

## Holstein Herd Major Purpose On Photo Farm

The Wm. F. Wierenga farm on Bailey Drive, seven miles northwest of Lowell was caught by the aerial cameraman and the picture appeared in last week's Ledger. Mr. Wierenga called at the Ledger office Saturday to identify the picture as that of his home and was given the framed enlargement of the photo and the gift certificate from the merchants who are sponsoring the Photo Quiz program.

Mr. Wierenga purchased this farm of 112 acres about ten years ago and has made many improvements since. The house has been completely modernized and the horse barn has been remodeled into a well arranged dairy barn. He has recently built a milk house, toolshed, corral, silo, hog house and poultry house.

The general farming program which he carries on centers pretty much around his registered and grade Holstein herd and the raising of feed for his cattle. At present he is milking 21 cows and sells the milk on the Grand Rapids market. The crops raised include hay, corn, oats and wheat, and he uses modern grass farming practices. Besides the 112 acres on his own place he is farming 240 acres for neighbors with modern machinery.

Mr. Wierenga was born in Paris township and was raised on a farm and graduated from Cascade school. He worked in Nash-Kelvinator in Grand Rapids for 23 years living in the city until he purchased the farm. A year ago he left the factory and gave the farm his undivided attention and is doing a fine job.

The family consists of Mrs. Wierenga, the former Gertrude Timmer of Cascade Township, and their four children: two sons, George and Wm., Jr., are in service; George is stationed at Anchorage, Alaska, and Wm., Jr. is at the Great Lakes Army Training Center; Jack and Jerry are home assisting their father in the management of the farm. The daughter, Betty, a graduate of Lowell High School, is employed in the personnel office of Butterworth hospital.

Betty, Jerry and Bill have always been active in 4-H work and the whole family is active in Ada Community Reformed Church. The hobby in which all are interested, is flowers, especially dahlias, and landscaping to beautify the home.

**Harold Collins Family Entertains Servicemen Honoring Son, Nephews**

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Collins and family entertained with a dinner party Saturday evening in honor of their son, Gardner Collins ETSN who will be graduated from Electronics Training School at Great Lakes this Friday, and their nephews, Sgt. Anthony Halderop, Jr., who just returned from 20 months duty with the Air Force in the Korean war zone, and John Truck, Jr., who will soon join the armed services.

Also present were Mrs. Gardner Collins, Mrs. Wm. Collins, Miss Wilma Collins, Miss Gladys Collins, John Truck, Sr. and Jerry of Middleville, Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Halderop, Sr. and Beverly and Richard and Mr. and Mrs. Rex Ortel and Otto Kellogg of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Elsie Kellogg and Mrs. Ida Sinclair of Lowell.

**75% Kent Herds Are Free From Bangs Disease**

According to Dr. William Waddell in charge of the Bang's testing work in Kent County, milk samples for possible infection have been completed in fourteen townships, blood tests in ten townships. Work is progressing favorably, but it has been six months ago that the first tests were taken. It is therefore necessary to retest herds in Tyrone and Solon townships and to be carried on in the other townships as time goes on.

The purpose of the retest is to get a milk test on animals which were not in production when samples were taken last fall, also to see if new infection is showing up in the herds.

Dr. Waddell reports that milk samples were taken on 1,327 herds since last fall. Blood tests were taken on 615 herds. Kent County farmers should be proud of the fact that 75% of the herds tested showed no infection.

Kent County was the first county in Michigan to use the milk ring test in combination with the herd blood test. The Kent County board of supervisors felt that the milk ring test would be more desirable because it speeded up the work due to the fact no handling of cattle was required on herd negative to milk test; second, saved manpower time and money. Collection of samples in intervals of 5 to 8 months gives more security to the farmer in that the tests are frequent enough to catch new infection.

Dr. Waddell is grateful for the fine cooperation shown by the farmers of this county, in helping to control and eradicate this disease.

**AUCTION SALE**  
Saturday, May 3, at 1:00 o'clock at Heese Farm Market, Grocery, Stock, Store Building and Fixture. Also Orchard equipment and supplies. Geo. VanderMeulen, auctioneer.  
Friday, May 2, at 1:30 p. m., furniture and household effects. Mrs. Minnie M. VanDyke, Estate. Harry Day clerk. Geo. VanderMeulen, Auctioneer.  
**GARBAGE PICK-UP NOTICE**  
It is requested by LeRoy Thompson, the garbage collector for Lowell, that tin cans and other refuse be kept from the regular garbage cans and placed in the bags or boxes provided for that purpose. c-1

## Lowell Receives \$6,043.51 Share Of Highway Fund

Net receipts of the State Motor Vehicle Highway fund for the first quarter of 1952 amounted to \$54,473,410.40 and this money, derived from the state gas tax and motor vehicle licenses, is now being distributed to the State Highway Department, the counties and to the cities and incorporated villages of the state, as provided for by Act 51, Section 12, of the Public Acts of 1951, according to Highway Commissioner Charles M. Ziegler.

Under the 1951 act, the Highway Department receives 44 per cent of the funds, the counties receive 37 per cent and the cities and incorporated villages receive 19 per cent. Under this distribution formula, the Highway Department will receive from the first quarter monies \$23,968,300.58, the counties, \$30,155,161.85, and the cities and incorporated villages, \$10,349,947.97.

The Motor Vehicle Highway funds were collected as follows during the January 1-March 31, 1952, period (inclusive):

Gasoline tax	\$16,960,816.32
Diesel Fuel tax	197,946.81
Weight tax (resident)	37,151,378.88
Wt. tax (non-resident)	129,067.92
Miscellaneous fees	986,785.28
Total collections	\$55,356,006.21
Less collection costs	882,594.81
Net total collections	\$54,473,410.40

Of this money collected Kent county will receive \$777,441.94 and the village of Lowell \$6,043.51.

## Speaker Advises Republican Club Stress Teamwork

Mrs. Benjamin Cuney of Grand Rapids, former secretary of the Vandenberg Club, addressed the Lowell Republican Women's Club at the home of Mrs. L. E. Johnson Monday night, April 28. Mrs. Cuney quoted Margaret Chase Smith, senator from Maine, as saying that although women have been criticized for taking part in politics, that they have been told that their place is in the home, she feels that it is time for women to "put home into government."

The speaker pointed out that although women can accomplish little in a political campaign individually, they can achieve a great deal as a team. Her advice to the group was to make personal contact with every voter, and to see that literature on all the candidates reach everyone.

Mrs. Cuney suggested that every person who will be voting in the next election should make a point to know each candidate and what he stands for. It was announced that on May 5 at the Rowe Hotel in Grand Rapids there will be a School of Politics which will be conducted by top men in the field of sales training. The next meeting will be May 28 at Mrs. Elmer Schaefer's on Riverside Drive.

## VFW Auxiliary Installs New Officers for 1952

The V. F. W. Auxiliary to Flat River Post 8303 of Lowell held their regular meeting Thursday, April 24 at 8 p. m. with twenty-one members present and President Ayres presided. With opening ceremonies completed, minutes were read and various chairmen reported on current activities.

The meeting proceeded to the main business—installation of officers which was done by installing Officer Betty Kropf. The following officers were present and duly installed: President, M. A. Ayres; Sr. Vice, O. Evans; Jr. Vice, J. Boone; Secretary, L. Adriance; Treasurer, E. Hawk; Guard, M. Barton; Trustee, M. A. LeDuc; Chaplain, C. A. Troy; Musician, M. A. Hawk; Patriotic Instructor, L. Smith; Historian, A. McCarty; Color Bearers, F. Kelley, E. Number, M. King and H. Peckham; Banner Bearer, V. Conner; and Flag Bearer, J. Cook/Kovacs; Conductress, P. Wittenbach. As the new officers took their stations, the installing officer and President were presented with corsages of roses and eight members were awarded five year membership pins in recognition of five years of continuous membership in the Auxiliary. These members were charter members of this auxiliary which celebrated its fifth year of institution on April 17 of this year and were M. A. Ayres, B. Kropf, L. Smith, M. Barton, L. Adriance, A. McCarty, M. A. Hawk and C. A. Troy.

The meeting closed with the retiring of the colors and adjourned to a delicious lunch of sandwiches, pickles, cake and coffee.

The next regular meeting will be held May 8th at the Post Club Rooms and members are urged to attend.

**BIRTHS**  
To Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Schakleton, at College Park, Ga., April 13, a son, Thomas Lee, Mr. Schakleton is the former Clarice Kaufman, man.  
To Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Tuma of 214 1/2 N. Packer St., Pigeon, April 25, an 8 pound 15 ounce son, Jeffrey Janet. Mrs. Tuma is the former Jean Torne.

## Legion and Auxiliary To Observe Anniversary

The Lowell American Legion and Legion Auxiliary will hold an Anniversary Supper party at the Lowell City Hall Monday, May 5th at 7:00 p. m. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass. Rolls and coffee will be furnished.

## Lowell Women's Bowling Season Is Huge Success

The 1951-52 bowling season of the Lowell Women's Bowling Association has been outstanding in enthusiasm and achievement. Ten of the sixteen teams participated in the State Bowling Tournament at Muskegon and several of the local bowlers have more than a fair chance to share in the final prize distribution at the close of the State Tournament.

President Blanche Minor and her teammates, Martin Twins of Saranac, planned the annual banquet which was held Tuesday, April 22, in the attractive meeting hall of the Saranac Parish House. Guest of honor Minnie Sackerman, Secretary of the Michigan Women's Bowling Association, and 73 members of the local association, enjoyed the turkey dinner, expertly cooked and served. The tables were artistically decorated with flowers, cleverly appointed with mock bowling balls carrying team names, and individual place cards for guests. President Minor, wearing the beautiful corsage presented to her by the bowlers, was roundly applauded for her work and guidance that made the 1951-52 season one of the finest in Lowell bowling history. Secretary Joanne Hawley also was thanked for the fine manner in which she conducted the tournament and for her services during the year. Mr. and Mrs. Sam Patterson furnished dinner music and led the group singing which was enjoyed by all present.

A short business meeting was held and the officers for the 1952-53 season are: President, Grace Taylor; Vice President, Esther Cleverly; Secretary, Irma Bischoff; Treasurer, Elizabeth Hawk; Sergeant-at-Arms, Irene Keach.

All sixteen teams were entered in the local city tournament. The prizes were given out at the banquet, and the results announced as follows:

Team Standings—Martin Twins, 2715; Highland Hill, 2689; L. E. Johnsons, 2636; State Savings Bank, 2613; Bob's City Service, 2573; Christiansen's Drug, 2571; Laundry, 2570; Thompson Market, 2567; W. A. Roth & Sons, 2550; Christiansen's Photog., 2544; C. H. Runciman Co., 2543; Superior Furniture, 2507; Koert's Dairy, 2496; Foreman's Chicks, 2476; King Milling Co., 2433; Rittenger's, 2404.

Doubles—E. Topp, H. Dilly, 1105; M. Dilly, B. Buek, 1099; B. Minor, T. Poole, 1092; L. Winks M. Thomel, 1088; S. Sherman, L. Hawk, 1082; T. Carpenter, J. Warner, 1074; Single's—Dabakoy, 698; H. Dilly, 589; M. Abraham, 572; C. Hall, 570; W. Ellis, 567; L. Hawk, 564; R. MacFarlane, 558.

All Events, actual—M. Dilly, 1312 H. Dilly, 1289; T. Carpenter, 1279; High Game of Tournament, Actual—B. Minor, 187; with Handicap—Betty Clark, 225.

The handsome bowling trophy presented by the American Legion Bowling Alleys for the winning team was awarded to the Martin Twins of Saranac, for first place in the tournament.

The Superior Furniture Company generously donated a beautiful table to be awarded as the season's door prize and this was won by Joanne Hawley.

## February's Increase In Traffic Casualties Brings All-Out Attack

The State Safety Commission to-day announced an all-out attack on accidents caused by dangerous turns at intersections.

The educational campaign carries the slogan "Signal When You Turn" and is aimed at calling attention to turning violations which result in collisions.

## Prepare Polio Precautions For 1952

Distribution for more than 1,000,000 leaflets to Michigan school children instructing parents in precautions to take when polio comes to the community is now underway with the help of the State Department of Public Instruction. The leaflets, which contain several 'do's' and 'don'ts' were printed for free distribution by the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

## Original Spring Hats Feature PNG Meeting With Large Attendance

The A-11 meeting of Lowell Past Noble Grand Club proved to be an outstanding one when a very large number of members and guests assembled at the home of Mrs. Frank Gulliford with Mrs. Edward Watson co-hostess.

As "original" spring hats were the feature of the evening, admission was by "hat." When all had arrived, two husbands were called in to be hat judges. The prize was awarded to Mrs. Don Phillips.

## Dreaded Anthrax Highly Infectious Threatens Herds

By Auditor Gen. John B. Martin One of the developments which does not come from inside the Capitol but concerns us here very much is the discovery in Michigan of the dread disease called anthrax. I have just talked at some length with George McIntyre, Deputy Director of the Department of Agriculture, about the work being done to meet this problem.

The spread of anthrax in the State of Michigan would be the most serious thing that had happened to the dairy industry in this State in generations. We have some 170,000 farmers here in Michigan and 140,000 of them make at least a part of their livelihood from dairying. Whatever threatens their livelihood is of vital concern to Michigan's public officials.

Anthrax has been known in foreign countries as far back as we have medical records but it has never appeared in our dairy herds. At the present time we have discovered a total of a dozen cases, appearing in all of the southern tier of counties, in one or two counties on the western edge of the State and recently a case was discovered in Shiawassee County. It appears to have originated in some meal shipped from Belgium to Ohio and re-distributed there as fertilizer and in feed and mineral mixtures to other parts of the country. The real danger, of course, comes after the death of an animal. If it is cut open or decays the bacilli then spread and may affect other animals or humans. Apparently there is little direct danger from the milk itself but farmers and veterinarians are subject to attack. The Department of Agriculture tells me that they are doing everything they know how to check the disease. Farms where it appears are placed under quarantine and diseased animals are required to be burned or buried deep. Farmers who have any question about the condition of their stock are asked to contact the Department of Agriculture so that their herd can be checked. Rendering plants are forbidden to pick up the animals without a certificate as to the cause of death.

The very serious danger is that we may not get this situation under control before hot weather begins when flies will help to spread the disease and to contaminate the ground. If this last should happen it might be many years before we would be free of anthrax in Michigan.

I have suggested that if there is any need for additional man power in order to meet the problem that a request ought to be made for funds from the Emergency Fund controlled by the Little Legislators which operates between sessions. Nothing the State Department of Agriculture of the United States Department of Agriculture can do during the next month or two should be held up for any lack of funds to combat this menace and I am sure any money needed would be forthcoming.

## ON MOTHER'S DAY

For Mother living, wear a Flower Bright; for Mother in spirit, wear a Flower White. Phone 225-52, Kid's Flower and Gift Shop. We deliver. c-2

Last year 1,962,000 Americans were injured in traffic accidents.

## High School Athlete Injured in Car Crash

Duane Reger, 16-year-old junior and popular athlete in Lowell High school, met with a severe accident Friday night as he was driving alone to his home on R-2, Alto, and fell asleep at the wheel.

The car struck a tree, hit a culvert and plunged into a shallow creek, on 64th St., near M-60. Duane was able to crawl out of the wreckage to a farmhouse a half mile away where he was given first aid and transferred to St. Mary's hospital. He was treated for multiple head and face cuts and shock, later being released from the hospital.

Reger is one of Lowell's star football players and is on the baseball team this season. His teammates are anxious to have him recuperate and be back in the game.

## Red Arrows Spring Sports In Full Swing

Recreation Park is buzzing with activity as members of the Red Arrow baseball, track and tennis squads practice diligently every afternoon. The baseball team started off on the right foot by taking a 7 to 4 victory from the Wyoming Park lads. The second game of the season proved to be a thriller when the Arrows took an 8 to 3 win over Grand Rapids Lee High. In this contest the Rebels took a 2 to 1 second inning lead. The Arrows came back to make it 2 all up to the 7th inning when they sneaked into a 3 to 2 lead. The Arrows put the game on ice in the 8th inning by scoring 5 runs. The big blow of this session was a mighty triple by Dale Brown with the bases loaded.

Bill Roth has been doing heavy mound work for the locals with Phil Kropf behind the plate. Roth struck out 14 of the men to face him in the Lee game. This Wednesday the Arrows will take on the Godwin lads at Grand Rapids in a game that will go a long way in deciding the Grand Valley championship. The Arrow track team has been having its troubles this season. The local boys dropped their first four meets by very close margins, but came back to take a narrow 87 to 82 win over the Rockford Striders. In spite of their showings to date the Arrows have some very promising material and will come up with some unexpected strength in the all conference meet.

## Current News Items About Our Servicemen

Pvt. Clyde W. Dennis, 23, son of Mrs. J. T. Pattison, who enlisted in the Army in October 1941, has completed his basic training at Ft. Knox, Ky. As a prospective reconnaissance tank crewman he is receiving special training in scouting and patrolling, intelligence and driving and maintenance of various Army tracked and wheeled vehicles. This is in addition to intensive training in practical work in various combat skills and in the firing of Army weapons.

Cpl. Donald P. Roth, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Roth, who has been with the Training Replacement Command stationed at Camp Del Mar, at Oceanside, Calif., writes his parents that he will receive his discharge from the Marines May 6, and plans to be home for Mother's Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gilbert have given the Ledger the address of their son in service which is Pvt. Wm. H. Gilbert RA 16404270 Co. 30, BTM SCRTG, Camp Gordon, Ga.

Mr. and Mrs. Amos Sterzik, Sr., of R. 2, Alto, have received a letter from their son, Amos, Jr., stating he arrived in Japan a week ago. Amos flies on a cargo plane operating between Japan and Korea. His new address is: A-3c Amos Sterzik, 61st Troop Carrier Hq., APO 75 Box 5, c. o. Postmaster, San Francisco, California.

Another son of the Sterzicks is with a Medical Detachment in Germany. His address is: Pvt. Wm. J. Sterzik, US 5512822 Med. Det. 10th Field Hosp., APO 696, c. o. Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

Mr. Sterzik sends the Ledger to both his sons to help keep them informed of the doings in their home community.

Ronald Jessup came Thursday from Fort Dix, N. J., to spend a two week's leave with the home folks. He is to report at Fort Knox, Ky., on May 10th.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Keach had a happier Easter when their son, Pfc. Maxwell Keach called them—the telephone from his station at Big Delta, Alaska.

## Spring Brings Improvements to Entire Village

With the coming of spring weather the village has sprung into activities which is making improvements all over Lowell. It seems each individual, the organizations and civic groups are all working to make their property more attractive and the public recreation areas being generally cleaned and improved.

New building programs are going on in all parts of town and stores are redecorating and adding new modern equipment in many places.

**Park Work Progresses**  
Wednesday morning a force of men under supervision of the Lowell Parks committee, began cutting and clearing away the old trees in Richards Park. According to Peter Mulder, chairman, Lowell Garden Club has been invited to assist in the planning of the landscaping and plantings in the park and the Kent County Parks commission has volunteered to oversee the work and to furnish the necessary drawings.

**New Street Graded**  
The village has about completed the grading and graveling of the extension of Grove St. west from Vergennes Rd. and it is a nice improvement to this part of the village.

A building permit has been approved by the village council to Don Beachum and a new residence is already under construction.

## VFW Auxiliary Sponsors Concert For Mother's Day

In observance of National V. F. W. Youth Week, the Junior Band and Junior Chorus under the able direction of their director and teacher, Miss Charlyne Koch, have kindly consented to present a free-to-the-public musical concert under the sponsorship of the V. F. W. Auxiliary to Flat River Post 8303 of Lowell. This concert will be presented at the Lowell City Hall on Sunday afternoon, May 11, 1952, Mother's Day, and will last around an hour.

The entire public is cordially invited to attend as there will be no admittance charge nor collection taken up. It will be absolutely free of charge to young and old alike—anyone who would like to attend.

A complete program will be published later and Miss Koch, the Junior Band, Junior Chorus and V. F. W. Auxiliary sincerely hope many of the citizens of Lowell and the surrounding communities will take advantage of this free opportunity to listen to the accomplishments of these two youthful groups.

## Prevent Spread Of Trash Fires While Cleaning

State Police Commissioner Donald S. Leonard, who is also state fire marshal, warns Michigan residents that spring cleaning may turn out to be a costly chore if special care is not taken when burning trash.

"Our fire reports show that local fire departments throughout the state are called more than 10,000 times each year when trash fires ignite buildings and surrounding property," Leonard said. "At least 1,000 buildings are destroyed or damaged. Such waste can be prevented if a few simple precautionary steps are taken.

"One of the most dangerous practices is starting trash fires on windy days. Wait for a calm day when the fire can be controlled more easily and there will not be so much danger of it spreading. Remember too, fire has no respect for property lines.

"It is always best to burn trash away from buildings and use a properly screened trash burner. After lighting the fire, stay close by, don't leave it unattended. Keep a shovel or rake and water handy. When the fire appears to be out, make sure it is out by sprinkling dirt or water over the ashes.

"Avoid needless trouble and expense for yourself, your neighbor and your fire department. Be especially careful with trash fires."

**Attention Boosters**  
Members of Vergennes Booster club will hold their first meeting for planning summer projects at Vergennes Grange hall Friday night, May 8. All youngsters who are interested come and bring your parents.

## Mother-Daughter Program May 8

The annual Mother and Daughter banquet, sponsored by the Martha Group of the Methodist Church, will be held this year on Thursday evening, May 8. The meal will be prepared by the Men's Club of the church and will be served by them in the church dining room at 6:30. Tickets for the banquet will be available to the public at Munroe's Food Market on Saturday, May 8.

The program will include the traditional toasts to mothers and daughters and will feature a talk that will be of special interest to little girls as well as their big sisters and mothers.

## All Amateurs Invited To Talent Quest Show

One of the biggest talent quest shows ever seen in western Michigan will be staged at the Saranac High School auditorium on Friday evening, May 2, 9 and 16, sponsored by V. F. W. Post 4363.

Cash prize awards each night. Winners of these shows will be heard on radio broadcast show his fall. Shows under direction of Henry Knapp of Lyons. Talent quest to look over all talent. All talent from Lowell and vicinity are welcome to appear.

## AREWELL PARTY PLANNED BY LOWELL SADDLE CLUB

Lowell Boot and Spur Saddle club will hold a farewell party for William VanVorst and family at the A. J. Wells home Saturday evening, May 3, at eight o'clock. Members are requested to bring sandwiches and table service for the family; also a dish to pass.

## BLAZE TUESDAY DESTROYED CHILDREN'S POULTRY START

A fire in a small chicken house at the Bruce Walker home on Riverside Drive brought out the fire department Tuesday evening. The building was quickly consumed by the blaze but no further damage was done.

As a project the children of Mr. and Mrs. Walter had erected this small building and installed ten little chicks, now a week old. The improvised heating system made by use of a lantern may have been the cause of the fire. The baby chicks got away and most of them were lost but the children spent the evening out hunting with lantern and flashlight to find them.

## Light Headed

Wear the famous Champ Weight and you'll forget you have that on! Pre-pressed to hold its shape. \$7.50 at Coons.

May is Car Safety Month. See our special on wheel alignment in this issue.

Home-makers delight their families with a variety of bean dishes the country over and no other meat substitute is so economical and, at the same time, so rich in vitamins and minerals. C. H. Runciman and Mrs. Runciman who are on vacation find this to be true wherever they go.

"Did you know?" says Runciman, "you simply can't eat a nickel's worth of beans at a sitting!"

One day last week the ownership of Groeters Body Shop changed when Matt Fitch of St. Johns purchased the business and the building on South Hudson St. Mr. Fitch has had experience in all types of body work, specializing in collision repair.

Mr. and Mrs. Fitch plan to move here as soon as they find a place to live.

Maybe it's a little early to start talking about the 1952 Showboat and the committee in charge of the production is at work, and has been on the alert for new ideas and new talent since the Showboat was dry docked last year. There is a certain something about this community project that makes every citizen feel responsible for the success it has always been.

Only recently Steve Rush, one of the early planners of the Showboat, stopped to call on Admiral C. H. Runciman, and chat awhile about the Showboat and incidentally to offer a suggestion or two. Steve has been gone from Lowell for several years but the spirit of the Showboat is still close to his heart.

Many youthful amateurs have had their first real chance to exhibit their talent on the stage with talent scouts in the audience, and many have found a place for themselves among the best of entertainers.

The seventeenth edition of Lowell Showboat is already under way and promises to be better than ever with a bigger show and added seating facilities for its ever-growing audience.

The residents in the neighborhood of Richards Park have been giving the Ledger the Razzy-berry for two weeks because we were a little premature in our statements regarding the beauty of the park which has been such a nice playground for the children. Now that the trees are all uprooted and the old bandstand pushed over it seems the old bulldozer that did the job has gone elsewhere to do, and the trees were really better looking with the roots under ground.

The park committee assured us that the improvements only begun, and to be completed soon and that the park will be more useful and beautiful than ever before.

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff. From discussions in political circles it would seem that there is something wrong with everyone mentioned at a presidential candidate. Maybe that's it. Must be something wrong with anyone who would want to become president in times like these. . . . A Lowell man said yesterday, "you just don't appreciate what you just interest can accomplish until you get on the paying end of a five year note."

A neighbor says "we're the strongest nation on earth and it is costing like h— to prove it." . . . Money doesn't talk these days. It goes without saying.

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Pleasant Valley Mrs. Bert Blank Dr. Floyd Taber, a missionary on furlough from Africa was speaker at Calvary Brethren Church Saturday evening, April 28. Also Sunday morning and evening.

Meyer family at Eau Claire, Wis. enjoying Easter there. Mary Lou Erb returned to Grand Rapids Saturday to her work at Mary Free Bed Hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Scott called to see Mrs. Dena Rensch at Peet's Nursing Home and Mrs. Flora at the home of Mrs. Flora on Friday afternoon, it being Gita's birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Osborn, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Neuh and mother, Mrs. Ernie Neuh attended a birthday dinner Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Manni near Hastings honoring Mrs. Ruth Osborn.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Blank went to Grand Rapids Sunday afternoon to see their friends, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Redding who are slowly recovering from injuries suffered in an auto accident six weeks ago, in the city.

Punishment Changes Used to be when a schoolboy brought home an examination paper with a low grade he got a "lickin'." Nowadays he gets drafted.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Crippen and granddaughter of St. John's, Mrs. Isabelle Yoder of Presport, the Henry Island, Jr. family of near Lake Oshtemo and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mishler Sunday evening. They and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Roush were luncheon guests at Mrs. Lucille Watts was a caller on Mrs. Jennie Pardee Monday forenoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mishler, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Roush of Hastings and Mr. and Mrs. Muri Hostetter and Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Esch were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Glesher of St. John's.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pennington of Hastings were Saturday evening supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Finnone.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles King and Mrs. Lloyd spent the week end at Lake City.

Mr. Paul Hoffman and Mrs. Frank Townsend were in Hastings Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson and son of Battle Creek visited Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hoffman Saturday evening.

Mrs. Frank Townsend and Mrs. Paul Hoffman spent Thursday in Grand Rapids; in the forenoon they went through the Miller Bakery and did shopping in the afternoon.

George Finnone and family accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pennington and daughter of Hastings to Galsburg to see the stock car races Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mishler attended the funeral of Mrs. Mills Stuckle at Presport Friday afternoon. She lived in Elkhart, Ind.

John Thomas of Lansing was a caller on his brother, Walter Thomas and wife Tuesday evening.

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# Peanut Butter Cookies

1/2 cup shortening  
1/2 cup peanut butter  
1/2 cup brown sugar  
1/2 cup white sugar  
1 egg

1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract  
1 1/2 cups sifted enriched King's Self-Rising Flour

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Cream shortening, peanut butter and sugars together until fluffy. Add beaten egg and vanilla. Add flour. Shape dough into small balls the size of marbles. Place on cookie sheet about 1 in. apart. Press flat with tines of fork. Bake in moderate oven (375° F.) 12 to 15 minutes. Yield: About 3 1/2 dozen 2-inch cookies.

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#### COMING EVENTS

The Alton Ladies Aid meeting will be postponed until Thursday afternoon, May 15 in the church basement. Potluck luncheon.

The Mary Group of the Methodist church will meet in the home of Mrs. Wm. Wachterhauser on Spring St. on Friday, May 2, for a carry-in luncheon at 12:30. Please bring a dish to pass, own sandwiches and service; also sewing material.

Alton Ladies Aid will have a Rummage Sale May 9, 10, and 12 at V. F. W. Hall Friday, 9:00 a. m. until 5:00 p. m. Saturday, 9:00 a. m. until 9:00 p. m. Monday, 12 noon until 4:00 p. m. p-1

B. & P. W. Club annual meeting, election of officers, Monday evening, May 5, 1952, at 8 p. m. home of Ruby Eickhoff, N. Washington St.

The Vergennes Cooperative Club will meet at the home of Mrs. Wm. Roth Thursday, May 8, instead of May 1st. A dessert lunch will be served promptly at 1:30, the meeting and program following.

American Legion Aux. to Clark-Ellis post will observe its 51st birthday Monday, May 5 at the City Hall. Potluck supper joint with the post at 7:00 p. m. and euchre will be played afterwards.

Lowell Island City Rebekah Lodge will hold regular meeting at I.O.O.F. Hall Tuesday, May 6 at 8 p. m. at which time the "Camp Chest" will be presented to the local lodge by Sunlight Rebekah lodge of Grand Rapids. A large representation of district membership is expected. Lowell members should plan to be present.

The Lowell Extension Day Group will meet at the home of Mrs. Valda Chaterdon Thursday, May 8, at 11:00 a. m. with potluck luncheon. Bring own table service and a dish to pass. Lesson: "Program Planning."

The Good Will club will meet Wednesday afternoon, May 7, at the home of Mrs. Henry Tichelaar on Lincoln Lake Rd. for a supper meeting. Everyone is expected to bring an antique for the exhibit at our antique show.

Mother-Daughter banquet tickets will go on sale at Munroe's Food Market on Saturday, May 3, \$1.25 per plate. c-1

#### Local Happenings

Mrs. Austin Coons has returned from a visit with her sisters, Mrs. Louise Walkley of Lansing and Mrs. Mae Speaker of Lake Orion. Mrs. Albert Dines of Muskegon, Mrs. Erlin Vandevort, Mrs. Fay Vandevort and little son, Michael, of Grand Rapids called Tuesday on the former's cousin, Mrs. Effie Goosen.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen L. Chaffee of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Tom Morris of Ada and Mrs. Olive Ritter of Lowell were Sunday afternoon callers at the Tom Chaffee home.

George Finucan of Cincinnati, Ohio, assisted at the Christiansen Drug Store last week.

Store Wide 10% Discount on all Cash Sales through May 10. Hill's Shoe Store, "Shoes for the Entire Family", Lowell, Mich.

### Howard Rittenger

about this question...

A farmer can be ever so careful, yet, a grass fire, hazardous farm machinery, all make a farmer open to a possible law suit for damages or injuries. Is there a low-cost insurance that will protect a farmer from such liability?

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LeRoy Anderson

**ANY TIME**  
Eddie Fisher

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Perry Como

**CRY**  
Johnnie Ray

**A LITTLE KISS GOODNIGHT**  
Doris Day and Guy Mitchell

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Doriz Day

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#### More Than 100 Guests Attend Golden Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. George Tucker who for nearly fifty years lived on their farm in South Boston, and are now residing on Foreman Drive, celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary Sunday, April 27th. About 100 guests were present from Grand Rapids, Hastings, Hudsonville, Saranac, Clarksville, Sparta, Byron Center, South Boston and Lowell. An uncle of Mrs. Tucker, Mr. Albert Thomas of Scottville, who is soon to celebrate his 90th birthday, and is the oldest relative of his generation, telephoned his congratulations.

Mr. and Mrs. Tucker's children planned this celebration and served a most delicious luncheon. Many nice gifts and cards were received, and altogether it was a very enjoyable event.

No-Sag

The problem of keeping gates from sagging and warping has always been an aggravating one. A manufacturer of a new gate now gives a lifetime guaranty against warping or sagging. Made of tempered aircraft aluminum members riveted together, the gate weighs just half as much as the conventional gate, provides a sturdy barrier to livestock or farm animals. The rolled edges give strength and protection to animals. It comes in sizes from 4 to 16 feet long.

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Leder Want Ads bring results.

#### Horse Receives Degree College Gets New Gym

A college professor told this to me, so you can take it or leave it. He said that a farmer wrote to the President of the college and offered to contribute ten thousand dollars toward the new gymnasium. There was only one condition. The farmer had a horse that had helped him succeed. This horse had pulled the plow and the cultivator and the hay rake for many years. The farmer felt that the horse should be given some recognition and suggested that a degree be conferred.

Of course, this was an unusual request. Ten thousand dollars is also an unusual donation. So the board met and after due deliberation decided that they would make the horse a doctor of something or other.

Now, the point isn't that the horse became a horse doctor. It is rather in the words spoken by the president when he presented the degree to the horse. "I have presented many diplomas in my time," said the president to the graduating class, "but this is the first time that I have presented a degree to a whole horse."—Friendly Adventurer.

#### MARGOT GERINGER CHOSEN FOR DAR SPONSORED TRIP

The 7th grade voted to send Margot Geringer to Lansing on a trip sponsored by the Grand Rapids D. A. R. When she returned she gave a report about her trip.

The 7th grade received an invitation from the 8th grade to attend a dance in the gymnasium of the Lowell school May 2nd.

Reporter, Barbara Court.

Many of us are wasting rights that braver men have died for.

#### It Used to Cost You 200 Pounds of Tobacco When You Didn't Vote

The penalty for not voting was 200 pounds of tobacco under the first laws of the State of Virginia. Now you don't have to pay a fine, but many conscientious citizens think perhaps there ought to be a penalty to remind the many people who don't value their precious right to vote enough to use it regularly.

This year there certainly won't be a need for the threat of a penalty! Everybody will be tremendously anxious to vote because it is the most exciting and most important election in years.

The sad thing is, though, that many people who plan to vote just won't be able to because they are not registered. Remind your relatives, friends and neighbors to be sure they contact their township clerk and get that registration taken care of on or before August 11. That day is the deadline. No swearing in of votes on election day, according to the new law.

#### CARD OF THANKS

We would like to thank all relatives and friends who sent cards, brought gifts, or helped in any way to make our Golden Wedding Anniversary one long to be remembered.

George and Mary Tucker

#### CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our thanks to the people of Lowell for the many gifts we received and the friendly welcome to our city.

p1 Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Fisher.

#### IN MEMORIAM

In fondest memory of my wife, Lora Hartman, who passed away May 2, 1950.

p-1 Wm. C. Hartman.

#### Lowell Baptist Church

Mr. Britton having just recently arrived from Great Britain and now attending the Grand Rapids Baptist Theological Seminary will be the guest speaker at the Baptist Young Peoples' Union at 6:45 p. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. Sunday May 4. Special music will be rendered on the electric guitar by another student of the seminary.

The Kings Meiden and the Christian Service Brigade will meet at the church May 3 at 5:00 p. m. for a combined picnic at Fallasburg Park.

Monday evening the friends and members of the First Baptist Church met at the home of the pastor in Grand Rapids for a surprise birthday party for Mrs. McIver. The Church presented her with a gift of money. A delightful time was had by all.

#### Engagement Announced

Mrs. Harry L. Phelps has announced the engagement and approaching marriage of her daughter, Joan L. to John R. Gogulski, son of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Gogulski of Grand Rapids. The wedding will take place in St. Andrew's Cathedral Saturday, May 17, at eleven o'clock.

May is Car Safety Month. See Runciman special on wheel alignment in this issue. c1

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is a week from Sunday  
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### O. K. I. C. I. P. I. GROUP

The fifth grade Camp Fire Girls met April 22nd, and reviewed the Indian symbols we have been learning. Each girl wrote a story using at least ten of these Indian symbols, and the story is to be written in our memory book.

On April 29th we held our business meeting at school and then hiked up to Mrs. David Coons' home where we learned the song, "Mummy Moon" for the Council Fire.

Karen LaDue, Scribe.

In 1951, 290,660 pedestrians were injured in U. S. traffic accidents.