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Pithy Points Picked Up and Patly Put By Our Peripatetic Pencil Pusher

HOLY WEEK

THE FINAL WEEK of Lent, coming just before Easter, has been celebrated by the Christian churches for at least 1700 years.

On the day commemorated by Palm Sunday from the palm trees, and strewed them in the way. They cried "Hosannah to the son of David, blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord, Hosannah in the highest."

The enthusiasm then manifested is brought to our minds now by the beautiful custom observed in so many churches of distributing palm branches to the congregation.

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FORTY-SECOND YEAR

HEAR EXPERTS TALK ON CARE OF ROADSIDES

GARDEN LORE CLUB SHOWS INTEREST IN MATTER OF GREAT IMPORTANCE-SEEK SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPROVING UNSIGHTLY SPOTS

Members of the Lowell Garden Lore Club had the privilege of listening to two experts on the subject of the day, "Road Beautification," at the home of Mrs. F. MacFarlane on Tuesday afternoon.

Allen Williams, Ionia County Engineer and President of the State Highway Commissioners and Road Engineers, spoke of efforts to preserve the natural beauty of roadsides in building roads and also parks adjacent to main highways, especially mentioning the landscaping of Bertha Brock park and opening it to the public.

Linus Palmer, Kent County Forester, also talked of work being done to beautify highways throughout the nation, calling attention to the commercial value of the scenic beauty of the highways and to laws which are being enacted to eradicate unsightly road signs.

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Highland Hills Dairy Makes Fine Showing

Highland Hills Dairy milk was one of eight in Kent County selected to enter the State contest of retail milk producers.

This is the twentieth year Mr. and Mrs. Cameron have operated the Highland Hill Dairy and Mrs. Cameron with the cooperation of her efficient help, is continuing the business and takes this opportunity to thank her customers for their loyal support.

Along Main St.

Next Sunday, April 14, is Palm Sunday. Good Friday comes next week, April 19. Easter Sunday, April 21.

Joe Schwab has accepted a position at the C. Thomas Store and will begin work next Monday. Joe is a fine, dependable boy.

Easter is nearly here and Lowell stores are prepared to supply you with those fine new togs that go with the advent of spring. Try Main-st. stores first.

Rumbling of heavy laden trucks, continuous whizzing of motor cars, with the roar of an occasional tri-motor airplane overhead—that's Main-st. these days.

Township treasurer William VanVorst has purchased 30 acres of land about 3 1/2 miles south of town, adjacent to the Jud Hapeman farm and will develop it as a spare time to the raising of poultry, featuring Foreman strain of white leghorns.

The Price Rite Hardware is holding a paint fair which will no doubt attract hundreds of interested people to their store. Adults should turn to the back page and clip the coupon from the Price Rite adv. This coupon and only seven cents, entitle the bearer to a quarter pint of a high grade four-hour enamel, sufficient for a chair or a small table, also to a paint can handle and a valuable booklet.

Hilderley's drug store has completed the installation of a complete and modern soda fountain service and will have a grand opening on Saturday of this week. Lady visitors will be given candy, cigars for the men and ice cream frostiters for the kiddies when accompanied by one of their parents or by presenting the coupon clipped from Hilderley's advertisement on page two. The store will feature many special bargains for the day.

Fred C. Burk, who operated a mercantile establishment in Lowell some 25 years ago, died last week at a sanitarium in Battle Creek. He was 59 years of age. Soon after leaving Lowell Mr. Burk opened a large general store in St. Johns, Michigan, which is still operating at the time of his death. He became very successful in St. Johns. Mr. Burk is survived by the widow, whose maiden name was Glenora Johnson, formerly of Bowne-tp., this county, and a daughter Geraldine.

A little human interest in this little story: Yesterday afternoon we saw one of the good housewives of the town step out of her neat, new "Chevie" and go tripping down the street while she hummed a gay tune as she twirled the ignition keys on the finger of one hand, when zip went the keys, falling into an open crack in the sidewalk and thence into the river beneath. What a car without ignition keys? We trust that the lady is out of her predicament by this time.

We were much interested a couple of days ago in reading an advertisement of a city store in which a well-known make of men's suits was quoted at \$31.95. Now add the sales tax to this and you have a total cost in the city store of \$32.45. The point that will also interest everyone of our readers is the fact that the regular price of this same suit is \$29.75, including the tax. In other words, you save \$2.70 on the suit by patronizing a store on our own Main-st.

Dr. G. M. Thorndike veterinarian of Alto, was here on business Tuesday. The doctor reports that, although there are no new cases of rabies among dogs, he strongly advises quarantine of all dogs for sometime yet for the reason that any dog running about the streets and having an abrasion of the skin is liable to contract the disease. "Quarantine should be effective," declared Dr. Thorndike, "because of the danger to human beings. I know of no more terrible disease and there is no cure for it." There has been one known case of rabies in Lowell recently. This dog went through indescribable suffering until relieved by death. Dogs may be successfully vaccinated against rabies.

Dr. Gertrude Trednick, chiropractor, has a branch office at Lowell in the King block Tuesdays and Saturdays from 9 a. m. to 8 p. m.

Plan Big Affair For H. S. Athletes

The much-talked-of and oft-postponed banquet for the school boys who have won their spurs in the field of athletics will be put on Saturday night at 6:30 in the school gymnasium. A program and feed has been given the boys annually and they have always looked forward to this outstanding event of the year. The event is made possible at this time through donations made by the Board of Trade, American Legion, Rod and Gun, and the Rotary. About thirty-five boys who played on the first and second teams in football and basketball will be guests.

An Excellent Program

R. H. Young, Director of Athletics at Michigan State College, and Charles Bachman, Head Coach of Football at State, will be the principal speakers. In addition to their talks, these men will show moving pictures of the Michigan and Carnegie Tech games which were played last fall. These should prove intensely interesting to the boys. Tickets for the banquet are being sold for fifty cents and any citizen who is interested may purchase the same at any time not later than Friday, April 11. W. J. Smith is in charge of the sale. Mrs. Christiansen is putting on the dinner.

49 Boy Scouts Initiated Here

Fifty Grand Rapids Scout officials, Scout executives and scouts helped to organize a troop here Monday night. Troop Fourteen of Grand Rapids, under direction of Scoutmaster Charles Woods, put on a beautiful ceremony in initiating forty-nine Lowell boys into the organization. Lee V. Mainix, President of Grand Rapids area, awarded the charter and G. C. Clark, Scout Executive for Grand Rapids area, gave a stirring address. Over one hundred boys and citizens were in attendance.

Wendall Emery was installed as Scout Master with Bruce Walter as his assistant. Eight business and professional men are members of the Scout Committee. These men represent eight different civic and religious organizations. The center of activities will be in the school.

Do You Know To Whom You Send Letters

It may not appear as news to point out that Orville E. Atwood of Fremont is Secretary of State, but hundreds of citizens of the state, many of whom write letters to Lansing, in connection with current business of the Department of State, are addressing their letters personally to men who have not held this office for many years.

Those former Secretaries of State who continue to get mail on routine state matters at the capitol, include John S. Haggerty, and even Charles J. Deland, who last served in 1926. Mail for Secretaries who served after Mr. Haggerty, is too common for everyday notice.

Cordell Hull, Secretary of State in the national cabinet, gets letters at the state capitol, pertaining to Michigan automobile license numbers. The misapprehension of Michigan people as to who serves them after Mr. Haggerty, led to the sending of letters for United States senators, to the state legislature. Oddly enough, this evidence of inattention as to the identities of prominent state officials, is not peculiar to remote parts of the state; some of the letters come from Lansing.

Most mysterious of all, however, are the letters which come at times, for people unlisted on state payrolls, and unknown in the memories of anyone in the capitol. The letters, bearing on matters handled at the capitol designate the addressee simply and emphatically as "Secretary of State."

More Dairy Calves Needed in Michigan

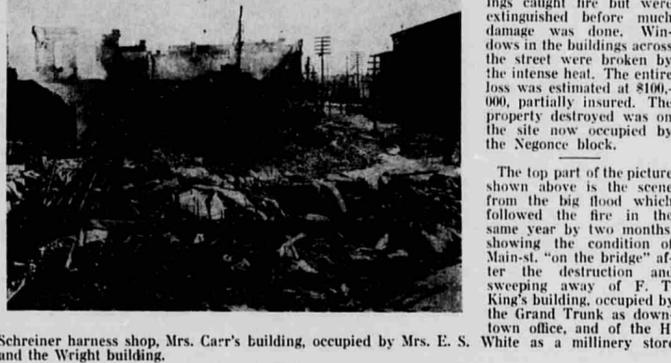
160,000 to 170,000 calves are raised yearly in Michigan for replacement in dairy herds, according to Professor C. E. Huffman of the Dairy Department, Michigan State College. About half of these calves are raised in whole milk areas where little or no fluid milk is retained on the farm and dry skim milk, an important dairy product of other sections of the state, furnishes a very economical growing feed. Professor Huffman points out that heifers grown on grain rations, under carefully controlled tests, were ready to freshen at 30 months of age while heifers given liberal allowance of dry skim milk were equally mature at 24 months and could, therefore, become profitable milk cows in six months less time. Interest in growing good heifers is being stimulated by present prices for dairy products and the situation seems to be getting more attractive from this standpoint. Government figures on the total number of dairy cows in the United States show a sharp decline and good young dairy cows are scarce.

Picture Recalls Fire and Flood of 30 Years Ago

In looking up the "Long Ago" items for this week's issue we find chronicled in The Ledger for the corresponding week 30 years ago the story of "The Big Fire" (April 11, 1905). As if this catastrophe was not enough for one year, along came "The Big Flood" two months later (June 1905). A flood of about equal proportion also occurred the previous year, 1904. Many persons here still mark events from these three catastrophes. The following brief summary of the fire is taken from The Ledger of April 13, 1905:



Schreiner harness shop, Mrs. Carr's building, occupied by Mrs. E. S. White as a millinery store and the Wright building.



A destructive flood also occurred in the previous year, 1904. On both occasions, Main-st. was flooded with water and there are persons still living here who rode boats up and down Main-st. The land lying between the main part of town and the Grand Trunk depot was like a lake, row-boats being used to get to and from the railway station.

Earlier records of Lowell recite a flood "way back in 1852. One report says: "The Hookers did not run their mill at night, but generally C. S. Hooker went over to look around and see if everything was all right before he retired. One night in the spring of 1852, on his way to the mill, he noticed that Flat river was rising. Still he did not fear an immediate flood. But at midnight the water was rushing by their house, and flooding the village. When the water came through the windows downstairs, the families had to move up. It was many days before the flood receded, and the hours were passed by playing cards, knitting and visiting the neighbors by boat."

Interest Grows in Breed Associations

Interest in breed associations is looking up in Kent County. Recently 35 men and women, interested in Jerseys and residing in the south part of the county, met at the Whitneyville Grange hall and organized the South Kent County Jersey Cattle Club. Welcome Scott of Caledonia is president. George Herman of Grand Rapids is vice president and Mrs. Walter Ruehs, secretary-treasurer. Directors in addition to the above officers are Dee Bryant of Alto, Otto Fischer of Caledonia and Rach Wood of McCords. H. E. Dennison of the American Jersey Cattle Club and L. W. Lamb of the dairy department at Michigan State College addressed the meeting.

Family Shoe Store Adds New Fixtures

Mr. Beach, proprietor of Beach & Outman, the new family shoe store, has received his new window display sets and has them in his windows. These beautiful, modern shoe display sets are a two-tone polished nickel and ebony black and are the latest in display fixtures.

Woman's Club

The annual meeting of the Lowell Woman's Club was held April 3 at the home of Mrs. W. E. Hall. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: President, Mrs. John Taylor; first vice president, Mrs. Albert Duell; second vice president, Mrs. B. F. Purchase; secretary, Mrs. Howard Bartlett; treasurer, Mrs. S. B. Avery; corresponding secretary, Mrs. E. S. White; parliamentarian, Mrs. G. H. Horn; press reporter, Mrs. Martin Houseman; junior advisor, Mrs. W. E. Hall.

Coming Events

The Triple C Circle will give a tea at the home of Mrs. Frank Coons on Friday. Cyclamen Chapter, No. 94, O. E. S., meets Friday evening, April 12, at the Masonic hall. Watch this paper for the date of the Fallsburg Park ball team's dance and floor show to be held at the Fallsburg pavilion. South Lowell Aid Society will meet at South Lowell Church dining rooms on Thursday, April 18. Everyone come. Request of the president. The regular meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary will be held at the home of Mrs. J. C. Hatch Tuesday evening, April 16 at eight o'clock. Officers and members of Hooker Chapter No. 73, R. & A. M., will exemplify the Mark degree on a Sparta candidate in Rockford Chapter rooms Tuesday evening, April 16. Will leave at 7:00 p. m. from Henry's drug store. All members are urged to attend.—D. A. Wingeler, H. P. Java's native population constitutes 98 per cent of all inhabitants of the country. Nowadays shoes are made almost entirely by machinery. A modern factory can make a single pair of shoes in fifteen minutes, although about one hundred and seventy different processes go into the making of one shoe. Almost every one of these processes is carried on by a different kind of machine.

How To Get Your Seed, Feed Loans

Applications for 1935 seed and feed loans may be made at the county agent's office, Room 201 Y. M. C. A. Bldg., Grand Rapids. People desiring loans should make arrangements in advance for writing the applicants. Loans are made for seed, fertilizer, feed, spray material and lime. \$10.00 is the smallest loan and they may be made up to \$500.00. Interest is at 5 1/2%. Maturity date is August 31, 1935. This time may be extended where crops are not harvested. Landlords must sign waivers where there are leases or contracts. Each applicant should bring the following information: A legal description of the land. An itemized list of materials the loan is to buy. A statement of acreages and yields of all crops raised in 1933 and 1934. A list of all indebtedness. A list of all stock and tools and their values. Applicants who have had previous seed loans should bring in all official receipts and papers.

KROGER SALES GROW

Since January 1 and up until March 23, sales of the Kroger Grocery and Baking company totaled \$52,728,694, representing business during three four-week periods of 1935. This is an increase of \$3,245,382 over the same three periods of 1934.

CLEAN-UP WEEK

The week of April 15-20, inclusive, has been set aside as annual clean-up week. Have your rubbish at the curb in boxes or barrels during this week. The Village of Lowell, O. J. Brezina, Cleric.

Auction Sales

David E. McConnell—April 15 A public auction sale will be held at the David E. McConnell farm, located 2 1/2 miles south and one mile west of Lowell, on Monday, April 15, commencing at 12:30 o'clock p. m. The list includes cattle, horses, poultry and implements and tools and feed. The farm of \$0 acre is also for sale. For further particulars, see display advertisement elsewhere in this issue. David E. McConnell, prop. A. W. Hilzey, auctioneer. Thomas Condon, April 22 A public auction sale will be held Monday, April 22, commencing at one o'clock sharp at the farm located one mile east of the Alto church. The list includes cattle, horses, poultry and implements and tools. Thomas Condon, prop. N. C. Thomas, auctioneer. Complete list will be published in next week's issue of The Ledger. 47-48 It is no fun for a woman to keep a secret without someone to help her.

Wyoming township led the rural section of Kent county last year with a birth record of 364 babies. Evidently "a baby a day" is the slogan of that township.

Rockford citizens voted Monday 234 to 84 to turn from the village form of government and become a fifth class city. Plans for electing a mayor and other city officials will be made soon.

If the number of bounty trappers and hunters continues to increase at the rate contracts were issued in January and February, Michigan will have an army of approximately 4,200 bounty hunters arrayed against predators by December 31.

John J. McLean, 28, of Oakland, Calif., is through with greased pig chases. McLean thought it was a swell idea when someone at a party suggested it. He ended up in the hospital with bruised lips, a broken tooth or two, possible concussion of the brain—and no pig.

The Dionne quintuplets are quite famous now—so you can imagine what a sensation was caused by sextuplets, born to Jennie A. Bushnell and her husband, J. F. Bushnell, in Chicago, on September 15, 1866. Yellowed clippings still tell about it. Of these sextuplets, three are still living. All reached maturity.

Work on the widening of US-16 through Portland is expected to start shortly when the bridge across the river at the city is to be moved and another built sufficiently wide to accommodate traffic. Surveyors working in Portland during the past several weeks have completed their job which was preliminary to the actual widening.

The Detroit Legal Courier says: "The new 'Tax Bill' prepared by Senator Couzens would extract \$85 million dollars from the small businessmen of the country. Hundreds of thousands would be forced into bankruptcy. How much do you suppose it would cost said 'Jim' Couzens, second wealthiest man in Michigan. Not very much."

May 1 will again be celebrated throughout the nation as May Day—Child Health Day. The projects this year will have to do with the promotion of immunization against diphtheria. Suggestion for Child Health Day programs may be secured from the American Child Health Association, 50 West 50th Street, New York City.

Many schools are arranging suitable programs to commemorate, on April 26, the 150th anniversary of the birth of Audubon, a famous American naturalist. Many teachers find the occasion appropriate for introducing subjects in nature study and conservation. The current issue of "Nature Magazine" contains an extended review of the life of the great naturalist.

John C. Hicks, one of the state's best-known citizens, died at his home in St. Johns on Wednesday afternoon at the age of 66 years. Mr. Hicks served his country during the World War as one of the dollar-a-year men and more recently was manager of the RFC for Michigan, and was a past president of the Michigan Bankers' association. He was president of the St. Johns National bank, the Clinton County Savings bank and the Ithaca Savings bank. Mr. Hicks was a man of unquestioned honor and integrity.

The night club fire which cost six lives in Chicago demonstrates that people who operate such places with no thought for the moral welfare of the boys and girls who patronize them, have no care for the physical welfare of their victims either. This is the second such club to burn with a resultant sacrifice of lives, the other being in Detroit. Exits were inadequate and decorations highly inflammable. The only thought of owners of such places appears to be to get money. City officials who wink at the lack of protection are equally guilty.—Gassopius Vigilant.

The state proration committee reports that the third consecutive month in Michigan was recorded in March. The March production was 1,118,384 barrels, bringing the output to 3,500,000 barrels for the first three months of 1935. January was the first month in the state's 10-year oil industry in which production reached 1,000,000 barrels. New development projects boosted the number of producing Michigan wells to 1,902. This is the first time in the history of Michigan oil production that there have been more than 1,000 wells in operation. Eleven pools make up the production. The field price is \$1.02 per barrel, less a 2 per cent state severance tax.

Oil excitement spread again in Montcalm county Thursday as the drill at the Gowen test well reached a 2,900-foot depth with showing of oil. The well has been capped as a matter of precaution. The Golden Oil company, consisting largely of Greenville men, is drilling the well. Oil activity continues at a brisk rate in Crystal with drilling equipment being spotted in several locations and the second derrick rearing its top on another farm adjoining the Durbin place, where the big gusher came in. Preparations are being made to spud in a well on the Merle Tow farm directly across the road from the Durbin place. Another well will go down on the Harry Elm farm immediately west of the Durbin farm location. The Frost farm in the same vicinity is also to be the scene of drilling operations.

Bonds of matrimony are no good unless the interest is kept up.

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Ledger Entries

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TAXATION—AND CAPITAL

POSSIBLY it is not particularly surprising that about 85 per cent of our population are not harassed by the necessity of making out and filing income tax returns every year. Those showing taxable income above the exemption figure—and who are not harassed by the tax collectors' hounds—have been excluded by the Federal Reserve Board from the list of those who are to be taxed. The committee has no fear of all the tax money that will be collected from the millions of taxpayers who are not harassed by the tax collectors' hounds. It is not surprising that the tax collectors' hounds are not harassed by the tax collectors' hounds. It is not surprising that the tax collectors' hounds are not harassed by the tax collectors' hounds.

HOME TOWN THOUGHTS

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THE MAN WHO REFUSES TO LOOK

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Lowell Items

April 25, 30 and 35 Years Ago
April 14, 1910—25 Years Ago
John Smith, one of Ada's pioneers, died at his home in Lowell, Michigan, at the age of 85.

So. Lowell Busy Corners

By Mrs. Howard Bartlett
South Lowell Aid Society will meet at South Lowell Church dining room on Thursday, April 25, at 7:30 p. m.

COMBINATION OFFER

The Lowell Ledger and your choice of either the Grand Rapids Herald or the Grand Rapids Press for one year \$5.00. This offer applies to those living on rural routes only.

CHILD'S COUPON

This coupon presented at our store on Saturday, April 13th, 1935, is good for one Ice Cream Frostbite.

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Big Rapids, Michigan
Designers and Creators of New and Interesting Ideas in Cemetery Memorials

Homemaker's Corner

By Home Economics Specialist, Michigan State College.
Selecting Meats
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This and That From Around the Old Town

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Veal Shoulder Roast Choice local milk fed lb. **18c**

BEEF POT ROAST lb. 18c **FRESH SIDE PORK** lb. 23c
Fresh Ground Beef lb. 15c **PORK SAUSAGE** GRADE 1 lb. 22c

Lamb Shoulder Roast lb. 18c

LAMB STEW lb. 10c **VEAL STEW** lb. 12c
Boneless Smoked Ham Rolled and tied No waste lb. 27c

ROUND STEAK Tender Round or Choice Short Cuts lb. 25c

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C. W. **Salad Dressing** qt. 31c

Peanut Butter 2 lbs. 35c

Apple Butter 32 oz. jar 19c

MICHIGAN CREAM CHEESE lb. 19c

Fresh Fruits and Vegetables

SUNKIST ORANGES doz. 43c
Fancy large navels 126 size

Green Onions 2 bunches 5c

Radishes Firm hothouse 3 bun. 10c

Asparagus 1/2 lb. 10c

CARROTS 5 lbs. 10c

252 size Oranges doz. 29c

Rutabagas 3 lbs. 10c

Spinach Crisp, curly 2 lbs. 17c

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JOHN A. COLLINS OUTLINES HIS WAYS TO SAVE

DECLARES THAT TWO CIRCUIT COURTS IN COUNTY ARE ENOUGH AND THAT THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE HAS BECOME ANTIQUATED

John A. Collins, chairman of the finance committee of the Kent County board of supervisors, in a talk recently before the Round Table of Grand Rapids, outlined his views as to how economies could be effected in the cost of county government. The following extracts are made from Mr. Collins' talk as reported in the Grand Rapids Press. While all may not agree with Mr. Collins' ideas, his views are none the less interesting.

Putting his finger on the circuit courts as one place where the county budget might be cut, Mr. Collins declared two courts could do the work.

"Instead, we have three courts with a full complement of attaches," Collins said. He mentioned the sheriff's office as another department which he considered antiquated in the light of modern needs, but said there is little that can be done about it as county government now is established.

He criticized as "extravagant" operation of public-owned cars and pointed out that probably the best system would be to pay officers a higher salary and ask them to provide their own transportation. Remarking that many expenses of county government are fixed by state law, he spoke of the provision for the \$100 burial allowance for soldiers' widows. Salaries of various officers, also, he said are fixed by statute and not subject to change by the county supervisors. He spoke with humorous sarcasm of the state requirement that the county reimburse farmers for sheep killed by dogs, remarking that "it is surprising how many sheep grow up in the night to be killed by dogs."

He admitted the expense for caring for the county building and grounds could be reduced somewhat, but said the board did not feel like reducing the wages of these employees more than the regulation 25 per cent, with \$500 exemption, when a percentage no larger could be pared from salaries of judges only on their waiver.

For the same reason, he said, the board did not follow out the recommendation of its critics to "take \$250 a year from a blind man" as an economy measure. This sum is the \$5 weekly salary paid to the proprietor of a cigar and candy stand in the courthouse.

One of the big items in the county budget, he said, is the care of contagious disease cases, which is a public responsibility. He also said the county health department was needed as a preventive agency in control of disease. Even though the city has its own health protection department, he said, it is a precaution to have this service continued out beyond the fringe. The cost of operating infectious hospital runs high, he said, because of the small number of patients.

He commended the operation of mothers' pension department and receiving hospital as economical juvenile home and the infirmary also came in for approval, as Collins said both were economically conducted and that the infirmary, even though not modern, provided better care for its residents than most of them had received previous to entry. He gave much credit to the county road commission for the county's road and public system. Money used on these projects, he said, had been well spent.

Defending the supervisor type of government, Collins said if the city would send as well qualified men to serve in its delegation as do the townships the city would not need to haggle about adequate representation as township would be adequate. The rural supervisor, he said, has a good understanding of government, and is square. He said there was less line-up between county and city now than in the past and that both elements were concerned chiefly in meeting the problems of the day for the good of all. Acknowledging that sometimes there may be incompetent public officials, Collins declared there is little dishonesty and in general officials of the county are endeavoring to give high type of public service.

Of the total spent by the county, Collins said 85 per cent was for the benefit of city residents. In this statement he endeavored to answer the criticism that the city taxpayer pays 75 per cent of the county tax bill.

Potatoes will be made mealy if allowed to stand 20 minutes in hot water before they are put into the oven to bake.

It's some little woman that makes the great man.

1936 Calendars

The Ledger is pleased to announce to the proprietors of all business houses that we have added the production of calendars as a part of our printing business. Our samples for 1936 are now made up and we will take both pleasure and pride in showing the same to those who use this form of advertising matter. The Ledger line will compare favorably in both quality and price with any line produced anywhere.

Orders are now being taken and the printing of same will be carried on in our own plant during the summer months, thus assuring steady employment to local printers. Phone 200 and our representative will call and submit samples.

Maker of Original Telephone Passes



THOMAS A. WATSON

holding a replica of the first telephone which transmitted speech sounds electrically, which he made according to the instructions of Alexander Graham Bell, inventor of the telephone. Mr. Watson died in December, 1934.

When Alexander Graham Bell was carrying on his experiments in 1875 which led to his invention of the telephone, a young man named Thomas A. Watson, who was working in a Boston electrical shop, constructed the experimental instruments according to Bell's instructions. Later, when success was only a matter of time and perseverance, Watson put in full time on Bell's work, making innumerable models and helping the inventor to test them. Watson not only made the first telephone instruments which transmitted speech intelligibly, but heard the first complete sentence spoken over wire.

Mr. Watson left the telephone business in 1881, later organized the Fore River Ship and Engine Company, and retired from active business 40 years ago to devote himself to the intellectual and cultural pursuits which he followed actively until his death in Florida on December 13, 1934. Although he had severed his connection with the telephone industry nearly 55 years before, he took great pride in his share in the invention of the telephone, and maintained a continuing interest in the subsequent development and vast growth of the Bell Telephone System.

Do You Know—



That a silver half-dollar, spent at the Centennial exposition in Philadelphia in 1876, has returned—after fifty years of wandering—to its former owner, H. B. Curl of Jamestown, N. Y. He says that he recognized the coin because he marked it H. B. C., Clarion, Pa.

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The Availability of Good

Many individuals, voyaging on the troubled sea of mortal existence, may be likened to boatmen rowing against the tide. With strenuous and ceaseless effort they work as though against a power which they believe will, if not opposed, sweep them in a direction the very opposite to that in which they have set their course.

To each individual the desired haven is his highest concept of good, that state of human experience which he believes will bring him satisfaction and freedom from further struggles. Some strive to gain possession of something which they believe will be denied them, and others to recover something which they appear to have lost, such as health, harmony, opportunity, success, home, companionship, and the like. The tide against which men row is belief in evil in all its forms, including lack, limitation, poverty, and discord, and the boat in which they embark is a craft of human thought, which, when not steered and borne along by the spiritual understanding of God, may be turned completely out of its course.

The teachings of Christ Jesus struggle against evil as something real in order to gain good, since he said, "Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." We may take this kingdom as denoting all that is good, satisfying, and noble, and the daily life of the Master was a testimony to the truth of his statement, for never at any time did he experience lack or limitation. Who that has studied the Gospel narratives can picture the gentle Nazarene struggling against evil as if it were real or powerful? He knew, without a shadow of doubt, the power, presence, and availability of good, and refused to acknowledge evil in any form as having power, presence, or reality. He accepted good and used it. Health, opportunity, supply, and dominion he proved to be available to all men, for he did not limit the availability of good to his own experience. On the contrary, he said that his followers should repeat his works. The great necessity of evil is to awaken us to these facts and to realize that Christ Jesus spoke no idle word. He meant what he said, and would not have said it if he had not known that what he demanded of his followers was possible of fulfillment by them.

When a right-thinking individual himself confronted with the choice between two things, one good and the other bad, he chooses the one he believes to be good.

On page 4 of her book "Pulpit and Press," showing the individual ability to utilize good, Mary Baker Eddy writes: "You have simply to preserve a scientific, positive sense of unity with your divine source, and daily demonstrate this." In Christian Science we learn that the source from which man springs is perfect and infinite Mind. Therefore, in order to feel this "sense of unity" we must entertain thoughts which are pure, good, true, wise, and intelligent. Such thoughts are natural to us, for they are the substance of our true selfhood. This perfect selfhood is not in matter, but in divine Mind, for Mind expresses itself only in spiritual ideas, and man is that very expression. When we cease our vain struggling against evil as real and turn humbly to God, praying with confident expectancy for that which will meet our need, and leaving the issue in God's hands, we shall find that positive thoughts come freely to our consciousness. Holding to these with firmness and assurance and mentally declaring the supremacy of good, we shall find ourselves lifted above the tide of error, and steadily carried in the right direction by the current of good.

From the foregoing facts it will be seen that we do not reach our desired haven by ignoring evil and drifting with the tide. There is much work to be done, but it is primarily mental and has behind it the compass of God. Our mental state determines our human conditions. With positive and fearless thoughts within, we shall find our human affairs taking on a new aspect. And if at first it seems difficult to listen for God's thoughts, let us begin by expressing the blessed qualities of cheerfulness and gratitude. These are buoyant qualities, uplifting, joyous, and free.

The cheerful and grateful heart will be receptive of the most lovely and gracious ideas of infinite Mind. Faith and goodness, hope and assurance, intelligence and wisdom, are all ours if we will but avail ourselves of them. And when the frail bark of human effort is steered and borne onward by the spiritual understanding which comes to all who earnestly seek God, it will bring us safely to the haven of our most cherished desires.—The Christian Science Monitor.

Many Uses for Bamboo

Found by the Chinese In one sense the Chinese civilization might be said to be a civilization built on bamboo. Throughout a large part of China groves of bamboo grow like trees near the homes of the people. They eat the tender tips of bamboo as we eat asparagus, and use bamboo chopsticks to eat their food. They carry rice in bamboo baskets and sweep the floor with bamboo brooms. They learn to write on bamboo strips, and bamboo pens. Houses are made with bamboo poles at the corners, woven bamboo walls and roofs. Shoes and hats are made of the same light, strong material.

Not all Chinese are rice eaters. This is a mistaken impression which gained currency because the first European ships to visit China put in at southern ports, in the rice-raising lands. Millions of Chinese, particularly those in north China and Manchuria, never see rice, but depend on the soy bean and wheat for food. But it is true that many more millions eat rice. Rice grows in very wet land, land that is generally covered with shallow water at planting time. Each tiny rice seed is grown in a seed bed until it is about 8 inches high. Then the tender shoots are transplanted in even rows in the wet fields, backbreaking work, for which the planters receive very poor pay.

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ALL THIS SPECIAL 30¢ VALUE IS YOURS FOR ONLY 7¢

We are offering you this to show you the happy results you can get with our four-hour enamel, to place in your hands this helpful booklet with its color suggestions for homes, inside and outside—and to make your painting easier with this new detachable handle.

Sign the coupon and bring it to our dealer's store. This Special 30¢ value is waiting for you, with other information about painting. Clip the coupon now before you forget.

These three are:

- (1) A Quarter-Pint Free Sample Can of a High-Grade Four-Hour Enamel. This size is sufficient for a chair or a small table. Usual Price, 25¢
- (2) A Handy Paint Can Handle. This is something you have always wanted. Fits a quart and all smaller sizes. Keeps your hands clean while you hold the can handy when painting.
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When this coupon is properly signed, the bearer is entitled to a sample can of Four Hour Enamel, a Paint Can Handle, and a "How to Paint" Book for 7¢.

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More Local News

Mrs. John Heaven and Mrs. Audrey Edwards called at the Bert Willette home Friday.

George Fonger and family called at Joe Anderson's last Saturday and took Vivian home.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Wingleier and Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Allhand spent the week-end with friends in Chicago.

Mrs. Hattie Rouse was the week-end guest of her son, Dr. Frank Tredennick and wife of Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Al. Ward and daughter Dolores of Lansing spent last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Dawson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Willette, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Willette, Mrs. Guy Willette and Ruby Stark were in Ionia Monday.

Cleaners' Naptha, Texaco Sta.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Willette and daughter, Ruby Stark, and Gerald Heaven were Saturday callers at the Paul J. Averill home in Grand Rapids.



Church of the NAZARENE

to conduct **Special Evangelistic Services**

Beginning Monday Night April 15

The Church of the Nazarene will conduct Special Evangelistic services with Rev. C. T. Corbett and wife of Dayton, Ohio, beginning Monday night, Apr. 15, at 7:45, closing Sunday, night, Apr. 28. Rev. Corbett is one of the best known evangelists in the middle west. Mrs. Corbett is a very efficient children's worker. They sing special songs, accompanied by guitar.

We invite you to attend these services. You will not be disappointed.

James Fahrner, barber, has been critically ill for several days but is reported some better this morning.

Mrs. L. A. Weaver and son Bobbie spent last week in Fullon with Mr. Weaver's parents, Mary Weaver spent part of the week in Battle Creek.

Mrs. Alden Porritt, daughters Mariland and Martha, and mother, Mrs. Lydia Porritt of Alto, were Friday visitors of the latter's sister, Mrs. Wm. Cosgriff.

Rev. S. B. Wenger addressed the Kent County Library Association at the Y. W. C. A. building in Grand Rapids this noon. His topic was "Our County Library."

Darlene Keiser spent several days last week in Grand Rapids with her cousin. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Keiser, visited there Sunday and she returned home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Willette entertained the following for Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Guy Willette and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Royal Willette and daughter and Gerald Heaven, all of Clarksville.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cosgriff received the sad news Wednesday evening that their cousin, Fred Burk, of St. Johns had passed away in a Battle Creek hospital, following a very serious operation.

Mrs. John Dawson and son Merle and Francis Houghton of Alto spent Sunday and Monday in Detroit with the former's sister, Mrs. Jennie Fitzpatrick, who is recovering from injuries received in an auto accident.

Mrs. Charles Doyle and three children and her mother, Mrs. Margaret Stowell, visited Mrs. Abbie Aldrich of Leslie Sunday. Everyone enjoyed the large birthday cake which had been made for Mrs. Stowell in honor of her birthday.

Mrs. H. P. Gofredsen and Mrs. Grace Niles will attend the Fifth district meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary in Holland this Friday. From there they will go to Wayland where they will speak at a get-together of the Legion and Auxiliary.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Anderson and Mrs. Geo. Fonger and children spent last Tuesday with Joe Anderson and family at their home near Cooks Corners. Miss Vivian Anderson came home with them and stayed until Saturday. Miss Vivian will be graduated from Cedar Springs high school May 23.

L. W. Rutherford left at seven o'clock Tuesday evening for another one of his endurance drives to the Pacific coast—an event for which he is becoming locally famous. He was accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Collar and Mrs. M. E. Simpson. The party goes by the southern route and will be gone about twelve days.

Chris Bieri of Minneapolis, who came here three weeks ago to attend the funeral of his brother, Gofried, and has since been visiting friends and relatives in this vicinity, left Monday for Milwaukee. Mr. Bieri called at the Ledger office Monday and expressed his regrets because he couldn't visit all of his friends here during his stay.

Social Events

Mrs. John Arheart entertained the Neighborhood Club last week Thursday. Honors were awarded Mrs. F. J. McMahon and Mrs. M. Shivel.

Mrs. Robert Hahn entertained the members of the Fortnightly Club at her home Tuesday evening with the last program meeting for the year. Mrs. Ed. Reynolds was assistant hostess.

W. R. C. Meeting Joseph Wilson Relief Corps members enjoyed a very delightful dinner and business meeting Thursday, Apr. 4, about thirty being present, among whom were five new members who were initiated in the order.

Visitors from Grand Rapids included Past Department secretary Ella Gordon, Mrs. Vina Kranenberg, Lucia Hall, Mrs. Scully and Mrs. Samlers.

Happy to report that Conrad Merrill Sayles is much improved in health and able to meet with us again.

Next meeting April 18. —Press Cor.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Nestel of Grand Rapids, at the Luz Maternity hospital, on April 7, a 8 1/2 lb. son, Charles Richard.



"Caddies are the only mortals left holding the bag," says dubbing Dot, "who find it a profitable business."

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The Appalachian Trail The Appalachian trail, as conceived by its proponents, is a foot path for hikers in the Appalachian mountains extending from Maine to Florida, a distance of some 2,600 miles. The trail shuns automobile roads and lowlands, the purpose being to provide access to the mountains and wild country of the Eastern highlands for tramping, camping and outdoor recreation. Its route is the crestline of the Appalachian system. With the exception of national and state parks and national forests traversed, the trail is on privately owned land with the consent of owners.

Vicious Fish Menace One of the most dangerous of the wild creatures of South America is a fish. Strange to say the vicious piranhas, as they are called, are not ferocious looking and usually are only 18 inches long. However, they are the terror of river crossings. They are voracious meat eaters and yearly kill hundreds of cattle and horses. Since the fish travel in schools they also have been known to attack and to kill men, stripping the flesh from the body in a few moments.

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