Air
Sprayers and Insecticides

Coal and Wood
Ranges
STAR HAY CARS
Hay Pullies, Grapples
Scythes and Snaths

Gas Bombs For Moles
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Local News
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GABARDINES by Michaels-Stern
BECAUSE a good gabardine is a suit wardrobe—sport coat, slacks, and the season's most popular suit—all combined.

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BECAUSE it should be a good gabardine—or no gabardine at all. It takes lustrous all-worsted gabs woven by quality mills to give you smooth, unwrinkled appearance. And it takes Michaels-Stern's Rochester-needlemasters to give you gabardine casual comfort that is stitched to stay!

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SOUTH BOSTON
Miss Belle Young

The 4th annual observance of Memorial Day in South Boston was held at the Orange Hall May 30, a fine program being given by the following people: Rev. A. Jaeger, Charis Austin, Phyllis Klahn, Mrs. Earl Karker, Ethelyn McClure, Helen Woltuis, Mrs. R. A. Kyrre, Marie Kyrer, Vivian Peburne and Marilyn Woltuis. Officers were elected for the ensuing year as follows: President, Ernest Tucker; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Earl Karker; program committee, Mrs. Clara Porritt and daughter Myrtle on Decoration Day.

SOUTH BOWNE
Mrs. Jennie Pardee

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Martin and baby of Grand Rapids were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mithler on Decoration Day.

Mrs. Vei Lacy and mother, Mrs. Klipfer, of Alto, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Ford of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Clara Porritt and daughter Myrtle were visitors at the Lacy-Porritt home the past week.

Miss Gwendolyn Mithler of Grand Rapids is spending her two weeks' vacation with her people.

Mrs. Leo Frey and children of Barfield called on Mrs. Jennie Pardee Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Leidy of Whiteville and Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Blough of Indiana were called at Mrs. Estelita Foster the past week.

Mrs. Agnes Malone and son Pat of Grand Rapids are visiting her brother, Lyle Candian and family.

Lawrence Cahoon of District No. 1, Boston township has the record of the sale of 27 war bonds in the contest for Ionia County rural school children.

Harrison Cliley of Grand Rapids, Rev. and Mrs. Burton Mick of Allegan and Mrs. Grace Cliley of Lansing were guests at the L. A. Mick home over Decoration Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Candian and family of Rockford visited his brother, Lyle and family Sunday evening.

Paul Hoffman and family visited Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Shaffer in Caldonia.

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Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Wolcott of Lansing spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Dash.

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Smith's Furniture Store
112 E. Main St. Lowell, Mich.

NAZARENE NEWS
Lowell Church

Rev. Glass, the Blind Evangelist, will preach Sunday Morning at 11 o'clock.

Daily Vacation Bible School
June 11th to 24th
9:00 to 11:30 each morning

Rev. Mrs. B. Jordan, Superintendent of Study, will preach at both services June 17th and 24th

R. Warland, Pastor

Deserved Recognition Is Given
Lifelong Citizen of Bowne Township

Henry A. Johnson of Alto, Commissioner, Kent County Road Commission, was recently elected to the Board of Directors, and then the Board of Directors elected him president of the County Road Association of Michigan, which is composed of the 83 county road commissions in the state.

Mr. Johnson assumes the office at a very important time, as plans are now being consummated for a postwar road construction program in the counties approximating \$20,000,000 worth of work. His many years as county road commissioner particularly fit him at this time to guide the County Road Commission activities. A long range program of a county trunkline system integrating roads in a county to county, is being planned. These roads will supplement the present State Road System, which has been planned. The sum total of construction needs for roads and bridges in the County of Kent at this time to guide the County Road Commission activities is estimated at \$100,000,000. How soon this program will be completed will depend on the amount of money that is available for financing assistance. It is estimated to take ten years.

Mr. Johnson was born on March 10, 1871, where he now lives on his farm at Johnson Center, Bowne township, Kent County, Mich. The land was given to him by his father, George Heller and family were at the Dutton cemetery Wednesday to decorate graves.

Mrs. Roy Blough and daughter Dorothy were in Hastings Saturday.

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LOWELL ITEMS OF
25 AND 35 YEARS AGO

June 10, 1820-25 Years Ago
Jay S. Ellis of McCords bought the George Taylor place.

Miss Ruth Johnson was united in marriage to Ferris C. O'Brien of Caldonia.

Mrs. C. E. Hackel, a resident of Lowell for many years, died at her home in Edmore.

Albert Bism and Ruth Zuck of South Bowne were married.

Hazen Crawford, a resident of Carolina called on Alto friends, after an absence of 30 years.

Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Walters of Belmont Park, N. Y., spent a week with old friends in Lowell.

George Lake sold his produce and cream business to C. H. Alexander.

Daniel Wingler, a resident of Bowne township for some time, passed away after a long illness.

W. E. Chambers and Mrs. Chas. Young were called to Toledo by the death of their mother, Mrs. Susan Chambers, a former resident of Lowell.

Miss Gladys Walker left for Fort Wayne, Ind., to attend the Fort Wayne institute.

Robert W. Young passed away at his home in South Bowne.

Ed Terry of Detroit, formerly of Lowell, had a leg amputated at a hospital in Detroit.

Miss Helen King returned from an extended visit in Eastern cities. A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ogan.

June 9, 1910-35 Years Ago
The Pickle Bachelor club members were royally entertained by Herman Strong, this doing penance for his recent matrimonial venture. Twenty-seven were present at the "red" at the home of Mrs. A. C. Stebbins.

Mrs. Edith M. Stebbins, the Bachelor Maids were entertained by Mrs. John Lalley and Mrs. F. J. McMahon at the home of the former.

A stanger said "to the farmer's boy across the fence, 'Young man, your corn looks kind of yellow.' 'Yes, that's the kind we planted.' 'Don't look as if you'd get more of that crop.' 'Don't expect to. The landlord gets the other half.' 'They' said the stranger after a pause, 'there isn't much difference between you and a fool.' 'No, replied the boy, 'only the fence.'"

Thunderhead
BY MARY O'HARA
AUTHOR OF
"MY FRIEND FLICKA"

Western Magazine, June Feature.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE SALE

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Notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed, pursuant to the provisions thereof, at the public auction to be held at the office of the Register of Deeds of Kent County, Michigan, at 1:00 p. m. of the 10th day of July, 1945, at which time and place all persons claiming an interest in said premises are notified to appear and assert their claims.

Witness my hand and the seal of said office this 5th day of June, 1945.

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Notice—Lowell Township

Lowell Township Board of Supervisors will meet at Lowell Township Office, Monday, June 11, 1945, at 9 o'clock, in the forenoon, and continue in session during the day, and the day following. The request of any person whose property is assessed, taxed, or whose name is on the assessment roll, and who desires to be heard, shall be heard at the meeting on the day, and the day following. The request of any person whose property is assessed, taxed, or whose name is on the assessment roll, and who desires to be heard, shall be heard at the meeting on the day, and the day following.

E. M. Fahrlin,
Lowell Township Clerk.

City boy: Is a chicken big enough to eat when it's two weeks old? Country boy: Oh, no. It takes longer than that.

City boy: Then how does it live if it can't eat?

PUBLIC NOTICES

Notice of Special Election

GRAND SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER ONE, TOWNSHIP OF KENT, LOWELL, MICHIGAN

Notice is hereby given that a special election will be held in the Grand School District Number One, Township of Lowell, Kent County, Michigan, on the 10th day of July, 1945, between the hours of 1:00 p. m. and 7:00 p. m., for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of the district the following proposition:

"I. That the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against the property in said district for the year 1945 be increased by the amount of the deficit of said district for the year 1944, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1945, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1946, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1947, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1948, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1949, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1950, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1951, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1952, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1953, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1954, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1955, and that the amount of such increase be levied for the year 1956, and that the amount 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CAMPAU LAKE MRS. E. R. HURD

Guests at the R. Cooke home the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lampkin and daughter of Wyoming Park and Mr. and Mrs. Ira Johnson.

Mr. Arthur Claveau spent last Thursday in Grand Rapids.

Callers at the Hurd home the past week were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Nichols of East Park and William Johnson of South Lowell, Mr. John and wife and six school children.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Hurd attended Memorial Day services at the Alaska cemetery and enjoyed a picnic dinner at the R. Cooke home.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Bancroft and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Davis in Rockford.

Leonard Johnson, Townships Clerk, Alto, Mich.

There is no better looking glass than an old friend—L.H.D.

Due To Illness and Labor, My Office and Yard Will be Closed Every Thursday Afternoon until further notice R. J. Linton Alto, Mich.

THE OLD JUDGE SAYS... TOM: "It's mighty nice to receive a compliment like you've just given me, Judge. We do take our responsibilities very seriously and try to do the right thing with everybody. In spite of it, we get criticized now and then."

ALTO NEWS

White Circle Meeting The White Circle will meet at Mrs. B. R. Sydman's Wednesday, June 13. A dessert luncheon will be served at 1:30. Mary Sinclair is program chairman.

W. S. C. S. Quarters Meeting The W. S. C. S. met at the Methodist church for their last quarterly meeting Friday afternoon. About 15 attended. President Marion Yelder conducted the usual business and it was decided to hold an Experience School in December to make our quota.

Alto Library News New rentals at the library are Black Boy by Richard Wright; Lost in the Horne Lattitudes by H. Allen Smith; Case of Giant Killer by H. C. Branson; The Rope Bear by Hans the Butcher by C. W. Stratton. Non rentals are, Immortal Wife by Irving Stone; Action Post by Irving Stone.

Alto Locals Mrs. Wm. Falchid completed the Bond Drive on east side of Alto and reported the excellent result of \$8,235. Mrs. Virginia Reilly and Mack Watson canvassed the west side with fine results.

Notice—Bowne Township Bowne Township Board of Review will meet at Bowne Center Township Hall, Monday, June 11, 1945, at 9 o'clock, in the forenoon, and continue in session during the rest of the day following.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Rosenberg spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Houghton in Ionia. A number of relatives from Lansing, Remus, Clarksville and Lowell gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Richardson for dinner Sunday then they all attended the Memorial services for Col. Oley C. Richardson, held at the Methodist church in Lowell in the afternoon.

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ALASKA NEWSLETTERS

The Alaska Baptist church was struck by lightning last Friday, striking the spire and running down the steeple and landing on the auditorium in which Miss Yvonne Behler was the accompanist.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Deming left Saturday to visit his brother, Chas. and family in Remus and visited their son, Clyde in Keene enroute.

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ALTON - VERGENNES Mrs. Albert Blaser was taken to Biogdgett hospital a week ago Monday and was buried Memorial Day in St. Mary's cemetery, Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Hatchinson went to their home in Pontiac Friday after spending nearly a week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Sydman, 1st St. Mildred Street, who has been in Germany.

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Ada News

Stock Showers Honors Mrs. DeVries Mrs. Nicholas Hertel gave a stock shower last Friday evening at her home honoring Mrs. Hubert DeVries, with fifteen ladies present for the occasion.

Ada residents gathered at the Honor Roll on Main-st. at Memorial Day afternoon to pay their respects to the six Ada men who have paid the supreme sacrifice in this conflict and also to the 184 men who whose names are recorded on this roll, as being in the service of their country.

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WEST LOWELL

Mrs. Darlene Kuper is spending a week in Ypsilanti as a guest of Mrs. M. J. Kuper.

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Church News

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CH. Rev. N. G. Woon Children's Day Service at 11:00 a. m. A service for Children's Day combining the regular Sunday School service and morning worship at one service. There will be baptism of infants, Children's program and rewards and promotions.

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH C. E. Paddock, Minister Children's Day exercises next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. The pastor will baptize those who so desire. A cordial invitation is extended to attend these services.

ALTO METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Wm. E. Timms, Minister Morning Worship at 9:45 o'clock. Sunday School at 10:45. Children's Service 7:30 p. m. Evening Service at 8 o'clock.

BOVNE CENTER METHODIST CHURCH Rev. Wm. E. Timms, Minister Sunday School at 10:45 a. m. Morning Worship at 11 o'clock. Sunday, "World Scientists That Day."

ALTON CHURCH (Undermodern) Alfred Anderson, Pastor Children's Day program at 10:30 a. m. Mothers and fathers invited. Young People's Meeting at 7:15 p. m. Worship service at 8:00 a. m. Topic, "Faith in the Victory."

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE SOCIETY Corner Washington and Keokuk Morning services at 11 o'clock every Sunday. "God the Only Cause and Creator" will be the subject of the lesson-lesson in all Christian Science Churches throughout the world on Sunday, June 10.

MARRIED PEOPLE DO LIVE LONGER And happy too, as the extraordinary 74-year kites of a Wisconsin couple proves anew. Dr. Laird, eminent psychologist, explains...

Faving the Way He: "I guess I'm only a little possible in your life." Sweetie: "Well, if you feel that way about it why don't you try becoming a little bolder."

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COMING EVENTS

The Senior Farm Bureau will hold its regular meeting at Vergennes hall on Friday evening, June 15.—Mrs. W. Miller, Reporter.

Lowell Lodge, No. 90, F. & A. M., announces that a picnic will be held at Fallsburg Park on Thursday, June 21, for Masons and Eastern Stars and their families and the Job's Daughters and their friends. Games for young and old during the afternoon, potluck supper at 6:30, dancing in the pavilion from 8 to 12. Watch next week's Ledger for further particulars.

Members of the Child Study club of Lowell will hold their annual picnic Sunday, June 10, at Fallsburg Park. There will be games and fun for the young, also for the not-so-young. Members will be called by the foods committee telling them what to bring for the planned potluck dinner at 6 o'clock. Mothers, Dads, children and friends are invited to attend.

The Blue Star Mothers' next meeting will be June 13, with a potluck supper at 7 o'clock. Each one is asked to bring their own service, sandwiches and a dish to pass.

The Hedge Hoppers will meet at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Carey Tuesday evening, June 12.

The regular meeting of Cyclamen Chapter, O. E. S., will be held Friday evening, June 8, at 8 o'clock. All Past Matrons please be present for practice as Friday evening, June 15, is Past Matrons' and Past Patrons' night, and at this time they will exemplify the degrees of the Order for a class of candidates.

Bus Schedules

SLOW TIME

To Lansing, Ann Arbor, Detroit and Toledo	To Gr. Rapids
7:15 a.m.	9:05 a.m.
10:20 a.m.	9:50 a.m.
2:40 p.m.	2:25 p.m.
9:35 p.m.	6:50 p.m.
	8:10 p.m.
	1:25 a.m.
	Trlp to Grand Rapids 11:10 p.m. Fri., Sat., Sun.

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MORE LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Donnelly of Grand Rapids were Sunday guests of Mrs. Jennie Berry.

Mrs. C. B. Hathaway of Grand Lodge is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. E. S. White.

Mrs. Paul Kellogg returned Sunday from a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. W. D. Brooks, at Pontiac.

Mrs. Inez Avery returned Saturday from a two weeks' visit with her son, Harvey and family in Sturgis.

Miss Barbara Strong, daughter of Mrs. Ella Perrin Strong of Flint, is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. Paul Kellogg.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Adriano, Miss Janice Potter and Pvt. Erin Easton spent Sunday in Battle Creek and Kalamazoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Taylor (Beth Burdick) and son Michael of Sacramento, Calif., are visiting Mrs. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Burdick.

R. I. Forward and Mrs. Ella Robinson spent Monday with Mr. Forward's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Forward, on the Bartlett road.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Haysmer and Mrs. Philip Schneider and sons spent Sunday with Mrs. Haysmer's brother, Lawrence Alling and wife in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Byrne spent Sunday night in Belding as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Byrne and family, and were Monday guests of Mrs. Lucille Byrne and Grandma Stevens.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Rolf and two sons of Marne visited his sister, Mrs. Fred Belmers and family in South Lowell on Decoration Day.

Mrs. Hazel Snyder and daughter, Mrs. Myrtle Hasset and Mrs. Selma Wall were callers.

Memorial Day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Kropf and family were Mrs. Charles D. Stocking and two daughters, Jane and Nancy, and Andrew Miller of Detroit, also Dr. Bruce L. Stocking, wife, son and daughter of Chicago, who remained until Sunday. Mr. Kropf of Detroit is spending this week with his family while their two sons, Rodney and Walter, are home on leave.

New Ruling Affects Papers Going Overseas

A new post office ruling, effective July 1, in addition to past rulings, still effective, conveys the Ledger to ask all service men and women with overseas mailing addresses, who are now getting the Ledger and desire it to come regularly, to comply with the below request so we may mail our publication to you. The below data we must have on file for Post Office inspection.

Those who subscriptions are paid will have to comply with this rule on expiration date of their subscription.

Do This at Once

Mail your written request accompanied by the subscription price direct, or through the "home folks," so we may have both the quest and the subscription receipt on file. These are now both necessary. Our June 28th issue will be the last issue mailed without your order, etc. We regret this existing condition and new ruling, but it's post office orders.

The Navy department suggests that through press and radio the public be encouraged to include clippings of particular interest in letter mail rather than send complete issues of newspapers and publications.

—Publisher, Lowell Ledger.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express a word of thanks to our friends of Bowne Center and Lowell, for their kindness shown us in the recent death of our dear mother and sister.

William Sims, Cora Burns, Percy Perkins, Vivian Claus.

SOUTH BOSTON GRANGE

Regular Grange will be held Saturday evening, June 9, at 8:30, which will be followed by a program in charge of the youth committee, honoring the Fathers.

The writer has been kept rather in the dark as to the program, but has managed to overhear that Worthy Flora will present each father with a flower. A welcome to our fathers by Duane Patrick with a response by Merrill Patrick; an address by a lady from a nearby village; a play, "The Pumpkinville Recruits," also several musical numbers and readings which will be given. For refreshments, those who have not been solicited, bring potluck.—Worthy Lecturer.

CARD OF THANKS

To our relatives, neighbors and friends we extend our heartfelt thanks for all the loving and thoughtful kindness and help during the illness and death of our dear sister.

Mrs. and Mrs. M. P. Schneider

A peaceful world won't be built by "letting George do it." George is leaving it to us.

She took
See took my hand in a sheltered nook,
She took my candy and my book,
She took that lustrous wrap and fur,
She took the gloves I bought for her,
She took my words of love and care,
She took my flowers so rich and rare,
She took my time for quite awhile,
She took my kisses, maid so shy,
She took—I must confess—my eye,
She took whatever I would buy and then—
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Regular and Special Registration of School District Electors

For years the Board of Education has provided for the regular registration of electors in the district who could qualify as voters for the annual meeting and election of school board members. Such a notice of registration is to be found in another column of this paper. It should be noted that to qualify as such, an elector one must (1) be twenty-one years of age and a citizen of the United States, (2) must own property assessed for school taxes within the district or be a lawful husband or wife of such owner, or be the parent or legal guardian of any school child between the ages of five and nineteen, inclusive, whose name appears on the census roll of the district, and (3) such an elector must have resided in the school district for at least three months before the date of such meeting or election. It should be noted that such registration is to take place from Friday, June 8, to Saturday, June 30, until 8:00 p. m.

Special Election Notice

On the day of the annual meeting the electors of the district will vote on two propositions affecting taxpayers. The qualifications of electors for these two propositions differ from each other and also from the qualifications of those who vote at the annual meeting and for the election of school board members. There is, therefore, a special notice of registration to be found in another column of this paper. The two propositions are (1) to increase the fifteen mill limitation, and (2) to provide five mills for five years as a sinking fund for school building purposes. Proposition I must pass by 2/3 vote and Proposition II needs only a majority vote, but is ineffective if Proposition I does not pass.

Qualifications of electors for Proposition I are as follows:

- 1.—Must be a citizen of the United States.
- 2.—Must be twenty-one years of age or over.
- 3.—Must be a resident of the State of Michigan for six months and of the Graded School District Number One, Township of Lowell, for twenty days prior to the date of election.
- 4.—Must be registered on the registration books of Graded School District Number One, Township of Lowell.

To qualify for Proposition II the electors must have the following qualifications:

- 1.—Must be a citizen of the United States.
- 2.—Must be 21 years of age or over.
- 3.—Must be a resident of the State for six months and of the Graded School District Number One, Township of Lowell, for twenty days prior to the date of election.
- 4.—Own property assessed for school taxes within the district or be the lawful husband or wife of such owner.
- 5.—Must be registered on the registration books of Graded School District Number One, Township of Lowell, Michigan.

In other words some electors can qualify for the special election on July 9, who could not qualify heretofore. It will be observed that some will be able to qualify for Proposition I but not for Proposition II. To qualify for either or both, and if such an elector has not registered in the school district before, he must do so now. The notice of registration for such electors to be found in this paper shows that the dates for such registration is from June 8 to June 30, inclusive.

It should be observed that those who qualify and have registered or will register for the annual meeting and election will qualify for the special election on Proposal I and/or Proposal II, and they need not register again. However, a parent or guardian who does not own property assessed for taxes in the school district cannot vote on Proposition II.

WEDDINGS

Adriano—Alexander

The Methodist parsonage of Lowell was the scene of the marriage Saturday evening, June 2, at 7:30 of Jenny Lucile Alexander, daughter of Mrs. Myrtle Alexander, Pleasant st., and Cpl. Edwin Wesley Adriano, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Adriano, Smith St. Rev. C. E. Pollock officiated, using the single ring ceremony.

For her wedding the bride chose a light blue wool suit and carried white accessories and a colonial bouquet of sweet peas.

Mrs. Austin Byrne was her maid of honor. She wore a dusty rose crepe dress accented in navy blue and carried white accessories, with a corsage of pink roses.

Pvt. Erin Easton of Fort Custer acted as best man for Cpl. Adriano.

For her son's marriage, Mrs. Adriano wore a navy blue silk dress accented in shell pink and wore a corsage of red roses.

For her daughter's marriage Mrs. Alexander chose a navy silk dress trimmed in white and wore a corsage of yellow roses.

A lovely dinner was served to the immediate families and honored guests which included Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Adriano, Mrs. Myrtle Alexander and son, Merle, Mrs. Lucille Byrne, Mr. and Mrs. Austin Byrne, Mrs. Agnes Dalloway, Mr. and Mrs. Embert Gates, Miss Janice Potter, Pvt. Erin Easton and Pvt. O. Rogers at the home of the groom's parents.

Mrs. Adriano is a Lowell high school graduate of the class of '41. Cpl. Adriano recently returned from 3 years' overseas with the 2nd Red Arrow Division.

After a short honeymoon Cpl. Adriano will return to Fort Custer, where he is stationed, and Mrs. Adriano will resume her work for the present.

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Social Briefs

The Club of the Gay Nineties will hold their annual meeting in the basement at Alton church on Sunday, June 10. Friends invited. Potluck dinner.

Twenty-four members of the Rebekahs and Odd Fellows of Lowell attended the honoring of the Grand Sire of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows of the World, Hon. D. D. Monroe, of Clayton, N. Mex., at a carry-in banquet at the Civic Auditorium, Grand Rapids, Monday evening.

Mrs. Ed. Kiel and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Avery entertained thirty guests Saturday evening for Miss Dora Jane Thomas and James Cook, at the Avery cottage at Murray Lake. Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Byron Cook, Mr. Robert Herrick, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Lally, Mrs. L. J. Delhanty, Lt. and Mrs. Jack Lally, Lt. and Mrs. Gould Rivette, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Bergin and Mrs. Doris Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. George Alexander celebrated their silver wedding anniversary at their home last Saturday, June 2, about 35 relatives being present. The feature of the evening was the presentation to them of a beautiful chair and ottoman, the gift of their two sons in the Philippines and the other children. Many silver gifts were received, and a pleasant social evening and delicious refreshments were enjoyed.

Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Henry entertained 15 guests to a dinner on Sunday in honor of the birthday of their daughter, Miss Alice Henry, of Grand Rapids.

Luncheon guests of Mrs. Jean Wachterhaus last Friday were Mrs. George Lewis and Miss Laura Lewis of Long Beach, Calif., and Mrs. Jack Thorne of Lowell.

The Junior Girls' Choir of the Congregational church were entertained by Mrs. Harry Stauffer at her home Thursday evening. Games were enjoyed and refreshments served. Before leaving, the girls surprised Mrs. Stauffer by presenting her with a gift in appreciation of her faithful and efficient choir directing during the past year. The choir has disbanded for the summer months.

The Cheerful Doors picnic at the home of Mrs. Martha Hill was enjoyed by thirty members and three guests. Interesting games supervised by Mrs. Crystal Jones and a bountiful supper was served cafeteria style. Mrs. A. F. Zwemer, who has been a very active member for the past fifteen years, was presented with a photograph of the interior of the church and a lovely pottery vase in appreciation of her faithful and efficient service in all branches of church work.

The Burdick family held a family reunion and picnic on Memorial Day at Fallsburg Park. Those in attendance were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Taylor and son Michael of Sacramento, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Andy Burdick of Berrien Springs, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Garrett, Mrs. O. A. Gibson, Miss Beatrice Hoskin and Mr. and Mrs. Gene Sutfin of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. I. Burdick of Lowell.

Miss Alice Racine entertained several former classmates at a buffet supper Saturday night, honoring Ensign King Doyle and Lt. William Lally.

The Past Noble Grand of the Island City Rebekah Lodge were entertained Monday evening at the home of Mrs. D. L. Phillips with Miss Nina Chubb as co-hostess. A Mother's Day program was given, games enjoyed and delicious refreshments served. Seventeen members were present and a very pleasant evening was enjoyed by all.

A very delightful luncheon was served to a group of women in the east room of the Lowell Baptist church last Thursday. Mrs. Stapley, Supt. of the Women's Division of the Mel Trotter Mission for the past 18 years, was the guest speaker. She brought a very fine message to all.

Four family dinners have been given in honor of the homecoming of 2nd Lieut. William J. Lally, in addition to the one given by his mother, Mrs. John Lally, the Sunday after his return. James McMahon entertained with a dinner last Thursday evening at the "Southern" in Grand Rapids; the Misses Kathryn and Anna Lally entertained Sunday at Mrs. Lally's, Ionia, and Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lally, at their home in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. John Archart entertained the St. Mary's Altar Society last Friday.

Mrs. Will Gramer entertained the East Side Euchre club Tuesday evening of last week.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Enjoyable Birthday Party

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bieri welcomed about 30 guests at their home on June 3, 1945, to honor the 21st birthday of their daughter, Merle.

Dinner was served cafeteria style, a 3-tier cake with all 21 candles being served, at the end of the meal.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Abe VanderWeele and family, Mr. and Mrs. James VanderWeele, and Mrs. Abbie Lee of Grand Rapids; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Jewel and family of Belding; Mr. and Mrs. Byron Weeks and family and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Stahl and family of Alto; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Watson, Mrs. Emily Murray, Miss Claradell Hill, Miss Gertrude Koolman, Merle's sisters, Vivian and Yvonne, and brother, Arthur, all of Lowell. Merle was the recipient of many nice gifts.

After Bacalaureate services Darlene and Irene Weeks, Claradell Hill, Gertrude Koolman, Merle, Vivian, Yvonne and Arthur Bieri, Donald and Judy Schneider, all enjoyed a weiner roast up by the pond.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our relatives, neighbors and friends for their kind expressions of sympathy extended to us in our bereavement, the death of our son and brother; also the American Legion, Rev. C. E. Pollock, Mrs. Wittenbach and Mrs. Reynolds for the beautiful memorial services.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest C. Richardson and family.

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CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express to our kind neighbors and thoughtful friends our heartfelt thanks for their many expressions of sympathy. The beautiful floral offerings were especially appreciated, at the time of the death of our brother and uncle.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hinkle, Miss Ethel Hinkle.

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I wish to thank all my friends and the South Boston Grange for the gift and party they gave me before my induction into the army.

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