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HOLLAND CITY NEWS

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 3, 1918

NUMBER ONE

CHRISTMAS BANKING CLUB

JOIN IT
AND YOU GET
A BANK BOOK

2¢ WILL START YOU.

IN 50 WEEKS YOU WILL HAVE \$25.50

COME IN, BOYS AND GIRLS, AND ASK ABOUT IT

OUR CHRISTMAS BANKING CLUB IS TO MAKE IT EASY FOR THOSE OF SMALL MEANS TO START A BANK ACCOUNT. CHILDREN ARE ESPECIALLY INVITED TO JOIN. THE CLUBS ARE ARRANGED TO FIT THEIR ABILITY TO PAY 1 CENT, 2 CENTS, 5 CENTS AND 10 CENTS OR 50 CENTS, \$1.00, \$5.00 OR ANY CLUB THAT IS DESIRED. IN 50 WEEKS:

10-CENT CLUB PAYS	\$127.50
5-CENT CLUB PAYS	63.75
2-CENT CLUB PAYS	25.50
1-CENT CLUB PAYS	12.75

MAKE THE LARGEST PAYMENT FIRST AND DECREASE YOUR PAYMENTS EACH WEEK. THIS IS A VERY POPULAR WAY. PUT YOUR CHILDREN INTO THE CLUB. JOIN YOURSELF. WE ADD 4 PER CENT INTEREST.

Holland City State Bank

You Will Get All Your Money Back In One Lump Sum

JUST BEFORE CHRISTMAS.

You may join one or more of the following classes:

Class 1. Members paying 1 cent the first week, 2 cents the second week, and increasing 1 cent each week for fifty weeks will get.....	\$12.75
Class 1A. Members starting with 50c the first week, 49c the second week, and decreasing 1 cent each week for fifty weeks will get.....	\$12.75
Class 2. Members paying 2c the first week, 4 cents the second week, and increasing 2 cents each week for fifty weeks will get.....	\$25.50
Class 2A. Members starting with \$1 the first week, 98c the second week, and decreasing 2c each week for fifty weeks will get.....	\$25.50
Class 5. Members paying 5 cents the first week, 10 cents the second week, and increasing 5c each week for fifty weeks will get.....	\$63.75
Class 5A. Members starting with \$2.50 the first week, \$2.45 the second week, and decreasing 5c each week for fifty weeks will get.....	\$63.75
Class 50 Fixed. Members paying 50 cents a week fixed, for fifty weeks, will get.....	\$25.00
Class 100 Fixed. Members paying \$1 a week, fixed for fifty weeks will get.....	\$50.00

with four per cent, interest added if all payments are made regularly or in advance.

Starts Monday, December 17, '17

First State Bank

Holland, Michigan

TO MAKE ROOM

Commencing Saturday and during the following week

We'll sell every yard of
EMBROIDERY
we have in our store at a discount of 20% in order
to make room for our
NEW SPRING LINE

This Means:

All 5 cent embroideries at 4 cents
" 10 " " " 8 "
" 20 " " " 16 "
" 40 " " " 32 "

A. PETERS

5 and 10c Store and Bazaar
East 8th Street, Cor. Central Ave.

WORK STARTS ON WEST MICH. PIKE SHORT CUT

GRADES BEING MADE ON NEW
LINE FROM GRAND HAVEN
TO AGNEW.

Between Holland and Grand Haven
Avoids All The Railway
Crossings.

Grading has already been started on the new cut-off on the West Michigan Pike which will extend from Grand Haven south limits to Agnew. This cut-off will save two miles on the route, which are always dangerous to motorists. When the proposition of building the cut off was first put through and approved it was not believed that actual construction work could be started before next spring.

The surveyors have hustled things considerably however, and the right of way has been secured much more rapidly than had been at first supposed.

The objections to the propositions which appeared at first seem to have been largely overcome, and the commissioners are now sure that their contentions in favor of the change will be justified.

The grading of the new right of way is being started at Grand Haven end of the line, at a point near the district school house. While it is not likely that it will be possible to get along very far with the grading this winter a start will be made at least, in preparation for the spring activities.

The new cut-off will be constructed of concrete, like the piece of road to the Grand Haven city limits, and should prove a most acceptable piece of road to tourists who cover the pike between the county seat and Holland. The old route to Agnew, will be abandoned and it is doubtful if the road which has been partly improved will be used to any great extent, once the new concrete cut-off is ready.

The members of the road commission, of which Austin Harrington is the chairman, declare that the construction of the cut-off will mean a big saving in both material and money, because of the two miles eliminated. A portion of the pike from the city limits of Grand Haven to the district school was recently concreted by Cline & Boelens and with the additional two miles to Agnew, the trunk road will be far nearer completion.

It will mean that practically one-third of the distance between Holland and Grand Haven will be cement road way and will do away with the only stretch of improved road on the pike for that distance at least.

LUDINGTON GAS PRICE INCREASE IS GRANTED

Ludington, Jan. 3.—At a special election Monday Ludington voters approved an ordinance granting the Ludington Gas company right to increase rates from \$1.25 to \$1.35 per thousand. The city commissioners had found he company was losing \$4,000 annually.

ORDER LIGHT FOR FACTORY PROTECTION EXPLOSIONS IN OTHER CITIES CAUSE COUNCIL TO REVERSE ITS ACTION

Aldermen Decide That Protection Must
Be Given To Manufacturing
Plants

The common council last night by a unanimous vote reversed the action taken two weeks ago when a petition asking for the placing of a light between the West Michigan factory and the boat docks was turned down. The petition had been liberally signed by employees of the company, but the aldermen at that time were of the opinion that fuel should be conserved by cutting down lights instead of increasing them.

Last night, however, some of the aldermen declared that with German sympathizers blowing up factories all over the country the city could not afford to endanger the manufacturing institutions of the city because of a few lights, even though it was highly necessary to conserve fuel.

The Shoe company notified the city attorney that they would like to have a light placed near their factory for the same reason. This matter was referred to Ald. Lawrence of that ward and the committee on lighting, who will take the matter up for consideration.

At the last meeting of the council it was decided to ask the Board of Public Works to cut out as many lights all over the city as possible in order to conserve fuel. It was found however that the cost and trouble of cutting out these lights would be too great to make it worth while, and hence the lights will be kept going as before.

It was brought out in the discussion on lights in the factory district last night that the local factories are not depending on lights alone to safeguard their property but that they are making liberal use of watchmen as well.

COUNCIL ACTS TO SAFE- GUARD CITY'S HEALTH

SPECIAL COMMITTEE IS AP-
POINTED TO MEET WITH
THE BOARD.

Aldermen Want Immediate Action Taken; May Hold A Special Meeting.

The common council last night decided to take radical and definite action to safeguard the health of the city. Circumstances having shaped themselves in such a way that the city is without what the council considered the proper health protection it was decided not to lose a day but to furnish such protection in some way. To that end a special committee was appointed consisting of Aldermen Dykstra, Kammeraad and Prins to meet with the Board of Health and to come to some conclusion. This committee was given to understand that if necessary it is to call another meeting of the council Friday evening to settle the matter once for all.

Mayor Vandersluis brot the question up for discussion when he said that he felt it his duty to call the attention to the lack of proper health protection in Holland. He declared that by reason of the illness of Dr. Mersen several makeshifts had been made but that in his opinion these haphazard methods of looking after the city's health were not satisfactory. He said that while he disliked going into this matter, he felt that since the health of the people was at stake he could follow no other course.

A lengthy discussion followed in which several of the aldermen declared that cases of measles were not attended to and that the houses were not placarded. City Inspector Vandenberg explained that that was not necessarily the fault of the health officer. He said the doctors of Holland frequently did not report cases of measles and he asked how any health officer or city inspector could placard a house if he was not informed that the disease was there. Mr. Vandenberg declared there were about four doctors, so far as he knew, who reported.

It was brought out in the discussion that the board of health has not held a meeting for three months. This board is supposed to meet every month, but it was declared at the council gathering that for three months it had been impossible to secure a quorum.

There was no disposition on the part of the mayor or the aldermen to put the blame for the present want of health protection on the health officer. It was freely admitted that there were a number of circumstances that had to be taken into consideration. But the aldermen were unanimous in the decision that proper health protection must be provided immediately no matter what it costs and no matter how distasteful the job may be. Every member voted for the motion to appoint the special committee, and this body was given to understand that immediate action is wanted.

WANT CARS TO STOP AT THE CROSSINGS

COUNCIL ALSO WILL ASK THEM
TO OBSERVE THE SPEED
LAW.

The city is going to get after the speeding interurban cars and also it is going to have the limited cars stop on all crossings within the city. Some of the cars were said to be exceeding the speed limit and they will be asked to slow down.

The franchise requires that all cars shall stop at all crossings, but the company was given the privilege to have limited cars stop at only certain crossings. But several of the aldermen declared that this system was unsatisfactory and the city attorney was instructed to confer with the company and have them return to the old system.

HIGH SCHOOL TO PLAY CITY "Y"

FAST BASKETBALL CONTEST IS
EXPECTED FRIDAY
NIGHT.

The basketball season of Holland High School will open Friday evening when the high school quintet will meet the fast five of the Holland Y. M. C. A. which has been playing splendid basketball this season. The high school five has also given a good account of itself in its preliminary work, and hence the contest tomorrow night is expected to be a real fight for supremacy.

The preliminary game will be between the second team of the high school and the second team of the "Y". The big game will begin about 8:15. Season tickets for the high school games will not be good for tomorrow night's contest but they will be honored for the alumni game that is to be played some time later.

A gripping story—"The Girl Who Had No God" starts in the next issue of the Holland City News. Be sure and start this interesting story with the first installment.

LEON MULDER IS NOW FLYING IN TEXAS

PRACTICING WITH RANGE IN-
STRUMENTS IN RAPIDLY MOV-
ING PLANE

Five Killed at This Station But Leon
Does Not Go Up In
Foggy Weather

Leon Mulder, only son of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Mulder, who left some four weeks ago for San Antonio, Texas, to serve the government as Lieutenant has been assigned to the aviation corps.

He writes that shortly after arriving the commanding officer placed him in that position and that he has been flying daily now for two weeks.

His part in aeroplane work is range taking and for the last few days he has been doing work along these lines. He is stationed in a seat behind the driver of the plane.

He says he is very much pleased with the work and is fascinated with air riding life. The first ride of course make a man think, but after the plane gets started this soon passed away. The most peculiar sensation comes when the machine volplanes to earth. This is very much the same as going down in a rapidly descending elevator only more so.

Mr. Mulder claims that air riding is as safe as sailing a motor boat on Macatawa bay and much more safe than taking an auto thru the rotten roads to this popular resort.

After his letter reached home the papers chronicled five soldier deaths by flying at this same station. Two were buried and the others dropped. This made the folks at home feel somewhat skeptical as to the safety surrounding this part of the government service. To appease the minds of the home folks he quickly sent a message stating that these accidents all happened in a fog and that he never goes up in foggy weather.

WHAT WERE THE REST OF US DOING?

HERALD GIVES GRAND RAPIDS
MAN CREDIT FOR LIBERTY
BOND DRIVE IN OTTAWA

Man Is a Very Fine Fellow and a
Good Broker But Can't Be
Given This Credit

The Grand Rapids Herald of New Year's gives a half column writeup to a Mr. Lambertus Van Heest, a Grand Rapids bond broker who has quit his former job and will strike out for himself in the same business. Besides giving the man's life history, it goes on to tell some very creditable accomplishments of the gentleman in question. This is all very fine indeed until it comes to that part of the article in which the Herald gives the said Mr. Van Heest, who comparatively few persons in Holland know or have met, credit for the success of the last Liberty Loan drive in Ottawa county, and as Holland went over the top by more than \$75,000 to the good his work here must have been a telling factor.

Says the Herald:—"During the two Liberty loan campaigns Van Heest was engaged actively, particularly among the Holland citizens of this vicinity. In the last campaign he had charge of Ottawa county and succeeded in pushing that county's subscription to the loan considerably beyond the allotted maximum quota."

Mr. Van Heest may have cut considerable figure in the Kent county drive, but what we would like to know is, if the Herald's version of the Ottawa drive is correct, what the rest of us were doing just about that time. It seems to us that we heard of the local committee doing some work along those lines, and if our memory has not played us tricks, we recollect writing a few articles for the local press in behalf of Liberty Bonds. But then Grand Rapids always has been a good claim agent politically and otherwise. If you look over the file copies of this paper you can readily find the names of those responsible for the great success of this drive, among them the name of Van Heest does not appear.

WAS 16 1-2 BELOW ZERO LAST NIGHT

COLDEST YEAR, COLDEST MONTH
AND THE COLDEST
DAY.

The fact that December was the coldest month in Ottawa county in 40 years according to the Grand Haven weather bureau, does not seem to soften the winter in January. They say that nature has a way of equalizing things. If that is the case 1918 should be a warm year, as 1917 was 1996 degrees below normal taken over the entire year.

Last night was the coldest night this winter, according to the official weather indicator at the water works, the mercury descended to 16½° below zero. Here is the score—midnight 2° below; 3 o'clock, 6° below; 4 o'clock, 13° below; 6 o'clock 18½° below.

RECRUITS ARE ASKED FOR NAVAL CAMP

BENNIE NASH OPENS RECRUIT-
ING STATION OVER LOKKER-
RUTGERS STORE.

Five Hundred Men Wanted From West-
ern Michigan; Ask For Several
From Holland.

Bennie Nash of Indoor Base Ball League fame, now wearing Uncle Sam's navy blue and stationed at the Naval Rifle Range Camp Fort Logan, Ill., is in the city on a special furlough for the purpose of securing recruits for this camp. He has opened a recruiting station over the Lokker-Rutgers store. This place will be open for recruiting purposes Friday, Saturday and Sunday from eight a. m. to eight p. m.

This recruiting drive for men from Holland for the naval reserve is part of a statewide campaign. An attempt is being made to secure 500 men from Western Michigan for this branch of the service, and Holland will be asked to furnish a considerable quota.

At present there are seven Holland men in that camp, namely, Mr. Nash, Chester Vermeulen, Jesse Vander Schraaf, John Emmink, Mr. Carr, Mr. Haight, and Geo. Manting.

"If the boys in Holland only knew what a splendid chance there is for them at this camp, they'd jump at it," said Nash's companion at the recruiting station today. All the Holland men now there are enthusiastic over this branch of the service.

The time for recruiting is short and Mr. Nash is anxious to have a large representation from Holland at the camp. He is asking all young fellows who are planning to serve Uncle Sam to come to the recruiting station and let him show them the opportunities the camp offers.

Over four hundred men are already in Camp Logan but an early shipment of a force of a hundred or more will be made to the range at Peekskill, N. Y. Men arriving at the camp less than a month ago already have earned promotion and will be included in the party who will go to Peekskill under the command of Ensign C. H. Knight, the executive officer. Among other cities already listed where a special effort will be made to obtain recruits are Kalamazoo, Grand Haven, Allegan, Albion, Hillsdale, Alma, Lansing, East Lansing, Ann Arbor, St. Joseph, Benton Harbor, Manistee, Traverse City and Cadillac.

OFFICERS CHOSEN FOR BIBLE CLASS

ANNUAL MEETING OF 14TH ST.
CHURCH ORGANIZATION
IS HELD.

The Men's Adult Bible class of the 14th Street Christian Reformed church held its annual business meeting last night at the home of B. Lampen, 119 West 15th street. The officers chosen for the ensuing year are: Frank Newhouse, president to succeed John Greengood; B. Lampen, vice-president to succeed Edw. Heeringa; secretary, W. Nykamp to succeed J. Van Putten; treasurer, Frank Kammeraad to succeed A. Schermer; librarian, A. Schermer to succeed Frank Kammeraad.

The class decided to hold monthly meetings. The members will come together on the last Tuesday of each month. Wm. Brower sang a solo, accompanied by Miss Anna Cook.

STORES TO CLOSE TUESDAY NIGHTS

NEW SYSTEM WILL GO INTO EF-
FECT HERE BEGINNING
NEXT WEEK

With the holiday season ended the merchants of Holland will return to their usual winter schedule of being open for business only one night a week. Next Tuesday evening the stores will not be open as usual, and this system of being closed on Tuesday night will continue during the winter months. On Saturday evenings the stores will be open as usual.

This system has been in vogue for several seasons and it is popular with the business people, giving them more opportunity to be with their families. This year moreover there is an added reason for closing. The conservation of fuel and light is urged in every possible way and much light and considerable fuel will be saved by the new schedule.

PINT OF CHAMPAGNE NOT IN- TOXICATING, JUDGE SAYS

One pint of champagne is not sufficient to make a man intoxicated. So ruled Magistrate Leggett Monday when Thomas Johnson appeared in a Windsor police court to answer a charge of violating the Ontario temperance act by being drunk.

"How much liquor did you drink?" the court asked Johnson.

"One pint of champagne," replied the accused.

"You are discharged," said the magistrate, "one pint of champagne is not enough to make any man drunk."

Premiums are now ready for all those who pay for the Holland City News in advance. All new subscribers paying in advance are also entitled to this fine useful premium.

GOSSIP OF OUR CORRESPONDENTS

THAT MAY OR MAY NOT INTEREST YOU

ZEELAND

Mrs. Harm Brunsema died at her home near Hudsonville at the age of 20 years. Funeral services were held Monday at 11 o'clock from the home, Rev. Walcott officiating. Interment took place at the Georgetown cemetery. Besides a mother and a father, a husband and two children survive.

The quarterly meeting of the teachers of the First Reformed church Sunday school was held Friday evening at the home of Miss Nellie Pyle of New Groeninge. The trip was made by a hay rack ride and a profitable and pleasant evening was spent. John Schipper gave a report of the State Sunday school convention.

Miss Jeanette Alderink of Holland visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Elenbaas Friday.

Mrs. Wm. Hietje is seriously ill at her home on Main street.

Rev. and Mrs. Matthew Duven of Greenleaf, Minn., are visiting with relatives here.

Miss Gertrude Allen of Grand Rapids is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Barense.

The Sunday School teachers of the First Christian Reformed Sunday School held their quarterly meeting at the home of Peter Butler on Main St. Friday evening.

Albert Schutt will move from his farm near the Zeeland limits to a farm in Beaverdam within the near future, while his son, Gerrit, who resides on South Elm street will move on his father's farm.

Jacob Mulder and Martin Johnson, two local boys who are stationed at the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, are spending a brief furlough with their parents here.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. Van Tongeren—a son.

Bath Vander Meer of Grand Rapids has returned home after spending a few days' visit at the home of Miss Agnes Wyngarden.

Miss Pauline Maney and Edward Maney of Hastings are visiting with relatives here.

The Sunday School of the Second Reformed church has collected the sum of \$410 for the Armenians and Syrians.

Barlow Underhill who is doing clerical work in the Canadian army spent a few days' visit at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. De Krom of this city.

The Zeeland milkmen have raised the price of milk one cent and are now asking nine cents per quart.

Prof. and Mrs. Wynard Wichers of Ana Arbor spent the holidays with relatives here.

Carroll Underhill of Grand Rapids is visiting with relatives here.

Prof. H. Keppel of Gainesville, Fla., is spending the holidays with relatives here. Prof. Keppel is in charge of the department of mathematics at the University of Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Van Voorst and child of Cadillac are visiting at the home of Mrs. Jacob Van Voorst.

Mrs. J. Pruim and daughters Eva and Mrs. Edwin Elliot of Lansing are visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Bouwens.

DRENTHE

Mr. and Mrs. L. Schuitema were Sunday visitors at the home of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Ed Schuitema.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Vos of Holland were among those who attended services here Sunday. Mr. Vos is home on a furlough from Camp Custer.

Henry Wolcott made a two days' visit with relatives in Forest Grove.

John K. Brower, who is taking a course in veterinary at Grand Rapids, enlisted in the Medical Reserve Corps last week Tuesday. He expects to finish his course by next April and will then in all probability be called.

The annual Xmas day services were held in our church last week Tuesday.

The children from our school are enjoying a week's vacation during the holidays.

The young people from our community gathered at the consistory last week Monday evening and surprised the consistory by giving him a present of \$75.00. Bert K. Brower delivered a fine speech thanked him for all his good work done in our community and stated that this presentation was a token of friendship. The minister also surprised stated that he fully appreciated the kindness and that what he had done was only his duty to do.

Mr. and Mrs. H. De Vries and Mr. and Mrs. H. Wentzel and son Harold of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. J. De Vries and family of Holland were all guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. Van Spyker and family on Christmas day.

Benjamin Lanning who is employed in Fremont was a Sunday visitor at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lanning.

Harry Hunderman has employed D. De Haas as hired man for the coming year.

The Christmas entertainment of the Sunday school which was given last week Wednesday afternoon was well attended. The most interesting speech was given by our minister about his visit among the Indians. Donald Vandenberg, also delivered an interesting address about an organized Sunday School class, meaning combined work between teacher and scholars. After the program the collections boxes were opened and it was found that John Klomp had the banner class with a sum of \$84 collected during the year. Refreshments were served in the usual manner.

Miss Anna De Vries of Kalamazoo was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. De Vries and family on Christmas day.

Edward D. Peterman, 71-year-old farmer living near Plainwell, admitted in part the charges that he voiced threats against the life of President Wilson when arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Waer in Grand Rapids Friday for violation of the espionage act. He was held under \$1,000 bond to await the action of the next grand jury and was remanded to the county jail as he was unable to procure bonds.

ARREST TWO FOR TRYING TO BURGLARIZE

NICK DE VRIES AND JOHN VANDER WOUDE TAKEN IN BY LOCAL POLICE

The police have been very busy the last few days getting evidence against Nick De Vries of Zeeland and John Vander Woude of Boreulo, who were arrested Saturday morning on complaint made by Chief Van By before Justice Robinson on the charge of attempted burglary.

On Thursday morning Harry Doesburg called up headquarters stating that a "yegg" had attempted to enter his place of business during the night. This was evident from holes bored around the lock of the rear door.

Shortly afterwards Arend Smith, the proprietor of the Atlas saloon, called up and stated that some one had entered his place from the rear and had made away with a large quantity of whiskey.

What led to the arrest of De Vries and Vander Woude was the fact that Officers Meeuwse and O'Connor had made the rounds of the alleys and had heard noises in the vicinity of the Doesburg store. The alleys are pitch dark because the city will not maintain lights in them claiming they are private property. But that is aside from the story. The two officers thought possibly that if a burglar had been there that he must have heard or seen the officers coming owing to the flash lights used by the patrolmen. They knew the only way that he could get out of the alley is by going south. The officers quickly decided to make their way around the block each going different ways and meeting. This they did and near John Dykstra's undertaking establishment they saw emerging from the yard Nick De Vries and John Van der Woude.

De Vries was arrested and has been locked up in the city jail awaiting developments and Saturday morning the complaint was issued.

Vander Woude was picked up Saturday morning coming from Boreulo. He made a complete confession of the affair. The officers had a good deal of evidence against them, it is said. A brace and two bits, said to have been purchased in Zeeland, were found in the bushes behind the store, and De Vries is alleged to have been seen with these tools by A. L. Bigford, the night-man at Boone's barns. The confession will be used as evidence at the trial of De Vries.

Vander Woude claims that he had no hand in the job but simply went as a companion not knowing why De Vries went in the alley until he started boring.

SUNDAY SCHOOL HAD GOOD YEAR

TRINITY CHURCH ORGANIZATION HOLDS ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING.

The annual business meeting of the teachers and officers of Trinity Reformed church was held Friday evening. The reports of the secretary and treasurer showed the Sunday school to be in a flourishing condition. The total attendance for the year was 25,582. The sum of \$326.08 was collected for missions and Christmas Eve the Sunday school collected \$313.43 for the starving Armenians.

The following officers were re-elected—David Danstra, Supt.; Dick Steketee asst. supt.; J. H. Kramer, secretary; N. Prins, treasurer; Mrs. J. Oosting, supt. of Gradle Roll; Herman Cook, chorister; George Dalman, Librarian.

ENTERTAINS IN HONOR OF MISS DIEKEMA

SHOWER IS GIVEN FRIDAY BY MISS KATHERINE C. POST.

Miss Katherine C. Post entertained Friday afternoon with a handkerchief shower at her home in honor of Miss Marguerite Diekema who will soon become the bride of Mr. John Manly Rodger of Chicago.

The guests included Miss Marguerite Diekema, Miss Marie Diekema, Miss Theodora Thurber, Miss Hazel Clements, Miss Ebba Clark, Miss Ethelyn Metz, Mrs. J. DePree, Mrs. M. Hanchett, Mrs. D. B. K. Van Baalte, Jr., Mrs. Frank D. Kleinheksel and Mrs. Raymond Visser.

THANKS SUGAR CO EMPLOYEES AND SOCIALISTS

We wish to most heartily express our sincere thanks first to Jim McLean, Fred Van Duin, Dick Reimersma and others of the Sugar factory who did all in their power to assist our unfortunate husband, father and brother, who owing to his accident, was given immediate attention at the Holland hospital.

We wish further to extend thanks to the employees of the Sugar Co. for their liberal money donation, and the company proper for their floral tribute given.

The Socialists of Holland, too, deserve thanks for the floral tribute and their kindly assistance during these trying situations.

We wish to thank all friends and neighbors who aided so unselfishly.

Mrs. Gerrit DeWitt and Children, Also Father and Brother.

ALFRED APPEALS TO P. M. WORKERS FOR HELP

Detroit, Jan. 3.—Frank H. Alfred, president of the Pere Marquette railroad, called upon employees of the road to cooperate in every way to make the new system of governmental control of railroads a success. It was his hope he said, that the Pere Marquette may be included among the railroads rendering 100 per cent efficiency in the new system.

ACTOR TURNS OUT TO BE A LOCAL MAN

"DOC DE NYL" WITH TRAINED DOG AT KNUICKERBOCKER IS PETER DEN UYL.

Left Holland Eighteen Years Ago When a Boy; Has Trained Dog Stunt.

It is truly a case of the "return of the native" with Peter Den Uyl of the United States of America who is in the city now to fill an engagement with his trained dog "Spike" at the Knickerbocker Theater Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Den Uyl, who left Holland as a boy 18 years ago, is busy looking up old friends here, of whom he has a host. He is staying at the Den Uyl home at 13 West 15th street.

Den Uyl has been in vaudeville for a number of years, and he has visited practically every town of any importance in the United States. He was brought up in Holland as a boy and has during the past 18 years seen a good deal of this country.

It was at the world's fair in San Francisco, where Den Uyl was filling another engagement, that he "discovered" the marvelous powers of his dog "Spike." He had had the dog since it was two months old, but it was then during leisure hours that he taught it a few tricks. He found the dog unusually good at learning and since then he has developed it into something of a wonder, so that it is known in the vaudeville world as "the dog with the human brain." It smokes, plays the piano, counts numbers, does mind-reading, refuses to eat meat when told it is poisoned, backs up like a horse and does many other wonderful stunts. The animal is eight years old now and is known in more cities in America than falls to the lot of most humans.

Den Uyl's stage name is "Doc De Nyl," an Americanization of the Dutch name the pronunciation of which many people found rather baffling. Den Uyl was in Holland the last time eight years ago on the occasion of the funeral of his father.

Four Fires in One Day Sets a New Record

The two fire departments had their hands full when four alarms for fire were responded to, which according to the fire laddies, is a record-breaker, as never before have so many fires occurred in a single day.

The first fire was in the James A. Brouwer garage on East Ninth Street; the second was in the home of Dick Van Lente on Central avenue; the third was a chimney fire, 2th street; while the fourth was the explosion of an oil stove in the home of Mr. Duitz on 14th street, near the P. M. tracks.

The last fire might have proven quite serious. It was caused by the explosion of an oil stove that had been placed upstairs between two beds. The stove had exploded and set fire to the bed clothing.

Mr. Duitz with considerable presence of mind grabbed the stove and threw it through the window to the yard below. In so doing the flames singed off his hair and severely burned him about the face and hands. He had also put out the fire in the bed room and when the fire department reached the place there was nothing for them to do but return to their respective stations, satisfied that they had already performed the biggest day's work of their record.

AUTO HITS THE CURB AND UPSETS; DRIVER COOL

Grand Haven, Jan. 3.—Friday, while driving one of Vyn Bros. small trucks, Kenneth Boyd attempted to turn out to avoid a collision with another machine and in some manner the car became locked and dashed over the curb, turning completely over. The driver was pinned under the car and had to be extricated by those who hurried to his assistance. He was not seriously injured.

Thirteen children and grandchildren of Mrs. A. Deming enjoyed a Christmas dinner with her at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A. D. Goodrich in Holland. Besides Mrs. Goodrich the dinner party included Capt. and Mrs. W. G. Phelps, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Newnam, Mrs. Ida Brown, Mr. and Mrs. H. Newnam, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Newnam, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Phelps, of Saugatuck and Mrs. Fannie Pond of taining \$85. Smith has conducted a Chicago.—Saugatuck Commercial-Record.

ZEELAND MAY HELP GRAND HAVEN OUT WITH FUEL

HAVENITES PARTICULAR AS TO WHAT THEY BURN; SENT FARMERS BACK WITH WOOD

Grand Haven, altho stripped of fuel seems to be quite discriminating as to what she wants to burn. Last week farmers are reported to have taken wood to the county seat but returned with the loads unable to find a market. Today it is different. Even the head of the government fuel department is begging for wood.

The wood supply in the neighborhood of Grand Haven is not as plentiful as it used to be, but there is considerable wood to be hauled. It is reported that Moeke Bros., near Zeeland have about 500 cords of wood which they will have hauled to Grand Haven, if a market opens up there for it. A number of farmers have been taking pine-roots, which make about the hottest fire conceivable.

RURAL SCHOOLS ARE ASKED TO ASSIST

RED CROSS CHAIRMAN ASKS THE BOARDS TO SET ASIDE DAY FOR MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Though officially the Red Cross Membership drive is over, opportunity has not been shut off to add more memberships to the list. The local committee is anxious to keep the list open indefinitely so that those who have not yet done so may come in and contribute their support to the cause.

Headquarters over the Lokker-Butgers store have been closed, but they have merely been transferred to the office of A. Van Duren in the Tower block, and those who desire to do so can turn in their memberships there.

Reports from the rural sections of this district are slow in coming in. The cities and towns have reported, and on the whole the response has been most gratifying, so much so that both Governor Sleeper and Chairman McKee have wired their congratulations.

But the response from the various school districts, with some few exceptions, has not been as good as the committee had counted on. This is supposed to be due to the fact, in many cases at least, that the need of the cause is not sufficiently understood.

In order to give all the school districts another chance to make good, Chairman J. J. Cappel Monday wrote to the school board members requesting them to set aside Wednesday, January 9 at Red Cross day. He asked them to make that a free day for the pupils so that they could go and solicit subscriptions to the Red Cross.

If this request should be heeded, it is possible that a good many more subscriptions can be secured in those communities than have as yet been obtained.

FAIR SECRETARY ENTERS THE INSURANCE BUSINESS

J. Arendshorst has opened a general insurance office at 6 East 8th street, over the Rexall drug store. At the annual meeting of Holland Fair he was elected secretary for the coming year. To serve the public he has rented the above mentioned office where at all times the public will be welcome as the Holland fair is a public institution and is for the good of the city at large. In connection with his work as secretary, he has made arrangements with some of the strongest insurance companies to protect the home against fire, sickness and accident.

FORMER HOLLAND MERCHANT DIES

MARTIN KLASSEN SUCCEDES TO AN OPERATION FRIDAY NIGHT.

Martin Klassen who conducted a clothing store in Holland a number of years, leaving this city to engage in business in Wisconsin, died in the Mayo Brothers hospital at Rochester, Minn., after an operation Friday evening, according to telegraphic advices received here Saturday morning.

It has not yet been decided whether the funeral took place at Fond du Lac, Wis., or at Grand Rapids.

LAST MONTH COLDEST DECEMBER SINCE 1903

December, 1917, was the coldest December recorded in the 26 years the Grand Rapids weather bureau has been keeping statistics, the mean temperature for the month falling to 21.1 degrees. This is a daily deficiency of 7.7 degrees according to the records. The nearest approach to this December record was in 1903 when the mean was 22.7 more than a degree and a half higher. December, 1917, also established a record with continuous cloudiness and rain or snow on 25 days.

The entire year was colder than normal with 1,042 degrees lacking to make Grand Rapids a good publicity agent for Western Michigan. Even the April and November went slightly above the normal temperature, the mean for the entire year was 44.6 degrees, making 3.5 degrees daily deficiency. The year 1904 was the next coldest, according to the weather bureau, with a yearly mean temperature of 45.2 degrees.

At 7 o'clock Tuesday evening five and one-half inches of snow were on the ground and more falling. Four and a half inches fell during the first day of 1918.

OTTAWA HAS HAD VERY GOOD YEAR

POPULATION INCREASES AND MUCH NEW WORK IS STARTED.

During the year 1917 there were 538 deaths in Ottawa county according to the figures of the county clerk, but the death rate was off set by a fine total of 1185 births.

It has been a good year officially for Ottawa county. The county officers have accomplished much good and a great amount of constructive work has been done. New work has started that will be finished during the coming year, including a great deal of important road building throughout the county. Ottawa has definitely declared herself in favor of permanent roads and the board of supervisors appropriated a fund for the construction of trunk line highways of concrete.

At least 75 couples attended the I. O. O. F. dance at the Hall New Year's eve. Lacey's orchestra furnished the music.

ALLOWANCE OF SUGAR ONCE MORE RAISED

LOCAL PEOPLE NOW RECEIVING A POUND A WEEK

Card System Is Stirring Up a Good Deal of Discussion and Dissatisfaction.

As in the well known case of Flannigan, "it's off again, on again," as far as sugar goes in Holland. Now comes the report that Holland is once more going on the one pound a week for each person basis. The announcement came when the ink that told of the reduction to the half pound system was hardly dry. It is not unreasonable to suppose that another order giving notice of another reduction or increase may come before this paper goes to press.

However that may be, the latest announcement up to the time when this is being written, as the Saturday Evening Post scribes always say, is that beginning Monday morning the Holland people would again be allowed a pound a week on their sugar cards.

The sugar situation in Holland is causing more discussion and more dissatisfaction to the square inch than any other question (outside of the gas question of course) could possibly be capable of. At first when the card system was introduced the people showed a disposition to make the best of the situation, believing that it was a necessary war measure. But since then some have been making little investigation of their own, and now charges are being bandied right and left trying to fix responsibility for the fact that this community has been singled out for punishment by the government.

Who is directly or indirectly to blame does not yet seem to have been established to the satisfaction of all, but things have gone so far that the person who has been hoarding sugar is not going to be very popular in this city, since hoarding is considered in one way or another to be responsible for the present difficulty.

PLAN BOOSTER DAY AT H. S. IN JANUARY

DELEGATES FROM OTHER MICHIGAN SCHOOLS ARE ASKED TO JOIN IN.

Holland high school is making plans for another Boosters' Day. This time the program will be somewhat varied and representatives from a number of other high schools in southern Michigan will be invited to take part in the event.

The preparations for the Boosters' Day are in charge of the Students Council. It will be held on January 18. In the invitations that are being sent to the other schools the statement is made that the purpose of the day is to create "a better spirit of cooperation and friendship among the high schools of southern Michigan."

The plan is to have the representatives from the various high schools of this section of the state come to Holland on the afternoon of January 17, so that they can visit Holland high school on Friday forenoon, January 18. The local school authorities are justly proud of their school and are anxious to have the visitors see it and its famous system of self-government in operation.

On Friday afternoon exercises will be held in the Auditorium at which Hon. G. J. Diekema will give the opening address. Then each representative of the visiting delegation will be asked to give a short talk concerning some interesting feature of his school. On Friday evening there will be a musical program followed by a reception. On Saturday morning, the weather permitting, a tour of Holland in automobiles is planned.

During their whole stay in Holland the visitors will be entertained at local homes and a good time will be provided for them during their stay here.

GRAND HAVEN HAS MILITARY WEDDING

MISS JOSEPHINE FISHER BECOMES BRIDE OF LIEUT. HOWARD PELLEGRAM

The marriage of Miss Josephine Fisher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Fisher, and Lieut. Howard Pellegrom took place Friday afternoon at the 2nd Christian Reformed church parsonage at Grand Haven, Rev. J. M. Ghysels officiating. The wedding was strictly a military one. Nelson Pellegrom, brother of the groom, and a member of Ambulance company No. 339, at Camp Custer, and Jay Fisher, who belongs to the United States navy stationed at Camp Logan and Miss Ruth Pellegrom attended them. Lieut. Pellegrom was formerly an officer in Co. F of Grand Haven, and also a member of the first officers' training camp at Fort Sheridan where he won his commission. He is at present stationed at Camp Custer. Following a short honeymoon trip Lieut. Pellegrom will return to Camp Custer and Mrs. Pellegrom will return to her home in Grand Haven for a time.

THIS NEVER HAPPENS TO COAL MEN AND UMPIRES

Le Roy, Mich., Jan. 3.—R. E. Smith, has the distinction of being the first merchant to be tendered a party by his customers because of his low prices and fair treatment. Two hundred customers gave him a dinner and presented him with a purse containing store here for several years.

MASONIC MEN IN SERVICE REMEMBERED

GRAND HAVEN LODGE SENDS IDENTIFICATION COINS TO SOLDIER MEMBERS IN THE SERVICE

Grand Haven Lodge No. 139 F. & A. M. is looking after its own. Every member of the Masonic lodge who is a soldier or a sailor in the service of the United States or its allies, will be provided with a beautiful coin, bearing the owner's name, and the designation of his lodge No. 139. These coins, the soldier is expected to carry with him always, and in case he meets death in action, or is wounded or captured, his home lodge may be notified.

The coins bear the figure of the American eagle, and the square and compass of masonry on one face. On the reverse side is the name of the member, the number of his lodge with a request to notify Lou B. Winsor, the Michigan Grand Lodge.

Each soldier belonging to the Masonic lodge in Grand Haven will be furnished with a khaki money belt, which each man should wear under his clothing. The belt contains a membership certificate printed on parchment in German and English, bearing the Masonic identification of the wearer and certifying to his membership in Grand Haven lodge.

Should one of the Grand Haven members of the order be captured by the Germans, his captors will have no standing of the soldier. If the soldier is killed or wounded within the German lines, the enemy if he is at all inclined toward humanity, will be in possession of facts which will enable him to notify the home lodge. It is not unlikely that this step might be taken as there are many members of the Masonic fraternity in Germany. The city of Berlin, alone has 34 Masonic lodges and the city of Hamburg also has a great number. Throughout the empire there are many more. It is only natural to suppose that a member of the order whether he is an enemy soldier or an ally will follow the requests on the identification disk and certificate.

The Masonic lodge in Grand Haven has a growing list of soldier members. Their names are being added constantly to the roll of honor and their stars are being added to the big service flag which flies from the staff of the Masonic Temple. Some of the members are officers in the army and many of them are the great American safeguard—the private soldier. Others are serving with allied armies. Under the leveling conditions of Masonry, however, officers and privates stand equally important in the lodge.

IS ANXIOUS TO GO ACROSS TO THE FRONT

HOLLAND VOLUNTEER ON FURLOUGH HERE STILL ON HOME DUTY.

Elmer Poppe, who was one of the first men from Holland to volunteer in the military service and who spent a few days at his home in this city on his first furlough, looks upon himself as particularly unlucky in that he has not yet been sent to France for duty at the front.

Young Poppe has tried more than once to be sent abroad. There usually are a few who are not over anxious to go across. Sometimes, for one reason or another, they would rather postpone it till a later date, although most of them want to go at some time. And Poppe more than once asked his captain if he might be sent in the place of some of these.

But there was nothing doing. He was told each time that for the present he can do more good where he is now stationed. Mr. Poppe has developed into a splendid specimen of America's fighting men since he left Holland last spring and he has done good service at his camp.

"But I would like to go across," he said wistfully to his friends in Holland. Before his enlistment Mr. Poppe was a valued employee in the Sentinel. Mr. Poppe is in the business of helping Uncle Sam in earnest. "It is not a lark for him but a serious piece of business and he is perfectly sincere in his desire to get to the place where the fighting is actually going on. But his attempts have been baffled by those in authority over him, although he hopes to attain his ambition before very long."

Sugar beet contracts being offered Michigan growers for next year's crop provide a price of \$8 per ton as a minimum and \$1 per ton for every cent per pound over seven cents for which sugar sells on an average during October, November and December, 1918. Last year's price was \$6 per ton. With a good season \$8 per ton means a big profit to growers.—Allegan Gazette.

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OTTAWA GIVES TWENTY-TWO TO THE SEA

THAT MANY FROM THIS COUNTY ENLIST IN THE NAVAL SERVICE.

Back in early April, when Uncle Sam took up the sword against the Hun, the appeal for recruits for the sea service was sounded throughout the nation. From cities and towns, from villages and from the smallest cross-road hamlets brawny young men forsaking the office, shop and the plow, harkened to the call.

And what occurred throughout the nation occurred throughout western Michigan, where, since April 6, hundreds of youths have flocked to the navy recruiting station for the districts located in Grand Rapids, applying for enlistment that they might have the opportunity of striking an early blow at the pirates of the sea.

From 114 western Michigan towns a total of 453 youths has been accepted at the Grand Rapids station from April 6 until the present time. The actual total of acceptances appears small, but it must be remembered that far more youths were rejected than were accepted, for only the finest equipped, physically, are enrolled in this branch of the military service.

While Grand Rapids easily leads with a total of 169 acceptances, with Muskegon, second with 32, every western Michigan town furnishing applicants deserves a large amount of credit for giving her sons to the service. In Ottawa county, Holland responded with seven recruits, Grand Haven with four, Zeeland with one, Comstock with one, Coopersville with two, Hudsonville with three, Jenison Park with one, Nunica with three.

This is What Happens When You are Frost Bitten

Frostbite has recently been studied in many hundreds of experiments upon animals and men by Dr. Norman C. Lake at the Pathological laboratories of Charing Cross Hospital in London. Dr. Lake reports the London Lancet that the critical point is 6 degrees C., around which the tissues are actually frozen and broken down.

"Frostbite," he says, "produces actual destruction of the tissues." And he explains the method of destruction by examining the effects of cold upon the several parts of the circulatory system. The great arteries have little muscle in their walls, the arterioles (the little arteries) have much muscle; this gives them their great elasticity, so that they act as a dam or buffer for the capillaries, preventing the blood from rushing at too high pressure into these delicate tubes.

Severe cold has two principal effects upon the arterial system: (1) it destroys the lining of the capillaries; (2) it causes the muscle of the arterioles to contract. This contraction is so great that it often entirely obliterates the vessel; the capillaries and veins are empty, while the large arteries are distended by blood. Upon thawing of the muscles the arterioles relax, even if they are not destroyed, and allow the blood to rush into the capillaries, hence the serum of the blood exudes through the walls into the surrounding tissues.

In minor cases the destroyed tissues are slowly absorbed by the blood; in more serious cases necrosis, or death of the tissues, occurs.

Dr. Lake finds that if the thawing be delayed or the rapid dilation of the constricted blood vessels be prevented much of the trouble caused by frostbite can be saved. He suggests the injection of the drugs called vaso-constrictors, at any rate in mild cases, keeping the affected parts elevated, gentle massage and postponement of warming.

It is just in this principle that the frozen ears or noses are best treated by rubbing them with snow in order that the circulation shall be restored very gradually. The writer remembered having an ear frozen in the wilds of Canada. He thawed it out beside a hot stove, with the result that he had an ear which looked like a piece of raw liver. On another occasion when his nose was frozen it was thawed out by rubbing with snow, and the only after effects were a slight swelling and pain which passed away after a few hours. In the case of the ear it took a week of treatment with caron oil to restore it to anything like normal, for a severe frostbite behaves very like a burn.

NOTICE

Taxpayers of Park Township:—I will be at the following places from Dec. 10, 1917, to Jan. 10, 1918, inclusive, to collect taxes.

First State Bank, Dec. 10, 15, 18, 22, 24, 29, 31, Jan. 5, 10.
Central Park Grocery, Dec. 12, 19, 26 and Jan. 2 and 9.

At home, near Ottawa Beach every Friday.

JACOB WITTEVEEN, Treas.
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BRAND NEW TAG DAY PREPARED BY THE U. S.

"TAG YOUR SHOVEL" IS NEWEST WRINKLE IN CONSERVATION LINE.

The United States Fuel Administration announced that January thirty, next, will be National Tag-Your-Shovel Day. The twenty-one million three hundred fifty thousand school children of the country will perform the patriotic work of tagging the coal shovels in America.

In this extra effort to save coal for war purposes, the government seeks the widest publicity thru the cooperation of the daily weekly and periodical press, motion picture theaters and individuals.

Tag-Your-Shovel day falls on Wednesday and it is expected that governors, mayors and teachers will unite in arranging for a school holiday—one of the few special national school holidays ever proclaimed. Two great printing plants are now turning out the tags and posters, and it may be taken for granted that all the children everywhere except those who are unfortunate enough to be down with the measles or mumps or something, will be on the job January 30 for Uncle Sam.

The tags on the face, bear this wording: "Save that shovelful of coal a day for Uncle Sam." On the reverse are these hints on saving coal:

"1. Cover furnaces and pipes with asbestos, or other insulation; also weather strip your windows, or stuff cracks with cotton.

"2. Keep your rooms at 68 degrees (the best heat for health).

"3. Heat only the rooms you use all the time.

"4. Test your ashes by sifting. If you find much good coal, there is something wrong with your heater. See a furnace expert.

"5. Write to the maker of your furnace or stove for practical directions for running economically.

"6. Save gas and electric light as much as possible—this will save coal for the nation."

The Fuel Administration points out that this tag day is different from all other tag days. Instead of asking cash contributions, the school children will demand that householders save money for food, for war savings stamps, for liberty bonds, and at the same time add to the government's coal pile.

STEFFENS LIBRARY GOES TO DUBUQUE

SEMINARY THERE GIVEN VOLUMES OF FORMER LOCAL PROFESSOR.

Through the kindness of President C. M. Steffens and his sister, Miss Mary Steffens, Dubuque Theological Seminary has just come into possession of the valuable library of their late father, Rev. N. M. Steffens, D. D. This is one of the most carefully selected theological libraries in the West. It contains about 6,000 volumes, many of them rare and exceptional value. Dr. Steffens was a theologian of recognized authority, and with more than a national reputation. He was for a number of years professor of Systematic Theology in Dubuque Seminary, but at the time of his death was professor in the Theological Seminary of the Dutch Reformed church, at Holland, Mich. This library is an appreciated asset to Dubuque's Theological Department—Presbyterian.

OTTAWA FOLK TO GET "POTATO EDUCATION"

MEETING FOR THIS PURPOSE TO BE HELD IN COUNTY JANUARY 23.

Farm Specialists To Tell How to Grow, Prepare and Eat Tubers to Best Advantage.

Meetings in ten Michigan towns and cities during January have been arranged for by the Michigan Agricultural college and its field men in their campaign to give the people of Michigan a thorough potato education—with an eye particularly to awakening consumers to a keener appreciation of the possibilities of the tuber in the human diet.

These meetings, which will be conducted by the county agricultural agents assisted by potato specialists, will be held in the following places: Port Huron, St. Clair county, Jan. 4; Eau Claire, Berrien county, Jan. 8; Three Oaks, Berrien county, Jan. 9; Rockford, Kent county, Jan. 16; Lowell, Kent county, Jan. 17 and 18; Hillsdale, Hillsdale county, Jan. 22; Conklin, Ottawa county, Jan. 23; Plainwell, Allegan county, Jan. 29; Hamilton, Allegan county, Jan. 30; and Monterey, Allegan county, Jan. 31.

Features of these "schools" will be potato shows for the benefit of the farmers, with demonstrations of methods for best way of handling this crop and other demonstrations for consumers, showing ways in which the potato can be most invitingly prepared for the family table.

POPULAR OTTAWA OFFICER WEDS

Chief of Police of Grand Haven, Delbert Fortney, and Miss Lexey Gulliver of Reese, Mich., were quietly married Thursday in Grand Haven, during a visit which Miss Gulliver was making. Mrs. Fortney is a teacher at Reese and will return after the new year and finish the term. Mr. Fortney has served as chief for over a year. Previous to that he was deputy sheriff of Ottawa county.

MAKE SURVEY OF TRUCK LANDS IN OTTAWA CO.

STATE COLLEGE TO SEND REPRESENTATIVE HERE TO GATHER FACTS.

What varieties of onions, celery and cabbage will thrive on the several types of muck soils in Michigan? What are the possibilities in growing grain crops on mucks? How can soil fertility be conserved best on muck lands? What are the control measures for meeting insect and disease attacks upon muck crops?

These questions and a legion others of a like nature are a few to which the Michigan Agricultural college hopes to find answers by means of a series of muck land demonstration farm and garden plots that have been established by its muck crop specialist and agricultural agents in five counties. Many varieties of crops, and as many different cultural methods will be tried out in these experimental and demonstrational gardens. Such results as are obtained will then be communicated to truck gardeners to serve as a guide to them when they meet these problems themselves.

The communities in which these demonstrations are being conducted, eleven in all are as follows: Kalamazoo, Vicksburg and Portage, in Kalamazoo county; Ithaca, in Gratiot county; Pearl, Dor, Martin and Pullman, in Allegan county; Hudsonville and Grand Haven, in Ottawa county, and Bad Ax, in Huron county.

PRISONER ESCAPES ON WAY TO IONIA

ALLEGAN SHERIFF LEAVES MAN IN GRAND DEPOT WHILE HE BUYS WARM SHIRT

Allegan Jan. 3.—While Sheriff Hillman went to buy a warm shirt in Grand Rapids and left Charles Walker, a 65-year-old storekeeper of Valley township, convicted of violating the local option law in the Grand Trunk depot at Grand Rapids, Walker disappeared and has not been located, it became known here Friday. The matter had been suppressed by authorities.

Walker was sentenced to Ionia for three years for his third violation of the local option laws. According to the sheriff he showed no disposition to try to make his escape and promised to await the sheriff's return so Hillman crossed the street to a store and made his purchase, then returned and found his prisoner gone. A statewide search is being made for Walker.

Gives Plain Facts About Country's Supply of Sugar

In connection with the present discussion about the sugar situation in Holland, the Standard Grocer and Milling Co., requested the publication of the following Grand Rapids Press editorial under the caption, "Some Sugar Facts":

Senator Reed's sugar investigation, which was intended to discredit Food Administrator Hoover before the nation, has developed a back-fire very disconcerting to the Missouri statesman, enlightening to the people of the country and of service to Mr. Hoover. It has enabled the food administrator to show that the sugar shortage has not been created by governmental supervision of prices and distribution. To the contrary such supervision has made for equitable supply and has kept the prices from soaring to Civil war heights. The consumer who is paying only a little more than 8 cents for sugar today may thank Hoover's organization that he is not paying two or three times as much.

The plain facts about sugar are that this country's supply is limited because of war. Imports from enemy countries are shut off from our allies, and the East and West Indies and the United States must make up that loss. Shipping conditions narrow the sources of available supply to this country and the West Indies. We have diverted sugar from Cuba to England and France where it was desperately needed, there, by cutting down the amount normally sent to us from the island republic.

Unless the American people are willing to reduce their consumption of sugar all the food administrations in the world will not prevent it from going to prices that will make present quotations look like a bargain sale.

We must send sugar to our allies and if we adjust ourselves to the reduced supply at home all well and good. If not sugar will have to be brought from Java at great cost of money and ships. If that happens there is no limit to the price of sugar may sell for.

The people of the United States have been using fifty-five pounds of sugar per person a year. In England it is 24 pounds, in France 13. We can continue using fifty-five pounds each year—continue to enjoy the sweets of fancy confections and coffee—but if we do we are much less likely to enjoy the sweets of victory. The choice must be made.

BUREAU TO STUDY PEACE IS THE LATEST IN BERLIN

Amsterdam, Jan. 3.—A German government bureau for "studying questions relating to peace," has been opened in Berlin. Dr. Karl Helfferich, formerly vice-chancellor, is at the head of the bureau, with Privy Councillor Albert, who was commissioner to the Panama-Pacific exposition as his assistant.

OVER-HEATED STOVE DAMAGES GARAGE

SCORCHES THE AUTOMOBILE OF JAMES A. BROUWER

Both departments were called out at ten o'clock Friday morning to respond to a garage fire at 78 East Ninth St. The garage is the one belonging to J. A. Brouwer at his home.

A fire had been built in the small heating stove preparatory to cleaning the cars, and it is figured that this started the blaze in the interior of the building. The fire was discovered in time to save the two automobiles, although one was considerably scorched in some places. A charging outfit used for the charging of batteries for the electric car, was also put out of commission.

A stranger it is said, saved one of the cars by taking it out before the flames could reach it. Mr. Brouwer would like to know who the gentleman was in order that he may thank him properly. The stranger disappeared in the commotion that follows an incident of this kind.

BOARD DECIDES ON REGISTRATION WEEK

LISTING OF WOMEN FOR WAR WORK TO BEGIN MARCH EIGHTEEN

The week of March 18 has been definitely determined upon by the Woman's Defense committee as the date for the registration for War service of the women of Michigan. Heartiest support and approval of this great undertaking has been given to the Woman's Committee by the Governor and the War Preparedness Board, and at least half a million registration cards will be printed by the war board. Governor Albert E. Sleeper will in due time issue a proclamation setting aside the week of March 18-25 as the particular date for taking the census of Michigan's woman power. Preparatory to this registration district conferences will be continued throughout the state similar to those which have already been held in Detroit, Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo. Ypsilanti, Traverse City, Bay City, Houghton and probably two or three other cities will have these conferences that the entire state may be covered by these schools of instruction for registrars.

HOLLAND RETAIL GROCERS ARE ALSO INCLUDED

SOME FROM THIS CITY JOIN NEW CO-OPERATIVE CONCERN

Organization of the Grand Rapids Wholesale Grocery company, a co-operative concern with an original capitalization of \$30,000 was perfected at a meeting of more than 100 retail grocers from all parts of Michigan held in the Livingston hotel Thursday.

The company which will operate under the name of United Retail Merchants of America, has 104 stockholders with more than \$5000 paid in cash on stock, and will be maintained solely for the benefit of the retail merchants and the consumers by eliminating the jobber and thus reduce prices in groceries.

Frank T. Marty of Allegan was elected president; Carroll E. Hickok of Kalamazoo treasurer, and William Nabor of Lake Odessa, secretary. Eleven directors, including the officers, were also elected.

Retail grocers from Muskegon, Grand Haven, Holland, Cadillac, Petoskey, Traverse City, Harbor Springs, Lake Odessa, Allegan, Saugatuck, Kalamazoo, Bay City, Martin, Wolverine, Mt. Morris, Durand, Tawas City, Port Huron, Marine City, and many other cities and towns located in all parts of the state were in attendance and became shareholders in the new company.

It is planned to capitalize at first with \$30,000 and later increase the amount to possibly \$100,000. A huge warehouse will either be erected or leased and all retail grocers belonging to the company will purchase their stocks through the Grand Rapids concern.

C. C. Daehler, organizer for the United Retail Merchants, has been working on the proposition in Michigan since last August and Thursday completed the company's organization. He was assisted in the legal work by Hall, Gillard & Temple of Grand Rapids.

HUDSONVILLE MAN WARMING HIS HANDS GETS A SURPRISE

Because of the severe weather during the first part of the month many water pipes were frozen and therefore causing a great deal of trouble. Gregg Maxfield a son of the late Dr. Maxfield of Hudsonville can truly testify to that fact. The connecting pipe to the hot water tank was frozen solid and after the fire was built it thawed some, caused steam to generate and result in an explosion. Fortunately, Gregg, who was warming his hands over the fire at the time escaped with few bruises. Sparks of fire damaged every piece of furniture in that room. Worse, still, nothing was left of the breakfast that was being cooked on the stove.

ZEELAND MAN TO MARRY

Prof. Herbert Keppel To Wed Miss Anna Kremer of Detroit

Mrs. Henry De Kruijff and daughter Lois left Thursday, for Detroit to attend the wedding of Mrs. DeKruijff's sister, Miss Anna Kremer, who will be married to Prof. Herbert Keppel, formerly of Zeeland, now of Gainesville, Fla.—Zeeland Record.

Sergeant James T. Whelan has completed his training at the Rock Island Arsenal and has been transferred to the ordnance department at Camp Custer.

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LOCAL NEWS

Rev. C. P. Dame, president of the class of Michigan will preside over the installation of Rev. Paul Peter Cheff, new pastor of Hope church. Services will be held tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hadden Friday night received a cablegram from their son Mayo, stationed in France in the largest flying school there, sending them Christmas greetings.

Miss Jeannette Veltman, 210 West Eleventh street underwent a serious but successful operation for goitre at the Holland Hospital. Dr. Fred Warnhuis of Grand Rapids and Dr. R. H. Nichols, two Hope graduates, had charge of the case.

An annual budget, not a budget system, was adopted at the congregational meeting Thursday night at the First Reformed church. The system has been in vogue for a number of years, longer than in any other Reformed church in the city.

L. Laman was elected as elder at the First Reformed church in the place of Mr. B. Steketee, who after serving the church for more than a score of years found it impossible to continue these services on account of physical disabilities.

Special services at the M. E. church Sunday, Dec. 30. In the morning at 10 o'clock Rev. Bouwerman will preach. In the evening at 7:30 there will be a Masonic service. In connection with this service a stereopticon will be used and forty beautiful slides illustrating Van Dyke's "The Other Wise Man" will be shown. A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend these services.

The new fire truck again showed its superiority over the old method, when both companies responded to the Dick Van Lente fire on Central Avenue. Although a stream was played upon the fire in the roof the men were informed that the attic was all ablaze. Chief Blom directed his men to use the large chemical hose on the new truck and the interior fire was out in a twinkling. Chief Blom claims that but for the chemicals the house would have been a wreck by fire and water combined.

Mrs. John Luidens is seriously ill with plural pneumonia.

Not a factory whistle blew Monday morning. All shops were idle until after New Year's.

There will be a regular meeting of the Star of Bethlehem, O. E. S. No. 40 Thursday evening. All members are asked to be present.

The installation of officers of Castle Lodge, No. 153, Knights of Pythias, will be held Thursday evening, Jan. 3 at eight o'clock. An entertaining program has been prepared.

Miss Minnie Ver Houw entertained with a house party from last Saturday night to Tuesday at her home on Michigan avenue. Those present are: Jennie Prins, Joy Luidens, Hazel Mow, Henrietta Douma, Jeannette Van Tongeren, Minnie Ver Houw, Dena Immink, and Anna Luidens, chaperone.

An entertaining program has been arranged by the K. of P. Lodge for Thursday evening, January 3, 1918 at 8 o'clock. Installation ceremonies of the newly elected officers of Castle Lodge, No. 153, will then take place. The committee on arrangements are E. P. Davis, chairman, Henry Meengs, M. A. Clark, Cecil Huntley and P. Nordhof.

Word was received here Wednesday morning of a daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ver Hoek Tuesday in Chicago. Mrs. Ver Hoek was formerly Miss Iva Fansler.

Thirty feet of dollar bills was the Armenian Life Line thrown out by Trinity church at a Christmas exercises held a few days ago. Pretty good rope for anybody to tie to.

Orlando Benton Maceam of Berlin, one of the oldest pioneers of Ottawa county died at the age of 97 years. He was blinded in a battle during the Civil War. Before that time he was a sailor in the British navy.

The local Red Cross Friday received a check for \$22.30 representing the proceeds from an entertainment put on in the high school shortly before Christmas.

Holland folks who took in "Katin-La," at Powers Saturday afternoon were Mrs. J. A. VanderVeen Miss Kathryn, Chas. H. McBride and daughter Katherine, Mrs. D. J. DuSaar and daughter Bee, Coach Drew, Miss Fern White, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. VanSyckle, Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Mulder and daughters Lucile and Ruth. The show started at 3:30 o'clock as the Chicago train was seven hours late, the U. S. government not allowing specials to go through which is one of the new rulings. The audience were however given a treat when the curtain was raised and it was announced that they would be given the privilege of seeing how the show was put together before the actors appeared. The stage was sure shorn of all its glamor for a time, but the working behind the scenes was a very interesting study.

After the Muskegon fire department had left the fire which did \$7,500 damage in the science room on the second floor of the high school building last Thursday another blaze was discovered making headway on the third floor directly above the science room, adding \$5,000 damage to the building.

Capt. Robinson's crew of surfmen at Manistee saved 41 lives and property valued at \$38,110 during the summer. Fifteen calls for assistance were received. Capt. Robinson is an uncle of Att. T. A. Robinson of this city.

Miss Esther Burton entertained with a Watch Party Monday evening. Music furnished the evening's entertainment. Those present were the Misses Esther Burton, Florence Burton, Majorie De Koning and Jean Brinkman and the Messrs. Charles Van Lente, Al Van Lente, Martin Hacklander and Raymond Knooihuizen.

On account of the illness of the instructor the night classes in commercial work at the high school will not be held this evening or tomorrow night but the classes in English for foreigners will be held tonight and Thursday night.

Rev. T. W. Mulenberg, a graduate of Hope College and former pastor of Trinity Reformed church, Grand Rapids, has been appointed missionary for the Reformed church in the northwest to succeed the late Rev. C. Heines.

Mr. and Mrs. John Luikens, aged couple of Grand Haven, well known in Holland, celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary, New Year's day. The happy pair have lived in the same home for 58 years. Mr. Luikens joined the first Michigan sharpshooters during the war of the rebellion.

William Arendshorst, about one-year old, spent New Year's day strapped in his bed. The little fellow sustained a broken leg between the knee and hip while his mother carried him down the back porch of her home a few days ago. Mrs. Arendshorst accidentally slipped, but held on to the baby and fell on top of him when she slid down the steps.

Grand Haven has certainly been up against it for fuel. William H. Loutit, federal fuel administrator of Ottawa county is now trying to get wood to that city from the country. Wood, however, is a poor substitute for coal in a furnace. New Year's morning the municipal coal bins were cleaned out, with customers crying for New Year's fuel. T he private yards are parcelling out in small quantities, what little coal they have on hand.

Andrew Van Lopik of Grand Haven well known in Holland and Zealand, has reached France. Word has been received telling of his safe arrival. Van Lopik was assigned to the Montana National Guard, a part of the rainbow division.

Miss Kathryn VanderVeen and Mabelle Mulder entertained at the home of Miss Vander Veen, 138 West 14th street Thursday evening in honor of Ben Rutgers who was home on a furlough. Sixteen members of the graduating class, in which he was one of the graduates, gathered to wish him God speed. The decorations were all of a patriotic nature and silk flags were the favors given. Rutgers was one of the first volunteers in the city of Holland enlisting sometime in April.

Fire was discovered in the roof of the home of Dick Van Lente, 279 Central avenue at noon Friday. Both companies responded and the fire was quickly put out with chemicals. The damage is estimated at \$50. This was the second response to fire Friday by the fire companies.

Frank Fabiano, brother of Patsy, the fruit dealer of Holland, has volunteered for the signal corps in the U. S. army. Frank left Holland last fall for Detroit and enlisted there. Altho he is under the drafting age, he was very anxious to become a soldier under the American flag. He is now stationed at Columbus, O.

The Star Auto Co. has sold a Ford touring car to N. Wassenaar, 32 Central avenue.

The sugar factory has been closed for two or three days waiting for the beet that had been tied up. It will start slicing beets again tonight.

The body of Miss Maude Williams, who died in Seattle, arrived Friday. The funeral was held last Saturday forenoon at 10 o'clock from Grace church.

Because of the scarcity of coal Fennville people are burning green wood.

James Cramer, employed at the Lokker-Rutgers Co., reports that Thursday night an attempt was made to hold him up. The attempt was made at Graves Place where his home is, and he escaped into his house before the would-be hold-up men were able to get anything from him.

MARRIED IN MINNEAPOLIS

Announcements have been received in Holland telling of the marriage of Mr. Eugene Flipse, son of Rev. M. Flipse of this city, to Miss Callie De Mott. The ceremony took place on Christmas afternoon in Minneapolis and was performed by Dr. J. T. Bergen. Miss De Mott has been engaged in teaching at Hull, Iowa, and Mr. Flipse has been a student at the New Brunswick Theological seminary.

TWO FROM THE SAME

CONSIDERY MAY GO UNDER KNIFE

By a rather curious coincidence the First Reformed church is temporarily deprived of the services of two consistory members at the same time by reason of the fact that they are both in the hospital awaiting possible operations. The two men are Dick Meengs and Lewis Schoon. Both have been taken to the University hospital at Ann Arbor for examination. In each case it is believed that an operation may become necessary.

Mrs. George Van Hess and Miss Mary Steffens were in Grand Rapids Saturday.

Personal Items

Wallace Vischer of the law department of the U. of M. spent the holidays at the home of his parents on State street.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Streur, Mr. and Mrs. M. Westrate and Mr. and Mrs. B. Huizenga of Holland were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Huizenga this week.—Zeeland Record.

Mr. John Markle of Holland passed Christmas at his home in Allegan.—Mrs. George Vrieling and daughter, Thelma of Holland came Saturday to visit her mother, Mrs. J. E. Markle.—Mr. and Mrs. Herman Vaupell and children enjoyed Christmas with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Vaupell in Holland.—Allegan News.

Mr. and Mrs. Burke Taylor of Detroit are spending the holidays with relatives in Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. Gustave Landwehr of Battle Creek are guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Landwehr over New Year's.

Ex-Mayor Henry Brusse made a business trip to Grand Rapids Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Congleton and daughter Lillian were Grand Rapids visitors Saturday.

Louis Vanden Berg and John Damstra were in Grand Rapids on business Saturday.

Tony Vander Hull of Maacatawa was in Grand Rapids on business Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Vanden Beldt of Morrison, Ill., are visiting relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Maubetsch and Mr. Douglas Roby, of Enid, Oklahoma, are spending the holidays with the Misses Cappen.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Beter and family were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Beter of Grand Rapids over the New Year's.

Miss Reta Pas who has been spending her vacation with her parents here returned to McKee, Ky., to resume work as teacher in the mission school there.

Adrian Bernard Bosman, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Bosman, spent Saturday and Sunday at home. He enlisted in the cavalry, machine gun troop and is stationed at Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.

H. Siersema, formerly county drainage Commissioner, visited his son Peter at Camp Mac Arthur, Waco, Tex., for a few days, returning Friday night. While there he also called upon John Tiesinga, Earl Niewenson, Henry Boes, John Slagh, Wil Loutsma, Walter Meenwen, Gus Smith and other boys. He also visited Camp Boyen at Houston and Ft. Worth Tex.

John Ottema, clerk at Haan Bros. drug store, Fred Meppelink, clerk at H. B. Doesburg's drug store, left Monday morning for Big Rapids to take a course at the Ferris Institute. Wm. Vanden Berg, Jr. went to take a course in accounting. Chester Westveer takes Ottema's place at Haan's and Henry Ottema takes Meppelink's place at Doesburg's.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kammeraad left for their home in Flint after spending the holidays with Mrs. Kammeraad's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Hacker.

Russel Van Ry, representative of the Holland Furnace Co. at Galesburg, Ill. who has been spending the week-end with his parents here has returned home.

Mrs. G. J. Van Duren, the untiring worker at Red Cross Headquarters, took a day off and went to Grand Haven New Year's Day to spend the day with her children, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Cox.

Capt. George Zwemer and wife have left for their home in Chicago after visiting Capt. Zwemer's parents and other relatives and friends here. Private John D. Zwemer of Camp Custer is also here spending his furlough at home. J. E. Zwemer has returned from a trip of several months thru the western states.

The Misses Delia and Martha Osewaarde are spending the mid-winter holiday vacation at home in Zealand. Miss Delia is teaching in the High school at Fon-du-lac, Wis. Miss Martha has accepted a surgical position at the Presbyterian hospital in Chicago, having completed the training course at that institution last Thanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. George Schulling and children spent New Year's Day in Grand Rapids.

Ella Frodin, Chicago, who spent the week-end with her parents here has returned home.

Marine Bishop has returned to Camp Custer after a four days' furlough spent at his home in Holland.

Mrs. Ann D. Masten has returned to Holland after spending several months in Indiana.

Mrs. Alfred Sirrine attended the funeral of her grandfather, John H. Masten, at Homer, Michigan.

Mrs. George Bartel of Muskegon and Marine Bishop of Camp Custer spent Tuesday with their sister Mrs. H. Damson.

C. J. Lokker of the Holland Crystal Creamery, was in Grand Rapids Friday on business.

A black fur muff was left at the Lokker-Rutgers store. The owner is requested to call for it.

Pvt. Benjamin G. Rutgers who spent Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Rutgers left Friday morning for his training camp at Quantico Va.

P. J. Van Anrooy and Henry Van Anrooy, who have been spending the Christmas vacation with Mr. and Mrs. John P. Van Anrooy of Lake avenue, left this noon for Milwaukee enroute to Lincoln, Neb.—G. H. Tribune.

Tom Van Schelven and family of Cedar Springs, Michigan and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Parreant of South Bend, Ind., have returned to their respective homes after spending Christmas at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Van Schelven.

Rev. P. P. Cheff and family expect to leave for their new field of labor in the immediate future. The Reverend will be installed at Hope church next Thursday evening.—Zeeland Record.

Henry Brusse left Wednesday for New York. He will spend three weeks on the Atlantic coast.

Miss Marie Bolks of Sioux City, Ia., is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. W. Vischer.

William Knoll left for Chicago Saturday morning after spending Christmas with his parents in this city.

Thomas Halley left Saturday morning for Chicago where he spent the New Year day with friends and relatives.

TWO FORMER HOLLAND MEN HONORED BY GOVERNMENT

PETER B. SCHRAVENSANDE GOES TO WASHINGTON TO DO WAR WORK

Peter B. Schravensande, who was general chairman of three war boards in Grand Rapids has sent in his resignation from all of them in order to go to Washington to head the National Federation of Furniture Manufacturers, an organization composed entirely of furniture men, who are patriotic enough to have their own representative body at the National Capitol, waiting to receive any command necessary to further the needs of the nation in this war thru the immense manufacturing channels which they represent.

Holland Furniture men have allied themselves with this patriotic movement and Peter Schravensande who spent his boyhood days in Holland getting his education here, is chairman.

The older residents here will remember the Schravensandes very well. The old gentleman, father of Peter, conducted a barber shop in a frame building on the site where the John Nies Hardware is now located. He at one time was also editor of De Grandwet. This was shortly before Isaac Verwey took charge and after the death of the first editor, Mr. Hogerstege.

\$600.00 IN RED CROSS THINGS AGAIN SENT

HOLLAND HEADQUARTERS SHIP MANY BOXES TO SOLDIERS AND SUFFERING BELGIANS

Benevolent work of the Ottawa County Red Cross goes steadily on. There is no halting and most of the faithful women have made Red Cross duties one of their daily occupations.

New Year's eve marked another time when a large consignment of boxes left headquarters in the city hall destined to serve as a message of cheer to the boys at the front and as a tidying of hope to the suffering Belgians.

The boxes sent Monday evening contained the following knitted articles: 91 pairs wristlets, 58 pairs socks, 89 mufflers, 65 sweaters, 65 helmets, 2 French caps.

Hospital Supplies—Compresses, 424, 288, compresses 929, 432; bed socks, 10; hot water bottle covers, 2; bed shirts, 28; handkerchiefs, 35; wash cloths, 40; body binders, 49; ten bandages, 68; napkins, 5; operating leg gins, 10.

Unclassified, conservation articles, to be distributed to the destitute in France and Belgium: 40 baby blankets, 20 baby booties, 7 shirts, 4 knitted caps, 4 shirts, 9 dresses, 1 coat, 4 knitted sponges, 14 large quilts, 7 crib quilts, 2 white bed spreads.

Total valuation, \$637.92.

HOPE BEATEN IN HOT GAME AT GRAND RAPIDS

Y. QUINTET OF THAT CITY WINS CONTEST BY A 30 TO 23 SCORE.

Was Hardest Fight Witnessed This Season On Grand Rapids Floor

Showing an improved style of play which surprised even the most ardent followers, the Grand Rapids Y. M. C. A. basketball team won over Hope College at Grand Rapids New Year's night by a 30 to 23 count.

It was one of the fastest and most bitterly fought battles ever staged on the association floor, and but for the careful management of play by Referee Olds would have amounted to a knock 'em down and drag 'em out contest.

Don't take it that murder was in the air, for the rivalry was good natured. But play was terrific. It was a slashing game all the way, a sort of give and take, or lose your popularity with the crowd and several baskets besides. The dozen athletes who got into the action went at top speed throughout the game. They had to, or quit. And the victory was achieved not through superior team work or stamina, but a little better basket shooting.

Coach Cash gave the Grand Rapids boys free sway on the floor, and the results were noticeable after the first two minutes of conflict. They took chances on baskets and within five minutes had acquired a lead which the collegians could not reach.

The work of Thorne Brown, the Y's new forward, again stood out as the feature of the setto. The former Central High school boy led 'em all in scoring prowess, caging six field baskets, and showing so much aggressiveness that Hope finally sent to men against him to hold him off. Brown was put out of play twice by hard bumps, but quickly recovered.

The entire Grand Rapids team played the same way too. The guarding of Hooker and Bobbie Mills was A-1, and Mills gave every evidence of developing into one of the slickest goal tenders seen here in years. "Shorty" Stander also was surprisingly fast.

Heemstra and Van Hazel stood the brunt for Hope, the former shining as a speedy forward, but losing many chances to score because he was so closely guarded. Van Hazel was nifty with his feet and body alike and showed extreme cleverness in his department.

E. P. Stephan, manager of the Holland Furniture Co., was in Grand Rapids in the interests of the Furniture exposition.

MANY MARRY IN COUNTY DURING YEAR OF 1917

COUNTY CLERK'S RECORDS SHOW INCREASE IN APPLICATIONS FOR LICENSES

War Helps Cupid; Soldiers Wed Before Leaving Home For the Front.

The records of County Clerk Orrie J. Sluiter establish at least one fact, and that is Ottawa county couples are not being frightened out of marrying by the war. As a matter of fact more happy couples have been joined in the wedlock during the year 1917 than in 1916. Surprising as this may seem, it is nevertheless quite true.

The County Clerk's records show that 498 marriage licenses had been issued by his office up to noon Monday.

Last year the total number of marriage licenses issued by the county clerk was 496.

The war appears to have helped cupid considerably this year. Soldiers waiting to be sent overseas to serve their country and their flag have come home to claim the girls upon whom their hearts had long been set. Courtships which promised to be of much longer duration have suddenly terminated in quiet little military marriages.

Sad to say there were many marriages along about the first of June just about the time the registration for the draft was held. Fortunately for the record, however, Ottawa's number of licenses issued about this time does not seem to have been increased greatly during the period.

Cupid's other nature is shown in the fact that there were 34 bills for divorce filed in the circuit court for Ottawa county during the year just closing. Decrees were not granted in all of the cases and some of the matters are still pending. Some of the wrecks on the sea of matrimony may yet be salvaged.

226,890 AUTO LICENSES ISSUED WITHIN OLD YEAR

During the last year 226,890 automobile licenses have been issued by Secretary of State Vaughan. The fees from automobile, chauffeur's, and motorcycle licenses will exceed \$2,500,000 all of which will be expended for the maintenance and construction of the state and county roads. In 1916 the state issued 160,000 auto licenses.

In addition to the automobile licenses the state department has licensed 8,721 motorcycles and 20,043 chauffeurs.

HARRIS MEYER ENTERS AVIATION SERVICE

PASSES A RIGID EXAMINATION AND IS AWAITING A CALL

Harris Meyer has joined Uncle Sam's Aviation service. Mr. Meyer has returned from Chicago where he successfully passed the rigid physical and mental examinations that all those wishing to become U. S. flyers must go up against. He has been sworn in and expects to be called for service some time during the next four or five weeks.

Mr. Meyer will probably first be sent to the ground school at Champaign, Ill. During his absence from Holland while serving Uncle Sam, Hope church will hold open for him the position as organist. Mr. Meyer has been organist there since the autumn of 1912.

PHYSICIAN MARRIED TWENTY-FIVE YEARS

DR. AND MRS. WM. BRUINEMA CELEBRATE SILVER WEDDING.

Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Bruinema celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary at their home on 63 West 9th street, on Old Year's evening. Nearly fifty guests were present, among them being several who attended the doctor's wedding at West Olive twenty-five years ago. A six o'clock dinner was served, while the evening was most pleasantly spent in games, cards and dancing. The guests did not leave for their respective homes until nearly daybreak.

ASKS INCOME TAX FOR MISSIONS

DRIVE TO BE MADE FOR ONE DAY'S INCOME FOR THIS CAUSE.

There are "Drives" of all kinds these days, most of them meritorious. There is going to be an income-tax drive also soon. But it takes Rev. W. J. VanKersen of this city, secretary of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America, to beat out Uncle Sam. The dominie is now making a drive in the interest of both foreign and domestic missions. And where Mr. Van Kersen wins out on the income tax is that he is now asking every member of the Reformed Church in America to set aside one day's income, this amount to be given to the cause of missions, the needs of which have become correspondingly great by virtue of the war. The only difference between the two taxes is the one you must pay, the other you can pay.

A. H. Brinkman moved the household goods of Rev. P. P. Cheff of Zeeland to this city.

Norman Vachman of Coloma is spending a few days at the home of his cousin, A. Harris, East 15th street.

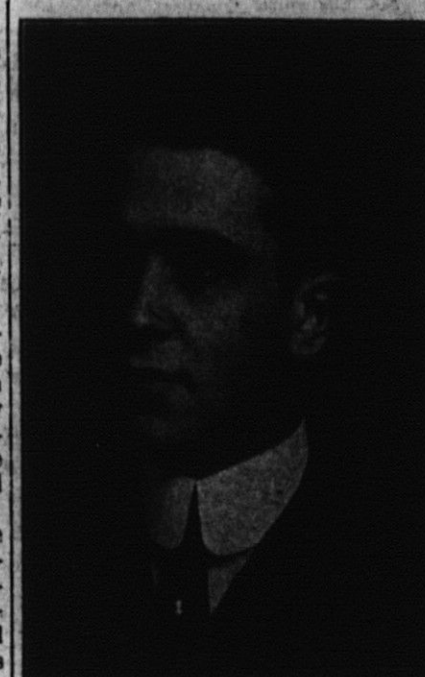
ATTORNEY IS CALLED TO U. S. SERVICE

RAYMOND VISSCHER PROMISED FIRST LIEUTENANCY BY WAR DEPARTMENT

Duties Will Call Him to Serve Either in Washington Or New York City.

A dispatch under a Washington dateline Wednesday made the announcement that Att. Raymond Vischer of the firm of Vischer & Robinson has been commissioned as first lieutenant in the Sanitary Corps of the Medical Department.

Mr. Vischer was summoned to Washington last week in regard to this opening and while there he submitted to the necessary physical examinations which he easily passed. While the Washington dispatch says that the commission has been granted, Mr. Vischer has not yet received it, al-



tho he admitted yesterday that it had been promised him. While in Washington he went into the details of the new position with the authorities in charge of that department and practically full arrangements were made at that time so that only the formalities will have to be completed now.

Mr. Vischer has not yet been told where he will be stationed. It is likely however that it will be either in the city of Washington or in New York city. As soon as he receives his commission and is ordered to report for duty he will make arrangements to go to his new field of work. His family will remain here for the present at least.

NIGHT SCHOOL TO OFFER A NEW BRANCH COURSE

LECTURES ON HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHY OF NATIONS AT WAR TO BE GIVEN.

No Tuition Is Charged; Men of Military Age Are Thus to Be Benefited.

Grand Haven Tribune—The Grand Haven public night school will open a new course to the men of Grand Haven when it opens with the resumption of work in the regular day schools. This new course will be a series of illustrated lectures one each Wednesday evening on the history and geography of the countries in the war zone, especially France and Italy. This course will be open only to men, as it is designed to benefit men of military age, who may be called for the draft army in the near future, and who may be in the war zone before they realize. Future officers and those who hope to hold commissions in the army are also invited to take the course.

Nothing will be more essential for officers of the future than a knowledge of the geography of the countries into which they are likely to be sent to fight. Slides used to illustrate the lectures will be of greatest benefit in assisting students to appreciate the geographical locations of various cities in the war zone.

If possible, men who have visited the zone where the war is now being fought out, will be secured to appear before the class at intervals to tell what they saw of the country before the war swept over it. This feature will assist greatly in making the study clearer. The lectures will be technical rather than popular and there will be plenty in the course which should benefit any young man who is anxious to know something about the countries at war.

MUSKEGON WINS OVER LOCAL TEAM

Y QUINTET THERE DEFEATS THE HOLLAND PLAYERS 32 TO 22

By playing their finest the Muskegon "Y" won over Chester Van Tongeren's basketball team at Muskegon Friday night by a score of 32 to 22. The Holland team had the best of it at the start but they failed to make their shots count. Up to the second half the score stood 19 to 10, when Holland by a spurt of fast playing cut down Muskegon's lead of 9 points to 3 points. The teams played for several minutes standing 18 to 24, Muskegon leading, but Holland made some gains and were only four points behind. Both coaches sent in substitutes. No rough stuff was permitted and the big rush at the finish went along fine. Each side had a personal foul called. Two free throws being allowed.

COAST GUARD CREW LEAVE FOR NEW YORK

SIX MEMBERS OF MACATAWA STATION DEPART WEDNESDAY TO GO INTO U. S. SERVICE

Station To Remain Open During the Winter With Captain and Two Men On Duty.

Six members of the Macatawa Coast Guard Crew left on the noon train Wednesday for Bay Shore, New York, to enter the service of Uncle Sam in Coast Guard duty somewhere in the United States. At Bay Shore the Macatawa men will report to the superintendent who will assign them to their service.

The men who left are: Wm. Roe, Charles Bontekoe, Francis Deio, Andrew Fisher, Neal Landman and Andrew Anderson.

They were given the choice some time ago to enter the government service during the winter months or resign from the coast guard service altogether. All elected to stay. All except Landman are married men and they are leaving their families here during their absence.

The station at Macatawa did not officially close at midnight Monday evening as it would have done in time of peace. While six of the crew went off duty then, Captain Van Weelden and two surfmen, Van Regenmorter and Van Ark, will remain on duty during the winter months.

Joseph Bohka, keeper of the light house at Macatawa and his assistant, George Haas, will also remain on duty during the months of winter.

Capt. Van Weelden, Monday night closed ten years of service as keeper of the local station. He came here in 1907, and before that he had been the keeper of a station at South Manitou Island for three years.

The year has been comparatively quiet for the coast guard. The crew was called to one drowning at Central Park, two at Saugatuck and to the sidewalk tragedy on the lake front at Macatawa. The men moreover, towed in several disabled launches and assisted the crew of a thousand dollar sail boat that went to pieces on the beach.

Holland Boys In Troop That Puts Cattle Thieves to Rout

Eagle Pass, Texas, Jan. 3—Grand Rapids and Holland cavalry boys received their baptism of fire when the Second squadron, 11th cavalry, crossed the Rio Grande into Mexico Saturday, Dec. 29, and met a force of bandits in battle. No casualties were suffered by the soldiers, but at least six Mexicans were killed. The Holland boys in the troop include Carroll Van Ark, Harold R. Lage, Fred C. De Jongh, James G. Weersing and Peter N. Prins.

At 11 o'clock Friday night, all the available men in the Second squadron of the 14th cavalry, in which is the majority of original Grand Rapids troops, were called out, and in the next 18 hours 60 miles were covered in a piercing north wind. The Rio Grande was crossed at Padre ford, 23 miles below here, on India ranch, and invasion for a mile and a half ended when the soldiers ran into an ambush of about 80 Mexican cattle thieves. The enemy's first volley failed to score, and the second volley was from the cavalry. It counted and in half an hour the remainder of the bandits broke up and scattered. No pursuit into the interior was made.

The machine gun company of the 3rd infantry accompanied the cavalry and did telling work. Troop F led by Major Wells and Captain Howard, was first to cross and engage the bandits. No soldiers or horses were wounded, tho a few invaders had their clothes torn by bullets. The squadron returned to camp at Eagle Pass Sunday after hiking 84 miles in 39 hours—Carroll Van Ark in Grand apids News.

GUSTAV STERN, ALLEGAN, BUSINESS LEADER, IS DEAD

Gustav Stern, one of the most prominent business men in Allegan died on New Year's morning at his home from an internal cancer, having been ill for the past year. He was the first mayor of Allegan and served two terms in that capacity. He was the vice-president of the First National bank, and was an officer of the State Clothing Dealers' association, having been in the clothing business for the past 30 years in Allegan. He has been one of the most enthusiastic leaders in war work and was held in high esteem by all of the residents of the village. He is survived by his widow and two children. His death occurred on the 29th anniversary of his marriage.

Mr. Stern used to spend his summers at Macatawa. He was an uncle of Mrs. I. Goldman, formerly of Holland.

NOTICE TO OLIVE TOWNSHIP TAXPAYERS

Starting December 10, 1917 till Jan. 10, 1918, I will be at the following places to collect taxes. At home every Friday, at the First State Bank, the 15th, 22nd, 29th of December, 1917; and the 5th of January, 1918; at Borculo at Koop's store the 18th of December 1917 and the 2nd of January, 1918 and at West Olive the 20th of December, 1917 and the 8th of January, 1918.

PHILIP VINKEMULDER,
(31-51) Treasurer.

NEW YEAR VERY QUIET AFFAIR IN HOLLAND

WHISTLE BLOWING AND BELLS RINGING VERY MODERATE TUESDAY MORNING

Old New Year's Customs Practically a Thing of the Past; This New Year Puts Quietness on Many Things
Our Toast for 1918

Here's to the Flag and Liberty, for Only Under This Banner, With Liberty Embellished Upon Its Fields Could we Extend to You a Wish of Happiness and Prosperity. We Toast The Flag and Liberty. That this war spectre has dampened the New Year's spirit all over the land and has made more thoughtful individuals of us, there is no doubt. Dispatches from New York, Chicago, Detroit, in fact from all large centers where merriment plays an important part in the new year's festivities, show that this year all boisterousness was lacking and its place, generally speaking, has been filled by thoughtful sobriety.

The big "White Ways" were dark and the cafes in the larger cities took on a Sunday evening aspect, while the usual "pop" seemed to prevail nowhere. It is simply in the air. Grand Rapids claims the most quiet new year's day it has ever lived thru. At Grand Haven there was nothing doing, and while Holland is not much of a cafe town, in the sense of high jinks parties, still even the diversions that otherwise marked New Year's Day here as a time for rejoicing, were very much lacking.

There were very few watch parties scheduled; there was one dance; the movies and theater were going about as usual, and the ringing of bells, blowing of factory whistles and the shooting of crackers was a very tame affair this year. Noise making was very much lacking in 1918, but notwithstanding this fact, the little fellow was ushered in at midnight, just the same.

For sometime many of the old New Year's customs have been slowly dying out in this city and this year it seems that the death knell has been rung on all of them. For many years it was customary to be prepared for rounds upon rounds of visitors. Relatives, friends, acquaintances or strangers made no difference. Coming with a New Year's message made them all a-kin, and their coming was the signal to pass around the wine, annis, Tom and Jerry or the proverbial spoon and bowl filled to the brim with a concoction of whiskey and raisins. Like the lover who only had a dime with which to treat his girl to ice cream, asking for two spoons, so the bowl was passed around and the well-wisher dipped in lavishly, partook and started the spoon and bowl to making a round of the company present. This custom is especially Hollandish and was in vogue here for many years and still remains a custom in the old country. Good cheer was supposed to prevail, and prosperity seemed to be made more real by refreshments with a stick in them.

One by one the old customs of the past have been dying out. With the passing of many of the older residents, new ways of spending the holiday have come into usage. A few of the older homes still prepare for callers on that day but few of the younger householders know anything about the calling custom which in early days prevailed quite generally in this city.

GOOD SIZED SCRAP STARTED IN CHURCHES

SCHOOLS FOR CHRISTIAN INSTRUCTION ARE NOW BONE OF CONTENTION

Western Pastor Makes Charges, Is Challenged, and Proceeds to Meet Challenge.

An ecclesiastical scrap of considerable size is being conducted in the church publications of the Christian Reformed and Reformed churches on the subject of the Schools for Christian Instruction. Some time ago the Rev. John Van der Beek, pastor of a Reformed church of Maurice, Iowa, made charges against the Christian school declaring in effect that the teachings of these institutions were such that they made for poor citizenship and were un-American.

These charges aroused a storm of protest from several sources in the church publications of the Christian Reformed churches. One person, a Mr. Ave, challenged Rev. Vander Beek to prove his charges, and in this week's issue of The Leader Mr. Vander Beek answers him, offering the evidence that he has collected.

The testimony of Mr. Van der Beek is to be continued next week and only material that is more or less introductory is offered in this week's issue. He declares that what he will write is quoted from the files of "De Calvinist," "De Wachter," and a number of publications which are distributed by the Propaganda for Christian Instruction of Holland, Mich., as well as from a number of addresses and speeches clipped from local papers.

Rev. Van der Beek is quite well known in Holland, having graduated from Hope College about ten years ago.

private school for boys in the state of Maryland visited his brothers, the Robert Bros., on West Sixteenth St. and also his parents at Busk, Mich. during the holidays.

SOUTH HALF OF COUNTY MAKES BIG SHOWING

STATISTICS OF RED CROSS DRIVE RETURNS TELL WHAT WAS DONE HERE.

With the Christmas membership drive in Ottawa county not coming to a close until Saturday evening, it is still impossible to determine how many members have been secured in Holland and throughout the county, but the fact is known that the number will be considerably in excess of this county's quota. And the figures so far tabulated reveal the further fact that the big oversubscription is largely due to the splendid showing of Holland and Zeeland and the entire southern part of the county.

Grand Haven Monday night reported a membership of somewhat over a thousand. Coopersville gave her returns as about 500, while Spring Lake village and township made returns of 250. The unreported returns from the other sections of the northern half of Ottawa county will bring the number up to more than 2,000. There is some disappointment over the comparatively poor showing made by Grand Haven, since that city with several times the population of Zeeland did not do any better than that city, and with many times the population of Coopersville, returned only twice as many as that village.

Chairman J. J. Cappon, in charge of the southern Ottawa Campaign, today directed the following word of appreciation to those who helped to make the campaign a success:

To the Parents-Teachers' Clubs of Holland and all who assisted in the Red Cross Drive:

"I have just received word from Mr. Mark T. McKee, of Detroit, Campaign Director of the American Red Cross, stating that Ottawa County has 'gone over the top', and that our membership now exceeds the quota assigned to us.

"This is the most gratifying news and I feel that special thanks are due to the Parents-Teachers clubs, and to those who so willingly and efficiently took this great work and accomplished such brilliant results.

"The good work is still going on and will continue during the week, after which a full report will be made by me of all memberships in Southern Ottawa County.

"Jno. J. Cappon,
Chair, Southern Ottawa Co.

TEN-YEAR-OLD HAS WONDERFUL RECORD

A little ten-year-old girl is to be seen at the Knickerbocker Theater for three days beginning today who has to her credit \$500,000 worth of Liberty Bonds sold through her efforts. This little girl is Miss Violet McKee Stroud who is a member of the "Stroud Trio" that gives one of the numbers at the Knickerbocker.

In the first Liberty Loan little Miss Stroud sold \$300,000 worth of bonds in New York City and she has in her scrap book a letter of thanks from Secretary McAdoo. In the second campaign she sold \$250,000 in Cincinnati. During that campaign she gave a Liberty Loan talk every day. She has also secured more than \$12,000 for the Red Cross.

Miss Stroud has interested herself in the Hospital Benefit in Holland and she will concentrate on that during her stay here. She will try to make that fund tomorrow the biggest that has ever been collected here for a similar movement.

A PREDICTION BY AN EDITOR

IN 1868 HE SAID THAT THE PINE PLAINS LANDS WOULD BE THE BEST IN MICHIGAN

In a file copy of the Saugatuck Commercial of 1867 the editor whoever that might have been predicted that the Pine Plains would be a stretch of fertile soil. While the prediction is far from being realized, considerable development has taken place and a great deal of it has been turned into fairly good farming land. Former Judge of Probate Williams of Allegan made the development of these unproductive plains his hobby. He has done considerable along that line and has interested others in the work. Mr. Williams has a sand farm of his own which shows what scientific application does to poor land.

The prophecy of the editor is of interest however and follows below:

"Mr. Bryan keeps the old Pine Plains House, located about half way between this place and Allegan. The plains are considered by many to be worthless, and notwithstanding their beautiful face are almost deserted. Vast fields that were once cultivated are left to commons, and here and there may be seen a vacated house and other marks and traces of the handiwork of early settlers. This casts a dreary shadow over the scene, and one is impressed with the conclusion that this is a waste of nature's time to spread out to the vision such a smooth and beautiful plain that possesses no productive virtue in its soil—or in other words—a humbug produced by nature to deceive man. But we claim that this soil can be made productive. All it wants is fertilizing, which is easily done by way of clovering and plowing the crop under for two or three times in succession. Mr. Bryan, proprietor of the Pine Plains House, showed us a field that he has sowed for two years previous, that now bears a fair prospect for a good crop of clover. He also says that he raised good wheat, corn, potatoes and other vegetables. Our prophecy is that the time will come when Pine Plains that is now considered by many to be worthless, will be the most valuable farming lands in this section of the country."

MICHIGAN RED CROSS GETS SIGNAL HONOR

State Organization Made Separate Unit By National Officers

Unusual Strength of Organization, Now at work, commands attention, at U. S. conferece.

Detroit (special)—Michigan has been paid a signal compliment by the national officers of the American Red Cross. During the recent reorganization, which was country wide and in which the several states were grouped into divisions, Michigan, in recognition of the unusual strength of its organization, was left intact as an individual unit.

Michigan was the first state in the Union to complete an organization in every county. The organization is particularly symmetrical in that there is but one chapter in each county, although there may be, and are, numerous branches of the county chapters. This gives an efficient working body, which demonstrated its force during the War Fund drive last summer, when the state exceeded its quota by more than a million dollars, and is every day proving its effectiveness through the wonderfully faithful painstaking and loyal work of its thousands of women workers.

Literally tons of knitted goods, hospital garments and surgical dressings have been produced and forwarded to our soldiers and sailors.

State headquarters in this city have been established in the new home of the state board in the Northern Assurance building, 110 Fort street, West, and all state and bureau officials are installed and busy at work. Every detail making for speedy and efficient handling of the numerous features of the state committee's business has been worked out to a nicety.

The state officers who have their desks grouped about the great central headquarters room are, Sidney T. Miller, chairman; Mark T. McKee, vice-chairman; Mrs. R. H. Ashbaugh, director of bureau of woman's work; Mrs. L. E. Grotter, director of bureau of nursing; Tracy W. McGregor, director of bureau of civilian relief; Daniel L. Quirk, Jr., director of bureau of military relief; Paul H. King, director of bureau of publicity; and Henry K. Jones, headquarters secretary.

A dollar given to the Red Cross makes you a member of the greatest charitable organization on the face of the earth—and buys a dollar's worth of aid and comfort for your son, your husband, your sweetheart or your friend who is "doing his bit" for humanity and democracy.

WHAT \$100,000,000 HAS ACCOMPLISHED

Since the War Fund raised last June became available the Red Cross has sent commissions to France, Russia, Italy, Roumania and Salonica.

We are sending supplies to 3,423 French military hospitals. We serve 30,000 soldiers daily at our canteens in France.

We are caring for thousands of French and Belgian children and refugees.

We have established ware houses in France with a capacity of 100,000 tons.

We have established a sanatorium with 1,000 beds for tuberculosis patients.

We are carrying on extensive relief work in Belgium.

We operate an ambulance service which transports 1,000 refugees a day.

We are carrying on repair work in devastated towns.

We have sent 3,000,000 pounds of milk for Russian babies.

We have given \$1,000,000 to the families of sick and wounded French soldiers.

We have given \$1,000,000 to the British Red Cross.

And we have only just begun.

Help to carry on the work by enrolling during the Christmas membership drive.

WANTED—A Holland and American-speaking saleslady for store in Iowa town of 1500. Must be capable of taking charge of dry goods dept. Send full information and references first letter. Ans. care of Holland City News.

FORTY ACRE FARM FOR SALE—Either with or without stock and tools, sickness reason for selling. Inquire M. Batjes, R. F. D. No. 11, City. *3t2

TAX NOTICE

The Treasurer of Fillmore Township will collect taxes during December and January at the following designated places:

Dec. 17—At Hartgerink's store at May.
Dec. 18—At Graafschap at Tien & Rutgers store.
Dec. 19—At East Saugatuck, at Lubbers & Co. Store.
Dec. 20—At Fillmore, Will Kleis' store.
Jan. 2—At Hartgerinks.
Jan. 3—At Graafschap.
Jan. 8—At Lubbers.
Jan. 9—Fillmore at Will Kleis, from 9 to 3 o'clock.
Fridays at my residence.

P. W. MULDER,
R. R. 2, Holland, Mich.
Fillmore Township Treasurer.

Corporal Edw. J. Zwemer returned to Camp Custer Saturday after spending his holiday furlough at home.

A. C. Bineck was on a business trip to Grand Rapids Saturday.

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10 PER CENT DISCOUNT WILL BE GIVEN ON SLEDS. We will give a rope FREE with every sled sold.

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Doubles Tire Mileage
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Talk No. 2: "An Epoch-Making Discovery"

Continued from last week.—Later, inventors tried to perfect a compound which would have all the qualities of a solid rubber tire without its many disadvantages. This compound was forced into the inner tube while hot and allowed to solidify. And while some of these liquid compounds were admirable in principle, they worked out poorly in practice because of numerous weaknesses.

Some of them got hard in cold weather. Others became soft when subjected to the heat of friction or the intense rays of the summer sun. Others crumbled away from the constant rubbing and friction to which they were subjected as the wheels of the car revolved. Some could not withstand the terrific pressure, so that when a car was standing for any considerable length of time, it was found that the compound developed a flat surface which was the equivalent of a flat wheel on a railroad car.

Then we had so-called "solid" fillers of every kind and description—practically all of which failed for one or many reasons.

Wise automobile engineers shook their heads. They said the idea was all right if you could only get "something" that would withstand the ravages of friction, of time, of changes in temperature, of pressure, and the other conditions to which an automobile tire is subjected. Still the problem defied solution! Then came ESSENKAY!

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Printed at the News Office.

WHAT YOU SAW IN THIS PAPER THIRTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Last Monday night the saloon of E. P. Sutton on Eighth street, was broken into and \$126 extracted from the safe.

Died on Sunday, Dec. 31 at her residence in Drenthe, Michigan, Mrs. Walcott.

THIRTY YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. W. Swift celebrated their tin wedding, tenth anniversary of their marriage, on Christmas eve.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

Married, Dec. 26, 1892 by Rev. H. S. Bargelt, at the residence of the bride's parents in this city, Herbert C. Hamilton of Kaukaue, Ill., and Miss Clara M. Pond of Holland.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Peter DeSpelder, on Christmas Day—a daughter.

TWENTY YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Metz celebrated the 17th anniversary of their wedding Tuesday evening amid a happy circle of neighbors and friends.

Mrs. K. Van Goo-nee Geertje Kroeze, died Tuesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry West-veer, West 7th street on Christmas day—a son.

FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hubbard, 112 River street, Sunday—a daughter.

Mrs. Katherine Kruizenga died at her home on East Eighth street last Friday afternoon at the age of 83 years.

TEN YEARS AGO

The marriage of Miss Alice Barnett and Herbert Miller both of this city took place last week at Naperville, Ill.

The residence of Mrs. Simon Van Dyke at 250 East 11th street was badly damaged by fire and water last Thursday while she was away.

SEVEN-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER DIES

CHILD OF MR. AND MRS. HENRY PELGRIM PASSES AWAY AT HOSPITAL.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pelgrim sustained a great loss in the death of their little daughter, Ruth Marthine, aged seven years and ten months. She was taken sick Thursday morning. The sickness developed into acute indigestion and she was operated upon Saturday morning at the Holland hospital. She rallied but later in the day complications set in and she passed away Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

ATTORNEY'S SON TO BE AN AVIATOR

CHARLES K. VAN DUREN IS ACCEPTED FOR THE SERVICE.

Attorney and Mrs. Arthur VanDuren received a telegram Friday stating that their son, Charles K. Van Duren, has completed his examinations for the aviation service and that he has been successful. Young Van Duren was accepted and has already been sworn in altho he has not yet been assigned to a place of service in the aviation corps.

Mr. Van Duren, who is under twenty years old and therefore not subject to draft, volunteered for service.

OTTAWA Y MEN WILL ORGANIZE

PERMANENT COMMITTEE TO BE NAMED HERE AND IN OTHER COUNTIES

The state committee of the Y. M. C. A. in Michigan aims to organize each county in the state immediately for constructive war work in co-operation with the government for helping in the thrift campaign, the U. S. Boys Working Reserve, putting on "father and son" week February 10 to 16, which will be a national movement with proclamation from President Wilson. Allegan, Barry, Mason, Montcalm, Ionia, Gratiot, Hillsdale, St. Joe, Branch, Oakland, Eaton, Lenawee, Sanilac, St. Clair, Huron, Calhoun, Clinton and Houghton counties are all organized for similar service.

C. P. Angell, of Ionia, district state "Y" secretary was in Grand Haven recently arranging a permanent committee for Ottawa county. The record made during the "Y" drive by Rev. H. Vruwink, county chairman, and his committee in the north half of Ottawa was a noteworthy one.

MARRIED IN MINNEAPOLIS

Eugene Flipse and Miss Callie De Mota Wedded Christmas Day

Announcements have been received in Holland telling of the marriage of Mr. Eugene Flipse, son of Rev. M. Flipse of this city, to Miss Callie De Mota. The ceremony took place on Christmas afternoon in Minneapolis and was performed by Dr. J. T. Bergen. Miss De Mota has been engaged in teaching at Hull, Iowa, and Mr. Flipse has been a student at the New Brunswick Theological seminary.

TWO FROM THE SAME CONSISTORY MAY GO UNDER KNIFE

By a rather curious coincidence the First Reformed church is temporarily deprived of the services of two consistory members at the same time by reason of the fact that they are both in the hospital awaiting possible operations. The two men are Dick Moengs and Lewis Schoon. Both have been taken to the University hospital at Ann Arbor for examination. In each case it is believed that an operation may become necessary.

Mrs. George Van Hess and Miss Mary Steffens were in Grand Rapids Saturday.

NO NEW DRAFT CALL BEFORE FEBRUARY 15

Uncertainty About When They Would Be Called Was Hard On Them.

The draft board of the Second District Friday morning received word from the department headquarters at Washington, D. C., that there will be no additional call for troops for the "deferred percentage" of the quota before February 15.

This announcement comes as good news to a number of southern Ottawa men who were holding themselves in almost hourly readiness to answer their country's call. Not that the men are not ready to do their part, but they were getting weary of the uncertainty. They are glad to have it decided one way or another. They either wanted to go right away or be told when they would have to go.

Many of the boys were unable to make plans for two days ahead on anything because of the fact that at any minute the call might come which would kick the pegs from under their plans. But the government notice of Friday morning puts that objection to rest for six weeks.

Twenty-five per cent of the men who constitute southern Ottawa's quota are still waiting to be sent to Camp Custer. The announcement to the draft board does not state that the boys will leave home on February 15, but it says they can depend on not being sent for before that date.

The local board was requested by the department to give all possible publicity to this notice so that it might come to the attention of the men concerned.

OTTAWA COUNTY COW DOES HER BIT

FRUITPORT BOVINE FINDS A WAY OF HELPING UNCLE SAM

A cow owned by Henry Sahlin of Fruitport, demonstrated the fact that people are not the only members of the animal kingdom who can be patriotic. The price of all food is sky high because the supply is more or less short and this cow gave birth to three calves for the sake of helping out the situation. Speaking of "doing her bit", it is hard to think of a more complete manner of doing so.

Mr. Sahlin works at the Shaw Electric Crane plant in Muskegon Heights. When questioned as to what kind of a cow he owned, that is, what breed (she has already proven what kind of a cow she is, she is a patriotic cow) but as to the breed, Sahlin did not know. She is "just a cow," he said. One of the calves was brown, one black and the other white.

SUGAR CARDS WILL CONSERVE 36,000 POUNDS A YEAR

Few people probably realize what an enormous saving of sugar is brought about by limiting every person to one pound a week. Statistics show, according to a local authority on sugar, that the average consumption of sugar in the United States before the sugar shortage came was fifty-five pounds a year for each individual. That does not include the sugar used by candy concerns and other manufacturers who use a large amount of sugar in their business. Including these the amount would be 89 pounds per person. The 55 pounds includes the sugar consumed for family use.

By limiting the amount to a pound a week per person, there would have to be a reduction of only three pounds a year for each person.

But an idea of the saving made by cutting down these three pounds can be gathered from the fact that in Holland alone in the neighborhood of 36,000 pounds of sugar would be saved in this way, while throughout the whole United States more than 300,000,000 pounds would be conserved.

FAMILY GIVES THREE SONS TO SERVICE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. and Mrs. Len Fisher of Grand Haven have given three sons to Uncle Sam for service in the war. The eldest son Robert is an ensign in the naval flying corps at present stationed at Buffalo, where before the war he held an important position in the great Curtiss flying machine factory. Jay, another son, is also in the naval branch of the service having enlisted in the U. S. Naval Reserve which is in training at Camp Logan, near Chicago. Homer, is with the army. The youngest son is a corporal in Company L 126th Infantry formerly of Grand Haven, now stationed at Waco, preparing to go overseas. There is still another at home who is waiting to reach the age of acceptance before enlisting.

SAYS HE HUNTED THERE WHEN CITY WAS A WILDERNESS

W. W. Lewis, of Berlin, Ottawa county, aged 85, who is in Berlin spending the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. C. A. Van Camp, tells some interesting stories of his early life around Grand Rapids. He hunted deer and bear on the site of what is now Grand Rapids, most of that city then being a wilderness. Mr. Lewis never used a drop of medicine until he had celebrated his 84th birthday anniversary. Mrs. Lewis is also visiting there. They have nine children.

John Diekema of Ann Arbor is spending the holidays with his father.

PUPILS WIN PRIZES IN SEAL SALE

Holland Makes A Record for Itself In The Number of Seals Sold This Year.

Holland has made a record in the Red Cross Seal Sale that closed in this city on Christmas eve. In spite of the fact that the sale was going on at the same time that the big Christmas Membership drive for the R. C. was in progress, more seals were sold here this year than ever before. The Red Cross Seal sale and the Red Cross membership drive are two different movements for two different purposes, but the public sometimes confuses the two. The latter is a war measure to meet the present emergency; the former is a regular event that comes every Christmas, the proceeds of which are expended for health work here and throughout the state.

The total number of seals sold in Holland was somewhat more than 30,000. Holland's percentage of the proceeds will be used to help along the free dispensary project.

Very splendid work was done by the pupils of the schools. There was keen competition for prizes offered by the Civic Health committee of the W. L. C., of which Mrs. A. Leenhouts is the chairman.

The pupils who sold 500 seals or more received a gold pin, and those who sold 200 or more were awarded a silver pin. The winners of gold pins are: Lewis Bradford, John Telling and Lazell Wall. The silver pins winners were: Jeanette Van Haften, Gertrude Galentine, Clyde Geerlings, Edward Oudemolen, Carl Van Raalte, Richard Raf, Bill Telling, John Rutgers and Ruth Van Kersen.

OTTAWA WOMEN DO MORE THAN ASKED

Give Good Measure Besides; Value of The Special Job Is \$267.50

The women of Ottawa county have once more demonstrated that when they set out to do a thing it is a safe guess that it will be done. A hurry-up call came from Red Cross headquarters a few days before Christmas for one thousand pads, to be delivered at headquarters before January first. It was a big task for women who were in the midst of Christmas preparations, but the needs of the soldiers come first and the Red Cross officials of the county readily promised that the pads would be forthcoming, knowing they could depend on Ottawa's womanhood to see them through.

Not only was the full quota completed but it was completed four days before the time limit had expired. And not only that, but instead of providing a scant thousand, the women of Ottawa county provided 70 extra for good measure.

This special job was done moreover under unusual difficulties. The absorbent cotton gave out when the work had only fairly started and so the work had to be interrupted for several days. If it had not been for this the pads would have been ready before.

Holland women made 625 of the pads, Zeeland 100, Grand Haven 350. The R. C. officials Friday expressed themselves as highly appreciative of the splendid work that the women of the county have done.

The pads are worth twenty-five cents apiece, making the total value of his particular batch of work, completed in a few days during the holiday rush season, \$267.50.

CONGREGATION HOLDS ANNUAL MEETING

1ST REFORMED CHURCH ADOPTS THE BUDGET SYSTEM THURSDAY NIGHT

The annual congregational meeting of the First Reformed church was held Thursday evening. The usual reports on the condition of the church's finances and its activities during the year were made and showed a successful year in the history of the congregation. It was decided Thursday night to adopt the budget system of financing the church work.

As elders P. J. Luidens, J. W. Wilterdink, and L. Laman were re-elected; and as deacons the following were again named: George Mooi, John Den Herder, Jacob Lokker and George Scheuveling.

DON'T ABUSE THE USE OF YOUR SPOTLIGHT

Don't abuse the privileges a spotlight gives you. This light is wonderfully helpful when properly used, but damnable when misused. Its free use is sure to be legislated against severely unless drivers curb some present conditions.

Always carry the spotlight higher than the other lights. Never flash it on a vehicle which is approaching—it's blinding. Use it to light up the road surface and to define ditches, but never on another car.

PASSED AWAY FRIDAY MORNING

Mrs. C. De Feyter Dies At the Age of Fifty-Eight Years

Mrs. C. De Feyter, aged 58 years, died Friday morning at 12:30 o'clock at 64 West Seventh street, after an illness of several months. The deceased is survived by three children, Carrie, Reka and Raymond, and by three brothers, Albert, Benjamin and Fred Kamferbeek.

The funeral was held last Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home, 64 West Seventh street.

ACCIDENT MAY START MORE TO GUARD ROADS

Machine Was Badly Smashed; May Mean the End of Grade Crossings.

At High School crossing in Coopersville, Dr. C. N. Nye, well known in Coopersville, a veterinary surgeon, and E. D. Gleason, also of Coopersville, narrowly missed death when the auto in which they were driving was struck by an interurban car, and demolished. Dr. Nye sustained three broken ribs and Mr. Gleason was very seriously hurt about the head. Internal injuries also are feared.

While it is believed that both will recover from the injuries and the shock, the accident came very near being a fatal one. Several similar accidents have occurred on the crossings throughout that section of the county and an agitation for the elimination of the grade crossing may be the result.

The plan for the elimination or perfect protection of all railroad grade crossings is being advocated by members of the board of county road commissioners. William M. Connelly, a member of the commission stated his views on the question. Because of the increasing number of motor vehicles which now travel the roads not too much care can be exercised at crossings.

There are a number of bad crossings in the county which have caused fatalities and while there has been talk of crossing protection no definite action has been taken. A bad crossing in Natic, where small accidents have happened has been provided with a warning bell, and other points have been protected in the same manner. However, there are still a number of dangerous crossings where vehicles and their drivers are likely to come to grief.

Letters From the Front

"With the Colors"
14th Field Hospital,
Camp Greenleaf, Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga.
Dear Folks:—

I suppose you have been looking for mail from me for a few days. Well, I've been very busy. We left Columbus Friday afternoon at 1 and stopped at Cincinnati, Louisville, Nashville and Chattanooga. Had a good trip but awful tiresome. We got here Sunday morning. After breakfast I went right to bed until dinner time and then went to the Y where I met Van Lirop, B. Mulder and Napoleon, (Van Nedyeren). I went to the Y again at night. Monday morning we got our clothes changed because most of the duds we got at Columbus did not fit. I now have two O. D. uniforms, 2 pairs of shoes, 8 pairs of socks, 1 pair of leggings, 1 hat, 5 suits of underwear, 2 flannel top shirts. So you see we're pretty well cared for. We each have a fine bed and three army blankets. I have no pillow and if you can send a pillow or a cushion, that would be just the thing.

Monday noon, our company went on guard and the new fellows had to go on guard too. I had to guard the officers' headquarters. That job is pretty nice when you have nice weather and a moon like last night. We got through at 12 today (Tuesday-Christmas). It's just pouring now and I pity the guard out there now.

We had dinner at 2 today. Some dinner, too. I had a leg of a turkey that looked like a man's leg, so big it was. We had mashed potatoes, gravy, bread, cranberry sauce, celery, grapes, raisins, nuts, dates, candy, two kinds of pie, grapefruit, stewed onions, dressing and coffee. I nearly busted. The officers ate with us today and gave some very nice speeches. Each of us got a nice fountain pen from the officers and that means something—93 pens. We surely appreciate it. I love my new job. It's the best job I ever had. We get treated like princes. Every noon the doctor looks us over to make sure no one gets ill. We had three sick today—poor fellows—to miss such a dinner.

Oh, I forgot, we go out horse-riding every other day. I'm glad we have to learn to ride. We can take a horse out any Sunday or holiday and go to town. I'll surely enjoy it when I know how to ride. Just to ride thru the grounds would be great for many great battles have been fought here. There's Lookout Mountain—one of the bloodiest battles was fought there. Chieftamga, Bloody Pool, Lytle's Hill, and many other names like those, remind one of the Civil War. A fellow feels different here. When you read those marble slabs, you wish you were here and fought with those old veterans. It must have been glorious. Nearby is a national cemetery and one feels like he's walking on holy ground when coming near it. There are only little plain white stones to mark the graves, but Oh, they mean so much! A fellow begins to feel for his country when he sees thousands of these little grave-marks.

As to myself, I'm feeling just fine so you needn't worry about me. I'm taking good care of myself. The army is quite rough but not nearly as bad as I thought. I haven't even smoked yet since I left home and I'm going to try to do without it. It's a pretty hard job but because we have some very proud southerners here and they feel insulted if you refuse. One fellow did get angry at me, but I told him I would take candy or fruit and he gave me a bag of chocolates. We are fine friends now. He reads his Bible every morning and so we kind of draw together.

Well, I must close now.

With love,
Bill, Koppennaal.

Camp MacArthur, Texas,
Dec. 20, 1917

Bush & Lane Piano Co.
Holland, Michigan.

Dear Sirs and Friends:—
I received the box of candy from the firm sent me and also the box of good things the employees sent. Words cannot express my thanks and the won-

derful feeling that came over me when I received those gifts. We Holland boys who voluntarily offered our services and our lives willingly if necessary have been thinking that we had been forgotten by people of Holland. But now I realize that we have not been forgotten by all the home people. Believe me it makes a fellow feel mighty good to think that friends at home think of him and wish him good luck. There are about 14 or 15 Holland boys here who volunteered. I have had talks with all of them and I assure you that the people of Holland as a whole have left a very poor impression on most of us.

We have been reading in the Sentinel of the nice sendoffs the boys of the "Honor Army" have been getting in Holland and I tell you my friends, it makes us feel very queer when we think of the time we left Holland. Grand Rapids gave us a wonderful sendoff for which we like that city because we realize that Grand Rapids is backing up her volunteers.

Well, we will leave for France in the very near future. I think about next week. We have been training very hard here. Eight and one-half hours a day, but I like this life. I have been going into the game for all there is in it and will keep on doing so. Last month sixty of us took examinations to become non-commissioned officers and I was chosen one of the twelve who became corporals, and I intend to get higher up. Ten of us corporals have just completed a three-weeks' course in bayonet work. We were at this six hours a day. It was very hard work but very interesting. Now we are bayonet instructors of our company. I was very glad that I was chosen for this course as to be a bayonet expert will come very handy in France.

We have had a lot of rifle shooting on the range. Last Saturday we were on the range and I made 82 points out of a possible 100 which is good enough to make expert riflemen which is the highest rank a soldier can obtain in shooting. Rifle practice is great sport. We have also been taught how to use the gas-mask. This afternoon we were gassed. We have a house here which is full of the same gas that is used in France. We put on our gas-masks and had to stand in there for a while. Just one whiff of that gas and you are a dead bird. But with a gas mask on you can't notice it. We also had to go in a house filled with tear gas. We had to walk through it without a mask on and believe me the tears certainly did come.

Well it is very near time for taps so I will have to cut this short. When I come home I will have lots to tell my friends. I am very glad that I am in the army and also very proud that I am able to say that I was the first Holland boy to enlist in the army when war was declared. I remain your friend hoping to be in France soon doing my bit for my country and the freedom of the world.

Corp. John Bremer,
Co. M. 126th Inf., S. N. G.
Camp MacArthur, Texas.

P. S.—I have been getting cards and letters from many of my friends at the shop but have not the time to answer them all, so I wish you would type this letter and put it up on the board in the hall, and that would be like the saying "killing many birds with one stone." Again I thank you all for those nice things sent me, and for your friendship and well wishes. I wish you one and all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and prosperous New Year.

Corporal John Bremer.

Nov. 21, 1917,
Camp MacArthur, Waco, Tex.,
Rev. Clark, Holland, Mich.

Dear Sir:—You will undoubtedly be surprised to hear from me. I am very sorry that I neglected answering your letter written to me while in Vera Cruz. My duties at that time did not permit of much spare time for correspondence. I certainly enjoy hearing from friends so hope you will assure me of my forgiveness by answering this. I have no news of importance to write you. However I can say I am enjoying perfect health for which I am very thankful. I have been attending divisional school the past few weeks. Am now through with the school and am instructing a battalion in Field Fortifications. A battalion consists of four companies (250 men per Co.) so you see I am kept fairly busy. However I am interested in the work and am more than willing to devote my time to it. The boys in camp are in good spirits and are rounding into shape rapidly. They realize the seriousness of the work in store for them after they get across and are working hard to prepare themselves for it. We are all agreed upon one thing and that is that Germany must and will be beaten. To accomplish that end we are all ready if necessary to make the supreme sacrifice. Mother has mentioned you often in her letters. It is almost time for dinner so will have to bring this to a close. Give Mrs. Clark my kindest regards. Hoping to hear from you soon, I remain,

Respect, yours,
Ggt. L. J. Purchase, Co. D.,
126 Inf., Camp Mac Arthur,
Waco, Texas.

The "Ebenezer" Reformed church, southeast of Holland reports 26 new members during the year 1917. Three of this number, all heads of families, were baptised last Sunday. The mission offering totaled \$167.

GIVES ADDRESS ABOUT MASONRY

REV. J. F. BOUWERMAN TALKS TO MEMBERS OF LOCAL ORDER.

In an eloquent address delivered Sunday evening to his congregation and to some eighty Masons who joined with the congregation in evening worship, Rev. J. F. Bouwerman paid a fine tribute to the teachings of the Masonic order.

The exercises began with an illustrated address on Henry Van Dyke's famous story, "The Other Wise Man." An invitation had been extended to the Masonic order and they responded in large numbers.

Rev. Bouwerman declared that the fact that there are secrets about a religion is nothing against it. He said that all business men had their secrets; the church consistories and boards have secret meetings sometimes, and that people even in their homes have secrets. He praised the high standards of masonry and said that if people would only live up to the teachings of Masonry and to the teaching of the church, the world would be much better. He declared that both church and the Masonic order are working for the same ideals and should work hand in hand.

Rev. Bouwerman had given his subject much thought. He was conversant with the teachings and aims of the Masonic lodge and delivered a sermon that was much appreciated by the attending lodge members as well as his congregation.

MAKE BID FOR LARGE LECTURE AUDIENCES

MANAGEMENT TO TRY FOR BIG ATTENDANCE AT THE ENTERTAINMENTS

Efforts are being made by the Hope College Lecture Course management to make this year's series of entertainments in Carnegie Hall the best in the fifteen years of the course's history so far as attendance is concerned. To this end the prices have been reduced and moreover an attempt has been made to have on the programs only great artists. It is the great artist who usually has the power to find the heart of the people.

The lecture course management, mindful of the needs of this community, will make the course a business venture in patriotism this year, by devoting a part of the proceeds to swelling a local patriotic fund.

The first number of the course, which will be given on January 12, is expected to be one of the best of the series. Helena Stone Torgerson, the harpist, and her company of artists have won high praise from music lovers in many parts of the country. Her press clippings include many words of praise from newspapers in many sections of the United States among them two from Grand Rapids' papers. The Press said of her: "Her work in transcribing difficult piano scores or adapting the same for the harp show a musician's ability of rare order," and the Herald said: "She played Liszt 'Liebestraum' with that tonal purity and poetic interpretation characteristic of her work."

CENTRAL AVENUE ORCHESTRA ELECTS

SEVERAL OFFICERS WERE NAMED THURSDAY NIGHT FOR THE FIFTH YEAR

The Central Avenue Orchestra held their annual meeting in the church parlors Thursday evening. Reports were given by the secretary, Andrew VerSchure and the treasurer, Edward Brouwer. The treasurer's report showed that about \$300 had been collected and nearly that amount was paid out and nearly all of this amount was spent in Holland. The election was as follows:

Joseph H. Rowan, president, 5th year; Nicholas Brouwer, vice-president, 5th year; Andrew Rutgers, secretary; Leonard DeFree, vice secretary; Edward Brouwer, treasurer, 5th year; Andrew Ver Schure, vice-treasurer; John Ten Broeke, Librarian. John Van Vyven was again unanimously elected as director. The orchestra has given concerts in several places including the Central High school in Grand Rapids and plans are now under way to give a concert in Muskegon. The total membership is now 22. Mrs. Nicholas Brouwer and Christine Schreur were waitresses for the social hour at which dainty refreshments were served, after the business meeting.

ZEELAND ADOPTS CARD SYSTEM

Commencing Wednesday the card system of distributing sugar was inaugurated in Zeeland and now the people of that city are required to display their cards when purchasing their allotment of sugar, amounting to one pound a week for each member of the family. The cards are obtainable at the grocery stores and are punched each week sugar is purchased. Stubs are attached to the cards and these stubs bearing serial numbers are retained by the grocers. These stubs are then handed over to the City Clerk who sees to it that no family has more than one card and that no more than the stipulated amount of sugar is purchased. Zeeland city in common with the other cities is facing a serious sugar famine. Wednesday several of the Zeeland grocers were without a pound of sugar in their stores.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF LAKE TOWN TOWNSHIP

I will be at Graafschap at Heneveld & Reimink store to collect taxes the following dates, Dec. 11, 18, 26 and January 8, and at Gibson store Dec. 20 and Jan. 9. At home Friday the hours 9 a. m. to 3 p. m.

S. B. WOLTERS,
Treasurer.

POPULAR YOUNG

COUPLE WERE WED
THURSDAY EVENING

VANDER WERF-LAMAN NUPHTIALS
WERE SOLEMNIZED WITH
FIVE MINISTERS
PRESENT

A pretty wedding was solemnized Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock when Mr. Hilbert Frederick Vander Werf, a son of Rev. and Mrs. Beth Vander Werf and Miss Hattie Laman, daughter of Mr. Louis Laman, were united in marriage at the home of the groom's parents, 112 West Tenth street.

The ceremony was performed by the father of the groom assisted by the Rev. H. J. Veldman, pastor of the 1st Reformed church. Other divines present were Rev. Broekstra, Rev. Fipse and Rev. Van Kersen.

The bride was beautifully dressed in white satin, trimmed with pearls and wore a bridal veil held daintily in place by a cluster of roses, also, carrying a bouquet of bridal roses and Sweet Peas.

Miss Cora Vander Werf played softly "Hearts and Flowers," as the happy bride was led to the altar with Miss Lena Knaap preceding as ring-bearer. Before the ceremonies, Gerrit Ter Beek sang "O, Promise Me," while Rev. Broekstra rendered two impressive vocal numbers.

Miss Marion Kormoelje, of Grand Rapids acted as mistress of ceremonies. Many beautiful and serviceable presents were received by the young people as tokens of esteem.

The Sunday School of the Sherwood Park Reformed church of New York sent greetings and a substantial token showing their regard for Mr. Vander Werf, who is the acting superintendent of the Sunday school and who has found a warm friend in Dr. J. B. Allen, the pastor of the church, who also is a friend of the father, the Rev. S. Vander Werf.

The young people were substantially remembered by their parents from both sides, and also from Mr. M. Duwe, the manager of the Anti Carbon and Max Duwe Companies of New York, with whom the groom serves as assistant manager and who intended to be present but was prevented by reason of illness.

In the first part of the New Year these esteemed young people expect to leave for New York City, to make their home.

HORSE PULLED OUT OF
A SINK HOLE BY NECK

OCCUPANT OF RIG THROWN IN,
ANOTHER GOT VERY
WET.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brummel had a narrow escape from being seriously injured or drowned. They were going to some exercises scheduled at the Gitchell school, east of Holland when they came to a place in the roadway that was filled with sink holes on either side.

The splashing of a muskrat startled the horse and it jumped into one of the holes and then dumped the occupants of the rig into another. The animal was almost submerged with only its head above water. Horace Hall was called to for help and he with a team of mules dragged the animal out of its predicament by placing a chain around its neck, the only way left open to him. Mr. and Mrs. Brummel were thoroughly soaked and did not attend the said entertainment at the school.

HOLLAND FIRM GETS PUBLICITY

The following item appears in the Buick Magazine relative to the City Garage of Holland. The magazine also contains a fine half tone cut of the garage. The publication is distributed throughout this country and Canada by the millions:

"The proprietors of the City Garage have handled Buick cars in Holland, Michigan, for a number of years and are generally conceded to be about the liveliest automobile men in the community. In the rear of their building they have an efficient service and repair shop. Buick dealers soon learn the value of Buick Valve-in-Head motor cars and as a result prefer the Buick to all other lines because of the thorough dependability of the cars season after season."

TEACHERS AND

OFFICERS MEET

Fully fifty officers and teachers of the First Reformed Church Sunday school met at the parsonage Friday evening. The devotions were in charge of Mr. Fred Oppener. Mr. B. Steketee gave a very interesting talk of the subject, "Difficulties confronting the Sunday School today." This was followed by a piano duet by Sam and Harold Veldman. George Mooi read a paper entitled, "The Duty of the Sunday School in this War." The paper brought out the fact that the "boys" in various camps, and there are fully twenty of them, are being provided with papers, besides being kept in touch with the Sunday School thru the regular correspondence. Much interest centered around a live, rather one-sided question, which read as follows: "Resolved, That our Sunday School is doing all it can for the boys and girls." The affirmative was ably discussed by the Misses Anna Winter and Janet Van Tongeren; the negative no less ably by Miss Jeannette Westreor and Minnie Ver Houw. Short talks were given by the presidents of the Men's and Women's Adult classes and the Young Men's and Young Ladies' classes. Frank Douma and Harold E. Veldman also made encouraging remarks. During the social hour the entertainment committee served refreshments. By common consent this last quarterly meeting was one of the best ever held.

Mrs. G. Van Dyke collected \$40 for the Red Cross on the south side of 16th street and on the north side of 17th street, between River and Maple. Besides, several in this district had subscribed uptown.

HOLLAND TO JOIN

LIGHTLESS NIGHTS

THURSDAY EVENING WILL BE
FIRST TIME THIS ORDER IS
IN OPERATION.

Now "lightless nights" are added to Holland's list of measures taken for war conservation. This was definitely ordered Monday and it is in accord with instructions from the state office of this branch of government control. B. B. Champion on behalf of the Board of Public Works asks local people to observe the new order.

Beginning Thursday night this order will be operative. Sunday will be the other night, these two having been set aside as the regular evenings for the observance of "lightless night."

All signs of every kind including the merchants' signs, theater signs, also display lighting on buildings and elsewhere, hotel signs and advertising signs are ordered discontinued completely on Thursday and Sunday nights of each week. Of these same nights, stores not open for business must not show inside lights other than are necessary for safety. It is further ordered that as few lights as possible be maintained in homes and other places on Thursdays and Sundays.

Following is the section of the law covering the "lightless nights" provision:

"No corporation, association, partnership, or person engaged wholly or in part in the business of furnishing electricity for illumination or power purposes, and no corporation, association, partnership, or person, maintaining a plant for the purpose of supplying for their own use electricity for illuminating or display advertisements, notices, announcements, or signs designation the location of an office or place of business, or the nature of any business, for electric searchlights, or for external illumination for ornamentation of any building, or lights in the interior of stores, offices or other places of business, when such stores are not open for business, excepting such lights as are necessary for the public safety, or as are required by law, nor for excessive street lighting intended for display or advertising purposes, whether such lights are maintained by the municipality or by others. These prohibitions and all of them are effective on Thursday and Sunday nights, only, of each and every week."

GAS STOVE CALLS

YOU AS COFFEE BOILS

RINGS A BELL WHEN THE AMBER
BREW IS READY TO
SERVE.

A gas stove which arises at dawn, boils the coffee and wakes you up when it is ready has been invented by Gernaro Roas of Brooklyn, N. Y. The gas burner has a pilot light to which is attached a clock mechanism. A dial over the clockworks serves to tell the time. A smaller dial is used to set the alarm, igniting and extinguishing devices. When set the burner under the coffee pot will automatically ignite at a predetermined hour and boil the coffee for four or five minutes. The flame will then lower of its own accord to slow boiling for another five minutes, after which it will shut itself off entirely. The coffee is now ready for you and an alarm is sounded.

TAKE LUMP OF SUGAR
ALONG TO PARTIES

LOCAL WOMEN BEGIN THIS
PRACTICE TO EASE UP THE
SUPPLY.

With Holland having the dubious distinction of being the only city in the state that has been placed on the sugar card system, the custom is in order of taking a lump of sugar along with you to an afternoon tea or to an evening function where coffee is to be served. This custom, which will without doubt become general in Holland if the local sugar famine continues, has actually been introduced here and some women the past few days have been taking lumps of sugar along when they went to visit their friends.

The custom is reasonable, especially if the sugar allowance should at any time settle down to a half a pound a week. On so short an allowance the average housewife could manage to struggle through the week provided there were no unusual demands on her weekly supply. But an afternoon party of any size would exhaust her supply at one stroke and the family would have to go sugarless the rest of the week or the mistress of the family would have to stop entertaining.

Since the latter would not be desirable, it is more likely the women of the city will find a way out by following the example of the women who take their own sugar to their tea parties. This would avoid an unusual drain on the sugar supply of anybody. The one thing that hurts most with many about the sugar situation is the fact that this community is alone in being placed on a card system. Not even large cities like Detroit and Grand Rapids have been limited as this community has been. Many people are asking if they are being punished because a comparatively few have hoarded sugar, thus getting the sugar authorities down on this community.

Johannes Pyle of Zeeland suffered a fracture of a rib and bruised his body Thursday while engaged in putting a belt on a pulley in the engine room of the Wicher's factory, he fell on a valve and injured himself.

APPEALS FOR THE HOSPI-
TAL BRING RESULTS

GENEROUS CITIZENS GIVE MON-
BY AND GOODS FOR THIS
INSTITUTION.

In answer to an appeal made in the Holland City News before Christmas setting forth the needs of Holland hospital most of the needs then enumerated have been supplied by generous citizens and more articles, are daily coming in. One gift to which attention has already been called was a fifty dollar check from G. F. Getz. Saturday Mrs. L. M. Thurler, treasurer of the hospital board announced the following additional gifts received since the article was printed:

J. Oudemolen of the Domestic Bakery donated \$15 and an electric fan; Wm. Vander Ven, a bushel of fine apples; Beth Nibbelink, \$5.50; Mrs. Emma J. Stoddard, a dozen knives and forks; the Social Service Society, a basket of groceries; three ladies who did not wish their names mentioned gave three sets of sugar and creamers; E. P. Stephan, \$10.

A number of vases in which to place the flowers that are continually coming to the hospital were also given, but still more vases can be used. Moreover a commode, a wash bowl, a pitcher and mirror for a nurse's bed room are still needed.

One room has been furnished by the Woman's Literary club, one by the Woman's Relief Corps, one by the H. O. H. society and one by the woman's society of the Fourteenth Street Christian Reformed church. The ladies of the Fourth Reformed church are sewing for the hospital now and have already sent dresses and curtains.

The hospital board expressed itself as highly gratified by the response that has been made to the appeals. The Holland hospital bids fair to become one of the city's most popular and most successful institutions.

PARASOLS ARE BACK
IN STYLE AGAIN

There seems to be some indication that parasols next spring will be rescued from the comparative oblivion of last year and brought back into the sunlight of popularity which they enjoyed a few years ago. They are said to be in more favor with the Palm Beach trade, and spring buyers are taking more interest in the new offerings, shown usually with spring millinery. Sets consisting of parasols, hats and knitting bags are shown in many combinations of bright colors, and the percol. type parasol seems to be the most popular thus far. Backgrounds of white and pink seem to be the most generally used for setting for the various color effects.

NOTICE TO HOLLAND TOWNSHIP
TAXPAYERS

Starting December 10, till Jan. 10, Den Herder's Zeeland State Bank, and 1918, I will be at the following places, to collect taxes over Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday at the Holland City State Bank, Thursday at the Fridays at home, one half mile north of Noordeloos store, Friday, Jan. 4, 1919 at the store of Ed Schilleman at North Holland.

(3151) JOHN H. KOOYERS, Jr.
Treasurer

(Expires Mar. 30, 1918)

MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made and executed by Ann V. Osborne of Olive Township, Ottawa County, Michigan, mortgagor, to the First State Bank of Holland, Michigan, a corporation, of Holland City, Michigan, mortgagee, as a lien upon the following described premises situated in the city of Holland, County of Ottawa, and State of Michigan: Lots Seventeen (17) and twenty-six (26), in Stewart's Addition to the City of Holland, and according to the recorded plat thereof.

Said mortgage is dated the 10th day of May, 1912, and was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of the County of Ottawa and State of Michigan, on the 16th day of May, 1912, in Liber 108 of Mortgages, on page 15, and contains the usual power of sale in case of default, and no proceeding at law or in equity having been commenced to collect the amount due on said mortgage or any part thereof, and the amount now due on said mortgage, for principal and interest, to date, being two hundred and six and 90-100 (\$206.90) dollars;

Notice is Therefore Hereby Given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the above described premises to the highest bidder at the north front door of the Court House in the City of Grand Haven, County of Ottawa, and State of Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court for the County of Ottawa, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, on Tuesday, the 2nd day of April, 1918, to satisfy the amount due on said mortgage, together with interest, costs and expenses of foreclosure allowed by law. Said lots will be separately sold inasmuch as they are separate and distinct parcels.

Dated, this 31st day of Dec. A. D. 1917.

First State Bank of Holland.
Mortgagee.

Diekema, Kollen & Ten Cate,
Attorneys for Mortgagee,
Business Address: Holland, Michigan.

7865—Expires Jan 19

STATE OF MICHIGAN—THE
Probate Court for the County of Ot-
tawa

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Haven in said County, on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1917

Present, Hon. James J. Danhof,
Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of
Egbert Boeve, Deceased.

Janna Boeve, having filed her petition, praying that an instrument

filed a said Court be admitted to Probate as the last will and testament of said deceased and that administration of said estate be granted to Janna Boeve or some other suitable person.

It is Ordered, That the
28th day of January, A. D. 1918
at ten o'clock in the forenoon at said probate office, he and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

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

JAMES J. DANHOF,
(A true copy.) Judge of Probate

Cora Vande Water
Acting Register of Probate

6731—Expires Jan. 19

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Pro-
bate Court for the County of Ot-
tawa

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Haven in said County, on the 27th day of Dec. A. D. 1917

Present, Hon. James J. Danhof,
Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of
Johannes B. Van Oort, Deceased.

William O. Van Eyck having filed in said court his petition for license to sell the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described

It is Ordered, That the 28th day of Jan., A. D. 1918, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court, at said time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

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 Holland City News a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

JAMES J. DANHOF,
(A true copy.) Judge of Probate

Cora Vande Water
Acting Register of Probate

7866—Expires Jan. 19

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Ot-
tawa

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Haven in said County, on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1917.

Present, Hon. James J. Danhof,
Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of
Solomon Benedict, Deceased.

Mary Benedict having filed her petition praying that an instrument duly admitted to Probate in the Province of Quebec, Canada be admitted to Probate and Recorded in Michigan and that administration of said estate be granted to Otto P. Kramer or some other suitable person. And having filed all exemplified copies required by statute.

It is Ordered, That the 28th day of Jan., A. D. 1918 at ten A. M. at said Probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

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

JAMES J. DANHOF,
Judge of Probate.

(A True Copy)
Cora Vande Water
Acting Register of Probate.

7834—Expires Jan. 19

STATE OF MICHIGAN—THE Pro-
bate Court for the County of Ot-
tawa

In the matter of the estate of
Rink Schotanus, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that four months from the 26th of Dec. A. D. 1917,

have been allowed for creditors to present their claims against said deceased to said court for examination and adjustment. And that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court, at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Haven, in said county, on or before the 26th day of April, A. D. 1918 and that said claims will be heard by said court on Monday, the 29th day of April, A. D. 1918 at ten o'clock in the forenoon

Dated December 26 A. D. 1917

JAMES J. DANHOF,
Judge of Probate.

Expires March 23, 1918

MORTGAGE SALE

Whereas default has been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the 9th day of December, A. D. 1912, executed by Derk J. TeKeller of the City of Holland, County of Ottawa and State of Michigan, parties of the first part, to the Ottawa County Building & Loan Association of Holland, Michigan, a corporation organized and doing business under and in pursuance of the Laws of the State of Michigan, parties of the second part, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of the County of Ottawa and State of Michigan, on the 16th day of December, A. D. 1912, in Liber 62 of mortgages, on page 482, and

Whereas said mortgage contains a provision that should any default be made in the payment of any of the installments either of principal or interest on any day whereon the same is payable, and should the same remain unpaid and in arrears for the space of six months, then and in that case

after the lapse of six months, all principal sum remaining unpaid, together with interest thereon shall at the option of the mortgagee be due and payable immediately thereafter; and

Whereas the parties of the first part have failed and neglected to pay the assessments as the same became due and payable, and have been in default for more than six months last past and the second party has exercised its option and has declared said mortgage, and every part of it due and payable, and there is now due on said mortgage, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eight Hundred Sixty-Six and forty hundredths (\$866.40) Dollars, principal and interest, and the further sum of Twenty-Five (\$25) Dollars, as an attorney fee, provided by Statute and in said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding having been instituted by law to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage or any part thereof whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative;

Now therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the said Power of Sale and in pursuance of the Statute in such cases made and provided, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described at public auction to the highest bidder at the north front door of the Court House in the City of Grand Haven, in said county of Ottawa, on Tuesday, the 26th day of March, A. D. 1918, at ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day. Said premises are as follows: A parcel of land situated in the Township of Holland, County of Ottawa, and State of Michigan, and described as follows: to-wit: Commencing at a point fifty (50) rods north of the corner stake of the Southwest corner of the Southwest Quarter of Section thirty-three (33) in Town Five (5) North of Range Sixteen (16) West, thence East sixty-five and sixty-three one-hundredths (65 and 63-100) rods thence North Eighty and forty-five hundredths (80 and 45-100) rods thence West Sixty-five and sixty-three one-hundredths (65 and 63-100) rods thence South Eighty and forty-five hundredths (80 and 45-100) feet to place of beginning, intending to convey two (2) acres of land. Dated this 20th day of December, A. D. 1917.

The Ottawa County Building & Loan Association,
Mortgagee.

Diekema, Kollen & Ten Cate,
Attorneys for mortgagee,
Business Address, Holland, Mich.

Expires Feb. 16, 1918

MORTGAGE SALE

WHEREAS default has been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the 13th day of November, A. D. 1912, executed by Jacob Wabeke, his wife, of the city of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan, to the Council of Hope College, a corporation of Holland, Michigan, a corporation organized and doing business under and in pursuance of the Laws of the State of Michigan, parties of the second part, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Ottawa County, Michigan, on the 12th day of July, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and twelve, at eight o'clock, A. M. in Liber 108 of mortgages on page 56, and

WHEREAS the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice is the sum of twelve hundred twelve and ninety-seven hundredths (\$1212.97) dollars, principal and interest, and the further sum of twenty-seven and forty hundredths (\$27.40) dollars, taxes paid by said mortgagee, and the further sum of thirty-five (\$35) dollars, as an attorney fee, provided for by statute, and which is the whole amount claimed to be unpaid on said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding having been instituted at law or in equity to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage; nor any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative;

Now therefore, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the said Power of Sale and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described at public auction to the highest bidder at the north front door of the Court House, in the City of Grand Haven, in said county of Ottawa, and State of Michigan, on Monday, the eighteenth day of February, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, on that day, which said premises are described in said mortgage as follows:—

The north forty-two (42) feet of lots fifteen (15) and sixteen (16) in Wabeke's Addition to the City of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, of record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Ottawa County, Michigan.

(Dated, Nov. 22nd, A. D. 1917.
Council of Hope College, Mortgagee.

Diekema, Kollen & Ten Cate,
Attorneys for Mortgagee,
Business Address—Holland, Michigan.

Expires March 9, 1918

MORTGAGE SALE

WHEREAS Default has been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated the 16th day of February, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-seven, executed by Johannes Vliet, a son of Vliet, his wife, of the city of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan, as parties of the first part, to Tobias Koffers of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan, as party of the second part, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Ottawa County, Michigan, on the 23rd day of February, A. D. one thousand eight hundred eighty-seven, at eight o'clock, in the forenoon, in Liber 16 of Mortgages on page 430; and

WHEREAS said mortgage was duly assigned by an assignment in writing made and executed by the said Tobias Koffers of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan, on the 11th day of August, one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine, assigning and transferring said mortgage to Bertha Vegtveen, of the Township of Overisel, Allegan County, Michigan, which assignment was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Ottawa County, Michigan, on the 16th day of August, in the year one thousand eight hundred ninety-nine, at 8 o'clock, in the forenoon, in Liber 51 of Mortgages on page 578, and

WHEREAS said mortgage was duly assigned by an assignment in writing made and executed by the said Bertha Vegtveen, of the Township of Overisel, Allegan County, Michigan, on the 1st day of November, one thousand nine hundred and six, assigning and transferring said mortgage to Peter Maas, of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan, and which assignment was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Ottawa County, Michigan, on the 5th day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and six, at three o'clock in the afternoon, in Liber 79 of Mortgages on page 417, and

WHEREAS the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice is the sum of two hundred thirty-two and seventeen hundredths (\$232.17) dollars, principal and interest, and the further sum of fifteen (\$15) dollars, as an attorney fee, provided for by the statute and in said mortgage, and which is the whole amount claimed due and unpaid on said mortgage at this time;

Now therefore, Notice is hereby given that by virtue of said power of sale in said mortgage contained and fully set forth and in pursuance of the statutes of this state in such cases made and provided, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described at public auction to the highest bidder at the north front door of the Court House in the City of Ottawa, in said County of Ottawa, on Monday, the 18th day of March, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, at two o'clock in the afternoon, on that day, which said premises are described in said mortgage as follows:

All that part of lot numbered one (1) in Block numbered sixty-one (61) commencing at a point on the north line of said lot one (1) in Block numbered fifty (50) feet from the east line of the right of way of the Chicago and West Michigan Railroad Company, where said east line of said right of way intersects the north line of lot two (2) in said Block sixty-one (61), from said point of beginning, the boundary line to run east on the north line of said lot one (1) to the southeast corner thereof, thence west on the south line of said lot one (1) to a point so that a line running north therefrom and parallel with the east line of said lot will strike the point of beginning on the north line of said lot (1), said parcel of land being a part of said lot one in block sixty-one, aforesaid. All according to the recorded map thereof on record in the office of the Register of Deeds of said Ottawa County.

Dated, December 19, A. D. 1917.

PETER MAAS,
Mortgagee.
Business Address—Holland, Michigan.

Diekema, Kollen & Ten Cate,
Attorneys for Mortgagee.

Expires Feb. 16, 1918

MORTGAGE SALE

WHEREAS default has been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage, dated the 21st day of July, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, executed by Jacob Wabeke, and Huberta Wabeke, his wife, of the city of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan, to the Council of Hope College, a corporation of Holland, Michigan, and which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Ottawa County, Michigan, on the 22nd day of July, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, at nine o'clock, A. M. in Liber 102 of Mortgages, on page 137, and

WHEREAS the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the time of this notice is three hundred sixty-five and thirty-four hundredths (\$365.34) dollars, principal and interest, and the further sum of fourteen and six hundredths (\$14.06) dollars, taxes paid by said mortgagee, and the further sum of fifteen (\$15) dollars, as an attorney fee provided for by statute, which is the whole amount claimed to be unpaid on said mortgage, and no suit or proceeding having been instituted at law or in equity, to recover the debt now remaining secured by said mortgage; nor any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative;

Now therefore, Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the said Power of Sale and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described at public auction to the highest bidder, at the north front door of the court house, in the City of Grand Haven, in said County of Ottawa, and State of Michigan, on Monday, the eighteenth day of February, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, at two o'clock in the afternoon of that day, which said premises are described in said mortgage, as follows:

Lot seventeen (17) of Steketee Brothers Addition to the City of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan, according to the recorded plat thereof, of record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Ottawa County, Michigan.

Also all that part of the northwest quarter of the northeast quarter of Section thirty-two (32) in Township five (5), north of Range fifteen (15) west, which is bounded on the north, east and south by the east margin line of Seventeenth street; on the south side by a line running parallel therewith and sixty-six (66) feet south therefrom; bounded on the east side by the west margin line of College Avenue, and bounded on the west side, by the east boundary line of lot twenty-four (24) of Van Den Berg's Addition Number one, to Van Den Berg's plat, all situated in the City of Holland, County of Ottawa, and State of Michigan.

Dated, Nov. 22nd, A. D. 1917.

Council of Hope College, Mortgagee.

Diekema, Kollen & Ten Cate,
Attorneys for Mortgagee,
Business Address—Holland, Michigan.

Expires March 23, 1918

MORTGAGE SALE

Whereas default has been made in the payment of the money secured by a mortgage dated

HOLLAND MARKETS

Beach Milling Co. (Buying Prices of Grain)	
Wheat, white No. 1	2.04
Wheat, white No. 2	2.01
Wheat, white No. 3	1.98
Wheat, red No. 1	2.79
Wheat, red No. 2	2.06
Wheat, red No. 3	2.03
Rye	1.65
Oats, per bushel	.80
Corn	2.08
St. Car Feed	75.00
No. 1 Feed	75.00
Cracked Corn	79.00
Corn Meal	79.00
Bran	40.00
Middlings	46.00
Screenings	45.00
Oil Meal	62.00
Cotton Seed Meal	60.00
Krause Hi-Protein Dairy Food	60.00
Low Grade	77.00
Hog Feed	68.00
Badger Dairy Feed	52.00
Badger Horse Feed	60.00
Cher-Lay Scratch feed with grit	79.00
Cher-Lay Scratch " without grit	82.00
Thomas Klompars & Co.	
(Feed in Ton Lots)	
Hay, loose	22.00
Hominy	70.00
Hay, baled	24.00
Straw	10.00
Molenaar & De Goede	
Butter, creamery	.50
Butter, dairy	.45
Eggs	.50
Pork	.19
Mutton	.18
Veal	14.13
Beef	.13
Spring Chicken	.18

LOCALS

Ed Brouwer is on a business trip to Grand Rapids today.

Bert Slagh left for Chicago today in connection with the reported death of his nephew, Gilbert Slagh.

Ice in Black Lake is about 12 inches thick. Most of the ice companies will begin harvesting next week.

The Baker Bros. have begun ice-cutting at Ottawa Beach. They will fill several ice houses along the lake besides their own.

Harris Bertsch, who has been the guest of his mother, Mrs. Lucy Bertsch during the holidays has returned to his studies at Big Rapids.

G. Van Schelven was in Grand Haven yesterday submitting a report to the committee having in charge the working out of a plan that will bring

Not an arrest was made by the police on New Year's day. Another indication that the whiskey and raisin spoon is a thing of the past.

Ex-Mayor Nicodemus Bosch, proprietor of the Western Machine Tool Works is on a business trip to New York and Boston.

Edward Vander West left this morning for Camp Custer after spending a few days' furlough with his parents and friends here.

Alfred Brive, chairman of the committee on poor, reported to the council last night that the sum of \$81.28 had been expended for temporary relief during the past two weeks.

Sanatorium jointly to Ottawa, Allegan and Muskegon counties. It has been brought about tubercular patients from these three counties can be treated there.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Northouse, Mr. and Mrs. J. Groenevelt and Mr. and Mrs. C. Hoeland of Holland were New Year's guests of Sheriff and Mrs. C. Dornbos. Grand Haven Tribune.

A gripping story—"The Girl Who Had No God" starts in the next issue of the Holland City News. Be sure and read this interesting story with the first installment.

The Kings Herald, a children's foreign missionary society of the M. E. church, will meet in the Byrns parlor of the church Thursday at 4 o'clock. Visitors are welcome.

Today the Holland City News starts its forty-seventh year. Only a few more years to the half-century mark. The present management has been in charge for 26 years.

Potatoes in Mason county are selling for 60 cents a bushel. In Holland we have been paying all the way from \$1.50, \$1.35, \$1.25, and \$1 for tubers. Prices like rubber are very elastic these days and inclined to stretch.

Watch your letters, Uncle Sam has a new stamp canceling device. Instead of a few black wavy marks printed over the used stamp, the government has made this machine convey a message to all of us. Besides the black marks, the canceller also prints the following, "Food will win the war, don't waste it."

Premiums are now ready for all those who pay for the Holland City News in advance. All new subscribers paying in advance are also entitled to this fine useful premium.

OTSEGO DECIDES ON COMMISSION FORM

Otsego, Jan. 3.—At a special election Monday Otsego voted by 122 to 27 to adopt the commission form of government.

Annual Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Allegan and Ottawa Counties, for the election of officers and directors will be held at Streeters' Opera House, in the city of Allegan, Michigan, on Thursday the 17th day of January 1918, commencing at ten o'clock in the forenoon. A large attendance is desired.

21 Jan. 3.

DESCENDANTS OF OLD JOHN BROWN IN U. S. SERVICE

GREAT-GRANDSON OF RAIDER OF HARPER'S FERRY JOINS NAVY

Seattle, Wash., Jan. 3.—R. B. Chamberlain is in the city for a few days' visit before leaving for duty in the hospital corps of the United States navy at Mare Island, San Francisco. Chamberlain is a great grandson of John Brown of Harper's Ferry, Va. the leader of the movement known in history as the John Brown raid.

Chamberlain's mother, who lives in Portland, is a daughter of Salmon Brown, the only living son of John Brown, leader of the raid. Salmon Brown, after the death of his father, crossed the plains to California and later moved to Oregon, where he still lives.

Speaking of his grandfather, Chamberlain said the old man took great pride in telling friends that the spirit of John Brown is still marching on, and that the fighting blood of the family has not run out. Three of Salmon Brown's grandsons are now in the service. One of them, John Brown, resides here. The other grandson is John Scott of Portland, and all three are in the United States navy.

8TH GRADE READING TESTS TO BE BASED ON WILSON MESSAGE

F. L. KEELER WANTS TO TEACH STUDENTS THE AIMS AND IDEALS OF AMERICA IN PRESENT WAR.

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 3.—Superintendent of Public Instruction F. L. Keeler announces that in the eighth grade examination, which will be held next May, the examination in reading will be based upon President Wilson's message to congress delivered Dec. 4. The department of public instruction will furnish the message with notes and annotations to all eighth grade pupils. It will be ready for distribution about Feb. 15. Teachers and pupils may obtain it from the commissioner of schools in each county.

"The main purpose in choosing this subject is to teach scholars the aims and ideals of America in the present war," said Mr. Keeler. "Aside from that the study of the message will prove one of high value, both from the standpoint of literature and history. The president's message is regarded as the most concise statement of the cause of the allies. It is fortunate that it is also stated so simply that even the boys and girls of the country can read the message with appreciation."

6,000 Ford Tractors for England

Dearborn, Mich., Jan. 3.—The tractor plant of Henry Ford & Son is now working day and night, with three shifts of men turning out tractors for the English government. At present about 1400 men are employed and constant shipments are being made to England. It is expected that the English order of 6,000 tractors and 1,000 parts will be filled about Feb. 1, and it will be at the present rate of production increase.

STATE HAS ENOUGH LEFT TO PAY JAN. EXPENSES

Lansing, Jan. 3.—There was a balance of \$837,758.46 in the general fund of the state treasurer at the beginning of business Jan. 2. It is believed that this amount will be sufficient to pay running expenses until the January taxes are received. The Michigan war loan fund contained \$1,186,899.95. The total of all funds was \$2,564,021.36.

Harris Meyer was in Chicago on business for the Meyer Music House Friday.

More Sugar Than Before Is Allowed to Candy Makers

An advance of 30 per cent in the sale of sugar to candy manufacturers and bakeries will be permitted at once, according to information obtained by the Holland-St. Louis Sugar company. This increases the amount of sugar which may be sold to these concerns to 80 per cent of their requirements.

In a communication to the company, George M. Rolph, chairman of the sugar branch of the United States food administration department, says:

"In October you were requested to limit the sales to confectioners and manufacturers of non-essential food products to 50 per cent of normal requirements. On account of the close approach of new crop sugars you are hereby authorized to sell to said confectioners and manufacturers up to 80 per cent of their requirements. It is hoped that as soon as definite information is obtained as to the probable output of new crops, all limitations will be removed."

"Conservation should be practiced however, and we request that you suggest to the confectioners and manufacturers of non-essential food products that they use substitutes for sugar wherever possible, such as honey, glucose, etc. This ruling should enable these manufacturers to maintain their organizations and continue in their employ the people who have been with them for so many years."

A Matter of Understanding.

The fellow who doesn't understand how the other fellow succeeds probably can't understand his own lack of success.—Exchange.

THE KNICKERBOCKER THEATER

FRANK A. OGDEN, Manager

High Grade Big City Vaudeville AND LATE PHOTOPLAYS

If You Buy Seats for the Vaudeville We Show the Pictures for Nothing.

Two Shows for the Price of One.

Holland has one up-to-date Theater

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OTTAWA FURNITURE COMPANY REMEMBERS EMPLOYEES

MEN RECEIVE A CHECK FROM FIRM AS TOKEN OF APPRECIATION.

The Ottawa Furniture Co. has closed another year of business by again remembering its employees in a very practical and substantial manner. A generous fund has been set aside by the company for distribution among its employees. At closing time every employee was handed a check with a slip attached which reads as follows:

"The check attached is given you as a token of appreciation of the spirit of co-operation you have manifested as an employee of the Ottawa Furniture Co. during the past year. The distribution which we have made is on the basis of length of your service and earnings for the year 1917.

"Wishing you the compliments of the season, we are,

Yours truly,
Ottawa Furniture Co.

ASK WEST MICHIGAN TO GIVE MEN FOR ORDNANCE DEPOT ON FRENCH FRONT

Men of nearly ever civil vocation and mechanical trade are now being enlisted for service in the American ordnance base depot in France, a division of the ordnance department, soon to be established at a point between the French seaboard and the fighting front and Western Michigan applicants for this service may obtain information from Capt. H. M. Fales, in charge of the recruiting station.

Six regiments, comprising approximately 9,000 men, have been authorized for this division. The government points out that the services of this depot are much needed now and that the delay in the rate of its embarkation may seriously handicap the effectiveness of our army in France.

Unpatriotic to Eat Chickens Weighing Less Than 3 Lbs.

Housewives who wish to help relieve the meat situation will buy three-pound broilers and fryers and refuse to use the "squab chickens" weighing a pound, one-half or less, say the dressed-poultry specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture.

The serving of undeveloped or squab chicken in hotels, restaurants and homes, they regard as unpatriotic because such chickens, if kept for four weeks longer including two weeks of crate fleshing, will weight about three pounds. Moreover, under proper feeding, the chicken makes the extra flesh largely from such by-products not ordinarily used for human food, as buttermilk, sour milk, skim milk and low grade grains.

A three-pound broiler or fryer of one of the utility breeds the specialists say, reaches this weight with a relatively less consumption of feed than the chicken which has been kept until it weighs four or five pounds. Up to three pounds, moreover chickens of utility breeds make their flesh most effectively from feed. About three lbs. every pound of grain requires for its production about twice as much feed. This makes plain why the three-pound size always has been the favored bird in Europe where both grain and meat have been less plentiful than in the United States. In the past, the demand in Europe has led to a heavy exportation of three-pound chickens. Such exports having ceased, these three-pound chickens are now available for home consumption, a matter on which the public is to be congratulated.

VAUDEVILLE AT KNICKERBOCKER A HUGE SUCCESS

Manager Ogden Makes Good His Statement That He Would Give Holland City Shows

Strangers visiting the Knickerbocker are frank in saying that Holland has shows equal to any city and at much lower prices. Holland has long needed a theater and has surely been way behind much smaller cities in this regard, but since Mr. Ogden has opened this playhouse we are way ahead of many cities much larger.

The vaudeville is good far better than anything ever shown here. It is clean and up-to-date. The pictures are new and great care is taken in selecting the photo plays for the Knickerbocker, plays that are old are not considered for a moment. A big feature

is the seven-piece orchestra, very few theaters in the country can boast of one as large and certainly none has better.

The Knickerbocker under the present management is a credit to our city and should have the unstinted backing of every one who has the good of Holland at heart. Shows are given every night with matinees Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays. If you are not a patron take a trip down and see one of the fine shows.

AT POWERS THEATER

"So Long Letty" Has a Most Unique Setting.

Theatergoers who will avail themselves to see "So Long Letty", Oliver Morosco's pleasing musical comedy which will be shown at Powers' theater on January 3, 4, 5 and 6, and have never been in the far west will wonder why Mr. and Mrs. Robbins and their neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Miller, the leading characters in the enterprising farce with music, live in abandoned street cars. They agree that Oliver Morosco, the producer and co-author of the play has provided something new in stage settings; a pleasing innovation far removed from the stereotyped "sets" familiar in most musical offerings. But Mr. Morosco has good authority for the novel scenes shown in the two acts—the first outside and the second inside a street car.

To the westward of San Francisco on a sand shore some eighteen miles from the Golden Gate, is a little settlement known as Carville. When electricity displaced horses as the motive power for street transportation an enterprising young man purchased some of the old street cars and had them shipped to the seashore. Then he bought for little or nothing strips of land on the beach and on them he places his cars into a semblance of a habitation he no difficult in renting them to campers for the summer months. Some of the tenants bought the little houses. The idea took hold; more cars were moved to the beach and some made into quite pretentious cottages. So the authors of "So Long Letty," selected this little settlement as their locality, the surroundings being quite unusual and unique.

To Lift Ban on Sugar

Washington, Jan. 3.—Food Administrator Hoover, promises a return to normal sugar conditions shortly. He has outlined plans for allotment of sugar to confectioners.

Not Then.

The maxim runs: "Put your best foot forward"—but suppose you are being treated by a chiropodist?

The Perfect Hostess.

"It's very simple: Comfort and freedom, thoughtfulness without tyranny. A too conscientious hostess can be as great a pest as an overzealous friend." —Delineator.

Defining a Dentist.

One who pulls out the teeth of others to obtain employment for his own. —London Evening Standard.

Right Now

Is the time to get your NEW YEARS ORDERS in. Remember we can make your sitting in the evening if it suits you better.

Always make an appointment for night sittings.

The Lacey Studio

19 E. 8th St. Up Stairs

ZEELAND MAN TO MARRY

Prof. Herbert Kappel To Wed Miss Anna Kremer of Detroit

Mrs. Henry De Krulff and daughter Lois left Thursday, for Detroit to attend the wedding of Mrs. DeKrulff's sister, Miss Anna Kremer, who will be married to Prof. Herbert Kappel formerly of Zeeland, now of Gainesville, Fla.—Zeeland Record.



The Girl Who Had No God

By MARY ROBERTS RINEHART

A pulse-stirring tale of a beautiful young girl who succeeds her father as leader of a band of intelligent anarchistic bandits.

A Narrative of Mystery, Courage, Love and Sacrifice

Watch for and Read OUR NEW SERIAL

To Begin In The Issue Of Jan. 10 of the Holland City News

We wish our many policy holders and friends

A Happy and Prosperous New Year

Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Company

C. A. BIGGE, District Manager