

Showboat Toots

The Showboat committee including Admiral Runciman met immediately after the show Monday night to confer and plan how to make the show even better each succeeding night. The reaction to the show seems to be that the acts are wonderful, endmen the best ever, chorus terrific, but the stage was a general mess. The committee decided more room was a necessity and believe it or not the stage was extended eight feet and ready Tuesday night with the result that Tuesday night's show was the best in history.

G. C. Handy, editor of the Ypsilanti Press, was in the audience on Monday night along with 100 other editors. By the way, Mr. Handy's son is a boy friend of Margaret Truman and it is reported they plan to be married.

The question of how many can ride on the Showboat at one time was settled for sure Monday night when 215 were aboard. After all were distributed evenly over the boat the deck was out of water only six inches. As she landed at the dock and 110 choristers rushed to the starboard side to step off they waded through water. The final answer on numbers is, maximum crowd should be 180.

The crowds at the Lowell Showboat seem to be enjoying the show every night. And speaking of crowds—living men, women and child living in Lowell were to attend the show the same night the seats would not be quite half filled.

Rex Goodmoot, baritone singer from Lake Odessa, put on the amateur act Tuesday night and was given a hearty encore to his song, "Irish Lullaby." This is the second time in the history of the Showboat that an amateur has received an encore. The first was little Miss Sheehan from Detroit who also sang an Irish number on the program three years ago.

The endmen are the life of the Showboat this year as every year. Their songs are wonderful and their antics keep Admiral Runciman on his toes. Tuesday night these colored cut-ups got busy with their whistles and while trying to figure out what makes 'em foot they gave motor signals (tuning) which caused the boat to be turned all way round in midstream. The toots are the signals which guide the course.

A Lowell youngster who helped A. Robbins in getting his costume and equipment ready for his 10-minute act, spent five hours in the preparation.

Norm Borgerson announced from the stage that the opening night crowd was the largest in the history of the Showboat. Bigger than last year's opener by 112. According to Herb Elzinga, ticket chairman, Norm's number was a wild guess. The actual figure was 337. Herb says as long as Norm only doubles the figures we have nothing to worry about.

Monday night six ambulances and several station wagons brought 42 children, some on stretchers, from Mary Free Bed, Grand Rapids, to their first show in many, many months.

The annual argument is on—what was the big act of the Showboat? Let's try to analyze the situation. A. Robbins, who produced everything from bunches of bananas to hall trees and folding chairs, from underneath his coat, is the act which costs the most and has made smash hits in movies, television and on the stage in more than one country. To the Showboat audience this didn't mean a thing. The two acts which tied for first honors are: The Little Gray Sisters with their dancing and xylophone number, and Ken Whitner & Co.

Many are asking why the High School band was not on the foredeck after Monday night. The answer is, there were fifty too many people aboard and some have to stay ashore. The band members decided they were the logical ones, because after all, playing "Here Comes the Showboat" works equally as well on shore as on deck.

About 200 Business and Professional Women's Club members from Detroit, Flint, Lansing, Battle Creek, Coldwater, Muskegon, Ionia, Greenville, Belding and Grand Rapids and other places, gathered at the school house after the show to meet one another over a cup of coffee and sandwiches. Verna Dunlap of Detroit Recorder Court, State president of the Club, exclaimed that is one thrill I never will forget.

If Frank McMahon was to suit everyone as to how to light the boat as she rounds the bend he would have to be a combination of Henry Clay, King Solomon and Benjamin Franklin.

Norm Borgerson would like all the lights off except spots until she reaches the dock. Wm. Christiansen would like all lights on as soon as the boat reaches the telephone pole at Cattail bend. A. H. Stormwind, chief usher, claims they should be on at all times. Mrs. Ray Avery claims the effect is ideal with only the boat's own lights.

Frank says he tries to please everybody by splitting the difference and turns the lights on when reaching the dock—the sure way of pleasing nobody. Frank points out everybody must remember 90% of the people are up in the bleachers and high above the ground.

The speed boat racing before the stadium each night preceding the main show, has been giving the audience added thrills. Koewers and Roth were winners of the races Monday night. Tuesday evening the races were even livelier and Dick Baird and Devo Keiser provided unusual thrills when they returned their speeding boat to the river at the bend. Neither were injured, however.

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A spendthrift fellow named Hi Who'd change everything he could buy. Said, when haled into court With his bank account short—"The government does, why can't it?"

In addressing the people of the United States the other day, President Truman declared that he was sorry to hear that some people have fallen for rumors and have been buying things they have heard would be scarce. "This," he lectured, "is foolish—and it is selfish, because hoarding results in an entirely unnecessary local shortage. Hoarding food is especially foolish. There is plenty of food in this country. I have read there have been rushes on sugar in some cities. This is ridiculous. We now have more sugar available than ever before. There are ample supplies of our other basic foods. I sincerely hope that every American housewife will keep this in mind when she does her daily shopping."

Charles M. Ziegler Tells Why Highways Are Now Inadequate

In commenting on the traffic fatalities in Michigan over the July 4th holidays, State Highway Commissioner Charles M. Ziegler said: "What else can we expect, except accidents and loss of life on our highways during periods of holiday congestion, when Michigan motorists pay the lowest highway tax in the nation?"

"Our highways are inadequate every day to handle the greatly increased traffic load and the 50% increase of commercial vehicles in the traffic flow. "We are building and maintaining roads on a 1927 tax structure, in a state that boasts of being the automobile production center of the world. It's costing the motorists of Michigan more in property damage, loss of time, injuries and attendant expenses, and increased cost of driving on inadequate roads, than it would to pay an increased gasoline tax which would provide revenues so badly needed to modernize our highway system."

"In order to stem the ever-increasing fatality rate on our highways it is necessary that additional funds be made available to correct deficiencies such as poor alignment, inadequate sight distance, improper drainage and narrow widths on roads built 20 to 25 years ago and which are not capable of handling present day traffic safely."

Highway construction programs are restricted by too little money. Highway safety cannot be built in these roads without funds. The longer we wait for adequate highway revenues the farther highways get behind, and the more of our limited funds must be spent on maintenance to preserve the highways we do have. How much longer are we going to wait and pay the high costs of waiting?"

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Smith Write About Eastern Tour

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Smith of Lowell have written an interesting letter to the Ledger describing part of their vacation trip, from which we take the following data and pass it on to our readers. They took the M-31 route out of Lowell crossing into Canada over the Blue Water Bridge at Port Huron-Sarnia, trailer and all, and met with most courteous officials on both the American and Canadian sides.

After a brief Canadian trip they drove through New York State and Pennsylvania, into Rhode Island, the little state so great in industry and agriculture and so rich in early American history. Rhode Island was a great slave state and was founded by Roger Williams in 1636. Many of the old houses which are still livable and in use were built back in 1650.

The Smiths are going on into Canada this week by way of Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. They are enjoying a wonderful vacation.

Funeral Rites Friday For Bessie L. Wagner

Funeral services were held at Roth Funeral Home Friday afternoon for Mrs. Bessie L. Wagner, 67, who passed away at her home at Gowen July 18, and burial was made in Oakwood cemetery. Rev. Sigman Spencer officiated. Surviving are her husband, David; and several nieces and nephews.

SPECIAL NOTICE

If necessary, we can leave you an extra garbage can during canning season. And would you please use the garbage can for garbage only. Thank you, Roy Thompson.

SHOWBOAT VALUES

All wool and all rayon tropical wadded suits on sale Friday and Saturday, only at \$25.95, including tax.

ENDMEN STOP THE SHOW WITH BALANCING ACT



Lowell Showboat endmen brought the crowd to their feet with their act of balancing with Chris Burch on top. Chief attraction to Showboat fans are the endmen who carry the show with their songs and gags.

Rotary Club Hears Dr. R. T. Lustig Speak

Dr. R. T. Lustig of Grand Rapids who has a wide acquaintance here in Lowell, was the principal speaker at the Rotary Club luncheon July 19. He was introduced by Peter Speerstra, village president.

Dr. Lustig gave a very interesting and instructive talk and is well informed on world affairs today having served through appointments in the United States and Europe in the post-World War II years. He was representative of People's Division of United Nations in 1945-49, affiliated with the Intelligence Division of the U. S. Government, and has been recommended for citation by the British government for an invention for bomber interception.

Vitality interested in the prevention of war Dr. Lustig has recently delivered over 250 lectures to scientists, engineers, physicians and laymen and was recently elected by the National Security Resources Board to teach Atomic Medicine.

Big Dairyland Picnic Program Announced Carson City, Aug. 24

The 1950 annual Dairyland summer picnic will be held at Carson City Park on Thursday, Aug. 24, and it will mark the dairy firm's 25th year of operation.

Again this summer the big one-day basket picnic and "miniature fair" will feature livestock judging, with special divisions for Guernsey and Jersey breeders. These breed organizations will supervise their own divisions of the big Dairyland show. The show will be open to all breeds of both dairy cattle and swine.

The morning program will include the livestock show, a pet parade for youngsters and as a new feature, a cake baking contest for the women.

Following the basket picnic at noon, for which Dairyland Cooperative Creamery which sponsors the entire event will provide free milk, there will be an afternoon stage program.

Dr. Tenyson Guyer of Findlay, Ohio, noted speaker and humorist, who earned himself many rounds of applause when he appeared at the picnic three years ago, will be the master of ceremonies this year. There will be presentation of Dairyland's Silver Anniversary awards; music and entertainment from radio station WLS, Chicago, and many other interesting events. A free baseball game, with the Carson City Merchants playing Elwell, on the Academy grounds at approximately 3:30 p. m., will conclude the day's events.

Garden Lore Club Holds Silver Tea

About sixty ladies of Lowell and vicinity attended the meeting of the Garden Lore Club on Tuesday, July 18, at the lovely home of Mrs. Frank Battistella on E. Main St.

During the brief business meeting called to order by the president, Mrs. J. E. Bannan, several guests were introduced, among them, Mrs. Thomas Stafford, regional chairman of the Grand Rapids district of Michigan Federated Garden Clubs, who spoke briefly.

Mrs. Bannan called the attention of the members to an article in the American Home written by the former president of the Garden Lore Club, Mrs. Robert Mill, now of Birmingham, Mich. Mrs. Albert Duell read "Flowers for First Ladies" by Charles Hanlock, chief gardener at the White House through nine administrations.

Refreshments were served from the dining room table centered with a beautiful arrangement of yellow roses. Mrs. E. C. Foreman presided at the coffee urn and Mrs. S. R. Crabb at the tea urn. All felt they had enjoyed a pleasant afternoon, and that Mrs. Battistella was a most charming hostess.

A lot of people who wouldn't talk with full mouths will go around talking with empty heads.

Over 12,000 People See First Two Nights' Showboat



Lowell Showboat should make history this year with the show getting off the first two nights with record crowds. The thrill of the show as always is the arrival of the boat. Eyes of the entire throng follow the acts intently. Visible in this picture of a small section of the first night's crowd is Mrs. C. H. Runciman checking the timing of the show, and Norm Borgerson nervously chewing on his glasses, busy figuring ways to improve the second night's show.

For once it may truthfully be said that the Lowell Showboat is bigger, better and flashier than ever before.

Almost 5,000 people attended the opening performance Monday night, this number including many guests from all parts of the state. Ink White, president of the Michigan Press Ass'n, and 100 editors representing Michigan newspapers, 250 disabled Veterans from the Veterans' Facility in Grand Rapids, and children from Mary Free Bed, Grand Rapids, were honor guests. After subtracting all of these it was still the biggest opening night in the history of the Showboat.

Editors Boost Showboat

The editors met at a dinner at the Masonic Temple preceding the Show and all are boosters for the Showboat. They were unanimous in their enthusiasm in complimenting Lowell on its civic attitude and the fact that every family hereabouts has some part in the success of the Showboat. It was agreed the psychology of it might well be studied so that each editor could carry home to his own locality the reason why every village and city should have some community project of this type to build up a spirit of cooperation among its citizens.

Miss Elaine Hoffman, attractive brunette, who was chosen as queen in a recent contest, was crowned as Miss Lowell Showboat by President Peter Speerstra.

No Sour Spots

This year's Showboat is a balanced combination of amateur and professional acts and according to the experts there is not a sour spot on the entire Show.

One of the acts which has proven highly entertaining is the Saul Grauman & Co. musical stairway. This instrument is known as a uniphone and is played by two girls and a man dancing up and down the keyboard to bring out the beautiful music.

The act, itself, presented an unusual problem Monday night as the equipment was almost too large for the stage. However, this handicap was overcome after the first night, and the act is one which will long be remembered by the vast audience.

The Gray Sisters in their comedy dancing and xylophone act have been pleasing the Showboat audience to the extent that they have been mentioned as possibly first, though Ken Whitner, trick musician, who plays many instruments, successfully imitating several leading musicians, and doing comedy acts, is also mentioned as a headliner. The last half of the week's Showboat program will decide which number takes top honors on the Lowell Showboat.

The Dorothy Dorbin dancers are the best ever appearing on Lowell Showboat and were presented on three occasions each night. Their first number is ballet dancing in beautiful gowns. The second they appear as Indian Chiefs and their concluding number is dancing with fans. The girls are beautiful, talented, and their costumes is outstanding.

The Don Davis orchestra is a strictly professional show band and according to Bill Jones and other Lowell musicians they are by far the best ever to appear here. They are talented, versatile and at the same time display great enthusiasm for the show.

Ben Beri, the juggler of unusual talent, did a breath-taking act with bouncing ball and Igdian Clubs.

Like a Broadway Production Tuesday night the Show swung into action with all the glamor rhythm and perfection of Broadway production. The endmen in their Kelly green and orange costumes gave an added flash to the entertainment. The large and well trained chorus improved the musical quality of the Show.

Interlocutor Admiral Runciman whose poise and conversational ability has always been a highlight, is even better than ever in his part of the program. The endmen with Chris Burch as central figure, are doing a little balancing act of their own this year which still has people wondering. The endmen host Chris to the top of a ten-foot pole and then

Last Rites Held For William T. Flynn

William T. Flynn passed away at his home on North Monroe Wednesday, July 19 after an illness of five years. He was born Sept. 3, 1880 in Vergennes, the son of Edward and Julia Flynn. He was educated in the Lowell schools and spent the adult years of his life in Lowell where he was engaged in the grocery business, making many friends by his friendly and pleasant service to all classes of people.

He was married July 22, 1915, to Miss May VanArsdale of Lowell and to them were born two sons, VanArsdale and Robert. During his illness, he has received the most constant and loving care from his wife and sons, who have the sincere sympathy of this community.

Funeral services were held from St. Mary's church in Lowell, Saturday morning, Rev. John Gryzbowski singing the Low Mass. Interment in Oakwood cemetery.

Miss Della James Passes Unexpectedly in Home

Miss Della James, former resident of Lowell and a teacher in local and Grand Rapids schools, passed away unexpectedly Monday.

Funeral arrangements are in charge of Roth Funeral Home and are incomplete as the Ledger goes to press.

First Load of Wheat Arrives at King Mills

Lee Pitsch arrived at the King Mill Co. early Monday morning with the first load of new wheat taken in by the local mill this season.

The load consisted of 189 bushels of white wheat which tested 57 pound per bushel with a moisture content of 12.9. Mr. Pitsch received \$2.00 per bushel for his wheat.

Loyal Lowellites Hold Annual Picnic

The Loyal Lowellite Club's annual picnic was held Thursday, July 20, at Fallsburg Park with an attendance of fifty.

Those present outside of Grand Rapids and Lowell were Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Murphy of Fort Wayne, Ind., Mrs. Grace Mrs. U. B. Williams of East Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Vern Dickerson of Lakeview.

Regrets were received from Mrs. Phillip Schneider of Akron, Ohio, Mrs. Bertha Nagel and Paul McCarty of Glendale, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. George M. Winegar of San Jose, Calif., Mr. and Mrs. Dale Morgan and Miss Laura Nicklin of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Swift Winegar of Alto.

A beautiful picnic dinner was enjoyed and the evening spent in visiting and renewing old friendships.

Herman Strong of Grand Rapids was elected president for the ensuing year and Mrs. Lenna Weekes, secretary-treasurer.

New Beauty Shop Owner

Having purchased the former Margaret Mary Shop, located in the Hedell-Ellis barbershop, I will be open for business Monday, July 31.

Betty Ruth Maloney.

Cong. Gerald R. Ford Missed at Showboat

Congressman Gerald R. Ford, Jr. in response to an invitation extended by Elmer G. Schaefer to appear on the Showboat, regrets that he will be unable to attend this year because of the precarious foreign situation. The congressman expresses hope that the Korean situation will improve but as it now stands it would be unwise to leave Washington while Congress is in session. Jerry's Lowell friends appreciate his attitude in this regard and hope with him, that affairs in Washington may soon be on the upturn.

Ingham Co. Horse Show July 29 and 30 at Mason

Fun, excitement, thrills and spills are scheduled for the spectators of the Ingham County Horse Show to be held at the fairgrounds at Mason on July 29 and 30.

Forty-three events are scheduled to start at 2:00 p. m. on Saturday with the Model 3-gated horses, and at 7:30 Saturday night with the Working Hunter Class. On Sunday again at 2:00 p. m., the Open Jumper will start the show and at 7:30 p. m. the Horsemanship over Jumps.

The net proceeds will go to the Ingham County Cancer Society.

AUCTION SALES

Saturday, July 29, 1:30 P. M. Lester Antonides will hold a public auction at the farm, 6 miles southwest of Lowell, or 1 mile north of Seven Gables oil station on US-16, then 1/2 mile west, or 1 mile south and 3 miles east of Cascade, at 9244 36th St. including entire herd of dairy cattle—23 milk cows and bull, 8 heifers, 8 to 11 month old and 2 calves; also 2 single units.

Perfection milker pals, water heater, etc., and some ear corn. George VanderMaulen auctioneer, Harry Day, clerk. See complete list on another page of this issue of the Ledger.

BIRTHS

To M. and Mrs. Adolph Litschewski, at Blodgett hospital, July 23, a 5 lb. 2 oz. girl, Rita Mae.

To Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller (Virginia Norwood), of Flint, a daughter, July 20.

To Dr. and Mrs. Keith A. Phelps, July 7, at Blodgett hospital a son, Dennis Alan, weighing 6 pounds, 9 ounces.

ALTON CEMETERY MEETING

The annual meeting of the Alton Cemetery Association will be held at the Alton Church on Tuesday evening, Aug. 1, at 8 o'clock.

Coras E. Ford, Sec'y.

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by anyone other than myself.

John P. Freeman.

Panic Buying Stirs Retailers' Protests

The Korean war has hit the nation's grocery and retail store shelves.

A minority of housewives, influenced by their recollection of wartime shortages, have launched an offensive that could wipe sugar, canned meats, coffee, nylons, and other "panic" items off store shelves.

However, the situation is not yet out of hand, and voices, ranging from those of neighborhood grocers to larger business organizations, are being raised to discourage this wave of hoarding. Their attempt is to make the housewife who asks for "30 pounds of sugar" or "a dozen nylons" feel unpractical.

High Inventory Cited

Strangely, this "scare" buying comes at a time when retailers and wholesalers report ample supplies and when the Commerce Department in Washington puts grocery inventories at a higher figure than a year ago.

The Lowell Board of Trade in an effort to inform the buying public of the true facts has placed an advertisement in the Ledger warning housewives against hoarding. Headlined, "How much can you afford to waste through fear?" the advertisement starts off with an imaginary conversation between two girls in Korea who come to the conclusion that no one in this country can afford the inflation that wide spread hoarding would bring on.

Sugar has been the main target of the hoarders. Yet this product is so plentiful that Cuba has a surplus of more than 1,000,000 tons. Nevertheless, the pressure of buying stripped grocery shelves in some areas.

Buying of items not needed immediately will not only cause loss by spoilage on the customers' storage shelves, but also helps to force prices higher and to increase inflation.

Alger For Governor Against New Taxes

"No new taxes and the modernization of the State Government," has been the theme of Secretary of State Fred M. Alger in his drive for the Republican nomination for Governor to date. In more than 100 meetings in all parts of the state Alger has stressed these points.

As the campaign enters the final six weeks before the primary, Alger will expand upon his program. To date he has continuously assailed the program of the present administration which called for increased taxes all down the line he has charged. Alger has held that the Republican controlled legislature acted wisely in rejecting most of the financial program submitted by the present Governor.

"It was at no time a program devised by state officials, either legislative or executive, for the benefit of all of the residents of the State," Alger has consistently told his audiences. "Rather it was a program devised by Gus Scholle, the political boss of the CIO-PAC, and intended solely to benefit minority groups. Even the Governor made no attempt to force this program. He merely dropped it in the legislative hopper and then rushed off to crown queens and call square dances."

Attention, Bowlers

All officers of the Lowell Bowling Association, league officers and team captains are asked to be present at a meeting to be held at the Lowell Moose annex room at 8 o'clock p. m. sharp on Tuesday, Aug. 1. The purpose of the meeting is for the election of officers to the Lowell Bowling Association for the 1950-51 season and for any other business that comes before the meeting.

L. Keech, Pres. D. Dilly, Sec'y.

NOTICE, VILLAGE TAXPAYERS

This is the last week to pay village taxes before the 3% penalty will be added.

Esther Fahrni, Village Treas. c13-14 August 22 through 25. 13-16

MONDAY NIGHT GUEST CAPTAIN, INK WHITE



Ink White, president of the Michigan Press Association, was the guest captain on the Showboat on Monday night, he was introduced to the crowd by Admiral C. H. Runciman along with other editors, Rolfe Mosher of Wayland and Ralph Rodgers of Ravenna. Guests of the Showboat were nearly 30 editors from many West Michigan communities. They had a dinner meeting before the Showboat at the Masonic Temple served by the Eastern Star.

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South Lowell
Busy Corners
Mrs. Mahlon Bates

Since sympathy is extended to the Sterick family due to the death of Mrs. Joseph Sterick, who passed away July 19, services were held Saturday at the Alto Methodist church Sunday morning missed a very good sermon conducted by Don Dennis, a young man of this neighborhood might well be proud.

Terry and Brian Lee Estes accompanied Mrs. Harry Wiseman and family to the home of Mrs. Greenlee Tuesday.

Mrs. and Mrs. Alvin Wells and grandson Russell Frye accompanied Mrs. and Mrs. Van Vorst and family to the home of Mrs. Jerry Wells returning home Saturday from Camp Winnetka where he served as counselor.

Walter Wieland has purchased a new green Chevrolet truck.

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WHITNEYVILLE
Mrs. Louis M. Douglas
Alto Phone 2261

News for last week was scarce because our telephone was out and we were out of town on service this week. They have been working on it hoping to get better service soon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hopkins attended a party honoring their son, Duane Winstrom, at North Dorr Friday evening, the 14th. The party was put on by the latter's brother William. Duane left the following Monday for navy service. He is well known here having worked at Chase's Station in his parents' home. His grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Mike Dahlke, Chet Swanson and Eugene Dahlie are uncle and aunt.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Graham and family of Holland were supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Broersma and family Friday evening of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Penning of Cascade were Saturday callers of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Buis and family.

Tuesday callers of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Douglas were Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hultbert of Orleans and Mrs. A. H. Nicholson of Bay City.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hopkins attended Duane Winstrom and Miss Adelle McHugh's 16th birthday for dinner Sunday, the 16th.

Shirley and Grandpa Dreyer were Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Swanson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hopkins attended the Uppon Farms near Richland, Wednesday.

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McCORDS LOCALS
Rev. James Baird

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kwant and Mrs. M. M. Kwant of Grand Rapids visited Mr. and Mrs. George Kneinke Saturday evening.

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FINANCIAL REPORT Cash balance on hand June 30, 1950: \$1,832.29 General operating: \$1,832.29 Total amount on hand June 30, 1950: \$1,832.29

Table with 2 columns: Description and Amount. Includes items like General operating, Total amount on hand, General Fund-Budget Expenditures, and Debt Retirement Fund-Revenue Receipts.

A Want Ad Will Sell That Unwanted Article McMahan Appliances Phone 250 Next to the Strand Theatre Lowell

McMahan Appliances advertisement featuring a large image of a refrigerator and text: '25,000 DAYS FREE Be a guest of the Hotel Sherman at the spectacular Chicago Fair of 1950.'

PUBLIC NOTICES R. E. Springett, Atty. Lowell, Mich. ANNUAL ACCOUNT State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent...

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AUCTION SATURDAY, JULY 29 COMMENCING AT 1:30 P. M. 34-HEAD OF CATTLE-34

Jersey, 3 yrs. old, due Aug. 27 Holstein, 5 yrs. old, fresh 2 months, open Jersey, 6 yrs. old, bred May 17

Jersey, 5 yrs. old, bred May 15 Jersey, 5 yrs. old, bred April 30 Jersey, 4 yrs. old, bred June 3

Lester Antonides, Prop. George VanderMeulen, Auctioneer Harry Day, Clerk State Savings Bank, Lowell

Chrysler advertisement featuring images of various car models and text: 'It's built right from the heart! See it—drive it... there's built-in value all the way through!'

Moseley—Murray Lake Mrs. Eva Engle Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Purdy attended the boat races on Grand River...

Alto Garden Club The Alto Garden Club met at the pleasant farm home of Mrs. A. T. East Wednesday afternoon about 9:00 were comfortably seated in the spacious room with arched windows...

REDUCE WITHOUT DIETING Simply eat this delicious Vitamin rich dieting food. It's the only dieting food that's so easy to eat and so delicious.

Bright, Bold & Beautiful! SHIP 'N SHORE The Alto Community Grange held their annual picnic at Townsend Park, Saturday, twenty-five grangers enjoyed a delicious picnic dinner...

Softball Games Mrs. E. L. Timpon and four grandchildren accompanied Mrs. Fred Pattison to Lowell Friday and Mrs. Timpon and the children remained for supper with her son, John Timpon and family.

OWOSSO Motor Speedway advertisement: 'MID-SEASON CHAMPIONSHIP HOT ROD AUTO RACES SUNDAY JULY 30 AFTERNOON At The OWOSSO Motor Speedway 40 LAP FEATURE RACE WITH A GOLD TROPHY FOR THE WINNER'

Alto Locals Mrs. Laura Sydman received the sad news of the passing of her son, Mrs. Floyd Ware, at Washburn, Mich.

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BRING SAMPLES

of your grain to your friendly buyer for a moisture test before harvesting. Grain above 14% moisture content is unfit for market or storage.

WHEN YOUR GRAIN

is ready for harvest, combine in the middle of the day. Not too early in the morning, not too late in the afternoon. By raising the cutter bar of the combine above as much green material as possible, much moisture can be eliminated in your grain.

HAVE YOU READIED YOUR BINS?

They should be cleaned and fumigated. (We can supply you with a reliable spray at a nominal cost in bulk, bring your own container).

Don't Rush the Harvest!

Be sure your valuable products are ready for market or storage.

You will be many dollars ahead by following these simple rules

King Milling Company

OUR THANKS

Employees of the Michigan Reformatory express grateful appreciation to all Lowell merchants and others who contributed so generously toward the success of our annual picnic July 22nd

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Verna and I wish to thank the VFW and Legion Auxiliaries, the W. R. C. Blue Star Mothers, our friends, relatives and neighbors for the cards, gifts and kindness shown us during our illness and hospitalization.

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Muck farmers should plan to attend the Muck Farmers' Field Day on August 2, at the Michigan State College much experimental farm near Bath.

CARD OF THANKS

The kindness and sympathy of neighbors and friends in our recent sorrow will always remain with us a precious memory. Our sincere thanks and gratitude for all those comforting acts.

Galvanized Roofing Requires Prompt Care Says Carl J. Hanson

Estimates say that 40 percent of the roofs of farm buildings in Michigan are galvanized sheets. According to Carl J. Hanson, assistant county agricultural agent, the same surveys disclosed that about 50 percent of these roofs are rusty and should be cared for to stop further loss of metal.

COMING EVENTS

Lowell high school class of 1944 will hold their reunion Sunday, Aug. 6, at Fallsburg Park, beginning at 5:30. All Lowell Alumni and families are welcome.

The 20th annual Sweet school reunion will be held at the school on August 6, 1950. Please notify all your family or any former teachers and pupils. Potluck dinner at 1:00 p. m.

The W. F. M. S. and Young People's Society will meet Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 8:00 p. m. in the Lowell Church of the Nazarene.

The Methodist Youth Fellowship will sponsor an ice cream social on Friday, July 28, on the Methodist church lawn from 6:30 to 11:30 p. m. Ice cream, cake and barbecue. 50c. Everyone come.

The Mary-Martha Chapter of the W. F. M. S. of the Nazarene Church will meet at the home of Eleanor Rollins Tuesday, Aug. 1, at 8:00 p. m.

The Lila Group of the Congregational Women's Fellowship will meet Friday, Aug. 4, in the home of Miss Hattie Lynn.

The Three M's of the Methodist Church will meet with Rev. and Mrs. Philip R. Gletofsky on Thursday, Aug. 3, with picnic supper at 6:30.

Cyclamen Chapter, No. 94, O. E. S. is sponsoring a card party to be held at Masonic Temple Thursday afternoon, Aug. 10, beginning play at 2:00 o'clock. Public is invited.

The Good Will Club will meet at Fallsburg Park pavilion Wednesday, Aug. 2. Bring own table service and a dish to pass.

MSC Home Economist Gives Timely Advice For Sandwich Season

Most homemakers have had plenty of experience in making that favorite American food, the sandwich, but a few modern tips about them are timely now that we are in the midst of "sandwich season."

Ruth Ingalls, Michigan State College home economist, believes that a few suggestions may help your efficiency in sandwich-making. Did you know that day-old bread is easier to cut and to spread, but that bread chilled in the refrigerator gives the same results?

Butter will spread easier if it is first softened. You can do this, of course, by leaving it at room temperature for awhile. Or you can cut in large chunks, put it in a bowl, and cover it with warm water. You can also use the trick of putting the butter in a hot bowl and then mashing it with a fork.

There'd be less pedestrian patients, if there were more patient pedestrians. A spinster is a lady desperate enough to play post office with a second class male.

When you're average you're as near the bottom as you are to the top.

Just because a man gets down on his knees to propose he has to spend the rest of his life up on his toes.

You are more than seven times as likely to be injured in an automobile accident between five and six in the evening as you are between six and seven in the morning.

Kropf-McQueen Vows Spoken in Indiana

The marriage of Miss Marjorie A. McQueen and Marcel F. Kropf, Saturday, July 22, at Michigan City, Ind., is announced by the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce McQueen. Mr. Kropf is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kropf. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. Mr. Deal, pastor of the Methodist Church in Michigan City.

The couple was attended by the brother-in-law and sister of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Noah Blough. The bride wore a Glen plaid suit with black accessories and a corsage of red rosebuds and white bridal wreath. Her attendant wore a blue suit with a corsage identical with the bride's.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Kropf are graduates of Lowell high school in the classes 1946 and 1948. Mrs. Kropf continuing her education at MSC for two years, and the past year has been in the office of the Lowell Granite Co. Mr. Kropf is employed at Highland Hills Dairy and after their return from a two weeks' wedding trip in the deep south they will make their home at 404 N. Riverside Dr.

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Sanitation is one of the important parts of good farm management. Keep your equipment, barns and stock clean.

About 1,000 Michigan homemakers leave household chores to attend their annual Homemakers Conference at Michigan State College, on July 19-21, 1950 theme is "Know Your Michigan."

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Bridal Showers Honor Miss Patricia DeGraw

Miss Patricia DeGraw was honored with a miscellaneous shower Wednesday evening, July 19, at the home of Mrs. L. E. Johnson, with Mrs. Beth Grochowalski as assistant hostess. About 11 guests were present and the guest of honor received beautiful gifts.

On Thursday evening, Mrs. Bert VanderMeulen of Grand Rapids, Mrs. DeGraw's future mother-in-law, gave a miscellaneous shower in her honor, thirty guests being present. An assortment of beautiful and useful gifts were received by the bride-elect.

Mrs. Charles Radford and Mrs. Wm. VanTatenhove entertained on Tuesday evening of last week at the home of the former with a grocery shower honoring Miss DeGraw. About eighteen guests were present and the guest of honor received a bountiful supply of groceries. Guests were present from Grand Rapids as well as Lowell.

Miscellaneous Shower For Miss Claradell Hill

Wednesday evening, July 19, Mrs. Charles Hill entertained twelve guests with a miscellaneous shower honoring her sister-in-law, Miss Claradell Hill, who is to become the bride of Mr. Francis Rewa of Dorr, August 29. The wedding will take place at St. Andrews Cathedral in Grand Rapids.

Marriage Announced

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Potter announce the recent marriage of their daughter, Verna, to Elsie Williams, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vinson Williams of Beiding.

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New State Leader in Home Demonstration

Michigan's home demonstration program, with its membership of more than 40,000 homemakers, will be headed by a new state home demonstration leader, effective on Sept. 1. Mrs. Leona MacLeod has been appointed to the Michigan State College Cooperative Extension Service post by the State Board of Agriculture.

Mrs. MacLeod will transfer from her present position as assistant professor of textiles, clothing and related arts in the School of Home Economics to fill the vacancy created by the previous resignation of Rachel Markwell. Since her first appointment as MSC in 1934, Mrs. MacLeod has worked with the home demonstration program for 11 years. Many a gal has been shelled because her life is an open book.

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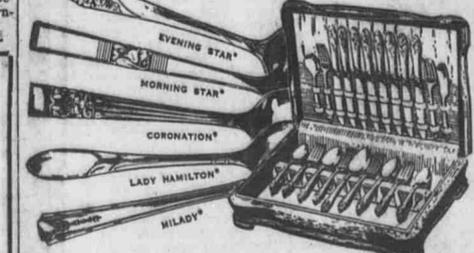
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