

LOCAL BREVITIES

Wooster auction Saturday. See Ad Lyle Mason is assisting his father at the barber shop.

Leave money for Florida relief at News office. 50 cents will help.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Taylor visited Mr. and Mrs. George Johnson near Plainwell Sunday.

Mrs. Linda Thayer's auction next week Saturday and Guy Campbell's next week Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Connelly visited their daughter, Frances, in Ann Arbor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Post of Kalamazoo were guests of his mother, Mrs. C. Post, Friday.

The Rebekahs will have an all day baked goods sale at Beals store Saturday. Everybody please furnish.

Miss Pansy Sheldon returned to Romeo, Tuesday, to resume her school work, her father being much improved.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Anderson entertained a party of sixteen from Chicago at their Lake Mill home for the week end.

The Willing Workers of Bell Corners will give a wienie roast at the home of Mrs. Martha Ayers tomorrow, Friday, evening.

Mrs. Earl Newcomb entertained five tables of ladies at bridge last Friday afternoon. A pleasing series and fine refreshments helped to make a joyous occasion.

Fay Osmon has sold his shop to Vern Mason and the latter is back on the job again. Glad to know that Fay and family will still be in driving distance at the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Stroud announce the birth of a son, Richard Friend, Jr., Saturday, September 29, 1928. Congratulations. No doubt the father is the most pleased man in the state.

Mrs. Minnie Foster and Mrs. Angle of Big Rapids stopped over here on their way home from Denver where they attended the W. R. C. convention. They visited Mr. and Mrs. Steve Nash and report them well settled at Ink, Ark.

Of the sixteen children enrolled at the North Point school the following were present every day during the first month: Ethel Bargo, Luella Bargo, Paul Clark, Harold Harbolt, Hazel Hollander, Virginia Hollander, Arleece Ketchum, Arlo Mason, Virginia Merrell, Paul Morgan, Rena Morgan, Veryl Morgan, Bud Newman and Billy Ullrey. Jennie Passage is teacher.

A very pleasant day was enjoyed last Sunday, at Nate Southard's building in Gobles, celebrating the birthdays of Elias Nash and Edd Howard. A fine dinner was served at noon, 26 being present. Out of town guests were, Fred Stockwell and family, Fred Bohnett and family and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ransler, of Kalamazoo, Fred Welch and family of Buchanan and Mr. and Mrs. Will Kayner and Elias Nash of Paw Paw.

WAGERTOWN

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Skillman were happily surprised Sunday of last week when Mr. and Mrs. Archie Youngs and family of Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Kirkland of Richmond came with well filled baskets for dinner.

Mrs. Maude Lewis of Otsego, Mrs. Floyd Lukins and children of Kalamazoo spent Saturday afternoon with the Wilmots and Merriams.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pullin and family entertained for Sunday dinner: Mr. and Mrs. Bert James of Otsego, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Anspach and baby, Don Pullin of Kalamazoo, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Eastman of Gobles, Perry Story of Vandalia.

Rolla Eastman and family spent Friday evening at George Leach's.

Mrs. Mildred Brant and Rex of Kalamazoo spent Sunday with her mother, Ethel Eastman.

Rolla Eastman and family spent Sunday with Arthur Healy and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Pullin visited his mother in Dowagiac Monday.

Harley Merriam visited Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Merriam in Otsego Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Dora Haven spent Tuesday with her daughter, Blanch Healy.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Mahieu visited Sunday at Clarence Skillman's.

Mrs. Hodgman and Leora and Mrs. Skillman were in Allegan Tuesday.

School Notes

Howard VanWieren is a new student in the 7th grade of our school. We welcome Howard and hope that he will like us and our system of doing things.

Reports were given out Tuesday. Report cards represent concrete evidence of what is being done and should be of special interest to students and parents alike. These reports are given out the first Tuesday of each month and ought to be checked carefully. If the progress is not satisfactory, better talk it over with the teacher. A quiet talk with the teacher may do much to remove the trouble.

A committee selected by the Student Council has all plans completed for the Freshmen Reception tomorrow night. The Freshmen reception is an annual event; it is an event long remembered by every Freshman class and every student in school should make special plans to attend. A good time for everyone.

Miss Knott, the Red Cross Nurse, spent Monday forenoon at the school. Miss Knott gives instruction in Nutrition every other Monday. Proper food is stressed, and it is hoped that the milk man will soon notice increased sale of milk.

A fire drill was held Friday afternoon. It came as a surprise to many of the new students and judging from the way they shot out the fire escape it was a new experience. It takes less than two minutes to empty the building by the stairs and fire escape.

The School is on Central Standard time. Evidently this has the approval of the student body as the announcement was greeted with considerable approval. A new flag is on display in the study room.

The boys and girls receiving instruction in music under the guidance of Mrs. Schneider are enthusiastic about the new work. Music text books are used.

Mr. Cummins is building a new cupboard for the primary room.

A list of reference books has been ordered for the library. Anyone in the community who would like to make a donation in the form of usable books to the library is assured that the books will be properly taken care of. Such gifts will be greatly appreciated.

Plans are being completed for the SCHOOL FAIR to be held on October 19. A special exhibit of school work will be shown, liberal prizes offered for agricultural exhibits and plenty of fun for all will be provided. A Minstrel Show and One Act Play will feature the entertainments. Watch for special advertising on the Fair. This is a community affair and the support of all is needed. The object of the fair is three fold; to provide a social evening with plenty of fun, to display school talent and to provide money for school activities. Plan to be there.

Methodist Church

Sunday School, 10:00 o'clock.
Morning Worship, 11:00
Epworth League 6:00
Evening Services, 7:00
All services on Central time.
A welcome to all
Rev. S. W. Hayes

Put My Oxblood Shoes Away

Arthur Nash
When a man has paid two-fifty, For a pair of dandy shoes, Long ago when shoes were nifty, You could buy without the blues. But today my mind is troubled, So remember all I say. Oh! You will do this wont you Honey, Put my Oxblood shoes away.

I have planked down just ten dollars
For a pair of so called shoes;
Enough to make a rich man holler,
Give a poor man plenty blues.
I feel like walking on my hands
And let my brains go where they may.
You will do it won't you sweetheart
Put my oxblood shoes away.

If I have to walk on money,
Strew my path with dollar bills,
Don't let the weather touch my leather,
Keep it safe from damp and chills.
Then when I am old and feeble
And my hair has turned to gray,
Oh! You will do it won't you dearest,
Put my oxblood shoes away.

When my hide has turned to leather
In this bivouac of life
With a household full of children
And a big barefooted wife.
You will understand my grievance
You will comprehend my lay,
Then you'll do it, won't you, Darling
Put my Oxblood shoes away.

KENDALL

Wm. Rose and mother of Kalamazoo were Sunday afternoon callers at Geo. W. Miller's.

Pauline Waber of Kalamazoo spent Sunday at home with her parents.

Henry Waber and little daughter, Louise of Kalamazoo ate dinner with his mother, Mrs. M. K. Waber.

Mrs. Aleda Champion had as callers Sunday: Mr. and Mrs. Claude Champion and children of Lawton, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Champion and little son of Kalamazoo and Mrs. Niles of Bloomingdale.

A little son, Richard Friend, Jr. came to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Stroud at Mentha, Saturday, Sept. 29. Congratulations

James Heffernon and daughter, Winifred are visiting friends at Woodland and Hastings a few days.

Frank Lewis was brought home Monday from his work at the Kalamazoo Stove Co., quite ill. He seems to be improving at this writing.

Mrs. Maggie Leversee has gone to Detroit where she will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Haederle for a time.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wagner and little son, Charles Albert of Texarkana, Ark. are spending their vacation at the home of her uncle, Willard I. Ray.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Haederle and little daughters of Detroit spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leversee.

Ethyl Williams of Virginia, who lived for some years at the home of the late Chester M. Kingsley was visiting at Mrs. May Ray's one day last week.

Mrs. Glen Champion and little son of Kalamazoo visited Saturday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hofacker.

Glenn Wilkinson and Mrs. Madge Emmons and daughters, Mary Jane and Elizabeth of Detroit came Friday to spend the week end at Dr. Wilkinson's. They returned to their home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sweet were in Kalamazoo Monday and called at the home of their son, Glenn, who they found quite ill with flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Nevius of Allegan spent Sunday at Ed Honeysett's, where Mr. Nevius' mother, Mrs. Thomas is quite ill.

Mr. Harper of Kalamazoo and Mrs. Nellie Nelson of Comstock called at F. Lewis Monday.

Rev. and Mrs. Fuller of Bangor brought Mrs. Arvilla Monroe to Kendall Monday to see her brother, Mr. Lewis, who is ill at his home.

Mrs. Anna Waber, wife of Louis Waber passed away at her farm home near here early Monday morning, after an illness of several weeks duration. Her daughter, Beatrice was called home from her school work at Clearwater, Fla. last week.

Anna Ray of Allegan and Lillian of Kalamazoo were home over the week end to visit with their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Wagner of Texarkana, Ark.

Dean Ray is quite ill with the flu.

Clubhouse Dedication Service

Sunday at 3:00 p. m. there will be a special dedication service in the completed Community church clubhouse. Dr. L. F. Smith of Kalamazoo College will give the address. Music will be furnished by the church orchestra, Mr. A. Waucheck directing.

Special Feature of the Service

A special feature of the service will be the laying of a stone tablet in the fireplace, on which will be inscribed "Gobles Community Clubhouse, 1928." The stone, which is sixty-seven years old, has been donated by Chas. Petty.

In the back of the tablet is room for a receptacle which will contain the names of all the donors to the clubhouse in either work, donation or money. Those who have not contributed heretofore, an opportunity will be given them at the afternoon service, at which time they may sign their names on the parchment.

In the evening at 7:00 a service will be held at the Community Church. Special music by the orchestra and a moving picture will be shown. Free will offering.

This is a community affair and all denominations and others are urged to join in both services.

Sunny Day Club

The Club met with Mr. and Mrs. Will Kayner of PawPaw last Thursday. There were 16 members present, and a few visitors. At noon they all did justice to the lovely dinner, after which they had their annual business meeting and program. All present report a wonderful time. They adjourned to meet with Mrs. Minnie Brown Oct. 11.

Farmers, Gardeners and Fruit Growers

This is your opportunity to secure PURE PEAT HUMUS at the remarkably low price of 75c per cubic yard, f. o. b. your truck or wagon. Inquire F. J. Chamberlin, Kendall.

Obituary

Adelbert Clugston, son of George and Clarissa Clugston, was born in Pine Grove Township, July 6, 1867 and passed away following an accident at Fritz's crossing, September 11, 1928, aged 61 years, 2 months and 5 days.

He lived in the same township all his life, for the last 35 years working for the Michigan Central Railroad most of the time.

He leaves one sister, Mrs. William Dean, two brothers, Frank and Joe, all residing at Pine Grove, a number of nephews and nieces and many other relatives.

He was a cheerful, sunny disposition, earning the nickname of "Smiley" which followed him all his life, and made a host of friends by whom he will be greatly missed.

Registration Notice for General Election Tuesday, November 6, A. D. 1928

To the Qualified Electors of the Township of Pine Grove, precincts No. 1 and 2, County of Van Buren, State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given that in conformity with the "Michigan Election Law," I, the undersigned township clerk, will, upon any day, except Sunday and a legal holiday, the day of any regular or special election or primary election, receive for registration the name of any legal voter in said township not already registered who may apply to me personally for such registration. Provided, however, that I can receive no names for registration during the time intervening between the second Saturday before any regular, special or official primary election and the day of such election.

The last day for general registration does not apply to persons who vote under the absent voter's law.

OCTOBER 27, 1928, LAST DAY for General Registration for this election.

Notice is hereby given that I will be at D.V. Chamberlin's Store Kendall, October 13 and at Fay Osmon's barber shop in Gobles on October 20, 1928 from eight o'clock a. m. until five o'clock p. m. on each said day for the purpose of reviewing the registration and registering such of the qualified electors in said township as shall properly apply thereto.

Dated Sept. 20, A. D. 1928.
H. G. KNOWLES,
Township Clerk.

REGISTRATION NOTICE FOR GENERAL ELECTION TUESDAY, November 6, A. D. 1928

To the qualified electors of the township of Bloomingdale, Precinct No. 2, County of Van Buren, State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given that in conformity with the "Michigan Election Law," I, the undersigned Township Clerk, will, upon any day, except Sunday and a legal holiday, the day of any regular or special election or primary election, receive for registration the name of any legal voter in said Township not already registered who may Apply To Me Personally for such registration. Provided, however, that I can receive no names for registration during the time intervening between the Second Saturday before any regular, special, or official primary election and the day of such election.

The last day for General Registration does not apply to persons who vote under the Absent Voters Law. (See Registration by Affidavit.)

October 27, 1928—LAST DAY For General Registration by personal application for said election.

Notice is further hereby given that I will be at H. W. Taylor store, Gobles, OCT. 13 AND OCT. 20, 1928 From 8 o'clock a. m. until 8 o'clock p. m. on each said day for the purpose of Reviewing the Registration and Registering such of the qualified electors in said Township as Shall Properly apply thereto.

The name of no person but an Actual Resident of the precinct at the time of registration and entitled under the constitution, if remaining such resident, to vote at the next election, shall be entered in the registration book.

Registration of Absentees by Oath Provision in Case of Removal to Another Precinct Section 11.

Any registered and qualified voter who has Removed from One Election Precinct to a Township to another election precinct of the same Township shall have the right, on any day previous to election, or primary election day, on application to Township Clerk, to have his or her name transferred from the registration book of the precinct from which he or she has removed to the registration book of the precinct in which he or she then resides. Such elector shall have the right to have such transfer made on any Election, or Primary election day by obtaining from the board of inspectors of such election or primary election of the precinct from which he or she has removed a Certificate of Transfer and presenting the said certificate to the Board of Election Inspectors of the Precinct in which he or she then resides.

ART GROVE, Township Clerk.
By H. W. TAYLOR, Justice.
Dated Sept. 20, A. D. 1928.

Hunting licenses at News office.
J. E. Twitchell—Decorating.
Buy Goodyear tires at Gamboe's.

Business Locals

Veal calves wanted. See or phone Lester Woodruff.

Indian relics wanted. See Van Ryno.

Buy Miller tires at Dorgan's filling station.

2 violins for sale cheap. Luther Howard.

Wanted, at once, man for farm work. Inquire Route 700, Pet Milk Co., Gobles, Wm. Van Dusen.

Announcement

Have purchased the barber business of Fay Osmon and will be pleased to welcome all his friends and mine at the old location. Will be open Sundays and closed Saturdays until evening. Vern Mason.

Resolutions

Again our order has been visited by the angel of death, taking from our midst Henry Geiger, one highly esteemed and who will be greatly missed by all.

Resolved Therefore, That Hazel Dell Rebekah Lodge extend our sympathy to the bereaved family and friends in their hour of sadness.

Be It Further Resolved, That our charter be draped in mourning for a period of 30 days and a copy of these resolutions be placed on the records of this Lodge.

By Order of Committee.

Notice of Hearing Claims

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Van Buren.

In the matter of the estate of Emanuel Neale, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that four months from the 22nd day of September, A. D. 1928 have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment, and that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court at the probate office in the Village of Paw Paw in said county, on or before the 28th day of January, A. D. 1929, and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday, the 28th day of January, A. D. 1929, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Dated Sept. 22, A. D. 1928.
WM. KILLEFER,
Judge of Probate.

Mortgage Sale

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by Anna Blanchard DeFries, sole survivor of James K. Blanchard and Anna Blanchard of Pine Grove township, Van Buren County, Michigan to Elbert I. Barker, of the same place, dated the 10th day of August, A. D. 1925, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the county of Van Buren and State of Michigan on the 10th day of August, A. D. 1925 in Liber 122 of mortgages, on page 367 on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, for principal and interest, taxes and insurance paid the sum of One Thousand Two and 32/100 (\$1002 32) dollars, and an attorney's fee of Fifty (\$50.00) dollars, as provided for in said mortgage, and no suit or proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the moneys secured by said mortgage, or any part thereof.

Notice is hereby Given, that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and the statute in such case made and provided, on Monday, the 24th day of December, A. D. 1928, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, the undersigned will, at the North Front Door of the Court House in the Village of Paw Paw, Michigan, that being the place where the Circuit Court for the county of Van Buren is held, sell at public auction, to the highest bidder, the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount so as aforesaid due on said mortgage, with seven per cent interest and all legal costs, together with said attorney's fee, to wit:

The Southwest Quarter of the Northeast Quarter and the North Half of the Southeast Quarter all on Section Number 21, Township Number 1 South and Range 13 West; also the North 26 acres of the South Half of the Southeast Quarter of said Section 21, containing 146 acres of land, more or less.

Cassius T. Barker,
Frank W. Barker,
Administrators of the Estate of Elbert I. Barker, Dec'd. Mortgagee.
Earl L. Burhans, Attorney for Mortgagee and Admrs. of said Estate.
Business Address: Paw Paw, 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 18th day of September A. D. 1928.

Present Hon. Wm. Killefer, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Adelbert Clugston, deceased.

Almira Dean, sister of said deceased, having filed in said Court her petition praying for reasons therein stated that the administration of said estate be granted to Wm. J. McCarthy or to some other suitable person;

It is Ordered, That the 15th day of October, A. D. 1928, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further Ordered, That Public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy hereof in 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.
STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Van Buren.

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Good work horse for sale. See E. W. Sheldon.

Child's bed for sale cheap. See Arthur Scovel.

Good Jersey cow for sale, will freshen soon. George Merrell and Son.

Clothes cleaning and pressing, done right, on short notice, beginning Monday, October 8. Phone me and I will call for and deliver. Max Brown.

Grape pickers wanted at Nursery Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning. A few bushels of winter apples ready soon if notified.

For sale—Ford truck, stake body first class condition, tires good as new, a real bargain. W. J. Klein, Bloomingdale, Michigan.

Carpenter work, furniture repair and refinishing. A. Swanson, Pine Grove.

FREE BATTERY charging and radio repair work. Luther Howard.

Ordered fruit trees yet? If not better see me for best quality stock. Albert Hosner.

4 African Toulouse geese for sale. Emil Keller, Pine Grove.

Grapes for sale, \$1 a bushel, bring your own container. G.A. Stimpson, Gobles.

Have prospects for good farms in this locality. Write description of yours and I will see you personally. C. L. Richardson, Jr., P. O. Box 391 Gobles, Michigan.

You are cordially invited to help us celebrate our 2nd Anniversary next Saturday. Every one come and get your treat. Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Powers.

For good taxi service. Call S. W. Hayes.

Washings, Mrs. C. Lamphere Pine Grove Corners. 2t

If you are planning on an Auction Sale, will be pleased to cry it for you. Rates reasonable. Glenn E. Woodruff, Gobles, R.1. tf

Ford battery \$8.00 and your old battery. J. C. Gamboe.

1926 Ford Tudor, 1925 Ford Fordor, Ford touring, Ford truck, and 1928 Pontiac coach for sale at Gamboe's.

Fire Insurance—I have the agency for the Dowagiac City and Village Mutual and will be glad to care for your needs in fire insurance. Charles S. Howard.

Because of ill health will sell my ice and truck business cheap, Grant Brown.

Used tires for sale at Gamboe's.

Owing to change in management of Standard Oil Stations all business must be strictly cash or by authorized company credit.

Aleming service for all makes of cars. J. C. Gamboe.

Store building, stock and fixtures in Pine Grove, furnace heat, for sale See John Gilbert.

Barrel high test gas at Dixie Service Station.

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CAMERA NEWS

Mussolini May Unravel Romantic Balkan Tangle



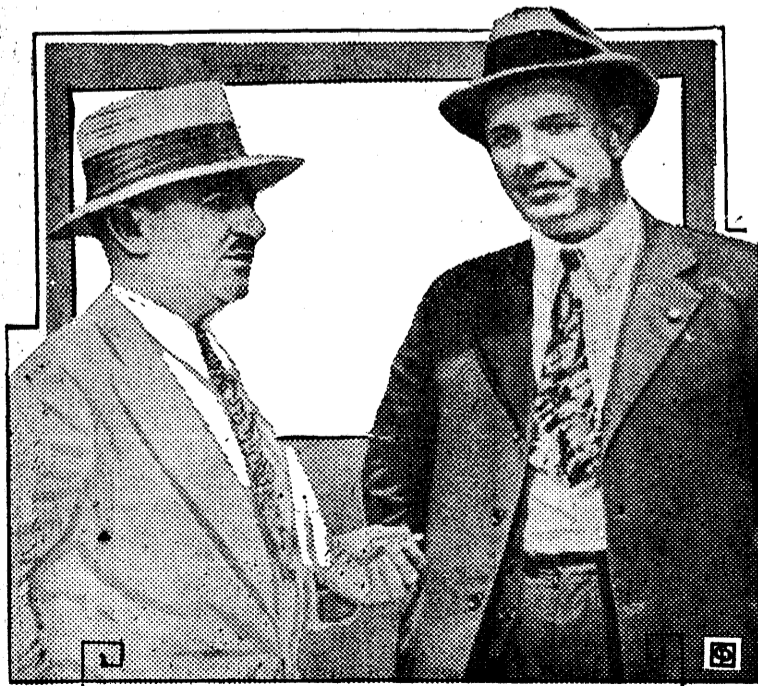
In the meteoric rise of Ahmed Beg Zogu to the kingship of Albania, under reported Italian influence, it may remain for Premier Benito Mussolini to unravel a romantic Balkan tangle. Two bachelor monarchs, King Zogu and Czar Boris of Bulgaria, are said to be bidding for the hand of Princess Giovanna of Italy, one of Europe's most beautiful princesses. Photo shows Boris, left, and Zogu, right. Center is Princess Giovanna with inset of Il Duce.

Will Prepares to "Pinch Hit"



Back to the footlights while Fred Stone, well known stage comedian, is recovering from injuries he received in an airplane accident, Will Rogers, cowboy humorist, is rehearsing for Stone's next show. Rogers is shown learning one of the dance steps from Dorothy Stone, daughter of the musical comedy star.

War Hero Inspects Own Trail



Among those attending the American Legion convention at San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 8 to 12, will be Alvin York of Jamestown, Tenn., outstanding hero of the World war. York, at right, is shown at Creelsboro, Ky., with Harvey White, commander of Jefferson post of the Legion, of Louisville, Ky., said to be the largest Legion post in the world, as the two inspected the York Trail. The latter was named in honor of York, who became famous when he captured a band of Germans single handed.

FALL PLANTED BULBS INSURE SPRING BEAUTY

Fall is coming to be almost as busy a time in landscaping home grounds as spring. For, besides the many things that must be done to get ready for winter, some planting is needed to insure beauty for early spring.

"If we are to have crocuses, narcissi, jonquils, and tulips blooming early in the spring, they must be planted in the fall so they can develop good root systems before winter sets in," says Miss Alice Drought of the horticultural department at the Wisconsin College of Agriculture.

She has found that September and October are the most successful months for planting these bulbs in Wisconsin, and advises ordering them now from the florist or the importer.

"There are two general classes of bulbs, the American grown and the imported," she explains. "The American blossoms about three weeks earlier than the others, and so when planning to have large masses blooming at one time, the two kinds should not be mixed."

The bulbs are planted in the order of the flowering, crocuses, the first to bloom, being planted first. They are followed by narcissi and jonquils and then by tulips.

Crocuses are planted in September. They are put into the ground two or three inches deep and three inches apart. For naturalizing them or for mass effects, Miss Drought suggests throwing them out by handfuls and planting them where they fall. The narcissi and jonquils which are planted about the first of October, are put into the ground four inches deep and five to seven inches apart. Tulips, treated the same way, may be planted any time from October 15 to heavy frosts.

Suppose It Were Yours

Suppose you had a piece of property upon which you were dependent for your living, and it was necessary to have other people around to whom you paid salaries and wages to help you run the place. What would you say if some of these people persisted in doing things which kept you on the jump all the time to keep the place from burning up? Suppose you heard one of them say, when asked why he was not more careful about where he tossed his cigarette butt, "Why should I care, it isn't my mill." Frankly now, what would you say?

After all, isn't that practically what we reply when we are persistently careless not only with fire but with other things, too?

There are hundreds of ways in which we can prevent fires. We can be careful with matches and with cigarette butts. The largest single cause of fires in this country is cigarettes. In 1926, fire losses of \$30,160,000 were caused by this one thing alone.

Before you throw away that match or cigarette be sure it is out. Before you throw away your lunch papers look for the rubbish can.

Do unto others as you would like others to do unto you. This is one of the best rules of life ever presented to man. In your habits, is it too much to ask you to suppose it were yours?—From Safeguarding America Against Fire.

Alma to Have Big Corn Exhibit

Plans are going forward rapidly for a big corn show to be held at the Alma State Savings bank, Oct. 26 to 30, under auspices of the bank and the high school agricultural club, with 27 classes in all.

Section A with 12 classes will be open to all residents of Gratiot county; section B with 8 classes will be open to all residents of the state; section C is for the 4-H clubs, the Smith Hughes project students and boys of the county of high school age; section D is to have two open classes and section E will be for the best exhibit by a member of the Alma High Agricultural club.

All exhibits for the show must be in by Oct. 26, and if the exhibitor is unable to be present may be sent to C. Marshall Lane, high school agricultural instructor. All exhibits must be the exhibitors' products and grown in 1928 or 1927. Entries will be free. The prize list is to be announced later.

Corn Borer Found In Alma Home Garden

The northern section of Gratiot county, which so far has been free from the dreaded corn borer, seems certain for a real visitation of this pest, with the discovery of the borer in sweet corn gardens in this city, following inspection by C. Marshall Lane, agricultural instructor at the high school. He has sent the specimens to Michigan State college.

Sparta Co-Op Gets \$47 For Six-Weeks' Calf

In a livestock shipment of the Sparta Co-operative association was a six weeks' veal calf weighing 235 pounds, which sold for \$47, netting the owners, Hankinson Brothers, \$45.12.

As many as 149 calves have gone from here in a single shipment through the association.

Summary of Hunting Laws Is Given

Duck hunting regulations for this season will be the same as in 1927. The season opened Sunday, Sept. 16.

The state law of Michigan sets Sept. 15 as the opening day of the wildfowl season, but the federal law requires a delay of one day after that date, and of course the federal law prevails.

The season is open on the following games only: Ducks, excepting wood duck, geese, brant, coots, gallinules, rails and Wilson or jacksnipe.

Owing to federal regulations there is no open season on black-bellied or golden plover, yellow legs, swans, wood ducks or any shorebird except jacksnipe.

Limits are as follows: Ducks, 15 in day, 30 in possession, 50 in one calendar week; geese and brant, 5 in day, 8 in possession, 15 in season; coots and gallinules, 25 in day, 25 in season, these limits including both birds combined; rails, 25 in day; Wilson or jacksnipe, 15 in day, 25 in possession, 25 in season.

All wildfowl and shorebirds may be hunted between sunrise and sunset only. It is illegal to have this game in possession more than 10 days after the season closes on Dec. 31. Hunting from power boats is prohibited. No gun of greater size than 10 gauge may be used and each hunter may have only one gun, carrying not more than six shots, in possession in a duck boat. The use of sink boats or sink boxes is prohibited and blinds must be within 500 feet of shore, rush bed, brush or grass.

Finally, don't forget the Michigan hunting license, either resident or non-resident, with the new badge to be worn in plain sight on the hunting clothing.

Find Fur Farms Are on Increase

The game division of the conservation department reports applications for permits to conduct fur farms and correspondence pertaining thereto promise to be even greater this fall than in the peak attained last spring. Many of the letters indicate there are a good many inexperienced persons who are unduly optimistic over the future of the fur farm business.

In the summer months H. D. Ruhl, department of conservation specialist in fur-bearing animals, has visited dozens of licensed fur farms in order to become thoroughly acquainted with the problems confronting licensed breeders.

Under the law a permit must be taken out by any one who has protected animals in captivity in closed seasons and any one who engages in fur bearing operations must construct satisfactory enclosures and must take out a license before he legally may sell or otherwise commercialize protected fur-bearers.

More than 300 licenses on muskrats, 200 on raccoons, 125 on mink, 50 on skunks and 30 on beaver now are outstanding and the administration of the fur-breeders license law has developed many new and difficult problems.

Clare to Have New Agricultural Agent

P. D. Gibson has been engaged as agricultural agent for Clare county in accordance with an appropriation granted by the board of supervisors at the June session and has taken up his residence at Harrison, the county seat. Gibson will be in Clare each Saturday to become acquainted with the farmers here and will give public soil demonstrations.

Corn Borer Eases Into Clare County

The European borer has been found in Arthur and Winterfield townships, Clare county, by agents of the U. S. department of agriculture and these townships will be placed under quarantine next season. This is the first evidence of the pest in Clare county and everything possible will be done to prevent its spread.

18-Year Old Apple Plot to Yield First Time in 1929

A 47-year-old apple orchard which never bore a crop is expected to yield fruit next year, as a result of experiments being conducted on the A. B. VanSojaik farm in Lenawee county. The 300-tree orchard, planted nearly 50 years ago, is of one variety and lacks cross pollination.

A pear orchard of 300 trees has never borne fruit because of the same reason. Bouquets and several colonies of bees were placed in the orchard to remedy the situation.

Agricultural Teacher For Lakeview School

An agricultural teacher has been added to the faculty of Lakeview High school. He is Homer Armstrong of Lansing, with nearly four years of practical experience as an agricultural teacher. His duties began Tuesday.

The enrollment in the local high school this year is larger than ever before, necessitating the hiring of additional teachers. For some time the directors have felt an agricultural course should be added to the curriculum.

Poultry

IS THE OLD HEN LAYING OR LYING?

At this time farm flock owners have a mighty important question to settle in their own minds. It is a question that has a great deal to do with the income from the laying flock and can be summed up in a few words, "when the old hen cackles, is she laying or lying?" There are a number of reliable indications as to which she is doing if the flock owner but knows them. These have been summed up nicely by P. H. Gooding, poultry extension specialist, Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind. We are reproducing Mr. Gooding's own words herewith:

"The comb, wattles and ear lobes of a hen enlarge or contract, depending on the condition of laying. If these parts are large and smooth, or hard and waxy, the bird is laying. If the comb is limp the bird is either coming into or going out of laying, or laying but little. When the comb is shrunken and rough, the bird is not laying."

"The whole abdomen of a laying hen is enlarged so that the pelvic bones are widespread and the keel or breastbone is forced down, away from the pelvic bones, so as to give large capacity. By placing the fingers flat between the pelvic bones the width apart can be determined. If the ends of the bones are soft and pliable and the width of two or three ordinary fingers (varying with the size of the hen) can be placed between them, the hen is, in all probability, laying at the time of examination. If the bones are close together and the points are hard, the hen is not laying."

"The flock should be culled during the summer to avoid feeding the hens after they have ceased laying. Accurate culling is only possible in a well fed flock, kept free from lice and mites throughout the summer months. When a bird stops laying in the summer she usually starts molting. The later a hen lays in the summer the greater will be her production, so that the high producer is the late layer and hence the late molter, provided she receives a balanced ration. The early molter is not the early winter layer. The high layer usually retains her primary wing feathers until September or October."

A GOOD TIME TO DIP FOR LICE

It is usually well to dip the entire flock for lice before the cool weather of fall arrives. There is no better method of getting rid of lice than by dipping the fowls in a solution of one gallon of water and one ounce of sodium fluoride. A pound of the sodium fluoride will make 16 gallons of solution, which is enough to treat most flocks.

In treating the flock by dipping, do not hold the birds under water until every feather is soaked, but see that the solution gets well into the feathers. The purpose of the dipping is to distribute the sodium fluoride through the feathers so that it will poison the lice. Dipping is considered more satisfactory than dusting the fowls as it effects a better distribution of the poison.

The water that is used should be warm. It is well to keep the fowls penned up until they have at least partially dried. The young chickens should be treated as well as the old birds so as to completely eliminate the lice from the entire flock. If the hen-houses are given a thorough cleaning and disinfecting at the same time most of the mites will also be killed. Protective steps of this kind will make it possible to secure more winter eggs.

New Barley Is Developed

Spartan barley, developed by the Michigan State College and released for the first time last spring to growers of the state, made good in its first season in competition with other varieties grown by Michigan farmers. Thirty-three members of the Michigan Crop Improvement Association in different sections of the state received seed of the new variety from the farm crops department of the college last spring for increase purposes. They agreed to sow the seed under good cultural conditions and to have the crop inspected under the rules of the crop improvement association, in order that a supply of good seed might be available in the spring of 1929 for other growers.

The high yield for the new variety, according to the crop improvement association, was obtained by F. A. Lundy of Colemand, Midland county, with 62.5 bushels per acre. Alfred Grueber of Frankenmuth was second with a yield of 61.4 bushels per acre.

Spartan barley is a high yielding, early maturing two-row variety with very stiff straw and smooth beards which break off easily when the grain is threshed. Its chief advantages are increased yield, ease in handling and stiff straw which enables it to stand up under conditions in which barley would ordinarily lodge.

Otsego to Have a New Masonic Temple

Plans will be discussed in detail at the regular meeting of the Otsego Masonic lodge next Friday for the erection of a Masonic temple at Otsego. If the project is formally approved the work of financing will be commenced at once. At present the details of the enterprise are in the hands of Worshipful Master J. H. Pardee.

Where Tornado Hit



Scores of nurses and doctors have been rushed from Chicago to Rockford, Ill., shown on map above, to aid the many persons injured in the tornado which devastated the Illinois city. The death toll is high and the property damage extensive.

Stork Spurs Flyers



Robert W. Cantwell of Duncan, Okla., winner of the class C race in the transcontinental air derby, from New York to Los Angeles, had a real incentive to win—en route to the west coast he was informed that his wife had given birth to a son.

Sally's Sallies



Sweet nothings mean everything to the romantic.

GRAND RAPIDS BONDED DEBT LOW

Grand Rapids in 1927 had one of the lowest per capita bonded debts in the United States, according to a survey of the Houston, Tex., Chronicle. Houston, Denver, Colo.; San Antonio, Tex.; Milwaukee, Wis.; St. Paul, Minn.; Portland, Ore.; Memphis, Tenn., and Richmond, Va., were the other cities listed and of this number Grand Rapids had a rating of \$59.37. The peak was attained by Richmond, \$179.62.

If each citizen, the Chronicle explains, in these various cities was required to pay equal amounts of the present bonded debt he would owe the stated amount, falling due 10, 20, 30 or perhaps 40 years from now.

On the other hand, the Furniture Capital has the highest per capita assessed valuation as of Dec. 31, 1926, according to the southern newspaper's survey. This city leads with a mark of \$1,560.31, while the average for cities of from 100,000 to 300,000 population was given at \$1,397.86. The lowest valuation was recorded at San Antonio, \$964.98.

The doctor had just been visiting an Irish patient, and as the man's wife was showing him out he said to her: "Your husband's not so well today, Mrs. Maloney. Is he sticking to the simple diet I prescribed?"

"He is not, sor," came the reply. "He says he'll not be after starvin' himself to death just for the sake of livin' a few years longer."

Porto Rico Devastated by Tropical Hurricane



An air view of the city of San Juan, Porto Rico, where thousands have been rendered homeless by a tropical hurricane which devastated the island and left a path of death and destruction in its wake. Property damage will run into the millions, it is reported. Inset is Henry M. Baker, national relief director, dispatched by the American Red Cross to take charge of the relief work.

Van Etten Lake Park New State Property

Van Etten Lake State park, which is to be added to Michigan's fine chain of recreational properties, will be a rare beauty spot and one highly desirable, according to P. J. Hoffmaster, superintendent of state parks, who has looked over the property.

Hoffmaster reports there are 300 acres of state owned land and 2,355 feet of fine bathing beach. The soil is sandy and a series of ledges slope to the water, making for fine views from almost any location. Another feature is US23, which is easily accessible from the site of the park, thus affording a year round avenue of approach. The park was needed, Hoffmaster said, for the East Tawas park, the only one in the vicinity, already was overcrowded. The East Tawas park is only 20 acres in extent.

Ore Shipments Are Keeping Constant

Steady shipments of ore during the past few months gives indications that the outlook for the iron ore future is bright. Although most of the mines have been shipping only two or three days out of the week, boat movements control the amount of tonnage and determine the rate at which the ore moves out of this district, causing fluctuations in shipments.

Although shipments this year are a little behind last year's schedule, a three weeks' delay at the beginning of the year may account for the retardation. Pockets are loading from various mines at an average of about 140 cars a day and all of them are shipping with the exception of the Spies mine.

Refrigerator Plant Sold

The Belding-Hall Electric Company, manufacturers of refrigerators at Belding, was sold at public auction on August 3 to Charles J. Gibson, of the Gibson Refrigerator Company, Greenville. Gibson was the sole bidder for the property of the Belding Company, including all real estate and personal property with the exception of the electric department. It is understood that his bid was between \$600,000 and \$700,000. The sale must now be confirmed by Judge Fred M. Raymond, of the U. S. District Court at Grand Rapids. Brinton F. Hall, founder of the business 40 years ago, who has been acting as receiver for the past ten months, will continue to conduct the electric department.

Operates Ann Arbor Field

Ann Arbor's new airport, located on the Steere farm, three miles south of Ferry Field, will be operated by the newly organized Flo Flying Services, Inc., of which Leonard S. Flo, former Selfridge pilot and later chief pilot for the Wise Birds Club of Detroit, is the head. Flo plans to operate a flying school and to maintain an aerial taxi service. He is also Michigan distributor for the Spartan biplane, manufactured in Tulsa, Okla.

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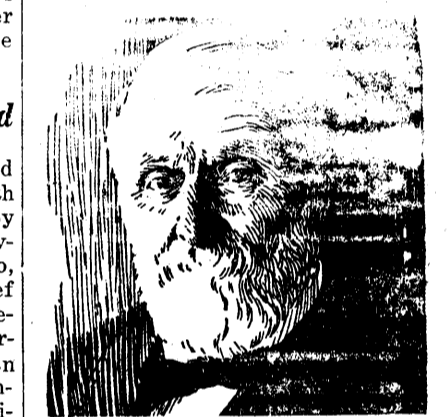
Because of its isolation, forest fire hazards on Isle Royale, Michigan's great island wonderland in Lake Superior, are less than at any place in either the lower or upper peninsula, in the opinion of conservation department forest fire chiefs. Inasmuch as there are but few roads and trails on the island, there is practically no traffic, thus virtually eliminating the possibility of man starting a blaze. This summer for the first time in a decade a fire occurred on the island and although it burned for three days it was brought under control, only six acres of land were burned over. This conflagration was caused by lightning.

Two men are stationed on the island to guard against fire. They are properly equipped and have the authority to deal with any emergency that may arise. This means that Isle Royale has as much protection as any similar area in the state, at least at the present time.

The department is going to investigate the feasibility of erecting a fire tower on the island. If it is placed inland, a job of cutting a trail through will be the first problem confronting the workmen. The forest growth is so dense that it is practically impossible for a man to pick his way through. Although the island is only six to seven miles in width, it is next to impossible to traverse it. When the fire broke out this summer, conservation department men had to take a boat around the island in order to reach the blaze. They could not cross the six mile stretch of wilderness. The situation is a difficult one to handle from the angle of fire protection.

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REO MOTOR TO BUILD PLANT

Reo Motor Car company will soon authorize the construction of a new factory building at the truck plant. The structure will be 140 feet by 725 feet and rise three stories. The total floor space will be 300,000 feet. Prediction that the floor space now used at the main plant for the production of Reo Speedwagons will be needed next year for the production of passenger vehicles is declared the chief reason for the new building. The demand for Speedwagons is also declared increasing, requiring more room for that product in its own right.

Since the second quarter of the year, Reo production has been going forward at top speed. The first quarter showed a net loss of \$86,489, but during the second quarter net profits of the company reached \$3,104,633.95. This is the equivalent of little more than \$150 per share for the quarter. Capital and surplus of the Reo Motor Car company, at the end of the second quarter were \$31,407,815.92. Cash on hand and in banks totalled \$7,250,178.81. Total assets of the company were \$37,902,744.40. Value of machinery and equipment were listed at \$12,000,000.

Small Centers Gain By Electric Power

Michigan, Indiana, Illinois and Wisconsin in the three years ended Dec. 31, 1927, had an addition of 1,300,000 kilowatts or about 1,750,000 horsepower in electrical supply, according to a report of the power survey committee of the Great Lakes division of the National Electric Light Association. This gives these states a total energy supply of 4,556,000 kilowatts or about 6,100,053 horsepower. Approximately 10 per cent comes from hydro-electric stations and 90 per cent is steam generated. The four states have nearly 17.5 per cent of the total supply of electrical energy in the United States.

The report points out that increase in electric power has made smaller centers more important industrially and given them a larger share of the population leaving the farms. Electric power is preventing further congestion by aiding the development of outer edges of large cities and suburban areas.

State Ferries Report More Cars Are Carried

Automobiles to the number of 76,500 crossed the Straits of Mackinac on the state ferries up to and including Sept. 6 this year, as against 72,250 in the like period of 1927.

Ferry officials report that with three boats operating congestion on docks has been kept at a minimum. The peak was reached Aug. 22 when at certain hours of the day 200 cars were waiting their turn on the St. Ignace dock. Delays were negligible, however, as compared with last year.

The ferry Mackinaw City tied up Sept. 10, leaving the St. Ignace and the new ferry, Straits of Mackinac, to handle the traffic until the opening of the hunting season, at which time the services of all three boats again will be required.

Fennville Will Make Five-Year Power Pact

The Fennville city council Tuesday night authorized Mayor William S. Duvall to make a five-year contract with the Southern Michigan Light & Power Co. for lighting the streets of Fennville.

Some work must be done on the present boulevard system, which will be done at once, new conduit and cable being put in to replace the present underground system. The present boulevard equipment was put in Fennville in 1922 and has been in operation here since.

Develops Power Site

Purchase of a power site in Baraga county on which it will spend \$3,000,000 in development has been announced by the Wisconsin-Michigan Power Company, with Michigan headquarters in Iron Mountain. The site, on the Sturgeon River in Baraga and Covington townships, was obtained from the Sturgeon River Syndicate, a New York corporation. The deal includes the transfer of 17,000 acres of land in Baraga county. After the company has spent \$3,000,000 for improvements, the development is expected to produce 80,000,000 kilowatt hours of electricity.

Large Pearl Yielded By Grand River Clam

Women of the clam-fishing camps along Grand river at Ionia have received a large number of pearls and slugs this season, but to Mrs. Bert Morgan goes the honor of finding the largest and most perfect specimen. She is showing a pearl, perfectly round in shape, clear in color, which weighs 12 grains.

BEGIN CAMPAIGN ON 'FREE' SHOWS

The unfairness of a situation that allows free shows, tent shows or traveling stock companies and medicine shows—dispensing a minimum of cure alls with a maximum of cheap vaudeville attractions—that come into the state of Michigan without any appreciable license fees, and offer competition with the established theatre is being forcibly brought to the attention of those who should know by the Motion Picture Theatre Owners of Michigan.

"We are not attempting to stifle legitimate competition," stated Mr. H. M. Richey, general manager of the Exhibitors' association, when the campaign was announced. "We have no quarrel with the county fairs and legitimate attraction that also call Michigan 'home' and who, like ourselves, pay taxes into the state and into their respective communities. But the fly-by-night carnival, the gyp medicine show and the camouflaged benefit shows have to stop. It is remarked that an already outraged public has allowed them to go on as long as they have."

The association is compiling some interesting figures, showing the gigantic outlay of money that these illegitimate attractions take out of the state, and showing that they leave practically nothing of sound economic value in return.

An investigation in larger cities of Michigan reveals that in the wake of these cheap carnivals follows a big increase in petty thievery, additional cost to the police departments for supervision, the impossibility of eliminating the gambling features, and a whole list of unsavory conditions that the association does not believe meets with the approval of thinking taxpayers of the state.

Scores of states have passed strict restrictive legislation regarding such attractions and have, in this manner, efficiently retarded them. It seems right now that Michigan is being the dumping ground of scores of these unreliable attractions.

Legitimate traveling show troupes and carnivals with known reputation will not be effected by the campaign, but when all of the information at hand is finished, it is expected to divulge a startling situation.

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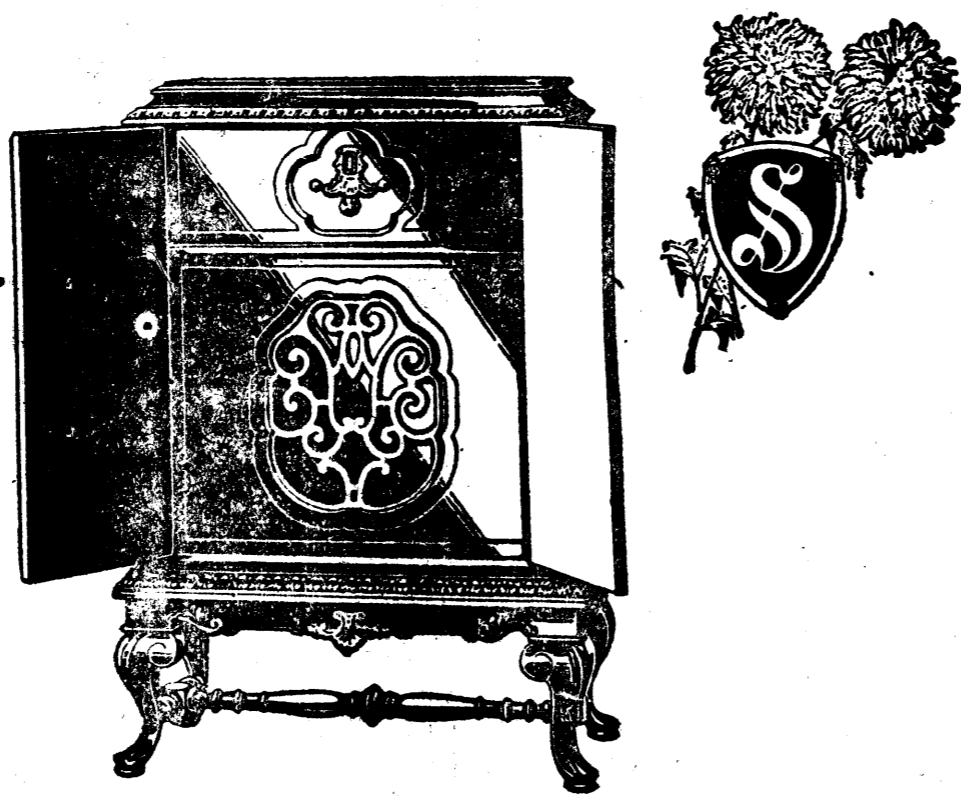
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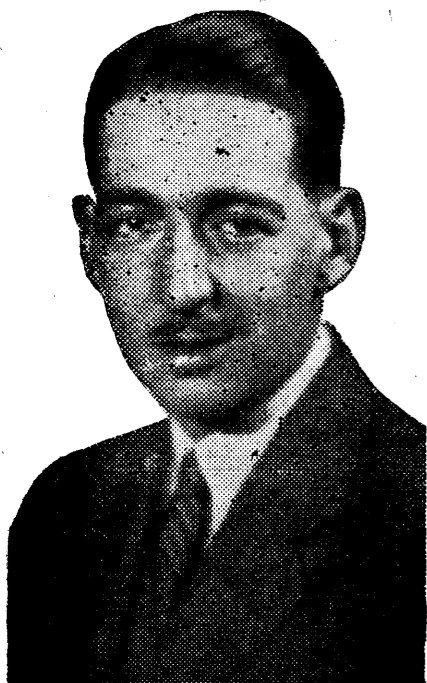
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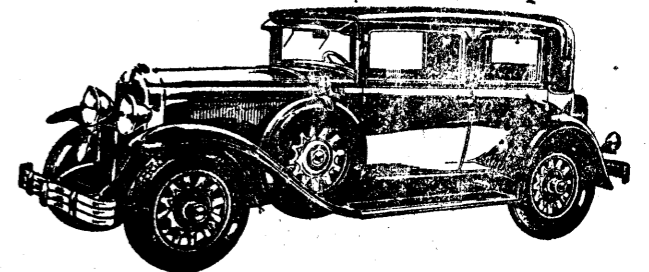
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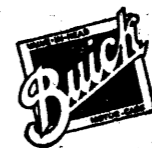
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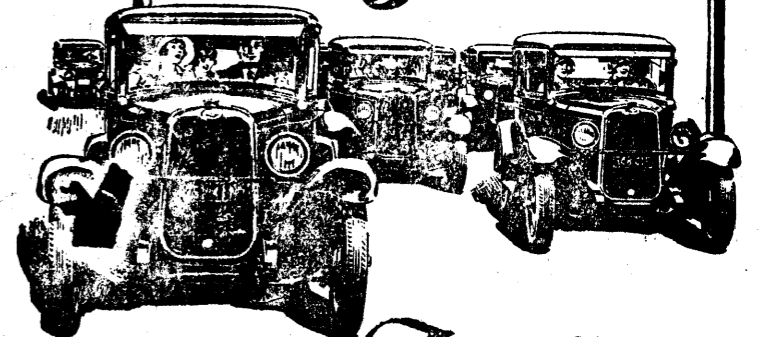
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The township library of 5,000 volumes was destroyed by fire when the Little building burned May 10. Insurance of \$300 was carried. This fund was used to purchase new books. Additional books are purchased each year with money from the township library fund, governed by the township board, which consists of W. T. Venn, D. H. Cloud, M. R. Ewald and J. B. Hendricks.

Rooms above the M. D. Girard store have been leased and fitted with shelving to house the library. With establishment of the library it is remarked that just 20 years ago the township library occupied these same rooms.

Guards Now Have Riding School

Capt. Henry Geers of company D, National Guard, stationed at Holland, has announced the opening of a riding school for its members with instruction of the United States cavalry type. Seven new complete riding sets have been provided. Regular classes will be formed for fall and spring work.

Regulations call for seven men of the local guard unit to be mounted when the orders are given to take the field. Twenty-four men already have enrolled in the school and others are expected to follow.

New Family Hotel For Harbor Springs

W. K. Sager, formerly manager of the Forest Beach inn at Harbor Springs, has purchased the Joseph F. Stein residence at Bluff drive and will convert it into a select family hotel, which will be thrown open for guests early next spring. The building, which was completed six years ago, was considered as one of the finest residences in the community and is located where it commands a magnificent view of the harbor and neighboring resorts.

Michigan Girls Get Life Saving Pins

Honor emblems for successful life-saving tests have been received by several Holland young persons from the American National Red Cross headquarters in Washington. The award consists of a card, a pin and a red, white and blue badge.

Those receiving senior honors include; Earl Vandewater, Charles Caffere, W. P. Telling, Katherine Knell, James Hanson and Robert Hanson. Juniors include: Helen Knell, Vera Hagy, Marguarite Hagy, Harriet Hagy, Christine Brandt and Warren Saltenberg. The three Hagy girls are sisters.

Those honored must agree to render aid to persons in danger of drowning.

Waitresses Get \$1,000 In Tips

The path between kitchen and dining room of a summer hotel sometimes is strewn with dollar bills—a thousand of them.

The six girls that waited table at the Indian Trail lodge, near Traverse City, this summer received approximately \$1,000 in tips. Miss Jane Green, who operates the hotel for the Grand Traverse Resort association, reveals. The smallest amount received by any girl was \$150; the largest was \$191. The girls were paid \$1 a day with board and room.

De Mar Says Tobacco Is Bad For Runners

Clarence De Mar, the veteran Boston long distance runner, believes smoking injurious to runners. He says, "Of the seven men who comprised the Olympic team four years ago, four did not smoke. Those who finished in front were the non-smokers. For me the difference between first and second or worse, is the difference between abstinence and cigars and booze."

Poems That Live

"NEVER GIVE ALL THE HEART"
Never give all the heart, for love
Will hardly seem worth thinking of
To passionate women, if it seem
Certain, and they never dream
That it fades out from kiss to kiss;
For everything that's lovely is
But a brief, dreamy, kind delight.
O never give the heart outright
For they, for all smooth lips can say,
Have given their hearts up to the play,
And who can play it well enough
If deaf and dumb, and blind with love?
He that made this knows all the cost,
For he gave all his heart and lost.
—William B. Yeats (1865-?)



Three Live Little Cinderellas



By the time these three girls, Lennie Lorene, 15; Minnie Pearl, 12, and Willie Mae, 11, reach their majority they will be worth more than a half million dollars. Their wealth comes to them from oil land near San Angelo, Tex., willed to them by their mother, Mrs. Pearl Matthews. Since the mother's death the children have lived with their grandmother, Mrs. J. G. Matthews, who is guardian of their estate because their father feared he might not be capable of handling the financial investments properly.

BAD AXE PASTOR IS LEGION CHAPLAIN

Rev. Glenn Carpenter, pastor of the Bad Axe Presbyterian church, took his share of honors at the recent state American Legion convention at Petoskey.

The popular minister was elected state chaplain of the Legion. He takes the place of Father Edward Crowley of Pontiac, formerly of Kinde.

In addition to this signal honor Rev. Carpenter came home with a silver affair which he calls an ice water pitcher. It was the award for winning the golf championship at the convention. With a score of 87 over a difficult course the minister placed himself in the class of the best players of the course for the season.

Mrs. Margaret McCrimmon was chosen auxiliary committee woman for the seventh district and alternate to the national convention at San Antonio, Tex.

E. A. Henny was chosen alternate to the seventh district convention. Other Bad Axe delegates were Mrs. G. G. Walker and Alex Greyerbiehl.

Fremont Woman's Club To Have Active Year

The Fremont Woman's club will start its year's activities with a luncheon in the Community building. Mrs. Arthur Kruse, president of the Muskegon Woman's club, will speak. The balance of the program is being arranged by the program committee, consisting of Mrs. Frank Raymond, Mrs. S. S. Nisbet and Mrs. George Saur.

That evening a lecture on landscape designing will be given by Prof. O. I. Gregg of Michigan State college. The club plans an active year under the new officers: President, Mrs. Louis Webber; vice president, Mrs. Harry Reber; secretary, Mrs. Ralph W. Corey; treasurer, Mrs. William C. Bird.

For Autumn Days



For the many delightful days of autumn Dolores Costello wears this striped serge jacket in white and green.

Markets For Farm Women

"I want to make some extra money at home. How shall I sell my goods?" is the frequent question of the women readers.

Of course one of the very first things to do is to be sure that you have something really saleable to offer. If you wish to make money on canned goods, be certain that yours come up to the best standards and that they are always the same. If it is eggs, have the freshest, the largest, the cleanest possible. If you make such things as rugs, baskets or aprons not only must your work be well done but it must conform to the whims of the buying public. A few years ago city women were buying tufted bedspreads for extremely high prices. But soon the large stores began selling them for less, they became more common and now there is very little demand for them unless they are remarkably fine. But on the other hand, quilting for which there was little or no demand five years ago is now on the crest of popularity. Study the papers and magazines of the better quality and try to visit some of the good city stores so that you will make only those things that will sell.

But even after you have turned out something that you feel sure is worthy of a purchaser your task is not done. You must actually get in touch with that customer. There are a number of ways of going about this. Perhaps the simplest of all is to see your local merchant and suggest to him that he sell your goods for you on commission. In this way you have none of the actual selling to do, but of course you receive a somewhat smaller price.

Another way is to open a little shop yourself in one of the rooms of your house. This is only practical if you live on a much traveled highway and if you have time to stop your regular work to speak to customers at all hours of the day. Many, many farm women have found that the world does beat a path to their door if they have superlatively good honey, fruit or poultry for sale or can make unusually beautiful rugs, dolls or lamp shades.

If there is a home demonstration agent in your county, it is possible that she has organized a curb market. This offers an ideal way to market your products and has proven remarkably successful almost everywhere it has been tried. The variety of goods sold through these markets is astonishing and under the guidance of the home agent the women learn to standardize their output and to wrap it attractively, which is almost as important.

But suppose your local merchant does not think he can sell your handiwork, and that you live on a little used road and have no agent in your county. What must you do then? In that case I suggest that you advertise. Possibly it will pay you to advertise in the paper of your nearest big town. If there are people there who will enjoy coming to your farm to get the things you offer, you will soon be able to establish a nice trade. Or it may be best to advertise in a paper of national circulation such as The National Farm News. Other women have found it possible to sell a wide variety of goods through the small-classified advertisements which cost little but are read by many thousands of people.

Whichever method you select, give it a fair trial before getting discouraged. It may seem trite to say that the first few customers are the hardest to find, but nevertheless it is true.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

MENU HINT

Baked Ham Creamed Cabbage
Tomato Jelly Salad
Coconut Cake Black Coffee
For your vitamin C be sure to include oranges and tomatoes frequently in your menus. (Tomato jelly salad may be served to the whole family, to the baby of course, without mayonnaise. This amount will serve eight.)

Today's Recipes

Tomato Jelly Salad—Soak three tablespoons of gelatin in one-half cup of cold water. Boil one quart of canned tomatoes for five minutes and strain through a fine sieve. Pour hot tomato juice over gelatin and stir until gelatin is dissolved. Add one and one-half teaspoons of salt, one-half teaspoonful of sugar, one-half teaspoonful of onion juice and chili. When mixture is partly set add one tablespoonful of finely minced green pepper, two tablespoonsful of celery, one tablespoonful of parsley and one cup of shredded cabbage. Pour into wet custard cups and let harden. Turn out on lettuce and serve with mayonnaise.

Cocoanut Cake—Three tablespoons butter, one cup sugar, two eggs, whites and yolks beaten separately, one cup milk, one teaspoon orange extract, two teaspoons baking powder, two cups flour, one-fourth teaspoon salt, one cup shredded cocoanut. Beat butter and sugar until creamy; add yolks of eggs well beaten, milk, orange extract, flour sifted with baking powder and salt; add cocoanut and whites of eggs beaten to a stiff froth. Turn into a flat, buttered and floured cake tin and bake in a moderate oven for thirty minutes. Cool, cover with white frosting and sprinkle over with cocoanut. This makes one small cake.

There are more ways than one of looking for trouble. A Texas man advertised for his mother-in-law, who was missing.

The World and All

THIS MONEY QUESTION

Just what part does the money question play in making marriages happy or unhappy? This is a question that is often discussed but never settled. Judges who hear divorce cases probably will differ on it. I remember talking about it to Judge English in Omaha, when I was covering the courts there for a newspaper. Judge English, who has since died, was an intelligent man, with a mind that weighed and analyzed the facts before it. He said:

"By far the largest part of the divorce cases that come before me are motivated by a natural unfitness of the two persons to live with one another. Formerly we said they were mismatched, and let it go at that. Nowadays they have applied the term incompatibility to this state of affairs. 'Next comes drink, and third in order of importance is money matters.'"

Harper's Magazine for September contains an article entitled "Marriage and Money," by G. V. Hamilton and Kenneth MacGowan, in which the effect of money matters upon marital affairs is discussed in a manner which we have come to call scientific, though I don't know what scientific means in a case of this kind.

Some sort of a foundation financed an organized effort to find out something about the causes of unhappiness

LIVING AND LOVING By MRS. VIRGINIA LEE

YOUNG PEOPLE ARE TRAGIC BECAUSE THEY ARE RELATED
I have read of young people who met and loved and later found that they were brother and sister, separated in childhood. This was tragedy, because brothers and sisters cannot safely marry. But when the relationship is as distant as third or fourth cousin there is no reason that I know of for them to be tragic about the relationship. I feel sure that any physician will uphold me when I say that two so related could marry with absolute safety.

"Dear Mrs. Lee: We are readers of your column and in great need of advice. We are not mere kids who think we are in love, as we are 22 and 29 years, respectively. Now, Mrs. Lee, the trouble is, we are fourth cousins. That may not sound so tragic to you, but to us it is the end. We don't want to marry on account of having the same blood in our veins. So help us, please. Was any one ever in such a state? Jack and Jill."

You are right about it not seeming very tragic to me. I cannot for the life of me see why you cannot marry, but if you do not care to take my word for it, go and see a reliable physician. The word of such a one should satisfy your parents, too.

"Dear Mrs. Lee: I am a high school student of 16, and have been going with a fellow of my own age for almost a year. Now we are having trouble. I started going out with different fellows so as to have some fun, because this other fellow is serious and is trying to save, and therefore does not take me out as much as I would like. When my friend found out about

How to Achieve Beauty

Common Sense in Beauty Care

There are a great many things about body care which every woman ought to know, and which very few women do. I can talk, and I have talked very often about the ease with which you can maintain a pretty skin and white hands. I have told you about creams and lotions which act quickly and marvelously, but there are other easily made home remedies which very often escape our notice.

I have had hundreds and hundreds of women write to me from time to time complaining of the water in their township. Frequently I am able to diagnose and correctly name the cause of harsh, chapped skins and coarse pores as simply being the constant use of hard water. Once in a while a woman will realize this herself and put out a bucket in some sheltered spot to catch the rain water. Unfortunately, however, in many, many places where the hard water predominates, rainfall is light, and rain water is not so easily obtained as one might believe.

There are four methods of counteracting hard water. The first is the professional method, which uses a manufactured lotion; the second is by using borax, one teaspoonful to a basin of water; third is benzoin, an easily obtained product, and the fourth is oatmeal. In using oatmeal, use the coarse meal and make it up into little bags of double mesh cheesecloth. Tie this tightly and squeeze into the water until it becomes milky in appearance. Benzoin is added directly to the water, as is the borax and the other softener.

Perspiring hands is another common complaint, one which I receive from thousands of women. A most effective corrective of this condition is common household starch used as a powder, and scented, if you like, with a little sandalwood. Another recipe for this is as follows: Powdered starch, 90 parts; talc, 7 parts; salicylic acid, 3 parts.

Use this as often as you like, but you will find that two applications are

in marriage. This article touches the one phase of marital unhappiness relating to funds.

Married folk, half men and half women, were questioned, and their answers typed just as they gave them. Those questioned were of a rather high order of intelligence and understood that their names were not to be used in the records, but were willing to contribute their stories toward a better understanding of troubles in married life.

More women were made unhappy by small income than men. A good many women accused their husbands of extravagance, but few of the men thought their wives were extravagant. There was more unhappiness over money in the early years of married life than later. About one-fifth of the persons examined admitted that money affairs caused friction in their families.

The examiner concludes that friction over money is not necessarily the cause of trouble between husband and wife, even when either or both of them so believe. Friction over money, he says, "is usually a symptom of something else wrong with marriage." After all, so much depends upon the two individuals. If there is mutual forbearance and patience and love, a good deal of money trouble can be borne, as is measles or toothache, without upsetting the marriage contract.

me cheating he quit coming because he said his boy friends razzed him about it. Mrs. Lee, I am willing to quit cheating because I know I have been foolish, but I don't know how to go about it. I love this boy dearly, so please give me some advice, but don't be too hard, because I see my mistake. "Fuzzy."

Why not write your boy friend and tell him you are sorry you treated him badly and if he cares to go with you again you will "play fair." As a matter of fact, my dear, if you have been following my advice in this column you know I never advocate kids of your age going "steady," but of course I know it is done and by the "best people." And another thing, many worthwhile boys do without the pleasure of a girl's society because they cannot afford to give her the kind of a good time she expects. They are saving their money for college or to advance them in business. And if you girls don't encourage these boys to enjoy the kind of good times that don't cost money you cut yourself off from some of the finest boy friends and make a cynical lot of young men who think all a girl wants with a boy is an expensive good time.

"Wondering" is only 18, but has a very complicated love problem. He met and loved Lena, then they quarreled and he met and lost his heart to Ida. They parted, but he still loves her; not so much, however, but that he lost his heart—or part of it—to Mary. He is engaged to Mary, but Lena has relented and wants him back, and he would leave both Mary and Lena if he could have Ida. Steer clear of matrimony, "Wondering," until you are a bit older and more settled.

Peach Waffles

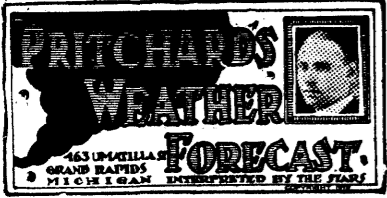
Two cups flour, one-half teaspoon salt, two teaspoons baking powder, three eggs, one-fourth cup sugar, two tablespoons butter, one and one-half cups milk. Mix and sift the dry ingredients, beat the egg yolks with the milk and add to the dry ingredients. Beat well. Fold in the stiffly beaten egg whites. Melt the fat, cool slightly and add to the mixture. This makes six good sized waffles. Have ready peaches which have been pared, sliced and allowed to stand with sugar one-half hour. Put between waffles as if you were arranging shortcake. Sprinkle the top well with powdered sugar and serve with plain or whipped cream.

Shiny nose is another common complexion fault, and may quite frequently be relieved by adding a few drops of spirits of camphor to your rinsing water after you have cleaned your face at bedtime. Of course, if the condition is chronic, you will need something more than this. However, as a commonsense preventive, try it and see how it works out. Another thing which you may find successful is to use a compress of absorbent cotton wet with rosewater every day. A stronger lotion may be made as follows:

One-half ounce cologne water; two ounces rosewater; one teaspoonful borax.

First Darkey—What fo' you name yo baby "Electricity," Moses?

Second Darkey—Well, mah name am Mose and mah wife's name am Dinah, and if Dinahmos don't make electricity, what does it make?



WEEK OF OCTOBER 7
General Farm Outlook: This will not be as good a week for the newly planted wheat and rye as last week, but it will be a good time for late planting. Pasture land and meadows will not fare as well. Precipitation, we believe, will be somewhat below the normal for this time of year. There will be plenty of sunshine and the weather will be generally favorable for maturing crops and farm work. Corn cutting will be in progress and the weather will be propitious for the bean harvest and potato digging.

Detailed Weather Forecast: With the state in the clutches of a storm center at the beginning of this week we look for temperatures to range normal or above. This warmth will last over Sunday and into Monday along with the rain and wind storms. However, we expect a change to cooler about Tuesday and perhaps some clearing weather for a day or so. Nevertheless, warmer weather will rapidly return to the state as a whole with the close following of another storm center. As a result of these combinations we believe the first half of this week will be mostly stormy and warm. The rain storms will be very heavy in some localities and it is quite likely there will be some severe thunder storms.

The closing days of this week will be mostly clear while the temperature over most counties of the state will register readings considerably lower than during the first part of the week and most likely somewhat below the normal in a great many places.

Dismal Patient—Yes, doctor, my head is like a lump of lead, my neck's as stiff as a drainpipe, my chest's like a furnace, and my muscles contract like bands of iron.

Doctor—I am not sure you shouldn't have gone to a hardware dealer or a plumber.

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Fletcher's CASTORIA

RESTLESS LOVE

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CHAPTER XIII

"Yes, according to Horwitz. He says he saw the last handful of them leaving the porches in a hurry. The colored musicians and the waiters were in a panic. There had been quite a few people on the floor, and the orchestra was always pretty noisy. Horwitz dropped the sapient remark that people like a lot of pep in the music. Ham's body, he says, lay by the wall a few steps to the right of the main doorway. Apparently he had entered from the front and moved toward the tables in the right-hand corner. He couldn't have been there long. None of the waiters had seen him or taken an order from him. His hat was found nearby, where it had fallen from his hand. The musicians, at the farther end of the room, hadn't seen him at all. They were just a pack of frightened negroes, anyway. The headwaiter, a man known as Albert, a Greek, says he had stepped out to the eastern veranda. All he seems able or willing to recall is that three roughish young men, accompanied by three girls, had a table in that right-hand corner. He thought they'd been drinking before they came in, as the girls were laughing pretty loud; and says he told the waiter, who served also as a bouncer, to keep an eye on them. But the bouncer seems to have been in the kitchen when the shots were fired.

"Between them they ought to be able to identify some of that party."

"They claim not. The man Albert says he didn't single any of them out. He was pretty busy. As he puts it, the boys might have been any three of a thousand of the wild fellows who drive around in automobiles nowadays, and the girls were just painted-up flappers."

"Haven't they a coatroom? How about hats and things?"

"That has been looked into. The coatroom boy says that only a few hats were left with him. Most of the people, he says, leave things in their cars. His story is that after the music stopped he followed Horwitz to the dancing floor, and that when he remembered to return to his post the hats were all gone. That the owners must have slipped in at the front of the building and got them. . . . That's the story. It's pretty baffling."

"Do you know why your brother went out there?"

Homer flashed a quick, thoughtful look. "No, I don't, Stella. It has puzzled me more deeply than I can say."

"He must have had a purpose."

"Of course. But we have no light on that."

"There's no trace of the men who telephoned the warning to your brother?"

"Nothing, beyond the fact that it was rung in from a pay booth in Waltham."

"It certainly seems to indicate some connection between Jazzland and the bootlegging ring. Did they search the place for liquor?"

"Wykeham says they did. And found nothing. We don't seem able to get up that street at all. Of course, if we could dig out Ham's motive in going there we might have something. I'd better tell you, Stella, that the smoke screen people are making unpleasant capital of that. Persistently. Asking why he was there, after all his attacks on the place. Even around the square here, among the merchants. They don't say it to me, but I know the sort of talk that's running round. They've been rather against us, anyway, most of them. Their attitude was that Ham was hurting business by his incessant attacks. 'Making trouble,' 'Bad for the town,' all that sort of talk."

"I begin to think," mused Stella, "that I'd better move pretty carefully. Keep my thoughts to myself. Listen a lot."

"It's the wisest course. We're in a pretty thorny situation, Stella."

"I hope I can help you, Homer. I'll try."

The screen door opened and a huge figure of a man entered; a bearded, elderly man, big in bone and frame, in a wrinkled old suit and a weather-beaten fedora hat, smoking a long cigar. Stella found herself saying, "Why, how do you do, Mr. Harmer?" and submitting her hand to a big grip. Then, as he evidently had something to say to Homer, she slipped back to the other desk and busied herself making notes of the background of the case on a scratch pad. Mr. Harmer pulled up a chair on the farther side of Homer's desk.

none understood more subtly than himself, he might be said to rule the town. Power, petty power, he rather frankly loved. It was his life. And that power was his to an extent that can be found, as a rule, only in these older New England communities, a power that was the greater in that he never appeared to be wielding it. Back of his known judgment and ability loomed the strength of a respected family tradition. And family still means everything in these communities. You could hardly take issue with Joe Harmer in Ackland; not if you wished to live comfortably in the town.

Stella heard him say: "I saw that your lights were on, Homer, and thought I'd step in. I haven't had a chance to tell you how sorry I am."

Homer struck a match and lit his pipe.

The quiet, almost colorless voice continued: "I'm glad to see that you're bearing up, Homer. It's the

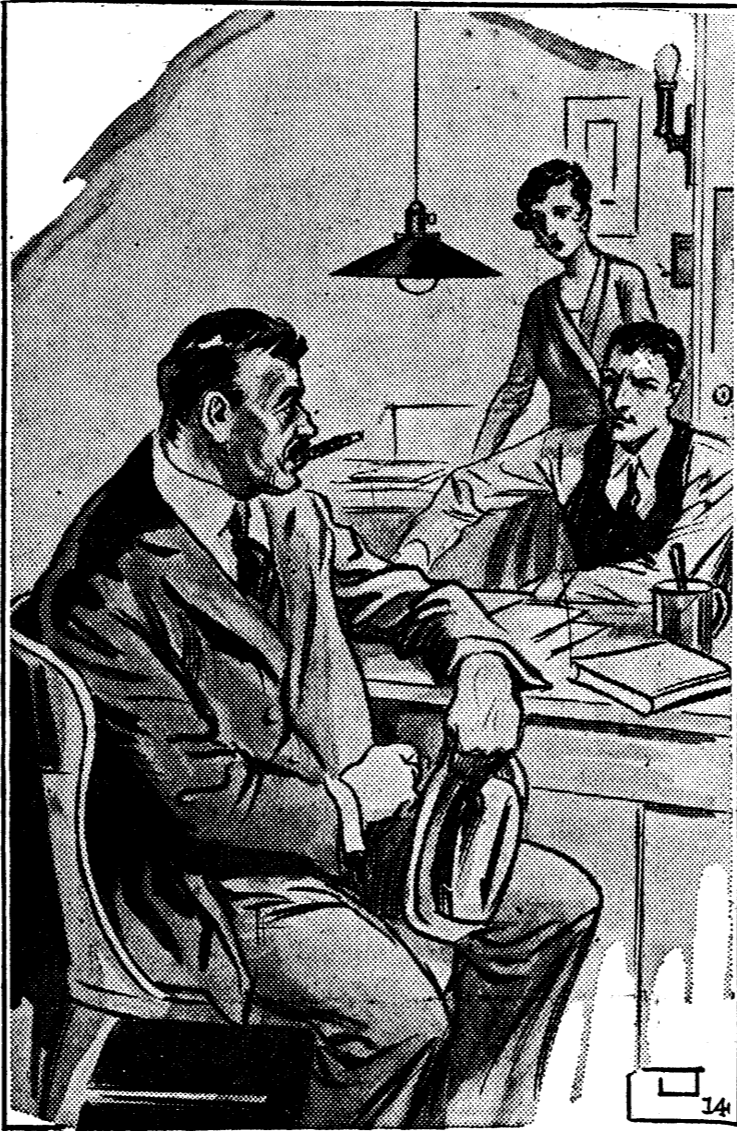
ly, gravely, "I'm keeping that editorial head of Ham's. I've taken up his fight. I think I know pretty accurately what was in his mind. A good deal more than he ever published in the paper. He was killed because he meant business. And I'm taking it up exactly where he dropped it. I mean business, too, Mr. Harmer."

There was a silence. Harmer's ruddy lids fluttered downward momentarily. Then, laying the strip of proof on the desk, he said:

"There's been a rumor around town that you were planning something of this sort, Homer." Then: "I'm certainly not the man to question your brother's principles or his courage, Homer."

The young man's hand tightened on the edge of the desk. "Nobody can raise such a question in this office, Mr. Harmer."

"Certainly not. I'll admit, as an older man, as a very much older man, I have at times questioned his



"Why did you vote to give the license to that roadhouse?"

only thing. . . . I suppose it's a little too early to ask what you're planning to do about things."

"Yes, a little early, Mr. Harmer."

"We're all with you, my boy. Don't forget that."

"People have been wonderfully kind."

"Are you thinking of keeping on with the paper?"

"Why, yes. Yes, I think I'll keep on with it."

"I think we've all hoped you would. The town wouldn't seem normal without some member of the Pew family running the Age."

The older man lowered his voice. Stella, tracing out parallelograms on the pad, heard only: ". . . wouldn't like to see it fall into outside hands . . . too much of a part of the town . . . news that you'd gone to New York to stay . . ."

"I've come back." Homer's voice was firm and vibrant.

"Good! . . . sort of talk we like to hear from a Pew . . . what I was thinking . . . may find it a pretty heavy burden . . . if you need any help . . ."

"Oh, thanks! I think we'll pull things around all right."

Mr. Harmer's voice dropped lower still. He seemed guardedly to be pressing some point. Stella decided she'd better busy herself writing.

But Homer's voice came out: "I don't think so, thanks. There's money enough."

Then faint snatches of a curiously long speech from Mr. Harmer. ". . . such a loss to the town . . . brilliant, really . . . of his father's ability . . . father was one of the best friends I ever had . . . mustn't mind my speaking of this . . . naturally interested in his boys . . . fine to find the old Pew spirit carrying on . . . I'd had it in mind, in case you . . . the voice quieted into little more than a whisper.

"Oh, thanks a lot, Mr. Harmer. But it's really not necessary. I've taken hold and I mean to keep hold."

There was a little more mumbling; then the older man lifted his great bulk out of the chair and extended his hand. Stella could see them without looking up.

"Just don't forget, Homer, that you've got an old friend handy if you need any help. Money, or even advice. And bear in mind, that if you should find the burden getting too heavy, why? . . . he bent forward and mumbled again. Then he lumbered toward the door.

Homer spoke out: "Mr. Harmer!"

The selectman turned back.

"I'm going to show you something."

Miss Curry, will you please give me this week's editorial?"

CHAPTER XIV

He passed the strip of galley proof over to his caller, who stood reading it under the light. Reading it carefully through.

"You see," explained Homer, quiet-

think we want to have you killed, too? My God!"

"It might bring this town to its senses," said Homer, crisply. "It might."

"Wisdom . . . repeated Joe Harmer. Wisdom . . . patience . . ."

He went slowly out.

Homer lowered his pipe and watched the selectman's departure.

Stella, glancing sidelong, found this young man stirring her blood. There were depths in him, and there was flaming courage. What a story!

He remarked (how quiet he was): "Did you hear all that, Stella?"

"Not all."

"He came in to try to buy the paper."

"Oh!"

"Funny! I don't believe he's said so much in fifteen minutes these forty years."

"He knows something, Homer."

"I wonder."

"I felt guilty in him. All that shrewd evasion."

"Oh no, Stella! Not guilty. Joe Harmer may be a lot of things, but Heavens, he's not a murderer!"

"You've made an enemy."

"No. Not me. He came ready-made."

"He's very strong."

"I know." He rose. "But that's for a minute, Stella. The crisp edge left his voice, and his eyes filled. Hers filled, too. Rather silly, but she was on edge, anyway. "I want to run home and see if Kitty's in bed and say goodnight. You see . . . things are still pretty bad at home. Aunt Emma's been prostrated all the week. And Kitty isn't herself. Ham was . . . well, sort of her father. And it's my job now."

She couldn't speak. He put on coat and cap and went briskly out. The screen door closed.

A bell rang. Miss Curry, who was putting on her hat at the mirror in the rear of the room, remarked: "That's Homer's phone."

Stella said: "I'll take it." She moved over to the other desk. "Ackland Age," she said.

"Put Homer Pew on the phone." The voice at her ear was quick, high-pitched, husky. The phrase that leaped rather grotesquely to her mind was "Whisky tenor." And she thought it foreign. Her nerves tightened.

"He's not in."

"You just tell him if he knows what's good for him he'll be thinking he'd better . . ."

The screen door opened. Homer had heard the bell and was returning.

"Wait a minute. Here he is!" She put her hand over the transmitter. "Take the other phone, Homer. I think we'd both better hear this."

He nodded, and lifted the receiver carefully, without a click. "Homer Pew speaking."

"Look here, if you know what's good for you you'll watch your step. Lay off that stuff o' your brother's. Hear me? Lay off!"

"Who is speaking?"

"Aw! cut that! You heard me! Lay off, understand! Or you'll get it good an' plenty!" There was a click.

Stella quickly called the operator. "Where did that message come from? . . . I see." She hung up.

CHAPTER XV

Homer was moving again toward the door. The asthmatic young man looked up, very white, with startled eyes. Miss Curry stood motionless, staring.

"Wait, Homer!" cried Stella. "It came from the booth in the railway station. Here in Ackland!"

Homer's expression had not changed at all. He merely shrugged, and turned again. But Stella was at his side, catching at his arm. "Don't go alone, Homer!"

"It's all right, Stella. The town is well policed now." That was all he said. He had no fear in him; no self-consciousness, even. He went on out; got in his car and drove off. And for a moment Stella's breath failed.

Then she hurried back to the telephone. He had dropped that casual remark about the state police appearing rather wary of the local force. So, quickly, she called the state patrol station. It was more than a mile outside the Center, but they had motorcycles.

Next she called the house of Joseph Harmer. Mrs. Harmer said that her husband was just coming in from the barn after putting up his car for the night. "He's certainly taking his time," muttered Stella, standing tensely by the desk. Finally she heard his voice, and crisply told him of the message.

"Well, well!" said he. "Isn't that too bad?"

"There's a chance for quick action, Mr. Harmer. The man was at the railway station three minutes ago."

"Is Home at the office?"

"No. He's just gone home. There's no time for questions, Mr. Harmer." She hung up with a snap. Cut him off. The man had never hurried in his life. Old Yankee fashion, he pondered, balanced, waited everything out.

"Gosh," muttered the pale young man, with a faint whistle always in his speech, "this is getting on my nerves! And when I came here to work for Mr. Pew ten days ago I thought it would be quiet. Restful. My God!"

Miss Curry had sunk into a chair. She was pressing a hand against her flat breast. "Oughtn't we to be doing something? He mustn't go around alone like that."

"We've done what we can," said Stella. "The truth is, it's hard to know just what you can do. Criminals seem to be able to get away with most everything they like, these days." She sat musing. Spoke again. "It was a queer voice. Some sort of foreigner. Had trouble pronouncing his k's and hard g's."

"I'm beginning to wonder if we're any of us safe," remarked the asthmatic one.

"Oh, you're safe enough!" said Stella. Stung by her manner even more than by her words, he subsided. The telephone rang again. She snatched it up. Listened. Turned

swiftly to the others. "A police call has come in from the Pew house," she said. "That was Miss Page, at Central."

The asthmatic youth leaped up, flushing red. "We'd better get right over there," he cried. "Some of us. I'll call a taxi."

"My car's here," said Stella. "I'll drive you. Never mind your hat!"

Hurriedly Stella started the Ford. The hatless, hard-breathing man leaped in beside her. The rows of shops about the green were dark. The long branches of the elms hung motionless in the still night air. Not a creature was visible, not a car moved. Even the policeman who stood usually on Breckenridge's corner was missing. Ratling and bumping, the Ford dashed through the silent streets.

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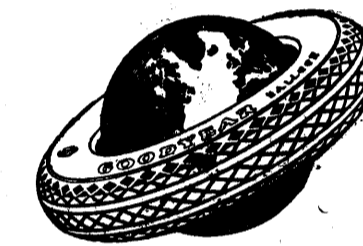
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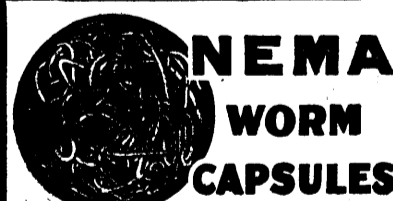
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