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## Damage Suit in Vogelzang Fire Is Being Heard

A case was begun in circuit court Wednesday in which Henry Griffin who occupied an apartment above one of the Vogelzang stores destroyed by fire May 4, 1943, is bringing suit against the Vogelzang Hardware Co. and the Vandenberg Bros. Oil Co. for damages sustained in the fire. The Griffins are principally concerned with replacing furniture.

Circuit Court Judge Fred T. Miles consented to hear the case in Holland to accommodate the parties. Attorneys for the plaintiff said testimony likely will be completed by Friday noon after which the case will be taken under advisement by Judge Miles.

Quentin Dean of the Rockford state police post who investigated the fire, appeared Wednesday afternoon as an expert witness. Others who have given testimony include John Vogelzang, Sr., W. C. Vandenberg, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Griffin, Fire Chief Andrew Klomparsen, Gerrit Buis who testified as to the value of the furniture, Harry Klomparsen who had refinished some of the pieces, and Henry Timmer, assistant manager of the store.

Attorneys for the plaintiff are Lokker and Den Herder of Holland. Representing Vogelzang are Lawrence Smith and A. M. Tubbs of Grand Rapids and representing Vandenberg are Clifford Mitts of Grand Rapids and O. S. Cross of Holland.

A similar case in which James Burt who occupied another apartment in one of the buildings destroyed by fire is pending.

## Heart Attack Is Fatal to East Saugatuck Woman

Mrs. Jennie E. Van Kampen, 62, died suddenly Wednesday at her home in East Saugatuck. Dr. B. Vander Kolk of Hopkins, coroner, pronounced death due to a heart attack.

Survivors include a son, Henry of Muskegon; four grandchildren; four brothers, Henry and Tom Hulst of East Saugatuck, Benjamin of Graafschap and James of North Holland; two sisters, Mrs. Hattie Van Zanten of Holland and Mrs. George R. Brinks of East Saugatuck; and two sisters-in-law, Mrs. Alice Hulst of Holland and Mrs. Gertrude Hulst of Graafschap.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday at 1 p.m. at the Nibbelink-Noter chapel and at 1:30 p.m. from East Saugatuck Christian Reformed church. Rev. S. Mierma officiating with burial in East Saugatuck cemetery.

## Beaverdam Soldier Dies In Ft. Sheridan Hospital

Beaverdam, Dec. 28 (Special) — Funeral rites were held Tuesday in Beaverdam Reformed church for Corp. Andrew Abel who died last Thursday morning in the Fort Sheridan, Ill., hospital. Services were held at 1:30 p.m. in the home and at 2 p.m. from the church with Rev. A. Tellinghuizen officiating. Burial was in South Blendon cemetery.

Corp. Abel, a member of the National Guards, left for army duty shortly after war was declared in December, 1941, and he served with the Red Arrow division in New Guinea for 30 months. He returned to this country in November and spent a month with his family before being assigned to Fort Sheridan.

He had been ill of pneumonia for a week previous to his death. His family was notified of his serious illness Wednesday and his mother and two sisters left immediately for Fort Sheridan. They arrived Thursday morning soon after his death.

Survivors include the parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Abel, and ten sisters.

## Ferrysburg Soldier Wounded in France

Grand Haven, Dec. 28 (Special) — Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Laning, Ferrysburg, received a wire from the war department Wednesday advising them that their son, Pfc. William T. Laning, 21, had been slightly wounded in action Dec. 12 in France.

The soldier was inducted into the service in February, 1943, and received his training at Camp Howze, Tex., Camp Livingston, La., and Fort Meade, Md. He went overseas last May and arrived in England in June and recently went to France. The last letter received by his parents was written from France and dated Nov. 12. He attended the Grand Haven High school.

## FIREMEN CALLED

Firemen were called out to the Heikman Rusk Co. on 18th St. at the west limits of Holland about 4 p.m. Wednesday but found the minor blaze under control on their arrival. Fire Chief Andrew Klomparsen said the fire started in some grease pans. There was no damage.

## Operator of Hotel Gift Shop Taken by Death

Funeral services for Mrs. Mae Allen, operator of the Allen Tot and Gift shop in Holland for 23½ years who died Sunday morning in her apartment in the Warm Friend tavern, were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday from the Dykstra Funeral home. Burial was in Pilgrim Home cemetery.

Mrs. Allen, following the death of her husband in 1920, opened the gift shop July 14, 1921, on the second floor of the O'Leary building and about a year later moved downstairs, now occupied by the Spaulding Shoe store. She was assisted in the business by her two daughters, Hazel and Edna. The business moved to the Warm Friend tavern when the hotel was completed about 18 years ago. About a year later the Allens took an apartment in the hotel.

Mrs. Allen had been in failing health since October, 1943, when she was taken ill of the flu and since that time was not active in the shop. She became seriously ill about two weeks ago and death was due to a heart ailment and complications.

She was active in Hope Reformed church and its women's societies, also the Woman's Literary club and chapter 429, Order of Eastern Star. She was a charter member of the latter organization and was its first matron. Later she was made a life member.

## Urge Employers To File Changes With Draft Board

The Holland selective service board today enlisted the cooperation of all employers in keeping classification records up to date, following the recent order from Washington to take steps to see that individuals remain in war production employment or in activities directly supporting the war effort.

Employers are asked to file requests for occupational classification directly with the individual's local board on men 18 through 37 who have been found physically disqualified for service in the armed forces. For those men 26 through 37 for whom occupational classification has not been filed within the past six months, a new request should be forwarded immediately.

When any individual 18 through 37 voluntarily or otherwise leaves employment for which he has been granted a deferment, whether previously rejected for service in the armed forces or not, employers should immediately in writing notify the selective service board.

The latest order makes it mandatory upon local boards to process toward induction into the armed forces any individual 18 through 37 who leaves war production on or after Dec. 12, 1944, even though such person may previously have been found physically disqualified. Objective of the order is to provide needed materials for soldiers and sailors on every front to relieve the relentless pressure now being brought to bear by the enemy.

## Ottawa Youth Killed in Action

Zeeland, Dec. 28 (Special) — T/V Harvey J. Wittingen, 23, was killed in action in Germany Dec. 1, according to word received by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Wittingen of Beaverdam.

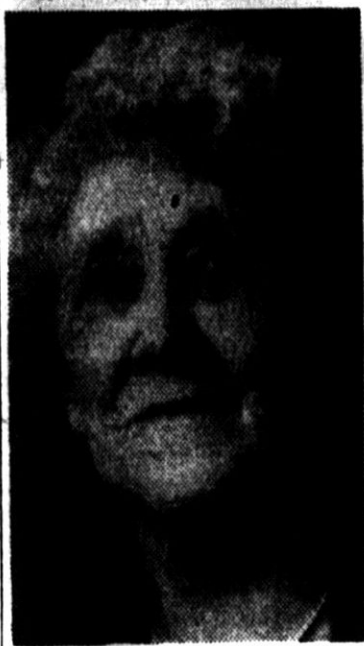
Inducted into the army Nov. 5, 1942, Wittingen went overseas in August, 1944 and landed in France with a tank division.

Survivors include the parents, two sisters, Jean and Carolyn, at home; two brothers, Richard, at home and James Hop of Zeeland; and the grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Nagelkirk of Zeeland and Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Ver Hage of Vriesland.

## Pays Fine After Car Hits Bus in Spring Lake Twp.

Grand Haven, Dec. 28 (Special) — Carl Merkins, 42, Nunica, paid \$25 fine and \$35 costs in Justice George Hoffer's court yesterday upon his plea of guilty to a reckless driving charge placed against him by state police Dec. 23. He is alleged to have run into the back end of a truck in Spring Lake township while it was stopped on the highway discharging passengers.

Robert L. Carskadon, 20, Ferrysburg, pleaded guilty in Justice Hoffer's court on Wednesday to a charge of failure to have his car under control. He paid \$10 fine and \$1 costs. The arrest was made by city police Tuesday night when he ran into the back end of a truck at the corner of Seventh and Monroe.



Mrs. Mae Allen

Mrs. Allen was born in Elmira, N. Y., and spent her childhood in Greenville, Mich., where she was married. She spent nearly all her married life in Holland, residing here about 50 years.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Alfred Huntley, Miss Edna and Miss Hazel, all of Holland; two grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

Friends may call at the Dykstra Funeral home tonight from 7 to 9 p.m.

## Will Install New Officers In Allegan Veterans Club

Allegan, Dec. 28 — Newly-elected officers of the Allegan chapter of the Disabled American Veterans club are:

Commander, James Myler; senior vice-commander, Wendell Rowan; junior vice-commander, Low Weper; treasurer, Homer Ontise; chaplain, Virgil Arndt; sergeant-at-arms, Asa Panches; state executive committeeman, James Myler.

The chapter will meet Jan. 16 in Griswold auditorium at which time, Earl C. Anderson, field service officer, will install the officers.

## Sgt. De Feyter Is Recovering

The 55th General Hospital, England — Wounded for the second time in the European campaign, S/Sgt. Edwin M. De Feyter, 27, of 73 West Eighth St., Holland, Mich., holder of the Presidential Unit citation and Purple Heart with Oak Leaf cluster, has been returned to this U.S. General hospital in England for treatment. He had been in a small hospital unit.

His ward surgeon, Capt. John C. Walker, Jr., of Jackson, Miss., said Sgt. De Feyter is "showing normal improvement and is well on his way to recovery."

"I was in a spearhead," De Feyter said, "crossing the Moselle river near Nancy. While we were crossing, the Germans spotted us and began firing at us with machine guns and artillery."

"After we were across I was hit with 88mm shell fragments in the left arm and back. Several medics who were trying to come to my aid were shot and killed by enemy action."

"The medics take some very dangerous chances in trying to give wounded men aid and are respected by all combat men."

De Feyter was wounded earlier near Sinclair, France, by enemy mortar fire. He was treated in a hospital in France and returned in June, 1944, near St. Lo.

Before entering the army in June, 1941, and receiving training at Camp Wolters, Tex., he was a pressman for The Holland Evening Sentinel.

His wife, Mrs. Mary De Feyter, lives at 143 Mayfield Ave., Grand Rapids, Mich.

(His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed De Feyter, received their last letter from him two weeks ago which was dated Nov. 26 and said, "Prospects of being sent to a U.S. hospital early next year seem quite favorable.")

## Mr. and Mrs. R. Everett Informed Son Is in U.S.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Everett, 274 College Ave., received a telegram Christmas night informing them that their son, Pfc. Ransom Everett, Jr., has arrived in San Francisco, Cal. In a telephone conversation with Pfc. Everett the parents later learned that he expects to leave for Michigan in a few days and will come to Holland before being sent to his destination. Pfc. Everett, who is with the army medical corps, has been in the south Pacific area since the latter part of May, 1944.

## PLAINWELL MAN WOUNDED

Plainwell, Dec. 28 — First Lt. Herman Scott, Inf., was wounded in action Dec. 6, according to a war department message sent to his mother, Mrs. Mildred Scott, Lt. Scott, graduate of Hillsdale college, received training at Fort Benning and Camp Deal, Cal., and went overseas last July.

## Forecast Tonight: Fair and Cold and Additional Snow

Fair winter weather greeted Holland residents today and the weatherman recorded a temperature of 23 degrees at 11 a.m. compared with a season's low of four degrees early Wednesday morning.

The forecast called for fair and cold tonight, no change in temperature for Friday and more snow flurries. This morning's minimum was 20 degrees.

Chief Weather Observer Fred Sikkers estimated two inches of snow fell Wednesday, but the wind

## Delay Paper Collection

City Engineer Jacob Zuidema said today that the paper collection scheduled for Friday has been called off due to Wednesday's snowfall which will occupy all employees of the department. The pickup will probably be held some time next week, he said.

caused drifts as deep as two feet.

Heaviest fall of snow recorded in the lower peninsula was at Muskegon with nine inches. Detroit, Jackson, Grand Rapids, Lansing, Flint, Saginaw and Kalamazoo averaged between six and eight inches of snow.

The state highway department reported all roads open and in good driving condition. Commissioner Charles M. Ziegler said pavements are bare except in scattered slippery spots and these have been sanded. Some drifting snow was reported on north-south roadways but not enough to impede traffic. Reports indicated driving conditions are also normal in the upper peninsula.

## G.H. Woman Dies In Nursing Home

Grand Haven, Dec. 28 (Special) — Mrs. Elizabeth Stone, 88, 310 Fulton St., died early Thursday at Hill Crest nursing home. She was born in Olesund, Norway, Feb. 10, 1856, and had lived in Grand Haven since 1923, coming from Chicago.

She is survived by two daughters, Marie of Grand Haven, and Mrs. Esther Rinehart of Moline, Ill.; four sons, Frank of Helena, Mont., William of Lagrange, Ill., Charles of Chicago and Arthur of Long Beach, Calif.

## Dies Following Birth of Child

Grand Haven, Dec. 28 (Special) — Mrs. Charles Blackmer, 26, of Ferrysburg, died in Municipal hospital Wednesday night following the birth of a child earlier in the day. Born in Grand Haven, Sept. 13, 1918, she attended Grand Haven High school. She was a member of Spring Lake Presbyterian church.

Besides the husband she is survived by four small children, Jane, 3, Judith, 4, Charles Jr., 3, and the infant daughter, Dorothy Ruth; the parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Nietring; five sisters, Mrs. Kenneth Garter of Ferrysburg; Mrs. Paul Koech of Spring Lake; Mrs. Joseph Michael of Hart, Mich.; Archie Green and Arlene Nietring of Grand Haven; two brothers, A. J. Nietring, Jr., and Henry Nietring, both of Grand Haven.

The body was removed to the Ringold Funeral home where it will remain until time of services on Saturday at 2:30 p.m. from the Spring Lake Presbyterian church. Rev. Raymond Sharpe will officiate, with burial in Spring Lake cemetery.

## Nunica Soldier Is Reported Missing

Nunica, Dec. 28. Pvt. Adrian Langlois, 31, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Langlois of Nunica, has been missing in action in Germany since Nov. 29, according to word received by his family. He is married and the father of two small children.

Pvt. Langlois entered service Feb. 4, 1944, and received his training at Fort Sheridan, Ill., Camp Wolters, Tex., and Camp Claiborne, La. He went overseas in September.

## Police Recover Stolen Car Here in Two Hours

H. P. Zwemer's anxiety was not completely relieved Tuesday afternoon when his stolen auto was recovered on River Ave. between Sixth and Seventh Sts. about two hours after it had been stolen from his parking place on Eighth St. near College Ave.

The ignition key was missing, and the fact that he had a duplicate far from made up the loss of the other key.

The glove compartment had been ransacked, but other than that and the key, nothing else was missing, and little gasoline had been used, he said.

## Two Boeve Sons Spend Christmas at G.H. Home

Grand Haven, Dec. 28 (Special) — First Sgt. Alvin Boeve of the marine corps now stationed at Camp Le Jeune, N. C., and Seaman 1/C Lloyd Boeve, with the U. S. Navy at Virginia Beach, Cal., spent the Christmas holiday with their parents, Sheriff and Mrs. William M. Boeve in Grand Haven. They arrived home Saturday and had to leave Monday night to report back to their respective stations Wednesday.

A third son, Pfc. Harold Boeve, who is with the 200th battalion of the army air corps stationed at Colorado Springs, Colo., was unable to come home.

## Gerard Looman, Zeeland Pilot, Is Reported Killed

Zeeland, Dec. 28 — Mr. and Mrs. Manley Looman, 304 Lincoln St., have received word from the war department that their son, 2nd Lt. Gerard Looman, 23, previously reported missing over Romania since Aug. 17, was killed on that date.

Lt. Looman, co-pilot on a B-24 Liberator with the 15th air force based in Italy, had completed 14 missions when he was reported missing. He had received at least one cluster to the Air Medal for "participation in sustained operational activities against the enemy."

He had enlisted April 7, 1941, and was first sent to Scott field, Ill., in the weather school there. He was then sent overseas to the British West Indies and returned to United States in March, 1943, and trained at Maxwell field, Ala., Newport, Ark., Union City, Tenn., and received his wings at Blacks field, Ark.

Surviving are the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Manley Looman of this city, and one sister, Donna at home, and his grandfather, Gerrit Looman of Crisp.

## H. Van Dyke, 92, Claimed by Death

Zeeland, Dec. 28 (Special) — Hietje Van Dyke, 92, died in his home, 30 South Pine St., Wednesday night. He was born in Holland township Sept. 2, 1852, to the late Mr. and Mrs. Peter Arend Van Dyke and lived near Noordeloos until 1921, at which time he moved to Zeeland. He was a farmer.

Mr. Van Dyke was the oldest member of First Reformed church and was one of the first children to be baptized there. He and his wife celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary Nov. 13.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Jennie Van Dyke; two sons, Jacob of Big Rapids and Arie H. of Zeeland; six daughters, Mrs. Hattie Pikaart, Mrs. Anna Westbroek, Mrs. Grace Post, Mrs. Katie Vander Velde and Mrs. Gertrude Pyle, all of Zeeland; and Mrs. Bertha Palmoe, Holland; one daughter-in-law, Mrs. Dena Van Dyke Ludeus, Holland; 27 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services are scheduled for Saturday at 1:30 p.m. from the home and 2 p.m. from First Reformed church. Rev. A. Rynbrandt officiating. Burial will be in Zeeland cemetery. The body will be removed from the Van Dyke home this afternoon.

In addition to ribbons for the Bronze Star and Purple Heart, Gerritsen wears the combat infantry badge, the Presidential citation for the landing at Oran, Algeria, ribbons for the European theater with three stars, Good Conduct medal and Pre-Pearl harbor ribbon.

While overseas he often met several from this vicinity including T/V Harold Manting who was wounded at Anzio and now stationed at Fort Knox; T/V James Harthorn, now in this country; Lt. Donald Formosa of Zeeland; Jarvis Kapenga of route 3 who came home the same time as Gerritsen; Foster De Vries of Zeeland and a soldier by the name of Cook of Grand Haven.

Granted the furlough home on the rotation plan, Gerritsen will report to the redistribution center at Miami Beach, Fla., Jan. 16. He arrived on the east coast about the middle of December and was sent to Fort Sheridan, Ill. He entered service March 20, 1941, and went overseas the latter part of May, 1942. He spent some time in Ireland, Scotland and England before going to Africa around Christmas for the Tunisian campaign. He went to Italy in the fall of 1943.

## Ottawa's Democrats Will Meet on Jan. 15

Grand Haven, Dec. 28 (Special) — Charles E. Misner, Democratic county chairman announces that the Ottawa county Democratic convention will be held in the court house Monday, Jan. 15, at 8 p.m.

Ottawa county is entitled to five delegates to the state convention opening in Flint at 9:30 a.m. Jan. 27.

Delegates elected at the primary election last summer will be delegates to the county convention.

To be nominated at the state convention are two supreme court justices (Justice Raymond Starr will be a candidate to succeed himself), state highway commissioner, superintendent of public instruction, member of the state board of education, two University of Michigan regents and one member of the board of agriculture, Michigan State college.

## DIVORCES GRANTED

Grand Haven, Dec. 27 (Special) — Two divorces were awarded in Circuit Court last Dec. 20. Mary Graham was awarded a decree from her husband, George Graham, and Elsie Sisco, from her husband, Kenneth Sisco. In each case there was a minor child, custody of which was awarded to the mother. All are from Grand Haven. The women were represented by David MacDonald, who appeared for the first time in the Ottawa circuit court Wednesday. Mr. MacDonald for many years practiced in Muskegon with his father, the late Roderick MacDonald, who died in 1933.

## Home After Three Tough Experiences Overseas

Pfc. William J. Gerritsen, 29, home on a 23-day delay-en-route furlough after 24 years overseas in the European area, couldn't decide today which of three experiences in North Africa and Italy will remain foremost in his memory.

One, for which he was awarded the Bronze Star medal, involved a counter-attack May 30, 1944, just off Anzio in preparation for the big push toward Rome. At that time the machine gun platoon of which Gerritsen was a member volunteered to remain forward until the other elements had set up defensive positions to the rear, and the men were subjected to terrific enemy fire.

The soldier who is waiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. Gerritsen, route 5, was reluctant to discuss much of the particular offensive thrust other than what was told in his citation.

Another three lence hours or more were spent July 5, 1944, in a ditch below the Arno river just after Gerritsen was shot in the right leg between the knee and ankle with what he said was a machine pistol bullet. Also in the ditch were seven Jerries which Gerritsen's group had just taken prisoner, a buddy and a medic, and it was a toss-up during the Germans' three-hour firing siege whether the Americans or the Germans would take over. Fortunately, Gerritsen said, it was the Americans.

The "adventure" started when Gerritsen and several others from his company climbed aboard a half-track to scout the area for a few snipers and possibly take a few prisoners. The group had taken 19 prisoners when machine guns atop a hill opened fire, killing some of the men and hitting Gerritsen in the leg.

The groups hurriedly dispersed and Gerritsen managed to get to a ditch where he was joined by the seven Jerries and the others. He was bleeding profusely and had one of the Germans hold a tourniquet above his knee. After three hours of machine gunning during which the Germans in the trench were possibly more frightened than the Americans, the shooting ceased and help arrived from the Americans.

Gerritsen was removed to a hospital about 30 miles away and the next day was presented with the Purple Heart. After being hospitalized two months, he rejoined his company which by that time was above the Arno river.

The third experience occurred early in Gerritsen's combat career the first part of 1943 during the Tunisian campaign in North Africa. He was in Kassarine pass and his group had left the half-track to go into the mountains. On their return they found the truck and all rations and personal effects gone. Whether it was the result of a direct bomb hit or fire was not determined.

Miles from "nowhere," the group split up and Gerritsen and two others walked 30 miles in a day and a half, at one time passing a German outpost so closely they could hear the Nazis laughing. It was 5 a.m. that the three stumbled upon an American outpost and three days later they rejoined their company. Others dribbled into camp as late as two weeks afterward.

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## Ottawa Is Entitled to 18 Delegates at Convention

Grand Haven, Dec. 28 (Special) — Ottawa county Republicans will name 18 delegates at their county convention Jan. 3 at 2 p.m. in Grand Haven to attend the state convention scheduled Jan. 12 at 11:30 a.m. in Grand Rapids. The number of delegates is based on the Republican vote at the last election. At the last convention, the county was entitled to 19 delegates.



Pfc. William J. Gerritsen

## Penalize Many Deer Hunters On Gas Counts

Gasoline ration penalties were imposed upon nine deer hunters of the Holland area Tuesday by the district OPA in Grand Rapids. The hearings conducted before Evers C. Dudley, OPA hearing commissioner, virtually concluded hearings in the district for more than 200 deer hunters charged with gasoline ration violations.

Ration privileges were revoked for from 30 days to six months.

The nine of the Holland area included: Walter Winstrom, route 1, Holland, 45 days; Martin Klomparsen, route 3, Holland, 45 days; Raymond Ten Have, Holland, 60 days; James De Pree, route 1, Holland, 60 days; John Brouwer, route 2, Holland, 120 days on a 60 days on all other rations; Harold Bontekoe, route 6, Holland, 15 days on station wagon 45 days on auto; Gerrit Knoll, route 1, Holland, 45 days; John Vrieling, Holland, 45 days; Ralph Miller, route 1, Holland, 45 days.

Among others penalized Tuesday were Stanley W. Richardson of Jamestown, 90 days, and Rufus H. Van Noord, Jamestown, 45 days.

Others from this area who appeared last Friday included John N. Danielson, route 2, Zeeland, 30 days; Miss Helen Williams, Holland, 30 days; Carl Schaefer, Conklin, 45 days; Wesley Scott, Coopersville, six weeks; Walter Van Klomparsen, Jamestown, 60 days; Ralph Sessions, Coopersville, 60 days; and Martin De Mull, Marne, 180 days.

On Dec. 19 Clarence O'Hearn, Marne postmaster, drew a heavy penalty by having his A's revoked for the next six months and seven of his C's coupons, good for 325 miles of driving, clipped from his book. The hearing was conducted before Jay Hornbeck, another special commissioner.

Hornbeck last Friday imposed penalties on Charles Lane, route 1, Hamilton, 30 days; Henry Baker, route 2, Holland, 30 days; Nick Vanden Belt, Holland, 60 days; T. Frank Owen, route 4, Holland, 45 days; Thurber Y. Doty, route 2, Marne, 60 days; Lambert Krause, route 6, Holland, 75 days.

## Zeeland Soldier Reported Missing

Zeeland, Dec. 28 — Pvt. Clarence J. Bonnama, son of Rev. and Mrs. D. D. Bonnama of this city, has been reported missing in action in France near the German border since Dec. 4. His father is pastor of the First Christian Reformed church, here.

Pvt. Bonnama entered service Nov. 19, 1943, and received his training in Florida and at Fort Meade, before going to England.

Previous to entering service, he was a student at Calvin college, where he had completed three years of college training.

## Gerrit Vrugink Dies At Home in Beaverdam

Zeeland, Dec. 28 (Special) — Gerrit H. Vrugink, 61, died at his home in Beaverdam Saturday as the result of a heart attack suffered while he was doing chores on his farm.

Surviving are the widow, Effie; five sons, Harold of South Blendon, Jason of Grand Rapids, Milton of Hudsonville, Jacob and Norman at home; three grandchildren; three brothers, Henry, John and Herman, all of South Blendon; and two sisters, Mrs. Alberta Lampen of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Dick Vander Wal of Georgetown.

## BPW Superintendent Returns to His Work

Abe Nauta, superintendent of the board of public works, returned to his office in the city hall for the first time yesterday after an absence of six weeks during which he recovered from a heart ailment.

## Train And Car Crashes Result In One Fatality

City police and sheriff's departments of both Allegan and Ottawa counties were busy over the holiday week-end investigating two train accidents, one fatal crash involving a truck and another less serious one involving a car, and six automobile accidents, most of which were minor.

Two-year-old John Flora, who was thrown from the arms of his mother, Mrs. Hilda F. Flora of Kalamazoo, in a train-truck crash at the M-40 intersection 1½ miles southeast of Holland, was dead upon arrival at Holland hospital late Saturday afternoon, and Mrs. Flora and the truck driver, Arthur Richmond, 50, Paw Paw, were taken to the hospital in serious condition.

Mrs. Flora regained consciousness and she showed some improvement, according to her physician. She suffered a brain concussion, body and head bruises, fractured left clavicle and shock. X-rays have revealed that Richmond suffered four fractured ribs. The truck, operated by the Alvan lines of Kalamazoo, was en route to Kalamazoo. High snow banks obstructed the driver's view. The tractor was demolished and the trailer was badly smashed. The three persons were thrown into a snow bank. The baby was rushed to the hospital in a Holland police car and the two adults were taken in Dykstra's ambulance. Allegan deputies investigated.

Mrs. Flora is the wife of a service man.

A car driven by John Van Den Bosch, 52, 58 Washington, Zeeland, ran into a train at Ottawa Ave. between 22nd and 23rd Sts. at 7:30 p.m. Monday, not far from Precision Parts Corp. The front of the '42 model car was badly damaged, but no injuries were listed for the driver on the police report.

The driver said the train had a dim light which he did not see in time. He added the street was very slippery. Seth Holt was engineer



## Husband of Local Woman With Hospital in England

The 185th General Hospital, England—Maj. Bert Kempers Albuquerque, N. M., is helping wounded soldiers back to health in this United States army general hospital in England where he is serving as a ward officer of a surgical ward.

He is also assistant chief of surgical and rehabilitation of the entire hospital plant.

Maj. Kempers pointed out that the rapidity with which a wounded soldier was transported from the field of battle to hospitals greatly increased his chances of recovery.

"We recently received a patient with serious abdominal wounds caused by jagged pieces of shrapnel only a few hours earlier," he said. "After undergoing hours of definitive treatment and extensive repair work, the soldier has recovered."

Kempers was commissioned in August, 1942, and served at the station hospital, Hobbs army air field, Hobbs, N.M., and at Santa Anna air base, Cal., before coming to England.

His wife, Mrs. Harriet Kempers, and their children, Bert Allen, Lucille Ann, and Glenn Ross, live at 29 East 14th St., Holland, Mich. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kempers, live in Sioux Center, Iowa. A brother, Marion, is serving with the United States marines.

## Personals

(From Tuesday's Sentinel)

Births at Holland hospital over the holiday week-end include a son, Gary John, Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas De Feyter, route 4; a son, Daniel George, Sunday to Machinist's Mate 3/C and Mrs. George D. Fitzpatrick, 181 West 20th St.; a son, Thomas John, Sunday, to Mr. and Mrs. John D. Cotts, Conklin; and on Christmas day a son to Pvt. and Mrs. Harvey Lugers, route 6, and a son, Steven John, to Chaplain's Assistant and Mrs. John E. N. Howard, route 4. The father is stationed in France.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schippers, 127 West 20th St., were Mrs. S. Vander Ploeg and John of Zealand, Mr. and Mrs. John Vander Heuvel and children of Coopersville, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Dykhuizen and children of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. George Schippers and Della and Mr. and Mrs. George H. Schippers of Holland. The family received a call Christmas night from George Schippers, Jr., who is stationed at Great Lakes.

Patricia Lou Van Vuren, five-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Van Vuren, 238 West 19th St., has recovered from a tonsillectomy to which she recently submitted at Holland hospital.

Mrs. Harvey Breuker, 324 Central Ave., has received word that her husband, Aviation Storekeeper 3/C Harvey G. Breuker, has arrived safely on an island in the South Pacific.

Pvt. Alvin Geurink is spending a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Geurink, of Borculo. He is convalescing in Billings General hospital in Indiana.

Lawrence Simmons, torpedo-man 3/C, called his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Simmons, Monday afternoon from New York city to extend holiday greetings. He is at present awaiting new orders at Pier 82, New York, after being stationed at Great Lakes, Ill., and Montauk point, Long Island, N.Y. Another son, Sgt. Lester Simmons, is stationed in France.

Rev. O. C. Smith, 336 West 20th St., has received and accepted a call to serve as pastor of the Osego Gospel tabernacle and will assume his duties there the first of the year. He has been assistant pastor of the Grace Temple in Allegan for the past year.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Houtman of Midland, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Schutte and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hatergerink and son, Douglas, spent Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Blok and daughter, Marlene, 15 East 18th St.

T/5 Harvey Buter, stationed at Camp Butler, N.C., arrived home Sunday night to spend a six-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Buter of 118 East 21st St.

Pvt. Alfred Morris is spending a 30-day sick leave from the general hospital at Hot Springs, Ark., with his wife at 172 West 24th St. and his mother, Mrs. Walter Morris, 190 West 14th St.

Harry Orr returned Saturday to his home at 168 West 18th St. from Lackawana, N.Y., where he completed his season of work on an iron ore freighter on the Great Lakes.

Mr. and Mrs. George Konle and son, Robert, of St. Ignace spent Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Grover Talbot, 240 West 11th St. Other recent guests of the Talbots were Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Konle of Petoskey.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ederle of Benson Park spent Christmas in yin Muskogean with Mrs. Ruby A. Toren and daughter, Mary Alice.

Word has been received of the birth of a daughter to Dr. and Mrs. Melvin Oosting of Dayton, O. Oosting is the former Julia Oosting of Holland. Her mother, Mrs. John Van Os of 560 State St., plans to leave Wednesday

night by train to visit the Oostings.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schutt, route 2, announce the birth of a daughter Friday in Holland hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Tien Marcus, 215 West 12th St., entertained Mr. and Mrs. Louis Marcus and Mary Lou of Chicago. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Diepenhorst and family of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Plakke and family, Eugene Marcus and Mrs. Clifford Marcus and Stanley, all of Holland, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Van Tongeren announce the birth of a daughter, Sharon Ann, Christmas day in Grand Rapids. Van Tongeren, who is in the marines, is attending officer candidate school at Quantico, Va. Mrs. Van Tongeren resides with her parents on route 1.

Pfc. Henry Plakke, Jr., is spending 15 days with his father, Henry Plakke, 9 East Sixth St. He arrived from Halstead, Fla., where he is stationed.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Koop, 111 West 20th St., announce the birth of a son in Holland hospital on Christmas.

Major Frank Otto, son of Mrs. J. A. Otto of this city, has returned from China on a furlough. He has been with the 14th army air force in the intelligence department and has helped to evacuate hundreds of missionaries and other civilians from the danger zones over the "big hump" to India. He flew the entire distance from Kwangsi province to Fort Bragg, N.C. His only son has entered the service and is now in training, also his daughter's husband.

Prof. and Mrs. A. E. Lampen had as their Christmas guests, Dr. and Mrs. J. Oliver Lampen of Old Greenwich, Conn. Dr. and Mrs. Lampen who were married recently in New York will be in Holland until Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. McBride and daughter Maxine, and Mr. and Mrs. Donald C. Crawford and two daughters spent the week-end and Christmas with their daughter and sister; Mrs. Chester G. Boltwood in Grand Rapids.

Chief of Police Jacob Van Hoff said today that he had granted a release to Detective Harris Nieuwma so that he may enter government service as a civilian employee of the navy to be stationed at Pearl Harbor. Nieuwma who has been with the police force since June, 1939, will start his week's vacation Jan. 2, and will leave Holland sometime after that. He will service and repair planes. His wife and children will remain here. No arrangements have been made regarding a successor to Nieuwma on the police force.

Mrs. Rose Koppelman has returned to her home in Chicago after spending a month with her daughter, Mrs. J. Smith of 319 East 11th St. Mrs. Smith's sister, Miss Lina Koppelman, also of Chicago, returned with her mother after spending the holiday week-end here.

Co. H. Michigan state troops, will drill Thursday night in the armory instead of Wednesday night because of the Holland Christian-Grand Rapids Christian basketball game.

All retail store and food merchants will close Wednesday afternoon as usual this week, according to the Chamber of Commerce.

(From Saturday's Sentinel)

Mrs. Robert Klompars, 234 West 32nd St., will have as her guests on Christmas day Mr. and Mrs. G. Giebank and daughter, Edith, Miss Susan Menning and Mr. and Mrs. T. Giebank and family.

Misses Joyce Fris, Doris Eash and Lela Vandeyver arrived home from the University of Michigan Friday night to spend the Christmas holiday with their parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Adrian De Groot and infant son arrived Friday night to spend the holiday week-end with their parents, Dr. and Mrs. John Pieper, and Mr. and Mrs. Adrian De Groot.

F. O. Lawrence W. Lamb of George field, Lawrenceville, Ill., and James O. Lamb, seaman 2/C of Sampson, N.Y., have arrived home to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Lamb, Park road. Christmas guests of the family also will be Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Snyder of South Haven, Mrs. William Lamb and Miss Dena Enfield of Ganges.

George Stegenga, seaman 1/C of Shoemaker, Cal., was to arrive today on a 15-day leave which he will spend with his wife and children at their home, 46 West 21st St.

Miss Nella Meyer of New York city is expected this week-end to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Meyer, 4 West 12th St.

Mr. Robert E. Keohane and two small sons of Chicago are visiting her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Albertus Pieters, 44 East 15th St. Miss Dorothy Pieters of Detroit is also a holiday guest of her parents.

Corp. and Mrs. Donald Van Huis and son, Tommy, of Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., are spending a seven-day furlough with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Van Huis, West 17th St.

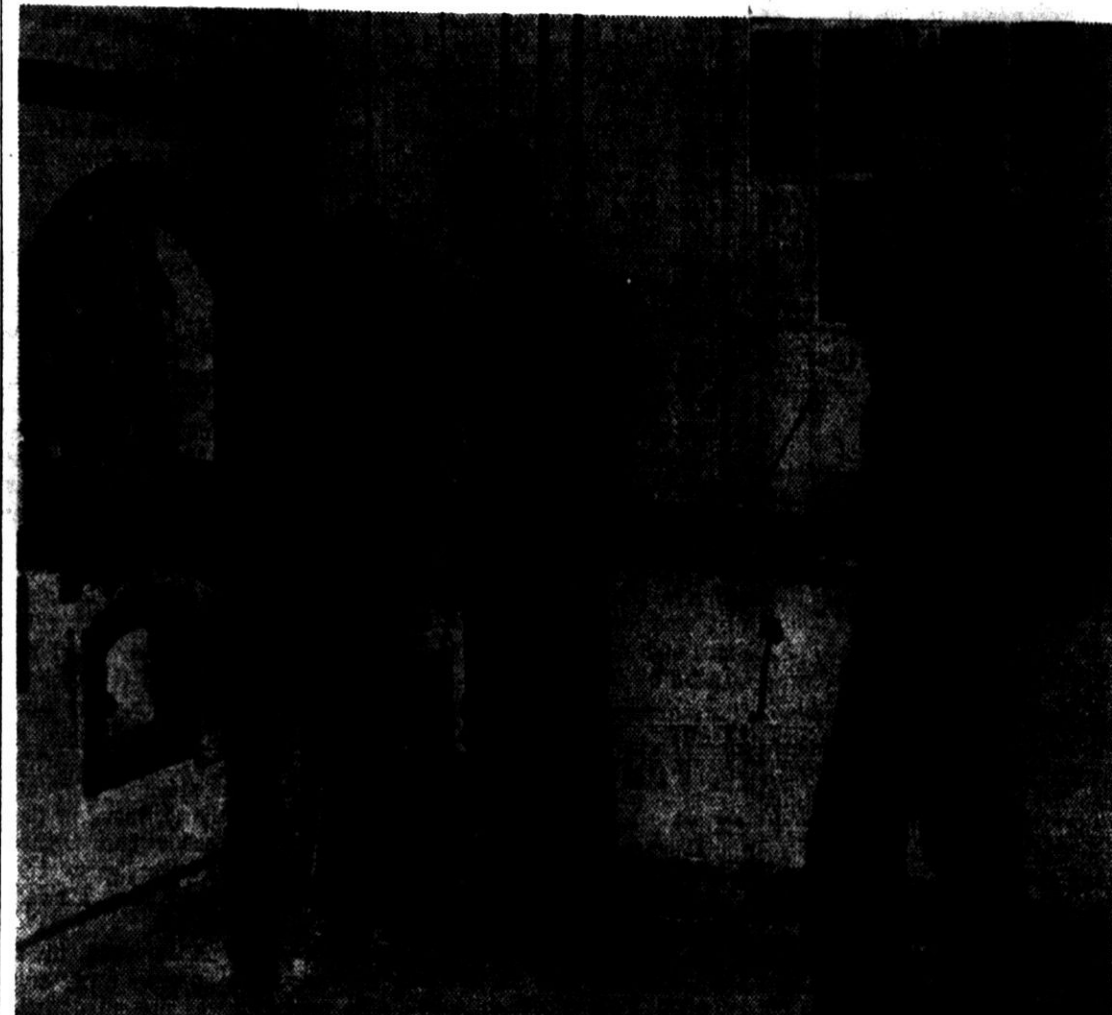
The midnight choral celebration of the Holy Eucharist will take place in Grace Episcopal church Sunday at 11:30 p.m. as stated in Friday's Sentinel.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter De Kraker of 32nd St., have as their guests

## Over 13,000 Dutch Patriots Killed at Ill-Famed Nazi Concentration Camp



Two Canadians look at the dissecting table in the German concentration camp in Vucht near H'ertogenbosch where bodies were filled with inflammable material to accelerate cremation.



This is one of the cremation ovens at the Vucht concentration camp with two Canadians demonstrating how corpses were placed in it.

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In many cases death was a happy escape from the far worse punishment inflicted upon the prisoners. One of the least cruel of punishments was the beating of a victim with sticks until most of his bones were broken. Nevertheless, the victim reported to roll-call the next morning even though he must be brought there in a wheelbarrow. In case a pris-

oner died, his companions supported him in the morning roll call and answered for him "present, but died meanwhile."

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Charles Kuhnke, chef at the Warm Friend tavern who was stricken with a heart attack Wednesday while on the way to his apartment in the hotel, is progressing satisfactorily in his apartment. His physician described the attack as "not too serious."

Mr. and Mrs. Chester S. Walz, Sr., Scarsdale, N. Y., are spending the Christmas holidays with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Chester S. Walz, at the Warm Friend tavern.

The story of Christ's coming still continues to proclaim its message of gladness and to flood the world with joy.

(Canadian army photos.)

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## Awards Made to Hamilton Scouts

Six Holland scout leaders attended a turkey dinner at a scout parents' night meeting Dec. 19 in Hamilton and participated in the program. They included Scout Commissioner William H. Vande Water, F. H. (Pop) Benjamin, Peter Kromann, Ray Hertz, Don White and Don E. Kyger.

Hamilton Scoutmaster Jesse Kool conducted an investiture ceremony for new scouts, assisted by Assistant Scoutmaster Ed Jansen. Tenderfoot badges were awarded by Fred Billett, chairman of the troop committee.

Kromann spoke on "What It Means to Be a Scout" and Pop Benjamin spoke after the tenderfoot investiture ceremony. Vande Water awarded the WPB certificate of merit to the troop for collecting scrap paper during a recent campaign. Lynn Brower, a scout, also received an award for collecting 1,000 pounds of paper. The Hamilton troop is one of three in the Ottawa-Allegan council to receive the award.

White explained cubbing and Kyger explained the necessary steps in organizing a cub pack. Eight scouts received second-class certificates at a court of honor. They are Paul Slotman, Carl Henthorn, Lynn Harmen, Rex Hays, Chester Reimink, Milton Boerigter, Robert Burton and Almer Tanis. Merit badges also were awarded.

A motion picture entitled "The Trail to Citizenship" was shown.

The dinner was prepared by wives of the committee members and served by the members who include Fred Billett, Harold Dandremont, Edward Miskotten, Marvin Smallegan and John Brink, Jr.

## Holland Woman Is Found Dead

Mrs. Susan Pieper, 60, widow of George Pieper, was found dead Thursday afternoon in the John Hooyer home at 132 West 19th St. where she was employed as housekeeper. Coroner Gilbert Vande Water said death was due to a heart attack.

Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Henry Kool of East Saugatuck, Mrs. Herman Gerritsen and Mrs. John Bratt of Holland; three brothers, Steven, George and Harry Kalmink, all of Holland, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Henry Kalmink.

## Wants Seabees to Be Remembered

Seaman 1/C Jack Manting, son of Mr. and Mrs. Preston Manting, West 26th St., in a letter addressed to The Sentinel asked publication of a news item prepared by one of his fellow seabees.

"It will give us and our families back home a great deal of satisfaction to know that the seabees are being remembered," he said.

The new item follows: "The third anniversary of the workingest, fightingest bunch of men in the nation's armed forces, the navy seabees will be observed Dec. 28 by 240,000 officers and men in the United States naval construction battalions.

"Born just three weeks after the Pearl Harbor disaster, with an authorized strength of 3,000, the seabees won their spurs at Guadalcanal and have been with the assault troops in every major American amphibious operation. They can now boast that they built the network of air and naval bases in the Pacific that pushed the Japs back 3,000 miles; that they developed amphibious equipment and techniques that helped carry the day on the African, Sicilian, Italian and Normandy beachheads.

"Every commissioned construction battalion is either currently overseas or has completed a tour of duty; many battalions are on their second tours. Seventy-six per cent of the seabees are now outside the continental limits of the United States; only 9,000 essential men have never seen foreign service.

"As Gen. Douglas MacArthur wrote in a letter to Seabee Chief Vice-Adm. Ben Moreell, 'The only trouble with your seabees is that you don't have enough of them!'"

ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

The engagement of Miss Joyce Timmer, daughter of Prof. and Mrs. Albert H. Timmer, to Ensign Bill Seaman, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Seaman of Charleston, Ill., was announced at a family dinner party on Christmas day in the Timmer home, 539 College Ave.

Miss Timmer, graduate of Holland High school, attended Hope college one year and is now a student at Western Michigan college, Kalamazoo. At Hope she was affiliated with Sibilene and at Western she is a member of Senate sorority. Ensign Seaman attended Eastern Illinois State Teacher's college where he was affiliated with Sigma Tau Gamma national fraternity, and later attended Western Michigan college under the V-12 program. He is now serving in New Guinea with the amphibious forces.

No wedding plans have been made.

Two File Applications For Building Permits

Two applications for building permits amounting to \$275 were filed last week with City Clerk Oscar Peterson, an increase of \$75 over the previous week's single application for \$200.

The applications follow: Fourteenth Street Christian Reformed church, 14th St. and Central Ave., new tile board ceiling in classroom, \$125; M. Ploekmeyer, contractor.

Ben Stegink, 81 West 17th St., new kitchen cupboards, \$150; Ed De Free, contractor.

Mr. and Mrs. Tony Grit and daughters have moved to Grandville to an apartment there for the winter months.

Mrs. Dora Bowman sold her



ARE MARRIED 60 YEARS

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Scholten, 121 West 18th St., plan to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary Thursday with open house from 2 to 5 and 7 to 9 p.m. in their home.

The occasion is also Mrs. Scholten's 85th birthday anniversary. Mr. Scholten will be 84 Feb. 9. They have five children, Bernard, John, Gerrit, Alfred and Mrs. Martin Busscher. Mr. Scholten is a retired farmer.

## Nearly 300 Attend Annual Heinz Christmas Party

Presentation of Faithful Service Gold medals to 10 employees for 10 years of service and gold watches to three employees for 20 years of service highlighted the annual Christmas party for employees of the Holland branch of the H. J. Heinz Co. Friday night in Christian High school, attended by nearly 300 persons.

Gold watches were awarded to John Achtterhof, Henry J. Bos, R. A. Howlett, Jr., James Rotman, Herbert Stanaway, Willis Van Vuren, Sena Miedema, Elizabeth Walberg, Andrew Wierda and Henry Pas. The awards were made by Manager C. B. McCormick, who has been with the Heinz Co. 28 years and the response was given by R. A. Howlett, Jr. McCormick also read a message from H. J. Heinz II.

Award of the 10 medals and three watches last night brought the total of Holland Heinz employees to 44 10-year service medals and 29 20-year gold watches. These honored employees now total 73, representing a combined total of 1,368 years.

## Serving Under the Stars and Stripes



Lt. L. N. Hofstee, 34, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Hofstee, 158 West 14th St., and husband of the former Hazel Jacobs, is now stationed at the naval base at Port Heuneme, Cal.

Lt. Hofstee received his commission as lieutenant (j.g.) in the dental corps in February, 1943. He was stationed at Great Lakes for a year and from there was transferred to naval training school at Northwestern university. In May, 1944, he was promoted to lieutenant (s.g.) and then was sent to San Diego, Cal.

Previous to his entry in the navy he practiced dentistry in Madison, Wis., where he was associated with the Quisling clinic for ten years. Lt. Hofstee received his education in the Holland schools and attended Loyola college of dentistry in Chicago. Lt. Hofstee's wife and son reside in San Diego. (Photo courtesy Wisconsin State Journal.)

Group of Girls Enjoy Dinner at Restaurant

A group of girls employed at the Holland Hitch Co. enjoyed a Christmas dinner party at the Dutch Mill restaurant Wednesday Dec. 20. Gifts were exchanged and prizes awarded to winners playing Bingo.

Included in the party were the Misses Donna Van Wieren, Dena Van Zanten, Jeanette Weststrate, Stella Van Dyke, Ruth Pierson, Rachel Vanden Brink, Joan Vander Ploeg, Lorraine Meiste, Genevieve Victor, Lena Van Gelderen, Pauline Victor, Jessie Veldheer, Mildred Cunningham, Lorraine Victor, Doris Ver Hage, Irene Ver Hage, Ella Keen.

Methodist Church SS Class is Entertained

Members of Mrs. Harvey Olsen's Sunday school class of First Methodist church were entertained at a Christmas party in the home of Gertrude O'Connor, 331 Lincoln Ave., Wednesday, Dec. 20. Lunch was served by Mrs. Henry O'Connor and Frank O'Connor acted as Santa Claus.

Guests were the teacher, Joyce Hyma, Donna Shuck, Jean Koppelaar, Mary Jane Mackay, Shirley Bowen, Barbara Knoll, Donna Severance, Connie Raffenaud, Connie Luurtma, Joan Houtman, Donna Eastman, Betty Joan Walker and Ruth Zoet.

## One-Hundred Attend OES Star of Bethlehem Party

One-hundred persons attended the Star of Bethlehem chapter No. 40, O. E. S., party Thursday night in the Masonic hall. A Bohemian dinner was served from decorated tables followed by group singing led by Mrs. William Van Hove.

A miscellaneous program of vocal and instrumental selections and readings was given by Joyce Bachelor, Penny and Sally Boone, Clyde Broker, Tommy Blackburn, Charles and Charlotte Dyke, Billy and Romaine Howlette, III, Ruth Van Hour, Mary Lou and George Pierson, Florence Shashagay and Nancy White. Ruth Pierson, Kay and Evah Simpson Roy Heath presented a ventriloquist act and dialect readings.

Santa Claus, impersonated by William Murphy, gave each one a gift from a decorated Christmas tree. Guests were present from Chicago, Ill., Cleveland, O., Grand Rapids, Lansing and West Branch.

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## Finds Spirit of Peace In Luxembourg Town

It was in a little Luxembourg village that Capt. Robert J. McBain found despite the war a spirit of "peace on earth, good will toward men" which prompted him to say, "Perhaps we do have something to fight for, after all."

Writing to his wife here last Dec. 7—before the start of the Nazi offensive through Luxembourg and Belgium—the 34-year-old member of an armored division said the villagers and Americans who had just been attached to the town became so close the townspeople wanted the soldiers to remain when the war was over.

Capt. McBain, who married Inez Prince of Holland in 1937, is a native of Grand Rapids. He resided here two years while he was dean of business administration at the University of Grand Rapids.

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## Illness Is Fatal to Overisel Woman

Mrs. Gertrude Lampen, 85, widow of John Lampen, died at 10 a.m. Monday in her home in Overisel following a long illness of complications. Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Sena Arink and Mrs. Tony Freye of Overisel; three grandchildren; a brother, Henry Brink of Overisel; three sisters, Mrs. Henry J. Hoffman of Overisel, Mrs. Anna Van Dam of Holland and Mrs. Simon Fyneveer of Coopersville.

## Hamilton

(From Friday's Sentinel)

The Women's Study club held its Christmas meeting at the home of Mrs. Marvin Kaper. Mrs. Fred Billet presided and conducted the opening numbers. The program was arranged by Mrs. Clarence Billings and Mrs. Justin Sale, the former reading a legend of the first Christmas tree and latter conducting several games. A trio composed of Mrs. M. Kaper, Mrs. F. Kaper and Mrs. H. W. Tenpas favored with Christmas vocal numbers, accompanied by Mrs. John Brink, Jr. The home of the hostess was beautifully decorated for Christmas. She was assisted by Mrs. M. Smallegan and Miss Fannie Bultman in serving. Members contributed gifts for inmates of Percy Jones hospital at Battle Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Eding's son, born last Saturday at Holland hospital, has been named Jack Warren.

Marvin Smallegan was in charge of the Christian Endeavor service Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kooker were

supper guests in the home of their children, Mr. and Mrs. John Haakma, last Sunday.

The local school Christmas program was held Thursday night of this week and the school will close Friday for the holiday recess.

The Women's Church League of First Reformed church served a cafeteria, supper last Thursday night at the Community building. A short musical program later in the evening included vocal selections by a girls trio, Mildred Lubbers, Margaret Lampen and Joyce Nyenhuise, the Hamilton Gospel trio, Arthur Hoffman, Sherman de Boer and H. D. Strabbing, and two piano duets by Fannie Bultman and Mrs. M. Kaper, also the singing of Christmas carols by the audience.

Rev. and Mrs. E. H. Tanis of Kalamazoo called on relatives here last Tuesday, also attending the rendition of "The Messiah" at Hope Memorial chapel in the evening.

The King's Daughters Missionary group of First Reformed church held their Christmas meeting on Tuesday night at the home of Mrs. Ben Lohman, their sponsor for the past few months.

Mrs. Joe Mosier has received word of the safe arrival of her husband, Lt. Mosier, in the Pacific war area. The former is residing at the home of her father, Andrew Lubbers, for the present.

St. Nicholas in Luxembourg, he said, is garbed in a white robe and is preceded by a bad man who has horns, wears torn clothing and carries a bundle of switches. The evil one visited the school and the children "just scattered." "Some went under desks, some out the window and some ran into the corners and, when they could not get away, knelt and prayed. Then the good saint came in and everything was all right."

"All the little children now think St. Nick has moved from the North Pole to America because all their candy came from there."

The villagers at first were mystified by the movies. Some of the older men and women even tried to touch the little actors on the screen. But they liked the pictures, especially Micky Mouse, Popeye and others like them.

The villagers became so attached to the Yanks they looked up on maps just where the United States is located. They figured it to be about 9,000 kilometers. "They say that if the Americans come 9,000 kilometers to fight they can't do enough for them."

The letter did not refer to the actual fighting, but other letters to Mrs. McBain indicated he has been in the thick of the stand against the new Nazi offensive. He told last November of entering one town, near the German border, when it was captured. The town figured in Saturday's war news. He was stationed for a considerable time near the German border and when he first entered Luxembourg last October he was stationed in a \$30 million castle.

A reserve officer, he was called to Ft. Knox, Ky., for active duty Feb. 4, 1942. After 16 months there he was chosen to attend an inspector general school

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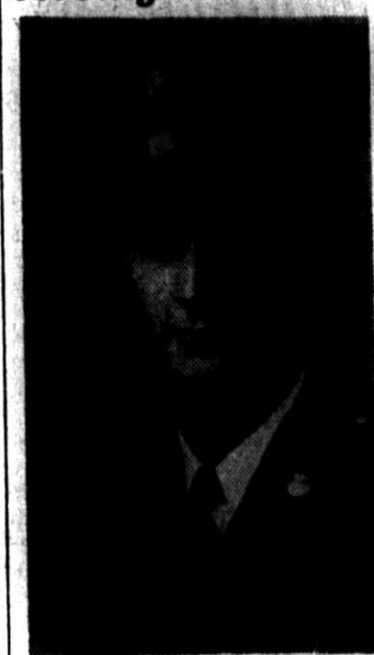
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## COMMON COUNCIL

Holland, Michigan, Dec. 20, 1944. The Common Council met in regular session and was called to order by the Mayor.

Present: Mayor Schepers, Aldermen Van Hartesveldt, Steffens, Bontekoe, Slagh, De Pree, Streur, Damson, City Engineer Zuidema, and the Clerk.

Devotions led by Alderman De Pree.

Minutes read and approved.

**Petitions and Accounts**

Clerk presented communication from the State Liquor Control Commission requesting advice from the Common Council relative to the following transfers:

Raymond Hamilton, 126 East Eighth Street to operate as a Tavern and S.D.M. (This is for transfer of ownership from Wm. Van de Water.)

Mrs. Velma Van Ark 179 River Avenue. (This is for transfer of ownership from Andrew Leenhouts.)

Approved. Clerk presented application and bond of Carl B. De Koster for license to operate the Palace Pool and Billiard Hall at 78 East Eighth Street with James De Koster and John Boers as sureties. This is to be a transfer of ownership from Urs Von Ins.

Bond approved and license granted.

Clerk presented communication from the Holland City Employees signed by Henry Geerlings, Secretary, requesting a meeting with the Ways and Means Committee to consider the adoption of a new set of "Working Agreements."

The letter points out that the Agreement now in effect was adopted about two years ago and the employees consider that these former rules and agreement have become obsolete.

Referred to the Ways and Means Committee.

**Reports of Standing Committees**

Committee on Claims and Accounts reported having examined claims in the sum of \$8529.48 and recommended payment thereof.

Allowed.

Street Committee to whom was referred the petition of the Christian Schools for the closing of 20th Street between Michigan and State Streets reported for information of the Council that they have had a meeting with representatives from the Christian Schools but were not in a position to make a recommendation to the Council at this time. The Committee suggested that it might be well for the Council to consider this matter in the Committee of the Whole in the near future. The suggestion was made that the Council meet to consider this matter as a Committee of the Whole after the next regular Council meeting.

**Reports of Special Committees**

City Attorney reported on behalf of the Civic Committee in regard to the matter that had been referred to them sometime ago upon petition by property owners on East 20th Street protesting against the enlarging of the parking lot by the Holland Furnace Company in their neighborhood.

The City Attorney stated that he was interested in having the Council fully informed on just what has transpired on this matter, and in this connection read a letter which he had written to the Holland Furnace Company suggesting that they present this matter to the Appeal Board for its decision.

After the City Attorney read this letter, he also read a letter which he had received from the Holland Furnace Co. in reply to his letter in which the Furnace Co. takes the position that they see no reason for making an application to the Board of Appeals on this matter. The Furnace Company outlined in their letter that they have been using this lot for quite sometime and were of the opinion that they have made a decided improvement in the property over what it formerly was. They further stated that it was their plan to surface these lots with macadam or cement in order to prevent dust.

The City Attorney read a further letter that he had sent to the Holland Furnace Company in further reply to their last letter in which he pointed out to them that under the existing Ordinances of the City of Holland, the only legal and proper way to have this matter settled would be by the Board of Appeals since they are the sole body which has jurisdiction in this matter.

Communications from Boards and

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The Holland post office will close at 2 p.m. Saturday, its regular Saturday closing time. Postmaster Harry Kramer said today.

Rev. George Huff, missionary-elect to Africa, will preach in Wesleyan Methodist church Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

The claims approved by the following Boards were ordered certified to the Council for payment: Hospital Board—\$3219.00; Library Board—\$282.39; Park and Cemetery Board—\$1857.32; Board of Public Works—\$7678.29; Board of Public Works—Purchase of Government Bonds—\$150,036.75.

Allowed. (said claims on file in Clerk's and Board of Public Works offices for public inspection.)

Board of Public Works reported the collection of \$37,055.35; City Treasurer—\$5881.15 for miscellaneous items, and \$22,275.56 for fall tax collections.

Accepted and Treasurer ordered charged with the amounts.

**Motions and Resolutions**

Alderman Meengs called attention to the fact that each year the taxpayers in the City of Holland are obliged to appropriate a certain amount of money for the maintenance of Holland Hospital and because of the fact that the Hospital is not entirely self-supporting, it was Mr. Meengs' opinion that people from outside the City who are patients at the Hospital should pay more for services than local taxpayers.

In this connection, the City Attorney reported that sometime ago the Hospital Board had recommended that outsiders pay 75 cents per day more than local people. However, this matter was rescinded at a later meeting because of the fact that they could find no other hospital that is making such a differential in charges.

City Attorney stated, however, that he felt there was decided merit in Mr. Meengs' suggestion and felt that the matter should be given further consideration.

After quite some discussion, it was moved by Alderman Meengs, 2nd by Slagh, that the Mayor appoint a committee to meet with the Hospital Board and go into this matter further.

Adopted. Mayor appointed as such committee:—Aldermen Meengs, Van Hartesveldt and De Pree.

Adjourned. Oscar Peterson, City Clerk.

**Personals**

(From Friday's Sentinel)

Miss Eda Marion Moody of Oklahoma City, Okla., is expected to arrive this week-end to spend the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Moody, West 11th St.

Mrs. C. J. Dregman has gone to Houghton to visit her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Sherwood Price. She will remain there until after New Years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Price are on the faculty of Michigan College of Mining and Technology.

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## Charge Five With Reckless Driving

Grand Haven, Dec. 28 (Special)

—Five youths, who had been forcing their cars into spinning skids on the icy main street of Marne, pleaded guilty in Justice Howard Erwin's court in Coopersville Saturday to reckless driving charges and each paid a \$25 fine and \$5.80 costs. The sheriff and a deputy made the arrests after Marne residents had complained, pointing out that one car had almost hit a gasoline pump.

Those arrested were Edward Klein, 17, Robert Walcott, 18, Arend Huiskens, 17, Robert Yost, 21 and Ivan Hug, 17, all residing near the village. The alternative was 30 days in jail. Three of the boys are employed in factories and two are at home with their fathers on farms.

Louis Kennedy, 21, route 1, Hudsonville, appeared before Justice Erwin Friday on a charge of failure to yield right of way, which was placed against him by the sheriff's department. Upon his plea of guilty he paid a \$5 fine and \$3.35 costs. The arrest followed an accident which occurred Dec. 9 a mile east of Allendale on M-50 when the car Kennedy was driving, traveling north, allegedly drove in front of a car being driven in a westerly direction by Henry Berens of route 1, Zeeland. Damage to Kennedy's car amounted to about \$150 and to Berens \$100.

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**Olive Center**

(From Wednesday's Sentinel)

Mrs. Harm Looman attended funeral services for her brother, Albert Raak, 73, who died at his home in Zeeland after a lingering illness.

Albert Arnoldink of Holland is making his home with his children, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Veldebeer, for the present.

Mrs. Bernice De Vries spent four days in the hospital in Zeeland as the result of an automobile accident last Sunday morning. The family were en route to church when something went wrong with the steering wheel, causing the car to roll over the embankment south of Zeeland. Mrs. De Vries suffered a scalp wound and bruises while the others were unhurt. The car was only slightly damaged.

Seaman 1/C Richard Nykamp has been transferred from Shoemaker, Cal., to Mare Island Naval Base in San Francisco bay.

Mrs. Gerrit Swierenga and daughter, Judy, Mrs. Lawrence Bakker, Hazel and Lois Bakker, all of Holland, spent Christmas day with their mother, Mrs. Louis Bakker.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boers, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Molewijk and children and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kamphuis and daughter, were Christmas day guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Hassevoort.

Others included Dwayne Teusink, Diane W. Klaaren, Roscoe De Vries, Mrs. Theodore Knoll, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Van Dyck, Misses Edna and Mildred Cook, Dick Nieuwma, Jr., Elmer Don Teusink and Sally Ann Van Dyck.

Playlets and songs were given by children of the Sunday school classes taught by Miss Edna Cook, Miss Nan Kronmeyer, Miss Mary De Vries, Drew Miles, Neal Sandy, Miss Dick Miles and Mrs. C. Onk A. play, "The Birthday of the King" was given by members of the Missionary society.

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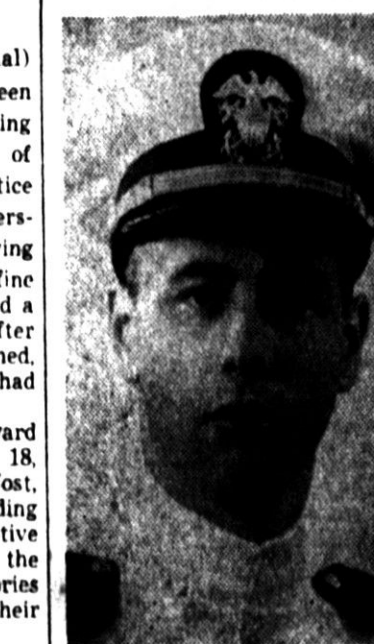
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## THE "BIGGEST" NEWS STORY

How do publicity judges decide  
on what was the "biggest" news  
story of the year? The general  
public sometimes gets the wrong  
impression of the basis of those  
annual choices. Just now attention  
is once more drawn to this  
subject by the fact that the United  
Press has listed the ten "biggest"  
news stories of the year. At the  
top of the list is the story of D-  
day.

For once there can be little dif-  
ference of opinion. Usually judges  
disagree, and the people disagree  
with them. It seems likely that  
this year both judges and readers  
will almost instantly admit that  
the D-day story is actually "big-  
ger." There could have been only one  
"bigger"—if Germany had sur-  
rendered.

When newspaper judges select  
the ten "biggest" stories of the  
year they do not necessarily name  
the ten most important events of  
the preceding twelve months; they  
are naming the ten events in  
which most people have been in-  
terested. Those events may be of  
minor importance. The masses of new-  
paper readers are sometimes con-  
cerned with events that are of  
small social significance, some-  
times they almost ignore matters  
of great weight, simply because  
such matters may not be dramat-  
ic.

Drama is not the only character-  
istic an event must have to make  
it a candidate for being rated  
among the "ten biggest," but it is  
one of the most important. The  
human mind is so constituted that  
it gives its attention to anything  
that is dramatic. Other things be-  
ing equal, the more dramatic an  
event is, the "bigger" the story.  
It is the newspaper's business to  
give the most space to the things  
most people want to read about.  
By giving up a story the news-  
man is not passing on its social  
significance, he is merely trying  
to satisfy the human curiosity of  
the largest number of people.

In the case of the D-day story  
basic importance and drama came  
together. Few things can be more  
important than the beginning of  
the liberation of a world. Also,  
few events can be more dramatic  
than the invasion of a continent.  
There has never been anything in  
the whole history of the world's  
literature that was more dramat-  
ic than that. Compared with the  
invasion, the siege of Troy was a  
minor skirmish, and the battles of  
Julius Caesar were petty contests.  
For once the "biggest" story of  
the year was actually the "big-  
gest" in the sense of being both  
the most significant and the most  
dramatic.

## THE CHURCH INVITES YOU

The Sunday before Christmas is  
to all too many persons an annual  
church-going day. It is a travesty  
to hear some one say, "I'll go  
again next Christmas." That which  
is attractive and helpful in the  
Christmas service would have  
drawing power any Sunday.

Christianity has a part in mak-  
ing an appeal that will cause all  
nations to hear and obey the  
angel's song when Christ was  
born: "Peace on earth good will  
to men."

We all need to have a part in  
making that persuasive appeal.  
Why not go to church next Sun-  
day?

## Claimed in Home After Illness of Eight Years

Hamilton, Dec. 28 (Special).—  
Nick Klokert, 60, died Sunday  
morning in his home near Ham-  
ilton after suffering from pay for  
the past eight years. Surviving  
are the widow, Mrs. Panny Klokert;  
one son, Lawrence, and two  
daughters, Myrtle and Ruth, all at  
home.

## DIES IN COOPERVILLE

Coopersville, Dec. 28.—Fred  
J. Leach, 76, retired Coopersville  
businessman, died unexpectedly  
Monday in his home here. He was  
born in New York and came here  
from Grandville 25 years ago. Sur-  
viving are a daughter, Mrs. Bert  
Van Zee of Grand Rapids; a son,  
Alvin of Coopersville; four grand-  
children and six great grandchil-  
dren.

## Sunday School Lesson

December 31, 1944  
The Basis of Courage for  
The Future  
Matthew 16:13-20; 2 Peter 3:14-18  
By Henry Geerlings

Jesus wanted to know what the  
public's opinion concerning Him  
was. Public opinions may be im-  
portant or it may be very unim-  
portant. Sometimes it is mere  
guesswork. It is often formed  
without all the facts in the case.  
Certainly the public was guessing  
about Jesus. There was a variety  
of opinion about Him, and this  
opinion had not become convic-  
tion. It was the kind that could  
be arrived at today and changed  
tomorrow.

Of course, Jesus wanted people  
to think well about Him and  
accept Him for what He was, but  
at this present moment He was  
not nearly so interested in what  
the general public thought about  
Him as He was as to what His  
own intimates thought about Him.  
Had they arrived at some definite  
conclusion. Had the true light  
broken through their dark minds?  
Had He really succeeded in reveal-  
ing His true self to them? Did  
they know who He was, and did  
they understand the nature and  
purpose of His mission? Had they  
any convictions? If they had not  
apprehended something more of  
Him than the general public, then  
His heart would be heavy indeed.  
Public opinion would not build His  
kingdom. Public opinion would not  
carry His gospel to all the world.  
Public opinion would not share  
His cross. Public opinion would be  
quite willing to leave Him to His  
own fate.

But if He succeeded to any de-  
gree in putting Himself into the  
lives of His disciples, if He had  
molded their minds in the least  
to His way of thinking, if he had  
stirred in them any real thinking  
about Him, such thinking as would  
spell out a great loyalty in their  
future lives, then He would know  
that His mission was not in vain.  
Alongside of this, public opinion  
counted for naught. After all, it  
is true that the few men and  
women with deep convictions and  
glowing ideals are they who make  
the world. The multitudes do not  
think greatly. The multitudes do  
not concern themselves about get-  
ting the real truth of things. The  
multitudes are not willing to die  
for a cause or an ideal. People  
with deep, abiding convictions are  
comparatively few. Truth lovers  
and martyrs are lonely.

Jesus was very wise in his ap-  
proach to His disciples. He began  
on the outer edge and He came  
from there to the center. He start-  
ed them thinking about the gen-  
eral appraisal of Him, and then  
He earnestly sought their own.  
They had thought about Jesus,  
and were they willing to tell Him  
what they were? They could not  
escape the necessity of saying  
something of laying bare their  
souls in this great moment. Pos-  
sibly they had never in all their  
experience with Jesus faced a  
more penetrating question. Peter  
spoke for the group and what a  
great confession he made. It was  
a divine flash of the truth across  
the soul of Peter—possibly not a  
flash but a slowly-coming revela-  
tion. At any rate, he rose to a  
great height of spiritual suscep-  
tibility that day.

His soul was attuned to some-  
thing above the sounds and sig-  
nals of earth, and it caught the  
heavenly harmonies. But it is a  
question if he knew the full im-  
port of what he said. His soul did  
not remain in its high state of  
spiritual apprehension. Soon Jesus  
had to rebuke him severely. As  
he had been an inspiration, so  
now he became a temptation. As  
he had risen to the heavens, so  
now he becomes very earthly with  
poor earthly views. We presume  
no one can dwell long on the  
heights. He gets sinking spells.

No one who thinks can escape  
some kind of opinion about Jesus.  
To dismiss Him from the intellec-  
tual field with the wave of a hand  
shows intellectual fragility. Jesus  
is too great, too imposing, too  
much woven into the very life of  
the world's life to get rid of  
Him easily and then claim re-  
spect for one's thinking. Who is  
He? What is He? What do you  
think about Him? Has He said  
anything, has He done anything  
to you for which you have reason  
to be thankful? Can He inspire  
your thinking? Does He have  
anything that will touch your life  
into a flame of goodness and ser-  
vice? As an honest thinking man  
a woman, you must have to  
make some confession about Jesus.

## Fifty-Five Baskets Given To Needy by City Mission

Fifty-five Christmas baskets,  
prepared by the City Mission  
staff, were distributed to needy  
families in the city Friday.

Contents of each box included  
a chicken, coffee, land, can of  
fruit, jar of jelly, beans, corn,  
peas, tangerines, five-pound sack of  
flour, breakfast food, potatoes,  
carrots, celery and bread.

Those contributing food, toys  
and money for the baskets and  
other programs in the Mission are  
Kolla-Landwehr foundation,  
Friendly Corner class of Trinity  
church, Camp Fire girls, Boy  
Scouts and various individuals.

A varied program, including re-  
citations, pantomimes, vocal and  
instrumental musical numbers and  
devotions, led by Rev. G. Trotter,  
was presented Christmas night in  
the Mission. Those on the pro-  
gram committee were Mrs. Tom  
Potts, Mrs. Nick Ver Hey, Mrs.  
John Vander Vliet and Mrs. Flor-  
ence Denny.

Your greatest Christmas cheer  
will come as a result of dispen-  
sation cheer.

## But It's True



## In the Good Old Days

A class of 27 will graduate from  
the Holland High school next June,  
according to a story appearing in  
the March 2 issue of the Ottawa  
County Times published in 1900 by  
M. G. Manting. The members of  
the class are: Fred Browning,  
Harry Cogshall, Will Dinkeloo,  
Jacob Fleman, Leon Reeves,  
George Schurman, Henry Steketee,  
Jacob Stool, John Van Den Berg,  
Bastian Van Ry, Andrew Ver  
Schure, Zora Benedict, Edith Bir,  
Margaret De Roo, Sena De Vries,  
Kate Elferdink, Maude Elferdink,  
Augustine Horning, Mable Johnson,  
Susie Mokma, Winona Riegel,  
Minnie Rixsen, Gertrude Rosen-  
dahl, Anna Schoon, Myrtle Sutton,  
Carrie Ten Houten and Kate Zal-  
sky.

The Ladies' Literary League of  
Hope college will furnish a benefit  
entertainment in Winants Chapel  
March 15. They have secured the  
services of three well known ar-  
tists for the occasion, Miss Marian  
Carter, violinist of Chicago; Miss  
Lena Belle Bridgman, reader of  
Grand Rapids and Mrs. Marie U-  
ley Aldworth, contralto soloist, of  
Grand Rapids.

Ben S. Hanchett of Grand Rap-  
ids has returned from Detroit where  
he has been on business connected  
with the proposed Grand Rapids,  
Holland and Lake Michigan Inter-  
urban railway.

Following is the list of High  
school pupils not absent or tardy  
for the year up to February. An-  
drew Ver Schure, Minnie Rixsen,  
Fred Klyen, Hoyt Post, Will Roze-  
boom, Harvey Takken, Ethel  
Stokes, Thomas Marsjle, John  
Schuurman, Henry Dutton, Isaac  
Stuit, Emma Bennett, Agnes Hab-  
ermann, Margaret Kramer, Jennie  
Oosting, Joannette Westover, Sena  
De Vries, John Grovengord, Lewis  
McKay, John Prakken, John  
Schoon, Lena De Han, Francis An-  
derson, Grover Rogers, Maggie  
Dykema, Ed Steketee, Bert Van  
Eyck, Emma Damson, Maude  
Klyen, Florence Kruisenga and  
Hettie Thole.

Capt. and Mrs. A. Wecker have  
returned from a visit with Capt.  
and Mrs. Charles Morton at  
Grand Haven.

March is at hand and it is in-  
teresting to know what kind of  
weather it has furnished us in  
past years. The highest tempera-  
ture ever recorded in March was  
71 degrees on the 9th in 1875 and  
the coldest was 5 below on the  
21st in 1885.

Mrs. Allen, assisted by Mrs. Van  
Dyzer, invited the Missionary so-  
ciety of Hope church to meet at  
the home of Mrs. Allen, 85 West  
Ninth St., on Wednesday after-  
noon, March 7, at 3 o'clock.

W. E. Bond, formerly of this  
city, but now located at North Ya-  
kima, Wash., is engaged in the  
grocery, flour and feed business in  
company with J. A. Kleis of that  
city.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Peter De  
Boe on Wednesday a son, Mr. De  
Boe formerly resided here but is  
now at Grand Haven.

Rev. H. J. Pietsen of Leota,  
Minn., formerly of East Holland,  
near here, has been called to the  
Fourth Reformed church at Kala-  
mazoo.

A large party drove out for a  
sleighride a few evenings ago and  
spent a pleasant evening at the  
home of Peter Van Anrooy a mile  
south of the city limits.

A prayer meeting was held Wed-  
nesday evening at the Ninth Street  
Christian Reformed church to offer  
prayers for the struggling Boers  
in South Africa.

Charles M. Humphrey of Iron-  
wood, president of our electric  
road, is in town this week.

Ottawa county as a regularly  
organized county, will be 69 years  
old on Friday, March 2. The coun-  
ty is getting to be quite an old fel-  
low. Its boundaries have been  
changed not a little since the pio-  
neer days of the county—Grand  
Haven Tribune.

## Vriesland

(From Wednesday's Sentinel)  
Mrs. Jack Holwerda and son,  
Frankie, of Grand Rapids were  
Monday guests at the D. G. Wyn-  
garden home.

The Sewing Guild met in the  
chapel last Thursday afternoon  
with Marie Wyngarden as hostess.  
Others present were Miss Jennie  
Boer, Mrs. J. De Jonge, Mrs. W.  
Vander Kolk, Mrs. J. Brinks and  
Arloa, Mrs. H. Boss, Mrs. P. De  
Witt, Mrs. G. Van Zoeren, Mrs. Ed  
Kroodsma, Mrs. E. Brower, Mrs. I.  
Hungerink, Mrs. M. D. Wyngard-  
en and Mrs. M. P. Wyngarden. A  
lunch was served by Marie Wyn-  
garden.

A Christmas party was held at  
the home of Mr. and Mrs. George  
Van Zoeren Dec. 18. Those pre-  
sent were members of Mrs. J. G. J.  
Van Zoeren's class, Erma Ruth  
Wyngarden, Leola Schermer, Mar-  
ilyn Broersma, Shirley Hungerink,  
Marian Brower, Shirley Heyboer,  
Marian Faber, Carolyn Hoove, An-  
na Morren and Carol Van Zoeren.  
Gifts were exchanged by members  
of the class and Mrs. Van Zoeren  
was presented with a gift. A nice  
lunch was served by Mrs. G. Van  
Zoeren.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ryn-  
brandt of Hudsonville, Mr. and  
Mrs. Gerrit De Vree spent Tues-  
day evening at the home of Mr.  
and Mrs. Harvey De Vree and  
sons of Holland.

Rev. and Mrs. R. C. Schaap  
were Tuesday callers on Mrs. J.  
De Hoop at Grand Haven.

Mrs. John Gunneman and grand-  
child Robert Gunneman, and girl-  
friend of Coopersville were Tues-  
day callers on Mr. and Mrs. Will  
Vander Kolk.

Mrs. H. Wyngarden was a Wed-  
nesday supper guest of Mr. and  
Mrs. Kenneth De Jonge of Zeel-  
and.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit De Vree  
were Monday callers on Jacob Van  
Hoven and Allie Van Hoven of  
Zeeland.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boss were  
Friday guests of Mr. and Mrs.  
Sylvie Boss of Galeswood.

Mrs. Cora Vander Stel of Grand  
Rapids was a Wednesday guest of  
Mr. and Mrs. Corneal Van Hout-  
ma.

Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Wyngarden  
were Tuesday night callers on P.  
Wyngarden.

The Willing Workers enjoyed a  
Christmas party in the chapel last  
Thursday night. Gifts were ex-  
changed and lunch was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Boss, Mr.  
and Mrs. Edward Kroodsma and  
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wyngarden,  
served on the decorating commit-  
tee for the Christmas program in  
the church, Mrs. V. Vander Kolk,  
Mrs. G. Van Zoeren and Mrs. H.  
Wabeke served on the program  
committee.

Mrs. H. Ensing is confined to  
her home at present, the result of  
a fall.

## Shower Compliments

Miss Dorothy Wichers

Miss Dorothy Wichers, a bride-  
elect, was honored at a personal  
shower given Tuesday night by  
Miss Maxine Den Herder in her  
home, 521 East Eighth St. Cards  
were played with high score prize  
going to Miss Ellen Jahe Kooiker.  
Guests included the Misses Kooi-  
ker, Mary Jane Raffenaud, Mrs.  
Ray Holder and Mrs. George  
Lumsden, all members with Miss  
Wichers and Miss Den Herder  
of a former Hope college sextet,  
Mrs. W. Curtis Snow and Mrs.  
Wynand Wichers.

## Miss Louise Reiss and Son of Sheriff Engaged

Mrs. Katherine Reiss of West  
Olive announces the engagement  
and approaching marriage of her  
daughter, Louise, to Sgt. G. Alvin  
Boeve, son of Sheriff and Mrs.  
William M. Boeve of Grand Ha-  
ven. The couple will be married  
Jan. 2 at Camp Lejeune, N. C.,  
where Sgt. Boeve is stationed.

Courts in 30 states now recog-  
nize scientific tests to determine  
drunken drivers.

## Holland In 1913

The congregation of Maple Ave-  
nue Christian Reformed church  
met last evening for the purpose  
of discussing the building of a new  
parsonage. The congregation came  
to the conclusion to erect a home  
for the pastor at the cost of  
approximately \$3,500. This news  
item appeared in the Tuesday,  
Nov. 4, issue of the Holland Daily  
Sentinel published in 1913.

Rev. and Mrs. William Moer-  
dyk of Grandville will move to  
Holland this week for their future  
home. Mr. Moerdyk who has com-  
pleted his 44th year of active ser-  
vice in the ministry has resigned his  
pulpit at Grandville and will  
retire. Mr. Moerdyk is a member  
of the pioneer classes of Hope  
college and the Western Theologi-  
cal seminary, graduating from the  
latter institution in 1869.

Two basket ball leagues have  
been formed at Hope college which  
will play from 4 to 6 every after-  
noon. The one league is composed  
of college men and the other of  
those in the preparatory depart-  
ment.

Miss Evelyn Mulder was pleas-  
antly surprised by a number of her  
friends last evening at her home  
on West 11th St.

There was a pretty stiff breeze  
on Lake Michigan last night so  
that the "City of Chicago" was  
compelled to stay in the harbor till  
this morning when the trip to Chi-  
cago was begun. There has been  
very little difficulty with weather  
conditions so far this fall and for  
the most part the Graham & Mor-  
ton steamers have been able to  
leave on schedule time.

The congregation of the Third  
Christian Reformed church of  
Muskegon was informed Sunday  
that the Rev. R. B. Kuiper of Oy-  
ensel, Mich., had declined the call  
recently extended by that church.

During 1912 the largest single  
cargo carried by any steamer on  
the lakes was 13,511 tons, carried  
by the steamer Col. J. M. Schoon-  
maker. In that year the same ves-  
sel carried the largest total ton-  
nage of any craft on the lakes,  
making a total of 374,014 tons,  
thereby getting the record for the  
greatest number of miles tons  
which numbered 327,758,366.

For the first time in a score or  
more years, Jacob Flehman will  
not go to the north woods this fall  
to hunt the deer, according to a  
story in the Wednesday, Nov. 5  
issue. This is not because Fleh-  
man is getting too old, for al-  
though he is 76 years old he would  
have gone to his old hunting  
ground and he would have felt con-  
fident of shooting as many deer as  
anyone, if it were not for the fact  
that he has left the state. Fleh-  
man left this week for Oklahoma  
where he will spend the winter as  
the guest of his daughter, Mrs. C.  
Hoffman, formerly of this city but  
who has made Oklahoma her home  
for some months.

Last night at the home of the  
brides parents, Mrs. Otto Henze  
in Fennville, the marriage took  
place of Clifford Hopkins and  
Miss Florence Miller, Mr. Hopkins  
is engaged as rural mail carrier on  
route number six, having held this  
position for the past three years.

The Maple Grove Parents-  
Teachers' club will meet Friday  
afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The Rev.  
H. J. Veldman, pastor of the First  
Reformed church, will address the  
meeting. He will tell of his trip to  
the Netherlands the past summer  
and will also give a description of  
the Hague conference.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George  
Mooney, East Seventh St., yes-  
terday a girl.

A number of young friends held  
a surprise party in honor of Mor-  
ris Van Spyker last evening at his  
home on East 17th St. to celebrate  
his birthday.

The proposition to divide Hol-  
land township into two separate  
townships which has been sub-  
mitted to the board of supervisors of  
Ottawa county may have some  
hard sledding when the committee  
brings in its report at the January  
session of the board.

John Roban left today for the  
Northern peninsula to hunt deer.  
His fellow aldermen and Mayor  
Boesch paid a tribute to Ald. Frank  
Dyke last night when they pub-  
licly refused to accept his resig-  
nation as alderman of the third  
ward according to a story appear-  
ing in the Thursday, Nov. 6, is-  
sue. Mr. Dyke left today for Pe-  
toskey where his firm, Dyke and  
Oosting, is erecting a new high  
school about the size of the Hol-  
land school. Mr. Dyke will live in  
Petoskey for several months, hav-  
ing evacuated his home here. His  
term of office expires next June  
and hence he decided to resign.

The Park board last night asked  
the council whether or not 32nd  
St. would be graded. On the an-  
swer to this question would de-  
pend the making of certain im-  
provements at Prospect Park. The  
city attorney explained that the  
special tax roll for this work and  
hence the improvement, although  
the contract has been let, cannot  
be made. The contract was award-  
ed but not approved and at that  
time the mayor vetoed the action,  
and the council did not pass the  
matter over his veto so that noth-  
ing can be done.

Promptly at 7 o'clock this morn-  
ing the employees of the Holland  
City Gas company began work  
digging the trench for laying the  
main from the gas plant to the  
city limits.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ray Vis-  
cher yesterday, a girl.

The council last night passed an  
ordinance issuing \$19,000 worth of  
street improvement bonds for the  
purpose of defraying the expenses  
incident to the paving and improv-  
ing of East Eighth St., East 12th  
St. and West 12th St.

The Rev. Mr. Rus, who has ac-  
cepted a call to the Prospect Park  
Christian Reformed church ex-

pects to come to Holland soon. He  
will be installed on Nov. 14.  
Yesterday Att. M. A. Sooy cele-  
brated his birthday anniversary.  
Not to be outdone by his brother  
attorney, City Attorney Arthur  
Van Duren celebrated his birthday  
today.

Frank Swift sustained a broken  
wrist and some severe body  
bruises last night when he fell  
from his wheel.

The Board of Parks and Ceme-  
tery and the Board of Health will  
in the future occupy jointly the  
rooms in the city hall now occu-  
pied by the board of education.  
These rooms will be vacated soon  
when the Board of Education will  
move to the new high school.

"The Banner" the paper of the  
Christian Reformed church de-  
nomination this week prints a cut  
of the Rev. W. D. Vander Werp  
who is now the pastor of the  
Maple Avenue Christian Reformed  
church.

Mrs. John Wendell and son, Ed-  
ward, of Cadillac who have been  
the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C.  
Blom, Sr., have returned home.

## Personals

(From Wednesday's Sentinel)  
Motor Machinist's Mate 2/C  
Ray Grisen, who has been over-  
seas with the Seabees for 28  
months, has left for California  
after spending a 30-day leave with  
his wife and parents, Mr. and Mrs.  
H. Grisen, 266 West 21st St. His  
wife returned to California with  
him.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tuls, route  
3, have received word that their  
son, Donald Tuls, who is stationed  
at Camp McQuade, Cal., has been  
promoted to the rank of staff ser-  
geant from sergeant.

Seaman 1/C James E. Clemons  
has returned to Washington, D. C.,  
after spending the Christmas  
week-end with his mother, Mrs. E.  
J. Clemons, 55 West 20th St.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Korstange  
of Bellevue are spending the hol-  
iday season with Mr. and Mrs.  
Howard Doustra, 149 West 21st  
St.

A/S Edwin J. Brink, who has  
been stationed in California, sur-  
prised his family, the Bert E.  
Brinks, when he came home  
Christmas to spend a delay en  
route in Holland. He is to report  
at Fort Meyer, Fla., Jan. 9.

Mrs. Richard F. Keeler spent  
the Christmas week-end in Kala-  
mazoo at the home of her son-in-  
law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs.  
R. A. Deior and their children,  
Richard and David. Also at the  
Delor home were Mr. and Mrs.  
Cedric C. Sweet of Detroit. Mrs.  
Sweet is the former Grace Keel-  
er.

A. S. Paul Klomparsen, son of  
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Klomparsen,  
80 West 14th St., who enlisted in  
the navy recently, has arrived at  
Great Lakes, Ill., for his boot  
training.

LT. (jg) Esther Hinkamp of the  
Waves who is stationed in the of-  
fice of the port director in New  
York city, is spending the Christ-  
mas holiday with her parents,  
Prof. and Mrs. Paul E. Hinkamp,  
West 14th St.

Marlene Kay is the name of the  
daughter born Friday to Mr. and  
Mrs. William John Kleinhekel,  
route 5.

Fred and Ted Kleinhekel of  
Fillmore and James Rabbers of  
East Holland are spending several  
days visiting relatives in Sodas  
and Benton Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fik, 314 East  
13th St., entertained several guests  
at a Christmas supper Monday  
night. Those present were Mr.  
and Mrs. John Laarman and children,  
Theodore, Kenny, Eleanor and  
Arlene, Mr. and Mrs. Martin  
Woudwyk and daughter, Eliza-  
beth, Mr. and Mrs. William M.  
Boeve and sons, Sgt. G. Alvin  
Boeve, Seaman 1/C Lloyd Boeve  
and Eddie, Miss Louise Reiss, Miss  
Jerry Deur, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard  
Laarman and son, Mr. and Mrs.  
Thomas Culom and children, Bar-  
bara and William of Bayer, Ind.

Word has been received by Mr.  
and Mrs. Harry Koop, 116 East  
14th St., that their son, Sgt. How-  
ard Koop, has arrived safely in  
the Dutch East Indies.

Pvt. W. Edward Buteyn arrived  
Tuesday night from Camp Bland-  
ing, Fla., to spend a few days with  
his wife and son at their home,  
329 Washington Ave.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Alberda, 39  
Cherry St., announce the birth of  
a daughter, Judith Faye, Tuesday  
in Holland hospital.

Karl Slayer of the merchant  
marine arrived in Holland Christ-  
mas morning from trips to Eng-  
land, Australia and Africa, and is  
visiting his mother, Mrs. Marie  
Slayer, 168 East 11th St. Slayer  
who has been in the service since  
May, 1943, will leave shortly after  
New Year's day. He has two bro-  
thers in the service, Pfc. Marinus  
Slayer with the army in the Aleu-  
tians, and Pfc. Joseph Slayer





# A Prayer

Across the world the sound of shells has ceased . . .  
 And quiet shrouds the battle-rubbed West . . .  
 The enemy has laid away his arms, and Death and  
 Pain are done in France.  
 But I go on . . . for I must fight and kill . . .  
 And work and sweat . . . and hide and run . . .  
 For *here* the enemy is very much alive . . .

His bullets still are made of lead . . .  
 Their angry whispers still foretell of sudden death  
 For me and others crouched in slime and mud . . .  
 The end for *us* is yet to come . . .  
 And so we pray to God to give us strength  
 To fight and win . . . without the waste of Time . . .  
 And with His Will . . . to see our homes again.

## Your Country is still at war—ARE YOU?

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 BOYS' SHOP  
 PECK'S DRUG STORE  
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 STAR SANDWICH SHOP  
 GRAND RAPIDS MOTOR EXPRESS, Inc.  
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 BOES & WELLING  
 FRIS BOOK STORE  
 GROSSMAN'S  
 HOLLAND FURNACE CO.

HANSEN'S DRUG STORE  
 MODEL DRUG STORE  
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 MICHIGAN GAS & ELECTRIC CO.  
 DE VRIES & DORNBOS CO.  
 MASS FURNITURE CO.  
 PEOPLES STATE BANK  
 NABER'S MARKET  
 DU SAAR PHOTO & GIFT SHOP  
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## Family Parties Feature Observance of Holiday

(From Friday's Sentinel)  
Holland's fourth war Christmas finds the majority of family circles incomplete, but for the most part local residents feel an obligation to those in service to keep alive the holiday traditions and carry out the customs which have been dear to those who are away.

With the thought in mind that Holland men and women in service will want to know what those at home are doing at this special time of year, the Sentinel again is publishing its list of Christmas persons. Fortunate are those who can be home for the holiday, but those others will know that the thoughts of their families and friends in Holland are with them at this Christmas time.

Holland's mayor, Elmer J. Schepers, Mrs. Schepers, and their son, Jimmie, will entertain a group of relatives on Christmas eve. Their guests will be R. Ottem, Mrs. Ted Helder, Mrs. Rinsie Overbeek, Mr. and Mrs. Rance Overbeek and son, Tommy, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Meppelink and daughter, Mary, and Mrs. Fred Meppelink, Jr.

Mr. and Mrs. Gleon Bonnette and two children, David and James, 265 West 24th St., Mrs. A. D. Bell and children, Mary, Melinda and Curtis and Mrs. George Cluse, 200 West 12th St., will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. John East, Fennville, Christmas.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Tibbitts, 359 Central Ave., will be their son Ralph, his wife and son, Billy, of Wayne.

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hopkins, 17 West Ninth St., on Christmas, will be Mr. and Mrs. Otto Heinze and daughter, Florence and son, Eugene, of Fennville, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Sandter and baby of Chicago, Clarence R. Hopkins and wife of Norfolk, Va., and Lt. and Mrs. Leon M. Hopkins of Alameda, Cal.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Marsilje, West 12th St., will entertain on Christmas their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Marsilje, and the latter's children, Louise Ann, Tommy and Eddie, also Mr. and Mrs. Ben Veneklaasen and Miss Marilyn and Miss Katherine Veneklaasen of Chicago.

Dr. Bruce M. Raymond, who is with the Veterans' administration with headquarters at Dearborn, is expected home to spend Christmas with his family at their home on West 12th St.

Christmas week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Good at their home in Central park will be Mr. and Mrs. Frank Good of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Heuvelhorst and daughter, Mary Ann, of Spring Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Steffens will entertain their parents on Christmas day. Guests will be Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Westveer, Mr. and Mrs. George Steffens and the latter's granddaughter, Georgia.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Vander Linde, 55 West 17th St., will entertain their children at a Christmas dinner on Sunday, including Mr. and Mrs. C. Trapp of Grand Haven, Mr. and Mrs. Gus De Vries and Norma Jean of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Den Uy will be spending Christmas in Royal Oak with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Waters.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Knoll, Seaman 1/C and Mrs. George Stegenga and children, Bruce and Judy Kay, will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Houting in Grand Rapids on Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Hinga, Connie and Bill Hinga, will celebrate Christmas at home with the latter's grandparents, Mrs. Mary Hinga and Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Kendrick, participating.

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Mackay and two children will go to Kalamazoo this week-end to spend Christmas with the former's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Scheerhorn, 451 College Ave., and Mr. and Mrs. Russell Visser and two children, Madeline and Franklin, 308 West 18th St., will go to Grandville Christmas day to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Scheerhorn.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Raven are spending the holiday season with Mrs. Harold McLean and daughter, Mary, at their home on West 12th St.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Olive will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth De Pree and their three children, Dick, Tommy and Suzanne, at a Christmas eve observance. On Christmas day the De Prees are planning to be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Van Eenennaam and family in Muskegon. Also going to Muskegon will be Mrs. Henry De Pree, Miss Evelyn and Charlotte De Pree of Zeeland.

Mrs. Jacob Wandscheer of Sioux Center, Ia., mother of Mrs. Marion de Velder who is spending several weeks in Holland, will join in the Christmas observance of Rev. and Mrs. de Velder and family.

Mr. and Mrs. William Reimer, 77 West Ninth St., will have as their guests the latter's sister,

Mrs. Emma Yockey and daughter, Georgiana, of Milwaukee, Wis., from Saturday until Tuesday.

Mrs. William Arendshorst and daughter, Elizabeth of East 12th St., will entertain Mr. and Mrs. John Arendshorst Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Bredeweg and son, Norman, of 383 Maple Ave., and Mr. and Mrs. Peter De Kraker, 231 West 17th St., plan to go to Grand Rapids Christmas day and remain for a few days with Mr. and Mrs. William Alderink.

Miss Nellie Zwemer and her sisters, Miss Marie Zwemer and Mrs. S. C. Nettinga will have as their guest Christmas day, Miss Sena Karsten, in the home of Miss Nellie Zwemer, 333 Central Ave.

Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Simon Posma, 109 East 23rd St., will be Mr. and Mrs. James Rabbers and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Koop and family, 116 East 14th St., will have as their guests Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. John Volkers and family.

Christmas day guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Nick Lanning and family, 126 East 14th St., will be Mr. and Mrs. Ed Post and Roger from Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Wanrooy and Mrs. Emma Wanrooy of Holland.

Mrs. Minnie Langius, Mr. and Mrs. John Langius and daughter Phyllis, of Zeeland, will be guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Prins and family, 107 East Ninth St., Christmas.

Members of the Bosch family, after observing the traditional Christmas activities in their own homes, will gather for supper Christmas night in the home of Mrs. Nicodemus Bosch, 189 West 12th St. In the group will be Dr. and Mrs. Leon Bosch and family of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. G. Bosch, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Yeomans, Mr. and Mrs. Randall Bosch and their families, all of Holland. Miss Barbara Yeomans will be home from the University of Michigan for the holidays.

Meeting at the George A. Pellgrin home on Park road for Christmas day festivities will be their children, Mrs. James White, Fireman 2/C Willard Pellgrin of Great Lakes, Ill., and George Arthur Pellgrin; also Dr. and Mrs. A. Leenhouts, Mrs. A. Donald Leenhouts and son, A. Donald, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Mayo Hadden, Jr., Lt. and son, Mayo III, and Lt. and Mrs. A. Fairbanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlie Bishop and daughters, Barbara and Marcia, of route 4, planned to spend the Christmas week-end with relatives in Hastings.

A family gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Somers, route 4, on Christmas day will include Mr. and Mrs. Emmet McFall and son, Barry, Seaman 2/C Muryl Colthout of the U. S. navy, and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Reed and family of Coopersville.

Mrs. P. Marsilje and Miss Lois Marsilje, missionary to India now on furlough in this country, Mrs. J. A. Otte, former missionary to China, and Miss Jeanne Walvoord, public health nurse in Paw Paw who expects soon to be transferred to Charlotte, will be guests Christmas of Mrs. Edith Walvoord and Miss Geraldine Walvoord, 150 East 15th St.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mannes, and children, 606 Reed Ave., plan to entertain relatives at a party Saturday night. Among the guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lubbers and daughter, Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Boeve and family and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lubbers and Lloyd of East Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Lubbers and children, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Mannes of Muskegon, Mrs. Lambert Lubbers and Mr. and Mrs. Leo Interbitten and daughter.

Rev. and Mrs. Bastian Kruithof and son, 25 East 12th St., will entertain Mrs. Kruithof's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Tubergon Christmas day.

Rev. and Mrs. Henry A. Mow of New Era and Cadet Nurse Dorothy Bielefeld of Grand Rapids will be guests Christmas of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Bielefeld, and Elaine Bielefeld, 199 West 16th St.

Rev. and Mrs. Gerrit Tyse, 88 East 13th St., will entertain at a family party Christmas. Guests will include Rev. and Mrs. J. Clifford McGilvray, missionaries to India now on furlough, and their two children, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tyse of Springfield, O., Mrs. Ann Roth of Lowell, Miss Agnes Tyse of Ann Arbor, Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Tyse, Jr., of Holland, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Tyse and two children of Cedar Springs, Mr. and Mrs. James Tyse and two children of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hartough and son of Pittman, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Strom and daughter of Fenton, Ensign Kenneth Tyse who expects to be shipped overseas this week and Miss Marian Tyse who is employed by the FBI in Washington, D. C., will not be present this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Oosterbaan, Beatrice and Robert, will be guests Christmas day in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dalman, West 19th St.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Vander

Haar and children, Mrs. Bertha Vander Haar and Mrs. John Hoffman will be Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Vander Haar and children, route 3.

A family party will be held Christmas afternoon in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Rusticus, 206 West Ninth St. Home for the occasion will be their son, Gunner's Mate 3/C Herman Rusticus, who has been confined in a Corona, Cal., hospital with rheumatic fever. Upon completion of his leave, which began Tuesday, he will report for duty in Panama for six months.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Borgman and children, Joseph, Jr., and Lewis of Holland and Miss Marjorie Borgman of Zeeland, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Habing and Mrs. Gordon Hamelink will be guests Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Harris, East 15th St.

Mr. and Mrs. Jud Essenburg and three children of Angola, Ind., Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Veenboer and children of Zeeland and Mr. and Mrs. Berlin Bosman and daughter of North Holland will be guests Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. John Westerhof, and daughter, Leona, 33 East 18th St.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus L. De Vries, 193 West 17th St., are entertaining Mrs. De Vries' relatives from Holland, Niles and Grand Rapids Christmas day.

Mrs. Ray B. Lemmen, Shirley and Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Lemmen, Mr. and Mrs. H. Colton and Ronald will be guests Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Dryer, Betty and Peter, Jr., route 3.

Mrs. J. Erickson, Bert Galster and Fred Burt will visit Mr. and Mrs. Earl Galster and daughters, Alma and Alice, in Fremont Christmas day.

Guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Van Tatenhove, Betty and Kenneth 24 West 15th St., Christmas will be Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Van Tatenhove and Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Salisbury, Patty Lou and Linda Kay, all of Holland, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Salisbury of Grand Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Thomson and son, Craig Edward, of Pontiac, are expected here to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Morlock of West 19th St. Mrs. Thomson is the former Natalie Morlock.

Mrs. N. Dykhuizen and daughters, Miss Adelaide and Geraldine Dykhuizen, and Dr. E. D. Dimment plan to spend Christmas with the former's son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Harold Dykhuizen, in Muskegon.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold J. Karsten, 210 West 11th St., are expecting as their week-end guests, the latter's mother and sister, Mrs. E. A. Prisman and Miss Erna Prisman of Chicago. They will be honor guests on Monday at the home of the Misses Anna and Jennie Karsten, 51 West 14th St.

Christmas day guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Bosman, East Tenth St., will be Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Van Vleet, Mrs. A. L. Cappon and Miss Jennie Ver Schure.

Mr. and Mrs. William Brouwer, 52 East 14th St., are having as their Christmas day guests Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Marinus Kole and Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Cook from Grand Haven, and their families.

Mr. and Mrs. Jud Hohl will be with their son and his family, Mr. and Mrs. Verne Hohl on Park road, for a Christmas eve buffet supper. The family will be at the Jud Hohl home on Christmas.

At a family Christmas party in the home of Prof. and Mrs. E. P. McLean, East 26th St., guests will be Mr. and Mrs. Marvin De Vries and son, Jimmie, Miss Lavina Cappon, and Mr. and Mrs. John F. Maubetsch and son, John, of Ann Arbor. The latter have recently moved to Michigan from Huntington, W. Va.

Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Maentz in their home on West 12th St., will be Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Maentz and Dr. and Mrs. F. L. Stegeman of Allegan, also Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Maentz of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Lievens, Park road, will have as their guests on Christmas day Mrs. Lievens' sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Evans of Grand Rapids.

Cadet Nurse La Verne Huyser, in training at Butterworth hospital, Grand Rapids, will spend the holiday week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell V. Huyser, East 24th St. Huyser's mother, Mrs. Jennie Huyser, will be a guest in the home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kielton and the latter's mother, Mrs. Alice Tinkholt, 60 East 14th St., plan to spend Christmas day in Kalamazoo with the L. C. Kroes family.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Koters of Grand Rapids will spend the holiday week-end with Mr. and Mrs. R. A. D. Koters, 438 Van Raalte Ave. All will be dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Lewandowski, 230 West 23rd St.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Mulder, route 2, will join relatives of the Zeeland area and will spend Christmas afternoon and evening in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claire Dalman in North Blenden.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Van Den Berg and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Borgman will be guests Sunday of Mr.

and Mrs. J. D. Eisebagger, 326 West 13th St.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Meeuwse, route 3, will have as guests Christmas night Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Overway, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Overway and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Overway and their families, all of Holland, Mrs. G. G. Overway of Holland, and Herman Overway and Mr. and Mrs. Dave Overway of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard W. Fought and family and Mr. and Mrs. John Van Voorst and family will spend Christmas day at the Fred Van Voorst home at 271 East 16th St.

Mrs. Florence Birtshiel, 115 East 13th St., will have as her Christmas week-end guests her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. N. L. MacDonald, and daughters, Barbara and Marcia, of Jackson. Mrs. MacDonald and Mrs. Birtshiel are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Dalman, Lincoln Ave., will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Van Voorst, 121 East 21st St.

A family Christmas party will be held Saturday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ter Wee, 349 East 17th St. Guests will include Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Dalman and children, Roger, Earle and Sharon, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Van Voorst and children, Bruce and Mary Louise, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Dalman, the Ter Wees and their children, Shirley and Clayton.

Mrs. George E. Kollen, 80 West 13th St., plans to spend Christmas with her son, John Kollen, and his family in Ann Arbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Boter will have as their guests on Christmas, their son-in-law, and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Schowalter, and four-year-old twin daughters, Sally and Sue, of Ellyria, O., and Mrs. Boter's sister, Miss Ella Butterworth of Grand Rapids.

Guests in the home of Dr. and Mrs. F. E. De Weese, 250 East 16th St., on Christmas, will be Mrs. De Weese's mother and aunt, Mrs. Clara Noble and Miss Allie Engle from Allegan and her cousin, Miss Cora Travis of Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. William Thomson, 61 West Ninth St., will spend from Sunday until Tuesday with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Herpolsheimer, Hackmuth road, Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Lamoreaux and son, Calvin, 220 West 14th St., and Mr. and Mrs. Orville Bohnstengel and two children, 320 West 17th St., will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Skinner, Fennville.

Mrs. John Millay and daughter, Mrs. Ben Bos, Jensen park, will entertain Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Coy, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Leenhouts, Dr. and Mrs. George H. Thomas and Miss Sadie Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. John Olert, 56 West 16th St., will be hosts on Christmas day to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Notter, their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Victor Notter of Rochester, Minn., and Mr. and Mrs. John Vaupell.

Miss Martha Sherwood, West 13th St., will follow her usual custom of spending the Christmas holiday with her brother and his family in Grand Haven.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Notter, 76 West 16th St., will have as their guests for the holiday season, their son and daughter-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Victor Notter of Rochester, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Van Volkenburg and daughter, Barbara, 240 West Ninth St., and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tompsett, 203 West 10th St., will go to Hesperia to spend the day with Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Tompsett.

Mrs. John Kramer and her mother, Mrs. T. A. Boot, 62 West 11th St., will have as guests, Mr. and Mrs. Meryl Bird of Pinconning, son-in-law and daughter of Mrs. Kramer.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lackie, 87 East Ninth St., Christmas will be their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Kulte.

Members of the Winter family will spend Christmas day in the home of Dr. and Mrs. John K. Winter on State St. In the group will be Mrs. W. G. Winter, Mrs. John Kools, Dr. and Mrs. W. C. Kools, Miss Elizabeth Kools who is home from Kalamazoo college, John Kools, Mrs. William Winter and two children.

Christmas day guests in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Wynand Wichers, East 10th St., will be Mr. and Mrs. J. H. De Pree and Mr. and Mrs. James De Pree of Zeeland. Miss Dorothy Wichers has returned home from Greenville where she has been teaching since September.

Christmas at the J. E. Telling home on Park road will center around the entertainment of their grandchildren, John E. Telling III and Katherine, with their mother, Mrs. J. E. Telling, Jr., of Pittsburgh, Pa., are guests in the Telling home.

Mrs. Bruce Van Leuven and two children will spend the Christmas holiday in the home of her father, Daniel Ten Cate, and her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Ten Cate and family on West 14th St.

Included in a Christmas eve observance at the home of Mrs. William Winter, 291 West 12th St.,

will be Mrs. B. D. Keppel, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Vischer, Mr. and Mrs. Paul R. Fredericksen, Mr. and Mrs. John Vander Broek, Mrs. John K. Vander Broek and son, Jackie.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard Van Edmond of Grant will be guests Christmas of Mrs. Van Edmond's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Borr, 79 East 15th St.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Palmbo, Mrs. Dena Luidens and Miss John Van Dyke will be guests Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. Arie Van Dyke, Zeeland.

Rev. and Mrs. Frank Thather and two children will spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Thatcher, Fennville.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Vischer, route 4, will have as their guests on Christmas day, Mrs. B. D. Keppel and Mr. and Mrs. John Vander Broek.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Van Zoeren and two sons will go to Byron Center to spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. R. Burgess. Miss Dorothy Van Zoeren, student at Cornell university, will not be home for the holiday.

A family party in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest C. Brooks on Christmas day will include their children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Evans, Robert Jr., and Michele Evans, and Louis Brooks, Mr. and Mrs. R.W. Everett, Walter C. Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. Phillips Brooks and daughter, Janet, home from Michigan State college, also Mrs. R.O. Evans of Chicago.

Members of the Den Herder family will gather in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jay H. Den Herder Sunday evening, and on Christmas night will be entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Den Herder at Zeeland. The group also will include Mr. and Mrs. Harmon Den Herder and Dr. and Mrs. Otto Vander Velde and their families.

Christmas day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wolrding and daughter of West 15th St., will be Mr. and Mrs. F. Barth, Jr., their son and daughter, of Grand Rapids, Ben Steffens, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Steffens, Mr. and Mrs. John Pathus, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Phillips and two daughters, and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Steffens.

Mrs. J. D. French and daughter, Peggy, Park road, are spending the Christmas week-end with relatives in Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Garvelink, 60 West 15th St., will be guests on Christmas of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dominy in Ionia.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dobben, 538 Central Ave., will have as their guests on Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Tinnholt and family of Grand Haven and Mr. and Mrs. John L. Verschure and family of Battle Creek.

Miss Gertrude Stroeve, employed in the clerk's office in the city hall, will spend the holiday week-end with her sister, Jeanne Lefler, and friends in Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Ter Meer, 328 Washington Blvd., will spend Christmas day with Mr. Ter Meer's mother, Mrs. L. Ter Meer, and family in Grand Rapids.

Capt. and Mrs. Paul Pearson, 154 West 14th St., left last Wednesday to spend the holidays with their son and daughter in Monroe.

Miss Norma Becksfort, teacher in Dearborn, is expected to arrive in Holland tonight to spend the holiday vacation with her parents, City Treasurer and Mrs. Henry J. Becksfort.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul H. Lipke, Jr., of Midland and Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Kalmink and son, Paul, will spend the holiday week-end with them. On Saturday evening a birthday dinner will be given in observance of Mrs. Beattie's anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Van Syckle, West 10th St., will be Christmas day guests of Dr. and Mrs. G. A. Stegeman, 61 West 14th St.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Aardsma, 144 East 16th St., plan to entertain on Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. J.D. Van Alsburg and Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Karsten, of this city, also Mr. and Mrs. Louis Otis and son, Ronald, of Michigan City, Ind.

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Miss Rose Teninga and Miss Elbert Hulst of Chicago will spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. John Teninga and Lewis at their home in Central park.

Rev. and Mrs. John Benes and son, Allan, are to be guests Christmas day of Rev. and Mrs. Henry Ten Clay.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Ten Brink and family, 23 East 15th St., plan to go to Grand Rapids Monday to spend Christmas with Rev. and Mrs. S. D. Schipper and family.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Donze, route 2, will have as dinner guests Sunday their children and grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Marinus Donze, Betty Ann and Marinus, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Heldema, Marjorie, Betty Jean, Gilbert, George and Lois Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Donze, Andrew, Jr., and Rita Jean, Mr. and Mrs. Ben De Witt and Robert, Mrs. John Van Nul, John, Jr., and Connie Jean.

Miss Edna Diekema of Louisville, Ky., plans to arrive in Holland Saturday and will be a Christmas guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Diekema, 410 East Eighth St. Traveling with Miss Diekema will be Miss Norma Hoatlin, who will visit her parents in the city.

Mrs. Nina Daugherty and Miss Nellie La Dick, 37 East 15th St., will have as their guests on Christmas, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Weaver of Kalamazoo and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Weaver of St. Louis, Mo.

Miss Lucille Kardux of Oshkosh, Wis., and Mrs. Genevieve Rise-lada of Detroit are expected to spend Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Van Ark, 340 Maple Ave.

Rev. and Mrs. C. M. Beerthuis and three children will be guests Christmas day of Dr. and Mrs. Dewey Heeders of Grand Rapids. On Christmas night they will visit Rev. Beerthuis' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beerthuis, also of Grand Rapids.

Miss Marion Van Dyke, nurse in Presbyterian hospital, Chicago, will be the guest of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. Henry Van Dyke, Christmas. Other guests Christmas day will be Ed Van Dyke and daughter, Margaret, and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Van Dyke and three children.

The annual family Christmas party planned this year to be held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Piers, route 6, is scheduled for Saturday. Presents will be exchanged and lunch served by Mrs. Piers, assisted by Miss Gertrude Holstege. Those present will be Mr. and Mrs. Bert Holstege, John, Gerald, Gertrude and Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Zoernman and Jerry Lee. Mr. and Mrs. Piers and Robert Jay.

Christmas eve guests of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Holliquist, route 1, will be Miss Anna Dehn and Dr. Frances M. Howell of Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Poelakker and daughter, Donna, 24 West 21st St., Mr. and Mrs. William Brower, Lynn and Lou Anne, route 6, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brower, Betty, Phyllis and Rosalie, 305 West 15th St., will be Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Phillips in Dunningville.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Damson, 187 West Ninth St., will be hosts to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Damson, Billy and Barbara of Hastings, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Simmon of Kalamazoo, Christmas day. On Christmas eve they will have a family gathering with Mr. and Mrs. George Damson, Sally, Tommy, Karen and Bobby; Dr. and Mrs. M. H. Hamelink, Ronald, Jon, Jackie and Jerry.

Mr. and Mrs. William Slater, 16 Graves Place, will entertain his sister, Mrs. Frank Tetsh, West Branch, and Mrs. Arthur Mills and daughter, Joyce, on Christmas day.

A. C. Prigge and his sister, Mrs. Emily Beattie, 192 West 12th St., anticipate the arrival of their children, Arthur, Jr., of North Dame, and Mrs. Jay Ellis and son, Bruce, of Sioux City, Ia., and Mr. and Mrs. James Beattie and son, David, of Chicago, to spend the holiday week-end with them. On Saturday evening a birthday dinner will be given in observance of Mrs. Beattie's anniversary.

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Mr. and Mrs. Nick Osterhaven and Mr. and Mrs. Jay Osterhaven of Grand Rapids will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Griffith and "Mickey" at the home on route 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Bergman and family of Holland will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Bowman and family at their home in Central park.



## 'Shellback' Home From Pacific Area Sea Duty

Before leaving for sea duty it was Seaman Vernon Vanden Berg, now it's "Shellback" Vanden Berg, since in his 17 months on a destroyer in the Pacific he crossed the equator. He was "promoted" to this rank during inflation, during which time his hair was cut short, his body painted and greased and doused with water from the fire hose. A certificate of promotion was sent by the navy to his family in Holland upon completion of the "ceremonies."

Vanden Berg, whose rank is seaman first class, wears campaign ribbons for the American and Asiatic theaters of war and stars indicating his participation in the battles of New Guinea, Bismarck Archipelago, Dutch New Guinea and the Philippines.

His ship has never been hit and there have been no casualties among the crew, although in the four invasions in which the ship has participated, there have been several "near misses," mostly from bombs. The ship is credited with shooting down five enemy planes of which Vanden Berg's crew, of which he was director-operator, is credited with one plane.

Vanden Berg is spending a 27-day leave in Holland with his wife, the former Josephine Ver Lee, 110 West 16th St., and his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Vanden Berg, 170 East 27th St.



Seaman Vernon Vanden Berg, 170 East 27th St. He enlisted in the Navy in October, 1942, and before being assigned to sea duty in July, 1943, was stationed at Great Lakes, Ill., Mare Island, Cal., and Hawthorne, Nev.

While in Sidney, Australia, he met Bill Bareman, 136 West 14th St., whom he knew before leaving Holland. Neither knew the other was in Australia but they met by chance on a street there.

## Given Long Term In Assault Case

Grand Haven, Dec. 28 (Special)—Fred Matthew Allison, 21, North Muskegon, who was convicted by a circuit court jury of a charge of rape Dec. 19, was sentenced Tuesday afternoon to serve from 15 to 25 years in Southern Michigan prison.

Edward Siegel, 21, Muskegon, Allison's companion, who was originally charged with the same offense and who pleaded guilty Nov. 4 to a charge of assault with intent to commit rape, was sentenced to serve from 2 1/2 to 10 years in the prison at Jackson.

Allison, the father of two small children, was reprimanded severely by the court, which charged he was a pervert.

Cecil Douglas, 18, Muskegon, who pleaded guilty Dec. 19, was sentenced to serve from 3 to 15 years in Southern Michigan prison, or to such place as he may be transferred (possibly Iowa). Douglas, who had been discharged from the Boys' school in Lansing Nov. 2, 1943, allegedly broke into Marsh's Lunch room here Dec. 13. In his youth, he informed the court, he had been involved in a lot of trouble.

Vernon Maatman, 18, route 4, Holland, appeared for violation of his probation. Maatman, who was placed on probation Dec. 31, 1943, for three years, had reported to the probation officer only four times since being placed on probation. Further, one of the conditions of his probation was that he pay \$4 a month costs and so far he has paid only \$17. He was brought before the court last May when he failed to abide by the terms of his probation and was told at that time if he didn't comply with the terms he would be sent away. Maatman is being held by the sheriff until the court determines what should be done with him. Maatman is alleged to have entered the Vogue Coffee shop in Holland Dec. 9, 1943, and taken 18 bottles of beer.

Joseph H. Page, 35, 312 Franklin St., who pleaded guilty Nov. 20 to a charge of embezzlement from the Spring Lake Ice and Coal Co., appeared for sentence. However, the court advised it would let the matter stand and give Page a chance to pay back the \$33.66 and if he does the right thing he may be placed on probation. The court also recommended that Page and his wife leave intoxicating liquors alone for a year. Page is at liberty under \$500 bond.

Erwin Eisenberger returned Wednesday night to Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind., after spending the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Anne Eisenberger, 152 East Ninth St.

## Personals

(From Today's Sentinel)

Among the out-of-town persons attending funeral services here Wednesday for Mrs. Mae Allen who died Sunday were Mrs. Kenneth Peterson of Flint, Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Spanogle of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sturmer of Port Huron. Miss Edna and Hazel Allen accompanied the Sturmers to Port Huron today to spend an indefinite time there.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Wright of Saugatuck announce the birth of a daughter this morning in Allegan. Health center. Mr. Wright is field executive for the Ottawa-Allegan Boy Scout council.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Tidd, 81 West 10th St., announce the birth of a son this morning in Holland hospital.

Mrs. Alan Reimink returned home Wednesday from spending Christmas with her husband, Seaman C/C Reimink at Norman, Okla.

Mrs. Marion White and her mother, Mrs. Grace J. Smith, spent the Christmas week-end as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Goetz in Detroit.

The daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Warren of Fennville Dec. 23 in Holland hospital has been named Catherine Ann. Mrs. Warren is the former Janet Yonker of Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. William Arendshorst and son, William III, of Detroit have returned home after spending several days with the former's mother, Mrs. William Arendshorst, 51 East 12th St.

Mrs. Daniel Beatty of Long Island, N. Y., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Grote, 69 West Ninth St. Before her marriage Mrs. Beatty was Ensign Harriett C. Grote, U. S. N. Other guests of the Grote's on Christmas were Miss Alice Norwood of Chicago, Miss Janet Sheard of Fennville and their grandchildren, Shirley and Eleanor Grote of Allegan.

La. (ig) George Bosworth has left for Willow Grove, Pa., after spending Christmas with his wife and infant son in Grand Haven and with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Bosworth, 7 West 15th St. L. Bosworth expects to return to the west coast for ferry command duty in the near future.

Clinton Harrison, U. S. N. R., junior medical student at Johns Hopkins university, Baltimore, Md., is spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Riemersma on River Ave. Harrison is a graduate of Holland High school and Hope college.

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Drost, 3 East Seventh St., announce the birth of a daughter this morning in Holland hospital.

Miss Ann Whittell, teacher in Pittsburgh, Pa., schools, is spending the holiday vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Whittell, 53 Cherry St.

Harry Brook, Sr., Harry Brook, Jr., and Miss Christine J. Brook of route 3 spent Sunday and also Christmas afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Dekker on route 2.

Mrs. William Hietje of Zeeland, Mrs. Richard Roelofs of Grand Rapids, and Betty Clair Stone of Lansing spent Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. William Dekker, route 2.

Mrs. Harry Ten Cate and children, Stanley, Howard and Carol Ann, of Zanesville, O., are spending the holiday vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Garvelink, route 5. Mr. Ten Cate expects to arrive here this week-end.

Pvt. Harold Vande Bunte, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Vande Bunte, Sr., 424 Van Raalte Ave., arrived home Christmas night from Camp Roberts, Cal., where he has been taking basic training. He entered service Aug. 24 and he is to report at Detroit Sunday night for reassignment.

Steven John is the name of the son born Christmas morning in Holland hospital to T/S and Mrs. John E. Howard, T/S Howard is serving in France at the present time and Mrs. Howard, the former Lillian Vander Heuvel, is making her home on route 4.

Miss Alice Spykerman, 147 West 14th St., left today for Saginaw where she will spend a week with relatives.

Sgt. Edwin Oudman is spending a 12-day furlough with his wife

and son, 120 West 10th St., and other relatives here. He is to report at Erie hospital, Cleveland, O., after New Year's day.

Mr. and Mrs. John Frenicks, 27 East 13th St., entertained at a party Christmas day. Mrs. Frenicks presented each of her grandchildren with a war bond as a gift. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Vanden Berg, Clifford Earl and Mary Ann, Mr. and Mrs. Able P. Northuis and Kenneth, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Nienhuis and Mary, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Nienhuis, Mr. and Mrs. Merle Nienhuis and Donald Nienhuis.

Erwin Eisenberger returned Wednesday night to Indiana University, Bloomington, Ind., after spending the Christmas holidays with his mother, Mrs. Anne Eisenberger, 152 East Ninth St.

Miss Moody Sings for Friends of Parents

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Moody invited a few friends to their home on West 11th St. Wednesday night to hear an informal

recital given by their daughter, Miss Eda Marion Moody of Oklahoma City, Okla., who is spending the holidays here. Miss Moody, who has a charming lyric soprano voice, sang several groups of songs with Mrs. W. Curtis Snow accompanying.

Selections included "Care Selves," Handel, "Faith in Spring," Schubert, "To the Birds," Hue, "Come Over the Sea, Beloved," Elliott, "Come to the Garden, Love," Salter, "Deep in My Heart a Little Lay I Did," Aylward, and "Spring of the Year." Sponsors.

Miss Moody dedicated her final program number, "Bless This House," by Brane, to her parents, who Wednesday observed their 28th wedding anniversary. For an encore she sang "Morning," Speaks.

Following the program, refreshments were served from an attractively appointed table with Mrs. Edward Donovan and Mrs. Donald Moody of Delton, pouring. Miss Phyllis Gibson, the latter's sister, also of Delton, assisted.

Miss Moody is secretary to the pastor of the First Presbyterian church in Oklahoma City and recently appeared in a voice recital at the Sorosis club in that city.

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## Serving Under the Stars and Stripes



Fireman 1/C Sidney Risselada, 280 West 29th St., is stationed on a cruiser somewhere in the Pacific. He enlisted in the navy May 23, 1944, and was stationed at Great Lakes, Ill., and Shoemaker, Cal., before being assigned to sea duty. He was born Jan. 25, 1919, and attended Holland High school. He is the son of Charles Risselada and his wife is the former Dorothy Brink. They also have a daughter, Carole Ann.

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Royal Neighbors mothers and grandmothers celebrated with their children at a Christmas party Wednesday night in the hall. A program was presented with several children taking part and games were played with prizes going to Janice Olsen, Patty Wright, Connie Lou Norlin and Dayle Shay.

Margaret Wright served as Santa Claus and presented gifts to each person. Candy was distributed to the children by Mrs. Nellie Kleis. Those on the program were Freddy Olsen, Janice Olsen, Connie Lou Norlin, Retha De Boer, Yvonne and Warren Makma and Susan Range.

An honored guest was Mrs. W. E. Sharp of Detroit, sister of Mrs. Kleis. Those on the party committee were Mrs. Doreen Mokma, Mrs. Harriet Horn and Mrs. Effie Sprong.

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The Women's Missionary society of the Reformed church met last Wednesday afternoon with the president, Mrs. Henry Brink, presiding. Mrs. Sena Annik read a paper on "We Have Seen the Star" from the different mission fields. Mrs. Harry Slotman and Mrs. Justin Schipper favored with a vocal duet accompanied by Mrs. Neinhuis. The new officers appointed for the next two years were Mrs. Simon Ver Burg, president; Mrs. Ray Maatman, vice president; Mrs. Harry Slotman, assistant treasurer.

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Roger Cosgrove, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kermit Cosgrove, who was eight years old Dec. 13, came very near having twin brothers to celebrate with him on the same date in future years. However, Roy Irving and Roland Carl did not arrive until four hours later, thus spoiling the exact schedule. They were born Thursday, Dec. 14, at 4 a.m. in Community hospital and weighed, respectively, four pounds, 12 ounces, and four pounds, six ounces. Mother and babies are all doing nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston Hicks moved here last week from Columbus, Ind., and are occupying the house recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. K. R. Landsburg. He is a brother of Walter Hicks, superintendent of the local branch of Michigan Fruit Canners, Inc. Supt. Hicks reports that the company's season here is about finished. Work on pears were finished last Friday, but there will remain a few beets to occupy a small force a short time after Christmas.

At the peak of the season 125 German prisoners were employed and there are still 100 working. Mr. Hicks reports that they have been very helpful, and that on the whole they have given very good satisfaction, involving no trouble. Workers in general express pleasure that the season is near its end, though they are always equally happy to get it again each spring.

John Dickinson, who has been on a business trip since Dec. 9, arrived here Sunday evening to visit his brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dickinson, until Thursday. His work is in New York city and he commutes from his home at Basking Ridge, N.J. It is seldom that he has as much time as this to himself, his visits here usually comprising about a day or two. They hope to have with them their eldest son, Richard, who has not been home in 18 months. On Dec. 29 he will complete his training in the air force and receive his wings in Georgia.

The combined choruses met at the chapel Monday night for practice.

Prayer meeting was held Wednesday night at the chapel. The study of the letter of the Ephesians was continued.

On next Sunday there will be preparatory services for the Lord's Supper to be celebrated the last Sunday of the year.

The Willing Workers had a Christmas party Thursday at 7:45 p.m. Election of officers also took place.

The consistory of the local church met Monday night.

A program will be given in the local church Christmas day. Rev. R. C. Schaap will preach in the morning at 9:30 a.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Van Haitma were Friday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Corneil Van Haitma.

Rev. R. C. Schaap and Ida Ruth Jelskema attended a Christmas party held for the executive members of the Golden Chain at the home of Howard Vande Bunte, Forest Grove.

Lena Bakker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Johannes Bakker, is seriously ill at a hospital in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. H. De Boer of Beavertown attended the Sunday morning services in the local church.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Zeerip and family of East Holland were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. Morren and family.

Miss Jennie Boer of Drenthe recently spent a few days in Grand Rapids as a guest of Mrs. Nick Boer and Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit Meenks.

Several of this vicinity attended the musical program given in the Zeeland High school on Sunday afternoon presented by members of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. George Van Zoeren were Sunday night guests of Mr. and Mrs. Gerrit De Vree.

Mr. and Mrs. Al Kamps and family were recent Sunday supper guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wyngarden.

Hollis Eding, 20, Hamilton, was given a summons for failure to yield the right of way as the result of an accident at 11:45 p.m. Wednesday at the "five corners" at 19th St. and River Ave. involving another car driven by Budd N. Eastman, 45, 97 Columbia Ave. Eding was attempting to turn southeast onto State St. and collided with Eastman who was traveling northeast on Michigan Ave. The left front of the Eding car and the front of the Eastman car were damaged. The pavement was icy, drivers told police.

Suggestion awards, in the form of war bonds, were presented to Albert Kortman, Agie Glass and George Van Tubergen. Each employee received a fruit cake and a health and accident insurance policy and Santa Claus gave each of the children a filled Christmas stocking. A two-course lunch was served. Joe St. John served as chairman of the event.

GET PURPLE HEART  
Grand Haven, Dec. 28 (Special)—Mr. and Mrs. David Nedervek, 218 Sherman St., received the Purple Heart medal, together with a Christmas greeting, from their son, Pfc. Dudley Nedervek, who is with the marine corps and who was wounded in the battle of Guam. He also took part in the invasion of Bougainville before going to Columbia university last June.

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The Vander Yacht home, a five-room frame house built many years ago, was gutted, according to Fire Chief Andrew Klompars who estimated damage at \$1-200. Furniture and clothing, although somewhat damaged by smoke and water, were saved. The family escaped in their bedclothing, the chief said.

Cause of the fire was undetermined, but Klompars said it might have been caused by defective wiring.

## T. F. Ming, Formerly of Holland, Dies in Detroit

Thomas F. Ming, 52, former Holland resident, died Wednesday Dec. 19 at his home in Detroit where funeral services will be

held Saturday. Born and brought up in Holland, he attended local schools and Hope college, moving to Detroit a number of years ago to become associated with the Ford Motor Co.

Surviving are the widow; a daughter, Vivian; a son, Thomas Frank, Jr.; his mother, Mrs. A. J. Ming and a sister, Miss Gretchen Ming, both of Holland; also a sister and brother in California and another brother in Akron, N.Y.

## Sheriff Warns on Gas Stamp Thefts

Grand Haven, Dec. 28 (Special) — Following a robbery Wednesday, Dec. 20 at the Meerman Oil station east of Coopersville in which a quantity of gasoline coupons and \$5 were stolen, Sheriff William M. Boeve has requested all gasoline station attendants in Ottawa county and surrounding area to keep a sharp lookout for suspicious cars and report immediately to sheriff's officers or city police license numbers and descriptions of any cars which possibly might be connected with recent robberies of service stations in Ottawa and Newaygo counties.

Still unsolved in the robbery at the William J. Meene station at the corner of 16th St. and River Ave. in Holland Dec. 12 in which \$124.50 and loose gas coupons equivalent to 947 gallons were taken.

Sheriff's officers found a number of sheets to which gasoline coupons were attached on the ground a short distance from the Meerman station following Wednesday's robbery. These gummed sheets were traced to Newaygo where Sheriff Bob Hart said several stations had been robbed. Serial numbers on the gummed sheets corresponded with those normally issued in that area. Officers believe two persons are working together.

Exchanging gifts with a few choice friends and relatives is not a sufficient observance of Christmas.

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## Noted For Fine Display of Tulips

One of the best known nurseries in Holland is the Nelis Nurseries located on route 4. This firm was established in 1922 and incorporated in 1937. Every year in May they display their large variety of tulips for which they are especially noted.

Nelis Nurseries also handles a complete line of nursery stock including trees, flowering and evergreens of almost every description which are hardy for Michigan climate.

Florists at the nurseries urge the gardeners of Holland to practice the policy of deep planting of tulips for the utmost enjoyment and the least effort.

This kind of planting lessens the danger of damage from frost, damage from mice and other animals living underground and enables the person to produce blooms each year without the necessity of digging up the bulbs. When planting the bulbs, the soil should be loosened to a depth of 18 inches and the bulb should be planted 12 inches deep.

## Richard Mouw Claimed in Home

Richard Mouw, 68, died on Friday in his home on route 5, after being in poor health for some time. He was a member of Prospect Park Christian Reformed church and had worked for the past seven years at the Sligh Furniture Co. Before that he had been employed for 20 years at the Bush and Lane Piano Co.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Jennie Mouw; one daughter, Mrs. Bertha Hanenburg, Hull, Ia.; four sons, Gerrit of Chicago, Dick, a captain in the medical corps in Texas, Richard, Madison, Wis., and Harold, Ferrysburg; nine grandchildren; four brothers, Dick, Thomas, Avert and Harry, all of Holland; one sister, Mrs. Marie Vander Ploeg, also of Holland.

## Fennville

(From Tuesday's Sentinel)

The Fennville fire department was called Friday about 10:30 a.m. when fire was discovered in the house owned by Mrs. Cora Suydam and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Higgins, Jr., since about Thanksgiving time when they rented it for a year, furnished. The fire apparently was the result of an overheated furnace pipe. The house and all the furniture except the davenport which stood over a cold air register in the living room were saved. Damage from smoke was heavy, however. After renting her home furnished to Mr. and Mrs. Higgins, Mrs. Suydam went to New Jersey to remain for a year with her daughter, Mrs. Hilda Carr. She has been notified of the fire and will return as soon as she can arrange to look after things. No estimate has been placed on the loss. No one was at home when the fire was discovered by Mrs. W. J. Hutchinson living next door. The house was built a few years ago by Mrs. Florence Fend, who sold it to Mrs. Suydam. Mrs. Suydam improved the house by



## OWNS RESTAURANT

Mrs. Florence Birlis, better known to college students and friends as "Auntie B." is the owner of this modern Mary Jane Restaurant located at 196 River Ave.

The Mary Jane Restaurant is air-conditioned and modern in

every respect. Popular priced dinners and lunches are served daily with table service, booths and short-order service offered. The restaurant is open week days from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 5 to 8 p.m. Sunday hours are from noon to 4:30.

Mrs. Birlis, formerly house

mother for the Fraternal fraternity of Hope college, opened her restaurant eight months ago and since then the business has grown steadily.

The restaurant may be reserved for private parties by contacting Mrs. Birlis in advance.

the addition of a sun parlor, and it was one of the nicest small homes in the village.

At the request of Supervisor Carl Winslow, Bert Fleming investigated the non-appearance of Frank Mahoney, colored and past 80, and found him dead on the floor of his home last Thursday. Sheriff Johnson sent J. E. Burch to get the body, but Mr. Burch did not at once locate the place and when he did could not get to it with his ambulance due to the snow. The sheriff then went with Mr. Burch, the coroner and Carl Hognire with one of the county trucks. The verdict was death from natural causes, and was thought to have occurred three or four days before. A short prayer service was held Saturday in the Burch funeral home and burial was in Pearl cemetery.

Mr. Mahoney came here with his parents more than 60 years ago, but little is known of him before that. There were 12 children in the family, a number of whom grew up in the Pearl locality. Several died in infancy. For many years the father was sexton of the cemetery there.

Mr. Mahoney was never married, and leaves only a brother, Arthur of Eau Claire, a nephew, Chester Rouse of Benton Harbor, and a nephew, Clifford Mahoney of Fennville.

Last October Mr. Mahoney went to be care taker at the James Coughlin farm near Ely lake, where Mr. Coughlin, a summer vacationist from Chicago had fitted up a place for him to live in the barn on the place.

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Mr. and Mrs. George DeVall and John planned to spend Christmas in Grand Rapids with their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. John Seoby, and children.

Mrs. Jennie Bushee and sister, Mrs. Ida Rouse, went to Lansing Friday where they planned to spend the holidays and perhaps a few weeks longer with the former daughter of Mrs. Ida Vaks.

Petty Officer I C. Alice Wade is a holiday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Wade, arriving Saturday from Madison, Wis. Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wade included Mr. and Mrs. William Knowlton and Jill of So-dus, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Wade, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Wade and

Mrs. Sophie Knowlton of Fennville.

An 8-pound, 15-ounce daughter was born at 10:30 a.m. Saturday in Holland hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Warren. She has been named Catherine Ann. She has a four-year-old sister, Barbara.

church went caroling at 6 a.m. Christmas day, singing for various sick and shut-in members of the church. They were accompanied by their sponsors, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wybenga. Later in the morning refreshments were served to the group at the church.

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