



News of Our Boys

Jake Callier who left for service in the army on August 18, is stationed at Claiborne, La.

Harold Raymor has been advanced to a private first class in the artillery at Camp Rucker, Ala.

Congratulations to Carlton Runciman, Jr., who has been promoted to Lieutenant (jg) at Pensacola, Fla.

Kenneth Ayres, serving in Italy, has been promoted to Staff Sergeant, according to word received by his parents.

Ray Miller, 18, Route 3, Lowell, is receiving his boot training at the U. S. Naval Training Center, Great Lakes, Ill.

Cadet Roger Krum of Michigan College of Mining and Technology returned there Sunday after a week's furlough at home.

Pvt. John W. Hovings, son of Mrs. Ray Hovings of Ada has been moved from Italy to Southern France.

Sgt. Morris Blazo is spending a 12-day furlough from his station at Atlantic City, with his mother, Mrs. Earl Kropf in Lowell.

Pvt. Clair Flynn left Saturday for Camp Hood, Tex., after a 12-day furlough with his mother and other relatives in Bowne.

Staff Sgt. Don Hemingsen arrived home Tuesday from Charleston, S. C., for a ten-day furlough with the home folks.

Word has been received that Pvt. Paul Terrell has arrived safely overseas and is stationed somewhere in New Guinea.

Cpl. Albert Oesch of Fort George Wright, Wash., is spending a two weeks' furlough with his family here and with his parents in Keene.

James Doran, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Doran, formerly of Ada and Lowell, now of near Alto, left Monday with 22 others for enlistment in the navy at Detroit in the V-4 naval reserve.

Seabee Dick Lester and Mrs. Lester arrived in Lowell Tuesday night from New Jersey where he has been stationed. Dick will report to the west coast for further duty. Mrs. Lester expects to remain in Lowell.

Lt. Asahel Kellogg is spending a 28-day leave with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Kellogg of Granton. Lieutenant Kellogg is home from England where he participated in 32 missions over Europe as bombardier in the 8th Air Force.

Cpl. Elaine Miller writes that she is now in France, and saw many battle-scarred towns as she was being flown over from England.

Richard Onan and Charles Armstrong have finished their boot training at Great Lakes Naval Training Station and will be returning there this week after a nine-day leave with the home folks.

In a recent letter, Roy Hull, who is with the R. C. A. in France, tells of the joy of the liberated French people who are returning to their homes, most of which are only shambles in the wake of the retreating Germans. Roy says that the folks back home to contribute generously to any drive for the people of France as their need is so very great.

A recent news item tells how 15 per cent of all mail sent overseas is incorrectly addressed. Most of the people who in ordinary times have business and family correspondence outside the country are probably careful to have letters correctly addressed. Probably most of the family addresses are on letters to servicemen, and difficulties are likely to be encountered in delivering them. If the non-delivery of many letters to the servicemen is due to lack of care in addressing them, people should take pains to get the addresses right. The servicemen are very keen about their letters from home, they look eagerly for their mail, and they feel disappointed and often troubled when these fail to come.

Was enlisted personnel are paid from 50 to 128 dollars per month, plus room, board, clothing and medical care. A Waco private's pay equals almost \$300 a month in civilian salary.

Mass Sergeant: You're not eating your fish. What's wrong with it? Sold'r: Long time no sea.

Program All Set For Distributing 'A' Gas Books

Can Be Obtained Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, Sept. 18, 19, 20

County School Commissioner Lynn Clark together with the representatives of the OPA are having a school of instruction in Grand Rapids on Thursday of this week for school officials and rationing clerks who will be in charge of issuing the new 'A' gasoline coupon books next week on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, Sept. 18, 19, and 20. Mr. Clark is in charge of the county and has set up areas with representative school people in charge.

This section of the county is in charge of Superintendent W. W. Gumsier and auxiliary sites have been established in Alto, Ada, and Cascade. The program is being carried out through the offices of the OPA and in this area Mrs. Frances DeGraw is assisting the school officials. The auxiliary sites will be serviced through the local rationing board.

Sites and Hours Established

In Cascade township Lester Bailey will be the custodian. The books will be issued in the town hall by volunteer workers from 1:00 p. m. until 6:00 p. m. on Monday and Wednesday, Sept. 18 and 20, and from 6:00 p. m. to 9:00 p. m. on Tuesday.

Mrs. Beatrice Krum will be in charge at Alto and the books will be issued in the school house on Monday and Wednesday from 1:00 to 6:00 p. m. and on Tuesday from 1:00 to 9:00 p. m.

In Ada, A. J. Brink will be the custodian and the books will be issued in the school house Monday and Wednesday from 1:00 to 6:00 p. m. and on Tuesday from 1:00 to 9:00 p. m.

Lowell Program

The books will be issued in Lowell from the rationing board headquarters on Monday and Wednesday from 1:00 to 6:00 p. m. and on Tuesday from 1:00 to 9:00 p. m. Volunteer workers, preferably those who have had experience in issuing ration books, are being solicited by Mrs. DeGraw and Mr. Gumsier.

Regulations

All those who will apply for the new 'A' ration coupons will be given an application (Form R-534) which is to be filled out by the applicant. This will be done at the rationing site during the hours mentioned in the above schedule. The applicant must present the old 'A' book cover before a new series of coupons will be issued. School authorities are not permitted to issue new books unless this old cover is presented with the application.

Those who have lost the old 'A' book cover will have to go to the nearest rationing board where the OPA will take care of them. The applicant is also to present the rationing record but the new 'A' book will not be withheld if this is not available. New books will be issued to the registered owner of the car or his agent, but the agent must be an adult. It is to be noted that basic 'D' books for motorcycles will not be issued at this time.

AUCTION SALES

Eddie Barnard, September 23

An auction sale will be held at the farm home of Eddie Barnard, located on M-21, 7 miles west of Lowell, or one mile east of the Grand River bridge at Ada, starting at 12:30 on Saturday, Sept. 23. The sale will feature a large variety of antiques and curiosities among the complete household furnishings. The beautiful modern 8-room house with fireplace and double garage attached, will also be offered for sale, with 4 acres of land, good chicken house and small granary, also good basement barn, good well and spring rock. See complete information on another page in this issue of the Ledger. A. W. Hilsley, auctioneer; D. A. Wingeler, clerk.

WESTERN MICHIGAN COLLEGE STARTS EXTENSION CLASSES

Western Michigan College will conduct an extension class in General Biology 101B with R. E. Joyce as instructor at Grand Rapids during the coming term. The first meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 27, at 4:00, Central War time in Room 324, Junior College Building.

In the window of a California store: "We know it's hard to get meat, butter, shoes and other things—but it's much harder to learn Japanese!"—Family Circle.

Use Ledger Want Ads.

Motorcycle Collides With Car, Two Injured

Arnold F. White, 17, and Ted A. White, 15, brothers of route 1, Lowell were treated at St. Mary's hospital, Grand Rapids, Sunday night for injuries received when the motorcycle they were riding was struck by a car driven by Richard Hooley of Lowell, as they turned into a driveway in front of the Hooley car. The accident occurred on Bows road.

Arnold, who was driving, suffered a fracture of the right leg and facial bruises. It is reported that the younger boy has a fracture of the right wrist and ankle and severe lacerations of the face and hands.

Can Fruit Without Sugar If Necessary

Don't put off canning Michigan's bountiful harvest of peaches and other late fruit because of possible shortage of sugar. Unsweetened peaches, pears, or apples will keep equally well as sweetened fruit, provided the same care in processing is exercised, says Jeannette Lee, of Michigan State College foods and nutrition department.

The amount of sugar normally present in canned fruit does not act as a preservative, but serves chiefly to help retain the shape, color and flavor of the fruit, she explains.

If there is not enough natural juice present to cover the fruit in the jars, Miss Lee suggests that the homemaker crush some of the same kind of fruit in order to extract sufficient liquid. This will provide a canned product of better flavor than if water alone is used to cover the fruit.

O. E. S. Country Fair Draws Large Crowd

The public will be interested to know that the "Country Fair," sponsored by the Kent County Association O. E. S., and held at the 4-H building in Lowell on Saturday, was a grand success. Saturday proved to be a perfect fall day and there was a large attendance.

Mrs. Cecile Wallace of Ada, president of the association and general chairman, reports that \$355.00 was realized from the sale of goods donated by members of the order. Mrs. Wallace wishes to thank the people of Lowell for the use of the 4-H building. Mr. Roth for the use of chairs, and members of Cyclamen Chapter of Lowell who contributed so much time and effort, and all other chapters in Kent County whose generosity made the event a successful one, and she wishes to say also how very much the music furnished by the Commandery band of Grand Rapids was enjoyed by everybody.

The "Country Fair," one of the largest events ever planned by the association, has more than paid for efforts made which helped to raise this fund for the worthwhile cause that inspired the event.

—Mrs. Hattie Fitch, Reporter.

Methodist Churches Starting Fiscal Year

Friday evening, September 15, the church family night cooperative supper, for all the members of the churches and congregations of both First and Vergennes Methodist churches, will begin at 7 o'clock. The purpose of this occasion is to gather information and inspiration for the year's work.

Dr. E. H. Babbitt, D. S., of Grand Rapids will be the special speaker of the evening. This is the first of several such occasions that are planned for the church year. All members and friends of both churches are cordially invited. Bring sandwiches, a dish to pass and table service, thus eliminating much unnecessary work for the committee on arrangements.

STRAND CALENDAR

Thursday, Sept. 14—"Home in Indiana" with Walter Brennan and Jeanne Crain, from the Saturday Evening Post story, "The Phantom Filly"; also selected Short Subjects.

Friday and Saturday, Sept. 15-16—Jimmy Lydon in "Henry Aldrich Boy Scout"; also Jane Frazee in "Rosie the Riveter" and Latest News Events.

Sunday and Monday, Sept. 17-18—"Up in Mabel's Room" with Marjorie Reynolds, Dennis O'Keefe, Gail Patrick, Mischa Auer and Charlotte Greenwood; Latest News and Selected Short Subjects.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Sept. 19-20-21—Eddie Cantor, George Murphy, Constance Moore, Joan Davis and Nancy Kelly in "Show Business."

Use porcelain lined graniteware or aluminum kettles for cooking pickles. Use a granite or wooden spoon for stirring or lifting the pickles.

Polls Indicate That Domestic Issues Take First Place in Minds of American Voters

People More Interested With the Many Things Which Immediately Concern Daily Living

This may be news to some folks: The 's' going to be an election in Michigan November 7.

With Generals Ike Eisenhower, Blood & Guts Patton, Omar Bradley and a million or so Yanks on the victorious march in France, Belgium and Germany, newspaper headlines have been dominated by happy war news. Approach of V-Day in Europe has put domestic affairs into near total eclipse. When do we celebrate?

World history is rushing past with breath-taking speed. Even a prospect of 20 years' residence by one president at the White House—something we would not consider seriously in normal times—scarcely evokes more than a mild discussion from the Man on the Street.

Important Notice To All Service Men

Men and Women in All Branches Of Service May Vote in November Election If Application for Ballots Is Made in Time

To Michigan Men and Women in War Service:

The following is a summary of information obtained from the Michigan Secretary of State on how you can vote in the November 7, 1944 election.

Who Can Vote.

Any citizen in the Armed Forces of the U. S., Merchant Marine, Nurses in Armed Forces, civilians on War Duty, if 21 years of age, whether Overseas or in the continental U. S.

Kind of Ballots.

Michigan Ballot or Federal ballot.

How Get Michigan Ballot.

Make application to Michigan Secretary of State on post card furnished by U. S. Government. Best to use and to mail this card direct to the Secretary of State, Lansing, Michigan. Secretary of State will honor written and signed request in letter addressed to Secretary of State, or to other person here, provided letter contains all information contained in post card application furnished by Government.

If Stationed in Continental U. S. (Not Overseas)

Make same kind of application, and mail to Michigan Secretary of State, or to County Clerk of County of your home residence, or to your Township Clerk. Registration. It is not necessary that you be registered as a voter in City or Township of your home residence. Whether registered or not, you should sign and swear to the oath on the back of the envelope in which you return your State ballot.

Federal Ballot.

Whether stationed Overseas, or in continental U. S., you can use Federal ballot only if you have applied for Michigan ballot, but have not received it by October 1st. On Federal ballot you can vote only for President, Vice President, U. S. Senators (if any), and members of Congress from the District of your home residence.

Time Element for Application.

There seems to be no time deadline after which you are not permitted to make application for a State ballot, but (1) you probably would not receive or be able to return a State ballot on applications made after October 1st, and (2) you may not be permitted to vote the Federal ballot unless you have applied for a State ballot before October 1st.

Advice.

Be sure to make application for State ballot before October 1st, then, if you do not get the State ballot by October 1st, use Federal ballot.

Service Men and Women

who come home on furlough may cast their November ballot by applying personally to their Township Clerk. Refer to last week's Ledger for more complete details.

Mrs. Arch Wood Dies After Long Illness

Grace Huizinga Wood, 57, highly esteemed resident of McCords, passed away about 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon of this week after a long illness.

She is survived by the husband, Arch Wood; one daughter, Mrs. Beulah Henry; and one sister, Mrs. R. E. Colby of McCords; and a brother, Frank Huizinga of Middleville. A son, Charles, preceded her in death.

Funeral services will be held from the home at 2:00 p. m. on Friday, with the Rev. J. G. Ballard of McCords officiating. Burial in Whitneyville cemetery.

Many friends join in extending sincere sympathy to the bereaved husband and other members of the family.

NEW FALL NECKWEAR

The Wembley fall ties are ready. Plain colors, stripes, figures, color combinations that make Wembley the most popular line in America. All \$1.00. Coons.

"A good way to improve the monotony of any job is to think up ways of improving it."

New Machine Takes Fuzz Off Peaches

What Rube Goldberg dared only to dream and draw about, a Los Angeles company has blueprinted and produced—a machine to take the fuzz off peaches.

The Food Machinery Corp., which specializes in postwar innovations, has revealed details of the "defuzzer," which promises to be a boon to peach growers. Without whisks, the peaches will command premium prices in eastern markets.

The gadget, produced by the same company which builds Water Buffalo amphibious tanks for the armed forces, scrubs the fuzz from 15 tons of peaches an hour at a cost of 1 mill a box.

Its innards are simplicity, engineers explain. Just an area of 5 by 6 feet full of conveyor belts and little horsehair brushes topped off by an exhaust fan to suck away the fuzz. It's operated by a 1-horsepower motor.

Nobody has figured out yet what to do with the fuzz.

Runciman Awarded Huge Bean Contract

Order Is for 12 Million Pounds of Navy Beans

A government contract for 12 million pounds of navy beans for the armed forces was awarded this week to the C. H. Runciman company of Lowell. This is one of the largest orders of beans ever made in this country.

These beans must be packed in 50-lb. waterproof packages for overseas shipment and it will take 240,000 bags to fill the 150 freight cars needed to haul them away. They are to be shipped by December 31st. Growers are urged to market their beans as soon as possible in order that the needs of the armed forces may be taken care of.

The local company is one of the top three bean shippers of the United States to receive such an order.

Victory Gardeners Here Among Prize Winners

Winners in the 1944 Kent County Victory Garden Contest Have Been Announced with the Following Lowell Gardeners Among Those Taking Prizes

In the Junior Garden class second prize went to Marjorie McQueen, third to Helen Summers, and fourth place to Gretchen Hahn. Elmer S. White took fifth place in the County Suburban class, and Margaret Ruegger fourth place in the 4-H gardens.

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Up and Down Kent County Roads

By K. K. Vining, Kent County Agricultural Agent

Plenty of discussion in the daily paper, on the radio and in Congress, on the conversion plan in industry as soon as the European phase of the war ends and more when the Japs are licked. Not too much is said about "conversion," or the word "reduction" would be better as applied to agriculture. For three years the American farmer has been urged to produce more food for the war efforts and they did the job well. Now the question comes—How can the reduction be made?

The Agricultural press has been writing about the amount of food the government has on hand and in event of a quick peace how it could be liquidated without injury to agriculture, and it is a problem.

Some folks have held out to the farmer the need of food in the war countries after hostilities have ceased. No doubt there will be a need for some of the food but if the European countries get back into production like they did following the previous war our food won't be needed so long. The livestock man has been told there would be a market for purebred cattle in Europe. Recent information is to the effect that European herds are not so bad off.

Then how are we going to reduce production to our needs? Some ideas and thoughts on reduction should be given by the farmer himself and not depend on any miracle from Washington to do the job.

A factory can have a contract on orders, cancelled. It is easy to pull the switch, tell the help to go home until the plant is converted to a peace time basis.

Not so the farmer. His crops cannot be stopped after planting. Wheat, corn, oats, barley, potatoes, beans and even his livestock, require planning ahead not for just a season but for longer periods and it is not so easy to put a stop to that production. Following the other war, production didn't drop off. European countries took our food as long as we loaned them money

School Enrollment Is Above Year Ago

County Agent Vining to Conduct Ag. Department Pending Arrival Of Mr. Kleinhekel; Total Number Enrolled Is 745

In spite of the trend of the times Lowell school officials report that the enrollments in the local elementary and high school are greater than ever before. A year ago the total enrollment on the third day of school was 732 of which number 384 had entered the first eight grades and 348 had registered in the upper four grades. On the second day of school this year the total enrollment was 745, 389 of whom had entered the first eight grades and 356 had entered the upper four grades.

Supt. W. W. Gumsier states that all departments, with the exception of the agricultural department, were in operation on Tuesday. No word has been received concerning the availability of Captain John Kleinhekel but County Agent K. K. Vining promises to help carry on until Mr. Kleinhekel puts in his appearance.

Miss Vivian Brooks has combined her sections of kindergarten and will put in half time teaching music in the grades and physical training to girls in the high school.

Store Burglarized Late Sunday Night

Ralph's Tire and Sporting Goods store was entered some time Sunday evening, a .22 caliber Remington automatic rifle, with telescopic sights, and a Smith and Wesson .22 caliber revolver being taken, along with a quantity of ammunition and between twenty and \$25 in money.

The rear door was found unlocked at eleven o'clock by Gene Carr the night watchman. It was discovered that a rear window had also been broken.

This is the second time in less than a year that Ralph's place has been broken into and articles stolen.

Howard Seger, 26, of Lowell, a deaf mute, was arrested in Grand Rapids Tuesday night and admitted the robbery at Ralph's store and also at Kelley's service station a couple of weeks ago, where gas coupons, money and other articles were taken. The theft of an automobile in Grand Rapids, was also solved by his arrest.

Much of the loot was recovered from the car. This is Seger's third or fourth offense and he was booked on an investigation charge after writing his admissions.

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Along Main Street

Eldon McIntyre, Ledger linoprinter, says the arrival and departure of his hay fever is just as punctual as the martins. He is having a rough season this year.

Only one more week of summer and then comes autumn. Home front workers have been so busy for the past months that summer has sped by unbelievably fast.

Truckloads and truckloads of tomatoes are arriving at the Ruthercraft canning factory. A sight to behold! The fruit is of excellent quality.

Miss Barbara Thorne has enrolled in Junior College, Grand Rapids, in the pre-med course. After completing this two-year course she plans to enter the U. of M. medical department. Barbara was valedictorian of the class of '44, L. H. S.

In addition to the money and other articles stolen a few nights ago when the Kelley service station was robbed, a number of blank checks were also taken which have been forged with the proprietor's signature. Deputy Frank Stephens warns against accepting any of these checks without first investigating.

At the last regular meeting of the Charles W. Clark Post of the American Legion it was voted unanimously that the Legion Post of Lowell should go on record as being opposed to any public celebration or demonstration upon the surrender of Germany. That such celebration be postponed until the conclusion of the war with Japan.

J. C. Hatch, well-known local contractor, on Monday morning of this week, was right back where he started, 60 years ago. Now that doesn't mean that Cliff is slipping—no, not by any means. It does mean that Cliff and his men were constructing a new chimney on the McBrice school house, and that is where Cliff started to school just 60 years ago this week. Quite a bit of human interest in this coincidence.

In a letter received here this week, Ferris E. Warren, district salvage representative of the War Production Board, states that "notwithstanding any local reports to the contrary, we emphatically advise that waste paper is the Number One critical shortage in the country today; and that continued waste paper salvage will be a very important contribution to the war effort. Therefore, this office will be very appreciative of your continued intensive effort in the waste paper salvage program."

All service men of voting age who are home on leave should improve the opportunity of casting their ballots for the November election, by calling at the office of Elmer S. White, clerk of Lowell township. By doing so the service man will save himself the trouble of making written application for his ballots. The above suggestion also applies to service men from any other township or city.

Theron Richmond, who has conducted a restaurant here for nearly fifteen years, under the name of Richmond's Cafe, has sold his business to Harry Murphy of Chicago, Ross Taylor of Manistique and Gertrude Read of Lowell, who took possession Monday of this week. Mr. Richmond states that he has no definite plans for the future but that he and his family will continue to make their home in Lowell. The opening announcement of the new proprietor will be found on another page of this issue.

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff: We bet that ants are mighty sorry the gas rationing has cut down on family picnics in the country. . . . Most of us have owned the same car long enough these days to get it completely paid for. . . . It has been quite a long time since we heard of any woman being bothered with pains from housewife's knee. . . . One of the easiest ways to let a man know he doesn't want something he thinks he wants, is to give him his own way. . . . The office of Internal Revenue might not know your correct initials, but their mail usually finds you. . . . We wonder if there is more to the Jap fleet than appears on the surface!

Grounded—All the wild ducks and geese have to spend part of each summer in retirement. When their wing feathers fall out at the molting season, they are unable to fly until they grow new ones.

In a set of golf clubs is enough steel to make 30 hand grenades.

Use Ledger Want Ads.

MORSE LAKE
MRS. LILIA CLARK

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Miller of Indianapolis, Ind., spent last week with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. C. Klahn. Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Yetter accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Yetter, attended the State 4-H Club Fair at East Lansing, Friday.

First prize winner at the State 4-H Club Fair from the Morse Lake Club were Donna and Jean Dalstra's sheep, which won the Grand Champion and Marilyn Clark, who exhibited cup cakes and her food preparation notebook.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Yetter called at the Puritt-Lacy home and at Mrs. Cora Puritt's Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Houghton and daughter, Elaine, were callers Sunday evening at Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Dutcher in Calcedonia.

Roland Dewey attended the county Grange Convention held at the Y. M. C. A. of Grand Rapids Tuesday.

Mrs. LaVern Blocher came home from the hospital last Saturday and is spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Dewey. The babies are gaining nicely in the hospital, where they must remain in the incubators for a few more weeks.

Mrs. Ralph Hoag returned home from the hospital last Saturday and is spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Dewey. The babies are gaining nicely in the hospital, where they must remain in the incubators for a few more weeks.

Mrs. Elmer Yetter called at the Puritt-Lacy home and at Mrs. Cora Puritt's Sunday afternoon.

A woman was launching her first ship and was a little nervous. She turned to the shipyard manager, standing beside her and asked, "How hard do I have to hit it to knock it into the water?"

WARE DISTRICT
E. R. W.

Ware school opened last week with Mrs. Bernice Bedell of Lowell as teacher. Nine pupils enrolled.

Mr. and Mrs. John Krohn called on Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Kimble and sons at Grand Rapids Sunday evening.

Mrs. Lucy Stahl called on Mr. and Mrs. Elijah Stahl Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Val Johnson and son Brian of Dearborn were supper guests at the Ira Thorough home Saturday evening. They were Sunday callers at the Ray Seese and John Krohn homes.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Manning, Chester of the Ira Thorough home Saturday evening. They were Sunday callers at the Ray Seese and John Krohn homes.

Recent guests at Ware District were Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Proctor entertained company from Grand Rapids Sunday.

Mrs. Irma Krebs started working in Grand Rapids Monday. A number of friends and relatives of Bay City, Grand Rapids and Lowell and vicinity were dinner guests at the Fred Oesch home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Freeman Hoffman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kaufman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Hoffman and sons were Sunday dinner guests at David Hoffman's.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Thorough and Ivan called at the Bert and Flora Hooper home at Calcedonia Sunday afternoon.

STAR CORNERS
MRS. DA. BROWN

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wisely and son Dickie of Detroit were supper guests at the Stahl-Seese home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rankin have sold their home and will be moving away from our neighborhood. All sorry to see them go.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bouma are being congratulated on the birth of a little son, William H. born in Hiogett hospital Sept. 6. Mr. and Mrs. H. Bouma are staying at the farm a few days.

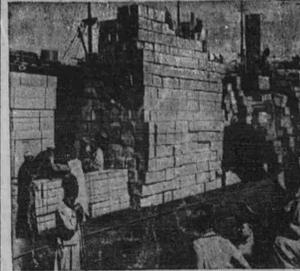
Chester Manning, A. M. M. 1/6 is spending a 30-day furlough with his parents and other relatives. He and his wife and sons spent part of the past week with his parents.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harold Welton and children spent Sunday with Mrs. Wilton's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Don Scott in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Cora Miller of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Virginia Shook and sons of Calcedonia were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Miller. Other visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Frabbeier, and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Snyder and children of Calcedonia.



(International News Photo) Native soldiers at a middle east port are shown stacking a mountain of paper-wrapped crates of foodstuffs from America, with invasion day drawing nearer and nearer, supplies of all kinds are going through in ever-increasing flow.



Released by U. S. War Department Bureau of Public Relations. LETTERS FROM HOME SPEED TO FRONT—Members of the armed forces arriving at their bases overseas soon hear from the Army postman. Under a new system it is announced that many now enjoy letters which the V-Mail brought across the ocean ahead of them. Left, Lt. John T. Halley, Batavia, Ill., 15th Air Force, shares news from home with his pet cocker spaniel "Roger," right, reading letters which left the United States less than a week before. And this is Italy!

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WILL PAY CASH for small modern home in or near Lowell. Phone 118-F3.

FOR SALE—Early potatoes, No. 12, dark tan, red trim. Lowell. Phone 189-F3.

FOR SALE—Girl's winter coat, size 12, dark tan, red trim. Lowell. Phone 333.

FOR SALE—BGA radio, radio model in good condition. Orrin Stevens, Lowell. Phone 336-F3.

FOR SALE—My 37-acre farm located 2 1/2 miles west of Lowell Grand Trunk depot, or trade for small home in town. J. M. Swartz, R. 2, Lowell.

NEURITIS—RHEUMATISM—SEITICUS doctor's prescription, speedy relief from joint pains, backache, lameness, 75 cts. Chiklensons' Retail Drug Store, Lowell. c19F

FOR SALE—Engagement and wedding ring will sell reasonable; also small heating stove. Phone Ada 7211.

FOR SALE—A registered Rambouillet ram, 1 1/2 Bert Young, R. 1, Belding, or 3 miles west of Smyrna. p13

WANTED—A house or apartment furnished for the winter. Ray Avery, Lowell. Phone 73-F3. c19

WANTED—To buy used cars, light models preferred. McFall Chevrolet, Phone 268. c19

FARMERS—We need more cream. Paying 50¢ for butterfat. Open daily until 5 o'clock, Saturdays until 9:00 p. m.—Lowell Creamery. c19F

FOR SALE—Registered Shropshire ram, 2 years, 4 months old. Harold Davenport, Phone 256-F13.

WANTED—Electric water heater, in any condition. Musker Electric Co., Ionia, R. 2. c17-3

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Oats, bu......85
Cracked Corn, cwt.....2.70
Corn and Oats Feed, cwt.....3.17
Corn Meal, cwt.....2.83
Shelled Corn, cwt.....2.60
Hran, cwt......67
Middlings, cwt.....2.33
Pea Beans, cwt.....6.00
Light Red Beans, cwt.....6.75
Dark Red Beans, cwt.....6.70
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	6:30 p. m.
	8:10 p. m.
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12:15 p. m.	11:10 p. m.
5:00 p. m.	Fri., Sat., Sun.

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MORE LOCAL NEWS

Cecil Good was in Dearborn and Detroit over the week-end and visited Horace Summers, F 2/c, and on Sunday the boys attended the doubleheader ball game.

Don MacNaughton enjoyed a few days' vacation at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Behnke at Howard City.

Carroll Burch of the high school faculty was called to Grand Rapids Tuesday afternoon by the death of his sister, Mrs. Warren Wheeler. Funeral services will be held Friday afternoon in Grand Rapids.

Mrs. Albert Roth of Detroit spent from Thursday until Monday at her home in Lowell, accompanied by her son George, who was home on furlough from the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.

IN MEMORIAM

In memory of our mother who passed away ten years ago the thirteenth of this month. "Mother, dearest Mother, though you've been so long away, The precepts taught us in our youth are still the same today. That God, our God, is a God of love, of peace, and understanding, That God is Life, and thus we know that "Life can have no ending". In this war-torn world of turmoil, with all its greed and strife, May we always, all remember, "There can be no end of Life". And may those who read, remember the truths of long-gone days Will now, as then, linger, and be the truth always."

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Croninger and Family,
Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Bancroft and Family,
Mr. and Mrs. Otto D. Dyggert and Family.

Fish—Neither silver-fish, jelly-fish, star-fish, nor shellfish are real fish at all. They each belong to entirely different branches of the animal kingdom and no two of them to the same branch.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Bride-Elect Honored
Miss Ardis Schneider was honored with a miscellaneous shower last Wednesday evening by Mrs. Gordon Johnson at her home, assisted by Miss Lucille Warner. Twenty-four guests were present, including Mrs. Marion Peacock of St. Louis. Games were played during the evening and light refreshments served by the hostess.

Bowne Center W. S. C. S.
Bowne Center W. S. C. S. met Sept. 7 at the hall for their regular monthly all day meeting. Mrs. Earl Nash's group served a fine dinner. Our president, Mrs. Alex Wingler arranged the following very enjoyable program, which included a candle lighting service.

Introduction by our president, Mrs. Wingler; choir and its importance to the church, Rev. Timms; Sunday School work, Thurdie Thompson; children's work, Mrs. Timms; missionary work, Bertha Porritt; school's work, Mrs. Headworth; P. T. A. work, Lucille Watta; Red Cross work, Edna Johnson; visitors of W. S. C. S., Pauline Thompson, one of our visitors from Freport.

There were 30 members and 3 visitors present. Next meeting will be Oct. 4.

Social Brevities

The Fortnightly Club held their opening meeting for the year on Tuesday evening with a picnic supper on the lawn at Mrs. Geo. Story's home. Mrs. Raymond Borgstrom entertained with an account of her summer travels.

Mrs. Lew Morse entertained St. Mary's Altar Society last Friday. After the business meeting cards were enjoyed.

ADD SOC BREVIE
The Monday Book Club met at the home of Mrs. F. E. White this week to organize for their winter meetings.

Miss Dora Jane Thomas delightfully entertained two different groups with dinner and bridge, at her home on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings of this week. Six tables were in play the first evening and eight on Wednesday. She was assisted by Mrs. Jack Bergin.



Seeley Corners 4-H Club
The last meeting of the Seeley Corners 4-H Club was held at Big Crooked Lake on Friday evening, Sept. 1, all of the members being present. We had a wicker roast with our parents as guests. A short business meeting was held. Most of the members have their reports made out.—Ronald Keesche, Rep.

A Victory ship's cargo capacity of 10,000 tons enables it to deliver in a single voyage 440 tank cars, 2,840 jeeps, or a day's "C" rations sufficient to feed more than 3,000,000 men.

Mushrooms have been used as food, or as poisons, as far back as historical records go.

Read the Ledger Want Ads and save money.

Our Secret Weapon

IN HIS allegory, "The Pilgrim's Progress," Bunyan tells how Christian, when going through the valley of the shadow of death, found enemies that were immune to the sword with which he had vanquished Apollyon, so "he was forced to put up his sword, and betake himself to another weapon called All-prayer." When the fiends "were come even almost at him, he cried out with a most vehement voice, I will walk in the strength of the Lord God; so they gave back, and came no further." Christian's sword was of no avail against the blasphemous whisperer so subtly in his ear that he mistook them for his own thoughts, but the weapon of prayer brought him safely through the ordeal.

One who lived in England during the worst of the blitz, speaking of the wonderful protection experienced by those who sought the way of escape through prayer, said it was difficult to understand unless one were there, but in their darkest hour it seemed the whole nation lived in prayer! Thus did those materially unprepared for war find themselves equipped with a secret weapon of defense. So spiritually empowered were they with courage and a consciousness of oneness to God that they could prove to the world it is possible for civilization to survive the barbarous onslaught of savage modern warfare.

Spiritual power accompanies understanding now as it did when Jesus sent forth seventy of his students to preach and heal, telling them, "Behold, I give unto you power . . . over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall by any means hurt you" (Luke 10:19). No weapon of the carnal mind can withstand the Christ-power operative today through enlightened prayer. In the light of Truth the carnal mind, which "is enmity against God" (Romans 8:7), is seen to be a lie, a deception which vanishes before the Mind of Christ.

The rulers of the darkness of deception hold no sway in the realm of light. Their effort, therefore, is to prevent the use of our secret weapon of prayer. Unerring in aim, instant in action, inflexible in range, and ever available, prayer is as irresistible in attack as it is invulnerable in defense. Nor can the enemy prevent its use by the Christian soldier. One must guard against resistance of the carnal mind to his use of prayer. Evil would disarm before it attacks, but the very conflict arms the righteous and girds him for victory.

Jesus taught us the use of our secret weapon when he said (Matthew 6:9): "When thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly." Writing of this secret but effective prayer in "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" Mary Baker Eddy says (p. 15), "The closet typifies the sanctuary of Spirit, the door of which shuts out sinful sense but lets in Truth, Life, and Love." She continues: "In the quiet sanctuary of earnest longings, we must deny sin and plead God's alms. We must resolve to take up the cross, and go forth with honest hearts to work and watch for wisdom, Truth, and Love." And she says further, "The Master's injunction is, that we pray in secret and let our lives attest our sincerity."

Those who have learned to use this weapon of prayer are winning priceless victories. Through prayer, the risen Christ comes again through doors which fear has closed, with the sublime message of triumph, "Peace be unto you."—The Christian Science Monitor.

Vergennes Co-op. Club

Mrs. Fred Franks was hostess to the Vergennes Co-operative Club at her home last Thursday. The story of the "Willow Plate" was read by Mrs. Chas. Collar and Mrs. Melville McPherson. Many interesting dishes and pieces of silverware were displayed and their history told.

The committee served a delicious lunch. The next meeting, to be election of officers, will be at the home of Mrs. Gordon Frost.

—Mrs. Arvill Heilman, Club Rep.

What Do You Think?

German citizen: "If I invest my thousand marks in this war loan, who guarantees I'll get my money back?"

Bank clerk: "The Fuehrer himself."

Citizen: "But if he dies?"

Clerk: "Then Goering."

Citizen: "And if he dies?"

Clerk: "Then the whole Nazi party guarantees the loan."

Citizen: "Yes, but if the party were dissolved, then what?"

Clerk (whispering): "Wouldn't that be worth a thousand marks to you?"

There is an average of 438 miles of stream for each county in Michigan; Bay, Leelanau, and Emmet are the only counties with less than 100 miles of stream each.

Every soldier serving abroad requires about 50 gallons of petroleum products per month to keep him supplied for action.

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Michigan State Radio Highlights

"Food Is Important" is the title of a new program each Friday evening at 5:30 o'clock over WKAR, the Michigan State College station. Sponsored by the Michigan Nutrition in Defense Committee, with Dean Marie Dye as chairman, it is presented by Miss Sylvia Hart, nutrition specialist of the Office of Civilian Defense and chairman of the committee. Important foods and how they can be used to preserve health, is the theme of the program.

Back on the air is "Rural School Music" at 10:00 a. m. each Monday. The program is designed for rural schools and supplements the work of Rural Music Extension being carried on in 18 Michigan counties. The broadcast consists largely of music appreciation and the correlation of music with subjects studied in the rural schools, and a teachers' manual is available to schools participating in the series. The programs are arranged and presented by the extension specialists in rural school music.

ELMDALE

Mrs. Ira Sarozant
Mr. and Mrs. Jake Kauffman and daughter Ruth returned home from Indiana Saturday.

The Misses Victoria Miller and Odella Sutter are working in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Miller attended the Miller family reunion at Shipshewana Lake, Ind., Sunday.

John Lott spent last Thursday and Friday in Detroit on business.

Orvie Stahl and wife spent Sunday with his brother, Lloyd and family in East Campbell. Lloyd is slowly gaining from his recent accident but still uses crutches.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Weaver have received a letter from their grandson, Paul Erb, who is in the navy and is somewhere at sea.

Latest word from Philip Lott states that he is still in France, but has been moved from his first location and now situated in barracks. He has also been transferred to a telephone division.

Revival meetings will begin at the Mennonite Church on Tuesday evening, Sept. 19 and will continue until Sept. 29. Rev. Nelson Kauffman of Hannibal, Mo., will be the evangelist. The local minister extends a hearty invitation to all to attend as many of these evening services as possible.

The Misses May Schroek and Eva Kauffman are taking a year's course at a college in Harrisburg, Va.

Mrs. John Lott spent Thursday and Friday with relatives in Grand Rapids, also calling at the Milton Murphy home and on Mrs. Charles Reasoner of Clarksville who is recovering from a serious operation at an Osteopathic hospital.

Hats off to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Weaver, who on Sunday, Sept. 17, will celebrate their 70th wedding anniversary.

Every new American standard tanker carries enough gasoline on one voyage to supply an "A" ration book holder with gasoline for 25,000 years.

The steel contained in one junior bicycle is enough to make one 30 caliber machine gun.

REUNIONS

The 50th reunion of the Horace Weeks family was held September 8, at Fallsburg Park with 65 in attendance. A bounteous dinner was served at one long table. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Allen Godfrey and family of St. Joe, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Smith of Benton Harbor, Mr. and Mrs. Orlov Weel, and family of Saranac, Mr. and Mrs. Ars Weeks and family and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Batchelor of Lake Odessa, Mr. and Mrs. Clint Weeks of Lowell. After the program was dispensed with, a social time was had, with ice cream, and cake being served later.—Emily W. Godfrey, Sec'y.

The eighteenth annual Ford reunion was held in the Alton church basement on Sept. 4. There were 60 in attendance from Detroit, Ionia, Belding, Greenville, Grand Rapids, Jackson, Stanton and Lowell. After dinner all gathered in the church for a program of hymns and prayer. Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Jones, Donna Jean Ford and Arlene Ford gave special numbers. In the business meeting that followed it was voted to hold the reunion at the church again next year on Labor Day. The officers are, Fred Ford president; Edna Ford, treasurer; Hazel Ford, secretary.



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Up and Down Kent County Roads

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craft and other similar exhibits. The show has yet another day to go with dairy cattle to be judged. Kent County's part in the fair had gone well. The exhibits in Demonstration Hall had acquired a goodly share of blue and red ribbon awards. In the swine classes James Fales, of Sparta, won the grand champion award on the Duroc Jersey barrow. Pat McCarthy, with a 5-month-old Belgian filly, won the purple championship ribbon and then turned around and won the showmanship contest. His first time in the show ring, Kent's three Belgians took county honors also.

In the judging contest the poultry team won first place with Dean Allen, of Alpine, taking second place as an individual, and Morris Hovingh, of Byron, taking fifth place.

The general livestock team placed fourth in a group of 10 teams. No report on the dairy team finals except that a couple of Kent boys placed well. This was the first time these boys had been in a State Contest.

We had no report on girls judging and demonstration teams.

Dick Machiele had charge of the livestock exhibit and the boys who were in attendance as caretakers.

We will give a good report of Kent County's winnings in next week's column.

Domestic Issues Take First Place

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A third ballot for Nov. 7 will contain four proposed amendments to the state constitution.

Three were sponsored by the state legislature, as follows:

No. 1—Permitting a municipality to supply and sell water to houses outside the city limits.

No. 2—Permitting state legislators to run for state office and still continue as members of the legislature. The present law requires a resignation when a legislator becomes a candidate for state office.

No. 3—Increasing the compensation of state legislators from \$3 to \$5 per day.

No. 4 amendment would give home rule to Wayne County.

Running an election and running a war is the double responsibility imposed on American democracy this Fall.

If public opinion polls of recent years are any index, domestic issues still are of more interest to American voters than international affairs. Despite our newest venture into world politics, we're concerned primarily with the things which are immediately about us and which concern our daily living. Self-interest remains the key to much of our thinking.

That boy who is overseas, our gasoline rationing, shortage of sugar for canning, overtime wages and food prices—these are part of our war-time thinking.

How much will the war influence our judgment on Nov. 7?

A lot of Michigan candidates would like to know the answer.

AMONG THE CHOSEN

MICHIGAN and certain other states display placards that prominently picture a stalk of milkweed, bearing pods of stuff, and words that call attention to important facts. Children see it as a way of earning money while the man reads those additional words that concern the collection of milkweed pods for the saving of lives. This product is the substitute for kapok that is used in making life jackets and life preservers for our war needs. Far more important than the money offered for collection, still the factories must have the weed for the processing and manufacture. Willing hands will gather the flora. What was once a useless, worthless weed has become a lifesaver. What was once a mean crop that came unwanted and uncultivated from the soil, now takes on an air of being sought after. So gold is where you find it? Then we have some of this kind of gold around Lowell and it will be collected in the name of service.

MEMORIALS ALIVE

SCARCELY A PLACE that doesn't hold some sort of a memorial for a past hero, a notable event of generations ago. They have been to commemorate military bravery, genius, courage, deeds of daring that have been sculptured in marble and molded in bronze, done in oils and listed in concrete. But before starting to build monuments for soldiers and battles of this war, listen to the words of President Lewis of Lafayette college, who says, "The earth is strewn with structures symbolic more of man's vanity than of his achievements." President Lewis suggests hospital beds, scholarships in institutions of higher learning that will live forever, clinics for crippled children, medical research centers, musical foundations as just a few of the memorials that could be presented in tribute. Here in Lowell we feel these would record valor in a worthy way.

A UNIVERSAL LANGUAGE

ONE OF THE REASONS for the differences and quarrels between the nations, is that they do not have the same language. The number of languages which the people of the world speak is amazing, and it is a great barrier between nations. Hostile feelings often develop if people cannot understand the things that the folks of a neighbor nation say and write.

It is a strange thing how all these different languages have developed, and a great misfortune to the cause of world progress. In some mysterious way the people of different countries have learned different vocal sounds to express their thoughts, and the sounds that seem intelligible in one land are a meaningless gibberish to the majority of people in neighbor countries.

A great deal of work has been done on creating a universal language, which should be learned and spoken in all lands. It would be a wonderful thing if some such language could be adopted and spoken everywhere.

English stands a good chance to become a universal language. The distribution of our talking moving pictures in so many countries should teach people English words and encourage them to study the language farther. It is spoken very widely over the world, and not merely in it the language of the United States and England, but Canada and Australia and New Zealand and South Africa speak it, as well as many in India and elsewhere.

Travelers before the war on the continent of Europe usually found people in most of those countries who knew English. It would seem that after the war there should be a campaign to induce foreign nations to offer instruction in English in their schools. Americans will be going all over the world, and wherever they go they spread knowledge of the language. It would be a great step for world peace if it became a universal language.

LEDGER ENTRIES

Emergency
The office manager had called the doctor on the telephone. "Doctor, come quick, my new assistant has swallowed my fountain pen!" The doctor, getting ready to leave, said, "I'll come at once. What are you doing in the meantime?" "Using my pencil," replied the office manager.

BIRTHS

To Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Wilcox, September 8, a baby girl, Sandra Kay.

To Pvt. and Mrs. Jack R. Siles, Sept. 8, at Blodgett hospital, a daughter, named Connie Lee.

To Pfc. and Mrs. Howard Acheson, of Lowell, a 7 lbs. 9 oz. son, Howard Richard, Sept. 2.

JUNIOR FARM BUREAU

The September 7th meeting was held at the Vergennes hall and featured the installation of new officers. Reports were also given on activities at camp by those who attended.

The September 21st meeting is to be a hayride, and the Ionia County Junior Farm Bureau has been invited to attend. It is planned to leave the Vergennes hall at 8:45. The committee for this meeting is Mairyn Fritts and Royal Clark.

—Bud Condon, Reporter.

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COMING EVENTS

The Child Study Club will meet Sept. 21 at 7 o'clock with Mrs. Byrd Beachum, for potluck supper. Telephone committee will contact members.—Thelma Cole, Sec'y.

The Peckham Group will meet Friday at 2:30 at the home of Mrs. R. D. Hahn. All members please be present as this is the last meeting of the fiscal year. Have you paid your dues? Election of officers.

The Ladies' Aid of Zion Methodist Church will meet Thursday, Sept. 21, at the home of Mrs. John Bier at Aiton.

The American Legion Auxiliary will hold their next regular meeting at the City Hall, Sept. 17.

The Martha group of the Methodist church will enjoy a carry-in supper at the home of Mrs. Byrd Beachum on Monday evening, Sept. 18 at 6:30. The committee will furnish the main dish, rolls and coffee. Bring your own table service and a dish to pass. All members are urged to come and bring a prospective member.

The Garden Lore Club will hold their next meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 20, at the home of Mrs. E. A. Rush. Mrs. F. J. Finley is chairman of the day.

The Senior Farm Bureau of Vergennes will meet Friday, Sept. 15, at the Orange hall. All members are urged to be present as this is election of officers.

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