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## Want More Lady Jurors in Ottawa Circuit Court

### HIRING A SPECIAL ATTORNEY FOR GOOD ROAD COMMISSION RUNS SNAG

The Ottawa county board of supervisors have been in January session this week and considerable accumulated business was transacted this far.

A communication from the road commission, calling attention to the resolution of the board in the October session which suggested that the commission dispense with the services of a special attorney and that the work be done by the county prosecutor, recommended that a special attorney be allowed to continue service with a cut in salary from \$1,200 to \$960. This cut would be acceptable, the letter explained, as the board work next year would be curtailed. The communication requested the matter be turned over to the good roads committee for consideration as special matter had been sent the chairman which the commission felt would be only burdensome to the entire board.

The suggestion failed to carry and the matter was placed on file which motion was made by Cornelia Rosenraad of Zeeland.

Miss Margaret Bilt, president of the Ottawa County Women's Christian Temperance Union, addressed the board, presenting names of women as jurors to be drawn for the terms of circuit court held in this county. She pointed to the large place women were occupying in politics, the amount of property they hold and the taxes they pay, which she believes entitles them to a place on Ottawa county juries.

She called attention to the action which had been taken by the Holland supervisors, the only men in the county who have presented women's names to the jury service. A committee to draft resolutions on the death of Gerrit J. Diekema, late minister to the Netherlands, and on the death of George Root, late member of the board, was appointed by the chairman, John Van Anrooy. They are Charles E. Misner, Robert Lowing and Fred Graham. Copies will be sent to the bereaved survivors.

John Van Anrooy, chairman of the board of supervisors, today announced the list selected by him to attend the state association meeting which will be held in Lansing on Jan. 27, 28, 29 as follows: Peter Van Ark, Richard Smallegange, Roy Lowing, D. M. Cline, William E. Slater, James E. Chittick and John Van Anrooy.

The drain commissioner will also be sent to the state meeting at Bay City on Feb. 17, 18 and 19. Written reports of the meetings are to be submitted later.

The board adjourned for a day, enabling them to attend the funeral of the late Gerrit Diekema in a body.

Cornelius Rosenraad moved to take a communication received from the road commission, relative to hiring an attorney, from the files, where it was placed the day before and refer it to the good roads committee for action. The motion was lost, 12 to 15.

Dr. Ralph Ten Have, county health commissioner, appeared before the board and told of the new health unit and its organization thus far. He briefly outlined some plans of the future.

C. P. Milham, county agent, reported on the successful poultry show held recently at Holland.

George C. Borek, drain commissioner, asked for \$50 to purchase a large map to show every drain in the county.

Two new faces appeared at the opening meeting of the January session. One was Frank Hendrych of Grand Haven Township who was appointed by the township board to succeed George C. Borek, who took his seat as Ottawa county drain commissioner on New Year's day; the other, Henry C. Slaughter of Tallmadge township, who was appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the death of George Root.

### WILL OF MR. DIEKEMA READ

The will of the late Mr. Diekema was a simple affair. The home and the insurance policies were willed to Mrs. Leona Diekema. The residue of the balance of the estate is willed equally to Mrs. Diekema, Willis Diekema and John Diekema of Holland, Mrs. Marie Roger of New York City and Mrs. Margaret Rodger of Chicago. A bequest was made in favor of Miss Lena DePree, a very intimate friend of the family.

Willis A. Diekema and Mrs. Diekema are the executors of the estate.

### JUDGE MILES WANTS

#### SPEED IN ZEELAND CASE

A motion to extend the time to prepare three cases for the supreme court, was denied by Judge F. T. Miles yesterday following arguments presented by George Norcross, attorney for the plaintiff, and John R. Dethmers, prosecuting attorney, who represented the defendants.

The cases involved were Leonard Carson, Gerrit Wyngarden, and Duwene Wyngarden of Zeeland and Holland vs. Chester J. Lahuis, formerly of Zeeland, for alleged illegal stock transactions. The case was decided against the defendants in Ottawa county court several months ago.

### OLD BLACK RIVER BRIDGE GIVING WAY TO PROGRESS

With the opening of the detour bridge across Black River traffic has been resumed on US31. Work has been started on tearing down the old steel span which rendered service for forty years.

The old bridge will be replaced by a new concrete structure, equipped with a 40-foot road and two 6-foot walks. The bridge will have two 88-foot spans.

### DR. KUIZENGA PASSES CRISIS

A telegram was received by Henry Geerlings yesterday that Dr. John E. Kuizenga, formerly of Holland, now on the faculty of Princeton Theological Seminary, had passed the crisis at Princeton Hospital. Last Friday evening he went to the operating table because of an aggravated case of appendicitis and gall-stones, making an operation necessary immediately. For several days his life was despaired of, however, physicians now say that the worst is over if complications do not set in which is not looked for by them. Dr. Kuizenga was one of Holland's foremost citizens and for some time was President of the Western Theological Seminary.

### SIDE LIGHTS ON MINISTER G. J. DIEKEMA RITES

The funeral arrangements were in charge of President E. D. Diment of Hope College, the institution from which Mr. Diekema was graduated in 1881 and on which he bestowed his loyalty, affection and service until death closed his brilliant career.

Judge John Vanderwerp of Muskegon, recessed circuit court early Monday that he might attend the funeral in Holland of Gerrit J. Diekema, whom he valued as a close friend.

All Holland banks were closed and officials and staffs of these institutions were present in a body.

The Holland clergy were also given places in the large chapel. They also came in a body.

The Holland City News kept count of the great throng that passed the bier, while Mr. Diekema lay in state at the Chapel Sunday. The mechanical device in the hands of Herman Bos of the News showed that the count stood: 8,497 after the last person had passed. Surely a great tribute to our townsman.

Capt. Geerds of Company D, delegated four sergeants as active guards during the Diekema funeral procedure. They were Sergt. Rymma, Sergt. VanAnrooy, Sergt. Bonnet and Sergt. Siegers. They were fine looking men and their work in that capacity was perfect. During the funeral exercises the guards relieved one another at fifteen minute intervals. They also served in the same capacity while the body lay in state at Hope Chapel.

Senator Borah, of Idaho, according to the Congressional Record, read on the floor of Senate at Washington, D. C., the address given by Senator Vandenberg at Hope Memorial, Holland, Monday. Representative Carl Mages did likewise in the House of Representatives, taking extracts from editorial appearing in the Holland Evening Sentinel and the Holland City News relating to Mr. Diekema.

Special tribute should be paid to Prof. and Mrs. W. Curtis Snow for their work Sunday afternoon. In the first place their program of music on the large pipe organ, while thousands passed the bier of our beloved citizen, was the work of real artists. However to their achievement, we can add that the great organ played soft and beautiful music continuously from 2:00 o'clock until 5:30 o'clock. Prof. and Mrs. Snow relieved one another at the keyboard at intervals.

Among the county officials seen at the Diekema funeral were Judge James Danhof, County Clerk Wm. Wilds, Sheriff C. Steketee, Treasurer John Den Herder, Register of Deeds Mr. Botkje, County Drain Commissioner Geo. Borek, County Farm Agent C. F. Milham, County Engineer Carl T. Bowen.

Red Cross Society of which Mr. Diekema was the president, sent flowers as did the Willard G. Leenhouts Post, American Legion.

Members of Company D, National Guards, 126 Infantry, Sunday night kept vigil over the body which remained in the chapel until after the funeral service. This order was arranged by Capt. Geerds of the local guards.

It would be difficult to describe the beautiful floral tributes. The rostrum organ chancel and the otherwise open space in the forepart of this beautiful chapel was filled with them and in this bower of beauty the casket nestled.

Grand Rapids Press of Saturday: The body of Gerrit J. Diekema arrived in Grand Rapids from New York in a special Pullman car on the New York Central Saturday morning at 10:43, accompanied by a group of 12 persons. The funeral car was attached to a Pere Marquette train, which was to leave at 11:59 for Holland. It was scheduled to arrive there at 12:40.

The five civic clubs, namely the Exchange, Lions, Chamber of Commerce, Rotary and Holland Merchants' Ass'n, sent a most beautiful floral piece as coming from these clubs collectively. Although a Rotarian he was equally welcome in the others and spoke often before members of these different organizations.

Chief of Police Frank Van Ry made ample arrangements to handle the traffic during the services. The entire force with two extra deputies were detailed to handle the large crowd. City police blocked off Twelfth street from Central avenue to Columbia avenue and Columbia avenue from Twelfth street to Twelfth street, College avenue from Tenth street to Twelfth street and Graves Place from Central Avenue to College avenue.

All active and honorary pall bearers, the clergy of Holland and

## Poultry-Rabbit Exhibition A Real Winner

### RABBIT FEATURE ALSO GREAT SUCCESS: AT LEAST 1,000 BIRDS SHOWN

The poultry-rabbit show, in the Van Ark building, sponsored by the Holland Poultry and the Holland Rabbit Breeders' associations closed Saturday. The exhibition, although not the largest, was one of the finest ever held in Holland. There were at least 1000 exhibits.

The program was featured Friday afternoon with moving pictures of agricultural scenes in several countries in Europe and with a rabbit banquet Friday evening in the Woman's Literary clubhouse. Rev. James Hallwood of Grand Rapids and County Agent C. P. Milham of Grand Haven were the principal speakers.

The rabbit banquet was really a high light during the week with roast rabbit featuring the menu. The speaking program was indeed an excellent climax to a worthwhile effort in the way of putting on this exhibition in charge of Ed Brouwer, poultry secretary.

The program at the Woman's Literary Club follows: Invocation—Mr. D. Borer Music—Mr. H. Kasten, Director Welcome—Mr. D. Jaarsma, Pres. Toastmaster—Mr. Wm. Wilson President Holland Poultry Association Mr. C. Milham—Grand Haven, Michigan Ottawa County Agricultural Agent Mr. George Cabell—Zeeland, Michigan Mr. D. Borer—Holland, Michigan Pres. Holland Chamber of Commerce Mr. Edward Brouwer—Holland, Michigan Poultry and Rabbit Show Manager Address—Rev. J. W. Hallwood Grand Rapids, Michigan Dr. L. E. Hensley, formerly of Holland, now of Grand Rapids, and nation-wide authority of poultry, (Continued on Page 4)

### Faith

The Hague, Netherlands, Dec. 16, 1930.

My dear Willis:

As the poet says "Just before the battle, Mother, I am thinking most of you," so just before going to the hospital for my operation I am thinking most of you. I certainly have experienced a hectic time since leaving you and am so glad the source of the trouble has finally been located. Leona has written you fully, I believe, and will therefore not repeat. There seems to be no doubt in the opinion of two surgeons and two physicians as to the exact location of the trouble and while they admit that the operation is a serious one, much more so than appendicitis would be, they do not consider it dangerous. At any rate, it is inevitable.

I am impressed at this time with what my good father said, as follows: "John, I cannot tell you how I would like to live, but I am not afraid to die. It, however, is all grace and none of my deserts." So in the faith of the fathers, with undaunted step, I will mount the operating table, knowing that whatever happens is not the result of accident but of wise and kind design.

Love to all, Sincerely your father, G. J. DIEKEMA.

Dutch consul—Gen. of New York, an official representative of the Dutch government, and H. Percival Dodge, who represented President Hoover. He has been minister in several Latin-American countries and also Denmark.

Mission folks from New York were also at the piers to meet the "Deutschland." Among them were Dr. Chamberlain, president of the Board of Foreign Missions, Dr. James Kittell, secretary of the Board of Domestic Missions, Mrs. John S. Allen, secretary of the Woman's Board of Domestic Missions. Also Dr. and Mrs. Milton Hoffman. Mr. Hoffman is president of the New Brunswick Seminary.

Dr. Henry Veldman, pastor of Central Reformed church, who was a member of the Hope college council with Mr. Diekema, also attended

Those who met the boat at New York upon the arrival of the funeral party from Europe were John W. Blodgett, Hon. C. D. Brainard,

## EDITORIAL A REAL PAGE FROM THE BOOK OF G. J. DIEKEMA'S LIFE

LAW CLASS HISTORY.

GERRIT JOHN DIEKEMA was born in Holland township, Ottawa county, Michigan, March 27th, 1859. His parents came from the Netherlands and settled in Michigan in 1849. His father is a farmer, and when a boy Gerrit worked on the farm and went to school at Holland City, Michigan. He obtained the degree of B. A. at Hope College situated at Holland.

Lately when not in school he has taught school and clerked in a law office and worked on the farm. He is a Republican and will practice law in Holland City, will begin in April, 1883.

"To further the ends of justice, to protect the weak against the strong, to induce men to follow the paths of virtue and intelligence and thus strengthen the foundation of our free institutions, is my chief incentive to the study of law."

GERRIT J. DIEKEMA.

Nothing that has been spoken or written of Gerrit J. Diekema stands out more forcefully than the foregoing taken from the University of Michigan Students' Annual issued at the time of his graduation from law school and reproduced above.

It is seldom allotted to any man that he shall so closely fulfill the aims of his youth in the years of

his manhood. No word of ours need be added to the many testimonials as to the character of his life published in this issue to demonstrate that he maintained these high ideals always.

His having been true to these early inspirations has made his memory revered by the people of today, and will make of his tomb a shrine by the people of tomorrow.

the services for the distinguished minister, as did Gordon F. Van Eenennaam, state senator, chairman of the Michigan delegation which met the body in New York.

Messages of condolence have been received by the widow and children from over the world. One to Mrs. Diekema from Secretary of State Stimson read as follows: "The President was deeply shocked at the news of Minister Diekema's death. He has asked me to convey to Mrs. Diekema the expression of his and Mrs. Hoover's sympathy, to which I wish you would add that of myself and Mrs. Stimson."

Floral tributes were many and beautiful. These were sent by friends, civic bodies and organizations and included a wreath from J. H. Van Rooijen, minister plenipotentiary of The Netherlands at Washington, and Mme. Van Rooijen. Minister VanRooijen was introduced to a Holland audience two years ago when the board of trustees of Hope College honored him with the doctor of laws degree. Mr. Diekema was present on that occasion and was a great friend to the Dutch minister.

The employees and officials of the three Holland banks sent floral tributes. Among the hundreds of floral pieces was one from Mr. George F. Getz, a very personal friend of Mr. Diekema.

The employees of Lakewood Farm, where Mr. and Mrs. Diekema spent their summers gave a floral offering from the greenhouse of Lakewood, the beautiful floral pieces was fashioned by the florist there under the direction of Superintendent Peterson. The Lakewood family truly loved Mr. and Mrs. Diekema.

The imposing photo of the interior of Hope Memorial Chapel found on Page 1, was the work of Emerson Frank, Inc., Holland.

The photo taken when the remains of Mr. Diekema arrived in this city from The Hague was from D. J. DuSaar, Holland Photo Co.

Grand Rapids Sunday Herald:—Mrs. Diekema and her party were met in Grand Rapids by Gerrit J. Diekema, Jr., youngest son of the family; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Rodger of Chicago, son-in-law and daughter of the late minister; Mrs. Geo. E. Kollen, his sister, and her son, John L. Kollen. Many Grand Rapids friends of the family met them at the Union depot there, among them, Sen. and Mrs. William Alden Smith, Mrs. Arthur H. Vandenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin S. Hanchett, Judge and Mrs. Arthur C. Denison, Mrs. Joseph H. Brewer, Gilbert L. Daane and Mrs. Harry Jewell. A few of the late minister's close friends here were in the quiet crowd which gathered at the depot and watched the gray casket draped with an American flag and bearing the wreath placed in New York City by the Michigan delegation, borne quickly away. Among them were Judge Orien S. Cross, business partner of Mr. Diekema, and Wynand Wichers, president of Hope College, where Mr. Diekema served as secretary 28 years, and cashier of First State Bank of Holland, of which Mr. Diekema was president.

## Zeeland Doctor, "Buzz-Wagon," Takes Flyer

### AUTO SKIDS ON SLIPPERY ROAD AND BACKS DOWN STEEP ROADSIDE EMBANKMENT

Zeeland Record.—The escape from serious injury by Dr. C. E. Boone, Monday morning, when his car left the road on account of the slippery surface may be counted miraculous. The doctor was on his regular trip to visit patients when the accident happened. He was on his way to visit one of his patients a short distance west of Zeeland, at about the time when the already slippery roadway was becoming more slippery by the light rain that turned to ice the instant it struck the ground, and while crossing the high fill on the new highway at the old brick yards his machine started to skid; it swung completely around and while on its second revolution it backed off the grade on the north side, descending the sixty feet of forty-five degree grade at a rapid pace, rear first. Upon nearing the bottom he was headed for a tree and swung to one side attempting to avoid a crash, causing his car to upset.

The doctor was uninjured, though a bit upset through the excitement, and the damage to his car was also negligible. A couple of extra hands righted the machine and a short detour through the old "clay pit" brought it out onto the side road and soon it was put back into service.

### FRANK JOHNSON, TAILOR FOR 61 YEARS HERE AND IN EUROPE, SUCCEUMS

Frank Johnson, 115 East 15th, age 72, died Wednesday afternoon in Holland hospital from inhalation of smoke fumes that rendered him unconscious in a fire that damaged his home Sunday morning.

Johnson had turned in an alarm and groped his way upstairs to save some clothing when he collapsed. He was carried out by firemen and rushed to Holland hospital. Pneumonia developed.

Johnson was born on an island in Sweden, in 1858 and had been connected with the tailor's trade 61 years. He chose that vocation when 11 years old and accepted an apprenticeship under his brother three years.

Johnson crossed the Atlantic in 1880 for America. He first located in Grand Rapids, where he spent 14 years in various shops. He came to Holland in 1894 and for the last 16 years conducted his own shop. In his career Johnson worked on suits of clothes ordered by King Albert of England, Kaiser Wilhelm's father in Germany and the Czar of Russia. He has worked in 13 shops in this country and Europe.

Johnson leaves the widow in this city and a brother and sister in Sweden whom he had not seen for 50 years. He had planned to spend part of the winter in Florida.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon from Nibbelink-Notier funeral home, Rev. Martin officiating. Interment was in Pilgrim Home.

ter of the late minister; Mrs. Geo. E. Kollen, his sister, and her son, John L. Kollen. Many Grand Rapids friends of the family met them at the Union depot there, among them, Sen. and Mrs. William Alden Smith, Mrs. Arthur H. Vandenberg, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin S. Hanchett, Judge and Mrs. Arthur C. Denison, Mrs. Joseph H. Brewer, Gilbert L. Daane and Mrs. Harry Jewell. A few of the late minister's close friends here were in the quiet crowd which gathered at the depot and watched the gray casket draped with an American flag and bearing the wreath placed in New York City by the Michigan delegation, borne quickly away. Among them were Judge Orien S. Cross, business partner of Mr. Diekema, and Wynand Wichers, president of Hope College, where Mr. Diekema served as secretary 28 years, and cashier of First State Bank of Holland, of which Mr. Diekema was president.

### HISTORIC COLUMN HELD OVER

The Fifty Years Ago column could not be placed this week but it surely will be resumed in our next issue without fail. Your editor neither had the time nor the inclination for the Holland City News of this date is dedicated to our dear old friend "Diek."

### CELEBRATED GOLDEN WEDDING THIS FRIDAY

Mr. and Mrs. Derk Warner, pioneers of Holland and vicinity, will celebrate their golden wedding anniversary Friday by keeping open house to their friends from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Evert Westing. They will be hosts to relatives in the evening. Besides the daughter, they have one son, Tyde D. Warner, in the grocery business on Lincoln Ave.

Mr. Warner was born in Holland near the present location of the Pere Marquette station. Mrs. Warner was born in The Netherlands. They were married Jan. 9, 1881, in the Christian Reformed church at Niekerk, three miles southeast of Holland. They lived on a farm for 26 years and moved to this city in 1906. Warner remembers the time when he drove an ox team to Holland, transporting lumber, logs and stave bolts. He also built several barns of round timber and houses of finished lumber.

Mr. and Mrs. Warner have been connected with the Christian Reformed churches at Niekerk and Central Avenue, Holland, since their marriage. They are 74 and 72 respectively.

## Exchange Club Gives Dinner To Football Men

### PRES. WALDO. W. S. T. C. IS HEARD BY H. H. S. AND COLLEGE PLAYERS

Last night was an important one on the calendar of the local Exchange Club. It was the evening of the annual "Football Dinner" given by the Club to the members of the "first squads" of the football team of Hope College and Holland High schools. These athletes, and their "dads," real or adopted, were the guests of the club for the evening. This year's banquet was the seventh annual event of this kind. Needless to say the football men have learned to look forward with anticipation to the dinner as one of the "red letter days."

Promptly at six-thirty the men and boys, numbering about 150, found their places at the tables in the main dining room of the Warm Friend Tavern to enjoy a satisfying "steak dinner," such a repast for the heroes of the gridiron. Before the last course was served Eugene Heeter, director of the Holland High school band, led in the company group singing of the Holland High school and Hope college songs as well as the "war songs" of the "Big Ten."

Director Eugene Heeter, led in the singing, while Organist Prof. W. Curtis Snow and Miss Marie Lemmen, introduced as a former Holland high "grad," presided at the piano.

The Hope College fellows invited to the dinner were: A. Brunson, den, H. Dalman, T. Beaver, R. Fox, G. Painter, M. Leenhouts, T. Van Haltsma, L. Damstra, C. Poling, J. Zwemer, J. Wiegink, G. Wiegink, C. Norlin, C. Slighter, J. Tyssse, M. Meengs and H. Frizma. Nearly all of the boys and their "dads" were there. A few had journeyed to Kalamazoo to attend the memorial services for Raymond De Young, a recent Hope athlete, who died in Arabia. These men were introduced to the hosts by Rev. Paul McLean of Hope in the absence of Coach Schouten.

The following Holland High school football men and their fathers attended: Art VanLonygoud, Don Judkins, Henry Beekman, Warren Huesing, Don VerHulst, Ken Tyssse, Peter Borer, Bob Gordon, Denton Norlin, Alfred Rossien, "Teed" VanZanten, Albert Oonk, Charles Loyer, Don TeRoller, William Masselink, Vernon Klompars, Amie Van Zanden, Lloyd Coster, Lloyd Beach, "Ik" Kraker, "Bud" Slag, Edward Landwehr, John Good, and Robert Lievesse. These young warriors were fittingly introduced by Coach Hinge.

Rev. Paul Hirkamp, Exchange president, was also at the memorial service in Kalamazoo, and the former president of the club, "Jock" Riemersma, presided at the program that followed the dinner. When a welcome had been extended to the piskin toters, and after other guests had been introduced, the chairman called upon Wynand Wichers, president-elect of Hope College, to introduce the guest speaker of the evening, Dr. Dwight W. Wald, President of Western State Teachers' College at Kalamazoo. His humorous anecdotes, so delightfully told, made him at once the friend of his audience. The more serious and pertinent of his remarks were given with that spirit of enthusiasm and optimism which is the mark of a true sportsman. "Never give up a thing you begin," he told his audience. "Don't listen too much to the crowd. If you hear that a thing can't be done, go ahead and do it anyway. That is the Lindbergh and Washington spirit."

Miss Frances Van Nuij and Claud Tenekink, Zeeland, visited with Mrs. Herman Ensing in Holland Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Veldman. Mrs. Ensing returned to her home Monday.

The Sunday school of Third Reformed church lists an honor roll of 121 for perfect attendance in 1930. Twenty-seven missed the honor roll by one absent mark. Average attendance for 1930 was close to 600. Bibles and books will be awarded honor roll members.

## City Loses It's Case Against Foundry Co.

### SUPREME COURT DECIDES AGAINST CITY OFFICIALS; CASE CLOSED

A suit entered into between the city of Holland and the Manufacturers' Foundry Co., located on E. Eighth street, formerly known as The Western Foundry Co., for the vacating of East Ninth street, which was decided to them in 1920 because the then Western Foundry Co. intended to branch out and needed the street for that purpose was lost by the city.

The contention of the city was that the extensions had never been made and therefore the present city officials, who were not in office then, took action to have the street re-vert back to the city.

The case was tried in Circuit Court and was lost by the City of Holland. The city then, through its attorney, Charles H. McBride, carried the matter up to the Supreme Court where it has been for some time and the final decision came to Attorneys Robinson & Parsons, attorneys for the Foundry Co., which indicates that the local company has been given the final decision that the street belongs to them.

The Supreme Court holds that the city of Holland followed their charter, vacating the street, and even laid a short street-crossing the block from Ninth to Eighth street, known as Garrison Place. The city of Holland did what was regular legal and binding on the city. The city therefore could not go and repudiate or disregard a valid transaction.

The final paragraph of the decision is quoted as follows:

"Neither am I inclined to think that cities may exercise their power, as was done in this case by closing a street, and thereby vest, by operation of law, the title of the street in abutting property owners, confirm such action by a deed of the street to abutting property owners, and then, a few years later, when a later council believe that a mistake has been made, arbitrarily decide that their predecessors in office set aside their actions at face did an unwise thing, and arbitrate the expense of abutting property owners."

The action of the council of defendant city in 1920 was valid. The decree in the circuit is affirmed with cost to plaintiff.

### LEGISLATORS WANT TO KNOW WHAT HOLLAND WANTS

Senator Gordon A. Van Eenennaam and Representative Fred McEachron left word in Holland that they would like to meet with some representative members of the civic clubs to find out the needs of Holland in the way of legislation whether for roads or otherwise, and a group of men from the Merchants Association and the Chamber of Commerce and the Mayor will meet within a few days at Warm Friend Tavern to discuss what the real needs are. Landlord Dauchy of Warm Friend Tavern—who was introduced to the members of the Merchants Association at the meeting Monday, volunteered to give a dinner to fifteen members elected to discuss Holland's needs. It is expected that this meeting will be held Wednesday noon. Then within a few weeks the representatives from this district will be asked to meet with the same delegation in Holland.

Chairman Dornbos appointed Mr. Jacob Lokker, Mr. C. A. French, Mr. Austin Harrington and Ben Mulder to sit in on this preliminary meeting and invite men from the Chamber of Commerce and the Mayor of the city of Holland to take part in these deliberations.

### GREAT ORGANIST WILL GIVE RECITAL IN HOLLAND

An organ recital will be presented at Hope Memorial Chapel, Wednesday evening, January 31, at 8 o'clock by William E. Zeuch, vice-president of the Skinner Organ Company.

Mr. Zeuch will give a program of classical and popular music. He is said to be one of the best organists in the east.

No admission will be charged but an offering will be taken to help defray expenses.

## Hugh Lillie Is Appointed To Aid Dethmers

Hugh Lillie, well known attorney in Ottawa County, has been appointed assistant county prosecutor by John R. Dethmers, who will take his office as prosecutor on New Year's day, succeeding Clarence Lokker, who has held the office for the past four years, or two terms.

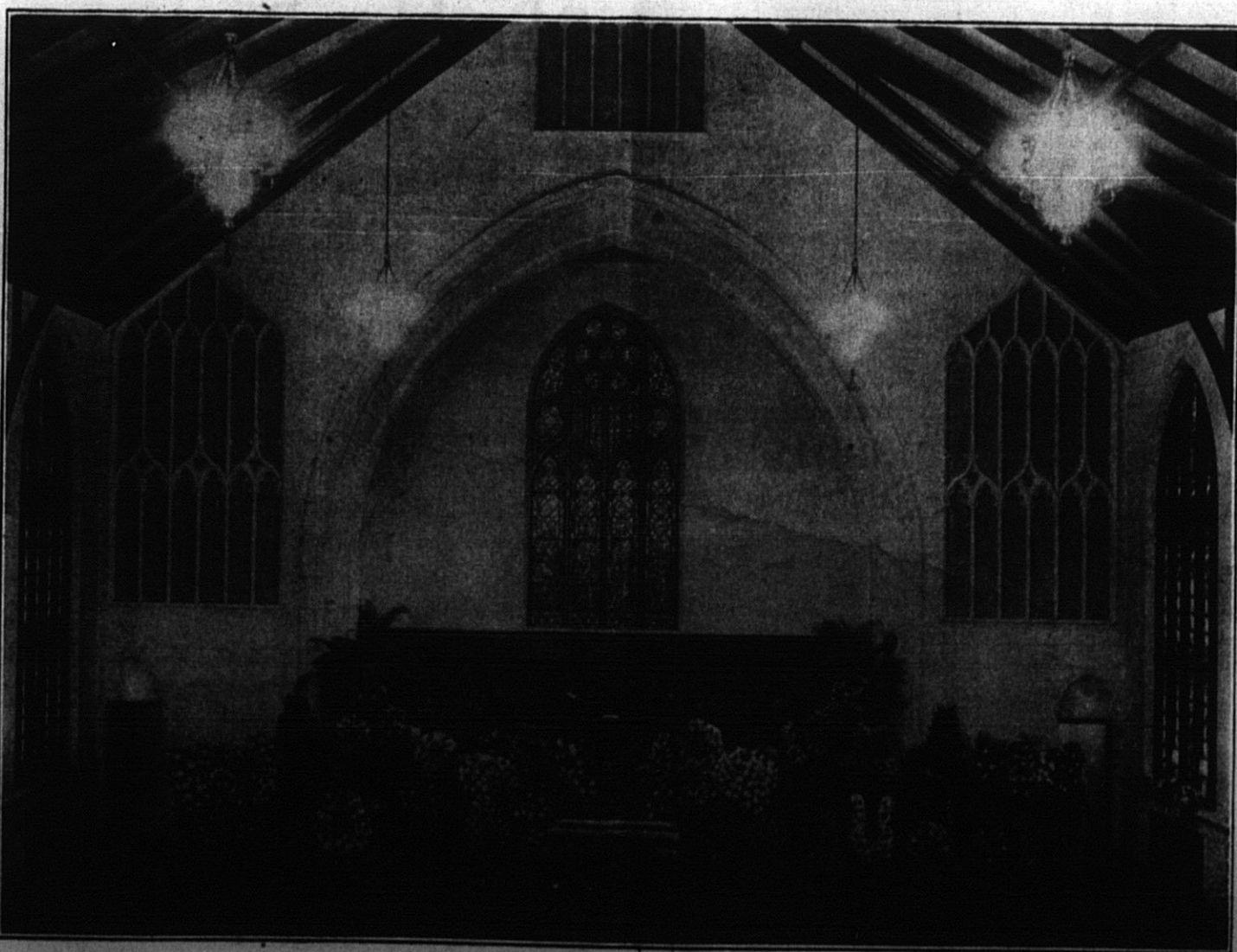
Mr. Lillie is the first Grand Haven man in the past 12 years to be associated with this office, either as assistant or head of the department. He has had a wide practice in Grand Haven and throughout the county, and is the son of the late Walter I. Lillie, who held the prosecutor's office for two terms, 40 years ago.

Mr. Dethmers will be in Grand Haven twice a week, as has been the rule, at the Court House office and the remainder of the week the affairs of the county will be conducted from Mr. Lillie's office on Washington street.

required when the boys arrived because the fire had already been extinguished.

Henry Kleis of Holland had come to Zeeland to visit his mother, Mrs. P. Coburn, and for some reason his automobile ignition system had short-circuited, over-heating and finally burning the insulation off the wiring while the car was parked with lights on. The fire spread to a lot of odorous smoke and a little fire. It was soon extinguished with the aid of a hand chemical fire extinguisher after the battery was turned off.

## Silent Expressions of Love and Esteem



Interior of Hope Memorial Chapel taken shortly before the services on Monday afternoon.



ROTARY CLUB HOLDS MEMORIAL SERVICE

The following address by Thomas N. Robinson was delivered at the Memorial services at the Holland Rotary Club, for the late Gerrit J. Diekema, Thursday afternoon.

It is with a great willingness and with a sense of deepest appreciation that I have accepted the invitation of the Board of Directors of the Rotary Club, so kindly extended to me, to make this address on the life, the character and the achievements of Gerrit J. Diekema. I am well aware that each of you shall have already, no doubt, interpreted this man's life for yourselves, each according to his own standards of judgment, and to some it may seem superfluous for me to try to add either to your stores of information or to your kindly judgments. Yet I feel safe in undertaking to discuss this life as a Rotarian, with Rotarians and in the spirit of Rotary. I realize that I am speaking of a man, not of a saint, yet those things that I have in my heart to say are of so kindly a character that I would hesitate to express them as I do, were it not for the knowledge that from your own evaluation of him, your own praise of his virtues would be fully as sympathetic and sincere as my own.

To state how well Gerrit J. Diekema was known to each of us requires only mention of the fact that from the day that this Rotary Club was organized he was one of its guiding spirits, bringing it to and to us, by his most faithful attendance the weekly inspiration of his vibrant personality. No duty that fell to his lot as a Rotarian was ever too small or too great for his earnest attention and performance, and the memory of his many contacts with all of us as a member of this club will always be dear and precious to each of us throughout the remainder of our days. If you will recall that at the time he left his native land to represent and speak for it in a foreign country, he had already served us for over a year as president of our club, was even then serving us in such capacity, it may be readily understood why one of our number should hesitate in the time of his passing to set forth in this memorial address his familiar thoughts that have in some form or other occurred to us all during the weeks last passed.

The truism, "He profits most who serves best" is not only the motto of the Rotary Club but it was the mainspring of Gerrit J. Diekema's life and his long years of service divulge the secret of his life's success. It was he, like the Prince of Wales from the days of Edward III, who placed on his invisible escutcheon two words signifying "I serve," and carried them there to the very end of his days. What was there in this son of worthy immigrant parents, reared in the atmosphere of a pioneer hamlet, where even the speech of his honorable forbears clung to the very air throughout nearly all of the years of his life that caused him to grow with the settlement, to expend his talents as his community grew from a village to a small city and from a small city to a great and well ordered beautiful city, known and respected throughout the nation? What brought him at an early age to a high place of leadership in every community activity, religious, educational, professional, financial and political? What caused him to extend this high place of leadership into far away places beyond his city into the state, the nation and the world, so that at the time of his death his name was a household word on two continents and his passing mourned by the people of two great nations?

It is not necessary for you to ask me for proof that this man was one in whom

"The elements So mixed in him that Nature might stand up, And say to all the world, 'This was a man!'" You have all witnessed. To so live that by the humble bier will pass in the short space of three hours nearly ten thousand of those who knew one best, in solemn funeral procession, as a respectful tribute to one's memory is ample proof of true greatness.

To have won this honor and respect of the leaders of two governments, to be mourned in passing into the great beyond by kings and queens and presidents, to be followed to the grave by great statesmen and stalwart leaders in religion, commerce, education, and law, leaders with whom one has himself served, bearing tokens of sorrow and voicing panegyrics of praise, is again ample proof of true greatness. It falls to the lot of but few men to be honored in death, as this man's memory has been honored by men and women and children, by governments, by his city and his state.

I believe with the minister of his church, who let it be known so emphatically in preaching his funeral sermon, that the dominating influence in Gerrit J. Diekema's life was his Christianity. His was the old fashioned fundamental kind of Christianity. Not like so many in the modern day did he forget to love his God in a seemingly all sufficient love of neighbor under high sounding phrase "the brotherhood of man." But, true to his principle of putting first things first, he recognized the love of God as the greatest commandment of the law, and he recognized the second as being like unto the first, in the love he gave his neighbor for the love of God.

He seemed to have carried into his service to his fellow men the Divine whispering, so aptly expressed by Thomas a Kempis in these words of Christ to the Disciples: "Son, thou canst not possess perfect liberty, unless thou wholly deny thyself. All self-seekers and self-lovers are bound in fetters, full of desires, full of cares, unsettled, and seeking always their own ease, and not the things of Jesus Christ, but oftentimes devising and framing that which shall not stand; for all shall come to nothing that proceeds not from God. Take this short and perfect word, Forsake all, and thou shalt and all leave thy desires, and thou shalt find rest. Consider this well, and when thou shalt put it in practice, thou shalt understand all things." Let me not be understood as attempting to put this man's life

above a human plane. As I have said he was human, intensely so. Because he was so much of a human, we who also are human, loved him. Like us he fought life's battles. Like us he sometimes won and sometimes lost. But always, in his winnings and in his losses, he maintained the background of his sturdy Christian character. It has been ably said of him: "He rejoiced in victory; he laughed at defeat." Also it has been said: "His faults were insignificant; his virtues were magnificent."

I once heard him describe to a jury the influence of age and experience on character. He told how some men advance from youth to age performing every duty, expanding every faculty, growing in culture and grace and charity to the culmination of lives of fragrant beauty, amid the love and praise of all their fellows. In contrast he described the man who followed the downward course, dropping culture and refinement through deeds of meanness until life's story was ended amid the foul darkness of evil thoughts and evil deeds and evil ways. A veritable contrast between Heaven and Hell on earth!

Here was a man, even as you and I, to whom the great Ruler of the universe gave the sharp command "Paint the Picture!" Slowly and laboriously, often with dim colors and broken tools, Gerrit J. Diekema carried out the mandate. Oftentimes he looked back and fain would have erased this stroke, washed away that blot, but too soon and also too late he realized the inevitableness of the divine decree. He knew with the poet that:

"The Moving Finger writes; and, having writ,  
Moves on: nor all our Piety nor Wit  
Shall here be back to cancel half a Line,  
Nor all our Tears wash out a Word of it."

And so, carefully, painstakingly, faithfully he continued to work at the picture until it took on lines of great beauty and great strength. He painted into it high and noble deeds for his fellow men, with the brushes of service dipped into the paint of high ideals. Trust and confidence in and from his fellow men were there. Love was delineated in every stroke of the brushes. Service, not for the profit from service but for the profit of service was wrought into every line and contour. The worldly wealth that could have rewarded this great ability was ever sacrificed in the dedication of those abilities for the higher rewards and satisfactions of the service itself.

Who will forget his patriotic service during the great World War: his days and nights of labor for the cause of his country? Who does not remember his figure on Armistice Day, and who will forget his great Armistice Day address in which he rejoiced in the victory for his country's cause and yet sorrowed over the ruin wrought by the war, and looked forward to a part with all of us in the healing of the great wounds that the war had torn into the governments of the civilized world? Who did not rejoice with him later on when word came of the heroism of his own son flying in the air service of his country over enemy territory, richly rewarded by that country? Certainly the picture lacks nothing in this great and thrilling chapter of his life.

Who, in his profession of the law has not been inspired by his devotedness to its highest and noblest ideals? Who has not seen in each stroke of the brush the vision of a truer and grander conception of the profession to which his life was dedicated?

An incident that illustrates the true artistry with which he painted his own life's picture has never before been told. At one time when honors and duties at home and abroad had been heaped upon him he felt obliged to discontinue his services as teacher of the Men's Bible Class in his church. Afterwards he was importuned to resume this work and while the urging was at its most intense point, he turned to one of those who had kept silent and asked, "What would you do?" The answer came: "If I had the talents that you have, if my fellow-men were clamoring for my services in religion, I would make every sacrifice to fulfill their desires." He was silent; all were silent. A week or two later the Bible Class work was resumed.

The benefit we get from the achievements of this great soul lies in the fact that it is given to each man to paint his own picture. Each man may choose what that picture shall be. Each receives the same commandments. Each encounters the same obstacles. Each suffers the same discouragements. Each can obtain the same reward measured by the number and the nature of the talents with which each has been endowed. A life such as the one we have been discussing is indeed a high inspiration to us all.

This man was great because he was faithful—always faithful to the Supreme command. For him the paths of glory did not lead but to the grave. His was not the philosophy of life placed by the great Shakespeare in the mouth of Macbeth:

"Tomorrow and tomorrow and tomorrow,  
Creeps in this petty pace from day to day,  
To the last syllable of recorded time;  
And all our yesterdays have lighted fools  
The way to dusty death. Out, out, brief candle!  
Life's but a walking shadow, a poor player,  
That struts and frets his hour upon the stage,  
And then is heard no more; it is a tale  
Told by an idiot, full of sound and fury,  
Signifying nothing."

Rather was his the simple philosophy of the humble Longfellow. In his service to mankind he followed the great and became one of the great. To him life was real and earnest. Never for a moment was the grave its goal. He lived in the spirit of these immortal lines:

"Lives of great men all remind us  
We can make our lives sublime,  
And, departing, leave behind us  
Footprints on the sands of time;  
Footprints, that perhaps another,  
Sailing over life's solemn main,  
A farther and shipwrecked brother,  
Seeing, shall take heart again."

Miss Bessie Pfanstiel of Grand Rapids was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Diekema for a few days.



Dr. John M. Vander Meulen Monday paid a much deserved tribute to the wife of the late Minister to the Netherlands. Not only did she prove to be an inspiration in all his work, but her constant activity in civic affairs has inspired the citizens of Holland and Ottawa County as well.

LOCAL NEWS

The Boy Scouts father and son banquet will be held Friday evening, January 9, at 6:30 o'clock in Beechwood school.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Cook, Rural Route one, at the Holland hospital, a daughter, Mary Lou, on January 5.

The Erutha Rebekah Lodge will hold a regular meeting, Friday evening, January 9, at 7:30 o'clock, in the lodge rooms on Central avenue. Installation of officers will be held after which a pot-luck supper will be served by Mrs. Blanche Vandevusse and her committee.

Mrs. George Kleinheksel and Mrs. James Robbers, were called to Benton Harbor Sunday because of the death of their niece, Lucille Henschke, who died after one day's illness of diphtheria. She was four years and four months old. Private funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon, with Rev. Jacob Herman, pastor of the Clay St. Baptist Church of Benton Harbor, officiating.

Mrs. Richard Nienhuis, 43 years old, of Oak Harbor, Washington, died Sunday, January 4, at the City Hospital in Seattle, Washington. The deceased is survived by her husband and eight children, also one sister and one brother. She leaves many friends in Holland. Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock from the home in Oak Harbor.

The Eunice Aid society will meet today, Friday, in the 14th Street Christian Reformed church. Rev. B. Danhof of Drenthe will give talk.

Edward Moore, 78 East Twelfth street, is visiting in Detroit for two months. Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Heeter will occupy the residence during his absence.

J. H. Oosting of 111 East 22nd street, left Monday morning for Grandale, California, where he will spend six weeks visiting friends.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Louis Krikke, 147 West Sixteenth street, a daughter, Louise, on December 26.

Mr. and Mrs. David Beebe have returned to their home in Cheboygan, Wis., after spending the holidays with friends and relatives in Holland and vicinity.

The annual congregational meeting of the Third Reformed church will be held Monday evening, January 12.

John Hafner has resumed his work at the Warm Friend Tavern after spending a two weeks' vacation in Indiana and Ohio.

The regular quarterly meeting of the Consistorial Union of the Reformed Church in Holland will be held Tuesday evening, January 13, at Hope Memorial Chapel. Rev. H. Ter Keurst of Trinity Reformed church will have charge of the devotionals. A stereopticon lecture will be given by Rev. P. E. Hinkamp.

Born to Dr. and Mrs. George Shaw of Mendon, Michigan, a son, George, Jr. Mrs. Shaw was formerly Miss Gertrude Van Vyven of Holland.

The only arrest made last week for traffic violation was the arrest of Ray Bleker, who was arrested on a charge of reckless driving Friday and was fined \$5.00.

Mrs. G. J. Shurman is spending the winter with her children in Detroit and Kalamazoo.

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Found time to "Smoke the Pipe of Peace" with White Horse Eagle first American who was a visiting guest.

Society Notes

The following students have returned to their respective colleges to resume their studies after spending the holidays at their homes in Holland: Miss Shirley Fairbanks and Miss Helen Miles, Michigan State Normal, Ypsilanti; Miss Inez Prince, Western State Teachers' College, Kalamazoo; Miss Hope Van Landegend, University of Michigan; Miss Adelia Beeuwkes, Miss Winona Peterson, Gerald Breen, and Lester Exo, Michigan State College, East Lansing; William Vanden Berg, Jr., and Vaudie Vanden Berg, Jr., Culver, Indiana; Russel Damstra, White Biblical Seminary, New York City, N. Y.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the Third Reformed church held their annual meeting last week Wednesday afternoon in the church parlors. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Peter Notter, president; Mrs. B. Brinkman, first vice-president; Mrs. W. Wichers, second vice-president; Mrs. A. Faasen, third vice-president; Mrs. John Muller, secretary; Mrs. John W. De Vries, assistant secretary; Mrs. J. Marces, treasurer and Mrs. Gerrit Spietama, assistant treasurer. After the election the annual reports were given. Mrs. W. Van Dyke read a letter from her daughter, Mrs. Kampers, who is a missionary in Guatemala, Mexico. Refreshments were served by Mrs. M. Pellegrom and Mrs. J. Oert.

The Girls' Society of the Sixteenth Street Christian Reformed church held a regular meeting in the church parlors. Miss Dena Kuiper, who had charge of the meeting, led in an interesting Bible discussion. Rev. P. Jonker, Jr., pastor of the church, gave an address on "Patience in the Life of a Christian."

The annual business meeting of the Ladies' Adult Bible Class of the Third Reformed church was held last week Tuesday evening in the church parlors. The newly elected officers are: Mrs. E. J. Blekkink, president; Mrs. A. J. Beevers, vice-president; Mrs. J. D. Van Alsburg, secretary; Mrs. A. J. Van Raalte, treasurer and Mrs. H. Ketel, secretary of Federation.

After the business, the Men's Adult Bible class members met with the Ladies' Adult Bible class and the following program was given: Several selections by a men's quartet consisting of Albert Meyer, Martin Oudemool, William Van Dyke and Jacob Geerlings. Willard Zeerip entertained with several numbers on the accordion after which a dialogue was given by three women of the ladies class and a budget was read by Jacob Geerlings. A social time was enjoyed and refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Roos entertained with a watch party at their home at 76 W. Eighteenth street, on Old Year's night. Games were played and refreshments were served. The guests present were: Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Miles, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Van Lente, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Babcock and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Dalman.

ZEELAND After April 1 all milk sold within the city limits of Zeeland must be pasteurized, the city fathers have decided. A committee has been appointed to draw up an ordinance to be submitted to the city council January 19. The council decided that all the dealers in milk should have their pasteurization plants ready when the ordinance goes into effect. The Exchange and Woman's Literary clubs have urged the pasteurizing of milk for a long time.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Koning, East Washington street, Wednesday, December 31, a daughter, Shirley Jean; to Mr. and Mrs. Man-

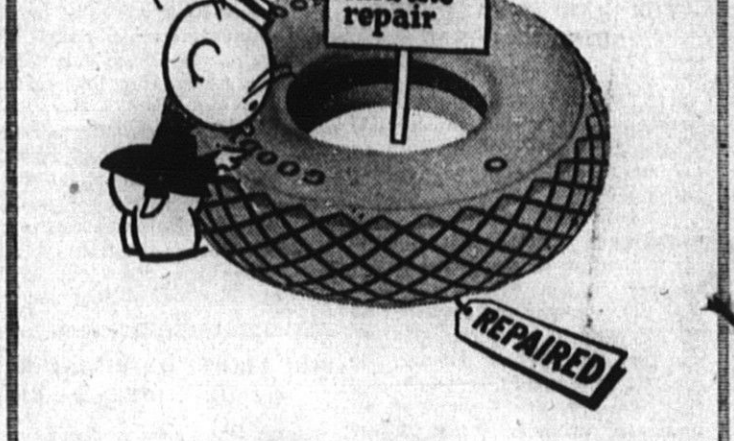
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uel Langui, Lincoln street, Wednesday, December 31, a son, Dale Cornelius; to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Boerman, East Holland, on Sunday, December 28, a daughter, Jume Caroline; to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Raak, North Holland, a daughter, Arloa Ruth; to Mr. and Mrs. John Bouwman, East Holland, a daughter, Marjorie Alice; to Mr. and Mrs. John Kars, Holland City, on Monday, January 5, a son.  
Miss Anna Huisenga, teacher in Zeeland public schools, has returned from a visit with her sister, Mrs. Jennie Schram, Washington, D. C.  
Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Bouwens of Zeeland, returned Saturday from a stay of seven weeks with their children. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Maynard, at Detroit. They also spent a week at the home of their children, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Bouwens at Grand Rapids.

January 15, at 7:45 o'clock. Admission is free but a silver collection will be received. All are invited.  
The first annual winter camp of the Ottawa-Alleghen Council of Boy Scouts closed January 1. More than thirty boys were in attendance. The camp was held at the lodge in Van Buren State park, about five miles south of South Haven. Winter camp emblems were awarded. De Forest Doerner and Junior Van Dyke of Zeeland, Wesley Lund and Michael



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## Local News

Rev. and Mrs. James M. Mortin  
of Third Reformed church held  
"open house" for their congrega-  
tion and friends New Year's Day,  
from 4 to 7 o'clock. Light refresh-  
ments were served. About 150  
guests visited them.The Teachers and officers of the  
Snuday School of Third Reformed  
church held their annual business  
meeting in the church parlors Fri-  
day evening. At 6:30 o'clock a sup-  
per was served by the members of  
Prof. A. E. Lampen's Sunday  
School class. After the supper, a  
short program was enjoyed. Wil-  
liam Zeerip entertained with sev-  
eral selections on the accordion  
after which Rev. John Vanderbeek,  
pastor of the Sixth Reformed  
church, gave an interesting ad-  
dress. The newly elected officers  
for the ensuing year are: Fred  
Beuwkes, superintendent; John  
Koolker and Roy Champion, assis-  
tant superintendents; William Van  
der Hart, secretary; Jake Zuidema,  
treasurer and Albert VanLente, as-  
sistant secretary and treasurer.

## NEW GRONINGEN

A number of people from New  
Groningen motored to Holland on  
Sunday to view the remains of the  
late Hon. G. J. Diekema.  
Simon Posma has moved his fam-  
ily and household goods from Hol-  
land into the residence of Bert Rie-  
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entertained at the home of Mr. and  
Mrs. Henry Karsten on New Year's  
afternoon and evening.Mr. and Mrs. H. Boersma and  
son, Gordon, Mrs. H. Boersma, Sr.,  
and Miss Anna Boersma, all of  
Grand Rapids, spent Sunday after-  
noon with Mr. and Mrs. John De-  
tera.Chris VanLiere, who has been  
confined to his home with illness  
is again able to be up and about.  
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Middlehoek  
and Alma, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Mid-  
dlehoek and Adeline spent New  
Year's day at the home of Mr. and  
Mrs. Andrew Verhoef in Grand-  
ville. When they returned, little  
Marcella Verhoef came with them  
and is spending a few days with  
relatives in New Groningen and  
Holland.Mrs. Anna Dyk of Grand Rapids  
and Miss Phyllis Dyke, who is at-  
tending Moor's Bible Institute, of  
Chicago, spent last Tuesday at the  
home of Mrs. John Deters.Nick DeBoer motored to Grand  
Rapids Tuesday with his sister,  
Mrs. Wierda of Holland. They  
called on Miss Hermine Wierda at  
Blodgett hospital, where she sub-  
mitted to an operation last week.

## HAMILTON

Lewis Johnson returned home  
from the Holland hospital on New  
Year's day.Holiday festivities which have  
been very numerous are over. There  
was a general exodus of students  
and teachers last Monday. Among  
the teachers who returned to their  
work were: Marvin Fokkert and  
family, Whitesall, Mich.; Prof. Stan-  
ley Bolks, Purdue University, Indi-  
ana; Grace Brink, Lawrence, Mich.;  
Edith Weaver, Frankfort, Mich.;  
Josephine Bolks, West Olive; Ver-  
letta and Albertha, Hudsonville;  
Janet Tanis, Beechwood. A large  
number of students returned to Hol-  
land High and Hope College at Hol-  
land; Western State Normal, Kal-  
amazoo and Grand Rapids schools.  
Sherman DeBoer was installed last  
Sunday as a deacon at the services  
of the First Ref. Church.Ray Maatman and family were  
entertained at the home of Mr. and  
Mrs. Jacob Drenten Tuesday even-  
ing.The old year and New Year's ser-  
vices of the local churches were  
well attended.The Tanis families held a reu-  
nion on New Year's day at the home  
of Mrs. H. Tanis. Those present  
were John Tanis and family, Ham-  
ilton; Henry Wolters and family;  
Mrs. J. Kleinesteker and family;  
Overisel; J. Drenk and family, Hol-  
land; Ben Tanis and family, Ham-  
ilton; Rev. Edw. H. Tanis and fam-  
ily, Grand Rapids; Janet Tanis and  
Mrs. H. Tanis.Mr. and Mrs. George Tellman en-  
tertained Rev. J. A. Roggen and  
family at a chicken dinner last  
Friday evening.George Nakken and family of  
Kalamazoo visited their parents,  
Mr. and Mrs. Louis Vander Meer  
Old and New Year's days.The C. E. society of the First Re-  
formed church, Janet Kaper, presi-  
dent, enjoyed a social on Old Year  
evening. The new officers will beExpires April 4  
MORTGAGE SALEDefault having been made in the  
conditions of a certain mortgage  
signed and executed by Dirk Flier  
and Jennie Flier, his wife, as mort-  
gagors to Sietse Baron and Hattie  
Baron, husband and wife, as mort-  
gagees, said mortgage being dated  
November 10, 1922 and recorded in  
the office of the Register of Deeds  
for Ottawa County, Michigan, on  
November 25, 1922 in Liber 138 of  
Mortgages on page 61, on which  
there is now claimed to be due at  
this time for principal and interest  
the sum of Fifteen Hundred Thir-  
teen and no/100 Dollars and an at-  
torney fee as provided in said mort-  
gage, and no suit or proceedings at  
law having been instituted to re-  
cover the moneys secured by said  
mortgage.NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN  
that by virtue of the power of sale  
contained therein and the statute  
in such case made and provided, on  
Friday, the third day of April A. D.  
1931, at one o'clock in the after-  
noon, Central Standard Time, the  
undersigned will at the front door  
of the Court House at Grand Ha-  
ven, Michigan, sell at public auc-  
tion to the highest bidder the prem-  
ises described in said mortgage for  
a sum sufficient to pay the princi-  
pal sum of said mortgage, together  
with interest and all legal costs and  
charges. The premises being de-  
scribed as follows:The Southeast quarter of the  
Southeast quarter of Section  
22, Township 6 North of Range  
14 West, containing forty (40)  
acres of land more or less ac-  
cording to the government sur-  
vey, all in Blenden Township,  
Ottawa County, Michigan.SIETSE BARON,  
HATTIE BARON,  
Mortgagees.Dated This 6th day of January, A.  
D. 1931.Lokker & Den Herder,  
Attorneys for Mortgagees,  
Business Address:  
Holland, Michigan.

12484—Exp. Jan. 24

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Pro-  
bate Court for the County of Ottawa.At a session of said Court, held at  
the Probate Office in the City of Grand  
Haven, in said County, on the 6th day  
of January A. D. 1931.Present: Hon. James J. Danhof, Judge  
of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of

PETER D. BOS, Deceased

First State Bank having filed in said  
court its final administration account  
and its petition praying for the allow-  
ance thereof and for the assignment  
and distribution of the residue of said  
estate.

It is Ordered, That the

3rd day of February A. D., 1931

at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said  
probate office, be and is hereby ap-  
pointed for examining and allowing  
said account and hearing said petition;  
It is Further Ordered, That public  
notice thereof be given by publication  
of a copy of this order for three suc-  
cessive weeks previous to said day of hear-  
ing in the Holland City News, a news-  
paper printed and circulated in said  
county.JAMES J. DANHOF,  
Judge of Probate.

A true copy—

CORA VANDEWATER  
Register of Probateinstalled in office at the regular  
meeting next Sunday evening. Pro-  
grams for the new year have been  
printed and have been distributed  
by the program committee.Joseph Overbeek is slowly recov-  
ering from his illness. Although he  
is compelled to remain at home.Gladys Borgman, Kalamazoo,  
spent New Year's day with her  
mother, Mrs. E. Borgman.Funeral services for John Dub-  
bink were held last Friday after-  
noon at the home and at the First  
Reformed church. The pastor as-  
sisted by Rev. A. H. Strabbing, of-  
ficiated. Mr. Dubbink was one of  
the old settlers of this vicinity. He  
was born at Kalamazoo in 1852 and  
while still very young moved to  
this vicinity. Several years ago he  
retired from his farm and moved  
to Hamilton. He leaves to mourn  
their loss: the widow and four chil-  
dren: Mrs. John Jansen, Mrs. Henry  
Sol and Joe of this village, and  
Mrs. Martin Timmer of West Olive;a sister, Mrs. John Strabbing is  
living in Allegan.Mrs. Sena Maatman and daugh-  
ter Adelaide visited at the Henry  
Maatman home in Holland Old and  
New Year's days.D. L. Brink and family motored  
to Grand Haven New Year's day to  
visit relatives.Harvey Zeeng, Jake Drenten and  
Ed Miscotten were in Chicago sev-  
eral days last week.Mrs. P. H. Fisher is quite ser-  
iously ill.John Nysson and family of Hol-  
land, were guests at the Nieboer  
home New Year's evening.Julius Lubbers visited friends  
in Holland last week.Mrs. J. A. Roggen entertained her  
Sunday school class at her home  
last Thursday evening. About 24  
boys were present. The evening  
was spent in the playing of games  
and contests.Mr. and Mrs. Evert Mason, Mr.  
and Mrs. Setter of Miner Lake vis-  
ited Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mason Sun-  
day.Henry Wedeven and family were  
in Grand Rapids on New Year's  
visiting friends and relatives.Dr. Marinus Hoffis and family of  
Lake Odessa, Marvin Brower and  
family, Prof. Harry Van Zyland  
and family of Holland, spent New  
Year's day with their parents, Mr.  
and Mrs. Herman Brower.Nelson Vander Luyster of Ann  
Arbor was a supper guest at the  
home of Mr. and Mrs. John Nieboer  
last Tuesday.Mona Slotman, little daughter of  
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Slotman sub-  
mitted to a tonsil operation at the  
Holland hospital Tuesday.A New Year's program was en-  
joyed at the American Reformed  
church last week Thursday evening  
at the church. Each organization of  
the church furnished part of the  
program. There was a large crowd  
on hand and an interesting pro-  
gram was enjoyed.The Ted Kenck family of Grand  
Rapids visited Mr. and Mrs. Henry  
Schutmaat during the past week  
end.Herman Lodenstein of Muskegon  
is spending a few days with his  
children, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Eding  
in this village.A New Year's party was held at  
the Maxam home Thursday eve-  
ning. Those present were Mrs. Dewey  
Bomers and family of Holland;  
Mr. and Mrs. George Lenters of  
East Saugatuck; Mr. and Mrs. An-  
drew Karsten and daughter, Janet,  
of Holland and Mr. and Mrs. John  
Elzinga of this village.The Junior Mission Band of the  
American Reformed church met at  
the Ilg home Saturday afternoon.  
Election of officers was held: Presi-  
dent, Esther Slotman; Evelyn  
Schutmaat, vice-president; Harriet  
Van Doornink, secretary-treasurer.Mr. and Mrs. George Schutmaat  
entertained Rev. and Mrs. H. Ter  
Keurst, Prof. and Mrs. VanZyl of  
Holland; Dr. and Mrs. Bert Kem-  
pers of this village last week Friday  
evening.Mr. and Mrs. John Kolenbrander  
of Holland were visitors at the  
John Maxam home Sunday.Mr. and Mrs. Henry Van Dom-  
melen of Grand Rapids were at Ja-  
cob Edings during the last week  
end.Mr. and Mrs. Donald Kleine, Hol-  
land, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mich-  
mershuizen of Overisel, Mr. and  
Mrs. Garret Sale were at the home  
of George Rankens on New Year's.The Kings Daughters' Society of  
the First church had a mother and  
daughter banquet on Tuesday eve-  
ning. The program follows. Re-  
marks, Toastmistress, Janet Kaper;  
Our Mothers; Our Daughters, Mrs.  
J. A. Roggen; violin solo, Lavina  
Borgman; Climbing the Ladder of  
Service, Ella Roggen; Climbing in  
the Future, Josephine Johnson;  
Johnson; song by the society. The  
program theme was climbing. The  
decorations were in green and white  
the society colors.

## WEST OLIVE

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Werner en-  
tertained with a New Year's party at  
their home in West Olive. Cards  
were played until 12:00 o'clock when  
a delicious oyster supper was served.  
The guests present were: Mr. and  
Mrs. Tansy Davis and children, Mr.  
and Mrs. Eugene Peck, Mr. and  
Mrs. Harry Guiles, Mr. and Mrs. F.  
B. Peck and children, Frank Bar-  
tonic and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Werner.

## OVERISEL

Steven Wolters, 60 years, of  
East Overisel, died Thursday after-  
noon at the Holland hospital. He  
is survived by his wife, one son,  
Gerrit Wolters, and two daughters,  
Mrs. John Schraaf and Mrs. John  
H. Hulst of East Overisel. Also  
two brothers, Gerrit Wolters and  
Edwin Wolters of East Overisel;  
and two sisters, Mrs. Herman Van  
Dulst, of Los Angeles, California,  
and Mrs. Simon Vollink, of Hast-  
ings. Funeral services were held  
Tuesday afternoon at 12:30 o'clock  
from the home and at 1 o'clock  
from the Benheim Reformed  
church. Rev. A. Oosterhof officiat-  
ing. Interment will take place in  
Benheim cemetery.

## DRENTHIE

Weigert Karsten, aged 70 years,  
died Thursday at his home one  
mile east of Drenthie. He is sur-  
vived by his wife and one son,  
Peter of Drenthie, and four broth-  
ers, William Karsten of Beaver-  
dam, Herman Karsten of Marion,  
Henry Karsten of Zeeland and  
Peter Karsten of Grandville. Two  
grandchildren also survive. Fun-  
eral services were held Monday  
afternoon at 12:30 from the home  
and at 1 o'clock from the Drenthie  
Christian Reformed church, Rev. B.  
J. Danhof officiating. Burial took  
place in Drenthie cemetery.

## A Christmas Without Worry

THIS young man has a right to be proud. Building  
up a substantial savings account dollar by dol-  
lar takes real grit and real tenacity, but he started the  
savings habit through a Christmas Savings account  
and you know habits are hard to break and this is a  
good one.Q Start a savings account now while there is still  
time. Not only does your account grow by virtue  
of it being constantly added to week by week but  
after 50 weeks of systematic saving in accordance  
with the plan adopted you get it all back together  
with 4 percent interest, making a snug little sum for  
Christmas.Q During 1930 the First State Bank disbursed  
nearly \$70,000 in Christmas savings. Will you join  
this year?

## Once A Joiner Always A Joiner!

A Fine Recommendation for the Plan.

## Join Our 1931 Christmas Savings Club Now!

A spot cash Christmas saves you starting the New Year under a  
heavy burden of debt. It's so much easier to save for months  
ahead than it is to pay for months afterward.

## Savings Club for 1931 Is Now Open

Join that class most convenient for your needs. Here you have  
the different Classes available:CLASS 1—Members paying 1 cent the first week, 2 cents the  
second week and increasing 1 cent each week  
for fifty weeks will receive.....\$12.75CLASS 1A—Members paying 50 cents the first week, 49 cents  
the second week and decreasing 1 cent each  
week fifty weeks will receive.....\$12.75CLASS 2—Members paying 2 cents the first week, 4 cents the  
second week and increasing 2 cents each week  
for fifty weeks will receive.....\$25.50CLASS 2A—Members paying \$1.00 the first week, 98 cents  
the second week and decreasing 2 cents each  
week for fifty weeks will receive.....\$25.50CLASS 10—Members paying 10 cents a week for fifty weeks  
will receive.....\$5.00CLASS 5—Members paying 5 cents the first week, 10 cents  
the second week, and increasing 5 cents each  
week for fifty weeks will receive.....\$63.75CLASS 5A—Members paying \$2.50 the first week, \$2.45 the  
second week, and decreasing 5 cents each week  
for fifty weeks will receive.....\$63.75CLASS 10A—Members paying 10c the first week, 20 cents  
the second week, and increasing 10 cents each  
week for fifty weeks will receive.....\$127.50CLASS 10B—Members paying \$5.00 the first week, \$4.90 the  
second week, and decreasing 10 cents each  
week for fifty weeks will receive.....\$127.50CLASS 25—Members paying 25 cents a week for fifty weeks  
will receive.....\$12.50CLASS 50—Members paying 50 cents a week for fifty weeks  
will receive.....\$25.00CLASS 100—Members paying \$1.00 a week for fifty weeks  
will receive.....\$50.00CLASS 200—Members paying \$2.00 a week for fifty weeks  
will receive.....\$100.00CLASS 1000—Members paying \$10.00 a week for fifty weeks  
will receive.....\$500.00CLASS 2000—Members paying \$20 a week for fifty weeks  
will receive.....\$1000.00

With 4 Percent Interest Added

## First State Bank







## Funeral Sermon Delivered by Dr. John M. Vander Meulen Over The Remains Of The Hon. Gerrit J. Diekema, Honor- able Minister To The Netherlands

### REVIEWS THE LIFE OF OUR FOREMOST CITIZEN IN STIRRING ADDRESS

"Mr. Diekema Knew What Sore  
Disappointment was as well as  
Tragedy."—VanderMeulen.

Below will be found the  
funeral address given by Rev.  
John M. Vander Meulen of  
Presbyterian Seminary, Louis-  
ville, Ky., on Monday after-  
noon, January 5, 1931, at  
Hope Memorial chapel.

Mr. Vander Meulen has  
been a lifelong friend of the  
Diekema family and it is only  
fitting that he be asked to  
pronounce this eulogy over  
the remains of our much be-  
loved townsman, whose in-  
fluence for good has been felt  
not only in his own country  
but the nations across the sea.

The splendid address fol-  
lows below:

What a challenge this life is to you younger  
men.

Who of you will take his place?

Close the ranks and ride on: the Banner  
he bore

For Christ and the right never faltered  
before.

Then up with it quick for the right, for  
the light

Lost legions of men be lost in the night.  
—VanderMeulen.

Funeral Sermon For Mr. Diekema

II Tim. 4:7—"I have fought  
a good fight, I have fin-  
ished my course, I have  
kept the faith."

This is an outline of the biog-  
raphy of a great life, the life of  
the Apostle Paul. But being that it  
is also the outline of a biography  
of many other great lives which  
embraces essentials without which  
no life can be great. It might have  
been said by Abraham Lincoln, too,  
or by William of Orange, might it  
not—"I have fought a good fight,  
I have finished my course, I have  
kept the faith." So it is that into  
this outline there may readily be  
sketched the life and character of  
our departed friend, Mr. Diekema.  
He was a warrior; he was a  
keeper.

I.  
The Fighter of a Good Fight

He was first of all the Fighter  
of a Good Fight.

There are many sorts of fights

which nearly every great soul has

to wage in life. One is the fight

within himself; the other is the

fight in the world.

The first is the fight within him-  
self. There are to be sure men who  
do not know what that fight is.

Francis Newman called them the

once-born men. And in that class

Professor William James put Ed-  
ward Everett Hale, the noted

American Unitarian preacher, and

Walt Whitman. Dr. Hale once

wrote: "I observe with profound

regret, the religious struggle which

comes into many biographies, as if

at a new birth. Dr. Hale said he had

experienced "such religious or

moral conflict," such religious or

moral conflict, "to live with all my

inwardness; to learn where there was

so much to learn seemed pleasant

and almost a matter of course; to

lend a hand, if one had a chance,

natural." But whatever may be

said of once-born men, Paul did not

belong to them. "The evil that I

would not that I do," he cried, and

"the good that I would that I do

not." He knew what it was to sit

over against himself in the inner

chambers of his soul and say, down,

down, down to his worse self until

by the grace of God he was the

victor. And that has been true of

practically all the really great souls

in the world. They have been mor-  
ally great not because they knew

no temptation from within but be-  
cause they have won increasing

strength of moral nerve and spiri-  
tual heart in a glorious fight

against it. It was so with Mr. Die-  
kema. Your local paper in its well

justified love and admiration for

him has said that "his faults were

few and trivial and his virtues leg-  
ion." And we will find it in our

hearts to say "Amen" to that. But

if that is true it does not mean, as

in the case of Edward Everett Hale

that all this was an easy thing.

He had indeed great natural

virtues such as his affability, for

example, that would always have

won him no matter what sort of a

man he had, let himself become.

But these very virtues brought

with them in life and in the career

he had chosen for himself career

moral perils. He was a man who

walked in the midst of varied and

subtle temptations the urge of

which must have been strong in

his soul, as they were in the soul

of Paul, and must needs be in a

man of genial temperament. But

he was a twice-born man and he

and had been the fighter of a good

fight on the unseen arena of his

own soul.

And if he was a fighter on the

unseen arena of his own soul he

was also a fighter on the battle-

fields of the world. There are of

course virtuous and kindly men who

are not but there are no great men

who are not. There are so-called

good men who say, "I am no fight-  
er." No fighter? Paul would have

been ashamed to say it.

"Peace does not mean the end of all our

striving.

Joy does not mean the drying of all tears.

Peace is the power that comes to souls

arriving

Up to the light where God Himself ap-  
pears.

"Joy is the wine that God is ever pouring

into the hearts of those that strive with

Him.

Lighting their eyes to vision and adoring.

Strengthening their arms to warfare glad

and grim."

(Studdert Kennedy's "Warrior, Woman

and Christ"—p. 60).

Mr. Diekema had chosen for him-  
self a profession and a career that

naturally involved fighting, the

career of law and politics. And in

both especially when he was fight-  
ing for others and not for himself

—which in politics he was doing

most of the time—he was formid-  
able, a grand fighter. God had

given him wonderful gifts for it.

And by diligent practice he had

brought these up to the last de-  
gree of efficiency.

He was a great fighter in his

own person. And he brought to

these fights the great battle axe

of his well informed logic, the

flashing sword of his eloquence and

the rapier of his lightning like

repartee and wit.

He was, moreover a natural lead-  
er of men and knew how like a gen-  
eral to command and manipulate

his forces.

He was an open and above board

fighter and never hid below the

belt. His flair was not for the

technicalities and tricks of the law

so much, in which though a well

informed lawyer, others had more

practice than he. His flair was,

like Lincoln's, for the broad prin-  
ciples of law and justice, in which

no one excelled him.

And last of all he had not that

every fighter possesses, a good nat-  
ured joyousness in a fight, which is

or ought to be one of the chief

charms of it. He went into it like

these knights of old, not only with

a certain gladness of heart that

loves a merry fight, but with an

underlying kindness to his foes

so that when the battle was over,

whether he had lost or won, if they

had any bitterness, he had none.

The people of his own home town

and state learned to know that as

the years went by. For that reason,

though legally and politically he

was a warrior of many battles,

he came to be loved by political

allies and opponents alike and at

last, though in his own town he

still had opponents, he had no long-  
er any foes, and all came to think

of him as the first and most beloved

of all the citizens of Holland. That

is a great tribute to a fighter. And

men of all parties and sects are

me to pay it today.

And yet brilliant and admirable

though his technique of fighting

was it is not his political and legal

battles I have in mind when I say

that he was a fighter of a good

fight in the world. What I mean is

that he fought many a battle for

and with the Lord. The cause of

the Kingdom in his own home city

is poor this day and has reason to

cry with that prophet of old, "My

father, my father, the chariots of

Israel are in the town thereof." For

not merely in business but in his

church, in the college, in any

movement for the moral and spiri-  
tual uplift of the city, whatsoever

things are honest, whatsoever things

are pure, whatsoever things are

lovely, whatsoever things are of

good report, if there be any virtue,

and if there be any praise, "he was

for these things."

And his last mission in life was

in the interest of one of the most

sacred causes of the King, the dis-  
arming of prejudice and the spread-

ing of good will and peace between

the nations of the world. What he

had already accomplished in that

way in the Netherlands and what

yet he was destined to accomplish

if he had lived, is a romance of

statesmanship. If at every court

of the world there were such tact-

ful and understanding, such genial

and able champions of this cause,

the long battle for good will and

peace would be nearer that goal of

which all the prophets have

dreamed but which the statesmen

### MESSAGE FROM THE QUEEN TELEGRAM

December 23, 1930

Sgravenhage 57 23 13 17 Etat Holl

govt

President of the United States

Washington.

Please accept the expression of

my greatest sympathy with the

passing away of the Minister

of the United States at The Hague.

Mr. Diekema by the way in which

he fulfilled his high mission had ac-

quired universal esteem in this

country and we sincerely grieve at

his untimely death.

WILHELMINA.

The Secretary of State,

Washington,

January 2, 1931

My dear Mrs. Diekema:

I am sure it will be a gratifica-

tion for you to learn of the receipt

of a telegram from Her Majesty,

the Queen of the Netherlands on

the death of the Minister, a copy

of which I am sending to you here-

with.

I am,

Sincerely,

Henry L. Stimson.

to say a good word not merely for

the fighter and the Builder but

also for the mere Maintainers? All

these things enter into a man's

career. And so the second thing that

Paul said is perhaps a larger thing

than the first. He had not only

fought a good fight but he had

run a course.

Mr. Diekema's career was the

career of an eminently successful

man. It was my privilege, as it has

been many of yours, to watch that

career. I was a student at Hope

College when he began that career.

The first Mrs. Diekema was a stu-

dent in the Senior class when I

entered the Preparatory Depart-

ment. I remember being present at

Hope Church a little later when

the two were united in a happy

marriage, a union of brilliancy

with beauty, of grit with grace.

We students were immensely proud

of him. I remember some of us

going to hear him plead one of his

earliest law cases and how thrilled

we were over his searching cross

examination and his impassioned

plea and his overwhelming victory.

And then when he went to the

Michigan Legislature and became

the speaker of the lower house, all

during the same college year of

my class and others of the later

eighties, and the early nineties, we

were still prouder of him. He was

the product of Hope College, per-

haps the first of its graduates to

occupy such a position and he was

to us a sort of hero and we pre-

dicted for him a great career. And

we did not predict in vain.

What thrilled us, too, was that

though starting out brilliantly

himself he had a great and unself-

ish interest in our own humble

careers and was always ready to

give us a word of counsel and en-

couragement. If I may intrude a

personal incident, which I may be

pardoned for citing because it was

typical, I remember well one, to

me, never-to-be-forgotten day in

the summer of 1893, going off all

alone to Macatawa Park to settle

finally that day whether I should

be a lawyer, a teacher, or a min-

ister. Sitting there in some secluded

spot in the sand to wrestle in mind

with that problem, I felt a hand on

my shoulder and looking up I found



## Editorial Comments on Minister Diekema

Bansing State Journal:

### DIEKEMA SERVED WELL

Gerrit J. Diekema, as was to be expected, has left remembrance of himself, at his passing, that is still continuing to move newspapers and others to favorable, appreciative comment. It ought to be a satisfaction to the close relatives and friends of the deceased minister to the Netherlands to note that honors paid the memory of the man are not merely of one day, as might happen because of mere high position he held, but, rather, because people like to ponder feelingly upon the sort of man he was. To be held in memory, rather than only noticed, however pointedly, is as fine an honor as one could wish, as one leaves this life.

With no disparagement intended, it is likely people of Michigan are thinking of Gerrit J. Diekema as a politician rather than as a statesman. While he rendered excellent service as a member of the Michigan house of representatives and as speaker of the body, and while he went to congress and acquitted himself well there, and while he contributed excellent service on federal commissions, and while he has just been serving excellently abroad rounding out his career, yet the name of Gerrit J. Diekema is familiar today to most people of Michigan because his name was so frequently in the papers because of his activity, in a becoming way, with the affairs of the dominant party of the state. He was twice chairman of the republican state central committee. One of those terms was a long one in that office.

It is something of an accomplishment, and one to be marked by young men just coming onto the stage of political action, in that, for a long term of years, Gerrit J. Diekema was intimately associated with the organization side of politics and, yet, in all that time never drew the suspicion and dislike of the public. The organization side of politics is a very necessary aspect thereof, yet, in our present day, people in general suspect and discount those in positions of party management. It was not so with Gerrit J. Diekema. To the mass of people, he was a necessary party executive and never a boss. It will be a happy day for Michigan and for America in general when we can win that type of confidence.

Gerrit J. Diekema was born in Holland, Michigan, in 1859. He never left Holland as his home. He did not feel it necessary to go to the far, large city to win fame and fortune. Perhaps therein lies the secret of the confidence always placed in him. In his own home town, among the people who knew him, he served in many ways. He was sent to high stations at times, but he never forsook his home.

The Saginaw Daily News:

### GERRIT JOHN DIEKEMA

Michigan lost one of her best by the death of Gerrit John Diekema. His life was useful and a successful one, during which he gave much of valuable public service and achieved prominence in Republican councils in this state; through his activities for the party. He was loved well in his own community. By reason of his charming personal qualities, his sound character, his unswerving integrity, and his ever willingness to give of himself for the best interest of Holland.

He made his mark in other spheres of life and his contacts everywhere brought him esteem and liking. It was an appropriate setting for his career that he was appointed United States Minister to The Hague, and there, too, in the home land of his parents, he grew a marked and honored figure among men of high station.

Editorial—Michigan Manufacturer and Financial Record:

### THE PASSING OF MR. DIEKEMA

The sudden death of our Minister to the Netherlands, Mr. Gerrit J. Diekema, of Holland, is a regrettable thing, ending as it did a life of much usefulness to this state. Mr. Diekema was a worthy son of the race to whose home land he was, at the end of his days, accredited as the representative of the United States. He had a fine basic education. He was a really good lawyer. He was an active participant in the affairs of his political party. So that it was not strange that he was sent to Congress where he served conservatively and acceptably; or that he was called upon to represent business in a professional way, which he did with equal successes. Mr. Diekema had an added value to his state in his promotion and support of new industry. Particularly was he valuable to the beet sugar industry, which he helped found in western Michigan, and through whose vicissitudes he was a faithful friend.

He did his work well. He leaves a fine memory for his fellow-citizens to be proud of.

Jackson Citizen Patriot:

### GERRIT J. DIEKEMA SERVED STATE AND COUNTRY WELL

The death of Gerrit J. Diekema, United States minister to the Netherlands, brings to an end a career which has been a source of special pride to the state of Michigan. Mr. Diekema has been one of the outstanding figures in the public life of this state for more than 50 years. His citizenship was of the highest type, giving prestige to the political activity to which he devoted a great deal of his time. The appointment of Gerrit J. Diekema as minister to the Netherlands last August was an unusually gracious act on the part of the president. For the parents of the minister were natives of that land and he himself was born in Holland, Michigan, the center of a prosperous territory peopled largely by Dutch. A better choice for a ministerial post at The Hague could not have been made.

However, Michigan residents will remember this man best as a member of the State Legislature and later, a representative in the National Congress. They will remem-

ber him as one of the powers in the Republican party and its state chairman for different terms. His memory as a public-spirited citizen will endure and will serve as an inspiration, particularly to the thousands of Americans of Dutch descent who looked upon him as their leader.

The Muskegon Chronicle:

### ONE WHO SERVED.

Gerrit J. Diekema of Holland, whose passing at The Hague had saddened all of Michigan, was one of that type of citizens, all too painfully rare, who, in his own estimation, belongs to his home town, to his state, and to his country. No honors he had won, no distinction that had come to him, no business or professional success he had achieved, ever swelled him in his own estimation beyond the claims of his church, his town, the little college that was his alma mater and his life-long concern, or the political party with which he affiliated. He never assumed that the claims of one avenue of his service discharged his whole obligation to his community or his country. The world would be richer if there were more like that.

Mr. Diekema, because of this characteristic, leaves behind him three careers, either of which would have lifted him above the dead level on which some with equal ability are willing to live.

Religiously, he was a distinguished layman of his church. He served for years as teacher of the men's bible class of the church to which he gave his lifelong devotion. He served as a state president of the Michigan Sunday School association, now the Michigan Council of Religious Education, and as a trustee of the little college of his church, outstanding for the quality of its scholarship, and he was always available as a lay speaker for the religious activities of Michigan. As a lawyer, he perhaps did not make the outstanding record his talent would have made possible had he been willing to sacrifice other interests and service to make himself a slave of the law. He divided his talent between the law and the numerous business interests with which he became affiliated, all of which were primarily in the interest of building up his home city.

In politics, characteristically, he was a man of few personal honors. He served as chairman of the state central committee of the Republican party, and sacrificed his own career in Congress in devoted loyalty to the party when the state was in turmoil of political rebellion, following that other distinguished Hollander, Theodore Roosevelt. But his experience was never permitted to embitter him. He had earned the distinction that came with his assignment as minister to Holland.

Such men, who listen to the claims of the community, church and party on their service, may not reach the pinnacles attained by some who sacrifice all to a single ambition. But they add much more to the world as they pass through.

Editorial, Kalamazoo Gazette:

### GERRIT J. DIEKEMA

In the death of Gerrit John Diekema, United States Minister to The Netherlands, Michigan loses a distinguished citizen whose ability and integrity had won well-merited recognition. Born at Holland 71 years ago, Mr. Diekema was educated in the school of his community and at Hope college, completing his law course at the University of Michigan in 1883. Since that time his interest was divided between his legal practice, business and public service. His natural talents for politics and statecraft made him a valuable man in the legislature at Lansing, in the federal congress, and in the councils of the Republican party.

While it has been said that formal oratory is on the wane as an influence in political affairs, much of Mr. Diekema's success was no doubt due to his ability on the platform. The same attractive personality which characterized the man's private relationships also dominated his public career. Although not at all lacking in the forcefulness which a good speaker can employ to such great advantage, he was able to maintain his self-control and his command of logic even under the heaviest stress. One biographer has faithfully described him as "a born orator who never got rattled" in any way.

It was natural that the engaging personal qualities which had won Mr. Diekema the respect and affection of his fellow-citizens in Michigan should have had a similar effect during his stay at The Hague. Although he had served but 14 months in the post of envoy, he had already measured well up to the definition of a diplomat as one who is sent forth to make friends for one's country. The sense of loss which Michigan now feels so deeply is no doubt shared both at Washington and at the capital of The Netherlands.

Grand Rapids Spectator:

### IN MEMORY OF GERRIT JOHN DIEKEMA

A celebrated statesman, reflecting in the afternoon of his years upon man's contribution to his society, once said there are three distinct gifts a man gives to his fellow men. One was the gift of genius, another the gift of wealth and the last and greatest, the giving of himself.

## HOLLAND BIDS GODSPEED TO DIEKEMA



From the files of the Holland City News of sixteen months ago when thousands from this vicinity were at the Holland depot saying good-bye and bidding Godspeed to Minister and Mrs. Diekema.

a solid stock, he held firmly to the homely principles of life which won for himself the affection, esteem and confidence of all with whom he came in contact.

A measure of the man may be gained by a remark he made to the writer of these lines during his tireless work during the world war. "I have learned to bear with the misfortunes of war," he said, "but I can never appraise my own value high enough to consider myself worthy of the sacrifice our men are making for my happiness." Yet, Gerrit Diekema would have been among the first to answer the call had he been within the years of military service.

Grand Rapids extends to the citizens of Holland, his birthplace and life-long residence, its sincere sympathy in the loss of a noble life, a useful citizen and an outstanding leader.

From Chamber of Commerce of United States:

Mr. Dick Boter, President, Holland Chamber of Commerce, Holland, Michigan.

The news dispatches carrying word of the death of G. J. Diekema have been read with sorrow. We were mindful of Mr. Diekema's interest in service as our National Councillor from your organization. His long and varied career in business and in public life has made him a most distinguished representative of your city, and we can appreciate the loss which you must feel in his death.

Assuring you of our deep sympathy, I am, Very truly yours, Wm. Butterworth, President, Chamber of Commerce of United States of America, Washington, D. C.

Dec. 22, 1930

President, Holland C. of C., Holland, Michigan.

Dear Mr. Boter:—It is needless for me to say to you that I was deeply shocked, although not surprised, at the death of my friend of many years' standing and Holland's most outstanding citizen, the Honorable Gerrit J. Diekema.

I am sure that he has won a place in the annals of Holland which would be difficult for anyone to duplicate. I feel confident that at the proper time Holland will do just honors to his memory.

Will you accept from me for your organization and for the citizens of Holland my sincere sympathy in your loss?

Yours most cordially, John N. Van Der Vries, of U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

A Letter from Dr. John Talmadge Bergen:

### PASSING OF DIEKEMA

Dear Editor:—The passing away of the Hon. G. J. Diekema is both a sorrow and unspeakable loss to all of us. Since 1889, when we became fast friends and comrades, our fellowship never faltered. For fourteen years we were daily in closest touch in all things, Christian faith, educational interests, business transactions, politics, social life, sports and confidences of many kinds. We loved him as a brother and true friend, trusted him in all things, rejoiced in his victories, and dug in with him sometimes when the battle was going against us. He never swerved, never failed from the path of honor and loyalty. Diekema's loss to Holland is very great. He loved his city!

He has gone, but his memory and influence must remain. Of all the descendants of the pioneers of '47, he had become the outstanding international character. Europe is drifting into very dangerous waters. The next year, 1931, will require most careful steering on the part of good, true men in our diplomatic service, to keep in our relations abroad. Mr. Diekema at The Hague occupied a most commanding position for future international adjustments. When he had become most efficient and useful to America—then God took him.

A great leader has fallen, and Holland feels the loss most acutely

because he was a part and helper in her every interest.

Now, citizens, business men and women, educators, religious workers, we must loyalty close up our ranks and march on.

These are hard times and business is at low ebb, all Holland's future now depends upon a unity of support and effort. Let no selfish, personal interest spoil Holland's solidarity.

This united support and advance must be spiritual as well as material. Back again, to the faith of the pioneers!

More prayer, more gospel power, more mutual fellowship in the things of God's Kingdom, more love between each other, more trust in each other—these "things of the Spirit"—may Holland have them now!

Ever your old-time friend and comrade,

John Talmadge Bergen, Homewood Presbyterian Church, Dec. 29th, 1930 Minneapolis.

### HOLLAND CHAMER OF COMMERCE PASSES RESOLUTION

The Chamber of Commerce of the City of Holland pays its tribute of respect and honor to the memory of Hon. G. J. Diekema who in the fullness of life passed.

"Beyond the mists that blind us here

Into the new and larger life Of that serene sphere."

No matter what honors the State and Nation showered upon him, he was first and always a loyal citizen of this city in all his deeds and allegiance. No forward step was ever taken here except with his wise advice and sage counsel. Every worthy civic cause found in him a far seeing and eloquent champion. His large heart responded to every need and plea. His life for a generation past has been bound up very intimately with the progress of his beloved city. The members of the Chamber of Commerce will always be grateful for his wisdom, encouragement, faith and enthusiasm. They rejoice that he was able to climb the slope of life from the base of lowly birth and humble circumstances to the high summit of world influence and distinction. We highly resolve out of respect for his memory to give ourselves to larger devotion to every worthy community cause and enterprise.

We rejoice with all good citizens that "Gladly did he live and laid himself down with a will."

For the Chamber of Commerce, Wynand Wichers, Dick Boter.

### HOPE CHURCH MEN'S BIBLE CLASS, KNOWN AS THE DIEKEMA CLASS, PASSES RESOLUTIONS

"The men's bible class of Hope Reformed church, deeply grieved at the serious loss to us of our beloved friend and able teacher, the Hon. Gerrit J. Diekema, desires to pay its simple tribute of love and respect in the following words:

"First: It was through Mr. Diekema's power of attraction and organization that our men's bible class came into existence about 12 years ago. Throughout those years Mr. Diekema proved himself a teacher of outstanding ability and was the lodestar that drew men of the church and of the unchurched together in a strong unity of common interests.

"Secondly: Our teacher was a strong and loyal patriot. He had the unusual tact and wisdom to make the ten minutes preceding the lesson a most valuable asset in which he gave a resume of the most important events of the week, events of import to the state, the church and in the home—with a clear precision and a mature judgment scarcely equaled and always in the spirit of sane optimism.

"Thirdly: Our teacher was a loyal evangelistic christian, true to the fundamental doctrines of the church while his firm faith always proved reassuring to those weak in the faith or puzzled and bewildered in mind. He was entirely sure that sin brought death into the world and all our woe, with loss of Eden, till a greater Man restored us.

"He always taught that the wages of sin is death. He loved to speak of the faithful Christ and the bliss of Heaven. We hope never to forget his positive teaching.

"Lastly: His oft-expressed wish that he might be permitted by the great Taskmaster to die in the har-

ness, has been signally fulfilled. In the midst of his arduous toil he was stricken; now he rests from his labors on earth. God's finger touched him and he slept. No, he is not dead to us, for he yet speaketh, and his words do follow him."

Signed, W. J. Olive, C. J. Dregman, J. B. Nykerk.

"WE LAY THIS TRIBUTE OF LOVE AND HONOR UPON HIS BIER"—REV. MARTIN

Many of Holland's pastors could not refrain from eulogizing Holland's foremost citizen last Sunday.

Rev. James M. Martin, permanent clerk of the general synod of Reformed church in America, and pastor of Third Reformed church of which Mr. Diekema was once a member, paid the following tribute to the departed diplomat:

"Tomorrow this community will lay away one of its most honored sons. Because he was once a member of this church I would like to lay upon his bier a wreath of this church's memory.

"We honor him as a fellow citizen who held an unusual place of esteem and affection among us.

"We honor him as a statesman who rose to high place in his country's service.

"We honor him as a friend who richly and unceasingly served us all—every man's friend, every man's helper.

"We honor him as a Christian who took his humble place in the church and used his ample gifts of leadership and personality in her interests.

"A life rich in good works, loved for its friendliness, honored for its own worth, and come in these last days to high estate in his country's service is now closed.

"We lay this tribute of love and honor upon his bier."

In Fourth Reformed church, Rev. Henry VanDyke, also paid a tribute to Mr. Diekema. He said:

"When Mr. Diekema was sent to Holland as minister of the United States, he was given credentials. In The Netherlands friends and officials introduced him to government authorities there. But after he was once there, it remained for him to carry out the work and meet all its requirements.

"It can be said that he did this with at least a measure of success and this was the result of his own qualities and characteristics as such as the result of the application and interest he put in the work. It is for this that he is known as he wanted to be known, as an example of good stewardship."

Rev. J. Lansing, pastor of Immanuel Undenominational church, stressed the influence which Mr. Diekema's life exerted on the city as a whole, as well as on individuals.

"What he did for the nation is known to all," said Rev. Mr. Lansing. "It is for his integrity as a christian that he is best known in this city." Rev. Paul Van Eerden of Seventh Reformed church spoke briefly on the example for good which the life of Mr. Diekema had always been.

Rev. J. Vanderbeek, pastor of 6th Reformed church, alluding to Mr. Diekema, said:

"Let others speak of his labors in the sphere of law and politics. Let others speak of the services he has rendered to our state and nation. Let others speak of his influence and of his renown at home as well as abroad. I wish to pay tribute to his memory as that of a Christian gentleman, whose faith rested upon the Rock of Ages. He was a workman that needeth not be ashamed. The services he had rendered to his country and ours were inspired by the principles of the great Master Builder. May the Ruler of Nations cause his mantle to fall on others young and strong, to go forth in his faith and courage and help guide our ship of state through the perilous seas we are entering upon."

"The death of Gerrit John Diekema has deprived this community of a noble character and useful service that was so inspiring to all," said Rev. D. D. Douglas of Grace Episcopal church. "To speak of the loss and sorrow that his death has brought to so many is no more than natural, but it would not be sufficient to appraise the personality and service to of the late minister to The Netherlands.

"Mr. Diekema was a man of great faith and high vision; he was richly endowed with many gifts. It was sufficient to meet him once to realize the many possessions of his soul. People in two nations respected him for his office, they admired him for his goodness and they loved him for his kindness. He was unsparing of himself in devotion to the interests and duties that lay before him and he died, a faithful servant of the state, at his post.

"May his name long be remembered and his life of good deeds well done, emulated by the youth of today, and may his soul be rewarded in the kingdom of his Master in a larger service and a purer joy in the communion of saints within the veil."

Rev. John C. Willis, pastor of First M. E. church of Holland, formerly pastor of First M. E. church of Grand Rapids, referred to Mr. Diekema as follows:

"Tomorrow we shall be called upon to lay away our fellow-citizen, Gerrit John Diekema. It is the closing chapter in the life's history of Holland's most distinguished citizen. We shall approach the hour with uncovered heads and heavy hearts. He was truly a great man. He leaves behind him a good name, rich in sacrificial service for the local community, for the state and for the nation. Richly endowed by nature, he easily became a leader and patriot in the best sense of the word wherever he was found. He was a term and always a christian gentleman. His ambassadorship to The Netherlands was a fitting climax to his splendid life. We shall greatly miss him."

In Trinity Reformed church, Rev. Henry D. TerKeurst, said:

"An editorial written some years ago perchance came to my desk. Rapidly perusing it this sentence captured my attention: 'This constantly repeated term, leadership, carries a mighty light load of vague meaning.' Sure enough, this word is often an empty one, lightly bandied to and fro.

"In my endeavor to analyze leadership, to ascertain and describe its elements, reflection upon the life and personality of the late Gerrit J. Diekema was rewarding. From his life it is evident that leadership is not what many imagine—bossiness. He did not lead by putting on lordly airs and ordering people around.

"Leadership is never found in any direction of self-assumed importance nor through any rash rush for spectacular command over men, nor by means of pious pretensions. If in those ways leadership lay it would be exasperating. Mr. Diekema was a winning and ingratiating man. He was a true leader. He led his neighbors by living among his brothers a simple life of brotherhood and convinced them that he was not out for anything for himself. He had the first requisite for leadership, which is usefulness. Nor will men ever follow anybody who is chiefly hunting benefits for himself.

"He was a true leader in that he surrounded men and women with an atmosphere saturated with patriotism, culture and christian ideals. The best things are not lectured in

to people nor driven into them. The best things are absorbed by people out of the atmosphere true leadership produces. Where the personality of Mr. Diekema was pervasive, religious bigotry wilted, captious narrow-mindedness was embarrassed and common, worldly standards felt their shortcomings.

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## JOHN FITZGIBBONS IN CAPITOL GOSSIP SAY OF "DIEK"

Detroit News—Gerrit J. Diekema, for upwards of half a century a factor in Republican State politics and United States minister to The Netherlands by appointment of President Hoover, was, in the early '80's, one of a legislative commission of three appointed to draft a code for the incorporation of cities to be classified as first, second, third and fourth class, according to population. The other two were Mark S. Brewer of Pontiac, a representative in Congress from 1877 to '81, and from 1887 to '91, and Edwin F. Conely, a leader of the Detroit bar. Mr. Conely, a democrat, rendered conspicuous service to his city, also in the early '80's when he relinquished for several years his lucrative practice to serve as chief of police for \$4,500 a year, and when the department was the target for much criticism because of general inefficiency.

At that period there was a non-salaried police commission of four, and the chief had practically all the responsibilities that the commissioner now has. Mr. Conely completely reorganized the force, introducing many modern methods so that it had a topnotch rating. Then he resigned and returned to the practice of his profession. Mr. Diekema, who died last week, survived his two colleagues on the commission that drafted the code, much changed by subsequent enactments, for 30 years.

## Dutch Historian Pays Tribute to Diekema

TELLS OF TWO MEETINGS, ONE HAPPY, THE OTHER SAD

Hendrick Van Loon, famous Dutchman, who lectured in Grand Rapids a few days ago, in an interview of two columns, spoke on a great many present day vital subjects. Among them were art, socialism, Bolshevism, Fascism, the relation of nations, one toward the other, etc., all interesting subjects. However the interview also led up to the late Mr. Gerrit Jan Diekema and this is what this world-known

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Van Loon, famous historian philosopher and artist said:

"It was a coincidence of fate," he said, "that I should return to Grand Rapids on the same train with our kind old friend Gerrit Jan Diekema. I had last seen him in Amsterdam when Charles Kingsford Smith returned from flying the Southern Cross around the world and he was planning to visit us on our little island this spring. And then we met once more on the station of Grand Rapids, but we did not travel the same way."

"So many kind and sad things will be said about him the next few days (undoubtedly have already been said) that I need not add words of praise and he himself would have been strongly against any elaborate speeches where it concerned his own virtues.

"But during the short time he was in Holland he accomplished a great service for America. For let us be honest; during the present crisis the position



## Editorial, The Leader:

Published in the Interests of the Reformed Church.

## Minister Diekema

In an hour like this, one finds it very difficult—indeed, altogether impossible—to find words that will adequately voice the emotions of the heart. It is no exaggeration to say that Mr. Diekema was one of the most honored and nobly useful men of this generation.

No man has ever left a greater imprint upon his country, upon youth and manhood, public and private business than did he. No diplomat in the foreign service ever made so notable a record in so short a time as did Mr. Diekema at The Hague. He leaves an official record fully worthy of the greatest American traditions.

That he should be everywhere loved and trusted and honored is not at all surprising to anybody privileged to have any intimate contact with his princely life. The outstanding characteristics of his life were soon disclosed to anyone privileged to have any intimacy at all with him.

He was a true man. Our departed friend was one of the truest, most genuine men I have ever met. We hear much about knowledge being power. So it is. But character is far more so. What a man is in himself counts far more than anything he shall ever say or any deed that he shall ever do. Here was a man with glorious manhood; and the bequest of his life to family, friends and humanity is the greatest contribution he ever made of all his signal contributions.

He was the highest type of gentleman. He was a gentleman of the old school. To be in his presence for one half minute was instinctively to perceive that you were in the presence of a gentleman of the highest and most glorious type. I have never looked into the face of a higher type of gentleman than was this friend who has been removed from us. He had all those gracious qualities about him that marked him as a true gentleman, with consideration, with gentleness, with unselfish behavior toward his fellows wherever he went. And what a friend he was! The world will be grayer to many of us since he has passed. As life passes on, one learns better how to appreciate his friends. That is a challenging saying in the Bible—"Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not." Mr. Diekema met the Bible test of friendship when it said, "A man that hath friends must show himself friendly."

In his relations to all life, whether as friend, neighbor, citizen, churchman, executive, in all life's relations he met life in sublime fashion. His highest contribution to the world was the contribution of his own royal life. His life was marked by the supreme desire to spend his very life's blood for humanity's highest good. His years were rich with service to every good cause which asked a champion. He had high ideals and he literally wore himself out in his devotion to those ideals. He was blessed with genius and gave it with prodigal generosity to his neighbors and to the world.

Mr. Diekema knew the world. One must see all things in their proper relations to see individual things in right proportions. He was a man well informed in the affairs of the world. He kept abreast the times by reading the newest books and many papers. He knew what was going on in all parts of the world, and knew why it was going on. One learned from one conversation with him about Italy or China or Japan or the difficult situations in this country more than could be obtained from the press. He had the past and God for his background but he kept his face to the future to the very last.

Mr. Diekema had pronounced convictions. He believed that some things were unchangeably true while others were just as unchangeably false. He had no sort of fellowship with the loose contention that some things were either true or false, according to one's viewpoint. It is impossible to estimate the value of a man who believes something with all his heart and holds it against all odds, and summons his comrades to walk in the path of truth, wherever it may lead and whatever it may cost.

While he was a man of such positive convictions, he was also a man of the largest charity toward men differing from him. He would have risen at the hour of midnight to plead for absolute liberty for every human being. He did not con-

tend for mere toleration. There is a vast difference between tolerance and liberty. The former is a concession while the latter is a right. Toleration is a matter of expediency, while liberty is a matter of principle. Liberty is a gift from God. The value of a man who can discriminate like that, and believe like that, is immeasurable.

Mr. Diekema was a glorious Christian. At the same time, how human he was! He was not a formalist. He did not parade his piety. His religion was not a method of life. His religion was life itself to him, engrossing him, encompassing him. It was the very atmosphere in which he lived, and until the very last hour that sunny soul, that triumphant spirit shone out. An apologetic like that at once answers a thousand cheap skepticisms. The best argument for a Christian is the right kind of a Christian.

How he loved his church! He looked upon it as a haven of rest. Never did a pastor have a more inspiring auditor and fellow helper. He could not attend with regularity, as other men, for duty often took him away from his home city. But when he was in the city he attended the church service twice every Sabbath day. I have never seen a better church member, whose membership here has so gladdened and honored Hope Church for many years. Surely his friends will ever keep before them his high ideals for a church and his benediction in their deepest hearts.

Within a few days the grave will enclose all that is mortal of our departed friend and brother. But we are not celebrating a defeat. It is a release, a triumph, a home-going, a coronation. Mr. Diekema is not dead. He will never die. He lives on today, this leader and lover of mankind, this faithful friend of God. He lives on, and will henceforth live on, in a far larger sphere than ever before. At eventide it was light for him. Now it is the eternal morning for him. He has heard his Master's plaudit, "Well done."

## Editorial, De Hope

## GEZANT DIKEMA OVERLEDEN.

Het was een uiterst schokkend bericht dat hier verleden week alomteerend deed: "Mr. Diekema is gestorven!"

Wel wisten we allen dat Mr. Diekema niet wel was. Wel hadden we gehoord dat hij een operatie moest ondergaan en ook dat doorgestaan. En toen hadden we hoop volgens een kabelgram dat er goede vooruitzichten waren op herstel. En toen kwam daarop de droeve tijding dat hij was bezweken.

De familie Diekema is in diepe rouw gedoopt.

De Hollandsche Nederzetting in Westelijk Michigan heeft een der aldervoornaamste leiders door den dood verloren.

Beide Amerika en Nederland betreffen het verlies van dezen bekwaamen staatsman welke een waardig en bevallig vertegenwoordiger was van beide.

Maar ook heeft de Gereformeerde Kerk en Hope College een uitnemend lid en leider door den dood verloren.

De Hooggeerde Dr. Diekema, gezant van de Verenigde Staten in Nederland, overleed op den 20sten December in Den Haag. Hij was 71 jaar oud. Zacht en kalm is hij heengegaan en zijne geerde gade, Mrs. Diekema stond aan zijne sponde toen hij den laasten adem uittrook.

De staf van de Amerikaanse ambassade was ook tegenwoordig in het hospitaal.

Een dienst werd gehouden in Den Haag in de Engelse Kerk. De lijst was gedrupt met een vlag en omringd van bloemen waaronder ook kransen waren van Hare Majesteit Koningin Wilhelmina, het Nederlandse gouvernement, ambtenaren van het wereldhof en leden van het diplomatieke korps.

De dienst werd bijgewoond door leden van de koninklijke familie, het diplomatieke korps, de Amerikaanse legatie, cabinetleden en burgerlijke en militaire hoofden. Duizenden stonden op weg naar het kerkhof, (waar het lijk tijdelijk zou worden bijgezet) terwijl een muziekcorps speelde, "Nearer My God to Thee."

Na het gebed van den predikant werd het Amerikaanse Volksgesied, en Hallett Johnson, Secretaris van de Amerikaanse Legatie sprak als onze Regeering.

Het stoffelijk overschot is onder leiding van Mrs. Diekema op weg naar Holland, Michigan. In het begin van Januari zal alhier een dienst gehouden worden ter nagedachtenis aan dezen voorman.

Dr. Diekema werd in Nederland geboren in het jaar 1859. Zijne ouders behoorden tot de stoere nederzetteren welke zich hier vestigden in de Hollandsche kolonie.

de omgeving hem kon geven. Hij was lid van den Schoolboard, stadsadvocaat, mayor, en nam deel aan de voornaamste aangelegenheden. Hij was Secretaris van Hope College. Hij was het hoofd van de firma Diekema, Kollen en Ten Cate.

Twee jaar na zijne vestiging alhier als rechtsgeleerde werd hij verkozen als staats vertegenwoordiger en in het laatste jaar van zijn zitting in het huis was hij voorzitter. Sedert dien tijd is hij altoos actief geweest op nationaal terrein en in de Republikeinsche partij.

Plus minus 15 maanden geleden ontving hij de benoeming naar Nederland.

Met smart en tevens met dank aan God denken wij aan dit nuttige leven van den grooten man in wien elk die hem kende, een warmen vriend en medeburger vond.

V. D. W.

## IMPROVED UNIFORM INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON

(By REV. P. R. FITZWATER, D. D., Member of Faculty, Moody Bible Institute of Chicago, (© 1930, Western Newspaper Union.)

## Lesson for January 11

## THE CHILDHOOD OF JESUS

LESSON TEXT—Luke 2:40-52. GOLDEN TEXT—And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man. PRIMARY TOPIC—Ideal Childhood. JUNIOR TOPIC—Growing up for God. INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Responsibility of Youth. YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Being about the Father's Business.

I. Jesus Growing (v. 40). While Jesus was as to his personality, God, yet his duty did not interfere with his development as a human being. The processes of his physical, mental and spiritual growth were the same as those of any normal human being.

1. "Grew and waxed strong." It was necessary for his body to develop. His brain, nerves, and muscles must not only attain unto the proper size but must come to act in unison, become correlated.

2. "Filled with wisdom." As with most children his training was largely in the hands of his mother. She, no doubt, taught him to commit to memory Bible verses and taught him the great stories of the Old Testament, from the creation down through the patriarchs and prophets. It seems that it was customary among the Jews to send the child of the age of six years to the synagogue school, where the Old Testament was the textbook.

3. "And the grace of God was upon him." By the grace of God doubtless, is meant God's loving favor and tender care.

II. Jesus Tarrying Behind at Jerusalem (vv. 41-43).

At the age of twelve years the Jewish child took his place as a worshiper in the temple. He was then considered "a child of the law." Being thoroughly conscious of his mission, Jesus tarried behind and inquired into the meaning of the ordinances of God's house. His heart yearned for his Father.

III. Jesus Found in the Temple (vv. 44-47). When his mother and Joseph had gone some distance on the homeward journey, they perceived that Jesus was not with them and sought him among their kinfolk and acquaintances. Not finding him, they returned to Jerusalem and found him in the temple.

1. He was sitting (v. 46). He was perfectly at home in his Father's house.

2. He was hearing the teachers of the Word (v. 46), and was eager to learn God's will.

3. He asked questions (v. 46). His growing mind was inquisitive; it inquired after—reaching out after—truth.

4. He answered questions (v. 47). His answers showed great wisdom that he astonished those who heard him. It was the expression of the workings of a perfect human mind suffused by the Holy Spirit.

IV. Mary's Complaint (vv. 48-50). 1. Her question (v. 48). "Why hast thou dealt thus with us?" She remonstrated with him for his behavior.

2. Jesus' reply (v. 49). He replied to her question in dignified yet tender manner, but made no apology, thus indicating that he was more than merely the son of Mary. God was his Father.

3. Mary acquiesced in his revelation of himself (v. 51). She did not understand all these things, but she kept them in her heart.

V. Jesus' Obedience (v. 51). Though he was fully conscious of his divine being and mission, he lived a life of filial obedience, thus teaching us that obedience to parents is pleasing to God and a duty which will be discharged faithfully by those who have the spirit of Jesus Christ.

VI. Jesus' Development (v. 52). 1. Mental. "Increased in wisdom." Although the divine nature was united with the human, his mind was left free to develop normally.

2. Physical. He increased in stature. His body developed according to the laws of a normal human being.

3. Spiritual. He increased in favor with God and man. As his mind developed, and his apprehension of God became more comprehensive, the Divine Being could be more fully expressed through him, and as the perfect life was lived, men could recognize his superior qualities, and therefore, their hearts would open to him.

Putting it off today won't get it done tomorrow. An advertisement in this paper today will bring business tomorrow.

## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF HOLLAND TOWNSHIP

I will be at the Holland City State Bank every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday from Dec. 9, 1930, to Jan. 10, 1931, except legal holidays and at the Zealand State Bank every Wednesday between these dates and at home every Monday and Friday.

JACOB OOSTERBAAN, Treasurer.

## Exp. Dec. 27 NOTICE TO FILLMORE TOWNSHIP TAXPAYERS

I will be at the First State Bank on Dec. 24th, 25th and Jan. 3rd, 8th, 10th; also on Friday, the 9th, from 10 a. m. in the Hamilton Bank on January 6.

GERRIT H. BRINK, Fillmore Twp. Treas.

## NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF PARK TOWNSHIP

I will be at the Peoples State Bank, on Dec. 31st, and Jan. 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th and 10th; and at the Central Park store on Jan. 8th; and at home on Jan. 2nd and 9th.

DICK NIEUWMA, Park Township Treasurer.

## Diekema Cross &amp; Ten Cate Attorneys-at-Law

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Signed: Evert P. Stephan, Trustee in Bankruptcy of George H. Huizinga & Company, Bankrupt.

Dated December 30th, 1930.

12712—Exp. Jan. 10 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Ottawa.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Haven in said County, on the 16th day of Dec. A. D. 1930.

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

In the Matter of the Estate of JOSEPHINE PHELAN RUMMEI, Deceased.

Henry Bosch having filed in said court his petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to the Holland City State Bank, of Holland, Michigan, or to some other suitable person,

It is Ordered, that the

20th Day of January A. D. 1931

at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition;

It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy hereof once each week for 3 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.

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## 12652—Exp. Jan. 10 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Ottawa.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Haven in said County, on the 18th day of December, A. D. 1930.

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

In the Matter of the Estate of HERMINA B. FIK, Deceased.

It appearing to the court that the time for presentation of claims against said estate should be limited, and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court:

It is Ordered, That creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court at said Probate Office on or before the

22nd Day of April, A. D. 1931

at ten o'clock in the forenoon, said time and place being hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.

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, Judge of Probate.

A true copy—CORA VANDEWATER, Register of Probate.

12696—Exp. Jan. 10 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Ottawa.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Haven in said County, on the 17th day of December A. D. 1930.

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

In the Matter of the Estate of HENRY PLACGERMARS, Deceased.

It appearing to the court that the time for presentation of claims against said estate should be limited, and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court:

It is Ordered, That creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court at said Probate Office on or before the

22nd Day of April, A. D. 1931

at ten o'clock in the forenoon, said time and place being hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.

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, Judge of Probate.

A true copy—CORA VANDEWATER, Register of Probate.

EXPIRES JAN. 10 MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage signed and executed by James Buys and Gertrude Buys, his wife, and John Buys and Jessie Buys, his wife, as mortgagors, to John Vandewater and Henry Winter, mortgagees, on page 23, 1929, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Ottawa County, Michigan, on February 27, A.D. 1929, in Liber 122 of Mortgages on page 340, which said mortgage was assigned to the Peoples State Bank of Holland, Michigan, on February 25, A.D. 1930, and assignment being recorded in the office of said Register of Deeds on February 27, A.D. 1930, in Liber 36 of Mortgages on page 251, in which mortgage there is contained to be due at the time of this notice for principal and interest the sum of Twenty-one Hundred Three and 20/100 Dollars and an attorney fee as provided in said mortgage.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, on Monday, the 12th day of January, A.D. 1931, at eleven o'clock in the morning Central Standard Time, the undersigned will, at the front door of the Court House in the City of Grand Haven, Michigan, sell at public auction to the highest bidder the premises described in said mortgage together with interest and taxes to the sum of Twenty-three and 92/100 Dollars (\$23.92), and no suit or proceedings having been instituted at law to recover the debt, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by 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, Ottawa County, Michigan, that being the place where the circuit court for the County of Ottawa is held, on Monday, the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1931, at two o'clock in the afternoon of that date, upon which premises are described in said mortgage as follows, to-wit:

WHEREAS, default has been made in the payment of money secured by a mortgage dated November 4, 1916, executed and given by Edwin A. Whaley, of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan, as mortgagor, to The First State Bank, a Michigan corporation of Holland, Ottawa County, Michigan, as mortgagee, which mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Ottawa County, Michigan, on the 11th day of November, A. D. 1916, in Liber 162 of Mortgages on page 266, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at this time the sum of Twenty-two and 26/100 Dollars (\$22.26), principal and interest, and an attorney fee of Fifteen Dollars (\$15), being the legal attorney fee in said mortgage provided, and taxes to the sum of Twenty-three and 92/100 Dollars (\$23.92), and no suit or proceedings having been instituted at law to recover the debt, or any part thereof, secured by said mortgage, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by 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, Ottawa County, Michigan, that being the place where the circuit court for the County of Ottawa is held, on Monday, the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1931, at two o'clock in the afternoon of that date, upon which premises are described in said mortgage as follows, to-wit:

The following described lands and premises situated in the Township of Holland, County of Ottawa, State of Michigan, viz: The north half of the north half of the southwest quarter of Section ten (10) township five (5) of Range sixteen (16) west, according to the recorded plat of said addition, on record in the office of the Register of Deeds for said Ottawa County, Michigan.

Dated this 25th day of November, A. D. 1930.

PEOPLES STATE BANK, Assignee.

Lokker & Den Herder Attorneys for Assignee

EXPIRES JAN. 10 MORTGAGE SALE

Default having been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage signed and executed by Jacob A. Elenbaas and Corne Elenbaas, his wife, as mortgagors, to The First State Bank of Holland, Michigan, a corporation, as mortgagee, on November 28, 1927, which said mortgage was recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for Ottawa County, Michigan, on November 28, 1927, in Liber 147 of Mortgages on page 221, which said mortgage was subsequently assigned to the Grand Rapids Trust Company of Grand Rapids, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the time of this notice for principal and interest the sum of Twenty-three Hundred Ninety-five and 35/100 Dollars and an attorney fee as provided in said mortgage.

Notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided on Monday, the 12th day of January, A.D. 1931, at eleven o'clock in the morning Central Standard Time, the undersigned will, at the front door of the Court House in the City of Grand Haven, Michigan, sell at public auction to the highest bidder the premises described in said mortgage together with interest and taxes to the sum of Twenty-three and 35/100 Dollars (\$23.35), and no suit or proceedings having been instituted at law to recover the debt, whereby the power of sale contained in said mortgage has become operative.

NOW THEREFORE, notice is hereby given that by virtue of the power of sale and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said mortgage will be foreclosed by 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, Ottawa County, Michigan, that being the place where the circuit court for the County of Ottawa is held, on Monday, the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1931, at two o'clock in the afternoon of that date, upon which premises are described in said mortgage as follows, to-wit:

The following described lands and premises situated in the Township of Holland, County of Ottawa, State of Michigan, viz: The north half of the north half of the southwest quarter of Section ten (10) township five (5) of Range sixteen (16) west, according to the recorded plat of said addition, on record in the office of the Register of Deeds for said Ottawa County, Michigan.

Dated this 25th day of November, A. D. 1930.

PEOPLES STATE BANK, Assignee.

Lokker & Den Herder Attorneys for Assignee

12682—Exp. Jan. 3 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Ottawa.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Haven in said County, on the 9th day of December A. D. 1930.

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

In the Matter of the Estate of DERRICK T. VAIL, Deceased.

It appearing to the court that the time for presentation of claims against said estate should be limited, and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said court:

It is Ordered, That creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said court at said Probate Office on or before the

15th Day of April, A. D. 1931

at ten o'clock in the forenoon, said time and place being hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.

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, Judge of Probate.

A true copy—Cora Vandewater, Register of Probate.

## 12496—Exp. Jan. 17 STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Ottawa.

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grand Haven in said County, on the 22nd day of Dec. A. D. 1930.

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

In the Matter of the Estate of GEERT BOMERS, Deceased.

John Bomers having filed in said his petition, praying for license to mortgage the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described,


It is Ordered, That the

27th Day of January, A.D. 1931

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 mortgage 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

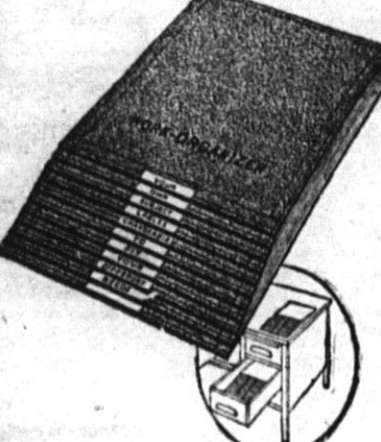




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On Saturday a sad and quiet throng was at the Pere Marquette station when the remains of Minister Diekema arrived from The Hague on the noon train. The local committee with Dr. E. D. Dimment in charge were present together with a host of friends. Former Judge Orien S. Cross and a committee of local attorneys and the local and outside newspaper representatives were also present. State Senator Gordon Van Eenennaam, chairman of the Governor's committee, who went to New York to meet the funeral party, with Representative Fred McEachron, also came through to Holland here the journey ended.

Mrs. Diekema and other members of the family were driven to Holland by automobile from Grand Rapids while Willis Diekema remained in charge until the remains reach Holland, the body being transferred from the Wolverine Flyer at Grand Rapids.

**Oratorical Gem Given by Senator Vandenberg**

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heart and wholesome self. Self was the last and least of whom he thought. Unselfishness was the key to his character and his career. He lived his Savior's admonition that it is more blessed to give than to receive. This city's grief—and the city where he was first among all—is one of many monuments which wear this epitaph.

"Ready for Reveille"

He was gentle yet brave. He was kindly and companionate. He was unflinching in defense of principle. He was true as steel. He believed in friendship and never tarnished it. He believed in God and served Him with unbroken zeal. He loved his flag and sleeps rightfully in its embrace.

When the great Haig, warrior of the British hosts, faced the dissolution he looked upon the great adventure as another and the greatest conquest. "Let there be no mourning dirge," said he, "as I pass on. Rather let triumphant band play 'Onward Christian Soldiers.'"

My friend—our friend—is one of the noble company to whom the exalted philosophy accurately applies. I think of him with head erect, eyes to the front, ready for any reveille.

I think of him as the personification of the poet's prophecy: I know we are building our heaven Each day as we go on our way. Each thought is a nail that is driven.

In mansions that cannot decay. And heaven at last shall be given To us as we built it today.

Mr. Cheff Said in Part as Follows:

"We have been listening to the senator, and we have been swept along, transported, and placed on the summit of a high mountain; we have been given a momentary vision of our beloved friend Diekema, given a vision which has rankled the horizon, and we are thankful to the Senator who spoke before. I am inviting you back and down the valley in order that in the valley we may see a "close-up" of a great man as we in Michigan, and in Holland have known him and loved him, and so did I.

I owe so much to him, much more than I will tell you at this or at any other time. There are however three outstanding facts. I feel you should know them because they bring us to more closely see the secret of his phenomenal success. He has publicly shown us how to be a real man, and without exception I can say he is the most human man I have ever known. His was a universal nature, he had graciousness, he inspired confidence, he had the charm of a woman. These were the secrets of his popularity and success. All loved him, even the children. We of the church will never forget him. When he taught Sunday school, little tots pushed and crowded around him, some holding his hand, but all looking with eager anticipation into his beloved face. Diekema was a king among men. But he was never more attractive and impressive than when he was shepherding the children of the flock.

"He as a beloved citizen; he had dignity and was an aristocrat at work. Without him I would never have known the fact that a worker was an aristocrat. You all know there is within us on the one hand a spirit of idleness, and on the other hand the spirit to work and to try. That is why we as mortals succeed.

"There must be equipment for service commensurate to serve in whatever office we are called to, and I want to show you that the Diekema way is the only way to eminence and success. He has been an inspiration to me.

"In his own person he has told me that the holy of holies of a man's life is not the state, not the society, not the church, but a man's own home.

"Mr. Diekema as you know, loved public life and he was so well adapted to it. He walked to and fro among the mighty and also among the lowly and the poor. His repartee was keen as a razor's edge, but he never hurt the most tender feelings. We all admired him for those qualities.

"We all should have known him in the intimacies of his life. I had that opportunity while for seven years I was engaged as pastor of Hope church. Then again while we were moving, I became ill and Mr. and Mrs. Diekema took me in and I spent three days among them in that home of love, refinement, and harmony, and I know that a home which is a more than a home

**ACTIVE AND HONORARY PALL BEARS WERE FRIENDS AND ASSOCIATES OF MR. DIEKEMA**

The pall bearers of the late Mr. G. J. Diekema were friends and professional or other business associates. They were the following: Active pallbearers were Atty's Clarence Lokker, Thomas N. Robinson, Jay Den Herder, Charles H. McBride, Daniel Ten Cate, Orien S. Cross, all of Holland.

Honorary pallbearers: George F. Getz, Lakewood Farm; former Sen. William Alden Smith, Joseph Brewer, Grand Rapids; former Governor Fred W. Green, Governor Wilbur M. Brucker, Frank D. Fitzgerald, secretary of state, Lansing; Howard C. Lawrence, state treasurer, Lansing; John S. Haggerty, Detroit; Senator Arthur H. Vandenberg, Grand Rapids; Frank D. McKay, Grand Rapids; R. J. Reichert, banking commissioner, Lansing; Stuart Knapp, Judge Fred M. Raymond, Jacob Steketee, Judge Arthur Denison, Charles H. Bender, John W. Blodgett, Dudley Waters, Benjamin S. Hanchett, Gr. Rapids; James Frye, Consul of the Netherlands, Chicago; Battle Creek; Atty. John Venema, Burch Foraker, President of Bell Telephone System, Detroit; B. P. Sherwood, William H. Loutit, William S. Hatton and Nathaniel Robbins, Sr., Grand Haven; Judge John Vanderwerf, Muskegon; C. J. Den Herder, Zeeland; C. M. McLean, Con De Free, Ben Mulder, Dr. A. Leenhouts and John Bosman of Holland.

was prepared for him in heaven above. I do not know just what kind of a place heaven is, but I am sure it is a place of activity, and happiness. Our beloved one will be there among the shining lights.

"Just as he went away to The Netherlands and came back to our United States, to Michigan, to Holland, so he went to his home on high, and although we have but a mild conception of what kind of a place it is, I feel it must be a place of glory."

**FUNERAL SERVICES HELD TUESDAY FOR MRS. G. VAN SCHELVEN**

The death of Mrs. Priscilla Van Schelven was a great shock to the people of Holland and vicinity. Mrs. Van Schelven passed away Saturday morning at 9:30 o'clock at the age of 79 years. She was the wife of the late Gerrit Van Schelven, who died in 1927.

Since the death of her husband she lost three brothers. The death of Mr. Gerrit J. Diekema, a life-long friend of the Van Schelven family, was also a great shock to Mrs. Van Schelven.

Mrs. Van Schelven was born in Waupun, Wisconsin on February 20, 1851. She was married to Mr. Van Schelven in 1869, four years after he had served in the Union army during the Civil War. The couple celebrated their golden wedding anniversary in 1919.

Mrs. Van Schelven, who has been a citizen of Holland for more than a half a century, had many friends here and was a member of Hope church.

Funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock from the home, 316 River avenue. Dr. Thomas W. Davidson, pastor of Hope church, officiating. Interment took place in the family plot in Pilgrim Home cemetery. This cemetery was part of Mr. Van Schelven's plan and he served on the Cemetery Board up to the time of his death as long as any one in Holland can remember.

**VETERAN REFORMED PASTOR DIES ON PACIFIC COAST**

Rev. Lawrence Dykstra, 80, Reformed minister for 52 years, died Saturday in Los Angeles, Calif. Mr. Dykstra was an alumnus of Hope college, class of 1875, and entered the ministry in 1878, following his graduation from New Brunswick, N. J., Theological seminary.

Mr. Dykstra retired from active service a few years ago. His Michigan pastorates include Ebenezer church, East Holland, and Grace Reformed church, Grand Rapids.

Surviving are his widow and five children besides two brothers, John S. and Joseph Dykstra of Holland, and two sisters, Mrs. P. F. Scheukle of Chicago and Mrs. Emil Was of Grand Rapids. Funeral services will be held Tuesday in Los Angeles.

The Zeeland Fire Department responded to a call last Saturday evening but its services were not needed, but it yielded to her preference for the home town folks when she chose a place to locate.

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**SAUGATUCK, DOUGLAS, PENN- VILLE AND VICINITY**

The former resident of Saugatuck and Allegan died in his Grand Rapids home last Tuesday, aged eighty years. He was born in London, England, in 1850 and came to Saugatuck with his father's family in 1856, where he lived until his removal to Allegan. At first he engaged as a teacher but became a lawyer after instruction in the office of the late Philip Padgham. He served one term as prosecuting attorney of Allegan county and one term as a judge in Grand Rapids. In 1878 he married Miss Anna Higginbotham of Allegan, who survives him together with three daughters and one son. All his life he was an active democrat and was during the same time a member of the Episcopal church. The funeral was held Friday from Grace church, Grand Rapids. A surviving brother is Stephen Newnam of Saugatuck.

Mrs. Staedt of East Saugatuck visited her daughter, Mrs. Herman Bekken and family at Douglas from Christmas until Sunday.

Saugatuck High school basketball team will have a game with Zeeland, Friday, January 9th, in our auditorium.

A. Christenson of Douglas brought to this office last week two extra large hen's eggs. One measured 6 1/2 inches in circumference one way and 8 1/4 inches the other. This is quite an egg. Laid by a White Leghorn hen—Saugatuck Commercial Record.

Main Conkle of Glenn, came home from Benton Harbor with smallpox. He came home with Will Foster and had dinner and supper at Frank Foster's, afterward going to Seymour's store, where he was told he had better consult a doctor. Dr. Penoyer of South Haven discovered he had smallpox, so many families were immediately vaccinated and the whole town quarantined.

First State bank of Holland on Wednesday declared its regular semi-annual 5 per cent dividend. The bank was organized in 1889 and its resources approximate \$4,300,000. C. Vander Meulen assumed his office as first assistant cashier Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lighthart and granddaughter, Miss Opal, of Douglas, spent Christmas at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Lighthart in Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. George Baker and children and Mrs. Ed Beery of Douglas, made a trip to Holland last week Wednesday.

**DR. HENRY KUIT HEADS ZEELAND'S CHEST FUND**

Dr. Henry Kuit, local dentist, was elected president of the community chest fund. Others elected: Secretary, Corey Poest, and treasurer, F. J. Kieft. A budget of \$2,650 was adopted by the committee for the year 1931.

The drive will take place March 14 and continue until the quota is reached. The various social and benefit organizations of the city are included in the drive, such as American Red Cross, Salvation Army and the local hospital, as well as child and civic welfare.

**LAKETOWN MEN STAY IN OFFICE FOR TIME**

Sheriff Guy Teed of Allegan County announces there will be no radical changes among the present deputies in the townships when he assumes his second term. Charles Hitchcock again will be under-sheriff and Ed Cook turnkey. Andrew Marrow of Watson will be assistant deputy in the office.

County Clerk William G. Tisdale again has named Mrs. William McClelland deputy clerk. Mrs. McClelland has served three terms as Tisdale's deputy and starts in this week on her seventh year.

Gerrit Heneveld of Laketown who has served two terms as register of deeds, changed places with Miss Agnes Robinson, who was his deputy and who was elected register of deeds at the November election. Mr. Heneveld will remain in the office this winter.

J. Howard Tanner is deputy county treasurer under his father, J. Roy Tanner.



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