

WINTER SPORTS

IN FORMER YEARS the sport world hibernated in winter with the bears and the groundhog. Now the sport simply changes. The basket ball balls resound with the yells of the rosters. The ring of the falling tennis is heard in the neighborhood. In the more southern localities, the golf ball still flies through the air and hides in the bushes if it can. To the north, the people throng to the ski jumps and the skating ponds.

KIDNAPPING OFFICERS

THE U. S. supreme court holds that kidnapping a police officer to avoid arrest constitutes a violation of the Lindbergh kidnapping law. The desperate crooks who are terrorizing the country have recently adopted the plan of carrying off officers and other persons who interfere with their audacious deeds.

SHOULD BE CURBED

INSPECTION of a number of weekly newspapers each week convinces the writer that a racket is being worked on communities in which the law should be curbed. We refer to the cheap little "producing companies" who get together a few costumes, "drill" a few immature girls and send them out with the costumes to put on a "home talent" play of more or less original merit.

THE BONUS MONEY

THE GREAT SUM of \$2,491,000,000, which is now being distributed to the World War veterans, will bring happiness to many homes. The taxpayers may not feel so enthusiastic about it. However, the money has been voted, and we must all take hold cheerfully and help pay for the cost of the distribution.

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Some people who receive money in a lump, don't know how to make wise use of it. They spend it for the first things in sight that tickle their fancy. Many persons who receive considerable sums from life insurance policies have used these windfalls in this careless way. For a few months they were on top of the wave, but after the money was gone they were back where they were before.

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Probably some of the war veterans will be disappointed in the money. But the former soldiers are now men of mature experience. They know that money so spent is not easily replaced. Confidence can be felt that not many of them will spend their money in a futile way, and that in most cases, it will be used for essential and useful things.

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The most useful thing that can be done with such a lump sum, where people owe money, is usually to pay off debts. Debt may be unavoidable, but is incurred in purchase of homes or other essentials, to cover the costs of sickness, etc. When people pay their debts, they take a new step toward progress.

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Anyway, the country hands this money to the veterans with best wishes, with appreciation of their war service, and with hope that it will put their homes and finances on firmer foundation.

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Any person can float in salt water more easily than in fresh water because the density of the salt water is slightly greater.

Storm King Is Reigning

Man Battles Gamely With Elements

W. W. Ganser announces that students from rural areas who attend high school were dismissed this Thursday morning in order that they might reach home before the roads become impassable. They are advised not to try to return until weather conditions improve. If there are not enough pupils in attendance, the entire high school will be excused. But regardless of weather conditions, Mr. Ganser states, the children in the first eight grades will be expected to be present.

Annual Banquet of Livestock Shippers

The Lowell Livestock Association will hold its 18th annual banquet Wednesday evening, Feb. 19, at 6:30 o'clock at the Lowell city hall. Galin Starr, of Detroit is to be the principal speaker and a colored quartet will offer several numbers.

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Other oil field developments are at a temporary standstill due to the extreme cold and snow. The Emma Rittersdorf Keene-Itwell has passed a 2,600 foot depth, and officials of the Associated Petroleum Company, its sponsors, have made no announcement as to its productivity.

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Scene Looks Familiar



That 1936 is not the only "winter of the blue snow" of the Paul Bunyan saga, as shown by this photograph, looking east along East Main Street, after the big storm of Feb. 22, 1932. Snow was piled along the curbs to a height of six feet.

If your eyes and memory are sharp you may see, from left to right, Art Carson standing beside a trio of high school girls; John Howard Payne, with hip boots and lifted shovel; the late Clark Taylor, Vin Huns, M. N. Henry and Gerald M. Henry.

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Note the gothic arches on the old front of the bank building at the right, the awned windows of Dr. F. E. White's office, the wooden clock tower on the R. D. Steking jewelry, and the telephone poles, removed upon the laying of the pavement a short time later.

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James J. Malone, Grattan township pioneer and lumberman in the boom days of the industry, died Wednesday morning. He was 82 years of age. He was born in Grattan, Pa., and came to Lowell in 1880. He was a member of the Grattan Lodge, No. 100, I. O. O. F., and the Grattan Chapter, No. 100, O. E. S. He was a member of the Grattan Chapter, No. 100, O. E. S. He was a member of the Grattan Chapter, No. 100, O. E. S.

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Mr. Malone is survived by three daughters, Miss Breanna Malone of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Nelson Murphy of Mancelona, Mrs. David Sutton of Sault Ste. Marie; a son, Lee J. Malone of Lapeer; one sister, Mrs. Ella White of Grand Rapids; and two brothers, Thomas Malone of Grand Rapids and Charles Malone of Parnell.

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At the last meeting of the Village Council, the following resolution was moved by Trustee Roth, supported by Trustee Cook and seconded by Trustee Cook: Whereas, the Village of Lowell has learned of the PWA project as to the dredging, deepening and straightening of the upper Lookingglass River up stream from the city of Portland in Ionia county; and

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Whereas, it appears that the dredging and straightening of this stream will materially increase the momentum and flow of water, and especially in high water time is likely to do very serious damage to property and interests of the citizens of the Village of Lowell; therefore

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Be it resolved, that the Village of Lowell does hereby disapprove of this project and hereby protests and objects to the carrying out thereof. This is done in view of the interests of property and of the well-being of the citizens of the Village of Lowell.

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Following are the names of the students in the third, fourth and fifth grades of Lowell schools who are members of the Good Writers' Club: Grade 3—Claudene Friend, Roseanna Haglund, Rex Collins, Mary Rittenger, Jerry Rota, Arthur Snell, Bertha Schneider, Frederick Venema, Darlene Keiser, Beulah Roudabush, Virginia Quilan, Eunice Miller, Billy Cook, John Phelps, Beverly Day, Billy Woodman, Marjorie White, Walter Krof, Leroy Blacker, Betty Burri, Janet Thorne, Bruce Weeks, Betty Miller, Paul Blocher, Margaret Bibler.

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Grade 4—Gloria Doyle, Margaret Hughes, Anna Siles, Betty Harter, Albertine Burri, Albert Stryker, Patricia Priebe, Edward Stormanz, Norma Haglund, Barbara Thorne, Cecil Good, Juliet Miller, Barbara Williams, Charles Boyenga, Richard Parker, Helen Christiansen, Dorothy Peckham, Jackie Callier, Dorothy Heltzman.

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Grade 5—Janice Potter, Dave Clark, Roberta Hahn, Robert Williams, Beatrice Johnson, Helen Fowler, Donna Thorne, Jack Green, Jane Peckham, Gloria Pennoek, Leo Blocher, Wayne Kinatam, Betty Kyser, Pearl Peckham, Rodney Krof, Simon Swartz, Shirley Denick, Charlotte Gardner, Ruby MacFarland, Marvin Kvsr, Claradell Hill, Billy MacFarland.

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Mrs. Edna Palen, 42, of Lowell, who was taken to St. Mary's hospital two weeks ago today, passed away there last night.

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Would Roosevelt be elected today? Read the results of a nation wide poll on the President's popularity in "America Speaks," exclusively in Michigan in Sunday's Detroit News. On sale at Christiansen's or phone for delivery.

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Ledger want ads bring results.

Bert J. Carnahan Passes at Age 44

Funeral services were held on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at the Roth funeral chapel for Bert J. Carnahan, 44, who passed away at his farm home in Boston-tp. Sunday night. The Rev. Theo. Beer of Evansville, Ind., was the clergyman. Interment in Oakwood cemetery.

Bert J. Carnahan Passes at Age 44

Mr. Carnahan was born in Lowell, Gratiot county, Mich., Sept. 5, 1891, and attended the schools in that county. He followed the barber trade here in 1914 after which he worked in Alma. Mr. Carnahan purchased the farm in Boston-tp. fifteen years ago, doing his own work until about a year ago when a spinal ailment, from which he had been suffering for a number of years, made it necessary for him to give up the heavier work of the farm. In spite of the intense suffering induced by his long illness, Mr. Carnahan remained cheerful and hopeful. He will be greatly missed by many friends as a man known as a soul of honor.

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Surviving are the wife, a young son, Robert, two sisters, three sisters-in-law, Mrs. Owen Harper, Miss Rose Wineizer, Mrs. Ted Murphy; four brothers-in-law, Dan, Don, Simon J. and Carl Wineiger; and the mother-in-law, Mrs. Mary Wineiger.

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People often wonder as to the advertising rates asked by daily newspapers and in this connection it may be of interest to state that a letter to The Ledger received on Monday morning shows that the advertising rate of the Boston Evening American is \$7.00 per column inch and the rate of the Boston Sunday Advertiser is \$10.50 per column inch. A 5-inch advertisement in the last mentioned paper costs more than a full page advertisement in The Lowell Ledger.

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Village Marshal Fred Gramer and Nightwatchman Eugene Carr have rescued from execution at the pound a police dog nearly the size of a small sheltland pony, and have undertaken its care.

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Mr. Gramer purchasing the license and Mr. Carr securing a collar for the dog. He is a friendly fellow with a fondness for children. His new owners have dubbed him "Pal."

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"Flame in the Forest" the new serial story by Harold Titus, now running in the columns of The Ledger, is being read by many readers with absorbing interest. A synopsis of the chapters already printed is published with each installment so that new readers will have no difficulty in taking up the read of the story. It will be found on page six.

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Zero weather and snow-drifted streets are no deterrent to Ernest Fullington, who is some 70-odd years young and lively as a crack. In the Ledger office Monday morning, Fullington grew somewhat reminiscent, telling us of the time he had a wrestling match with Chris Bergin. "The wrestling took place in Mr. Bergin's store, which occupied the place where Richmond's Tavern now is located," Mr. Fullington said. "After the wrestling was over, Chris wanted me to take on Frank McMahon, who was a clerk in the store at that time—probably around forty years ago. Frank looked pretty husky to me at the time. As a boy, Mr. Fullington attended the W. A. T. S. school in Vergennes-tp. Will S. Winegar, veteran druggist, also attended this same school.

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The Three O'clock Coffee Club celebrated the birthdays of two of its members last Thursday afternoon, Feb. 6, those so honored being B. E. Springett and William Christiansen. There was a delicious birthday cake and hot cinnamon rolls over which the members joined in extending congratulations and best wishes.

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Extreme cold weather has caused pheasants to alter a basic habit and start roosting in trees. A. H. Stormanz saw three cock pheasants perched clumsily on a tree along M-21. George Hatch and reports being a pheasant in a tree. Guy Monks last Saturday was hauling corn to the barn when eight pheasants whirred out of a shock in the wagon, causing his team to run away.

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Mrs. Howard Bartlett, South Lowell correspondent for The Ledger, relates the following interesting incident: There was much commotion in the chimney, causing general consternation at the William Kilgas home in South Lowell Monday morning. Mrs. Kilgas noticed a hot and ashed and the pipe being pushed out from within the chimney hole in the kitchen and most unfamiliar noises coming therefrom. The family ran to the attic and cellar to look for fire, at the same time calling a man in from the barn. He took the pipe down and dragged from the hole a be-sooted and blackened guinea hen, still very much alive and none the worse for its unusual experience. The hen had taken flight from the barn and was prevented from returning to the storm and, through some unknown manner, became trapped in the chimney.

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Standings in the Lowell Bowling Tournament on Feb. 8, 1936:

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Team W. L. Pct. McPherson Fms. 13 6 750. Pete's Place 15 6 714. Lowell Ledgers 16 8 666. Weaver's Market 15 9 625. Palace Cleaners 13 11 542. Central Garage 10 11 476. Bailey Aeres 11 13 458. Light & Power 11 13 458. Richmond's Tav. 10 14 417. Foreman Chicks 8 16 333. State Sav. Bank 7 17 292. Texaco Station 7 17 292.

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MARVIN BRIGGS APPEARS ON WLS PROGRAM Marvin Briggs, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Briggs of South Boston, was presented in an amateur program over radio station WLS at 2:15 o'clock Saturday afternoon. Marvin was one of seven contestants who were sent to Chicago from Grand Rapids. He appeared on the Showboat program last Saturday evening, singing cowboy songs and playing his own accompaniment on the guitar.

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Wholesale prices on clothes for next season are some higher. Suits are going to cost a little more. Final Clearance prices are the season's low. It's a good time to buy.

Bird Life Is In Danger

Must Have Grit Along With Feed

The available natural foods for birds, such as burdock and other weeds, is practically exhausted, and the danger of wholesale extinction of bird life, consequent upon a winter of unprejudiced pheasants, extends from the present time until the beginning of spring. Kent County Conservation Officer John Kroll said to the Ledger.

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He asks that the bird-loving public, together with sportsmen clubs, supplement the feeding activities of the conservation department, which are limited by an appropriation insufficient to meet the situation. Citizens are requested to place as much food as possible in bird habitats, and to tear open frozen corn cobs, enabling pheasants to find the kernels and also food. The exposed ears of the shocks which remain standing in the fields have been virtually picked clean.

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Mr. Kroll states that yesterday several birds were found in neighboring counties, having corn in their crops but no grit. These birds evidently had died because they lacked grit with which to digest the grain. For this reason, farmers and others who are feeding the birds are requested to scrape the snow away from the feeding places, so the birds may reach the dirt.

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Data Sought The conservation department would like to be informed as to the existence of pheasant areas, especially those near blocked highways. The department will make an effort to place food in these locations.

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Information concerning bird life suffering from cold and hunger, with the surrounding circumstances, is sought by conservation officials. Autopsies are being conducted on the bodies of pheasants, to determine the cause of death. These examinations have disclosed that the birds have been forced to scratch up quick grass and water cress. In contrast, a pheasant autopsied by Dr. E. D. McQueen last fall was disclosed to have been feeding on acorns, grass hoppers, and worms.

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Mr. Kroll predicts that the pheasants rescued by E. E. Buck will die in the spring while the cock and two hen pheasants harbored at the Foreman Hatcheries will survive, their condition at capture not being so emaciated.

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Crow Hunts Planned The Grand Rapids Izaak Walton League is offering in trophies to sportsmen turning in the most crow feet before March 15. It is expected that a crow hunt will be organized locally in the near future. A trophy tender, Harvey Banknight of Grandville, last Saturday placed a stuffed owl decoy in a tree, crouched beneath it, and in a white sheet with eye-holes, and bagged fourteen crows. A mounted hawk which ornaments the McQueen garage offices also succumbed to an owl lure.

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Thursday, Feb. 13, "Your Uncle Dudley" with Edward Everett Horton, Lois Wilson and Alan Dinehart.

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Friday and Saturday, Feb. 14-15, Double feature program: No. 1, "The Perfect Gentleman" with Frank Morgan and Cicely Courtneidge; No. 2, "Two Fisted" with Lee Tracy and Gail Patrick; No. 6, "Adventures of Frank Merriwell."

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Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 16-17-18-19, "The Little Rebel" with Shirley Temple, John Boles, Kirby Grant, and Bill Robinson. Also some very special added attractions—MGM's 3rd Dimension Audioscopic, the Dionne Quins, The finest color comedy, "Carnival Days" and a Pop Eye cartoon.

Bird Life Is In Danger

Thursday, Feb. 19, "Hands Across the Table" with Carol Lombard, Fred McMurray, Ralph Bellamy; also Bank Night.

Bird Life Is In Danger

Metternick Sale, Feb. 25 The Matt Metternick auction sale which was to have been held Tuesday, Feb. 11, has been postponed until Tuesday, Feb. 25, because of the condition of the roads. Only some thirty persons were able to reach the farm so it was thought best to wait until the roads could be cleared out. The sale will be held at the farm located one mile north and two miles west of Alto, commencing at one o'clock, p. m. N. C. Thomas is the auctioneer.

Bird Life Is In Danger

Due to erosion, the brink of Niagara Falls is moving back at the rate of about 2 1/2 to 4 feet a year.

Narrow Escape By Family As Home Burns

On Tuesday, shortly after 6 a. m., Mrs. Evan Fuller, residing in the northwest Lowell township, on the crest of the townline hill, discovered the upper stories of the house in flames, apparently ignited from a chimney defect in the attic.

Narrow Escape By Family As Home Burns

She gathered her three small children together, and rushed them out of doors. Mr. Fuller ran into the house from the barn and started searching frantically for the family, which he believed to be still inside. He was trapped on the second story by a blazing staircase and was forced to leap from a window. Later Mr. Fuller attempted to retrieve some valuable articles, and a kitchen ceiling fell on him. He crawled to safety on his hands and knees, suffering minor burns



FLAME IN THE FOREST

Harold Titus, a young man, was the first to see the fire. He was out for a walk in the woods...

CHAPTER II—Show his headquarters and money gone, is ruined and sent to the poor commissioner...

CHAPTER III—In a St. Paul office, he was told that the fire was not a fire at all...

CHAPTER IV—The white front of the town's best store looked above and he stood outside a brief interval...

CHAPTER V—The door was well filled. An infant was laughing and stuffing his purchases into a basket...

CHAPTER VI—Kerry's eyes fastened on the back of the one card player whose face, "It is not you, it is me," he revealed...

CHAPTER VII—Kerry Young, lad of seven, is prepared to fire the burning lumber camp of his father, Jack Snow...

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Sausage, Grade 1	lb. 19c
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Lamb Shoulder	lb. 19c
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Red & White Bean Sprouts	1 lb. can 9c
Red & White Grapefruit, No. 2 can	2 for 29c
Green & White Coffee	lb. 17c
Blue & White Coffee	lb. 23c
Red & White Coffee	lb. 27c
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Veal Sh'lder Roast	lb. 22c
Beef Pot Roast	lb. 16c
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Woman's Club

The Lowell Woman's Club met on Feb. 12 at the home of Mrs. F. F. Coons, with the president Mrs. John Taylor, presiding. Following the opening exercises and the business session, the meeting was turned over to Mrs. Coons, chairman of the day.

The first number on the program was a group of songs by Mrs. Chas. Doyle, accompanied by Mrs. David Cox. In keeping with the day's subject, "The Negro," Mrs. Doyle sang the "Lazy Song," by Paul Lawrence Dunbar; "Twilight of Dreamin'" and "Oh, Miss Hannah." Mrs. Coons then presented Mr. Lee R. Miller, who gave a very enlightening and touching talk on "The Negro."

From the statement of Mr. Miller that there are 13,000,000 negroes in the United States, and that they constitute one-tenth of the population, it would seem that this is a very important matter to consider. Of this vast number of negroes, three-fifths are mulattoes, and it is among these same mulattoes we find the prominent negroes. In twenty seven states the intermarriage of whites and negroes is illegal. Mr. Miller stated that Army tests showed the colored race mentally inferior but attributed it to the fact that while the white soldier had up to an 8th grade education the negro had only a 2nd grade. With the illiterate negro and white man the negro rated nine points higher than the white. Skilled labor, he said, is closed to the negro, and in the south he is enslaved almost as much as when slavery was permitted. In the last four years there have been 3200 negroes lynched, some of these being women. As an example of how terrible, revolting and barbaric these lynchings are Mr. Miller read an account of one which occurred a short time ago.

The question before our people is, "What to do with the Negro." The club adjourned to meet on Feb. 19 at the home of Mrs. F. F. Coons with Mrs. Stowell as chairman.

Mrs. M. Houseman
Job printing—Ledger office.

Oratorical Winner



MARYAN ASHLEY

of the Michigan State College Debating Squad won the annual oratorical contest for women, sponsored by the Speech department of the College. Miss Ashley was a co-valedictorian in the 1934 graduating class, Lowell high school. She is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Ashley.

Seeley Corners
By Mrs. S. P. Reynolds

Boys Are Blazing Their Own Trail

The American spirit which made this country great is fully illustrated in the story of three Lowell boys who left recently for the west coast with a few shovels in their pockets but no lack of determination to reach their goal. The boys alluded to were Perry Peckham, Bertram Scott and Herbert Reynolds and their experiences read like romance.

Perry and Bertram, who left Detroit Jan. 22, driving new cars through to Phoenix, Ariz., have reached Los Angeles where Perry is visiting his brother Richard and Bertram also is visiting relatives. It is reported that Herbert, the third member of the party, is working with a group of men who are buying old gold in the South.

In a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Peckham, just before he left Detroit, Perry said, "If you can send me \$5.00 it surely would help. Believe me, Mom, I'm serious about this trip. If Dick will help me a little, I really will try and get something to do. I don't care much what it is, just so I can live. I know it looks bad, my asking for money right off the bat; but you know we all have to get started and you can't do that for nothing."

Postcards received from the boys on Jan. 27 carried the information that the hotel in which they stayed while in Angola, Ind., "nearly burned down." Perry writes that they had a lot of fun on a one way traffic street near Memphis. He says, "I was next to last in line and when we got into Memphis the fellow ahead of me got mixed up and didn't know where he was going. He got up on the bridge that goes across the Mississippi and found out it was the wrong side, a one way traffic road from the other side. Well, there were three of us and we were stuck. We didn't turn around or back up unless there is a lot of room. So we had to go across the wrong way, brushing fenders with every car we met."

The boys had some difficulty in getting all California because of a regulation in that state requiring that tourists must have funds or otherwise satisfy the authorities that they are going to visit relatives. At the state line they were stopped but Perry and Bertram had nearly the required seven dollars and letters from relatives in Los Angeles. It was at this point that Herbert left his companions to join his new employers. At last reports, Herbert was in Texas and expected to go from that state to Florida to join his employers in the search for old gold.

Junior Red Cross Doing Fine Work

The Junior Red Cross members at the local high school have been most active the past few weeks. They have prepared, about ten dozen valentines were made by the first, second, third and fifth grades. The fourth and fifth grades also made small valentine baskets and filled them with heart candies. The baskets and valentines were sent to one of the Grand Rapids Children's Homes.

The fifth grade made Lincoln, Washington and Valentine place cards. The sixth, seventh and eighth grades made a large number of bookmarks, match scratches, memo pads in valentine designs. These were for some of the Old People's Homes in Grand Rapids.

Besides these valentine gifts a bedside bag was filled for the Veterans' hospital. The fifth grade sent in thirty-three jars with pink and blue painted tops which were for the Infants' Feeding Association.

Seven scrap books were handed in by the third grade.

The seventh grade is dressing a doll in Indian costume for the permanent doll exhibition in the Grand Rapids Junior Red Cross headquarters.

Doris Christiansen, Fay Green, Virginia Doyle and Donna Thorne are the representatives who attend the meetings in Grand Rapids from Lowell once a month.

ASKS CAMPAIGN BE FOUGHT ON CLEAN ISSUES

Frank Warns Against Centralized Power

Charging that Michigan's share of the New Deal deficit is \$750,000,000, and Grand Rapids' portion is \$26,000,000, United States Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg called for a repudiation of the Roosevelt administration in the fall election at the annual Lincoln Club banquet in Civic Auditorium, Grand Rapids, last Saturday evening.

The senator presided as toastmaster. The principal speaker was Glenn Frank, President of the University of Wisconsin, and former editor of Century Magazine.

In a liberal and scholarly address Dr. Frank indicted the Democratic administration on three counts: (1) The organizing of mendacity. (2) The indoctrinating of the whole nation with the suicidal idea that the state is something to be run to at every hint of difficulty. (3) The emasculation of the fundamental system of self-help, as illustrated by the traditional position of the Democratic Party as a defender of state's rights. He declared that an "organized balancing of power is the result of mankind's attempt to find a workable compromise that will keep power centralized enough to achieve freedom without anarchy. It is this way that the American people has sought to follow. It is this way that the constitution has charted its course."

At another point Dr. Frank said: "So many economic difficulties have 'ganged up' on us of this generation that many Americans have attempted to cover the past with a blanket indictment and face the future either in an effort to come back after desolation or with an all too cocky confidence in the infallibility of their own day-to-day improvising."

"But this is a passing phase born of the panic mood in which depression plunged us. We are slowly coming back to our senses, and before long we shall again realize that there is nothing of greatness in the leadership of a generation that dismisses the heritage of the fathers with a patronizing air and a barrage of 'Frank's wisecracks.'"

Dr. Frank's appeal that the coming campaign be fought out on the real issues and principles necessary to the life and perpetuity of this nation drew forth applause of approval.

Other speakers were Col. Theodore Roosevelt and Cong. Carl E. Mapes.

"The vision which our forefathers saw when founding the nation," said Col. Roosevelt, "was democratic government. The whole scheme was based upon the theory that centralized power and a great republic are incompatible. It was the conviction of the founders of the country, and of Lincoln, that concentration of power spells tyranny and the death of democracy and liberty."

Cong. Mapes said in part: "The American people are patient and long suffering, but their patience has become exhausted with an administration which persists in wasteful and imprudent expenditure of public money, in an all too frequent disregard of the rights of the individual and of the states, as well as of its own limitation as set forth in the constitution, and in constantly stambling with the fate of 120 million people with ill-considered and impractical experiments."

The banquet, which is considered West Michigan's leading political function, was attended by more than 3,500 persons. The event is considered by many to have been one of the most successful in the fifty years history of the Lincoln Club.

Social Events

The Fortnightly Club met at the home of Mrs. D. H. Oatley on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Sterling Moore was assistant hostess.

Mrs. Vern Armstrong entertained the Goufas Club last Wednesday. Honors were won by Mrs. A. V. Walker, Mrs. John Fahrni and Mrs. Wesley Roth.

Dr. and Mrs. F. E. White entertained the "P D Club" at their home Monday evening. Honors were won by Mrs. H. J. Gottfredson and W. W. Gumsier.

Miss Dora Bangs entertained twelve members of the local Girls' 4-H Club with a dinner party at her home Monday evening. Betty Lou Stuart of Freeport was a guest for the occasion.

Coming Events

Regular American Legion meetings are held on the second and fourth Monday of each month at the city hall at 8:00 p. m.

The Cutler PTA meeting has been postponed because of the death of Bert Carnahan.

Coming Soon! Major Bowes' amateur program at Congregational church. Watch for the date.

The American Legion Auxiliary will meet with Mrs. W. W. Gumsier Monday evening, Feb. 17, at eight o'clock. All members are urged to be present.

There will be a St. Patrick's tea and program March 17 at 3 p. m. at the Congregational parish house, sponsored by the Lila Group. Everyone welcome.

The winter party of the Methodist Ladies Aid society will be held Friday, Feb. 21, at the church house, with a potluck supper and program following.

The Triple C Circle of the Methodist Church has postponed the valentine tea, which was to have been held Friday, till next week Tuesday afternoon at three o'clock at the home of Mrs. Ernest Roth.

To Dolly Madison is given the credit for inventing ice cream; and Nancy Johnson, a naval officer's wife, the ice cream freezer.

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Phone Book Is Poor Substitute for Desk or Safe Deposit

The telephone directory is first-rate when it comes to looking up numbers, finding out street addresses, and even acting as a paper weight. But as a safety deposit box it's a total failure.

That, at least, is the advice given by the telephone companies, which have suffered many a corporate headache resulting from the fact that people who use their directories as storage places for such things as money, wills, and insurance policies, remember it only after the directory carrier has exchanged the old book for a new one.

It Means Searching Many Books

The directory department is often faced with the problem of searching through hundreds of old books to find valuables reported by their owners to have been left between the leaves. Usually the search proves successful.

During the distribution of one directory recently, a subscriber called to say that she had left \$50 in 10-dollar bills in the book which had been collected. A search revealed the cash, safely buried between the leaves.

Man Lost His Dress Tie

Last June a school teacher telephoned her local business office, and in a voice trembling with anxiety reported that she had left her students' yearly marks in the old book. That day, while she was out of the room, the directory man had come and a boy in the class had made the exchange. She was almost in tears because the loss of the marks meant many hours of extra work, and she had no time to spare. Fortunately a quick hunt uncovered the papers.

On still another occasion an indignant man called to complain that he had an important engagement that night and had no neckwear. Questioning revealed that he had been in the habit of pressing his neckties between the pages of his telephone directory, and his wife had given the volume to the company's carrier that day. On this occasion, the search proved fruitless.

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More Local News

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Miss Marilla Chapman is ill at the home of her sister, Mrs. Emma Greene.

Mrs. Rufus Lee of near Alto came Saturday for a several days' visit with Mr. and Mrs. Byron Weeks.

Word has been received here from Mr. and Mrs. Wm. DeGraw of Zephyrhills, Fla., formerly of Lowell, that they are both quite ill with colitis.

Alvah Pinckney of Grand Rapids, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pinckney of Keene, who is in Blodgett hospital, Grand Rapids, is not improving quite as rapidly as his friends would wish. All are hoping for his speedy recovery.

Mrs. Alice Bowen, 2930 Kirby Ave., W. Detroit, had the misfortune to fall down stairs Tuesday morning, suffering a fracture of her leg below the hip. She is in Highland Park hospital. Mrs. Bowen was a resident of Keene for a number of years and her many friends hope for her speedy recovery.

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