

LEDGER ENTRIES

**TIRE RATIONING ENDS**  
It was good news for motorists that tire rationing ended January 1, although it may be a fairly long time yet before the supply is ample. By submitting patiently to such rationing, the motorists of the United States rendered a tremendous service to the war effort. They enabled a great supply of rubber products to be provided for the armed forces. Rubber has played an enormous part in the war, and our forces would have been very greatly handicapped if this supply had proved badly inadequate.

**THE NEW YEAR**  
The coming of the New Year carries thoughts of the incomprehensible power that has made this universe, and keeps it going in such perfect order. The earth makes its yearly revolution around the sun, and comes to the end of its journey at precisely the same instant each year. Infinite wisdom has so ordered these stupendous motions that they can be absolutely depended upon. The mind is appalled by the immensity of these grand movements.

Older people sometimes feel a bit melancholy when the old year passes, and a new one comes. It is a reminder to them, in the words of the old hymn, that

"Time like an ever rolling stream, Bears all its sons away."

They think of the swift passage of the years, and lament that not so many are left to them.

To the average run of people, the New Year is a time of rejoicing and happy thoughts about the future. The idea comes that the new period of time is going to bring new happiness, new fortune, new opportunities. They look forward to the days ahead, and have hopes that they will bring better things than those of the past.

It may be illogical to expect that the new year will be any better than the old year. Human nature remains the same, and it is human nature, our own and that of the people we meet and the people of the world, who shape our future. It is a fine trait that people do look thus into the future with hope and confidence. It shows a disposition to look at the bright side of life, and people enter the new year with confidence that they can meet its problems.

**THE HOME TOWN PICTURE**  
What kind of an impression does our community make on the people who visit it or pass through it? When they stay over night or perhaps make a little visit, what kind of a picture do they carry away.

One has faith to believe that on the whole they are greatly pleased with it, but perhaps they have seen things that detract a bit from the picture that they carry away.

In March of 1940 we made a similar study of your plant and found that the peak load up to that time had been 800 kilowatts.

"Comparison of these figures reveals that the peak load in the past five years has increased by 77 1/2 percent.

"Additional loads for the immediate future which have already been arranged for or which may very reasonably be anticipated amount to about 600 kilowatt connected load.

"An additional 600 kilowatts in connected load may be expected to result in an increase in the peak load of about 400 kilowatts.

"Four hundred kilowatts added to the existing peak load of 1100 kilowatts would result in a peak load of 1500 kilowatts, which may reasonably be expected within the next year.

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of \$75,396.42 and an examination of sales for this year reveals an increase to date of about 12% or what should amount to about \$9,000.00 increase for the total year.

"It will take about a year to acquire and place the new unit in service and by that time the increase in net revenue from increased business should more than equal the added annual charge for the new unit.

Very truly yours,  
Ayres, Lewis, Norris and May  
By Robert Norris.

**Big Increase Locally In Use of Electricity**

**Lowell Municipal Plant Must Expand In Order To Render Proper Service; Council Now Negotiating For Diesel Engine**

For the past four or five years Lowell and its neighboring communities have been growing steadily in population. All through the years of the war Lowell's manufacturing plants operated steadily and have continued without interruption since the close of the war.

Homes and business places have been and are now using more electricity in various ways than ever before.

What does all this mean?

Well, it means that the Lowell Municipal Plant must add to its capacity to produce in order to meet the requirements of the community. In fact the Common Council has already been negotiating for a new diesel engine to be added to its present equipment. It was at first thought that more than a year would have to elapse before a new engine could be obtained but fortunately for Lowell an engine of the size and make wanted here can be obtained in the near future, due to the fact that the company for whom it was built cannot install same for some time to come.

It is understood that the new engine will be purchased on the contract plan and will be paid for out of Plant earnings the same as has been done in the past. That means that a new engine will not have to be paid for out of taxes.

As a matter of fact, during the nearly fifty years that the Lowell Municipal Plant has been in existence it has, through its earnings, turned back into Lowell's general fund countless thousands of dollars for the benefit of the community as a whole.

Report of Engineering Firm  
Below is a verbatim copy of a letter from Ayres, Lewis, Norris and May, consulting engineers of Ann Arbor, Mich. This letter, under date of October 26, 1945, was addressed Wesley A. Roth, chairman of Electric Light and Power Committee, Lowell, Mich., and reads as follows:

"Pursuant to the request of your Common Council we have conducted a survey of the power demands on your municipal electric plant and of the ability of the generating plant to meet those demands.

"The operating records of the generating plant for the past 12 months reveals that the maximum peak load recorded was 1100 kilowatts and that frequently loads of over 1000 were recorded.

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**News of Our Boys**

**Doris Christlansen** Ep. V. 2/c, flew home from her base at Olathe, Kan., to spend the Christmas holidays.

**Pvt. Frank Johnson**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson, has been transferred from Ft. Sheridan to Ft. Pickett, Va.

**3 1/2 Dave Clark, Jr.**, came Friday from New York to spend a ten day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Clark.

**Pvt. Lynn C. Gardner** writes his wife that he has arrived overseas and is located in Germany with the army of Occupation.

**Lt. Carl D. Kerekes** from Fort Ord, Calif., arrived Christmas night to spend his furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will Kerekes.

**Allison C. Roark** has arrived home, having received his discharge from the navy on Dec. 30, at the separation center, Great Lakes, Illinois.

**Pvt. Rex Collins** arrived by plane from Washington, D. C. late Saturday night to spend a five day pass with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Collins and family.

**Cpl. Edward C. Yelzer** and wife returned to Fort Bliss, Texas, on Thursday, after spending his 30-day furlough with their parents, Mrs. Ethel Yelzer and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kerekes and other relatives and friends.

**Jack Maxson, A. S.**, of Auburn Ala., and **Pvt. Harold Maxson**, temporarily located at Fort Sheridan, Ill., spent Christmas with their mother, Mrs. Arthur Young and family at Saranac and called on relatives and friends in Lowell.

**John Eugene Wyzymans** S 2/c, stationed on Treasure Island as dispatcher the past 4 months has been promoted S 1/c. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. K. B. Rickett of Keene and the grandparents feel this is a real honor to come to John Eugene so soon after entering service. Congratulations Gene and may all your way be one of advancement.

**F/O Richard L. Lampkin** is back home again, on terminal leave from the service. Previous to his leave he was awarded the Air Medal by Brig. Gen. Charles W. Lawrence, commanding General of the Indiana China division, Air Transport command. At the moment of the Japanese surrender this transport was getting supplies across the Hump at the rate of nearly 2 tons a minute. Besides the Air medal Richard also wears the European theater ribbon, Asiatic-Pacific ribbon with 4 stars, China Memorial ribbon, Presidential Unit citation and the Victory medal.

Many people have the right aim in life but they never pull the trigger.—Reville.

**THE LOWELL LEDGER**

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**Likens Dimes Drive to War on Axis**



Chief of Staff Dwight D. Eisenhower endorses the March of Dimes conducted January 14-15 by the National Foundation for Infanile Paralysis as a "fighting tribute" to the memory of Franklin D. Roosevelt. Said General of the Army Eisenhower: "There will be no question of the response from every American who understands the urgency of the appeal. In our country infantile paralysis remains as one of the scourges that we must strive to eliminate, and I am certain that the fighting services and all veterans and civilians will unite in helping to defeat this enemy just as they did in gaining the victory over the Axis in the field."

**Up and Down Kent County Roads**

By K. K. Vining, Kent County Agricultural Agent

Plans are rapidly taking shape at Michigan State College in getting the "1946 Caravan of Progress" ready for the road.

**Dick Machiele** and the county agent saw a partial preview of the material last week and it looks good.

**Kent county's date** as we have previously told you is February 7. The place will be the Kent County Road Commission Garage at Rockford. This garage is about as near the center of the county as we can get.

**But more about this caravan.** It is a story in pictures, models and charts to help farm folks save labor. Just about every farm operation is dweelt on. The housewife will want to see the exhibit too for there are many home ideas.

**Models in action** are gutter cleaners, beet loaders, buck rakes, egg blenders and elevators.

**Then there will be labor-saving devices** from Kent County farms. Our office has a number lined up but if any farmer has any he wants to bring in let Machiele or the writer know so room may be arranged.

**The exhibit will be for one day only,** February 7, from 10:00 a. m. to 4:00 p. m. Have your marked your calendar as yet?

**The words "insecticide" and "fungicides"** have been common in farm talk for many years. There is a new one to add to your vocabulary, namely "herbicides," or in common variance a weed killer.

**True we have had chemical weed killers** as "Atlatide" and "Ammate" but these are being supplemented by new ones.

**One of the new ones is known as 2-4-D.** Where does it get its name? Its chemical name is just a red herring along with 2-4 as a prefix. Then there are oil sprays for certain weeds.

**But it is of the 2-4-D that we want to write about.** It's the most promising weed killer on the market. It comes in a powder or liquid form. Its killing action is physiological. Spray the tops and kill the roots. 2-4-D spreading through the plant growth speeds up growth processes to a disastrous degree. Mortality is not rapid but certain.

**Broad leafed weeds** are the hardest hit while on grasses the material runs off. Application is made when weed foliage is well developed, active and temperature relatively high.

**How is the weed killer going to work?** For one thing the chap who likes a nice lawn and who is forever fighting dandelions, buck-

horn and broad-leafed plants, will be happy for this material. Sprayed on these plants it will kill them and not hurt the grass. The golf course keeper will be happy to get rid of these same weeds. Poison ivy and sumac are also killed.

**From a farm standpoint** there are some bad weeds that 2-4-D will hit. Bind weed or wild morning glory is one. It may take a couple of applications. Ragweed, yellow mustard, Canada thistle, burdock and narrow-leafed dock are also killed.

**Many pastures** have become badly infested with bull thistle. This weed always grows on good pasture land. If treated when small it can be killed.

**It is going to be worth while** for farmers to watch the further use of this material. We hope to have some demonstration in the county this year.

**One other thing, it isn't going to be too expensive a spray to use.**

**And one caution, remember it doesn't affect grass plants** but can be as effective on other broad leaf plants as well as the weeds mentioned.

**Have you checked your chimney and stovepipe connections?** The cold weather last month meant heavy firing of stoves which often means fire. Two reports from the county fire department tell of fires from overheated stoves and burning chimneys. Newspapers carried stories of bad fires from overheated stoves due to low temperatures.

**Listening to a radio safety talk** while back the speaker discussed driving on icy roads. He had a slogan that all car drivers could well remember, "Ease up when there is a freeze up."

**Charles Hilton, in Walker township,** has a new apple storage with a capacity of 9,000 bushels. The Hiltons expect to place mechanical refrigeration in it soon.

**Directors of the Kent-Ottawa Vegetable Growers' Association and Kent-Ottawa Horticultural Society,** met this week to open their winter meetings. Plan calls for a meeting of potato men to plan a similar meeting sometime the next two months.

**Kent County had two steers in the recent Junior Livestock show** at Detroit. Stephen Carlson's Angus stood second in that class and sold for \$25 a pound. Carlson lives in Bowne. John Seif, of Gaines, had an Angus steer that sold for \$12 a pound. There were 220 steers in the show.

**FUR COLLAR BEEFERS**  
Brown gabardine with sheering lining and beaverized collar. Double breasted. Four large pockets. \$18.95. Copies.

**First Motorist: I love the beauties of the countryside.**  
**Second: So do I. Sometimes I give 'em a lift.**

**Though it is one of the sportier game birds of northern Michigan,** the prairie chicken usually sticks fairly close to areas of civilization.

**American Legion Aids Housing For Veterans**

The local American Legion post is confronted with the problem of housing the veterans and their families.

It is requested of the people of the community to help co-ordinate the housing problem. Any family anticipating a vacancy of a home, an apartment or a room, furnished or unfurnished, please contact Wm. Christiansen, chairman of the housing committee, to see if there isn't a veteran needing that location—now.

**S. D. Wingeier New Standard Oil Agent**

The Standard Oil Company announces the appointment of Sam D. Wingeier, local returned veteran to replace George Story, who has resigned, as bulk station agent for Lowell District.

Mr. Wingeier, more familiarly known as "Babe" to his friends and acquaintances needs no introduction to this locality. He was born and raised in Lowell township, attended school in Lowell and graduated from the Lowell High school. After graduating from Western Michigan Teacher's College at Kalamazoo he returned to Lowell to be associated with the late Frank MacFarlane in the coal business. He later acquired a half interest in the firm.

Babe's business activities were interrupted by the war while he spent 42 months in the service of his country. He was a member of the 33rd Regiment of Engineers attached to Gen. Patton's 3rd Army, landing with the first assault wave in Normandy on D-day. He also saw service in Northern France, the Rhineland and Central Europe, for which he wears 4 battle stars and a unit citation.

In accepting the appointment as the Standard Oil Bulk Station Agent in Lowell, Mr. Wingeier states that he is starting his civilian life with full assurance to his many friends, acquaintances and former customers that he will be serving them with the highest quality petroleum products obtainable and will maintain the high class service of his predecessor.

**Income Taxpayers Get Break in '46**

**Biggest Cut to Persons in Small Income Group**  
Wage earners all over the country soon will get their first sweet taste of new lower income taxes.

Tax cuts under the new law apply to 1946 income and therefore will go into effect Jan. 1. That means smaller amounts will be withheld from pay received on and after that date, even if the pay is for work done before the new year.

About 12,000,000 low income persons who have paid tax on 1945 income will pay no tax on 1946 income.

The remaining 35,000,000 will carry a lighter tax load. For many who support families of two or more dependents, the tax saving will mean additional money for food, clothing and other necessities. The tax cut amounts to 52 percent for a married man with two dependent children and an income of \$2,000. If he has four dependent children and an income of \$4,980, the saving is 32 per cent.

Take a man with a wife, two dependents and a weekly wage of \$45. The weekly withholding will be 50 cents compared with \$1.40 in 1945. For a married man with four children and a weekly salary of \$65, the weekly withholding will be 20 cents compared with \$1.50. In the case of a single person with no dependents and a weekly wage of \$25, the weekly withholding will be \$2.50 compared with \$3.10.

The amount of income tax withheld from wages depends upon the number of exemptions the taxpayer can claim as well as the wage he earns. A taxpayer gets an exemption of \$500 each for himself, his wife and his dependents. These exemptions are included in the government tax table used by an employer in finding the amount to be taken from a worker's pay.

Exemptions are listed on certificates filed by employees with their employers. New exemption certificates are not required unless there has been a change in the number of an employee's exemptions. However, some business concerns which have had numerous changes in personnel are requesting all employees to make out new certificates to assure that all exemptions are listed.

Exemptions change when a taxpayer marries, when a child is born, when a divorce occurs, when someone for whom the taxpayer has claimed an exemption dies, or when the taxpayer begins or stops supporting a dependent.

An important thing to remember is that the reduced taxes have nothing to do with your 1945 income. They apply to income received in 1946. For 1945 income, every civilian who received \$500 or more in 1945 must file a return on it before midnight of March 15, 1946. That includes persons who do not owe any tax for 1945 and also those who pay up their tax in full during 1946. Some taxpayers will get refunds on 1945 tax. Others will still owe some tax.

The government requires employers to furnish employees on or before Jan. 31 with withholding receipts (form W-2) for 1945. These receipts list your gross pay and the amount of tax withheld from that pay. Most wage earners are allowed to use their withholding receipts as 1945 income tax returns.

The receipt is an "extra-simplified" return, so it will pay most taxpayers not to lose or mislay it. Otherwise they will have to get another receipt from their employer or make out a more complicated return on form 1040.

You may use the short form 1040 if your income was less than \$5,000, regardless of source. If the return is made on the short form 1040 or on a withholding receipt, the tax is figured from a table which automatically allows about 10 per cent of the total income for deductions. Taxpayers with allowable deductions to more than 10 per cent can save money using the long form 1040.

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**Crashes Into Truck Lands In Hospital**

**James Topp, 34,** who was painfully injured in an accident on M 21, at an early hour last Saturday morning, is resting as comfortably as could be expected in Blodgett hospital, Grand Rapids, where he was taken in an ambulance following the accident. Topp drove his car into the rear of a Kent County commission sanding truck, receiving severe cuts about the face and head and possible chest injuries.

Deputy Sheriff reported that neither the driver of the truck, Anthony Ortowski, 30, of Ada R 1, nor James Hill, Ada R 1, who was in the body of the truck was hurt. The truck carried three rear lights, two red and one white.

X-rays to determine possible bone fractures were taken on Sunday and again on Monday of this week. Mrs. Topp has been spending most of her time at the hospital with her husband.

**Former Lowell Resident Meets Accidental Death**

**George McGee, 77,** a former resident of Lowell and vicinity met accidental death Sunday in Detroit. Surviving are a son, Frank; a daughter, Mr. Mary Michaels, and four grandchildren, all of Detroit. Graveside services were held at 11:45 Thursday morning in St. Patrick's cemetery, Farnell. Mr. Gee was a brother-in-law of Frank and Jim McMahon and Elizabeth Lalley.

**Develop A Unified Farm, Home Program**

Progress in the development of a unified farm and home program by the extension services of American agricultural colleges was reported by M. L. Wilson, federal director of extension work, at a recent meeting of extension workers from all of Michigan's 83 counties, held at Michigan State college.

Director Wilson attributed the present high favor in which Michigan farmers as well as those from other states hold extension to these factors: From the beginning, agricultural and home economics extension programs were developed on the basis of the farmers' problem and actual participation of rural people in the planning and conducting of the program was stimulated.

Director Wilson pointed out the need for more extensive research into means of helping to solve problems encountered on the farm and in the home. He envisioned a further expansion of extension programs to include those things that promote good citizenship and well-rounded living as well as the production of crops and livestock.

Another speaker, Eunice Heywood, also of the federal extension office in Washington D. C., expressed the hope that it would be possible to improve farm living

**Over \$80,000 For Former Depositors**

State Savings Bank is now ready to disburse the final liquidating dividend of over \$80,000.00 to the Depositors of the Lowell State Bank.

All depositors who's address is Lowell, Michigan, are being notified by a Legal Notice in the Lowell Ledger, that the Final Liquidating dividend is now available; and all those who's address is a Post Office other than Lowell, are being notified by mail to the same effect. You are urged to call for your check at your early convenience.

Ledger want ads do the business. Try one and see.

**Ice Fishermen Were Having Good Luck**

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Flooding of the grounds adjacent to the High school for ice skating was begun Wednesday night and if freezing weather continues will be open to the public by Saturday night.

Drunk motorists in Detroit caused 1,479 accidents during the first eleven months of 1945; 10,000 posters proclaiming that 'drunk drivers go to jail' have now been placed in all bars and taverns in the city.

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Melvin Lewis, head of the Lewis Electric Co. has purchased the residence property on East Main St., formerly owned by Mrs. Emma Green. Mr. Lewis states that the first floor will be extensively remodeled for use as a business place for his company and that he will use the second floor as living quarters.

The American Legion dance held at the City Hall last Friday night was largely attended, netting over \$300 for the Legion building fund. R. G. Crouch set up and donated the use of the public address system, which was appreciated by all. The next dance will be given at the same place on Friday night, January 18.

The other morning a stranger called on one of our Main-st. stores and in a "sign up or else" manner informed the two lady clerks that unless they joined the union which he represented by noon of that day, no freight would be delivered to the store that afternoon. The clerks were not interested in any union but after deliberating among themselves decided to yield in order to save the store from "high-handed" union tactics. Yes, the incident above happened in the land of the free.

We are rapidly returning to civilian life. Coming down Main St. the other morning we observed an ex-army Captain washing the walls and otherwise cleaning up an office which had been vacant a couple of years. Outside we observed an ex-navy lieutenant scraping like all get-out in order to clean the ice from his sidewalk. In one of the stores we met up with another ex-navy lieutenant with his sleeves rolled up and sweating like a butcher. When we got to the Ledger office there was a skipper, late from the So. Pacific, with a copy for his change of advertisement. Every day we run across scores of ex-servicemen and the town is looking more and more like its old self.

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff: Girls may like clothes but they aren't completely wrapped up in them. . . . The mother tries to put weight on the baby girl the first year, and the baby girl grows to try and take it off in the fourth. . . . The kind of travel that doesn't broaden one is that which is taken on a crowded bus at five-thirty. . . . It is often easier to save money when the salary is small than when it gets larger. . . . Some Lowell motorists are still getting a kick over driving up to the filling station and saying: "Fill'er up. . . . A Lowell man asks why it is that the barking dog always disturbs everybody's sleep but the owners.

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Phone your news to the Ledger.

The Lowell Ledger and ALSO TODAY Church News... Publications are every Thursday morning at 5:30 East Main Street, Lowell, Michigan.

Ada News (Mrs. Hattie B. Fitch) Annual Meeting Notice The annual meeting of Ada Congregational church will be held at the Marie Cramton home Monday, Jan. 7, for the purpose of electing officers and such other business as may come before the meeting.

Ada Locals Mrs. and Mrs. Marie Cramton entertained with a family party at their home on Christmas eve, following services at the church and exchange of gifts were enjoyed and a delicious oyster supper.

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WEST LOWELL Mrs. Mervin Gousser spent Saturday night Tuesday in Holland with her sister, who has recently been married.

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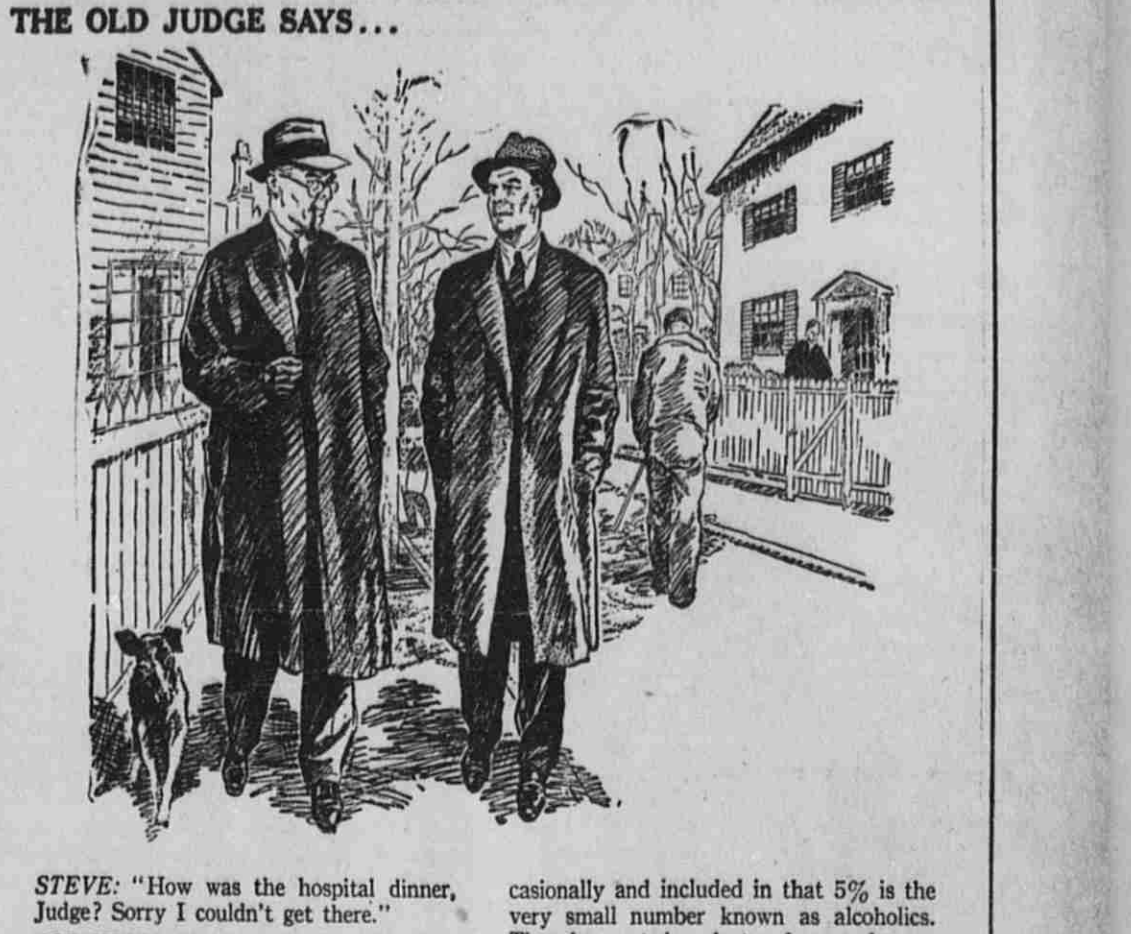
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STEVE: "How was the hospital dinner, Judge? Sorry I couldn't get there." OLD JUDGE: "Very interesting. Steve, one of the doctors on the staff read a paper on the research work that is going on at one of the big universities where they are studying chronic alcoholism."

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GOVE LABR Mrs. H. L. COOPER The Leon Seely family have all been ill with the flu, but are better now.

Folks Over 40

Straining due to constipation is the start of many breakdowns. Straining can bring on a stroke, heart attack, hernia, prostate trouble.

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is designed for you. Made of GRANULATED WHOLE WHEAT, WHOLE EYE, WHEAT GERM, BEAN AND GROUND FLAX-SEED.

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ALTO NEWS

Mr. Clarence Carr and son, Jay Schenck of Grand Rapids called at the Frank MacNaughton home Sunday and Roy MacNaughton of Mulliken, who has been spending a week with his brother, Frank and wife, returned to Grand Rapids with them.

ALTO LOCALS

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clark spent Christmas with their son, Floyd and family of Kalamazoo. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kelsner and Doris and Marie Sileo of Grand Rapids were in the city for a delayed Christmas dinner Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sileo.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY

is pleased to introduce Mr. Sam D. Wingeier Your New Standard Agent

We believe the appointment of Mr. S. Wingeier, a returned veteran and former Lowell business man, to serve you with our high quality products and service justifies your continued patronage.

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- Pay Less! Get it Fresh! Bartlett Pears No. 2 1/2 can 25c Prem Canned Meat 12-oz. can 33c Rosebowl Sardines 10-can 10c Graham Crackers Country Club lb. 18c Mixed Nuts In the Shell lb. 49c Macaroni or SPAGHETTI 3 lb. bag 29c

- Fruit Cocktail Blueberry No. 2 1/2 can 32c Salted Nuts No Peanuts lb. box 98c Strawberry Jam 2 lb. jar 39c Tomato Soup HEINZ can 11c Pet Milk (Country Club) 4 tall cans 36c Flour GOLD MEDAL OR PILLSBURY'S 25-lb. sack \$1.19 Eatmore Oleomargarine lb. 17c

TEXAS SEEDLESS GRAPEFRUIT 10 lb. bag 59c FLORIDA ORANGES 8 lb. bag 65c TANGERINES 2 lb. 29c BROCCOLI large bunch 29c CARROTS 3 bchs. 25c PASCAL CELERY fancy large stalk 19c Potatoes Michigan U. S. No. 1 peck 45c

Kroger's Hot-Dated SPOTLIGHT COFFEE 3 lb. bag 59c RINSO SOAP POWDER large package 23c

THE TRADING POST

REFUSE TO PAY RENT any longer and arrange to buy your home through the local Building and Loan. F. P. Coon, Secy. 635

FOR SALE—Baled clover hay, also small stock of corn fodder. H. Heemstra, Ada, Mich. R. 1. p35

FOR SALE—Ladies' clothes, 4 winter coats, one fur trimmed; suits and dresses, sizes 16-18. Mrs. Robert Moore, Ada Phone 2721. p35

RETURNED Lowell veteran desires employment. Has 12 years general office experience with transportation company. Reply Box 83, Lowell, Mich. p35-36

FOR SALE—3-month-old Guernsey bull calf, eligible for registration. Fred C. Bowen, Lowell Phone 255-74. p35

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SCIENCE MAY REALLY CONTROL THE WEATHER Karl Ver Steeg, geology professor of Wooster College, writing in the American Weekly in this Sunday's January 6 issue of the Detroit Sunday Times, tells how scientists are planning to bring New England balmy winters and change the weather in other parts of the world by diverting ocean currents. Get Sunday's Detroit Times. Phone 9191, Harry & V's Sweet Shop, for delivery.

LOCAL MARKET REPORT Corrected Jan. 2, 1946 Wheat, bu.....\$ 1.97 Rye, bu.....1.40 Corn, bu.....1.12 Buckwheat, cwt.....2.00 Barley, cwt.....1.20 Oats, bu......75 Bran, cwt.....2.25 Middlings, cwt.....2.25 1945 Crop Pas. Beans, cwt......65 Red Beans, cwt......75 Light Cranberry Beans, cwt......78 Light Red Beans, cwt......78 Yellow Eye Beans, cwt......675 (All beans bought on a best-potest basis) Butter, lb......54 Eggs, doz......44 Hogs, live, cwt.....12.00-14.65 Hogs, dressed, cwt.....21.00 Beef, live, lb......13-26 Sausage, lb......20-25 Chickens, lb......20-25

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The home-front letdown in the wake of war brings back to mind the weary parader who explained, "I never noticed my feet hurt until the band stopped playing."

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Once again we ask you not to be too late in ordering your Fertilizer. There won't be enough to go around next spring.

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MORE LOCAL NEWS

Miss Lucille Warner is suffering a severe case of mumps during her holiday vacation.

Glenn Reynolds of Garrettsville, O., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Reynolds.

Arthur Avery and son, Jerry, called on Mrs. Inez Avery and Bert Quick Friday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Marshall of Grand Rapids were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Clark.

Mr. and Mrs. Emel Friedli and Ellen were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Kilgus in South Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carr were able to have their whole family for Christmas dinner this year, the first time in 4 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wood and Paul Sauerman of Grand Rapids were Saturday evening dinner guests of Miss Shirley Bannan.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Watson and Mrs. Emily Murray spent Christmas with Mrs. Watson's son, Irving Alexander and family in Ada.

Mrs. Ike Wood's brother and daughter, Dorinda, visited Mr. and Mrs. Ike Wood on Saturday. Other callers were Mr. and Mrs. Clate Richard.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Alexander and two daughters from Detroit spent New Year's day with Mrs. Emily Murray and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Fuller of Grand Rapids spent Sunday with their mother, Mrs. Florence Parrish and Mrs. Fuller's sister, Mrs. Clara McCarty.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair Silva and son of Grand Rapids called on Mrs. Silva's aunt, Mrs. Oma Shear and cousins, David Shear and Mrs. Anna Yardley Sunday evening.

Richard and Mary Ellen Curtis have returned to their studies at M. S. C., having spent the holidays at home. Richard recently received his discharge from the Marines.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Kunkle were Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wright of Grand Ledge and their niece, Mrs. Beatrice Davenport and son and daughter of Portland.

Mrs. Wm. C. Doyle was able to return home Saturday from St. Mary's hospital, Grand Rapids, where she had been several days for observation. Her physician reports everything favorable.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Burnett have returned to Battle Creek, after spending two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Tim Conant. Mrs. Tim Conant, who was taken very ill about two weeks ago, is making a slow recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Horn of East Lansing, Miss Dorothy Horn of Grand Haven and Charles Horn from West Point were dinner guests of Mrs. C. H. Horn and Miss Mary Horn last week Wednesday.

Mrs. Fred Allen of Flint spent several days of last week with her sister, Mrs. Oma Shear. Mrs. Shear's daughter, Mrs. Lawrence Steffes and son from Belding came Wednesday to spend the remainder of the week.

The Misses Doris Johnson and Beverly Daverman left Wednesday for Minneapolis, Minn. Doris will attend the Northwest Institute of Medical Technology, where she will study to be a laboratory technician and Beverly will attend Radar school.

Bernie Bedell, who has been driving School Bus No. 4 for the past four years, has resigned and is succeeded by John Fahrni. Edward Boyd, driver of Bus No. 6, has resigned in order to attend college and is succeeded by Charles Barber.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Velzey were Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wingeler and family from Palo, and Mr. and Mrs. Frank MacTavish and family. Miss Carol Wingeler visited at the home of her grand-parents until Tuesday of this week.

Capt. and Mrs. Sam Yelter returned to Ft. Knox Sunday morning, after spending the holidays in Lowell. This was Sam's first Christmas at home in four years, he expressed disappointment at not seeing the usual lighted trees at the entrances to Lowell.

Mrs. Rosella Yelter and Mr. and Mrs. Peter Spearstr attended a dinner party Saturday evening in the home of Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Lustig, the honored guests being Capt. and Mrs. G. H. Yelter of Ft. Knox, Ky., Sgt. Robert Yelter, who has just returned from Germany, and Miss Marilyn Lustig, a student at M. S. C.

The week preceding Christmas, Mrs. Hazel Tanner attended a Christmas dinner and party given by seven of her co-workers at the Haskelite plant in Grand Rapids. A chicken dinner at the Charles Manor was enjoyed and later a Christmas tree, gifts and luncheon at the home of Miss Florence Carpenter.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Engagement Announced

Miss Marilyn Kyser was honored with a tea Sunday by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Kyser, who announced her engagement to Robert Bishop of Cascade, to twelve of her friends and former school-mates.

Social Brevities

Mr. and Mrs. J. Raymond Bergin entertained with a dinner Wednesday honoring their son-in-law, Edward F. Olney F. 1/c, who will report for further duty in Detroit, Jan. 2. Out of town guests included Raymond Klotfisch of Chicago and Joseph Olney of Wendon.

Mrs. Rosella Yelter entertained Saturday evening with a birthday party for the pleasure of her son, Capt. "Sam" Yelter, of Ft. Knox, Ky., who has not been in a position to enjoy birthday celebrations during the past five years.

The Christmas tree entertainment given by the Alto Methodist Sunday school on Dec. 23 was a decided success and we wish to thank all those who helped to make it so, especially Mr. and Mrs. Ken Lyons for the Christmas candy sacks donated by them.

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Shade opened their spacious home for the South Lowell Extension groups New Years Eve party. Members and families, with guests, nearly seventy in all, enjoyed a full evening of games under the leadership of Mrs. Elmer Swanson. Delicious refreshments of ice cream, cake and coffee were served. Everyone left after welcoming in the New Year, voting the Shades royal hosts and feeling there is no abatement in interest in this annual gathering.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Clark spent Sunday evening with the George Wielands. Christmas guests of the Wielands were Mrs. Leona Wieland and family.

Mrs. Leona Wieland gave a surprise party in honor of Richard in celebration of his birthday Friday night. Twelve guests were present.

Fortnightly Club annual dinner will be held at Mrs. Thelma Hahn's on January 8, promptly at 7 o'clock.—Reporter.

The Cheerful Doers will meet in the home of Mrs. L. E. Johnson at 7 o'clock, Monday evening, Jan. 7.

Kent County Council of the P. T. A. will have an afternoon meeting at the Y. M. C. A. at 1:30 p. m. on Tuesday, January 8. Mrs. Wm. A. Fox will preside at the business meeting, after which Mrs. Georgia Moore will sing and Mrs. Vernon Black of Sparta will talk on adult education.

The regular monthly meeting of the Mary group of the Methodist church, which was to have been held on Friday at the home of Mrs. F. F. Coons, is being cancelled on account of the road conditions.

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The American Legion Auxiliary will hold their regular meeting at the City Hall, Monday, Jan. 7 at 8 o'clock.—Reporter.

COMING EVENTS

The regular communication of Lowell Lodge No. 90 F&AM will be held Tuesday evening, Jan. 8. Fellowcraft Degree.—George Story, W. M.

Hal—When I tore February off my calendar, there was April! Cal—Somebody stole a March on you.

If You Charge, We Charge All notices for events, for the raising of money, is advertising. Rates: First 20 words 35c, up to 20 words 45c, up to 30 words 50c, each word over 30 words, 1 1/2c. Please pay when ordering, in order to avoid opening book accounts.

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SOUTH LOWELL BUSY CORNERS

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rittenger were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Taylor at Lake Odessa, in honor of Mrs. Taylor's birthday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Earl McDermid were Christmas day guests of Mrs. Leroy Bradshaw in Lansing. Richard Bradshaw returned home with them to spend his vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl McDermid were Christmas Eve guests of Mr. and Mrs. David Sterick. Mr. and Mrs. Ray Rittenger were Sunday evening guests of Earl McDermid.

Mr. and Mrs. David Sterick called one day last week on Mrs. Francis Headrick, who is in St. Mary's hospital for observation.

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Mr. and Mrs. John Miller were New Years guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Marlette in Grand Rapids.

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Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wierenga and sons of Middleville and Miss Mary Sheehan of St. Mary's hospital were Christmas guests at the Emmett Sheehan home.

Mrs. Mary Reynolds was a Christmas guest at the John Troy home.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Wierenga of Carlton Center and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Spencer were Sunday guests at the Dorr Olden home.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Duché of Caledonia were Christmas guests at the Andrew Jousma home.

Medames Nora and Myra Anderson attended the Social Club Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Michael Sheehan Thursday, Dec. 27. Fourteen ladies partook of a delicious potluck dinner, after which exchange of gifts from the nicely decorated Christmas tree was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brownell and family spent Sunday with relatives in Belding.

Mr. and Mrs. George Howard attended a family gathering Christmas eve at the home of his sister, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Borgerson in Lowell.

Mrs. Margaret Anderson was a Sunday evening luncheon guest at the Nicholas Pitsch home in West Bowne.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Sheehan and family of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wierenga and sons were Sunday afternoon guests at the Emmett Sheehan home. Mr. and Mrs. Michael Sheehan and son Terry were dinner guests.

Mr. and Mrs. George Howard spent Sunday at the Edward Eardeley home in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Sheehan were Saturday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Anderson. The latter and little son Tommy spent Sunday evening at the Leon Anderson home.

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HICKORY CORNERS

Mrs. Ethel Yelter returned home last Tuesday after spending two months with relatives and friends in Indiana and Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. B. Frank Hillon of North Park spent Christmas with their son, Paul and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth VanDyke and children spent Christmas eve with relatives in Grand Rapids, and entertained his brother and wife on Christmas day.

Mrs. Ethel Yelter, son Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Yelter, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Stuart and Cpl. Edward Yelter and wife had Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Blough and son at Clarksville on Sunday.

John Yelter and Mrs. Elizabeth Meddaugh spent Wednesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cooley in Lowell and enjoyed Christmas supper.

Cpl. Edward Yelter and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Blough and Dean of Clarksville and Bob Yelter of Potter's Corners spent Wednesday evening with their mother and brother Kenneth.

Oscar Peckham of Lowell spent Saturday night and Sunday with Kenneth Yelter.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth VanDyke and children spent the week-end in Grand Rapids with relatives.

Mrs. Letha Blough and son Dean of Clarksville and Mrs. Pauline Stuart of Ionia called on their mother, Mrs. Ethel Yelter, Sunday.

News from Grand Rapids Of Former Bowne Folks CLARA M. BRANDEUR

Wesley Heintzelman and family, with his son, Harold and family, visited the former's sister, Mrs. Susie Whitney, near Freepport on Sunday and found her in very poor health, but some better than she has been recently.

Alvin Heintzelman and wife left last week for Paris, Mich., to spend the winter with Mrs. Heintzelman's mother, Mrs. W. Rounds.

Wilbur Tyler and wife of Clarksville were at the home of Mrs. Tyler's sister, Mrs. Harry Bloom, last Friday just before going to the hospital. Mrs. Bloom has been going to the hospital to see her sister every day.

Marilyn Martin has been ill with what they thought was the flu since Christmas. She did not improve and was taken to Blodgett hospital Saturday for treatment. She was somewhat improved Monday. John Misher and wife were to see her Sunday evening and others of the family go to see her every day.

Arlis Hostettler and sister Barbara of near Freepport came to the city Saturday and called on their aunt, Mrs. John Misher. In the evening Gwendolyn Misher, Marjorie Porritt and Edwina Hostettler accompanied him to their homes in Bowne and near Freepport where they spent the week-end with their home folks. Arlis brought them back to the city Monday morning.

John Eash, who has been overseas with the U. S. Army for some time, has received his discharge, and visited his sister, Mrs. Lena Schultz, and other relatives in the city over the week-end.

Mrs. Roy Heintzelman, formerly Helen Spidell of Ada, wishes us to announce that her brother, Jasper Leon Spidell, was killed in action in the Philippines January 4, 1944. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Jasper Spidell, who reside in Ada. Many friends and relatives have been inquiring about him, hence this notice.

We are very sorry to report that Mrs. Wilbur Tyler of Clarksville was brought to Blodgett hospital last week and will undergo an operation on Wednesday. She has been poorly for many months and her many friends are hoping for a successful operation and a speedy recovery for her.

ALTON—VERGENNES Mrs. CLAIR CULVER

Mr. and Mrs. Hayes of Charlotte have purchased the Lee Keech store at Moseley. Good luck to the new owners.

Mrs. Clair Culver's father died Dec. 20th in Marinette, Wis.

A very large crowd enjoyed the Christmas program Sunday evening at the Alton church.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Smith and sons, Bernard and Emerson of Fallsburg and George Layer of Lowell were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Shannon.

Pvt. William Wright returned Sunday to Kelsler Field, Miss., after spending a 10-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wright. The Wright family were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Myers of South Lowell.

Garfield Ford was a New Years guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clair Culver.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Albert of Belding were New Years guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Bieri.

Herman Jones of Kalamazoo visited in Lowell and vicinity and reports his father has not improved since his removal to a Kalamazoo hospital.

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Farm, Home Program

(continued from first page) as much in the next quarter-century as it has been possible to improve farm production in the last 25 years. "By improving rural living we will also be improving urban living because so many of the persons reared in the country migrate to the cities for their later lives," she stated.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Conner, 904 Riverside Dr., December 28, a 3 3/4 lb. son, Dennis Hugo.

To Sgt. Wm. Christiansen, Jr. and Mrs. Christiansen, at Raton, New Mexico, on December 27, a daughter, Diane.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lanehart, of Detroit, a 6 1/2 lb. daughter, Kathleen, Monday, Dec. 3.

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