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LOCAL BREVITIES

Masonic regular tonight.

Shake your feet at the IOOF ball Charles Odell's auction tomorrow afternoon.

Odd Fellows Ball next week Friday evening. See ad.

Hart Benton is recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

Guy Graham is home on sick leave but is able to be about town.

The Sunny Day club will meet with Mrs. B. Coffinger, Thursday, Feb. 10.

Dr. Allen, father and Edna Cooley took supper at Chub Day's Thursday night.

Keith Bennett finished his course in Central high school and entered Kalamazoo College.

Several from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Ed Sage in Kalamazoo, Monday forenoon.

Come with us to Epworth League Sunday evening at 6:00. A special program is being prepared.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Feely, Mr. and Mrs. John Dorgan and Harold were Sunday visitors at Vern Hudson's.

Mrs. Ed Alway and Glen were up from Kalamazoo and Mrs. Kruse was here from Chicago for the week end.

Jos. Sage, wife and daughter, of Chicago, and Lon Sage and wife of Fond du Lac visited at Vern Hudson's Monday.

Mrs. Della Shindall of Montana was one of the 73 who attended the Sunny Day club meeting at M. O. Morgan's last Saturday.

You will laugh at and with Col. Lyon, and Derby Dashwood is a scream, at the opera house Feb. 10. Parent Teacher Assn. benefit.

Eva Carpenter was hostess to a party of her girl friends last week Wednesday evening in honor of her cousin, Marion Fuller, who spent the week here.

You will want to see Baby capture the husband she has been trying to catch for 30 years, at the opera house, Feb. 10th. Benefit of P. T. A.

Don't forget the date, Feb. 10th, the first home talent show of the season. Hear Lysander lie and Francisco swear to it. Laugh till your sides ache.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Finch, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Nightingale and Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Coburn all of Kalamazoo and Byron Day were visitors at Chub Day's last week.

Come and see "A Modern Ananias" Feb. 10th at the opera house and see how catty Nellie Golden-gate and Prudence Mayflower can be to each other and still be loving friends.

Come and sympathize with Kitten for her mistress is hard to please, and it is hard to make a woman who weighs 200 lbs. look sweet sixteen. In "A Modern Ananias" at the opera house, Feb. 10th.

There will be a Republican county convention at town hall at Hart-ford on Thursday, Feb. 17 for the purpose of electing 14 delegates to the state convention to be held at Grand Rapids, Tuesday, March 1.

Marlin Wilmot's registered Jersey, Wilmotwood's Loretta proved to be the out-standing cow for butter-fat production in the three Allegan County Cow-testing associations that completed the year's work for 1926. She produced 10,400 lbs. of milk containing 670 lbs. of butter-fat for the year, or in other words, she made 2 1/2 pounds of butter a day for every day she gave milk. The value of her product, based on the local price holding deducted, was \$367.58 with a food cost of \$96.05. Mr. Wilmot's herd of 13 Jerseys averaged nearly 400 pounds of butter fat as shown by the records of the Central Allegan Co. Association, N. B. Kendall, tester.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Metzger of Gobles and Mr. and Mrs. George Otten and daughter, Beatrice, of Kalamazoo, took dinner with Frank Austin and Mrs. Beck Sunday.

Basket Ball

Last week proved a better one for the high school boys for while the first team lost on the Plainwell floor they gave this Class C team a real contest.

On Friday evening Bloomingdale first and second teams came over and were defeated in two most spirited contests, Gobles second team winning by the score of 11 to 3 and the regulars won by the score of 22 to 17. The latter got off to a fine start with a lead of 13 at the half and the visitors were unable to overcome this lead. In the second half Kermit Hoffman had the misfortune to break the wrist bones in his right hand. This is deeply regretted by all and all hope this peppy player will be able to resume athletics when the base ball season opens.

The local girls were not so fortunate as they took their first defeat in their game at Augusta. Faulty interpretation of the rules by the referee removed one of the girls' regulars early in the game and no doubt turned the tide from victory to defeat.

The Independents in a spirit of generosity allowed the Bloomingdale Independents to win in a battle royal.

School Notes

No student in the first six grades is ever kept after school longer than 4 o'clock.

The Debating Team went to Kalamazoo last Monday afternoon for a practice debate with Normal High at 4:30. A critic was present to offer suggestions after the teams had finished. The practice proved to be very beneficial for both teams. Our next regular debate is with Stevensville on February 10th.

We wish to extend to everyone in the community a cordial invitation to visit school, especially those who have children in school. See for yourself what is being done in the schoolroom.

All the grade rooms are depositing regularly in the "School Savings System." The "School Savings Fund" has reached the \$250.00. It is easy to save, if you have the habit.

A fifteen minute study period has been added to the school day in the afternoon between the second and third hours. High school now lets out at 3:45 instead of 3:30.

The Senior Class have selected their play which will probably be put on about the middle of March. Mr. Stratton has been chosen as director.

The plays written by the English Literature class proved very entertaining.

Chapel program for the grades will be held Friday at 2:45. Miss Shafer has charge of the program and the parents are cordially invited.

High school classes were visited last week by several students from Kalamazoo Central High.

The G. H. C. C. will serve a hot lunch at school Feb. 4. All students are urged to attend.

Order for Publication
STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Van Buren.
At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Paw Paw in said County, on the 22nd day of January A. D. 1927.
Present Hon. Wm. Killefer, Judge of Probate.
In the Matter of the Estate of William J. Otte, Deceased.
H. M. Ward, Administrator of said estate, having filed in said court his final administration account and his petition praying for the allowance thereof and for the assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate.
It is Ordered, That the 28th day of February A. D. 1927, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition;
It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Gobles News, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.
WM. KILLEFER, Judge of Probate.
A true copy: Mamie L. Shafer, Register of Probate.

BELL SCHOOL

Mr. and Mrs. Duane Pepper and daughter of Lawrence and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hyames were Sunday guests at Lloyd Richardson's.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. Mark Kesler were in Paw Paw Wednesday.

Frank Daniels has been confined to the bed the past week with the flu.

Virgil Scovell and family left Thursday for their home at Cheney, Kansas after spending two and one half months at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Doc Thayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Onosrio of South Haven spent Saturday at Ralph Baxter's. They all spent Sunday at John Abbot's.

Mr. and Mrs. Thornton Walters and sons spent the week end in Kalamazoo.

Margaret Daniels of Bloomingdale spent the week end at Frank Daniels.

Lloyd Richardson had the misfortune to lose a very valuable horse last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Kesler entertained Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Thayer, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sage, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Richardson and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hyames Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Doc Thayer spent Sunday at Ed Alway's.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Benton and daughter called on Mrs. Orissa Markillie Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rolla Eastman and children spent Sunday at Bloomingdale with Mr. and Mrs. Lovell Cook.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Richardson spent Friday at Kalamazoo.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Carter were in Kalamazoo Saturday.

Lee Carter is some better and able to be on the jury at Paw Paw.

The usual crowd of W. W. Society ladies met at the pleasant home of Mrs. Nellie Taylor. Visiting and partaking of a fine dinner kept all busy until afternoon, when the business of electing officers and making plans for the 22nd dinner was taken up. All departed hoping to meet Feb. 10 at Willo Carter's.

MENTHA NOTES

The Todd Company have just purchased from local farmers a ton of beans for use in their boarding houses the coming summer. The price paid was \$100 per ton, hand picked. Over 100 men are fed during the busy summer season.

Hugh Wallace, the genial chef at the Mentha Boarding House for the past seven years, is spending his vacation with a friend touring the South and reports the weather at Pensacola as being like Michigan in July. They will see the sights at the New Orleans Mardi Gras before starting for Michigan.

E. L. Woodhams, accompanied by R. F. Stroud and Andrew DeGeus of the Todd Farm at Pearle, will attend the sessions of the Muck Farmers Association at East Lansing this week. Incidentally they report they will keep a weather eye on Ye Editor—or vice versa—as the latter attends the Publishers convention at the same time.

The Todd Company have installed a 3 ton truck for use between their Mentha and Pearle Farms and also to deliver feed, seeds, lime, etc. at their various sub-depots.

For Supervisor

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the office of supervisor for Bloomingdale township at the Republican caucus. If nominated and elected, I pledge the same service I have given as township treasurer.

Ernest Sniffin.

We are ready for your job work. Bring it in today.

KENDALL

Estus Leverage was home from South Bend over Sunday. He reports the snow much deeper in Indiana than here.

Hosea Scott of Cleveland, Ohio, spent the past week here, called by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Harriett Scott.

Enid, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Eldridge, has been quite ill the past week.

Mrs. Henry Cook and daughter, Harriett, of Detroit, who spent the past week at Mrs. Geo. Miller's, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Bowers entertained the South Side Community club at dinner last Friday. There was a good turnout of the members as well as several visitors present and a wonderful dinner was served. The next meeting will be held in the Congregational church basement Feb. 11, and will be a public dinner. Everybody come.

Mrs. Clara Chamberlin entertained Sunday at her home northeast of town. Those present were, Mr. and Mrs. D. V. Chamberlin, Mr. and Mrs. Eldon Chamberlin and Mr. and Mrs. Martin Squires.

Mr. and Mrs. Muir of Kalamazoo were Sunday callers at Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Miller's.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kirshman and daughter, Virginia, of Kalamazoo, spent Sunday at her father's, Mr. Henry Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Kellar entertained Mr. and Mrs. Leon Scott and children of Trowbridge Sunday; also, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Kellar and Mr. and Mrs. Royal Kellar and children.

Jennie Goodrich of Decatur spent Sunday with her grandmother, Mrs. Bower, and Lewis Bowers of South Haven called on his grandmother and other friends.

Beatrice Waber returned to Clearwater, Florida, Thursday, to resume her school work there.

WAGERTOWN

Mr. and Mrs. John Beeman entertained a few neighbors Tuesday night, it being Mr. Beeman's birthday. The evening was spent in playing cards and games.

Charley Eastman spent Tuesday evening with Alfred Sprague.

Mrs. Pearl Skillman and Mrs. Blanch Hodgman spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Nora Holderman.

Frank Reed and children spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Art Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Charley Klapp entertained a few neighbors Friday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Goble spent the week end at G. Leach's.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Judson Holderman and their families spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Holderman.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pullin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charley Klapp.

Mrs. Bertie Billington and son, Allen spent Wednesday evening at Frank Reed's.

Basil Allen spent Saturday night with Allen Billington.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Healy spent Saturday with her mother, Mrs. Dora Haven.

BASE LINE

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pullin spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Klapp.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dannenberg and Mr. and Mrs. Max Dannenberg and son, Billy were in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Woodruff and daughters visited Saturday eve with Mr. and Mrs. W. Pullin.

Glen Woodruff and family had Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Banks of Bloomingdale.

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Business Locals

Corn fodder for sale; also old touring car very cheap. Emil Keller, Pine Grove.

Hay, timothy and clover mixed. Walter Grauman.

12 barred rock pullets and rooster for sale. Willard Ray, Kendall.

First Baptist Church

"Ability never amounts to much until it becomes stability."

Five reasons for joining church.

1. Christ established it.
2. It is the custodian of the emblems of baptism and the Lord's Supper.
3. All New Testament Christians belong to it.
4. You hear the gospel thru it.
5. It is the divinely ordained institution for carrying on Christ's work today.

A friendly, homelike church. We welcome you and invite you to make this your church home. The pastor would be glad to meet you.

Bible School, 10:00
Morning worship 11:00.
—Subject: "The Cross in the Old Testament."
B. Y. P. U., 6:00
—Subject: "The Conquering Christ."
Evening Worship, 7:00
Let us set our goal at 100 per cent present at 10:00 sharp; try to be there on time for Sunday school. Special music has been arranged for morning worship.
Our orchestra will direct our music in the evening service.
The banquet given by the church to the orchestra and the choir was enjoyed to the full. A play hour which followed the supper was entered into by everyone. The young people greatly enjoyed the play given by members of the church.
"The Best Form of Spending, is Spending Oneself for Others."
H. B. Springer, pastor.

Methodist Church

Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.
Morning Worship, 11:00
E. L., 6:00
Evening Services, 7:00
We are very glad to see the fine interest some men are showing toward the church. We invite all to cooperate. Just now the men are planning a fish supper for Feb. 11. Come and see the men put it over.

Sunny Day Club

On Saturday, Jan. 29th, the Sunny Day club members and their husbands and families were royally entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Morgan at an oyster dinner; also a program in the afternoon. It would be hard to tell the good time we all had. We sure enjoyed the meeting altho the roads were bad. There was over seventy present who will remember the day, and which enjoyed it most it would be hard to say. But we are sure the men will not soon forget, and surely the club ladies have nothing to regret. We are grateful to host and hostess and will our gratitude show for the pleasure of that meeting, and to them our best wishes bestow.

One who was there.

Special Notice

In regard to the notice relative to my candidacy for the office of highway commissioner in last week's News, will say that positively I am not a candidate for the office.

Warren Sanford.

Tax Notice

I will be at Gobles First State Bank Tuesdays, Feb. 1st and 15th to collect taxes for Bloomingdale township. 4 per cent will be charged for collection after the 15th.

Ernest Sniffin.

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ALL Poetry 5c per line, in advance.
Copies of the paper, 5c each. Copies of the News are not included in obituaries or cards of thanks.

Extra good quality typewriter paper for sale at the News office.

Use Amco Buttermilk Egg mash sold by Milling Company.

Veal calves wanted. See or phone Lester Woodruff.

Indian relics wanted. See Varn Ryno.

Will trade cow for 40 bu. corn J. F. Dahlman.

Salesman for Lubricating Oil and Paint; two lines combined. THE ROYCE REFINING CO. or THE ROYCE PAINT CO., Cleveland, Ohio.

Cut flowers for all occasions, banners and set pieces. Mrs. A. J. Foelsch.

80-acre farm for rent. Inquire at News office.

Will buy veal and chickens every day. Will come and get them. O. J. Rhoades.

Registered Durham bull for service, \$1.50. Elmer Simmons.

Buy Miller tires at Dorgan's filling station.

See Luther Howard for radio repair work and battery charging.

For Sale—Good used weed chains, Ford size; will fit oversized cords. Ed. Mann, Gobles. 3w

Cutter gears regular \$10.50 value, \$6.50 at the Cash Supply Store.

Why send to catalog houses for tires when Harrelson sells better ones for the same money?

Special discount on tire chains and hot shots at Cash Supply Store. A good International corn planter for sale, used but very little.

Still selling certified fruit and shade trees for a dependable nursery with stock best suited for this section. Order now. Albert H. Sner.

You can now buy genuine Ford 13-plate battery for \$12 at Harrelson's. Why pay same for a 11-plate? Trade in on old one too.

Gobles Nursery sends petitions to help keep that farmer out of jail for shooting the chicken thief, caught in the act, at midnight. Be sure to sign one!

3 good cows, 2 giving milk, one freshens in February for sale. See L. W. Pullman, or Ryno farm, northeast of Gobles.

50 5-months' old white leghorn pullets for sale at \$1.00 each. F. W. Starks, farmers' phone.

For Sale—Nearly new 600-egg Queen incubator. Half price. Joe Bishop, Kalamazoo, R. R. 8. Phone 741-F14.

Dance next Saturday night in hotel basement, Kendall. Everybody invited.

Rug and carpet weaving. See Will Leonard.

15 per cent discount on horse blankets, hot shots and tire chains at the Cash Supply Store.

Empire milking machines carried in stock at the Cash Supply Store. Low first cost, economical to operate, easy to clean. No delay for installation.

Salesman Wanted—For lubricating oils, greases and paints. Excellent opportunity. Salary or commission. The Jed Oil and Paint Co., Cleveland, Ohio.

Ford roadster with box for sale cheap. See Jud Wormeth.

2 tons shredded corn fodder and 2 loads of bean pods for sale. Frank Martin, Gobles.

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What's What in Washington

By CHARLES P. STEWART

SCIENTISTS STILL WORKING FOR UNCLE SAM AT SMALL PAY

By Charles P. Stewart
Pure science is unprofitable.

Applied science can be hitched up with the manufacture of radio apparatus or the development of new cleansing compounds or some other industry and made to pay good dividends.

But pure science, for itself alone, does well if it yields a bare living.

The government service is full of men who have devoted lifetimes to the most abstruse research along the lines of their various specialties, and what do they get for it? The ones who pay income taxes on as much as \$5,000 apiece annually are the exceptions.

The bureau of standards consists of next to nothing but scientists. The department of agriculture bulges with them. The geological survey is all science. Ditto the hydrographic office and the naval observatory. These are just a few samples.

The Smithsonian Institution, as everybody knows, is world renowned for its scientific achievements—and poverty-stricken to the last extremity.

The scientists who man these outfits work simply for their salaries—mighty skimpy ones. If they discover anything with money in it somebody else rakes in the profits.

The government scientist on a \$5,000-a-year stipend—and a very, very few draw as much as six, seven or eight thousand each—is able to make ends meet, doubtless.

But, remember, he's a super-scientist by the time he gets that high up the ladder. He classes, in his particular field, with business multimillionaires and with the \$75,000 or \$100,000 a year practitioners in most of the other professions.

He could quit, in all probability, and get a job as an applied scientist in some such thing as a soap factory, for instance, at two or three times his government salary.

Why doesn't he do it? As nearly as I can figure out, simply because he loves pure science, which the government is willing to pay very moderately for, whereas commercially applied science, while offering far larger rewards, must show tangible financial results in return for them.

Not but what these pure scientists do get financial results, only they're of a kind which no single individual or corporation can deposit in a bank and check against.

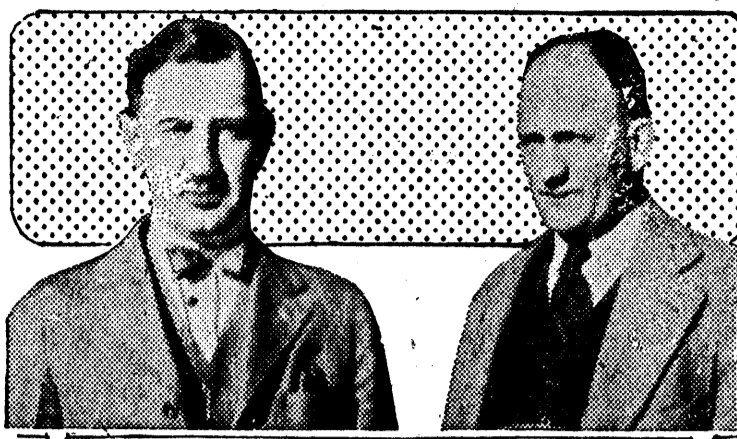
For example, one of the agriculture department's scientists finds a bug in some out of the way place which preys on another insect that's playing smash with one crop or another. He imports the new bug and sets it to preying. It stays the bad bug's depredations and the threatened crop flourishes and yields golden harvests again.

Obviously the country's farmers have profited enormously in the aggregate, but all the scientist gets is his monthly dole from the government.

Some of these experts have international reputations among savants. They're recognized as the world's greatest authorities in their respective spheres of activity. People come from all over the face of the earth to consult them—gratis.

But any small town business or professional man, of importance enough to belong to the Rotary club, would turn up his nose at what they're paid for it.

Strike Oil After Seven Years



Willis L. Hartman, left, and Walter F. Skaer, oil prospectors, after drilling 30 dry holes in Kansas and Oklahoma during the past seven years, now are partaking of the fruits of their persistence. Their fortieth attempt turned out to be a gusher producing 500 barrels of high gravity oil a day. The new well is situated 14 miles southwest of Hutchinson, Kan.

FARMERS TO TEACH FARMERS TO SOLVE SOIL PROBLEMS

County Farm Agent William F. Johnston is using a new method to inaugurate a soil improvement campaign in VanBuren county. He is enlisting farmers to teach farmers how to solve their own problems.

The project is being organized on the "training leader" basis with 30 leaders and 300 class members holding 8 schools for leaders and 120 sessions for class members. The whole plan is similar to the system used by the home economics department of Michigan State college in conducting classes in garment making in rural communities and by the poultry department in teaching farmers how to cull hens.

The leaders agree to spend one day each month during January, February, March, and April in a school where instruction will be given by the county agent and soil specialists from Michigan State college in drainage, liming, organic matter and fertilization of the soil. They are to relay this instruction to groups of farmers in their own communities.

This system has worked very successfully in teaching garment making to farm women and poultry culling to farmers, but as far as known, it has never been employed to impart a better understanding of soils to a general farmers.

"Proper management of soils is fundamental in agriculture and upon it success depends," said County Agent Johnston in explaining the work. "The perfunctory superficial attention given to soils management by many people engaged in farming does not bid for success. Under the rapidly changing conditions of agriculture it becomes necessary that we get down to brass tacks and study these things in such a way that we may put into practice the best methods which bring success in crop production."

The classes will give considerable study to fertilizer treatments for different types of soils and the various crops to be grown upon them.

Bangor Rewired and Light Service Improved

Bangor can now boast of a complete new wiring equipment. The last of this much-needed improvement has been finished by Supt. Charles Meyers after many months. The change has cost the Benton Harbor-St. Joe Railway and Light company many thousands of dollars. In addition to the new wiring, hundreds of new poles have been set; new street lights of the latest improved type have been installed; new transformers have been put in operation and equipment brought up to date.

All has been done without any interruption of service for more than a few minutes at any time. The new wiring eliminates all dangerous conditions and local radio owners are enjoying excellent reception, which was an impossibility under former conditions.

1,133 Vehicles Pass Point on M-11 In 16-Hour Survey

Extremely heavy traffic on trunkline M-11 was found by members of the county highway department who made two 16-hour surveys. Tellers stationed south of Muskegon Heights found 1,133 vehicles, only two of which were horse-drawn, passing the point in 8 hours, while 525 vehicles passed workmen at Dalton, north of Muskegon, four of which were horse-drawn.

Tellers stationed on M-46 near Dorland corners reported 474 vehicles passing their station.

Bridge to Link Sarnia and Port Huron is Urged

The Owen Sound Board of Trade is behind a movement to have a bridge constructed across the St. Clair River from Port Huron to Sarnia and the proposition will be submitted to the Tourist Association of Ontario. The matter has also been taken up with the minister of highways of Ontario.

Retired Farmer Says 20 Bushels Seed Potatoes is Enough

Twenty bushels of seed potatoes per acre is plenty to plant, in the opinion of D. B. Monroe of Grand Rapids, retired farmer, who takes exception to the recommendation of the United States department of agriculture to plant more seed per acre to increase the yield.

By planting small seed each seed piece 16 inches apart in the row, and the rows 30 inches apart, Monroe reports he was able to obtain maximum yields of potatoes on his farms. His best yield was 350 bushels from one-half acre.

Monroe prefers small seed potatoes from disease free stock and recommends shallow planting. Deep planting, he says, causes too much of a drain on the seed piece before the plant reaches daylight.

Farm Near Boyne City to Be Developed For Boys

A tract of land a few miles from Boyne City, comprising 100 acres and formerly known as the Belt farm, has been purchased by E. V. Tomlinson of the Detroit Athletic Club and is being prepared for the erection of a clubhouse for boys. A porch 12x50 feet already has been added to the farmhouse as a dining room and two dormitories, 24x26 feet are being erected.

It is intimated the guests will be boys sent up by the Detroit Athletic club to spend their summer vacation.

One of Last of Large Timber Tracts Sold

With the completion of negotiations at the Soo for the purchase of the vast McFadden forest limits by Shevlin and Clarke of Minneapolis North America apparently soon will bid adieu to one of its last, largest and most magnificent pine forests.

The purchasers announced they would build a \$750,000 mill at Blind river, about 100 miles east of Sault Ste. Marie, and employ 3,000 men in cutting down the virgin tract of timber. The contract calls for removal of 100,000,000 feet of lumber in 1927 and 1928.

The timber consists mostly of white pine, which will be manufactured into flooring, doors, sash, etc. More than \$2,000,000 will be spent on the job above the mill cost, it is estimated.

The forest is situated in the famous Mississauga region, noted for its timber.

State University is Second in Salaries

Fifty-one per cent, \$79,011,421, of the total incomes of state universities and colleges in the United States, \$154,585,675, is expended for salaries and wages; 23 per cent, \$36,208,800, for materials and supplies; 14 per cent, \$21,733,841, for lands and buildings, and four per cent, \$6,277,863, for equipment.

Allowance for scholarships accounts for about two per cent, \$2,697,906; and six per cent, \$8,654,844 shown in unclassified expenses as shown by statistics completed by Walter J. Greenleaf, assistant specialist in landgrant college statistics, and published by the United States Bureau of Education.

Recent adoption by state universities and colleges of a standard budget system and more uniform methods of accounting have enabled the bureau for the first time to publish expenditures of state higher educational institutions.

Of all state universities and colleges, the largest amount for salaries, \$5,804,557, was expended by the University of California, the University of Michigan ranking next with \$4,760,205, and the University of Minnesota third, with \$3,887,389. The largest supplies of California and Wisconsin followed closely each with expenditure of more than \$2,000,000.

The University of Michigan led also in the amount of money put into permanent equipment, \$694,502. Four institutions expended more than a million dollars each during the year ending June 30, 1925, for buildings, lands and land improvements. The exact figures are: Michigan, \$2,376,796; Illinois, \$1,900,457; Ohio State, \$1,665,136; and Louisiana, \$1,090,778.

RADIO QUOTATIONS SAVE MONEY

More than 100 stations are co-operating with the government in broadcasting farm prices and lectures.

The Chicago grain quotations are broadcast every half hour from the Board of Trade. Live stock quotations come direct from the Union stock yards, while the prices of fruit and vegetables, butter, eggs and poultry are relayed from the commission markets to the studio.

In a survey of 500 farmers, WLS reports that 405 stated they depended upon this information in shipping their goods to market, and 120 could give specific instances where it had saved them money.

Their estimate of the savings varied from around \$80 on a single deal to \$2,800 saved on the season's wheat crop. One farmer estimated the value of his radio receiving set at \$800 a year. The average estimated saving was \$287.56 per year.

Samuel R. Guard, director of the Sears-Roebuck Agricultural Foundation, states that the radio is bound to aid farm marketing and make farmers better business men.

"Current prices on grain and live stock broadcast to the farm world at the moment they are being made in the city markets has brought an entirely new element into farm marketing," says Guard.

"Heretofore the farmer had to get his information on prices of farm products at least a day, and frequently two or three days late. With his radio tuned in on a station broadcasting quotations from the important market he knows the current price at the moment he is making his deal with the stock or grain buyer.

"If he ships direct, he knows the actual price on the market the day his stock is loaded into the car; he knows what the estimated receipts for the following day will be, and he can time his shipments to put his produce on the market when the prices are at their peak."

Potash Production In United States is Steadily Increasing

The production of crude potash in this country in 1925 was 51,544 short tons, against 43,719 short tons in 1924. The production of pure potash, however, increased only 11.1 per cent, but the production of crude potash increased 17.9 per cent. The value of pure potash per ton at the plants in 1925 was \$46.66.

The production of pure potash in the United States in 1925 was roughly one-tenth of its total imports, and the value of all the potash produced in this country was \$1,204,024. As the first considerable production of potash in this country was made in 1915, and was only 1,090 tons of pure potash, the production of 25,439 tons of pure potash in 1925 is highly gratifying. It was, however, less than half the production in 1918, when this country was cut off from the European supply.

As potash is being imported at less than the pre-war price, it is surprising that the production in this country can be maintained at its present volume.

The chief source of domestic potash in 1925 was the natural brine at Searles Lake, Calif., but some was produced from the dust of steel plants in Pennsylvania and from distillery residue from molasses plants in Maryland. Sales from stock on hand were made by one cement company, but no potash was produced from cement dust in 1925. Only producers from natural brines have been able to hold their own recently against the low price of imported potash.

Rifle Matches May be Cancelled at M. S. C.

Possibility that all the men's rifle matches this year at Michigan State college may be cancelled because not enough candidates have appeared to make up a team, was expressed by Captain Clyde Kelley, military instructor.

Captain Kelley has issued a final call for candidates and then if the interest remains at low ebb the entire schedule will be cancelled and all present members of the squad will be dismissed, he said.

"Tin Can Tourists" to Rally Next Summer at Traverse

The seventh annual rally of the "Tin Can Tourists of the World" will be held here the week of Aug. 20, bringing to Traverse City 500 motor tourists and their families. The information was just received at the local chamber of commerce from Arcadia, Fla., where their annual convention is in session.

Evart Man Arrested Under Grading Act

State Inspector Jim Fox of LeRoy caused the arrest of I. W. Guyton of Evart for not properly labeling a carload of potatoes.

The law provides that each bag must bear the name and address of the dealer or grower, the name or number of the grade and the net content. On this case the name and address were omitted.

POULTRY

PRODUCING EGGS OF HIGH QUALITY

Egg quality is determined by the condition of the interior contents of the egg. Hens fed large quantities of garbage or spoiled feeds are apt to produce eggs that have undesirable flavors, but most eggs are of good quality when laid. Deterioration after the eggs are laid is often rapid on account of poor methods of handling.

Sudden changes of feed may affect both the quality and the number of eggs laid. Rations that force production are apt to produce an excessive number of eggs with blood spots. Such eggs are unsalable as fresh eggs. Liberal feeding of yellow corn or green leafy feeds, such as clover, alfalfa, cabbage and sprouted oats cause the yolks to take on a rich golden yellow. Such eggs are richer in vitamins and may sometimes be preferred on the market, but at present the light colored yolks are preferred.

Clean dry nests into which the direct rays of the sun cannot reach are less apt to encourage the hens to scratch when on the nests and will therefore prevent many spoiled and broken eggs. Poultry wire tacked on the under side of the roosts and above the dropping boards will prevent hens from getting into the droppings and thereby prevent many eggs from getting dirty. Litter that will help to keep the feet of the hens clean will also prevent much loss from dirty eggs.

After the eggs are laid there are also many points that should receive attention. Collect them in strong, clean galvanized iron or wooden buckets. Baskets or collapsible containers cause much loss from breakage. Collect the eggs at least twice a day during cold weather or when the weather is very hot. Once a day will do at other seasons, except when the eggs are wanted for hatching.

If the eggs are not wanted for hatching, it is better to dispose of the males. Fertile eggs deteriorate more rapidly than infertile eggs.

Eggs should always be stored in a cool, dry place. The cellar is the best place on most farms. If the eggs are kept covered with a cloth or something of that sort undue evaporation will be prevented. This method of storage is best for eggs that are to be used for hatching as well as for market purposes. If hatching eggs are kept in a warm room the embryo will start a slow process of development. This will lower the hatchability of the eggs when put in an incubator or under a hen. Hatching eggs should be stored at a temperature of 50 to 60 degrees, while market eggs may be kept at a lower temperature if conditions permit.

Eggs absorb strong odors of all kinds, so they must be kept away from such materials as kerosene, onions, fish and other strong smelling substances. Market eggs should not be exposed to sunshine, rain or extreme heat. Eggs from stolen nests should be carefully candled if they are to be sold at all.

Thin shelled eggs break easily. This necessitates the hens having a plentiful supply of mineral matter before them at all times. During the heavy laying season many people add 5 per cent of bone meal to the mash. Dirty eggs should be used at home, as they sell for less than they are worth.

A FULL EGG BASKET

Prof. L. E. Card of the Illinois Experiment station, has recently written a very good bulletin on feeding hens for egg production. We believe that our readers will be interested in the following points in which he has summarized the essentials in securing a full egg basket:

Feed all scratch grain in deep litter, summer and winter. Keep the hens busy.

Keep a good dry mash in open hoppers every day in the year.

Always provide animal protein in some form, either milk to drink or meat scrap or tankage mixed in the mash. Many flocks that are fed grains freely are starved for animal feeds.

Provide succulent feed if the hens are not on green range.

Never use musty or moldy grain.

Change wet litter at once. There is danger in damp, moldy litter.

Begin gradually any changes in the ration or the method of feeding.

Watch the appetites of the fowls so that you will know how much to feed them.

Give light feedings of scratch grain in the morning to encourage mash consumption.

Supply fresh water at least once daily; from the hen's standpoint the oftener the better.

Keep oyster shell and grit where the hens can always get them.

Feed the flock regularly. Hens will soon learn to expect the feeder at a certain time each day.

One writer has summed up good feeding practice by saying, "Feed wholesome food; feed liberally; feed regularly; feed a variety. After that, the only secret in feeding is to feed 'activity' into the hen."

Lawton Grape Growers Report Slender Crop

The Southern Michigan Fruit association reports that it shipped 687 cars of grapes this year at an average car price of \$422.34 as against 1,013 in 1924, at an average price of \$675.19. The association paid its 539 members a 4 per cent rebate.

GREENVILLE WILL HAVE POTATO SHOW

Greenville is to have a potato show of its own this year. The chamber of commerce now is making plans for the exposition and expects to be in a position to make a definite announcement concerning the show soon.

The chamber of commerce began making plans for this show at the request of Montcalm county potato growers who expressed regret over the removal of the Western Michigan Potato show from Greenville to Big Rapids.

While the show will be local in character, it probably will be open to exhibits from all parts of Montcalm county. Enough potatoes are produced in the county to insure as large a potato show as may be held in the state this year, Stanley Kemp, president of the chamber of commerce, declared.

President Misses Meet First Time in 21 Years

At the annual meeting of the Patrons Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Newaygo, Oceana and Muskegon counties held in Fremont, the report of the secretary, Milo A. White of Fremont, showed a net gain of \$461,940 had been made the past year, giving the company a gross insurance of \$17,087,761. The company is 51 years old.

George E. Burley of Casnovia, president, was absent from the annual meeting for the first time in 21 years. Three directors elected at the meeting are A. C. Kocher of Shelby for Oceana county; Clarence E. Alberts of Muskegon for Muskegon county, and Milo White of Fremont for Newaygo county.

West Michigan Fair Shows \$434 Loss

The West Michigan State Fair association, at its annual meeting, reported that last year's fair was conducted at a net loss of \$434. Receipts were \$67,210.70.

Miss Olive G. Jones, secretary of the association, showed in her report that assets of the organization during the three years it has been under the administration of William T. Morrissey, who is under contract as manager at \$5,000 a year, had increased from \$137,800 to \$169,380, a \$25,000 gain having been made in the improvements account.

The bonded indebtedness has been reduced by \$20,000 and now amounts to \$43,000, notes and accounts payable now stand at \$38,300 as compared with \$21,000 three years ago, and more than \$18,000 of the \$30,000 grandstand bonds have been retired.

Manistee Again Goes On "U" Accredited List

Manistee high school has again been placed on the University of Michigan accredited list for a three-year term, a position it has held since 1892. There are four other schools of the county so listed: Brethren, Kaleva, Copenhaver and Bear Lake.

Scientists Develop Vegetables That Look Out For Themselves

Varieties of vegetables that are resistant to certain diseases, and also adapted to market demands, are being developed in certain instances, thus doing away with the necessity for many of the usual methods of control. While it is not possible to reach this goal promptly, if at all, for all vegetables, nevertheless considerable progress has already been made in this direction. A few outstanding achievements along this line are indicative of what may be expected in future years.

Asparagus growers in the United States have for many years suffered serious losses from the presence of rust on their asparagus. Breeding work inaugurated in 1916 by the U. S. Department of Agriculture in cooperation with the Massachusetts Asparagus Growers' association, resulted in the production of the Washington strains of asparagus known as the Washington, the Martha Washington and the Mary Washington, all of which are highly resistant to rust, and at the same time of superior market quality. These strains have been distributed and are now being planted largely by the asparagus growers, especially in the eastern United States.

Other outstanding examples include the development of a variety of bean known as Well's Red Kidney, which resulted from work by Cornell university and a New York grower, and which is highly resistant to the anthracnose disease.

The Robust variety of pea bean, which is immune to mosaic, was developed at the Michigan Agricultural college.

Varieties of cabbage resistant to cabbage yellows, a widespread and destructive disease of that crop, have been developed by the U. S. Department of Agriculture and the Wisconsin experiment station.

Varieties of tomatoes of superior commercial quality and highly resistant to the wilt disease which is serious in the central and southern states have been bred by the U. S. Department of Agriculture, this work being supplemented by the state experiment stations of the south.

M. S. C. Students To Hear Sarett

Lew Sarett, wilderness poet and college professor, will appear before Michigan State college students at East Lansing, Wednesday evening, February 2, as the first speaker on the winter term of the Liberal Arts entertainment course, according to announcement. Sarett, whose 10 years' experience in the north woods of Canada have furnished fascinating material for poems, magazine articles and lectures, will deliver his address in the auditorium of East Lansing People's church.

Water is Cheapest Poultry Feed; Egg Is Mostly Water

A hen should have a good supply of clean, fresh water before her at all times as 66 per cent of the egg is water—the cheapest poultry feed on the market. The remainder of the egg is 13 per cent protein, 10 per cent fat and 11 per cent mineral.

MUSKEGON TO HEAR RAIL MAGNATE

Sir Henry Worth Thornton, president of the Canadian National-Grand Trunk railway systems who comes to Muskegon Feb. 7 as guest of honor at the second annual business men's banquet of the local Exchange club, directs the operation of a \$2,000,000 corporation.

This company, owned and operated by the Dominion of Canada, has 22,000 miles of operated track, stretching from the east to the west coasts, a series of big hotels, an express service reaching all over Canada, a telegraphic system of more than 100,000 miles of wire, a chain of broadcasting stations, a fleet of steamers on the Pacific and a government-owned fleet of 66 vessels sailing from Canada to all parts of the world. The system employs more than 100,000 persons.

At the close of the World war Canada found on its hands in the shape of railroad legacies this vast corporation. For three years the government operated this system with the loss from operating steadily growing, the peak of this loss being reached in 1921, with every chance of the deficit becoming larger instead of smaller Sir Henry Thornton then was asked to take charge and did. In less than two years this deficit was more than cut in two and at present the loss prior to his becoming head has been turned into an operating surplus of upwards of \$20,000,000.

His first connection with English railroading came in 1914, when the board of directors of the Great Eastern Railway of England decided to depart from all precedent and hire an American as manager. In his incumbency of this position the road carried an average of upward of 10,000,000 passengers monthly. Then came the war, and the British railways were taken under government direction, with Thornton as a member of the executive committee of managers. In 1916 he became deputy director of inland water transportation, with the rank of colonel in the Royal Engineers, handling all the inland navigation in north France, Egypt and Mesopotamia. The next year he was raised to assistant director general of railways with headquarters in Paris, and he had to do with the co-ordinating of transportation of the French, Italian and American governments.

Later he was raised to become deputy director general, with the rank of brigadier general, and in 1918 became inspector general of transportation, with the rank of major general, which put him in charge of all the army transportation of the continent.

Monroe City to Adopt Fire Platoon System

The city commission, as a committee of the whole, has agreed to adopt the platoon system in the fire department at Monroe. With the adoption of this plan, Monroe will have 12 regular paid firemen instead of 11. George J. Renner is the fire chief.

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Washington Bi-Centennial Celebration Committee Meets



U. S. Commissioners for the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of George Washington, headed by President Coolidge, meeting at the White House, are shown on the front portico of the White House: President Coolidge, Vice President Dawes, Speaker Longworth, Senator Fess, Senator Bayard, Senator Capper, Assistant Secretary of War MacNider, Representative Hawley, Representative Tilson, Representative Garner, Representative Byrns, Mrs. Mary Sherman, president of the Women's Federation; C. Bascom Slemp and Prof. Albert Bushnell Hart.

MANISTEE MAN WINS OWN CASE

Albert Totch, acting as his own attorney, has been acquitted by a jury in justice court of a charge of illegal possession of furs, preferred against him by Deputy Game Warden Ray Wolters and District Deputy Mark Crow of Traverse City.

It was the first criminal suit in which Prosecuting Attorney John E. Campbell has appeared since he took office January 1.

Failure of the prosecution witness, Samuel Miller, to identify the defendant as the man who sold him furs won Totch his freedom.

Miller recently was arrested and fined \$100 on a similar charge, the officers having taken from him \$700 worth of furs. Totch's arrest grew out of the same seizure.

Officials have been handicapped with the Totch family's size and similarity of brothers before. One of Totch's brothers was first taken into custody following Miller's arrest, but later released when Miller admitted the suspect was the wrong person.

The family comprised of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Totch, farmers, and their sons, Albert, Charles, Jr., Frank and Robert, live on M-11 a few rods from the Manistee river. The sons make a living by trapping. Several other sons are married, but live not far away down the highway.

Several have been arrested on liquor charges, but only one has ever been convicted, because officers cannot positively identify one from the other.

Ionia Voters to Decide On Four Projects

The question of county financial aid toward the maintenance of a county nurse and a county agricultural agent has been before the board of supervisors several times in the past two years and always turned down, but when the question again came up at the present session the board resolved to ask a referendum on them and also on two other propositions, a county market and a county tuberculosis test.

The voters will have an opportunity of expressing themselves on the four propositions at the spring election. The proposals, as they will come for an appropriation of \$8,000 for bovine tuberculosis inspection, \$2,000 toward maintenance of a county health nurse, \$2,000 toward county agent support and \$7,500 toward a county market.

Grand Rapids Asks Civic Fund Levy

To provide funds with which to finance major municipal projects, the Grand Rapids Civic Round Table, through a committee of which General John H. Schouten is chairman, has petitioned the city commission for submission at the April election of a proposed charter amendment permitting the commission to levy annually a two-and-one-half mill tax on each dollar of the assessed valuation. The money derived from this source would be used only for construction of grade separations, street openings and widenings, stadium and other city planning projects.

Reed City Obtains New Factory From Tallman

F. J. Watt, representing the florists supply Manufacturing Co., has closed a deal with the city authorities and will move the plant here from Tallman on once.

It will occupy the upper floor of the Light & Fuel Co. building. The firm manufactures flower baskets, vases and other containers for flower display.

Kalamazoo Officer Takes Notorious Yeggs While Off Duty

Police Officer Ross Stevens, after a tip that four men were believed to have robbed the Overloop store, captured the quartet after chasing them two blocks.

The men arrested were Milo Keep, 51, convicted of murder in Kalamazoo, who was released from Jackson prison after serving 17 years of a life sentence and who has since served five more years for tire thefts; Lloyd Burgdorf, 35, Kalamazoo, who has served 14 years for burglaries and holdups, having been sent to Ionia twice and Jackson once; William M. Baldwin, 65, who, officers say, is a veteran safe-blower and wanted at Aurora, Ind., for a safe job recently which netted him \$1,400, and Ernest Butler, 17, who lives two doors from the store.

The men gained entrance by a side window. The safe combination was shattered and the yeggs took from the safe a bag containing \$50 in currency, most of which was small change.

Officer Stevens was off duty when Peter VanBrook gave him the tip and aided in the capture.

Judge Orders South Mich. Phone Co. Sold

The Southern Michigan Telephone Co. was ordered sold in a decree issued by Federal Judge Fred M. Raymond. The sale under the direction of Attorney Kirk E. Wicks, master in chancery, is scheduled for March 2 at St. Joseph county courthouse, Centerville, and the lowest acceptable bid was fixed at \$625,000 unless otherwise ordered by the court.

The concern has been operating under a receivership for the two and one-half years. John M. Coffey of Indianapolis is receiver. The telephone company has 6,520 subscribers principally in Branch and St. Joseph counties, Michigan, and Lagrange county, Indiana. The decree was on an intervening petition of a bondholders committee.

Rural Mailman Uses Snowmobile on Route With Success

John Brinkman, rural letter carrier, made his trip in a snowmobile, the first one tried by Holland carriers. The result was satisfactory, as Brinkman was the first carrier to complete his route, which could not have been accomplished with a regular machine. Brinkman said he experienced no trouble and it worked like a charm.

"It was amusing to see the farmers who were eager to see the machine work," said Brinkman. "I saw some farmers who ordinarily could not be driven out of their home at this season. It proved a good medium in getting acquainted with them, even though I lost some time making explanations."

Huge New Power Firm Being Organized to Operate Public Utilities

Frank T. Hulswit of Grand Rapids is organizing the American Commonwealth Power corporation under the laws of Delaware and plans to acquire practically all the capital stock of the Community Power & Light Co., the present outstanding total of which is \$2,000,000 par value, and also to acquire from the American States Securities corporation, which has offices here, practically all the various public utility investments it holds. The Community Power & Light Co. operates public utilities in Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Texas and New Mexico.

Judge Cancels a Debt of 25 Years Standing

The holder of a promissory note who fails to make any attempt to collect it in 25 years can not collect, under a ruling of Judge J. H. Collins of the circuit court for the county of Shiawassee.

He dismissed a suit brought by Mae Osburn of Perry against Henry S. Dunning, to collect a note for \$500 given Mrs. Osburn's father by Dunning in 1901. There was no proof of any attempt to collect the note, the court held.

DODGE SALES SHOW 27.6 PERCENT INCREASE

Dodge Brothers, Inc., last year sold to dealers 331,764 passenger cars and trucks, making 1926 the biggest year in its history. The gain over 1925, which was the company's best previous year, is 27.6 per cent. The 1926 record surpasses the output of 259,967 cars and trucks in 1925, by 71,797 units.

Dodge Brothers, Inc., rate of growth last year was nearly nine times as rapid as that of the automotive industry as a whole, which made a production gain of only 3.3 per cent over 1925. Figures compiled by the National Chamber of Commerce for 1926, place production of all automobile manufacturers at 4,489,000 cars and trucks.

Graham Brothers, the truck division of Dodge Brothers, Inc., made a gain over 1925 of 55.7 per cent in sale to dealers. The rate of gain was approximately eight times as fast as that of the entire truck industry last year. N. A. C. C. figures show that the output for the whole truck industry was seven per cent larger in 1926 than in 1925. Total sales of Graham Brothers trucks and motor coaches to dealers in 1926 amounted to 37,463 units.

Combined sale of Dodge Brothers commercial cars and Graham Brothers trucks to dealers last year totaled 67,293 units, an increase of 32 per cent over sales of 50,713 vehicles in 1925.

Despite factory production and shipments by Dodge Brothers, Inc., of a record number of passenger cars and trucks in 1926, stocks in dealers' hands and in transit December 31, were substantially smaller than at the close of the previous year.

Port Huron Must Vote By February 14

Circuit Judge Joseph Barton, of the Mecosta county circuit here, today ruled that the Port Huron city commission must set a date not later than February 14 for a special election to fill the vacancy caused by the recent death of Mayor James Dunn, in a decision following a hearing on a petition of Commissioners Hamilton Irving and Charles D. Rettie for a writ of mandamus compelling the commission to agree on a date.

Judge Barton was brought to Port Huron for the case because of the fact that both circuit Judges here are familiar with the situation.

In handing down the decision Judge Barton said: "I regret that I must hold with you," addressing Commissioners Irving and Rettie and their Attorney Thomas Wellman.

"It is a foolish and unnecessary expenditure of the people's money, but under the provisions of your city charter I must grant the prayer of the petitioners.

The circuit court decision settled the deadlock which has blocked all moves of the city commission which a week ago battled to a tie when varying factions voted two-all on two resolutions, one for a special election February 1, and the other headed by Acting Mayor Thomas H. Molloy and Commissioner William Robertson to hold the election April 4 in conjunction with the state spring biennial election.

J. B. Wagner is Head of Cadillac C. of C. Again

J. B. Wagner was re-elected president of the Cadillac chamber of commerce at the annual meeting held at the Hotel McKinnon. Other officers chosen were: Vice president, J. C. Ford; treasurer, George G. Brown; chairman of organization committee, H. L. Roussin; retail merchants, Geo. L. Currier; public affairs, P. F. Powers; industrial development, L. J. Deming and directors at large, P. F. Powers, Howard Petre and Henry Knowlton.

Secretary Charles R. Smith gave a detailed account of the accomplishments of the organization in the past year, President Wagner told of the natural resources of Cadillac and the possibilities for future growth. J. H. Weller, general manager of the Acme Motor Truck Co., and James Sharpsteen of the state highway department, also were speakers.

Royal Oak Starts Move Toward New Library Site

Mayor Harold Storz, of Royal Oak, started a move for a new public library building in that city, when he instructed Arthur A. May, president of the Royal Oak city library commission, to bring in estimates for several suitable sites, and the approximate cost of each, that the city commission may make a starting point toward construction of a municipal library building.

The question was brought to the fore when President May called attention to the fact that the city was paying \$2,700 a year rental for the present library quarters in a business block on south Main street. Mayor Storz pointed out that this same \$2,700 would pay the interest on the first unit of a new library building costing about \$45,000.

President May insists \$45,000 would be inadequate for a library, and that the people are not in a frame of mind at this time to vote for a library bond issue, but he pointed out that the city would need a library building of its own within the next five years, and urged selection of an appropriate site on which payment would be started at once, so that a bond issue for a building might come later on.

Kazoo City Manager Dismisses City Engineer In Row Over Paving

City Engineer Edward S. Clark, who for 23 years has been an engineering official of Kalamazoo, was dismissed by City Manager Ross J. Buck today. The dismissal is the result of a battle over the 1926 paving costs in the city which several city commissioners declared were \$25,000 more than those of 1925.

During the controversy charges were made that the city manager had "meddled and interfered" in the operation of the engineering department.

At the weekly meeting of the city commission Buck was retained as city manager by a vote of four to three.

Com. Alfred E. Curtenius charged that the city was headed toward klan rule and that City Manager Buck was attempting to be "city engineer, city manager, city assessor and city attorney."

Officers Tissue and Clipping of the police department, he said, are Muskegon men. The manager and City Manager Buck came to Kalamazoo from Muskegon.

B. H. Comstock Heads Traverse City C. of C.

Officers and directors of the Chamber of Commerce, elected at its annual meeting are: President, B. H. Comstock; director A (organization dept.), J. P. Smith; director B (business and industrial dept.), F. G. James; director C (civil dept.), Chas. E. Hall; director D (one year), L. L. Bensley.

These, with the two holdover members, A. C. Batdorff, who automatically became vice president, and L. P. Kalahar, constitute the new board of directors.

Owosso Laundry Sues To Collect a \$2 Bill

Decision in a suit over the smallest amount involved in any law suit ever tried in justice court here was taken under advisement by Justice R. S. Day. The amount is \$2. Miss Edna Eslinger, operator of a home laundry, is suing Mrs. W. W. Stoddard for the amount, claiming she owes it for work done. Mrs. Stoddard claims she refused to pay because articles were missed from her laundry.

EATON SHERIFF PICKS WIFE AS AID

Mrs. Myrtle Boorn is the new undersheriff of Eaton county, the appointment having been made and announced Monday by her husband, Sheriff Horace W. Boorn.

Earle S. Johnson, who has been undersheriff for several months, has been retained by Sheriff Boorn as a special deputy.

The sheriff last week asked the board of supervisors for \$800 for expenses this year, which would place the office on the same financial basis it was in the previous sheriff's incumbency, but the supervisors turned him down. For this reason he was compelled to make the change in order to meet the expense of his office, he said.

Big Share of Forest Land Now in Hands of Private Owners

The forest land of the United States, in round numbers, is split up approximately as follows: Federal government, 89,000,000 acres; states 10,500,000 acres; municipalities and counties, 700,000 acres; large private owners, 220,000,000 acres; small private owners, 150,000,000 acres.

Four Towns Ask Utilities Commission for Lower Electric Rate

The towns of Edmore, Howard City, Morley and Lakeview, in which electricity is furnished by the Western Hydro-Electric company, have petitioned the Michigan public utilities commission for a decrease in light and power rates. The towns set forth the present rate, 14 cents for the first 10 kilowatts, 13 cents for the next 20, with a scale down to 6 cents and a cash discount of 1 cent per kilowatt, is out of proportion to that charged in other localities. Atty. Brake and Davis of Stanton have been engaged to represent the four towns.

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WAVERLY

Mr. and Mrs. Marion Burns spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Kyle Pease.

Little Joan Root was a guest of her cousin, Ada Mae Frisbie, Sunlay.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Sage and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Sage attended the funeral of Mrs. Ed. Sage of Kalamazoo Monday.

Mrs. Ed. Markillie returned home from Kalamazoo last Friday, where she had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Carleton Markillie. She is feeling much better.

The Ladies Aid of Covey Hill met with Mrs. Robert Chapman last Wednesday. A very pleasant day was enjoyed by all.

Notice of Mortgage Sale

Whereas, Charles Slunyck and Mary Slunyck, his wife, of Pine Grove township, Van Buren County, Michigan, made and executed a certain mortgage bearing date the 12th day of October, 1920, to Albert B. Blackinton, of same place of residence, which was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, County of Van Buren, on the 13th day of October, 1920 at two o'clock in the afternoon in Liber 122 of Mortgages, on Page 42, and,

Whereas, the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice is the sum of Twenty-five Hundred Twenty-six and 70/100 (\$2,526.70) Dollars, principal and interest and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt now remaining secured thereby, or any part thereof, and,

Whereas, default has been made in the payment of the money secured by said mortgage whereby the power of sale contained therein has become operative.

Now, therefore, Notice is hereby given that, by virtue of said power of sale and in pursuance thereof and of the Statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue, to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the Court House, at the Village of Paw Paw, in said County of Van Buren, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court within said County, on the 25th day of April, 1927 at ten o'clock in the forenoon, Central Standard Time, the description of which said premises contained in said mortgage is as follows:

The following described land and premises situated in the Township of Pine Grove, County of Van Buren, State of Michigan, viz: The North Sixty acres of the East Half of the Southeast Quarter of Section Twenty-two, Town One South Range Thirteen West.

Dated January 25th, 1927.

ALBERT B. BLACKINTON,

Mortgagee.
WESTON & FOX, Attorneys for Mortgagee. Business Address: 503 Hanselman Bldg., Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Notice of Mortgage Sale

Whereas, Marion Fox, a single man, of the City of Kalamazoo and the State of Michigan, made and executed a certain mortgage, bearing date the 16th day of January, 1923, to Charlotte M. Fox, of Richland, Kalamazoo County, Michigan, which was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds in the County of Van Buren on the 20th day of January, 1923, at 9:30 o'clock in the forenoon, in Liber 127 of Mortgages, on Page 219, and,

Whereas, the amount claimed to be due upon said mortgage at the date of this notice is an installment of interest amounting to the sum of forty-two (\$42.00) dollars and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the said interest installment or any portion of the debt now remaining secured thereby, or any part thereof, and,

Whereas, default has been made in the payment of the said interest installment secured by said mortgage, whereby the power of sale contained therein has become operative.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that, by virtue of said power of sale and in pursuance thereof and of the Statute in such case made and provided, the said interest installment of said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises at public vendue to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the Court House, at the Village of Paw Paw, in said County of Van Buren, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court within said County on the 12th day of February, 1927, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, Central Standard time; the description of which said premises contained in said mortgage is as follows:

The West One-Half of the Southwest Quarter of Section Eleven, Township Two South, Range Thirteen West, Township of Almema, Van Buren County, Michigan This sale is for the purpose of recovering the amount of said interest installment and the costs of foreclosure.

Dated November 4th, 1926.

CHARLOTTE M. FOX,

Mortgagee.
WESTON & FOX, Attorneys for Mortgagee. Business Address: 503 Hanselman Bldg., Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Order for Publication

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Van Buren. At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Paw Paw in said County on the 22nd day of January A. D. 1927.

Present, Hon. Wm. Killefer, Judge of Probate In the Matter of the Estate of William James Otto, Jr., Incompetent.
H. M. Ward, administrator of the estate of William J. Otto, deceased, who was guardian of said incompetent, having filed in said court the final guardianship account of said William J. Otto, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof.

It is Ordered, that the 25th day of February, A. D. 1927, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, he and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition;

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Gobles News, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

WM. KILLEFER,
Judge of Probate.

A true copy. Mammie L. Shaefer, Register of Probate.

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New Orleans Creole

Proud and Clannish

The ire of many a "Creole" has been provoked because the innocent tourist thinks the word means "of colored blood," say the Pendleton East Oregonian.

"Creole," the native Orleanian will tell you, means "of French and Spanish." The Creole is one who is born away from his country—whatever that country may be. The New Orleans Creole is considered the city's finest product. The women are lovely. The men are brave. They have charming manners. They are exclusive. They are clannish. They have their own language, their own society, and their own customs.

The New Orleans Creole speaks a pure French. The reason "Creole" has been misunderstood is because their slaves spoke a Creole dialect, bearing about the same relation to pure French as the southern Negro talk does to English purely spoken. Then, there was the Acadian French, or "Cajean" French, as spoken in the outlying districts of Louisiana. And "Gumbo" French—that means simply French incorrectly spoken.

English Choir Sings

to Old Hurdy-Gurdy

Barrel organs or hurdy-gurdies were used in English churches in the early Eighteenth century to support the choir. The only elaborate specimen surviving today, and still in use, is to be found in the parish church of Trottscliffe, near Wrotham, in Kent. These barrel organs were quite as popular in rural churches that could not afford the luxury of an organ as were the music boxes of the period in European drawing rooms. Failing either an organ or a hurdy-gurdy, village church choirs usually relied on two or three-piece orchestras for Sunday services. These orchestras were placed in the gallery over the entrance.

Trottscliffe's barrel organ must have been one of the finest in its heyday, for it has a repertory of sixty hymn tunes. It has recently been repaired and its handle is still turned by the sexton for Sunday services and weddings. The tone of this ancient instrument is unusually sweet.

Accounts for Fools' Day

But for the changing of the calendar in 1564, April 1 might never have become All Fools' Day. Several explanations have been offered as to the fixing of April 1 as the date for perpetrating practical jokes, but the changed calendar appears to be most probable. In 1564 New Year's day was shifted from March 25 to January 1. Before the alteration, the New Year festivities lasted eight days, ending on April 1. This final day was one set apart for paying visits and making gifts. When the alteration was made, muddle-headed folk became confused and were easy prey for the sophisticated, who sent them out on fool's errands, making calls and carrying gifts, on the day of the discarded celebration. Thus the custom became the seed from which April Fool sprang.—New York Times.

Odd Rain-Making Device

As a pendant to the reaction of plants to weather the curious Seventeenth century belief in the weather's reaction to plants might be mentioned. Then it was the common practice to set fire to growing ferns in the belief that rain would follow.

Such implicit faith was placed in this expedient that when Charles I. arranged to visit Staffordshire, the earl of Pembroke and Montgomery wrote to the high sheriff of the county commanding him to stop the burning of ferns as his majesty was "desirous that the country and himself should enjoy fair weather as long as he remains in these parts."

In this custom, by the way, the Devonshire practice of "firing the bracken" took its rise.—London Mail.

Typewriting to Music

In a certain college in London, England, girls learn typewriting to the accompaniment of fox trots and military marches. If a girl has a good sense of rhythm, this system hastens the early stages of training in a remarkable way. Gramophone records are used, and pupils first type words of three letters to a military march in four-four time, one letter to a beat and the space movement to the fourth. Progress is then made in words of different lengths, until finally whole sentences are typed. When speed increases, students type two letters to each beat. The idea behind this system is that regular rhythmic movements are less tiring than irregular ones, which waste the worker's energy.

Did Adam Die With Gout?

In the library at the Herald's college, London, England, is a queer Sixteenth-century document, the history of which is unknown. It professes to trace the pedigree of the early Saxon kings right back to Adam and Eve, among the names of those appearing in the genealogy being our Lord, Alexander, and Nebuchadnezzar. It contains some beautifully executed and well-preserved pen and ink drawings of subjects which include the fall, the building of the tower of Babel, and the ark. Adam is stated to have died from "gowte" and to have been buried at Hebron. The document has been in the possession of the Herald's college for 200 years.

Cremona Old City of

Loveliness and Music

Lombardy, where the silver poplars grow and music is in the air — and the yellow sunlight falls upon you — in Lombardy, fabled and sung by a thousand praising tongues — there brooded and hummed, worked and dreamed, a busy thriving town four centuries ago—the town of violins. Its name was Cremona, and the heart of music was the heart of the world to the men who worked there.

On one side was the River Oglio, on another the Adda; on the south the Po swept by, bright purple under the warm sky, running down, down, down to where the Adriatic waited for it. On the other side of the Po were Parma and Piacenza, dreaming the year away; one could cross over by a bridge if one liked.

It was very old, this town of violins, and its name . . . from the Greek, meant "Alone upon a rock."

A very pretty, happy Italian city it was, with . . . golden light splashed upon roof and street, the . . . music of children's voices, and magical southern skies filtering through . . . This from the year 1520 was the center of violin making, the town of violins.—Alice Chapin in "The Heart of Music."

Commandments That

Are Worth Observing

Honor your parents by having a thorough physical examination every birthday; for an ounce of prevention is worth a ton of cure.

Honor your friends by taking a daily bath; for cleanliness is a part of godliness.

Honor your family by having your life insured; for life insurance guarantees the co-operation of the insurer in the prolongation of the life of the insured.

Honor your stomach by having your teeth examined by a dentist at regular intervals; for bad teeth are an abomination to the system.

Honor your digestion by being careful of your diet; for many a man digs his grave with his teeth.

Honor your lungs by breathing fresh air; for ventilation is a means of grace.

Honor your nerves by taking plenty of rest in sleep.

Honor your fellows by obeying the law; for it is a mark of good citizenship to obey a law whether one likes it or not.

Hard-Working Novelist

Undoubtedly the hardest-working woman author in history was Armadine Luella Auore, the French novelist, better known by her pen name, George Sand. She was born in Paris June 8, 1804, and is credited with being one of the first writers to demand liberty for women in all things. Though her novels enjoyed wide popularity during her lifetime, and were translated even into Russian, they are now somewhat old-fashioned, and not much read, says the London Chronicle. She wrote daily from 10 p. m. to 5 a. m., and if she finished a novel a quarter of an hour before the appointed time had elapsed, she at once set to work upon another.

Calculated Remark

A carver at the head of a table in an Irish inn, noticing the large number of guests, remarked audibly that the goose set before him might have been eaten a week ago.

Those who heard him ordered cuts from the joint, while he helped himself liberally to goose. A diner, noticing this, remarked that he had understood him to say that the goose was not good.

"Oh, no," he replied. "But you said that it might have been eaten a week ago."

"Yes, and so it might, but it wasn't." —London Tit-Bits.

Butterflies Travel Far

The monarch butterfly of the northern United States and southern Canada, though common in north temperate latitudes, is unable to stand the winter north of the subtropical portions of the southern states. Though it does not establish the fact that the entire journey from Florida to the Arctic circle is made by individuals, the annual appearance of the insects proves that a considerable northward movement goes on each year. It may, of course, be the result of the successive efforts of several generations.

"The Latch String Is Out"

The first example to be found of the use of the phrase, the latch-string is out, dates from 1887. It was the creation of some journalist who wrote for the Pall Mall Gazette, London, January 8, page 6, column 2: "We have hung our latch-string out to you and yours." In 1893 the Advance, of Chicago, for March 16, page 209, wrote: "Our latch-string is out has become a classical expression of cordial hospitality."

Tiny Testaments

The smallest Testament in the world is owned by a lady at Hemel Hempstead, Herts, England. It measures only 5/8 of an inch square and 3/8 of an inch thick. The next smallest is 3/8 by 1/2 inch. The owner states that her New Testament, dated 1895, and published by David Bryce, of Glasgow, contains 549 pages, and is printed on the very thinnest Oxford paper ever made. It is enclosed in a small metal case fitted with a magnifying glass in the lid.

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Nellie Goldengate, with a fickle fancy, Col. Lyon's ward Arah Smith

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Kittie, with so much a month and board, Baby's maid Elma Newcomb

SCENE—NEWPORT AT THE PRESENT TIME

Act 1. Afternoon Lysander lies.

Act 2. Evening of the same day. He continues to lie.

Act 3. The next day. The consequences.

SPECIALTIES BETWEEN ACTS

Sketch, "The School of Detecting," Orrin Rhoades and Charles Smith
Musical reading, "The Lady Who Lives Next Door," Mrs. Stimpson

Music for the Evening by the High School Orchestra

Directed by Al Wauchek

ADMISSION: Adults 35c. Reserved Seats 50c. Children under 12, 25c

Uncle Eben

"De trouble you makes foh somebody else," said Uncle Eben, "is allus liable to turn up in yuh own affairs an' make you wish you hadn't made so good a job of it."—Washington Star.

Cremona Violins

The three greatest makers of the Cremona violin were Nicholas Amati, Joseph Guarneri del Gesu, and Antonio Stradivarius. They were simple, hard working artisans who sold their works of genius for a few florins.

Maybe That's Why

Rev. Dr. J. — is among us for a brief season. He says and does exactly as he thinks right, without regard for the opinions or beliefs of anyone else. His wife is not with him.—Rural Paper.

Begin With Petty Larceny

A survey of the inmates of many penitentiaries made by an official of a juvenile court showed that petty larceny was the outstanding first offense of the prisoners examined.

Generous Astronomer

Astronomer (to his young wife)— "Congratulations, my dear. This is your birthday, and I shall have a great surprise for you tonight." Wife—"What is it?" Astronomer—"At eleven thirty tonight there will be a total eclipse of the moon."—Berlin Derfharber

Labial Trick

From a story—"She switched on the light and with set lips drew the thick sheet of paper from the envelope." You might set your lips and try this. —Boston Transcript.

Man's Great Duties

The whole duty of man is embraced in the two principles of abstinence and patience—temperance in prosperity and patient courage in adversity.—Seneca.

Composition of Tinfoil

Tinfoil is thin sheets of tin, the metallic element. It is beaten thin with a wooden mallet. Leadfoil is made of lead. Both are used for wrapping purposes, but tinfoil is the more common. "Foil" in such compounds literally means leaf.

P. T. A Holds Big Meeting

Under the auspices of the P. T. A., the Consolidated School was discussed by Mr. Rhinehart from the State Department of Education at Lansing. The meeting was held in the opera house and a big crowd turned out. Music was furnished by the High School orchestra.

Mr. Rhinehart outlined in a pleasing manner the development of school systems in our State and in other states. He pointed out the advantages of a larger unit and some of the problems that must be solved in organizing such a system. According to Mr. Rhinehart, there should be three consolidated schools in this section. One at Kendall, one at Gobles, and one at Bloomingdale. This would make three compact units which could be run very efficiently. Mr. Rhinehart spoke in Bloomingdale the 26th on the same subject.

Mr. Palmer, Secretary of the Board at Covert, gave facts and figures concerning the organizing and administering of the "Covert Consolidated School." Mr. McCarty, Superintendent at Covert, also gave a short talk on the Centralized School. The meeting was very helpful because it clarified many points. A goodly number of questions were asked during the evening.

If you have business in the probate court, request Judge Killifer to have the printing done at The News. He will be glad to accommodate you and you will help our cause.

We are ready for your job work. Bring it in today.

PASTORS START DISCUSSION

Detroit ministers who have expressed the opinion that compulsory military training in high schools is "alien to the spirit of freedom" will take further counsel before replying to Lieut. Col. Walter C. Cole, chairman of the committee of national defense of the board of commerce, who characterized their action as "a deplorable, organized attack against the only policy of national defense this country ever had," said Dr. Lynn Harold Hough.

The attitude of the ministers, Dr. Hough said, would not be qualified in any way, but they proposed to seek more detailed information and to sound public feeling on the subject. Dr. Hough said, "Before making any declaration we propose to study the whole question further."

Muskegon Woman Seeks Recovery in Ranch Case

Seeking the recovery of property and cash valued at \$25,000, which she alleged she turned in on the purchase price for the Bear Lake Silver Fox ranch, Mrs. Eva M. Malone of Grand Rapids charges fraud and misrepresentation in promotion of the deal.

N. P. Heeres, secretary, and William Kooistra, agent, of the company, it is alleged, represented the property was worth \$35,000 and set the sale price at \$31,000. The property, located in Laketon township, has kennels comprising 56 foxes, said to have been worth \$1,100 a pair. It also is alleged Heeres and Kooistra told Mrs. Malone a profit of \$20,000 was realized from the ranch in 1926.

The defendants recently started suit to foreclose on the ranch on which they allege \$11,267.96 is due. An injunction to stop the foreclosure proceedings, an accounting of property turned over by Mrs. Malone to the defendants, voiding of the contract and a refund of cash payment, taxes and maintenance money are asked in the proceedings.

Girl, 15, Accepts \$30,000 For Injuries

Judge Jesse H. Root in circuit court at Monroe, ordered that the defendant in the case of Mary Nagy, 15 years old, against the Michigan Central railroad, might pay her \$30,000 instead of \$32,500, since Clarence Milligan, Detroit, her attorney, had elected to accept the reduced verdict. The money is to be turned over to the girl's father, the administrator.

Miss Nagy, through her father, sued the railroad company for \$75,000 as the result of the amputation of her left leg and three fingers when she was caught between two freight cars at the Third street crossing here June 9 last.

DOEMS I LOVE

By CHARLES HANSON TOWNE
"To a Moth, Crushed Within the Leaves of an Iliad," by Charles Edward Thomas

This poem was written, I believe, while Mr. Thomas was still in college. It is fine enough to have been the work of a poet of maturity. The author afterwards produced some excellent verse, but nothing quite up to the standard of this. He was of that group of writers which rose at the end of the past century—among others were Stephen Crane, Gouverneur Morris, John Erskine, Margaret Fuller and Marie Van Vorst. Many of them "came through;" others, like Thomas, were content to sing only a few songs and then follow another path. But I am grateful for this single poem out of that rich period.

Poor Creature! nay, I'll not say poor,
Why, surely, thou art wondrous blest;
Right royal is this sepulchre
Fate gave thee for thy last long rest.

See here—'tis but two lines above
The spot that marks thy early tomb—
Here Paris breathes his burning love
To her who compassed Iliad's doom.

And here, upon a neighboring page,
The great Achilles moans his friend,
All careless, in his kingly rage,
Of bane or curse the gods may send.

Above, below thee, everywhere,
Fierce Trojan strives with wily Greek;
And mighty lords, with tawny hair,
Deep words of war and wisdom speak.

The high gods gaze upon thee here,
Great warriors guard thy resting-place—
Perchance thou see'st a burning tear
Steal down Briseis' home-turned face.

Ay rest content, for thou hast won
A tomb that kings might wish in vain;
About thee shines the all-seeing sun,
And roars the many-sounding main.
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"How are you getting on at school, Alec?"
"Fine! We're learning words of four cylinders now."—The American Boy.

Hollywood Smiles on These Actresses Slated to Become Film Stars in 1927



Hollywood, California—There are thirteen young women in this city of movies, beautiful girls and knickerbockered men, who are thoroughly convinced that there is a Santa Claus, fairy godmother, or whoever it is who brings good luck and bounteous gifts to mortals. For these thirteen youngsters, all of them eagerly pursuing fame in the movies, are members of the lucky group recently picked by Wampas, an organization of west coast publicity men, as the film actresses most likely to attain stardom within the year.

Most of the newcomers in pictures here would just about give their eye

teeth to be one of the chosen "Wampas Stars of 1927."

Each year Wampas members carefully go over the list of new players. They eliminate until only thirty remain. Then the names of these thirty are placed in a safe until the day of balloting arrives. As an additional honor the thirteen finally selected are feted at a ball usually held in February.

Those upon whom Wampas has put its stamp of approval this year include Patricia Avery, Rita Carewe, Helene Costello, Barbara Kent, Natalie Kingston, Frances Lee, Mary McAllister, Gladys McConnell, Jean Navelle, Sally Phipps, Sally Rand, Iris Stuart and Adamae Vaughn.

Glancing over last year's list of Wampas stars we find the names of Mary Astor, Mary Brian, Joyce Compton, Dolores Costello, Joan Crawford, Marceline Day, Dolores Del Rio, Janet Gaynor, Edna Marian, Sally O'Neill, Vera Reynolds, Fay Wray and Sally Long.

All of these young women have had a good measure of film success during the past year and several have attained stardom. Since the title, "Wampas Star," carries with it considerable prestige, besides drawing a girl into the limelight, more than doubling her chances for success, the thirteen just chosen are presumably the happiest youngsters in Hollywood.

DAUGHTER FINDS MOTHER, PARTED SIXTEEN YEARS

Separated 16 years, a mother and daughter have been united at Pontiac through the medium of a newspaper clipping. Mrs. B. E. Walters of 273 North Saginaw street, Pontiac, went to Detroit to meet her daughter, Mrs. E. J. Ellert, 20 years old, of West Jefferson avenue. Mrs. Walters, then Mrs. Ostrander, was separated from her daughter, Mary, when the latter was three years old. A divorce was obtained by Mrs. Ostrander and she went to Denver, Col., after her remarriage. The daughter, left with an uncle in Saginaw, lost track of her mother until an item concerning her was brought to her attention.

Wash the Line
Wrap the soiled clothes line around the washboard and scrub with soapsuds and a scrubbing brush. Place under the spigot to rinse well and dry in the sunshine. If the line is always clean there is no worry about smudges on the clothes where they have been pinned to it.



"Radio Queen of the West" is the title bestowed upon Miss Magdalene Bryan, young Wichita, Kan., singer, by thousands of radio fans of the west who have frequently heard her sing from Station KFJH, Wichita.

Holland Church Winds Up One of Best Years

Third Reformed church, Holland, closed one of its most successful years. The total receipts were \$31,759.68, of which \$15,419.11 was for benevolences. Third church supports two missionaries in Japan and one in Mexico. The budgets for next year total about \$27,000.

The church was organized in 1867 and has a present communicant membership of more than 1,000. Rev. James M. Martin has served as pastor for five and one-half years. The mortgage on the church property has been canceled.

Minister Defends Poisoned Alcohol

That the government is under no obligation to furnish people with alcohol that is drinkable because the constitution prohibits it, and a person who drinks denatured alcohol is just as deliberate a suicide as the one who drinks poison knowingly, was the declaration of Rev. G. W. Morrow of Detroit, representing the Michigan Anti-Saloon league, in a talk at a Jackson church.

"The bootlegger who takes the label off a bottle of poisoned alcohol is as guilty of murder as the man who would sell arsenic for sugar," Morrow declared.

Prohibition has saved more lives than any other single governmental policy, he said. Bootleg liquor kills by the hundreds, but licensed liquor took a toll of thousands each year.

Clare Man Helped Into Masonic Lodge By 4 of His Family

Three brothers of Leo Hampton and his father, took part in the initiation ceremony which made him a Mason at a meeting of John Q. Look lodge, F. & A. M., at Clare.

Tuff Hampton, a brother, who is worshipful master of the lodge at Weidman; Burnie, a second brother, past master of Harrison lodge, was senior deacon; I. E. Hampton, his father, and Jesse, a third brother, were stewards.

Marriage at 83 Not Proof Man's Mind Is Clouded

The fact that a man marries at the age of 83 years is not sufficient proof that he needs a guardian, Judge Matthew Bush of probate court so ruled in declaring Lambert Johnson, Shiawassee township farmer, did not need a guardian. A jury, which heard testimony in the case, instituted by Johnson's two children, stood five against the appointment of a guardian and one for it. Johnson has considerable property.

SEEK TO ENLARGE M. S. C. COUNCIL

Plans for the proposed enlargement of the Michigan State college student council from eight to thirteen members have been completed and will be submitted to the entire student body for vote at the annual all-college elections, to be held March 10, according to announcement by the council.

Increase in membership will require an amendment to the council constitution, which can be made only through vote of the student body. Additional members, it was announced, will be senior, junior and freshman class presidents, one representative from the varsity club and one from the inter-fraternity council, according to present plans. The class presidents will have power to vote but not to hold office, while the two organization delegates will be ex-officio members.

George Dirks, president of the council, gives as the reason for the proposed enlargement the increase in State college students to 2,500.

The student council is planning also to enforce strictly at the next student elections the rule against electioneering within 200 feet of the polls. Members of Green Key, honorary fraternity, will probably be called in to see that the measure is enforced.

Thoughtful Hostess
Nothing pleases a guest like having his or her preferences remembered. If you cannot remember whether your friends take sugar and cream, or neither, with their tea or coffee, or which are their favorite dishes, keep a file—as one hostess did—and write it down.

Answer to Last Week's Puzzle



LIVING AND LOVING

By FLORENCE SMITH VINCENT

NO WOMAN OF HER WORD

A breeze may be only breeze, light as baby's breath. Or, allowed leeway, a breeze may become the death-dealing tornado. Rumor is swift as the wind. And, like the wind, once gaining impetus from apparently trivial beginning, rushes on to a potentially destructive end.

And the beginning? Nothing more than lifted eyebrow, smiling innuendo, sibilant whisper or two.

It is enough, though! Rumor opens her eyes, pricks up her ears—and is off about her malicious business.

With incredible quickness innuendos grow into definite accusations. Words are added unto, thrice multiplied. Suppositions are babbled as certainties.

Low whispers become loud speech—a slanderous whirlwind, rising and raging. Even poise and common sense—barriers that withstand less tumultuous onslaught—go down before it.

And in the whirlwind's wake misery and despair. Reputations torn to shreds. Love bruised and faith broken. Aching heart and wearied spirit. Innocence that suffers.

For, oddly enough, good news is no news to Rumor. Her special concern is the evil that men do, the misfortune that might be expected.

If the Dame were an honest woman of her word she would more discreetly choose her sources of information. But reliability means nothing to her. She verifies nothing. Information issued by supposition, hatred and fear is no information at all. Therefore Rumor—their go-between—is not for one moment to be trusted.

Good will. Joy. Peace. Prosperity.

Here are tidings worth telling. The world and his wife are in dire need of cheer. Discouragement needs no heralding.

The truth is often harsh enough to hear. When "poisoned by whispering tongues" why listen to it?

The Annual Church Supper

This is an excellent time of the year for Church suppers, bazaars and other functions to make money for special funds.

If the Church supper takes the place of the regular home meal, it should be a well balanced meal. For instance, have a main dish consisting of meat, cheese or some meat substitute, one or two vegetables, salad, rolls and a dessert. Pickles, celery and jelly will be on the table when the guests are seated.

Such a meal, if the marketing is carefully done, may be served for 50 cents. Much of the food is usually

Food is no longer placed on the table, but plates served from the kitchen. This does away with much waste of food, and it does not get cold so easily.

Chicken, meat loaf, croquettes of various kinds, baked beans, scalloped corn or potatoes are all good dishes for Church suppers. In fact all scalloped or casserole dishes.

Ice cream with cake or cookies makes about the best dessert, it is easily served, and the cakes are usually donated.

RECIPES

Scalloped Chicken

2 cups diced chicken
1 cup chicken broth
1 cup milk
4 tablespoons butter
3 tablespoons flour
1 level teaspoon salt
¼ teaspoon pepper.
Melt butter, add flour and hot liquid. Cook until thick. Add chicken and seasonings. Pour into baking dish and cover with buttered bread crumbs. Cook in hot oven until hot through and crumbs are brown.

Italian Macaroni

1 cup macaroni
2 tablespoons butter
2 tablespoons flour
1½ cups scalded milk
2-3 cup grated cheese
Salt and paprika
¼ cup finely chopped cold boiled ham or chopped bacon

Break macaroni in one-inch pieces and cook in boiling salted water, drain and reheat in sauce made of butter, flour and milk, to which is added cheese. As soon as cheese is melted, season with salt and paprika and turn onto a serving dish. Sprinkle with ham and garnish with parsley.

Cheese Biscuits

4 cups flour
4 level teaspoons Calumet Baking Powder
1 level teaspoon salt
¾ cup grated cheese
6 tablespoons fat
1½ cups milk

Sift flour once. Measure and sift three times with baking powder and salt. Add cheese. Work in fat with tips of fingers. Add milk and mix to a soft dough. Roll out ¼-inch in thickness. Bake in hot oven (450 degrees F.) 15 minutes.

(Home Economics Dept., Calumet Baking Powder Co.)

WITH WOMEN of TODAY

By Mrs. Lillian Campbell

A daughter of an ancient Chinese family is in this country studying one of the newest phases of sociology. Miss Lan-hui Hsieh of Peking is taking the course in group service at the School of Applied Social Sciences of Western Reserve University, Cleveland.

This course involves social work with groups rather than individual case work. Miss Hsieh expects to take her knowledge and theories back to her home in China and establish a settlement house there.

"It will be a hard thing to do," she says. "The idea is so new. I will have to introduce it slowly, until I can build up the right backing of influence. Probably when I first go home I shall teach."

Miss Hsieh's family has been Christian for years. Her father is influential in China and she has enjoyed much the same advantages that come to an American girl of good family. She went to mission school, then high school, attended Yen Cheng university in Peking and then came to Oberlin college, Ohio. She started her course in Cleveland in September.

She believes it is the duty of people like herself to take back to China western ideas—with modifications. China can profit by much of our experience, she thinks.

Build House

Doing carpenter and cement work with her own hands in building a four-room house for herself has been the most recent amusement of Mrs. Katie Gottwig of Spokane, who will soon celebrate her 70th birthday. This



MISS LAN-HUI HSIEH

is the second house Mrs. Gottwig has built, the first one she built when she was 23.

Wins Sports Medal

Frau Lies Schleiber, 42, of Berlin was given the sports medal in gold—the first woman in Saxony to achieve that distinction.

Miss G. Wilbrink is chief director of the government control station at Cheribon, Java.



Week of February 6
As the week of February 6th begins in Michigan there will be storms of rain or snow in progress in most parts of the state. We are of the opinion that this storm center will bring with it much moisture but are not expecting as much to fall in this section of the United States as in some others.

While temperatures are expected to show material rises from the conditions brought on by the preceding storm center, it is not expected that they will be phenomenally high for the state as a whole.

Storminess in Michigan will last until well past the middle of the week by which time temperatures will be falling again to moderately low readings. With this colder weather will come some fair weather for a day or so.

As the last days of the week draw near there will be increasing storms of rain, sleet or snow in many parts of the state. The week ends with locally heavy precipitation falling and much wind that will reach gale force in places.

Used as Shippers' Guide
Here are more proofs that Pritchard's Weather Forecast can be used as a shippers' guide for temperature to greater advantage than the daily predictions.

For the week of January 9th we predicted the temperature about Wednesday would not "range much below 15 degrees above zero with the probabilities they would not even drop that far." Lowest official readings registered 18 to 14 degrees above zero.

Then we said "the main characteristics of this storm center will be the cold weather to follow" making the date about Saturday. On this date temperatures fell to 8 to 10 degrees below zero, nearly 25 degrees below the normal mean cold for the month and within 10 to 15 degrees of coldest weather recorded for southern lower peninsula of Michigan.

DINNER STORIES

Children are very impressionable. A little boy had been reading "The Fair Maid of Perth," or some such historical work of fiction and he was standing disconsolately one day in front of a tobacco shop.

"Sonny, ye look troubled," an old woman said. "Anythin' I can do for ye?"

"Hist, mother!"

And the urchin grandiloquently placed a penny in her withered hand.

"Mother, old mother," he went on "thou canst indeed be of signal service, an' thou wilt. Seest yon tobacco shop? Then take thee this bronze coin, and bid the churl within to give thee a cigarette, and eke a match therefor. Be secret, mother, and betray me not, or thy old blood shall answer for't. I will await thee here. And now, beldame, begone!"

The Sunday School teacher was talking to the children about cruelty to animals. "I once knew a little boy who cut off a cat's tail. Think of it, children! Took a knife and cut the tail right off. Can any one tell me a verse in the Bible that would have taught this was cruelty?"

A moment's silence. Then a small boy with a "happy thought" expression held up his hand. "What is it, my boy?" asked the teacher, hopefully.

"What God hath joined together let no man put asunder," responded the small boy.

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Roberta Risks It.

MARGARET CAMERON LEWIS

Local feeling ran high and disputes were numerous. Scott was a dictatorial tyrant, deserving the worst that could befall him; Scott was an able man, carrying ably the cares and responsibilities of wealth and a valuable member of the community. Celia was insane; in a maniacal frenzy she had attempted to burn the house and all its inmates, fleeing to the woods herself, probably to drown in one of the many lakes. Contrariwise, Celia was a pitiful, maltreated victim, kept for months under lock and key for some trivial offense, by a parent who brooked no slightest opposition to his whims. Or again, Celia was a high-stepper, like that sister of hers who had flared up and left home (and no wonder, considering what she had had to put up with, said the opposition), and who was now living all alone in Paris, because she wouldn't submit to any guidance whatever. Things had come to a pretty pass when grown girls had to be locked up to keep them at home where they belonged.

These extremes of opinion and all shades between were bruited about the square, and certain of them came to the ears of Peter Brown, who harkened impartially, contributing only the statement that Jim Cody said old Scott wasn't so bad to work for, if you watched your step. It was evident to all who spoke to him that his interest in the matter was entirely impersonal, though he welcomed any incident breaking the monotony of a chauffeur's life in Fitzwilliam. Urged to hazard a guess as to what had become of Celia, he opined that whoever had taken her, provided the theory of abduction were correct, had borne her in haste to Canada. The distance to the border was comparatively short and the towns between comparatively few.

He was standing before a drug store, Roberta making some small purchases inside, when some one exclaimed:

"There's Scott now. Looks as if he'd bite a spike in two. Who's that with him? Spose that's the fellow they caught up a tree?"

Piggy turned to see the familiar black car, Scott and Nixon in the tonneau, Cody, gray faced from weariness, at the wheel. The chauffeur drew up before the City Hall, which the others immediately entered. Piggy went into the drug store.

"Get out of here as soon as you can," he whispered to Roberta. "They're both in town and the Whang-doodle might take a notion to speak to you, if he met you on foot. They're in the City Hall now. Watch your chance and slip out. I'll take the car down this side street and around the first corner to the left. Meet you there."

Having driven the car to the spot indicated, he sauntered back and across the square to speak to Cody.

"Hello, Jim. You look done up."

"I'm near dead. Drove all night, an' it looks like I was goin' to drive all day."

"Hear you're havin' a hot time over at your house?"

"Hot time is right. We're havin' hell. The old man's—"

Cody broke off as Nixon came out alone and approached them. Piggy glanced at him and stepped back; but something in the tall young chauffeur's figure, or bearing—or perhaps in his eyes—impressed Nixon as vaguely familiar, and he looked at him sharply.

"Haven't I seen you before somewhere?"

"Couldn't say, sir," Piggy coolly replied, without the flicker of an eyelash, as he saluted. "Maybe, if you come from Seattle."

"Oh, you're from Seattle, are you?" Nixon's eyes narrowed. This, then, was Mrs. Smith's chauffeur. Affably he entered into conversation, professing an interest in the Washington city and finding the other at least as familiar with its characteristics and environs as he was himself.

Maneuvering craftily, Piggy contrived to draw Nixon around until his back was toward the drug store. Presently he saw Roberta hurry out and disappear in the direction of the appointed rendezvous.

"I've got to get back to my car, sir," he said then. "Mrs. Smith might want me."

"Is she shopping?" the other inquired, turning quickly to sweep the square with his glance in the hope of espying the small, erect figure that had aroused his suspicion.

"No, sir. She's at a house over there a ways—dressmaker's, I guess. She said she'd be there about half an hour and the time's up."

Saluting again, he nodded to Cody and strode away. Nixon looked after him, still puzzled by that vague resemblance to some one he could not identify, but the mental query was speedily submerged by weightier problems. As they drove back to Birchwood he said to Scott:

"By the way, I ran across that chauffeur of Mrs. Smith's in Keene and had a talk with him. He seems all right. Intelligent young chap with a steady eye, and he knows all about Seattle. He corroborated the old woman's story, too, about the length of time she's been with the family, and says he's worked for them three years. He says Smith died a few weeks ago and his widow intended to spend the winter in New York, but she's not well and couldn't stand the noise, so she came up here to be quiet. An aunt is coming to stay with her later. He answered questions readily and told a straight story, so I guess that was a false scent."

"False scents seem to be your strong suit," Scott growled. "You'd better lead trumps if you want to save your bacon—and lead 'em damn quick."

CHAPTER THIRTY-NINE
After reporting the interview to Roberta on their way home, Piggy

said with a chuckle: "He looked me over and quizzed me to his heart's content and didn't tumble. So that's all right. Nobody's going to suspect us now."

His chuckles deepened into laughter when Janet gave them her account of the invasion of their domestic sanctuary.

"Bully," he exclaimed. "They've swept and sifted us. We're safe."

Celia, whom he now saw for the first time since bandaging her ankle the night before, looked up at him with a tremulous smile from the couch where she was lying.

"Thanks to you! I don't know how I can ever thank—"

"Oh, rats!" Piggy interrupted, grinning at her. "Forget it! I've had the time of my life. Anyhow, you'd be there yet if it hadn't been for Bob. It was her scheme. I didn't know a bonfire would scare them silly—and I never would have thought of those cats in a million years!" He chortled joyously. "If you're so chock full of gratitude that you can't hold it, spill it on Bob. She's responsible."

Roberta shook her head. "No, Peter, you're the hero of this little tale," she said lightly, but with the mysterious something in her face that always set his heart hammering and gave him an insane and otherwise unprecedented desire to kiss her. "I may have thought of the cats, but you found them. You've done everything. I owe you a lot besides money," she added, more soberly, "and there must be a lot of that."

"Oh, not so much. I've still got some left and the worst's over. All we have to do now is to sit tight until the tumult and the shouting dies. The rest's easy."

Wherein he failed to take account of several gathering forces, among them Clifford Nixon's recurrent memory of an elusive but haunting resemblance, the wide-spreading ripple from a pebble of gossip carelessly thrown, and the power of the press.

The last of these was the first to manifest itself, for Nixon's assiduity in spreading the news of Celia's abduction among the peace officers of a dozen towns became known and Scott's prominence as a wealthy manufacturer multiplied the news value of the story. Consequently Boston reporters appeared upon the scene before night, and their New York brethren flocked in a few hours later, all sharp set to pounce upon every clue.

Scott locked his gates and loosed his dogs, conducting all business by telephone. The only persons admitted to the Birchwood grounds, and these only after submitting credentials to the gardener, were detectives summoned from New York, all of whom, to their intense disgust, were forbidden to disclose to newspaper men any knowledge they might have of the case, on pain of instant annihilation. In vain they argued that publicity might lead to important information. Scott was obdurate. He had no stomach for public announcement of previous trouble with his family and his elder daughter's probable part in this affair. Nixon, under orders and besieged at the Jaffrey Inn, refused to be interviewed.

Therefore the reporters gleaned what and when and where they could, learning the little that was known and much that was surmised concerning Roberta's declaration of independence and subsequent disinheritance. The next day conservative papers in both cities discreetly hinted at a breach in Scott's family relations, alleged details of which were spread in headlines over the first pages of sensational sheets. But no intimation of the exile's presence in her own country leaked out. She was supposed to be in Paris.

The sheriff at Fitzwilliam, bound by no oath of secrecy, confided to his fellow villagers that it was a darn shame for Scott to suspect that poor, forlorn little widow, just because she happened to be a stranger. Anybody could see that she and her help were nice, quiet, respectable folks. He wouldn't blame her a mite if she packed up and left, after a thing like this. Fitzwilliam, agreeing with him, naturally talked. As a result, reporters in livery buggies sped through the woods, to swarm at Fitzwilliam, seeking interviews, and it devolved upon Janet and Piggy to hold them at bay. Mrs. Smith, prostrated by this distressing publicity, was said to be confined to her bed.

As far as possible, Peter Brown also kept in the background, fearing that some of these lynx-eyed, crafty news-hounds might have known him by sight during a former somewhat spectacular incarnation and be keen enough to recognize him. One of the New York men, however, succeeded in cornering him in the barn, having been informed by the grim Janet that Mrs. Smith was unable to see anyone and that she herself refused to answer impertinent questions.

"Say, look here, bo," said Piggy confidentially, "call it off, will you? We ain't done nothin' to nobody, an' we ain't got nothin' to tell. Poor Mrs. Smith's been all in, anyhow, ever since he died, an' this thing's made her sicker. What's the use o' draggin' her into it?"

"Why did Scott have her house searched, then?"

"Search me! Because she's the only stranger around her, I guess. Or else the old goat's batty. He hunted in every closet an' under all the beds an' everything, an' didn't find nothin'. That oughter be enough. He could buy an' sell her three times over, an' maybe he thinks his money gives him a right to walk on her—or maybe he thinks a woman can't do nothin' to get back at him. But you take it from me that if Horatio Smith was alive—"

"Horatio Smith, eh? Came from Seattle, didn't you? Was he well known out there?"

"Not so very. Had his friends, o' course, but he was a quiet sort o' guy. Never mixed around much. Used to read a lot—an' he was awful fond o' her."

"Who were his friends there?"

"Aw, come off! I ain't goin' to set no dogs on them. What you guys got against her, anyhow? Can't you let the poor thing have a little peace? She's got trouble enough now, without all this."

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"He did not! Jonesy, down at the store, told me all about that the same day. Nixon said she looked like some friend o' his, so Jonesy told him who she was—where she come from an' everything—an' Nixon said she couldn't be the one. That's all there is to that. Go an' ask Jones yourself—or Nixon, either."

The reporter had already interviewed Jones. Fixing the other with a penetrating stare, he inquired suddenly:

"What does a young fellow like you dye his hair for?"

The heart of Percival Galahad Brazenose turned three complete somersaults before settling down to a rate approaching two hundred a minute, but his steady gray eyes never wavered and his grin looked humorous.

CHAPTER FORTY

"Because my hair's really red," said Piggy glibly, "an' Mrs. Smith wouldn't stand for it. She said I could have the job, only for my hair. It didn't go with the car we had then, an' she hates red hair, anyhow. So I said if that was all was the matter, I'd dye it black. You have to do things like that sometimes with women. It beats the devil what notions they take. But it's nothin' to me what color my hair is, long's I get paid for it. Now say, don't you print that! Mrs. Smith wouldn't like it, an' she's all right. She's got some cranky notions, same's all women have, but she's a good boss an' I don't want to lose my job. You won't print it, will you?" The reporter promised, laughing, and Piggy went on: "Say, can't you call off them other guys? Honest, we can't tell you a thing about this girl that's run away or been stole or something. If we could, we would. She ain't nothin' to us an' we ain't nothin' to her. But it's just about killed her to be dragged into it this way. I'm worried about her—honest, I am."

The reporter, who was attached to one of the more dignified metropolitan dailies, conceded that it was unjust to subject a lady to publicity in any affair with which she had had no actual connection. He promised to deal gently with her himself, pending possible later developments, and to exhort his confreres to do likewise, and he kept his word. Full accounts of the futile searching of Mrs. Smith's premises appeared the following morning in certain papers, with descriptions of the house, the car, the prostrated widow and her servants, but without underlying insistence upon her complicity in the abduction—partly because, before these reports were written, a new clue had been presented.

Rumors of a high-powered automobile whizzing without lights over the road via Ballou to Keene, on the night of Celia's disappearance, were strengthened by an imaginative farmer living several miles north of Keene, on the highway to Newport and the Canadian border. This person was very certain that he had heard the fugitives pass his place at a death-defying speed in the small hours which again directed suspicion toward Nixon, who had neglected to warn officers along the route. A flying squad of reporters detached themselves from the main body to follow this trail, and the mystery car superseded the widow in public interest.

Piggy was still mopping cold perspiration from his brow when he related his experience with the reporter to Roberta and Celia.

"Golly, that was a narrow squeak!" he concluded. "I thought he had me for a minute."

"Not you, Peter," Roberta said, laughing. "I'd have collapsed on the spot and confessed all. How on earth do you think so fast?"

"Natural born liar, I guess." He grinned at her over his shoulder as he went to his room.

"He's a natural born paladin!" Celia exclaimed, frankly and enthusiastically sentimental. "Roberta, doesn't he make you think of a knight of old? You know—riding around the country championing imprisoned princesses and breaking spells and slaying dragons—that sort of thing?"

"H'm—well—I hadn't thought of it," was the mendacious reply. But she had thought of it, for during long hours of comradely discourse Piggy unwittingly had made his underlying ideals clear to her.

Afterward, retelling his latest adventure to Janet in the kitchen, Roberta said, "Celia thinks he's like a knight in the days of chivalry, delivering the oppressed—and he is, rather."

"Ou aye, he's no sic a bad lad," Janet vouchsafed, her strong dialect, sure indication of stirred emotion, betraying the severity of her tone.

"He doesn't know it—he's not self-conscious—but he is rather like Galahad—a modern Galahad." Roberta continued dreamily, her thoughts dwelling on a moment of which Janet could not know. But the elder woman shot a surprised glance at her.

"So he tell ye that? I wouldna thocht it. He's aye been ashamed o' his name."

Roberta came out of her reverie with a snap, a gleam in her eyes that would have warned Janet had not that astute and loyal soul been looking down at a pan in her hands through a mist that she was loath to have another perceive.

"It's nothing to be ashamed of," the girl managed to articulate. Her lips were twitching.

"So I say. Percival Galahad Brazenose is naught tae bring shame tae ony lad. His mither chose the name when she lay dyin', i' the hope that he'd live up to 't. 'T'll no be here tae teach him, Janet," she said, "but my laddie maun be brave an' strong an' pure i' 't heart."

"Well—he is," Roberta murmured chokingly, and made her escape, laughter on her lips and tears in her eyes.

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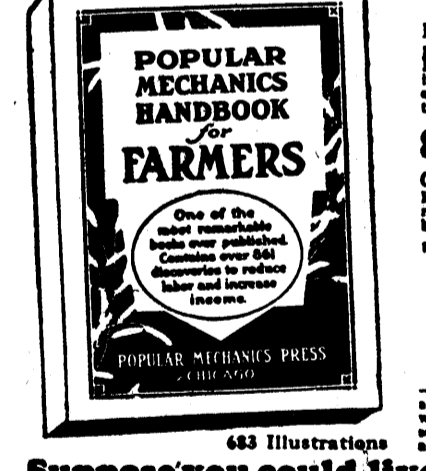
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Milkmaker is selling like "hot-cakes" and for the present may be obtained at Mentha and also at Wm. Richards at Kendall. Other agencies will be established at other points later.

A full stock of Farm Bureau Seeds will be ready for you. Use them as they are best of all.

We have a full carload of Farm Bureau Chicken and Chick Feeds enroute, together with Milkmaker, so that a supply will always be on hand.

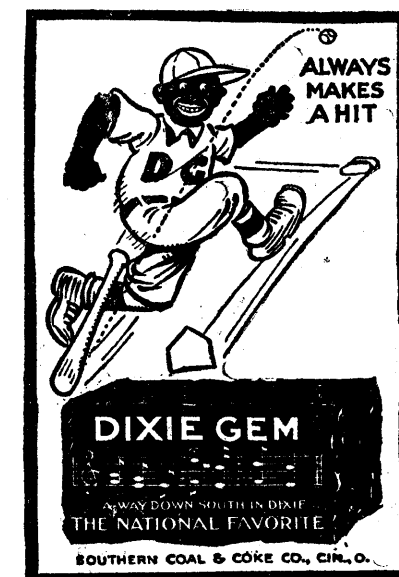
A. M. Todd Company

Mentha

Use Farm Bureau Brand of Seeds, Feeds and other supplies

When Men Will Drive Seven or Eight Miles

to get Dixie Gem Coal you know that it means something. We have men who drive right by coal dealers in nearby villages and come here to get Dixie Gem Coal. This is happening every day. Again when people who are using this coal call us up and tell us that its the best coal they ever used it means something. And that is this. Dixie Gem is the best coal we have ever sold. When men like Mr. Henry Bishop take home a load of Dixie Gem Cook Stove Coal and inside a few days call up and tell you that its the best cook stove coal he's ever had isn't it time you also tried a load of it.



Nothing better, nothing hotter, nothing cleaner

Plenty of good Pocahontas Large and small Solvay Coke. Bins full of both sizes of Hard Coal

Now is the time to be feeding

for better financial returns on both your cows and chickens

Feed Universal 24 per cent Dairy Feed to your cows and see the milk keep climbing in the old milk can

Feed Amoo Buttermilk Egg Mash and Tip Top Scratch Feed to your hens and see the eggs start to come.

Plenty of Cottonseed Meal, Old Process Oil Meal, Michigan Bran and our famous White Middlings in stock

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Buick Coach, 1926, almost new
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GOBLES, MICHIGAN

AUCTION!

At the farm 1/2 mile south of Kendall

FRIDAY, FEB. 4

At 12:30 o'clock sharp, the following described property:

- 16 Shropshire Ewes
- 6 tons Mixed Hay
- 4 tons Alfalfa Hay
- 100 crates Corn

TERMS: All sums of \$10 and under, cash. Over that amount 6 months time will be given on good approved notes with interest at 7 per cent. No property to be removed until settled for

Charles Odell, Owner

Col. J. R. VanVoorhees, Auctioneer

L. O. Graham, Clerk

Auction Announcements

I am starting my twenty-second year as your local auctioneer and feel very grateful to this community for the many sales I have had and the support the patrons have given me.

If experience counts my experience should be of value to you. I am always ready to help you list your property for sale and advise you about your lunch, bills, ad or any part that I might be of any help to you. I furnish drinking cups and record tags free.

I guarantee to give satisfaction or there will be no charge made.

Thanking you for past favors I solicit a portion of your future business.

Some Big Sales Coming

Phil May, Feb. 2, all day
Chas. Odell, Feb. 4, afternoon
Watch for bills of Mrs. Clarence Brundage sale

John Banker, Feb. 17

P. S. If you have anything to sell or anything to buy list it with me. A small per cent will be charged

Col. J. R. VanVoorhees

New Paw Paw Theatre PROGRAM

Thursday, Feb. 3--

Mike
Featuring the wonder girl Sally O'Neill
Supported by Ford Stealing, Chas. Murray
and Hank Mann
ALSO TWO PART WESTERN

Friday and Sat., Feb. 4 and 5--

Jack Hoxie in
The Wild Horse Stampede
ALSO TWO PART COMEDY
Saturday Special Matinee at 2:30
Children 5c; Adults 15c

Sunday, Feb. 6--

The Handsome Brute
Featuring Wm. Fairbanks and Virginia Lee Corbin
ALSO TWO PART COMEDY AND CARTOON

Mon., Tues., Feb. 7-8--

Jackie Gorgan in
Johnnie Get Your Hair Cut
ALSO TWO PART COMEDY

Wed., Thurs., Feb. 9--

Richard Talmadge in
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