

Holt News
Mary Dixon

Cincinnati Trip
Follows Ceremony

A pretty wedding was solemnized at the Brotherhood Temple Methodist church Saturday evening at eight o'clock when Miss Patricia Ringer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Miller of Lansing, became the bride of Hugh Markell, Jr. He is the son of Mrs. Marguerite Markell of Holt and Hugh Markell, Sr., of Lansing.

The couple spoke their wedding vows in a double ring ceremony to the Rev. Glen Carpenter of Holt. Palms, candelabra and tall baskets of flowers decorated the altar on the occasion.

Mrs. Eleanor Cleaves of Lansing was her sister's matron of honor. Roger Markell attended his brother as best man.

The bride was attired in a rose crepe gown with white accessories and a gardenia corsage. Her sister wore a navy blue crepe dress with brown accessories. Her corsage was made of yellow roses.

For her daughter's marriage, Mrs. Miller selected a gray crepe dress and a corsage of pink carnations. Mrs. Markell, the bridegroom's mother, chose a gray crepe gown. She had a red carnation corsage.

A reception was held in the church parlors immediately following the rites for 150 guests. Mrs. Roger Markell and Miss Mary Fay assisted at the reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Markell are honeymooning in Cincinnati, Ohio. They will make their home at 424 S. Washington avenue in Lansing.

Rebekahs Hold Meeting
Holt Rebekah lodge held its regular meeting Monday night with noble grand, Jennie Dennison, presiding. Thirty-four were present.

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Worship: God, Attend Some Church
Sunday, December 26

Loyd G. Caraway, Pastor

10:00 a. m.—Morning Worship, Sermon: "One Qualified to Make Us Acceptable"

11:15 a. m.—Bible Study in the Sunday School

6:30 to 9:45 p. m.—A Full Evening of Youth Activities

7:30 p. m.—Evangelistic service presenting the seventh in the series of sermons on Bible Prophecy

Sermon:—"RUMORS OF WAR AND THE BATTLEFIELD OF THE FUTURE"

The new officers for the coming year, Mrs. Mary Heber and Mrs. Nellie Huser, received their appointments. Plans were made for the joint installation with the Odd Fellows, which will be January 7. A committee was appointed by the noble grand to meet with a committee of Odd Fellows to formulate plans for refreshments. Those on the committee were Martha Menhink, Edith Adcock and Mary Dixon. A meeting of the finance committee will be held December 29 with Mrs. Nellie Ellis.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cornwell and children will spend their Christmas with his parents at Elmsfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Chapman entertained at a family dinner last Sunday in honor of their daughter, Mrs. Wesley Thomas, who was celebrating her birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Griffin will have as their guests Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Roy Darling-ton and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Chambers of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Budd of Holt, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Budd and two children and Mr. and Mrs. William Griffin and daughter of Lansing.

Mrs. Dorothy Pressley of Clare is visiting at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Dolph Heller, and family.

Dale Barnard of Capac visited Thursday and Friday with Mrs. Martha Menhink.

Mrs. Eljer Rockwood was called to Alpena last week by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. Pervo.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Himelberger and Mr. and Mrs. Rina Lott will spend Christmas with their brother, Arthur Zickgraf, and family at Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. William Holmes and sons had a pre-Christmas party with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Lee and family last Sunday.

Mrs. Bertha Menhink of San Diego, California, is spending two weeks with Mrs. Martha Menhink.

Herb Backwood visited in Alpena last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Ellsworth and daughter, Agnes, were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Milborn Surtenast.

Midshipman Keith Price of Corpus Christi, Texas, is home for a two-week leave. Keith expects to get his wings in March and his commission as ensign in June.

The Major Appliance Co., wholesale distributors for Du-Therm and electric appliances, have moved to 728 East Shiloh street, Lansing, in the building occupied by the Farm Bureau.

Mason School News
By Joan Rutch

There will be no Youth Canten dance until New Year's Eve.

"June Bride", the movie starring Belle Davis and Robert Montgomery, will be sponsored by the Juniors class January 8 and 19. The Juniors are still selling Christmas cards. They also sponsored a sandwich sale Friday.

Anchor subscriptions are being sold by the subscription committee. The Anchor staff has been busy working on the yearbook.

Thursday afternoon was the last day of school until classes are resumed on January 3, after the week of Christmas vacation.

First graders in Miss LaVeda Box' room have been busy decorating their Christmas tree and painting pine cones.

In the second grade rooms the pupils have new library books. They have been busy trimming the trees and getting ready for the opera.

The December room committee in Miss Phyllis Byrum's third grade room is: Host, Terry Parisian; hostess, Carol Bowman; penicil sharpener, Ronald Colby; library, Clifford Nichols; wraps, Donald Clippen; and play sheet, Janet Sutherland.

Perfect spell in Miss Marian Rathbone's third grade room for the week were: Joe Bement, Grace Gilmore, Phyllis Ryan, Ruth Judson, Virginia Taylor, Andrew Taylor, Kathryn Stone, Judith Crandall, Curtis Bevier, Judith Plakke, Mary Fieder, Richard Judson, Rodney Caltrider and Georgia Turner.

From Mrs. N. S. Davis' fourth grade room Ronald Fought has transferred to the Hawley district. The girls made their own caps and aprons for the opera. Pupils in both fourth grade rooms have been busy finishing Christmas gifts for their mothers.

There were 16 perfect scores in spelling last week in the fifth grade room taught by Miss Ola Svernerman. Janet Holtz has gone to Florida where she will spend the holidays traveling with her parents. They have been studying about Florida in geography.

In the sixth grade room taught by Mrs. Doris Martin, the children have decorated a tree with lights and tinsel. They have placed a small Bethlehem scene upon the piano. The children have been making madonna pictures for art class.

In the penny march, \$3.84 has been collected for the fund which will be used to help make a merry Christmas for some unfortunate child. The children made a luncheon set and presented to Mrs. Gwen Jensen, the music teacher. Thursday, the Christmas party was held at the school board. Cup cakes and chocolate milk were served by the refreshment committee with candy and nuts bought with the club treasury money. Games were played for entertainment with prizes going to the winners. There was an exchange of gifts.

Many parents visited the room following the opera. Wednesday night, Theresa Forrman sent a Christmas card to the room. The children have been making cards for their teachers and parents.

Herrick
Mrs. Lee Gerhardtstein

Mrs. Louis White entertained the members of the bowling team Friday evening, following the game.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Lamb of Farmington were visitors at the Louis White home last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Cassidy are the parents of a daughter, born Saturday night, December 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis White and daughters spent Sunday in Southfield celebrating a Christmas dinner.

Mrs. Lee Gerhardtstein, Helen and Karen Sue, attend the Christmas exercises at the Methodist church in Webberville Sunday evening.

Vernita Strobel is ill at her home this week.

Mrs. Archie House and Mrs. Elmer House attended a cosmetic demonstration on Friday evening at the Harold Smith home in Webberville.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Semke and family spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Archie House.

Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Shepler of Lansing were callers at the Eldred House home Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Strobel and family visited Mr. and Mrs. George Phillips in Williamston Sunday.

Don Dassens is erecting a new barn.

Mrs. Charles Stafford spent the week end in Detroit. Fred Seitz, a brother-in-law of Mrs. Stafford, died at a Detroit hospital while she was there.

There are 600 hatcheries in Indiana and over 100 million chicks hatched each year in these hatcheries.

The first major event to be televised as far west as the Mississippi might be Truman's inauguration. Television is expected to reach coast to coast in the near future.

Magi Were Priests Of Persian Religion

Along about this time of the year there's a lot written, said and sung about the Magi. Just who were the Magi, anyway?

The Magi were priests of an ancient Persian religion called Zoroastrianism. The Greek historian Herodotus gives a very favorable account of them and their influence in a society which existed four hundred years before Christ's birth.

According to Herodotus the Magi were powerful in public and private affairs. They conducted the education of the young princes, and were in constant attendance upon the king as counselors.

This description of a Magi appears in the sacred writing of Zoroaster: "Thou shouldst call him priest, who sits the whole night through and yearns for holy wisdom that enables man to stand upon death's bridge fearless and with happy heart, the wisdom whereby he attains the holy and glorious world of paradise."

The three Magi, or Wise Men, who followed the Star of Bethlehem and brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh to the Christ child remain nameless, but they were the first to recognize the importance of the birth of the Prince of Peace.

Birthday of Jesus An Uncertain Date

It is not surprising that the day and year of the birth of Jesus are uncertain. For years, eminent scholars have been searching the scriptures, and all possible records, to try to establish an exact date. So far, they have not succeeded.

Matthew states that Jesus was born during the reign of King Herod which helps to establish the period of His birth and this is the starting point from which the scholars attempt to reckon the year.

The statement by Matthew that the wise men from the east, in inquiring "Where is He that is born King of the Jews?" aroused Herod so that he ordered the massacre of all children two years old or less, is very significant. It is taken as proof that Jesus must have been born about two years before this infamous decree was issued.

No less an authority than the Catholic encyclopedia places the birth of Christ in the year which, by our modern methods of keeping track of dates, would be 7 B. C. Thus, Christ's birth does not exactly determine the difference between B. C. and A. D. date.

Most people, however, do not care if the exact day and year of Christ's birth are unknown. What matters most is the deathless vigor of the Christmas Spirit throughout the world.

Christmas Quiz

How much do you and your family really know about Christmas? Try this one on them when there's a lull in the fun. Both children and adults will enjoy matching wits and everybody will learn something more about Christmas.

1. The Christmas custom of kissing under the mistletoe started in (a) Norway, (b) Russia, (c) Holland.

2. The story of the birth of Jesus is described in which two books of the New Testament (a) St. John, (b) St. Matthew, (c) St. Luke, (d) St. Mark?

3. The national Christmas tree of America is located in (a) Indiana, (b) New York, (c) Washington, D. C., (d) California.

4. Who wrote "The Night Before Christmas"? (a) Longfellow, (b) Guest, (c) Moore?

5. There is only one town in the world named Santa Claus. It is located in (a) Holland, (b) England, (c) Indiana.

6. Tuberculosis Christmas seals originated in (a) America, (b) Germany, (c) Denmark.

7. The custom of hanging holly in the window on Christmas was originally started (a) to keep witches away, (b) to decorate the window (c) as an invitation to passers-by to come in.

8. Christmas boxes for the poor originated in (a) France in 1867, (b) ancient Rome, (c) America in 1763.

9. The children of what country get Christmas gifts from a kindly old witch by the name of Befano instead of from Santa Claus? (a) Russia, (b) China, (c) France, (d) Italy.

10. The word "Noel" means (a) new, (b) holiday, (c) born.

Christmas Quiz Answers:

1. a 6. c
2. b-c 7. a
3. d 8. b
4. c 9. d
5. c 10. c

CHRISTMAS 'MOTHER'S DAY'

In Yugoslavia, the second Sunday before Christmas is celebrated as Mother's day. While mother pretends not to notice, one of the children slips in cautiously and ties her feet to the chair. The other children rush in shouting, "Mother's day! Mother's day! What will you pay to get away!" The mother then buys her release with Christmas gifts.



SANTA CLAUS is one of the most precious wonders of childhood. American mothers overwhelmingly agree that he should be portrayed as the spirit of generosity, kindness, and gift-giving.

Although the modern conception of Santa Claus is American, the Spirit of Santa Claus is neither modern nor American. The real Saint Nicholas lived in Asia Minor and ever since his death in 343 stories concerning him have been repeated around the firesides of Europe.

The children of Lapland and northern climates naturally picture Santa dressed in fur and dashing through the snow in a reindeer-drawn sleigh. But in central Europe, St. Nicholas first appeared on his liturgical feast day, December 6, and he was a thin, austere churchman who rode a mule and carried gifts for good children and a bundle of birch rods with which to switch the naughty.

Under Dutch influence St. Nicholas lost his solemnity. The Dutch colonialists who brought him to America were very practical people and they decided against two gift-giving days in the same month. Thus, Sinter Klax-started coming around only at Christmas time.

Santa Gets a Sleigh.

Eventually, ancient legends were woven into American Christmas traditions. Washington Irving sent St. Nicholas flying through Christmasskies in a reindeer-drawn sleigh in 1809. Dr. Clement Moore's poem "The Night Before Christmas," written in 1822, gave Santa a little round belly that shook when he laughed, like a bowl full of jelly; and a series of drawings in 1868 by Thomas Nast added much to the traditional pictures and appearance of the Santa we see today.

In every youngster's life there comes the time when he begins to suspect that the various bewhiskered gentlemen, so numerous during this season, are not exactly the real Santa Claus. Wise parents advance the "helper" theory as soon as they are asked questions and teach their children to make the Christmas dreams of less fortunate tots and their families come true.

Thus, the real Santa Claus isn't just myth or legend. He is the Spirit of Christmas who lives in the sparkling eyes of children and in the hearts of all grown-ups who strive for peace and good will among men.

Derby Neighborhood
Mrs. G. W. Springman

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Brailley and daughter of Lansing, and a cousin and son from Holt spent Sunday in the Ed Ottonian home.

Mrs. Vera Young was hostess to the Derby Extension club at the annual Christmas party. Unusual games and stunts were conducted by Mrs. Ernie Frinkle and Mrs. Niel Mills. A gadget grab bag caused much fun for the members. At the close of the afternoon, the hostess served Christmas cookies, plum pudding and hard sauce and coffee.

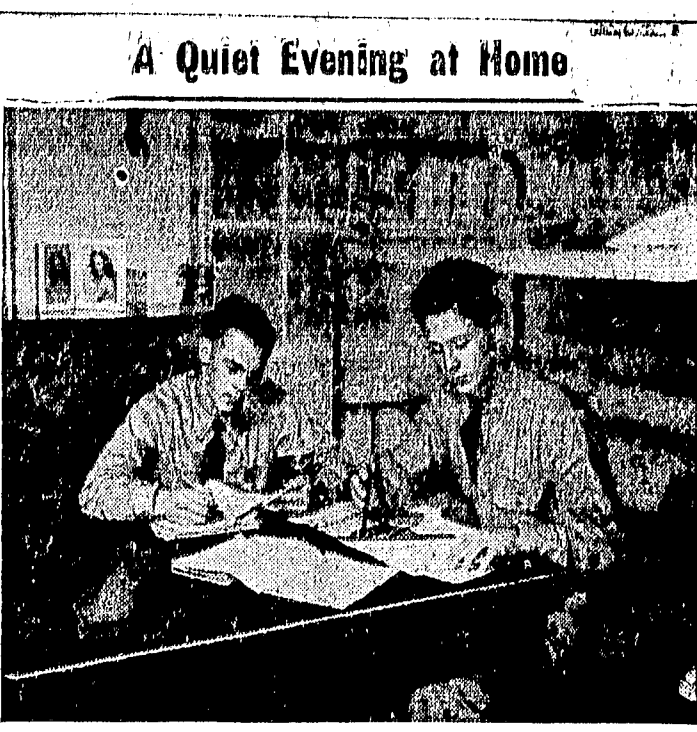
Mr. and Mrs. Dick Smith and daughter were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ottonian Friday evening.

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A Quiet Evening at Home

Tomorrow these Aviation Cadets in training at the Pensacola Naval Air Station will put their homework into actual practice in the skies over the Florida base. Two cadets are assigned to large rooms in brick dormitories. Pensacola Naval Air Station, the "Annapolis of the Air," is the focus of the recently reactivated Naval Aviation Cadet training program, which is open to healthy, single young men between 18 and 25, with at least two years of college. Upon graduation they are commissioned ensigns in the Naval Reserve, or second lieutenants in the Marine Corps Reserve, are awarded their wings and assigned to two years' active duty.

(Official Navy Photograph)

Alaiedon Center
Mrs. Elmer Brown

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Guenther and Junior of Lansing and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Creyts and family of Eaton Rapids visited Mr. and Mrs. Adam Blöschel-Sheimer Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Larner will spend Christmas Day with their son, Murrel Larner, and family of Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cady will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Betty of Williamston.

Charles Force entertained Mr. and Mrs. Vurl Troub and Vurlene, Miss Myrtle Force of Haskell, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Walsh and John of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Swain and family for Christmas dinner Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cady were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Betty and family of Williamston. In the afternoon they attended the concert in the Williamson high school.

Miss Dorothy Stuart of Lansing was a Thursday evening dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fichter and family.

Mrs. Julia Bauer of Bloomington, Indiana, is spending two months with Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Bauer and family.

Rev. Charles Brooks visited the Alaiedon Center school Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Arend and Rosalee will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Hagerman of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Leu and sons and Mr. and Mrs. Otis

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The Alaiedon Center school Christmas program will be held Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the school.

Mrs. Charles Haviland, Mrs. Marshall Styles, Mrs. Elmer Brown and Mrs. Clare Musgrove made the school curtains for the program at the home of Mrs. Elmer Brown Monday afternoon.

Gasoline and automotive excise taxes are now more than 30 percent higher than in 1944.

Twenty-three states are considering bills to boost the gasoline tax.

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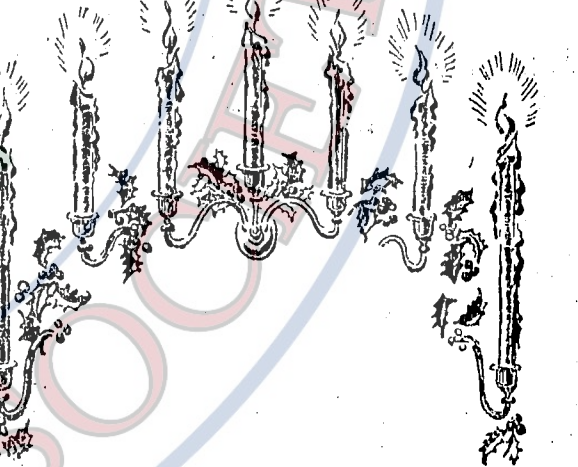


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Firecrackers and Sparklers Herald Christmas in South

As I walked to the neighborhood on a drive every year to encourage drug store this evening, some children along the street were playing with sparklers such as we only see up north when we celebrate the Fourth of July. Not only sparklers, but firecrackers as well are used in the Christmas celebrations down here. They are also used at New Year's celebrations. I don't know where the custom originated but I can never get used to the noise. To me, it seems so strange but one woman who is in her thirties says children in her time were very disappointed if they did not receive firecrackers in their Christmas stockings.

To me, Christmas is a family day—to be spent at home or in the home of someone near to you among friends and family with much of fun and love and good companionship.

I guess I am getting childish for this year—I noticed with growing irritation that Christmas decorations in the stores were appearing so very many weeks before Christmas. They use to wait until Thanksgiving was over to put up the Christmas trimmings but now the pumpkins aren't down from the shelves before the trees and bells go up. It makes me feel that they are trying to high-pressure us into buying and I don't like the flavor of it.

But high pressure or not, it is now upon us, St. Petersburg pits

on a drive every year to encourage outdoor lighting and there are certainly some fine results. You can see Old Saint Nick in more than one place driving his reindeer over the roof tops. Sometimes they go so far as to make an imitation snowman in the front yard.

There is the custom here of decorating the avenue that leads to the million dollar pier. It is lined on each side with Australian pines trimmed into the shape of enormous Christmas trees. Each tree is trimmed and lighted by an especial firm or school. It is, indeed, beautiful although most of us down here would trade all the beauty for a white Christmas. Many of the folks here have not seen snow and the desire to see it stands high in their list of wants.

Yes, it's Christmas—and may I wish for you all the peace and happiness your life needs to survive in this old world. There is none in world affairs—if we are to have any, they must grow in our souls. May your Christmas be both joyous and generous.

ETHEL McDANIEL
P. S. My son and I are on our way to spend Christmas in Indiana with my husband as we could make the trip more easily than he. The best of Christmas wishes.—E. M.



Reading Yuletide Stories Adds to Family Christmas

THE reading of literature's most loved Christmas stories, including the Gospels, is one of the best ways for a family to prepare for the day itself.

A family reading session, planned for the last few days before Christmas, will make it easier for the children to stand the tension of waiting and will add meaning and happy family memories to the occasion.

Christmas is, first of all, religious, and the New Testament accounts of the birth of Jesus ought always to be read first. Both the Christmas tales of Matthew and Luke are beautiful poetry and literature. Perhaps the most famous Christmas book in the world, after the Gospels, is Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," written in 1843. It is a tale which will be told and retold as long as there is Christmas. It is profound enough for the most adult taste and it is still a children's classic.

Henry Van Dyke's "The Other Wise Man," is another story which has become a Christmas classic.

Spiraling Costs Threaten Small Hospital Operation

The existence of many small hospitals has been actually threatened in the past two years by spiraling costs that still continue to climb. Since a hospital is an important professional institution in any community just as are schools, churches and other service of groups, certain facts about them should be available to all members of the community. Here are some of the facts as reported by the Mason General hospital.

Cost of nursing care is probably higher than any other single item. It is influenced to some extent by the physical setup of the hospital and the arrangement of patient and service space, which may require more nursing hours per patient. This is especially true at Mason General hospital, where salary costs top \$2,000 per month. Salaries are approximately 21 percent higher than three years ago with the trend being extra pay to night workers.

Laundry costs in some hospitals have increased 150 per cent and most hospital administrators are generally agreed that the hospital operated laundry is not only more satisfactory from the standpoint of flexibility of service, but more economical, since hospital problems. Laundry at Mason General hospital costs \$250 to \$300 per month exclusive of costs for linen repair, replacement, distribution and sterilizing.

Total dietary costs range from \$700 to \$850 per month in a kitchen no larger than many home kitchens, which serves many more persons.

Anyone who finds it necessary to purchase medicines will fully appreciate the fact that medicines and drugs range from \$500 to \$800 per month. Supplies are equally high. The price of our new electric oxygen tent was \$770. Many other items of cost could be mentioned such as laboratory, X-ray, surgery, supplies and dressings, housekeeping, office supplies, general repairs, and general maintenance, including the premises.

These are only a few of the many expenses which a hospital must meet. Of necessity, allowances must be made for charity and indigents which are community responsibilities, as well as for bad debts. Just as every family

Kipp Community

Loretta Howe

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Burch entertained Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lovette and family, Loren Sweet and Loretta Howe at a Sunday dinner, the occasion being the birthday anniversary of Fred Lovette.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lovette and family were Tuesday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louie Hendershot and family of Rives Junction.

Mrs. Loren Sweet returned home from the Mason hospital where she had been confined since last Thursday with a broken arm.

R. V. Dangler has returned home after several days of line repairing in Iowa.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Weston were Monday evening callers of Mr. and Mrs. R. V. Dangler and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wheeler entertained the card club Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Freshour entertained the birthday supper club at a birthday supper honoring Marie Freshour Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Albert Hill and new baby, Albert Leonard, were taken to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Freshour Tuesday night.

Robert and Crane Stedman spent Sunday with their grandmother, Mrs. Charles Perkins of Holt.

Mr. and Mrs. William Swift spent Sunday evening with Mrs. Fred Ackley of Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Fuller were Sunday dinner guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Swift.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wheeler were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wheeler.

Floyd Jordan of Greenville, is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hench.

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Hospital

Mrs. Clarence Everley of Route 1, Mason entered the Mason General hospital for treatment on December 20.

Richard Gardner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Gardner, was admitted to the hospital on December 19. He is undergoing treatment.

Patients discharged from the hospital during the past week included Roderick Cameron, Edward Casper and Donald Everett of Williamston.

FRANK P. MILLBURY celebrated his 96th birthday anniversary on Sunday. His daughter, Mrs. Lennah Peck, entertained Mr. and Mrs. Philetus Peck and children of Lansing in honor of the occasion.

Millbury has lived in Mason for 81 of his 96 years, moving with his family from Iowa when he was 15 years old. One of 12 children, Millbury began to learn the stone-cutting trade at a marble shop owned by Clark and Cline of Mason. Because he was skilled in drawing, he learned three-dimensional work, lettering and flower carving.

In 1877 Millbury started in business for himself and much of his work still stands as evidence of his skill. He imported red Scotch granite, the only cutter in

this area to do so, and all of the red monuments in the Mason cemetery are his cutting. The soldiers monument in Williamston is also his work.

Cataracts from working with granite caused him to lose his eyesight for two years until an operation restored his vision.

Interest in civic affairs has characterized Millbury's life. He served on the city council for 12 years, was a member of the cemetery board for many years and has been a member of the Methodist church for 76 years.

Millbury makes his home with his daughter, Mrs. Lennah Peck on West Sycamore. There are two other grandchildren, Emma Jean Peck of Lansing and Lawrence Peck of Detroit, as well as five great-grandchildren.

Court Cafe won three and lost one point to Davis Clothing. High team series went to Charlie's Barn, 2408 and Doyle's Service, 2393. High games went also to Charlie's Barn, 838 and Doyle's Service, 826.

High games were rolled by Don VanderVeen, Jr., 206 and Bill Parson, 512 and Ken Sheffer, 509.

Team standing are as follows:
Team W L
Davis Clothing 33 19
Charlie's Barn 28 24
Doyle's Service 28 24
Paristyle Shoppe 26 26
American Legion 23 29
Court Cafe 18 34

Team series for the evening were Jewett's Flower Shop, 2505; Post Office, 2458; Morse's Restaurant, 2396; Jefferson Food Market, 2364; Henson's Modern Dry Cleaners, 2348; Thorburn Lumber and Coal, 2311; Wyeth Incorporated, 2308; Robinson's Motor Sales, 2295; and Mickelson-Baker Lumber, 2228.

High individual games were rolled by R. Swinehart, 236; L. A. Smith, 220; P. Silsby, 214; D. VanderVeen, Sr., 213; N. Ferryby, 207; D. Horton, 204; E. Adams, 202; and H. Hosley, 200.

High series for the evening went to L. A. Smith, 579; R. Swinehart, 568; D. VanderVeen, Sr., 560; N. Ferryby, 545; Clark Hall, 539; R. Bement, 538; O. Cornell, 528; M. Mizer, 526; D. Horton, 523; A. Williams, 521; P. Silsby, 520; R. R. DeMartin, 519; H. Hosley, 517; W. Barker, 511; D. Lyons, 505; John Lay, 501; and A. Snyder, 501.

Team standings are as follows:
Team Points
Jefferson Food Market 30
Ware's Drug Store 29
Post Office 28
Morse's Restaurant 25
Henson's Modern Dry Cleaners 22
Thorburn Lumber and Coal 22
Jewett's Flower Shop 21
Wolverine Engineering 21
Horn's Shoe Store 19
Wyeth Incorporated 18
Robinson's Motor Sales 18
Mickelson-Baker Lumber 17

Business Men's League
High men for Jennings on Tuesday night was R. Edger, who rolled a series of 497. This helped them to win four points from Chevrolet.

Although D. Horton rolled a 525 series for Schmidt's, they still lost three points to Hall's.

F. Frye was high man for the Mason Elevator. He rolled 452 to help them win three points from Silsby's.

Team standings are as follows:
Team Points
Mason Elevator 37
Jennings 36
Silsby's 35
Hall's 33
Schmidt's 26
Chevrolet 25

Young Men's League
Monday night Charlie's Barn took all four points from American Legion while Doyle's Service took four points from Paristyle. Paristyle was knocked from second place, Charlie's Barn and Doyle's are now tied for second.

Farm Bureau Meets January 6

With Carl Buskirk of Paw Paw, Michigan Farm Bureau president, already scheduled for the keynote speech at the Ingham county Farm Bureau annual meeting on Thursday, January 6, program plans for the day-long event are rapidly being completed.

The nominating committee will meet in the forenoon to name candidates for three members of the board of directors and a chairman of the women's group. A pot-luck dinner will be served at noon for which the Farm Bureau will furnish coffee, cream and sugar. Members are asked to take their own table service.

In addition to Buskirk's address, a program of violin duets will be played by Mrs. Russell Robbins and Mrs. Frank Evans. Election of directors and officers will be held during the afternoon session.

The average adult drinks a ton of water a year.

We Will Be Closed
All Day Friday, December 24
Open 7 P.M.
Christmas Day
Mason Recreation
Over the A & P

season's greetings
To all the good friends whose confidence we have enjoyed during the past year, we express our gratitude and sincere wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Wayne's Auto Sales
Wayne Feighner
Lansing

BOB INGRAM
Says—
Merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

Dominion Life
C. B. DIBBLE
Branch Manager
800 OLDS TOWER - LANSING

WE EXTEND TO OUR FRIENDS
The Season's Greetings
Mason Recreation
DON VANDERVEEN, SR.
DON VANDERVEEN, JR.

Bowling
Mason 800 League
Ware's Drug Store, second place team, climbed to within one point of first place on Thursday night by taking all three points from Horn's Shoe store. Total series for Ware's was 2434. Horn's got 2330.

Police Agencies Hold Down Crime
Ingham county's felony conviction rate has been computed at 1.62 persons per thousand residents, according to figures compiled by the state corrections department.

Secret Gifts Left By St. Nicholas
The story of how St. Nicholas became associated with secret gift-giving, and even today comes covertly at night to leave his presents, is one of the most important in the history of his life.

Once upon a time there was a man with three daughters, all of them wishing to marry, but with no dowry forthcoming. Sorry, indeed, was their plight. Their father had about decided to sell them as slaves, but the good St. Nicholas heard of it, and filling a purse with gold, went quietly by night to their home. Seeing a window open, he threw in the bag of gold and then stole away in the night. This money enabled the eldest daughter to marry. A second and a third time St. Nicholas made the trip and finally all three daughters were married.

After the saint's third trip, the girls' father, who had been watching to see who brought the gifts, ran after St. Nicholas and thanked him for his kindness. St. Nicholas made him promise not to divulge his gift-giving and after that he always deposited his presents so secretly that no one ever saw him. Yet people knew, somehow, that it was he who brought gifts during the night, and so whenever they found a package mysteriously delivered they instantly exclaimed, "St. Nicholas has brought it!"

Joy to the World...

To everyone — we wish all the joys of the Christmas season — its warm and gay spirit, a rich and beautiful fellowship, the spiritual goodness of its festive flavor. And may the New Year be one of continued happiness and good health.

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Students Travel Homeward For Vacation From College Campuses

Many students from colleges, universities and business institutions have returned to Mason for the holiday season. Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hodge, students at Berea college, Berea, Kentucky, arrived over the week end to visit Mrs. Hodge's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stevenson.

Donna Densmore, Gloria Rathburn and Doris Calder are home from Elkhart Business university, Elkhart, Indiana. On vacation from Central Michigan college at Mt. Pleasant are Robert Beebe, Joyce Ellison and Jim Brown.

Charles Johnson and Elizabeth Adams, students at Alma college, are spending the holidays with their parents. Home from Western Michigan college at Kalamazoo are Jean Freeman, Marilyn Toppe, Cliff Robert Hall, Darwin Eare and Carol Montague. Albion college students home until January 3 are George Bauer, Kenneth Palmer and Edward Jennings.

Marian Eggers, who is in nurses training at the University of Iowa, is spending a month with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Eggers, Verlie Aseltine, who is completing her senior year at Huntington college, Huntington, In-

diana, is spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Oestler.

Returning from the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor for Christmas and New Year's are Robert Collar, Bill Dart, Joe Dean, Donald Elfert, Harold Frye, Ted Hall, Thom Strope, John Boyne, Paul Hansen and Charles Henderson.

Home from Ferris Institute at Big Rapids are Robert Ware and Tom Shoenaker. Michigan College of Mining and Technology students at Houghton who are home for the yule season are Frank Hart, Ronald Darling, Carl Drosch, Donald Ashtal and Dean Bullen.

Donald Hilliard, a student at Hillsdale college, and Mrs. Hilliard are spending the vacation with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Ross Hilliard.

Bill Ried, who is attending school at Kansas City, Missouri, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Armstrong. He will return to Missouri January 3 to receive classes. Clifford Eddy, who is also continuing his studies at Kansas City, is spending the yuletide season with his parents, the Paul Eddys.

Miss Joan Davis arrived in Mason Wednesday from Chicago to

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Local Couples Organize Club

Five Mason couples met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Kramer Friday evening to organize a club which they have named the Upper 400. Meetings will be held every other week on Friday evening at some member's home.

Ben Wilbur was elected president of the group with Donald Whitney as vice-president; Austin English of Leslie, secretary; James Kramer, treasurer; and John Hamlin, publicity director.

Dues from the club will go to some worthy cause.

At the meetings there will be a potluck supper followed by cards and games.

The next meeting of the group will be on New Year's Eve at the Ben Wilbur home.

4-H Club News

Fancy Doers and Busy Fingers. The fourth meeting of the Fancy Doers and Busy Fingers sewing club was called to order by the vice president, Betty Lou Risch, at the home of Mary Ann Getgen. Songs were sung and the pledges were given. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Roll call was taken and 13 members were present. Dues were collected by the treasurer. As new business, the Bohnet twins presented the treasurer with a recipe for the scrapbook. There was no old business. The business meeting was then adjourned. Sew. Gifts were then distributed by Ariene and Marvin Head.

The next meeting is to be held at the home of Ann Oesterle on December 31. It will begin at two o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Davis and family of Eden will entertain Mrs. Martha Jennings and Miss Sarah Jennings of Aurelius at dinner on Christmas Day.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Phillips Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Crispell of Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lester and family of Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Prince were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ous Townsend and Linda in Lansing Sunday. The occasion was in honor of Mr. Prince's birthday anniversary.

Gift Suggestions

Christmas always brings the problem of what to give him or her. The best way to solve this problem is to first think of the things he or she likes to do. Then, buy a gift that will be suitable for the person's activities.

Here are some suggestions. Even if the person has one of these items he'll not mind having another one.

FOR PEOPLE WHO LIKE GAMES—cards, chess or checkers, ash trays, score pads and pencils, a card table cover, a book about a favorite game.

IF SHE LIKES TO SEW—embroidery package of stamped material complete with threads and directions, pressing shears, a sweater, dress cloth and tailor's cushions, workbag, dress or blouse material, wool and needles.

Mason Couple Wed Tuesday

Bessie Jean Fell and Lyla Loudenslager, both of Mason, were married Tuesday night, December 21, by Rev. E. J. Cross of Leslie. They were married at the home of the minister. Witnesses for the wedding were Mrs. Ariene Ward, sister of the bridegroom and William Durfee, both of Leslie.

Mrs. Loudenslager is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Fell and the bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Verna Loudenslager. He is in the navy and will return to his ship in Philadelphia next week. The bride attends Mason high school.

Organizations

There will be no more dances at the Wheatfield Gleason hall on Saturday night until after the holidays. Dances will be resumed on January 8.

Phil McKernan Corps No. 131 will meet Tuesday, December 28, at the Legion Memorial building at 12:30 for a potluck dinner. The meeting will be held at two o'clock. Members are to take a 25c gift for exchange.

Rene Cremer, Nanice Cremer and Mrs. Sylvia Wilson left Saturday morning for Phoenix, Arizona, to visit Mrs. Wilson's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wilson.

Extension Clubs

Southwest Wheatfield

Members of the Southwest Wheatfield Extension group met at the home of Mrs. Ethel McNitt on Waldo road Thursday, December 16, at 10:30 for their monthly meeting and Christmas party. Eighteen members and four children were present. The business meeting was called to order by the chairman, Mrs. Bertha Everett. Roll call and the secretary's report was given by the secretary, Mrs. Belva Church. Members drew names of women at the Ingham county hospital for pen pals. A communication was received from Mrs. Ella King, who has been in the Women's hospital at Detroit. She is now convalescing at the home of her sister, Mrs. Lewis Bartlett.

A committee of five was chosen to plan on ways of raising money for the flower fund. Dinner was served at noon. Mrs. Bertha Everett and Miss Erma Pollok assisted the hostess. The table was centered with a Christmas centerpiece. There were also Christmas decorations throughout the home.

The birthday anniversaries of Mrs. Ariene Doan and Mrs. Carroll Glynn were celebrated. The birthday cake was baked by Mrs. Bertha Everett.

The leaders, Mrs. Helen Pollok and Mrs. Gertrude Hill, presented the lesson "New Finishes for Fabrics" describing shrinkage control, color fastness and different finishes for fabrics to preserve them and make their color last. They also stressed the importance of looking for labels when buying materials.

Ten members attended the Christmas tea at the Williamston Methodist church Friday, December 3.

Names were drawn for sunshine sisters for the coming year. The guest prize was awarded to Mrs. Bertha Everett. Santa Claus came and distributed gifts to members and the children. Mrs. Florence Smith and Mrs. Lillian Foreman were in charge of the games.

Mrs. Pearl Hogie will be hostess for the January meeting on Thursday, January 20.

South Delhi

The Methodist church in North Holt will be the scene of the South Delhi Farm Bureau meeting to be held on December 30 at 7:30. Mrs. John Fay will be hostess for the group for the potluck dinner. Members are asked to take a 50c gift for exchange.

Large Crowd Attends IOOF Yule Affair

Members of the Rebekah Coterie entertained Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and their families Saturday evening at the annual Christmas party. Two hundred and thirty guests were seated at the tables for the Christmas dinner. Christmas trees, and green crepe paper with marshmallows with red letters saying "Merry Christmas" were table decorations.

Mrs. Nina Carn had charge of the evening's program. Nancy Bray and Carolyn Stone rendered a piano duet. Recitations were given by Douglas Melendy, Larry Melendy, Mary Elaine VanSteele, Judith Hanna, Betty Lou Palmer, Lyle and Ellis Foss, Ruth Ann Mathias and Sandra Coffey. Barbara Powelson recited an original poem, "Day After Christmas" written by Nancy Smith. Songs were sung by Linda Lang, Carol Ann Stone and Billy Bray.

A yule play, "Lessons in Love Making" was presented by Mrs. Ella Lewis, Mrs. David Lillywhite, Mrs. Vernon Snyder and Mrs. Ami Terrill.

Santa Claus arrived at the close of the evening with boxes of candy and popcorn gifts for the children.

Cappo's Orchestra Booked For Party

Tuesday night, December 28, will feature a holiday dance at the Legion Memorial building. The dance is being sponsored by the junior and senior groups of the Mason Child Study club. Joe Cappo and his orchestra will provide music for dancing from 9 to 12. Admission will be by ticket only. On the ticket committee for the affair are Mrs. W. V. Kennedy, Mrs. Joe Cappo and Mrs. Frank Guerriero. Mrs. F. H. Tinkler and Mrs. Donald Seofield will have charge of the decorations.

Mr. and Mrs. V. K. Jones and family of Lansing were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Jones' mother, Mrs. J. B. May of Fogg road.

Georgia and Jean Nihart of Lansing will visit their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hazelton, over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Sweet of Midland will spend the holiday vacation with Mrs. Sweet's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis S. Collar, Robert Collar, a student at the University of Michigan, is also home for the holidays.

Mrs. Erwin Duchane and daughter, Diane, were week end guests at the home of Mrs. Robert Johnson and family at Ludington.

Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Felton and Jimmy of Solon, Ohio, visited the forepart of the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Felton.

CHURCH NOTES

Holt Presbyterian. Vernon T. Smith, pastor. Special Christmas program at 9:30. Candlelight service, 11 p. m. The "Alpha and Omega". Mrs. Charles Berry of Michigan State college will be the guest soloist. At the Sunday services there will be Christmas communion, sacrament of baptism and sacrament of the Lord's supper. The pastor's sermon topic will be, "One More Chance".

Brotherhood Temple Methodist, Holt. Wilson Tennant, pastor. Rev. Harry Maunder of Lansing, pastor of the Mt. Hope Methodist church, will be the guest preacher Sunday morning at 10 a. m. Rev. Maunder is exchanging pulpits with Rev. Tennant, who will preach at the Mt. Hope church. Youth home from college will participate in the service. Methodist Youth Fellowship at 6

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Miller of Danville announced the birth of a son, Ron Burton, on Sunday, December 19.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Cassidy of the Herriek district announce the birth of a daughter on Saturday, December 18.

A son, Albert Leonard, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hill on Sunday, December 19 at the Mason General hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard L. Ribby announce the birth of a son, Walter Charles, at the Mason General hospital on Saturday, December 18.

Gift Suggestions

FOR TRAVELERS—luggage, compact mending or cleaning kit, a camera, film, portable radio, travel iron, flashlight-tipped pencil or key holder, compact shaving kit.

THE OUTDOOR TYPE—hand-dried files, tennis balls in tins, golf balls, nylon fish lines, ski wax, wool socks, new set of mittens for the golf clubs, bright caps and jackets.

THE GARDENER—garden gloves, shears, picking basket, a set of stakes, a new book about gardening, hand sprayer, a peaked cap.

THE YOUNGER SET—her first permanent, watches, crazy sports shirts, his first shaving kit, dancing lessons, their first piece of luggage with their names on it, start her on a set of silver, books about his hobby or some equipment for it.

HOSTESS AT PARTY

Mrs. O. S. Clipper entertained 12 members of the Tat and Chatter club Tuesday evening at a six o'clock luncheon. Following the luncheon, gifts were exchanged by those present.

Yuletide Season Features Parties

Monday night Mrs. Rex Jewett entertained present and former Ingham County News employees at a Christmas party and dinner. Guests included Betty Crum, Mrs. Harry D. Willett, Joan Rusch, Jean Shimevar, Evelyn Brooks, Mrs. Erdman Lipsitz and Lorraine Demore. Lines of type depicting the person's character were used as place cards. Miniature Santa Claus and snowmen were also used as table decorations. After the dinner, gifts were exchanged from a decorated Christmas tree. The diversion of the evening was spent in visiting and playing games.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Humphrey entertained employees of the Dart National Bank and their husbands and wives at a dinner and Christmas party on Monday night. Twenty-eight guests were seated at a table decorated in the Christmas theme. Christmas decorations were featured throughout the Humphrey home. There was an exchange of gifts after which games were played for the remainder of the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Collins entertained at a dinner and Christmas party at their home on Saturday night for their employees. Guests included Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Smith, Mr. and Mrs. James Clatta of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Galvin of Eaton Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morlock of Danville. Employees at Collins Sales and Service were presented gifts from Mr. Collins.

Employees of the Hamburger Deluxe Shoppe and their husbands were entertained at dinner on Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Culham. There were 14 guests for the occasion. Christmas gifts were exchanged.

The youth choir, under the direction of Mrs. Tennant, will rehearse until 6:45. A fellowship hour will follow the rehearsal. Friday, December 24, Christmas communion. Senior choir rehearsal Thursday at 7:30.

PRICE CHANGE
Sunnybrook eggs will be 50c rather 68c per dozen at the A & P store this week end. Price changes were telephoned from Grand Rapids Wednesday morning too late for insertion in the A & P advertisement.

Mysterious static in your car radio can now be eliminated with a powder injected into the tires.

Just Two Days Left

TO PURCHASE THAT GIFT
But Still A Good Selection
Of Gift Merchandise



Ash Tray Sets
6 Glass Trays in attractive holder.
\$2.25



HALL Teapots
Glazed Porcelain Finish
Plain or Decorated

New Aluminum Clothes Hampers

Finished in pastel shades
Hand decorated

Two Styles - \$7.95 - \$8.95

A TRULY FINE GIFT

Pinking Shears

Limited Quantity **\$4.95**

<p>A Fine Tool Selection For the MR. of the House \$39.95 See the Pexto 80-pc. set in case All Pieces Guaranteed</p>	<p>Toasters Westinghouse — Proctor Knapp-Monarch — Universal Dominion \$13.95 to \$22.00</p>
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Bikes — Trikes — Guns — Erectors

Merry Christmas
TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

Our entire staff welcomes this opportunity to extend season's greetings to our friends, and customers and to express our appreciation for your patronage.

Perkins Hardware

(Formerly Dart & Cady)
360 S. Jefferson Phone 4311
Open Tonight & Thursday Night

SPECIAL For The Christmas Holiday Only

One Box Cream Cottage Cheese
and
1/2 Pint of Whipping Cream
Both For 44c

IT'S OUR TREAT!
ORDER EARLY
This special price for Thursday, Friday and Saturday only

Closed Christmas Day
Orders for ice cream delivered as usual

Hall's Dairy

S. Cedar Phone 2-4101



We wish all our many friends the abundant happiness of a Wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Grace Eugene

BEAUTY SHOP

Grace Stone Owner Mary Soper Operator

Christmas Joy 1948

OUR TRADITIONAL WISH FOR YOU IS ONE OF JOY-FILLED DAYS DURING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON.

The Paristyle Shoppe

Daisy V. Smith

SAY MERRY CHRISTMAS with these

Inexpensive Stocking Gifts

For Dad
KEY CHAIN WITH FLASH LIGHT
BRASS BOTTLE OPENER
DECK OF CARDS
His Own Special ASH TRAY
MONOGRAMMED MATCHES

For Mom
Lawn and Linen HANDKERCHIEFS
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CREAM SACHET
VASES and WHATNOT FIGURINES

For The Children
LITTLE GOLDEN BOOKS
JUST SO STORIES
CHILDREN'S STATIONERY
TOYS

There's Still Time For Personalized Gifts
We can give you ONE-DAY SERVICE ON MONOGRAMMING

ZIMMERMAN'S

314 S. Jefferson, Mason Phone 2-1301



Tom's Food Market

141 W. Maple Mason

Want Ads Page 3

CARD OF THANKS—I want to thank the Wheatfield Women's Society of Christian Service for the plant, the Wheatfield Community Aid for the basket of fruit and relatives and friends for the cards, candy and fruit sent me during my stay in the hospital. Floyd Backus. 52w1p

CARD OF THANKS—I wish to thank all the people who have helped us in every way during and after our wife and mother's illness and death. We especially wish to express our gratitude to the staff of the Mason General Hospital for all of their kindness. Rex Fineout and family. 52w1

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MERRY CHRISTMAS

To one and all go our sincerest wishes that this be the Happiest Christmas ever!

**Goble's
Radio Service**
Mason

**Personal Attention Is Assured
At Collins**

Whether it's a minor or a complete overhaul you want done on your car, Collins is the place to go. Our trained service crews are ready to give your car or truck the attention it needs. Save costly repair bills and drive out today.

Collins Sales & Service
222 S. Cedar Phone 24291

Yuletide Christmas

The old message of "Peace on earth, good will to men" echoes again over the entire Christian world in this happy holiday season. Harking back to the spirit of the first Christmas, we wish for you all the joys and blessings of the season.

Lansing Ice & Fuel
Henry Fries, Manager

CARD OF THANKS—Words cannot express our thanks and appreciation for the many acts of kindness, messages of sympathy and beautiful floral offerings received during the return and burial of our beloved son. We thank the Gold Star Mothers, the Wycliff Post of the American Legion, Rev. W. A. Gregory, Gorsline Brothers, and the classmates who acted as pallbearers. Mr. and Mrs. Grover Rector and family and Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Teremi. 52w1p

CARD OF THANKS—I wish to thank Mrs. Hubert Roy, Mrs. William Crowe, Mrs. LeRoy Hazel, Mrs. Margaret Howe, Mrs. Ben Wilbur and Mrs. C. G. Owens for helping me celebrate my birthday anniversary on December 14. The birthday presents and gifts were greatly appreciated. Mrs. Minnie Nice. 52w1

CARD OF THANKS—I wish to thank all my loyal friends for the beautiful cards, letters, flowers and fruit which I received and enjoyed immensely during my illness. It makes life worth fighting for when one knows they have so many loyal friends, for a friend in need is a friend indeed. Mrs. Thomas Hoyland, Webberville. 52w1

CARD OF THANKS—I wish in this way to thank all my friends and relatives for the beautiful plants, flowers and cards sent to me during my two weeks stay at the hospital. Mrs. Hazel Kram. 52w1p

CARD OF THANKS—My recent sad loss leaves me with a grateful heart toward neighbors and friends. Their comforting expressions of sympathy and thoughtfulness will always be remembered. I especially thank the Community Aid, Rev. Luren Strait and Rev. Wilson Tennant, VanTown Community and Mr. Gorsline, Mrs. Herman Schray. 52w1p

**A GOOD JOB FOR YOU
U.S. Army**
CHOOSE THIS FINE PROFESSION NOW!

Tax Payments

NOTICE—Mason city taxes can be paid every Thursday and Friday, 12:00 to 3:00 at Farmers Bank; Saturday 9:00 to 12:00 at Dart Bank, except December 25 and January 1, beginning December 16 through February 28. No collection fee until January 30, thereafter 4 per cent. Mrs. Doris Austin, treasurer. 52w8

ALAIEDON TOWNSHIP taxpayers—On December 11 and 12, January 8, 15, 22 and 29 I will be at the Dart Bank from 9 to 12 to receive payments for taxes. I will receive payments at my home on Friday, B. F. Arend, township treasurer. 50w8

NOTICE—White Oak township taxes may be paid at the White Oak town hall Friday, December 17, from 10:00 to 3:00 and at my home every Friday until March 1, 1949. Charles C. Gauss, treasurer. 50w11

VEVAY TAXPAYERS—Taxes may be paid at the Farmers Bank each Saturday until March 1, except December 25 and January 1. Instead I will be at the bank on Friday, December 24 and Friday, December 31, from 12:30 to 3 p. m. Mrs. Fred LoVette, township treasurer. 51w4

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS—Wheatfield township will be at the Peoples State Bank, Williamson to collect taxes on December 31, January 8, February 19 and 26. I will accept payments at my home each Wednesday and Saturday from 9 a. m. to 2 p. m. George VanDemark, treasurer. 51w11

INGHAM TOWNSHIP Taxpayers—Beginning Friday, December 24, I will accept tax payments each Friday at my home until further notice. A. C. Dowling, township treasurer. 51w5

AURELIUS TAXPAYERS—I will be at the Farmers Bank Saturday, December 18, 9 to 12 a. m. and Friday, December 24 and 31, from 1 to 3 p. m. During the next two months I will be at the Farmers Bank January 15 and 29, and February 5, 19 and 26, from 9 to 12 a. m. Monte Snow, township treasurer. 51w11

LEGAL NOTICE

DETERMINATION OF HEIRS
MOORE—January 10, 1949
State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Ingham.
At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office, in the City of Mason, in said county, on the 21st day of December, A. D. 1948.
Present: HON. JOHN McCLELLAN, Judge of Probate.
In the matter of the estate of MARY I. MOORE, deceased.
Roy B. Moore having filed in said court his petition praying that said court adjudicate and determine who were at the time of her death the legal heirs of said deceased and entitled to inherit the real estate of which said deceased died seized.
It is ordered that on the 10th day of January, A. D. 1949, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at the Probate Office at 216 American State Bank Bldg., Lansing, Michigan, he and he is hereby notified for 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 Ingham County News, newspaper printed and circulated in said county.
JOHN McCLELLAN, Judge of Probate
David C. Batty, Register of Probate. 52w3

Farm Bureau

Delhi-Aurelius
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Buckingham were hosts to the Delhi-Aurelius Farm Bureau on December 14 for a gift exchange and business meeting. "Should the state government be reorganized" was the discussion topic, led by Frances Cosgray.
Aurelius Center
The Aurelius Center Farm Bureau met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Fanson last Friday evening for their annual Christmas party and exchange of gifts.

MASON MARKETS

Wheat 22
Beans 5.75
Soybeans 2.15
Buckwheat, cwt. 1.80
No. 2 Yellow-Corn, shell 1.25
basis 1.41
No. 2 Rye 1.48
Rye 1.48
Oats77 - .80



GOOD JOB—How would you like the job of delivering boxes of mistletoe during the Christmas season? Nice work—if you can get it.

CHRISTMAS SALES—Christmas retail sales which last year were over 12 billion dollars might be equalled again this year, according to a retailer's publication. Reasons for another record year were given as accent on uncluttering and other services non-existent since pre-war years and the return of competition and consequent lower prices.

Food Variety Needed
No one food is complete in all nutrients. Variety is essential.

18 Agencies Join to Raise Funds In One United Appeal

Eighteen health and welfare agencies, raising money in Michigan, have joined the United Health and Welfare Fund of Michigan to take part in the first annual federated appeal for state and national health and welfare agencies. In January-February, J. M. Shackleton of Saginaw is president of the fund.

"Twenty-four agencies were asked to join the fund," Shackleton said. "It is gratifying to the sponsors that 18 have elected to join in this attempt to solve the problems caused by a more orderly and business-like plan of giving to health and welfare causes."

"It is regrettable that six of the larger agencies now conducting individual campaigns have not yet joined this pioneering effort," Shackleton continued. "We feel that throughout our negotiations there was, in fact, only a difference of opinion on the manner in which counties should raise money to support the services of these agencies. Most of them pointed out their inability to negotiate on the state level because of national policy which forbade federation; however, even though this national policy prevails, many counties, towns, cities and business firms will set up one inclusive campaign."

Shackleton pointed out that the proposal that these agencies join in a single campaign is merely applying a principle that has become time-honored through Community Chests where in a single campaign

Welfare League, Family Service Association of America, American Social Hygiene Association, National Organization of Public Health Nursing, National Travelers Aid Association, National Child Labor Committee, National Federation of Settlements, National Urban League, National Social Welfare Assembly, National Association of Legal Aid Organizations, Camp Fire Girls, and American Federation of International Institutions.

The National Community Service Organizations were recommended by the national budget committee, which was set up to view and approve budgets of agencies which choose to submit budgets voluntarily.

The United Health and Welfare Fund of Michigan, Inc., was organized at a meeting called by Henry Ford II in July, 1947, which brought together representatives from all parts of the state. Negotiations with the agencies have been conducted over a period of a year and organization work has proceeded in the counties. County Committees have been organized, or are in the process of organization in 61 counties of the state. They are: Allegan, Alpena, Antrim, Arenac, Tuscola, Washtenaw, Wayne and Westford.

Directors of the United Health and Welfare Fund of Michigan, Inc. from Ingham county are: Eugene Allaman of East Lansing, and C. L. Brody, M. P. Cotes, Edward G. Hackler, Henry B. Hurd, R. F. McKim, and John Reid, all of Lansing.

Red Cross, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, American Cancer Society, Michigan Tuberculosis Association, Michigan Society for Crippled Children and Disabled Adults, and American Heart Association have not yet joined the fund. "The door was thrown wide open on two successive years," Shackleton said, "and the door still is open for these organizations to participate on a statewide or community basis."

Christmas Went Underground With Puritan Ban of 1644

THERE was a time when Christmas went underground. People who advocated Christmas were in danger of arrest and imprisonment and it looked as though Christmas was on its way out.

It all happened around 1644 when the Puritans in England forbade any merriment or religious services, by act of parliament, on the ground that it was a heathen festival. What resulted was much grumbling, breaking of the law and a Christmas underground which wrote and distributed pamphlets in favor of Christmas.

In 1648, for instance, was published "Canterbury Christmas." This pamphlet gives an account of the subsequent proceedings after the Cryer of Canterbury had upon Wednesday, December 22, "openly proclaimed that Christmas day and all other superstitious festivals should be put down, and a market should be kept on Christmas day. Which being not observed, (but very ill taken by the country) the

town was thereby unserved with provision and trading very much hindered; which occasioned great discontent among people, caused them to rise in a rebellious way."

Among the rarest of the pamphlets issued at that time is one entitled "The Examination and Tryal of Old Father Christmas." In this little volume, "one old Christmas was commanded to be brought to the Bar, then was a jury for Life and Death to be impaneled." The Judge was called Judge Hate-bate the Sheriff's name was called Leonard Love-peace."

In the end Christmas is acquitted, but is cautioned by Judge Hate-bate: "for avoiding all such scandals as have been cast upon you for the future, do think fit to admonish you, that you remember your Office is not so much to feast the Body, as to refresh the Soul, by thankful and pious Meditations."

Charles II re-established Christmas in 1678 and "Jolly Old Father Christmas" has never had to stand trial since.

Leslie

By E. J. Cross.

Rites Held Tuesday For Mrs. Nettie Hemstreet
Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon from the Behrens funeral home for Mrs. Nettie Hemstreet, 71, who was found dead on the floor of her home on Meeker street, Saturday morning. She evidently arose some time during the night and suffered a stroke, which felled her to the floor. Rev. Paul Tucker, minister of the Leslie Baptist church, conducted the funeral services with burial in Woodlawn cemetery.

Her husband, Clarence H., died 11 years ago.
She is survived by two sons, Wilbur and Bernard, both of Leslie; a daughter, Mrs. Hugh Morehouse of Pitchburg; and two sisters, Mrs. Carrie Foster of Caro, and Mrs. Lizzie Murrill of Bay City.

Mrs. Hemstreet was a member of the Women's Union of the Baptist church, the Outlook club and the Stitchery club.

Pastor Transferred
It was announced in the Methodist church Sunday morning that the Rev. Earl Carpenter was to be transferred from the Maple Rapids Methodist church to the Leslie and Felt Plains churches to begin his pastorate here Sunday, January 2. Rev. Carpenter is the son-in-law of the Rev. Elwin K. Lewis, whose ministry with the Leslie and Felt Plains churches was terminated by his sudden death November 2.

Present Church Exercises
Christmas exercises were held in the Leslie Methodist and Congregational churches Sunday evening. Mrs. Malcolm Stuart presented the Christmas story in picture and music at the Baptist church the same evening. The Sunday school exercises at the Baptist church will be held Christmas Eve.

Name Guild for Mason Girl
The members of the World Wide guild of the Leslie Baptist church have named their local organization the Ceila Allen guild, after a Mason girl who is in missionary work among the Chinese on the west coast. She is now taking advanced training in Chicago.

Hold Christmas Party
The Christmas party of the Leslie Lions club was held Monday evening. After a chicken supper, served by the women of the Methodist church, there was the singing of Christmas carols and the exchange of gifts between the members, and some guests.

Dies of Suffocation
David James Miller, two-year-old son of P. W. and Mrs. Myron

Miller, died suddenly Tuesday morning at the family home on Mill street. Death was due to suffocation caused by the inhaling of food the evening before. The father is serving with the army of occupation in Korea. Besides the parents, a baby sister, Carolyn Ann, survives. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon from the Jupp funeral home.

Injured in Accident

Mr. and Mrs. James D. Hill, 77, of Kalamazoo, were injured Sunday morning as they were coming to Leslie to visit their daughter, Mrs. Winifred Gordon. Near the north city limits of Jackson their car was demolished as it skidded on highway US-127 and struck an utility pole. Both were treated at Mercy hospital, Jackson. Mr. Hill suffered minor back injuries and Mrs. Hill was bruised on the chest. Later Mrs. Hill was taken to the home of a daughter living in Kalamazoo and in a few days Mr. Hill will be brought to the home of Mrs. Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Covert have left to spend the winter in Florida.
Donald Foote, 13, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Foote slipped on a sidewalk here Saturday and suffered a head cut. He was taken to Foote hospital, Jackson, for treatment and was later released.

Obituary

Miss Laura Doble
Funeral services were held at the Ross B. Northrup funeral home in Detroit Thursday for Miss Laura Doble, 65, a former resident of Mason. Miss Doble was the daughter of the late William and Lulu Doble, and was born in Alameda, Michigan and graduated from the Mason high school. Grave side services were held Thursday at 2 p. m. at the Maple Grove cemetery. There survives the sister, Mrs. A. A. Bergman of Mason, but who is spending the winter months at Grandton, Fla., and a brother, Elmo Doble of Flat Rock, also a nephew and niece of Detroit.

William Kendrick
William Kendrick, 87, a lifelong resident of Ingham township, died at a Lansing hospital Wednesday evening. Funeral services will be conducted from the Jewett funeral home Saturday at 2 p. m. with Rev. F. A. Lendrum of the Dansville Methodist church officiating. Members of Dansville F. & A. M., No. 160, had charge of the services. Mr. Kendrick is survived by several nieces, and nephews.

A bathtub pre-heater is on the market for those who shrink at the thought of resting their persons on cold porcelain!

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Church Notices

Mason First Baptist, Day 1. Curaway, pastor. Services, Sunday, December 26, 1948. Morning worship service, 10:00 a. m. sermon, "One Qualified to Make Us Acceptable," 11:15 a. m. Bible school with classes for all ages. Youth Fellowship, 6:30 p. m. with Bible lesson presented by Mrs. Curaway. 7:30 p. m. evening evangelistic service presenting the seventh in the series of Bible prophecy sermons. Topic: "Brimons of War and the Battlefield of the Future." December 31, 8:30 p. m. New Year's Eve watch night service, January 2, 7:30 p. m. service of Christian baptism.

Mason Methodist, Henry Liddecoat, pastor. Morning worship 10 o'clock. Student recognition Sunday. Students home from college will take part in the service. Sermon: "The Season in Retrospect and Prospect." Talk on "Religion in Education" by George B. Fox. Church school 11:15. Youth Fellowship, 6:30. Program for young people by young people. Church and church school Christmas party Thursday evening, December 23. Family night supper. The meat and drink will be supplied by the church school. The rest of the supper will be cooperative. Take your own table service. The Christmas program will be given by the pupils in our Christian education department. Take white gift offerings for the support of our children in the Children's Village in Detroit.

Williamston Center Methodist—W. A. Gregory, pastor. Worship service, 9:30 a. m. Church school, 10:30 a. m.

Williamston St. Mary's Catholic—Fr. Joseph E. Weber, pastor. Saturday confession, 7 p. m. Sunday services, 7:30 a. m. Powlerville, 9 a. m. Christmas Eve, midnight mass.

Williamston Free Methodist—H. G. Rousley, pastor. Church school, 10 a. m. Worship service, 11 a. m. and 8:15 p. m. Young People's service, 7:30 p. m. Prayer service, Thursday 7:30 p. m.

Williamston Nazarene—W. H. Carpenter, pastor. Church school, 10 a. m. Worship service, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. N. Y. P. S., 7 p. m.

Williamston Christian Science Society, Legton building, December 28. Subject, "Christian Science." Church school and worship service 11 a. m.

Williamston Wesleyan Methodist, Rowley—G. E. Miller, pastor. Church school, 10 a. m. Class meeting, 11 a. m. Worship service, 11:30 a. m. and 8 p. m. W. Y. P. S., 7:30 p. m. Prayer service, Thursday 8 p. m.

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Eden United Brethren, J. R. Gibbs, pastor. Sunday school, 10:00. Morning worship, 11:00. Senior Christian Endeavor, 7:30. Evening service, 8:15. Tuesday: Young People's Christian Endeavor, 7:45; choir practice, 8:15. Wednesday: Cottage prayer meeting, 8:30, with Mr. and Mrs. Clare Walters. Friday: Family night and watch night service at the Andrews home. "We Believe in Jesus Christ" will be the topic Sunday morning, December 26. This is another in the series on what our church believes.

Mason Church of The Nazarene, Murray L. Morford, minister, 10:00 a. m. Sunday school, Gerard Pierce, assistant superintendent in charge of the school. 11:00 a. m. morning worship. Sermon topic used by Rev. Morford, "Examination Day." 6:30 p. m. Youth groups. Marilyn Benham, leader. Evangelistic service 7:30 p. m. Wednesday evening, prayer and praise service. New members received at recent services were Fred Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dakin and Mr. and Mrs. George Turner and son, Harold.

Bunker Hill Seventh Day Adventist, Church service 10:00. Sabbath school 11:00. Elder Sherman of Lansing will speak.

Levitt Baptist, Paul E. Tucker, pastor. Sunday school 10:00. Worship service 11:00. Sermon: "Why God Became Man." Special music by choir. Fellowship hour 7:30. Prayer service Wednesday at 7:30. Choir practice 8:30. Watch night family program Friday at 8:00.

Dansville Methodist, F. A. Lendrum, pastor. Church school 10:00. Worship service with message by the pastor at 11:00.

Wheatfield Methodist, F. A. Lendrum, pastor. Worship service with message by pastor at 9:30. Church school 10:30. M. Y. P. service 7:00.

Dansville Free Methodist, H. V. Cummings, pastor. Sunday school 10:00. Worship service 11:00. Y. P. M. S. service followed by a message by the pastor. Regular church prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30.

Mason Presbyterian, Marshall W. Simpson, pastor. Church services, 10 a. m. Rev. Simpson's sermon topic will be "Faithful and True." Nursery at 10 a. m. Sunday school at 11:15. Both choirs will sing during the morning service. Westminster Fellowship meets at 6:30 p. m. Colored slides of the Christmas story will be shown with Zoanne Migrants as narrator. Two little girls were baptized Sunday. They were Barbara June Hoppe, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. August Hoppe of Lansing, and Marcia Sue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Strait of Mason. Twelve new church members were also received. They were Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Cady, Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Lott, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Rice, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Strait, Jan Dart, Mrs. Rollin Dart, Caddie Newman and Joan Wilson.

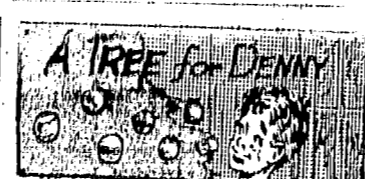
Mason Catholic Mission, corner of S. Jefferson and Cherry streets. There will be three masses Christmas morning. Mass will be said at 8:30, 9:30 and 10:30.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Mason, holds services at the church, corner of Oak and Park streets every Sunday at 11:00. Sunday school is held during the services for pupils up to the age of 20. Wednesday evening meeting at 8:00 includes testimonies of Christian Science healing. A public reading room is open at the church every Wednesday and Saturday from 2 to 4. "Christian Science" will be the subject of the lesson-sermon in all Christian Science churches throughout the world on Sunday, December 26.

Stockbridge Presbyterian, Dr. F. G. Behner, pastor. Dr. Behner will preach on the subject, "Have We Taken Jesus Seriously?" next Sunday morning.

Stockbridge Baptist. On Christmas Eve at 8 o'clock the children of the Sunday school will give their Christmas program and have a tree at the church. Sunday morning worship hour 10:00. Rev. P. R. Orther of Jackson will deliver the sermon. Sunday school at 11:15. Coming date—Jackson Baptist association, January 10 at Charlotte.

Douglas
Rexine Glynn
Many from the neighborhood attended funeral services for Pvt. James Edward Rector at the Gorsline funeral home Saturday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock.
Mr. and Mrs. Wirt Warner attended the wedding of Fenton C. Coughorne and Ruby Lee Seese at the Mary-Sabina chapel in Lansing Saturday afternoon at two o'clock.
The Southwest Wheatfield extension group met Thursday, December 16, with Mrs. Ethel Mc Nitt on Waldo road.



EVERY day for a week old Oliver had been passing their house in his wagon loaded with pine and cedar trees.

"Christmas trees cheap!" he shouted. "Christmas trees—two dollars. On-l-y two dollars..."

He was passing now, and Marge, washing the few dishes she and Denny had soiled at their noonday meal, wished she could hear the sound of his shouting voice.

Joe always bought old Oliver's trees. "Old Oliver needs the money," he'd say. "And our old car just wouldn't take the bumps of a hunt for a tree in the country around here."

Old Oliver hesitated in front of the little house, repeating his chant until Marge thought she must go to the door and tell him to stop. She



"Denny, dear," she said thickly, "we're not going to have a tree this Christmas. Daddy isn't here to help decorate it, and besides—Santa will come without a Christmas tree."

and Joe had explained to him the first time they'd bought a tree just the kind they liked. It had to be so tall and so big around. It had to be cedar with clusters of blue berries on it. Old Oliver always had the kind of tree they wanted.

Little Denny ran into the kitchen from the front room.

"Mommy, there's ol' Oliver," he said. "Mommy, he has our tree..."

Marge dried her hands and knelt to gather little Denny in her arms. "I know he has, dear," she said, making herself look at him. Since last January when the horrible car accident had taken Joe away from her, she'd had difficulty in looking at Denny. Denny had Joe's rumpled dark hair, his dark eyes, the deep cleft in his chin. A sob caught in Marge's throat. "Denny, dear," she said thickly, "we're not going to have a tree this Christmas. Daddy isn't here to help decorate it, and besides—Santa will come without a Christmas tree."

"I'll help decorate it," Denny said. "I did last year."

Marge pressed Denny close. "I know, dear—" she said, poignant memories of last Christmas crowded her so that she couldn't talk for a moment. She could see Joe teetering on the ladder to put the star in the top of the tree.

"I can help, Mommy..." Denny insisted.

"You could, dear, but we don't want a tree with Daddy gone. Someday, dear—oh, I hope it never comes to you—you'll understand why Mommy didn't want a Christmas tree!" She rose to her feet hurriedly feeling a rush of tears.

"I'll get your wraps, Denny, and you can play outside in the snow for awhile."

Shadows lengthened in the little house before it came to Marge with frightening realization that it had been all of three hours since Denny had left the house.

"Denny—DENNY!" She ran out on the porch and down the steps, her slim unprotected feet and legs sinking into the deep snow that had banked there. "DENNY—" The echo of her voice came back to her in mocking horror across the white stillness of the little yard.

A cold wind swept against her as she stood at the gate looking up and down the street and calling Denny's name. It was a horrible moment, one in which she knew she must have aged twenty years, and one in which she saw in heart wrenching clarity her unfairness to Denny in harboring a self-centered grief over her loss of Joe to the extent of his safety, his protection, his veritable happiness.

A familiar wagon made the turn at the end of the street, and Marge recognized old Oliver and his load of Christmas trees. His chant rang out again, "Buy your Christmas tree now! On-l-y two dollars..."

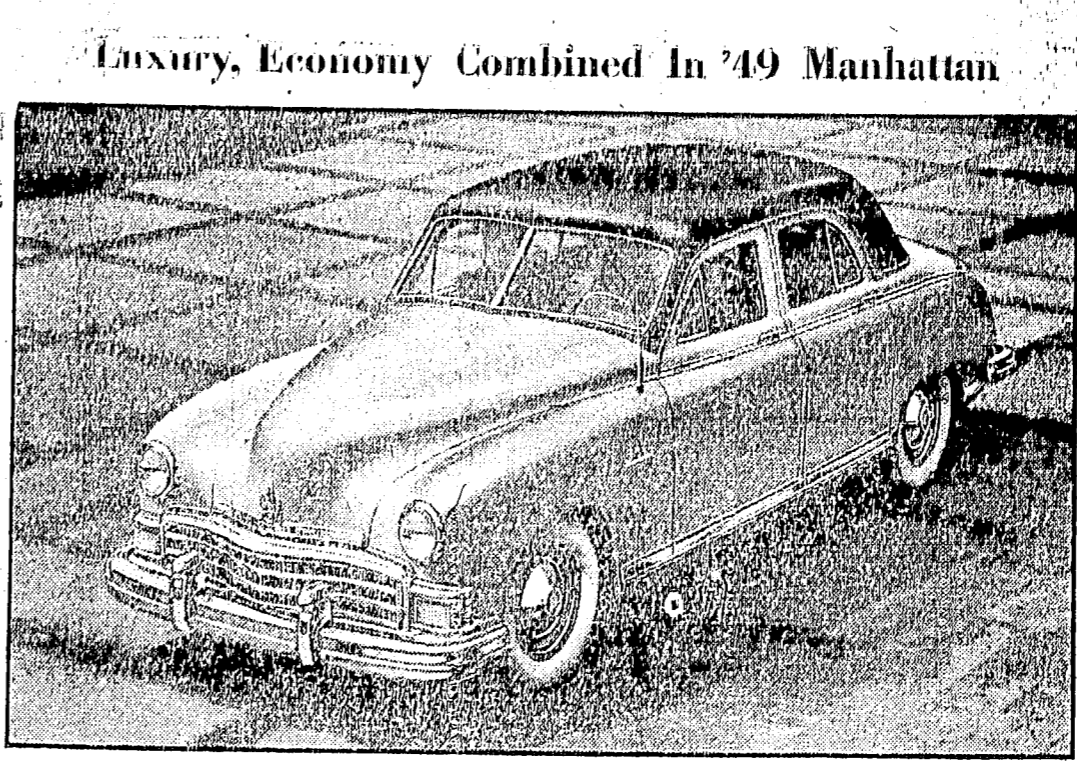
Marge shrieked against the wind, "Oh, don't—please don't!" Then she saw Denny—little brown garbed Denny sitting up in the seat by old Oliver!

The wagon stopped by the gate, and old Oliver grinned as Denny climbed down into Marge's reaching arms. "He likka th' ride. He..."

Marge didn't give him a chance to talk. "Do you have our tree, Oliver?" she asked.

Old Oliver chuckled and jumped down from the wagon. "All a week I've had your tree," he said.

"Just put it in the yard," Marge told him. "Why, Denny and I couldn't do without our tree!"



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FIGHTING TUBERCULOSIS, the World Health Organization and the U.N. International Children's Emergency Fund with the Danish Red Cross are examining 50,000,000 European youngsters and vaccinating the uninfected. Here a girl is checked for tuberculosis.

House! Mrs. Kenneth Baker

The House Extension club held its Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Howard Jackson on Tuesday. After the dinner a program was given and an exchange of gifts was held.

Elwin McCreery of Huntington, Indiana, spent Saturday night and Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul McCreery.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Galloway entertained at a birthday supper on Friday evening in honor of Kay Galloway's fourth birthday anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Bott and family of Waterloo and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Audd of Los Angeles, California, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Green.

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Lutheran church, Missouri Synod, Methodist, Presbyterian U. S., Presbyterian U. S. A., Presbyterian United, Protestant Episcopal, Reformed Church in America, Romanian Orthodox Episcopate of America, Russian Orthodox Church of North America and Serbian Eastern Orthodox Church.

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Septic Tank Cleaning Is Regulated

Applications for annual permits for persons or firms to engage in the business of cleaning septic tanks and other sewage disposal facilities in Ingham county have been mailed to the eight operators who registered voluntarily a year ago, reported Dr. R. Lanling, director of the Lansing-Ingham county health department Wednesday.

Ingham county sanitation regulations, revised August 26, 1918, now require that the business of cleaning and removing of sewage from any type of sewage disposal facility may be conducted only by written permission of the health officer. The regulations require that suitable equipment be used for removing sewage without causing unnecessary nuisance. The regulations hold the operator responsible for replacing the cleaned unit in the same structural condition as before cleaning. Controls

also apply to the final disposal of sewage cleanings.

"We have had too many complaints on insanitary operations and structural damage in this type of activity, and are particularly interested in keeping up with unskilled operators whom we suspect have caused most of the trouble in the past," continued Dr. Lanling. The Chamber of Commerce is also concerned over reports of unreasonable charges and other unbusinesslike practices.

"We are advising property owners to check on permits of persons engaged for this type of service and refer unregistered operators to our offices," concluded the health official.

Old family recipes are being collected in book form by a Maine women's organization and will be published as a means of raising funds.

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YOUR LOCAL COMMITTEE IS NOW ACCEPTING CONTRIBUTIONS

A minimum of 76 counties will assemble CROP Christmas Spirit carloads of food for overseas relief during the weeks of December 27 to January 10 throughout Michigan. The train will be assembled on January 18 for the dedication ceremony attended by state and national officials.

This announcement of the train of 135 carloads of food for the Christian Rural Overseas Program now being assembled throughout the townships was made Tuesday by Dr. John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State college and state chairman of the CROP drive.

Dr. Hannah said, "The commodities will be collected in the townships during the week of December 27 to January 3, with county collections continuing until January 10. The carloads of each county will

Farm Bureau Leader Heads Food Drive

Benjamin F. Hennick, state director of the Michigan CROP campaign, has been an active leader in rural youth work in his state for the past 25 years. Michigan was the first state to organize its young people at a Junior Farm Bureau and in 1935 Hennick assumed the leadership of this organization.

Hennick was born in Grand Rapids and was graduated from Michigan State college in 1925. He was active in 4-H club work and taught vocational agriculture for 10 years.

Throughout his years as head of the Farm Bureau young people's work, Hennick has maintained an unwavering course in developing and training young people individually as opposed to mass education. He has no sympathy for production line education at the expense of the individual's personality and ability.

The friendships made by Hennick during his 25 years of farm work have been extremely helpful in the organization of the Michigan CROP program. The state director is a prominent civic leader and a well known public speaker in Michigan agricultural circles. Farm Bureau for the duration of Hennick was loaned to the campaign.



Benjamin F. Hennick

Germans Are Eating Bark From Trees

The need for food in Germany can not be exaggerated, declared Dr. John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State college, upon his return from abroad September 30.

"After one sees people picking thorn apples and berries off the bushes and gathering up acorns and the bark of ash trees for food, leaving scarcely anything for the birds to eat, no one need be sold on the need of Europeans for food," Dr. Hannah said.

The president of Michigan State college is the chairman of the Michigan CROP committee.

"CROP food," continued Dr. Hannah, "reaches those who need it most. It reaches those who do not have the ration points or the money—the widows, the orphans, the children suffering from malnutrition and tuberculosis. Half of the children born in Germany since the war have already died, and 75 per cent of those who have lived have tuberculosis."



JOHN A. HANNAH

High Court Holds Man's Will Valid

In an opinion filed on Friday, December 17, written by Justice Boyles, the state supreme court affirmed the decision rendered last December by Circuit Judge Marvin Baker in favor of Mrs. Etta Baker, 1412 Lincoln street, Lansing.

The plaintiffs in the case were Mrs. Dell Kennedy, 315 N. Grace street, Lansing, and Mrs. Lulu J. Sheardy of Detroit, heirs of the late Rollo Sparger who died in December, 1945. He left his property by will to his housekeeper, Furnia L. McManamon, a friend of many years.

Furnia McManamon died in January, 1947, leaving the property by will to her sister, Mrs. Etta Baker. The plaintiffs in the present litigation were causing of the late Rollo Sparger, and claimed that there was a contract between Sparger and Mrs. McManamon, by which Mrs. McManamon was to have left the property upon her death, to Sparger's cousin, in dismissing the bill, Justice Boyles held that there was not sufficient testimony to establish any such claim, and the opinion further commented on the fact that there

had been no contest of Sparger's will.

C. LaVerne Roberts of Lansing represented Mrs. Baker and Mrs. Sheardy and Mrs. Kennedy were represented by John Bratlin.

Methodists Plan Gift Offering

On Thursday night Mason Methodists are planning a church and church school Christmas party combined with the monthly family supper, along with the annual white gift offering.

The Christmas program will be presented by the pupils in the Christian educational department.

The white gift offering is for the support of children in the Children's Village, Detroit. The institution is supported largely by contributions from Methodist churches.

Canaan District

Mrs. Merton Mizer

Carol and Tommy Sutphen of Lansing are spending part of their Christmas vacation with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mulkins.

Mr. and Mrs. William Bouck and children of Haslet were Saturday evening callers at the Charles Mulkins home.

Judy Mizer is spending a few



VOLUNTEERS FROM U.N.'s international staff made up a guard force to watch over a truce arranged by U.N. in Palestine. Here U.N. Secretary-General Trygve Lie sees the guard off in New York.

days in Eaton Rapids with her grandmother, Mrs. Bertha Henry. The Canaan school held its Christmas party Friday evening. Steve Koenig and M. Koenig of Clawson visited at the Don Doolittle home Saturday. Mrs. M. Koenig, who had been spending the past two weeks with the Doolittles, returned to her home in Clawson.

The comet which was visible in this hemisphere last month passed within 50 miles of the earth, a university of California expert estimated.

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Stockbridge

Mrs. Helen Beaman

Rites Held For Albert Musolf

Albert Musolf of Stockbridge, 62, was instantly killed in an auto accident Saturday evening. He is survived by his wife, Mary; three sons, Howard of Brighton, Arnold of East Lansing, Delbert of Milford; one daughter, Mrs. Lois Brown of Okemos; five grandchildren; his father, John Musolf; three brothers, William Musolf of Danville; August Musolf of Munith, Charles Musolf of South Lyon; three sisters, Mrs. Bertha Schenkow of Stockbridge, Mrs. Lena Phillips of Milan, Mrs. Minnie Snow of Northville. The body was at the Milner funeral home in Stockbridge until Tuesday morning when it was taken to South Lyon for funeral services Wednesday at 2 p. m. at the Phillips funeral home. Burial was in the South Lyon cemetery.

Mrs. Loretta Smith Dies Following Week's Illness

Mrs. Loretta Smith, 48, died at Rowe Memorial hospital Monday afternoon, December 13, following

a week's illness. She was married to Raymond Smith on November 8, 1920. She spent the last 15 years of her life in Stockbridge.

Her main interests in life were the church and her home. She was a devoted wife and mother. She was an active member of the First Baptist church of Stockbridge, the Past Matron Order of O. E. S. No. 143 and a member of Oriental Shrine No. 19.

She is survived by her husband, Raymond; a son, Harvey Kenneth Brown of Jackson; a daughter, Mrs. Irene Hull; and two grandchildren, Patricia and Pamela Hull of Detroit; her mother, Mrs. Myrtle Mills; a sister, Lottie Maxson; and a brother, Pearl Camp, all of Jackson.

Funeral services were held last Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock at the First Baptist church. Rev. Maurice Peterson of Lansing officiated. Interment was in Woodlawn cemetery, Stockbridge.

Former Resident Dies

Mrs. Lucia Bott, a resident of Stockbridge for many years, died in a convalescent home in Detroit. Her body was brought here for burial in Stockbridge cemetery from Miller's funeral home in Chelsea last Sunday afternoon.

Anniversary Is Observed At Plainfield

Mr. and Mrs. Tim Isham observed their 50th wedding anniversary on December 12, with open house at their farm home.

Approximately 170 relatives and friends from Leslie, Gregory, Mason, St. Johns, Morrice, Mason, Farmington, Detroit, Dearborn, Gills Lake, Jackson, Franklin, Bell Oak, Webberville, Williamston, Epsilanti, Henderson, Owosso, Fowlerville, Eaton Rapids, Howell, Allegan, Stockbridge, Plainfield, Pinckney, Lakewood, Ohio, and Fresno, California called during the afternoon and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Isham were married 50 years ago December 8, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson E. Waters, in Iosco township, Livingston county. They have lived on their present farm 49 years. They have one daughter, Mrs. Rex Glover and two grandchildren, Robert and Floris Glover of Stockbridge.

The lace-covered table was centered with a three-tiered wedding cake, topped with a golden 50 in an arch of flowers and golden balls and decorated with white roses and golden leaves. White tapers flanked the cake. Mrs. Warren Isham of Leslie and Mrs. Myrtle Naves of Plainfield served the wedding cakes. Mrs. Gladys Wright of Stockbridge and Mrs. Susie Sweet of Plainfield poured. They were assisted by Mrs. Gussie Ellsworth and Mrs. Maxine Sweet of Plainfield.

Many lovely gifts and cards were received by Mr. and Mrs. Isham.

Killed in Plane Crash

John Dyer, 49, of Ann Arbor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dyer of Plainfield, was killed in an airplane accident Sunday, December 12 in Georgia. Funeral services were held December 16 at the First Methodist church in Ann Arbor. Interment was in the Plainfield cemetery.

Dies Suddenly

Irene Archenbrom of 313 West Cortland Street, Jackson, died suddenly Monday morning, December 13. She is survived by a sister, Mrs. Minnie Frinkle of Munith; two brothers, Emanuel and William Archenbrom, both of Munith. Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, December 16, at two o'clock from the Milner funeral home, Stockbridge. Burial was in the Munith cemetery.

Have Annual Yule Party

Last Friday afternoon the women of the Home Culture club held their annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Marguerite Sibley. A chicken dinner was served by the hostess, assisted by Dora Hall, Ruth Dancer and Helen Malcho. Following the dinner, Mrs. Luada Marshall presented a program consisting of Christmas carols, and the story of the first Christmas tree. Gifts were exchanged from a lighted tree.

Miss Dolores Stromberg of Milwaukee flew to Willow Run to attend the Culver-Homsher wedding at Flint. She was the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Ophelia Culver over the week end.

The Faust family Christmas gathering was held at the home of Emil Faust of Rives Junction Sunday. Those attending from here were Don Dickinson and family and Mrs. Emma Dickinson and son, Herbert.

From Michigan to Europe's Needy



LANSING—These children, in a Polish kindergarten, are saying grace before eating food contributed through the Christian Rural Overseas program (CROP). To such as these, in dozens of different countries, a major part of the farm commodities contributed to the Michigan Christmas Spirit train will go. Thousands of volunteer canvassers throughout the state will begin soliciting gifts in kind from farmers, immediately after Christmas. Most needed are wheat, soy beans, fats, dried milk, beans, sugar, corn and honey. Michigan has set 135 carloads as her quota.

B. F. Hennick is state CROP director and Dr. John A. Hannah is campaign chairman.

Planes Muster at 'Annapolis of the Air'



The busy flight line of the Naval Air Station at Pensacola will roar into action shortly as Naval Aviation Cadets jump into their fast, sturdy SNJ trainers and taxi out for a practice hop. Pensacola Naval Air Station, the "Annapolis of the Air," is the focus of the recently reactivated Naval Aviation Cadet training program, which is open to healthy, single young men between 18 and 25, with at least two years of college. Upon graduation they are commissioned ensigns in the Naval Reserve, or second lieutenants in the Marine Corps Reserve, are awarded their wings and assigned to two years' active duty.

Guy K. Culver Weds Flint Girl

Before an altar banked with white flowers, green ferns and lighted candelabra at the First Presbyterian church of Flint, Saturday evening, December 18, the marriage of Miss Janet Homsher of Flint, daughter of Mrs. Albert Homsher and the late Mr. Homsher, to Guy King Culver of Ann Arbor was solemnized. He is the eldest son of Dr. and Mrs. G. D. Culver of Stockbridge. The seven o'clock rites were performed in the presence of 200 relatives and friends.

The church organist played several selections before the ceremony. A friend of the bride sang "Because" and "I Love You Truly," preceding the ceremony. She rendered "The Lord's Prayer" as the benediction.

Given in marriage by her brother, Don Homsher of Flint, the bride wore a beautiful white slipper gown with round neckline and long pointed sleeves. Her finger veil, fell from a Juliet cap. She carried a bouquet of white roses.

Dorothy Hill was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Jane DeYonker, Ruth Culver of Stockbridge, sister of the bridegroom, and Jane Beatty of Wyandotte. They wore identical gowns of white faille with bustle back. American Beauty roses were tucked in the puffs. They all carried arm bouquets of American Beauty roses. Suzanne Kennedy was flower girl. She wore a white gown, a replica of the gowns worn by the other attendants. She preceded the bride down the aisle and dropped rose petals on the long white carpet.

The bridegroom was assisted by Claude Morehouse of Ann Arbor as best man. Fishers were fraternal brothers from University of Michigan. They were Grant Jack and John White of Detroit, Hugh Griffin and Raymond Culver of Stockbridge, a brother of the bridegroom.

Mrs. Homsher wore a floor-length gown of valencia lace with a corsage of yellow tea roses. Mrs. Culver was attired in a floor-length gown of gray. She had an orchid corsage.

Following the ceremony, a reception was held in the church parlors.

For a plane trip to Chicago, the bride wore a green gabardine suit and tan blouse, under her fur coat. She had alligator accessories. Her corsage was made up of roses.

The rehearsal dinner was held Friday evening at the Flint Golf club with Dr. and Mrs. Culver as hosts.

The couple will make their home in Ann Arbor where the bridegroom will continue his studies at the University of Michigan.

Guests were present from Bay City, Saginaw, Wyandotte, Ann Arbor, Lansing, Detroit, Milwaukee, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; Stockbridge, and Farmington.

Will Brooks of Howell spent Sunday with his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Satteria. Marie Frank spent a three-week vacation at St. Petersburg, Florida.



The minstrels played their Christmas tune. Tonight beneath my cottage eaves; While, smitten by a lofty moon, The encircling laurels, thick with leaves, Gave back a rich and dazzling sheen, That overpowered their natural green.

Through hill and valley every breeze Had sunk to rest with folded wings; Keen was the air, but could not freeze, Nor check the music of the strings; So stout and hardy were the band That, scraped the chords with strenuous hand.

And who but listened? till was paid Respect to every inmate's claim; The greeting given, the music played In honor of each household name, Duly pronounced with lusty call, And "merry Christmas" wished to all!

—William Wordsworth.

East Alaedon

Judy Heathman

Judy Heathman spent the week end with Mary Colby of Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Pierce and daughter and Kenneth Swift of Mason were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. William Shields.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Oakley of White Oak.

Arlis Griffin of Aurelius was the week end guest of Barbara Hall.

Mr. and Mrs. John Potter were Wednesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jude Hal.

Mr. and Mrs. Norwood Bush and family of Chelsea were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. John Potter Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter J. Heathman of Okemos were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. James Heathman Sunday evening.

North Leslie

Mrs. Russell Warner

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Aton were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Al Pearson of Danville.

Miss Ruth Ayers of Jackson

called on Mrs. Fred Sutton Monday afternoon.

Ranold Hasbrouck returned home from the Jackson Orthopedic hospital Friday.

A large crowd attended the Christmas party at the school house last Thursday evening. Mr. Long and the pupils presented a very interesting program. Following the program Santa Claus came and gifts were distributed.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Parrish of Lansing called on Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sheenham Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. George Jenks of Holt called on Mr. and Mrs. Don Jenks Monday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Jenks and Billy of Haslett were callers at the Jenks home Saturday evening.

Orrie Howe was in Detroit last week for treatment. Mr. and Mrs. Max Ream and Dorothy of Bath called on the Howes Saturday evening. Richard Howe of Lansing was a Sunday dinner guest of the Howes.

Mr. and Mrs. Cort Hasbrouck, Mr. and Mrs. Tobe Eckert of Leslie and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hasbrouck of Jackson were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ranold Hasbrouck to help their

host celebrate his birthday anniversary.

Mrs. Ranold Hasbrouck entertained the members of the Hackle club at a Christmas party Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Warner were in Williamston Tuesday afternoon to attend funeral services of the infant daughter of their nephew and niece. Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Warner, Mrs. Percy Gilman of Leslie accompanied them.

Mrs. Fred Ward and Marvin were in Wayne Sunday to visit her brother, Andrew Willett of the United States navy, who is home on leave.

Mr. and Mrs. James Miller and sons were in Saginaw Sunday.

Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Wardowski and sons were in Stockbridge to call on Mr. and Mrs. James Barton, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Barton and Mr. and Mrs. Earnest Cook. The Wardowskis are going to Detroit for Christmas and plan to leave for Florida the day after Christmas.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson of Mason Friday. They were former residents of this community.

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To My Many Friends
In This County
I Send A Real
Merry, Merry Christmas
And A
Joyful And Peaceful
New Year

Harry
At Highway 36 And 92

CHRISTMAS WISHES

There's no time like Christmas time to wish all of our friends— Good Cheer, Good Health and Peace.

Hammann's Home & Auto
Mason's Friendly Store

Season's Greetings
to you and your family

FROM
Al Rice Chevrolet Co.
Mason

Merry Christmas
FORTY-EIGHT

Once again, as the glow of the holiday season envelops the land, we extend our friendliest greetings and warmest wishes for a joyous Yuletide season.

McCowan and McCowan
118 E. Oak Mason

Christmas Greetings to All

Deck the tree with boughs of jolly good spirits . . . tinsel bright as the faces of little ones on Christmas morning . . . ornaments reflecting happiness, joy, peace on earth—good will to all men. We sincerely wish you all the joys and happiness of the season and a wonderful New Year to come.

Wahnita Alderman	Merle Hall	Helen Reeve
Darwin Barr	Orhea Hanna	Bill Roggow
Ida Bisel	Harold Hosley	Lange Schmidt
James Cotton	Bonnie Jones	Harley Van Sickle
Bill Dabb	Fern Kent	Audrey Snider
Pat Dabb	Vera Nichols	Lois Swerlein
Lila Glassner	Grace Potter	Florence Strickland

Employees of
Schmidt's Department Store

Social Events and Personals

"O'er the hills we go,
Laughing all the way."

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Stroud and daughter, Barbara, will spend Christmas Day at Bad Axe with Mr. Stroud's parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Stroud. * * * Guests Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Schofield were Mr. and Mrs. David Cady of Midland. * * * Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Tietz and son, Philip, will be entertained Christmas Day at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Tietz in Detroit. * * * Christmas week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Taylor will be Mrs. Taylor's parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Acker of Detroit, and Mr. and Mrs. Philip MacLack and family of Battle Creek. Mrs. MacLack is the Taylors' daughter. * * * Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Smith will entertain Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Bamon of Chicago, the Misses Edna and Florence Bamon and Mr. and Mrs. James Evans and family of Lansing on Christmas. * * * Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mills and daughters,

Keitha and Suzanne, plan to spend the holiday with his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Owen Mills, at Ashley. * * * Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Bray and family were Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Henderson and Ruth Ann of Leslie. * * * Mr. and Mrs. George Messner will be Christmas Day guests of their son, Roland Messner, and Mrs. Messner at Fowlerville. * * * Going to Battle Creek to spend Christmas Day with Mr. and Mrs. Morris Bevier will be Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Waltz and family. * * * Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Parkhurst will be guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Bleicher of Lansing, for Christmas.

Miss Meredith McLean of Dearborn is spending the holidays with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond McLean, and family. Christmas Day guests of the McLeans will be her parents, Dr. and Mrs. H. J. Fox of Elkton, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Fox of East Lansing. * * * Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Walt, Miss Betty Walt, Donald Sprong of Lansing, and Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lange of East Lansing will travel to Reese Sunday to visit Mr. and Mrs. Herman Walt. * * * Mr. and Mrs. Paul Liddicoat of Muskegon Heights spent Sunday with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Liddicoat. On Monday they left for Kenosha, Wisconsin, to spend the holidays with Mrs. Paul Liddicoat's parents.

Charles E. Lamb and daughters, Laura, Esther and Sally of South Haven were week end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Lamb, and his sister, Dr. Kate E. Lamb. * * * Rev. and Mrs. E. A. Katterjohn and their children, Arthur, Robert, Carl and Susan of Grand Blanc will spend Christmas Day with Rev. and Mrs. L. G. Caraway and Norma. * * * Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lori and family will entertain his mother, Mrs. Mary Lori of Flint over the holiday week end. Christmas Day guests at the Lori home will be Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brindle and Karen and Craig of East Lansing. Mrs. Brindle and Mrs. Louis Lori are sisters. * * * Mr. and Mrs. Clifford R. Petty will go to Wayne Friday to spend the Christmas week end with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Petty, and family.

Mrs. Ruth H. Sheaffer and Miss Kathryn Sheaffer arrived Sunday from Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, to spend the Christmas holidays with their son and brother, William Sheaffer, Mrs. Sheaffer and Bill and Susie. * * * Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Allen for the Christmas holidays will be their daughter, Miss Celia Allen of Chicago; their son-in-law and daughter, Dr. and Mrs. B. J. Dowd and son, Allen of Kalamazoo, and the Misses Grace and Nellie Allen of Lansing. On Christmas Day, the Allens and their guests will be entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bond at Onondaga.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Henson plan to spend Christmas in Chicago with Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Rowley. Mr. Henson will return to Mason after the holiday and Mrs. Henson will be a guest of the Rowleys until December 30. * * * Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wright and family will leave Friday for Bowling Green, Ohio, to spend Christmas with Mrs. Wright's brother, C. L. Heiby, and family. * * * Arriving in Mason Monday morning to spend the holidays were Mr. and Mrs. William Chauncey and son, Allen, of Springfield, Oregon. The Chaunceys will visit her mother, Mrs. Floyd Smith, and other relatives. * * * Holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Ketchum will be Mr. and Mrs. J. C. VanNordstrand of Chicago, Illinois. Expected home Friday for the holidays is the Ketchums' daughter, Miss Lucile Ketchum of Hartford, Connecticut. On January 3, she will assume her duties as home manager specialist at Michigan State college.

Mrs. Harold Haase entertained three boys Saturday afternoon in honor of the eighth birthday anniversary of her son, Peter. Those present were Billy Campbell, Tommy Clipper and Harry Spenny. Games were played, refreshments were served, after which Mrs. Haase served the Fox Theatre during the afternoon.

Leslie Couple Wed December 15

A. T. Ingalls and Mrs. Agnes Rice of Leslie were married Wednesday, December 15, at four o'clock. The wedding vows were spoken at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hall in Mason. Mr. Ingalls is a brother of Mrs. Hall.

Rev. Loyd C. Caraway of the First Baptist church of Mason read the single ring service before an improvised altar bedecked with pink snapdragons, white carnations, ferns and white candles.

The couple were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Rice and Mr. and Mrs. Hall. No other guests were present for the rite.

For her wedding, the bride chose a gown of blue headed crepe. Mrs. Rice was attired in a gray crepe gown and Mrs. Hall selected a gown of blue chiffon velvet.

Following the wedding service, Mr. Ingalls entertained the group at dinner in Lansing. Mr. and Mrs. Ingalls plan to spend the winter months in Florida, after which they will reside in Leslie.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Whipple and daughter, Marily of Detroit, were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Alderman and sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tash and family of San Diego, California, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wint L. Carr for the holidays. Mrs. Ed Lee Ware spent Thursday in Mt. Pleasant visiting Mrs. John Lamont.

Mr. and Mrs. Wray Welsh and Charles visited Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Higelmire in Eaton Rapids Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Darrow had as Sunday guests Mrs. Harry Darrow and June of Leslie.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ballard and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Vinson and sons visited Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ballard and sons Sunday evening. They all attended the Christmas pageant at the Baptist church.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Fuller of Williamston spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Barkway.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Bozok of Ann Arbor were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon J. Brown. Mrs. Bozok is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wyman and Terry and Ellen will leave Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Clark at Big Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Fortman were Saturday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Max Bristol of Ovid.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Trent Sawyer were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Daniels and Edward of Grand Ledge.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Darrow will be guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Overmyer of Charlotte Christmas Day.

Larson-Simone Vows Repeated At Friday Rites

Wedding vows were exchanged by Ross Simone, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tony Simone, and Richard Allen Larson of Holt Friday at four o'clock. The bridegroom is the son of Mrs. Pearl Larson of Holt. The couple were wed in a single ring ceremony at the home of Rev. S. W. Large, a retired Methodist minister, in Eaton Rapids.

Miss Margaret Atzinger and Cleo Lamphere, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, attended the couple. For her marriage, the bride selected a green gabardine suit. She accented the costume with pink accessories. Her corsage was of gardenias and hollyhock roses. Her maid of honor was attired in a brown suit with brown and gray accessories. She wore a corsage of tallsmen roses.

On Saturday the newlyweds left for a short wedding trip in Canada. A reception in their honor will be given by the bride's parents on January 7 at the Legion Memorial building.

Mrs. Larson graduated from Mason high school in 1945. She has been assisting her father in Simone's confectionary store. Her husband attended Holt high school, after which he served two years and three months in the navy. He spent 19 months in the Pacific theater of operation. He is now associated with his mother in Larson's Sewing Center in Mason.

Glen L. Ankey arrived at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Ankey, Sunday on a 10-day leave from the naval air station at Pensacola, Florida. Robert A. Ankey returned to the navy base at Little Creek, Virginia, last Wednesday after spending a 17-day leave with his parents.

Mrs. Ruth Stanton of Lansing was a Saturday visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford H. Watt.

Mrs. Ariel Green of Lansing spent Thursday afternoon and evening with Mr. and Mrs. Earl Alderman, Jr. and son.

On Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. Arthur F. Zickgraf will entertain Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Himelberger, Robert Lott and three sons and Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Lott, all of Lansing; Mr. and Mrs. Rhina Lott of Holt and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Bullen and family.

Miss Helen Grace of Detroit, a student at Alma college, was a house guest of Miss Elizabeth Adams, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Adams, Thursday and Friday. Miss Adams, a senior at Alma college, is spending the holidays with her parents.

HONORS BIRTHDAY

Mrs. Orville Woodard entertained at a birthday dinner Sunday honoring the birthday anniversary of her husband. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Woodard and son, Donna, of Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Montie Woodard and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Laxton.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harley Ankey were Miss Margaret Atzinger and Miss Marge Redman and Mr. and Mrs. Harley Ankey and Billy Jo of Holt, Orrin Phelps of Leslie, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Frye, Mr. and Mrs. Robin Pardee, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fought and family and Harry Sherwood. Sandra and Ronnie Fought spent last week with the Ankeys.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nellis Estaman and Kenny on Sunday and Monday were Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Alterburg of Plymouth.

On Christmas Day Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Boles will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Rouse and children and Mr. and Mrs. Emory Miller and daughter, Bethel, of Fowlerville.

Friday evening dinner guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Robert Bullen and family were Mr. and Mrs. Ray Heimker and family of Holt.

Mason Teachers Have Yule Party

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Lori were hosts at the annual Christmas party for members of the Mason school faculty and their husbands and wives Monday evening. Plans for the party were made by Mrs. Mina Howe, George Murthum, Miss Evelyn Conway and Mrs. Agnes Corner.

Dessert, consisting of ice cream, cake and coffee, was served at the beginning of the evening. The making of popcorn balls and old-fashioned fudge was the diversion of the evening. While eating the products they had made the group sang Christmas carols.

James H. Vanier Ven, Mason school superintendent, was presented a pen and pencil set from the teachers.

Christmas greens and candles decorated the Lori home for the party.

Mrs. Fred Burgess, Sr., is ill at her home on Howell road.

Mr. and Mrs. William Carl and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Brown Saturday evening. Miss Joan Witt of Dansville called at the Carl home Sunday afternoon.

ENTERTAINS AT HEADQUARTERS

Mrs. Glen Dunn, Jr., entertained at a dessert bridge Friday afternoon. Honors at bridge were won by Mrs. Edward L. Ware and Mrs. James Maguire. The Dunn home was attractively decorated in the Christmas motif. Gifts were exchanged during the afternoon.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert Azelton and Bobby and Kathy will spend Christmas Day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Azelton and Nancy in Lansing. Mr. and Mrs. Gail Springer of Lansing spent Christmas Eve with the Robert Azeltons.

Mrs. Maud Camp will spend the holidays with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Camp and daughter Bari at Pontiac. Mrs. Camp plans to visit in Pontiac for several weeks.

Richard Alderman and Thurlow Beach spent the week end fishing at Higgins lake.

Miss Doris Burgess, a student nurse at the Bronson Methodist hospital, Kalamazoo, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. V. G. Burgess.

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Here comes Santa with a sleighful of good wishes from us to you. Merry Christmas to all.



SEASON'S BEST

ELITE BEAUTY SHOP

Ruby Campbell Ruth Scribner Suzanne Hobbins

Greetings and Best Wishes

For this happy season... and may its spirit of love and of giving enfold you throughout the New Year.

Hall's Dairy
Corner of Ash and Cedar
Mason

Christmas GREETINGS

As we think of all the good things that we would wish you this Christmas, we cannot help but feel that this sentiment is inspired by your good will and friendship maintained through the years.

Henson's Modern Cleaners
Mason, Michigan

Season's Greetings

To one and all we extend... sincerest wishes for a very glad Yuletide, and a happy, happy New Year!

FORD ASELTINE
Jeweler



May The Joy Of Many Good Friends Gladden Your Christmas Season

Morse's Restaurant

147 W. Maple, Mason

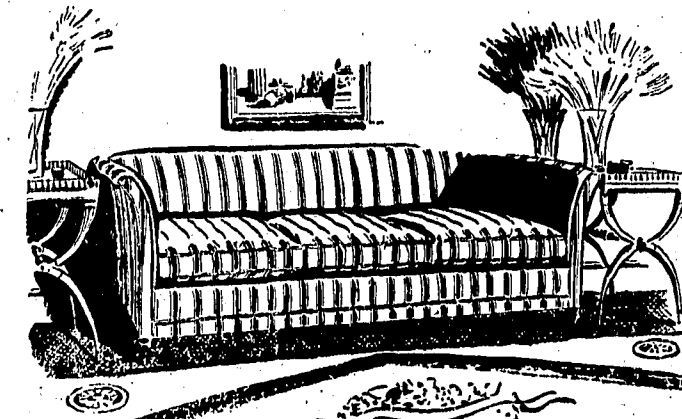
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The Tradition of Gifts

Shorn of commercialization, of tinsel and red ribbon, the tradition of gifts at Christmas emerges as a representation of friendship and love, a material expression of tribute.

Not all giving at Christmastime, we admit, is this lofty. A great deal of it is obligatory, based on a sense of duty. But ultimately, the gift worthy of the real measure of giving is an important one, one you think about, one you enjoy giving.



We feel that furniture, perhaps, comes nearest to this ideal. Most of it is too big for the box and ribbon category, much of it is frankly expensive. But it's the permanent type of gift, not a once-a-year greeting, but one that sincerely reflects your affection day after day and year after year.

A. B. Ball

Trustworthy Furniture

Dist. No. 3 Wheatfield
Mrs. Lillian Foreman

Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Foreman called on Mr. and Mrs. John Brethorn of Lansing Saturday evening.

Mrs. Ella King is still staying with her sister, Mrs. Lewis Bartlett, and family at Mason.

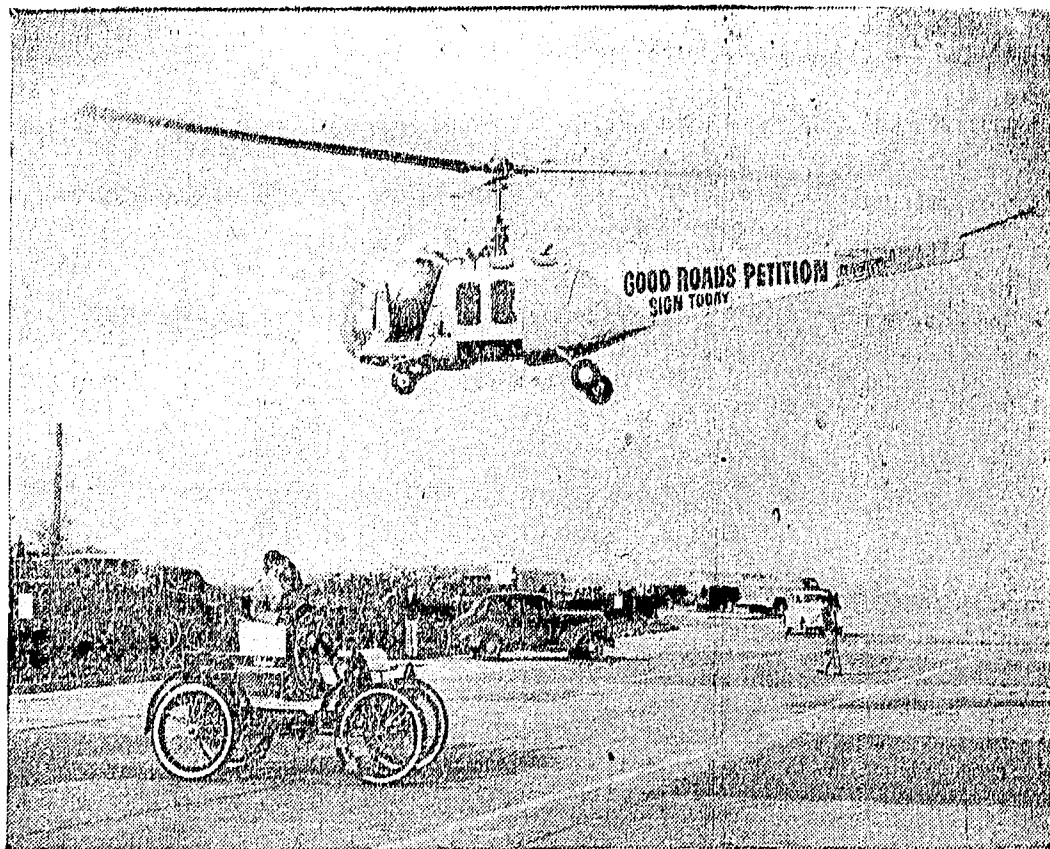
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Church attended a Miracle Maid demonstration dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hills Friday evening.

Mrs. Ethel McNitt entertained the Southwest Wheatfield extension group last Thursday. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Pearl Hogle.

Mr. and Mrs. Cley Foreman called on Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Foreman in Lansing Friday evening.

The Pollok school Christmas program will be presented Thursday evening at the school house.

The mothers of the Pollok school



STILL PLUGGING FOR GOOD ROADS. A 1901 Packard and a 1949 Helicopter combine under the sponsorship of the automobile dealers information committee of the Michigan Good Roads Federation to urge motorists to petition the legislature to provide more highway money.

Season's Greetings
1948

The friendly scent of the cedars is typical of the Spirit of Christmas. It is in that spirit that we wish for you all the joys and blessings of this Yuletide season.

Jennings Body Shop
Mason

met at the home of Mrs. Robert Foreman to fill Christmas boxes last Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger Church have rented the Frank Everett house on Waldo road.

Mr. and Mrs. Cley Foreman called on Mr. and Mrs. John Foreman of Webberville last Sunday.

Miss Janette Freer and Mrs. June Sherwood have been ill with the flu the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Robertson attended a banquet in Lansing last Saturday night.

Wheatfield Center

Mrs. Erma Johnson

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Frost were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Grottenberger and family. Sunday evening they called on Vern Bird enroute home.

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Beaudry of Michigan State college, East Lansing, have moved into the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Frost. They plan to live there while the Frosts are in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Gibson called on Mrs. Edith Brotherton and Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Backus Sunday evening.

Our Christmas Date Started By Romans

The first celebration of the birth of Christ on December 25 took place in the fourth century. Before that date the commemoration of Christ's Nativity and Baptism was held on January 6.

The first mention of Christmas is found in a Roman document known as the "Philocalian Calendar." In the year 354, and the first time the festival was celebrated in Britain was in 598, when St. Augustine baptized 10,000 converts.

In the year 567 the Council of Tours declared a twelve-day festival from Christmas to Epiphany, and in 991-1016 the laws ordained that all strife should cease at Christmas. Christmas was established in 813 in Germany and in Norway in the year 950.

sister, Mrs. Juhl Salstrup, expect their mother from Washington this week to spend the holidays with them. She will make the trip by plane.

Laurence Baker is operating a restaurant in Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Asa Proctor entertained guests from Stockbridge last Sunday.

The Christmas exercises of Millville school will be held at the school house this week Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Beach, Mr. and Mrs. Rowland Frost, Mrs. Winifred Frost and Mr. and Mrs. Berton Johnson attended the community Christmas service put on by the senior choir of Danville at the Free Methodist church Sunday evening.

Wallace Johnson and Nancy called on Mr. and Mrs. Berton Johnson and family Sunday afternoon. Lois attended the band concert at Williamston high school with Nancy from 4 to 5 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Beach of Williamston and Mr. and Mrs. Burton Hammond were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Estelle Beach and Beth.

Mr. and Mrs. George Vandemark and children and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Rindfleisch and Lee Ann were in Lansing Sunday evening.

Mrs. Allie Frost, Flossie Beach, Connie Wolf and Stella Wolf attended the Extension Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Madeleine Place Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowland Frost, Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Beach and Mr. and Mrs. Berton Johnson attended the P. T. A. meeting at Ingham Township Agricultural school Thursday evening.

Several from the vicinity attended the funeral of Private Floyd Rector at Gorsline Bros. chapel in Williamston Saturday afternoon.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Ring out, oh bells, ring out our Yuletide wishes to one and all. May the joy and peace of the Holiday be with our friends always.

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Circuit Court Proceedings

12-15-48
The people of the state of Michigan vs. Jesus Reyes, Sentence 1 1/2 to 2 years at Jackson prison.

The people of the state of Michigan vs. Beta Marie Ruch, Change of plea from guilty to not guilty. Plea of not guilty entered.

O'Neil-Irwin Mfg. Co. vs. Industrial Development & Mfg. Co. Transcript of Judgment, \$222.22.

E. W. Bliss Co. vs. Industrial Development & Mfg. Co. Transcript of Judgment, \$31,550.

Novo Engine Co. vs. Industrial Development & Mfg. Co. Transcript of Judgment, \$101.45.

12-16-48
Michael P. Boone by his next friend, Helen M. Boone, vs. Joseph DuBois, Consent Judgment \$100.00.

Haniel A. Boone by his next friend, Helen M. Boone, vs. Joseph DuBois, Consent Judgment \$100.00.

The people of the state of Michigan vs. Glenn Jay Welch, Order committing respondent to department of mental health as a sexual psychopathic person.

12-17-48
The people of the state of Michigan vs. Rita Marie Ruch, Motion to amend information. Count I and Count II amount of \$1712.28 changed to \$172.60. Pleaded guilty to amended information. Accepted. Bond continued.

Millville

Mrs. Charles Neithammer

Church services Sunday at 10:00 a. m.; Sunday school at 11:00.

The W. S. C. S. meeting has been postponed until January 11 because of the holidays. Dinner will be served at the hall on that date, with Mrs. Charles Neithammer's committee serving.

Mrs. Eunice Baker and Mrs. Carrie Baker were visitors in Lansing last Friday.

Mrs. Roy Tuttle, who has been at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Luren Strait, and Rev. Strait, for several weeks, returned to her home in Burlington, Vermont, last Wednesday.

Mrs. Joe Miller and daughter, Patsy, visited the former's mother, Mrs. Frank Rose in Waterloo, Saturday.

Mrs. Louie Swoboda and her

Reeves District

Mrs. Gladys Dunsmore

The Reeves school is closed for a two-week Christmas vacation, it will re-open January 3.

Mrs. Verna Marshall and son, Bobbie, have been ill with the flu.

Miss Eva Melvin was a Thursday evening dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Dunsmore and Mrs. Clinton Dunsmore and family. She spent the night with

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Geer and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Geer and family left Sunday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Hadley, in Florida. They plan to be gone two weeks.

Marilyn and Jerry spent Thursday afternoon with Dorothy and Barbara Dunsmore.

Mr. and Mrs. John Colman and family and Mrs. Mary Colman of

Earfield called on Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Corwin Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Dunsmore and family attended the Christmas program held at the Green church Saturday evening. They also called on Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Anderson and family.

Ray Proctor has been ill with the flu.

Carolyn and Ellen Baker spent Friday with Dorothy and Barbara Dunsmore.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Fisher were in an auto accident at Boners corner Tuesday evening. No one was hurt, but the car was badly damaged.

Several from this community helped with the wood box for the Millville church. The wood was cut in J. B. Conway's woods.

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Yams Golden Red 2 lbs. **25¢** Sweet Potatoes 3 lbs. **29¢**

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Grapes Red Emperor 2 lbs. **29¢** Pascal Celery giant stalk **23¢**

Tangerines Easy to Peel doz. **29¢** Celery Michigan Tender Hearts 2 bchrs **25¢**

Tomatoes Ripack 14-oz. tube **25¢** Mixed Nuts Top Quality lb. cello **39¢**

Grapefruit Ruby Red 1/2 case **3.29** Peanuts Jumbo Fresh Roasted lb. cello **35¢**

Squash Gray—Hubbard lb. **5¢** Pecans Thin Shell lb. cello **39¢**

Michigan Potatoes pk. **53¢** Raisins A&P—Seeded 15-oz. pkg. **23¢**

Idaho Potatoes 10 lb. bag **55¢** Walnuts Large Diamond Brand 1-lb. cello **49¢**

Large Size—Grade "A" EGGS Sunnybrook doz **63¢**

Jane Parker FRUIT CAKE 1/2 lbs. **1.25** 3 lbs. **2.49** 5 lbs. **3.95**

Cream Cheese 3-oz. pkg. **17¢** Christmas Cupcakes pkg. of 6 **39¢**

Cheddar Cheese Bench Cured lb. **64¢** Stuffing Bread 24-oz. loaf **18¢**

Sure Good Margarine lb. **27¢** Fruit Stollen each **49¢**

Pure Refined Lard lb. **21¢** Xmas Tree Cookies pkg. of 12 **45¢**

YUKON CLUB BEVERAGES full qt. **10¢** Plus bot. deposit

Eight O'Clock lb. bag **40¢** 3-lb. bag **\$1.15**

Red Circle lb. bag **44¢**

Bokar lb. bag **47¢** 2-lb. bag **\$1.35**

KIRK'S CASTLE Hard Water Soap 3 bars **25¢**

SPRY Vegetable Shortening 1-lb. can **39¢** 3-lb. can **\$1.09**

CAMAY SOAP Delicately Scented 2 bath size **25¢**

IVORY SOAP It Floats 2 med. bars **19¢**

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December 31 Is Last Day For Filing Price Support Forms

In a final reminder, Ralph Glynn, chairman of the Ingham county AAA committee, pointed out to farmers that they must sign applications for loans or purchase agreements on or before December 31 in order to be eligible for price support protection on 1948 crops of dry beans, wheat, oats, rye, barley and soybeans.

Glynn emphasized that this protection will not be extended to farmers unless they have applied for or taken out a loan or a purchase agreement before that date. The chairman said that many farmers are under the impression that they receive the benefit of price support protection without any action on their part. This is not so, the AAA official pointed out, inasmuch as each farmer must apply for it, either in the form of a purchase agreement or a loan.

Interested farmers should call at the Ingham county AAA office

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in Mason at their earliest convenience, but before December 31, where they can obtain full information about these programs and where the necessary forms may be filled out, Glynn declared.

Parents Can Spoil Children's Play

Here's a Christmas resolution for parents. It's one that ought to be made before New Year's resolutions are even considered. It goes, "I will keep my hands off the children's toys all day on Christmas."

It'll be a hard one to keep because Mother likes to fuss with Ann's doll. She pretends she is showing Ann how to put on the bonnet, but she's actually having a grand time playing. And once Father gets his hands on the train, or the auto that winds up, the boys can't get near them.

It isn't fair. The children are crying for a little peace and freedom. After all, adults can play with toys for the next 364 days if they want to.

Light for Cows

Four square feet of window space usually is required for each cow in the milking barn.

Divinity Is Proved In Holy Scripture

"Infidels, skeptics and modernists stand against as Daniel's prophecy reveals to them the indisputable evidences that Jesus was the true Messiah," declared R. K. Krick, Bible lecturer, at the Legion Memorial building last Sunday night.

"Six hundred years before the Saviour was born, the prophet with wonderful exactness was shown the year of the Saviour's birth, baptism and death. The wise men and philosophers of the

MICHIGAN Motoring

A Merry Christmas and a Safe One

The month of December, with its shorter days, longer nights, and bad weather conditions has the greatest number of traffic deaths of any month of the year. Added to these seasonal hazards is the excitement of the Holiday season—that extra gaiety that pervades the entire country... and it's easy to realize why special driving precautions must be taken during December!



Last minute shopping—men and women carrying too many bundles and packages—everyone hurrying along the streets, intent upon their own special plans for holiday enjoyment; children eagerly dashing across the street on the way to buy "Mom's present" or on their way to "Talk to Santa Claus"—all add to the danger of December driving.

Both drivers and pedestrians must take special precautions. Talk over these Safety Hazards with your family—make each one realize that drivers cannot see as well in the dark—or in rain or snow. Teach your family the rules of good driving—of common sense, whether on foot, or in an automobile. Don't let Death take your holiday! Make it a Merry Christmas and a safe one!

Ghost Town Yields Atomic Treasure



The old ghost town of Caribou, Colo., a silver boom city in 1860, presents this desolate appearance today. But the city promises to become more important than it ever was, for work is under way in the area to mine tremendous deposits of pitchblende, out of which is refined uranium, the basic material for atomic energy. The ore is said to be so rich as to make America practically independent of foreign sources for this rare element.

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cre bears the date of 457 B. C., and, according to the angel, 483 years (seven weeks, and three score and two weeks) from the beginning of this decree would bring us to the baptism of Jesus. Four hundred and eighty-three full years would carry us into A. D. 27, and we read in Mark 1:9 that Christ was baptized, and in verse 15 began to preach, saying 'the time is fulfilled.' The margin of your Bible will tell you that this was A. D. 27. So this wonderful prophecy was fulfilled on time.

"The life of Christ was lived that He might impute His righteousness to His children. This fulfills still another part of the vision. The 483-year period ended in A. D. 27, and adding seven years ('one prophetic week') extends the prophecy to A. D. 34. The angel said 'in the midst of this

week' he shall 'be cut off, but not for himself.' Daniel was to understand from this that three and one-half years after the baptism of Christ, or in the spring of A. D. 31, Christ would be crucified. Thus every phase of this prediction was accurately fulfilled.

"The great time prophecy of the 70 weeks, or 490 years, touches the greatest crisis of the ages—the sacrifice of Calvary—to be equalled only when that same Messiah comes again in power and glory, as King of kings, and Lord of lords.

"In the 'fulness of time,' God sent His own son in the likeness of sinful flesh. That was a wonderful generation in which to live when Christ was born in Bethlehem of Judaea. But the majority of the people were not prepared to herald the birth of their King.

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Happy New Year

"Similarly, the Bible prediction of the second advent of Christ to earth are being fulfilled in this 20th century, but so many are ignoring the prophecies and are not prepared to meet Him, even as the religionists at Christ's first coming were not ready."

The lecturer concluded his address with an appeal to the audience to prepare to meet their God, and to be alert to the modern events of God's timetable, clearly outlined in the Scriptures.

This was the concluding lecture of the fall series conducted by the Seventh-day Adventist church in the Memorial building. There will be Bible classes conducted weekly

during the winter months in several homes in the area. Those group meetings will be open to the public. All who are interested in joining in this systematic study of the Bible are asked to write to R. K. Krick, general delivery, Mason.

On the average, automobile workers are among the highest paid in the nation, government figures show.

Where Alfalfa Falls
Alfalfa is very sensitive to poor drainage and will be short lived if planted on a soil that has a high water table.

SINCERE
Christmas Greetings

Two of the best joys of Christmas are having good friends and wishing them a great deal of happiness.

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Ingham Gets Aid From Polio Fund

Because central Michigan suffered a near-epidemic this year, additional financial help from the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis has been given its Ingham county chapter.

A check for \$2,500 was received by Gerald W. Byrue and Mrs. R. C. Spencer, vice chairman of the county chapter, from Donald W. Barton, Detroit, state representative of the foundation, which conducts the annual March of Dimes campaign in January. The voucher was turned over to Frank M. Kropschot, treasurer of the local chapter.

This is the second time this year we have been forced to appeal to the National Foundation for more funds to care for polio victims, Mrs. Spencer said. "We previously received the same amount."

"We had 18 cases of polio in the county this year which is considered almost epidemic. Two are in the hospital and 12 others are being treated as out-patients. Because of the nature of infantile paralysis and its crippling effects, treatment is very expensive."

Barton said the people of Michigan and Ingham county should feel reassured because the policy of the National Foundation permits allocation of its funds to local chapters where the number of cases runs higher than anticipated.

Last January's March of Dimes campaign in Ingham county raised \$24,000. A quota of \$30,000 has been set for the 1949 campaign which will get underway January 14.

Sunnyside District

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kyser and boys from Battle Creek visited Mrs. Lilla Kyser Sunday.

Visitors of Hattie Wright over the week end were Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Scarbrough and daughters from Kalamazoo, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Randolph from Grand Ledge, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Randolph, Jr., and daughter from Lansing.


Mrs. Sarah Darrow left Thursday to spend Christmas with her son in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Stewart and Gordon attended their brother-in-law's funeral Friday in Fowlerville. Mr. Flex Smith was killed instantly when he fell from a roof while working.


The school Christmas program was held Monday night. The Sunday school party was Wednesday night.

A & P GIVES BONUS

Additional compensation totaling more than \$2,100,000 has been distributed to employees of the Great Atlantic and Pacific Tea company before Christmas, it was announced today by John A. Hartford, president. All A & P employees throughout the country, with six months or more service with the company, participate in the cash distribution. The company's employees were voted \$1,978,000 compensation last year.



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Mason City Bakery
Charles Beidler, Prop.

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Part 3

Leslie

By E. J. Cross

Plan School Improvements

The Leslie board of education, has authorized the revamping of the heating of the school annex to more adequately heat the same which houses the library, band room, shop and second grade. They also ordered curtains for the balcony of the gymnasium which will reach from the first rail to the floor. Bleachers will also be secured for the stage of the gymnasium. They are to be six tier high.

Approaching Marriage Revealed

Mr. and Mrs. Milford Down have announced the coming marriage of their daughter, Mildred, to Lynden Reinsmith of Holt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Reinsmith of Mason. The marriage will take place Thursday, December 23, at the home of the bride-elect's uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Eli Quirk on Peacock road. Miss Down graduated from the Leslie high school with the class of 1947. She is now employed by the Consumers Power company at Jackson.

To Haze Buildings

The buildings recently vacated by Otto Fancher's grocery and the City Cab service are to be razed, as they have been declared as fire hazards by the state fire marshal.

Yearbook Staff Named

Work has begun on the senior annual which will be published by the class of 1949 of the Leslie high school. Richard Barratt has been selected as editor-in-chief, with Lorraine Love as co-editor. The business managers will be Jean Gaston, Doris Edwards, Joyce Ward, Sally Chapman, Dean Gaston, Russell Beaton and Joe Wertz. Literary editor will be Walt Chance, who will be assisted by Norma Whitney, Ruth Smith and Charles Gassel. Sports editor is to be Larry Richardson with Kenneth Howard, Donald Meredith and Wesley Abbey as his helpers. The photography department will be taken care of by James Bush, Arthur Blank, James Dumbauld, Robert Swart, Barbara Armbruster, Wilma Mann and Marion Koker. Activities editor will be Mary Jane Ruthig with Lorna Webber, Joan Ridley, Joyce Reeder, William Miller, Robert Darrow and Kenneth Hendertson assisting her. Richard Lothman will be the senior editor with Betty Willson, Edna Perrine, Patricia Clemens, Jim Barnes, James Lounsbury and Harry Jones working with him. Nancy Sheathelm and Marilyn Derr will serve as the typists.

Pupils of the home economics department of the Leslie high school have made a number of cloth dolls and animals for the Leslie Community Service council's Christmas baskets.

The members of the Leslie school faculty and the members of the board of education, with their husbands and wives, have been presented with complimentary tickets to the season's basketball games by the school's athletic association.

The enrollment of the Leslie schools has decreased slightly since the beginning of school. There are now 262 pupils in the grades from the kindergarten to the sixth grade and 383 in the junior and senior high grades.

The Arcade theatre gave a free Christmas program to the youngsters of Leslie Saturday afternoon.

The Leslie Community Grange will have its Christmas party at the Miner school house Thursday evening, December 23.

The young married couple of the Leslie Congregational church had a Christmas party Tuesday evening at the church chapel.

The Leslie Rainbow Girls will have a formal dance at the high school gymnasium New Year's night.

Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Waltz, with their son, Joe, are spending the holiday weeks visiting in the San Francisco Bay area in California. They will visit their son, Ralph S. Waltz at Berkeley.

Mrs. L. J. Grinnell will entertain for the holidays her two daughters, Miss Dawn Cleveland of Kansas City, and Miss Deanna Cleveland, a student at the Oklahoma Presbyterian college at Durant, Oklahoma.

The girls of the Leslie high school are practicing basketball at the school gym Monday evenings under the coaching of Miss Joan Hall.

Miss Bessie Webber has returned home from a month's visit at Tacoma, Washington.

A new sign has been placed over the front of the Fancher store designating it as "Fancher's Food Mart."

The operetta, "Christmas at the Circus," was given by the lower grades of the Leslie school Tuesday evening at the school.

2,4-D Winter Spraying Destroys Stumps, Weeds.

Successful winter spraying with an ester of 2,4-D is the newest twist to the ever-broadening field of chemical weed control.

At East Lansing, Mich., agronomists Keith Barrons and L. L. Coulter of the Dow Chemical company announced that stumps sprayed in near zero winters during the past three winters have responded to treatment in the same manner as stumps sprayed during the summer season. The chemical used was Esteron 44 which contains 44 per cent of the isopropyl ester of 2,4-D.

In Berlin Love Triangle



Former paratrooper Edward J. Lada, 29, of Newark, N. J., hitchhiked through Berlin's blockade to see his girl friend, Ruth Rickel, 21, right, and their illegitimate child, Nancy, 2. On his arrival, U. S. military authorities locked him up for illegal entry of the occupied zone. To further complicate matters, a second German frauin appealed for Lada's affections. One day, Lada said he wanted to marry Ruth, the next day the other frauin. Recently, however, he has said he wouldn't leave Germany without Ruth and their baby.

It's a Man's World After All



Leland McMillen, of Oak Park, Ill., feeds his prize-winning apple to runner-ups in the National Farm and Garden Show's baking contest in Chicago. At left is Mrs. C. A. Hirtz, of Elgin, Ill., second place winner, and at right Mrs. H. Williams, of Park Ridge, Ill., who took third place honors. McMillen was the only man in the contest.

Vantown

Mrs. L. P. Williams

The Christmas program at the church will be held Friday evening at eight o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Graf and son, Glen, were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dorwin Williams.

Several from here attended the funeral of Herman Schray at Holt Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Stowe were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Chaffee at Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Merton Rice are holding open house at their home Sunday, January 2, from 2 to 5 and from 7 to 9, in honor of their 25th anniversary. Relatives, neighbors and friends are invited.

Clyde Hayhoe of Okemos was a Friday caller at the True Martin home.

Clark Center

Mrs. Donald Clark

The children of the Bullen school had their Christmas party and program Thursday afternoon. Gifts were exchanged by the children.

Mrs. Josephine Oosterle, teacher of the school who has just recovered from pneumonia, and Mrs. Alton Stroud, who has substituted for Mrs. Oosterle the past two months, were presented with gifts from the children. Refreshments of 1 cc cream, popcorn and candy were served at the close of the program.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Mitchell spent the week end in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bullen and children attended the kootie party at the V. F. W. home at Eaton Rapids Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Clark and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Charles Seelye.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Rusch and family attended the golden wedding anniversary celebration of Mr. and Mrs. Will Sanford of Leslie Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Green of Lansing spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Ziegler. Mr. and Mrs. Carlos Moubrey of Dimondale were guests in the evening of Mr. and Mrs. Ziegler.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cooper of East Lansing and Mrs. Frank Free of Lansing called on Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Clark and Frank Free Sunday. They also visited at the Donald Clark home.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen LeSeney and sons of Charlotte, Sally LeSeney and Raymond LeSeney of Onaway were Sunday guests of Mrs. Anna

Webberville

Storm Hits Lights and Phones

The sleet storm did considerable damage to the Detroit Edison wire lines in Webberville and vicinity. Lights were out for three hours and milking machines were out until late in the evening. The telephone wires and poles were also down. The community was without telephone service for three days. The trees were also badly damaged. In some cases whole trees fell under the heavy load of ice.

False Alarm

At one o'clock Thursday morning the citizens of Webberville were awakened by the continuous ringing of the fire alarm. When the firemen got to the fire truck they found only a short in the alarm system.

Rebekah's Elect Officers

Cedar Rebekah Lodge held its regular meeting Tuesday evening.

Election of officers followed.

Noble grand, Mrs. Gladys Janson; vice grand, Mrs. Myrtle Rice; secretary, Mrs. Nora McComb; financial secretary, Mrs. Bernadette Haskell; treasurer, Mrs. Millie Jansdof; captain, Mrs. Merl Graham. Degree staff practice followed with an exchange of gifts. The staff presented the captain a lovely gift and the captain presented the staff each a gift. Refreshments were served. About \$47 was cleared from the commercial club supper.

Mrs. Robert Branch returned from the hospital last Tuesday.

More Money Voted for Addition

A \$26,000 school addition was approved for Webberville. The \$26,000 needed by the Webberville board of education to finish the gymnasium and classroom addition that was started during the summer, was voted on Wednesday, December 15. The decision was carried by five to one. The vote was recorded as follows: Tax

rate limitation increase—Yes, 109, No, 20. Bonding proposition—Yes, 04, No, 20. This brings total amount to \$98,000 approved by the voters of the Webberville district for the new addition.

Groups Exchange Gifts

The Birthday club met at the home of Mrs. Alfred Cochrane last Thursday. A Christmas exchange was held and refreshments were served.

The O. E. S. held their Christmas exchange and vesper service last Wednesday evening. Plans were made for re-decorating the interior of the hall.

Masons Elect Officers

Election of the Masons was held with the following being elected: Worshipful master, Daniel White; senior warden, Eldon Ross; junior warden, William Dunavin; senior deacon, Elmer Hamlin; junior deacon, Irving Burt; treasurer, Sidney Fulton; and secretary, Harold Johns.

Christmas Appliance Specials

Remington Shavers

SPECIAL OFFER 30% DISCOUNT

Regular \$119.95 **BARTON WASHER**

Special Christmas Sale **\$89.95**

Regular \$125 **HORTON WASHER**

\$89.95; \$18.53 Down, 12 Months To Pay

JUICERS

Regularly \$5.95, special at **\$3.95**

Regularly \$4.95, special at **\$2.95**

Regularly \$3.95, special at **\$1.95**

Westinghouse Electric Blankets


Regular \$49.95 - Special At **\$35**

Pyrex 12-Cup Coffee Makers

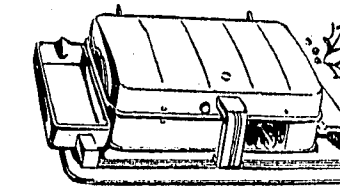
Regular \$4.95 - Special At **\$2.95**

Regular \$7.95 **Travel Irons \$3.95**

Regular \$6.95 **Heating Pads \$3.95**



Waffle Bakers
And Combination Sandwich Grills



Electric Mixers
Dormeyer and Mixmaster

Table Radios
Westinghouse, Zenith, Stewart-Warner, Emerson, The biggest selection in town.
\$14.95 up
Easy Terms

Electric Percolators
Handsome chrome models

Electric Clocks
Mantel, wall and kitchen models.


Westinghouse Roasters
Completely automatic, prepares the entire meat in its compact space.

Toasters
Toastermaster and Proctor Pops toast up automatically

Flat Irons
Sunbeam and Westinghouse Both steam irons and regular models

Pioneer Barber Shop
Mason

Jewett Appliance
Mason



We echo the world-wide greeting to all of you, friends and neighbors.

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Dansville

Mrs. Helen Young

Dansville F. & A. M. Lodge Holds Public Installation

A public installation of new officers for Dansville F. & A. M. No. 100 was held Saturday in the Masonic hall. At seven o'clock a bohemian style dinner was served to 125 members and guests. This was followed by an installation ceremony with M. L. Van Vliet of Lansing, acting as installing officer; Graham Jackson of Williamston, grand marshal; Dr. F. Behner of Stockbridge, grand chaplain; Lawrence Curtis, grand secretary; Mr. Woodruff of Okemos, grand organist; and Charles Openlander of Wacoona, soloist. Mrs. Openlander accompanied him at the piano.

The following officers were installed in Eansville Lodge No. 100: Worshipful master, Dell Mead; senior warden, Merle Swan; junior warden, Carroll Glynn; treasurer, Dale Erler; secretary, Ivan Riehn; senior deacon, Marvin Glynn; junior deacon, Donald Parks; marshal, Charles Woods; stewards, George Vogt, Sr. and J. E. Dalton; Tyler, Almond Wing; and chaplain, Dr. F. A. Lendrum. Grand Officer, Lloyd E. Knapp, illustrious grand conductor of Council of Royal and Select Masons of Michigan was present for the occasion.

Mead, newly installed worshipful master was escorted to the East by his two grandchildren, Carolyn and Jimmie French of Detroit. Mrs. Kathleen Swan, worthy matron of Dansville O. E. S., was introduced and Mrs. Alma Dalton, president of the Ingham County Association O. E. S. was escorted to the East. Short talks were given by Mrs. Ona Almond, L. E. Ott and Charles Woods. The evening's program was concluded by an address by Dr. F. Behner of Stockbridge. Guests were present from Detroit, Lansing, Williamston, Mason, Stockbridge, Okemos, Leslie, Wacoona and Eaton Rapids.

School Closed Wednesday

School closed Wednesday for the Christmas vacation and will resume Monday, January 3. The grade children will have parties, a Royal Webster, Arlo Shaw, Leonard Brooks, Bob Somers, Junior

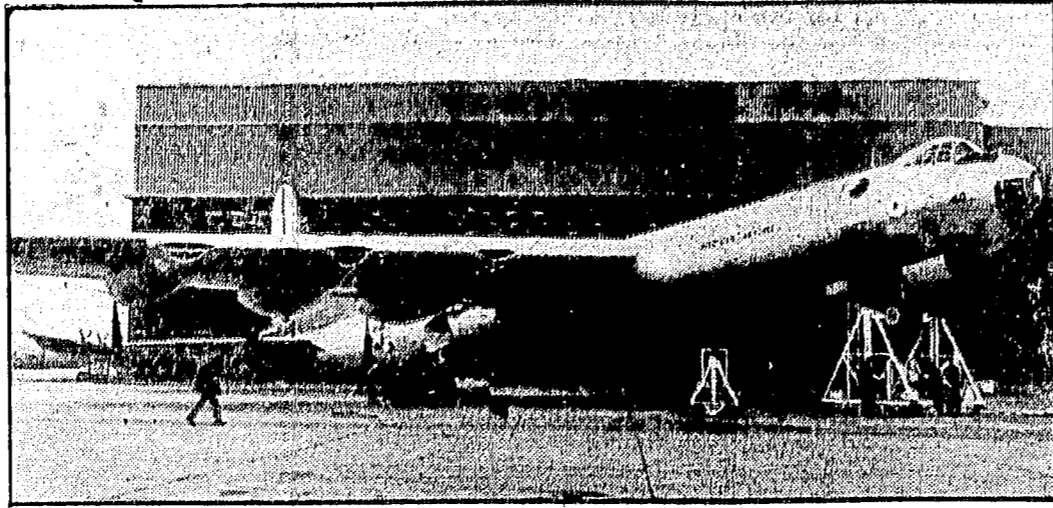
and Glen Webster. The Aggies first team defeated the alumni 62 to 29. The alumni players were Forrest Walker, John Walker, Ronald Webster, Royal Webster, Arlo Shaw, Leonard Brooks, Bob Somers, Junior

Aggies Win Over All

Three basketball games were played Friday evening in the school gymnasium, the opposing teams being made up of alumni. The girls game was the first on the schedule and the alumni were defeated 11-9. The alumni line up was Maxine Simons, Elizabeth Pollok, Rosalie Kelley, Phyllis Taylor, Yvonne Fry, Jean Bartlett and Jean Sharland. The high school team consisted of Lois Bartlett, June Simons, Beryl Shaw, Myriss Singer, Noreen Cochran, Verla Jean Snyder, Beverly Utter, Geneva Chelf, Joan Laxton and Alfreda Frost. Dansville's second team won over their alumni opponents, 45-12. These who played for the alumni team were Bud Gauss, Bob Greenough, Joe Richardson, Paul Chelf, Roland Wing, Glen Sharland and Ronald Lewis. Those who played on the high school team were Leland Perrine, Bill Hefty, Roy Cochran, Bob Erler, Sam Craft, Bob Thompson, Paul Oosterle and Charles Howell.

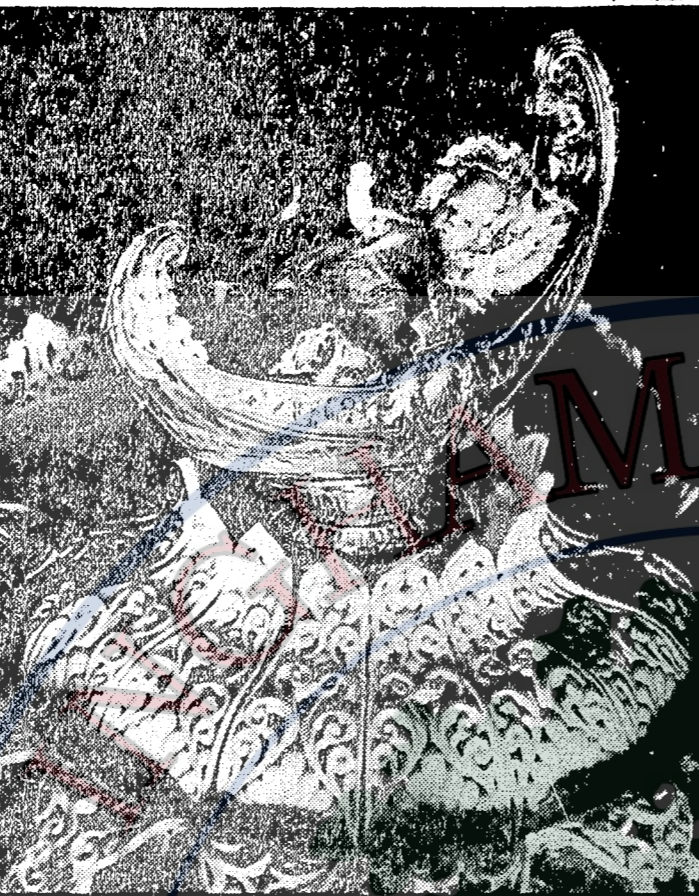
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World's Biggest Bomber Comes Out Sideways



The Convair B-36, world's biggest bomber, must come out of the building where it was built sideways because it has a wingspan of 230 feet and the door is only 200 feet wide. It was turned around inside the assembly building in Fort Worth, Tex., and hauled out by tractors. Another necessary maneuver was to jack up the nose so that the 47-foot-high tail would be lowered enough to clear the doorway.

For the Royal Christening



In accordance with custom, Princess Elizabeth saved the top tier of her wedding cake for the christening of her first child. This silver cradle replaces the former floral decoration on the 30-pound cake, and was used for the event which took place in London.

Anderson and Glen Webster. The Aggies first team consisted of Junior Hayhoe, Dick Kehres, Sam Williams, Wayne Chelf, George Young, Lowell Rappleyea and Bob Thompson.

There will be no more games for the Aggies until the January 7 game with Stockbridge. Practices will continue during vacation. Over \$60.00 was taken in at the alumni games which makes a total of about \$235 toward the accident fund.

Y. P. M. S. Holds Party

The Young Peoples Missionary society of the First Methodist church was entertained last Wednesday evening at the home of Barbara Perrine. Games were played, Christmas carols sung and gifts were exchanged. At the conclusion of the meeting refreshments were served.

L. T. L. Exchange Gifts

Sandra Cook was hostess to the L. T. L. members at her home Thursday afternoon after school. The business meeting was followed by the exchange of gifts. Popcorn and candy were served to the children.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilson were Sunday evening guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Wilson of Howell. Leon Wilson is ill with pneumonia.

Honored at Shower

Several relatives were entertained Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pollok in honor of Mr. and Mrs. David Pollok, whose wedding was an event of November 21. Visiting during the evening was followed by the presentation of gifts which were found by means of numbers in colored balloons. This occasion also honored the birthdays of Arthur Pollok and Mrs. David Pollok. Both were presented a box of candy. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served to the relatives.

Past Matrons Club

The Past Matrons enjoyed their Christmas party Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Ona Almond. A 6:30 chicken dinner was served followed by a presentation of gifts. This was followed by the exchange of gifts. Mrs. George Vogt, Sr., the new president, outlined the year's work and appointed committees. Out of town guests were Mrs. Mabel Howlett of Stockbridge and Mrs. Minnie Bakely of Lansing. The January meeting will be at the home of Mrs. Mina Ott.

B. I. A. S. Meets

The Baptist Ladies Aid society met Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Glover for their family night and Christmas party. A bohemian style dinner was served at 7:30 which was followed by a short business meeting. Plans were made to pack Christmas boxes for several local people. After the business meeting gifts were exchanged. The January meeting will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Williams.

Attend Tractor Meeting

J. MacDougall attended a tractor meeting last Thursday evening at the court house in Mason. The purpose was to organize a course of instruction pertaining to tractor maintenance that the farmer would be capable of completing on the farm. M. H. Avery of the extension department had charge of the meeting. Zane Clark, a representative from Standard Oil, showed color movies of tractor plowing contests where youths of high school age were in competition. The aims of such a program were explained to the implement dealers and others attending the meeting. Such a program of instruction is expected to be given to the farm boys of this community who study agriculture.

Homemakers Complete Gifts

The Homemaking I and II classes completed their Christmas gifts last week. The girls made aprons out of feed sacks and other gifts from felt, left over pieces of cloth and yarn and buttons. The Homemaking II class has been working on interior decorating in preparation for redecorating the first aid room and Homemaking room. The Future Homemakers sent a second box of food and clothing to the Boerslag family in the Netherlands this week. Plans are to send a box each month. All donations will be accepted by the girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Theo G. Hoag entertained Mr. and Mrs. Louis Yuhaz, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jankevink of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. George Vogt, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Roylyn Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Deccus and Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Dalton, all of Dansville, and Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Surateaux of Holt Saturday evening at a Christmas party.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woods were Monday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. John West of Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Surateaux entertained Mrs. June Surateaux, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Laxton and John of Mason and Mr. and Mrs. Theo G. Hoag of Dansville for a family Christmas gathering at their home in Holt Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Sites and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Norton.

Marlene Swan is confined to her home this week with measles. Mr. and Mrs. Roy Starr and daughter of Mason were Sunday dinner guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Utter.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Alton of Leslie were Sunday dinner guests of the Dell Pearson family.

Charles Woods attended the funeral of his cousin, Flex Smith, of Fowlerville Friday afternoon.

Miss Joan Witt of Ypsilanti is enjoying a holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paris Witt.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Corbin and family were Thursday dinner guests of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Corbin.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nelson and family were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Shaffer of DeWitt.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Olson, Jr., and daughter of Dearborn and Mr. and Mrs. George Olson of East Lansing were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Olson, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sherman and family were Sunday dinner guests of Miss Frances Keene.

Reinhold Peterson of Fowlerville was a Monday visitor of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Swan.

Yeoman 1st class, Lyle Hanna of Grosse Ile, was a Saturday guest of Mr. and Mrs. Aethen Witt.

Mrs. Carl White and daughter, Ruth Anne, were brought home Sunday from the Sparrow hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Glover and Olive Foster enjoyed a birthday dinner Sunday with the latter's sister, Mrs. Levi Miller, of Fowlerville, whose birthday was honored.

Mr. and Mrs. William Musoff and Neil attended the funeral of Albert Musoff at South Lyon Wednesday afternoon. Albert Musoff was killed Saturday evening when his car collided with a truck one-half mile from his home near Stockbridge. He was a brother of William Musoff.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas Nelson are spending Christmas week with Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Daniels of Detroit.

Robert Arnis of Eaton Rapids spent Sunday with his aunt, Mrs. Bertha Olson.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pollok and Elizabeth attended the funeral services for Pfc. James Rector at Williamston Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hearn of Rutherford, N. J., and Miss Frances Keene were Thursday evening

guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sherman.

Dorothy Denton is spending a part of her Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Chester Kurek of Grand Rapids.

Wilbur Singer and his father-in-law, Walter Gordon, returned Sunday from Ashkum, Illinois, where they visited relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. James Norton and family were Saturday dinner guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyden Duff of Detroit were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Osborne.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mills and Arthur McCort of Lansing were Sunday guests of Mrs. Elizabeth Seeley.

Bill Brennan of Mason spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Orin Voss, Jr.

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Best wishes for a very merry and joyous Christmas and a happy and prosperous New Year.

Our Cab Service

Phone 22141 Mason

With best wishes for Christmas

In appreciation for your valued friendship we wish to express our sincerest wishes for A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.

Palmer Food Market

Les Palmer, Prop.

HOLIDAY GREETINGS

To everyone whom we are privileged to call "friend and neighbor" go our heartfelt expressions of the Season's joyous sentiments.

A. G. Spenny and Sons

Mason

Greetings

We wish to express our fondest hope that this Christmas finds you ready to enjoy to the fullest the warm, gay, happy spirit of the holiday season. May the Yuletide bells sound a greater joy for you than ever before.

Rathburn's Hardware

Mason

Dansville

Beth Woods in ill this week at her home with measles.

Mr. and Mrs. John Corbin were Tuesday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Sherwood of Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gallup of Laingsburg were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Hull-beger.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Haindel and daughter of Mason were entertained Sunday at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mike Kuch.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Warfle of Mason and Mrs. Roylyn Miller and son were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Mason of Webeville were Sunday guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Muench.

Mr. and Mrs. William Musloff were Thursday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Musloff and Arnold Cogger of South Lyon.

Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Nelson and family spent Friday and Saturday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wilkinson of South Haven.

Mrs. Forrest Barry, Mrs. C. A. Diehl and Mrs. Dorn Diehl attended a meeting of the Garden club Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Carl Jewett of Mason. The meeting was devoted to the making of centerpieces for Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Merle Freer and family were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Dale Gaffner of Perry.

Robert Greenough of Michigan State college is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Greenough.

Mrs. Andrew Millhouse and Mrs. Tom Cavender of Stockbridge spent Thursday with Mrs. Paul Hedglen.

C. A. Diehl attended a meeting in Saginaw Thursday of the Farmers and Manufacturers Beet Growers association.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Palmer and daughters, Miss Verna Favorite of Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morea of Erie, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Felton and daughter, and Roger Favorite of Jackson were entertained Sunday at dinner at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Favorite.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Frerish and family of Detroit were week end guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dell Mead.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Fox, Mr. and Mrs. Clare Fox and family and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilson were Sunday guests of Mrs. Bernice Knapp of Owosso.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Freer and family were Tuesday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Freiermuth of Pitsburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Justin Brady were guests at a Christmas party Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Hanes in Mason.

Mr. and Mrs. Jud Sweet and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Henderson of Lansing were Friday evening guests of Mrs. Irene Braman.

Mr. and Mrs. Eber Thompson moved last week to their new home which they built this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ketchum and son and Mrs. Richmond Bailey and son of Mason were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Craft.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Dalton and family attended the end of term services for short courses at Michigan State college Friday evening. Wayne Dalton was presented with his certificate for an eight-week course.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Cole of Jackson were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis VanVorce of Port Clinton, Ohio, Will VanVorce and Mrs. Freda VanVorce were dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Smith.

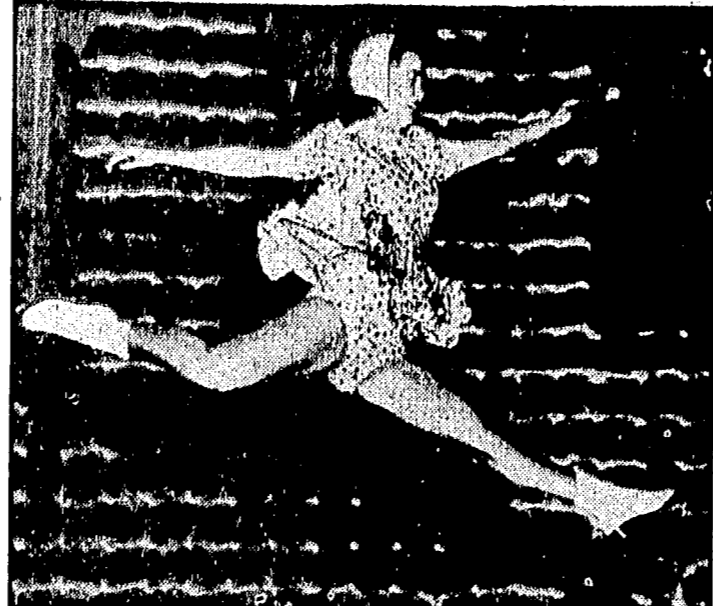
Mr. and Mrs. Chester Benjamin and Mrs. Mary Kendrick and Mrs. Pearl Eisner of Lansing were Saturday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Anderson.

Miss Joyce Arnold of Ypsilanti is enjoying her holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Arnold.

Mrs. Elizabeth Backus and Rosamond were guests at dinner Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Burr King of Howell.

A boy was born Sunday, December 19, to Mr. and Mrs. Burton Miller. The baby has been named Tom Burton.

She Flies Through the Air



Youthful Barbara Ann Scott of Canada, world's figure-skating champion, does a flying leap above the ice in rehearsal for her professional debut in New York, displaying the form that charmed judges and spectators at last winter's Olympic games.

Thousands of Bulbs On Largest Tree

Three thousand multi-colored electric bulbs and tons of Spanish moss decorate the world's largest Christmas tree located in Hilton Municipal Park at Wilmington, North Carolina. The giant, 300-year-old water oak rises to a height of 275 feet and its branches spread 110 feet.

Its magnificence has been enhanced by a radio station constructed beneath the spreading limbs from which emanates Christmas music that reaches the crowds from loud speakers concealed in the branches and an apparent voice from the heavens that comes from a speaker mounted atop a nearby giant water tower.

Thousands of people gather around it each night during December to listen or join in the Christmas caroling. The tree won its title as the largest Christmas tree in a contest held several years ago.



"I should have looked in the telephone directory Yellow Pages for a taxi."

A hungry rat is easily poisoned or trapped. Make food difficult for rats to find, store food and feeds properly, and keep scraps and gar-

Greetings

To all whose friendship we cherish so much . . .
A Merry Christmas
A Happy New Year

Bartholomew's Sales and Service
Mason

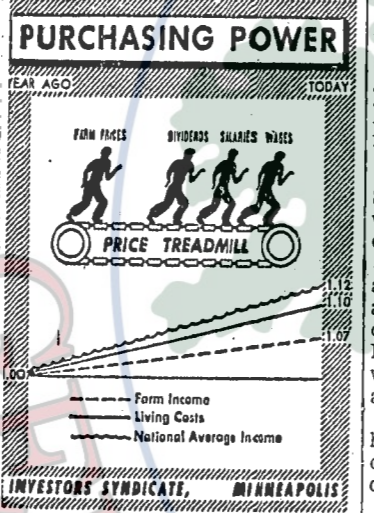
Farm Topics

Average Farm Family Sees Income Recede

Buying Power Higher Now Than Year Ago

What, if anything, is happening to the average U. S. farmer with regard to the money he gets for what he raises, and does he have anything to worry about?

Although there has been a moderate drop in income of farmers, the average family has more purchasing power today than it had a



Year ago, a reliable monthly survey of "real income" reveals. "Real income" is the relationship of revenue to living costs.

The national figures indicate that the average home has 2 per cent more buying power than last year. Wage-earners, salaried people and those with investment income are equally well off, while the farmer is now about 3 per cent below his status of a year ago.

It should be remembered, however, that such status a year ago was at a then all-time high.

Besides the recent drop in farm prices, the survey said, it is expected that there may be further tapering off during the next six months, but farm income will continue at a high level. In the same way, although surpluses are beginning to appear in the clothing industry, there are no signs yet that sharp price breaks are likely.



"DEAR SANTA" . . . This calls for a lot of deep thinking. You mustn't ask for too much, but you hate to ask for too little.

Bunker Hill

Mrs. E. B. Stiles

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Wainright of East Lansing called on his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Wainright, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Stiles spent Sunday in Holly.

Mrs. Morris Swan of Mason, Mrs. Fred Ward and Marvin of Leslie and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Jenkins spent Sunday in Wayne with Mrs. Duane Lathrop and Mrs. Opha Willett and Andrew Willett of the United States navy.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Webb spent Sunday with her nephew and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Curtis, of Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hurford and Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hurford and children attended the wedding of her nephew, Edward Hines, to Miss Elsa Vorndron. The wedding was held at the Community church at Commerce Friday.

Mrs. Ida May's daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Vern Jones of Lansing, called on her Sunday.

Mrs. Glenn Wainright entertained her sister, Miss Beryl Olmsted, of Lansing Saturday evening.

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Greetings at Christmas

1948

Tradition meets the present in the holiday season and we're happy to add our greetings to the rest.

Cummings Barber Shop
Mason

Season's Greetings

It is the "wealth" of good will, and the "strength" of good fellowship that make for a Merrier Christmas and a Happier New Year.

Fox Cleaners

Greetings TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

MASON & HOLT FROZEN FOOD LOCKERS

Merry Christmas 1948

We Hope . . . that your home is blessed with all the contentment possible during this holiday season.

We're stopping by with a cheery greeting.

Underwood's Log Cabin Grocery
Mason

Overhauling the Land



Ten years' work in rebuilding the soil-depleted 200-acre Rio Grande College farm at Rio Grande, Ohio, were compressed into 13 1/2 hours recently by 600 workers and hundreds of pieces of mechanized farm equipment. In this hilly Ohio valley country, chief problem was removal of excess water which had been carrying away top soil. Diversion ditches and sod water outlets were prepared. Two ponds were built. The course of a stream was altered. Years of cultivation had taken much of the life from the farm's soil, so the horde of workers also attacked the problem of soil rejuvenation. Great areas were tilled, limed, fertilized and seeded and overgrown pasture land was reclaimed and prepared for seeding. In the picture, a jeep, equipped with bush and bog harrow, is engaged in mulching as part of the work done on the farm.

established in 1995

Merry Christmas

The foundation of all business is friendship— and with each Christmas we derive unmatched joy in wishing our friends all the pleasures of a Merry Yuletide and a New Year filled with happiness, good health and peace.

James Dart

Donald Cady

Rural Areas Are Getting New Homes

More than 42 per cent of new residential construction, both in family units and dollars volume, is built in communities of less than 2,500 population, it is announced by the Michigan Association of Home Builders. This information, taken from government reports, does not include farm home construction which is a large figure itself because of the high farm income.

The state-wide organization of home builders recognizes the benefit to the industry at large, and to the individual builder, of a common meeting ground for all home builders, city and rural. The Michigan Association's first annual convention and exposition to be held in Grand Rapids civic auditorium January 18-19-20, will bring together the entire state home building industry, including the builders and the suppliers of material, equipment and services.

"A state exposition aimed specifically to interest and educate the operating home builder is rather a new idea and different than the usual 'home show,'" stated Hirtis E. Allen, executive secretary. "An intimate meeting of the building trade and the manufacturer or supplier should permit an exchange of information on practices and products that will benefit everyone."

Information on the home building industry or membership in

the Michigan Association of Home Builders can be obtained by addressing the association at P. O. Box 1304, Lansing. Anyone interested in providing better homes, lower cost homes, for Michigan families is invited to attend the Grand Rapids convention and exposition in January.

White Dog District

Mrs. M. V. Butler
Mrs. Clare Bartig, Mrs. Lawrence T. Smith and Susan, Mrs. Fred Rich and Steven, Mrs. Leora Norris, Mrs. Lawton Clickner, Mrs. Paul Bauer, Mrs. Lloyd Wagner and Susan and Mrs. Vernon Butler attended a Christmas party of Extension members at the home of Mrs. Frank Lay. Mrs. Paul Bauer was co-hostess. Games were played and after gifts were exchanged, refreshments of cookies and tea or coffee was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Simons and family of Lansing spent Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Clickner and Janice.
Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Smith and family spent Sunday evening at the M. V. Butler home.

The Christmas program of the White Dog school will be held Thursday evening, December 23.

There will be two eclipses of the sun and two of the moon in 1949.



Perhaps the most typical thing about America at this time is the Christmas tree, for with its holiday garb of tinsel and goodies, its religious significance and spirit of festivity, it mirrors the cultural traditions and customs of the world.



JAPANESE FOLLOW WESTERN CHRISTMAS TREE CUSTOM—The Japanese have adopted the Christmas tree and given it an oriental appearance by decorating its branches with Japanese dolls, woodcuts, small tangerines and rice cookies called "sembei," that hold paper slips of fortunes.



FRENCH CONTRIBUTE GLITTER TO TREE—Sweet as the bobbin she holds is this French lass in her Normandy dress—and frothy as the sugar-ball hanging from its branches is the French tree.

CHRISTMAS TREE ORIGINATED IN GERMANY—An apron full of ginger-bread cookies from a German tree, traditionally decorated with ginger-cakes, nuts, apples, marzipans, and candy-filled cornucopias. Chains and baskets made by hand—from ordinary newspaper when nothing more suitable is available—complete its trimmings. Candles have been used to illuminate it ever since the time of Martin Luther, when the custom of decorating trees at Christmas first began.



MANGER SCENE IN ITALY—An Italian girl attaches an angel to a pine branch above the crib, traditional Italian symbol of Christmas. The custom dates back to 1223 when St. Francis of Assisi arranged the first crib in the chancel of the church at Greccio, Italy, using a simple manger with a doll to represent the Christ Child and adding live animals for reality. The manger has become a recognized symbol of religious significance throughout the Christian world.



FOLK-MOTIFS ON CZECH TREE—Pretty Czech angels lend a touch of heaven to the Czech tree decorated with clusters of gilded nuts, apples, and cookies made to resemble animal figures, peasant girls, stars and village huts. Local folk-motifs are noticeable in the trimmings on the angels' gowns, closely patterned after the braided design on the bodice of the peasant girl's holiday garb.

PLANS ALTERATION SHOP—Mrs. Lila V. Carrick of Lansing and Mrs. Jeanette Cliff of Mason have leased quarters at 229 Jefferson where they plan to establish an alteration shop January. Both women are experienced seamstresses and have been engaged in alteration work. A dry cleaning pickup and delivery agency will also be conducted by the women.

Northwest Ingham

Mrs. Ami Terrill
George Ward and son, Donald, have gone to Riverside, California, to spend the holidays with his son, Harold, and family. Mr. Ward plans to stay in California during the winter.

Mrs. Zola Osborne and Delight Laws accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Adlof and Mr. and Mrs. John Barnes to Ann Arbor Friday evening to see Mr. Osborne, who is very ill with the flu in Simpson Memorial hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rae, Ernest Nims and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ami Terrill and grandsons attended the Rebekah-Odd Fellow Christmas supper in Mason Saturday night.

Ronny, Johnny and Douglas Laing spent from Saturday until Monday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ami Terrill.
Raymond Laws of Mason was a Sunday dinner guest of Mrs. Frank Osborne and Mrs. Delight Laws.

Many from this vicinity attended funeral services for John Thomas at the Jewett funeral home last Thursday afternoon, Monday with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nims were in Ann Arbor recently to see her father, William Lillywhite, who is in the hospital with an infection in his foot.

The ice storm of last week caused severe damage at the Frank Osborne home. Power service was interrupted for several days. The transformer at the Weldon home was also destroyed. Several others were without electric service for several hours.

Redding, California plans to have a 98-foot Christmas tree this year.

Canned food production in North America amounts to over half a billion cases yearly.

Council Proceedings

Mason, Michigan, December 20, 1948. Council met and was called to order by Mayor Morrison. Present: Aldermen Dakin, Darling, Launstein, Parsons, Post and Taylor. Absent: none.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The finance committee reported the following claims and recommended their allowances:

Norman Weldon	2.50
The Ferris Co.	6,455.82
Hair Transit Co.	2.92
Smith Tree Service	236.00
Standard Oil Co.	8.53
Jennings Body Shop	24.87
Stclair Refining Co.	98.06
Western Auto Associate Store	2.20
Mason Elevator Co.	2.00
Mieh. Bell Tel. Co.	13.95
Blowback & Son Co.	8.06
Michigan Products	21.95
R. A. Zimmerman	1.30
Lakeside Engineering Corp.	250.00
Board of Cemetery Trustees	107.50
Wayne Curtis and Men	776.20
Mieh. Bell Tel. Co.	44.40
City Employees	507.09

The report of the finance committee was adopted by the following vote: Yeas—6, Nays—0.

By Alderman Darling:
Resolved by the common council that the city treasurer should send statements to all delinquent on curbs, meter and sidewalk in the city of Mason.

The above resolution was supported by Aldermen Parsons and carried by vote: Yeas—6, Nays—0.

By Alderman Post:
Resolved by the common council that the city should continue the group insurance on the 40-50 plan. The above resolution was supported by Alderman Dakin and carried by vote: Yeas—6, Nays—0.

By Alderman Darling:
Resolved by the common council that the following appointments be approved: Police, Ralph Hall and Kenneth McIndoo; Police, substitute, George Galy; cemetery board, Earl Salisbury; fire chief and fire warden for the city, Leland Austin; city engineer, Walter Zimmer; city attorney, G. J. Hood; superintendent of streets, sewers and water, Wayne Curtis; and superintendent of disposal plant, S. L. Pomeroy.

The above resolution was supported by Alderman Taylor and carried by vote: Yeas—6, Nays—0.

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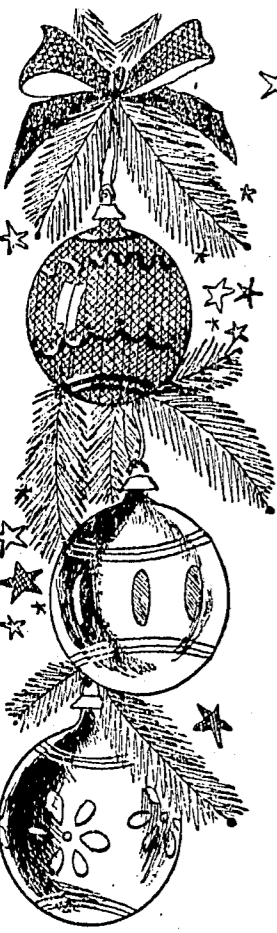
"A CHRISTMAS CAROL" by Dickens, narrated by Basil Rathbone

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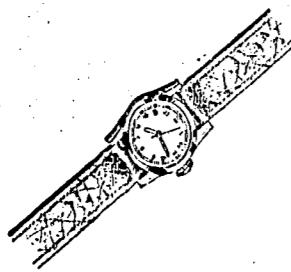
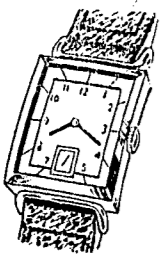


CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

At this happy time of the year it is our great pleasure to extend to one and all sincere wishes for a joyous Yuletide.

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For a very Merry Christmas

None of us is so young that we cannot understand the beautiful meaning of Christmas and none of us so old and worldly that we cannot be reminded of the first message of Christmas, "Peace on Earth Good Will Toward Men". For we all come to realize that the good things in life emanate from the desire to serve our fellow man. It is in this spirit that we wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

From The Employees of Kean's 5c to \$1.00 Store

Gus Kean	Delores Foreman	Dorothy Cavanaugh
Fern Kean	Jean Winzler	Nellie White
Bob Robson	Helen Terhorst	Hah Colby
Ruth Gray	Marian Burns	Margaret Watt
Margaret Munger	Betty Powelson	Helen Bateman
Helen Turner	Neva Clark	Marie Anderson
Stella Stolz	Ilah Worthington	Jim Kelly
	Warner Kean	

Kean's 5c to \$1.00 Store
Mason, Mich.

Reduction of Services Or Higher Taxes Faced

By Gene Allaman (Michigan Press Association)
Elimination of 37 of the state's 69 agencies is now recommended by a special legislative study committee.

The December report heralds renewal of the debate whether the state of Michigan must impose new or higher taxes in order to divert a threatened treasury deficit. Such a deficit has been long fore-

cast by State Treasurer D. Hale Ericks and more recently by Controller John Perkins, if Michigan is to continue to divert 70 per cent of its sales tax "golden egg" back to home governments.

Michigan voters rejected overwhelmingly on November 2 a legislative recommendation that this constitutional earmarking should be repealed. The verdict is decisive.

It is significant that the legislative committee, in looking into possible reorganization of state government, emphasized the mounting cost of public services. Where total disbursements for state and local governments, as financed from the state treasury, were a mere piddling \$23,000,000 back in 1918 (those were the days of "normalcy"), the taxpayers' bill has now soared (1948) to the astronomical height of \$471,000,000. And that, ladies and gentlemen, is pretty close to a cool half-billion dollars!

By inference at least, the legislative committee lends moral support to the belief among many taxpayers that state government has become top-heavy with bureaus and that some of the state funds had better be diverted back home for more useful needs. This attitude assumes that elimination of agencies at Lansing will automatically save millions of dollars, money which could be spent at home to better advantage or else used to balance the state treasury.

This breakdown of direct tax responsibility, whereby local communities look to Lansing or Washington for financial salvation, has been long decried by thoughtful students. Too often citizens who clamor loudly for economy at Lansing are first to support a move to get more "state money" for use in their home communities.

In the meanwhile, postwar inflation has boosted the cost of all public services to a point where present revenues are reaching the vanishing point. The question thus becomes this: Shall we do away with some of our present services, or shall we pay new or higher taxes in order to get the benefits we con-

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line to demand? Whether the money comes from Lansing or Washington, the taxpayer must foot the bill. He is merely kidding himself to think that money from these sources costs him nothing.



"Health News" is presented by your Doctor of Medicine as a health service of the Michigan State Medical Society

Michigan Plan Serves As Model

An illustrated article in a national magazine is the latest example of the widespread attention and publicity being attached to the Michigan Plan for fighting rheumatic fever.

The November, 1948 issue of "Science, Illustrated", monthly publication devoted to progress in scientific and industrial fields, featured the Rheumatic Fever program and said that it is serving as a model for other states to copy in controlling the lifetime crippling effects of this childhood disease.

The Michigan program which is sponsored and operated by the Michigan State Medical Society, involves the setting up of 30 clinics throughout the state, dedicated to the diagnosis of rheumatic fever. The funds for the establishment of these centers came from the sale of Easter Seals. At the same time, an educational program has been launched for parents, children, and every doctor, designed to get possible rheumatic fever victims to those centers as quickly as possible.

The importance and success of the plan is indicated by the fact that of the first 1,000 patients in the clinics, 600 were found to have rheumatic fever.

By diagnosing cases early, the heart damage that usually accompanies the disease is warded off by making sure that the heart gets all the help and rest it can during the attack. A second step in diagnosis is to determine if the child may have suffered in an earlier bout with rheumatic fever, so as to be forewarned against the usual later attacks.

With the doctors, skilled in the symptoms of rheumatic fever, contributing their time and skill, the diagnostic centers cost the public little. A small charge is made for laboratory tests, but for those unable to pay, the Michigan Crippled Children's Commission defrays the small expense involved.

Circuit Court Proceedings

December 27, 1948
Estate of Clara Walker, Hearing on Claims.
Estate of Minnie M. Walden, Hearing on Claims.
Estate of Alice Agnes Hallou, Hearing on Claims.
Estate of Jay L. Cooley, Hearing on Claims.
Estate of Gottfried Hopp, Hearing on Claims.
Estate of Paul I. Taylor, mentally incompetent, Hearing on appointment of guardian.
Estate of Ida M. Barnes, mentally incompetent, Hearing on appointment of guardian.
Estate of Franklin DeKline, Adversely hearing on Claims.
December 28, 1948
Estate of Edna Palmerton, Hearing on Claims.
Estate of Ida Belle Williams, Hearing on Claims.
Estate of Jane Glogofsky, Hearing on Account.
December 29, 1948
Estate of Florence H. Miller, Hearing on Will.
Estate of Bessie Steele Swafford, Hearing on Account.
Estate of Mary Ella French, Hearing on Account.
Estate of Elsie Gertrude Chase, Hearing on Account.
Estate of Inez M. Barber, Hearing on Account.
Estate of Alphonso M. Nickerson, Hearing on Appointment of Administrator.

Estate of Hattie Gansley, Hearing on Account.
Estate of Lilla M. Bailey, mentally incompetent, Hearing on appointment of guardian.
Estate of Richard Koch, Hearing on Will.
Estate of Joseph S. Sharkey mentally incompetent, Hearing on appointment of guardian.
Estate of Albert D. Harrington mentally incompetent, Hearing on appointment of guardian.
December 31, 1948
Estate of Grant Proulx, Hearing on petition to sell Claim.
Estate of George H. Beck, Hearing on Claims.

Okemos and Vicinity Mrs. A. B. Whiting

Mrs. Nova Whiting will be hostess to the Pioneer Ladies at her home, 2080 Hamilton road, on Wednesday, December 29. A potluck dinner at noon will be followed by a business meeting and program with exchange of gifts. Assisting Mrs. Whiting will be Kate Welch, Ada Gubbins and Fern Keesler.

Mrs. Emily Spaulding, who has been visiting her son, Clifford, and family in Washington for several months, returned home last week. Student recognition day will be observed at the Community church next Sunday in the worship hour.

College students will take part in the program.
The youth Fellowship group will present the annual Christmas party and program at the county hospital Thursday evening. They are also planning a New Year's Eve party and program to which all youths are invited.
Miss Joyce Stillman is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Stillman, She attends college in Virginia.
Mr. and Mrs. John Anon were callers at the home of their cousins, the Whitings, Sunday afternoon.

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Merry Christmas 1948

†† Christmas is an old-fashioned holiday, a time for reliving childhood days and for recalling old times, old friends.

May all the peace and tranquility of the season be yours in full measure.

Launstein Dairy
Mason

Family Restaurant
Mason

Tree Decorations Symbolize Myths

You may not realize it, but most of the ornaments on your Christmas tree are symbols of myths and legends that were popular three thousand years before the birth of Christ.

At that time the Aryan race, living in the foothills of the Himalaya mountains, saw in the rays of the rising sun, bent as they passed through the humid air, the image of a gigantic tree. These sun pendants added to the tree image suggestion from the more distant heavens; the sun, the moon and the stars became the golden fruit that hung on the branches. The larger clouds suggested birds, swans and doves flying in and about the tree. The golden flash of heat-lightning became the mystical flower that grew on the tree, the celestial mistletoe. The showers that watered the tree came from the streams at its base.

From these fragmentary old legends in folklore we get the tree itself, the golden tinsel to represent the rising sun, the golden fruit for stars and the moon, swans and doves for clouds, mistletoe for lightning and showers or streamers of silver tinsel for water.

The Gettysburg (Pa.) National Military park contains 26 miles of paved avenues, 800 statues and markers.

Peace on Earth

Greetings to all our friends this Christmas Season.

1948

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WYETH'S

The Season's Best Wishes

The Yuletide season with its multitude of joys and manifestations of good cheer, is with us again. Once more it offers us the opportunity to set aside the routine of every-day business and in real sincerity wish all our friends the blessings of A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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4-H Club News

Steers Bring Profit
Steer and lamb feeding project animals sold at the Junior Livestock show at Detroit early in December brought an income to six members of \$1,864.22, with a profit of \$463.50. Because of the high cost of animals and feed there was not a high profit. There are 17 members feeding 25 steers for next year's show. Seven steers will be sold at the county fair, the balance at state show or the Detroit Junior Livestock show. Following are the members feeding: Wayne Every, Terry Hunt, Vernon Burns, Gibson Strickling, Joyce Schultz, Wayne and Lawrence Malcho, Paul and Carl Osterle, Gordon Monroe, Arthur Webster, Jerry Jason, James Frost, Robert and Douglas Stanke.

Tractor Clubs Formed
A meeting of tractor leaders and implement dealers was held last Thursday night at the county building. A discussion of the project was held and the following plans are underway:
Sometime in February a trip is being planned to the Oliver plant in Battle Creek. Bert Howard of Lansing is making the arrangements.
A picture will be shown to the various clubs in March.

A plowing contest for the county is being planned at Ray Moline's farm on West Plains road.
There are seven tractor clubs in the process of organization with 100 members.
Following are the clubs and leaders: Okemos, Merlyn Swab and Carl Libbey; Ferris, Bill Moline; Danaville, Jeremiah McDougall; Williamston, Charles Langdon; Leslie, Russell Miller; Stockbridge, Donovan Conkright; and Mason, Carlyle Waltz. Dealers will be assisting with the program in each community. Zane Clark of Standard Oil will show pictures and assist with the clubs when called upon.
Kiwanis Award Is Made
The Lansing Kiwanis club is giving a dinner to leaders of three top clubs in the county this year and members of the winning club on January 27. A program will be put on by 4-H members and leaders.
The top club is Vanowen with Hugh Osterle as leader. Second is Alaleidon with Glen Watkins and several assistants. The third club is 4-Winds with Mrs. Paul Rowe and Ludell Cheney as leaders.
The 4-H Band will meet Wednesday evening, December 23, for practice at 7:30 at the county building, Mason. Following

practice the members will be guests of the Fox Theatre in Mason.
The Ingham County 4-H Council met last Thursday evening at the County building. The 1949 program was discussed and the following suggestions were made: Frozen foods exhibit at county fair, county camp at 4-H Club building, Mason, summer excursion and activity project. It was suggested that each township be represented in the council and that the leaders' recognition dinner be held in February.

Tags on Milk Cans Aid Crop Relief

Michigan dairy farmers were urged this week, in a resolution adopted by the June Dairy Month Committee of Michigan, to tag one or more milk cans during the Christmas season for the Christian Overseas Relief Program.
Michigan is joining 33 other states to gather and send food to Protestant and Catholic churches in Europe. Postcards will be distributed to the needy, especially to children, through recognized church agencies such as the Protestant Church World Service, Catholic Rural Life and the Lutheran World Relief. Dr. John A. Hannah, president of Michigan State college, is general chairman in Michigan.

"Farmers have long been known for their generosity," said Louis Morley, chairman of the state-wide dairy committee. "We are sure the dairy industry will cooperate wholeheartedly in this worth-while movement by tagging cans of milk, prior to delivery to milk plants, with the special CROP gift tag."
Tags are being distributed to farmers through the Michigan Farm Bureau, Michigan State Grange and other like organizations.



The Conqueror
He was born in a manger under the Star
For lack of room elsewhere.
But the homes of earth may be glorified
By His gracious presence there.
He built no temple with stately walls,
Yet there are many today
Where weary men may adore His name
As they bow their hearts to pray.
He wrote no book, but His message of truth
Pervades the tongues of men,
He left no riches, although in His name
The wealth of His friends is given.
He founded no kingdom, made no laws
Yet the world will learn some day,
That only those nations can endure
Which follow His matchless Way.



By JESSIE WEST
AMY looked out at the bright day and was about to decide it was the loveliest New Year's Eve she'd seen in years when she saw Clarabelle Carter crossing the street; and then she thought the day wasn't lovely at all.

She could hear Clarabelle talking to Mille as she had that day in the store when she'd been standing behind shelves lined with groceries deliberately eavesdropping.
"I do declare, it does look like Amy Wells could get someone," Clarabelle had said. "I suppose she'll die an old maid."

Clarabelle hadn't said anything degrading of course. But from that moment forward, Amy had wondered if people generally didn't assume that old maids just couldn't find any takers.

She took her eyes from the window and Clarabelle going down the street to look at her reflection in the dresser mirror. At almost forty-five, she didn't think she was being egotistical in appraising herself as actually looking thirty-five. She had very little gray in her dark hair, and the faint lines on her face were unnoticeable against the startling blue of her eyes and general prettiness of her features.

There'd been a time when she reigned as the most popular girl at Obane; she'd been pictured in the college year-book as "the girl all men want but only one can have."

Of course Clarabelle and the populace of Donovan, a little town of three thousand, didn't know these things.
Amy looked out the window again, and not seeing Clarabelle on the street now, the day resumed some



She started when someone stood at her shoulder suddenly.
of the brightness that Clarabelle's presence had brightened, and she got to thinking about a trip that 20 years ago had been scheduled for tomorrow. Memory of the tryst had come to her with the approach of another New Year, but she had not planned to enact a promise that years of separation had cast into youth's frivolous dreaming, disappointments and temperamental pride. Yet, seeing Clarabelle and remembering what she'd said about her somehow filled her with unexpected sentiment.
She had nowhere to go on New Year's day, and thought of the trip suddenly became entrancing. It would be emotionally uplifting to go back to the old haunts, and no one would know of her foolish living just for a day among memories of a past that through her own foolhardy pride, had led her into her present state of lonely maidenhood.
"If anything ever separates us," Lance had said that night long ago. "It'd be fun just to meet again, sort of a tryst affair, 20 years hence. Maybe in Park Rendezvous where we first met."
They'd talked like that often, then laughed—because they knew they'd never separate. Someday they'd marry. But they didn't marry. Too soon a trivial misunderstanding had risen between them, and she'd had too much pride to admit that she'd been a little wrong, too.
It was almost noon when Amy reached the Park Rendezvous at Obane on New Year's day. She'd have lunch, she decided, then visit about town. But already she was sensing regret for having made the trip. You couldn't live in the past even for a day without returning to the present with greater pain. How well she knew it now!
She was startled when someone stood at her shoulder suddenly.
"Hello," he said.
Amy's heart, fluttered in recognizing his voice. She looked up.
"Why, Lance—!" It was all she could manage.
He sat by her at the table and covered her hand with his.
"Looks like we both remembered," he said, chuckling happily.
"But, you married, Lance, I heard." She couldn't help saying it.
"That was false news, dear," he said. "Do you think—but you surely know now! I tried to find you, Amy, but I lost all trace of you."
Amy laughed and her cheeks colored. "I wouldn't have come today," she said wistfully, "but for a person named Clarabelle."
"Clarabelle?"
Amy nodded. "It's a queer little story, Lance," she said, and then she wondered with a little gloating, what Clarabelle, and all of Donovan for that matter, would think when they heard!

Thrive on Milk
Firms, whose remarkable athletic abilities are well known, consume three times as much milk per capita as the British.

Too Beautiful



Platinum blonde Gregg Sherwood, above, is so beautiful it makes her cry. She has a long string of "Most Beautiful" titles, but she wants to act, and no one seems to even care whether she does or not. She quit a hit Broadway musical because all she had to do was look pretty. In movies it was the same story; she's just too beautiful for her own good.

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Mary Dixon
Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knowles and family were called to Holland early Sunday morning by the serious illness of his mother, who was in a coma.

Mrs. Julia Spink, who was taken home from the Mason hospital about two weeks ago, was returned to the hospital again last Thursday.

The Friendship Circle of the Presbyterian church held its regular monthly business and social meeting in the church parlors Saturday night, with a potluck supper at 6:30. Mr. and Mrs. Tom Therburn were honored guests, it being their 50th wedding anniversary. They were presented with two decorated cakes. Rev. Vernon Smith presented them and spoke a few appropriate words, with the audience singing, "Happy Anniversary." After supper the film "Scrooge" was shown in the sanctuary.

The Mother's club of Latt school district met December 13 at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Mizner of Marium street with Mrs. Clarence Ernest as co-hostess. The meeting was opened by the president, Mrs. Gus Pokrul. Christmas boxes were packed by the group during the meeting after which refreshments were served. The club voiced its appreciation to the Holt Community club donation toward the school radio. Fifteen mothers were present at the meeting. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. William Priest of Selma street, with Mrs. Barnham as co-hostess, January 17, at 7:30 o'clock.

Holt high school students are planning their own New Year's party in the gymnasium. A band composed of school musicians will play for the dancing, which is

scheduled to start at 9:00 and continue until 1:00. Permission to hold the party in the school gymnasium has been granted by the board of education.

Presbyterians Hold Christmas Services

A capacity crowd attended the Sunday morning worship service at the Presbyterian church. The topic of the sermon by the pastor, Rev. Vernon Smith, was "What Shall we do with It." Soloist for the service was Leon Moore, who sang, "Cantique de Noel," "The Anthem"; "O Little Town of Bethlehem," was sung by the "Angel Choir" under the direction of Mrs. Cassius Short.

Gifts were received to help fill 70 baskets for the Community Christmas Club. The baskets will be distributed to needy families. After the services the congregation was asked to remain, while one of the building committee explained the progress and financial status of the new building. Lyle Thorburn, chairman of building committee, gave a favorable report and also commended some of the members for their donation of labor, which has saved several thousand dollars.

Sunday evening several people who are joining the church next Sunday were received by the session, with a reception in the church parlors.

Animal Costumes For Christmas

Polish children masquerade in animal costumes on Christmas Eve. It's done to honor the legend that attributes the power of speech to birds and animals during the midnight hour of Christmas Eve in recognition of the animals who, sharing the stable of Bethlehem, warmed the Holy Infant with their breath.



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To our many good friends and patrons, we extend our warmest greetings. May this Christmas be the best you have ever had—a forerunner of many happy days to come, of wonderful friendships and achievements well done...
Silsby Implement Co.
Mason

Greetings for Christmas
The most cherished of gifts bestowed upon us by the outgoing year is the confidence of those we have been privileged to serve. Ever appreciative of this pleasant relationship, we want to express to our many good friends our sincerest wishes for a joyous Christmas season and a very happy New Year.
HARTLEY'S MIDWAY STORE
Laverne and Ruth Hartley
Holt

Mason Cagers Earn Victory With New Fast Break Game

A victory, 42-40, over Everett rewarded Mason high school cagers Friday night for their new speed and drive. With that earned victory under their belts the Mason Bulldogs have whipped their tails out from between their legs. They are now baring their fangs at the teams which they will meet after the holiday lull. Everett was taken by surprise (and so was Mason) by the new tactics of the Bulldogs. Into the limbo of things better forgotten was tossed the old slow walk down the floor and the trot back again. Racing at top speed up and down, across and back, the Bulldogs came from five points behind at the half to end up in front. The Mason defense picked the Vikings up down the floor and carried them all the way into the zone defense still employed. But John Christensen, Paul Williams, Dick Powers, Johnny Kinnane and Bill Zieske were not permitted to set themselves for distance losses. They had to make them on the fly, just like Mason did.

Mason didn't put down, or hardly try for, a long shot all the evening. The Bulldogs fired from close range while going in on coming out. Everett looked to be winning from the foul stripe right up until the fleeing seconds of the game. The Vikings couldn't miss a free throw until the last three minutes. Then their inaccuracy cost them the game.

The two teams played on even terms. The Vikings registered 13 field goals to 14 for Mason. Each team put down 14 free throws, but the Vikings missed 10 while Mason missed 8. Christensen sank four out of five charity losses for the Vikings and that was considered good until Dick Davis with four out of four and Harry Freeman with three out of three kept Mason in front that sizzling last quarter. There were no outstanding stars on either team. Every man on the floor played good basketball. The Vikings divided scoring honors with Williams and Kinnane getting seven points each and Christensen and Powers getting eight apiece. Zieske came through with five field goals for 10 points.

In the Mason lineup the same comradely spirit prevailed. Joe Johnson reeled up 12 points on four field goals and a like number of fouls. Denny Stolz found the range four times from the floor and twice from the foul line to contribute 10 points. Davis with eight, Douglas Barr with seven and Freeman with five came through in the last half. Many Fouls Called. No holds were barred by either team. Davis and Barr of Mason and Kinnane of Everett were forced out of the game on fouls. Both Davis and Stolz were batted out temporarily in the last half. Both were able to return to the fray after receiving first aid. Everett was charged with 19 per-

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Mason reserves set the pattern for the varsity by scoring a 44-38 victory in the preliminary. Lee Darling, Jim Kelly, Bob Boyne and Phil Parslan tallied nine points each for Mason while Keith Douglas added five. Louie Miller of Everett led the little Vikings with 14.

Player	FG	FT	PF	Pts.
Davis, f	2	4	5	8
Christensen, f	3	1	5	7
Freeman, c	1	3	3	5
Johnson, g	4	4	3	12
Stolz, g	2	2	10	10
Substitutions				
Fell, f	0	0	1	0
Lyon, g	0	0	0	0

Player	FG	FT	PF	Pts.
Christensen, f	2	4	2	8
Williams, f	1	5	3	7
Powers, c	2	4	4	6
Kinnane, g	3	1	2	7
Zieske, f	5	0	5	10
Substitutions				
Sartor, f	0	0	0	0
Arkwright, g	0	0	3	0
Smith, g	0	0	1	0

Orioles Rally To Get Past Howell

Big news in the Capital Circuit is that Charlotte is finding hard sledding after three years of easy going. Last Friday night it took a last-quarter rally for Charlotte to get past Howell, 29-27. The week before the Orioles barely nosed out the Everett Vikings. After the holidays Mason, Eaton Rapids and Grand Ledge are going gunning in earnest for the Orioles.

Hans Karel is the big gun for Charlotte this year but there are not so many of him as there used to be. Bob Brown's two field goals in the last two minutes pulled the game out of the fire for Charlotte at Howell Friday night. The Orioles had trailed all the way. With less than two minutes left in the game, Howell was leading 26-22. Karel split the meshes, and then Brown fired and connected with a double-barreled salvo. Douglas Stringer led the Highlanders with 11 points. Comets Come Through. Grand Ledge turned back a brave Eaton Rapids bid at the Comet floor, 46-28. The Greyhounds fell apart the third quarter to let the Comets score 17 points. Eaton Rapids made only two points during the same period. In the other three periods the two teams battled on even terms. Tom Vandersteun with 15 and Stub Baxter with 13 were leading scorers for Grand Ledge. Bruce Higgins and Dick Lyons were high for the Greyhounds with nine points each.

Team	W	L	Pct.
Charlotte	2	0	1.000
Grand Ledge	2	0	1.000
Mason	1	1	.500
Eaton Rapids	1	1	.500
Everett	0	2	.000
Howell	0	2	.000

Aches and Pains of Home Building Shown in Comedy

In "Silver River," the Saturday feature at the Fox starring Errol Flynn and Ann Sheridan, Flynn is first seen as a soldier cashiered out of the Union Army, who turns to gambling as a quick way to personal power. He achieves this in Silver City, and is soon the ranking figure in the entire town. Ann Sheridan, is a southern beauty, transplanted to the rugged outpost. Their romance is vividly presented against a series of lusty, brawling fights of the plains, political tussles, and American pioneer spirit in the fight for silver.



Building Troubles
The problems and expenses of post-war home building are presented in the new picture "Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream House". The film will be shown at the Fox on Sunday and Monday and stars Cary Grant and Myrna Loy.

Confederate Comedy
Youghit by Red Skelton in "A Southern Yankee," on view at the Fox Theatre on Tuesday and Wednesday, wars would be a pleasure!

For there never has been as funny a soldier as the one portrayed by Red Skelton in this howling travesty of Aubrey Moore, the bungling and blundering bellhop determined to become a member of the Union's Secret Service and to track down the South's most dangerous and elusive spy, the Gray Spider.

When circumstances entirely beyond his control enable Aubrey to capture the Gray Spider in a St. Louis hotel bedroom, the Secret Service is forced against its will to enlist the aid of Aubrey and, disguised as the Spider, he is sent on a mission to Confederate headquarters at Morgan's Landing to supply a Southern general with false information about an impending battle.

Story of the West
It took a Scotsman, Robert Louis Stevenson, to write one of the most colorful tales of the old frontier days in "Silverado Squatters." This rousing yarn has now been brought to full-blown life on the screen in Columbia's "Adventures in Silverado" which will be shown at the Fox Theatre on Tuesday and Friday.

The screenplay relates the daring exploits of the hooded bandit picturesquely attired as a monk, who terrorized California's Napa Valley in the 1880's. The film opens with Bill Foss (William Bishop), driving a stagecoach into the town of Silverado. He goes to work for newly, Jeanie Manning (Gloria Henry), who operates the stage-line. When one of the stages carrying a gold shipment, is robbed by The Monk, Bill is suspected. A ruse to trap the bandit backfires and Bill is almost lynched.

Holiday Program
A special New Year's Eve show is scheduled for the Fox on Friday, December 31 at midnight. The feature will be "Romance on the High Seas," starring Jack Carson, Doris Day and Janis Paige.

Carson is cast as a private detective aboard ship, who has been hired to keep tabs on a young socialite wife, suspected by her husband of carrying on a flirtation.

County Loop Idle Until New Year

Leslie and Dansville are resting on their laurels at the top of the Ingham County league during the Christmas armistice. Both teams have three league victories and no defeats. There were no league games scheduled last Friday night and league action will not be resumed until 1949.

In a game on Wednesday night of last week Okemos staved off a last-half rally to beat Stockbridge 52-43. The Indians had a 31-12 lead at intermission but were fighting with everything they had at the final bell. Stockbridge outscored the home team 31-22 in the last half.

Douglas Ritkey scored 30 points on 15 field goals to keep the Okemos team in front. Bob Lambert led the Panthers with 15 points. Holt hested Dimondale 44-39 at Dimondale Friday night in a non-league game. Jack Griffin made 19 points and Van Greene 17 for the Ramblers. Jim Becker led Dimondale with 17 points.

As hostilities ceased for the Christmas holiday the league standings were:

Team	W	L	Pct.
Dansville	3	0	1.000
Leslie	3	0	1.000
Okemos	3	1	.750
Haslett	2	1	.667
Holt	1	2	.333
Stockbridge	1	3	.250
Williamston	0	3	.000
Fowlerville	0	3	.000

Cage Tourney for Area Teams

Mason and Okemos are among the seven high school basketball teams which will be shooting for court honors in the second annual Greater Lansing holiday tournament to be played on Lansing Sexton's floor December 28, 29 and 30.

The Mason Bulldogs along with Lansing Everett and Grand Ledge will represent the Capital Circuit conference. Lansing Resurrection is the lone entry from the Catholic League of Southern Michigan, and Okemos will carry the Ingham County loop's colors in the meet. Lansing Tech plays an independent schedule, and Ionia will represent the West Central league to round out the Christmas tourney.

Three games are carded for the first two nights of battle. Winners of first night tilts will play in the upper bracket, while the losers will finish the meet in the lower bracket. Trophies will be awarded to the two finalists in the upper bracket, and the winner of the loser's bracket.

Lansing Tech and Grand Ledge are pre-tourney favorites to cop the crown. Both teams are undefeated this season. The Grand Ledge Comets play a control-ball, tight defensive type of basketball, and the Panthers, paced by high scoring Dave Peterson, use the fast-break to roll up their victories.

The Mason Bulldogs, after their upset victory over Everett in Capital Circuit competition last Friday, may be on their way now and

Mason Sergeant Serving In Japan

Sergeant Harry L. Lott, 200th Military Police Company, son of Louis Lott, of Mason has been found qualified in the military occupational specialties of heavy machine gunner and military policeman. Acquired largely through his army training and experience, these qualifications will aid Sergeant Lott to obtain advancement under the new career plan which is to govern all promotions in enlisted and warrant grades.

Stationed in Yokohama, Japan's major port city and seat of the headquarters of the Eighth Army, Sergeant Lott is filling an occupational job with the army's occupational forces. Entering the army in 1942, he arrived in Japan in October 1947. He is a former student at Mason high school.

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Where to Find the Christmas Miracle

The Dutch have loosed an all-out attack on the Javanese. Soviet Russia and the Western powers are conducting a cold war in Europe. Here in the United States in some industries labor and management are locked in battle. Is this the Christmas spirit?

No, it isn't the Christmas spirit. It isn't even the Christian spirit. Yet it is only what the world can expect until the people who are searching for Christmas look for it in the right place. That right place is in the hearts of men. When it is found there in great enough numbers then there will be no more wars, no more greed, no more hate.

The Wise Men knew where to look to find the Christ Child. They left the big cities. They shunned the homes of the rich and powerful. They by-passed the thriving seaports, the garrisons filled with soldiers. They followed the star to a little village. Then they searched out the stable behind the inn, and there they found Joseph and Mary. There in the manger they found Jesus.

The Wise Men and the shepherds knew where to search. They knew that the Holy Child could be found only amidst humble surroundings.

Today the miracle of Christmas is most easily found among the humble. It thrives best in the little places of the earth. Christmas peace and good will is more often pictured with woodland and rural scenes than with towering skyscrapers and the belching chimneys of huge factories.

We must gather around the manger, not the cocktail bar, to find the Christ Child. We must take a pilgrimage to the quiet little towns of Bethlehem to witness the Miracle of Christmas. We must gather with little children and with the humble to find the real significance of Christmas.

Until the Miracle of Christmas takes place in our own hearts we can not expect it to occur in the towers of the United Nations headquarters. Until in our own hearts we find the deep joy of Christian service we can not expect to enjoy the fellowship with Him whose coming was heralded by the Star of Bethlehem. Until in our own hearts we witness the Miracle of Christmas we can not expect that miracle to be manifested in Washington, or London, or Moscow, or Berlin, or Shanghai.

The Christmas spirit and the Christian spirit must first be kindled in our hearts before the flames leap to the high places in this world.

Honeymoon Is Ending For Governor Williams

By Vernon J. Brown

G. Mennen Williams, governor-elect, is already seeing the end of his honeymoon and this a full week before he assumes the high office to which the voters of Michigan elected him on November 2.

Last Saturday about half a hundred C. I. O. top-notchers gathered at Lansing to muddle over a list of some 300 state jobs which their researchers have discovered are outside the pale of civil service control and therefore can be looked upon as plums to be shaken from the patronage tree.

The C. I. O. self-appointed job peddlers named an executive committee of six to tell the governor the jobs they want for themselves and their friends and to carefully screen any other applicants for official favors and to pass judgment on any person the governor may find he needs to fill out his official cabinet.

Breakers Lie Ahead
Such a course spells disaster for any governor who finds himself in a position where he cannot do his own choosing. It also spells trouble for the administration which gets off to such an inauspicious beginning. Moreover, it spells trouble for the state itself for it presents a foreboding future for government in Michigan.

A horde of misfit job seekers made life miserable for William A. Comstock when he assumed office in January of 1923. The animosities engendered by a chorus of disappointed political henchmen led to his defeat at the 1934 primaries.

The administration of Governor Frank Murphy also was marred by bickerings and quarrels kindled by those who believed themselves entitled to jobs at Lansing. Murray D. VanWagoner was more astute in this respect than his Democratic predecessors but nevertheless he went down to defeat for re-election.

Such a record ought to be sufficient warning but a more warning probably will not be heeded, at least not by the job-hungry CIO "big-brass".

Republican Control Ignored
In legislation, too, this same group, it appears, contemplates writing their own ticket. Here for certain they will run counter to a Republican-controlled house and senate whose majority members hold little if any regard for what the laborites may or may not want. The co-authors of the Bonine-Tripp law, passed two years ago, are still in the senate. Both exert a lot of influence among their colleagues and in all probability will not be too eager to see their work torn up.

Then, too, there is evidence that the governor-elect is following somewhat the course set by other governors who have run into trouble with the legislature. He appears not to be cultivating to any extent the cooperation and favor of his lieutenant-governor. There is evidence that the lieutenant-governor-elect is being

a Christmas tree is good for just one thing. Sending Christmas gifts to dogs and cats and guinea pigs at an animal shelter is disgusting. What does the birth of Christ mean to a dog or a cat? Such antics as having a Christmas celebration at the county dog pound borders on the sacrilegious.

Bill Otto, secretary of the Lansing Chamber of Commerce, usually wears a smile on his face. That smile becomes a grin when he looks at his three grandchildren in Mason. Maureen is in kindergarten and Marcia Sue is about 3. There are not two more charming little girls anywhere. Then there is the new brother—Bill, named for grandpa. The Straits live on the former Asa Barber farm, just inside the city limits on North Jefferson. The father of the three youngsters is an instructor at Michigan State. He spends his spare time doing chores at the farm.

It's in homes where there are young children where Christmas has real significance. Maybe it's because, as Thackeray said in Vanity Fair, "Mother is the name for God in the lips and hearts of little children."

Paper has a lot of uses at Christmas time. Tons of paper are used for gift wrappings— even more tons go into the making of Christmas greeting cards and many tons of newspaper carry Christmas shopping offers and the Christmas greetings of business men and firms. Take this issue of the Ingham County News—it is packed with Christmas wishes, with Christmas messages, with Christmas cheer. The Christmas messages on this newsprint are just as sincere as are the messages printed or engraved on the beautiful cards which come through the mail, and the newspaper messages have one great advantage. The people who get the greetings don't have to scurry around to send off a card by return mail.

There's still room enough in this column to say "Merry Christmas." And even even left to report that Ingham County News subscribers will receive an extra dividend this year. There are 53 Thursdays in 1948 and the staff has decided to go ahead on the 53rd issue even though subscribers paid for only 52 weeks.

slighted to some extent. When he gets enough of that he, too, is liable to have been more considerate.

On the other hand there is evidence of dissension within the Republican party around the legislature. The senate is having trouble in organizing for its session. The trouble is there are too many self-seeking ambitious GOP-ers. If the new governor plays his cards right and his lieutenant-governor is given a chance to help, it might be possible to drive a wedge between these two warring factions in the senate and thus line up enough votes which, when added to the Democratic strength, would give the governor the support he will need to do a good administrative job.

But this cannot be accomplished by yielding to any minority group, be it CIO or otherwise.

In any event, as stated at the top of this column, it looks as if the honeymoon season is about to end.

Election Coming Soon
Republicans, too, will do well to take heed and lay aside their pique against the Democratic administration. The spring elections are not too far away and then two very important offices are to be filled by popular choice. The two departments, whose present heads must face the electorate of Michigan next April, are the highway department and the state board of education. Not only are two seats at the administrative board at stake, these two departments spend more of the taxpayers' money than all the others combined and their operations touch more lives and more interests than all other branches of the government.

It is important that both offices be filled by able experienced men. The Republican incumbents have proved their merit. Republican members of the legislature should be reminded of the importance of satisfying the public that members of their party can be trusted. Playing cheap politics is not the way to prove that to the voters.

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Where Are the Liquor Profits?

Distillers, bartenders and some state officials talk about liquor profits to the state. But, of course, there is no profit, regardless of the bookkeeping methods used. The paper profits are wiped out a thousand times over by the cost and misery of the liquor traffic.

Back in 1930 when a new generation was being brought up without liquor the rate of chronic alcoholism in Michigan stood at 624 persons per 100,000 population. In 1944 the rate had climbed to 726, an increase of 16.3 per cent. Accurate figures since 1944 are not yet available, but estimates run all the way from 800 to 900.

National figures show that about 3,000,000 Americans are either chronic alcoholics or problem drinkers. Detroit alone has 12,000 chronic alcoholics from 20 years old up. Records show that Detroit has 50,000 classified as problem drinkers.

With 50,000 problem drinkers in Detroit, the city, the county and the state are saddled with expense and misery. There are 50,000 problem families—50,000 families where at least one member is unable to work steadily, 50,000 families where money needed for food and clothing is spent on booze.

There is no profit in the liquor traffic. Welfare, hospitalization, the upkeep of mental hospitals, the maintenance of jails and prisons and the cost of operating courts change what at first seem profits into tremendous losses.

Sales Tax Money for Sidewalks

Some Ingham townships are using sales tax money to build town halls. Others are using the revenues for paying part of the cost of drains. Two townships have agreed to use sales tax-funds to match road commission expenditures on secondary roads. Why not use some of the diverted sales tax money for an even more important project—saving the lives of little children who now must walk in the highways to reach school?

Along US-127 in Lansing and Delhi townships, along M-99 in Lansing township, along US-16 across the entire county and along many other main traveled roads sidewalks or footpaths should be provided for pedestrians.

If youngsters were forced to walk railroad tracks to go to and from school there would be a clamor raised that would force immediate correction. Yet we now send our youngsters to and from schools over rights of way much more dangerous than railroad tracks. We send them over highways crowded with speeding automobiles and highway freight trains. We send them out to the highways to dodge and duck vehicles more dangerous than railroad trains.

Cost of constructing and maintaining footpaths and sidewalks along main traveled roads would be comparatively light. There is no good reason now, with township treasuries bulging with sales tax money, why paths or walks can not be built and maintained. There is every reason why they should be provided.

CROP Merits Support

CROP means Christian Rural Overseas Program. That's one meaning. Another meaning is new life and new hope for hundreds of thousands of Europe's war and peace victims. Still another meaning is opportunity for thousands of Americans to do something about relieving the misery of their fellowmen.

That's why in every township in Ingham county next Monday farm trucks will start rolling to collect the bags of grain. That's why busy men and women are giving of their time to canvass the rural areas of Ingham county to get two carloads of wheat to be included in the 135 carloads which Michigan will send to Europe.

CROP means the difference between life and death to millions of suffering people in Europe. Most farmers in Ingham county can spare a few bags of wheat, or enough of other commodities to make up for what they don't have, to fill two carloads. It is a humanitarian cause which merits generous support.

Down by the Sycamore

Rev. Alvin Kaufmann, former pastor of the Mason Church of the Nazarene, is now an instructor in a seminary in Connecticut. He is also taking graduate work at Yale. The oldest daughter, Corinne, is teaching in Lansing. The younger daughter is married. Her husband is studying for the ministry at Olivet college, Kenosha, Illinois.

"What about the High Sissy family while you're talking about those where relationships are close?" queries a reader. That's right. There isn't a family anywhere where four sons and the father get along so well and have so much fun working and playing together. H. M., Rolph, Fred and Hugh, Jr., and Hugh, Sr., have great times among themselves.

Dick Edwards, former Mason high school coach, is going great guns as coach at Big Rapids. His team has not yet been beaten this season in a strong B league. * * * Paul DeRose completed his work at Michigan State last week and is now casting around for a high school coaching job. DeRose was a football and basketball star at Mason and was on the basketball squad at State before he entered the army. He contracted a lung affliction while serving in England and spent a year in hospitals. He went back to complete his physical education course a year ago. DeRose should make a successful coach.

Luana Kamp is studying for her master's degree in speech at the University of Michigan. Her brother, Walter, Jr., is an officer in the regular air corps. He's now stationed with the 28th Bomber Group at Rapid City, South Dakota. He has piloted B-29s all over the world. The Kamps lived in Mason (where the Herb Foxes now live) until the father was transferred to Milwaukee. Both youngsters were handsome as children and probably still are. Walter, Jr., studied at Yale or Harvard.

"Sidewalks in this town are so broken up that I have had to give up peering into windows when I walk past houses at night," declared a reformed "sidewalk pecker" last week when asked why she was plodding along with her eyes on the sidewalk.

One of the best Christmas programs staged anywhere was that given at the Pink school last Friday night, according to reports reaching this column from the Pink district. Those who attended were struck not only by the scope of the program but by the precision with which it was staged and the training exhibited by the children. Mrs. Paul Rowe is the teacher.

People out in the Canaan district deserve a lot of credit for going ahead last summer to build an addition to their school. There was no moaning or chest beating or crying for aid. The need was there and the money was found. Had the addition not been provided many of the youngsters would have been forced to attend the Mason school. Out in the Canaan district the parents wanted their children taught at home. The Canaan also had a fine Christmas program Friday night.

"Dolly and Lady, Oscar and Felix, Tootie and Pinkie are all groomed and brushed waiting for company to come with gifts to be placed under their Christmas tree at the Ingham county animal shelter. * * * Gifts of money, food such as fresh meat, canned food, canned fish, plum, fat milk, chopped baby food with meat in it, pieces of old blanket and soft cloth are welcome."

Yes, the above paragraph was part of a five-column feature which appeared with a three-column picture in a newspaper Sunday. Not scorn, only pity, should be given those to whom Christmas means showing affection upon dogs and cats. To a dog

Merry Christmas...

To old friends, to new friends and to you whose friendship we hope to earn. May this joyful holiday season bring you a full measure of happiness with the blessing of health and prosperity in the New Year to come.

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Ancient History

One Year Ago—1947
Fire destroyed the old house on the Pat Heeny farm on Ewers road in Bunker Hill Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Simon lost all their household goods in the fire.

Edgar Ridge has bought a drug store in Lincoln, up in Alcona county. He and Mrs. Edge and their daughter will leave soon for their new home.

Wyeth incorporated contributed 650 pounds of powdered milk to the friendship train being organized by the Mason Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Mason high school's basketball team dropped a 29-24 decision to Everett Friday night.

10 Years Ago—1938
Rumor has it that Governor Frank Murphy will find a cabinet appointment in his Christmas stocking. He was defeated for reelection as governor but has a White House promise of something big.

The district PWA office is coaxing the city council to delay seeking WPA aid on the disposal plant and to again call for PWA bids.

Dr. Jay C. Corsant was installed as president of the Mason Kiwanis club December 20.

20 Years Ago—1928
Guy S. Thornburn has joined the national association of R-Chain Stores. His store is a unit in the chain.

Roads have been piled full of snow the past week. Many rural dwellers have been without mail deliveries for several days. The storm which visited the county December 19 paralyzed Christmas business from Thursday until the following Monday when most roads were open again.

A. G. Shenny & Sons have been awarded the Oldsmobile franchise in Mason. The Mason firm has heretofore handled the Oakland-Pontiac General Motors line.

Miss Sarah Ballen, a student at the Oberlin, Ohio, conservatory of music, is home for the holidays.

50 Years Ago—1908

Captain C. E. Bayne is home from his season on the lakes. He commanded the Ardiella Shores this year, a freighter plying between Chicago, Buffalo and Duluth. Captain Norman Miller has also tied up the Iron Duke at Lorain, Ohio, and will arrive home tomorrow to spend the winter with his family. Captain George Mear arrived home a few days ago. Since the close of the passenger ship season he has been operating a freighter.

Fifty farmers met at the Hotel McEwen Saturday to organize a cooperative creamery company. In the will of Mrs. Julia Huntington the Presbyterian church was bequeathed \$500 for a memorial window and \$500 toward the building of the church.

Bunker Hill onion growers are ble over the onion business. Instead of selling them to buyers, the growers pooled their onions and sent a car of their own to market. The onions rotted enroute and now the railroad is demanding the payment of \$201 for freight.

CURRENT NEWS COMMENT

"The per capita consumption of whisky in Washington is about four times the national average," it is reported. This doesn't fully explain things in the capital, but it helps.

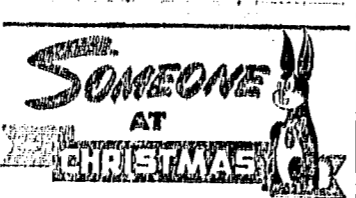
"Nine per cent of all American women are bootlegged," we are informed. That doesn't look so good.

"After a month on a reducing diet, a Pennsylvania woman has disappeared," says a news item. People should remember to exercise moderation in all things.

"Fondly girls are smarter than pretty girls," we are told. They have to be.

A real estate promoter is a fellow who buys outlying property by the acre and sells it by the yard.

There are more than 300 known species of rhododendron, most of them natives of mountainous regions of the world.



By CARLE FREEMAN

THE little gift shop was crowded when Nancy entered it, but almost immediately she noticed Larry Bryant. She sensed the usual disturbance at sight of him, and recalling the trend of her thoughts for the past several minutes brought a flush of warmth to her cheeks. She'd been thinking, somewhat resentfully, as she went along the busy streets of the little town, how unfair it was that Christmas had come before she could get acquainted with someone in Davenshire.

Larry Bryant, for instance, departmental head at the electric plant where she worked. Christmas wasn't Christmas unless it could be shared with someone.

And now Larry was standing at the dish counter deciding about a pair of little green rabbit salt and pepper shakers. It didn't matter particularly that he'd buy the shakers—aside from the significance of such an act—but she'd had her own heart set on them more or less for a week. Larry had been in the shop every afternoon that she'd been there, but this was his first time at the dish counter. The little shakers were as good as gone.

The other day when she'd looked at them, the sales girl had said, "Better buy them. These are the last ones, and they are a bargain at eight dollars. They came all the way from Sweden."

"I know," Nancy had said, but she had thought they'd be an extravagance and look out of place on the little table in her corner



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kitchenette at Lil Ransom's old rooming house. Then there'd be no one to admire them—only herself.

"They might be gone the next time you come," the girl had said when Nancy left the counter.

But they'd been there the next time Nancy went back to the little gift shop. Every afternoon for a week they'd been there, as if awaiting for her to make up her mind to buy them.

Nancy held her breath as she watched Larry from a distance. For now she knew that if he didn't take the shakers, she'd buy them herself.

But even as Nancy watched, she saw him hand the shakers to a clerk.

She tried to push her disappointment aside and select an inexpensive little gift for one of her co-workers at the plant. Tomorrow was Christmas Eve, and the employees and officials of the plant had drawn names as part of a gift-giving program they'd planned to have about the huge, gayly decorated tree in the arched entrance.

Nancy dreaded the occasion, more so now than before. She regretted the day she'd left her home town to take a better job in Davenshire. Why hadn't she waited until after Christmas to make the change!

When the time came the next day for the program, Nancy took the gift that was handed to her and slipped from the crowd. She wouldn't be missed, she thought bitterly, as she hurried from the building. Snow fell softly about her in a gentle burst from the dark sky, and the ring of voices from the plant followed her in a kind of haunting, sad beauty.

Inside her apartment she looked down at the gayly wrapped package in her hands through a blur of tears. It was the only Christmas gift she'd received, and it had been given only because someone had drawn her name.

She unwrapped the package, and suddenly the blur cleared to reveal the little green rabbit salt and pepper shakers with the long, saucy ears—one up and one limping down provocatively.

Her heart thrummed in her throat. Larry had drawn her name. But the cost of the gifts they were to exchange was not to go over twenty-five cents!

Lil Ransom called up the stairs. "You're wanted on the phone, and 'tis a man."

Nancy placed the little shakers carefully on the table and turned to the door. The hum of "Silent Night" came from Lil Ransom's radio up the sweep of stairs, and Nancy found herself singing the words softly as she dashed down them, for she knew even before she heard his voice who was waiting for her—telephone.

Paul Revere was an artillery lieutenant who saw action some 20 years before his famous night ride—and before he became a silversmith.

Book Talk

from
Ingham County Library

Hours open to the public at Hall Memorial Library, Mason: Every day except Sundays and holidays, 2-5 p. m.; Monday, Wednesday, Saturday, 1-4 p. m.; during school year, Tuesday and Friday, 11:45-12:45; STORY HOUR, Saturday, 1:30.

YOUNG LIONS is the story primarily of three soldiers, two American and one German, who dominate this story of the War, a story which is being called one of the greatest so far. In it are varied characters from all walks of life as they are brought step by step, through the growing tensions, changes, and uncertainties, before 1938, through the training period, and mass warfare itself.

WAYFARING STRANGER is the biography of Earl Ives, well known for his ballads sung over the radio and in the movies. For the most part it seems a straightforward story which will appeal to the general public, but toward the end he seems hurried, as though reminiscing were more fun when

things remembered are not so close to the present.

IT GIVES ME GREAT PLEASURE will be appreciated by all who have done any amount of public speaking. Although not written with the same zest as **WE FOLLOWED OUR HEARTS TO HOLLYWOOD** or **OUR HEARTS WERE YOUNG AND GAY**, it is fun and should receive a good reading public.

WE GATHER TOGETHER is a good family story. It is concerned with the Gordon family who are a vigorous, outspoken, yet tolerant tribe. Told through the eyes of Jennie, one of the grandchildren, the story covers the years 1910 to 1930. August was the month when Grandma Gordon no longer took to rooms, for it was then that her six Methodist minister sons returned with their families, for the annual family visit. You'll feel that the Gordons are real people and that they live now in the next block, for they share many of your family experiences.

DOCTOR FAUSTUS will be enjoyed by the readers who like Thomas Mann. Its narrative framework is a modern version of the Faust legend, for in it the great creative musician, Adrian Leverkühn enters into a pact with the Devil to whom he sells his soul and body in return for twenty-four years of musical genius.

Onondaga

Mrs. Barton Baldwin

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Dwight have moved from their farm home on Bellevue road to spend the winter with Mrs. Dwight's brother, Don Hampton, in the village.

The annual community Christmas supper will be held in the church dining room on Thursday evening, December 23. It will be followed by a program by the Sunday school class and there will be a Christmas tree.

Mr. and Mrs. Mont Hayward will leave the latter part of the week to spend the winter in Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Underwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Underwood, who has been a patient at Pook's hospital, is now convalescing at home.

Pvt. Dean Mohr left for Carson City, Colorado, on Tuesday. He expects to receive his discharge in the near future.

Mrs. Elmer Parr is a patient at Stinson hospital in Baton Rouge. Mr. and Mrs. Barton Baldwin and family were in Battle Creek on Sunday afternoon visiting their mother, Mrs. Dault, returned to their home for the holiday season.

Mr. and Mrs. Sig Oien were Sunday visitors of their father, Jasper Oalewin.

Several children of the community are ill with chickenpox. The Christmas carols, given by the Young People's society of the church, was well presented Sunday evening. Next Sunday evening a Biblical chalk talk will be given by Barbara and Helen Townsend. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Garred and family attended the Christmas party given by the Hancock company at the Michigan theater, in Jackson Saturday.

Old As Calendar

Although modern Americans, accustomed to daily bathing in gleaming ceramic tiled bathrooms, are inclined to consider the luxurious bath an exclusive twentieth century development, it is actually as old as our calendar. Tiled baths were common in Rome in the time of the Caesars. The Sabinian baths at Pompey, buried for centuries under volcanic ash from Vesuvius, had tiled walls similar to those in today's bathrooms. Romans also popularized the hot bath. During the Roman Imperial epoch bathing in hot and cold water had tremendous popular appeal. Large bathing establishments with swimming pools, exercise halls, promenades and service by great numbers of slaves drew crowds in leading Roman cities. Romans spread the gospel of the bath throughout the colonies and even in North Africa the bath was well established by the end of the first century.

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Merry Christmas

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Senator Ferguson Unafraid of Recount

In Washington last Friday Senator Homer Ferguson of Michigan declared he is willing to waive all technicalities and to have a recount of the November 2 votes conducted.

The state board of canvassers found that Senator Ferguson was re-elected by 44,827 votes over Frank E. Hook, The Democratic candidate, however, has petitioned for and has been granted a recount by the senate sub-committee on elections.

Commenting on the petition filed by Hook, Senator Ferguson said: "I have a certificate of election issued under due process of law by the secretary of state of Michigan. It is based upon official returns which show my election by 44,827 majority. I doubt if anyone seriously thinks a recount could possibly change the result. Our election officials are competent and honest. But if Michigan Democrats seriously want a recount they should have it and I will join in asking that ballots be impounded for this purpose. They have ignored their rights to proceed under state law to impound the ballots. They have chosen instead at the last minute to ask the senate sub-committee on elections to impound some of the ballots. But I have urged the senate committee to waive all technicalities and to fully grant the request.



Senator Ferguson

"There are no doubts in my mind about the result and I want the record to be equally clear and plain. It seems to me that any such recount, if undertaken, should be a total and not a partial recount, and I have asked the committee to make the impounding order as wide as possible."

Senator William E. Jenner (R-Ind.) is chairman of the sub-committee on privileges and elections but after the Democrats gain control January 3 Senator Jenner will probably lose the chairmanship. The Indiana senator explained the situation like this:

"The United States senate sub-committee on privileges and elections has been requested in connection with a notice from Frank Hook that he intends to file a formal petition of contest, to impound the ballots cast in part of the election precincts last November 2 in Michigan in the election for United States senator. The purpose of the request is stated to be the preservation of those ballots in the event that such formal petition of contest justifies the sub-committee's authorization of a ballot recount.

"The official election returns indicate that Senator Homer Ferguson was re-elected by a 44,827 majority over his Democratic opponent, Senator Ferguson has received a certificate of election is-

ued to him by the state of Michigan under due process of law.

"Michigan has a state statute which the petitioner could invoke to impound these ballots. But the state has no statute providing for a senatorial recount. Any such recount can only be conducted by the senate. Obviously there could be no recount if the ballots are destroyed. In the absence of legal intervention the ballots are subject to destruction, under Michigan statutes, on the 17th day of December. The petitioner appeals, therefore, to our committee for a last-minute impounding order, having neglected or ignored his right of recourse for this purpose under state law.

"This appeal to the committee comes so belatedly (December 14th) that it has been impossible for either the sub-committee or the main committee to gather their scattered membership for a meeting to pass upon the petition. A serious question is involved whether the senate should take jurisdiction at a point where state statutes cover the specific business of impounding ballots which shall thus be made available for subsequent senate recount. The petitioner has full recourse under state law. Furthermore, the committee has no legal right of action except by subpoena. Time does not permit the issuance of subpoenas. Therefore, at best, the committee at this late hour can do no better than rely upon the moral authority of telegrams to the legal custodians of these ballots.

"But at the urgent request of Senator Ferguson, who has asked that every facility be made available to any inquiry into his November election, the chairman of the sub-committee, yielding to Senator Ferguson's insistent wishes and agreeing with his commendable point of view, has taken it upon himself to waive any consideration of these moot points and to telegraph the custodial authorities in Michigan to impound the ballots as requested. The chairman takes it for granted that these state authorities will respect the committee's request. Thus it will be possible for the senate in the 81st Congress (which is the sole judge of the election returns of its own members) to proceed to an orderly recount if deemed justified on the basis of valid evidence contained in the bill of particulars in the contest petition yet to be filed. The preservation of the ballots is purely a ministerial act which has no bearing whatever on the merits of any ultimate request for a recount.

"Under senate precedents this process will not interfere, of course, with Senator Ferguson's right to be sworn in under his prima facie certificate of election pending the outcome of a recount if, as and when subsequently held, "So far as is possible under the pressure of time available to the sub-committee at this late hour in this procedure, the sub-committee will suggest the impounding of all ballots, instead of a selected few, so that a total recount may be undertaken in the event the contest petition yet to be filed is deemed meritorious."

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ued to him by the state of Michigan under due process of law.

Muslin Sheets Wear Longer Say Experts

Now that women can be choosy about the kind of sheets they buy and not consider themselves lucky just to find a sheet to buy, they are interested in their wearability.

Buyers may be confused by the terms given sheets on the market these days. Jane Warden, department of textiles, clothing and related arts, Michigan State college, explains the meaning of these terms and compares muslin and percale sheets for the practical buyer.

"There is quite a difference, she states, between utility percale and true percale sheets. A true percale sheet is made of combed yarns and utility percale is made of fine quality muslin yarns in a high count which means at least 180 crosswise and lengthwise yarns in one square inch.

"Utility percale sheets are smoother and finer than regular muslin but not so fine as true percale. In price utility percale ranks between the more expensive true percale and the cheaper muslin sheets. "Supercal" is a trade name which refers to true percale.

For best wear a good heavy muslin sheet will rank above any other kind. Of course if you send your laundry out and pay by the weight you have another point to consider. Percale sheets are lighter in weight and you might save in laundry bills the extra amount you would pay originally for them.

Percale sheets seem smoother and more silky than muslin because of the combed yarns used in them. Better quality and longer cotton is used so the final product is better quality for this reason. The combing process separates long from short fibers and lays

them parallel so that the finished sheet is very smooth and silky in appearance. This better fiber and extra manufacturing process makes the percale sheets more expensive than the muslin.

The San Francisco cable car system, which once covered 112 miles of track, now has only 17 miles left.

There were 7 1/2 million life insurance policy holders in the United States at the end of 1946.

Love and Laughs



Red Skelton and M-G-M's new starlet, Arlene Dahl, provide the love and laughs in "A Southern Yankee," which opens at the Fox Theatre Tuesday. With Skelton playing his most howling role as a spy for both sides, the comedy also stars Brian Donlevy, with George Coulouris heading the supporting

cast. Skelton's character is a spy for both sides, the comedy also stars Brian Donlevy, with George Coulouris heading the supporting

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County Library Service Started 10 Years Ago

Ingham county library began services through its headquarters, the Hall Memorial Library, Mason, 10 years ago, December 19, 1938. Although dedication ceremonies were held the preceding October 26, organization of materials and services, under Mrs. H. G. Miller, librarian, were not ready for the public until December. Small libraries had been organized in some areas of the county under W. P. and these came under direction of the county library, beginning January 1, 1939.

According to newspaper publicity at the time, there were 1,400 books in the collection and only one book was loaned at a time. The collection now numbers about 30,000 and the number loaned is not limited.

Service that first year included station libraries at Miller Road, Haslett, Leslie, Holt, Stockbridge, Williamston and Webberville. Added to those now are Aurelius, Dansville, Maple Grove, Okemos, the tuberculosis sanatorium, and the county hospital. Bookmobile steps are made at Onondaga and Barrett, both of which, it is planned, will be organized as community libraries during 1949.

Total circulation of library materials, which now include magazines, pamphlets, pictures, view-master films, and records, for the first 11 months of 1948 show 159,016 or 31,697 more than the whole year of 1947. Of these, 46,227 are from bookmobile alone, a fact which demonstrates that many more people in the county are being reached with library materials than was possible before the bookmobile service was started.

The bookmobile, which began service February 17, 1948, goes to 92 schools in the county where there are no community libraries. About 85 of these are one-room

and two-room schools. Each child comes to the bookmobile, which is really a library on wheels holding as many as 1500 books, and picks out the book he wishes for the next six weeks. He may exchange with others in the room. Figures show that reading is increasing in all the schools. Last spring each book was read twice by the children. This fall the figure jumped to three readings per book, and at this time has almost reached four.

"Ingham County Library is considered one of the best county libraries in the state," reported Alta Parks, county librarian since

February 4, 1943, "and we feel sure that Albert J. Hall, who gave the building, and the people of Ingham county, who support library work through tax funds as well as by enthusiasm for services given, are proud of the steady growth made possible by them. We also sincerely hope that our work can reach more people, and that in time, we may be able to say that Ingham county is truly given complete library service in all that such service can mean today."

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Garden Club Holds Party
The Red Cedar Garden club met for their annual all day Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Margaret Volmer on Monday, December 13. A dinner was served at 12 o'clock. Following the dinner a short business meeting was held with the president, Rose Squires, presiding. During the afternoon the members worked upon their Christmas decorations. First prize for the wreath was won by Mrs. Levennie Colter. The hostess received the prize for her window arrangement and Geneva Allen took the prize for the best door spray. Later in the afternoon the members gathered around the decorated Christmas tree and enjoyed a visit from Santa Claus in the gift exchange.

Cub Scouts Have Christmas Party
One of the largest groups ever to attend our pack meetings attended the Christmas party of the Williamston Cub Scouts which was held in the Methodist church basement last Tuesday evening. Potluck dinner was served to 175 parents and children at 6:30 o'clock. Each den decorated their own tables with miniature trees and other decorations. Following

the dinner Elmer Lightfoot led the group in singing Christmas carols. After brief talks by outgoing scoutmaster, George Johnson, and incoming scoutmaster, Kirt Hunt, a program was furnished by Den No. 6, with Mrs. Fingersoll, den mother, and Den No. 11, with Mrs. Stahl, den mother. The evening closed with Christmas sacks of candy being passed out to each child. The Hunt Beverage Co. gave a bottle of pop to each program as a surprise Christmas gift.

Potluck Supper Held

The L. T. A. class of the Methodist church met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Bess Barrack for a potluck supper at 6:30. Following the supper a short business meeting was held by the president, Carrie Hunt. Muriel Niles gave the scripture lesson with devotions by Bernice Fowler. Bela Hodges and Mrs. Horstman sang two selections in costume. The women held a gift exchange. Mrs. Hodges presented their class teacher, Mrs. Fowler, with a gift from the class. The balance of the evening was spent filling 200 sacks with candy etc., for the Sunday school Christmas program which will be held Thursday. In January the class will be entertained at the home of Mrs. Erna Gregory.

Plan Christmas Program

The Methodist church Sunday school will hold their Christmas exercise Thursday evening, December 23, at 7:30 p. m. Carols will be sung preceding and after the closing of the program by the senior intermediate class under the direction of Wayne Gorline. The church has been decorated by Clarence Galvin, assisted by his brother, Warren. The lighted tree was prepared by the challengers class. A good program has been arranged by the various teachers and a loud speaker system installed so the little children might be heard by all. Rev. W. A. Gregory will give the invocation. Mrs. Graham Jackson will tell the Christmas story. Mrs. Ruth Wilton, accompanied by Ethel DeCamp, will sing "The Lords Prayer." At the close of the program and each child will receive a sack of candy and nuts.

Patriotic Club Elects Officers

The Patriotic club met Tuesday for a potluck dinner at the G. A. R. hall with many present. Following the dinner the club presented a fine Christmas program under supervision of the president, Mrs. Rhoda Slocum. Carols, the Christmas story and recitations were given. There was an exchange of gifts and the annual election of officers. The following were elected: Rhoda Slocum, president; Helen Johnson, secretary and treasurer. The next meeting will be near St. Patrick's Day in March.

Honored on Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Perkins were pleasantly surprised last Saturday evening when relatives and friends came in to help them celebrate their 35th wedding anniversary. The evening was spent in singing and ice cream was served later in the evening. The Perkins received many nice gifts.

Hold Christmas Party

The degree staff of Myrtle Rebekah lodge met for their annual Christmas party at the home of the noble grand, Fern Shaw, for a 6:30 bohemian dinner. A short meeting followed the dinner with the president presiding. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Nina Ketchum; secretary and treasurer, Bynia Clarke. A gift exchange was followed by games. The next meeting will be held in March at the home of the retiring staff captain, Nina Ketchum.

Martha Circle Meets

The Martha Circle of the W. S. C. S. of the Methodist church met with Mrs. Bess Barrack last Wednesday for a potluck dinner. For the program the Christmas story was read from the Bible by Mrs. Gladys Wylie. After the business meeting the ladies enjoyed a gift exchange followed by a luncheon of coffee and donuts.

The Nazarene church held their Christmas exercises Sunday evening, December 19, with a nice program and treat for all the children.

Easton Star Attends

Visitor Services
The local chapter No. 29 of the Easton Star, and members of the Masonic fraternalism and their families joined Thursday evening in a state wide vesper service, the project of their worthy grand master, Etha Jeffrey of Adrian. All chapters were to hold a family dinner vesper service and a gift of money was taken up to be divided between the Old Age Relief and the Eastern Star Villi for children at Adrian. About 70 members and their families were present to enjoy the bohemian dinner, which was served at 6:30. Following the dinner the group participated in a community singing. Rev. William A. Gregory of the Methodist church spoke briefly. The offering was taken and resulted in a substantial sum. The Methodist church choir trio accompanied by the organist, Ethel DeCamp, sang "The Christmas Glory Song." This was followed by two numbers "Let Heaven and Nature Sing" and "Hallelujah." The remainder of the evening was spent in a social hour.

Club Holds Christmas Meeting

The Junior Child Study club held their Christmas meeting Thursday at the home of Mrs. Iris Hobbs. Mrs. Marcella Griffith, president, officiated at the business meeting. At this time the troop committee for the Brownie Troop No. 2 was completed as follows: Chairman, Mrs. Juanita Caskey; Jane Cromley, Nina Hull, Alice Miller and Isabel Gibbs. A committee consisting of Ellen Lange, June Burton and Jean Wilson were appointed to assist with the local Christmas work. Following the meeting the group enjoyed a program consisting of piano solos by Judy Smith and Bonnie White. Carols were sung with games following. A gift exchange followed the serving of refreshments. The next meeting will be held January 13 at the home of Mrs. Alice Miller.

Kiwanis Club Holds Election

The Williamston Kiwanis club held their election of officers at their meeting Monday evening, December 13. Officers elected were: Clarence Morris, president; Bert Pressman, vice president; Fred Lange, treasurer; and George Johnson and William Wylie, trustees.

V. F. W. Auxiliary Meets

The auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars met Wednesday, June Lowrie, president, presided. Ruth Eaton gave a report of the recent bazaar and Irene Galvin reported on the veterans in the Howland sanatorium and hospital. The auxiliary took another basket to the hospital December 21. On December 20 the ladies held a Christmas party and gift exchange at their meeting. The next meeting will be on January 12.

Elect Officers to Preside

The Past Matrons and Past Patrons club held their meeting with Mr. and Mrs. Mac Turner. This was in the nature of the annual meeting and Christmas party, the birthday of one of the members and a house warming for the Turners, who recently moved to Williamston from their farm home. The newly elected officers of the club are: Ruth Traver, president; Gilbert Putman, vice president; and Blanche Hare, secretary and treasurer. The retiring president, Marie Turner, extended a greeting to the 40 members and guests present. David Allen Bullis was presented a gift. The program consisted of the members telling of their most memorable Christmas. Mrs. Putman was presented with a birthday gift followed by a gift exchange. The hostess served refreshments.

Naomi Circle Has Party

Mrs. Floyd Gorsline and Mrs. Glensora Bixby were co-hostesses to the Naomi Circle of the Methodist church Wednesday for their annual bohemian dinner and Christmas party. The business meeting followed the dinner and was presided over by the chairman, Mrs. Hazel Adams. Mrs. Kate Gorsline had charge of the devotionals. The Christmas story was read by Mrs. Adams, illustrated by Christmas carols sung by the group. An impressive candle service was presented followed by a gift exchange. A gift was presented to Mrs. Adams from her group. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Myrtle Dennis.

Extension Group Meets

Mrs. Harold Dolph was hostess to the Williamston Extension group for their meeting and annual Christmas party. The potluck dinner was followed by a Christmas program presented by Fern Shaw. The next meeting will be in January with Mrs. Tillie Pratt as hostess.

Business Meeting Held

The L. Mary's Study club of the Catholic church held their business meeting and Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Smith, entertaining their husbands at this time. A bohemian dinner was served preceding the short meeting which was presided over by the new president, Helen Bappert. Thirty members and their husbands were present. Fr. Joseph Weber was among the guests. An exchange of gifts and games were enjoyed. The next meeting will be the first week in January at the usual time.

To Celebrate Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Stahl will celebrate their 58th wedding anniversary at home with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Price. Mr. and Mrs. Stahl were married December 29, 1880, in Tiffin, Ohio, and resided at Fostoria, Ohio, until eight years ago when they came to make their home with their daughter, Mrs. Price. Both Mr.

and Mrs. Stahl are very active and enjoy life to the full. The day will be spent quietly at home with a few friends and relatives calling during the day.

Truck Catches Fire

The Williamston fire department was called out Wednesday to extinguish a fire in a transport truck. The fire which originated from the wiring, threatened to destroy the truck and truck, but was quickly put out. Members of the fire department squad held their meeting at the fire hall Friday evening. Business was discussed and a man from the rescuicator company was a guest. He spoke on the operation of the machine which the firemen use frequently for severe heart attacks, etc.

Theatre Front Damaged

The front of the Sun Theatre was damaged last Sunday afternoon when an empty two wheeled trailer broke loose from the rear of a car driven by Mr. Golnek of Lansing. It swerved across the street and smashed into the display frame of the theatre, damaging the front next to the display case which was demolished. It then swung around and crashed into one of the doors toward the east entrance, breaking the glass and one of the steel bars across the inside. Damage amounting to \$400 is covered by insurance.

Blue Star Mothers Elect

The Blue Star Mothers met Thursday afternoon for a bohemian dinner at one o'clock at the Odd Fellow hall. At the annual election of officers, the following were elected: President, Ruth Eaton; vice president, Nellie Wickham; Junior vice president, Mary Tubbs, secretary, Vivian Merrifield; treasurer, Bertha Gulick; recording secretary, Mable Miller; and chaplain, Carolyn Frey. The next meeting will be January 20 with a one o'clock bohemian dinner, which will be followed by installation of officers.

Chair Presents Cantata

The Methodist choir presented its Christmas cantata, "The Music of Christmas," Friday evening under direction of their choir leader, Mrs. Clara McDurmon. Mrs. Ethel DeCamp was accompanist. Solo parts were sung by Ruth Hawley and Nina Ketchum with Norma Baughn and Eleanor Webb and Patricia Fowler and Isabel White singing duet parts. Choir members are Mildred Morris, Ruth Wilton, Betty Synder, Yvonne Lowrie, Geraldine McDurmon, Louella Miller, Doris Galvin, Cherry Harris, Sandra Trayer, Rolene Newman, Betty Bowman, Rosamond Sachman, Ann Kathryn Gibbs, Virtue Croft, Francis Norris, Jean Hawley, Mrs. G. B. Smith, Isabelle White, Norma Baughn, Betty Robb, Gaylia Fisher, Nina Ketchum, Ruth Vaughn, Patricia Fowler, Lenore Monroe and Eleanor Webb. Preceding the cantata, instrumental music was played by a trio composed of Ethel DeCamp, pianist; Mrs. William Mackie, cellist; and Dean Stockwell, violinist. During the first and second part of the cantata, Rev. W. A. Gregory read the Christmas story. The offertory music was played by Mrs. Lester Bixby, at the organ, and Mrs. Ethel DeCamp, at the piano.

The Red Cedar Meridian Extension group met at the home of Mrs. Dorothy Blossley for a bohemian dinner at noon. The lesson on fabrics was given by Fred Burney.

Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Fisher have returned home from a trip through the central and southern states. They spent several days enroute with their granddaughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Leslie at Indianapolis, Indiana. They visited Thanksgiving week with Mr. and Mrs. Winston Haney and daughters and Robert Thurber at Courtland, Kansas. They visited nine states and had an enjoyable trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Selby Shaw and son spent Sunday at Swartz Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brown spent Sunday at Stanton visiting relatives and friends.

Music Maker



Howard Mitchell, 37-year-old American, is the new conductor of the National Symphony Orchestra in Washington. He succeeds Hans Kindler, whose assistant he was for three years. Mr. Mitchell has been first cellist with the orchestra for 14 years.

Williamston Cubs Have Yule Party

Christmas was the theme at the meeting of Williamston Pack 243, December 14. Approximately 100 children and 75 adults filled the basement of the Methodist church to enjoy a program sparkling with humor and wit. The meeting started with a pollack. Following the pollack a short program was presented. Elmer Lightfoot led off with group singing of Christmas carols. Next on the program was boxing by Ivan and Oren Lane who adopted the names of Don Hayne, pack committee chairman, and Kirt Hunt, Cubmaster. After six rounds of exceptional showmanship one of the boys laid down and was carried out by the rest of the boys of Den 11 with Mrs. Stahl, den mother, in charge. A bag relay race, by Den 9 with Mrs. Fingersoll as den mother, was hampered by crowded conditions. The evening's program was concluded with the distribution of Christmas socks to all children present. Future meetings will be held on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Methodist church basement starting with a pollack supper at 6:30.

Mrs. Clifton Robinson of Big Rapids has been visiting her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Lorine Perkins. Mrs. Atlanta Youngs entertained her grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. George Lincoln of Flint, Sunday. Harry Johnson returned to the Dearborn Veterans hospital for observation this week. John Gregory of Mt. Pleasant is spending the holidays with his family, Rev. and Mrs. W. A. Gregory.

Mr. and Mrs. James Burns were guests of the Donald Selfridges Monday evening.

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Schedule Christmas Services
Christmas lights are adorning the intersection of the city, and many homes have lighted outdoor trees, decorated porches and windows. The Catholic church has its large blue spruce decorated with lights. The nativity scene, usually seen at the church entrance, has been placed inside. A special midnight mass will be held Christmas eve. The Baptist, Methodist, Nazarene, Free Methodist, Lutheran, Adventist and Christian Science churches will also hold special Christmas services during the week. The carolers from the several churches and groups of students will sing carols through the streets.

Former Resident Dies

George B. Smith of Lansing, 78, died at the St. Lawrence hospital last Tuesday after several weeks' illness. He was born in Williamston on November 17, 1870. In 1890 he went to work in Lansing at the Lansing Wagon Works where he was employed until 1915. He also worked for the Holland Furnace company, and at one time managed the firm. He retired from active work ten years ago. He is survived by a son, Bernard V. Smith; a grandson, Delmar Smith; and two sisters, Mrs. Susan Greenaway, and Miss Nan Smith of Williamston.

Mrs. Leona Brenner of Lansing spent Thursday visiting friends here.

Ed Thompson, deputy grand master, spent Saturday in Jackson, and assisted with the annual Christmas party given for residents of the Odd Fellow and Rebekah Home. The party was given by the Grand Lodge and Rebekah assembly officers. In the evening the officers attended a dinner and Christmas party at the Otsego Hotel.

Mrs. D. Benjamin and Mrs. Hatlie Dillenbeck were Lansing visitors Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Milford Nixon and daughter are spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Homer White and other relatives.

Miss Willow Lou Wood of Albion college is home for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. George Bachman, who has been ill, is improved, but she is still confined to the house.

Miss Kathryn Murray has been ill with the chickenpox. Mr. and Mrs. Donald Selfridge and daughters and his mother, Mrs. Florence Selfridge, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. B. R. McAdow of Detroit. Mrs. Selfridge remained for a two-week visit. She will also visit Mrs. Elizabeth Johnson.

Roy Aberle, police chief, has been ill with the flu. He is still confined to his home.

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Of Interest to Farmers

Girl Shows and Other Skin Games Not at Pennsylvania State Fair

The following paragraphs are from Bob Myers' column in the Lapeer County Press. He is a member of the state fair board of directors and has demanded that the state fair be representative of and attractive to farmers—not race track tourists, concession operators and gamblers.

Many farm men, including this one, have long felt that our fairs ran too much to midways and entertainment and not enough to agriculture.

The answer of the fair men is that you can't get the crowds without the girl shows, the rides, and the skin games. This argument was pretty hard to answer until I learned about the Pennsylvania Farm Show.

The Farm Show is an entirely educational fair. There is no midway of any kind. It is held each year at Harrisburg, a small town over 100 miles from any large metropolitan center. All farm exhibits except poultry are

limited to Pennsylvania products. It runs five days. There are about 300 commercial exhibits and 10,000 farm entries. Its poultry show is the fifth largest in the nation. It is the largest livestock show east of Ohio.

Now here is what is hard to believe: The attendance in both 1947 and 1948 was over 525,000! Compare this to the Michigan State Fair.

It is in Detroit next door to 3 million people. It permits out-of-state exhibits. It offers twice the premiums. It has a midway, rodeo, stage shows. The grounds cover twice the area. Over twice as much money is spent putting it on.

Yet the Michigan State Fair has an attendance only about 15 per cent above that of the Pennsylvania Farm Show.

On the basis of total population within 100 miles of the fair, the Michigan State Fair should have an attendance about 800 per cent greater than that of the Pennsylvania show.

It looks like we could learn a lot from our Pennsylvania neighbors.



Milk House Heaters Easily Attached to Walls in Winter Time

Nobody enjoys working in a cold milk house. But until very recently, farmers could do little about it—except, perhaps, add another layer to their already uncomfortably bulky clothing.

Experiments conducted in the last two or three years, however, have helped solve the milk house heating problem. One type of equipment, developed as a direct result of such agricultural engineering experiments, is shown in the accompanying illustration. It is a 3000 watt, 240 volt, thermostatically controlled electric space heater. Easily attached to the milk house wall, it is five feet high and produces a temperature range of between 40 and 80 degrees.

Other new developments along this line include the use of small hot water radiators which are connected to standard dairy water heaters, and



Arthur Miller of Union, Ill., admires the new heater recently installed in his milk house.

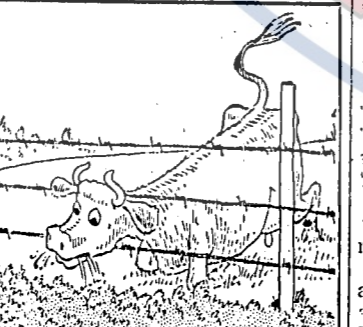
The conversion of electric milk cooler compressors into heat pumps. Most farmers, however, are interested primarily in "spot heating"—that is warming only the specific places in which they happen to be working at the moment. This is a relatively simple job and can be done by placing heat lamps directly above or adjacent to the space to be warmed.

Those Greener Pastures

The old saying that "grass is greener on the other side of the fence" has a scientific basis in fact, according to Dr. William A. Albrecht, head of the soils department of the University of Missouri. Cattle's grazing habits, he said, are based on a search for feed that will best nourish them.

"When a cow risks her neck to get grass on the other side of the fence," he declared, "she is showing good sense. She does this because the neighboring grass not only looks, but is greener. She is instinctively seeking greater from soil high in protein producing elements."

Feed that contains body-building bone-making values comes only from soil that is high in mineral



fertility, Dr. Albrecht said. Declining soil fertility means a decline in the health of our livestock, our crops and ourselves.

Dr. Albrecht warned that widespread loss of "life-giving elements" from the soil is becoming more serious. Rebuilding the soil's fertility strength so that it can produce crops with body building values, said Dr. Albrecht, depends on proper soil management. That includes liming, the growing of deep-rooted legumes regularly in the rotation, the use of phosphate and potash fertilizers and the return of barnyard manures and green manures to balance fertility losses through crop removals.

From Chick-Fed Mink To Chic Fur Coats

Poultry raising habits of wild mink have provided a tip for economy in the feeding of captive mink which for years have been fed on horse meat and fish.

But the fondness of mink for poultry suggested the feeding of the waste from poultry dressing plants—the heads, feet and entrails. Experiments proved that both adult mink and kits thrived on this cheaper diet.

Speakers Named For Farm Week

Visitors to the Michigan State college Farmers' Week program from January 24 through 28 will hear a number of outstanding speakers at the general programs now being arranged.

Each department of the school of agriculture will hold meetings during the morning. They will stress the special problems of farmers and will be held in various locations on the college campus. The general programs will be held in the Michigan State college auditorium during the late afternoon and evening.

Tuesday afternoon speaker will be Capt. E. Thompson, professor of animal husbandry at Oklahoma A and M college, Stillwater, Oklahoma. He will present an interesting talk on meeting the challenge of today's farming. Two programs will be presented in the evening, one in the auditorium featuring a program on the West, Indies, and another in Jensen Hall featuring a hand concert and variety boxing.

Speaker for the Wednesday afternoon program will be Fred W. Henkel, secretary of the Missouri Farmers' association, Columbia, Missouri. He will speak on "Farmers Helping Themselves." Departmental banquets and a program on conservation will make up the night meetings.

For the Thursday afternoon session, Senator J. W. Fulbright of Arkansas will be featured speaker. He will give his views on the United States in foreign affairs. As a member of congress, he has traveled much in foreign lands and is recognized as an authority on international problems. The evening program will again give two choices—a travel lecture on India, or a hand concert and basketball game with Michigan State college playing Wayne university.

Hens Object To Chilly Houses

No one likes to work in a cold, damp place and that goes for the hens, too. A chilly, wet hen house can cause egg production to take a nose dive these winter days.

Michigan State college poultry specialists say that this doesn't mean that all fresh air inlets should be closed, however. Stuffy air can be just as bad for production.

The moisture and frostiness often comes from warm air hitting the cold walls of the hen house and condensing.

This frost can be prevented by insulating the house, increasing the ventilation, or setting up a fan to move the air. The flock will thank you, too, and pay off in increased egg production.

Orchard Replaced By Fruit Garden

The home orchard was an institution in American half a century or more ago, but it is being replaced by the fruit garden of modest design in the opinion of Dr. H. T. Turkey, head of the department of horticulture at Michigan State college.

The disappearance of the old home orchard was due largely to insects and diseases of all kinds. Commercial fruit growers, with special skills and equipment to fight insects and diseases, gradually look over the production of fruit and supplied the needs of both city and country people.

Yet, Dr. Turkey believes, there is a place for fruit around the home. The possibility is brought about by a better understanding of the kinds of fruits best suited to the home, plus simplified equipment and spray materials for pest control.

First of all, he states, a home planter should consider planting a modest fruit garden. He should limit first of all to such fruits as strawberries and raspberries and be careful not to overplant. Then, if he wishes to go further and plant trees, he should think of small trees, and again take care not to overplant.

Peaches, cherries, and plums are most suited to home use, followed by pears and apples. The newer dwarf forms of apple and pear are proving satisfactory when good stock is secured.

So far as competition with commercial fruit production is concerned, Dr. Turkey believes experience shows that the best advertisement for fruit is fruit itself. He points out that the man who has a small fruit garden in his backyard is the fruit grower's best customer.

Fluid Milk Price Holding Up Well

According to H. H. Varney, agricultural economist, the fluid milk market is showing strength in the face of some demand for lower prices. The following paragraphs are from Varney's column in the Michigan Milk Messenger for December.

Due to the unseasonable weather this fall and early winter, milk production is running slightly ahead of the same period last year.

Electrifies His Father's Farm



Jimmie Sutherland, 15, above, has developed so many electrical aids for his father's 320-acre farm at Windsor, Mo., that he has amazed even professional engineers. His electric milking techniques alone save 87 work days a year. He is shown with the model electrified farm which he built with a wiring system done to scale. A top student in high school, Jimmie plans to take up engineering at the University of Missouri. He has received a \$200 Westinghouse scholarship.

Remarkably well, which certainly is an indication that the consuming public is becoming increasingly conscious of the value of milk in their diet.

Prices paid to the farmer by milk manufacturing plants have shown some signs of leveling off and in the case of butterfat, there has actually been some strengthening. The price of 92-score butter in Chicago the week following Thanksgiving, remained about 7 cents per pound higher than at its lowest point.

Requests by the distributors in many of the Michigan markets were made for price conferences in November and conferences were held, but to date all the markets are continuing into December with the same paying prices to producers.

In these conferences it has been pointed out that feed prices are actually advancing and that price declines at this time certainly would discourage production. The USDA has asked for a 3 per cent increase in milk production for 1949 and this cannot be attained if prices continue to go lower. Within the past few weeks, there has been a noticeable increase in the number of dairy cattle going to the stock yards and indications are that these cattle are coming from herds that are owned by producers shipping to milk manufacturing plants.

The bureau of agricultural economics just released a report showing that the ratio between the prices the farmer receives for what he produces and what he purchases, is at the present time the most unfavorable that it has been any time since the fall of 1942.

Producer prices in the fluid milk markets operating under federal orders in Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois where the price is tied directly to prices paid by manufacturing dairy plants, have declined. But in recent Michigan price conferences it has been pointed out that the prices paid producers in Michigan markets did not increase as quickly or as high last summer as in the federal order markets.

The Detroit prices for November were—Class 1, \$3.12; Class 2-A, \$3.44; Class 1, \$3.44; Class 2-A, \$3.76; and Class 2-B, \$3.13.

New Bulletin Out On Milk Methods

Information on good milking practices is available to Michigan farmers in a new bulletin recently issued by the Michigan State college cooperative extension service.

The publication describes various ways of making milking chores easier and faster. Both machine and hand milking are discussed. The dairy specialists point out that a knowledge of good milking procedure is important in getting high levels of milk production.

To secure a copy of extension bulletin 293, "Good Milking Practices," see your county agricultural agent or write to the bulletin office, department of public relations, Michigan State college, East Lansing, Michigan.

Corn Picked Quick Is Slow to Dry

Modern farm machinery has its advantages in saving time and labor, but occasionally it brings with it a new problem. Take the cornpicker, for instance, point out the editors of Prairie Farmer in the current issue.

In the old days farmers didn't start to crib corn until the ground was frozen hard. Consequently the grain was dry and safe to crib.

With mechanical pickers, how-

Farm Records Aid In Tax Estimates

With the year about over and income tax time coming up in a few weeks, E. M. Elwood, farm management specialist at Michigan State college, suggests considering farm records.

Farmers who haven't kept such records will find it more difficult to prepare their income tax statements. Elwood believes that farmers who are not keeping records should plan to do it next year.

He lists many advantages to keeping accurate financial records. Everything is set down in one handy place. You won't have to go rummaging through every drawer in the house looking for a lost milk stub or seed bill.

A farm record is really a tool, he points out. If properly used, it can do much or more toward making the farm profitable as any other farm machine or tool. Keeping and studying the results of

the farm record shows the strong and weak points in the farm business. It presents an opportunity to be a better manager.

Many farm account books are available which will serve as a simple farm record. Commercial agencies, banks, companies selling farm supplies, credit and herd associations, have books which are used by farmers. Michigan State college has a new farm account book available to farmers for use during 1949. To cover cost of printing and mailing, a charge of fifty cents (50c) is made for the book. It can be obtained from county agricultural agents or by writing to the farm management department, Michigan State college, East Lansing, Michigan.

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