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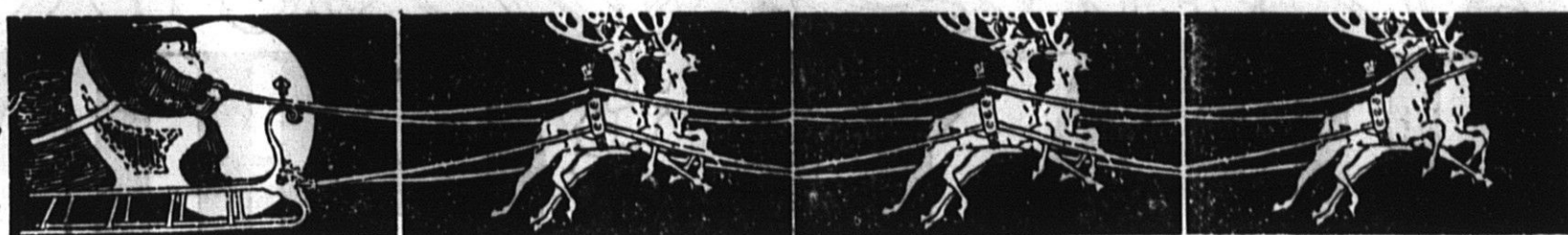
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Waiting for Santa Claus



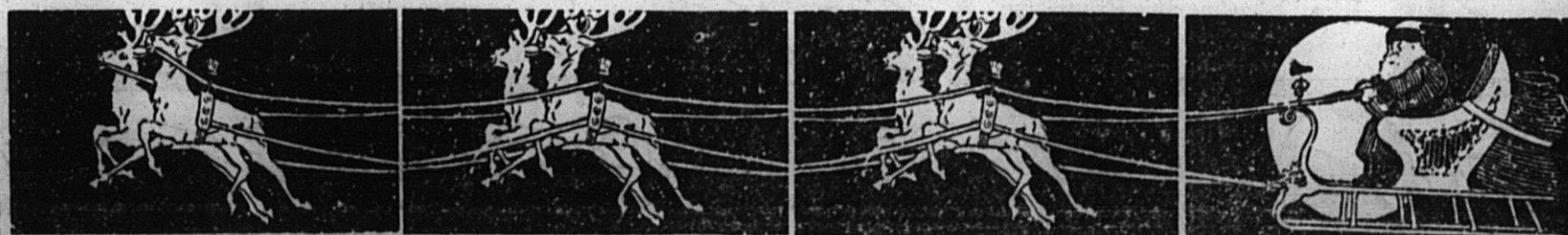
A Story of Santa Claus

'Twas Christmas eve. The stockings yet
Hung empty, gently swinging
Their signs to Santa Claus, "To Let."
Above the fire-logs singing,
Close by the chimney one small chap
Sits while a tale of maybe
Is told by mother, in whose lap
Still wide awake is baby.

"Maybe," says dear mamma, "he'll come
While yet the red fire lingers,
And happy be, all cold and numb,
To stop and warm his fingers.
And maybe he will say, 'Because
They left a good fire burning,
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Thus good for good returning.'

"And maybe then with silver key
His wondrous box unlocking,
He'll take out pretty gifts till he
Has filled up every stocking.
Then up the chimney back he'll go,
O'er tree and roof and steeple,
Driving his reindeer through the snow
To visit other people."

And so it was. When from their beds
Those little people hurried,
With mothers story in their heads
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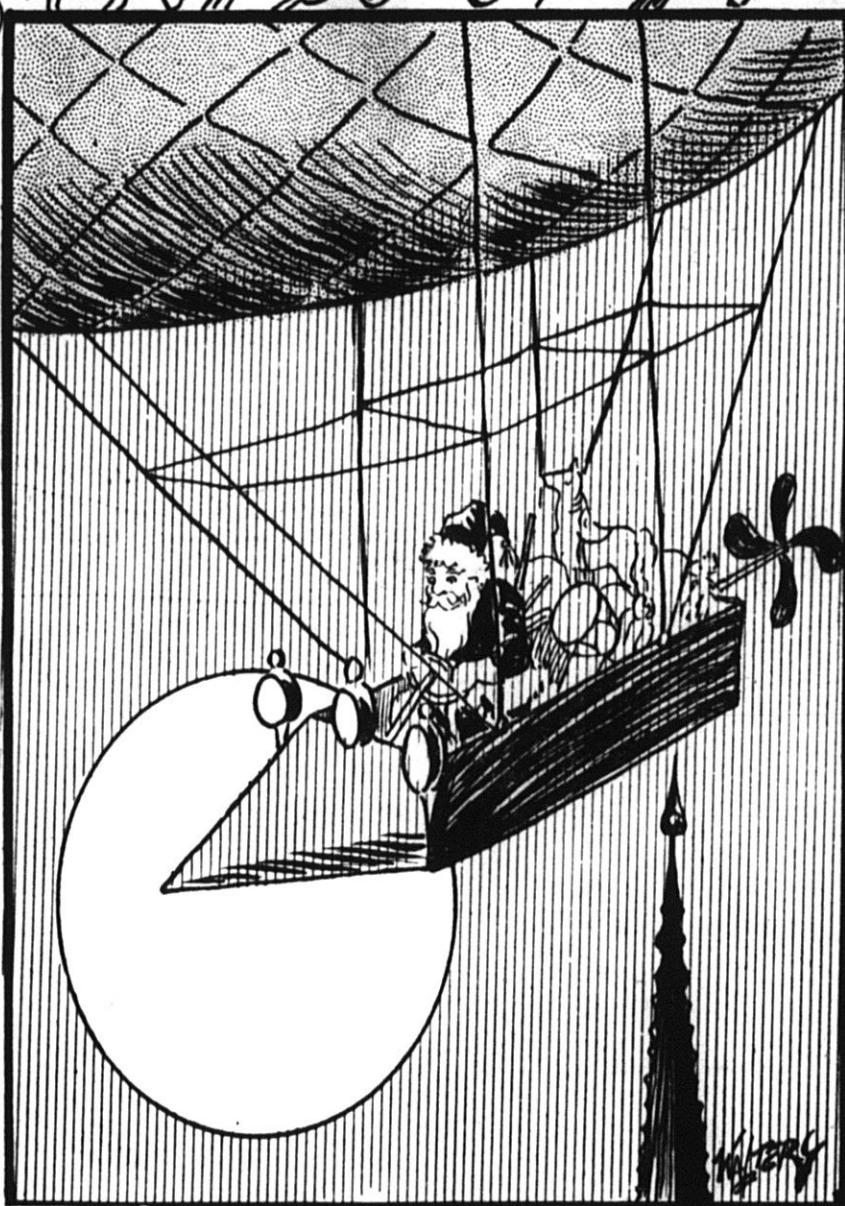
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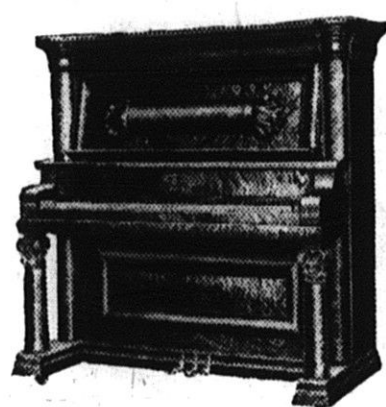
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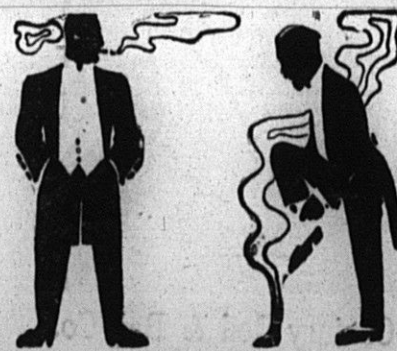
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Local News

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Menery of Allegan—a daughter, Mrs. Menery is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jake Lokker.

The annual exhibition of the Allegan Poultry & Pet Stock Assn. will be held this winter on Jan. 5 to 9 inclusive and a larger show of birds is expected than ever before.

Congressman G. J. Diekema is to be the principal speaker at the banquet of the Grand Rapids Central High School House of Representatives to be held Dec. 23 at the Heikimer.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Hardy of Rockford, Mich., a girl, Mrs. Hardy was formerly Miss Lena Beuwkes of this city and Mr. Hardy was with the J. A. Vander Veen hardware.

The members of the Young People's society surprised Rev. D. R. Drukker, pastor of the 14th street church and presented him with a \$20 gold piece. The presentation was made by Fred Beuwkes, the president of the society.

Brown Brothers of the Ottawa Metal Co. located on East 8th St., have dissolved partnership. Max Brown will continue the business and Joe will start a junk shop of his own near the Cor. River and 10th Sts.

The assessed valuation of Saugatuck township is almost \$1,000,000 and the percent of taxation is a trifle higher on account of the county and state tax being higher. The assessment roll is now in the hands of the treasurer who is making collections.—Saugatuck Commercial.

Thursday night was the annual convention for the Young People's Alliance of the Chr. Ref. church. The meeting was held in the Central avenue church, the largest in the city. The program was rendered by delegates from Zeeland, Graafschap, Borculo, Vriesland and other points. Rev. Volbeda of the Alpine street church, Grand Rapids, was the orator of the evening.

The farmers have not been very free in the purchase of automobiles thus far, at least not in this section but it is predicted that the coming season will see a great expansion in the rural demand for motor vehicles. It is stated that in one neighborhood in Sparta township six automobiles have been ordered for spring delivery, and that other farmers in the vicinity are considering.

A search of years ended successfully when an agent of Mrs. Jane Innells, living near Allegan, found a man who was able to tell her that her first husband, Edward Barnes, a Union soldier, was washed overboard and lost from a government transport in Chesapeake bay in July, 1863. She had never known what became of him. The full proof of this fact will enable Mrs. Innells, now aged 86, to push a claim for back pension aggregating \$3,300. She was married twelve years after the war and her second husband died fifteen years ago.

Mentha is a town near Kalamazoo started by the great pepper king, A. M. Todd. The size of the town is one acre and it has a park just donated by the monarch of the municipality of 50 acres. The park is a veritable play grounds as it has a base ball diamond, tennis court, swings and an outdoor gymnasium. A swimming pool with bath rooms and lockers will be added next summer. Todd has 2,300 acres of land located around Mentha, 900 acres being under cultivation. "We aim to clear 400 acres per annum," says Mr. Todd.

Burglars entered the offices of Beach Milling Co., securing \$30 in cash from the safe which they opened by working the combination \$5 in postage stamps and the strong box of the safe containing valuable papers. The strong box was found later in front of the building but all negotiable paper had been taken. The first person to discover that the building had been entered was John Lookers, an employe of the mill, who found the door of the office open, it having been forced with a crowbar. It is thought that some local character is at the bottom of these burglaries and Chief Kamferbeek and Sheriff Andrie are sparing no efforts to find a clue to the yeggmen.

Trade at home.

Seth Nibbelink has added a fine pedigree calico Shetland pony to his stables costing \$250. The pony was bought in Chicago and brought over by the steamer, City of Traverse.

J. B. Mulder has sold tickets to P. H. McBride on the White Star Line to Europe. Mr. and Mrs. McBride will make a tour of the continent starting from New York, Jan. 5th on the Cedric.

Claude E. Firestone of the Allegan News, and Miss Kate Arnold, daughter of the late Judge Arnold, were united in marriage at St. Marks church by Bishop McCormick. The Holland City News extends congratulations.

The number of deer that hunters have shipped south across the Straits of Mackinaw, according to Game Warden Pierce, where his deputies have been keeping tab on hunters, were 3,402 this year, as compared with 3,600 last year and 4,000 in 1907.

Students James and Wm. Walvoord, Walter Ten Pas, Benjamin Wynveen and Rany Meengs of Hope college are enjoying a four weeks' vacation at Cedar Grove due to the large number of small pox cases at the school.—Sheboygan Herald. And so they distort things, it will be the bubonic plague next.—EJ.

The following officers have been elected by the A. C. Van Raalte Post, G. A. R.: Commander, John Zwemer; senior vice commander, Louis DeKraker; junior vice commander, D. H. Clark; adjutant, Wm. Baumgartel; sergeant, Geo. Nash; officer of the day, P. G. Van Tongeren; quartermaster, John Kramer; delegate to the state encampment, N. Erstine.

Local Hollanders, who sailed for The Netherlands this week from New York are G. W. and Wm. Ten Brinke, Thomas Schuurman and Philip Nieuwenhuis. The tickets were purchased of J. B. Mulder, local agent of all the European and American Steamboat lines in this city. Quite an exodus of Hollanders have been going back to the old country lately either on a visit or to stay.

Since the heroism shown by Miss Nina Harrigan, during the burning of the Burdick hotel at Kalamazoo, when she stuck to her telephone desk choking in dense smoke, and sure all the guests were out, became known, she has received many offers from hotels in all parts of the country. One offer is from San Francisco and another from New York City. A movement has been started to secure for the girl a Carnegie hero medal.

John Arendshorst received a photo from New York a few days ago, which is of more than ordinary interest. It was sent him by G. Van Heusden, the New York representative of the Holland Rusk Co. Mr. Van Heusden represented the character of Peter Minuit in the act of buying Manhattan Island from the Indians at the recent Hudson River celebration. The photo represents the entire band in the costumes of Dutch sailors of the 16th century.

The winter tax receipts have been paid out by the City Treasurer Mosier and he has given notice that the payment of taxes is in order. State, county, and school taxes are the ones required at this time, and the amount is about \$16 per thousand and valuation. A report from our neighboring city, Holland, tells that the amount being collected there at this time is \$20 per thousand and that has led some people to believe that Holland is worse off than Allegan in the matter of taxes. As a fact the taxes in Allegan exceed those of Holland by more than \$6 per thousand. In that city the treasurer collects but once a year instead of twice, summer and winter, as in Allegan. We do this here as a matter of convenience to the taxpayer, upon the theory that it is easier to pay twice a year than to pay all of the assessment at once. The city tax in Allegan this year was about \$10 per thousand valuation and was collected last June. Now comes the winter tax of \$16 per thousand, in all about \$26 for the year. Do not think that Holland is worse off than we. They have had no such superintendents of poor as we, nor a big county jail, and they may be thankful. Allegan Gazette.

Owing to a break down of the engine at the Holland Furniture Factory the establishment did not run yesterday afternoon. All the men went home at 2 o'clock.

The state crop report issued by the secretary of state, gives the condition of wheat at 92 per cent of normal, as compared with 75 per cent one year ago. The condition of rye is 91 per cent, as compared with 79 per cent a year ago in the state.

The Holland Sugar company has practically finished the season's slicing of beets and although the crop was not as large as in previous years the tests have been higher. Nearly 35,000 tons of beets were sliced, and the output will aggregate 10,000,000 pounds of sugar.

Henry Geerlings, secretary of the Board of Education is today mailing the check for this month's salary of all the teaching force direct to their home, enabling them to use it for Christmas shopping. The fact that the teachers are having a longer vacation than is generally the case will not alter the amount of their pay check.

State Oil Inspector F. S. Neal has turned into the auditor general's department the sum of \$8,000 net profits to the state for the inspection of oils and gasoline in the state during the year. Last year he turned in \$11,705, and it is supposed that the decrease is due to the decrease in the use of oil for illuminating purposes.

The new tax regulation which exempts old soldiers from taxation does not go into effect this year and the old soldiers will have to pay their taxes as usual this year. The exemption applies only to soldiers and soldiers' widows, which property does not exceed \$1200. Veterans with a comfortable amount of this world's goods in property are therefore not effected one way or another by the new tax law. The tax has already been spread upon the rolls this year and the soldiers will call upon the city treasurer as usual.

The News is pleased to mention that Henry Wilson, head pharmacist with Druggist Harry Doesburg, received notice that he was one of the few who passed the state pharmacy board examination for full papers which was held at Grand Rapids. Only 17 out of 90 candidates passed, and the local man is ranked as very high on the list. Full papers are only granted after four years experience and then only after a rigid examination. Mr. Wilson is very popular in Holland and his many friends will no doubt be pleased to hear the results of his merited high standings.

The backbone of the scarlet fever epidemic has been broken and services were held in all the local churches Sunday. The regular Sunday School sessions were also held although at all assemblies children under 15 years of age were refused admission. The number of cases in quarantine is 15, most of which are of a mild type. The public schools and Hope college will not open until after the holidays when it is hoped that the disease will be obliterated. To health officer Dr. Boot is due a great deal of credit in stamping out the disease in so short a time, and taking the necessary precautions on the spur of the moment.

Prange the Paving Man

Grand Haven is in the throes of a paving controversy. The bids for the paving of Washington street has been opened and it was found that the bid of A. H. Prange, the Prange of Holland's paving fame, is over \$4,000 lower than the next lowest bidder and now the merry war is on, and bricks are flying galore, one bidder trying to stone the other with arguments. Prange says the Bessemer is as good as the Metropolitan and Carpenter the next lowest bidder says Metropolitan is the best. At the wind up Holland's Prange street comes in for a good deal of criticism and in connection with this paving matter it has been stated that the job of paving on Eighth street was not a credit to Prange and in fact was a botch job, to all of which we can agree. In defence of Prange a gentleman by the name of Mr. Foster who represents the Bessemer Lime-stone Co. says that the Holland paving is not the fault of Mr. Prange but of the engineers in charge and so the war goes merrily on. Later reports show that all bids have been rejected by the Grand Haven council, including Prange's and a committee appointed to come to Holland and look over the pavement.

James De Jonge Gets Raise

Superintendent of the Board of Public Works James De Young, at a meeting of the council last night secured a raise in salary from \$1,500 to \$18.00 per year after a stormy season. City Engineer C. A. McClellan received an increase from \$90 to \$120 per month and City Electrician R. E. Champion, also received a comfortable boost. This matter has been a source of considerable discussion for weeks, the board of public works insisting that the superintendent should have the raise and the council objecting to any additional cost of running the city. Finally De Young at last night's meeting stated that he had other offers and that he could not remain unless the raise was forthcoming. The council then boosted the three official's salaries.



All the aldermen were present.

The grade established on W. 8th street preparatory to paving was accepted and the street and crossing committee reported progress in regard to moving the Methodist church. The matter of the snow impeding traffic on 8th street was reported to the street committee. At this juncture consternation arose from a report that a two dollar bill was floating around the council room, being lost during the collecting of taxes. The search was fruitless and the mayor finally restored order.

A \$10 day license was granted to the Salamander Medicine Co. for a street booth. The special committee appointed to dispose of the 17th street sewer bonds reported the entrance of 2 bids with more in view. The committee appointed to confer with the Police and Fire board regarding fire protection in the 5th ward reported the consideration of two propositions. The first is to furnish the southside with four chemical tanks or engines, this arrangement to be temporary. The idea of moving one of the engine houses further south was also advanced.

The report of Mayor Brusse concerning his Washington trip as delegate to the Deep Water Ways convention was read and accepted. The clerk was there instructed to attach his warrant to the 17th St. sewer rolls for collection.

The Board of Public Works was instructed to have plans and specifications drawn up for a surface water drainage system. Alderman Van Eyck moved the purchase of a calorimeter and photometer for the testing of illuminating gas. Carried. The Council then took seats as a Committee of the Whole with Alderman Van Tongeren in the chair. Action was deferred on the smoke ordinance presented previously by Alderman Van Tongeren. The Holland Rusk Company, in the First Ward, has promised to increase the height of their smoke-stack by 40 ft. and also to use a better grade of coal.

The permit to move the Wesleyan Methodist Church has not been granted. Rev. Merrill has been very active with a subscription list and is meeting with some success. If all those approached follow the example of those now on the list, there is no doubt that a new meeting house will grace 9th street site.

After the adjournment of the committee of the Whole, the council unanimously passed the curfew ordinance recommended by the committee. This ordinance provides for the giving of a warning at 8 o'clock from Oct. 1 to April 30 and at 9 from May 1 to Sept. 31. After these hours all persons under 16 years of age without a guardian will be arrested if found on the street or in public places.

Jas. A. Brouwer always keeps pace with the times. He knows that in the present day and age people demand and expect something substantial and useful for Christmas gifts. So he has taken special care to select holiday goods in keeping with the times and offers for sale an elegant line of rocking chairs, parlor stands, couches, music cabinets, rugs, sideboards, rugs, and in fact every modern article of furniture for prices within the reach of all. Then you can please the children by purchasing something in the toy line for lowest prevailing prices.

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Geo. Hankamp, a student at the seminary preached in the Reformed church Sunday. The pastor was at Hamilton filling a classical appointment.

Miss Henrietta Bolks of Holland has been visiting relative here.

Mrs. Henry Hoffman and son Judson spent Sunday in Holland.

Messrs. Klinkers of Allendale spent Friday with Mr. Driesenga of this place.

Mr. Kleis who has been visiting Mr. Koops has returned to his home in North Holland.

Last Monday evening Mrs. Herman Hulsman was surprised by her Sunday school class. They presented her with a beautiful rug. A most enjoyable time was spent by all present.

Mrs. James Nykerk, who has suffered a great deal with inflammatory rheumatism, is able to be up and around again.

Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. M. Timmerman celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary. The children were all home to help them celebrate the happy event. We add our congratulations and hope they may spend many more happy years together. They were both born in the Netherlands and are pioneers in this settlement. Despite their age they are both hale and hearty and joined in all the festivities. Some 12 years ago they left their farm in Filmore and moved to this village where they are still living and expect to spend their remaining days.

The children still living are Mrs. John Hoffman, Benjamin, Mrs. A. J. Nykerk, Mrs. H. Etterbeek, George and Herman. It is remarkable that they all live within a radius of nine miles from the ancestral home. They have 22 grandchildren and three great grandchildren, all of whom were present.

Beautiful and useful gifts were presented to the aged couple as an expression of their children's love and esteem.

Filmore

John Schippers Sr., proprietor of the Pioneer Stock farm at this place, has returned from Chicago where he entered four of his prize Percherons in the International horse show. Mr. Schipper has the reputation of owning the finest horses of this breed in this part of the country and the fact that with four entries in a show of this magnitude he was awarded four prizes bears this out. He drew one first, two seconds and one third. The prizes were won by the following horses: Pink, Caesar, Jewell and Prosper.

Saturday evening the children and grandchildren of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kleinheksel surprised the old couple, the day being the fortieth anniversary of their marriage. A merry evening was spent and remembrances were told.

John Donia of this place is spending some time in Allendale.

Hamilton

Highway Commissioner Hathaway of Dunningville was in town Friday looking over the roads in this vicinity.

B. Arndt and family have moved into their new home.

Gradus Hinnen has been delayed in raising his new ice house on account of the recent storm.

Mrs. Berend Smith had the misfortune to break her wrist a short time ago.

John Harvey, a former resident of this village and owner of the Hope mills for several years, died in Kalamazoo Dec. 5. He was a brother of Pension Agent Harvey, who served in that capacity several years in Detroit.

Roy Siple painted the interior of the Boudreau house this week.

On account of the recent snow storm the roads are nearly impassable.

Graafschap

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Scholten will celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on Wednesday, Dec. 28, when all their relatives, friends and neighbors will gather to do them honor.

SUTHERLAND'S EAGLE EYE SALV.
 Good for Nothing but the Eyes.

Borculo

John De Roo has disposed of his house to H. Klunderman of this same place. Mr. DeRoo is 60 years old, yet his age has not impaired his activity. Besides the house just completed he has also put up a large barn on the place and is now building a house on his son's farm two miles east of Borculo.

During the severe storm Friday the roof of the barn on the farm of John Smith at Borculo was blown off.

Overisel

Too late for last week.

J. H. Koopman and son George attended the stock show in Chicago.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry Telman of Bentheim were very agreeably surprised last Wednesday evening by the members of the consistory of the church. They presented each one with a morris chair. Rev. Telman has recently declined a call to a church at Portage.

Miss Fanny DeHaan of East Holland spent last Sunday with the Misses Hoekje.

John Arink and G. C. Hekhuis left Tuesday morning for Allegan to serve on the jury.

Last week Ira Thorpe, commissioner of schools, visited schools in this township.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Hoffman spent Sunday with his brother in Grand Rapids.

New Holland.

Mrs. P. H. VanTongeren died Sunday after a three days illness with pneumonia. Deceased was 60 years old having resided here ever since coming here from the Netherlands, several years ago. She is survived by her husband and seven children. The funeral was held yesterday from the First Reformed church, Rev. Veldman officiating. Interment took place in the New Holland cemetery.

Blendon

Last Thursday night the wedding of Henrietta, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Jonger to Matthew Mettermick of South Blendon occurred at the home of the bride's parents, Rev. J. Bruinooge of the Blendon Chr. Ref. church performing the ceremony.

Zeeland

The 32nd annual banquet of the Zeeland fire department was held in the Ladies' Aid hall Thursday. All the members with their wives were present. Speeches were made by the different members and Prof. Brouwer assisted by Gerrit De Jong, gave selections on his bells and on the organ. After supper a fine program was rendered.

The decision of the claim commission in the estate of Geert DeHaan of Drenthe is that Mrs. Peter DeHaan gets \$1,368 for services.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Johannes Blaukamp, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Bert Van Ommen, a son.

The death of Mrs. Isaac Ver Lee of Denver, Colorado occurred Thursday. The Ver Lee family left here two years ago because of tuberculosis in the family. Shortly before leaving here two children died from the disease. The deceased is survived by her husband and 5 children, John, Jennie, Sena, Arnold and Rutherford. Miss Sena is in a Denver hospital recovering from an operation recently performed. The remains were brought to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Peter VerLee here and the funeral was held from the First Chr. Ref. church Monday and was largely attended. Rev. D. R. Drukker of Holland spoke at the home. Revs. VanderWerp of this city, J. Groen M. Kolyn of Grand Rapids assisted in the services at the church. The elders of the First Chr. Ref. church acted as pall bearers. Mr. VerLee was the only one of the family present.

A large number of our citizens attended the services at the Grand Rapids Rescue Mission, which were conducted by Evangelist Torrey. A special car was chartered by Isaac VanDyke for the occasion.

Revs. C. C. A. L. John, J. P. De Jong and J. Smutter conducted services in local churches Sunday.

C. D. Schilleman made a business trip to Holland Saturday.

H. Fisher made a business trip to Grand Rapids Saturday.

Wiebe Smith has moved into his new home on Peck street.

The old gentleman DeBoer is very ill at his home on State street.

Mrs. R. Kraak left for Grand Rapids to undergo a serious operation at the U. B. A. hospital.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. Hirdes—a son; to Mr. and Mrs. G. Schutte—a daughter.

Dr. Elzinga and Mr. Kleingheil of Grand Rapids were in the city yesterday trying to sell gold mine stock.

Gerrit De Vree sold a fine colt to Mr. Schippers in Overisel.

G. W. H. Meengs sold a valuable team of young horses to parties in North Holland.

At a congregational meeting held Monday evening in the Second Ref. church the following were elected: elders, Benj. Neerken and Wm. DePree; deacons, J. J. De Pree and Bert Veneklassen. The financial report shows an increase over last year. The receipts were \$5782.82 for foreign and domestic missions and other purposes. It was decided to build a new church on the site of the old building next spring. The meeting was well attended.

The regular meeting of the South Ottawa Teachers' Assn., was held Saturday in the high school. The following program was carried out: Devotional Exercises.

Recitation, Abraham VanLoo. How to conduct a class in 7th and 8th grade history, Prin. N. R. Stanton.

Music, Star Spangled Banner. Paper, Morals and Manners in the schoolroom, Mrs. F. Wheeler.

Noon.

Paper, Music in the rural school, Mrs. John Etterbeek.

Our New School Legislation, Com. M. M. DeGraaf.

Music, Only an Armour Bearer.

Debate, "Resolved that the present situation of the tariff question is justifiable." Affirmative, Prin. J. De Boer; negative, Prin. W. Zonnebelt.

Muskegon.

Isaac Brands, well known in this city, but living in Muskegon died Monday, seventy-five years old, for fifty five years a resident of Muskegon. He was born in the Netherlands and was at one time county director of the poor. He leaves a widow, four daughters and four sons.

The Holland City News \$1.00 per year in advance.

Taxes Holland Township

The treasurer of Holland township will be found in the following places where tax payers can pay their taxes more conveniently. On Monday, Wednesday and Saturday during December in Holland at the store of P. A. Kleis, corner Columbia Ave. and Eighth St. On Thursdays at the Zeeland State Bank, Zeeland, beginning Dec. 9. On Dec. 14 and 28 in Noordeloos store. On Dec. 7 and 21 at the home of the treasurer in Holland Township.

JOHN P. KLEIS
 Township Treasurer.

It is interesting and instructive, both to those who sell and use cream separators, to know that practically every cream separator that has ever been made, and certainly all that are being made at this time, are merely copies or imitations of some type or construction originally invented or developed by the DeLaval Company and discarded and abandoned in the course of DeLaval progress and utilization of later improvements. The DeLaval was the first continuous flow centrifugal separator, that is to continuously receive whole milk and continuously discharge the separated cream and skim milk and its invention by Dr. Gustaf DeLaval in 1878 with the beginning of its commercial use in different countries a few years later, was the foundation of the revolution that has since taken place and made dairying a modern industry throughout the civilized world. They are for sale at James Kole, River street.

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Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Waverly Stone Company

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Waverly Stone Company for the election of directors and the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it, will be held at its office in the City of Holland, on Tuesday the 4th day of January, A. D. 1910 at ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day.

H. H. Pope, President.
 W. J. Garrod, Secretary.
 Holland, Mich., Dec. 16, 1909.

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A Rural Carrier Who Has No Snap

Rural mail carriers who think they have hard times on account of the weather and the roughness and length of their routes may stop grumbling if they could all read of the route over which Joseph Davidovich has just contracted to carry Uncle Sam's mail in Alaska. He bids \$700 a trip for the job and it is enough to say there weren't any lower bidders, and the postoffice department awarded him the task. Point Barrow, or merely Barrow, as it is officially known in the post office department, is the destination of the carriers who have this peasant route. It is the northernmost settlement under the flag of the United States. Kutebue, 650 miles distant, is the starting point for the trip to the northward. Dogs and snow sleds will have to be used by Mr. Davidovich or his representatives on their journeys. The contract extends from July 1, 1910, until June 30, 1914. Mr. Davidovich is also the successful bidder for the 200 mile route from Kotzebue to Skungank at the rate of \$1 per mile.

His Threat to a Conductor

Some time ago a man at Ypsilanti became crazed on the subject of hypnotism and was sent on a Michigan Central train to the asylum. When the conductor asked for the tickets the crazy man began telling him of his hypnotic powers.

"I'll hypnotize you," he said. "Fire away," replied the conductor. The man made several passes before the conductor's face.

The conductor looked the part as best he could.

"You're a conductor," the hypnotist said.

"That's right," replied the victim. "You're a good conductor," went on the hypnotist.

"Right again," said the conductor.

"You don't smoke, drink or swear at passengers. You are honest. You turn in all tickets and money you collect from passengers. In fact, you do not steal a cent."

"That's right," asserted the conductor.

The hypnotist eyed him a moment then said.

"What an awful fix you'd be in if I left you in this condition."

"Fumigated Band" Leaves Voorhees

Voorhees Hall was opened yesterday after a final fumigation that would not have left a live germ though there had been millions of them. Health Officer Boot and the attending physicians are satisfied in regard to the only case of illness that seemed suspicious. All but five of the resident girls have left for their homes after voting their temporary isolation the "time of their lives."

A chafing dish supper was given to close their experiences as the "Fumigated Band" and Dean Durfee and members of the Faculty who have been in charge were elected as members of the band.

In the commodious reception room when flowers and pennants added to the tasteful furnishings two dainty maids with caps and aprons presided over the chafing dishes while the other coeds in evening gowns and happy spirits retold the experiences of the school term or laughed over stories of other schools and other days. During the three courses Dean Durfee's genial spirits led the flaming spirit under the savory dishes a merry chase in providing good cheer for her girls and the honorary members of the Fumigated Band.

The music studies are in full operation again and the building is open to guests as usual although it is more than probable that the building will be closed from about the seventeenth to the re-opening of school, the majority of the students now there leaving for the holidays.

Wildest Marine Trip.

The Marine Review of November, contains a short article concerning the famous trip of the little steamer Maid of the Mist, from Niagara Falls to Lewiston, through the whirlpool rapids. The late Charles C. Eckliff of Detroit, father of Charles C. Eckliff, U. S. inspector of hulls in Grand Haven on that memorable trip. They were, however, referred to the H. J. Trout of Buffalo, who had been an old time friend and shipmate of the elder Mr. Eckliff. Mr. Trout was not able to recall much of the details but secured the following account of the trip, which appeared in the Buffalo Morning Express of June 7 and 8 1861:

"The Maid of the Mist had proven a failure as a passenger steamer at the foot of Niagara Falls. Her owners had an offer for the boat if she could be delivered on Lake Ontario. A crew of three volunteered: the pilot, Noel Robinson, and an engineer and his fireman. On the morning of June 6, 1861 the lines were cast off and the little ship started on her stormy voyage. She



Great Xmas Display

The Holiday Season is again with us and we wish to notify our customers that we have a large assortment of all kind of goods carried in a well equipped clothing store, appropriate for Christmas gifts. Come and inspect our line. Below we quote a few of the many useful presents to select from. Our motto: "the best goods at lowest prices."

OVERCOATS

We have a large assortment of Overcoats of the latest styles for men

and boys. Prices for men from

\$5.00 to \$25.00

Prices for boys from

\$2.00 to \$10.00

Ready Made Clothing

In ready made clothing we are ahead of anything in town. We have

a larger and better assortment than ever before; having put in a large supply before the raise in prices.

Tailoring Department

On the second floor we have our made-to-measure department. A large supply to select from. Nothing but the best material used; with poor goods we could not hold our trade.



GLOVES

For men, women and children. All kinds—wool, leather, kid, silk; too many to mention here.

SHOES

Just a word about our large assortment of shoes which we always carry in stock regularly such as the famous

Ralston, Holland

and others for men. For women we have well known shoes such as

Red Cross, Dorothy Dodd

and others. Wool lined, large and small felt slippers for men women and children. Tickets with all cash sales.

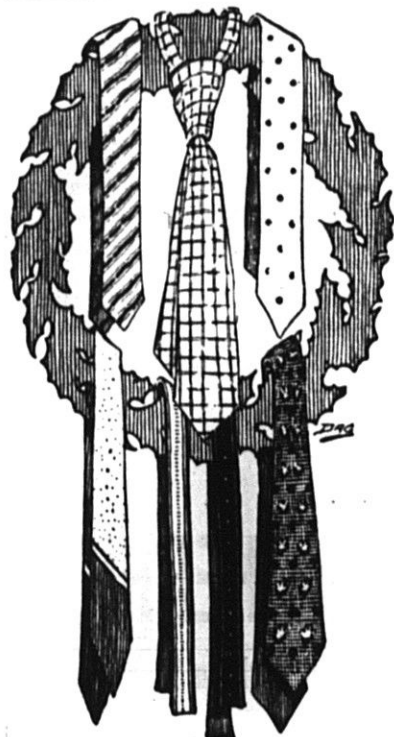
An Inspection

Is solicited before purchasing elsewhere. Whether you wish a ready or tailor made suit we guarantee to please.

A large supply of

Sweaters, Shirts, Mufflers,

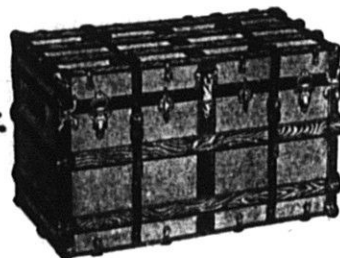
Stockings, Fancy Vests, Smoking Jackets, Bathrobes, Raincoats and Underwear of every description.



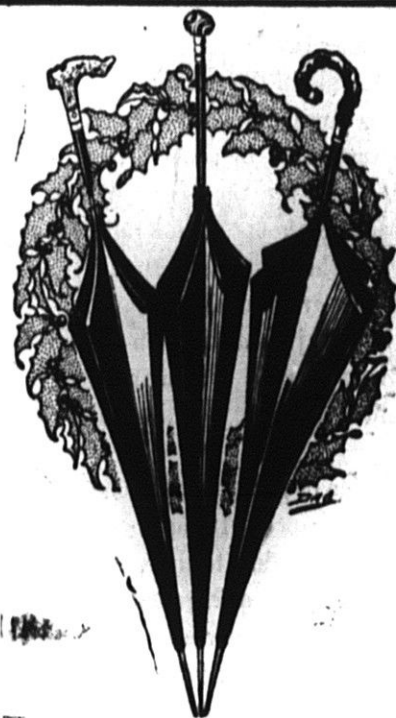
All sorts of mufflers, neckties from 25c up to \$1.00 for Christmas presents. Some put up separately in a neat box. Our collection of suspenders is very complete and each pair is put up in a neat box.

ATTENTION!

We have secured a lot of Sample Quilts which will be sold as usual. Some wool and some cotton. Come early and secure first choice.



Trunks, Suitcases and Traveling Bags



Do not forget to secure one of our

Umbrellas

The very latest in men's and ladies' umbrellas. All shapes and designs in handles.

\$1.00 and up

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Holland, Michigan



arrived at Lewiston fifteen minutes later, minus her smoke stack, but in that fifteen minutes her captain had aged fifty years.

"Anyone who has watched the whirlpool rapids at close range has nothing but unbounded admiration for the pluck of those who undertook the trip." Grand Haven Tribune.

Tax Telephone & Telegraph.

By the act of the legislature placing telegraph and telephone companies under ad valorem system of taxation approximately \$15,000,000 in taxable property will be added to the assessment rolls. The rate per \$1,000 this year will be about \$18, which means that the state will receive about \$270,000 from these companies. Last year under the specific tax system the state assessed the telegraph and telephone companies \$118,923.96.

Of this amount the Western Union paid \$2,089.64, the Postal \$706.93 the Bell telephone company \$981.34 and the Citizens of Grand Rapids were assessed \$18,023.29, which has not paid as yet.

Where the University Gets Its Students

With 5,256 students representing 48 different states, 3 insular possessions and 29 foreign countries, the University of Michigan is justly entitled to be called cosmopolitan. Columbia has an enrollment of 4,750 students; Minnesota, 4,547; Harvard, 4,367; Illinois, 4,300; Pennsylvania, 4,285; Yale, 3,439. The only state not represented at the University of Michigan is Delaware.

The North Atlantic division of states furnishes Michigan with 620

students; the South Atlantic 81; the South Central 99; the North Central 3,650; the Western division 200. 54 per cent of Michigan students are state residents. In this respect Michigan is followed by Northwestern with 56 per cent; Wisconsin with 79 per cent; Illinois with 80 per cent; and Nebraska 90 per cent state residents. Michigan leads in the number of students from Indiana, Ohio, Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana and Oregon.

The number of foreign students at American institutions of learning is rapidly on the increase. During the academic year 1908-9 there were 1,467 foreigners enrolled in 34 American schools, 460 of the foreigners hail from North America; 458 from Asia; 313 from Europe; 154 from South America; 64 from Australia and 18 from Africa.

COLLECTION OF TAXES

To the Taxpayer of the City of Holland:—

Notice is hereby given—That the annual assessment rolls of the several districts of the City of Holland have been delivered to me for the collection of the taxes therein levied and that said taxes can be paid to me, in my office, at the Common Council rooms, Second Story, No. 20 West Eighth street, at any time before the first day of January next without any charges for collection, but that five percent collection fee will be charged and collected upon taxes remaining unpaid on said first day of January.

I shall be in my office on every week day during the month of De-

cember after date of this notice, between the hours of 8:30 a. m., and 7:30 p. m., to receive payment of such taxes as are offered me.

Dated—Holland, Mich., December 6, A. D. 1908.

NICHOLAS J. ESSENBERG,
Dec 8 15-22 City Treasurer.

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Bad Road; No Rural Mail

It appears to be the policy of the postal authorities to enforce respect for the propaganda of good roads. It was announced from Washington a couple of years ago that the continuance of rural delivery in specific districts would depend upon the improvement of the highways; that where roads were in a deplorable condition and no effort was made to mend them, that branch of the postal service would be suspended.

And now we observe that this order has been put into practical effect in some of the states. Rural delivery routes have actually been discontinued because of poor roads, and it is declared by the Postal Department that the service will not be resumed until the roads are put in proper condition.

The postal authorities figure that aside from proper consideration from the rural carrier, the delivery of mail to the farmer has an annual value that is considerable. They figure that it is a value which enhances the worth of his farm, and that he is entitled to give up something for it in the maintenance of good roads. The reasoning of the Department is sound and ought to be beneficial. Its more expensive application, which is altogether likely to come about, will work practical prompting to greater general interest in the betterment of the roads.

The farmer should be mindful of the condition of the roads for his own interests, outside of the advantage of having his mail delivered at his door; but very often he is neglectful and will not take up the betterment of the roads without considerable prodding. If the Postal Department taken this matter seriously in hand, so far as it has jurisdiction in the rural delivery service, we may expect excellent and far reaching results.

The question of good roads is one of untold importance. It has been considered, from time to time, by the press, but only in a fragmentary way, and never as it has really merited. It is not affirming too much to say that the bad condition of the roads entail a heavier burden on the farming community than do all the taxes of the county and state combined. The waste of time, the wear and tear of wagons, the excessive work of horses, the loss of opportunity to take advantage of high markets, and the cost to keep the roads even in their present condition, are appalling to consider. But the farmer is not the only loser. The manufacturer, the merchant, and in fact every class is effected by bad county roads.

The roads around Holland are in fair condition, made so by the efforts of the farmers, the township commissioners, and do not forget the Holland business men who have paid hundreds upon hundreds of dollars toward their maintenance. But when we say fair we do not mean good enough. There is still room for a great deal of improvement. The public roads are of paramount interest to the people at large. The common road trade exceeds, by millions of tons, the tonnage of all the railroads combined.

Mr. Cook has disappeared from public view and his supporters are anxious to discover his whereabouts. Perhaps he has just run down to discover the south pole.

But very likely is up a tree at the present time.

Isn't it strange that just at the moment that Zelaya is threatening us with Japan, we fail to include estimates for new battleships in the navy? We trust the Japs will not take offense at the coincidence.

Limburger cheese as cure for cancer looks feasible. It would drive anything out.

Boys will be boys and hop bobs. But then the big chief says: "boys will be pinched if they hop bobs."

The Board of Public Works are to put in a new and short system of books. But how is that going to lower December light bills?

A fresh mantle of snow in a city looks beautiful for a few hours. After that the aspect of nature suggests that the smoke ordinance be passed.

The kidnaping of John D. would be a waste of time and energy. He would soon finance the kidnaper out of his ransom, in addition to turning him from ways of sin to paths of rectitude.

However Ed. Van Drezer's news emporium and coffee klets has been provided with a storm door to further prevent any news from leaking out. The patron sitting at the remote north end of the counter has cause for rejoicing. No more—r r r or cold coffee.

Colon C. Lillie of Coopersville, present dairy and food commissioner is being touted as a very strong and possible candidate for lieutenant governorship honors at the next election and his supporters claim that he can easily take the measure of Senator Dickinson, who has already announced his candidacy. Some of Senator Dickinson's views are not liked and are given as reason's for boosting Mr. Lillie's candidacy. As yet Mr. Lillie has not made an announcement.

One on Senator Burrows

A story is told about Senator Burrows, who by the way is very prone to forget the names and faces of his constituents, unlike our own Bill Alden who can remember them by their first names and their children's after them. It so happened that one of Julius' agricultural friends was doing the Capital and perchance came across the senior senator. "Why how do Senator?" "Why how do my dear fellow, how is everything at home?" "Every thing fine when I left the farm." "How is father?" "Poor father has been dead for a year or more." "Too bad, too bad, he was always a fine man and a hard republican worker. This conversation over the senator and his constituent parted, the one to look after grave matters of state and the other to see the sites. But it so happened that the senator and the Kalamazoo celery raiser were destined to meet again when the latter would naturally pass the time of day. The senator was there with the goods. "Why how do you my dear man. How is everything on the farm and how is father?" "You say father! Father is still dead."

Many Wretched Jails

Lansing, Mich., Dec. 16.—According to M. T. Murray, secretary of the state board of corrections and charities, many of the jails and almshouses of the state are in a wretched condition. Mr. Murray states that he has submitted a report to the board which will be used for a basis of summary action against some county authorities by the board unless prompt attention is paid to the recommendations for improvements in these buildings.

At the time the report was made 35 counties in the northern part of the state had been visited by Mr. Murray, and in many of them he found frightful conditions surrounding the unfortunates and children in jails and county infirmaries, as well as an utter disregard for the law relative to the handling of juvenile cases. In some poor houses he visited, sick men and women, foolish persons and young persons were herded together.

Some of the conditions which Mr. Murray discovered in some counties are altogether too degrading to be mentioned in print, and that public authorities will countenance such an act of utter disregard of both the law and sanitation, is all the more deplorable, and it is hoped that these investigations will bring beneficial results.

The News can say for Ottawa County that its jail will compare favorably with the best in the state and if Mr. Murray makes Sheriff Andre a call no doubt will give him a clean bill.

The Ottawa County Medical Society met Tuesday afternoon in Dr. Kremers offices. The program was as follows: Surgery of the Brain, Dr. R. C. Hutchins of Grand Rapids; Repair of the Sernaeum, Dr. J. J. Mersen, Holland; Report of a Case, Dr. T. J. Huizenga, Zeeland. There was a large attendance of local and out of town physicians.

WHAT YOU SAW IN THIS PAPER

35 Years ago To-day.

The hall of Mr. Kenyon's new building is about finished and will be ready to receive its first audience on Tuesday evening when the public will be entertained by Pike's Opera House Minstrels and Silver Cornet Band, which are advertised to be here on that evening. The new hall, including the gallery, will seat from 450 to 500 person. Mr. Leonard, the stage carpenter at Powers Opera house, Grand Rapids, will be here on Monday to superintend the stage finishing.

WIKES SAUGATUCK WAS A LAKE PORT

The Saugatuck Commercial gives the following vessels as gone into winter quarters at that port: Steamers, Geo. P. Heath and North Star; tugs, Wm. B. Minter and A. McMullan; schooners, Geo. M. Case, O. R. Johnson, F. B. Stockbridge, H. B. Moore, and Kitty Grant; Granger, I. A. Johnson, Cousin Mary, Flora and Seabird; also the yacht Mary Louise.

WHAT YOU SAW 30 YEARS AGO

A little way across Black river bridge Jas. G. Boyce may be seen to work pulling the stumps out of a piece of land of M. D. Howard. The process is simple but very effective. Mr. Boyce says he has contracts enough on hand to keep him busy all winter.

Wm. Addis is building a logging railroad from White Cloud to Crooked lake in the townships of Beaver and Monroe, Newaygo county, Mich. The road when completed will be 16 miles in length, ironed with ordinary railroad iron and operated by one or more steam engines. Several mills will be constructed along the line of the road by the builder. The road is to connect with the Chicago & West Mich.

"Leaves from the Diary of an Old Lawyer; Intemperance the Great Source of Crime," which is described as a story that will compare with the famous "Diary of a Physician," and as a temperance plea with "Ten Nights in a Barroom," is soon to be issued by the American Book Exchange, New York.

WHAT YOU SAW 25 YEARS AGO

A. C. Van Raalte Post, G. A. R., he'd its first annual meeting last Wednesday evening in Odd Fellows hall and elected the following officers: Commander, J. Kramer; senior vice commander, B. Van Raalte; junior vice commander, James L. Fairbanks; surgeon, W. Van Putten; adjutant, John Grotenhuis; chaplain, John VanLente; quartermaster, Peter Wilms; officer of the day, Geo. W. Frink; officer of the guard, W. Blom sergeant, R. VandenBerg; sentinel, Geo. Nash. This campfire of the post was well attended and the election of officers passed off pleasantly.

WHAT YOU SAW 20 YEARS AGO

Wm. Olive, aged 64 died at his residence in this city Sunday morning. The funeral took place from Hope church Tuesday afternoon and was conducted by the Mutual Benefit Asso. of the employees of the Cappel & Bertsch Leather Co., of which Mr. Olive was a member. He leaves a wife and son to mourn his loss.

A. Woltman's cigar factory, corner Eighth and Market streets, was visited by fire last Sunday morning. The blaze was discovered by A. B. Richmond, who at once gave the alarm and also notified Mr. Woltman. Columbia Hose Co. No. 2 promptly responded and quickly gained control of the fire. Mr. Woltman's loss is estimated at \$200 insured for \$500. The building was owned by H. Boone and the damage is fully covered by insurance. The fire is supposed to have been of incendiary origin. Too much praise cannot be bestowed upon Columbia Hose Co. for their prompt work which showed what they could do in case of a large conflagration.

The following program was given by the Senior class of the High school in honor of the 82nd birth day of America's greatest living poet, John G. Whittier:

Welcome song, By class.
Roll call, answered by quotations.
Life of Whittier, Gerrit Steketee.
Recitation, Conductor Bradley—Louie Markham.

Quartet, Jennie DeVries, John Elenbas, Nellie Pfanstiehl, Tony VanRy.

Reading, Vow of Washington, Tony Van Ry.

Organ duet, Rika Vanden Berg and Nellie Huntley.

Song, Class.
Recitation, Mary Damson.

Instrumental solo, Rika Vanden Van Berg.

Recitation, Allie Purdy.
Vocal duet, Rika Van den Berg and Nellie Huntley.

Present-tion of Whittier's portrait by Rika VandenBerg.

Acceptance, Grace Gordon.
Farewell song, Class.

A handsome portrait of the poet now decorates the walls of the High School room, which was placed there during the exercises.

WHAT YOU SAW 15 YEARS AGO

What has Holland been guilty of to be thus afflicted by a simultaneous acquisition of three additional dentists. The list embraces Dr. M. J. Cook of Allegan, Dr. A. C. V. R. Gilmore of Detroit and Dr. G. J. Veldhuis of St. Ignace.

Mrs. A. J. Hillebrands, an aged and respected lady and for 35 years a resident of New Groningen, died on Tuesday leaving a husband and one son to mourn her departure.

Early Monday morning a formidable detachment of local sportsmen filled one of Hadden's carryalls and set out for the forests of Olive and Allendale. It was a jolly, merry crowd, lacking two of making a baker's dozen. Ald. J. W. Fliehmman, Arthur Riegal, Henry Van Ry, Frank Bates, Arthur Reynolds, Jacob Van Ry, Jacob Keeler, Fred Kieft, Albert McClellan and J. Fliehmman, sr. The son had not yet reflected its first rays when at a point about one mile north of Fox's mill, the party drove east to the premises of one Edwin McCarrick who came rushing out of the house and according to the unanimous statement of all, without provocation, fired a volley of shot into the party, hitting a number of them and following it up with another shot, said to have been a bullet. After due deliberation they decided not to stop, either for defense or retaliation, but to drive on and seek redress along the lines laid down in Tiffany. For some reason or other, inexplicable to our nimrods, Mr. McCarrick was not satisfied with his morning exploit, but went before a justice of the peace in Robinson township, and had the whole party arrested on the charge of firing at and into his house his wife barely escaping being hit. The rural squire was generous enough to release them on their own recognizance to appear on Tuesday next for trial. Thus ended the day's sport and the party drove home bringing their wounded with them. On the following morning the entire detachment again met in council and proceeded to the office of one of our magistrates where they were reinforced by the prosecutor and officer Van Ry and secured a warrant for the arrest of their aggressor. In due time Mr. McGarrick was brought in and arraigned, and pleading not guilty his trial was set for Wednesday next, the day after the Robinson tribunal shall have passed upon the guilt or innocence of the Holland nimrods. 't Is'n kot.

WHAT YOU SAW 10 YEARS AGO

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Soulen, Orange City, Iowa, Sunday—a daughter. So said a telegram sent by Mrs. H. Boone, Sr., to relatives in this city.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Van derVeen Tuesday—a daughter.

J. O. Duesburg expects to move his stock of drugs into his new building before the holidays.

Contractor A. J. Ward has secured the contract for the mason work of the Virginia Hotel to be erected at Harrington's Landing by Peter T. McCarthy of Chicago.

Two Good Conductors Gone

James Flynn and Oscar Anderson, two of the oldest and best known conductors on the Grand Trunk railway have quit the road after long years of faithful service. It is said that the two veteran conductors were the victims of friendship coupled with the unrelenting spotter system used on the railroads. It is said that not long ago one of the conductors neglected to collect fare from a passenger riding with a Grand Haven hotel man. It has been the custom on nearly every railroad in the country to at times let hotel men ride. There has never been any objection to this plan from the railroads themselves it is said. But as luck happened the man who was riding with the hotel man was a spotter riding for the purpose of being passed. At any rate the conductor who was in charge of the train was called up on the carpet and released from the service. Spotters have been working on the system for a long time and two of the best known, the oldest and best liked conductors on the system are the toll.

There is nothing dishonest against the conductors, just a little over abundance of friendship. Perhaps the railroads must take some steps to enforce the regulations to the letter, but it does seem tough to the outsider to see good men go by the board because of a little breach of the rules, after boosting the company's interest for the best part of a life time. Grand Haven Tribune.

The following program was carried out at the meeting of the W. L. C. Tuesday afternoon: roll call. The first literary club of London, by Mrs. Bishop; "The Humor of Fielding and Sterne," Mrs. Dykstra; music by a quartet composed of Mesdames Van Verst, Oostema, Garrod and Vander Veen; reading, School for Scandal, Miss Theo Thurber. Holiday greetings were exchanged before the adjournment until Jan. 4.

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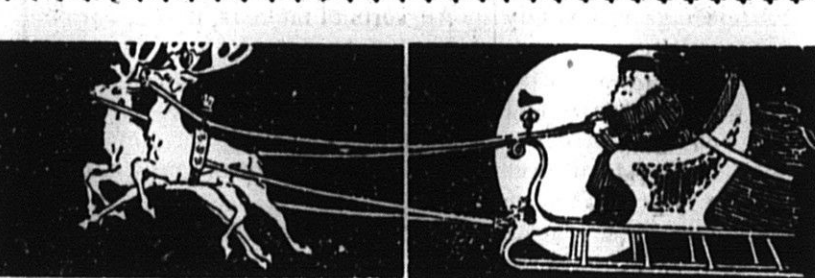
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IN SOCIETY

Harm Arnoldink was in Grand Rapids on business Thursday.

C. M. McLean has returned from Chicago.

Miss Minnie VanRaalte is visiting relatives in Grand Rapids.

The M. E. Ladies Aid will hold a supper and bazaar this afternoon and evening at 10 East Eighth St.

The Sewing Circle of the Prospect Park church met last evening at the home of Miss Jennie Haveman.

Mr. J. R. Kleyn who has been in Chicago for a month, returned Monday.

John Zwemer, the well known G. A. R. man is rapidly failing in health. He has lately become subject to fainting spells.

Mayor Henry Brusse has returned from Washington, where he attended the rivers and harbors congress as the representative of Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Lutman, Jr. and Mrs. Henry VanderLide and Miss Lena Otte left Tuesday for Daytona, Florida to spend the winter.

If interested in artistic and beautiful gifts for Christmas call at Mrs. Pardee's. She carries a nice line of art needlework and material.

Mrs. John Busby and Mrs. Cardwell of this city left for Hamilton, Ont., Friday, to attend a sick brother.

Miss Ebba Clark entertained her juvenile music pupils Saturday afternoon at her home on 17 West 9th St. A fine program was rendered by 15 pupils.

The ladies of the Baptist church will hold a bazaar and sale of fancy goods at the millinery store of Mrs. Sargeant, corner College and Eighth street tomorrow and Saturday afternoons and evenings.

Readings from Oliver Wendell Holmes was the feature of the meeting of the Century club Monday the club being entertained by Mr. and Mrs. N. R. De Merrell, at their residence, 64 East 9th street.

The date of the high school alumni banquet is announced for Monday Dec. 27. The committee have secured both the K. of P. and Woodman halls for the event. The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church will cater.

George Boyenga was delightfully surprised by his Sunday School class, the occasion being his birthday. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. P. Schoon, John Schoon, Harry Plaggenmars, George Frundt, Bert VanKampen, Marinus Klomprens, Marinus Mulder and Miss Hattie Lamen.

The annual teachers meeting of the First Reformed church Sunday school was held Friday night. The report of the secretary showed a total enrollment of 573, with an average attendance of 424. According to the treasurer's report the average regular collection for the year was \$490 each Sunday amounting to \$239.29. The opening of the mission boxes showed a total of \$350. Of this \$150 will go to foreign and \$150 to domestic missions. The remainder will go to the church building fund. In the report of the Teachers' secretary the average teacher attendance was 23. Five teachers were not absent during the year. The teaching force of the school consists of 35 teachers and 7 officers. The election resulted as follows, superintendent, Rev. Veldman; asst superintendent, L. Schoon; asst superintendent, Prof. A. Raap; secretary of teachers meeting, Miss Jeanette Westveer; organists, Mrs. A. Neinhuis, Marie Rlom and Mrs. H. Naberhuis. J. Westveer who has been liberian for the last thirty years was re elected; L. Schoon Jr., was elected assistant liberian.

Notes of Sport

The Interurban indoor base ball team defeated the Nationals of Grand Rapids Friday in a clean fast game by a score of 5 to 0. The battery for the Interurbans was Peterson and Schouten and for the Nationals Kez and Verdine. Nine hits were made off Peterson and 16 off Verdine. The Interurbans have played five games and won all of them this fall. They will play two games at Qwosso on Christmas day.

Manager Verburg of the Hope college basket ball team has announced that the closing of the institution on account of the scarlet fever epidemic will not interfere with the schedule of games booked in other cities. The quintet will play in Zeeland on Dec. 22, and will meet the Grand Rapids Y in that city on Dec. 23. On Dec. 27 they will go on their trip through south eastern Michigan and its itinerary will cover Detroit, Ann Arbor, Jackson, Kalamazoo and Battle Creek. It has not been decided definitely whether the team will go on its tour through Canada into New York state, but Manager Verburg hopes to book the necessary teams which will assure the trip before Christmas.

Thursday evening the Limberts and the Veneers crossed bats at Lyceum rink. The game was won by the Limberts, the score being 18 to 12. Vandenberg and Vick was the battery for the winners, securing 9 strikeouts and Foster and DeVries did fine work for the Veneers.

In a one sided game between the Chemicals and the West Michigans the score stood 33 to 10 in favor of the former. Battery for the winners were Lievense and Verecke and for the losers Lamb and Woldering.

In the standing of the factory in door league the Shoemen find themselves at the top, they having lost only one game so far of all the games played.

A new indoor baseball league, known as the Auditorium, and comprising the Ottawa, Holland, West Michigan and Chemical teams, was formed Tuesday. Al Rietink of the Chemicals was elected president and Arthur Visscher of the Ottawas secretary and treasurer. A series of 18 games will be played.

Monday former state champion Will Blom defeated Phil Meyers in a 100 ball pool match 100 to 75. The first match in the city championship series was won from Jake Japenga by Fred Cueball. The third match comes Friday evening between Casey Van Duren and Cueball. All games are played at Cummings pool parlors.

Geo. Douma who was seriously injured in an indoor base ball game at Price's rink, is still laid up.

In a fast game of indoor base ball last night the Holland Shoe Co. still retained their first place position in the factory league by defeating the Veneer Works by the score of 7 to 4. Petersen of the winning team secured 16 strike outs; while "Slim" of the veneer makers succeeded in getting 14. This is the fourth straight game won by the leather men. The Veneer's hold second place even though they were defeated last night. While C. L. King & Co. and Limberts teams are tied for third place. But the supremacy between the later teams will be decided next Wednesday night when they will clash at the Lyceum rink. Good crowds are attending the games.

The Holland Interurbans will play the Valley Cities tomorrow night. This is the strongest indoor baseball team in Grand Rapids.

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Peter Young and Frederick Ayres were playmates in childhood, attended the same school and left the same college in the spring of 1861 to enlist in the same regiment in the Union army. They campaigned together and after each fight immediately sought each other to learn of their mutual safety. On one occasion Young shot a Confederate who was about to run a bayonet into his friend's breast. On another Ayres carried Young, who had been wounded, for miles on a retreat, saving him from a southern prison and perhaps death. Their devotion to each other was well known in the army in which they served, and they were referred to as furnishing an example of a typical friendship.

In the fourth and last year of their service they quarreled. Both had become subaltern officers and were tent-mates. One day Young entered their tent and, looking under his cot, missed a chip he kept there as a rest for his soap.

"What's become of my soap dish?" he asked his friend.

"What soap dish?"

"That chip I had here."

"Oh, that dirty thing! I threw it out."

"What did you do that for?" angrily. "Because I propose to have the tent I live in respectable."

"And I propose to have something to put my soap on, and I won't allow any man to interfere with it."

It is not essential to give the steps by which these two bosom friends became more and more angry and finally alienated. The contemptible cause was a chip which its owner considered a soap dish and his friend as not sufficiently aesthetic to grace their canvas habitation. They did not speak to each other during that campaign and before another Ayres had been transferred to the staff and assigned to duty with a different corps.

In 1865 Young and Ayres were both again in civil life. On Christmas morning of the next year on going to the postoffice for his mail Ayres was handed an envelope addressed to him in the familiar handwriting of his friend. Opening it, he drew forth a card on which was a picture of a dove with an olive branch in its mouth. Nothing was written on the card, nor did any letter accompany it, but the recipient knew that his friend had remembered his birthday and sent a peace offering. He was not a demonstrative man—nor was Young, for that matter—so he put the card in his pocket, saying nothing to any one about it, but thinking on it a great deal.

The next Christmas morning Young's wife, whom he had just married, handed him an envelope the superscription on which was in Ayres' handwriting. It contained the Christmas card he had sent Ayres on his twenty-third birthday. Mrs. Young asked her husband what it all meant. He prevaricated. He was ashamed to tell her the story—firstly, on account of the insignificant cause that had separated him from his friend; secondly, because he blushed at this missive passing between them, worthy rather of two schoolgirls than two veterans of a great war.

For forty years the card continued to pass at Christmas time between the two friend-enemies. Picture processes improved, and the little dove of 1865 was a sorry looking bird beside the dove of the twentieth century. Besides, the card was worn and soiled. Possibly had the two friends been near each other they would have returned to a closer relationship. But in all these years they never met. Ayres never married, and Mrs. Young, who meanwhile had come into possession of the story of their quarrel, said facetiously that she believed he loved her husband too well to marry a woman.

A Christmas came round when Peter Young was in no mood to remember to send the card with the dove and olive branch. A crisis had come in his affairs, and what he had been for years building fell with a crash. The crown of his and his wife's sorrow was that his health broke down under the strain.

Had he not after these many years come to tread in a rut he would have written to learn the cause of his not receiving his token. But he had never written a line or spoken a word to the man with whom he had quarreled in his youth, and it seemed too late for him to begin. The result was that he refrained from writing and worried.

One day—it was shortly before Christmas—Mrs. Young, rummaging in her husband's desk, found the old card. It occurred to her at once that in her husband's preoccupation and distress he had for the first time forgotten it. She had saved a paragraph taken from a newspaper mentioning her husband's failure in business and another stating that he was suffering from nervous prostration. Placing these items with the card in an envelope, she sent it to Ayres.

Christmas morning brought a letter from Ayres inclosing his check for \$10,000 and a note stating that it was sent in the hope that it would place his friend again on his feet. The Christmas card he would thereafter keep in his possession.

That was the end of the partial estrangement. Mrs. Young telegraphed Ayres urging him to join them that evening at a Christmas dinner. Ayres took the first train and reached the house of his old friend to find him and his wife waiting for him. And there and then they laughed over the soap dish incident.

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QUEENSLAND'S WATER TREES

Wise Provision of Nature That is One of the Curiosities of the Region.

One of the curiosities in natural history in the colony of Queensland is the provision by nature of a supply of water in the roots of certain trees. On these roots the aborigines formerly depended for their water for several months of the year.

There are several kinds of trees in Queensland from which water can be obtained, including three species of eucalyptus, and the kurrajong. The eucalypt consists of a gum, which is the largest of the back country trees, a box and mallee. The first named is the most preferred, as yielding the greatest quantity. This tree resembles the red gum in appearance, the leaves being a little narrower and of a silvery color. It grows chiefly on sandy or light loamy soil and throws out numerous lateral roots at a depth of about nine inches from the surface of the ground. The position of these roots was ascertained by the blacks by repeatedly jabbing the points of a spear or sharpened stick in the soft earth at a distance of about six or eight feet from the trunk of the tree. The soil was then removed with a wooden shovel for some 20 feet or more and the root cut off at either end. This was then cut up into lengths of about 18 inches, the bark knocked off and the lengths stood on end in some receptacle to contain water. In many cases the blacks used a bag made of the entire skin of the male wallaby. As soon as all these pieces were placed on end the operator, beginning with the first placed, put the end in his mouth, and by a vigorous puff expelled the remaining water. The size of the roots chosen was, with the bark on, about the thickness of a man's wrist. The larger ones being more woody and less porous, contain little or no water. The water is beautifully clear, cool, and free from any unpleasant taste or smell.

PLEASANT FOR THE TRAVELER

Russian Method of Safeguarding Czar Necessarily Led to Some Apprehension.

The late William E. Ingersoll, the noted life insurance manager, was an authority on insurance rates.

"Mr. Ingersoll knew the rates all over the world," said a New York manager, recently. "The Russian rates are very high. Mr. Ingersoll once explained to me, with a story, why this was.

"A traveler in Russia, he said, noticed that the train was all decorated with flags and banners, and at every station a company of soldiers, and a band playing the national anthem. The traveler asked a barkman the reason of all this ceremony. The barkman, lowering his voice, replied:

"I don't mind telling you, sir—but in the strictest confidence, be it understood—that a carriage in this train has been engaged for his majesty. But his majesty, as a matter of fact, won't set off till this evening. Thus the plot hatched against him may take effect on this train, you see, and our gracious sovereign will be saved."

"The brakeman touched his cap and passed on, and the traveler, suddenly grown pale and nervous, stared from the window anxiously."

High Title Denied Washington.

A friend calls attention to the fact that Washington, although commander in chief during the Revolution and again in 1798 during the French war, which did not really happen, did not bear the title of full general. On July 2, 1798, President Adams nominated him "to be lieutenant-general and commander in chief." This was followed by the act of March 3, 1798, of which the ninth section read "that a commander of the army of the United States shall be appointed, and commissioned by the style of 'general of the armies of the United States,' and that the present office and title of lieutenant-general shall thereafter be abolished." President Adams, jealous for the executive prerogative as commander in chief, made no appointment under this act and Washington died as lieutenant-general.

Europe's Highest Village.

"The highest village in Europe" is the inscription on a post card which shows a group of wooden cottages on a bleak hill, with no sign of vegetation in sight and having as a background a range of ice-covered mountains. The name of the place is Cumeaz in the Canton Wallis. It lies 2,047 meters above the sea level, "where Monte Rosa raises its gigantic head into the clouds." The village consists of four families, and the latest census gives it a population of 26. "The storms of spring and fall and the snows of the winter months," says the sender of the card, "make life a dreary one, and still the people look happy, and doubtless they are so."

A Careless Messenger.

After a messenger boy had eaten his lunch in a Pearl street restaurant in the New York financial district, Harry Bohrer, the manager, found a package on the table, and opening it he discovered that it contained \$23,000 in currency and also sufficient negotiable securities to make a total of \$50,000. From the papers in the package he believed the valuables belonged to the state bank, a few doors away, and hurried there with the money. The cashier quickly identified the parcel and Bohrer was given a reward.

Additional Local

See the parade on Page 6.

Only eleven arrests in town during the month and not an "alley rat" in the bunch.

Cong. G. J. Diekema presided over the House of Representatives Tuesday, Speaker Cannon calling him to the chairs, and Speaker "Dick" is there with the goods.

A better store in the city cannot be found where an assortment of Christmas goods appeals to the purchaser as at the store of J. S. Dykstra. His sale is a great success, and you will find the crowd at Dykstra's.

Johanna Vlieg, living on E. 13th St., was adjudged insane by Judge Kirby of Grand Haven. The woman holds the impression that she is a globe trotter and also a great writer. She was taken to Kalamazoo.

The L. O. T. M. O. T. W. spent a pleasant afternoon at the home of Mrs. Will Davis, W. 9th St. Refreshments were served by the hostess. They will hold their annual election Dec. 22. All members are requested to be present.

The Ninth Reformed church of Grand Rapids has decided to call Rev. A. Karreman, Cleveland, O., subject to the formal consent of the local classes. Mr. Karreman is a graduate of Hope college. He has occupied his present charge for three years.

The men at the water and light station are to have a library. \$25 has been appropriated by the Board of Public Works to purchase books and periodicals of technical nature, so the employees can improve their knowledge in such matters as are beneficial to their work in hand.

On account of the heavy holiday traffic to and from Grand Rapids, the Holland interurban has decided to increase the service in the rush hours of the day, and until after Christmas at least, "double headers" will be run. Two cars will leave this city mornings at 8:35 and 9:35 in place of the one regularly scheduled and extra cars will be put on leaving Grand Rapids at 4, 5 and 6 o'clock in the evening.

A committee of two has been appointed consisting of A. J. Ward, and Past Commander D. B. K. Van Raalte of this city to attend a meeting of the executive council held at Jackson and who have the say of where the G. A. R. state encampment is to be held. These men will be on the ground to insure the possibilities of holding the encampment here next June. The meeting is called for tomorrow.

Despite the smallness of his congregation, the absence of a church structure and an isolated rented parsonage, Rev. Henry J. Mulder of the Plainfield avenue Chr. Ref. church Grand Rapids, has declined a call to the prosperous church of the same denomination at Prosper, Mich., and will stick to his charge. He has also turned down an offer from a Jamestown church, preferring his small flock which is struggling to keep him, to a larger and more well-to-do congregation. Henry Mulder is a brother of Arnold Mulder, former editor of the News and the son of B. Mulder of Zeeland.

A new design of postal cards has been prepared by the government engravers at Washington and the cards will be issued after the first of the new year. On the ordinary postal card the head of the former president McKinley will appear as now, but a better portrait will be used. On the new small card, intended for index purposes and so called correspondence, a likeness of Lincoln will appear. The two cent international card will bear the likeness of Grant. On the double or reply cards a new idea appears. On the first half will be a portrait of George Washington and upon the reply portion the head of Martha Washington.

The annual congregational meeting of the Sixteenth Street Reformed church was held Monday evening the election of officers resulting in the choice of H. Mol and F. Visser as elders. The later is the secretary of the consistory. John Prins and L. Schuddelee were elected deacons. The congregation does not as yet own their parsonage, but at this meeting it was decided to build one in the spring. It will be modern in every way, having all the latest conveniences. The site chosen is just west of and adjoining the church. Since the coming of Rev. W. De Groot in October, the congregation shows a marked increase. At the time of its incorporation, it was composed of 30 families. They slowly increased to 46, and from that time to the coming of their pastor until now, a matter of only two months the church roll shows the membership of 66 heads of families.

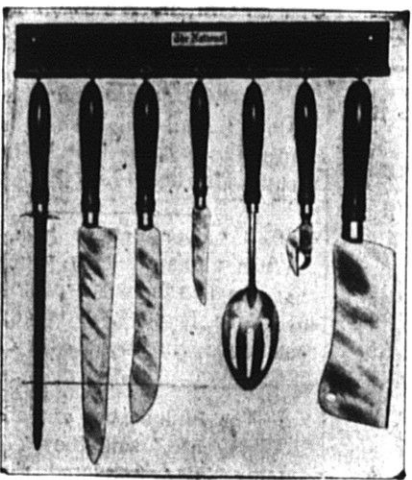


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After an unusual successful season, the Graham and Morton Transportation company have practically closed this season's business. The passenger boats have already stopped running and now the "City of Traverse" is on the run handling the large amount of freight that the popular line keeps on getting. If the weather permits and the lake stays open the company will go on doing business indefinitely. Navigation last year closed December 19 and opened up again on March 19. Later it is authentically reported that the City of Traverse will make it last run today.

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Seminary Notes

The Adelphic Y. M. C. A. met at the home of Pres. J. W. Beardslee. The literary part of the program for the occasion was in care of George Hankamp.

The students of the seminary have decided to organize a club for the purpose of studying vocal music and the training of the voice. Prof. L. Emmett Sherrod of Grand Rapids has been secured to instruct them.

The Seminary will close for the holiday vacation, tomorrow and will resume work Jan. 4, 1910.

The following students will represent the Seminary next Sunday at places designated: H. B. Mollema, Beverly; M. A. Stogeman, Coopersville; J. J. Vander Schaaf, First, Holland afternoon; C. Muller, First, Zeeland evening.

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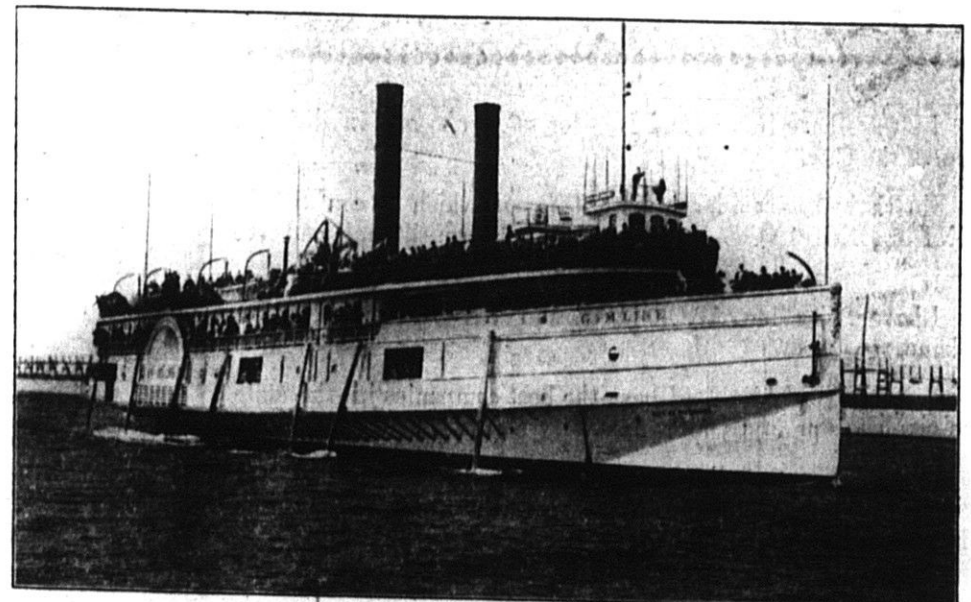
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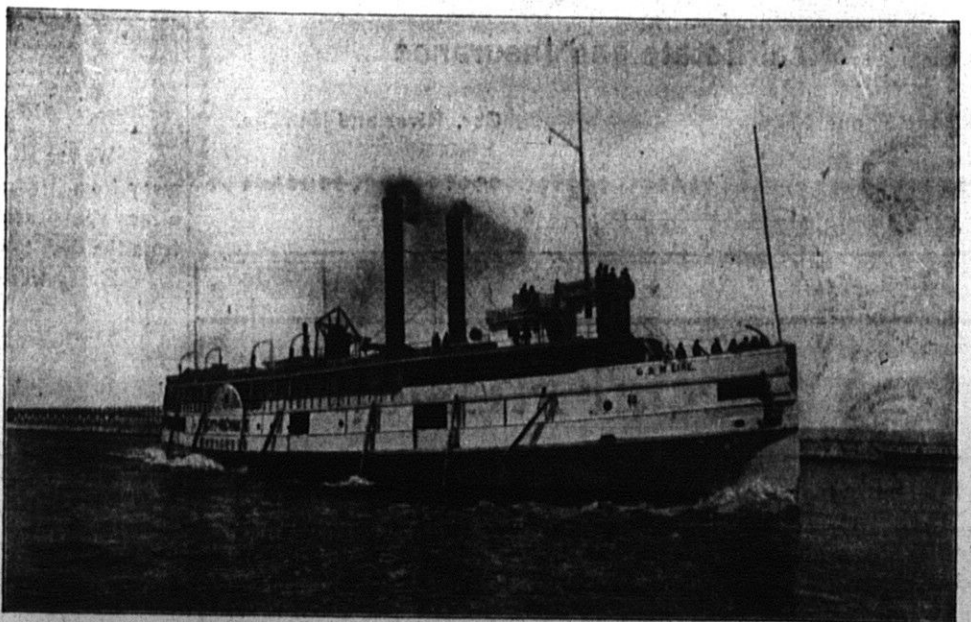
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