



News of Our Boys

Roland Troyer S 1/c radio tech. has been transferred from Michigan City, Ind., to Gulfport, Miss.

Robert B. Cahoon, Aer. M. 3/c, is home from Deland, Fla., on a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse B. Cahoon.

Leonard R. Kerr, Jr., of Lowell, was one of the 69 17-year-old Western Michigan men who went to Detroit Monday to be sworn into the navy.

After 34 months overseas in the Southwest Pacific, S/Sgt. William G. Peckham is due to arrive home this week for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. H. Peckham, R. 2.

Sgt. Gerald E. Rollins is now located near Paris, France, and writes that he recently enjoyed a tour of Paris when he had a day off. It was conducted by the Red Cross.

Lloyd J. Karakas, who is serving with the mountain troops in northern Italy, was recently promoted from sergeant to staff sergeant. His brother, 2nd Lt. Carl Karakas, is also serving with the mountain troops.

Gordon L. Murray, S 2/c who has visited Trinidad, South America and other ports, has returned to his ship on the east coast, after a 7-day shore leave spent with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. James Ward.

Seaman Orrin Smith has returned to Great Lakes naval training station after a few days' leave at home. While here Orrin accidentally shot himself in the foot, but that did not deter him from returning to duty on time.

Charles E. Kiel had just nicely sewed on his corporal's stripes when he had orders to take them off and sew on sergeant stripes. Sgt. Kiel is supervising the construction of a golf course to be used by wounded soldiers at the hospital at Camp Swift, Texas. Keep up the good work, Ed.

S/Sgt. Jack G. Tornga has completed flight engineers school at Denver, Colo., and after a 13-day furlough in Grand Rapids and Lowell, will be stationed at Fort Worth, Texas. Jack was graduated from Lowell high school, class of '40, and while here made his home with Mrs. Chris Burch.

2nd Lieut. Carroll E. Kyser, U. S. M. C. R., arrived home Thursday, March 15, from Quantico, Va., on a 14-day leave to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Kyser. He has been in service during the past three years and will be stationed at Camp Pendleton, Oceanside, Calif., when his leave is over.

Mr. and Mrs. John Woodhead of Detroit, formerly of Vergennes, Va., received word last week that their son, Pfc. Thomas Woodhead, had arrived overseas, and is somewhere in France. He says he's well and O. K. Thomas has been in the service 19 months. He has always been a frequent summer visitor here with his grandmother, Mrs. John DeVries.

1st Lieut. Edward E. Thomas, one of the 511 men rescued from the Jap Cabanatuan prison camp in Luzon, January 30th, arrived at his home in Grand Rapids last Thursday, to spend two weeks with his mother there, and with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Mort Townsend, in Lowell, after which he will attend Percy Jones hospital for a long rehabilitation period. Lieut. Thomas had been held a prisoner for three years, and like all of the others, had been cruelly beaten by the Japs.

Private Leroy Roudabush, who was wounded in action on Luzon on February 7th of this year, and who has been awarded the Purple Heart, sends a cheerful letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Roudabush, in which he states he is feeling strong except for a few aches and pains in his leg, and that there will be no ill effects from his wound. To quote his own words: "I am sending home a little case with a Purple Heart in it, that is to be put away and not to be bragged about. Be sure not to worry with everything is going to be O. K." With love, Leroy.

The Wesley Miller family are receiving some very interesting letters from their daughter and sister, Cpl. Elaine Miller. She is seeing many interesting sights in Paris and occasionally meeting a former acquaintance or relative. She had a visit with M. P. Roman Maloney recently. She said he was looking good and had come into Paris for a few hours relaxation as many of the boys do. The Legion has a hamburger place for the boys and girls which Elaine says is like the places at home. The coffee and hamburgers taste the same as those at the home places.

Cpl. William R. Young, who has been stationed in the Solomons for the past 18 months, is home on a

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Frank Gould writes from Florida that he is coming home as soon as it gets warm up north. Well, Frank, what do you want? It was 78 degrees above here last week.

Some car and truck drivers go through Main Street as though they were hell-bent for the Western Front. Perhaps that's where they should be if they want to drive like that.

Central War Time became official in Michigan last Saturday at midnight by action of the State legislature. Lowell clocks kept ticking on slow time without having to make the change.

Ben East, the noted authority on wild life, will give a talk on "Alaska's Treasure Islands" at the Father and Son banquet, which Lowell Rotary club is sponsoring Friday night, April 6, at the high school gym. Mr. East's talk will be illustrated with colored motion pictures.

Walking down the main drag last Sunday afternoon, overheard a stranger remark, "Why don't they drive them pigeons home—I just slipped and nearly broke my darn neck!" To which remark a local citizen was heard to say, "Stranger, them thar pigeons ain't the homing kind."

Clean up of winter's dirt and accumulations of tin cans, glass jars and whatnot do not look nice when dumped somewhere along our streets. If you do not want it in your own backyard, why dump rubbish along the highways? You live here and it is your responsibility to help keep your yards clean and the highways as well.

Showboat days were recalled the other night by those who happened to be tuned in on the National Barn Dance program, one of the principal features being Eddie Peabody, the Banjo king, who has appeared on Lowell Showboat programs on more than one occasion. Commander Edwin Peabody recently completed three years of service in the Pacific area. Here's hoping that the good old Showboat days will soon return.

Wednesday, March 21, was the first day of Spring, in other words, the beginning of the vernal equinox which ends with the summer solstice. Other signs of spring—most farmers busy planting seed oats and clover and some farmers planting early seed potatoes. Still another sign—high temperatures breaking all records in this section last week, when thermometers registered as high as 78° above zero.

Dr. Hans Leonhardt of M. S. C., will fill two speaking engagements in Lowell next week Wednesday, March 28, at the Rotary luncheon meeting, at noon of that day, Dr. Leonhardt will speak on "The German Problem," and then that evening he will speak on "Past, Present and Future," at which time he will discuss his personal experiences with the problems of our age. Both of these meetings promise to be of unusual interest.

Jokes, jests, jabs and jibes just by Jeff: A Lowell man says that with military exchanges reduced to plain-speaking such as "Nuts," then one might say "Gee!" for the more formal "retreat." . . . We ought to grow old gently so that folks won't say we are holding on "just for spite." . . . "Spring millinery styles," remarks Elmer Schaefer, "point to women again wearing optical illusions." . . . Chris Leonard asks why we complain about the meat shortage, for last summer when they put meats on the free list, we had the points but we still couldn't get the steak.



JOY DEARMAN To Signal Corps men on the Alaskan front, Joy Dearman, 19-year-old Michigan Bell employee at Lansing, is "Miss Bell." She is the winner of a pin-up contest conducted by Bell System service men in the Aleutians among civilians from their telephone companies back home.

Many men build as cathedrals are built—the part nearest the ground finished, but that part which soars toward heaven, the turrets and the spires, forever incomplete.—Henry Ward Beecher.

Village Council Gets Under Way

President Theron Richmond Names Committees for Fiscal Year

The first official meeting of the common council for the village of Lowell following the election of March 12, was held in the council chamber in the city hall last Monday night. President Theron Richmond was in his chair and all of the six trustees were in their seats.

Primarily it was an organization meeting, the first order of business being the appointments of the various committees and a president pro tem, by the village president, all of whom were duly confirmed as follows:

President, pro tem, L. W. Rutherford.

Council Committees Public Relations—Henry Weaver, Robert D. Hahn, Wm. Christiansen.

This is a new committee whose duty is to cooperate with service clubs, civic groups and interested citizens with regard to public improvements, etc., and report their findings back to the council.

Fire—Wm. Christiansen, Jay Boelens, Henry Weaver.

City Hall, Parks, Band—Jay Boelens, W. A. Roth, Henry Weaver. Streets and Sewers—L. W. Rutherford, R. D. Hahn, Wm. Christiansen.

Light and Power—W. A. Roth, L. W. Rutherford, Jay Boelens.

Finance—R. D. Hahn, L. W. Rutherford, W. A. Roth.

Other Appointments Village Attorney—R. M. Shivel. Library—Wm. Christiansen.

Health Officer—Dr. E. H. Shepherd. Supt. Light & Power—F. J. McMahon.

Marshall—Fred Gramer. Night Watch—Eugene Carr. Fire Chief—Paul Kellogg.

Special Police—Frank Stephens. Board of Review—M. E. Simpson, Howard Rittenger.

Special Assessors—Frank Freeman, Art Schneider.

The clerk read a letter from Frank L. Houghton, supervisor of Lowell township, asking the council to consider moving the township offices into the city hall. On motion the request was referred to the City Hall Committee with power to act.

In response to the recent request of Fire Chief Paul Kellogg for new fire fighting equipment, the clerk read a letter from the War Production Board which stated that "no priority could be granted at this time for the purchase, by the village, of a 1,000-gal. per minute pumper for the fire department, but that consideration would be given to a request for a 500-gal. per minute unit." The council decided to hold the matter off for the present, as war conditions may improve during the next 60 to 90 days, in which case a new application will be filed.

Few books that have been published in our time have created the sensation created by "My Friend Flicka"—the story of a boy and his love for his horse—and as "Thunderhead" is a continuation of the same story (though either story is complete without the other), one can well be highly optimistic about its place in public favor.

Here is the kind of a story that any one, young or old, can find intense pleasure in. The wild beauty of the Wyoming plateau fills its columns as much as do the thrills of the wild young stallion's life. Turn to the story on page 6.

EIGHTH GRADE HONOR ROLL

Mariene Abel, Marilyn Bozeng, Marilyn Clark, Dora Dawson, Marcia Fonger, Allan Hale, Patricia Frolund, Evelyn Hobbs, Elaine Houghton, Janet Kleefisch, Susan Krum, Dolores Kutchev, Joann Priebe, Vivian Rickert, Betty Lou Smith, Alyce Thompson, Nancy Carol Townsend, Barbara Washburn, Lanora Watson, Janet Wood, Colleen Yelzer, Marian Zwemer.

furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Young, in Segwun.

There then was the draftee who claimed exemption on account of poor eyesight and brought his wife along as evidence.—The Bull Horn.

Kenneth Dennis Wins Rank of Eagle Scout

At a recent meeting of the Lowell troop committee of the Boy Scouts of America, annual instructions were received from the district scout officials who were present, which qualifies the local officers to hold Scout Board of Review meetings, and Courts of Honor. At this meeting Kenneth Williams was advanced to second class, Ronald Jessup to the rank of Life Scout and Kenneth Dennis to the rank of Eagle Scout. This latter is the highest rank in scouting, only one other person in Lowell having ever received it, Capt. Sam Yelzer having been so honored several years ago. The earning of this honor represents several years of intense application to scouting and its principles and ideals, and the recommendation not only of local officials, but of both district and national leaders as well.

It is expected that a Court of Honor will be held the evening of April 2nd in cooperation with the next meeting of the Men's club when local and district officials will make the awards to those scouts who are ready for advancement honors.

Garden Program On 14 Stations

Fourteen Michigan radio stations are cooperating with Michigan State college in presenting a weekly Garden Hour to help gardeners during the spring and summer months. The programs are planned to help keep an estimated one million Michigan gardens producing to capacity.

Food is needed as never before, and the proper care of the garden means greater yields of better vegetables. Information on these radio broadcasts is designed to keep the gardener up-to-date on recommended methods of planting, weeding, fertilizing, combating insects and diseases, and many other gardening problems.

Paul Krone, MSC extension specialist in horticulture, is in charge of arrangements. College and state gardening authorities and special guests from various sections of the state will be heard.

Stations broadcasting the programs include: WKAR, East Lansing; WLAV, Grand Rapids; WJIM, Lansing; WHLS, Port Huron; WELI, Battle Creek; WHDF, Houghton; WSOO, Sault Ste Marie; WEXL, Royal Oak; WOOD-WASH, Grand Rapids; WBCM, Bay City; WKZO, Kalamazoo; WJEF, Grand Rapids; WTCM, Traverse City; WSAM, Saginaw.

Lowell Appearing in Big Musical Festival

The Lowell High School band and orchestra will enter a band and orchestra festival at South High School in Grand Rapids, Saturday, March 24. The festival, put on by the Western Michigan School Band and Orchestra Association, of which Mr. Jessup is president, will include 22 organizations from this area.

Lowell's band will open the program at 9:30 and the orchestra will play at 10:30. Other schools entering are: Muskegon, Holland, South High, Ottawa Hills, North Muskegon, Grand Haven, Zealand, Findonville, Greenville, Grandville, Lake Odessa, Fennville and Wayland.

So many schools are entering that the two auditoriums in South High will be in use by groups from 9:30 until 3:30. William D. Revell, director of bands at the University of Michigan, and Leonard Falcone, director of bands at Michigan State College, will be adjudicators.

There is no admission charge to the public and it is hoped that the people of Lowell will support its musical organizations by attending the festival.

FFA Does Fine Job In the School Forest

The Lowell high school FFA boys spent another day this week in the school forest at the pumping station trimming the 15-year-old pine trees. The forest, with its long rows of growing pines, is well worth seeing now that the low limbs have been trimmed off. Persons going by the forest might not see the trimming as the outside is left with the limbs on to keep the moisture in the planting.

There were 35 boys working in the forest on Tuesday under the guidance of John Kleinhekel, K. K. Vining and Richard Machiele.

RATIONED SHOES

Cartier's guaranteed shoes for spring are the wise buy because they give such satisfactory service. Kid, kangaroo and calfskin leathers with arch supports, both oxfords and high shoes, tan or black, \$4.95 to \$7.50.

Ledger want ads bring results.

Frederick E. Althaus Fought With the Marines at Iwo Jima

Frederick E. Althaus, S. F. 2/c, who has been overseas for the past fifteen months, and more recently taking part in the great battle for Iwo Jima in which the U. S. Marines have won such a glorious victory, has written several interesting letters to his wife, the former Lulu Belle Day. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Althaus, of Vergennes.

Fred states that he has been helping out a Marine gun crew and says that those poor devils have been at it night and day ever since the fight started, and adds that he is quite proud of himself for having been with them.

Fred writes that he crawls down into his dugout every night at dark, staying there until daylight. He says that except for the terrible jarring of the ground all around him, he no longer pays any attention to the big guns firing over his head, which is kept up day and night.

Fred says that he is getting three hot meals a day and that they have hot water showers with water from the mountains so hot one cannot hold his hand in it.

I may not write tomorrow. I am afraid I'll be too busy. You know Sunday here is just another day to us. No time and a half or double time, just straight time. Some of those people back there who complain about hard times and go on strikes I don't see how they dare even look at some of the men that have been in the front lines. I wish I could just begin to tell a little of what I have seen so far. I hope I never see any more of it. So you can quote my version of it to any of them, whether they like it or not.

Two amendments to the state constitution will appear on the amendment ballot of the coming Spring election on Monday, April 2.

Proposal No. 1 reads as follows: "Shall Section 21 of Article X of the State Constitution be amended to provide for an increase in the 15-mill limitation by a majority vote of only such persons having the qualifications of electors, who have properly assessed for taxes in any part of the assessing district to be affected by the result of such election, or the lawful husbands and wives of such persons for the acquisition of real estate or erection of public buildings or public works, or making permanent extensions thereto or other capital improvements thereof, for a term of not exceeding 15 years?"

Proposal No. 2 reads as follows: "Shall Section 14 of Article X of the State Constitution be amended to authorize the state to control, improve or assist in the improvement and control of rivers, streams and water levels?"

Two Amendments On Spring Ballot

When Deputy Sheriff Peter VanVleet went out to look up Baxter he found him in an Ionia tavern, quietly sipping a glass of beer. Baxter soon admitted that he had called the store and talked as if he was at the Lowell bank, as well as to admit the other parts of the scheme which he had planned and was attempting to carry out.

Baxter was arraigned in Ionia circuit court and was given a sentence of 2 to 15 years in the Southern Michigan prison, Jackson, with the recommendation that the minimum be three years.

Tin Collections Start April 2nd

The first Rotary sponsored tin collection will take place Monday and Tuesday, April 2 and 3. Please have all your scrap tin plate at the curb for collection on the same day that garbage is collected in your area.

Everybody please get as much scrap collected in the few remaining days before the collection dates, as possible.

Please make this a MUST program. Cans must be clean. Both ends must be cut out and then the can pressed flat.

Gas Coupons Expiring

B-5, C-5, E-1, and R-1 gasoline ration coupons and all D coupons that are not serially numbered will be invalid for consumer use after March 31, 1945, the Office of Price Administration announced today.

At the same time last quarter 1945 T coupons will expire for use by commercial motor vehicle operators.

Service station operators will have ten days, or through April 10, to turn these coupons in to their suppliers for gasoline or exchange them at their War Price and Rationing Boards for ration checks. Distributors have until April 20 to deposit these coupons in their ration bank accounts.

BOWNE-T.P. MAN HEADS STATE ROAD ASSOCIATION

At the annual meeting of the County Roads Association of Michigan, held at the Olds Hotel, Lansing recently, Henry A. Johnson, of Bowne-t.p., a member of the Kent County Road Commission, was re-elected president of the state group. The new vice president is John H. Barr, of Livingston county, and the new secretary-treasurer is Leo J. Wykkel, of Kalamazoo county.

LARGE CROWD ENJOYS TALK ON SEEING EYE DOG

At the Methodist Men's Club meeting and dinner Monday night the past year's officers were re-elected as follows: President, Mort Townsend; vice president, Frank F. Coons; secretary-treasurer, Charles Brown.

After a bounteous carry-in dinner at which the Boy Scouts, the Martha Group, the ladies and a number from other local churches, were guests, a very splendid lecture on the Seeing Eye Dog was given by M. M. Weiss, of Grand Rapids. He was accompanied by his dog "Shep," who demonstrated his usefulness to the blind. Mr. Weiss showed a series of motion pictures illustrating how these dogs are trained.

Golden Wedding Day Is Quietly Observed

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heschel, highly respected residents of Seelye Corners, where they have lived all of their married life, and who were wedded 50 years ago, March 20, 1895, quietly observed their golden wedding anniversary Sunday evening, with only a small family party, in honor of the occasion, because of poor health.

Their guests included their three children, Mrs. Bert Gregory of Grand Rapids, Mrs. Stanley Lewis of Lowell and Raymond Heschel of Cascade township, and their families; also Mrs. Heschel's sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Zindweg of Cascade and Mr. Heschel's brother, William. Mr. and Mrs. Heschel have seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Many friends join in extending congratulations and best wishes.

Union Services on Good Friday, Easter

The Protestant churches of Lowell will unite in a Good Friday service which will be held in the Nazarene church, Friday, March 30, at 1:30 p. m. Rev. N. G. Woon, pastor of the Lowell Congregational church, will deliver the sermon.

An Easter sunrise service will be held on Water Works hill April 1, at 7:00 a. m. W. W. Gumsier will be in charge of the music and conduct the congregational singing, and by request, sing "The Holy City" again this year. Rev. Guy Dillon, pastor of the Lowell Baptist church, will preach the Easter sermon.

The committee on arrangements is composed of the Reverends Pollock, Woon and Warland.

STRAND CALENDAR

Thursday, Mar. 22—Hedy Lemarr and Paul Henreid in "The Conspirators" with Sydney Greenstreet, Peter Lorre and Victor Francen.

Friday and Saturday, Mar. 23-24—"My Gal Sal" with Rita Hayworth, Victor Mature, John Sutton and Carole Landis, in technicolor.

Sunday and Monday, Mar. 25-26—Bud Abbott and Lou Costello in "Lost in a Harem" with Marilyn Maxwell.

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, Mar. 27-28-29—"Summer Storm" with George Sanders and Linda Darnell.

NOTICE

W. A. Roth & Sons Company will be the collecting agency for Consumers Power Company, succeeding Mrs. Esther M. Fahrni, resigned.

Red Cross Receives Generous Support

The campaign in Lowell for the Red Cross war fund came to a close Wednesday night with very satisfactory results. In fact, Lowell village and township, up to Tuesday night of this week, had reported pledges of \$4,612, which is in excess of \$438 above the quota of \$3,744 for the village and township. Chairman Frank L. Stephens states that the above figures will be further increased by the time Wednesday's pledges are all in.

The Lowell Manufacturing Company led all pledges with a grand total of \$1,002.50, of which the company gave \$500, and its employees \$502.50.

The C. H. Runciman Company made the next largest gift, amounting to \$371, of which Mr. Runciman gave \$250, and his employees a total of \$121.

The reports from the seventh region, of which C. H. Runciman is chairman, and other townships in the eastern half of Kent county will appear in next week's Ledger. Mr. Runciman states that all of the townships in his region are making generous pledges in support of the Red Cross.

Up and Down Kent County Roads

This column, nor its writer, has the space or ability to tell in words the story of Perry Hayden's, of Tecumseh, "Dynamic Kernels" and its story of titling.

It was our privilege last week Wednesday to hear Mr. Hayden tell his story of the wheat planted for the Friends church of that town and how in five years the project has grown. Not only did Mr. Hayden have a story to tell, but he also had the colored pictures to go along with the story. Then there was his story of Henry Ford's interest in the project and the friendship that has grown up between the Tecumseh miller and the auto magnate, for Perry Hayden is the third generation of Haydens to run a flour mill on the Raisin river in Tecumseh.

All we can say is—if you get a chance to hear Perry Hayden's story and see his pictures, do so by all means. We are sure you folks will be the stronger for so doing.

We were the guests of the Men's Club in the Lowell Congregational church where Mr. Hayden spoke.

Sometime back a lumber dealer dropped into our office to discuss some selective service matters. In the course of our conversation he told me of the demand of the government for walnut to make rifle stocks and that good walnut was going to be a scarce item. He suggested the planting of walnut trees on waste pieces of farm land, particularly on clay soils. Walnut is one of the fastest growing hardwoods and will always be in demand. Then we thought of a walnut in our backyard, that Robert Wride, of Cascade, gave me soon after coming to Kent County. It was broken off once but today is quite a sizeable tree. Then in the front yard of the home I lived in as a youngster are two walnuts that a my father planted. They are a foot thick and stand up in good shape. Remember well when a hired girl fell over one of the trees when spreading a carpet at the house cleaning time. My father straightened the tree up, put a splint on it and bandaged it. You can see no sign of the break today. Better give a little thought to some walnut planting this spring. Will be glad to give

Board of Trade Next Wednesday

Annual Election of Officers Interesting Program Good Speakers

All plans have been completed for the annual meeting and election of officers of the Lowell Board of Trade, which will be held at the city hall on Wednesday night, March 28, at 7 o'clock. An interesting program has been prepared for the occasion.



The principal feature of the program will be an address by Dr. Leonhardt, a member of the Institute of Foreign Relations at Michigan State college. Dr. Leonhardt, a lawyer, formerly practiced his profession in the Free City of Danzig, but had to leave that city because of his political views which conflicted with Nazism. Capt. Sam Yelzer, who returned home a few days ago after three years of service in Africa, Italy and other points in the Mediterranean area, will be called upon for remarks concerning some of his experiences.

Banquet Committees

George Story, president of the B. of T., has named the following banquet committees: Program—W. W. Gumsier, C. H. Runciman and E. C. Foreman.

Decorations—Ray Avery, Charles White and Byrne McMahon. Auditing—D. A. Wingeier and Canton Hall.

Nominations—H. L. Weekes, F. F. Coons and Bruce McQueen. Tickets—Theron Richmond, Harold J. Englehardt and Frank L. Stephens.

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SARANAC, MICHIGAN
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ALTO NEWS

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Gee's...
Pittsburgh Paints
Horn Seeders
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White House Milk
Enriched with Vitamin D
4 tall cans 35c
FANCY - FRESH TENDER CARROTS 2 bbl. 13c
FRESH GREEN NEW CABBAGE lb. 5c
FANCY - GIANT GREEN PASCAL CELERY 1/2 pk. 19c
FRESH HOT HOUSE LEAF LETTUCE lb. 21c
MICHIGAN NORTHERN SPY APPLES 5 lb. net bag 52c
SOUTHERN RED YAMS 3 lb. 29c
FRESH - SOUTHERN GREEN ONIONS large bbl. 5c

ANN PAGE MACARONI 3 lb. 29c
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TOILET TISSUE NORTHERN 4 rolls 19c
SERIOUS SHORTAGE OF BAGS & PAPERS
Approximately 25% of last year's supply of paper bags is only available in small quantities...

Local News

Miss Hazel Long and Mrs. Lucile Byrne were in Grand Rapids Sunday.
Henry Davenport was home from the U. of M. for Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Conant visited at Cedar Springs Sunday.
Joe Snell spent the week-end with his daughter, Mrs. Charles Stuy, in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fahrl were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gillet in Belding.
Mrs. H. L. Weeser spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Wayne Thong and family, in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Ehrlich and two daughters of Owosso were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Williamson.
Miss Ruth Kelley and Mrs. Ely Condon of Grand Rapids spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thorne, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schneider and family were Sunday guests of Mrs. Schneider's sister, Mrs. C. H. Gertzel, in Grand Rapids.
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LOWELL ITEMS OF 25 AND 35 YEARS AGO

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1. FINE TAILORING--the necessary ingredient for fit--shapeliness for months--years--after purchase. Michael-Stern's hands of experience--since 1849--are your assurance of lasting fit--lasting comfort.
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3. FINE STYLING--the necessary ingredient for appearance. Michael-Stern's designers have long been acknowledged for leadership in distinctive styling--your assurance of clothing that is not only acceptable--but distinctive.

Tiffany Worsteds Suits \$37.50 including tax

Coons
The agent, Martin Pays, has taught a Special meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Lowell...

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
The regular meeting of the Common Council of the Village of Lowell was held in the City Hall Council rooms Monday evening, March 4, 1945.

Light & Power \$2,299.64
Telephone \$1,023.30
Water Works \$295.24
Street \$235.97
City Hall \$22.10
Total \$4,886.64

It Costs So Little to Cover a Floor With GENUINE ARMSTRONG'S UNGLAZED LINOLEUM
COVER A 9 x 12-FOOT ROOM FOR ONLY \$21
Inglaze linoleum will add beauty and brightness to your rooms. And these richly marbled tiles are so easy to clean and so easy to repair...

Other Room Sizes--
6x 9-FOOT--\$10.50
12x12-FOOT--\$28.00
12x15-FOOT--\$36.15
All tax included
ROTH & SONS COMPANY
Lowell FURNITURE Phone 55

GARDEN SEED OR PLANT REQUIREMENTS (For a Family of Four Adults) Table with columns for CROP, Seed or Plants, Feet or Row, and Approximate Production.

Church News

FIRST METHODIST CHURCH G. E. Fiddick, Minister. 'The Coronations of Jesus' will be the sermon subject for next Sunday morning.

HARRIS CREEK

Mrs. Ella Flynn has been spending the past few days with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Burns. Mrs. Burns is much improved and able to ride.

ELMDALE

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fox were recently married by Rev. Opal Houghton at the latter's home at Lake Odessa Saturday evening.

Volunteer Members of the British Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service

Volunteer members of the British Women's Auxiliary Territorial Service are serving with a Regiment of heavy anti-aircraft guns in Belgium.

WEST LOWELL

Mrs. Columbus Jay, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Muller and Mrs. Ira McClure. Mr. and Mrs. Floerker, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Anderson, Mrs. Wilma Fairchild and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Rutherford were Sunday callers.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Guy Dillon, Pastor. 10-00 a. m.—Bible School. Classes for every age.

PUBLIC NOTICES

William E. Smith, Jr., 1018 Cass, R. E. Adoptions. In a session of said Court held at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Rapids on the 20th day of March D. 1946.

SOUTHWEST BOWNE

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Anderson and Mrs. Gladys Anderson and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Fox were Sunday dinner guests at the Carl Seese home.

TRIPLE MILLED BAKING TESTED FLOUR. For Better Baking! Triple Milled Safe Savings! 25-lb. sack \$1.03. 5 pound bag 26c. Double Money-Back Guaranteed!

Clock Bread 3 large loaves 25c. Spotlight Coffee 3 lb. 59c. Del Monte Coffee (2-lb. 63c) lb. 32c. Carnation Milk 4 tall cans 36c. Tomato Soup LADOGA tall can 8c. Spaghetti Dinner COUNTRY CLUB pkg 25c. Apple Sauce COUNTRY CLUB No. 2 can 15c. Quick Oats COUNTRY CLUB 3 box 23c. Apple Jelly MA BROWN 2 jr 33c. Soda Crackers COUNTRY CLUB 2 pkg 29c. Party Leaf HY-GRADE 12-oz. can 35c.

CRISP FLORIDA CELERY 3 stalk bunch 15c. NEW GREEN CABBAGE 5. 5c. CAULIFLOWER Snow-White head 29c. ORANGES Florida 8 lb. bag 63c.

KROGER'S QUALITY BEEF Always Tasty and Tender. CHUCK ROAST All Cuts lb. 26c 6 Points. Whiting Fillets No Bone lb. 28c. Herring Fillets No Waste lb. 25c. Yellow Pike No. 1 Quality lb. 27c. Pickered Headless, full-dressed lb. 21c. Bulk Mincemeat Country Club lb. 22c.

KROGER'S QUALITY BEEF Always Tasty and Tender. SIRLOIN STEAK Choice Cuts, 9 Points lb. 37c. BEEF ROAST STANDING, 6 Points lb. 29c. PORTERHOUSE STEAK 9 Points lb. 47c. LEBNA SAUSAGE Sliced, Highest Quality, 3 Pkts. lb. 32c.

SPIC & SPAN large package 20c. KROGER GUARANTEED BRANDS.

TELECO HEIM TEXACO. Service your car regularly at our complete auto service station. We take an interest in keeping your car on the road.

A. W. HILZEY The Auctioneer. Dutton, Mich. Services That Satisfy and Thrive That Are Reasonable. Saturday, March 24—George Streiter, Rockford, all kinds of household goods.

COOK Plumbing and Heating. Sheet Metal Work. Call 78. DAVE CLARK, Mgr.

OUR FEEDS Are mixed fresh daily at our Freeport plant. Blue Ribbon and Fresh Mixed feeds contain only clean, sweet, high quality ingredients. You are sure of having only the best quality when you buy our feed.

Cracked Corn. Corn & Oats. Lime and Sulphur 15c gal. in bbl. lots. WETTABLE SULPHUR 9c lb. in case lots. ARSENATE LEAD 1 lb. 12c. DOW DORMANT 70c gal. in bbl. lots.

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DR. H. R. MYERS Ophthalmic Physician and Surgeon. 897 E. Main St. Phone 286-27. Office Hours: 9:00-12:00 a. m. 2:00-5:00 p. m. except Thursdays.

DR. H. W. TRIMBLE VETERINARIAN. Office—125 N. Division St. Phone 83. Lowell, Mich.

Lowell Ledger Want Ad Section. WANTED—Lady for companion and light housework, good wages. Write Mrs. Pearl Cornell, 628 Lafayette St., Lowell or phone 213.

WANTED—Young man, age 16 or over, to learn printing trade. Please call at Ledger office if you are interested.

WANTED—Would like to procure a home in Lowell. Please write, giving full particulars to Walter A. Adams, 1215 Benson St., S. E. Grand Rapids, Mich. p417.

N. C. THOMAS Auction Sales. Bookings for auction sales may be made through the Lowell office, Harry Day, Lowell, or with me direct.

WANTED—Used cars. Highest cash prices. Webster's Used Cars, 1010 Webster, 120 N. Monroe, Lowell, Phone 286-18.

WANTED TO BUY—Used cars. Highest cash price. L. E. Johnson, Lowell, Mich. 6217.

B. H. SHEPARD, M. D. J. A. MACDONELL, M. D. (Absent—In Service) Office Phone 86. Office Hours: 9:00-12:00 a. m. 2:00-5:00 p. m. except Thursdays.

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LOCAL MARKET REPORT. Corrected March 21, 1946. Wheat, bu. \$1.95. Rye, bu. 1.15. Corn, No. 2, 1.10. Buckwheat, cwt. 1.75. Barley, cwt. 1.10. Oats, bu. 1.70. Cracked Corn, cwt. 2.75. Corn and Oats Feed, cwt. 2.17. Corn Meal, cwt. 3.88. Shelled Corn, cwt. 2.50. Dried Red Beans, cwt. 2.25. Middlings, cwt. 2.30. Pea Beans, cwt. 6.00. Light Red Beans, cwt. 7.00. Dark Red Beans, cwt. 7.00. Light Cranberry Beans, cwt. 6.00. Yellow Eye Beans, cwt. 6.75. Beans, cwt. 1.85-2.25. Butter, lb. 59. Butterfat, lb. 54. Eggs, doz. 2.25. Hogs, live, wt. 13.00-12.00. Hogs, dressed, cwt. 20.00. Beef, live, lb. 28-13. Beef, dressed, lb. 20-28. Chickens, lb. 20-28.

Men and Women WANTED. CRITICAL INDUSTRY. Lowell Manufacturing Company. 324 W. Main St. Lowell, Mich.

MASTER MIX CALF PELLETS. THE EASY WAY TO RAISE GOOD CALVES. Feed Whole Milk. Feed Skim Milk. Feed Master Mix Calf Pellets. FEED NO MORE MILK. Just pellets and your grain.

BERGY BROS. ELEVATOR ALTO, MICHIGAN. Ask for the MASTER MIX CALF FEEDING PROGRAM. COME IN AND GET YOUR SUPPLY.

RURAL BIBLE MISSION NIGHT At The LOWELL BAPTIST CHURCH Friday, March 30 - At 7:45 p. m.

Wanted. For Finishing Room. LIGHT INTERESTING WORK. Promotions Available Superior Furniture Co. Lowell, Michigan.

Rhineland, Industrial Heart of Germany, Holds Key to Allied European Victory. SHOW ABOVE is the Rhineland, the industrial and to a large extent the military heart of Germany. Coal and iron are mined in the hills on both sides of the Rhine. Much of her military supplies come from the collection of Detroit and Pittsburgh along that river and its larger tributaries, shown above in the dotted areas. With much of this commerce river-borne, these cities are important ports as well as industrial centers. The Allied aim is to capture these two areas. The first attempt was by a flanking movement from the north through the Netherlands which was stopped at Arrahem. A second flank/ing route is from the south through the Belfort Gap to Strasbourg and up the Rhine. Flank/ing routes are through Aachen to Cologne and up the Moselle valley. One of these great industrial concentrations are captured, it is Germany that will have charge of both services. These young people were here at the re-decoration services, and by special requests, were asked to return.

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENES. Rev. R. C. Warland, Pastor. Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Preaching at 11:00 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. N. Y. P. S. at 7:00 p. m. DARWEN Weeks, president. Weekly prayer service at 7:45 p. m. LUTHERAN SERVICES. Services will be held at the Zion Methodist Church at 7:30 p. m. Sunday, Rev. Paul Gutknecht of Belding will preach. ADA CONGREGATIONAL CH. Henry L. Hunt, Minister. Sunday School at 10:00 a. m. Evening Worship at 7:30 p. m. Palm Sunday service for every member of the family. ALTO METHODIST CHURCH. Rev. Wm. E. Thuma, Minister. Morning Worship at 9:45 o'clock. Subject, 'Looking For a King.' Sunday School at 10:00 o'clock. Children's service at 7:30 p. m. Evening Service at 8 o'clock. A group of young people from Grand Rapids will have charge of both services. These young people were here at the re-decoration services, and by special requests, were asked to return. ALTO METHODIST REFORMED CHURCH. Wm. H. Koleschauer, Pastor. Morning service at 10 o'clock. Subject, 'Holy Communion.' Sunday School at 11:15 o'clock. Evening service at 7:30 o'clock. Christian Endeavor at 8:00 p. m. Some lake names are duplicated several times within a single Michigan county. The name Silver refers to at least 27 different lakes in 22 different counties. Five counties have two Silver lakes and Choblay county has three.

APPOINTMENT OF ADMINISTRATOR. In a session of said Court held at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Rapids on the 20th day of March D. 1946. JOSEPH R. OLLIARD, Judge of Probate. In the Matter of the Estate of Frank M. DeLoach, Deceased. It is Ordered, That the said Court be and it is hereby appointed to hearing said matter on the 27th day of March A. D. 1946, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Court House, in the City of Grand Rapids, Michigan. It is further Ordered, That public notice of said hearing be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three consecutive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Lowell Ledger, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County of Grand Rapids, Michigan. JOSEPH R. OLLIARD, Judge of Probate. FRED NOTTE, Register of Probate.

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ALASKA NEWSLETTS. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Gorley received word Friday from their son, Robert, who is missing since February 2. He was in Manila. Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Honrich are the proud parents of a 10 lb. boy born Tuesday, Mar. 13, at Hagedorn hospital, Grand Rapids. Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Hunt of Clarksville were Sunday afternoon callers of their sister, Mrs. Mattie Harrington, and Tom. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Colburn and family of LaBarge spent Sunday with the former's mother, Mrs. Minnie Colburn. Mr. and Mrs. Orlo Danse and family of Alpine, Mr. and Mrs. Lansing Danse and Mrs. Roy Danse and Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allison, all of Rockford, spent Saturday evening with the Owen Lewis and family. Mr. and Mrs. George James of Dutton, Owen Ellis and family and Jack Joumas and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Joumas and family with their son, Mrs. Phyllis Sheets and children spent Friday with Mrs. Dorothy Sheets. Bud Bose and brother-in-law, Mr. Van Houten of Grand Rapids called on Mr. and Mrs. Will Priddy Wednesday night, who was formerly a resident of Alaska. It is expected a 30-day furlough with his mother in Grand Rapids. Callers this week at the Look home were Mrs. H. Colvin, Mrs. Glenn Colburn and Fred Clark of Saranac. Mrs. Look and Grandpa Look accompanied Mrs. Henry Neimayer and Mrs. Ed. Reynolds to spend Friday afternoon with Mrs. E. R. Hurd at Campau Lake. Mrs. Goldie Meyers entered the Oseotepic hospital, Grand Rapids, last Tuesday to undergo a major operation. We all hope she gets along nicely. Her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harve Vanderhoof, spent the past week with their son, Merle, at Freeport. Watch next Thursday's Ledger for final announcements. Dad, come—bring all the family—this is your meeting.

RECORDS MATTERS. Mrs. E. T. WILLIAMS. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patterson and mother, Mrs. Moffit of Alaska were Wednesday night dinner guests of Mrs. Myrtle Hawkins in honor of Joe Coon's birthday. Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Colby, A. E. Wood, Mary Agnes Huisenga of Cadillac and Cass Toppa attending at Lowell theatre Friday night. Mrs. John Poelma visited her aunt, Mrs. Polly Eash, Sunday. As of July 1944, 2,641,000 passenger automobiles had disappeared from the nation's highways since Pearl Harbor.

Veterans Attention

LEGION SUPPER
Monday, March 26
Alto Methodist Church
Supper \$1.00
Make reservations with Wm. Christiansen, Lowell, or V. L. Watts, Alto, by Saturday.

U. S. housewives received over \$5,000,000 and 250,000 red ration points for used fats during the first nine months of 1944.

Each of the thousands of Tank Dozers (used to level off landing fields and build roads) costs approximately \$67,417.

ARE YOU UNDERINSURED?

Replacement costs of homes today are estimated at 36.3 per cent greater than in 1939. Your values should be examined now. Additional insurance can be added to your policy at low cost. CALL 144 FOR ACCURATE ESTIMATE OF VALUE. Don't Delay -- Do It TODAY! RITTENGER Insurance Service Phone 144 Lowell COMPLETE PROTECTION



Vigoro is the complete plant food for your garden or lawn.

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Friday and Saturday, Mar. 23-24

Advertisement for 'Megal' featuring Rita Hayworth, Victor Mature, John Sutton, and Carole Landis. Includes 'Megal Sal' logo and 'IN TECHNICOLOR' text.

MORE LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. E. C. Walker called on Mrs. Anna Stinchcomb at Blodgett hospital Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Donna Miller is assisting in the telephone office during the illness of Mrs. Mattie Rulason. Mrs. Oma Shear and son, David Shear, spent Monday with Mrs. Shear's daughter, Mrs. Merton Alderink, in Grand Rapids. Mrs. Harold Bargwell of Grand Rapids came Monday to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs. Ida Krum. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Berger of Grand Rapids spent Sunday afternoon at the Marcel Mische home in Keene. Petty officer 2/c Frederick Lee Glichrist of Alameda, Calif., is spending the remainder of his leave with Clifford Klumpp, jr. Mr. and Mrs. Truman Carr of Coldwater, and Mrs. Gace Thwaites of Grand Rapids, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stone last week. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Sigler, of Lansing, called on old friends here last Sunday. Mr. Sigler, who was quite seriously ill for some time, is now gaining nicely. Mrs. Charles Doyle is confined to her home with a sprained ankle and other bruises which she suffered on Monday morning when she slipped on the sidewalk on N. Monroe ave. Miss Virginia Doyle was home from the U. of M. the latter part of last week to celebrate her birthday which was last Friday. Sgt. Jack G. Torgna was also a guest at the Doyle home. Mrs. Minga Herman Varner, a former teacher in the Lowell schools, now teaching at Pife Lake, was a caller at the Vern Armstrong home on Saturday. Mrs. Varner lost her husband about two months ago. S/Sgt. Richard Babel and sister, Beatrice, of Traverse City, spent several days last week at the home of their uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Christiansen. Sgt. Babel is on furlough after spending the last 33 months in England. All will be glad to learn that M. B. McPherson, who underwent a serious operation three weeks ago, at Butterworth hospital, Grand Rapids, is steadily improving and will probably be able to return home within a couple of weeks. Miss Frances Lee, who resides in an apartment over Munroe's food market, suffered a stroke last week Wednesday, and although somewhat improved, is still seriously ill. Miss Lee, who is in her 73rd year, is being cared for by her niece, Miss Dorothy Billinger. Mrs. Hulda Finels and Mrs. E. C. Foreman returned home Saturday from Florida. Mrs. Finels has been at Lake Highlands hotel, Clermont, for the past six weeks and reports having had a fine winter. Mrs. Foreman visited her son, Ensign Philip Althen, at New Smyrna, Fla., for the past two weeks. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Freyermuth and family, Mrs. Rose Kiel and Delbert Kinyon went to Lansing Sunday to attend a birthday dinner, honoring Jeanne Freyermuth and Marilyn Dunn at the home of Mrs. Freyermuth's sister, Mrs. Lloyd Dunn. Mr. and Mrs. Dunn's son, who has just finished his boot training at Great Lakes, was home on a furlough.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Senior Farm Bureau The Vergennes Senior Farm Bureau held their meeting last Friday evening with the usual number in attendance. Our discussion leader, Don McPherson, introduced three bills of special importance to farmers to think about before election day. After the meeting all enjoyed the potluck supper and visiting.—Mrs. Miller, Reporter. Alton Young People's Society The Alton church young people met at the home of Bonnie and Bob Fuller, March 16, with an attendance of twenty-one. Special music was furnished by Norma Whinnery, Albert Pitch and John Gouw. Appropriate choruses were sung and games were played. To top off the evening of fun and fellowship, a delicious lunch of ice cream and cookies was served by the hostess. As a good time was shared by all the young people plan to meet again in the near future.—"Mac", Reporter.

Social Brevities

Mrs. Leo Denny entertained Saturday afternoon in honor of Sylvia's 9th birthday. Dainty refreshments, including a decorated cake with candles, were served. Sylvia received many nice gifts. Guests attending were: Connie Place, Aletha Truce, Joanne Lasby, Jeanne Condon, Colleen and Rosemary Delaney, Nola Bedell, Betty Nead, Lois White, Shirley Thomas, Patty Briggs, Rosemary Stauffer, Lucille Laux, Sandra Thompson and Juanita Alberts. Mrs. Edward Reynolds was hostess to the Book Review club Tuesday evening, March 20. "Anything Can Happen" by George and Helen Papashirly was reviewed by Mrs. D. H. Oatley. A family dinner was given Sunday in honor of Capt. Sam Yeiter. Out of town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Smith and daughter, Mrs. Wendell Vivian; Dr. and Mrs. R. T. Lustig and daughters, Carolyn and Dorothy of Grand Rapids; Miss Marilyn Lustig of M. S. C., Mr. and Mrs. Warren K. Lusk of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Curtis and Mr. Dale Curtis of Coral. The Monday Book Review club's annual luncheon was held at one o'clock Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Howard Thurwell. Mrs. David Church of Grand Rapids gave a very interesting and instructive talk on "Jewels" and displayed a collection of semi-precious stones, belonging to her mother. Mrs. John Lalley entertained the Neighborhood club with a 1 o'clock bridge luncheon Thursday afternoon. The Social Club of the Eastern Stars met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Timpon last Thursday evening with about thirty guests present. Beano was the diversion of the evening, which was greatly enjoyed by all. Dainty refreshments were served by the committee. A supper was given in honor of Raymond Geelhood Thursday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thompson, guests being Mrs. Clara Geelhood, Mrs. Harold Raymor and children, Mrs. Burt Tefft and daughter, Mrs. Paul Terrell and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Rash and daughter and Phillip Wheat, all of Lowell, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Geelhood and family of Ada. Raymond left for the army Friday afternoon. The Past Matrons' Association met Wednesday night at the home of Mrs. Wm. C. Hartman with the regular business meeting held. The rug project decided upon some time ago was put underway. If You Charge, We Charge All notices for events, for the raising of money, is advertising. Rates: First 20 words 35c, up to 25 words 45c, up to 30 words 50c, each word over 30 words, 15c. Please pay when ordering, in order to avoid opening book accounts. If Mrs. Thomas R. Ford and son of Lansing visited Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Ford over the week-end.

EAST CALEDONIA

Mrs. and Mrs. J. C. Proctor visited at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. J. Dettwiler in Grand Rapids Sunday. Mrs. Glenn Manning and children are spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. VanPopering in Grand Rapids. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Welton are being congratulated on the birth of a daughter at Blodgett hospital Mar. 13. Mr. and Mrs. D. Washburn of Grand Rapids visited their daughter, Mrs. John Dutcher and family Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Les Bartlett and children of Colt Road were calling in the neighborhood, Sunday. Mrs. Bernard Hillen and Patricia attended the funeral of a friend in Grand Rapids Friday morning. Jack Struble arrived Sunday from San Diego, Calif., to join his wife Doris at Sanborn home. Mrs. Emmett Sheehan, Mrs. Michael Sheehan, Frank Dutcher, Dick Gless and James Sheehan attended the Gilder Show at the airport Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Wenzel Nelson and children of Sparta visited their sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gilbert and Nina Mae, Sunday. Harold Welton and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Don Scott in Grand Rapids, and Harold visited his wife and new daughter at Blodgett hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Burdette Cliser and family visited relatives in Grand Rapids Sunday evening.

SEELEY CORNERS

Mrs. Alex Robertson spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. C. E. Snyder in Kalamazoo. Mrs. Gladys Lewis and daughters Lavonne and Jean of Lowell spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hesehe. Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Burras were dinner guests Wednesday evening of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Yeiter in South Lowell. Mr. and Mrs. Ira Westbrook attended the funeral of their nephew Ralph Westbrook in Chicago last Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Rollins and son Roger were supper guests Saturday evening of Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Schneider. Mr. and Mrs. Waine Bannan and daughter of Lansing were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Hesehe. Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Dalstra entertained Monday evening with a duck dinner in honor of their son, Clifford's birthday. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Green of Grand River Drive, William Hesehe and Cpl. and Mrs. Oscar Chapin. Mr. and Mrs. E. Shadowen and granddaughters of Grand Rapids called on Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cole Friday evening. Mrs. Claude Cole and Lucy Cole spent Saturday with Mrs. Claudia Fuller in Hastings. Mrs. Fuller's son, Roy, returned to Great Lakes Sunday after a 9-day leave. Dan Erb of Delton called at the M. P. Schneider home Friday afternoon and he and Mr. Schneider called on Wm. and Henry Hesehe. Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hesehe on their 50th wedding anniversary. Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Dalstra and son Clifford attended a shower honoring Cpl. and Mrs. Oscar Chapin at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Chapin at Mecosta. Clifford remained at the Chapin home for the week-end. Mr. and Mrs. Simon Bae of Grand Rapids were supper guests Sunday evening of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Richards. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sprawl of Sturgis, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leathern and sons of Ypsilanti and Tech. Sgt. Howard Sprawl were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nelson. Work has been completed of redecorating the walls of Snow church and a new carpet has been purchased making the building a very pleasant place to worship in.

STAR CORNERS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kauffman and family were dinner guests at Orvin Allerding's at Freeport, Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. George Swartzendurber of St. Johns, and the former's brother, Fred and daughter, Edith of Hopedale, Ill., called at the Albert Sinsbaugh home Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Byron Weeks and daughters were Sunday dinner guests at the Lawrence Bieri home at Lowell, honoring Mr. Bieri and Arlene Weeks' birthdays. Earl Aubel and lady friend of Middleville were Sunday afternoon visitors at the John Krebs home. Mrs. George Krebs and baby were supper and evening guests. Mrs. Leon Vaughan of Grand Rapids spent Monday with her mother, Mrs. Ray Seese and called on several friends together. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kauffman and children were supper guests at the Harry Johnson home near Grand Rapids, Friday evening. Dr. W. Burling and sister Frances of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Smith and two sons of Lowell and John Krebs called on Abe Gudney, Sunday. S/Sgt. and Mrs. Lloyd Blough visited the former's mother at Grand Rapids Thursday evening, and Monday evening were supper guests at the home of Mrs. Leona Wieland. Mrs. Byron Weeks and Mrs. Ira Blough attended the Swiss L. A. S. at Lowell Thursday afternoon. Friends of Walter Wingeler were very glad to hear the report of x-rays taken at Chicago last week that his arm is neatly healed and the cast was removed which has been in for nearly nine months. Mrs. Jack Thorne and mother Mrs. Bieri of Lowell were Friday evening guests at Ira Blough's and all enjoyed their supper at the sugar bush with Mr. and Mrs. John Krebs and Irma. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Quiggle, and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bloomer called at A. E. Wingeler's home Sunday afternoon. Several ladies attended the hospital guild of Hastings at the home of Mrs. David Hoffman Tuesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stahl and Donnie were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stahl in honor of Mrs. C. Stahl and Donnie's birthday anniversary. Ernest Oesch left Friday for service. On Sunday evening his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Oesch received a telephone call from him, from Great Lakes Naval Training Center. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Collins of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Orvie Stahl were afternoon and evening guests at the Stahl-Seese home. Mr. and Mrs. Philip Wingeler and Vivian were supper guests at the Ashel Thompson home Sunday evening. Twenty-one young people gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Weeks Thursday evening in honor of Pvt. Hubert Porritt of Camp Craft, S. C., who was home on furlough. After several games and contests refreshments were served. All returned to their respective homes after a very enjoyable evening. Pvt. Porritt returned to camp Saturday. Elmer Stessan of Elgin, Ill., was a Saturday overnight guest at Philip Wingeler's. Mrs. John Krebs and Mrs. Philip Wingeler, who solicited for the Red Cross in Star district, wish to express their thanks to everyone for their splendid cooperation. Proceeds were over \$130. Friends and relatives of a former neighbor, Simon Wingeler, are very sorry to hear of his serious illness at Butterworth. We all wish him a speedy recovery. Several have called on him the last week.

WEDDINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Seese of Alto announce the marriage of their daughter, Treva Bernadene, to Carl J. Fox, son of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Fox of Freeport, March 17, 1943, at the parsonage at Lake Odessa by Rev. Mrs. Opal Hough. The couple were attended by the sister of the groom, Miss Vada Fox and Mr. Paul F. Gerbow. The bride wore a light blue suit with navy accessories and a corsage of pink roses. Miss Fox wore a pink street-length dress and corsage of white carnations. Future plans of the newly married couple are undecided at present.

COMING EVENTS

The Lowell Garden Lore Club will meet Wednesday, March 23, with Mrs. R. D. Hahn. Mrs. Arthur Schneider is chairman of the day. The time is near for all gardeners to begin their work, and members and others interested are urged to be present.—Publicity Chairman.

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WHITNEYVILLE

Cpl. Warren Patterson returned to his base in Tennessee after spending a 10-day furlough with the home folks. Mr. and Mrs. Levi Cooper spent Sunday at the Henry Lampan home at Wyoming Park and helped celebrate the birthday of Mrs. Lampan. Little Jerry Raab had the misfortune to fall off his grandfather's truck, causing head injuries. Hope it won't be serious. In Great Britain a citizen can be prosecuted for wasting a piece of string. War is no laughing business, yet it is a business we shall all do better if once in a while we take time out to laugh.—Lincoln.



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SENATE INVESTIGATIONS A Feature in Ancient Game

Senatorial investigations have a long history. According to the Annals of Tacitus the senate of Rome always enjoyed a good, red-hot investigation. Fidenae was a city five miles up on the river Tiber above Rome. An amphitheater had been constructed there by the contractor Attilius for the gladiatorial games. Tacitus reports that the Fidenae amphitheater collapsed during one of the games, and that 50,000 people were killed or injured. The investigation by the senate showed that Attilius had constructed the amphitheater on swampy ground, which he had bought cheaply through a dummy. The construction was skimpy throughout, and many wooden fastenings were omitted. And there were ugly charges of bribery. The report of the investigating committee has a most modern ring. Attilius must be brought to justice.

Liquor Consumption

Per capita consumption of distilled spirits in the United States declined 25 per cent last year, as compared with the 1942 rate. The drop in 1943 per capita wine consumption from the record high 1942 level was 16 per cent. Consumption of beer, on the other hand, rose 10 per cent on a per capita basis. During 1943, per capita consumption of distilled spirits fell almost to the 1940 level, although national income was about double that reported for 1940. One of the principal reasons for this, of course, was the 1943 shortage of domestic whiskey and gin, resulting from the cessation of domestic whiskey, gin and blending spirits production in the latter part of 1942. Another reason may have been the reluctance of some consumers to pay the old 1943 Federal excise tax on distilled spirits of \$8 per gallon, a 50 per cent increase from the 1942 rate. Still another reason may have been the increasing number of servicemen who were leaving the U. S. last year for overseas.

Transport Web

Belgium has looked to a highly integrated web of rivers and canals to bear the bulk of its commerce. The Lys and the Schelde in the north are matched by the Sambre and the Meuse in the south. Both systems reach the sea through the Netherlands. The Yser, navigable for 28 miles, flows into the sea at Nieuwpoort. Navigable river and canal mileage totals nearly a thousand miles. About 7,000 miles of railway were normally in service. At the time of the German invasion, 8,258,000 people lived in Belgium—an area a little more than a fifth larger than the state of Maryland. Belgium had 34 cities with more than 25,000 inhabitants each, but only four—Brussels, Antwerp, Gent, Liege—had more than 100,000. Small towns and villages dot the landscape. On the average, Belgians were spread over their country 700 to a square mile.

Combat Mosquito Menace

Crop-dusting methods employed in the United States in the war against the boll weevil and other insect enemies are being used in the Mediterranean theater to combat the mosquito menace. Once the Germans were driven out, it was necessary to go to work on the marsh lands and flooded areas of the Italian peninsula and of Sardinia and Corsica, which are prolific breeding grounds for hosts of malaria-carrying mosquitoes. The control program, involving the employment of low-flying planes carrying oil and insecticides, was developed to deal with the problem. A-20 Havocs, roaring in at heights of not more than 20 or 30 feet off the ground, generally carry 3,000 pounds of dust, which require 45 minutes to disperse.

THEATRE

Don't go near the woman! George SANDERS and Linda DARNELL in 'SUMMER STORM' ANNA LEE

SO. KEENE - NO. BOSTON

Mrs. and Mrs. Lou Weaver of Grandville were Sunday guests of Mrs. Clayton Weaver and children and Joe and John Mulekakis. Joe was in Saranac on business Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Herzog and friend of Lakeview were Monday forenoon guests of Mrs. Lizzie Hoover and Gerald. Mr. and Mrs. Victor Clemenz and Connie of Lowell were Sunday evening guests of the Glenn and K. S. Rickett families. Mesdames Laura Wilcox and Bird Thompson were in Ionia Monday afternoon. Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Philorus Hale were Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thompson and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thompson of Keene, Mrs. Catherine Woodcock and Mrs. Edna Thompson of Lowell and Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Smith of Sparta. Vivian Hale of Lansing spent the week-end with Mrs. Leona Hale and family. Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Moore were in Saranac on business Wednesday, and on Thursday Mrs. Moore visited her mother in Lowell. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Smith and two older children of Plymouth spent the week-end at their farm home here and called Sunday afternoon at the Ed. Potter home. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Story of South Boston were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Pinkney. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Potter and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Dean near Lake Odessa. Mr. and Mrs. Rinaud and family were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Staal.

CAMP AU LAKE

A shower was given in honor of Mrs. Reed Cooper Friday evening, following the regular Grange meeting at the hall by Grange members and friends. Mrs. Cooper received many lovely gifts. Roy Wilson and Charles of Grand Rapids spent Sunday at the Wilson home at the lake. The Wilsons are planning to return to the farm this spring. Mrs. Donna Clark has returned to her home after spending a couple of weeks with friends in Lansing. Mr. and Mrs. Reed Cooper spent Tuesday afternoon in Hastings. Our new neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Holbrook, have moved in and are doing some remodeling and repair work. Welcome neighbors. Mr. and Mrs. E. Hurd enjoyed Sunday night lunch with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Niemeyer.

USELESS

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Bus Schedules

Table with columns: To Lansing, Ann Arbor, Detroit and Toledo; To Gr. Rapids; To Flint; Trip to Grand Rapids. Includes times like 9:05 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 1:10 a.m., etc.

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BLUE STAR MOTHERS

The Blue Star Mothers met March 14, with sixty in attendance. Mrs. Weaver acted as chaplain in Mrs. Woon's absence. The president then called the meeting to order. Reports were read and approved. The committee reported on the food sale, and with the donations included, netted us \$91. It was voted to give \$10 to the Red Cross. Mrs. Nielsen, of Ionia, gave a nice talk, and the meeting was then turned over to Mrs. Ellis for the social hour. Mrs. Fletcher sang two songs, and Mrs. Ellis auctioned off two cakes, which brought \$2.85. The lunch committee had the tables trimmed very nicely in honor of St. Patrick's day. Our next meeting will be April 11. All with birthdays in April bring a cake or something to be sold. —Reporter.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to relatives, friends and neighbors for their sympathy and flowers in our recent bereavement. M. and Mrs. B. F. Hutchins.

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