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## COMMUNITY ATHLETIC PARK MEETS WITH ENDORSEMENT OF THE PEOPLE

**COMMITTEES ARE GIVEN GLAD HAND AND SUPPORT, EVERYBODY SEEMS FAVORABLE TO THE UNDERTAKING**

The proposed community athletic park is the talk of the town. Perhaps no undertaking of a similar nature has ever received the encouragement and support that is being given this project. It is a good thing for the community and its advantages and pleasures will be shared by young and old.

The soliciting teams reported progress at a week-end meeting and all were highly elated over the success with which the proposition is meeting and the favorable comment of those with whom they came in contact. It was decided at this meeting to set the goal at \$2,500, the money to be used to pay for the 25 acre park location, and to make the necessary improvements for a base ball field, foot ball field, double tennis court, a junior base ball diamond, and as many other improvements as possible this season. It is the opinion of the team captains that it will be possible to reach the goal within a short time if those who have not been solicited are as enthusiastic as those who have already subscribed to the fund. The committees are well on the way towards the mark, and there seems to be no doubt that Buchanan will have an ideal community athletic park this season, a permanent public playground of which the people of the community may feel proud.

High school boys gave practical demonstration of their interest and approval of the project last week by gathering up all the stones on the premises, which gave the place a changed and improved appearance. This was followed on Saturday by a small army of volunteers, armed with rakes, shovels, axes and other tools and implements, who worked diligently for several hours, with the result that a decided improvement was made in the appearance of the proposed park, another evidence of cooperation and united effort.

Let the good work continue.

### MATT AND BILL DELIVER GOODS

ONE OF THE BEST ENTERTAINMENTS OF THE SEASON AT KIWANIS CLUB MONDAY EVENING.

There was a large attendance of the members and quite a few guests at Kiwanis club Monday evening. The meeting and program was in charge of Bill Miller and Matt Kelling, and no one had an inkling in advance as to what this team of "builders" would submit in the way of entertainment for the approval of their fellow Kiwanians. The mysterious manner in which they worked while arranging the plans and specifications for the meeting and the secrecy with which they handled all the preliminary particulars was taken by the members as an evidence that a program of extraordinary merit was being arranged for. To say that no one attending the meeting was disappointed, no matter what their expectations might have been, would be a mild expression of the pleasure and appreciation of the Kiwanians after listening to the splendid program which Bill and Matt had arranged for their approval. There were five entertainers on the program and each one, including Charlie Miller, of St. Jos, was a star in his line. Charlie accompanied a St. Joseph juvenile entertainer to the meeting and introduced him as "Raymond Adler, the boy wonder." Raymond proved that he was master of the string instrument he carried with him, and pleased his audience with a number of songs, all of which were well rendered and duly appreciated. Charlie introduced as his next entertainer, Dr. A. D. Eney, of St. Joseph, who also made good all that had been claimed for him. He gave a number of vocal selections with

### Kiwanis Club Endorses Chamber of Commerce Community Activities



Buchanan, April 21, 1924.

The Record, Buchanan, Mich.  
My dear Editor:—  
In your recent issues we have noted with pleasure articles relative to the activities of our Chamber of Commerce, which indicate that they are making a careful survey of the conditions existing in our community, and are developing plans for our general betterment. In these movements our club is heart and soul, individually and collectively, with the Chamber of Commerce.

For the past two years our club has been "building" a public sentiment favorable to such a movement and it is very gratifying to our members to see our sister organization developing such strength, which is a splendid showing for an organization only one year old. There is much for them to do. They have already accomplished a great deal. We wish for them the support of the entire community and pledge them our own. We are all working for the improvement of our home community and team work brings the biggest and best results.

While they have many plans in process of development there is one in which many of our people are particularly interested, inasmuch as it is "building" for the future.

The best things of life are the results of well laid plans, hard work and careful cultivation. To develop the highest types in any line we must begin far back in the process of development. The people who will make Buchanan all that the Great Creator intended it should be are the rising and future generations. We of the present have not brought that Great plan to its fruition, but we can and should give our boys and girls the chance which is their right, that they may "build" bigger and better than we have done. This is our obligation to them, to Buchanan and to the future, and with this purpose in mind we heartily endorse the movement of the Chamber of Commerce for an athletic field for our young people.

If space permits will you print the attached poem by Dennis A. McCarthy, which seems to fit this particular occasion.

Respectfully,  
T. D. Childs, Secretary Kiwanis Club

#### GIVE THEM A CHANCE TO PLAY.

Plenty of room for dives and dens (gitter and glare and sin);  
Plenty of room for prison pens (gather the criminals in);  
Plenty of room for jails and courts (willing enough to pay),  
But never a place for the lads to race—no, never a place to play!  
Plenty of room for shops and stores (Mammon must have the best);  
Plenty of room for the running sores that rot in the city's breast!  
Plenty of room for lures that lead the hearts of our youth astray;  
But never a cent on playground spent—no, never a place to play!  
Plenty of room for schools and halls, plenty of room for art;  
Plenty of room for teas and balls, platform stage and mart.  
Proud is the city—she finds a place for many a fad today;  
But she's more than blind if she fails to find a place for the boys to play!  
Give them a chance for innocent sport, give them a chance for fun,—  
Better a playground plot than a court and jail when the harm is done,  
Give them a chance,—if you stint them now, tomorrow you'll find to pay  
A larger bill for darker ill; so give them a chance to play.  
—Dennis A. McCarthy.

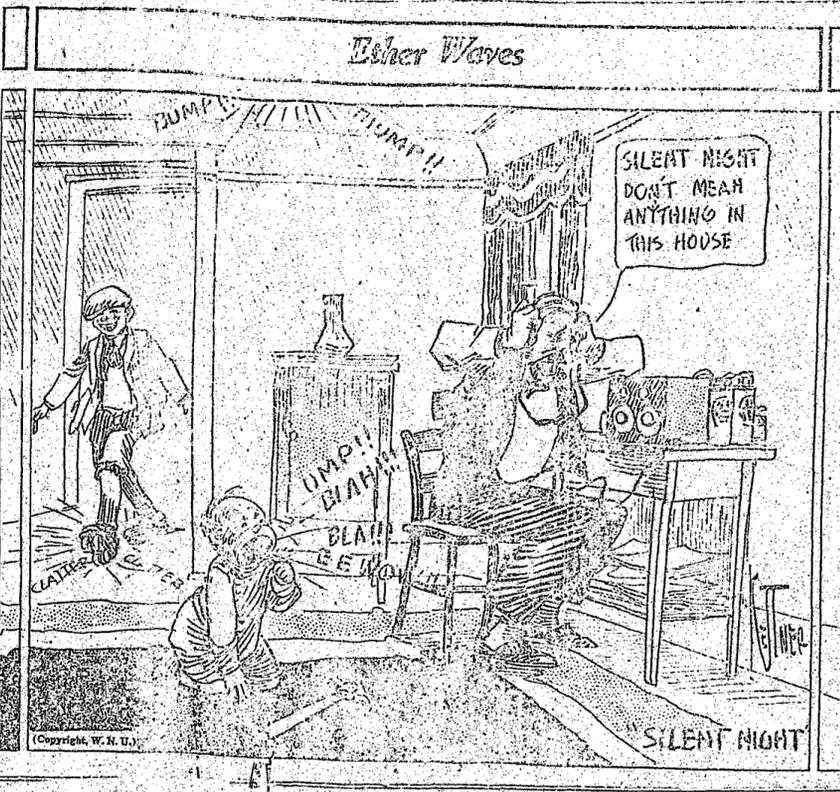
### WILL CONFER ROYAL PURPLE

SOUTH BEND CANTON WILL BE GUESTS OF BUCHANAN ENCAMPMENT AND CONFER THE ROYAL PURPLE.

The anniversary of Odd Fellowship will be observed in Buchanan, Saturday April 26, at a special meeting of Buchanan Encampment, No. 169. The Patriarch Militant branch of the order will be represented at the meeting, as South Bend Canton has accepted an invitation to attend and confer the Royal Purple degree on a class of candidates.

The Canton members and other visitors are expected to arrive in Buchanan about six o'clock and supper will be served in the lodge room at 6:30. A large attendance of Encampment members is expected at the meeting and the conferring of the highest degree in Patriarchal Odd Fellowship by members of the uniformed or Canton branch of the order will be of unusual interest to the visiting and local members. The meeting is being held on the anniversary of the establishment of the first Odd Fellows' lodge in North America.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Hanover have purchased one of the houses on S. Oak street belonging to John Davis, and have taken possession. Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Rolin have moved into the house on Dava avenue vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Hanover.



## FESTIVAL OF EASTER IS CELEBRATED

**BUCHANAN CHURCHES HAVE APPROPRIATE SERVICES ON EASTER AND DURING PASSION WEEK.**

The Presbyterian Church. Special services were held at the Presbyterian church every night except Saturday during Passion week. The object was to carry the worshippers in a quiet and modest way into the sacredness of Jesus' final week of earthly ministry. The events of that week were the basis of meditation each evening corresponding to the days upon which they occurred. It was an approach into the Holy of Holies of Jesus' life and character. Friday evening the choir consisting of twenty voices rendered the Crucifixion in a very creditable manner. The untiring efforts and patience of Mrs. Pascoe together with the loyalty of Miss Easton and the members of the choir made a success of an attempt worthy of a much larger choir. "The Risen Christ" was the theme of the Easter Sunday morning service. A few members were received into the church at that time. Opportunity was given for our people to attend special services in other local churches on Sunday evening.

Two features added greatly to the impressiveness and value of the services. Special music was provided for every service but one. There were flowers artistically placed for every service. The flowers and green plants were especially copious and appreciated on Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday.

Methodist Episcopal Church. Passion week from Palm Sunday to Easter was observed at the Methodist Episcopal church with a special service each evening except Saturday. During the week three of the services were in charge of out-of-town speakers. The address given by Rev. W. V. Polly, of Decatur, on Tuesday evening, and Gerald Steadman, of Chicago, on Thursday evening, were very helpful and much enjoyed by those who had the pleasure of hearing them. On Good Friday evening Dr. John C. Willis, of St. Joseph, gave a very appropriate address to a large congregation, on the "Crucifixion" after which the Lord's Supper was observed. The attendance throughout the entire Passion Week services was large.

At the Easter service, Sunday morning, two Easter anthems were rendered by the choir, followed by the sermon by the pastor, Rev. Taylor, on "The Resurrection." Text St. Luke 24:31—"The Lord is Risen Indeed." The sermon was followed by reception of members and baptism. The attendance was very large and a very generous offering was received for the benevolent causes of the church.

Sunday evening at 6:30 the Epworth League observed an Easter service, Mr. A. H. Miller making an appropriate and helpful address. There was public worship at 7:30, at which time the pastor spoke on Jesus' Parable of the Ninety and Nine, and the Last Sheep. Miss Helen Keller sang a solo at this service, "The Ninety and Nine."

Advent Christian Church. The resurrection story was made prominent in the exercises at the Advent Christian church last Sunday, both morning and evening. The theme of the morning sermon was, "Do the Scriptures teach the Literal Resurrection of Jesus Christ?" and in the evening, "Was the Resurrection of Jesus Christ Necessary?" A beautiful Easter selection was given by Mrs. Theoda Clevenger, Mrs. A. Z. Hamblin and Mrs. A. E. Bloom, also a solo by Mrs. Hamblin. In the evening, Eld. and Mrs. A. E. Bloom sang, "Christ Arose" by Rev. Robert Lowry. The platform was nicely decorated with plants and flowers and on the wall back of the altar a larger decoration representing the Cross and the Open Tomb.

At the Christian church Easter (Continued on page five)

cluding Easter, on the night of which he expired. He perhaps knew as much of the early history of Bertrand, Buchanan and surrounding townships as any other person and information received from David Salisbury could be relied upon as being as nearly correct as it could be given.

He is survived by three daughters, and two sons—Mrs. Effie Wilson, Mrs. Jerome Sebasty and Mrs. Wilson Laffer; Harry, of Dearborn, Mich., and Fred, of Bertrand township.

A more extended account of Mr. Salisbury's life will be published in Friday's Record.

**JOHN BURRUS**  
The remains of John Burrus, whose death occurred at St. Petersburg, Fla., Friday, April 18, are expected to arrive in Buchanan tomorrow, accompanied by Mrs. Burrus. The funeral services will be held at the Methodist church, Friday afternoon, at 2 o'clock, and the interment will take place in Mt. Zion cemetery.

Deceased was born in Buchanan township and the greater part of his life was spent on a farm west of town. For the past five years Mr. and Mrs. Burrus have made their home in the south. He was 60 years of age. An obituary will be published later.

**MRS. E. L. WYCK**  
Mrs. E. L. Wyck, widow of the late Solomon Wyck, passed away at the hospital, Monday evening, 2:30 o'clock, following an illness of several months. Mrs. Wyck was a resident of Buchanan many years, and was a well-known and highly respected lady. Had she lived but a few months, she would have attained the age of 77 years. The funeral will be held from her late South Oak street, Thursday, at 2:30, conducted by Rev. W. A. Taylor, of the Christian church. Interment will be in Oak Ridge cemetery.

**DAVID SALISBURY**  
The death of David Salisbury, at his home south of Dayton, on Sunday night, April 20, 1924, marks the passing of another of the pioneers of this locality. Mr. Salisbury reached the age of 85 years last October, and during the many years of his residence in Bertrand township he was one of the best known men in this section of Berrien county and his death will be the source of deep regret to a large circle of friends and neighbors. Although he had been in poor health for some time past, and continued to grow weaker each day, he was possessed of a strong will and continued to be up and about the house each day, in-

## URGED EFFORT TO PREVENT GOITRE

**THE STATE COMMISSIONER OF HEALTH URGES MEDICAL ASSOCIATION TO JOIN WAR ON GOITRE.**

The April meeting of the Berrien County Medical association was held in Benton Harbor, Thursday evening, and was attended by about 75 physicians, nurses, dentists and workers, representatives of various clubs and industrial nurses. Dr. R. H. Snowden, of Buchanan, president of the county association, presided at the meeting.

Dr. R. M. Olin, state commissioner of health, was the speaker of the evening, and urged health authorities, school teachers, club women, nurses and laymen to advocate the use of iodine as a means to prevent goitre.

In his talk Dr. Olin deplored the fact that Michigan is known throughout the United States, and around the world in health centers, as the goitre state, says the St. Joseph Herald-Press. Because of this an investigation was started about four years ago to determine why goitre was so prevalent in Michigan.

The survey was brought down to a fine point during the last winter, Dr. Olin stated. An attempt was made to test water supplies throughout the state for the presence of iodine, but the results were so contradictory that this was abandoned. Four counties in the northern part of the state, Houghton, Benzie, Mackinac and Macomb, were included in the survey, two being inland counties and two near large bodies of water. Geologists explained the discrepancy in the water tests by saying that the different strata of rock was responsible for finding that the water in one part of a city contained an abundance of iodine and in another part of the same city this element was entirely lacking.

At the request of Dr. Olin the research workers next turned their attention to salt. It was found that salt in its crude form is high in iodine content. Table salt, however, is refined to such an extent that most of the iodine is removed. The state health commissioner called a conference of salt manufacturers in Michigan and they agreed to put on the market a coarser grade of salt in which the iodine is retained. This salt is to be put on sale by May first, and it is claimed that its use will in time wipe out goitre in Michigan.

Dr. Olin urged that particular attention to goitre prevention be given school children, and stressed the benefits to be gained if expectant mothers use food containing this salt.

More than 40,000 school children were examined in the four years survey of the state, Dr. Olin asserted.

### TEACHERS' MEETING.

Parent-Teachers meeting held at the High school, Tuesday evening, April 29, at 7:35. The program for the meeting will be as follows:  
Welcome—Rexford Keller.  
Song—Gomes—"I See You." "The Chimes of Dunkirk," grade 1.  
"The Ship's Rope," grade 2.  
The Underflow in Education—W. E. Stewart.  
Song—"Willow," grade 3.  
Play—"Llanes Drill Song," grade 4.  
Song—"Quartet," grade 5.

Charles K... returned Friday from Danville, Ill., where he had been called by the death of a sister.



PRESIDENT'S SONS TO ATTEND C. M. T. C.

The applications of John and Calvin Coolidge, sons of the President have been received by the Corps Area Commander of the 1st-Corps Area and they have been accepted to attend the C. H. T. Camp at Camp Devens, Mass., during the summer.

This is John's second year, he having attended the camp at Camp Devens last year and liked it so well he is going back this year and take Calvin Jr. with him.

General Hale, the Sixth Corps Area Commander, has just announced that 2000 applications have already been received for Camp Custer this August and if they continue to come in as fast in the future as they have been during the last month, the quota will be filled by May 10th and that a great many boys who are careless about getting their applications in early are going to be disappointed.

All local boys who are planning to attend C. M. T. C. camp at Camp Custer are urged to see Elmer Thuring, local committeeman at once. The camp will be held during the month of August and it is necessary to have your application accepted early if you are to go. Buchanan has never sent a representative to the camp. Who'll be the first to attend?

MERCHANTS WILL ATTEND CLUB MEETING AT NILES

Quite a number of the local merchants have notified Secretary Al. Charles, of the Chamber of Commerce, of their intention of attending the meeting of the Niles Chamber of Commerce, this evening. The party will leave the Rex Hotel at six o'clock, arriving in Niles in time for the dinner. C. B. Partridge, editor of the Dry Goods Reporter, will be the speaker for the occasion.

OUR TOWN

We want our town to grow to be The city that our fathers dreamed; A city known from sea to sea, The better known the more esteemed.

We want to build a city great, Yet, greater than our city now; Through every hour of changing fate We want our town to grow—but how?

We want our town to grow—but not In numbers only—only size; Our population is not what Shall make us mighty, make us wise. Now naught of mine we hold there, Where huddled men and women dwell; Humanity will not inquire How many live here—but how well.

We want our town to grow in wealth, But grow in wealth that counts the most, Our children's happiness and health, A better wealth, a better boast; In song, in soul, in sympathy, In love of good, in hate of sin, In loyalty, in unity, We want our town to grow—and win.

And then we want to grow without, To tear away the ancient walls, Big brother to the world about, Whatever comes, whoever calls. A city not of brick or stone, We do not want to stand apart, The more esteemed, the better known, We want our town to grow with heart. Pathfinder—Charles J. Orlick.

THE COST OF PLAYING POLITICS Ask yourself these simple questions, How much will I be overcharged in taxes this year if the politicians in Congress succeed in blocking the Mellon tax reduction program? How much will the failure to top \$300,000,000 off the federal income tax bill cost me in increased prices for everything I eat, wear or use? Who is responsible for causing me this loss? These questions affect every home in the land.

ATTEND FAMILY REUNION Mr. and Mrs. Perry Morley, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Proceus and family, Mr. and Mrs. Sam McClellan and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Archie Morley and daughter of Buchanan, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Swem and family and Orrin Stearns' family of Galien motored to Kalamazoo Easter Sunday and attended a family reunion at the home of H. E. Stearns, on Potter St.

PASTOR VISITING PARENTS Rev. Roy Kale, pastor of the Presbyterian church, left Monday for Stanley, North Dakota, where he will visit his parents for two weeks, he having received word that his father is sick. Rev. Kale expects to return Friday, May 2.



THE WOODPECKER'S HINT

It was early, early, early in the morning. Dolly had been spanned since she was a baby. And when she was a baby she knew it was early.



Early in the morning she was tapping, tapping, tapping on the side of the house. She was tapping, tapping, tapping on the side of the house. She was tapping, tapping, tapping on the side of the house.

But she knew she must not do that. It was a bad thing to do and even if it seemed wonderful to her, it was not what anyone would have dreamed of. She was tapping, tapping, tapping on the side of the house.

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SENTIMENT FOR STATE INCOME TAX

MORE THAN HALF OF REQUIRED NUMBER OF SIGNATURES SECURED TO PLACE AMENDMENT ON BALLOT.

The absolute necessity for securing tax relief for overburdened real estate and the justice and desirability of the proposed state income tax are daily winning an ever increasing host of friends for this progressive tax reform measure.

All Michigan farm organizations have united in support of this proposal and are working shoulder to shoulder to secure the enactment of this legislation, which they propose to get in the form of a constitutional amendment to be secured by initiative petitions. The first step is to obtain at least 60,000 signatures to support the proposed amendment.

A big drive for signatures was made by the State Grange and the State Farm Bureau of "town meetings" on the day, April 17th. A representative from each organization was in nearly every polling place on that day to secure signatures to the petition. To date more than 40,000 names have been received at the central headquarters.

Taxation conditions have become so bad in this state that Michigan farmers do not need to be reminded that the present system of general property taxes no longer produces any degree of taxation justice.

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tax, the first \$4,000 from every income will be exempt from this form of taxation. This is not because of any desire to secure class legislation, but is prompted by the feeling that the little fellows are already paying far more than their share.

To Lower Property Tax

The petition definitely provides that all funds raised by the proposed tax would be deducted from the amounts which would otherwise be raised by the general property tax for state purposes. The balance, if any would constitute the state tax. This gives definite assurance that this will not be merely a new means of providing added revenue for state officials to spend, but that it will afford real, genuine taxation relief to overburdened real estate.

If sufficient signatures are secured, the proposed amendment will be placed on the ballot at the regular fall election in 1924. In brief, its provisions will be as follows:

- 1. \$4,000 of all incomes shall be exempt.
2. Incomes from \$4,000 to \$20,000 shall be taxed 5 per cent.
3. Incomes from \$20,000 to \$40,000 shall be taxed 6 per cent.
4. Incomes from \$40,000 to \$60,000 shall be taxed 7 per cent.
5. Incomes from \$60,000 to \$80,000 shall be taxed 8 per cent.
6. Incomes from \$80,000 to \$100,000 shall be taxed 9 per cent.
7. Incomes above \$100,000 shall be taxed 10 per cent.

All funds derived from this proposed tax shall be turned into the general fund of the state and shall be used in defraying general expenses and bonded indebtedness and interest thereon.

MICHIGAN CLUBS STUDY STATE HEALTH LAWS

Strong condemnation of Michigan's health laws came from Mrs. Malcom Smith, State Chairman of the Department of Health of the Michigan State Federation of Women's Clubs at a recent meeting in Lansing. This criticism prefaced the declaration that the Federated Women's Clubs of Michigan had decided on firm measures to insure more and better health legislation for the state.

Mrs. Smith is making a study of health laws in this and other states with special interest in those relating to the control of tuberculosis preparatory to the educational campaign to be carried on by the club women of Michigan. When interviewed during her stay in Lansing, the State Chairman said: "I have been continually astonished at the lack of state aid for this most important work."

During the same period of time in which Minnesota spent \$184,000.00 and Wisconsin \$232,000.00, Michigan, the seventh wealthiest state in the Union, paid out \$13,000.00 for assistance to the counties for tuberculosis control.

It is nearly impossible for me to believe that there is not a single county in the state with a full-time health officer. There are only fourteen cities in Michigan paying full-time salaries for that work. Out of the seven hundred part-time health officers there are only four hundred who have had medical training. It is like taking a watch to a cobbler.

The women's clubs have always been active in all questions of public welfare and it seems to us that in the present instance we are working out a plan of our own. It is to be sure that every woman in the state is to be over a hundred thousand dollars richer because of tuberculosis. It is to be sure that every woman in the state is to be over a hundred thousand dollars richer because of tuberculosis.

Buying at Auction. This is a way to pay more than anyone else is willing to bid.

STATE CONVENTION OF PROBATE JUDGES

ST. JOSEPH, April 17.—The county will pay the expense of Probate Judge Frank L. Hammond when he attends the state meeting of probate judges to be held at Houghton on July 1, 2 and 3.

The county board passed a resolution today providing for covering the expense, not to exceed \$50. Judge Hammond is a member of the committee on legal blanks and will make a fight for change of blanks now used for sending afflicted persons to the University hospital at Ann Arbor for surgical treatment.

The blanks now in use are alleged to be not suitable for the best interests of the public. The committee on legal blanks has recommended

to the state organization that the hospital blanks now in use be changed.

Earliest Inhabitants. The aborigines are supposedly the earliest inhabitants of a country. The Romans and Greeks, however, applied the name to a mythical people who, according to tradition, had their original seats in the mountains about Reate, now Rieti.

Lots of Fur Coats. The way the women sport expensive fur coats you'd think they gave 'em away with packages of chewing gum.

Wisdom Becomes Burdensome. "De man dut pertends to be smarter dan he is," said Uncle Eben, "takes on a heap o' wormment when de world begins to take him at his word and hand him responsibilities."—Washington Evening Star.

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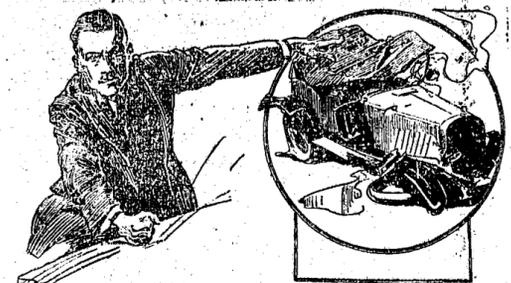
Before Baking

Before you start your usual baking for the week why not take the time to come here and see how much easier and more economical you can buy what you want instead of making it yourself.

We specialize on high-grade Pastries. Have you tried our FAMILY LOAF Bread lately? Our customers tell us it is better than ever.

GENUINE BROWN BREAD Local doctors recommend it because it is pure and because it helps to keep your body organs active and in best condition. Try our brown bread this week.

PORTZ, the Baker



Faulty Brakes

Faulty or worn brake bands may be responsible for your car getting in the condition illustrated above.

Let us refine your brakes with GENUINE JOHN'S-MANVILLE NON-BURN ASBESTOS BRAKE LINING

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See it with brakes and save the flowers.

Advertisement for GEORGE AN & CO. featuring various fabrics like Ginghams, Dress Goods, and Cretonnes, with prices and descriptions.

Advertisement for PORTZ, the Baker, featuring various breads and services, with illustrations of a woman baking and a man working on a car.

# BUCHANAN PREFERRED—



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THE FACT that you live in Buchanan makes you a stockholder in Buchanan. This is true whether you own property or pay rent—whether you're in business for yourself or lend your efforts and energies to another business—whether you are active or passive.

What would you think of a stockholder in any business that let his coupons go unclipped—that was vitally enough interested to be a stockholder, and not vitally enough interested to further the cause in every possible way he could.

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## "YOUR INTERESTS ARE HERE"

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**THE LIGHT IS BREAKING**

The natural trend of economic forces, accompanied by a return to reason in Europe, now promises to restore to American agriculture that measure of prosperity which most frantic and well meaning political and legislative efforts have failed to bring about.

To three Americans—General Dawes, Owen D. Young and Henry M. Robinson—will be due the credit for formulating the plans under which Europe seems about to take up again the orderly processes of life.

The laying up and maintenance of stores of foodstuffs in Europe which in the past absorbed overplus of American production, and relieved markets from depressing weight has been lacking for nearly two years. Resumption of purchases necessary for normal reserves, together with reduced production of American farms which seems to be under way, should shortly replace the moribund market conditions with oldtime activity.

Mr. Owen D. Young, just before the departure of the American Commission for Europe in a letter to the editor of the Agricultural Review, of Kansas City said:

It is unnecessary for me to tell you how deeply interested I am in American agriculture. I was born on a farm, struggled on it during my earlier years, and I am still struggling with the same farm. I know something from actual experience of the problems of the farmer, and I have greater interest in seeing sound conditions created for American agriculture than for any other branch of our activities. Our industries are quite able to care for themselves. Our agriculture is very largely at the mercy of foreign disorganization. I hope the farmers of the country fully appreciate this and will demand action. If they will, they will get it.

In those few words Mr. Young points the way. It does not lead along political paths or through legislative halls. It runs in the direction of restoring order confidence and credit in Europe.

**Michigan Weekly Industrial Review**

The people of this nation are witnessing a mudslinging contest in national affairs which is disgusting the average American with overdone partisan politics. If half the charges made are true, why are accused not punished? Continuation of this policy may cripple or even kill prosperity by destroying confidences and slowing up Industrial activity. What a price to pay for political vaudeville.

Saginaw—Materials for rebuilding street car tracks received.

Mason—"Brickyard" road to be improved to Meridan road intersection.

Fremont—Heinz Pickle company buys several stations of Johnson Pickle Company in this vicinity.

Belding—Construction of new power plant for Belding Hall Company under way.

Ionia—New LeValley church in Orange township completed.

Saranac—Local plant of Ypsilanti Reed Furniture Company employing 100 persons.

Saginaw—Mackinaw street bridge nearing completion.

Jackson—Hayes Wheel Company reports February gross sales totaling \$1,917,000.

Middleton—Newspaper to begin publication.

Bessemer—United Italian societies to erect \$40,000 lodge building.

Iron Mountain—250 dwellings to be erected this summer.

Grand Rapids—Consumers Power Company to spend \$1,815,000 for enlargement of Fulton and Wealthy street plants.

Reed City—Telephone poles being removed from main streets preparatory to paving highways.

Marshall—Brooks Memorial Methodist church completed at cost of \$105,000.

Fremont—Fremont State Bank completes erection of new building.

Manistee—Higher contract prices to be in force for string bean and pickle crops this season.

Iron Mountain—State road to be built to Ford plant.

Bay City—Contract let for paving highway M-13 to Indiana State line.

Grand Rapids—Quimby-Kain Paper Company moves into larger quarters.

Milwaukee Consumers Power Company to construct third unit of local steam-electric plant at cost of \$1,500,000.

Stockbridge—Branch plant of the Michigan Seating company operating at full capacity.

Brighton—Grand, River and Main streets to be paved.

Allouez—Great Northern Railway signs contracts to haul 17,000,000 tons iron ore from Iron Range to docks here.

Ironwood—C. N. Cramer Company to establish branch house in this city.

Albion—New James W. Sheldon Memorial hospital completed at cost of \$105,000.

Monroe—Contract to be let for building addition to Lincoln school.

Saginaw—Parker Dairy Company plans erection of 715,000 addition to plant.

Montrose—\$38,000 Methodist church completed.

Poultney—New creamery opens for business.

Mt. Pleasant—Borden Condensary plant bought 18,710,000 lbs. of milk from Isabella county farmers during the year.

Norway—State to complete east and west county road.

Flint—Employment in local factories increased 2,000 this year.

Detroit—Catholics to build \$300,000 church in Highland Park.

Ann Arbor—Electric traffic signs to be installed.

Monroe—9-room addition to Lincoln school to be constructed at cost of \$55,000.

John F. Sinclair, former banker and lecturer at University of Minnesota, says in New York World that in 1790 under Alexander Hamilton, first secretary of treasury, taxes were \$1.20 per capita. In 1923 they were \$31.80. In 1790 the government was spending \$1,600 a day for all purposes; today we are spending \$24,000 a minute.

State's total mileage of roads is about 75,000 with 14,000 miles improved.

Houghton—Work on Tamarack reclamation plant of Calumet & Hecla Company progressing rapidly.

**DEMOCRATIC COUNTY CONVENTION APRIL 29**

The Democratic county convention will be held in St. Joseph on the afternoon of April 29. The county convention will name delegates to the state convention to be held at Lansing next month, and also transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The apportionment of delegates in the county is as follows:

Bainbridge, 3; Benton, 5; Benton Harbor, first ward, 4; second ward, 8; third ward, 6; fourth ward, 4; Berrien, 4; Bertrand, 3; Buchanan, 14; Chickaming, 3; Golons, 6; Galien, 5; Hagar, 3; Lake, 9; Lincoln, 4; New Buffalo, 6; Niles township, 6; Niles city, first ward, 14; second ward, 5; third ward, 11; fourth ward, 9; Pipestone, 1; Royalton, 4; St. Joseph township, 2; St. Joseph city, first ward, 3; second ward, 7; third ward, 8; fourth ward, 10; Sodas, 2; Three Oaks, 6; Watervliet, 10; Wessaw, 6.

**SEED OF THE FUTURE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM**

(By Dr. Frank Crane.)

Under section 47d of the National Defense Act, as amended June 4, 1920, is the seed of the future educational system of the United States and of the world.

This section provides that the Secretary of War see to it that schools are established throughout the country, in which army officers shall provide military training and teach citizenship to such boys as may care to attend.

Last year twenty-thousand boys spent one month in such camps. There they learned such vital things as throwing their shoulders back and holding in the abdomen, getting up when the trumpet blows, eating what is set before them, exercising, team play with their fellows and respect toward their superiors, toing the mark, keeping step and similar things that were invaluable in the important task of not being a slob, but being a regular two-fisted He-American.

The only fault I can find with these schools is that, instead of twenty thousand boys being in them, twenty million boys should have been in them.

In fact, it will be a God-blessed day for this country when every boy in the land, whether he be the son of a banker or a section hand, shall be required to put on the uniform of Uncle Sam's Army and go to school under army officials somewhere, for at least one month of the year, every year, between the ages of seventeen and twenty-one.

I wonder if the people know that these camps are in existence this summer, and that they are maintained and paid for by the Government, that any boy between the ages of seventeen and twenty-four may attend them, the Government not only paying for his expenses and furnishing him with uniform and grub, but also paying his fare from his home to the camp and return.

Think of that! A million boys ought to apply for admission to these camps this summer. The only reason they have not applied before is because the advantages has not been sufficiently advertised.

These schools are not far the purpose of making soldiers out of boys. Boys do not there learn to kill. They learn how to behave themselves, how to get strong bodies, alert minds, and how to become good citizens.

This news ought to be received with exultation by many a mother who is worried over what to do with her boy this summer.

To have him get out among other boys of his own age, learn how to get along with his fellows, learn the road toward a healthy body and a bright mind, learn what a wonderful Master Uncle Sam is, and learn that there is something in this world beside his own pleasure; that there is a great country to serve, to live for and even die for, ought surely to appeal to every parent.

And incidentally the transformation of the Army from a mere fighting machine for destruction into an organization for construction; into an organization for the building up of good citizenship, would be the most significant achievement of the century.

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Buchanan Briefs

Miss Mabel Wagner spent Easter with friends in South Bend.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Proceus and family spent Sunday in Kalamazoo.

C. L. Stretch the Optometrist at Moyer's Music store every Thursday. 12A4t

A number of young people from here attended the dance at New Troy Saturday night.

Family washings—Rough, dry, 9c per pound. The Niles Laundry, Phone Hotel Rex. 16A4t

Did you ever see a tile bath room smile—show yours Blue Devil Cleaners and watch. 10A4t

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ham had as their guests Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. L. Zainer of South Bend.

Mr. Clara E. Winegar and daughter, of Elkhart were guests over Sunday of Mrs. Anna Ritter.

Mrs. Robert Richards and children of Detroit, were guests over Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. B. Richards.

Miss Elizabeth and Rose West of Three Oaks, were guests of their aunt, Mrs. J. B. Otwell, over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Newton Barnhart were guests at dinner Sunday of her cousin, Mrs. Fred Harner at Gallien.

Earl Tuttle of Kenosha, Wis., spent Sunday with his wife and son at the home of her mother, Mrs. Nettie Arney.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Edsall and two children of Muskegon, were the guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Shippley.

Mr. and Mrs. Gotlieb Thumm have closed their winter home at Captiva, Florida, and will arrive here about May first.

Mrs. Fayne Robyns, of Des Moines, Iowa, came Saturday to visit her daughter, Miss Dorothy, and other relatives for several weeks.

Regular meeting of the Royal Neighbor lodge Friday evening, April 25. A committee will entertain. The drawing will take place.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Cooper and son and her mother, Mrs. Carrie Penwell, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Don Penwell in Glendora.

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Bissell of Niles and Mr. and Mrs. George Headley of South Bend, were guests Easter at the home of their father, L. G. Bissell.

The O-4-O class of the M. E. church will serve a chicken supper Saturday, April 26, in the parlors of the church from 5 to 7 o'clock, fifty cents per plate. 6A2c

Mr. and Mrs. Buckhave have moved from the Fuller house on Days avenue to Detroit street and Mr. and Mrs. John Montgomery will move in where they moved out.

Mrs. W. D. Bremer entertained a company of little folks at a birthday party Saturday afternoon in honor of the ninth birthday of her little grand daughter, Dorothy Daw.

Mrs. Phil Boone entertained the members of the choir of the Evangelical church at a chicken pie pot luck dinner at a farewell party in honor

of Rev. and Mrs. E. D. Riebel, last evening. Dinner was served at 7 o'clock and a most enjoyable evening followed. Before leaving Mrs. Riebel was presented with a beautiful picture as a remembrance from the choir.

Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Shippley have purchased the J. A. Palmer property on Short street and recently moved there from the Estes house on Days avenue.

A card from the Sunny Southland received by friends here indicate that C. A. Hallock and wife, also M. O. Burdett and party, may be expected to reach Buchanan before many moons.

The Friendship class of one Evangelical Sunday school will meet with Mr. and Mrs. John Walker Friday evening for their April business and social meeting. Cars will be at the church at 11:30 to take all wishing to go.

The Hillside club of the Presbyterian church will meet in the church parlors Thursday evening at 7:30. The members of the club will have charge of the morning service next Sunday and Ralph Kean will deliver the address.

Richard T. Daeschmer of Preston, Neb., was a guest at the home of his sister, Mrs. E. D. Riebel, several days last week. Mr. Daeschmer, who is singing evangelist and just closed a series of meetings at Saginaw, and was on his way home.

The Aid society of the Christian church met with Mrs. Harry Smith on Third Street Friday afternoon for the Easter prayer service. There was a good attendance and it was arranged for the society to send \$25 to the Orphan and Old Peoples' Home at St. Louis, Mo.

George Mathie has sold his property, known as the Willow Brook farm to Morton Authors, of Chicago, who will take possession in the near future. Mr. Mathie will move his family into town and he will be associated with his son at the Battery Service station on Oak Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Rhoades of Portage Prairie, entertained the G. W. Rough children and their families at dinner Sunday. While the company were still seated at the table an Easter greeting was received from Mrs. Nettie Arney and daughter, Blanche, from Los Angeles, which said they would arrive here about June first for a visit. This will be their first visit home since going to Los Angeles four years ago.

If enamel and linoeum could tell what they think of lye and strong soaps, we couldn't print it. Use Blue Devil. 16A2t

Family Washings—Wet wash 5c per pound, 20 pound minimum. The Niles Laundry, Phone Hotel Rex. 16A4t

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Landman, of St. Henry, O., and Robert G. Hunter, of St. Marys, O., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Hunter, Charles Court, Saturday night. On Sunday the party, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Hunter motored to Oak Park, Ill., where they spent the day

with Miss Marie Hunter, who is a student nurse at West Suburban hospital.

The McKinstry Propnetic lectures begin next Sunday morning at 10:30 and continue through the week following, every night except Saturday. These lectures are highly recommended and all are invited to hear this lady lecturer, who has been called, "The Ablest living historian." A special invitation to the Teachers and students of the Buchanan High school is extended. Remember the time and place, April 27th to May 4th at the Advent Christian church on N. Oak street, between Third and Fourth streets.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE OF METHODIST MINISTERS

Methodist ministers representing nineteen charges in the Niles district were present at the conference held in the Methodist church in this place Monday. Many of the ministers were accompanied by their wives. A splendid dinner was served in the basement of the church by the local church ladies. The session following the dinner was in charge of Dr. J. C. Willits, superintendent of the Niles district. Dr. Louis De Lamarter, of Lansing, secretary of the Retired Preachers Endowment fund, was present and explained the plan for raising the proposed fund, which was the subject for discussion at the meeting.

MONDAY CLUB

Mrs. A. A. Worthington was hostess to the Monday club yesterday afternoon and in spite of the rain, there was a good attendance. The program was opened with a selection on the Edison, followed by a reading on the subject of Pheasants in the Forest, by Mrs. M. M. Knight. Mrs. J. Fowler gave an interesting account of Our Birds in Winter, both of the migratory birds and the ones that remain with us. The Life and Works of Emerson, the American Philosopher was presented by Mrs. Wisner. Roll call was extracts from Emerson's works.

All were pleased to have Mrs. W. H. Irwin now of Hartford, Mich., present at this meeting. She was once a member of the club. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess. The club adjourned to meet with Mrs. E. Hayes next Monday.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S BANQUET

Wednesday evening, the Senior and Intermediate Leagues of the Evangelical church will enjoy a banquet in the church parlors. The members of the Intermediate League will be guests of honor, as a reward for winning out in the recent League contest, in competition with three groups of the Senior League. Three months ago, the Intermediate League had practically no organization, and now has a membership of over thirty members between the ages of 14 and 18. Hester Walls is Superintendent and Berdella Phyngst, president of the Intermediate League.

Supper will be served at 6:30, after which a short program of toasts and musical numbers will be given.

A PLEASANT GATHERING

A very pleasant gathering took place Sunday at the Clemens home, in Bakertown, when twenty-five relatives and friends came in and reminded Mrs. Clemens of her birthday. A bountiful pot luck dinner was served and the day was spent in a social manner. Numerous gifts were left with many wishes for more such happy gatherings. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Clemens, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Wever, Alyce and Dora Clemens and Glycer Gudeles of South Bend, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Cauffman, Mr. and Mrs. Greeley Korn and Mr. and Mrs. Irving Swartz and baby of Portage Prairie, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Clemens and four children of Edw.sburg.

REPORTED SALE OF THE NILES FAR-SUN

It is reported that T. Torney and Fred D. Cook, owners of the Niles Star-Sun, have announced the sale of the paper to Francis J. Plym, well known Niles manufacturer and President of the K. K. Co. The consideration in the transaction is understood to have been \$23,500, of which \$16,000 is standing preferred stock and \$7,500 paid to Messrs. Torney and Cook. Mr. Plym had a forty-five day option of the property and the sale was consummated on the day of the expiration of the option.

Mrs. G. Senhart spent the week end at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Basil Squibb, in Three Rivers.

RECORD ADVERTISING BRINGS RESULTS

Direct results from a number of advertisements in last week's issue of the Record were reported by the voluntary testimony of the advertisers. For instance, Runner Bros., the hardware merchants, advertised a special sale on brooms for last Saturday, having provided themselves with a large stock of the brooms, sufficient, it was thought, to meet any demand that might be created by advertising and the special price at which they were offered. Almost as soon as the store opened for business Saturday morning the broom customers started coming in, and although the sales were restricted to one broom to a customer, the entire supply was sold before noon, and the increase in business was not confined to brooms alone. Brooms at 44 cents each were undoubtedly a bargain and the fact that the supply was sold so quickly is an evidence that the people are looking for bargains through the advertising columns of the Record.

TWO SLAVES WERE SOLD WITH LAND

ANCIENT DOCUMENT GIVES PARTICULARS OF LAND SALE IN DETROIT WITH SLAVES, OXEN, AXES, ETC.

Benj. Livingston, who was in Detroit on a business mission last week, brought back an abstract of title to one lot and 15 feet off of the adjoining lot, located on what is now Dearborn avenue, in the city of Detroit, which contains conditions and particulars of interest to the public at this time. The described premises, situated in the township of Ecorse, county of Wayne, and state of Michigan, were conveyed, in 1870, by the Chief of the Pontowatomis Nation to Jacques Godfroy, Sr. The terms of the deed were that the state of the land they have left uncultivated for a long time and the advice and general consent of the nation, have determined to give a portion to their friend Jacques Godfroy, Sr., containing 3 arpents, in front upon the River Rouge on the border of said river and for the sincere friendship they bear him they smoked to him a pipe of peace, warranting at present and always to him, his heirs and assigns.

The claim of Gabriel Godfroy, Sr., in behalf of his children, was considered by the United States, on June 15, 1808, to a tract of land situated on the River Rouge, conveyed to him by the Province of Upper Canada, Detroit, Western District. The terms and conditions of the transfer of the land and other property were, in part, as follows: "With the land was conveyed 2 slaves, 7 oxen, and cows, 2 horses, 4 pigs, 1 painted cart, a complete chain, 2 axes, 2 pickaxes, one harness, 2 furnished beds, 1 pot, 1 frying pan, 1 dozen plates, 6 silver spoons, 6 silver forks, a silver goblet, and many other household furnishings. Said Jacques Godfroy is willing and intends that his son Gabriel Godfroy should enjoy said arpent of land, and the buildings constructed thereon and also other articles above mentioned, during his life, that is to say without the power to sell, pledge or exchange said goods under any pretext, and after death of said Gabriel Godfroy the goods and property to belong to his children. The gift and release made subject to the charge that said Gabriel Godfroy for the use of said personality shall lodge, board and take care of said Jacques Godfroy, his father, during his life and look after him well in sickness and in health, and furnish him with all the comforts necessary, and when it shall please God to take him, to give him a decent burial and to have 50 low masses said for the repose of his soul; this said Gabriel Godfroy agrees punctually to do. Made and passed at the said Detroit, in the Province of Upper Canada, in the place of residence of said grantor and grantees, June 15, 1795, before noon."

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bachman, Mrs. Lucy Beistler and Miss Ethel Beistler spent Saturday afternoon in South Bend.

BENTON HARBOR. GAME HERE FRIDAY

COACH BRADY'S NINE WILL OPEN SEASON ON LIBERTY HEIGHTS FIELD, WITH BENTON HARBOR.

(By Ted Childs.)

For the first time in five years Buchanan High school will be represented on the diamond. The men have been going through severe practice sessions for the last three weeks and, although no dependable forecasts can be made, a nine has been developed that will be as invincible and show as much fighting spirit as the football and basket ball teams.

The first game of the season will be played Friday, on Liberty Heights field. The Buchanan High school foe will be Benton Harbor, the largest High school in the county and one of the best teams in southwestern Michigan. The probable lineup will be: Renbarger, c; Mitchell, p; Proud, 1b; Chain, 2b; Hanlin, ss; Roti, 3b; Bohl, rf; Bamman, cf; Simpson, lf. As yet no schedule has been arranged but this will be taken care of in a short time. If the team receives the support in base ball that it did in basket ball a winning team can be promised the fans. The game will be called at 3 o'clock.

FESTIVAL OF EASTER IS CELEBRATED

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morning a program was given during the Sunday school hour by the children, which was featured by two selections on the accordion by Van Brown, and the entire program was well rendered and especially appropriate for the occasion. A special collection was taken at this service for the Orphans and Old People's Home, at St. Louis, Mo., amounting to \$43.50. Seventy-five dozen eggs were also sent to the Home.

Evangelical Church Easter was appropriately observed by the Evangelical church of Buchanan.

The first service was a Sunrise Prayer Meeting at six o'clock, which proved to be one of the most helpful and inspiring services of the day.

During the Sunday school hour at 9 o'clock, the children of the Protestant Sunday school presented a program of recitations, dialogues and songs.

At the eleven o'clock preaching service, a large congregation was present. The choir rendered a special Easter number, and the pastor brought an Easter message, which was followed by reception of members.

In the afternoon at two-thirty, a baptismal service was conducted. This proved to be a very tender service of consolation, at which time seven were baptised.

The Intermediate and Senior League Services at six-thirty o'clock were well attended, and helpful discussions as to the significance of Easter were brought out.

The services of the day reached their climax in the service of song at seven-thirty o'clock. The Church Choir gave the Cantata, "Jesus Lives," by Gabriel, to an audience which taxed the seating capacity of the church. An offering of over \$17.00 was received.

A fitting description of Easter at this church was made by a member who attended all of the services of the day, when at the close of the Cantata, she remarked to her pastor, "This is the End of a Perfect Day."

St. Anthony's Church Special Easter services were held at St. Anthony's church. High mass at 10:30 was conducted by Father McBride of Notre Dame. The service was featured with special music, and the altars were decorated with Easter lilies and other flowers and plants, making a very appropriate and pleasing arrangement. The impressive Easter service was attended by a large audience.

W. C. T. U. DINNER

The W. C. T. U. will have a pot luck dinner at the Christian church next Friday at noon. All members and friends are urged to be present. All are asked to bring sandwiches for themselves in addition to some other article of food. The program to be given in the afternoon will be in charge of Mrs. Laas and Mrs. Spencer, both of Benton Harbor. These ladies are officers in the County and have an important message for all.

We dare you to find out how much better Blue Devil in your bath will make you feel. 16A2

MRS. EVANS SUFFERS ATTACK OF HEART FAILURE

Mrs. Wm. Evans, who has been quite sick since last Tuesday night, when she suffered a severe attack of heart trouble, is better and able to be up a part of the time. Mrs. Evans was taken sick while attending a meeting of the American Legion Auxiliary in Three Oaks at which the Auxiliary of this place were guests. She was given medical attention by Dr. Higbee at Three Oaks and Dr. Curtis was sent for and brought her home assisted by Mrs. Chas. Cooper, who also was attending the meeting. Mrs. Harold Clark of South Bend, a daughter of Mrs. Evans, was at once notified of her mother's illness and she came and remained until Sunday.

Use Record yant advs. They pay.

BERRIEN COUNTY BOYS ON FOOTBALL SQUAD

Included on the spring foot ball squad of some 50 men at Western State Normal, Kalamazoo, are four Berrien county boys—Justus Pelton, of Coloma; Wade Miller, of Baroda; Howard Cook and Frank Forrest, of Niles.

MACCABEES

ATTENTION Sir Knights, there will be a class initiation on Monday, April 28, at Maccabee Hall. Visitors from Grand Lodge, and neighboring lodges will be with us. Refreshments will be served. Everybody come. A. M. Slate, Com. 16A2p

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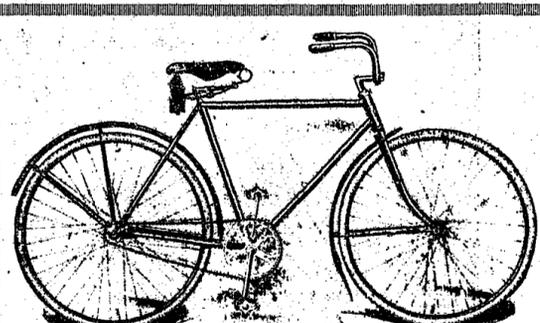
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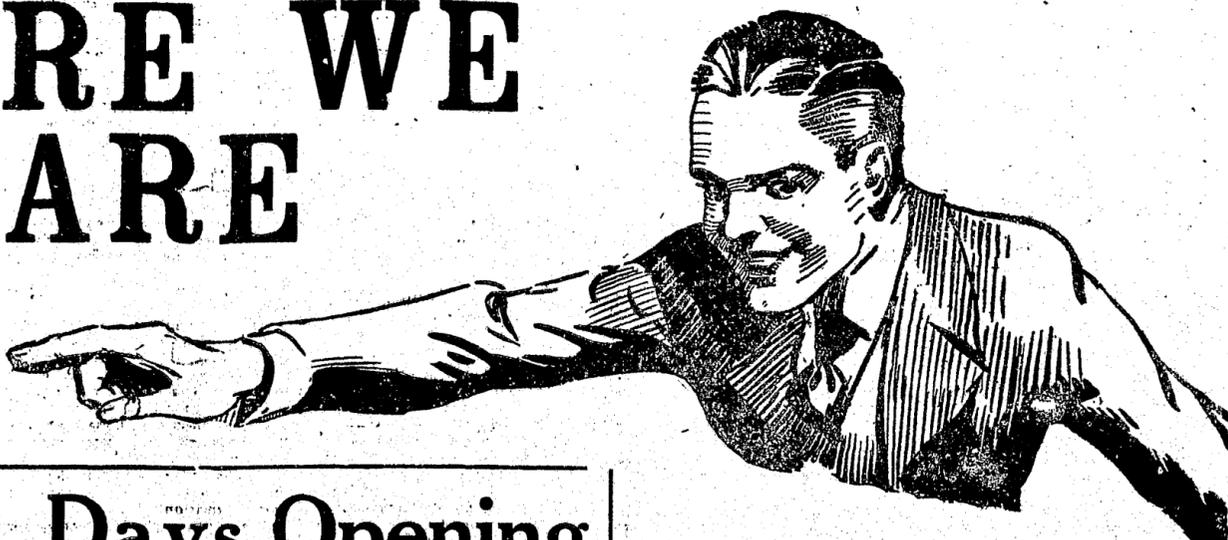
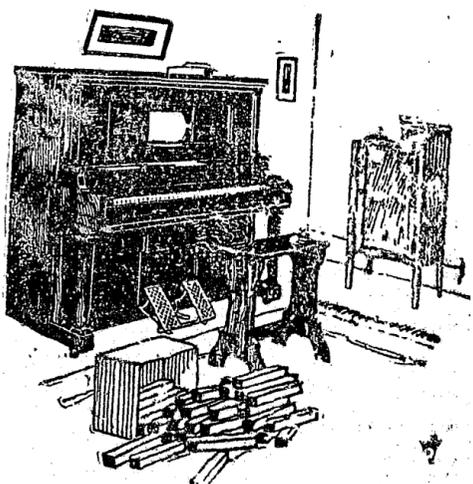
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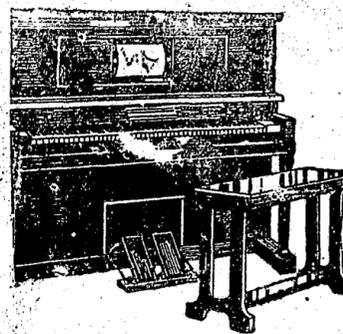
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SYNOPSIS

CHAPTER I—Francis Ledsam defends Oliver Hilditch, a powerful business man in a murder case and succeeds in getting him off, only to be told by a young prepossessing woman, who says that she is Oliver Hilditch's wife, that Hilditch is an arch-criminal and that Ledsam has turned loose a dangerous man to resume his prey upon society.

CHAPTER II—Ledsam dining with his best friend, new Wilmore, meets Hilditch and his wife and is invited to dine with them at their home.

CHAPTER III—At dinner with the Hilditches, Oliver shows Ledsam how he killed his victim and says his own death the same way would make his wife supremely happy. Returning home, Ledsam receives a phone call from Margaret, saying Oliver has been murdered.

CHAPTER IV—Ledsam gets the coroner to set Oliver's death down as suicide. Later on he admits to Wilmore that he has developed a keen interest in Margaret. He meets her father, Sir Timothy Brast, the evil shepherd, who tells him a crime will be committed before they leave the cafe.

CHAPTER V—The crime is committed and Shoptan, a Scotland Yard detective, asks Ledsam to interview the girl in the case.

CHAPTER VI—Daisy tells Ledsam nothing much, except that her companion had led a pretty bad life and was trying to break away from his old evil companions.

CHAPTER VII—By chance Francis meets Margaret and asks for permission to see her. She tells him to have nothing to do with Sir Timothy, although she admits he is everything that a girl could desire.

CHAPTER VIII—Sir Timothy appears to be the murderer in the second affair, another man suicides, admitting his guilt.

CHAPTER IX—Brast displays an unusual amount of pride in his character and meets Ledsam by night.

CHAPTER X—Francis is invited to dine with Brast at his cottage. Returning to his office he finds an unfinished scrawl from the brother, Wilmore, asking him to help his younger brother who has been missing for days and they fear him to be dead.

CHAPTER XI—Under the influence of a lovely moon and the racket of the river Francis loses Margaret and the latter does not resent it, although asking Francis to escort her back to the house. They find Sir Timothy had taken Lady Cynthia to see the Walled House. The next morning Francis notices Lady Cynthia in London and finds Margaret had left before them. Francis admits that he wishes to marry Margaret.

CHAPTER XII—Shoptan tells Francis that he can find nothing definite about young Wilmore's whereabouts. Francis runs into Margaret and she fields and becomes engaged to him.

CHAPTER XIII—Sir Timothy finds the happy couple dining at Ledsam's chambers. Unable to forbid the marriage he secures their consent to keep the announcement of their engagement secret for two weeks. Shoptan meets Francis and discloses that he hopes to get Sir Timothy in the toils of the law in a short time.

CHAPTER XIV—Margaret confesses to Francis that she had never cared for Hilditch. Sir Timothy offers Shoptan temporary refuge, where Sir Timothy, Wilmore and Daisy Hylop will be allowed to attend a party at the Walled House and then tell him anything illegal that has happened there. The detective accepts.

CHAPTER XV—Plans for a party at the Walled House are laid out which Lady Cynthia is also invited.

CHAPTER XVI—A seedy looking individual tells Francis he was Hilditch's butler at the time Hilditch was killed, and that he saw Sir Timothy commit the murder. Francis buys his silence and resolves to exchange two confessions.

CHAPTER XVII

Lady Cynthia and Sir Timothy strolled after dinner that night, where the four had gathered at the Sanctuary, to the bottom of the lawn and watched the punt which Francis was propelling turn from the stream into the river.

"Are those two really going to marry?" Lady Cynthia asked, moving her head lazily in the direction of the disappearing punt.

"I imagine so."

"And you? What are you going to do then?"

"I am planning a long cruise. I telegraphed to Southampton today. I am having my yacht provisioned and prepared. I think I shall go over to South America."

She was silent for a moment.

"Alone?" she asked presently.

"I am always alone," he answered. "That is rather a matter of your own choice, is it not?"

"Perhaps so. I have always found it hard to make friends. Enemies seem to be more in my life."

"I have not found it difficult to become your friend," she reminded him. "You are one of my few successes," he replied.

She leaned back with half-closed eyes. There was nothing new about their environment—the clusters of

roses, the perfume of the lilies in the rock garden, the even sweeter fragrance of the trim border of mignonette. Away in the distance, the night was made momentarily ugly by the sound of a gramophone on a passing launch, yet this discordant note seemed only to bring the perfection of present things closer. Back across the velvet lawn, through the feathery strips of foliage, the lights of the Sanctuary, shaded and subdued, were dimly visible. The dining-table under the cedar-tree had already been cleared. Hedges, newly arrived from town to play the major domo, was putting the finishing touches to a little array of cool drinks. And beyond, dimly seen but always there, the wall, she turned to him suddenly.

"You build a wall around your life," she said, "like the wall which encircles your mystery house. Last night I thought that I could see a little way over the top. Tonight you are different."

"If I am different," he answered quietly, "it is because, for the first time for many years, I have found myself wondering whether the life I had planned for myself, the things which I had planned should make life for me, are the best. I have had doubts—perhaps I might say regrets."

"I should like to go to South America," Lady Cynthia declared softly. He finished the cigarette which he was smoking and deliberately threw away the stump. Then he turned and looked at her. His face seemed harder than ever, clean-cut, the face of a man able to defy Fate, but she saw something in his eyes which she had never seen before.

"Dear child," he said, "if I could roll back the years, if from all my deeds of sin, as the world knows sin, I could cancel one, there is nothing in the world would make me happier than to ask you to come with me as my cherished companion to just whatever part of the world you cared for. But I have been playing pitch and toss with fortune all my life, since the great trouble came which changed me so much. Even at this moment, the coin is in the air which may decide my fate."

"You mean?" she ventured.

"I mean," he continued, "that after the event of which we spoke last night, nothing in life has been more than an incident, and I have striven to find distraction by means which of none of you—not even you, Lady Cynthia, with all your breadth of outlook and all your craving after new things—would justify."

"Nothing that you may have done troubles me in the least," she assured him. "I do wish that you could put it all out of your mind and let me help you to make a fresh start."

"I may put the thing itself out of my mind," he answered sadly, "but the consequences remain."

"There is a consequence which threatens?" she asked.

He was silent for a moment. When he spoke again, he had recovered all his courage.

"There is the coin in the air of which I spoke," he replied. "Let us forget it for a moment. Of the minor things I will make you my judge. Ledsam and Margaret are coming to my party tomorrow night. You, too, shall be my guest. Such secrets as lie on the other side of that wall shall be yours. After that, if I survive your judgment of them, and if the coin which I have thrown into the air comes down to the tune I call—after that—I will remind you of something which happened last night—of something which, if I live for many years, I shall never forget."

She leaned towards him. Her eyes were heavy with longing. Her arms,



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sweet and white in the dusky twilight, stole hesitatingly out.

"Last night was so long ago. Won't you take a later memory?"

Once again she lay in his arms, still and content.

As they crossed the lawn, an hour or so later, they were confronted by Hedges—who hastened, in fact, to meet them.

"You are being asked for on the telephone, sir," he announced. "It is a trunk call. I have switched it through to the study."

"Any name?" Sir Timothy asked differently.

The man hesitated. His eyes sought his master's respectfully but charged with meaning.

"The person refuses to give his name, sir, but I fancied that I should

zoned his voice. I think it would be as well for you to speak, sir."

Lady Cynthia sank into a chair. "You shall go and answer your telephone call," she said, "and leave Hedges to serve me with one of these strange drinks. I believe I see some of my favorite orangeade."

Sir Timothy made his way into the house and into the low, oak-beamed study with its dark furniture and latticed windows. The telephone bell began to ring again as he entered. He took up the receiver.

"Sir Timothy," a rather hoarse, strained voice asked.

"I am speaking," Sir Timothy replied. "Who is it?"

The man at the other end spoke as though he were out of breath. Nevertheless, what he said was distinct enough.

"I am John Walter."

"I am just ringing you up," the voice went on, "to give you what's called a sporting chance. There's a boat from Southampton, midday tomorrow. If you're wise, you'll catch it. Or better still, get off on your own yacht. They carry a wireless now, these big steamers. Don't give a criminal much of a chance, does it?"

"I am to understand, then," Sir Timothy said calmly, "that you have laid your information?"

"I've parted with it and serve you right," was the bitter reply. "I'm not saying that you're not a brave man, Sir Timothy, but there's such a thing as being foolhardy, and that's what you are. I wasn't asking you for half your fortune, nor even a dab of it, but if your life wasn't worth a few hundred pounds—well, it wasn't worth saving. So now you know, I've spent ninepence to give you a chance to hop it, because I met a gent who has been good to me. I've had a good dinner and I feel merciful. So there you are."

"Do I gather," Sir Timothy asked, in a perfectly level tone, "that the deed is already done?"

"It's already done and done thoroughly," was the uncompromising answer. "I'm not going to ask you to change your mind. If you were to offer me five thousand now, or ten, I couldn't stop the ball. You've a sporting chance of getting away if you start at once. That's all there is to it."

"You have nothing more to say?"

"Nothing! Only I wish to God I'd never stepped into that Mayfair agency. I wish I'd never gone to Mrs. Hilditch's as a temporary butler. I wish I'd never seen any one of you! That's all. You can go to hell—which way you like, only if you take my advice, you'll go by the way of South America. The scaffold isn't every man's fancy."

There was a purr of the instrument and then a sharp click. Sir Timothy carefully replaced the receiver, paused on his way out of the room to smell a great bowl of lavender, and passed back into the garden.

"More applicants for invitations?" Lady Cynthia inquired lazily.

Her host smiled.

"Not exactly! Although," he added, "as a matter of fact my party would have been perhaps a little more complete with the presence of the person to whom I have been speaking."

Lady Cynthia pointed to the stream, down which the punt was slowly drifting. The moon had gone behind a cloud, and Francis's figure, as he stood there, was undefined and ghostly. A thought seemed to flash into her mind. She leaned forward.

"Once," she said, "he told me that he was your enemy."

"The term is a little melodramatic," Sir Timothy protested. "We look at certain things from opposite points of view. You see, my prospective son-in-law, if ever he becomes that, represents the law—the Law with a capital L—which recognizes no human errors or weaknesses, and judges crime out of the dusty books of the law-givers of old. He makes of the law a mechanical thing which can neither bend nor give, and he judges humanly from the same standpoint. Yet at heart he is a good fellow, and I like him."

"And you?"

"My weakness lies the other way," he confessed, "and my sympathy is with those who do not fear to make their own laws."

She held out her hand, white and spectral in the momentary gloom. At the other end of the lawn, Francis and Margaret were disembarking from the punt.

"Does it sound, too, shockingly obvious," she murmured, "if I say that I want to make you my law?"

It would have puzzled anybody, except, perhaps, Lady Cynthia herself, to have detected the slightest alteration in Sir Timothy's demeanor during the following day, when he made his first appearance at the Sanctuary, or at the dinner, which was served a little earlier than usual, before his final departure for the scene of the festivities. Once he paused in the act of helping himself to some fish and listened for a moment to the sound of voices in the hall, and when a taxi cab drove up he set down his glass and again betrayed some interest.

"The maid with my coat, thank heavens!" Lady Cynthia announced, glancing out of the window. "My last anxiety is removed. I am looking forward now to a wonderful night."

"You may very easily be disappointed," she said, "but I am sure that you will have a most enjoyable evening."

"Why don't you be thoroughly original and make invitations to women at all?" Margaret inquired.

"For the same reason that you ask your rooms and the dinner-table

with flowers," he answered. "One needs them as a relief. Apart from that, I am really proud of my dancing-room, and there again, you see, your sex is necessary."

"We are flattered," Margaret declared, with a little bow. "It does seem queer to think that you should own what Cynthia's cousin, Davy Hinton, once told me was the best floor in London, and that I have never danced on it."

"Nor I," Lady Cynthia put in. "There might have been some excuse for not asking you, Margaret, but why an ultra-bohemian like myself has had to beg and plead for an invitation. I really cannot imagine."

"You might find," Sir Timothy said, "you may even now—that some of my men guests are not altogether to your liking."

"Quite content to take my risk," Lady Cynthia declared cheerfully. "The man with the best manners I ever met—it was at one of Maggie's studio dances, too—was a bookmaker. And a retired prize-fighter brought me home once from an Albert Hall dance."

"How did he behave?" Francis asked.

"He was wistful but restrained," Lady Cynthia replied, "quite the gentleman, in fact."

"You encourage me to hope for the best," Sir Timothy said, rising to his feet. "You will excuse me now? I have a few final preparations to make."

"Are we to be allowed," Margaret inquired, "to come across the park?"

"You would not find it convenient," her father assured her. "You had better order a car, say for ten o'clock. Don't forget to bring your cards of invitation, and find me immediately you arrive. I wish to direct your proceedings to some extent."

Lady Cynthia strolled across with him to the postern-gate and stood by his side after he had opened it. Several of the animals, grazing in different parts of the park, pricked up their ears at the sound. An old mare came hobbling towards him; a hen-bitten, gray came trotting down the field, his head in the air, neighing loudly.

"You waste a great deal of tenderness upon your animal friends, dear host," she murmured.

At the entrance to the great gates of the Walled House, two men in livery were standing. One of them explained, with care the red cards of invitation, and as soon as he was satisfied the gates were opened by some unseen agency. The moment the car had passed through, they were closed again.

"Father seems thoroughly meddler over this business," Margaret remarked, looking about her with interest. "What a quaint courtyard, too! It really is quite Italian."

"It seems almost incredible that you have never been here!" Lady Cynthia exclaimed. "Curiosity would have brought me if I had had to climb over the wall!"

"It does seem absurd in one way," Margaret agreed, "but as a matter of fact, my father's attitude about the place has always rather set me against it. I didn't feel that there was any pleasure to be gained by coming here. I won't tell you really what I did think. We must keep to our bargain. We are not to anticipate."

At the front entrance, under the boy's portico, the white tickets which they had received in exchange for their tickets of invitation, were carefully collected by another man, who stopped the car a few yards from the postern, curving steps. After that, there was no more suggestion of inhospitality. The front doors, which were of enormous size and height, seemed to have been removed, and in the great domed hall beyond Sir Timothy was already receiving guests. Being without wraps, the little party made an immediate entrance. Sir Timothy, who was talking to one of the best-known of the foreign ambassadors, took a step forward to meet them.

"Welcome," he said, "you, the most unique party, at least amongst my guests. Prince, may I present you to my daughter, Mrs. Hilditch? Lady Cynthia Milton and Mr. Ledsam, you know, I believe."

Sir Timothy, later, in a moment's respite from the flowing stream of guests, came once more across to them.

"I am going to leave you, my honored guests from the Sanctuary," he said, with a faint smile. "To yourself for a short time. In the room to your left, supper is being served. I want you to meet me in a room which I will show you, at a quarter to twelve."

He led them down one of the corridors which opened from the hall. Before the first door on the right a manservant was standing as though on sentry duty. Sir Timothy tapped the panel of the door with his forefinger.

"This is my sanctum," he announced. "I allow no one in here without special permission. I find it useful to have a place to which one can come and rest quite quietly sometimes. Williams here has no other duty except to guard the entrance. Williams, you will allow this gentleman and these two ladies to pass in at a quarter to twelve."

The man looked at them searchingly. "Certainly, sir," he said. "No one else."

"No one, under any pretext," Sir Timothy hurried back to the hall, and the other three followed him in more leisurely fashion. They were all three full of curiosity.

"I never dreamed," Margaret declared, as she looked around her, "that I should ever find myself inside this house. It has always seemed to me like one of those bluebeard's chambers. If ever my father spoke of it at all it

was as of a place which he intended to convert into a sort of miniature Hell."

Sir Timothy leaned back to speak to them as they passed.

"You will find a friend over there, Ledsam," he said.

Wilmore turned around and faced them. The two men exchanged somewhat surprised greetings.

"No idea that I was coming until this afternoon," Wilmore explained. "I got my card at five o'clock, with a note from Sir Timothy's secretary. I am racking my brains to imagine what it can mean."

"We're all a little addled," Francis confessed. "Come and join our tour of exploration. You know Lady Cynthia. Let me present you to Mrs. Hilditch."

The introduction was effected and they all strolled on together. Margaret and Lady Cynthia led the way into the winter-garden, a palace of glass, tall palms, banks of exotics, flowering shrubs of every description, and a fountain, with wonderfully carved water nymphs, brought with its basin from Italy. Hidden in the foliage, a small orchestra was playing very softly. The atmosphere of the place was languorous and delicious.

"Leave us here," Margaret insisted, with a little exclamation of content. "Neither Cynthia nor I want to go any further. Come back and fetch us in time for our appointment."

After a time the men rejoined Margaret and Cynthia and then came suddenly face to face with Sir Timothy, who had escorted a little party of his guests to see the fountain, and was now returning alone.

"You have been visiting. I am glad to see," the latter observed. "I trust that you are amusing yourselves?"

"Excellently, thank you," Francis replied.

"And so far," Sir Timothy went on, with a faint smile, "you find my entertainment normal? You have no question yet which you would like to ask?"

"Only one—what do you do with your launch up the river on moonless nights, Sir Timothy?"

Sir Timothy's momentary silence was full of ominous significance.

"Mr. Ledsam," he said, after a brief pause, "I have given you almost carte blanche to explore my domains here. Concerning the launch, however, I think that you had better ask no questions at present."

"You are using it tonight?" Francis persisted.

"Will you come and see, my venture some guest?"

"With great pleasure," was the prompt reply.

Sir Timothy glanced at his watch.

"That," he said, "is one of the matters of which we will speak at a quarter to twelve. Meanwhile, let me show you something. It may amuse you as it has done me."

The three moved back towards one of the arched openings which led into the ballroom.

"Observe, if you please," their host continued, "the third couple who pass us. The girl is wearing green—the very little that she does wear. Watch the man, and see if he reminds you of any one."

Francis did as he was bidden. The girl was a well-known member of the chorus of one of the principal musical comedies, and she seemed to be thoroughly enjoying both the dance and her partner. The latter appeared to be of a somewhat ordinary type, sallow, with rather puffy cheeks, and eyes almost unnaturally dark. He danced vigorously and he talked all the time. Something about him was vaguely familiar to Francis, but he failed to place him.

"Notwithstanding all my precautions," Sir Timothy continued, "here, fondly believing himself to be unnoted, is an emissary of Scotland Yard. Really, of all the obvious, the dry-as-dust, hunt-your-criminal-by-rule-of-three kind of people I ever met, the class of detective to which this man belongs can produce the most blatant examples."

"What are you going to do about him?" Francis asked.

Sir Timothy shrugged his shoulders. "I have not yet made up my mind," he said. "I happen to feel that he has been laying his plans for weeks to get here, frequenting Solos' and other restaurants, and scraping acquaintances with some of my friends. The duke of Rutchester brought him—won a few hundreds from him at baccarat.

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"Observe, if you please," their host continued, "the third couple who pass us. The girl is wearing green—the very little that she does wear. Watch the man, and see if he reminds you of any one."

Francis did as he was bidden. The girl was a well-known member of the chorus of one of the principal musical comedies, and she seemed to be thoroughly enjoying both the dance and her partner. The latter appeared to be of a somewhat ordinary type, sallow, with rather puffy cheeks, and eyes almost unnaturally dark. He danced vigorously and he talked all the time. Something about him was vaguely familiar to Francis, but he failed to place him.

"Notwithstanding all my precautions," Sir Timothy continued, "here, fondly believing himself to be unnoted, is an emissary of Scotland Yard. Really, of all the obvious, the dry-as-dust, hunt-your-criminal-by-rule-of-three kind of people I ever met, the class of detective to which this man belongs can produce the most blatant examples."

"What are you going to do about him?" Francis asked.

Sir Timothy shrugged his shoulders. "I have not yet made up my mind," he said. "I happen to feel that he has been laying his plans for weeks to get here, frequenting Solos' and other restaurants, and scraping acquaintances with some of my friends. The duke of Rutchester brought him—won a few hundreds from him at baccarat.

I suppose. His grace will never again find these doors open to him."

Francis' attention had wandered. He was gazing fixedly at the man whom Sir Timothy had pointed out.

"You still do not fully recognize our friend," the latter observed carelessly. "He calls himself Manuel Loto, and he professes to be a Cuban. His real name I understood, when you introduced us, to be Shoptan."

"Great heavens, so it is!" Francis exclaimed.

"Let us leave him to his precarious

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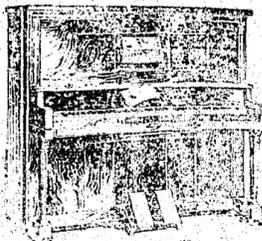
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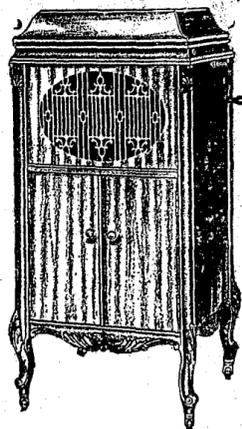
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