

HAVE THEY FORGOTTEN?

China has seemed to stand, in past history, as a pacifist nation, a people either unable or unwilling to defend themselves against countries they despised her.

Fifty years ago Russia looted China while America protested, in one century France and England warred with China for "privileges." Japan and Germany added their names to the roster of nations fighting China for "spheres of influence."

America's interest in China was establishing missions and schools there, pressing for an "open door" policy, advocating the dealing with China as an equal.

Today when Russia incites China to war with us, China fights the only friend she had among nations. The Chinese should take a refresher course in history to recall the past and remember the robber Russians, those who now call themselves "saviors."

ON OUR OWN

The matter with voluntary controls is human nature. Why didn't the government begin earlier to impose mandatory controls, asks a local critic?

Maybe capable men needed at such a time are difficult to lure to Washington, to take on hard, thankless jobs that are unsteady, pay low salaries, are open to constant, severe political attack. Anyhow, we are now asked, as patriotic folk to voluntarily refrain from charging too much, paying too much, buying too much.

Self-controlled, duty bound, civic-minded citizenry would make an ideal situation but, unfortunately, the plan didn't work when voluntary price control was tried during World War II, and human nature hasn't changed since then.

It didn't work at the time of the Civil War when voluntary enlistment, with an inducement of cash bonuses, didn't appeal and finally the draft system was inaugurated.

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Rev. Robert Munn to Speak at YFC Meeting

At the Clarkville Area Youth for Christ which will be at the Clarkville Congregational Church at 8:00 p. m. Saturday, Jan. 13, Rev. Robert Munn will be the speaker.

Rev. Munn was born in Belfast, Ireland, received his education in Wales, London and France, then went to the Republic of Liberia in West Africa where he spent two and one-half years in pioneer missionary work. He was then transferred to Spanish Guinea in Equatorial Africa by his Mission, where he labored three years among a cannibal tribe called the Okaks. Then came to the States to complete his theological education.

Grace Theological Quartet of Grace Theological Seminary at Winona Lake, Indiana, will furnish special music.

The Youth for Christ planning committee and pastors of the cooperating churches invite everyone to attend this meeting and share in the blessing that will come from it.

Study Making Gloves Pattern Alteration

The Lowell Evening Extension Group met at the home of Mrs. Robert Eitl Wednesday, Jan. 10, for the second glove making lesson. Close to thirty pairs of gloves have been either completed or are in process. Mrs. Donald Lind and Mrs. Cecil DeRusha were in charge of the lesson. Refreshments were served by the hostess, twelve members and one guest being present.

The next lesson on Pattern Alteration will be given on Feb. 7 at the home of Mrs. John Gerhart, Lincoln Lake Road.

19 Awards Made by Mich. Bell Company

The Michigan Bell Telephone Co. today announced the names of winners of cash prizes under the company's employee suggestion award plan.

Winner of the highest award, \$500, was Richard G. Fisher, Michigan Bell traffic engineer at Grand Rapids. Fisher offered an idea which would expedite the gathering of engineering data on telephone trunk lines.

The company also gave three next highest prizes of \$250 each along with 15 other cash awards for the best ideas on the improvement of telephone service and working conditions.

Clyde VanDusen, 63 Dies in California

Clyde VanDusen passed away unexpectedly Sunday, Jan. 7, at his home in Los Angeles, Calif. Mr. VanDusen was 63 years of age. He is survived by his wife, Jewell; one sister, Mrs. Ida Fairchild, of Lowell, and one brother, Arthur VanDusen, of Kalamazoo.

Cpl. Dick McCaul Fighting in Korea Writes Home Folks

Mr. and Mrs. Steve McCaul of South Lowell, have received a letter from their son, Cpl. Dick McCaul, paratrooper, who is in Korea, telling them some of the experiences he has had in the Korean war. He writes: "Dear Dad and Mom:

"Well here we are on our way to Pusan which is at the southern tip of Korea. It seems useless, all the fighting we have done over here and we haven't gained a thing after it is all done with. I haven't seen a thing in this country only mountains, rice paddies, and rats so big that the kids ride around on their backs. Of course, I'm only kidding, but they are pretty big."

"Today is Christmas and it is a blue one. I sure wish I could be at home. It is like this which makes me homesick, but I'll get by the same as the others do."

"I received your Christmas box and it came just in time. We were really hungry about that time, and thanks a lot. The fellows said to tell you thanks, too."

"We haven't been doing much the last week but it was really 'hot' here for awhile. I was in a little trouble December 8, when we were making a move in a convoy. The Reds ambushed us, my truck was hit, it was loaded with gas and blew up, and almost got a couple of my buddies and me. We dove into a ditch beside the truck and it missed us. We couldn't move because they were shooting all around us."

"When the truck got to burning good it made a good cover so we took off and got up in the hills where it was a little safer. When I got to looking around I realized my rifle was in the truck burning up and I only had my .45 pistol. I awoke to sweating it out. I sure wish I might run into more Gooks but we didn't and it wasn't long before things quieted down and we came down out of the hills, and they had all of the Gooks killed or captured."

"Well, I guess I had better hit the sack now. Oh, yes, Arnold Bishop said to tell you all, hello. All my love, Dick."

Large Volunteer Class Enrolls Monday Night

At the first meeting of the volunteers for auxiliary police and air-raid wardens held here Monday night there were 39 who reported for the classes. Most of the men attending enrolled for the refresher course. A representative of the Red Cross from Grand Rapids is giving the lessons at the city hall Monday nights, 7:00 to 10:00.

Last Thursday afternoon Deputy Frank Stephens attended a Civil Defense meeting in the court house annex in Grand Rapids where he obtained further information in the organization of the civil defense program in Lowell.

It was announced at that meeting that the county organization hopes to have 31,000 trained for First Aid, 12,000 for Home Nursing, and a large group of Nurses Aid, as a step in the civil defense program.

Women's Classes Start Monday

The women's classes in First Aid will start next Monday night at the high school at 8 o'clock. A large number have already enrolled or signified their attention to sign up. Home Nursing courses will follow First Aid.

Anyone wishing to sign up before Monday night should contact Frank Stephens or Mrs. Ethel Beachum, Phone No. 1 or 147-F4.

All Youth Groups to Observe YFC Week

The United Christian Youth Movement is sponsoring the Eighth Annual Observance of Youth Week, Jan. 23-Feb. 4, 1951, throughout the United States and Canada. The theme chosen is "Christ Calls—Serve in Faith."

In 1944 the first united observance of Youth Week-Christian Endeavor week was held. Since then it has become one of the largest church events in North America. An estimated 5,000,000 youth of 40 Protestant denominations, 35 state councils of churches and youth councils, the International Society of Christian Endeavor, and such youth-serving groups as the Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Camp Fire Girls, participate in Youth Week.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Charles R. Hammond, 20, Ada; Jo Ann Thorne, 16, Grand Rapids

Lowell Suffers Big Fire Loss in 1950 Estimated \$35,100

According to figures released by Lowell fire department for the year 1950 an estimated loss of \$35,100 was suffered by Lowell residents because of fire.

The department responded to 34 calls, only one of which was a false alarm.

Eleven grass fires accounts for 33 1/3 of the calls. There were eight dwellings, three automobiles, one house trailer, one aircraft and 20 others.

Loss on dwellings, \$3,900; loss on other than dwellings, \$12,700; loss on contents, dwellings, \$1,225; loss on contents, other, \$11,350.

Famous Men Named For Farmers' Week Program At M.S.C.

An impressive list of outstanding speakers from over the United States and Canada are being assembled for the thirty-sixth annual Farmers' Week program at Michigan State College.

The annual mid-winter educational event for Michigan's rural people is scheduled for January 29 through February 3 on the East Lansing school campus.

James G. Gardiner, Canadian minister of agriculture, and Herschel Newman, new master of the National Grange, have been added as general session speakers. Gardiner has been minister of agriculture in Canada for more than 15 years. He will speak Wednesday afternoon, Jan. 31, on "Common Problems for Good Neighbors."

Grange Master Newsom is from Indiana and will speak on Thursday afternoon, Feb. 1. His is an outstanding farmer and this will be one of his first addresses since he replaced the late Albert Goss in November as head of the farm organization.

William Laurence, science editor of the New York Times, is Tuesday's general session speaker.

Another speaker of national reputation, Oris V. Wells, chief of the bureau of agricultural economics for the U. S. Department of Agriculture, has been obtained for the Thursday evening banquet.

Departmental sessions will list authorities in the many fields of agriculture and home economics from many states and from the Michigan State College staff.

Scout Leaders Attend Annual County Dinner

On Wednesday evening of this week about 25 Scout Masters and members of the Scout Executive Boards, accompanied by their wives, attended the annual County Scout dinner at the Civic Auditorium.

Among those attending were the Rev. and Mrs. Philip R. Grottelly, Mr. and Mrs. Charles White, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Munroe, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baird, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shaler, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Lind, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Freymuth, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ellison, Mr. and Mrs. George Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Laux, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Rutherford and Mr. and Mrs. John Bergin.

Judge Verners Vitins Talks Here Monday On Russian Atrocities

The American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars are jointly sponsoring a program to be held in the high school gym Monday evening, Jan. 15, at 8:00 o'clock featuring Judge Verners Vitins, now employed in the abstract office in Kent County Building, in Grand Rapids, and who was a judge in Latvia before coming to this country. He will speak on the subject "Behind the Iron Curtain."

Judge Vitins has a vital story of his own personal experiences as well as the reference to happenings in Latvia in the recent war days when families were scattered, imprisoned and in many cases lost entirely.

His own family was taken from their home on different trains and he has never heard from any of them since.

The public is cordially invited to this vitally interesting program and the Judge says the meeting will be open for questions at the close of his talk.

Mapes Com. Farm Bureau

The Mapes Community Farm Bureau will meet Thursday evening, Jan. 18, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Purchase. Meeting called to order at 8:30. Mrs. Thelma Hellman will be present to give us more information on Blue Cross Hospitalization. Any one in the community, not now a member of Farm Bureau that is interested in taking out Blue Cross try to attend this meeting and Mrs. Hellman will answer your questions. Each one bring sandwiches for their own family.

Mrs. Claude Schmidt, pub. chm.

MRS. SABENA LANE DIES AT HER HOME, AGED 96

Mrs. Sabena Lane, 96, a former resident of Lowell, died Friday night at her home in Lake Odessa. Funeral services were held there Monday and burial was in Lakeside cemetery.

Story of King Milling Company Now Beginning 61st Year Here

Excerpts from address given by King Doyle, President of the King Milling Company, Lowell, Mich., before the Lowell Rotary Club, Wednesday, Jan. 5, 1951: We of the King Milling Company are glad to have the opportunity to put on this program. We feel that our company is an integral part of Lowell and the surrounding community and our efforts are going to be devoted in trying to prove this statement.

The history of Lowell and flour milling are definitely inter-related. Lowell was only a few years old when D. S. Hooker built the first dam across Flat River in Lowell, and also the first flour mill. This was in 1847, so one can say that flour milling is the oldest manufacturing industry in Lowell.

Mr. Hooker called the mill "Forest Mills." He ground wheat by milled stone and had four bushel per hour capacity. In comparison, our present flour mill grinds between 60 and 70 bushels per hour.

Mr. Hooker's mill was merely a grist mill. In other words, the farmer would bring in his own wheat and the mill would grind it and give him back the flour made from his own wheat.

First Mill Still Stands

The Forest Mills still stands and is on the east side of Flat River. It is the mill directly across from Weaver's Market now. If a person cared to step inside the front door he would see by looking at the ceiling the old hand-hewn timbers that were put in place well over 100 years ago.

Names, as a rule, are not interesting but we are mentioning several of them because no doubt some of you members may have known relatives of them, or possibly are actually related to them.

In 1864 Hooker sold to Tolford and Chapin of Grand Rapids. We have very little information about these two men.

In 1885 Mr. William W. Hatch purchased a one-third interest in the Forest Mills. Two years later Tolford bought out Chapin and in 1888 James O. Fitch purchased one-half of Chapin's interest.

The next year Mr. E. R. Crow bought out Chapin's remaining interest in the company. In 1849 Fitch sold out to Hatch and Crow.

These two men operated the Forest Mills successfully for twenty years. They were successful millers and became financially well off. They were largely responsible for establishing the first bank in Lowell.

In 1867 Hatch and Crow expanded and built another flour mill on the west bank of Flat River. This was a stone mill of 200 barrels capacity and was called "Lowell Mills." In 1880 Mr. Crow retired and sold out to Hatch. In the same year Hatch sold out the Forest Mills to E. E. Wisner.

First Roller Mill

Mr. Wisner rebuilt the Forest Mills and equipped it with roller mills. Up until this time all flour in Lowell had been ground by stone. In 1887 Ed Wisner died and his brother, Charles W. Wisner, took over his brother's interest. He operated the Forest Mills under the name of Wisner Bros.

In 1881 Hatch sold the Lowell Mills to Stiff & Stiff. During the next ten years the Lowell Mills had financial difficulties.

In 1883 J. C. Train managed them for several years. Mr. Train is known for building the Train's Opera House which is now occupied by W. A. Roth & Sons. In 1885 the Wisner Bros. managed the Lowell Mills for several years.

In 1890 the King Milling Company was incorporated and purchased a mortgage sale the Lowell Mills. They changed the name to Superior Mills and spent \$20,000 remodeling the Superior Mills. They increased its capacity to 200 barrels and made it a fully roller process mill.

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Kent Soil Districts Set Annual Meeting Bestwick Lake Jan. 25

One of the items of business at the annual meeting of the two Kent County Soil Conservation Districts which will be held on January 25 at the 4-H club house at Bestwick Lake will be the election of directors.

The nominating committee is presenting the following nominations. In the North East District the retiring directors are James Williams, Rockford; Elton Smith, Caledonia; and Victor Weller, Rockford. These three men have again been nominated along with Rudy Wittenbach, Lowell; Boyd Anderson, Ada; and Arthur Hubbard of Cedar Springs.

In the North West District, the retiring directors are Glenn Clark, Caledonia, and Lloyd Hill, Sparta. These men have been nominated with John VanLeen, Caledonia, and Martin Butz, Jr., Comstock Park.

The directors of the two districts are inviting everyone to this meeting. Morris Fonda, the main speaker, will have some worthwhile information for everyone regarding the field of soil conservation.

New Carillon Bells Installed at M. S. C.

Michigan State College has installed 14 new soprano bells in Beaumont Tower carillon. The latest addition brings to 37 the total bells in the tower.

Beaumont Tower was given to MSC by the late John W. Beaumont, an alumnus and widely-known Detroit lawyer. He died in 1941.

Ledger want ads. get results

Pvt. John Erickson Missing in Action in Korean Conflict

Pvt. John K. Erickson, 21, was reported by the War Department missing in action for the second time, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Erickson of near Alto.



PVT. JOHN K. ERICKSON

First reported missing in action in October, word was later received from John telling of his escape by playing dead on the battle field. In his escape he carried a Marine who was wounded, several miles to safety, according to his brother, Paul, who is a cook on an Army Transport. Paul met the Marine while transporting him back to the States on one of the nine trips he has made since the Korean war began.

Pvt. Erickson, who attended school in Alto, enlisted in 1948. At the outbreak of the war he was stationed at Ft. Lewis, Washington, with the 2nd Armored Division and was sent to Korea early in the conflict. His last letter to his parents dated November 19th was written from Seoul shortly before the Chinese offensive began.

Besides his parents living on their farm near Alto and his brother, Paul, in the Navy there are four brothers, Arthur, Norman, Harry and Alvin. Two sisters, Helen and Esther Ann.

Belding Basketeers To Meet Red Arrows Here on Friday Night

Lowell Red Arrows traveled over to Godwin Heights Tuesday night to meet the Wolverines in a basketball game that ended in a 38 to 34 tie in a conference tilt played at Godwin gym.

Bob Topp was high point man for the Arrows with 13 points followed by Kline with 11.

Friday night Lowell will entertain Belding in an interconference tussle in the local gym.

Belding, like Lowell is having its troubles winning ball games, and an interesting scalp party should be in store for the local fans when the Red Arrows tangle with the Redskins.

Arrows Lose to Parkers

Judging from their performance Friday night the Lowell Red Arrows must have suffered from too much holiday spirit. In their first appearance after the vacation they ran into a defeat at the hands of a Wyoming Park five playing minus their highpoint star.

The Parkers took an early 13 to 9 first quarter lead which the Arrows narrowed to a 19 to 16 deficit at half time. The Lowellites' cause really suffered during the 3rd stanza when the visitors dumped in sixteen counters while the Red Arrows were only shooting nine. The Wyoming lads continued their scoring spurge during the final quarter to win going away by a 47 to 31 margin.

High Scorers Share Honors

An interesting feature of the game was that the two high scorers from each team scored the same number of points for their respective outfits. Snoelink, was high man for Wyoming with 18 points while Kline was high for Lowell with the same number of points.

Chatters was second high for the Vikings with 9 points while Brown tallied the same number for Lowell, in spite of the fact that he only played for about two thirds of the contest. Outside of Kline and Brown the remaining Red Arrows were only able to garner a meager 9 points.

The Lowell second team bowled to the visitors by a 46 to 25 margin. —"Bucky", Sports Reporter

House Warming Party Given by Relatives

A house-warming was given Mrs. and Mrs. Raymond Heesche, Jr. at their new home southwest of Lowell Thursday evening of last week by their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Heesche and daughter Nila. Mr. and Mrs. Dell Scott and children from near Helling and Mr. and Mrs. Robert L. Jones.

Although over 13 million tons of fertilizer are being spread annually on U. S. farmlands, fertility is still being lost through leaching and erosion 10 to 20 times faster than it is being replaced.

A lonely man is one who buys himself a necktie the day after Christmas.

Lowell Township May Join County Fire Department

Supervisor Frank L. Houghton of Lowell Township and Supervisor Edwin D. Mueller of Vergennes townships were in attendance at a meeting of the Kent County Fire Prevention Commission held in Grand Rapids last Friday. Lowell has expressed its intention of joining the Kent County Fire Department with other eighteen other townships are already members, according to Otto S. Heas, Secretary of the Commission.

Heas said that Supervisors Houghton, and Mueller proposed a new fire truck be stationed at Lowell.

Lowell village has a fire truck, which, under agreement, has been used by the township. Two trucks are necessary, however, Heas said, for proper protection to the entire township. The townships pay half the costs and the Commission the other half.

Cost Split Four Ways

Also approved was a plan submitted by Supervisor Houghton and Mueller for the purchase of a new fire truck by the county, the two townships and Lowell village. The county would pay \$6,000 of the estimated \$2,000 cost and the other three units would pay the remainder and house the truck in Lowell with the village fire truck.

The Commission agreed to the proposal if Lowell joins the department. It is expected the Village Council will act on the proposal at its next regular meeting, Jan. 15.

New '51 Plymouth Car On Display Saturday in Lowell Showrooms

The new 1951 Plymouth will go on display in McQueen Motor Co. and Gould's Garage showrooms on Saturday Jan. 13.

Designers have given the Plymouth a striking new silhouette, and refinements in the interior are innovations in the lowest price field. The styling improvements retain the traditional roominess of the cars.

Easier to drive and more comfortable, the new cars have greater beauty, more safety features and broader ranges of vision than ever before.

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B-P Womens Club Inc. Hears India's Angle in Foreign Affairs

The Business and Professional Women's Club, Inc. of Lowell met Monday night at the home of Mrs. Lydia Johnson. Although there were a number absent, taking southern vacations, etc., there was a good representation.

The luncheon meeting for the month will be held Tuesday, Jan. 16.

Questionnaires were filled out for the Civilian Defense program and they will be returned to Frank Houghton.

Mrs. Howard Perry, program chairman, introduced Mrs. Anna Mae Roth, who gave a very interesting talk on India and Foreign Affairs, after which the hostess and cohostess, Mrs. Elva Topp, served delicious refreshments.

Village Players Plan To Entertain Rotary

The Village Players of Lowell will meet Monday evening, Jan. 15, at 8 o'clock in the projection room of the Lowell high school.

There will be a discussion on the one-act play to be given at the Rotary Club meeting in February. Anyone interested in learning more about the Village Players are cordially invited to attend this meeting. We hope to make 1951 a year of growth and success.

Vergennes Boosters

The Vergennes Boosters club held a skating party at the Lowell Methodist gymnasium on December 27. Old members of the club were guests. Refreshments were served at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Ryder.

New 1951 Plymouth "Jewel" of the low-priced field" on display Saturday, Jan. 13th. Gould's Garage, 219 E. Main, Lowell.

Buy and sell through the Ledger



F. F. Rosewarne was taken to Butterworth hospital Tuesday after a week's illness at home. Best of luck to you, Ferry.

One good mother is worth five youth reform groups, believes a Ledger subscriber.

No matter how conditions are in Lowell, there is always someone to cheerily greet you with "well, is it cold enough for you?"

Wm. J. Smith (Bill), who is spending the winter at Aransas Pass, Texas, sends New Year's greetings to Lowell friends, and reports that "everything is going fine—weather and fishing both good."

Deputy Frank Stephens recalls the time when Saturday night was "ruffians' night" in Lowell, and all the officers were on the alert as tazzies were having their harvest. Frank states: "Saturday nights are calm now as compared with our Sunday afternoons and evenings when visitors flock into town and flaunt rowdiness they would hesitate to enact in their own home towns."

This keeps the local officers on their toes.

James Marsh, a former Lowell boy, represented Prescott, Ariz., at the International Rotary in Los Angeles, Calif., December 29. Thirty Michigan Rotarians were present, partly due to the Michigan-California game at the Rose Bowl, and they were justly proud of their native state.

Both farmers and city residents think the man who lives on the farm is better off today than the man who lives in the city, according to a recent poll made by Dr. George Gallup of the American Institute of Public Opinion.

That the farmer is the envy of the rest of the country is indicated by answers to questions on financial status.

In answer to the question: "In general, which do you think is better off financially today—the man who lives in the city or the man who lives on the farm?" 68 per cent replied that the man on the farm was better off, 22 per cent the man in the city and 10 per cent didn't give an opinion.

Broken down by population groups, the answers show that the people living in towns or under 10,000 and on farms are even stronger than the city man in their belief that the farmer is better off. 72 per cent of the small town and farm people thought so, while only 63 per cent of the people in cities of over 100,000 population had this opinion.

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Farm Forester Says Order Seedlings Now To Assure Delivery

Now that Christmas of 1950 is history and the many lighted trees have gone the way of all good Christmas trees, it is time to turn our thoughts to the seedlings we anticipate planting this coming spring.

Orders should be placed immediately to assure sufficient seedlings to meet requirements. Delaying the order will only increase the danger of a late delivery, or the possibility of being left without adequate planting stock to do the job. If an order is placed immediately and cannot be filled, you will still have time to get another order in to complete your needs.

If you are a cooperator in the local Soil Conservation District, some seedlings may be obtained through the organization.

Order blanks for the purchase of seedlings and transplants from the Department of Conservation are available at your local agricultural agent's office. If you desire species not available from the Conservation Department, get in touch with your local farm forester who will furnish possible sources of the desired planting stock.

Whenever the source of your seedling stock, it is important to check now and make sure you have a sufficient number on order to meet your needs.

Lowell Rotary Club Programs Jan. 10-17

Gerald Rollins, program chairman for the year, announces the following programs scheduled for Lowell Rotary club luncheons:

Jan. 10, The Rev. Norman G. Woon is program chairman. The subject will be "The Rotarian," and the speaker is to be announced later.

Jan. 17, Elmer G. Schafer is chairman and has announced that Attorney Edward McCobb of the Grand Rapids Chamber of Commerce, will be the speaker. His subject will be "Happenings in Washington."

DON'T MISS IT!

Take advantage of our January clearance sale on suits, topcoats and overcoats. You'll be glad you did.

Coons

Buy and sell through the Ledger

Story of King Milling

King Milling Company has started its 61st year as Lowell's oldest corporation. Its original stockholders and officers were Frank King, president; Charles McCarty, vice president; Reuben Kirk, treasurer; Frank T. King, manager.

In 1904 the Winzer Bros. consolidated with the King Milling Company. Flour milling was discontinued in the Forest Mills and it was converted into a corn, buckwheat and feed mill.

In 1909 William C. Doyle started as a stenographer. After his return from the first World War he established the commercial feed business and became manager of the department.

Renis Doyle started as a bookkeeper in 1913 and later became office and traffic manager. In 1927 our company purchased the Peckham Furniture Company building. This was the former Leif Culler factory.

In 1943 the Superior Mills burned and its rebuilding was completed in 1945. The new mill was completed in 1946.

Today the mill is a modern plant with a capacity of 100,000 bushels of grain a year. It is one of the largest and most modern flour mills in the world.

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ADA Mrs. Clark Nellie, Ada Phone 3411 Mrs. and Mrs. Alfred Norberg of Cascade were Sunday dinner guests...

Lifelong Resident Passes Mrs. Hedwig Quinterman of four mile road and lifelong resident of Ada, passed away on Thursday...

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Church News The annual meeting of the Ada Congregational church was held in the church on Monday night...

Foreman Road Mrs. Edna Taylor Mr. and Mrs. John Gage and son, Dale Gage and wife of Hubbardston...

Ada Local The regular meeting and election of officers of the Fireman's Auxiliary will be held in the town hall...

MEMORANDA Assets pledged or assigned to secure liabilities for and other purposes of the State of Michigan...

Clarkeville Mrs. Alice Livingston Booster Club Plans Amateur Show The Clarkeville Booster Club announces this week that an Amateur Show is being sponsored by the club...

Clarkeville Local Mr. and Mrs. William Taylor announce the engagement of their daughter, Dolores Ruth to Mr. Richard Staver at Dowling Mich. The wedding plans are on definite as yet.

Weekly Scrapbook Week's Best Recipe Sherrill's Pumpkin Tart: 2 c canned pumpkin, 1/2 c brown sugar, 1/2 t salt, 1 c cinnamon, 1/2 t ginger...

Family Party TUESDAY, JANUARY 23 Lowell City Hall - 8 p.m. An evening of free entertainment for our patrons and other friends.

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ALTO NEWS W. S. C. S. News The Bowen Center Women's Society of Christian Service met on Thursday evening, Jan. 10, at the home of Mrs. Fred Patterson...

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I wish to thank my neighbors and especially those friends and neighbors who sent the lovely plant and gifts during my illness.
Mrs. L. W. Precious
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CARD OF THANKS
I wish to thank my neighbors and friends and the churches for their kindnesses to me at Christmas time.
Mrs. Lucy Walker.
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IN MEMORIAM

In memory of Wayne Weeks, who passed away six years ago, Jan. 11, 1945.
Sadly missed by Wife and Sons, Mother and Father, Brothers and Families.
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In memory of our beloved wife and mother, Anna Smith who passed away January 11, 1949.
The depths of sorrow we cannot tell. Of the loss of one we loved so well. And while she sleeps a peaceful sleep.
Her memory we shall always keep.
Mr. and Mrs. Howard Houghton.
Guy Smith, Loyd Smith.
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CARD OF APPRECIATION
I wish to express my thanks to all the relatives, neighbors and friends who remembered me with cards and gifts at Christmas and New Years.
Mrs. Isadore Onan.
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One writer insists that we must control inflation. Wonder if he ever tried to control a cyclone?

COMING EVENTS

W. R. C. No. 49 will hold a regular meeting at city hall, Jan. 17.

Vergennes W. S. C. S. will meet at the home of Mrs. Bert Baker on Thursday, Jan. 18, at 2:00 p. m. Members are asked to study the Sermon on the Mount for devotionals.

The Gove School Parents' Club will meet Thursday evening, Jan. 11, at 8 o'clock at the school. Pot-luck supper and entertainment.

The South Lowell Circle will meet Wednesday, Jan. 17, at the home of Mrs. Wm. Kilgus for an afternoon meeting. Mrs. John Miller, cohostess. Everyone invited.

The Swiss Ladies' Aid will meet Thursday afternoon, Jan. 18, with Mrs. Anna Ryder at the Nelson Stormsand home, 126 West St.

The Priscilla Group of the Methodist church will meet Wednesday evening Jan. 17, with Mrs. Gould Rivette. Please bring gift of toys for the kindergarten.

Cyclamen Chapter No. 94 O. E. S. will hold their regular meeting Friday, Jan. 12 beginning at 8:00 o'clock followed by initiation ceremony.

The Rebekah Lodge will install new officers next Tuesday, Jan. 16, at their regular meeting which will be held in the I. O. O. F. Hall at 7:30 p. m. All members are urged to be present.

The Co-Weds of the Congregational Church will have their monthly carry-in dinner in the church dining room Saturday evening, Jan. 13, at 7:00 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Houseman are in charge.

The Lowell Extension class will meet Thursday, Jan. 18, at 1:00 o'clock with Mrs. Don Dickerson. The lesson will be on Pattern Alteration.

St. Rita's Circle of St. Mary's church will meet at the home of Mrs. Irwin Kutchev, 820 N. Hudson St. on Thursday evening, Jan. 18, at 8:00 o'clock. Members are urged to be present and guests are welcome.

The Womens Club will meet in the home of Mrs. Don Dickerson on the afternoon of Jan. 17. The guest speaker will be Miss Barbara Davis from Wurzburg's Store, who will give a talk on "Interior Decorating" of Mrs. M. B. McPherson.

The Lenora Perry Group of the Congregational Womens Fellowship will meet Friday, Jan. 12, at 2:00 p. m. in the home of Mrs. Martha Hall.

A family night supper in charge of the Perry Group will be held in the dining room of the church on Monday evening, Jan. 15, at 1:30. All friends of the church are cordially invited.

The Fifth District Association of the American Legion Auxiliary will hold a meeting Jan. 16, at 6:30 p. m. at the Brethren Lutheran church in Grand Rapids. Dinner \$1.25. Make reservations with Mrs. Robt. Ellis. Lowell phone 220-F2. Deadline is Jan. 13.

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet at the Legion Club rooms Monday evening at 7:30.

The Alton Ladies Aid will meet at the home of Mrs. Ed Pottruff Thursday afternoon, Jan. 11.

Lowell Locals
The Ex-Libris Club met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Howard Thurlert. Mrs. Orlo Gwatkin reviewed "Pathway to the Stars", by Harriet T. Kane.
Mrs. Ray Nixon has returned to her home after spending the holiday season visiting her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Don Laurent in Sarasota, Fla.
Rev. and Mrs. E. F. Wade of Oakfield parish were Monday dinner guests of Mrs. Rosalie Young.

A man suggests that before retiring, follow a news commentator with a program of Christmas carols, to induce a good night's repose.

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Deep in our hearts you are living yet.

The years may wipe out many things, But this they'll wipe out never, The memory of those happy days When we were all together.

Mrs. Ethel Willette, Doris and Patricia Willette Mr. and Mrs. Bert Willette Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Heaven Mr. Chester Willette Mr. and Mrs. Guy Willette

In loving memory of our dear mother and grandmother, Mrs. Rose Wingleier, who passed away January 13, one year ago today. A precious one from us is gone, A voice we loved is still; Mother's place in our circle is vacant, That place no other can fill.

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Organic Matter Vital To Fertile Soil Says MSC Soil Scientist

Organic matter is a valuable ingredient in soil fertility and Dr. L. M. Turk, Michigan State College soil scientist, says those who advocate the use of compost or manure to increase soil organic content are performing a definite service. But in condemning the use of chemical fertilizers, some people are doing a distinct disservice to the nation, he believes.

In recent years, the idea that food produced from soil fertilized with chemicals causes many diseases in man has gained many converts. The MSC soil science department head agrees that organic matter plays its part in soil fertility, but maintains chemical fertilizers are necessary in building up organic matter for large land areas.

"For efficient production of agricultural crops, lime, fertilizers and organic matter go hand in hand. Organic matter is dependent upon plants, plants are dependent, among other things, upon an adequate supply of minerals," Dr. Turk explains.

The most effective means of adding organic matter to the soil is by an intelligent use of purely inorganic fertilizers. Growing a cover crop through the use of commercial fertilizers and plowing it under adds greatly to the organic matter in the soil.

While the small home gardener may be able to substitute the compost pile for commercial fertilizer in a vegetable patch, it is economically unsound for a commercial farmer to attempt to do likewise on a large scale, Turk contends.

The soils specialist says there has been no proof offered that crops grown without chemical fertilizer are more free from disease and insects.

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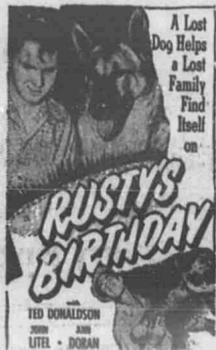
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