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## SOLONS DIVIDED ON LICENSE FOR NEW TAXI FIRM

But Approve Enterprise If  
It Meets Ordinance  
Requirements

Application Given Lokker  
and Committee After  
Argument

Providing the operators meet all requirements of the city ordinance that, apply to operation of motor buses and taxis in Holland, Jack Chaddock and Gustave Elser, formerly of Benton Harbor, will be granted a license by common council's license committee to operate the Tulip City Cab Co.

Considerable discussion resulted Wednesday night when the application for a license was placed before council. The aldermen finally referred the request to the license committee and city attorney with power to act.

Ald. William C. Vandenberg sought to delay the application two weeks for further investigation, but his motion to refer it to a special committee was rejected, 7 to 5. Vandenberg, declining to withdraw his motion, said an investigation would prove that "the taxi business in other cities sometimes becomes a political football."

Those voting against his motion were Ald. Bernard Aarends, Albert P. Kleis, Albert V. Faasen, Ben Steffens, John Menken, Bruce Raymond and Frank Smith. Supporting the motion were James A. Drinkwater, Cornelius Kalkman, Vandenberg and Henry Ketel.

Mayor Henry Geerlings did not call for a "yea and nay" vote on the substitute motion to refer the matter to the license committee and city attorney but ruled that it prevailed in calling for a unit vote.

Vandenberg pointed out a similar situation of 10 years ago. He said two taxi companies could not make a living in Holland. He pointed out the present company "is giving satisfactory service."

Menken said that "new business should be permitted to come to Holland," adding that he understood the new company would offer lower fares.

Elser, in behalf of his application, said it was the plan of himself and his partner to operate at rates of 15 cents per person anywhere in the city or a fee of 25 cents for two, three or four persons entering and leaving the cab at the same location. An additional charge of 10 cents would be made for outside calls and a rate of 15 cents per mile for any great distance would be included.

Kalkman asked why the operators "didn't stay in Benton Harbor if business was good." He said he was opposed to "those persons who come here in competition of those who pay taxes here." He also said he opposed anyone who came here to work at cheaper prices.

Raymond stated he would be opposed to any council action "that would tend to create a monopoly and to deny the license will be setting a precedent."

Faasen, as chairman of the license committee, said his committee recommended the granting of the license.

Called upon by Raymond for a legal ruling, City Attorney Clarence A. Lokker pointed out that council would be bound to grant a license to the operators, providing they met ordinance requirements which include public liability and property damage insurance. A \$1,000 bond also must be filed with the city.

Lokker ruled that if council refused to grant the license, court action could be brought and council enjoined to issue the license providing the applicant qualified under the ordinance.

Vandenberg contended that if neither company operated at a profit, "the public likely will suffer, as generally is the case."

Chaddock promised that he and Elser would live up to requirements of the ordinance and he said they were willing to have council inspect their equipment and insurance policies before they begin operation in Holland.

Lokker pointed out that the license could not be granted at Wednesday night's meeting since certain ordinance requirements had to be met. He said the two operators were present to learn if council would refuse them a license "on the ground of competition."

"Irrespective of how it affects another business, council must grant the license as long as these two men meet the requirements of our ordinance," Lokker said.

He also pointed out that the ordinance provides an annual fee of \$50, plus \$1 per passenger for additional carrying capacity above 30 passengers, but that the city clerk has been instructed to collect an annual fee of \$30 from the present company in Holland.

### REPORTS ACCIDENT

Joe Veldhof of East Saugatuck reported to Holland police that his automobile had been involved in an accident Tuesday at 32nd and State Sts. with a car driven by Mrs. Bade, route 5, Holland.

## PLAN COUNTY DRIVE TO RAISE POLIO FUND

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—Mayor Richard L. Cook, recently appointed chairman of the Ottawa county infantile paralysis drive in connection with the annual President's ball, called a meeting Monday night in the city hall which was attended by approximately 35 Ottawa county residents.

Plans were made for the president's ball, fairs and other means of raising funds for the drive. He stated he has the assurance of the support of the mayors of Holland and Zeeland as well as supervisors of the various townships.

Mayor Henry Geerlings of Holland and Charles Lowing, chairman of the board of supervisors, formed the administrative committee to handle the county funds. Various committee chairmen were appointed.

## SHOE COMPANY IS GIVEN LARGE DEFENSE ORDER

Fifty Thousand Pairs in  
Contract to Holland,  
Racine Firm

Increase in Production Is  
Scheduled for Both  
Plants

The Holland-Racine Shoe Co. today was awarded an army contract for 50,000 pairs of service shoes.

This major order, General Manager C. C. Andreasen said, will accelerate production schedules of both the firm's plants in Holland and Racine, Wis.

The order, along with the company's regular business, was expected to require employment of additional workers, but the extent of and time for start on the increased production was not definitely determined.

Under the contract, one of 31 awarded to as many shoe firms in the United States through competitive bidding, the order must be completed within 150 days.

Before production can start, special machinery must be ordered and installed and materials must be ordered. This was expected to require several weeks. The daily schedule then will be determined by the number of days remaining before the contract deadline.

With the installation of the special machinery, the Holland-Racine company will be in a favorable position for bids on future army shoe orders, it was pointed out.

The Holland-Racine order was part of the 31 orders for a million and a half pairs of shoes.

The Holland-Racine shoes will be boxed like other shoes and will be shipped when all shoes have been completed.

The order, received at the firm's offices here this morning was its first under the United States vast defense program.

## GOAL EXCEEDED IN LOCAL DRIVE TO HELP NEEDY

Goodfellows Collect \$730  
for Child Health in  
Sentinel Sale

Late Donations Expected  
to Boost Fund for  
New Year

The sixth annual sale of the Goodfellows' edition of The Sentinel Saturday netted the Goodfellows' child health fund \$730, the Rev. Paul E. Hinkamp, foundation secretary, announced on Monday.

The goal in the one-day campaign, in which Holland Exchange club members sold the special edition, was \$700.

The amount raised Saturday totaled \$719.75 and contributions later increased the fund to the \$730.

The Goodfellows' foundation will receive \$1,000 from the Community chest which, with the funds from the newspaper drive, enables it to continue tonsilectomies and other aid to needy children during the ensuing year.

Three thousand papers were furnished the club by The Sentinel and their sale continued until 8:30 p.m. The day's largest donation came from Mrs. A. C. Keppel, widow of the late Mr. Keppel, who was chairman of the foundation. Sales of the newspaper were steady throughout the day.

On behalf of the foundation, Rev. Hinkamp today expressed his thanks and appreciation to all persons who cooperated in the drive for funds, to club members who sold the special edition, to The Sentinel management and to others who aided the campaign.

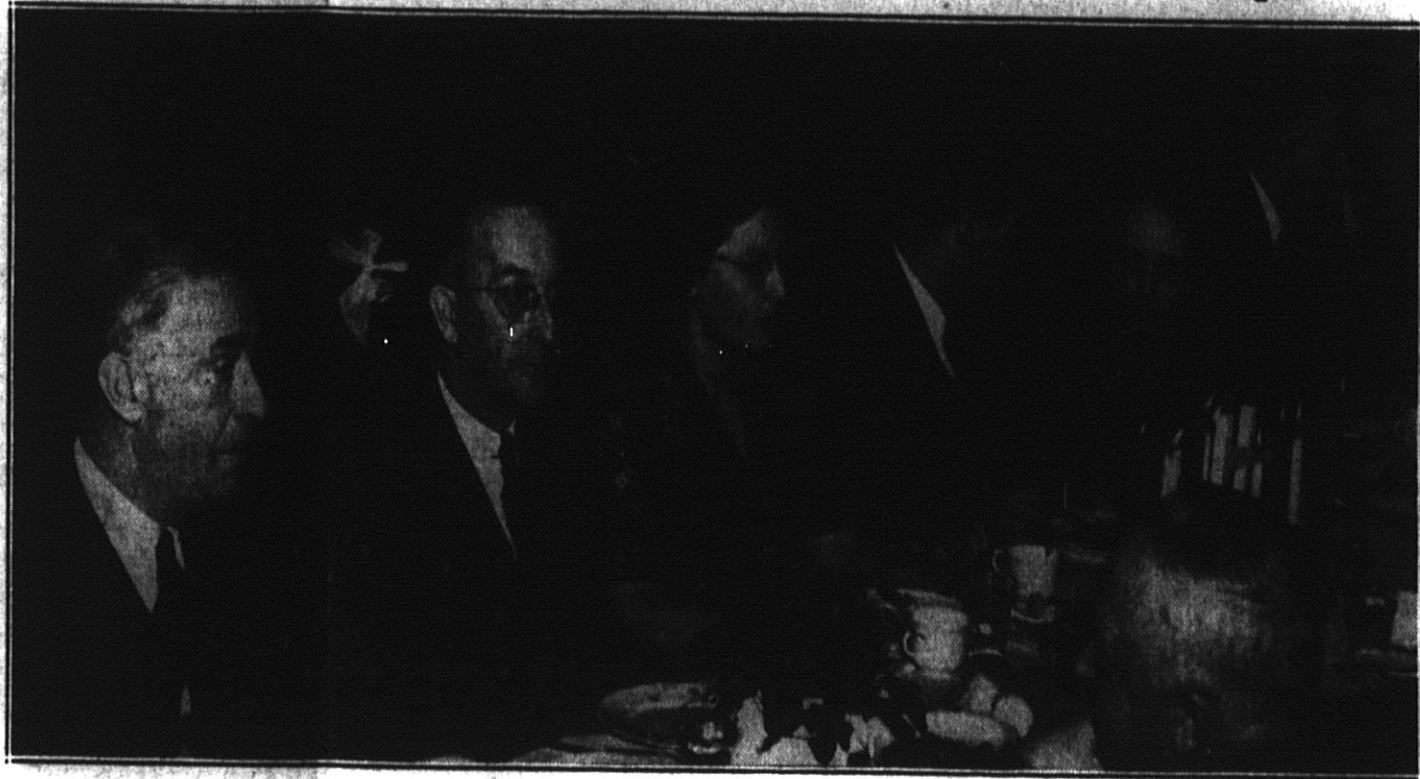
## DEATH CLAIMS LOCAL WOMAN

Mrs. Tyler Van Landegend, 71, of 49 West Eighth St., died early this morning in her home after a short illness. Surviving are her husband; a daughter, Miss Lois at home; two brothers and nephews and nieces living in England.

Mrs. Van Landegend, the former Ada Bellamy, was born in England and came to this country as a young girl. She lived in Chicago until her marriage to Mr. Van Landegend in 1890. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary last fall.

Funeral services will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. from the Nibbelink-Notter chapel. Burial will be in Rest Lawn cemetery. Friends may call at the chapel Friday night.

## As Holland Hitch Co. Employees Gathered for Annual Banquet



This picture was taken at the second annual banquet for employees of the Holland Hitch Co. Wednesday, Dec. 11, in Virginia Park community hall. Shown left to right are J. C. Ford of Cadillac, G. Ranger of Holland, Mrs. Robert H. Pointer and Mr. Pointer of Portland, Ore., Mrs. Henry Ketel, Mr. Ketel and Mayor Henry Geerlings. In the foreground is Fred Patterson of Jackson. (Photo by Joe Kolan)

## DUTCH RELIEF TASK PLANNED

Two-Fold Program Given  
Approval by Woman  
of Churches

Approximately 25 women, representing churches of Holland and vicinity, at a meeting Tuesday afternoon in the directors room of the former Holland City State bank building, unanimously adopted a two-fold program of activities for relief of The Netherlands under jurisdiction of the South Ottawa-North Allegan chapter of the Queen Wilhelmina fund.

Cornelius Vander Meulen, chairman of the relief chapter, outlined the work of the local chapter in collecting funds for Dutch war sufferers. By action of the delegates representing the churches of this area, officers of the chapter were instructed to outline work which could be done by them.

At present, there are two plans which will require the united help of all the women's organizations of the churches. The first plan is in response to an appeal from Mrs. Alexander Loudon, wife of The Netherlands minister in Washington, requesting the women to produce knitted goods for Dutch seamen serving on their own units with the British navy.

Fifty pounds of yarn were purchased by the local chapter and distributed among the women Tuesday. However, it was pointed out that as many of the organizations as possible help defray expenses of future yarn purchases.

Under the second plan, which was outlined by Willard C. Wichers, chapter secretary, arrangements have been made with the Red Cross in which goods produced by women of the churches will be credited for Netherlands relief. It is impossible to earmark these goods for The Netherlands because it is impossible to administer relief in territories occupied by German armies.

The creation of these credits, however, will assure all possible aid to The Netherlands when this territory is available. Unlike the first plan which requires only knitted goods, the Red Cross work will include sewing and assembling layettes.

Mrs. J. E. Holmes, executive secretary of the Ottawa county Red Cross chapter, explained the work required to fill the present quota.

It was decided Tuesday to organize a women's committee of the Queen Wilhelmina chapter to serve in the interests of Netherlands relief.

Mr. Vander Meulen appointed Mrs. J. E. Telling, Mrs. John Eaton and Mrs. Gerrit De Weerd as a committee to select an executive committee from the churches represented in the Wilhelmina fund.

## Rites Wednesday for Former Allendale Man

Allendale, Dec. 19 (Special)—Funeral services were held Wednesday for Grover Siekman, 35, of Grand Rapids, formerly of Allendale, who died Saturday in a Grand Rapids hospital after a brief illness.

Surviving are the widow; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Siekman of Allendale; two brothers, Adolf of Grand Rapids and Matthew at home; and one sister, Carolyn at home.

### GIBSON MAN DIES

Arthur Wade, 74, of Gibson, died Wednesday morning in the Allegan county infirmary, where he spent the past six months. His widow survives. Funeral services will be held at the graveside in Gibson cemetery Friday at 2 p.m.

### HOLIDAY NOTICE

The City News will be issued next Tuesday, the day before Christmas, rather than on the regular publication day, Thursday. Correspondents and advertisers are asked to submit their copy in time for publication Dec. 24.

## Sugar Company Releases \$213,512 to Beet Farmers

First Payment Is Made to  
760 Growers, Majority  
in This Area

C. F. Diekmann, assistant field manager for the Lakeshore Sugar Co. in Holland, said Saturday that checks are in the mail for the first payment of sugar beets this season.

The payment of \$213,512 to 760 farmers, most of whom are in this section, is on the basis of 42,702 tons of sugar beets at \$5 per ton. Mr. Diekmann said that although this was not the largest amount of beets handled by the local company, the average of 10.9 tons per acre is by far the best average in the history of the local plant.

By the time the season's work is concluded here, the total will approximate 11,000,000 pounds of sugar.

## WILL ARRAIGN PLESE FRIDAY

George Plese, 76, better known as "Dr. Plese" of Plesville, three miles north of the Getz school, is scheduled to be arraigned before Judge Fred T. Miles in Ottawa circuit court in Grand Haven Friday at 1:30 p.m. on a charge of arson with intent to defraud an insurance company.

Following an examination Tuesday afternoon before Municipal Judge Raymond L. Smith, Plese was bound over to circuit court. Bond of \$1,000 was not furnished and he was ordered held in the Grand Haven jail.

Plese is charged in a complaint sworn to by Charles Ellis of Moline, secretary of the Farmers Mutual Fire Insurance Co. of Ottawa and Allegan counties, with setting fire to his barn Aug. 10, 1938, for which he received \$555 from the insurance company as his loss.

Only two witnesses were called to testify at the examination Tuesday.

Mrs. Mary Davis Bottune who has served as his housekeeper for the past nine years, testified that she saw Plese go to the barn with a kerosene can, pour its contents on some straw and set fire to it.

Mr. Ellis testified that Plese claimed the fire was caused by lightning and that the insurance company paid him \$555 fire loss, \$500 for the barn, \$50 on the brooder house and \$5 damages to the farm home.

## NINETEEN PERSONS GIVEN CITIZENSHIP

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—Nineteen Ottawa county residents, including eight from Holland, received their citizenship papers at a naturalization hearing here Monday at 1 p.m.

The Holland group included Jan Hendrik Roerink, William Alderhout, Jacob Andringa, Jeltje Cnossen, Josephine Heydens, Grietje Van Dussen, Martha Schaap, and Mrs. Anita Versteeg.

The others were Joseph Silver, Mary Lampe, Arend Frans Schefers, Rose Schillo, Theresia Fick, Alida Scheffers and Vera Jean Eldhart, all of Grand Haven; Frank Vokal, and Katherine Boyko, both of Nunica; John Kleijans, Zeeland, Jennie Hall Cooper, Zeeland.

Examiner Tower from the immigration and naturalization service conducted the hearing. The Rev. Albert Hellinga, pastor of Second Reformed church of Grand Haven, spoke to the new citizens.

Twelve of the group were Netherlands, two were from Yugoslavia, and one each from England, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Russia and Canada.

## WOMAN IS HURT IN AUTO CRASH

Wife of Holland Minister  
in Hospital Here After  
Mishap on M-40

One woman was in Holland hospital Monday due to injuries received in an automobile accident Sunday night. Four other automobile accidents were reported to Holland police over the week-end.

A car, driven by Martin Ten Brink, 36, 48 West 16th St., was reported to have crashed head-on into the stalled automobile of the Rev. John Dubbeldeman, 195 West 14th St., on M-40, six miles south of Hamilton about 9:30 p.m. Sunday.

Mrs. Dubbeldeman was in the local hospital suffering of a severe cut on her left arm and general body bruises. William Scheele, 30, of Zeeland, riding in Ten Brink's car, suffered a head injury and was treated in Hamilton by a physician. It was said, Rev. Dubbeldeman said he and his wife were returning to Holland from Kalamazoo and that his car skidded into a snow drift when it hit the travel portion of the highway. He said he waved a light at the oncoming Ten Brink car but that the other car crashed head-on into his car.

Other occupants of the Ten Brink car besides Scheele were Mrs. Scheele and Herman Scheele of Zeeland, and Mrs. Ten Brink.

Vehicles, driven by Robert Camp, 18, route 4, Holland, and Harry H. Brummel, 19, of Grand Rapids, collided at Eighth St. and River Ave. at 11:30 p.m. Sunday. Camp was driving north on River Ave. and Brummel was driving west on Eighth St.

Virginia Rynberg of Grand Rapids reportedly suffered a back injury. Police were informed that Brummel failed to stop for the flasher signal and he was given a traffic summons for failing to stop for a stop street.

Witnesses were Virginia Rynberg, Dorothy Rozenga and Earl Tell, all of Grand Rapids and Police Officers Ralph Woldring, Henry Borr and Rance Overbeek.

Herman Teninga of Central Park reported to police his car was involved in an accident Saturday at 19th St. and Central Ave. between cars driven by J. Grotler and J. Nyhus. Grotler was driving west on 19th St. and Nyhus was south bound on Central Ave.

A car, driven by J. Lanting of Zeeland, police said, crashed into the car of John Post of Grand Rapids on Eighth St. near the Holland theater Saturday. Lanting's car reportedly skidded on the pavement when he applied the brakes while driving west on Eighth St. Post was driving east on Eighth St.

## FINED FOR PROVIDING MINOR WITH BEER

Charged with furnishing a minor with beer, George Rozema, 20, 146 College Ave., pleaded guilty on arraignment Tuesday before Municipal Judge Raymond L. Smith who assessed a fine and costs of \$29.55 which he paid.

Deputy Sheriff William Van Etta reported the alleged offense occurred last Saturday night. He said he went to the Taylor Produce Co. on the north side after having received complaints that persons drive into the driveway at night, drink their beer and toss out their cans. Van Etta said that Rozema and the minor were not drinking beer at the time but that they had been drinking some before the officers arrived.

### DAUGHTER IS BORN

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kammeraad, 1020 Grant St., Grand Haven, are the parents of a daughter, born Wednesday. Mr. Kammeraad is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Kammeraad, well known in Holland. Arthur Kammeraad is sexton at the Lake Forest cemetery here.

## CHARGE PARENT MADE BOYS AID IN FARM RAIDS

Former Holland Widower  
Demands Hearing in  
Local Court

Man Inspected Granaries,  
Sent Sons to Plunder,  
Deputy Says

A former Holland resident, the father of six children and whose wife died about 18 months ago, was under arrest today, charged by deputy sheriffs with having led an extensive criminal career and to have forced two of his sons to accompany him on robberies or have them commit the crimes at his instruction.

He is Herman Klinge, 40, who now resides at 509 Butterworth road, SW, Grand Rapids, having moved there last Thursday. He formerly lived at 106 East 24th St. before moving to Drenthe where he lived until going to Grand Rapids.

After first requesting an examination Klinge late Tuesday afternoon waived the hearing before Municipal Judge Raymond L. Smith and his case was bound over to Ottawa circuit court.

Klinge and his 18-year-old son, Lester, both charged with breaking and entering, are being held in the county jail at Grand Haven pending their arraignment before Judge Fred T. Miles.

A 13-year-old son of Klinge's who was held for questioning has been taken to the home of relatives. Officials doubted that charges would be filed against him.

Klinge and his son were arrested Monday at their home in Grand Rapids by Deputy Sheriffs John Boes and Martin Baerman, both of Zeeland, following an investigation into a number of robberies which the two are alleged to have committed between Oct. 1 and Nov. 30.

In complaints filed in municipal court, Klinge and his son are specifically charged with robbing the granary of Harry Ter Haar of Drenthe last Nov. 22. Deputy Boes said they are charged with stealing about \$60 worth of oats and wheat, 90 gallons of gasoline, 15 chickens and milk and eggs on various occasions.

They obtained some 10 or 12 bags of oats and wheat each time they visited the granary, he said.

The deputy also stated that they have robbed upwards of eight farmers, including Ter Haar, Fred Meyer of Allendale, Ben Veldhuis of Allendale, Neil Riemersma, northwest of Zeeland, a Mr. Bussies, east of Borculo, Ed Glass, northeast of Borculo, Henry Doezema of Drenthe and Martin Elenbaas, north of Borculo.

Officer Boes said the two stole approximately \$160 worth of grain which they sold at various places.

Lester Klinge told the officers and Judge Smith that his father forced him to accompany him on various trips when the granaries were robbed. Officer Boes charged that the father inspected some of the granaries during the day and then forced his 18 and 13-year old sons to commit the robberies at night instead of going with them.

Only two of the six children are involved in the robberies, Boes said, adding that the other children have been living in various other homes since their mother died.

## Young Jamestown Man Enlists With Marines

Information was received here today from Detroit that Hartzel Dirk Holleman, 21, of Jamestown, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Henry Holleman, route 3, Holland, has enlisted with the U. S. marine corps and has been transferred to the recruit depot, marine barracks, Parris Island, S. C., where he will receive the basic training for all marines.

Pvt. Holleman will apply for instruction at the Marine Corps clerical school at Philadelphia. He was born Dec. 25, 1918, in Bon Homme county, South Dakota, and was graduated from the Springfield (S. D.) high school in 1937.

## Father and Son Fined on Trapping Charge

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—Albert Molenkamp, 44, and son, Lawrence, 17, of Grand Haven, each paid a fine of \$50 and costs of \$6.85 upon their plea of guilty before Justice George V. Hoffer Wednesday night to a charge of setting 82 muskrat traps near muskrat houses, without identification tags. Their license allowed them to set 30 traps each. Out of the 82 traps only 10 were set legally. The officers confiscated the other 72 traps. The arrests were made by Conservation Officer Forrest Larry Plotts of Allegan county in Grand Haven township Wednesday afternoon.



## LOW MORALE IS HELD TO BLAME IN DEFENSE LAG

### Zeeland Man in Talk to Exchangeites Cites Need of Bible

"Generation, degeneration and regeneration are the three bases around which the Bible is written. Most of us admit the existence of the first two, but many of us do not admit the third, and as Bible study alone is capable of making us admit regeneration, the distribution of Bibles by the Gideon society is of utmost importance today," said D. P. De Pree, manager of the Herman Miller Furniture Co. of Zeeland and member of the Gideon International Bible society, in addressing members of the Exchange club at their regular meeting Monday noon.

Mr. De Pree pointed out that along with the physical evils such as famine, greed and poverty in the world, there has come a lowering of morals and of morale that can be changed only by a return to the word of God. He pointed out that the youth of America, along with the young people of other countries are turning to fatalistic and hedonistic philosophies. The fatalist, he stated, accepts what comes in life with no thought to the hereafter, while the hedonist does his utmost to enjoy life without thought to any future life.

"The bottleneck in the defense program is not in the machine tool industry, but rather in the low morale of the people," he stated. "It can be restored only by the reading, teaching, distribution and living of the word of God, and this is what the Gideon society is attempting to do."

In describing the work of the Gideon society, he pointed out that the organization has been in existence for 41 years, and that in that time it has provided Bibles for thousands of hotel rooms, schools, prisons and institutions. He stated that in Michigan 67,000 Bibles were distributed last year, more than 1,000 of them by the Holland Gideon camp.

The great need for Bibles at present are found in some schools and in the prisons, asylums and reform schools of the state. In several counties south of Holland, Mr. De Pree stated, a survey showed that only one out of every four children had Bibles in their homes, while only one in three attended Sunday school.

In conclusion, Mr. De Pree stated, "If men everywhere see the need, and get behind this movement to restore morals, morale and spiritual life to Americans, the program will be successful. I believe that the word of God lived, read and preached to the hearts of men will bring about a change in mankind. The Bible has been the only force of righteousness in the world for the past 1900 years."

Christmas songs sung by the Christian High school chorus under the direction of Marvin Baas formed the musical portion of the program. Accompanying the chorus was Miss Margaret Huizenga.

## Allendale

Harry Spyke of Philadelphia, Pa., visited in the homes of relatives here for a few days. He returned to his home last Monday.

Mrs. Charles Rittenberg was brought home Saturday from Butterworth hospital, Grand Rapids, where she was confined for a few months with injuries received in an automobile accident.

John Dyke is substituting as milk hauler for Lewis Brower who injured his ankle recently. Student Gerrit Van Dieet was in charge of the evening services last Sunday at the local Christian Reformed church.

Last Thursday evening a large group gathered in the Christian Reformed church for a social hour to celebrate the completion of the new chapel. A program given consisted of a talk by the pastor, the Rev. H. Keesstra; readings by Mrs. John Gemmen and Mrs. Bert Horlings; instrumental number by George Zylstra, assisted by Miss Zylstra; a piano and pipe organ duet by Arlene Rosema and Penesta Dyke; Dutch hymn singing by the members of the Persis Ladies Aid society; and a number by a male quartet composed of the John Salt, Herman Vonk, John Potgieter, Jr., and Gerrit Brower, assisted at the piano by Arlene Rosema. After the program was closed with prayer by Peter Westveer, refreshments were served in the chapel and basement.

Funeral services for Mrs. Avery Scott, 77, were held last Wednesday from the Wesleyan Methodist church. Surviving besides her husband are five children: Mrs. Gust Bing of Bauer, Mrs. Arthur Nielson of Allendale, Mrs. William Brown of Coopersville, Melvin Scott of Grand Rapids and Willis Weaver of Ellington; nine grand-children; two sisters, Mrs. Charles Thorm of Temperance and Mrs. Albert Wittacker of Toledo, Ohio; six brothers, Thomas Montmore of Detroit, William and Walter of West Toledo, Ohio, Henry of Lyons, Ohio, Robert of Temperance and Edwin of Ottawa Lake and several nieces and nephews. Interment was made in Allendale cemetery.

The Wayside Garden club is sponsoring a drive for Christmas decorations. The club offers a prize for the best decorated residence. Anyone who wishes to compete must register with Mrs. H. Lemmen who was named the civic chairman of the Allendale community.

## Thinks Dutch Celebrated Yuletide In Spite of War

### One Woman Obtained Gifts Immediately Following Nazi Invasion

(The following article was written by a person known to Hollanders who has returned from The Netherlands to this country.)

Even this year with the changes it has witnessed, I have no doubt that in their sitting rooms behind the blackout, the Dutch of The Netherlands celebrated Saint Nicholas evening.

Pushing the Dutch determination to carry on as usual to a point that then seemed ludicrous, one woman I know purchased all her Saint Nicholas gifts immediately after Holland's surrender.

Saint Nicholas presents need not be expensive and, mixed with

## SCHOOLS WILL CLOSE FRIDAY

### Programs Are Arranged to Mark Start of Vacations

Holland public and parochial schools, Hope college and Western Theological seminary will close Friday for the annual Christmas vacation.

Christian and Catholic schools will reopen Monday, Jan. 6, but Hope college and Holland high school, because of the large number of students and teachers returning from out-state, will not open until Tuesday, Jan. 7.

Catholic school will be the first to close tomorrow after it observes its annual Christmas tree program at 10 a.m. at which gifts are exchanged.

Hope college will have a special Christmas chapel program and classes there will end at noon.

Holland public schools and Christian schools will close at 3 p.m. after special programs during the day. Both high schools will have special chapel exercises.

Western seminary will close at noon at which time examinations will have been completed. Studies will be resumed Jan. 7.

Mayor John Terkeurst will preside at public high and Charles Ploegmans will lead devotions. The school orchestra and a cappella choir will present a concert during the first hour. Junior high is to have its program during the second hour, during which time it will also have the concert.

The Rev. Ralph Heynen, former Bible teacher at Christian who is pastor of the Niekerk church, will lead devotions at 8:30 a.m. in Christian high. The a cappella choir under the direction of Marvin Baas will present a Christmas cantata, "The Music of Bethlehem."

Holland senior high will have its annual Christmas program and presentation of baskets for needy families in the afternoon beginning at 1:50 p.m.

Most Hope college students will be going home for the holidays. Many high school teachers are also planning trips home.

## Debate Given Before Pre-Seminary Club

President William Miller, East Detroit senior, presided at a regular meeting of the newly-formed club for pre-seminary students at Hope college held in the Commons Room on the campus Wednesday evening. Group singing was led by John Muller, Allegan junior.

Main feature of the meeting was a debate between John Westhof, Grand Haven junior, and Gordon Van Wyk, Muskegon senior, on the subject "What Should a Prospective Minister Read During his College and Seminary Years?" Westhof stressed the fact that college and seminary work should give the student a sound knowledge of the Bible and teach him the interpretations and implications of scripture. He also pointed out that other reading should supplement this work to enable the student to use the Bible knowledge as the criterion of truth.

Van Wyk said that a student cannot understand his own views unless he studied the theories of others and advocated reading from the viewpoint of the unbeliever as well as the Christian viewpoint. Open discussion following the debate was led by the Rev. Henry East, Hope college pastor.

At a brief business meeting the group voted the adoption of the name Alpha Chi (messengers of Christ) as the name for the club. Refreshments were served. Henry Kik, Grand Rapids junior, closed the meeting with prayer.

## Holland Furnace Group Enjoys Annual Party

About 30 women employees of the Holland Furnace Co., in three billing departments, participated in their annual Christmas party which was in the form of a dinner at the Warm Friend tavern Wednesday night. Peter Marcuse, head supervisor of the department, and Mrs. Marcuse were special guests. Informal entertainment in the way of games and an exchange of gifts followed the dinner.

Arrangements for the dinner were in charge of Mrs. Edna Dekker. Miss Corinne Baker arranged the program.

The so-called big room in the Caribbea caverns of New Mexico is about 4,000 feet long, 625 feet wide and 300 feet high.

Dutch wit and good humor, they mark a jolly evening.

Christmas in Holland is not celebrated with all the gaiety that accompanies it in America. It is a holiday, with special Christmas services in the churches, but there are no turkey dinners, Christmas cards, no Santa Claus or presents, and Christmas trees are only beginning to be used. Christmas, in fact, passes much like an ordinary Sunday.

But if the little Dutch children have no Santa Claus, they have his counterpart in Saint Nicholas, the saint so good to children who comes from Spain each year with presents for them; and his day, Dec. 5, is as eagerly awaited by the children of Holland as Christmas by boys and girls throughout America.

For weeks before St. Nicholas day the store windows are gay with toys and lovely things. Miniature meats, vegetables, fruits—edibles of every sort, animals, furniture and people fill the confectioners' windows, all made of marzipane. There are special St. Nicholas cookies, "speculaas" by name, and a sort of gingerbread called "taai taai." "Borstplaat," candy obtainable in a variety of flavors yet much like fudge, and Christmas "kransen," or wreaths, of pastry filled with an almond paste, are other dainties.

As Saint Nicholas day approaches there are children's parties at the schools, the bearded saint in flowing robes of red his bishop's mitre, a curved bishop's staff in hand, distributing the gifts.

How the legend that Saint Nicholas comes from Spain arose is not known, for Saint Nicholas was a bishop of Myra in Asia Minor in the fourth century. Possibly the explanation lies in Spain's domination of The Netherlands. It is known, however, that the bishop, who came from a wealthy and honorable family, divided his goods among the poor and went about doing good. Now there lived in Myra in Saint Nicholas' time a poor citizen with three beautiful daughters of marriageable age, none of whom could marry because they had no dowry. One night the good saint threw three full money sacks in at the window of the poor man's house, thus providing each of the girls with a dowry. It is probably from such stories that Saint Nicholas' reputation as a friend to children is derived.

Saint Nicholas comes from Spain to Holland by boat. One may see him land on the Ruyterkade in Amsterdam, and, as the climate of Spain is warm, he rides a white horse instead of a sleigh with reindeer. With him comes his helper, Black Peter, a little black-moor who carries his pack of gifts and, at Saint Nicholas' command, throws "strooigoed" (miniature cakes and candies) on the floor for the children to gather up.

Saint Nicholas arrives in Holland about the middle of November to pause on the roofs by the chimney tops and listen to the children. Then the children place their shoes by the fireplace each night, with something for Saint Nicholas to eat or drink, or perhaps hay for his horse, and if they have been good children they may find cookies or candy in their shoes next morning; if bad, only a switch. December 5, however, is the date awaited so impatiently by all the children of Holland, for it is then that Saint Nicholas celebrates his birthday and crams their shoes with presents—with toys, fruit and nuts, and the marzipane objects they've admired in the shop windows for so long, and maybe a large initial of delicious Dutch chocolate.

Grown-ups celebrate Saint Nicholas day in a different way. Usually the entire family joins in the celebration. The gifts which they receive do not bear the names of the givers. Packages are put in a specified place during the days before the fete. On the night of Dec. 5, they are brought to the room where the family has gathered. The evening is a merry one for on nearly every package is a clever little verse which the donee reads aloud before he opens the package.

I recall one Saint Nicholas celebration around our dining room table, my husband bringing in the presents. My mother, who was visiting us then, had, unknown to my husband, my fur coat remodeled and relined for my Saint Nicholas present. My husband had been more than a little perturbed when he saw the bill, and greatly relieved to know she was to pay it. How we laughed, that Saint Nicholas evening, therefore, when my mother opened her first present; an envelope with the bill inside, and again when I unfolded the receipt immediately afterwards! Another package was addressed to my mother. She removed the wrapping to find a second covering and read, "Wrong. Pass this to your daughter. I unwrapped it again only to pass it to my husband who finally unwrapped a box of cigarettes he had bought that afternoon. Very likely the saying "full of old Nick" has something to do with the Dutch way of celebrating a Saint Nicholas evening.

Christmas carols were sung by a group of Virginia park girls including Mary Van Raalte, Jayne Baker, Kathabel Teusink, Betty Heimink, Anna Jean Knoll, Joyce Baker, Marcia Chapman, Joan Paschal, Irene Matman, Betty Paschal and Adelaide Kuypers. They were accompanied by Mrs. B. Paschal.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. J. Kronmeyer, Mrs. George Curtis, Mrs. Henry Heimink and Mrs. J. Heimink. Program arrangements were in charge of Mrs. J. Crawley, Mrs. Laura Welton and Mrs. Albert Kuypers.

## Entertains Friends at Christmas Party

Mrs. H. Kroil entertained at a Christmas party Monday night in her home on Highland Ave. Guests were Mesdames T. Van Zanten, John Vander Veer, John Van Hecken, Jack Esenbarg, and Frank Diepenhorst. Gifts were exchanged and a two-course lunch was served.

## NAME LOOMAN AS INSPECTOR

### Aldermen Select Building Director From Ten Applicants

Henry Looman, 764 Columbia Ave., was appointed Wednesday night by common council to serve as building inspector for the city from Dec. 24 to May 1, 1941, at a salary of \$10 per week.

The appointment was made in compliance with provisions of the new building ordinance which becomes effective Dec. 24, having been adopted by council Dec. 4.

A special committee of which Ald. Bernard Arendshorst was chairman recommended Looman's appointment.

Looman has been serving as electrical inspector for the board of public works and will continue in that capacity. He is a former state electrical inspector.

Arendshorst reported that through an arrangement worked out with the works board, a saving would result from Looman's appointment. His committee also recommended that a special committee be appointed to investigate further the position of city inspector so that a detailed report may be presented to council May 1, 1941. Mayor Henry Geerlings appointed Ald. Arendshorst, Bruce Raymond and Faassen to the committee.

There were nine other applications for the appointment. They were Willis De Cook, Peter Damstra, August Kasten, Ed Holkeboer, Russell Klaasen, Willard Elferink, Arthur C. Yost, William Thompson and Jay Van Putten. De Cook's application was in the form of a petition which had been signed by approximately 45 persons.

## Personals

(From Today's Sentinel)  
The Young People's Fellowship of Grace Episcopal church will have a dance Friday at 8 p.m. in the guild hall.

Norval Trimpe, 14-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Trimpe of Holland, who was stricken with infantile paralysis the first week in August, has returned home from Blodgett Memorial hospital in Grand Rapids. His condition is somewhat improved although he must remain in bed. He will return to the hospital Jan. 15.

The Junior Christian Endeavor society of Third Reformed church will have a Christmas party Friday at 6:30 p.m. in the church. Ten cent gifts will be exchanged.

State Rep. Nelson A. Miles was to go to Lansing on business today.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Miller of East Orange, N.J., were scheduled to arrive in Holland today on the 4 p.m. train. Mr. Miller will serve as best man at the wedding of his brother, Kenneth, to Miss Alma Vanderbeek in Sixth Reformed church Friday at 8 p.m. The Millers plan to fly back east on Saturday.

The Ladies Auxiliary of Eagles will have its annual Christmas dinner in Keefer's restaurant Friday at 6:30 p.m. An exchange of gifts will follow.

Mrs. Arthur Sas who underwent a major operation recently in Huizinga Memorial hospital in Zeeland is convalescing in the home of her mother, Mrs. Marion De Vries, 275 West 19th St., Holland.

The Royal Neighbors will have a regular business meeting tonight at 7:30 p.m. A Christmas program by the children will follow. There will be exchanges of gifts among the children and among the adults.

The USWV auxiliary will meet in the home of Mrs. Martin Vandewater, 178 East 13th St. Friday at 7:30 p.m.

The Lions club will have a Christmas party at Anchor Inn Friday night. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p.m. Mrs. Fred Keller, Mrs. William Van't Hof and Mrs. C. F. Diekmann are in charge of arrangements. All members are invited to attend.

Charles Cook of Kalamazoo left for his home Monday after spending a week at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Dalman, on River Ave.

Albert Serne, 173 Columbia Ave., paid court costs of \$1 to Municipal Judge Raymond L. Smith Wednesday after pleading guilty to a charge of parking on the wrong side of the street and Russell Nyland, East 16th St., was assessed court costs of \$1 for overnight parking.

## Virginia Park Woman's Club Has Meeting

About 50 were present at a regular meeting and Christmas party of the Woman's club of Virginia park Wednesday evening in the Community hall. A reading was given by Mrs. Gordon Van Putten and accordion selections were played by Norma Appeldorn. Gifts were exchanged.

Christmas carols were sung by a group of Virginia park girls including Mary Van Raalte, Jayne Baker, Kathabel Teusink, Betty Heimink, Anna Jean Knoll, Joyce Baker, Marcia Chapman, Joan Paschal, Irene Matman, Betty Paschal and Adelaide Kuypers. They were accompanied by Mrs. B. Paschal.

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## Zutphen News

Miss Tena Van Ess entertained her Sunday school class Monday evening. Those present were Vivian Ensing, Hilda Kamer, Nellie Aukema, Harriet De Kleine, Ruth Tanis, Winona Meyer, Anna Mae Van Haltsma, Doris Ensink, Marian Van Spyker, Joyce Elzinga, Dorothy De Kleine, Sena Kreuge and Hazel De Vries. Christmas gifts were exchanged. The class also presented Miss Van Ess with a gift. Games were played and prizes were awarded to Marian Van Spyker, Vivian Ensing, Nellie Aukema and Winona Meyer. A two-course lunch was served.

At the congregational meeting last Monday evening, Gerrit Heyboer was reelected and Tom Ver Hage elected as elders and George Ensink was reelected and Bert Cook elected as deacons.

Rev. H. Guikema of Grandville conducted services Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Elders and Mrs. Andrew Van Dyke visited Mrs. Leonard Van Es Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Brown, primary teacher, was called to her home in Atwood by the death of her father.

Mr. and Mrs. Lambert Hoffman and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Tanis and family were notified of the death of their relative, Grover Siekman, 35, in Grand Rapids. He is survived by the widow, formerly Theresa Veen. Funeral services were held Wednesday from the Sherman Street Christian Reformed church with burial in Woodlawn cemetery.

## Overisel News

A Christmas program for Christmas day to be given in the Christian Reformed church is in process of preparation. The committee in charge is composed of the following: Mrs. Ben Overbeek, chairman, Mrs. Van der Riet, Mrs. Sander Wolters, Mrs. Albert Lampen, Mrs. Gerrit Broekhuis, Mrs. Gerald Veen and Mrs. Vander Kamp.

Mrs. Sarah Peters, Erma and Sidney were Sunday evening guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Kleinheksel.

Mrs. George De Witt attended a shower given for Miss Dorothy Boeve by Mrs. Glenn Mannes and Mrs. Ray Brondyke at the former's home in Holland.

The Study club of Hamilton met with Mrs. Maurice Nienhuis last Wednesday evening for a Christmas party. Games were played with prizes going to Josephine Bolks and Mrs. Marvin Kaper. Gifts were exchanged and a delicious lunch served. Those present were Gladys Lubbers, Mrs. Wallace Kempers, Mrs. Wilma Tagg, Mrs. Billeet, Mrs. George Lampen, Mrs. Riedsma, Mrs. Strabbing, Mrs. George Schutmaat, Fannie Bultman, Sophia Vander Kamp, Mrs. Marvin Smallegan, Mrs. John Haakma, Miss Nyhuis, Mrs. Jo Hagelkamp, Mrs. Ed Miskotten, Mrs. Kibby, Mrs. Marvin Koolker, Mrs. Sherrisse and Mrs. Maurice Nienhuis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Aalderink and family of Graafschap were Sunday evening callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nienhuis.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Nienhuis were Mr. and Mrs. George Dalman and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Dalman of Holland.

Mrs. Justin Brink was hostess at her home Wednesday afternoon, Dec. 11, to the following: Mrs. Van der Riet, Mrs. Plumert, Mrs. Earl Albers and Mrs. Gerrit Broekhuis.

The choir of the Reformed church will render the cantata, "A Child Is Born," next Sunday evening.

The Red Cross drive in Overisel township schools netted the following results: High Point \$22.10, Pershing \$28.30, Beechwood \$41.25, Highland \$27.20, Sandy View \$67.25, Hawthorn \$32.50.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Voorhorst left Wednesday afternoon for their home in Hudsonville. They spent a week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Neil Voorhorst where Mr. Voorhorst was convalescing after an appendectomy.

Mr. and Mrs. Julius Kleinheksel and sons of Holland were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wolters last week Wednesday.

Mrs. George Huizen is confined in Holland hospital.

The Girls League of the Reformed church held a Christmas party last Friday evening. Evelyn Rigerink was chairman of the evening and others on the committee were Cynthia Schipper, Eleanor Albers, Ruth Kronmeyer, Amy Slotman, Harriet Mulder, Hulda Rigerink, Gloria Rigerink and Frieda Lampen. Election of officers took place. Mrs. H. W. Pyle is president of the society and Sylvia was chosen secretary. Gifts were exchanged and games were played with prizes going to Marie Folkert and Lois Voorhorst. Christmas carols were sung by the group. Evelyn Veldhuis played a piano solo and Sylvia Kleinheksel played an accordion solo. Refreshments were served.

The C. E. society held its meeting on Monday evening with Wallace Folkert as leader. The song service was in charge of Gerald Kleinheksel. Mildred Koolker presided for election of officers. The new officers chosen were Irvin Folkert as president, Maria Folkert as vice president, Ruth Kronmeyer as secretary and Agnes Folkert as treasurer.

## RECOVERS FROM WOUND

Allegan, Dec. 19 — Howard Sweet, 17, Chicago, who was seriously wounded by a charge of gun-shot in the leg last week, is in an improved condition in Allegan Health center and is expected to be discharged within a week.

Three of four applicants for the U. S. navy fail to pass the first physical examination.

## Aid to Blind Is Reviewed at Lions Christmas Party

### District Governor Speaks at Annual Event of Local Club

Holland Lions entertained their wives and blind persons of this area at their annual Christmas party Tuesday noon in the Warm Friend tavern.

The Holland high school a cappella choir under the direction of Trixie Moore presented a Christmas concert, including familiar carols, in which it was assisted by a chorus of 11 eighth-grade girls.

Charles Nutting of Detroit, governor of the 11th district, spoke briefly in reviewing the work of the Lions among the blind in the last 20 years.

When the Braille system was first developed, it was necessary not only to have the blind learn the system, but also to have libraries for them to read, he pointed out.

## SOLONS ACT TO GET DREDGING

### Name Committee to Advise Jonkman of Channel Proposal

Upon common council authority, Mayor Henry Geerlings Wednesday night appointed a special committee which will contact Cong. Bartel Jonkman in an effort to have the government dredge the Black river channel.

Members of the committee are Ald. Henry Ketel, Andrew Klompars, member of the board of public works, and City Attorney Clarence A. Lokker. Appointment of the committee was recommended by Ketel in a report on his trip Tuesday to Milwaukee, Wis., with Klompars to confer with the U. S. engineer's office about the project.

Ketel, chairman of the board of public works committee, said the proposal had been referred to his committee in June but that the trip to Milwaukee had been delayed until he and Klompars could present the 1940 harbor tonnage figures to the engineer as an incentive for the dredging of the 1,800 feet of channel.

Of the tonnage brought into the harbor during 1940, 45 per cent went through the new channel, Ketel said. The two local men were informed that the engineer who is now Colonel Taylor in place of Col. W. H. Holcombe, does not make recommendations to Washington but is willing to aid the city in obtaining the dredging.

Taylor, Ketel reported, said "our case warranted consideration" and it was his recommendation that the representative in congress be contacted.

## South Blendon

Mr. and Mrs. L. Klammer and Alma Jeanne of Beaverdam spent Saturday evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Klammer.

A Christmas program will be given in the church, Christmas night beginning at 7:30 o'clock. The school will give its program on the evening of Dec. 23.

The League for Service will sing carols Friday evening.

John Vander Wal had charge of the Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday evening.

Visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vrugink the past week were Mr. and Mrs. P. Hoffman and Jeanne of Grand Rapids, Mrs. J. Holthof of Hudsonville, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Vander Molen of North Blendon, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Vrugink and family of Beaverdam, Mrs. C. Meenen and Mr. and Mrs. L. Van Heukelum.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Wabeke visited Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Vrugink Sunday.

Miss Helen Poskey was a dinner guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. A. Hoffman in Zeeland.

Miss Harriet Vrugink entertained with a birthday party Monday evening for her brother, Gerald. The evening was spent playing games. Lunch was served by the hostess.

Miss Hermine Vrugink is attending to the household duties in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vrugink.

## Dormitory Girls Have Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party for the Hope college girls living at Voorhees hall was held in the form of a formal dinner Wednesday evening. Mary Felter, Westerlo, N. Y., junior, was program chairman, and Edith Klaaren, Chicago sophomore, and Laura Rosenraad, Holland senior, were decorations chairmen.

Marthene Van Dyke, Grand Rapids senior, and house president, welcomed the faculty guests present at the affair. Group singing was led by Senior Ruth Stryker of Grand Rapids. Prof. Paul Brouwer, Clarence De Graaf, Thomas Weimers, Clarence Kleis, and Albert Lampen displayed their talents as actors in an impromptu play, "The Fatal Quest."

Gertrude Boles, Muskegon freshman, sang "Birthday of a King" accompanied by Junella Vander Linden, pianist, and Carolyn Kremers, violinist. Prof. Thomas Weimers, disguised as Santa Claus, distributed gifts. Other faculty guests at the affair were Mr. and Mrs. John Schouten, the Rev. and Mrs. Henry Bast, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Karsten.

ed out. The Downtown Lions club of Detroit, he said, set up the first library before those at Saginaw and Detroit came into existence.

It was a Peoria Lion, he related, who conceived the idea of having the white cane as a symbol of the blind to help them in their travels. That was ten years ago, he said, but now practically all the states have officially adopted this symbol. Michigan adopted it in 1936.

The next system he described was the "talking book" system whereby the blind are able by means of phonographs and records, to hear entire books. Again a Detroit club pioneered in supplying the machines and records, he stated, and two years ago the federal government made the making of these machines another WPA project. At present, he said, the blind can get these records from Detroit or Saginaw libraries and have only to reverse the address card to return them. Congress appropriated \$75,000 for the work the first year and \$175,000 the second year, he said.

Three years ago last May, the leader-dog idea, which had been working in the East, was brought to Michigan, the district governor, who is an active worker among the blind, related. A Detroit kennel owner offered to train the dog and a blind person if the club would pay for the training, which it did. Two years ago the first Michigan-trained dog was graduated, and a year later, the Detroit club contracted for four dogs. The Uptown club which was backing the idea found that the job was too big for one club, so it formed a foundation at an old estate at Rochester, Mich. Last week, he stated, two persons and their dogs were graduated and since September, 1939, 25 dogs and masters and mistresses have been graduated.

Russell Haight, chairman of the blind committee, served as master of ceremonies. After the meeting he and his committee consisting of Carl Harrington, Bill Nies, Henry Ter Haar, Don Zwemmer and Lester Steggerda presented each of the blind persons with a big basket of groceries.

Among the honored guests invited were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ten Cate, Mr. and Mrs. George Kelley, Mrs. Grace Jacobusse, Mrs. R. Zeerip, Mrs. T. Smith, Harold Hulseman, Albert Alderink, Miss Marjorie Rooks, Miss Hattie Stielstra, Mrs. Julia Campbell and Frank Strick.

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special) —The malpractice suit, being heard in circuit court before Judge Fred T. Miles and a jury, in which Mrs. Anna Van Til, of Coopersville is seeking \$50,000 damages from Dr. Eugene Timmerman also of Coopersville, was expected to go to the jury after two days of testimony.

Mrs. Van Til, wife of Samuel Van Til, manager of a grocery store at Coopersville, alleges that on Feb. 26, 1940, while under the influence of an anesthetic during an operation, a nurse at Dr. Timmerman's direction, placed a hot water bottle against her right thigh, inflicting a burn which became infected and was delayed in healing because the doctor failed to call on her following her release



## GUARD CAPTAIN TELLS CLUB OF BOUT WITH ICE

### Jinx Boat Figures in His Experiences; Death Is Near in One

Capt. Charles Bontekoe of the Holland coast guard station related thrilling experiences in the life of a guardsman in northern lakes to the Holland Rotary club in the Warm Friend tavern Thursday noon, Dec. 12.

After Captain Bontekoe joined the service he spent three years of South Manitou island and seven years at Holland. He then resigned and sailed private yachts for five or six years. He rejoined the service and spent a year here before going to Muskegon.

He later was transferred to Bois Blanc station before coming to Holland as commander of the local station.

He told the story of a "jinx" boat which he first met at Muskegon. He was one of the crew that went out on this boat to rescue 25 men from a 350-foot steel boat which the 60-mile gale had blown up on the breakwaters. All the men were rescued, but in the meantime one of the guards was swept overboard and his body was never found again.

This rescue boat was later sent north, and when he was transferred to Bois Blanc he was more than surprised to find that they came after him in this same boat.

On Jan. 26, 1939, he related, he received a call from Drummond island, which was 40 miles away, saying that four men were trapped on an ice floe. Because ice extended out for a quarter of a mile from their own shore, it was necessary for Captain Bontekoe and his men to sail ice all night until 8 a.m. the next morning. They finally got out and found the men had been picked up by some fishermen who had a large skiff.

It was the return from this trip that came so near being a tragedy. The "jinx" boat was sailing along all right under a 60-mile gale until it got 15 feet inside an ice field and was able to go no farther. The temperature, he said, was 25 degrees below zero.

The crew, with no food, chopped a path through the ice two days. The boat's motor, wet and ice-coated, was useless.

When the weather cleared one morning, he said, he saw a clump of trees and by means of long oars, his men worked the boat to within 200 feet of the shore. Eight to 12 tons of ice were already being carried on the boat, he said.

Unable to get to shore in the boat because of rock, it was necessary for the men to spear an ice cake. When one man had gone ashore on the cake, he sent it back by rope for another man until all were finally safe ashore. Here the men crawled to a shanty which Bontekoe knew about and broke in. They built fires, made some tea and pancakes from materials found in the shanty and "thawed out." He finally reached Cheboygan alone, although all the men had started the trip. His friends, there returned to get the other men, three of whom had to be sent to the hospital.

One of the men whose boots were frozen and who had to walk more than 12 miles in his stocking feet in the freezing weather, had a frozen face and mouth and was immediately sent to Detroit. Here they had to scrape his gums down to the jawbone and to extract all his teeth. He was too weak to take an anesthetic.

The speaker was introduced by Program Chairman Dick Miles who has known him for 40 years. Mr. Miles recalled when Captain Bontekoe joined the coast guards and how he had risen from a surfman mechanic, to a master mechanic and the captaincy of his home station. He also cited Captain Bontekoe's work in the South during the floods and inspecting motor boats for the government this spring.

### Miss Corinne Baker Feted at Shower

Mrs. Harry J. Kolean entertained with a shower at her home last Thursday honoring Miss Corinne Baker who will be a December bride. Miss Baker was presented with many lovely gifts from the group. Games were played and prizes were won by Mrs. Bert Wierenga and Mrs. Andrew Kline. A two-course lunch was served by the hostesses, assisted by Mesdames Janet Thacker and Alice Kolean.

Other guests present included the Mesdames Eugene Groeters, John Kolean, Jr., Joe Kolean, Jake Hooker, Louis Kolean, George Kolean, Nick Kolean, Peter Kolean, Helen Kolean, Jeanette Kolean, M. Overway, N. Crispell, John Klein, Jr., and Andrian Kolean and the Mesdames Cornelia Beekman, Bertha Beekman and Ethel Kline.

### Wife of Former Local Businessman Passes

Funeral services for Mrs. J. T. Bailey, 54, were held on Saturday in Benton Harbor after which the body was to be taken to Cincinnati, O., for burial.

Mrs. Bailey who died Thursday in a Benton Harbor hospital will be remembered by many Holland residents. Her husband, J. T. Bailey, is a former business partner of Vande Vandeberg and Thomas Robinson in the establishment and operation of the Wolverine Advertising Co. in 1918.

## Christmas Program Given at Meeting of WCTU

The subject of the largely attended Christmas meeting of the local unit of the Woman's Christian Temperance union held in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Albertus Pieters Friday afternoon was "Ye Shall Call His Name Jesus." Mrs. Edith Walvoord, program chairman for the afternoon, acted as devotional leader, assisted by Mrs. John Van Oss and Mrs. M. De Boer as readers and Miss Jennie Pieters at the piano.

After a prelude of Christmas airs, Mrs. Walvoord introduced her subject in a call to worship followed by singing of a Christmas carol by the group and prayer by Mrs. Walvoord. Mrs. John Van Oss read the Old Testament Messianic prophecy. Mrs. De Boer read the New Testament fulfillment as found in Luke and Matthew. Each narrative was followed by the singing of a Christmas carol by the group.

This impressive devotional service had been arranged by Mrs. Walvoord and was closed by a meditation "Jesus the Son of God," an excerpt of the Journal of Religious Education, read by Mrs. De Boer.

"Little Child of Bethlehem" was a duet sung by Beth Joan and Vera Gwen Gosselink with Beth Joan playing the accompaniment. They also sang "A Story We Love to Tell" composed by their mother, Mrs. N. Gosselink. A Christmas reading, "If I Had Not Come," was presented by Master Ronald Colton.

The outstanding features of the program was a dramatic reading "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" by Mrs. George E. Kollen. The last number, a cornet solo, "The Holy City," was played by Victor Kleinhessel, with his mother, Mrs. Julius Kleinhessel at the piano. The program was closed by Mrs. Walvoord with a special appeal for prayer in behalf of the missionaries in war-stricken countries across the seas.

The social hour was in charge of Mrs. Margaret Markham and Mrs. P. Kornelje.

### Cousins Entertained at Plaggemars Home

Mrs. Harry Plaggemars, 656 State St., entertained a group of cousins at a pot-luck luncheon in her home Friday afternoon. The after-luncheon hours were spent in visiting.

Attending the party were the Mesdames Simon De Weerd, Dick Plaggemars, Edwin Plaggemars, A. Brondyke, E. Witterdink, Albert Kapenga, John Greengrove, James Kapenga, J. Bomers, Bernard Veneklasen, James Muisse, Jack Marcus, H. Nienhuis, W. Witterdink, Ernest Baer, E. Nienhuis, Martin Diekmans, Harold Plaggemars and Elmer Plaggemars, Miss Sue Plaggemars, Dorothy Bomers and Howard Plaggemars.

### 20th Wedding Anniversary of Couple Celebrated

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Dams at 316 West 13th St. was the scene of a meeting on last Thursday of the Jolly Eight Ladies who gathered with their husbands to celebrate the 20th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Dams. The couple was presented with a gift.

Everyone took part in group singing and games. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. J. Bareman, Mrs. A. Veele, M. Borr and G. Wolbert. A lunch was served by Angeline Beyer and Lucille Dams. Guests present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Bareman, Mr. and Mrs. G. Wolbert, Mr. and Mrs. M. Borr, Mr. and Mrs. E. Post, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lankheet, Mr. and Mrs. A. Veele and Mr. and Mrs. G. Veurink could not be present.

Pasture lands comprise almost one-fourth of Illinois' total area.

## TWO CHILDREN STRUCK BY CAR

### Both Legs of Seven Year Old Boy Fractured; Sister Is Hurt

A seven-year-old boy and his 11-year-old sister were taken to Holland hospital suffering from injuries which they sustained about 7:35 p.m. Friday when they were struck by an automobile, driven by Gerrit J. Lubbers, 63, East Saugatuck, the accident occurring on M-40 in Allegan county, about 400 feet south of 32nd St.

Jackie Bruijschart suffered fractures of both legs. His sister, Goldie, suffered a bruised knee and body bruises. Their parents are Mr. and Mrs. Bert Bruijschart who live on the south side of 32nd St., the first house east of the Pere Marquette tracks.

The two children had left their home only a short time before and were en route to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert Grotenhuis, neighbors, to spend the evening. They are reported to have been walking in a southerly direction on the east side of the road.

Lubbers was driving in a northerly direction en route to Holland. He told Holland police who were called to the scene of the accident that he did not see either child until his car struck them.

Police reported that Lubbers' automobile came to a stop 13 paces from the point of impact, William Bekuis, route 5, Holland, did not see the accident but police said he heard it and was the first person on the scene.

An ambulance was called to remove the two injured children to the hospital.

## Sibylline Society Holds Formal Winter Party

"King Neptune's Ball" was the theme of the formal winter party given by the Sibylline society of Hope college at the Warm Friend tavern Friday evening. Blue and green cellophane panels decorated with strange fish and sea horses created a deep sea atmosphere for the palace of the king of waters. At one end of the room was the large green and silver throne of King Neptune (Liebeth Brouwer) surrounded by ferns.

Goldfish swimming about in fishbowls were centerpieces for the dinner tables. Programs were also attractively decorated with fish in keeping with the theme.

The opening number on the program was an original song to the tune of "Cod Fish Ball" sung by the "Four Mermaids," Donna Eby, Betty Davis, Doris Van Hoven, and Janet Clark accompanied by Junella Vander Linden. "Sea Swimmers" were Janet Arnold, Irene Bogard, and Mary Blair singing "I'm Waiting For Ships" accompanied by Ruth Van Bronkhorst.

Norma Beckfort presented a humor paper, "Fish-tails." The "Water Wonders," a sextet composed of Bertha Vis, Ruth Stegenga, Edith Rameau, Morrell Webber, Mae Clonan, and Ann De Young sang a medley of popular tunes accompanied by Joanne Swart. The concluding number on the program was a tap dance "Tap Aweigh."

Jeanne Swart was general chairman for the party. Committee chairmen assisting her were: Edith Klaaren; menu, Nancy Boynton; invitations, Helen

## MAN HELD IN THEFT OF BEER BOTTLES

Charged with theft of about 10 empty beer bottles, Peter Steketee, 65, residing on the north side of Eighth St., west of Columbia Ave., pleaded guilty Friday on arraignment before Municipal Judge Raymond L. Smith who assessed a \$10 fine and costs of \$4.15. Steketee paid the total.

He was arrested Friday by local police after the marked beer bottles had been found at his home. Police Chief Jacob Van Hoff reported that Bill and Heinie's tavern, 126 East Eighth St., had been missing several empty beer bottles. Thursday night, several bottles were marked and placed at the rear of the tavern and Friday morning William Vande Water, one of the owners, was said to have seen Steketee carry away the bottles.

## Robinson Will Captain G.H. Home Guard Unit

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 — Gen. John Scouter of Grand Rapids has authorized the appointment of Lieut. Charles Robinson, World War veteran, as captain of the Michigan state troop company to be organized here as a home guard.

The company will be organized for emergency purposes to protect life and property. Use of the armory is given to the new group and regular drills will be held to train men as soldiers should they be needed within the state.

The home guard will take the place of Company F now at Camp Beauregard.

## Threatens Prosecution in Theft of Yule Trees

Having received reports that Christmas trees have been stolen from in front of business houses in the downtown district, Police Chief Jacob Van Hoff warned today that if the culprits are caught they will face prosecution in municipal court.

Leslie; and programs, Betty Davis.

Those present at the affair were Mae Clonan, Stanley Slingerland, Edith Klaaren, Elwin Mulenberg, Janet Arnold, Kenneth Newen-dorp, Persis Parker, Judson Van Wyk, Mary Blair, Art Taylor, Donna Eby, Albert Shiphorst, Liebeth Brouwer, John Hains, Edith Rameau, Louis Chisman, Florence Dykema, Lawrence Belman Eloise Boynton, John Geary, Ruth Van Bronkhorst, Keith Soderberg, Doris Van Dragt and Edward Klaus.

Doris Van Hoven, John Kleinhessel, Ann De Young, Gerrit Bruijs, Jeanne Swart, Donald Cordes, Nancy Boynton, Forrest Prindle, Lorraine Timmer, Robert Van Dragt, Bertha Vis, Gordon Van Wyk, Junella Vander Linden, Wil-dra, Betty Davis, Leonard Reus, Elaine Veneklaassen, Paul Van Eenenaam, Morrell Webber, Robert Swart, Janet Clark, Edward Clonan, Ruth Stegenga, John De Vries.

Irma Stoppels, William Banning, Norma Beckfort, Dwight Grotenhouse, Winifred Rameau, Daniel Fystra, Leola Bocks, Wilard Tasma, Mary Louise Talman, Girard Veenschoten, Betty Wyn-garden, Frank Zweeping, Dorothy Zeeuw, Willis Hall, Dorothy De Valois, Jack Timmer, Beth Rebergen, Thurston Rynbrandt, Doris Bettes, Ernest Ensing, Mary Felter, and Gordon Michnerhuizen.

Chaperones for the evening were the Rev. and Mrs. Henry Bast and Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Wolters.

## MUSKEGON FIVE EDGES HOLLAND BY FOUL SHOTS

### Dutch Lose, 23-21, in First of Loop Tilts; Third Quarter Fatal

Holland high and Muskegon fired the first shot heard 'round the Southwestern conference Friday night in Holland army in one of the closest battles this league is likely to see this year.

Muskegon's super foul shooting accounted for its 23-21 victory as Holland outscored 8-7 on buckets. Each team had 14 chances at the gratis line and on these, the Muskies connected for nine and the Dutch for five.

Further evidence of the closeness of the game was the fact that at no time did either team exceed a four-point margin. With Muskegon leading 22-19 going into the fourth quarter, three minutes passed before any scoring was done. Ploegsma then completed a perfect pivot and the capacity crowd went into hysterics for the next three minutes with Muskegon holding a one-point lead. Russ De Vette, forward flash, sank a free throw and as the game slid to an end, the Dutch trailed by only one bucket. Some idea of the tight defense in this game is shown by the fact that Holland scored only two points in the final period and Muskegon scored only one.

At the half, the score stood 16-16. It was the third quarter in which the visitors counted six points to the locals' three and started their victory march. Holland never led after that.

Holland and Muskegon are known throughout the conference for the closeness of their games, but this year this equality was more than last year. Coach Leo Redmond's team opened their last year with an overtime two-point win over Holland before they came here near the end of the first semester for a loss. They ended second from the top while Holland ended second from the bottom, mainly because Holland lost a whole team at the end of the first term. This year, however, Coach Malcolm Mackay is not faced with the horror of losing a team in February and will probably wind up the season exceptionally strong. This plus the fact that Holland has already shown its ability to a conference school which always stands near the top, indicates that Holland high will undoubtedly land a higher berth in the conference this year.

Holland high has another crack at the northers the last day in January. Muskegon high is the only school Holland plays twice in the first semester. Like Mackay, Coach Redmond is starting over this year and will suffer no serious losses in February.

Holland	FG	FT	TP
Kraai, F	3	1	7
Chapman, F	2	0	4
Ploegsma, C	3	1	7
Vanden Berg, G	0	2	2
Rotman, G	0	0	0
Smith, G	0	1	1
Totals	8	5	21
Muskegon	FG	FT	TP
De Vette, F	3	3	9
Riteskie, F	2	0	4
Klemp, C	1	2	4
Carlson, G	1	0	2
Signen, G	0	1	1
Boerman, G	0	2	2
Barne, C	0	1	1
Totals	7	9	23

Officials: Referee—Miller, WSTC; umpire—Van Wingen, MSC.

## County Will Be Given Award in Road Contest

The Holland Chamber of Commerce has received information from Dr. Louis Webber, executive director of the Michigan Association of Road Commissioners and Engineers that the Ottawa county road commission of which Carl T. Bowen is engineer-manager, has been designated by Better Roads Management as the receiver of an award of merit in the 1940 competition for efficiently managed departments.

Ottawa county was entered in class C for counties with population between 50,000 and 100,000. Twelve of the 36 awards were won by Michigan county road commissions. The awards to each county will be presented by C. M. Nelson of Chicago at the 26th annual Michigan highway conference to be held in Ann Arbor Feb. 19, 20 and 21.

## In The Good Old Days

July 1 will be long remembered by Hope college and the citizens of Holland, as the date of the celebration of the generosity of Eastern friends in adding the magnificent sum of one hundred thousand dollars to the endowment fund, began a lengthy news item in the July 2 issue of the Ottawa County Times published by M. G. Manting in 1897. The event was celebrated by a banquet at the Hotel Macatawa. The evening was a glorious one, cool and delightful after the July day. The two hundred guests were carried from Holland to the park on the steamer Music with Prof. Thomas' fine band accompanying the party.

Among the persons appearing in this issue were: George Ohlman of 252 First Ave. has returned from Grand Rapids where he has

been to attend the wedding of his nephew and niece William H. Ohlman and Catherine Stander.

Misses Rosa Lapiash, Stella Scott and Louisa Damson will spend a few days at Jensen park with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Annis. George Birkhoff, Jr., and family and Mrs. George Birkhoff, Sr., of Chicago are spending the summer at Macatawa park.

Rev. Dr. C. M. Steffens of Dubuque, Iowa, called on friends here this week.

Almon T. Godfrey started for Saddle River, New Jersey, last Monday, where he will spend his vacation with his brother and sister, Rev. and Mrs. Van Kampen. City Clerk William O. Van Eyck and his brother, Henry R. Van Eyck, the Zealand alderman, were in Chicago yesterday.

George N. Williams and family of Reed City are visiting friends here.

Mr. Conkey who is building a costly summer residence on the south shore of Macatawa Bay about a mile west of the city, has bought a fine launch built by Ed Clark, the boat builder. The price paid was \$1,300. It has an eight horse power Sintz gas engine and is a very fast boat.

Locals included: Born to Rev. and Mrs. Harry Kremers of Rushford on Saturday last a boy.

J. Van Anrooy an son have finished driving piles for the new Ottawa Beach dock. They will put in the sheet piling in a few days. Austin Harrington has succeeded Ed Risto as captain of the steamer Harvey Watson and the latter is captain on the steamer Lizzie Walsh.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Gunder Anderson this forenoon a son.

Tim Slagh has taken the contract for building the stores of W. C. Walsh.

Marriage licenses were issued Monday to George E. Merrill and Miss Minnie Vegter of this city, Christian Van der Wege and Alice Felina of this city, and Peter Barreman, Jr., of this city and Adriana De Blae of Grand Rapids.

John De Feyter, C. Haklander, John Laarman and Frank and Jack Eszenburg while fishing with nets in Lake Michigan north of Ottawa beach a few days ago caught an 85-pound sturgeon. The fish was five feet, seven inches long.

The following marriage licenses have been granted in Allegan county: Ira Hutchins of Fennville and Hattie I. Wagner of Ganges; Gilbert Peek of Allegan and Viola Pompey of Grand Rapids; Hendrik Berens and Annie Holl, both of Overisel; Gerrit G. Wolters of Overisel and Maggie Compagner of Salem; Harry D. Pritchard and Gail G. Wheeler, both of Allegan.

Luman Jenison, owner of Jensen park, is having an acetylene gas plant put in which will light up the hotel and grounds. Next Wednesday the summer normal school will open and will last till August 18. The school this year will be in charge of C. M. McLean, superintendent of Holland City schools; P. A. Latta, ex-county school commissioner, of Allegan county; L. P. Ernst, county commissioner of schools of Ottawa county; Prof. E. A. White-nack and Prof. J. H. Kleinhessel of Hope college, and Mr. Benjamin Neerken, school examiner of Ottawa county.

Rev. K. Van Goor has declined the call to Passaic, N. J.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Steketee on Saturday an eight pound boy.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. John

## CHRISTMAS DINNER Suggestions

With the most important holiday of the year a few days off, menus this week are planned for Christmas rather than Sunday dinner.

Naturally, the markets are filled to overflowing with a colorful and tempting array of fresh fruits and vegetables and planning Christmas dinner is one of the major delights of the season. If the budget permits roast turkey is, of course, the piece de resistance of the meal. However, if one wants to economize a bit roast duckling is almost as good and brings to Christmas dinner a delightful old world atmosphere.

The following fruits and vegetables featured in the largest of the food chain stores will help to keep the dinner budget down: apples, avocados, grapefruit, oranges, tangerines, cranberries, green beans, California broccoli, brussels sprouts, celery, iceberg lettuce, mushrooms, white onions, sweet potatoes, yams, acorn and Hubbard squash, Canadian rutabagas.

In the poultry department roasting chickens, duckling, turkeys and geese are all being featured. Miss Cora Anthony, director of the Kitchens, has arranged the following Christmas dinner menus for three budgets:

- Low Cost Dinner**
  - Orange and Grapefruit Cocktail
  - Salted Peanuts
  - Celery
  - Duckling Stuffed with Brown Rice
  - Cranberry Sauce
  - Creamed Onions
  - Buttered Spinach
  - Spiced Sweet Potato Pie
- Moderate Cost Dinner**
  - Cream of Fresh Tomato Soup
  - Salted Peanuts
  - Celery
  - Roast Turkey with Oyster Stuffing
  - Cranberry Jelly
  - Baked Hubbard Squash
  - Buttered Broccoli
  - Fruit Salad in Apple Cups
  - Mince Pie
- Very Special Dinner**
  - Oyster Cocktail
  - Celery
  - Olives
  - Clear Fresh Tomato Bouillon
  - Roast Turkey with Chestnut and Mushroom Stuffing
  - Spiced Cranberry Sauce
  - Whipped Potatoes
  - Brussels Sprouts
  - Acorn Squash in Casserole
  - Grape and Apple Salad
  - Pumpkin Filling with Hard Sauce

## 84 New Homes Listed So Far This Year in Holland

Wolman West 5th St. last Friday a ten pound boy.

Marriage licenses have been issued to Nicholas Prakken and Carrie Alida Van Dyke of Holland; Leon E. Ocoobock and Grace Stillwell of Jamestown; William Van Oort and Ella Schuultz of Holland.

At the meeting of the board of public works on Monday evening Albert McClellan was appointed at a salary of \$45 per month as engineer at the 19th St. water station. John Kerkhof was appointed superintendent of the laying of the water mains at a salary of \$2.50 per day. Contractor Brooks was allowed \$750 on the contract for furnishing pipe.

Correspondence included: Noor-deeloes—Elder P. Heyboer celebrated his eighth birthday last week.

The following final school report has been sent in by Mr. McCrossen for publication: The following pupils attended school regularly during the last month of the school year: Jennie Brummel, Minnie De Fouw, Martha Meyer-ing, Gerlie Muller, Ida Muller, Ruth Raak, Minnie Rookus, Hattie Rookus, Anna Van Dyk, Hattie Van Dyk, Annie Verhey, Gerrit Brummel, Henry Boes, Bennie Boes, Nicholas De Boer, Fred Diepenhorst, Gerrit Kooyers, John Kooyers, Albert Muller, George Nienhuis, Albert Raak, Gabriel Roebach, Richard Vander Hulst, Henry Vander Hulst, Peter, Albert and Willie Weststrate. Of those children above named, Jennie Brummel, Gerlie Muller, Clara Raak, Anna, Annie and Hattie Van Dyk, Henry Boes, Fred Diepenhorst, Gabriel Roebach, Richard Vander Hulst, Peter, Albert and Willie Weststrate were not absent or tardy during the last term of school. Clara Raak, Fred Diepenhorst, Richard Vander Hulst and Peter Weststrate were not absent or tardy during the school year.

Vriesland—Rev. G. De Jonge has been appointed Financial Educational Agent of Hope college. School closed Thursday, July 1, with a few exercises by the pupils, who received county diplomas. Misses Jessie Hoffman and Anna Tania, Simon De Groot and Robert Den Herder received diplomas.

A very pleasant affair was the wedding of Miss Lavina Borst to

## Housing Total Increased This Week by Three Applications

Three applications for building permits to erect new homes in Holland were filed with City Clerk Oscar Peterson during the past week.

Each application provides for the construction of a garage and total cost of the three homes and garages is \$10,100.

This brings to 84 the number of applications which have been filed since Jan. 1, 1940, for the construction of new homes in Holland.

Value of the past week's permits is \$9,600 in excess of the single \$500 application filed during the week of Nov. 29-Dec. 7. For the previous week, their value was \$2,475.

The three applications follow: E. S. Holkeboer and Sons, build home at 114 West 22nd St., 32 by 26 feet, one and one-half stories, frame construction and asphalt roofing, \$3,600; garage, 12 by 20 feet, \$200.

W. De Leeuw and Sons, build home at 124 East 20th St., 24 by 30 feet, one and one-half stories, frame construction and asphalt roofing, \$3,100; garage, 18 by 20 feet, \$200.

Arthur Wittveen, new home at 244 West 23rd St., 30 by 28 feet, one story, frame construction and asphalt roofing, \$2,600; garage, 12 by 20 feet, \$200.

John M. Hoogerhyde of Zealand on last week Wednesday evening at the home of the bride's parents.

Overisel—Benjamin Hoffman, who has charge of a church at Franklin, Wis., made a short visit to Overisel last week, returning last Friday evening.

Miss Poelakker, teacher in No. 1 will leave for Chicago the first of next week to attend Moody's institute for a few weeks.

Oakland—John W. Ristert, graduate of the agricultural college, is home.

Gerrit Masselink will deliver the Fourth of July oration in Case City.

Married Wednesday evening, Gerrit Wolters and Maggie Compagner.

## HOLIDAY GREETINGS

from 10,000

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AFTER PLAYING TENNIS AGAINST EACH OTHER EVERY SUMMER FOR 31 YEARS, MR. AND MRS. ROBERT HEDGE OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, FOUND THEY WERE EVEN IN INDIVIDUAL GAMES.

THE MOST PRIVILEGED DISH IN THE LAST HALF OF THE 17TH CENTURY WAS KNOWN TECHNICALLY AS TULIPBULB—BECAUSE PEOPLE WHO HAD BECOME INSANE ON THE SUBJECT OF ACQUIRING TULIP BULBS...

THE CROWN PRINCE OF GERMANY—SPENT TWO DAYS IN THE ENGLISH TRENCHES DURING THE WORLD WAR AND WAS NOT RECOGNIZED!!

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During the latter part of the Seventeenth century in Holland, tulip bulbs actually became the



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## SILK PURSES AND SOWS' EARS

The starry-eyed experiment in  
Alaska colonization appears to  
have failed. Some years ago the  
New Deal administration, going on  
the principle that government can  
transform human nature itself,  
put up a large potful of the people's  
tax money to send a lot of  
so-called "pioneers" to Alaska to  
colonize that last outpost of continental  
America.

In fostering the Alaska colonization  
scheme the government was  
trying to ape what hardy individuals  
have been doing for 300  
years. Ever since Captain John  
Smith and his associates went in  
to the wilds to conquer the wilderness,  
men and women have been  
setting forth on their own initiative  
and have pushed the wilderness  
farther and farther back.  
Some years since, the last frontier  
disappeared between the Atlantic  
and the Pacific. But there was  
still Alaska.

Wouldn't it be lovely and romantic,  
reasoned the economic fanatics  
that have been infesting the  
government for years, if another  
batch of Captain John Smiths  
and their like would make a  
frontier out of Alaska? No sooner  
thought of than put into action;  
all these governmental planners  
need is a few hundred millions of  
dollars for their wild schemes, and  
the people can always be depended  
upon to furnish the cash.

So the "pioneers" were sent to  
Alaska at enormous expense. They  
were equipped with all the modern  
conveniences. But they had hardly  
arrived before they began to  
complain that crops were not  
furnished them in tin cans, and there  
has been plenty of complaint since.  
They were about as like the John  
Smiths of our true pioneer days  
as a rocking-horse is like a stallion.

What the government required  
of them was very modest. But  
now they have failed in meeting  
even those mild demands; and the  
government has finally gotten  
tough with them. And that's the  
end of the story. Persons familiar  
with Alaska declare that beautiful  
crops can be grown there; and as  
for market, the government itself  
is now forced to import enormous  
stores for its military establishment.

The only element in the situation  
the New Deal idealists did not  
take into consideration was  
human nature itself. The only persons  
who can make a success of  
pioneering are real pioneers. Not  
even the New Deal can convert  
poor human stock into workers;  
even the New Deal can't make silk  
purses out of sow's ears.

Oh well, some millions of dollars  
have been wasted. But the New  
Deal social planners don't  
worry about such a little thing.  
They don't have to foot the bill;  
that's left to us saps who work for  
a living and who can always be  
counted on to be persuaded by a  
radio voice to endorse all such  
schemes and their expense accounts  
on election day.

## Engagement Made Known in Detroit

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kokal of  
13067 Wilfred Ave., Detroit, announce  
the engagement of their daughter,  
Erika Ann, to Henry Veenhoven, son of Mr. and Mrs.  
Ralph Veenhoven of North Holland.  
Mr. Veenhoven is employed in  
Detroit as a commercial artist.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Veenhoven  
and family and Mr. and Mrs. Jack  
Veen were guests of the Kokals for  
the week-end, when the engagement  
was announced.

## Mrs. Mulder Is Hostess to Members of Club

Mrs. John R. Mulder entertained  
her club at a dessert luncheon  
last Thursday afternoon. Gifts were  
exchanged, and the group was  
occupied with the Red Cross sewing  
during the afternoon. Attending  
the affair were the Mesdames H.  
D. Terkurst, Nelson Miles, George  
Schilling, Stephen Karsten, Arle  
Weller, Cornelius De Jongh, Albert  
Timmer, Theodore Boot and  
Jerry Houting.

Asia contains an estimated 30  
percent of the world's area and  
nearly one-half of the world's  
total population.

## Sunday School Lesson

December 22, 1940

Sharing the Shepherds Joy  
Luke 2:8-20

By Henry Geerlings

A birth is always an interesting  
event whether it be considered the  
point of view of life or of love. It  
involves so much that is marvelous  
and mysterious. Wherever a human  
life comes into being it is a  
glowing center of the wonderful.  
It seems as if it is an expression  
of the thought and purpose of  
God. But how much more wonderful  
and mysterious is the birth of  
Jesus.

In the babe of Bethlehem we  
have God coming down to live  
with our poor humanity. He  
chooses to come among us by the  
way of a human mother and a  
human birth. It takes hold upon  
our thought and leads it off into  
the eternities. But God would be  
one with us. He would rather enter  
the world as we enter it. He  
would take upon Himself our nature.  
He would make Himself capable  
of entering into our experiences.  
He would know us and what it  
is to live in a world like ours by  
being like us and living like us.  
He would live in an earthly home.  
He would subject Himself to the  
discipline of earthly parents. He  
would grow in body and soul. He  
would use our human language. He  
would live with human neighbors.  
He would weep our tears. He  
would laugh human laughter. He  
would shoulder human responsibilities  
and He would be a great true  
man among us. He would suffer  
human heartache and He would  
finally die a human death. The  
birth of Jesus is the beginning of  
the human life of God and it is  
wonderful in our eyes.

Marvelous are the circumstances  
attendant upon His birth. The  
first thing that arrests our attention  
is the providence of it. His  
father and mother lived in Nazareth,  
but the seers said that the  
Messiah was to be born in Bethlehem.  
Providence laid hands upon the  
enrollment process of the  
great Roman empire as a means  
of getting Mary to Bethlehem that  
her child might be born there.  
Things did not just happen. The  
mysterious hand of the unseen  
had a part in the wonderful weaving  
of the threads of this interesting  
event we call the birth of Jesus.

Remarkable indeed is that the  
news of such an event—the event  
that was to mark the beginning of  
the greatest revolution that the  
world has ever seen, the end of  
which is not yet, should be given  
first of all to the socially obscure  
of the plains of Bethlehem. That  
does not fit in our way of doing  
things. We would have gone with  
such news first of all to the most  
socially prominent and politically  
powerful folk of that day and we  
would have accomplished infinitely  
less with our plan. If we should  
stop to think for a moment we  
should see the wisdom of going to  
the shepherds first with the significant  
news—we should see the wisdom  
of it in the fact that mere  
politicians could not pass final  
judgment.

God sought the minds that were  
sensitive to spiritual realities, that  
were suggestive in the presence  
of heavenly facts. Then we observe  
the part angels had in the  
announcements respecting the  
birth of the Bethlehem babe. It  
was great enough and significant  
enough to send an angel messenger  
to the shepherds to tell them  
what took place in the inn.

It was significant enough to send  
an angel choir out across the midnight  
sky to sing their heavenly music  
in praise of the birth and the  
babe and his mission upon the earth.  
Their song is immortal. It is  
woven into the very fabric of our  
most beautiful civilization. Its  
music and meaning go on reverberating  
through that vast area  
of all human hearts that love God  
and good will and peace among men.

The joy of the shepherds was a  
joy in simple things. We have  
specialized so much that we are afraid  
to do simple things. We will not  
play the piano because we cannot  
play like artists. We do not play  
games because we cannot play like  
athletes. We are wrong. There is  
no joy like that of doing things  
because one likes them, not because  
other people will applaud. The  
shepherds had no company of  
spectators, no dramatic entrances.  
They just went because they were  
told they might. They did not  
understand what they saw. No one  
did then. No one understands it  
even yet. But they touched the  
borders of eternity in that stable  
and in the babe's face saw the  
love of God.

It was an unselfish joy. They  
went to see a child whose work  
would be begun after most of them  
were dead. But they rejoiced that  
they had seen the promise of better  
things. Christmas has taught us  
to exalt unselfishness and no  
commercializing of the season can  
hide the essential selflessness of  
countless givers or their happiness  
in making glad the generation  
that will succeed them.

It was a religious joy. No joy is  
complete unless God is in it. Human  
love needs the presence of God to  
make it perfect and permanent.  
Joy in the beauties of nature  
is greatest when it makes us  
cry out for God who makes all  
things beautiful for the season.  
Sometimes we feel that sorrow is  
sent to remind us of God, but  
Christmas teaches us that joy, too,  
is a sure guide to Him.

Cascade tunnel of the Great  
Northern railway through the Cascade  
mountains is the longest tunnel  
in the western hemisphere. It  
extends 7.79 miles.

## Fraternity Has Formal Party in Local Hotel

The candle-lighted main dining  
room of the Warm Friend tavern  
Saturday night was the scene of  
the annual formal party of the  
Fraternal society of Hope college.  
Following dinner, the "Fraternal  
Supper Club" program was  
presented as a broadcast from station  
OKE (fraternity initials) with  
Morris Tardiff, party chairman,  
as master of ceremonies. Edgar  
Dibble, Palmyra, N. Y., senior,  
assisted Tardiff in the humorous  
skit. George Lumsden, Niagara  
Falls, N. Y., freshman, imitated  
famous radio personalities and was  
assisted in part of his act by Lewis  
Bixby, Saginaw freshman.

Music during the dinner and radio  
program was furnished by an  
eight-piece orchestra composed of  
Bob De Vries, Marvin Overway,  
Bob Scheerhorn, Gilbert Tors, Don  
Smeenge, George Thomas, Ransom  
Everett and Alvin Schutmaat.

Following the after-dinner intermission  
which preceded the program,  
Phil Waalkes, Holland senior,  
took oath as new president of the  
society.

Favors were gold, heart-shaped  
lockets with the fraternity emblem  
on the front, which were suspended  
from a small, gold bow.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Prins were  
chaperons. Among the other 100  
present were Martin Bekken, Sally  
Brannock; Ed Dibble, Jean Wish-  
meier; Bob Dykstra, Marthene  
Van Dyke; Harry Hakken, Mary  
Ruth Jacobs; George Heneveld,  
Gertrude Bolema; Kenneth Miller,  
Alma Vanderbeek; Robert Idema,  
Mary Louise Hudson; Robert Hud-  
son, Bettigall Thompson; Robert  
Montgomery, Margaret Bilkert;

Jay Kapenga, Barbara Follenbee;  
Robert Van Dyke, Merry Hadden;  
Phil Waalkes, Ruth Stryker; Ed-  
ward De Pree, Ruth Williams;  
William Hakken, Marguerite Had-  
den; Robert De Vries, Alma Kramer;  
Howard Jalving, Jean Har-  
thorn.

Louis Van Dyke, Betty Jean  
Schapp; Jack Yeomans, Marjorie  
Emery; Leslie Watkins, Jeanne  
Horton; George Claver, Mary Beth  
Vander Wiere; Albert De Voogd,  
Nancy Safford; Bruce Mikula,  
Winifred Heasley; William Alder-  
ink, Janet Arnold; Roger Koeppe,  
Margaret Frieseema; John Vander  
Broek, Frances Hillebrands; Ger-  
ard Cook, Vivian Tardiff; Kenneth  
Lincoln, Beth Rheberger; Douglas  
MacGregor, Louise Becker; Wil-  
liam Tappan, Norma Lemmer.

Morris Tardiff, Carolyn Krem-  
ers; George Vander Hill, Eleanor  
Dalman; Ray Van Ommen, Betty  
Morrell; Cecil Bacheller, Maxene  
Van Zyl; Robert Heasley, Tibby  
Jennings; Charles Holcomb, Helen  
Becker; Harvey Koop, Lois Mary  
Hinkamp; Frank Lokker, Marion  
Geerds; Seymour Padnos, Betty  
Winslow; William Pelon, Julia  
Voss; Kenneth Poppen, Dorothy  
Muller.

George Prince, Doris Vander  
Borgh; Clarence Prince, June Baker;  
Lewis Bixby, Jr., Helen Mae  
Hesley; Alvin Schutmaat, Pauline  
Loew; Arthur Timmer, Betty  
Daugherty; Robert Gogolin, Syd  
MacGregor; George Lumsden, Janet  
Shuptrine; Robert Geldart, Kay  
Rietz; Eugene Roth, Ruth Case-  
mier; Robert Wishmeier and Nola  
Nies.

## Memorial Chapel Scene of Vesper Gift Service

Approximately 400 Camp Fire  
girls and Boy Scouts of the area,  
participated in an impressive  
"white gift" vesper service in  
Holland Memorial chapel Sunday  
afternoon. This service is an annual  
event in the Camp Fire schedule.  
Boy Scouts, Sea Scouts and Cubs  
took part for the first time this  
year. Several hundred adults also  
attended the service.

The chapel was artistically decorated  
for the occasion, with spruce  
trees flanking the platform, where  
lighted candelabra, and a man-  
ger scene added to the significance  
of the occasion. Blue lighted  
spruce trees and a lighted star  
formed the background for the  
choir loft.

A vested choir of 80 boys and  
girls led the procession to the  
strains of Adeste Fidelis, Camp  
Fire girls in their regulation ceremonial  
gowns or middie and skirts,  
Boy Scouts in uniform, bringing  
their gifts which are to be  
distributed at Christmas time  
by the Salvation army, City Mission  
and the Junior Welfare league.

Mrs. W. Curtis Snow presided at  
the organ and accompanied the  
choir on the piano as they sang  
the Christmas carols, "Hark the  
Herald Angels Sing," "Away in a  
Manger," and "Silent Night."

Reading of the "Litany" by  
Dwight Bradley, was led by Donald  
Den Uyl, assistant scoutmaster of  
troop 5. Camp Fire girls lighted

the candles of Work, Health and  
Love, and Boy Scouts gave the  
Scout "Promise," the choir sing-  
ing "O Little Town of Bethlehem,"  
and leading the consecration  
hymn, "Take My Life and Let It  
Be."

The Rev. Marion de Velder, pas-  
tor of Hope church, read the story  
of the wise men as a scripture les-  
son and led in prayer. For his  
Christmas message, Rev. de Vel-  
der related "A Christmas Eve  
Story," by Margaret Sangster, in  
which a modest Salvation army  
worker found many things to be  
thankful for as she came in con-  
tact with the hungry, the homeless  
and the afflicted, and in offering  
assistance to those less fortunate  
than herself, she discovered hap-  
piness and an opportunity for  
service.

The service closed with the sing-  
ing of the carol "Joy to the  
World," by the audience and benediction  
by Rev. de Velder.

Mrs. Lloyd Reed, Camp Fire ex-  
ecutive, and M. P. Russell, Boy  
Scout director, were in charge of  
arrangements for the service as-  
sisted by committees from the  
Woman's Literary club, Camp Fire  
sponsors group, and Camp Fire  
guardians. Mrs. Don Zwemer also  
assisted with the procession.

The new Camp Fire flag car-  
ried by the color bearers, was pur-  
chased by the Camp Fire girls this  
fall.

## MOTIONS FOR NEW TRIAL OVERRULED

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)

—Judge Fred T. Miles has de-  
nied motions for a new trial in the  
case of John Roeloff, et al. vs. Ed  
Bekens of Coopersville and Henry  
Hazeekamp of Muskegon in which  
the court pointed out in his opinion  
that question of fact are not de-  
cided by the court when a jury is  
demanded and "if there is testimony  
from which the jury may reason-  
ably infer that a certain fact  
exists the court has no power to  
set aside the verdict and decide  
the case in accordance with its  
views."

"Verdicts of the jury may not be  
disturbed when they are based on  
testimony from which proper in-  
ference can be drawn," the court  
ruled.

The case involved cattle which  
was purchased at an auction sale  
in Coopersville last winter, the  
cattle having shipping fever. Other  
cattle belonging to the plain-  
tiffs became infected and several  
died and others became sick. The  
action was brought against the  
person holding the auction and the  
man who owned the cattle. Tried  
in September, a jury returned a  
verdict in favor of the plaintiffs.

Defendants filed a motion for a  
judgment not withstanding the  
verdict which was denied and later  
filed separate motions for a new  
trial.

Hazeekamp owned the cattle and  
it is claimed that they were pur-  
chased by him at the Chicago  
stockyards and were there infected  
with the fever. Bekens sold them  
at the auction for Hazeekamp but  
was not personally to blame  
for any wrong doing and was held  
only as Hazeekamp's agent.

## Feted at Party on 80th Birthday Anniversary

Ryk Wagenveld was surprised  
on his 80th birthday anniversary  
Saturday in the home of his  
daughter, Mrs. Rink Van Til on  
route 4 with whom he resides.

Those honoring Mr. Wagenveld  
were his children, grandchildren  
and one great granddaughter.  
These included Mr. and Mrs.  
Frank Wagenveld and family, Mr.  
and Mrs. Ed Wagenveld and fam-  
ily, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Van  
Slooten and family, Mr. and Mrs.  
R. Van Til and family, Mr. and  
Mrs. Harry De Vocht and family,  
all of Holland and vicinity. One  
daughter, Mrs. Jacob Groen of  
Denver, Colo., who could not be  
present.

## The Christmas Net-work

HELLO GOOD PEOPLE, IN ORDER THAT THERE BE NO CHILDREN OR  
NEEDY FOLKS FORGOTTEN THIS CHRISTMAS I'M ASKING YOUR  
HELP TO MAKE THIS THE HAPPIEST CHRISTMAS WE EVER HAD  
IN OUR COMMUNITY. A REAL CHRISTMAS FOR ALL THE  
FOLKS. SEE THAT NOT A SINGLE PERSON IS FORGOTTEN.  
REMEMBER, I'M DEPENDING ON YOU



## GLEASON FREE OF EXTORTION

Miles Dismisses Case on Motion of Prosecutor Parsons

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)  
—William Gleason, 26, a resident  
of Hotel Bristol, Holland, was  
freed of a charge of extor-  
tion by Judge Fred T. Miles in an  
Ottawa circuit court in sustaining  
the motion of Prosecutor Elbern  
Parsons who asked for dismissal of  
the charge Monday.

From the evidence discovered by  
the prosecuting attorney upon in-  
dependent investigation since the  
examination in Holland, it appears  
that a conviction is impossible,  
and that a trial would be an injustice  
to Gleason and an unnecessary  
expense to the people. Parsons  
said in presenting his motion.

The complaint against Gleason  
was first filed in municipal court  
in Holland by Mrs. Maxine Mur-  
phy who alleged that he attempted  
to extort \$90 from her last Dec. 2.  
Following a hearing before Municipal  
Judge Raymond L. Smith,  
the case was sent to circuit court.  
Gleason had been held in jail in  
default of \$1,000 bond.

## LOCAL WOMAN DIES AT HOME

Mrs. Bertha Sale, 35, wife of  
Gillis Sale, died Sunday at 9:15  
p.m. in her home, 470 West 16th  
St., following a lingering illness.  
She was confined in Holland  
hospital for about 21 months,  
having been taken there Jan. 1,  
1939 and returned to her home in  
October of this year.

Survivors are the husband;  
five children, Hazel, Junior, Robert,  
William and Richard, all at  
home; her mother, Mrs. William  
Johnson, route 6, Holland; two  
brothers, Albert and George  
Johnson, both residing on local  
rural routes; and three sisters,  
Mrs. Fred Reus, Mrs. Luther Van  
Huis and Miss Harriet Johnson,  
all of Holland.

Mrs. Sale was born Nov. 4,  
1905, in Holland to Mr. and Mrs.  
William Johnson.

Private funeral services were  
held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.  
from the home with formal rites  
at 2 p.m. from Bethel Reformed  
church, with the Rev. C. A. Stop-  
pel officiating. Burial was in  
Graafschap cemetery.

## LAST QUESTIONNAIRE WILL NOT BE MAILED OUT UNTIL JULY, 1941

By sending out questionnaires at  
the rate of 10 each day, the local  
selective service board will not  
conclude this work until July,  
1941, as there are 2,017 registrants  
registered with the board.

The board will have mailed out  
480 questionnaires by Jan. 1, their  
work having started in November.  
The schedule of mailing question-  
naires of the ensuing years fol-  
lows:

January, 260; February, 220;  
March, 260; April, 260; May, 260;  
June, 250; July, 27.

Of course, the rate of mailing  
the questionnaires may vary or  
may change at any time. From this  
schedule, any registrant, if he  
knows his order number, can  
figure exactly when he will receive  
his questionnaire.

The board pointed out that each  
day a notice to registrants which  
gives the numbers of the ques-  
tionnaires mailed out that day, is  
posted on a bulletin board outside  
the office in the city hall. Inside  
the office is kept a classification  
record for public information, the  
record containing each action taken  
by every registrant, including the  
date of mailing the ques-  
tionnaires, date of its return,  
date of the registrant's classifica-  
tion, etc. This record may be in-  
spected by anyone at any time  
during the board's office hours.

## DEADLINE NEAR FOR LIGHTING CONTEST

With Dec. 21 the deadline for  
filling entry blanks, those who  
plan to enter the city's Christmas  
home lighting festival, being held  
under the auspices of the Holland  
Junior Chamber of Commerce in  
cooperation with the board of public  
works, are urged to submit  
their entry blanks at the earliest  
possible date.

John Vande Wege and Nelson  
Bosman, co-chairmen, reported  
that numerous entries are being  
received. The entry blanks should  
be sent to the Junior Chamber of  
Commerce, in care of the Holland  
Chamber of Commerce office.

Twenty-four prizes with a total  
value of \$324 will be awarded to  
the contest winners. Four prizes  
are to be awarded in each of the  
city's new six wards for the most  
effective decorated houses. Similar  
contests are being held in neigh-  
boring cities, the co-chairmen  
pointed out.

Judges will inspect the displays  
between Dec. 23 and 30, inclusive,  
from 7 to 10 p.m. nightly. They  
will not enter the homes to inspect  
interior decorations. Displays will  
be judged on beauty, simplicity and  
effectiveness, rather than lavish-  
ness.

Steel production for the first ten  
months of this year reached 47-  
022,000 gross tons, compared with  
35,572,000 gross tons for the same  
period in 1939.

## INJURED NUNICA GIRL FOUND ALONG ROAD

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)  
—Miss Helen Rosema, 15, daugh-  
ter of Harn H. Rosema, route 1,  
Nunica, was found lying 12 feet  
off the south side of the road near  
Spring Lake Sunday about 7:30  
p.m. by an unidentified woman  
who called state police.

Miss Rosema was found to be  
suffering of a severe scalp wound  
and injuries to her right leg and  
hip. She was walking east toward  
Spring Lake after having been let  
out of a car at the junction of US-  
31 and US-16 about 7:20 p.m. and  
was en route to meet her parents  
who were attending church in  
Spring Lake.

She was taken to Municipal  
hospital in an unconscious condi-  
tion and regained consciousness  
about 10:30 a.m. Monday.

## ILLNESS TAKES LOCAL WOMAN

Mrs. Dick Greengood, 77, 18  
West 17th St. died early Sunday  
morning at her home following  
an illness of several months. Sur-  
viving are the husband; two  
daughters, Mrs. Albert Heerspink  
of Holland and Miss Sena at  
home; three sons, John and Clar-  
ence of Holland, Peter of Grand  
Rapids; 15 grandchildren; two  
great grandchildren; one sister,  
Mrs. Pennie Mendels of Grand  
Rapids; and a brother, Peter  
Bareman of Holland.

Funeral services were Wed-  
nesday at 1:30 p.m. at the home  
and at 2 p.m. in Central Ave.  
Christian Reformed church, the  
Rev. D. H. Walters officiating.  
Burial was in Pilgrim Home  
cemetery.

## Zeeland Couple Is Married in Church

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gebben  
will be at home to their friends  
in a new home on Lawndale Ave.  
in Zeeland after Jan. 1 following  
their marriage Friday evening,  
Dec. 6, in Third Christian Re-  
formed church in Zeeland. Mr.  
Gebben is the former Miss Kath-  
erine Nagelkerk.

Mrs. Gebben chose for her at-  
tendant her friend, Miss Kathryn  
Oostendorp. John Gebben, a brother  
of the groom served as best  
man. Mrs. Edward Nagelkerk,  
sister-in-law of the bride, pre-  
sided at the organ and Miss Cath-  
erine Janssen, a friend of the  
bride sang.

Mr. Gebben is the son of Mr.  
and Mrs. Gerrit Gebben and Mrs.  
Gebben is the daughter of Mr.  
and Mrs. Sam Nagelkerk of Zeeland.

The bride was feted with five  
showers given by Mrs. James  
Meyer, Mrs. Ed. Nagelkerk, Mrs.  
Gerrit Gebben and the Misses  
Gertrude and Geneva Jansen and  
Mrs. Ben Sterken, all in Zeeland.

## Miss Dorothy Boeve Feted at Shower

Miss Nina Fopma was hostess  
at a luncheon and shower at the  
Kuntry Kitchen on Saturday  
honoring Miss Dorothy Boeve,  
whose marriage will take place  
on Christmas day. The invited  
guests included the Misses Ar-  
dene Boven, Gladys Dornbos,  
Vera Kirchner, Henriette Kuizen-  
ga, Martha Morgan, Isla Mep-  
pelinck, Frances Price, Eunice  
Scholten, Marian Tyasse, Doris  
Van Hoven, Julie Voss, Marjorie  
Vyverberg, Mrs. Jack Fisher,  
Mrs. John Boeve and Mrs. S.  
Fopma.

## Excelsior S.S. Class Has Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party of  
the Excelsior class of First Re-  
formed church in the church par-  
lors Friday evening was enjoyed  
by about 60 members. Several  
Christmas carols were sung and  
Mrs. H. Bussies read the Christ-  
mas story from the scriptures and  
offered prayer.

Games were in charge of Mrs.  
Irene Plakke and her committee  
comprised the evening's entertain-  
ment. Prizes were awarded the  
winners. Gifts were exchanged by  
the group. Mrs. Nicholas Gosse-  
link, teacher of the class, was pre-  
sented with a gift.

Refreshments were served by  
Mrs. H. Boss and her committee.  
The singing of "Blest Be the Tie  
That Binds" concluded the eve-  
ning's program. Mrs. H. De Loof,  
vice-president of the class, pre-  
sided in the absence of the presi-  
dent, Mrs. E. Frins.

## Erutha Rebekah Lodge Elects New Officers

At a regular meeting of the  
Erutha Rebekah lodge Friday  
night, the following officers were  
elected: Noble grand, Cora Nich-  
ols; vice grand, Melva Crowle;  
secretary, Blanche Shaffer; treas-  
urer, Leona Norlin; financial sec-  
retary, Imogene Wolfert; staff  
captain, Blanche Burrows; trustee  
for three years, Josephine Bender.

After the business meeting, the  
lodge entertained with a Christ-  
mas party for district officers and  
members. Visitors were present  
from Saugatuck, Fennville, Alle-  
gan, East Casco and Moline. The  
next district meeting will be held  
in Saugatuck.

## Couple Is Married by Grand Haven Justice

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)  
—Roy Bitman of Spring Lake  
and Mildred Bray of Grand Haven  
were married by Justice George  
V. Hoffer Saturday afternoon. The  
couple was attended by Lorenzo  
Trevisan of Holland and Margaret  
Forsman of Grand Haven.

## Barnhart Is Ordained at Impressive Ceremonies

Many Present at Colorful Rites in Episcopal Church Here

In one of the most impressive  
ceremonies ever held in Holland,  
the Rev. Arthur C. Barnhart was  
ordained to the priesthood Satur-  
day before a large crowd of par-  
ishioners, townspeople and guests  
in Grace Episcopal church. Offi-  
ciating was the Rt. Rev. Lewis  
Bliss Whittemore, of Grand Rap-  
ids, bishop of the Episcopal diocese  
of western Michigan.

The service began at 11 a.m.  
with Mrs. Leonard Kuite playing  
as the organ prelude "A Song of  
Peace," by L. C. Bridge. In the  
colorful procession were the cruci-  
fer, the vested choir, acolytes,  
Rev. Barnhart, the officiating  
clergy, the visiting clergy and  
Bishop Whittemore. "A Mighty  
Fortress Is Our Lord" was used  
as the processional hymn.

The altar hangings of the tra-  
ditional white formed the back-  
ground for the flowers and can-  
dles. White is symbolical of a joy



## HINGAMEN BEAT ADRIAN, 46 TO 35, IN MIAA OPENER

### All Dutch Reserves Are Used; Brief Bulldog Rally Checked

Hope college sport past Adrian, its first MIAA opponent, 46-25, in Holland armory last Thursday. Scoring was even in the second half, but Hope's 25-14 advantage at the half spelled victory.

Although not at hot as last week in scoring, the Dutch were able to keep Adrian in check. The Bulldogs started a comeback shortly after the intermission but otherwise never seriously threatened. Adrian trailed only by eight points, 28-20, when "Long John" Visser tipped in enough buckets for a safe lead.

Ken Brown kept the visitors in the game with 15 points. He also held a perfect record of five out of five at the gratis line. Visser's tip-in shots netted him 11.

Before the gun, Coach Bud Hinga had used all his reserves. Ev Kleinjans tipped in the first bucket and Visser pivoted for another and added a free throw. In the first minute before Adrian was able to score, Jim Wink broke the ice for the Bulldogs and Brown with a couple of free tosses and a bucket started them well on their way.

Meanwhile, however, Capt. Bob Montgomery started Hope on its victory march. Scoring was equal in the last ten minutes of the first half with Wink and Brown again putting them through for the visitors while Gil Van Wierden, Don De Fouw and Jackie Baas hung up their first buckets.

Montgomery and Visser scored in the first minute of the second half, but with Brown leading Adrian kept creeping up. A barrage of Hope buckets of which Ken Vanden Berg and John Visser scored the most, gave Hope a 41-22 lead and Hope was able to coast in the last part of the second half. Hub Rink came into the spotlight for Adrian with six points in the last few minutes.

Vanden Berg and Wink were both banished on fouls in the second half. At the line, the Hingamen scored on ten of 16 chances and Coach Harve Oliphant's men scored seven out of the same number.

Hope froshed downed the Cosmopolitan fraternity team in the prelim, 43-16.

Hope plays its next conference game in Kalamazoo Tuesday.

Hope	FG	FT	TP
Vanden Berg, F	4	0	8
Van Wierden, F	2	1	5
Vlissing, C	2	1	11
Kleinjans, G	2	0	4
Montgomery, G	3	4	10
Bas, F	1	2	4
De Fouw, G	1	0	2
Morgan, F	0	2	2
Totals	18	10	46

Adrian	FG	FT	TP
Rink, F	4	0	8
Cottrell, F	3	0	6
Wink, C	1	1	3
Woerner, G	0	0	0
Brown, G	5	5	15
Darnott, C	1	1	3
Totals	14	7	35

Officials: referee—Black, Kalamazoo; umpire—Van Wingen, MSC.

## Southeast Holland

The annual congregational meeting of the Ebenezer Reformed church was held Tuesday evening, Dec. 10, after being postponed one week on account of unfavorable road and weather conditions.

H. H. Boeve was reelected to serve as elder, and George H. De Witt was elected to serve as deacon. The retiring officers are Elder H. H. DeWitt and Deacon Herman Kortering both of which have served a period of three years.

The treasurer, Augustine De Witt, in his financial report stated that \$2,635.92 had been raised during the year, of which \$2,072.25 went for Congregational expenditures and \$401.61 for benevolent objects. After the meeting a pot luck lunch was enjoyed by the 40 persons present.

Both Mrs. John Pelon and Mrs. Robert Pelon are ill with the "flu". Mrs. John Pelon has been quite seriously ill, but her condition is reported as considerably improved.

The Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Schortinghuys and children, Esther Pauline and David were in Grand Rapids Wednesday afternoon for physical consultation and other business.

Clarence Boeve is reported to have had a rather unique experience. On the way home from work at the sugar mill, he lost the motor of his automobile. Results: no bodily injury, just the problem as to how to get home. Franklin Schutema acted the part of the "good Samaritan," and took Mr. Boeve home.

## WELFARE WORKER HURT IN ACCIDENT

Miss Nedra De Groot, 378 West 20th St., was confined to her home suffering from two fractured ribs and bruises which she received at 4:30 p.m. last Thursday in an automobile accident on US-31 near Agnew, 10 miles north of Holland.

Miss De Groot, an employee of the welfare office in the city hall, was returning to Holland from Grand Haven when her car skidded on the icy pavement and overturned on its side. She was taken to Grand Haven for medical treatment and later taken to her home.

## Increases Are Pointed Out in Census Figures

### Michigan Among States to Gain Over Two Hundred, Fifty Thousand

Washington, Dec. 19.—Based on returns of the 16th decennial census, the population of the United States on April 1, 1940, was 131,669,275, according to Director William Lane Austin of the bureau of the census, Department of Commerce.

In comparison with the 1930 population of 122,775,046, this figure represents an increase of 8,894,229. This change represents an increase of 7.2 per cent between 1930 and 1940, as compared with 16.1 per cent between 1920 and 1930, Mr. Austin said.

The U. S. population from 1790 to 1940 follows: 1790—3,929,214; 1800—5,308,483; 1810—7,238,881; 1820—9,638,453; 1830—12,866,020; 1840—17,069,453; 1850—23,191,876; 1860—31,443,321; 1870—39,818,449; 1880—50,155,783; 1890—62,947,714; 1900—75,994,575; 1910—91,972,266; 1920—105,710,620; 1930—122,775,046; 1940—131,669,275.

"It is clear that if the present trends continue, the United States is faced with a stationary or even a declining population in about 30 or 40 years. The slowing down in population growth can be laid to the falling birthrate and the virtual stoppage of immigration from abroad.

"During the past decade, all of the increase in population represents the natural increase—the excess of births over deaths. In fact, for the first time in the history of this nation, the number of emigrants during the intercensal period was greater than the number of immigrants," Mr. Austin said.

He reported that the number of persons who left this country for foreign lands between April 1, 1930, and April 1, 1940, exceeded by 46,518 the number who entered the United States.

Michigan was among 10 states whose gain in population from 1930 to 1940 exceeded 250,000. The state's official population is 2,526,106, an increase of 413,781 of 8.5

## Hope German Club Has Christmas Party

The annual Christmas party of the Hope college German club was held in the chapel Wednesday, Dec. 11, Helen Leslie read the Christmas story in German and presided at the program after a short business meeting.

Group singing of "O Tannenbaum" and other German songs was in charge of Doris Vander Borgh. Ann De Young read the German version of "Twelve Night Before Christmas" and Nancy Boynton presented a paper on toymaking in Germany.

A Christmas legend about Saint Nicholas and a German poem were given by John Van Lierop. Helen Leslie told the history of the carol "Silent Night, Hallelujah" and Gary Bruins sang the selection. German games were played by the group and refreshments were served. Miss Laura Boyd, faculty advisor, was also present at the meeting.

## Old People Entertained in School Gymnasium

A total of 178 persons over 60 years of age, members of Central Avenue Christian Reformed church, gathered in the gymnasium of Holland Christian high school last Thursday for a social meeting. Transportation was furnished by the Young Men's society of the church.

The opening prayer was given by the Rev. D. H. Walters and Dutch psalms were sung. Readings were given by Mrs. P. Hamelink, Mrs. H. De Ridder and J. Maas. An address was given by Rev. Walters. A two-course lunch was served by the Girls' society.

This was the first gathering of its sort and was regarded as a great success. John Vander Schel, 92, and A. Holleboom, 91, were the oldest persons present. Bert Oelen, vice president of the consistory, closed with prayer.

## Group Is Entertained by Young People's Society

A group of young people of post high school age of Third Reformed church and their friends were entertained at a sleigh ride and hay ride around Holland Friday evening by the Young People's Christian Endeavor society.

The group later returned to the church where a game was played with prizes awarded to Miss Eunice Scholten and Paul Hollemen. Refreshments were served from a long table.

The remainder of the evening was spent in singing around the piano to the accompaniment of Howard Van Egmond.

## Is Assessed Fine for Driving Without Lights

Arraigned here before Municipal Judge Raymond L. Smith, Oliver John Hill, 19, route 2, West Olive, pleaded guilty to a charge of operating his car without lights and was assessed a fine and costs of \$10. He made arrangements to pay the total.

The charge results from a head-on collision last Nov. 16 between cars driven by Hill and Frank Harmsen, 177 East Fifth St., in which four persons suffered injuries. Hill was trailing the car of Herman Schumaker, Jr., 19, route 2, West Olive, after the lights on his car went out.

Ralph Veitman, route 1, Holland, has paid \$1 costs to the court after pleading guilty to a charge of double parking.

per cent over the 1930 figure of 4,482,325.

Michigan is ranked in seventh position among the states according to its population. The state held the same position in 1930. Michigan is 23rd among the states in order of percentage of increase from 1930 to 1940.

## Forest Grove

On Sunday, Dec. 8, Rev. J. Wolterink exchanged pulpits with the Rev. Joe Ernisse of Hudsonville Reformed church. The Junior choir furnished special music.

The Light Bearers society met Thursday afternoon, Dec. 12, in the home of Mrs. Steven Roelofs. Mrs. Winnie Van Koevoering and Mrs. Gertrude Vander Slick were hostesses. Those taking part in the program were Mrs. Julia Mast, Mrs. Tena Smallegan, Mrs. Anne Smallegan, Miss Katy Smallegan and Mrs. Mable Roelofs.

At the consistory meeting Friday evening, Dec. 6, the following young people made confession of their faith: Anna Jean Myaard, Edith Brower, Shirley Brower, Pauline Smallegan, Howard Vandebunte and Howard Z. Vandebunte, Lois Vandebunte, Alyda Keizer, Earl Brower and Almon Dekker. They will be publicly received on Dec. 29.

The Friendship club met on Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. John Yntema in Zeeland. At noon they enjoyed a Christmas party at the Kuntury Kitchen.

Friends will be interested to know of the birth of twins, a boy and a girl, to Mr. and Mrs. Wilard Berghorst of Zeeland. Mrs. Berghorst was Rosamond Vander Wall of this place before her marriage.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Van Dam a son, Edwin Marc, in the Zeeland hospital on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Van Dam was formerly Marian Vandebunte.

## Olive Center

Miss Etta Jacobsen of Nut Mountain, Saskatchewan, Canada, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lugers of Holland visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Timmer recently. Miss Jacobsen is a daughter of John Jacobsen who formerly lived here.

Mrs. Oliver Banks is confined to her home with small pox. Mr. Banks has recovered from the disease.

Mrs. Herman Bartels has returned to her home after being ill in Holland hospital for several weeks. She is improving nicely.

Jacob Kraai was surprised recently when his children and their families helped him celebrate his birthday anniversary. Delicious refreshments were served and Mr. Kraai was presented with a gift.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nykamp were entertained Saturday evening Dec. 7, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. Duisterwinkle.

John Knoll is improving from his recent illness. He was able to visit at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Henry Redder, Thursday.

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## Mayor Is Selected to Head G.H. Committee

Grand Haven, Dec. 19.—Mayor Richard L. Cook of this city has assumed the chairmanship of the local committee in the National Foundation for Control of Infantile Paralysis.

The other committee members are Mrs. Max Metzler, secretary, and F. C. Bolt, treasurer, who will be assisted by a large subcommittee to be announced later.

Two projects will be sponsored, the "march of dimes" and the President's ball, annual social event which has been held over the country to raise funds for the victims of a disease which still baffles the medical world.

Real friendship is a slow grower, and never thrives unless engrafted upon a stock of well known and reciprocal merit.—Lord Chesterfield.

Use of chemically sensitized papers in photography was introduced in 1851 by an Englishman named Archer.

## LOCAL GUARDS ON CAMP TEAM

By Osborne Vos

Camp Beauregard, La. — The 126th infantry football team played the 128th infantry in a practice game on the Louisiana college field in Pineville which is part of Alexandria. The playing field was muddy and due to excellent match-play on either side, the game ended in a tie.

The following men of company D played in the game: Pvt. Pierson and George Buursma held the guard positions while Sgt. Joe Hettinga and Pvt. Schippers played end and tackle, respectively. Pvt. 1st Cl. "Hoots" Rowan played half-back. Pvt. 1st Cl. Jerry Bonzeelaar is a new candidate for the team and shows real promise.

With more games and more practice the 126th men should have no trouble in taking division honors. The line averages something like 200 pounds while the backfield averages about 180.

Men will be picked from the different teams of the division to meet Louisiana State university Saturday in a game which should prove interesting. In a previous game this season, L. S. U. defeated Tulane in a close game in Baton Rouge.

More uniforms and clothing have been issued to the men who will be issued considerable more in the near future.

The first draftees have been received in Camp Beauregard and are all taken up by their new duties. Company D has not received any as yet, but will come either this month or next.

Four "Jeeps" (weapon carriers) have been issued to Company D and are now taking an active part in the training of the drivers. The small trucks are built to carry a squad of men plus the weapon. They are also built to travel over rough terrain with four wheel drives making them almost impossible to stop. This is only part of the trucks which are to be received.

Pvt. Gerald Schippers applied for transfer into the divisional military police company and was accepted. He completed his transfer and no longer is with his buddies in D company. However, all connections will not be lost.

## Personals

(From Friday's Sentinel)

Mr. and Mrs. Frank De Vries and daughter, Shirley Ann, Miss Agnelle De Vries of Holland and Mr. and Mrs. Tony Kruipers and children, Johannes, Glenn, Loreine, Bobby, Vernon, Dale, Shirley and Arloa, of Ellsworth, called on Mr. and Mrs. John De Vries in Borculo Thursday evening.

Word was received here today of the death of Mrs. James A. Anderson at her home in Kansas, O., after an illness of several weeks. Survivors include the husband; two daughters, Mrs. Kenneth De Pree of this city and Mrs. John Stryker of Grand Rapids; two sons, Arthur and John; and four grandchildren. Mr. Anderson is a brother of Mrs. W. J. Olive of Holland.

Holland hospital announced the following births today: To Mr. and Mrs. John Baldwin, 40 East 18th St., a son on Dec. 4, and to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Vander Maat, 231 West 20th St., a daughter on Dec. 12.

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## Chief Asks Pedestrians to Wear White Objects

Following Friday night's accident in which two children suffered injuries when they were struck by a car while walking along a highway, Police Chief Jacob Van Hoff suggested that pedestrians should attempt to wear something white as an added safety measure.

Due to the dark nights, weather conditions and dark clothing a pedestrian might be wearing, it is hard for the driver of a car to see a person walking along the road, Chief Van Hoff said. He also suggested that pedestrians should walk against the oncoming traffic and to watch for approaching cars in case it is necessary to get out of the way should the driver not see the pedestrian.

## Sorosites Elect New Officers

Dorothy Zimmerman, Metuchen, N. J., senior, was general chairman for an attractive Christmas pot-luck held by the Sorosis society of Hope college at Voorhees hall Friday evening. The society room was decorated with lighted candles and evergreen branches tied with perky red bows.

Election of officers for next semester preceded the meal. Ruth Stryker, Grand Rapids senior, was elected president and Helen Van Kooy, Milwaukee, Wis., senior, was elected vice-president. Other officers are secretary, Thelma Van Dyke, Zeeland, senior, and sergeant-at-arms, Doris V. A. Junior. At a brief business meeting plans were made for sending a Christmas basket to a needy family.

Barbara Folensbee was chairman of the evening's program. Colorful handpainted folders in the shape of a candle contained the printed programs. Scripture, "The Light of the World," was read by Doris Vander Borgh. Jeanne Horton recited an impressive poem "The Sacrament of Light."

"Flame Glo" was a serious paper on Christmas and world conditions today read by Margaret Bilker, Ruth Stryker and Marthe Van Dyke sang a medley of popular tunes as "Smoke Dreams" accompanied by Barbara Folensbee, "Wax," more appropriately dubbed "Whacks," a humorous parody on the poem, "Twelve Night Before Christmas" contained the names of prominent campus personalities, and was presented by Betty Daugherty.

Critic for the program was Mary Jane Raffenaud. The meeting closed with the singing of the Sorosis songs in a large circle. Janitors for the week are Freshmen Jane Dinkelool and Helen De Pree.

## Fidelis Class Holds Christmas Party

About 30 members of the Fidelis Sunday school class of Sixth Reformed church gathered in the church parlors Friday evening for their annual Christmas party. Mrs. John Kemper, vice president, presided and read the Christmas story, followed by prayer by the teacher, Mrs. John Vanderbeek. A Christmas carol was sung.

The program, announced by Jeanette Timmer, consisted of two readings by Elaine Brouwer and an accordion solo each and a duet by Donald Dokter and Arle Groen, accompanied by Mrs. Bernard Dokter.

During the business meeting, it was decided to have four meetings a year. Election of officers was held with the following results: Mrs. Andrew Slager, president; Mrs. Ray Van Voort, vice president; Miss Cornelia Van Voort, secretary; Mrs. B. Dokter, treasurer, and Mrs. John Mokma, assistant treasurer.

A lunch was served from attractively decorated tables. In charge of the lunch were Mrs. John Kemper, Mrs. Robert Newhouse, Mrs. Joe Romeyn, Mrs. John Mokma and Mrs. Basil Barton.

## HHS Girls' League Has Annual Yule Program

President Merry Hadden presided at the annual Girls' League Christmas program held in the Holland high school auditorium Friday afternoon.

A two-act play, "Christmas With the O'Toole's," was the main feature of the program. Members of the cast were Geraldine Van Vulpem, Vera Zietlow, Norma Pomp, Arlene Voorhorst, Elizabeth Kools, Dorothy Ladewig and Myra Kleis. General chairman for the program was Charles Stroop.

Margaret Hartman, junior high violinist, played Christmas carols between acts of the play accompanied by Myra Kleis. At the conclusion of the program each girl marched across the stage and presented her gift while Cleone Topp played a piano accompaniment of Christmas music. The large number of toys collected will be used in the baskets which will be distributed by the student council following the main Christmas program Friday afternoon, Dec. 20.

## Dinner Meeting Held by Local TMB Club

Members of the T.M.B. club held their last meeting of the year in the form of a chicken supper at the Kuntury Kitchen last Thursday evening. During the business meeting, Mrs. Frances Wiegman was elected president; Mrs. Henrietta Knoll, secretary; Mrs. Marie Wiegman, treasurer. A budget was read by Mrs. Florence Garvelink assisted by Mrs. Melva Streur and a social time was enjoyed.

The next meeting of the club will be Jan. 15.

## POLICE CRUISER IN AUTO CRASH

### Four Vehicles Involved in Two Collisions East of Holland

Four automobiles, one of them a police cruiser, were involved in two separate accidents on M-21, about one-half mile east of the Waverly road about 5:30 p.m. last Thursday.

First the cars driven by Jacob Borgman, East Ninth St., and Charles De Wits, 46 East McKinley St., Zeeland, collided. Police reported that De Wits' car, being driven east on M-21, skidded off the highway and when the driver sought to drive onto the pavement, his car careened across the road into the path of Borgman's car.

The crash involving the police cruiser occurred when it was struck from the rear by a car driven by William G. Boeve, route 5, Holland.

Police Officer Ernest Bear reported that the cruiser was following the Borgman vehicle and that he was stopping to avoid colliding with the two smashed cars in front of him. The slippery highway caused Boeve's auto to skid into the rear of the police cruiser since it was trailing the former in the same direction.

Gerrit Ter Beek, route 1, Holland, riding in the police cruiser with Bear, suffered a minor neck injury. The officer and Ter Beek had been searching for two women who successfully worked a short change racket at the Miller-Jones shoe store here Wednesday afternoon.

A panel truck, driven by Marinus Dornbos, 45, 340 Pine Ave., was turned upside down, scattering its bakery goods over the street, Thursday at 19th St. and Pine Ave.

The truck was being driven north on Pine Ave. and the other car involved in the accident was being driven west on 19th St. by Donald Mokma, 33, 338 West 21st St.

Local police were informed that Mokma did not see the truck until too late to avoid a collision. Dornbos told police he saw the approaching car but thought its driver would stop or slow down to permit him to pass through the intersection.

Willard Bazuin, 169 West 17th St., and Paul Mulder, Washington Blvd., were listed as witnesses.

Automobiles driven by Harold Oosting, 146 East 15th St., and Earl Vander Kolk, 243 West 11th St., collided Friday morning at 16th St. and Harrison Ave. Oosting was driving south on Harrison Ave. and Vander Kolk was going east on 16th St.

## ICY STREETS CAUSE FOUR AUTO CRASHES

Four minor automobile accidents were reported to Holland police, the mishaps were caused by ice on local streets.

Cars driven by Ernest A. Lohman, 18, 249 West 15th St., and Edward O. De Pree, 21, 99 West 12th St., were involved in a crash at 11:15 p.m. Friday at 15th St. and Maple Ave. Lohman was driving west on 15th St. while De Pree was driving south on Maple Ave. They told police that each saw the other approaching the intersection but could not stop due to the ice. Casper Schreggrou, 357 Maple Ave., was listed as a witness.

A minor accident occurred Friday at 12:45 p.m. on 10th St. near the Mass furniture store where cars driven by Lucille Van Den Berg, route 3, Holland, and Dick Terpstra, Holland, collided.

Vehicles driven by Richard Martin, 54 West 21st St., and Herbert Ten Have, 124 East Ninth St., collided at 10th St. and River Ave. at 1 p.m. Friday. Ten Have told police he had stopped his car to permit traffic to pass.

C. H. Newcombe, route 1, Holland, reported to police that his car had skidded into the parked vehicle of James William Pleune of Grand Rapids near Eighth St. and Columbia Ave. at 3 p.m. Friday.

## Van Kolken, Victim of Joke, Regains His Deer

A story was being circulated in the city hall Friday about how Art Van Kolken, 475 Central Ave., a park department employee, shot a fine eight-point buck, "lost



## TULSMEN LOSE OVERTIME FRAY TO KAZOO QUINT

Score Is Tied by Kalmink Shortly Before End of Regular Play

Holland Christian dropped its first-out-of-town game in an overtime to St. Augustine, one of its toughest rivals, 28-26, in West Michigan Ave. gym in Kalamazoo Friday night.

Harv Buter and Dell Boersma each with a bucket, left the locals with a four-point margin which they held until midway in the first quarter when Sakeway sank two successive side shots. C. Schoolmaster added another bucket and Sakeway hit again from the side before Art Tuls sank a foul and the quarter ended, 8-5, St. Augustine.

Holland trailed at the half 13-11 and did not regain the lead until the opening minutes of the third and last quarters, 16-15 and 21-20. Howard Kalmink tied the count at 26-all with a side shot shortly before the whistle ended the fourth quarter.

Forward Larry Kozminski who could not find the hoop until the last quarter, sank the winning overtime bucket.

Thus Holland Christian lost its second of three games and already has taken as many losses as it did during the whole 1939-40 season. St. Augustine was Holland's first class C opponent.

Holland chalked up six out of eight foul chances while Kazoo scored on only two out of dozen chances. Guards Harv Buter and Dell Boersma led local scoring with eight apiece. Sakeway led the winners with ten.

Boersma counted a pair of throws to start Holland's scoring in the second quarter and Howard Kalmink and Buter each added a bucket, but Kazoo also counted a free throw and two buckets so was left leading by two points at the half.

The other Kozminski boy opened the third quarter but Boersma and Tuls garnered five points as Holland took its first one-point lead. Sakeway quickly came back to blot out this small lead and during the last four minutes Boersma was able to plunk only one throw for Holland while Coach Harv Freeman's boys totaled three points to take another lead by that margin at the quarter-end.

Holland again went into a one-point lead as Buter and Tuls dropped buckets in the fourth-quarter opening. Kazoo's next bucket put them in the lead again and after that, all Christian could do was tie.

Christian	FG	FT	TP
Tuls, f	1	1	3
Elitbrink, f	1	0	2
Kalmink, c	2	1	5
Boersma, g	2	4	8
Buter, g	4	0	8

Totals	10	6	26
St. Augustine	FG	FT	TP
Larry Kozminski, f	2	0	4
Sakeway, f	5	0	10
H. Schoolmaster, c	0	1	1
Kolo, g	0	1	1
C. Schoolmaster, g	3	0	6
Luke Kozminski, g	3	0	6

Totals 13 2 28  
Official—Spurgeon.

## Jamestown

A congregational social was held in the Christian Reformed church Tuesday evening. A short program was given. Mr. Besteman in name of the congregation presented Rev. H. Dykhouse with a wrist watch and Mrs. Dykhouse was given a beautiful wool blanket. After the program refreshments were served. A large crowd was present.

Student B. Ver Steeg had charge of services at the Reformed church on Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Ver Steeg were dinner guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Grit.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Wyngaard, Norma and Elwood were visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bowman Sunday evening.

The Christmas program of the primary and grammar rooms of the local school will be given on Monday evening, Dec. 23, in the YMCA hall.

Funeral services for Mrs. Alice De Weerd, a local resident for many years were held Saturday afternoon at the Reformed church with Rev. B. W. Lammers and Rev. H. Dykhouse officiating. Interment was in Graafschap cemetery.

Miss Fanny De Kleene entertained two of her college girl friends at her home on Sunday.

On Friday evening a group of neighbors gathered at a surprise house warming in the new home of Mr. and Mrs. William Van Regenmorter and little son.

## Funeral at Burnips for Wife of Henry Goodman

Burnips, Dec. 19—Funeral services for Mrs. Hattie Goodman, 76, wife of Henry Goodman of Grand Rapids, who died Tuesday morning in the home of her grandson, Alvin of Allegan, will be this Thursday at 2 p.m. from the Methodist church, with burial in Burnips cemetery.

Surviving are the husband, Henry of Grand Rapids; a son, Roy M. Goodman of Chicago; two grandchildren, Alvin of Allegan and Alice of Chicago, and one great-grandchild. The Rev. Earl Prosser will officiate at the service.

## College Girls Select Gifts



Christmas shopping is uppermost in the minds of everybody these days. Photographer Phil Harrington took this picture when three out-of-town girls, all Hope college freshmen, were "looking around" in a local store. From left to right are Betty McCann of Muskegon, Marjorie Friesma of Detroit and Dorothy De Valois of Boyden, Ia.

## Philatheans Have Unique Program

The Philathea class of First Methodist church held its annual Christmas supper and meeting Monday evening. The dining room was gaily decorated in keeping with the Christmas season, the dinner being prepared under the chairmanship of Miss Margaret Beukema.

Adjoining to the class room, Mrs. Ernest Hartman, in charge of the devotions, and assisted by Miss Mame Ewald, presented slides showing pictures of former members and bringing a personal and inspiring message from each one. A very clever message was a phonograph record recording the voice of Mrs. Dean Tellman of Palmyra, N.Y., reading the Christmas story, and the playing of Christmas carols on the piano by Mrs. Dorothy Stetekete of Jamestown, N.Y.

Among other messages received was one from Dorothy May Damsen requesting "O Holy Night" to be sung by Mrs. Edward Damsen. Others heard from were Dorothy Bonds Fuller of Whiting, Ind., Elvera Rasmussen Morrison, Beulah Whetherholt, Edith Shackleton Steketete of Birmingham, Mich., and Vera Johnson Edwards, Tekla Johnson, Ramona Shackleton Swank and Mrs. Hope Shackleton of Atlantic, Ia.

## S.S. Class Entertained in Longstreet Home

Mrs. Bobbie Longstreet of 248 West 23rd St., entertained the Fathacha class of First Methodist church Monday evening. After the business meeting, Emily Shaffer led the group in a devotional period by explaining particular carols and the group responded by singing them.

Ruth Knutson, Edith Lindsay, Kathryn Hartman and Emily Shaffer sang "In the Bleak Midwinter" after which all joined in singing "Joy to the World" as each member came and offered her gift. Beatrice Bekken, dressed in a white robe and standing between lighted candelabra held the offering plate and closed the devotional meeting with prayer.

As all were seated around the beautifully lighted Christmas tree, Santa Claus appeared and found a gift for each one present. His appearance was accompanied by an original bit of verse composed by Betty Barton and Joyce McCormick.

Games were played and prizes were awarded. Hostesses were Betty Barton, Emily Shaffer, Joyce McCormick and Ruth Gunn. Mrs. Longstreet poured. After the refreshments, the class sang was sung by candle light. A year book was presented to each member.

Besides those mentioned, the following were present: Marian Avery, Norma Seekamp, Frances Teall, Mary Anne Anderson, Evelyn Avery, Cereta Kane, Marian Essebagger, Florence McCormick, Esther Johnson, Ruth Lindsay, Mrs. Estelle De Vries, Rose Marie Burrows, Barbara Greenwood, Helen Shank, Vera Kirchner, Dorothy Cunningham, Marjorie Galbraith, Thelma Roberts and two guests, Maxine Atwater and Henrietta French.

## City Mission Class Holds Meeting

The Personal Worker's class of the City Mission met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John De Boer on East Seventh St. Tuesday evening. A short program was enjoyed. Readings were given by Mrs. Peter Vandene Lüne, Mrs. Harry Hill and Mrs. Margaret Markham. "On Calvary" was sung by a quartet composed of Mrs. Vandene Brink, Mrs. Van Regenmorter, Mrs. Bocks and Mrs. Rotman.

The class presented the teacher, Mrs. Margaret Markham, with a Bible. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served. At the business meeting Mrs. William Modders was reelected president; Mrs. A. B. Hulsebos, vice president; Mrs. William Van Regenmorter, secretary and treasurer. The class also enjoyed a song service.

Those present were Mrs. John De Boer, Mrs. Henry De Boer, Mrs. Louis Labadie, Mrs. William Van Regenmorter, Mrs. Herman Bocks, Mrs. George Trotter, Mrs. Harry Hill, Mrs. William Modders, Mrs. Dena Overway, Mrs. Arthur Vandene Brink, Mrs. Peter Vandene Lüne, Mrs. William Ver Hey, Mrs. Paul Vander List, Mrs. Henry A. ens, Mrs. John Veen, Mrs. Minnie Rotman, Mrs. A. B. Hulsebos, Mrs. Richard Brown, Mrs. Eliza Coffey, Mrs. Jane Harris, Mrs. Rena De Groot, Miss Grace Maatman and Mrs. Markham, the teacher.

## Home Is Scene of Christmas Party

Mrs. J. Geerlings, 35 East 12th St., was hostess at a Christmas party Tuesday evening. The evening was spent in a social way and gifts were exchanged. The refreshments were served from a table decorated with red lighted candles.

Those present were Mesdames John Arendshorst, William Van der Hart, J. Haan, William Arendshorst, Minnie Borgman, D. TeRoller, George Hyma, Miss Jennie Prakken and the hostess.

## MARKS BIRTHDAY

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—William H. Loutit, chairman of the state conservation department commission, celebrated his 74th birthday anniversary Wednesday.

Population of U. S. territories and possessions from 1430-40 increased three times faster than the population of the mainland.

## TO CONSIDER STAMP PLAN

Supervisors Expected to Revive Proposal at G.H. Meet

Grand Haven, Dec. 19—When the Ottawa county board of supervisors convenes here Jan. 13 for its January session, it is expected that the supervisors will again consider the stamp plan for marketing surplus foods through food merchants to those on direct relief, WPA employees and those receiving aid to dependent children or old age pensions.

Henry Slaughter of Tallmadge township, finance committee chairman who suggested reconsideration, believes the adverse vote, principally among rural supervisors, was due to lack of familiarity with the plan which is to be explained this time in full detail. Mayor Richard L. Cook of Grand Haven whose welfare activities qualify him as an authority, has expressed belief the plan would be advantageous.

Relief clients and persons on WPA who obtain the stamps, issued in denominations of 25 cents, could use them for purchases at all commodities but specified luxuries and blue stamps to be used in purchasing articles on government surplus lists issued from time to time, would be issued from a control office, one blue stamp with every two orange stamps.

Direct relief clients would receive the orange stamps instead of food orders with the blue stamps additional while WPA workers, old age pensioners and dependent children, paid by check, would purchase the orange stamps. Blue stamps would be issued then to half the amount of orange stamps purchased.

To handle the plan, a central office would be opened for sale of the stamps, and a \$15,000 revolving fund which would be turntable to the county would be needed. The surplus distributing centers would be done away with and no more government surplus stock would be shipped in as merchants would take the designated "blue stamp" items, direct from their stocks.

## Program Is Given at Auxiliary Meeting

About 60 were present at the annual Christmas party of the Ladies Auxiliary of Sixth Reformed church Tuesday night. Mrs. Herbert Wybenga, president of the organization, conducted devotions. Mrs. Henry Slager arranged the program.

A humorous dialogue was given by Mrs. James Vandeweg and Mrs. Bernice Vander Meulen. Ten members participated in a Kitchen Band playing on various kitchen utensils with Mrs. Andrew Slager at the piano. Mrs. John Otting as the director appeared in a Santa Claus suit and directed from a mail order catalogue.

Prizes for the games were awarded to Mrs. Burnice Kortering and Mrs. Adrian Moes. Gifts were exchanged. The societies presented Marine Brandt, church janitor, with a gift.

## Jamestown Pastor to Be Installed on Friday

The Rev. Isaac Van Westenburg of Chicago will be installed as pastor of the Jamestown Reformed church Friday at 7:30 p.m. The main address of the evening will be given by Dr. John A. Dykstra, pastor of Central Reformed church in Grand Rapids.

Others taking part are the Rev. Marion de Velder, president of the Holland class, the Rev. H. Fiske of South Blendon and the Rev. J. Wolterink of Forest Grove.

After the installation ceremonies a reception for the new pastor and his family will be held in the church. The school orchestra will furnish music during the social hour.

Rev. Van Westenburg's charge in Chicago was with the Hope Reformed church. He is a graduate of Hope college and Western Theological seminary. He will preach his inaugural sermons Sunday at 9:30 a.m. and at 1:30 p.m.

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## They're 'Ace and Three Queens' to Employees



These three girls and the man were exceptionally popular Wednesday night at the second annual Christmas party of the Holland Hitch Co. They had charge of the distribution of \$2,140 in bonus checks (in the basket) to the employees. They are (left to right) Miss Lavina Van Zanten, Mrs. Mary Schieringa and Mrs. Margaret Koe. Behind the three girls is George W. Ranger, plant superintendent and chairman for the Christmas party program. (Photo by Joe Kolean)

## Grand Rapids Actress Entertains Local Club

Miss Amy Goodhue Loomis of Grand Rapids charmed members of the Century club Monday night with her reading recital of court comedies, proving herself a versatile actress and a delightful entertainer. Miss Loomis gave excerpts from plays in which she had formerly appeared on the stage as a professional actress.

The program was held in the Woman's Literary club, with Dr. Bruce Raymond presiding. Lighted Christmas trees were used as decoration on the stage of the auditorium.

Miss Loomis first appeared in an Elizabethan costume of gold brocade, impersonating the eligible young princess, Portia, in Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice," and her companion. Before going into the scene she spoke of the fundamental good humor found throughout English comedies, apparent as an underlying characteristic even though the type of comedy changed with the times.

An interesting feature of the program was appropriate and artistic piano solos presented between scenes by Alvin Schutmaat, Hope college student. His selections included a portion of an early Handel suite, "Minuet," and "Shepherd's Dance," incidental music to Shakespeare's "King Henry the Eighth," the Chopin "Prelude in E Minor," and two Debussy numbers, "Reflections in the Water," and "Golliwog's Cakewalk."

A social hour was enjoyed in the club house tearoom. On the committee were Mrs. Donald Crawford, Mrs. H. W. Hardie, Miss Martha Sherwood, Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Cross and Dr. Edward Dimment.

## Hamel Explains Christmas Customs in East Indies

Albert Hamel, who entered the senior class at Holland high school this year after receiving his preliminary training in schools in the Dutch East Indies where his father is a missionary, addressed the student body on Tuesday on Santa Claus and Christmas in the Dutch Indies.

He said Dec. 5 is regarded as Santa Claus day and Dec. 25 and 26 as Christmas. Gifts are presented on both days, he said, but presents on the earlier holiday consist of such things as toys while on the later holiday the more educational gifts such as books are given.

In towns and cities on the river or sea, all the children go to the harbor on Dec. 5 to greet Santa Claus, Hamel explained. In other places the children gather at the railway stations, it was said.

As there is only one type of evergreen on the island and since this species has few branches, the speaker said that the natives use the banana tree as a Christmas tree. Since there is no electricity, wax candles are used as decorations. Christmas is celebrated in church, the speaker said, with practical gifts for the natives such as soap and tooth brushes which the donors ardently hope the natives will use. After the service very hot tea is served, he said.

Arrangements for chapel exercises were in charge of Rex Chapman's group. Bill Lamb served as chairman and Max Buursma as chaplain.

## Sixth Church League Has Christmas Party

The League for Service of Sixth Reformed church held its annual Christmas party Monday evening in the church parlors. Mrs. Carolyn Scholten, president, took charge of devotions and read the Christmas story for scripture. Games were played, gifts were exchanged and refreshments were served.

Those present included Mrs. Arthur De Waard, sponsor of the group, Misses Cornelia Van Voorst, Lorraine Strong, Marjorie Coster, Bernice Johnson, Esther Johnson,

Lena Hibma, Carolyn Hibma, Elsie Vander Wal, Dorothy Batema, Bonnie Johnson, Mary Mulder, Margaret White, Arlene Kraai, Elaine Van Oort, Nelva Van Wyk, Thelma White, Flora Smallegenburg, Henrietta Overway, Bernice Hibma, Mrs. Scholten and Mrs. Walter De Waard.

## Business Is Transacted at Auxiliary Meeting

At a meeting of the American Legion auxiliary Monday night, Christmas songs were sung by a girl's sextet of Holland high school. During the business meeting, announcement was made that all auxiliaries in the fifth district will gather for a district meeting in Grand Rapids in January.

It was decided to purchase 300 pamphlets on flag etiquette to be distributed throughout the schools in Ottawa county. Mrs. B. Slag announced that her division will sponsor a tea in the home of Mrs. Jack Knoll in January.

The auxiliary also voted to sponsor a series of four health lectures during January. These lectures will be held at 2:30 p.m. on each Friday and are open to anyone interested. The auxiliary is working in conjunction with the Michigan Department of health and the local health department in this project.

Detailed reports of the conference at Mt. Clemons were given by Mrs. Clare McNaughton and Mrs. Harry Kramer. Refreshments were served by the December committee and later games appropriate to the holiday season were conducted by Mrs. Ella Kobes. Gifts brought for needy children were opened.

## Bethel Girls' S.S. Class Holds Christmas Party

Members of the Helping Hand class of Bethel Reformed church attended a Christmas party Friday evening in the home of Mrs. Lloyd Steggerda, a former member of the class. The party was in the form of a pot-luck supper. Devotions were in charge of the class president, Dorothy Dekker, who read the Christmas story from Luke. Prayer was offered by Mrs. C. A. Stoppels, teacher of the class.

After the supper a business meeting was held. Newly elected officers are Betty Kalkman, president; Janet Huizenga, vice president; Hazel Bakker, secretary; Stella Huizenga, assistant secretary; Minnie Swierenga, treasurer, and Angelina Lam, assistant treasurer.

Motion pictures were shown by Lloyd Steggerda. Mrs. Stoppels was presented with a gift from the class. Gifts were exchanged.

Those present were Kathryn Bakker, Dorothy Dekker, Frances De Free, Janet Huizenga, Hazel Juries, Alice and Emma Kuipers, Angelina Lam, Edith Mooi, Henrietta Pomp, Alyda Schultema, Minnie Swierenga, Esther Walters, Stella Huizenga, Betty Kalkman, Hazel Bakker, Henrietta Huizenga, Mrs. G. De Ruiter, Mrs. Steggerda and Mrs. Stoppels.

## Holland Man Arrested on Non-Support Charge

Kenneth Vanden Berg, 22, 11th St. and Washington Ave., pleaded not guilty to a disorderly charge when arraigned on Tuesday before Municipal Judge Raymond L. Smith.

Date for his jury trial was set for Tuesday, Dec. 24, at 2 p.m. Judge Smith placed his bond at \$500.

Vanden Berg is charged with failing to provide his family with adequate support. He was arrested Monday by Holland police.

## WED 58 YEARS AT SAUGATUCK

Saugatuck, Dec. 19 (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. Loren E. Veits of Water St. this Thursday will observe the 58th anniversary of their wedding.

Mrs. Veits, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Smalley, came to Saugatuck from Elgin, Ill., where she was born Jan. 3, 1863. She was then but two and one-half years old, and her residence here since then has been continuous with the exception of about three years which was spent in Ohio immediately following her marriage.

Mr. Veits, who was born in Southington, O., Aug. 25, 1860, had a friend, George Babcock, who came to Saugatuck and so it came about that in 1881 young Mr. Veits also came here and, to quote him, "met his fate."

The wedding took place Dec. 19, 1882, about three weeks after that of George Babcock and Hattie Williams, and today these two couples still enjoy the friendship which has been a great part of their lives during all the intervening years.

If one visits the Veits home he will be warmly greeted by Mr. and Mrs. Veits and their daughter, Miss Jessie, who resides with them, and a most interesting hour will be passed, especially if the conversation turns to those earlier times in Saugatuck. Mrs. Veits has several diaries written by her father with the most interesting notes on life here during the time when Saugatuck was a lively saw-mill town.

In 1932, when Mr. and Mrs. Veits observed their 50th wedding anniversary, they served some of their original wedding cake, which had been kept with the hope that such an event might come to pass.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Veits enjoy good health and take a lively interest in the activities of the community.

## North Holland

The Women's Missionary and Aid society of the Reformed church had their annual business meeting in the chapel Thursday afternoon. Mrs. H. Maassen presided and Miss Anna Lohman led devotions. The group meetings were discussed and plans made for the coming year. The following election then took place: Treasurer, Mrs. A. Slag, and Ladies Aid treasurer, Mrs. H. Smith. Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. Elfers and Mrs. Houting.

The high school room of the local school will have their annual Christmas dinner in the school Dec. 24 with Gertrude Maassen as chairman of the dinner committee.

The Christmas program of the Reformed church will be in charge of the local school this year. A pageant, "Christmas Customs of Many Lands" will be given and a miscellaneous program by the young children. This will be held in the church Friday night, Dec. 20, at 7:45 p.m.

All the persons who participated in the play "Wild Ginger" had a hamburger fry in the cottage of Albert Sierma last Friday night. Refreshments were in charge of Cynthia Dalman, Gertrude Maassen and Ruth Schilleman. Committee on sports were John Maassen, John Redder and James Brower. About 20 attended.

The Women's Home Economic club will meet at the home of Mrs. B. Bosman, Wednesday evening, Dec. 18 at 7:45 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hassevoort were North Blendon visitors last Sunday.

Mrs. George Brower who has been ill the past week is somewhat improved.

There will be a hymn sing in the Reformed church Sunday at 9:30 p.m. with Gilbert Van Wyen of Holland as leader. Christmas hymns will be sung.

More than 150,000 kinds of beetles have been tabulated by science. Recent surveys show that about 12,000 varieties have been found in the United States.

About 62 per cent of all the insurance sold in the U. S. is the so-called "whole-life" plan.

## GROUP IS FETED BY TRUCK FIRM

Safety Meeting, Yule Party Are Held by Holland Motor Express

Employees, their wives or sweethearts, company officials, and invited guests numbering approximately 200, attended the annual Christmas party of the Holland Motor Express, Inc., which was held Sunday in the Warm Friend tavern.

Starting at 10 a.m., a safety meeting was held for the drivers, followed by a 1 p.m. dinner and a miscellaneous entertainment program.

At the safety meeting, safety awards were presented to the various drivers. Ernest Cox of the Interstate commerce commission spoke on safety in connection with the national defense program and what transportation means to the program.

Other talks were made by Dave Johns, a safety engineer; Arthur Van Duren, company attorney; and Frank M. Lievensen, local insurance man.

Under direction of Jerry Houting with Gerrard Hanchett at the piano, the audience sang "God Bless America," preceding the dinner. Arthur Vanderbeek gave the invocation.

Peter Cooper, in charge of the company's Grand Rapids office served as toastmaster. Mr. Houting led the community singing. For failing to take part in the singing Louis Ten Brink of Hamilton played two piano numbers.

Door prizes, two presented by Mr. Lievensen and the third by the Holland Furnace Co. were awarded to Kelly Trapp, Mrs. C. E. Alger and Herbert Colburn, all of Holland.

John Cooper, company president, welcomed the group to the party and introduced various guests including E. P. Stephan, secretary-manager of the Holland Chamber of Commerce, Mr. Cox, Mr. Van Duren, Mr. Johns and Mr. Lievensen. All but Mr. Stephan spoke briefly.

The company's 22 new drivers were introduced as follows: Orville Bergman, William B. Hershell, Jacob Menken, Herman Nickel, George Schippers, Kelly Trapp, Harold Wilson, Paul Kraght, Herman Bonzelar, Ray Kamerling, John Mokma, Gerald Rutgers, Neal Sysma, Jay Van Dorpe, Robert Breckenridge, Benjamin Lubbers, Steven Rutgers, Louis Ten Brink, Joe Wilbur, Marv Ver Baek, Madeline E. Zyke and Betty Jean Mone.

A quartet composed of Jerry Houting, Kelly Trapp, Rein Visser, and Elmer Schepers with Mrs. Trapp accompanist sang a number. Clayton Congleton entertained the group with various tricks of magic.

Charles Cooper announced the names of those who received safety awards for having no accidents over these periods of years:

Eight years—Peter K. Vorres; six years, Jack Pisa and John Ratner; five years, Vernon Johnson, Anthony Rutgers, Arthur J. Vanderbeek, Clarence Lange; four years, Carl Jorissen and Arthur Kleist; three years, Harold Knoll, Lloyd Vicky, and Anton Zoorhoff; two years, Len De Groot, Richard Van Wyk, Irwin Cooper, Max McCarn, Henry Rozeboom, Ray Schurman and Almond Ter Haar; one year George Bocks, Ernest Edwards, L. M. Leflar, Richard Radseck, Robert Calland, William Dresher, Peter Nickel, Melvin Brooks, Mike Florio, Herman Nickel, Walter Small, Edwin Bouwman, Lloyd Flerick, Cornelius Kouw, Gerald Rutgers, Herbert Coburn, Jay Keith, Edward O'Neil, Floyd Tolar, Llye Bush, P. Desewbeax, Howard Lange and Earl Van Oort.

Jack Pisa of Grand Rapids was announced by John Cooper as the winner of the grand prize, having been selected by his fellow drivers as being the best cooperative driver, the best liked by them and with no accident during the past year. He will receive his choice of a trip to California, a trip to Florida with Mr. and Mrs. Cooper or \$200 in cash.

On behalf of the employees, George Overway presented Mr. and Mrs. John Cooper with Christmas presents, including a card table set with chairs, a floor lamp and a coffee table.

The firm also presented a ham and a two and a half pound tin box of candy to each employee as its Christmas gift. Wives of the invited guests also received a tin box of candy.

## Spring Lake Council Appoints Treasurer

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—The Spring Lake council at a meeting Monday night appointed Mrs. Avis Blackmer to succeed Mrs. Gladys Barr as village treasurer.

Mrs. Barr died in the Armistice day storm when she was crushed under a barn at her home. Mrs. Blackmer will serve until the March election when she likely will be a candidate for election.

## Faces Sentence Friday on Statutory Charge

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—Leslie E. Abrams, 36, Grand Rapids, entered a plea of guilty in circuit court Monday afternoon to a charge of statutory rape. Complaint was made by a 15-year-old Grandville girl.

Abrams had appeared in court Dec. 9 and entered a plea of not guilty. He will appear for sentence Friday afternoon.

## Van Raalte Pupils Make Cardboard Houses



Holland's busy year of home construction has had its counterpart in miniature in a project in Van Raalte school. Eight houses were built from cardboard boxes by the 5B grade pupils under the direction of their teacher, Miss Mae Whitmer. The project, which

required about three weeks, included the making of paper furniture and a great deal of interior decorating. At lower left in the above group of pictures, Dennis Kimber and Robert Kroll are shown bringing in a fresh supply of cardboard boxes. The upper left picture shows Eleanor Klungle

telling Miss Whitmer how she constructed her doll's favorite davenport. Paul Veele and Norman Ratering are shown



## START MOVE TO OBTAIN TRAFFIC CONTROL LIGHT

### Commissioners Ask State Department to Survey 10th and River

A new attempt to obtain a traffic control light at 10th St. and River Ave. from the state highway department to relieve traffic conditions will be undertaken as the result of action by the board of police and fire commissioners at its meeting Monday at 5 p.m. in the office of City Clerk Oscar Peterson.

The board instructed the city clerk to write the highway department, requesting that a survey be made to determine whether conditions warrant the installation of a traffic control light at this intersection.

Mayor Henry Geerlings brought the matter to the board's attention when he expressed fear that a serious accident will occur unless some action is taken. Police Chief Jacob Van Hoff pointed out that an officer is on duty there during the busiest hours of the day but the mayor contended that traffic congestion exists there throughout the day.

In the discussions on conditions at the intersection, Commissioner William H. Deur expressed belief that cross-street traffic would be benefited if the present light at 14th St. and River Ave. could be moved to 17th St. and River Ave. and a new light installed at 10th St. and River Ave. It was brought out that the light had been installed at 14th St. and River Ave. because it was considered nearest the half-way mark between Eighth St. and River Ave. and the Y-intersection formed by 19th and State Sts., River and Michigan Aves.

Following the board meeting, the commissioners met with Scout Executive M. P. Russell regarding the organization of a new Sea Scout ship to be sponsored by the police department or jointly by the board and the department. The board went on record of favoring the project and the matter of selecting the ship's committee and to carry out other preliminary organization work was left to Executive Russell and Chief Van Hoff.

In explaining the organization details and the Sea Scout program, Russell expressed belief that such a program might reduce the juvenile delinquency in Holland. Police Officers Ernest Bear Harvey Murray, Isaac DeKraaker and Jerry Vanderbeek were present with Russell in support of the proposed project.

The matter of a fire fighting school for local firemen was referred to Fire Chief Cornelius Blom, Jr., for consideration by the fire department. Clerk Peterson presented a communication from James W. Perry, state supervisor of public service training, in which he outlined the proposed school, stating that an instructor would be obtained from Muskegon to conduct the course of 12 lessons. Perry wrote that the total cost is \$100 but that his department will sign a contract in which the board will be reimbursed \$75, thus reducing the net cost to \$25.

## Hamilton

Mrs. John Kolyoord, Sr., celebrated her 82nd birthday anniversary last week, Dec. 12th. She is one of the pioneer settlers of this village, and has seen it grow from a lumbering town into a prosperous modern village. Her children and a few close relatives came to the home to call on her. Mrs. Kolyoord has been blind for many years, but still retains a clear memory of bygone events.

The Rev. and Mrs. N. Rozeboom and daughters, Judith Hope and Adilee Joy, arrived here last Thursday from Otley, Iowa, to take up the pastoral work in First Reformed church. The installation service was held on Friday evening, the inaugural sermons on Sunday and a welcome reception on Monday evening. John Brink presided and welcomed them in the name of the consistory. Herman Nyhof spoke for the Sunday school. Mrs. H. D. Strabbing for the Women's Missionary society, Mrs. Richard Brower for the Women's Church League, Earl Poll for the Christian Endeavor society and Miss Joyce Lohman for the King's Daughters.

Rev. and Mrs. Rozeboom responded and the meeting was concluded with a fellowship hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Calahan of Benton Harbor and Dayton Calahan of Lawton were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Calahan last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Kibby and son, Paul, visited relatives in Beadley and Watson Corners last Sunday.

Mrs. H. Van Doornik honored her daughter, Elaine, on her 12th birthday last week by inviting several of Elaine's friends for a party. A delicious lunch was served and many lovely gifts were presented. Present at the event were Betty Ann Dowd, Ella Lou Brink, Evelyn Hewitt, Ruth and June Voss, Gertrude Dykstra, Mary Ann Slotman, Roelen Wentzel, Arlene Lohman and Elaine Brower. Lucile Schutmaat could not be present because of illness.

The Ladies Missionary society of the American Reformed church met in the church parlors Thursday afternoon. Mrs. John Haakma presided and devotions were conducted by Mrs. Jesse Kool. The social hostesses

## Holland Men in Southern Camp Form Husky Group of Soldiers



Holland national guardsmen appear to be suffering no ill effects from life in the south, if one will make a careful study of the picture above. While in training in the field at Camp Beauregard, La., company D, the local national guard unit, posed for this picture. Those in the picture are (left to right):

First Row—Sgt. Homer Lokker, Pvt. First Class Herbert Copper-smith, Pvt. First Class George Brursem, Sgt. John H. Kamps, Corp. William J. Verhey, Pvt.

Gerrit Glatz, Pvt. Ray Coney, Pvt. Harry Glatz, First Sgt. Oscar VanAnrooy, Pts. Nicholas Wagenaar, Glen P. Harrison, Sgt. John H. McCormick, Corp. Henry Gebben, Pvt. First Class Arthur L. Bremer, Pts. Milton J. Fletcher, Emil J. Brown and Edward K. Butties.

Second Row—Pvt. Willis Bazan, Gordon H. Zuiverink, Corp. Allen A. Borr, Pts. Lloyd E. Pierson, Gerold M. Schippers, Jerry Bonzelaar, Jess Nicol, Pvt. First Class, Paul H. Heneghan,

Pts. Richard Overcamp, Norman H. Buursma, James I. Disette, George H. Buursma, William F. Russel, Pvt. First Class James Veldheer and Pvt. Rolland Die-sing.

Third Row—Corp. James E. McCormick, Pts. Gerrit N. Tymes, Ray De Goede, Corp. George Zietlow, Pvt. First Class Robert D. Rowan, Pts. John VanDerWilke, David J. Hepworth, Lawrence Sneller, Richard Bell, Corp. Clarence E. Kuhlman, Pvt. Robert L. John, Pvt. First

Class, Osborne R. Vos, Pts. Martin L. Jipping, Edward R. Zych, Richard V. Harringsma, Corp. Max Welton and Sgt. Nevin I. Van Anrooy.

Fourth Row—Corp. Gerald W. Lombos, Pvt. First Class Mar-janus Bruursema, Pvt. Nelson Lievense, Corp. Russell Kemper, Second Lieut. Richard Smeenge, First Lieut. Martin Japinga, Pvt. John Van Til, Robert J. Jesiek, James H. Sullivan, Tom Luftus and Pvt. First Class, John A. Casemier.

for the meeting were Mrs. H. W. Schutmaat and Mrs. Dena Slotman.

Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Arbough and son Charles have been visiting relatives in West Virginia the past week.

Miss Grada Tanis of Allegan visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Tanis last Monday.

The Woman's Study club met in the home of Mrs. Maurice Nienhuis of Overisel last Wednesday evening for the annual Christmas party. Miss Sophia Van Der Kamp presided and conducted the opening numbers. Roll call response was made by "Christmas Memories." A program of Christmas games was in charge of Mrs. Fred Billel. Mrs. George Lampen and Mrs. M. Smallegan. A dainty lunch was served by Mrs. Wallace Kempers and committee. An exchange of presents, and the singing of Christmas carols around the hearth with dimmed Christmas tree lights concluded the meeting. A holiday recess will be held with the meeting resuming the second Wednesday in January.

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Arndt have moved in the Bouwman apartment. The former is employed at the Farm Bureau.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lohman have returned from a recent trip to Washington, D.C., and other points of interest in that vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mosier celebrated their 33rd wedding anniversary last week Tuesday evening. A group of relatives were guests for the occasion, including Miss Mary Kroeze, Mr. and Mrs. John Barkel, Mr. and Mrs. George Steggerda, Mr. and Mrs. William Repells and daughters, William and Blanche, Mr. and Mrs. John Boerman and daughters, Donna Mae and Sandra Kay, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Barkel and daughter Joan, Mr. and Mrs. Hilbert Barkel, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barkel and daughter Lavonne, all of Holland. A luncheon was served and the honored pair was presented with a twin reading lamp.

Floyd Kempfers was in charge of the Christian Endeavor service last Sunday evening, discussing the topic, "The Lord's Prayer, a Bible Gem."

Mr. and Mrs. John Haakma and daughter Connie visited Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dekema of Kalamazoo last Saturday.

## Personals

(From Wednesday's Sentinel)

Mr. and Mrs. Albert H. Meyer, 4 West 12th St., have as their guests their daughters, Miss Nella Meyer of New York city, and Mrs. Wilbur Mills and her two sons, of Los Angeles, Calif. They plan to remain until after New Year.

Mr. and Mrs. John Veen of West 15th St. were in Grand Haven Sunday.

Leonard Reus who taught various schools in southern Ottawa county for 33 years is seriously ill in his home on East McKinley St. in Zeeland. He retired several years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Vander Popen of Hamilton announce the birth of a son Dec. 14 in Holland hospital.

Gordon Wabeke is confined in Holland hospital following an appendectomy Tuesday.

Mrs. Catherine Wabeke and sons, Paul and Gordon, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hoedema spent the week-end in Detroit visiting relatives. While there they witnessed the christening of Roger Lee, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Francis S. Wabeke, formerly of this city.

A son was born Dec. 13 in Holland hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Dyke of Holland, route 1. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dokter have moved from 74 East 14th St. to their new home at 299 East 14th St.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Tummel and son, Tommy, of Cleveland, Ohio, arrived in Holland Saturday and are spending the week with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Tummel, 243 East 16th St. They will return to their home Saturday.

Dale Allen is the name of a son born to Mr. and Mrs. John Boers.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kuhn of Holland left today for Columbus, O., to attend commencement exercises for their son, Charles, Jr., who attended summer school at Ohio State university.

The annual all-sacred program will be held in Federal school Friday at 7 p.m.

The Hope college band under the direction of James T. Mearns played Christmas selections at chapel exercises this morning. The selections included "Prelude," "Be-gon," a medley of Christmas tunes including an arrangement of an old French noel; and English number entitled "Green Sleeves"; the carol, "Silent Night, Gruber," and "Adeste Fideles" while the audience sang the latter number. Devotions were led by Prof. Clarence De Graaf. Mildred Schuppert presided at the organ.

Michael Jay is the name of a son born Saturday morning in Holland hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Van Dyke of Virginia park.

Rehearsals for the Christmas cantata to be given Sunday morning in Bethel Reformed church will be held Thursday and Friday at 6:45 p.m. with Dewey Lam as director. Junella Vander Linden of Chicago, student at Hope college, is the organist. The newly installed organ will be dedicated some time in January.

The Welcome Corner class of First Methodist church will hold a Christmas party Friday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Eby, 54 West 12th St. Election of officers will be held and each member is reminded to bring a toy.

(From Tuesday's Sentinel)

Mrs. Neal Wiersema, 271 College Ave., was removed to her home Monday night from Holland hospital where she underwent a recent operation. She also was given a blood transfusion, the donor being one of her sons.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Blok of 1 West 19th St. announce the birth of an eight-pound daughter, Marlene Joyce, in Holland hospital this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Scholten of 121 West 18th St. plan to observe their 56th wedding anniversary on Dec. 28.

Helen Leslie, Hackensack, N. J., senior, read the scripture at Hope college chapel exercises this morning. Prayer was offered by John Westhof, Grand Haven senior. The Hope college girls' glee club under the direction of Robert Cavanaugh sang "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring" by Bach accompanied by Barbara Folemsbee. Christmas carols were sung by the audience.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kamps of Manhattan, Mont., who have been spending a month with relatives here left this morning for Chicago to spend two days with Mr. and Mrs. Russell Heidema before leaving for their home. While here they visited Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Veenhoven in North Holland and Mrs. George Heidema, 99 West 19th St.

Mrs. George A. Stegeman has returned from Detroit where she attended funeral services for her sister, Mrs. Fred Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Slenk of Grand Rapids and Harry Drenten and son, David, of Kalamazoo, spent the week-end in the home of their mother, Mrs. Albert Scholten, 108 West 17th St.

J. R. Voss will speak at the regular meeting of the Men's society of Central Avenue Christian Reformed church tonight on "Soldiers of the Cross."

Ray Knooihuizen, 36 East 13th St., underwent a major operation in Holland hospital Monday.

Robert Aman, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Aman, West 22nd St., underwent a major operation for osteomyelitis at Blodgett Memorial hospital in East Grand Rapids on Friday. His condition is reported to be fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Helmus 123 West 13th St., announce the birth of a son, Monday at the home of Mrs. Maggie Lampen, 117 West 17th St.

Mrs. Charles H. Mc Bride, 280 College Ave., will be hostess to the local D. A. R. chapter Thursday at 3 p.m. A Christmas play will be presented by a group of High school students, as the feature of the program. Assisting hostesses are Mesdames John Bosman, Allan B. Ayers and O. S. Cross.

The Beechwood Home Extension group met in the home of Mrs. Louis De Kraker, Jr., on route 4 recently. Special recipes were exchanged and Christmas wrapping ideas demonstrated. Lunch was served at the close of the meeting.

Members present were Mrs. Jene McRoy, Mrs. Robert Greenwood, Mrs. John Oonk, Mrs. Frank Camp, Mrs. Hans Knutson, Mrs. Joe Huff and Mrs. Gerrit Tysse, Jr. Guests were Mrs. Andrew Spyk and Mrs. Louis De Kraker, Sr.

Waterfalls at Igauza in South America are 46 feet higher and several hundred feet wider than Niagara falls in the U. S.

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The choir opened the program with a delightfully sung short cantata, "The Christ Child." Clokey, a collection of carols, each from a different country.

Mrs. Dykstra prefaced the reading of her play by several poems in the Yuletide spirit. The play, "On Christmas Eve," carried a real Christmas message throughout. It was beautifully read and

well received by the large audience. With its scene the chapel of a cathedral on Christmas Eve, the atmosphere and effectiveness of the play were increased by the occasional distant singing of the choir group.

At the close of the play, the curtains opened to reveal a beautiful tableau, "The Nativity," while the choir sang, "O Holy Night." Adam, the tableau was posed by a group of college students.

Decorations were arranged by Mesdames A. A. Visscher and L. G. Stallkamp.

Mrs. J. J. Brower presided at the meeting and extended holiday greetings to all. The club will recess until Jan. 7.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. A. J. Westervier and Mrs. L. N. Tyner.

## Christians Sink Central in Overtime Battle, 35-29

Holland Christian took advantage of a three-minute overtime at Grand Rapids. Catholic Central's gym Tuesday night to win, 35-29, over its second class A opponent.

In this overtime the locals rang up eight points whereas in a game last week at St. Augustine, they lost by scoring nothing in an overtime.

This nip-and-tuck game, which Holland was losing at the half, 14-10, balanced Christian's win-loss sheet. Dell Boersma with his long shots kept the Tulsens in the game scoring a total of 16 points in four quarters, eight in each half. Eardley's 12 was high for the losers.

In the last few minutes the locals were losing 27-23 when Wally Vander Ploeg came through with two consecutive foul shots and then added a bucket to put the fray into extra minutes. Wally was second high in scoring with eight points, all in the second half.

Vander Ploeg sank two more fouls to equal Central's two in the overtime and Kalkmink with one dropped enough buckets to keep Holland safely in the lead.

Only once after the first quarter which they won, 7-6, did the Christians lead the Centralites. That was momentarily at the end of the third period, 19-18. Woznicki immediately deadlocked the count at the opening of the fourth

## Tuition Suit Is Heard Before Miles at G.H.

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—The case of the Howe Military academy, Howe, Ind., vs. Guy Edson, a lumberman of Hudsonville, was heard before Judge Fred T. Miles in circuit court Tuesday after which attorneys were permitted four weeks to prepare and file briefs on the law.

In 1932, Mr. Edson and his wife sent their boy, Grant, then 13, to the school. He was in school from 1932 to 1935 and reentered in 1936. At the close of the holiday season in 1936, Grant returned to school and violated one of the rules for which he was sent home.

The school sent the father a bill for the year's tuition, amounting to \$850, including board and room, which the defendant refused to pay but was willing to pay only for the time the boy was in school. The action in court was brought by the school to cover the full year's tuition which, plaintiff claims, is according to contract and which, defendant claims, was modified by some arrangement he had with members of the school.

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—Dr. Ralph Ten Have, Ottawa county health officer, his wife and family have left for a three weeks' vacation in Florida, most of which will be spent in Miami.

Mrs. Charles Fisher and daughters, Winifred, Ruth and Helen, will leave Saturday for Florida to spend two weeks. Miss Winifred is a nurse in the health department.

Mrs. Mabel Markee who has been with the health department for the past six months as supply nurse from the state health department will leave Saturday for Des Moines, Ia., to join the Public Health Nurses association as educational director.

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—Four new men were named to the troop committee of troop No. 9 of the Hope Reformed church at a meeting in the church Monday night.

They are Charles Drew, Harold Gladish, David Boyd and Theodore Hackett.

Members of the new troop committee at Virginia park held a meeting Monday night to arrange preliminary details for the organization of the troop.

Scout Executive M. P. Russell said a training course will be held starting Jan. 6, for these new scout leaders.

## Club Hears Attractive Christmas Program

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Boersma's scoring outdid the whole Grand Rapids team in the first stanza, but Central kept plugging in the second while Holland put up only three points and managed to take the half. Boersma again broke the ice as Holland took the lead in the third period, but Eardley, measuring out his dozen in the fourth quarter, kept Central in the lead until the last two minutes.

Christian reserves trailed the entire distance in a 20-13 loss.

Former Holland Girl Is Wed

Charming in its simplicity was the wedding of Miss Evelyn Van Pernis of Chicago, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Kiemel, formerly of Holland, to Arthur Vander Laan, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Vander Laan of Chicago, which was solemnized by candlelight Saturday at 4:30 p.m. in Hope Reformed church, Chicago, with the Rev. Isaac Van Westenburg officiating. This was one of Rev. Van Westenburg's last activities in Chicago before going to Jamestown this week to be installed as pastor there.

Attending her as bridesmaid was her sister, Ruth.

Harold Vander Laan was his brother's only attendant. Dr. and Mrs. Paul Van Pernis served as master and mistress of ceremonies. Ushers were John and James Van Pernis, brothers of the bride.

Preceding the ceremony, Mrs. Ernest Post of Holland sang "Because," d'Harlelot, and immediately following the ceremony, she sang "Wedding Benediction," especially composed for the wedding.

A dinner was served in the basement of the church to close friends and relatives of the couple. A reception was held later in the evening in the Kiemel residence. Mrs. Vander Laan is a comptometrist at the Chicago Carton Co. and Mr. Vander Laan is with the Edison Electrical Co.

Out-of-town guests were Mrs. Paul Van Pernis and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Post of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Streu, Mrs. E. E. Post, Mrs. James Weststrate, Mrs. Charles Van Zyl and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Post of Holland and James Van Pernis of New Brunswick, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Vander Laan will live at 2942 West 65th St. in Chicago.

County Health Officer on Vacation to Florida

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—Dr. Ralph Ten Have, Ottawa county health officer, his wife and family have left for a three weeks' vacation in Florida, most of which will be spent in Miami.

Mrs. Charles Fisher and daughters, Winifred, Ruth and Helen, will leave Saturday for Florida to spend two weeks. Miss Winifred is a nurse in the health department.

Mrs. Mabel Markee who has been with the health department for the past six months as supply nurse from the state health department will leave Saturday for Des Moines, Ia., to join the Public Health Nurses association as educational director.

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—Four new men were named to the troop committee of troop No. 9 of the Hope Reformed church at a meeting in the church Monday night.

They are Charles Drew, Harold Gladish, David Boyd and Theodore Hackett.

Members of the new troop committee at Virginia park held a meeting Monday night to arrange preliminary details for the organization of the troop.

Scout Executive M. P. Russell said a training course will be held starting Jan. 6, for these new scout leaders.

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well received by the large audience. With its scene the chapel of a cathedral on Christmas Eve, the atmosphere and effectiveness of the play were increased by the occasional distant singing of the choir group.

At the close of the play, the curtains opened to reveal a beautiful tableau, "The Nativity," while the choir sang, "O Holy Night." Adam, the tableau was posed by a group of college students.

Decorations were arranged by Mesdames A. A. Visscher and L. G. Stallkamp.

Mrs. J. J. Brower presided at the meeting and extended holiday greetings to all. The club will recess until Jan. 7.

Hostesses for the afternoon were Mrs. A. J. Westervier and Mrs. L. N. Tyner.

## DEATH CLAIMS MRS. VAN DYKE

Mrs. Jane Van Dyke, 64, wife of Joseph Van Dyke, of East Holland, died Monday afternoon in the home of her daughter, Mrs. Edward Jaarda, 89 East 21st St., following a lingering illness.

Survivors are the husband; two sons, Robert of East Holland and Daniel of Holland; one daughter, Mrs. Jaarda; 22 grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Walter Veurink of East Holland and Mrs. John Eterbeek of Oakland, Cal.; and three brothers, Edward Hirdes of Rusk, William of Beaverdam and Cornelius of Modesta, Cal.

Mrs. Van Dyke was born May 2, 1876, in The Netherlands to Mr. and Mrs. William Hirdes. She came to this country as a girl. She was a member of Niekerk Christian Reformed church.

Funeral services were held Thursday at 1:30 p.m. from the Jaarda home, private, and at 2 p.m. from the Niekerk church, with the Rev. Ralph Heynen officiating and burial in East Holland cemetery.

## Beaverdam

Mr. and Mrs. H. Ohlman entertained at their new home on Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. George Ohlman, Mr. and Mrs. George Nienhuis, Mr. and Mrs. Cy Huyser, Mr. and Mrs. Art Schreier, Will Barnes and Mr. and Mrs. H. Bowman.

At the congregational meeting of the Reformed church last week, F. Berens and Lawrence De Vries were elected as elders, Cy Huyser as new deacon and Martin Tubergen re-elected as deacon. Retiring elders are J. Feenstra and G. Huyser and deacon F. De Boer.

The Rev. Enos Heeren of Vriesland conducted services at the Reformed church Sunday. He was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Ohlman. Rev. S. Van Der Werf will be in charge of the services Sunday Dec. 22.

Miss Gladys Abel led the C. E. meeting Sunday evening.

Mrs. H. J. Wittenen spent Thursday with her daughter, Mrs. J. Lookers of Zeeland.

Mrs. Jane Klynstra was a guest of her daughter, Mrs. Tony Lлевенse of Holland, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Ver Beek of Mo-line were visitors on Friday with Mr. and Mrs. C. Wittenen.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Bowman and children were supper guests with the family of John Gallen Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stegheuis and daughter, Carrie, spent Sunday in Grand Rapids with Mr. and Mrs. Joe Stegheuis.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Grant and children of Grand Rapids spent Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Klynstra.

Mr. and Mrs. Reuben Bohl had as their dinner guests Sunday Clarence Huyser of Fennville, Dr. William Huyser of Kalamazoo, Mr. and Mrs. Malloy Huyser and son Curtis and their father Mr. Cornelius Huyser, in honor of Mr. Huyser who observed his 83rd birthday anniversary on Thursday, Dec. 12.

Stereopticon Lecture Is Given for Men's League

The Rev. Paul E. Hinkamp of Hope college gave a stereopticon lecture on the infancy and boyhood years of Jesus Christ as conceived by great artists of a former period at the annual Christmas dinner of the Men's Brotherhood of Third Reformed church Monday evening in the church parlors. Dinner was served by a division of the Ladies Aid society. President Charles De Boer presided.

Rev. Hinkamp's pictures and accompanying lecture were interesting and informing. The lecture was good preparation for the approaching anniversary of the birth of Jesus. Music was furnished by a quartet of Hope college composed of John De Boer, La Mar Hankamp, William Goodrow and Clinton Harrison.

Hotel Employees, Guests Entertained at Dinner

Employees of the Warm Friend tavern and their guests, numbering 104, were entertained by the management at dinner Monday night in the main dining room. A turkey dinner was served with permanent guests of the establishment serving as waiters and waitresses.

Following the dinner a fast-moving magician act was put on by Roy Young and Peenie Dailey, who called on various members present for assistance. Several accordion selections were given by seven-year-old Jacqueline Streu, daughter of the assistant chef of the hotel. No speeches were listed on the program.

Later the guests enjoyed dancing.

Hudsonville Teachers Are Entertained Here

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Brandt entertained teachers of the Hudsonville high school at a Christmas party Tuesday evening in their home at 260 East 14th St. Mr. Brandt teaches instrumental music there and conducts the band and orchestra.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Velthuis, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Brower, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Japinga, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Andra, Miss Lois Voorhorst, Miss Gladys Seydel, Miss Patsy Verhulst and Miss Irma Reber. Those unable to be there were Mr. and Mrs. Don Voorhorst and Miss Flester.

Games were played, prizes were awarded and a two-course lunch was served.

## Former Grand Haven Woman Passes in G.R.

Grand Haven, Dec. 19 (Special)—Mrs. Ruth Alkema, 32, wife of Charles Alkema who was formerly associated with his brother-in-law, A. W. Miller, in the Grand Haven Sanitary dairy for eight years, died Monday in the home of her brother, Joseph Chapel, in Grand Rapids after a lingering illness.

She was born in Grand Rapids. The family moved there this past fall.

Survivors are the husband; one daughter, Lois, who is staying with her grandparents in Tallmadge township; one son, Norman, a student of Grand Haven high school; four brothers and three sisters, all of Grand Rapids.

Trinity Adult Classes Combine for Meeting

Men's and Women's Adult Bible classes of Trinity church met for their annual business meetings in the church Tuesday night, and combined later in the evening for a program and social hour. About 75 attended the annual affair.

N. J. Jonker was re-elected president of the Men's class for the 27th year. Other officers named were Frank Kooyers, vice-president; George Van Dyke, secretary; J. R. Bultman, treasurer; Dr. H. D. Terkeurst is the teacher.

Peter Huyser teaches the Women's class



## HOPE FIVE WINS AT KALAMAZOO BY 43-37 SCORE

### Locals Forge Ahead After Checking Foo's Rally in Second Half

Hope college added another to its MIAA victories Tuesday night, defeating Kalamazoo, 43-37, on its own floor after trailing 24-21 at the half.

The last few minutes of the second half were probably the hottest in the entire contest. With 11 minutes remaining, Hope led 33-25, but the Hornets kept creeping up, setting the score at 38-33, with only four minutes left. In the next two minutes they climbed up to a 38-37 count after which Hope finished off fast with four more points to Kazoo's none.

Coach Bud Hinga used half of his 14 men while Coach Chester Bernard used ten. Dick Lemmer forward and member of Kalamazoo's state championship team two years ago, was high in scoring with 15 points. John Visser topped Holland with 11.

Gil Van Wieren went out on fouls midway in the second half.

Hope	FG	FT	TP
Van Wieren, F.	4	0	8
Vanden Berg, I.	2	0	4
Visser, C.	5	1	11
Montgomery, G.	2	2	6
Kleinjans, G.	4	1	9
Bas, F.	1	3	5

Totals 18 7 43

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Gilman, F. 0 | 1 | 1 |

Kerchner, F. 1 | 2 | 4 |

Drier, C. 3 | 1 | 7 |

Lemmer, G. 5 | 5 | 15 |

Maxwell, G. 3 | 0 | 6 |

Gleason, F. 1 | 0 | 2 |

Seward, F. 1 | 0 | 2 |

Totals 14 9 37

Officials: Referee—Beam; umpire—Bromely.

## Zeeland

### To Remember Needy

Needy children of Zeeland will be guests Friday afternoon in the city hall of the American legion and auxiliary at the annual Christmas party.

The party, under the direction of the Zeeland Auxiliary club, will be financed by contributions from various organizations which responded when the annual event was at first canceled following prosecutor Elbern Parsons' raid in November on the legion "feather party" at which funds for the party were being raised.

Santa will be at the city hall Friday at 2 p.m. to distribute four gifts to each child—an article of clothing, a box of candy, a toy and an orange.

Montana has more than 20 million acres of forest land, which comprise more than one-fifth the total area.

Indian population of the U. S. increased from 342,947 in 1938 to 351,878 in 1939.

## Reduced Rates Offered to Water Heater Users

### Equipment Must Receive Board's OK If Cut Is to Apply

Upon recommendation of the board of public works, common council Wednesday night approved a reduced rate for electrical current to local and suburban consumers who use water heaters approved by the works board.

The new rate for all energy in excess of 225 kilowatt hours will be 1.1 cents per kilowatt hour, less the customary 10 per cent discount if the bill is paid on or before the 15th of the month following consumption or a net cost of .99 of 1 cent.

The board approved the new rate Monday. The old rate was two cents for all energy over 80 kilowatt hours.

Rates are unchanged for patrons who do not have an approved water heater.

## Complete Arrangements for HHS Yule Program

Plans have been completed for the annual Christmas program and presentation of Christmas baskets in Holland high school Friday at 1:50 p.m. Mayor John Terkurst will preside and Christmas carols will be sung.

Mildred Scholten will announce the characters for a play entitled "Solitaire." Betty Jane Hurlbut will take the part of Ma, Kenneth De Groot of Pa; Bob Scheerhorn, Vaughn; Dorothea Heasley, Myrtle; and Bill Faasen, wear crown. Miss Ruby Calvert is directing the play.

After the singing of carols, the presentation of baskets of food, clothing and toys for 17 needy families will be announced by a fanfare of trumpets.

Theme of the presentation this year will be "Dolls." Ward 1 will have Rag Dolls, ward 2 Paper Dolls, ward 3 Negro Dolls, ward 4 Baby Dolls, ward 5 Dancing Dolls, ward 6 Toy Soldiers, and

## Froebel Pupils Build Large 'Streamliner Train'

Kindergartners of Froebel school built this large streamliner train under the direction of Miss Margaret Van Vyven. The "liner" is about eight feet high and 25 feet long and took about two weeks to build. It has a wood frame and is covered with paper

which the children painted yellow. In the upper left hand corner, Delphine Shaeffer is shown about to take a little trip while Wayne Larsen calls, "All aboard for Chicago." Upper right photo shows Billy Fortney and Vera Gosselink revealing the train's height by

comparison. In lower left photo, Chief Engineer Eddie Bredeweg explains to Miss Van Vyven how he keeps his train on schedule. The lower right photo shows the passengers, Billy Fortney, Donna Borr, Marilyn Kraai and Jack De Bree enjoying their imaginary ride immensely.

## Rendition of 'Messiah' Thrills Large Audience

A quartet of outstanding soloists, a fine chorus under capable direction and excellent support at organ and piano, combined with a large and appreciative audience to make the 11th annual performance of the Christmas portion of Handel's "Messiah" in Hope Memorial chapel Tuesday night a distinct success.

Holland music lovers, who have always given "Messiah" performances their full support, expressed their enthusiasm for the first presentation under Robert Cavanaugh, who joined the music faculty of Hope college this fall. He conducted his large and well balanced chorus with finesse and thought for the spiritual significance of the work.

The appearance of Thelma von Eisenhauer, Detroit soprano, alone would have been enough to satisfy the audience. Her personality and vocal capabilities combine to make her performance one of extreme beauty and effectiveness. Her aria, "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth," expressive of sublime faith, lifted her listeners to heights of preparation for the closing choruses, which are climaxed with the glorious "Hallelujah" chorus.

Miss Evelyn Ames, Chicago contralto, also pleased her audience, with her sympathetic rendition of the lovely contralto arias. Her good diction, as well as that of the other soloists, was most pleasing.

Miss Ames was a newcomer to Holland, as were the tenor and bass soloists, Roy Glahn and David Austin both of Chicago.

## BOAT IS GIVEN TO SEA SCOUTS

Sea scouts of the Ottawa-Allegheny Council of Boy Scouts will have increased facilities through presentation of the hull of a power lifeboat, formerly used at the Cheboygan coast guard station.

Scout Executive M. P. Russell said the boat is the property of the council but that it will be assigned to Sea Scout ship No. 13 sponsored jointly by the Eagle-Ottawa Athletic association and the Grand Haven Elks club. The ship will retain possession of the boat as long as it keeps it in good shape and obeys the rules laid down for its use.

Mr. Russell also stated that a similar type of boat, which has been used by all Sea Scout ships of the council for the past four years, will be assigned to Sea Scout ship No. 10, sponsored by the Holland Methodist church.

The power lifeboat was presented by Capt. E. J. Clemens, former officer in charge of the Holland coast guard station but now in charge of the Grand Haven coast guard station. The boat has been at the coast guard repair depot in Grand Haven.

The engine had been taken out and sent to another section of the United States for use. The hull, 15 years old, was condemned for coast guard work. The scouts will attempt to find a second hand motor for the ship and will use the vessel for scout cruises and scout work during the summer months.

## ADDED SCOUTS ARE BEING REGISTERED

Several new scouts have been added to various Boy scout troops of the Ottawa-Allegheny council during the past few weeks. New members include George Zuidema, troop 7, Holland, sponsored by Third Reformed church; Quentin Poulson, Bob Ruiter, Leonard Willey and Robert Willey of troop 15, Ferrysburg; Stuart Zysk, troop 3, Grand Haven; Courval Earle and Donald Ploof of troop 105, Plainwell; and William Starling of troop 129, Saugatuck.

Robert W. Spaulding of 69 West 12th St., has taken over the duties of assistant scoutmaster of troop 9, Hope Reformed church.

Application for renewal of ship charter has just been received from the Sea Scout ship Gallinipper at Saugatuck. This ship will again be sponsored by the Brecken-Fresh post No. 137 of the American legion.

Charles Gilman is registered for the third year as skipper of the ship, Cary Bird is the chairman of the committee, Abbott Davis and Le Roy Jarvis being the other members.

Nine of the former members of the ship are reregistering and the charter lists Gerald Bekken, Morgan Edgcomb, Dale Inderbitzen, Andrew Van Leeuwen and Donald Woodall as new members.

## PROPOSES CHANGES IN AID TO CHILDREN

Lansing, Dec. 19 — Senator-elect Earnest C. Brooks of Holland today proposed radical revision of the statutes on the care of afflicted and crippled children. H. stated that he plans to introduce bills early in the nearing session of the state legislature to provide supplemental appropriations for both crippled and afflicted children to cover the remainder of the current fiscal year.

"I believe that medical service for crippled children should be made a state responsibility and should be divorced from the field of afflicted children," Brooks said.

"Personally I favor the counties and state paying the costs of administering to afflicted children on an equal basis, but the state, in my opinion, should accept the full responsibility for crippled children."

Brooks will ask \$75,000 additional for the crippled children's commission and \$150,000 for afflicted children. He says these amounts coupled with current appropriations will allow a normal administration of both services.

The 1939 legislature cut both appropriations.

Native population of American Samoa for 1940 was set by the census bureau as 12,962, an increase of 100 percent since 1900.

## Letters to Santa Claus Should Be Signed by Writers

There are certain boys and girls of Holland who have written letters to Santa Claus, yet may not receive a visit from him this year because they failed to sign their full name and did not list their address in the letter.

Postmaster Louis J. Vandenberg who is acting as an aide to Santa Claus this year reports several letters from children have been turned over to him. The writers of the various letters, some of which have been apparently written by an adult but signed by the child, have listed requests for Christmas presents but they forget to give their full name or address.

As an aid to Santa Claus, the senders of the letters should sign their full name and list their street address. However, Mr. Vandenberg will, as far as possible, attempt to identify the writers of the letters which he has in his possession and will see they reach Santa Claus so that no boy or girl will be disappointed this year.

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## DATES FOR TWO COUNCIL MEETS ADVANCED HERE

### New Year's Session to Be Moved Up Two Days for Employees

Common council Wednesday night voted to advance the dates of its next two meetings.

As the next regular meeting would occur Jan. 1 and city employees would have no opportunity to cash their checks if a meeting were held Dec. 31, the aldermen voted to meet Monday, Dec. 30, at 7:30 p.m.

A meeting of council will be held Tuesday, Jan. 14, instead of Wednesday, Jan. 15, because a number of aldermen wish to attend a football banquet to be held Jan. 15 in Hope Reformed church.

In other business, Ald. Frank Smith, chairman of the street committee, recommended the vacating of alleys from Michigan to Maple Aves. between 30th to 31st Sts. and from Washington to Van Raalte Aves. between 22nd and 23rd Sts. and the Jan. 14 meeting was set as the time for the hearing of any objections.

City Clerk Oscar Peterson presented a communication from the consistory of Noordeloos Christian Reformed church, requesting council to use its influence for adoption of a six-day Tulip Time festival to eliminate Sundays from the program. The letter was placed on file.

The request of the Great Lakes Harbors association for \$100 from the city to be applied to a fund to be used in fighting the Chicago diversion of lake water was referred to the civic improvements committee with power to act after Ald. Henry Ketel withdrew his proposal to appropriate the money.

Upon recommendation of Ald. Bernard Arendshorst, chairman of the public lighting committee, a street light was ordered installed at 27th St. and Washington Ave. Claims against the city totaling \$8,779.50 were approved. Other claims, also approved, follow: Hospital, \$1,526.90; library, \$265.74; police and fire (police, \$1,570.21; fire, \$1,931.58), \$3,501.79; park and cemetery (park, \$696.94; cemetery, \$526.55), \$1,223.49; board of public works operating account, payroll, \$3,946.33, claims, \$764.08), \$7,710.41; board of public works construction account (payroll, \$307.75, claims, \$19,943.88), \$19,974.63.

The city clerk was authorized to pay special assessment bonds amounting \$3,500.

Council set Jan. 14 as the time for a hearing to install a water main in West 22nd St. between Michigan and Maple Aves. The estimated cost is \$2,015 of which 75 per cent of \$1,511.25 will be paid by abutting property owners when laid on the assessment basis.

## Impressive Service Held at C.E. Guest Meeting

The Young People's Christian Endeavor society of Third Reformed church entertained the Senior-Intermediates of that church and First Reformed church young people at a meeting Sunday evening.

As members and guests entered the candle-light room, Howard Van Edmond furnished soft piano music. Mrs. Elizabeth Schaap was the reader for the impressive worship service. The picture of the Nazarene or "The Triumphant Christ" was flashed on the screen while Mrs. Schaap read the service and described the picture. It showed Christ in an entirely different pose. It shows Him not as a man of sorrow but triumphant with golden hair and blue eyes standing before a sky of blue and white with the clouds forming a cross. During the service Dorothy Wichers sang "We Would See Jesus" and John Kleis played two verses of the hymn on the trombone in an adjoining room.

The room was lighted by candles in the window sills and on the piano and was also decorated with pine boughs. Jean Ver Burg acted as chairman with Nelvina Ver Steeg, Dorothy Mulder, Gus Van Eerden, Howard Van Edmond and Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Schaap as assistants.

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## At Fraternal Party in Hotel

This picture of Miss Jean Jennings of Waukazoo and her escort, Robert Heasley of Holland, was taken at the annual formal party of the Fraternal society of Hope college Saturday night in the Warm Friend tavern. (Photo by Phil Harrington.)

## Letters From Netherlands and Wales Received Here

### Girl Reveals Hollanders Purchase Clothing on Point Plan

Interesting news regarding conditions in The Netherlands and Wales was received a short time ago in two censored letters by Miss Beatrice Geerlings, 35 East 12th St.

One from a girl friend in The Hague dated Oct. 17 gives reassurance that she and her family are well. She wrote that the war, although it lasted only five days, was terrific. Of their present mode of living she writes, "Fortunately we have enough to eat and drink. We get everything on tickets, without them you cannot buy bread, etc. I can buy a new coat as I have given in my old one, which is then used for helping poor people. We can buy clothes on 'points.' Everybody can buy 100 points each half year. A dress is about 32 points, stockings five points. Hats and gloves and many

other things are free of points. This is an extensive organization you see." She concluded her letter with an inquiry regarding Tulip Time here.

The other letter is from a girl friend in Cardiff, Wales, dated Sept. 30. She stated she was returning to college the following day for her last year after a three months' vacation.

She wrote: "It hasn't all been holiday for me because I have been working 10 weeks under the assistance board. The assistance board is of course the former unemployment assistance board but since the beginning of the war it deals less with the unemployed. Now, however, the unemployed cases are increasing, especially in South Wales because the collieries are not working full time owing to the loss of the French coal market."

"The board also deals with cases of people who need assistance due to the bombing of their possessions. It was very interesting work and I was sorry to leave it. When I finish college, I shall try to get an appointment in the assistance board."

Concerning the air raids, she said, "Since the beginning of the air blitzkrieg which began after the fall of France, we in Cardiff have had about 200 air raids. Truly, only about a dozen have been serious raids when bombs have been dropped. The siren is sounded, but generally only one plane at the most comes over at a time. We have some good defense guns here. When they fire, the noise is exactly as if bombs are exploding. It is very comforting to hear them firing at the enemy planes. 'We don't feel absolutely at the mercy of the raiders who seem to be dropping bombs at random.'"

She added an amusing anecdote saying it had been announced on the wireless in Dutch that the enemy had bombed Eastbourne, Brighton, etc., at random. The next day the Germans announced that they had bombed Eastbourne, Brighton and Random.

"In the raids on Cardiff, a few people have been killed and some damage has been done. In one raid, bombs were dropped all round the hospital, fortunately missing it. A time bomb was dropped in the playground of one of the high schools. The children were delighted because it meant a few days' holiday."

The censor mark on the English letter said in bold letters "Opened by examiner 3832." The Dutch letter's censor mark contained a spread eagle and swastika. Nothing was deleted from either letter.

The first window introduces Saint Nicholas, the patron saint of all good children. There is a rap at the door and two figures enter the room. Following Saint Nicholas is "Zwarte Pete" (Black Pete), his servant bearing two large bags, one filled with presents for good children, the other containing switches for the bad boys and girls. Gravelly the saint asks, "are there any good children here?" And when the smallest answers, "yes," he scatters sweets, meats and gingerbread men on the cloth covering the floor. Then Saint Nicholas and Zwarte Pete retire.

Near bedtime, one ceremony remains. This is shown in the second window. The youngsters fill their wooden shoes with hay and carrots, gifts for Saint Nicholas' white horse. Then the shoes, augmented at times by those of the adults, are placed before the fireplace, in readiness for the midnight return of the saint.

The third window portrays the hour of midnight. Saint Nicholas is on the house top dropping gifts and candy down the chimney in exchange for the hay and carrots.

The fourth window shows the arrival of morning when the children hurry to see what Saint Nicholas has left. The absence of switches is noticeable. Adults are not forgotten. Presents arrive at all hours of the day. However, each gift is done up in a "surprise" package. "Mevrouw" receives a great sack of genuine potatoes and after a long hunt finds a hollow one containing a longed for piece of jewelry, an oyster hides pearl eardrums.

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