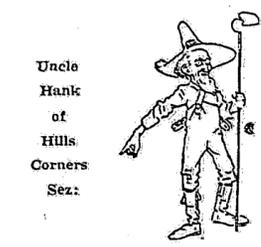


MERCURY HITS 2-YR. LOW IN STORM

New Registration System Adopted by City, Effective After May 1

Now Here's the Proposition

OLD-FASHIONED Bi Haws Layin' strictly by all jokes I prefer old-fashioned folks.



Uncle Hank of Hills Corners Sez: Bill Wolkins sez that if he'd of know ten years ago what he knows now he'd educated all his boys to be bank examiners.

But No Very Acute Ones "In my experience with the eternal triangle," mused Gertie, the Front street flapper, "I've noticed there is usually one obtuse angle."

Bill Desenberg Hangs up Record as Drift Bucker Bill Desenberg probably holds the record, locally at least, for endurance snow bucking, having attended classes regularly at Notre Dame for the past five years.

ALL VOTERS MUST RE-REGISTER FOR NOVEMBER POLLS

Adoption Insures Maintenance of Up-to-Date Voting Record of All Citizens. The new permanent registration system recently authorized by the state for cities over 5,000 and made optional for towns and townships of less population was adopted by the city commission at the March meeting Monday evening.

Under the old system, which will hold good for the spring election, any name entered became a permanent part of the record, a "D" being entered against the name in case of death and an "R" in case of removal.

SPEAK UP, CLINT, WHAT YOU GOT TO SAY FOR YOURSELF

What Were You Doing at 8 O'clock in the A. M. on the 7th of March?

Mr. Mitchell, will you produce the prisoner at the bar. Mr. Hathaway, what is your business? Mayoring? H-m-m. Sounds bad.

What's that? You don't? The charter says the property owners are responsible? Well, this is a time of depression and all us business and professional men are paying into the relief fund, so why can't we be given our money's worth by getting service and getting it in time?

Special Pre-Easter Evangel. Service at Evan Church

Special pre-Easter Evangelical services will be held in the Evangelical church from March 20 to March 27. The program will be given in next week's paper.

1ST NAT. DEPOSITORS APPROVE REORGANIZATION

FABIANO BOXED 2 PRELIMS IN TUNNEY FIGHTS

Local Candy Merchant Witness of Much-Disputed Fight Between Gene and Wuert The much-publicized fight between Gene Tunney and "Rudy" Wuert, now a Butte, Mont., auto salesman, which occurred when the two were rivals for the championship of the A. E. F., was witnessed by Frank Fabiano of the Buchanan Candy Kitchen, who fought a preliminary.

GALIEN SCHOOL ADVANCES UNDER SUPT. HARVEY

U. of Michigan States School is Ready for Recognition Except for Bldg. The attention of the Record has been called by Galien friends to the fact that a statement made in the article on local school economy in last week's issue to the effect that the Galien school is not at present accredited by reason of lack of teaching force and sufficient equipment was in error.

Revival Meetings Begin at Church of Brethren Mar. 13

Revival meetings will be held at the Church of the Brethren, at the corner of Cayuga and Third streets every night at 7:30 p. m. for two weeks starting March 13.

1931 Drouth is Cause Seed Oats Shortage Here

Alfred George, manager of the St. Joe Valley Shipping Association, and Fred Koenigsbof, drove through northern Indiana Saturday looking for a source for seed oats and soy beans. Mr. George reports that there is a great shortage of seed oats in this district, due to the fact that the hot weather and drouth shrunk the grain at ripening last summer.

Talented Singer to Feature C. Christ Pre-Easter Meetings

Denver Driskill, known as one of the most talented evangelistic singers in Michigan, will feature a series of pre-Easter meetings beginning at the Church of Christ March 13 and ending Easter Day. All services will begin promptly at 7:30 p. m. Mark Wall will preach. Mr. Driskill comes here from Waldon, Mich.

Dr. H. M. Beistle, Clarence Spaulding File for City Board

Later: Petitions were circulated yesterday for C. J. Bradley for the city commission and Fred French for constable. Mr. Bradley served as a member of the council three years ago.

Dr. H. M. Beistle and Clarence Spaulding became candidates for places on the city commissions by the filing of petitions in the past week. The former having reconsidered the withdrawal of his name announced in last week's issue. These two and Frank Merison at present constitute the field in the race for the two places made vacant by the termination of the terms of Charles Pears and Frank Merison.

Charles Baker is Wedded in Public Ceremony Saturday

The nuptials of Charles Baker of Buchanan and Miss Melba Burnett of Niles, formed a feature of the American Legion Exposition of Progress at Benton Harbor on Saturday, the ceremony being performed at the army in the presence of 4,000 guests. The pair were accorded a military wedding by the Benton Harbor Legion.

Marlin Kean Talks To Scout Troop

Tuesday evening, at the regular Boy Scout meeting of troop 41, Marlin Kean gave an interesting and instructive talk on fishing, and the making of flies. In the school contest the Rattlesnakes are in the lead. The scouts will have a basket ball game at the Clark theatre Thursday evening, at which time the cubs will play a game, followed by the Junior teams of 41 and 42 and then the Senior teams of 41 and 42 will play.

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Beaver spent the week-end at Rensselaer, Ind., visiting relatives of the former.

City Dads to Meet Tonight to Discuss Sewer Obstruction

The city commission will hold a special meeting this evening to decide what course of action to take in the outlet of the Portage and Third street sewers. It has been found by flushing with water at the Third street manhole that there is an obstruction between that point and the point where the pipe was exhumed at the old mill pond.

FED. EXAMINERS ARRIVE MONDAY TO CHECK FIRST NAT.

Atty. Gray States Comptroller of Opinion Bank in Solvent Condition. Plans having for their object, the reopening of the First National Bank, were approved at a meeting of the depositors of that institution held in the Legion hall Friday evening, and a committee composed of William Womer of Niles and Mathias J. Kelling and William Fette of Buchanan were elected, the first to represent the stockholders and the other two to represent the depositors.

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VITAL RELIGION IS BASIC NEED SAYS FATHER DAY

Incoming, Incumbent St. Anthony's Church Addresses Members Luncheon Club. The urgent need that every man believe in and practice some form of vital religion was the thesis advanced by the Rev. Father John R. Day, recently installed pastor of St. Anthony's Roman Catholic church, in his talk before the Luncheon club at the Tuesday noon meeting.

Ind. and Mich. Co. Grants Schools Lower Light Rate

The Buchanan school board will be aided in their \$10,000 bond program during the coming year by a new contract with the Indiana & Michigan selling electricity to the schools for 30 per cent watt hour, at an estimated saving of \$290 for the school year. The Indiana & Michigan has given the city the benefit of a similar contract for lights in city buildings.

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SUB-ZERO MARKS REPORTED FROM RURAL DISTRICTS

Six Inches Snow Blown in Drifts on North-South Roads, Zero in City.

"It may be spring but it's a poor time to spring this kind of weather," was the comment of local citizens the past three days as they revised their appropriation budget to allow for an expanding coal item in view of the return, of one, William Winter, for a three or four day overtime session after he was believed to be checked out and well on his way.

Direct east and west paved roads in this vicinity were swept clear of snow, but progress of cars was impeded on some north and south roads. Rural mail carriers out of Buchanan were able to cover their entire routes with the exception of about two miles on Route 3, covered by Wilson Hamilton. City delivery has been unimpeded.

DEPUTY MAKES QUICK RECOVERY OF STOLEN CAR

Car taken from Portage Road Store Found Here; Restored to Owner in 30 Minutes.

Kidnaped babies may be slow to locate but Deputy Sheriff Clarence Dunbar made a quick recovery of a stolen car which had been grabbed by some migrating person with small respect for private property and abandoned here.

Tuesday evening the tenant farmer living on the farm owned by Mayor Henkle of South Bend, just south of the state line, went to the grocery store in the old Dunkard church on the Portage road and stepped out of his car for a minute to leave some milk at the store. Dunbar was notified and thirty minutes later found the car abandoned at the corner of Fourth and Portage streets. The migrating thief had abandoned a Buick sedan with a South Bend license at the brick store.

City Treasurer Reports 78 Per Cent Taxes Paid

Seventy-eight per cent of the state, county and school tax roll of \$16,730.00 for the city of Buchanan has been collected by City Treasurer Ada Dacy-Sanders, in addition to \$1,256.40 advance payments on Covert Road assessments and over \$500 in 1931 delinquent city taxes and 1930 delinquent special sewer and paving assessments. This is a very creditable showing for the city in the face of conditions that have obtained here this winter.

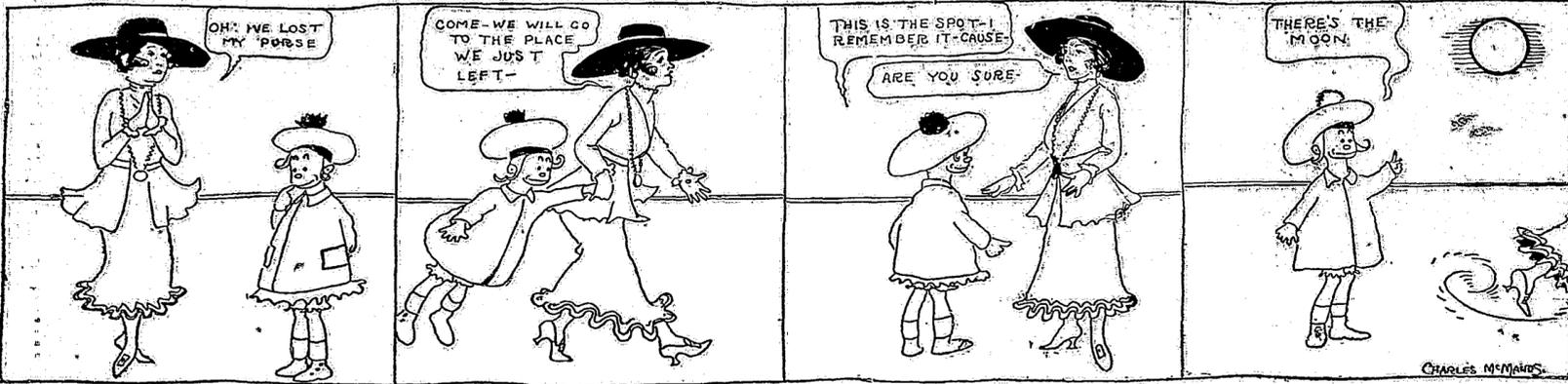
Refugees of Hard Times Find Haven at City Bastille

The city house has furnished a refuge for a group of wandering men during the storm, from eight to a dozen being lodged there nightly. One aged farmer laborer giving his name as John Curry and claiming to hail from West Virginia, has been in the jail for the past week. Food and medical care has been furnished by Glenn Haslett, local poor commissioner.

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By Charles McManus

GALIEN NEWS

M. E. Ladies Aid To Present Play In Hall March 15

The noted play, "A Southern Cinderella" will be given by the M. E. Ladies Aid Tuesday, March 15, at the Galien town hall. It is hoped that many from the surrounding towns will be represented at this play to hear and see the New Troy folks in their latest entertainment. The cast is as follows: A famous settlement worker, Add Taylor Brobeck. An English nurse, Bernice Hartline Guelter. An old aristocrat, Nina Piper Boyd. A Southern Cinderella, Gertrude Hobart. A black, blue-grass widow, Peggy Bell Trott. An adventuress, Marguerite Woods Zimmerman. A little coquette, Lorraine Harper. The famous New Troy male quartette will give some selections as will Miss Edna Maxin. The quartette consists of Rev. Albert Baker, Mrs. Thomas Sowersby and son, Ralph, and Chester Grow.

Culture Club Holds Home and Garden Planning Program

The Friday Culture club met at the home of Mrs. Clayton Smith with a program on "Homes and Gardens" and a roll call of statistics from other lands. Mrs. R. Wentland gave a paper on Summer Flowers in a Warren home. Mrs. Tooley gave a paper on the Old Home and the New; and Mrs. Carl Renbarger gave an article, Experiences in the Home. The president, Mrs. G. Jannasch, entertained with a tree bark contest and a flower contest, at which Mrs. D. Ewing and Mrs. Tooley won prizes. Mrs. Hamilton was awarded the consolation prize. The hostess served refreshments.

Galien Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Swem were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. Proseus at Buchanan. Mrs. Lewis Prekert, Mrs. Ed. Heckathorn, Mrs. Clara Prekert, Mrs. Tooley gave last week quilting at the home of Mrs. Joe Wood, at New Troy. Miss Alice Littell and Clayton Flannigan of Buchanan, were the Sunday evening guests of Miss Beatrice Norris. Mrs. T. E. Mains, Miss Nola VanTilburg and Miss Irene Bennett spent Friday in South Bend. Robert Noggle, son of Mr. and Mrs. Orrin Noggle, is in a serious condition at the Michigan City hospital, where he underwent an operation for mastoid, Sunday. Miss Lela Roberts, South Bend, spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Roberts. John Harvey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harvey, is suffering with whooping cough. The M. E. Ladies Aid Society held their March meeting Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ed Babcock with 40 members present and 5 guests from three towns. After business had been transacted, a social hour followed with games and contests. Mrs. B. Sager won a prize in the clothes pin contest and Miss Hubbard of New Carlisle won the prize in the quilt contest. Refreshments were served. A St. Patrick's tea will be given by Mrs. Wentland's group, March 17. Miss Helen Norman and Ralph Dickow of Buchanan, were Wednesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Gowland. E. O. Marble was in South Bend Saturday. Mrs. Doane Straub and daughter were in South Bend Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Sol Norman and daughter, Helen, Buchanan, gave a farewell dinner Sunday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. George Gowland, who are moving this week to make their home in Indiana. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Gunyon and daughter, Janice, Miss Gertrude Gowland of Argos, and Ralph Dickow. Mr. and Mrs. Joe Wiedeman of Michigan City were Tuesday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hess. The afternoon was spent with Mrs. George Lano, Buchanan. The Jolly Bunco club was held Wednesday evening at the home of Mrs. Ruby Glover. Mrs. Clara Fairbridge won the first prize, Mrs. M. Jannasch won second prize in the

Mrs. G. A. Jannasch received the consolation prize. Refreshments were served. Clayton Smith spent Saturday in Buchanan. Duane Rupert of Chicago spent the week end with his family at his grandparents' home, Mr. and Mrs. B. Dennison. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hohmann entertained former superintendent of schools, H. A. Laycock, and wife over the week-end and entertained a group of friends in their honor at dinner Saturday evening. Mrs. R. J. Wentland attended the County Board of Clubs at their business meeting, Thursday, in Benton Harbor. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Vinton entertained Sunday evening, Mr. and Mrs. George Gowland and sister, Miss Gertrude Gowland. Mrs. David Allen, who fell about three weeks ago, is still confined to her home. Rher Hainstock of Niles was a dinner guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hess. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Lyon and sons of Buchanan, were Sunday afternoon guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lyon. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lawson gave a farewell dinner Friday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. George Gowland. Miss Gertrude Gowland of Argos, was a guest.

GALIEN SCHOOL NEWS

Beaver Dam The attendance for the past two weeks has been much better than it was during the first part of February when so many were obliged to stay at home on account of having severe colds. The fourth grade pupils are now reading in their New Elson Readers. Henry and Alex Rusch have moved to Lydick, Ind., which now makes our enrollment, 21. The pictures of all the county officers have been mounted on cardboard and placed upon the wall for the benefit of the 7th and 8th graders. The Beginners have finished the Beacon Primer, and are now reading from some Free and Treadwell Primers which Mrs. Hohmann kindly loaned us. Those who received 100 per cent on the first test in spelling last week were: Stanley Thompson, Helen Hiltman and Reva Goodenough. Fifth and Sixth Grades Some interesting boats were painted in the 5th and 6th grades by Marguerite Dohrer, Alena Jones, Irene Wessels, Louis Payne, Frances Kiley, Kathryn Hampton, Milburne Heckathorn and Victor Vinton. The six A pupils have started studying per cents. Good work is being done by Milburne Heckathorn, Robert Hewitt, and Marguerite Dohrer. 7th and 8th Grades We are enjoying the books which are made available to us by James Couzens' Children's Fund of Michigan. Spring Vacation Spring vacation this year is scheduled for the week beginning Monday, March 28. School will be called Monday, April 4. Book Reports Book reports will be due on Monday, April 4, in all English classes. Many have already completed the outside reading assignments for the year. Scout News The fourth scout meeting was held on Feb. 26, 1932, in Mr. Harvey's room. Robert White opened the meeting by having all the boys repeat the scout oath and laws. The boys who were there worked on the merit badge of Pathfinding. Bob Kelley, Robert and Russell White, and Jerry Kenney passed it. Victor Swank was working on his second class test. Basket Ball The Galien quintet defeated New Buffalo Tuesday night with a score of 15-9. The game was played at New Buffalo. The line up was as follows: Center, Lintner; left guard, Carroll; right guard, Wolford; left forward, Wolfe; right forward, Warnke. Shemely went in for Carroll. Lintner was high point man. The second team was defeated with a score of 21-4. The points were made by Swem, White and Howell. Lake Chapin News Mrs. Estal Young spent Thursday afternoon in Berrien Springs. Mr. and Mrs. George Barmore spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wallace. Mr. and Mrs. William Russell and family and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Fuller and family attended the dance Saturday evening at the

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ST. JOE CUTS SCHOOLS The St. Joseph Board of Education voted Thursday to lop \$16,108 from the expenses of the public schools. In securing these reductions, the following items were enumerated: A general cut of 10 per cent in all salaries, of administration and teachers was voted. A cut of five per cent will prevail where salaries are near the minimum scale. The cuts will net a saving of \$7,418. Three teachers will be eliminated in the new school year. Saving, \$4,650. Miscellaneous salary cuts (janitors, clerks, etc.), \$4,040. Total reduction in payroll, \$16,108. KEROSENE EXPLODES The farm home of Oscar Wolfe in Royalton township was destroyed Friday by fire started by an explosion of kerosene used in building a fire in a kitchen range. Franklin Wolfe, the 15-year-old son poured the kerosene on and when the range exploded he grasped his mother who was standing near by and carried her from the building. Both escaped without burns. The flames spread rapidly and only a few household goods were saved. CASE MALTA FEVER Benton Harbor is experiencing its first case of Malta fever, a rare disease unknown in the United States until five years ago. The victim is Mrs. Harold Nagle. COUNTY SUES BANKS In a special meeting of the county board of supervisors Friday morning, legal action was authorized for the collection of \$387,000 alleged to be due to the county from closed Berrien County banks and from former county treasurers and their sureties. Claims on which suit will be based are: Eight closed banks in the county owe \$338,855 for deposits and accrued interest. Three former county treasurers owe Berrien \$16,921.74 for interest collected from banks on county deposits and not turned over to the county. Four banks, three of which are closed, owe the county \$1,958 for interest on deposits which was not turned over to the county. The itemized claims are: The Commercial National Bank & Trust Co., St. Joseph, \$145,901.98, secured by a \$100,000 bond from the Michigan Surety Co. The Stevensville State bank, \$20,314.20, secured by a \$20,000 bond from the Michigan Surety Co. The First National Bank of Buchanan, \$40,000 secured by a \$50,000 bond from the American Surety Co. The Berrien County bank of Benton Harbor, \$20,164, secured by directors' personal bond of \$50,000. The bond was signed by C. K. Minary, W. H. Baker, Charles Handy, George Barnard, M. G. Stouck, and James Rose. The Buchanan State bank, \$40,376.43, secured by personal bond of \$100,000 signed by Fred E. Lee, William J. Miller and Charles Landis. The Benton Harbor State bank, \$5,000, covered by bond from the Standard Ashland company. The American National Bank & Trust Co., Benton Harbor, \$85,000 covered by a bond of \$65,000 from the Michigan Surety Co. In addition to this the board authorized suit to collect \$2,100 which the county claims from the old Union Banking company, which merged with the Commercial National of St. Joseph. Chairman Hennes, of the judiciary committee, in his report stated that the committee has had a certified public accountant make an investigation of interest collected from banks by former county treasurers. Report Claims Due His report claimed the following amounts due Berrien. Stuart Barlow, St. Joseph, \$5,948.50. Clarence McMullen, St. Joseph, \$6,978.41. George Haid, St. Joseph, \$3,995.83. According to the judiciary committee's report this represents sums collected from banks as interest on daily balances for county deposits, which were not turned over to the county. Starting in 1923, the board of supervisors passed a resolution placing the interest rate to be paid on county deposits at two per cent. Some of the banks, it was reported, desiring to obtain county funds, paid more than the two per cent. It is the claim of the com-

Bend of the River

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gawthrop entertained a dinner Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Melvin and daughter, Betty, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burnswalter of South Bend. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lydick were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Lydick Sunday. Mrs. Nellie Boone and Miss Pearl Paul of Buchanan were callers in the Her Brinney home on Sunday afternoon. Miss Florence Shipperly is visiting friends in Cleveland, O. Mrs. William Kock and Mrs. Lois Burk visited Mrs. Gladys Sampson in Three Oaks Friday.

Olive Branch

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Smool of South Bend spent Sunday afternoon in the Charles Smith home. Mrs. Millie Bowker spent Saturday afternoon with Mrs. Ida James in Galien. Mr. and Mrs. Art Williams of Niles spent Monday in the Harry Williams home. Mrs. Frank Wolfe was a dinner guest in the Firmon Nye home Thursday. Miss Dorothy Briney and Loren Mullen of Buchanan spent Saturday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Fulton. Miss Evelyn Williams was very sick last week. Dr. Frank Higbee of Three Oaks was to see her twice. She is better at present. Mr. and Mrs. Firmon Nye came home from Benton Harbor Wednesday. Mrs. Anna Smith and daughter were in Niles Wednesday. Mrs. Lysle Nye is spending this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elba Powers, of near Niles. Mrs. Celia Wade and son of Do-wagiac were at the Firmon Nye home Saturday and took Mrs. Genevieve Nye with them to Michigan City. Henry Smith and brother, Chas., and son, Paul, were in Michigan City Wednesday and Henry chased a fine horse of Olin Berdige of that place. The Misses Marie Jannasch and Gladys James went to Lafayette, Ind., on Friday and expected to come home by auto this afternoon but the storm was so bad they never got home till 10 o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Morton Hampton and family spent Saturday in Three Oaks in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hampton. Mr. and Mrs. James Catherman of South Bend spent Sunday in the Dell Smith home. Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Watkins and child of Oceola spent Saturday in the Will Roundy home. Mr. and Mrs. Ed VanTilburg and Mr. and Mrs. Will Roundy were in South Bend Saturday. Blessing to All No life can be pure in its purpose or strong in its strife and all not be pure and stronger thereby. Meredith.

Michigan Banks Plan Reopening, Issue Dividends

Tekonsha: A meeting of the stockholders of the First State Bank of Tekonsha was held recently and it was voted to assess the stockholders of the bank 100 cents, to be used to reorganize the bank. Plans for the reopening have been approved by the State Banking Department. Benton Harbor: The committee of business men and financiers who have been working out the details of reorganization and consolidation for the closed American National and Benton Harbor State banks conferred this week with officials of the State Banking Department in Lansing. It is expected that a definite plan for reopening will be approved. Bay City: Donald Bicknell, receiver for the Bay City Bank, has filed a schedule of assets and liabilities, showing a profit of \$17,415 for the period from September 2 to December 31, 1931. Pontiac: Judge Frank L. Doty, sitting as a one man grand jury in Oakland county, recently cleared officers and employees of the State Savings Bank of Milford of any blame in connection with the closing of that institution last June. The court found the bank's insolvency due to shrinkage of bond values and mortgages and the inability to collect loans, together with heavy withdrawals of deposits. Plymouth: The First National Bank has placed in effect a plan to safeguard both the assets of the bank and its depositors' money. A trust fund has been created, into which the bank has placed all its frozen and depreciated assets. To this fund the depositors have agreed to place 30 per cent of their deposits in the bank. The stockholders have agreed to place in the fund, in cash, 40 per cent of the value of their stock, and the bank also puts in its entire net earnings, for five years if necessary, as a further safeguard. Grand Rapids: A 10 per cent dividend will be paid in the near future to depositors of the Polish American Bank, which ceased operations on September 24, it was announced recently. The 10 per cent distribution will amount to \$28,000. Bay City: The new Bay Trust Company has received its charter from the State Banking Department and has opened for business in temporary quarters in the Davison building. Kawkawlin: The order allowing payment of the first dividend to depositors of the Farmers State Savings Bank of Kawkawlin has been signed by Circuit Judge S. G. Houghton at Bay City. Fenton: More than 400 depositors of the defunct State Savings Bank of Fenton at a recent meeting offered few objections to plans advanced for the reorganization and reopening of the bank by April 1. Greenville: Depositors in the Greenville National Bank, which closed its doors last July, have received notices from Philip A. Holman, receiver, that 15 per cent dividend checks are being mailed out. Farmington: Officials and directors of the Farmington State Bank were cleared of any blame in connection with the closing of that institution by Judge Frank L. Doty, sitting as a one man jury in Oakland county to investigate bank closings. Judge Doty paid tribute to Howard and the late Harley D. Warner for their efforts to prevent closing through the purchase of \$100,000 worth of notes held by the institution. Michigan Manufacturer and Financial Record.

State Nutrition Expert to Hold Meeting in Niles

Here, ladies is a brand new way of preparing meals! No more is there the old-fashioned drudgery connected with meal preparation, no more need to rush home from bridge parties and clubs to cook large meals! For under the auspices of the women of the community Miss Muriel Dundas, a nutrition expert from the State College at East Lansing, will conduct a demonstration of the new pressure cooker. In the canning demonstration, Miss Dundas will use both tin and glass cans and will show through the course of the demonstration, the many benefits of the simplified method. Besides the canning, she will demonstrate the preparation of other ordinary foods. All ladies from any community are cordially invited to the demonstration which will be held in the Elks Temple at Niles, Mich., on Tuesday, March 15, at 1:30 p. m. C. S. T.

Michigan Banks

Mr. H. J. Lurkins, the County Agricultural Agent, is cooperating with the State College by encouraging these demonstrations to further new and better methods. Pigeon's Homing Instinct In the light of present knowledge the homing instinct of the pigeon should be considered as a specialized form of migration developed and exploited by man through training and also selective breeding. Several other factors contribute largely to the effectiveness of the instinct and these are the qualities that respond to systematic training. The most important is an acute vision coupled with a wonderful memory.

West Bertrand

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Wasson of Niles and Mrs. William McElrath of Jackson, were Thursday guests of Fred Koenigshof and family. Mrs. Kate Gilbert and Mrs. Mae Best spent Thursday with Mrs. Myra Hess at Buchanan. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Franklin and family spent Friday evening at the home of Fred Koenigshof. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dodge and Mr. and Mrs. Harris Simpson spent Sunday afternoon at the Mae Best home. The E. L. C. E. of Portage Prairie will meet Friday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rehm for their regular business meeting. Little Barbara Baldwin is spending several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. B. York. Friends of Jess Lauer will be glad to know he is very much improved in health. Mrs. Irving Swartz and son, Herbert, are at Epworth hospital. Herbert underwent an operation last Friday. At this writing he is resting comfortably. Mrs. Laura Cauffman Smith, who was very seriously injured in her home a week ago is in a critical condition at Epworth hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Sherwood spent the week end at their rural home. Word has been received here that Mr. Sherwood is under the doctor's care. The F. D. J. club has been postponed and will meet March 31 at the home of Mrs. Mae Best. The husbands are invited. Committee, Sylvia Ochsenryder, Kate Gilbert, and Mae Best.

County News

In a special meeting of the county board of supervisors Friday morning, legal action was authorized for the collection of \$387,000 alleged to be due to the county from closed Berrien County banks and from former county treasurers and their sureties. Claims on which suit will be based are: Eight closed banks in the county owe \$338,855 for deposits and accrued interest. Three former county treasurers owe Berrien \$16,921.74 for interest collected from banks on county deposits and not turned over to the county. Four banks, three of which are closed, owe the county \$1,958 for interest on deposits which was not turned over to the county. The itemized claims are: The Commercial National Bank & Trust Co., St. Joseph, \$145,901.98, secured by a \$100,000 bond from the Michigan Surety Co. The Stevensville State bank, \$20,314.20, secured by a \$20,000 bond from the Michigan Surety Co. The First National Bank of Buchanan, \$40,000 secured by a \$50,000 bond from the American Surety Co. The Berrien County bank of Benton Harbor, \$20,164, secured by directors' personal bond of \$50,000. The bond was signed by C. K. Minary, W. H. Baker, Charles Handy, George Barnard, M. G. Stouck, and James Rose. The Buchanan State bank, \$40,376.43, secured by personal bond of \$100,000 signed by Fred E. Lee, William J. Miller and Charles Landis. The Benton Harbor State bank, \$5,000, covered by bond from the Standard Ashland company. The American National Bank & Trust Co., Benton Harbor, \$85,000 covered by a bond of \$65,000 from the Michigan Surety Co. In addition to this the board authorized suit to collect \$2,100 which the county claims from the old Union Banking company, which merged with the Commercial National of St. Joseph. Chairman Hennes, of the judiciary committee, in his report stated that the committee has had a certified public accountant make an investigation of interest collected from banks by former county treasurers. Report Claims Due His report claimed the following amounts due Berrien. Stuart Barlow, St. Joseph, \$5,948.50. Clarence McMullen, St. Joseph, \$6,978.41. George Haid, St. Joseph, \$3,995.83. According to the judiciary committee's report this represents sums collected from banks as interest on daily balances for county deposits, which were not turned over to the county. Starting in 1923, the board of supervisors passed a resolution placing the interest rate to be paid on county deposits at two per cent. Some of the banks, it was reported, desiring to obtain county funds, paid more than the two per cent. It is the claim of the com-

State Nutrition

Expert to Hold Meeting in Niles Here, ladies is a brand new way of preparing meals! No more is there the old-fashioned drudgery connected with meal preparation, no more need to rush home from bridge parties and clubs to cook large meals! For under the auspices of the women of the community Miss Muriel Dundas, a nutrition expert from the State College at East Lansing, will conduct a demonstration of the new pressure cooker. In the canning demonstration, Miss Dundas will use both tin and glass cans and will show through the course of the demonstration, the many benefits of the simplified method. Besides the canning, she will demonstrate the preparation of other ordinary foods. All ladies from any community are cordially invited to the demonstration which will be held in the Elks Temple at Niles, Mich., on Tuesday, March 15, at 1:30 p. m. C. S. T.

Michigan Banks

Mr. H. J. Lurkins, the County Agricultural Agent, is cooperating with the State College by encouraging these demonstrations to further new and better methods. Pigeon's Homing Instinct In the light of present knowledge the homing instinct of the pigeon should be considered as a specialized form of migration developed and exploited by man through training and also selective breeding. Several other factors contribute largely to the effectiveness of the instinct and these are the qualities that respond to systematic training. The most important is an acute vision coupled with a wonderful memory.

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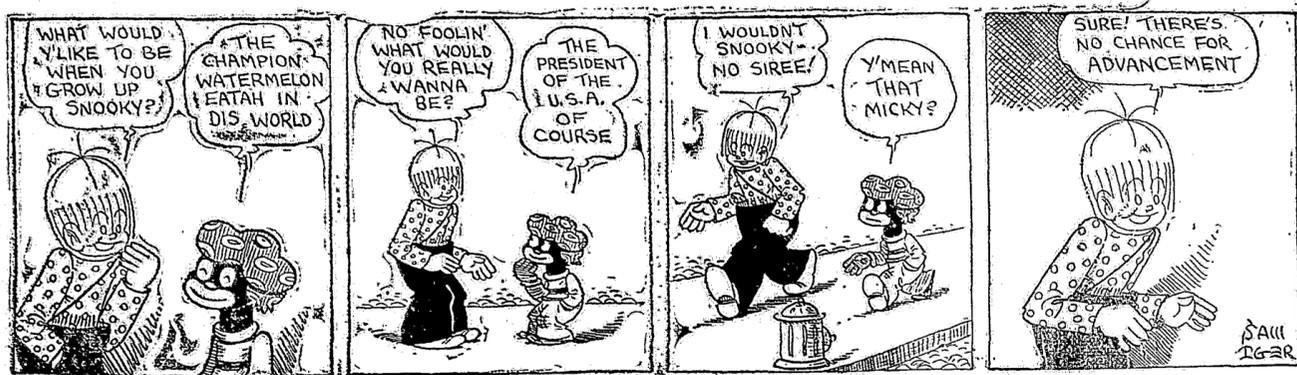
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"MICKY" AND HIS GANG



By Sam Iger

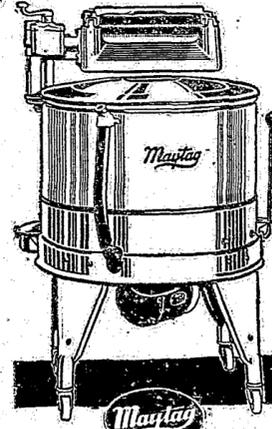
LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Rev. J. J. Terry is ill at his home this week. Howard Currier is improving at his home near Dayton. Daily film developing service at the Corner Drug Store, also supplies of all kinds. Mrs. Nellie Boone was a visitor at the home of Melissa Hall Friday. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ely James at their home on Dewey avenue, a son, March 3. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Banks, a son, Saturday, March 5. Ruth Herschell underwent an operation at the Wallace hospital Friday. Try one of our rich malted milks, a meal in itself. The Corner Drug Store. Miss Ruth Shriver of the local high school faculty was ill several days last week. Miss Hilma Rastetter spent the week-end at the home of Miss Mary Hartman at Wakarusa, Ind. Miss Velma Ebbert of the grade school faculty spent the week-end at her home in Kalamazoo. Miss Lena Ekstrom spent the week-end with her parents in New Carlisle. Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Shupe and son, Richard, spent the week-end visiting at the home of the former's parents at Howard City. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wangerin, formerly of Buchanan, a daughter, at their home north of Galien. John Metzgar, son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Metzgar, underwent a mastoid operation at the Wallace hospital Thursday. Mrs. Will Dalbac is now a patient at Pine Crest sanitarium.

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where she will be treated for tuberculosis. Miss Ruth French is ill at her home. Louis Runner and son, Charles, were guests Saturday at the home of Mrs. Louis Runner.

Musical merchandise of all kinds. Instruments, strings and findings. Binns Magnet Store, 1011c

Mrs. R. B. McKahan was able to return to her home Tuesday after an operation at the Wallace hospital.

Save 2c per rod on fence by ordering before March 15th. Joe Valley Shipping Ass'n. 1011c The Grill is now open for business in their new location, at the Hotel Rex. Lunches, dinners at all hours. 1011c

Guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy D. Bulhand Sunday were Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Black of Gary.

Mrs. Amanda Fiske has returned to her home after a visit of two weeks at the home of her brother, Lafayette Batchelor of Niles. Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Donagoe of Niles were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dodge.

If you want some of the seed oats that we are shipping in from the north, call us at once. The price is 15c. St. Joe Valley Shipping Ass'n. 1011c

Mr. and Mrs. James Boone will return Sunday from a visit of several weeks at the home of their daughter, Mrs. F. W. Creviston, at Garrett, Ind.

Orville Thompson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Reese Thompson, has had his lungs tapped twice at Pawling hospital and is now somewhat recovered.

Miss Mildred Johnson and Miss Winifred Murphy of Grand Rapids arrived Tuesday evening to visit at the home of the former's sister, Mrs. Harry Post.

Frank Fabiano returned Friday from Detroit, accompanied by his father, Joe Fabiano, who is visiting here this week. They plan to return to Detroit this week-end.

Ed Hess has moved from Chipewa street to the Bainton residence on the Niles hill. Herbert Lauver moved from the Bainton property to the John Darr house a month ago.

Accidents happen when you least expect them. Do you carry adequate insurance of all kinds? If not, get in touch with Jesse Vial, 1117 E. First st. 1011c

Misses Ione Riley and Marjorie King, teachers in the Jackson City schools, were week-end guests at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harleigh Riley.

Herbert Swartz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Swartz, who underwent a lung operation at the Epworth hospital recently, is somewhat improved.

The Grill in the Hotel Rex building, is open all night. Dinners and lunches served. 1011c

Mr. and Mrs. William Nutt left last week for their home in Dearborn after a visit at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Fangborn.

Don't forget to keep a film for your Kodak on hand, there are times when you can get a real picture if you are prepared. The Corner Drug Store. 1011c

Fred Miller is reported to be improving from the injuries to his eyes incurred in an ammonia explosion at the E. B. Clark farm last week. Both eyes are still bandaged but it is believed that he will retain the sight of both.

Messrs. F. R. Montague, Leo Kolhoff, Charles Kelley and Alfred O'Brien of the Montague Motor company force spent Thursday afternoon and evening at a Ford sales and service meeting in Kalamazoo.

Try The Grill for a delicious dinner. Now located in The Hotel Rex building. 1011c

L. D. S. Church The young people of the L. D. S. church will hold a prayer meeting at the church at 8 a. m. Sunday, led by George Seymour. Sunday school will be held at 10 a. m. and church at 11 a. m., Elder Mark Gross preaching.

Giraffes Move Fast Giraffes are capable of a speed of 30 miles an hour.

The People

Having attended the meeting of the stock holders and depositors of the First National bank, which was held last Friday night, I am prompted to make a few remarks.

First, I was impressed by the wonderful spirit of co-operation manifested by those who attended. When the motion was made that the meeting go on record as favoring reorganization, it passed without a dissenting voice. A very encouraging sign. If that representative body of people will continue to back the movement in the same spirit of co-operation, nothing will or can prevent this community from having a bank. Of course it will take time, much hard work and planning for the leaders before it will be accomplished, but surely it will be worth the effort.

Our city without a bank, will certainly not progress as it should, nor indeed have a chance to recover its former prestige as a trading center for the surrounding territory.

Hope we may hear from others on this subject. Let us all get behind this movement, which means so much to our city, as well as to ourselves. Let us boost. Yours for reorganization. An Observer.

Church of Christ Mark Wall, Minister 10 a. m. Bible School. 11 a. m. Morning services. Topic, "The World's Greatest Family."

6 p. m. Senior Christian Endeavor Topic, "Do I Want to be a Christian?" 7:30 p. m. song service and preaching. Sermon, "The Only Hope." Special—choir Sunday.

7:30 p. m. Each evening for two weeks, Evangelistic services. 7:30 p. m. Thursday, mid-week prayer service and the meeting of officers and teachers of Bible school. Choir rehearsal following.

The Birthday collection is to be taken every Sunday at Bible school instead of once a month. This money goes to missionaries, so remember your pennies if at all possible.

Trio of Indian Tribes End Ancient Feud Seminola, Okla.—A feud of several centuries' standing between the Seminole and Sac and Fox Indians has ended.

No one knows how far back it extended, but although there have been no violent outcroppings recently, the bitterness was perpetuated by ambushings of one tribe or the other years ago.

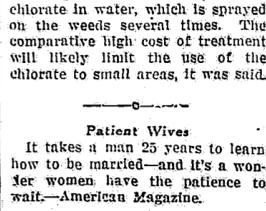
During the recent powwow here, when more than 5,000 Indians gathered, Sac and Fox chieftains bid for peace. Chilli Fish, Seminole chief, accepted the offer and the two tribes crowded around the barbecue spits and broke the bread of peace.

Experts Find Eradicator for Canadian Thistle Columbus, Ohio.—A sure eradicator for the Canadian thistle, obnoxious and persistent weed, has been discovered after three years of experiments at Ohio State university here, Prof. C. J. Willard of the department of farm crops has announced.

The thistle destroyer is a simple solution of sodium chlorate in water, which is sprayed on the weed several times. The comparative high cost of treatment will likely limit the use of the chlorate to small areas, it was said.

Patient Wives It takes a man 25 years to learn how to be married—and it's a wonder women have the patience to wait.—American Magazine.

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Michigan Prof. Comments on Waste of Rural Government

The following article on rural government in Michigan was written by Prof. Thomas H. Reed, director in the department of political science in the University of Michigan. Lyle Chubb, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chubb, is secretary to Prof. Reed. The traditional units of rural local government, essentially unchanged since the days of Edward III, have in two short decades been almost entirely demoted. The town or township, legitimate descendants of the Germanic town, the most primitive cell of our political life, is moribund. It can no longer provide the roads, the health services, the charitable institutions which even rural communities demand, and its functions are gradually being taken over by State or county.

The rural school district with its "little red schoolhouse" was once the cornerstone of American culture. Today it is a millstone around the necks of rural youth. The one-room ungraded school cannot give its pupils an education which will enable them to compete with town boys and girls who enjoy the advantages of modern methods. It is not so nearly dead as the township, but it ought to be—and it only awaits a twentieth-century Horace Mann to cast it into limbo.

The county, with roots as deep as the governmental experience of the west, is, except in the populous North Atlantic States, suffering from a milder form of the disease which afflicts the township and the school district. In most States there are far more counties than can be economically and efficiently administered. Consolidation of the poorer counties in Kentucky they call those unable to pay their own way "poor counties"—has been recommended by investigating commissions, by countless scholars and by eminent Governors including Alfred E. Smith and Frank D. Roosevelt.

Importance of the County. Pending the reorganization of our States into fewer and larger counties, acute problems of highway construction, care of the insane, etc., have been temporarily solved by transferring more and more functions to the State. The county is the liveliest of our units of rural local government. If it can be reformed and enlarged, it may be saved. If it cannot, there will be an end of local self-government except for cities.

Too many and too small units of local government—that is the story. At the Institute of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia last summer, Governor Roosevelt said: "No citizen of New York can live under less than four governments, Federal, State, county and city. If he lives in a town outside of a village, he is under five layers of government, Federal, State, county, town and school. If he lives in an incorporated village, another layer is added. If he lives in a town outside of the village, he may be in five water, lighting, sewer and sidewalk districts—in which case there are ten layers of government."

It would not do to call the people of New York fossils; but they are reposing under the accumulated debris of these numerous governmental strata and doing as much about it as so many long-dead mastodons and saber-toothed tigers. In the rural sections (having obviously least need of them) there are the most "layers." There are actually 13,544 units of local government in New York, most of them worse than unnecessary. There are about 10,000 school districts, one for every twenty farms, many with only a scanty handful of pupils. No wonder that the taxes on many farms exceed the farmer's income, and that the area of farm land has shrunk 4,500,000 acres since 1880!

Proposals Not Followed. These facts should stir the driest bones to life—but no. Investigators, official and unofficial commissions, and the most popular of Governors have been recommending action for ten years without result. In 1923 New York's social joint committee on taxation and retrenchment observed: "The logical area for the smallest units of local self-government in the rural sections has been tremendously enlarged. In the days when roads were few and impassable during a part of the year, it would have been impracticable to furnish the type of government we now demand in the rural sections to areas as large as were then set up. The sparseness of the population and the simplicity of government are the only factors which made the comparatively large, town and county units possible. But, under present conditions, as a result of the forces we have mentioned, the situation is entirely changed. Shifting population and the development of intercommunication make it necessary and possible to alter local units extensively."

And although the committee did not have sufficiently the courage of its convictions to recommend

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the abolition of the township, it did recommend denuding it of power—giving its tax, health and judicial functions to the county, and putting its administration of highways and bridges under county control. There is debate about the practice of euthanasia upon human beings. Apparently it may not yet be used for even the most sickly of governmental institutions.

New York, however, grievous as her problem is, has less strong grounds for action than have many other States. Even small and compact New Jersey has a more complicated structure of local government which it is useless to try to explain. Some of those born and brought up with it understand it; no one else can. There are 21 counties, 51 cities, 252 boroughs, 23 towns, 233 townships, one village, and two "village-townships"—a total of 573 units of government, exclusive of school districts.

The recent report of the commission to investigate county and municipal taxation and expenditures recommends a drastic reduction in the number of these units, the excessive variety of which it ascribes to "local strivings and jockeying, bickerings, dickerings and jealousies, which all too frequently underlie what is politely referred to as 'local pride.'" The commission might have gone further and explained that "local pride" is usually little more than the "big toad in a little puddle" complex of the local politicians.

In the West and South the old system of local government has disintegrated still faster. Consider the overload of overhead in a typical Middle Western State, Michigan. In Michigan there were in 1928, according to Judge Lacy, 83 counties, 1,269 townships and 6,873 school districts, or a total of 8,290 units not including cities and villages. These units elected 43,902 officers—a vast army of taxwasters and a veritable battalion of death in resisting local government reform. A county home-rule measure passed the Senate in 1929, but was met in the lower house by a solid phalanx of county and township officers who resolutely refused to help saw off the limb between themselves and the tree.

Michigan Delinquency in Michigan. In 1928, before the present depression was dreamed of, taxes were delinquent on more than 9,000,000 acres of Michigan land and on nearly a million village lots. Today approximately one-third of the area of the State is tax delinquent. In many sections the delinquency this year amounts to from 50 to 60 per cent of the levy. When property is put up for tax sale, especially in the rural sections, there are no buyers and the State has to bid it in, thus acquiring a magnificent domain for reforestation but permanently removing it from the tax base—which means higher taxes on private property and in turn more delinquency.

The maintenance of even a rudimentary county government has become well-nigh impossible in certain sections of the State, while hundreds of townships are sunk beyond hope. The 1931 Legislature gave to the counties the highway powers of the townships—the battalion of death could not resist the prospect of lower township taxes—and authorized a commission of inquiry, now making through experts a careful

study of the whole wretched situation. The same difficulties confront Wisconsin and Minnesota, without the compensating advantage of industrial development. They confront a large part of rural Indiana and Illinois, and even more menacingly Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina, Georgia and other Southern States. In North Carolina 25 per cent of the counties have less than \$10,000,000 of assessed valuation, the minimum necessary to maintain the simplest county government. In Michigan the percentage is 31, in Minnesota 37, and in Tennessee 61. These figures are just run-of-the-mine. The Southern States have no

townships, but they have more and smaller counties than the Northern States. North Carolina has 100 counties, Kentucky 120, Georgia 160. The smaller counties the more are pauper counties, unable without State aid to perform the duties which law and custom impose on them. Automobiles Responsible. The automobile did it. There were evidences of rural decline, it is true, before the horseless carriage became a universal means of locomotion. Sections of the Eastern States unfavorable to agriculture, formerly maintaining some prosperity because of nearness to the markets of the seaboard cities, (Continued on page 5)

Advertisement for American Food Stores. Features a list of products and prices: Swans Down Cake Flour, Coffee, Tea, Bread, Quick Oats, 19c Sale Crackers, Peanut Butter, Waldorf Scott Tissue, 29c Sale Navy Beans, Blue Rose Rice, Fresh Fruits and Vegetables (Bananas, Head Lettuce, Oranges), and contact information for C. E. Koons, Mgr. Phone 91, 109 Days Ave.

Large advertisement for G-L-O-B-E Roller Skates. Features the text 'FREE! FREE! with 3 One Year Subscriptions 3' and 'New or Renewals to the Berrien County Record \$1.50 yr. this county \$2 yr. outside county'. Includes an illustration of a roller skate and a price tag for \$585 and \$685.

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Bucaneers Victorious in Niles District Tourney

TRIMS BRIDGMAN SAT. NIGHT IN FURIOUS FINAL

Locals to Enter Kalamazoo Regional Tourney Friday For Sixth Time.

Buchanan defeated Berrien Springs, 27-24, and Bridgman 27-23, in the Niles District Tournament to annex class "C" honors.

Table with columns: Team, FG, FT, F, Tp. Rows include Buchanan, Lo. Morse, Rolan, Ellis, Jesse, Strayer, La. Morse, Berrien Springs, Stemm, Dunkleberg, Graham, Hogue, Haman, Wood.

Ellis held scoring honors for the Bucks with nine, while Graham collected ten points to head the list for Berrien.

Buchanan secured a 4-point lead before Bridgman could tally, Stannard then scored and Tabbert fluked in a one-hand shot.

In the final period Jesse scored on a free throw and Louie sank a field goal.

Buchanan drew a bye Thursday in the regional tourney at Kalamazoo and will play the winner of the St. Augustine-Decatur game Friday.

Editorial

By Thomas Quirk There has been committed in this country in the last week, one of the most heinous crimes the world has ever known, namely the kidnapping of the Lindbergh baby.

W. C. T. U. Contest Now Under Way in English Classes

The annual contest, sponsored by the Women's Christian Temperance Union of this city is now under way in all English classes, from the fifth to the twelfth grades inclusive.

School Slants

Junior play tickets are on sale now by the members of the junior class. Which reminds us that you should see Eddie Rolan practicing in his high heeled shoes for his part.

The school is trying to decide whether to buy "Viv" some roller skates or a bicycle so she'll get to school on time.

To Leap or not to Leap is Big H. S. Problem

That a leap year party would be original and different was the opinion expressed by some of the students this week.

Juniors Win In Girls' Series of Volley Ball

Girls' volley ball games have been started between the several home rooms and are played off on Wednesday and Thursday nights after school.

Faculty Facts

Mr. Jewell went to the tournament at Niles. He also spent the week-end working in his orchard.

MUMBLINGS HEARD ABOUT SCHOOL

Marvin Gross to Marie Ellis, "You're the kind of a person who makes this world miserable!" Phil (humming): "I got a great big date—with a Little Bita Girl."

SCHOOL DAYS By DWIG



THE USES OF WEEDS - No. 967

Mike Bids Adios To Star Reporter

The Microphone has lost one of its five star reporters, Marjorie Sands, and is taking this opportunity to thank her for her splendid co-operation and services.

Who's Who

Nina Nelson's hobbies are mending books and making scrap books. She likes writing for the Microphone and her birthday is Nov. 2.

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Date of Junior Play Depends on Tourney Outcome

March 18 has been set as the tentative date for the junior play. However, if the basketball team is successful at Kalamazoo this week-end the date will be changed.

Pre-Tournament Cheer Meeting

During assembly last Friday, a pep meeting was held in preparation for the tournament.

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Juniors Decide on Reserve Seats For Class Drama

A junior class meeting was held Tuesday in home room period, during which the ticket sales for the coming junior play were discussed.

Grade News

Grade 1, Dewey Avenue Perfect spellers for last week were: Annabelle Herman, Walter Reese, Pauline Mitch, Ruth Baker, Hilda Slocum, George Roberts, Junior Conrad, Deloris Baker, Betty Bennett, Donald Figley, Billy Miller, Bernice Hartline, William Darryko, Eugene Dorah, Jenice Walters, Helmar Coultas, Orpha Swain, Gordon Mitchell, Frances Fuller, Phyllis Carlisle, Doris Smith, Clara Bradley, Jack Green.

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Biology

Mr. Jewell's biology class is working on the classification of plants and animals and their structure, environments and habits.

Ag. Economics

The agricultural economics class is having reports on "farm management." These reports cover farm inventory, lease systems, and farm marketing.

Commercial Law

The law class has been reviewing for their six weeks' test and are now starting the subject of "agency."

Foreign Languages

All of Miss Shriver's Latin and French classes are reviewing for their six weeks' exams.

Science

The general science classes are very enthused over the study of "sound" and how it is transmitted.

Mathematics

The addition and subtraction of fractions and their relationship to factoring, besides the least common denominator by factoring, has held the algebra class in suspense this week.

History and Civics

The matter of whether there would or would not be reserved seats was also brought up. After a much heated discussion, it was decided that one hundred and forty-four seats out of the entire house would be reserved.

Domestic Science

History of flax has been revealed to the ninth grade home economics classes. Now they are making small children's gossams and suits.

Commercial Department

These students in beginning typing class averaged over 30 words a minute in all the tests given during this six weeks.

Drawing and Shop

The seventh, eighth, and ninth grade shop classes have gone back to their normal training work, after five weeks of mechanical drawing.

English Department

The results of the Creative Writing contest, which is sponsored by the Velmarian Literary Society, have not as yet been completed.

Reading and Analyzing of Eight One-Act Plays

The study unit on Tennyson and Browning was started this week in the junior English classes.

Members of the Sophomore English Class

Members of the sophomore English class have been studying the four interpreters.

Spelling Rules and Dictionary Study

Spelling rules and dictionary study is the main study of the 8th grade English classes, while the 7th are having classification and comparison of adjectives and

Wagner News

The Hills Corners Home Economics club met Tuesday, March 1, for a lesson on "Cooking for the Convalescent," prepared by Mrs. Noah Weaver.

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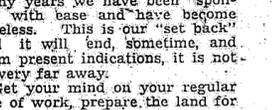
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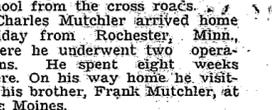
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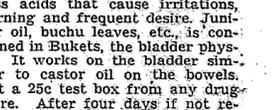
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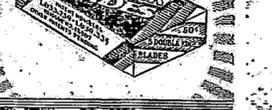
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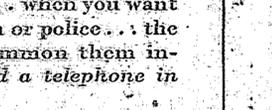
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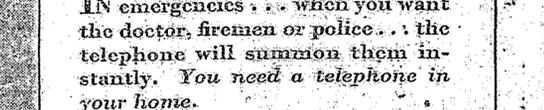


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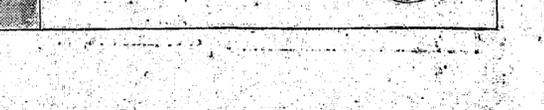
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### CHILDREN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**First Presbyterian Church**  
 Harry W. Staver, Minister  
 Church school at 10 a. m.  
 Morning worship at 11 a. m.  
 Sermon subject, "The Ultimate Fact of Our Faith." This is the concluding sermon in the series on "Ultimate Things." The robed chorus will sing.  
 Evening service at 7 p. m. We are examining the matter of prayer as set forth in Dr. Eisdick's book, "The Meaning of Prayer." This week the item to be dealt with will be "Prayer as Dominant Desire."  
 Tuesday, March 15. Meeting of the Home Service Department at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. G. E. Smith, hostess. Assisting hostesses: Mrs. T. D. Child, Mrs. George Fairman, Mrs. W. O. Donley, Mrs. Laura Montague, Mrs. Addie Haas, Mrs. L. J. Campbell, and Mrs. Charles Bachman.  
 Tuesday, March 15. Jeannette Stevenson Guild at 7:45 p. m. St. Patrick's party. Hostess, Miss Myra Andlauer.

**Evangelical Church**  
 W. F. Boettcher, Minister  
 10 a. m. Sunday school.  
 11 a. m. Sermon, subject, "The Way of the Cross."  
 6 p. m. League of Christian Endeavor service. Topic, "Do I Want to be a Christian?" Leaders for the adults, Frank Bachman and for the young people, Donabelle DeWitt.  
 7 p. m. Rev. W. H. Watson, district superintendent, will preach and conduct the communion service.  
 Prayer service Thursday evening at 7:30.  
 A welcome is extended to all services.

**Methodist Episcopal Church**  
 Thomas Rice, Minister  
 Sunday school at 10 o'clock. Respond to the call of God and goodness and attend church and Sunday school as much as possible these Lenten days.  
 Morning worship at 11 o'clock. There will be special music you will enjoy.  
 Sermon, "Motives and Kidnapping."  
 Junior League at 5 o'clock. Bill Snyder and Valentine Paul are to be the leaders.  
 League at 6 o'clock.  
 Maxine Lightfoot made a splendid leader last Sunday night. Lyle Young is the leader this Sunday.  
 Evening service at 7 o'clock. This is a popular hour service you will find very attractive and helpful. Make it a family affair. Subject of sermon, "The Costliness of the Cross."  
 Service at Ononoko at 9 a. m. You will find this morning hour of worship a great blessing.  
 A special teachers' meeting will be held Thursday night at 7:30 in the small room of the church. Officers and teachers of the Sunday school are urged to be present.

**Seventh Day Adventist**  
 Sabbath school on Saturday at 10 a. m.  
 Preaching service at 11 a. m. Subject, "The Value of a Soul."  
 Sunday at 7 p. m. Subject, "The Last Universal Kingdom—When and Where Will it be Set Up?"  
 Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 7:30.  
 Stanley W. Hyde.

**Church of the Brethren**  
 Corner Cayuga and Third Sts., Eld. Dewey E. Rowe, Pastor  
 Sunday School at 10 a. m.  
 Preaching service at 11 a. m.  
 Subject, "The Power of the Holy Spirit."  
 Christian Workers, 7 p. m.  
 Preaching service at 8 p. m.  
 Subject, "The Need of a Revival." We held baptismal ser-

vice Sunday afternoon at which 7 new souls were added to the kingdom.  
 You enjoy powerful sermons, highly spiritual, we cordially invite you to attend our revival starting Sunday, March 13 and continuing for two weeks in charge of our pastor-evangelist, who recently closed a two week's meeting in a church of 120 members with 37 baptisms. You can't afford to miss these meetings.

**Christian Science Churches**  
 "Substance" is the subject of the lesson sermon in all Christian Science churches throughout the world Sunday, March 13.  
 Among the Bible citations in this passage (Rev. 5:13): "Blessing and honour, and glory, and power: be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever."  
 Correlative passages read from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, include the following (p. 22): "Work out your own salvation: it is the demand of Life and Love, for to live and work with you. 'Occupy till I come.' Wait for your reward, and 'be not weary in well doing.'"

**Christian Science Church**  
 Sunday School at 9:45 a. m.  
 Sunday service at 11 a. m.  
 Subject, "Substance."  
 Wednesday evening meeting at 7:45.  
 Reading room, located in the church at Dewey Avenue and Oak Street, is open each Wednesday afternoon from 2 till 4 o'clock.

**Small, but Historic**  
 The village of Sulgrave, home of the Washington family, in England, is so small that it is not on the average map. It has but two streets—Big and Little street.

**Triumphant Old Age**  
 There are always vital magnetic women who seem to preserve an open mind and a triumphant body well into old age.—Women's Home Companion.

### Mich. Prof. Comments on Government Waste

(Continued from page 3)  
 showed signs of decay in the '30s. And as better means of transportation brought into competition wider and wider areas of farm land in distant States and countries, their decline became precipitate.

But the other factor in the problem, the rising cost of rural local government, put the old system on its deathbed. Who killed the township? Henry Ford and the road builders. Who crippled the county? The cheap car and the private highway and finally under the school district? The school bus. The odor of gasoline hangs over the whole ghastly picture of waste, incompetence and bankruptcy. Highways cost money—\$30,000 to \$40,000 a mile for good concrete of standard width. Maintaining the old types of roads became prohibitive and costly under the effects of automobile traffic.

Rural local government has suffered a revolution of wheels. For highways not only put a new strain on local treasuries; they brought into the county cities ideas along with daily city newspapers and daily trips to town. We have experienced an urbanization of the countryside which has broken the financial back of the township and poorer counties. Rural communities now demand and in some measure get governmental services which a half century ago were exclusively confined to the cities: health service, graded schools, proper institutions for the poor and sick. These services cannot be economically supplied in units as small as townships, nor by the smaller and weaker counties.

**Need of Larger Units.**  
 But the same force which caused the trouble suggests its cure. Cheap and rapid transportation makes larger units possible. There was a justification for the one-room school when the only means of transportation was by horseback or wagon over mud roads almost impassable for a large part of the year. Justices of the peace and constables had to be located every few miles, or the needs of cheap and convenient justice could not have been served. County seats, had to be near enough to the average farmer so that he could drive to the court house, transact his business and be home again between morning chores and evening milking. A county that meant a county of from 500 to 600 square miles.

Today the county is smaller from the point of view of effective distance. (The time element is all that really counts.) than the township was seventy-five or eighty years ago. A county of 2,000 square miles—forty by fifty miles—would be as convenient now as was the typical county of our grandfathers. Certainly one good court of minor jurisdiction at the county seat can take the place of ignorant fee-paid "J. P.'s." Certainly rule-of-thumb township assessments of property can be foregone in favor of a County Assessor. Certainly, highways and public health can be dealt with on a county basis. In other

words, the passing of the township can be hastened to the advantage of all concerned.  
 Certainly schools should be provided in districts large enough to support them, with such State aid as the general principle that education is a State function justifies. Certainly pauper counties should be combined into larger units which will be going concerns.

Encroaching by the State. In no other way can local self-government for rural communities be preserved at all. There is already a strong tendency toward the absorption of local functions by the State. From purely rural South Dakota speaks Herman G. James, president of the State University: "The American county is neither a natural unit for the administration of State affairs nor does it constitute a natural division for the conduct of local affairs." The strictly rural population can have its administrative governmental needs more effectively filled by means of direct State administration.

Are we prepared to accept State centralization as the cure for the existing failures of rural local government? No! It will mean, in the words of Lammelan, "apocalypse at the very end, and the end at the extremities." To administer the far-flung empire of New York by satraps from Albany would be to reject the very fundamentals on which democracy rests. To accept State centralization is to condemn democracy to death. The congestion of business at the State Capital, the under-Pennsylvania erected only a few years ago a monumental Capitol

(Publish) March 10; last March 31 To the owner or owners of any and all interests in, or liens upon the land herein described: TAKE NOTICE that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes due to the State of Michigan, signed has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor; and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the register in chancery of the county in which said land is located, together with one hundred per cent additional thereto, and the fees of the sheriff, for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration of commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars for each location, without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

**Description of land:**  
 Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter section twenty-one, Town Seven South, Range Eighteen East, containing forty acres, more or less, \$117.33.  
 All in the County of Berrien, State of Michigan.  
 Amount necessary to redeem, \$239.66 plus the fees for service.  
 Arthur C. Kent,  
 946 Pipestone St.,  
 Benton Harbor, Michigan  
 James E. Wyant, his heirs, administrators, executors, assigns or guardians.

**COMMISSION PROCEEDINGS**  
 Regular meeting of the city commission of the City of Buchanan, Mich., held in the commission chambers on Monday evening, March 7, 1932.  
 Meeting was called to order by Mayor Hathaway. Commissioners present, Hathaway, Pears, Letter, Hiller and Merson.  
 Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved as read.  
 Mr. Doubleday of the Doubleday Bros. was present and explained the new registration system which becomes effective March 15, 1932.  
 Moved by Com. Hiller and supported by Com. Letter, that the city purchase two (2) Visible Binders and Indexes and sheets for registration. Motion carried.  
 The finance committee read the bills for the month of February amounting to \$3,804.38.  
 Moving by Com. Pears and supported by Com. Hiller that the bills be allowed as read and orders be drawn for the several amounts.  
 Upon roll call the following commissioners voted aye: Hathaway, Pears, Letter, Hiller and Merson. (Nay, none.)  
 A report of the street commissioner report was read and accepted.  
 Labor on streets \$4.63, labor on water mains \$19.13, labor on sewer \$55.93, shoveling and hauling snow \$84.00. Two arrests and no fines collected were reported.  
 The treasurer's report for the month of February was read showing a balance on hand \$1389.87.  
 A new contract for the lighting of all public buildings in the city of Buchanan was submitted by the Indiana & Michigan Electric Co.  
 Moved by Com. Pears and supported by Com. Hiller that the new contract for lighting of public buildings in the city of Buchanan as submitted by the Indiana & Michigan Electric Co. be accepted.  
 Motion carried.  
 Moved by Com. Hiller and supported by Com. Merson, that the city attorney be and is authorized to commence such suit or suits as may be deemed necessary to collect on the depository bonds given by the Buchanan State Bank and First National Bank for all funds and monies on deposit at each bank at the time of closing, Oct. 16th, 1931.  
 Upon roll call the following commissioners voted aye: Hathaway, Pears, Letter, Hiller and Merson. (Nay, none.)  
 Upon motion by Com. Hiller and supported by Com. Pears, adjourned until Thursday evening, March 10th at 7:30 p. m.

**Building.** Already on the Capitol building, the other huge modern office buildings have arisen, and song departments of the State Government are still renting quarters in downtown Harrisburg. The vast bureaucratic mechanism housed with so much difficulty is already far removed from genuine popular control. To bring to the State a government of cities and townships would make bureaucracy still more dominant. And for Harrisburg you can read Albany, Lansing, Raleigh, or any State capitol you will.

**Counties as Minimum Units.**  
 The real remedy is to stop giving artificial respiration to rural units smaller than the county, to reorder county boundaries to correspond with the real communities, which modern means of transportation have bound together; and to reform county government along the lines which have given some decency and efficacy to municipal government.  
 If anything is ever to be done about now is the time. Depression has hit the taxpayer. He is sore beset. He is less willing to listen to those who wish to maintain unnecessary offices and wasteful methods than at any time for a generation. With a leadership he can overwhelm the State, the holders who have constituted themselves the guardians of the traditional forms of rural government.

**1st insertion Mar 10; last Mar 24**  
**STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Berrien.**  
 At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of St. Joseph in said County, on the 8th day of March A. D. 1932.  
 Present: Hon. William H. Andrews, Judge of Probate. In the Matter of the Estate of Alma Speckie, deceased. William E. Speckie having filed in said Court a petition, praying for license to mortgage the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described.  
 It is Ordered, That the 4th day of April A. D. 1932, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

**1st insertion Mar 3; last Mar 17**  
**STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Berrien.**  
 At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the City of St. Joseph in said County, on the 1st day of March A. D. 1932.  
 Present: Hon. William H. Andrews, Judge of Probate. In the Matter of the Estate of Ruth Egbert Twell, deceased. Theron D. Childs having filed in said court his petition, praying for license to sell the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described.  
 It is Ordered, That the 28th day of March A. D. 1932, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition, and that all persons interested in said estate appear before said court at that time and place, to show cause why a license to sell the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

**1st insertion Feb. 25; last Mar. 10**  
**STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Berrien.**  
 At a session of said court, held at the probate office in the city of St. Joseph in said county, on the 23rd day of February A. D. 1932.  
 Present: Hon. William H. Andrews, Judge of Probate. In the Matter of the Estate of J. Wilkes Collingsworth, deceased. Libbie Huff having filed in said court her final administration account, and her petition praying for the allowance thereof and for the assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate.  
 It is Ordered, That the 21st day of March A. D. 1932, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.  
 It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Berrien County Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

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It appearing to the Court that

the time for presentation of the claims against said estate should be limited, and that a time and place be appointed to receive, examine and adjust all claims and demands against said deceased by and before said Court.  
 It is Ordered, That creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims to said Court at said Probate Office on or before the 27th day of June, A. D. 1932, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, said time and place being hereby appointed for the examination and adjustment of all claims and demands against said deceased.  
 It is Further Ordered, That public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order, for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Berrien County Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

**WILLIAM H. ANDREWS,**  
 Judge of Probate,  
 SEAL. A true copy. Lillia O. Sprague, Register of Probate.  
 Insert Jan. 14; Feb. 11; Mar. 10; April 14.  
**STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Berrien.**  
 At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of St. Joseph in said County, on the 11th day of January A. D. 1932.  
 Present: Hon. William H. Andrews, Judge of Probate. In the Matter of the Estate of John Boyle, deceased. Sarah Boyle having filed in said court her petition praying that the administration of said estate be granted to Al W. Charles or to some other suitable person.  
 It is Ordered, That the 16th day of May A. D. 1932, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

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# ROUND ABOUT BUCHANAN

## NO REWARD OFFERED

All you read in the papers these days is just "kidnaping" and "kidnapers" and according to a language authority writing in the New York Times more has been kidnaped than the public is aware of.

For instance, has anybody missed that "p" out of kidnaping? According to Webster, surnamed Noah, the spelling is optional, either "kidnaping" or "kidnapping." In origin the word is said to be a compound of two old English dialect words, "kid" meaning child and "nap" meaning to seize, or grasp. Nap has been translated into modern dialect slang as "nab." And we still use the word "kid" as slang for child. We like to think of our slang as something recent and up-to-date, but it seems that some of it goes back several hundred years.

But according to the New York Times authority, by all the standard rules and usages on which our spelling is based the word is entitled to two "p's." If the word "nap," now "nab," stood alone, the rules of spelling require that the final consonant be doubled when a suffix is added. Ordinarily this rule would hold good for the compound.

But the common newspaper usage is "kidnaping." One letter less to worry over in the headlines, you know. And no reward offered for the return of the kidnaped "p."

## WHERE CREDIT IS DUE

As the winter, by the calendar at least, draws to its latter and sloppy end, and the strain of supporting life eases off somewhat, it would seem a fitting time to extend congratulations to the relief agencies, including the United Charities, the Parent-Teachers Association and the Buchanan Welfare Association for their very creditable work.

This city has experienced the strain of partial unemployment and on top of that has experienced the severe temporary readjustments following two bank failures at one and the same time. And in spite of all that the city has come through very creditably in comparison with the record of other municipalities seemingly more fortunate. We know of one city at least, known only a few short years ago as the "Wonder City" of the state, where now a condition of public bankruptcy has been declared, with no money to pay city employees and an unemployment situation of such extent that the state has been called in to aid.

But Buchanan has been true to its past record as a self-sufficient community of responsible people who pay their debts and wash their own linen. Not only were adequate funds provided for local relief, but so generous was the response that the Welfare association did not find it necessary to call for the entire payment of the pledges.

For that there is some credit to be extended, however, to an element in the community to whom it has not so far been publicly assessed.

To those many women whose names appeared on no relief committee but who served only as a relief committee of one for their homes and their own little broods, goes the main credit, if exact justice be done. To those women who racked their brains to make a little go a long way, who saved and stinted a little here and a little there to make a depression pay check cover a prosperity family, who sometimes stinted themselves on food that a youngster might retain his chubby cheeks, who darned little stockings and turned little dresses and made over little suits, who stepped with womanly courage (men don't have that kind) into the breach made by unemployment in the family finances, goes most of the credit for making the best of a none-to-good situation.

There are strange things in this old world and none much stranger than the tales of relief workers concerning the behaviour of some men under the strain of unemployment. Of course the first thing essential in such cases is plenty of cigars to keep Mister Man's nerves from cracking. But eventually—and probably because of too many cigars—they crack anyway and then he becomes abusive in his family. He blames his condition on his wife, says the relief workers, and sometimes beats her. Who or what is to blame for her condition does not, it seems, matter.

## ON SPEAKIN' OUT IN MEETIN'

One statement made by M. L. Hanlin in his talk before the Luncheon club last week especially interested us.

It was to the effect that during his ten years as president of the school board he had never been approached by any patron or taxpayer with any complaint whatsoever as to the cost or the management of the schools of the city.

He stated further that the last school meeting was attended by sixteen people of whom five were board members and three were teachers, reducing the number of those who attended merely as interested patrons or taxpayers to eight.

He stated that the department of the school nurse, one of the "frills" charged to the board, had been added to the system as the result of a popular demand and a vote of the patrons attending a meeting several years back. He stated that no protests were voiced at the meeting and that the only dissatisfaction that he had ever heard of had come to him indirectly through report.

At the conclusion of the meeting one of the business men approached him and said: "You know, Mr. Hanlin, the reason that the patrons don't protest at meetings is because the teachers are there and we don't want to hurt their feelings or make enemies out of them. If a teacher is present and we attack their department as a useless expense, they'll be our enemy for life. And we don't want any hard feelings."

This unwillingness of the dissatisfied patron and taxpayer to get out in front and take the brunt reminded us oddly of the times when the Record had been approached and asked to champion not only the cause of school economy but other governmental economies and reforms.

Championing of causes, lost or otherwise, is thought by many to be a newspaper's chief reason for existence. That the appearance of any charge or statement of fact in "cold print" arouses far more resentment than a mere verbal statement is overlooked. To them a newspaper should be a public champion tilting hither and thither against this and that abuse and taking the gaff for the patrons who are themselves afraid to "speak right out in meetin'."

"Speakin' out in meetin'" is made quite a racket by some newspapers. We know of one publisher whose racket was newspaper promotion. When he bought a newspaper property, he looked around for some safe object to attack. He selected a victim whom he thought he could grill and get away with it and proceeded to give him the works. The secret of his success lay in the careful selection of victims.

## Cut Flowers

Flowers last longer if a little salt or baking soda is added to the water in which they are placed. Split the stems and cut a little off each day.

## Odd German Superstition

There is a German superstition that a knife should not be left edge upward, because God and the spirits dwell there, or because it will cut the face of God and the angels.

## Action vs. Words

"A philosopher," says Hi Ho, the sage of Chinatown, "seeks to build a barricade of words which is quickly overthrown when a man of action gives command."—Washington Star.

## Odd Ransom Demands

Tennis rackets and balls, fountain-pens, gramophone records, and wrist watches were part of the "ransom" demanded by Chinese bandits for the release of 1,000 American women missionaries.

# "THAT LITTLE GAME" ALMOST HUMAN



## Social, Organization Activities

### M. E. S. S.

Plan for Easter  
The teachers and officers of the Methodist Sunday school are meeting at the church this evening at 7:30 to consider plans for the Easter program.

### L. D. S. Home Service

Meeting Today  
The Home Service Department of the L. D. S. church will meet this afternoon at the home of Mrs. George Exner.

### L. D. S. Choir

Anderson Home  
The Young People's choir of the L. D. S. church will meet this evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Anderson.

### Friendship Class

at Rothfuchs Home  
The Friendship class of the Evangelical church held its regular meeting Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Rothfuchs. Mrs. Howard Dilman and Mr. and Mrs. John Walker assisted the host and hostess. The event was in the nature of an Irish party.

### Hostess to

Bridge Club  
Mrs. W. G. McCracken was hostess to her bridge club Tuesday evening. Honors were won by Mrs. H. M. Graham and Mrs. Lester Lyon.

### Dinner-Bridge

At Webb Home  
Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Webb will entertain the Contract Bridge club at a six-thirty o'clock dinner at their home this evening.

### W. B. A. Meeting

Held Tuesday Evening  
The W. B. A. held their regular business meeting in the hall Tuesday evening with Mrs. Katherine DeNardo, Mrs. Thelma Hand, Mrs. Hazel Crawford in charge. Bunco was played and prizes given Mrs. Agnes Reinke, Mrs. Caroline Haines and Mrs. Alice Franks. At the bunco party for March 15th, Miss Maude State, Miss Zelta Frank and Miss Delpha Gray will be in charge, and the refreshment committee will be Mrs. Arvada Markham, Emily Lindquist and Mrs. Alice Frank.

### Postpone W. F. M. S.

Meeting to March 17  
The W. F. M. S. of the Presbyterian church will meet Thursday, March 17, at the home of Mrs. Lillian Hunter, W. Front street, instead of this Friday afternoon as was scheduled.

### St. Anthony's

Roman Catholic Church  
On the first, third and fifth Sundays of each month mass is held at 8 a. m. On the second and fourth Sundays of each month mass is held at 10 a. m.

### Standard Bearers

At Lightfoot Home  
The Standard Bearer Girls of the Methodist church will meet at the home of Misses Lillian and Lucille Lightfoot this evening.

### Meeting Flora Morgan

Class Postponed  
The meeting of the Flora Morgan Bible class which was to have been held Wednesday afternoon has been postponed until a later date on account of the storm.

### C. C. Missionary Society

Met Friday  
The Missionary Society of the Church of Christ met Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Mark Wall. Mrs. Grace Longworth was in charge of the program. Plans were made to piece a quilt for the Orphans Home in St. Louis.

### O-I-O Class Party

Wednesday Evening  
The O-I-O Sunday school class party will be held Wednesday evening, March 16, at the church parlors. Mr. and Mrs. A. E. McClure and Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Blake will entertain.

### Eleanor Wolfe

Circle Meets  
Twenty-one members of the Eleanor Wolfe Circle of Church of Christ met at the home of Miss Nellie Hinman Friday evening for a pot luck supper. After the supper a business meeting and a social session were held. The regular meeting and social session were held. The regular missionary program was led by Miss Ethel Sibley.

### Plan St. Patrick

March 15  
The members of the Jeannette Stevenson Guild are planning a St. Patrick's day party at the Presbyterian church on the evening of March 15.

### Mrs. Ted Rouse

Hostess on Birthday  
Mrs. Ted Rouse entertained friends Saturday evening on the occasion of her birthday. Honors were won by Mrs. H. M. Beistle and Mrs. Kathryn Morgan.

### Superior Club

Thursday Afternoon  
The Superior club members were entertained Thursday afternoon by Miss Eva Lomahaugh. Three tables of bunco were in play, prizes going to Mrs. Nellie Hulbert, Mrs. Bert Kelsey, Mrs. Floyd Fedore, and Mrs. Claude Bates. Refreshments were served by the hostess. The club will meet on St. Patrick's day with Mrs. Nellie Hulbert.

### Evva W. M. S.

At Barnhart Home  
In spite of the inclement weather a goodly number attended the fine dinner served Tuesday noon by Mrs. Newton Barnhart and Mrs. Guy Young, to the members and friends of the Evangelical W. M. S., at the Barnhart home. The devotional and business meeting was in charge of the president, Mrs. Elizabeth Otwell, after which the lesson study on "Evangelicals at Work in Africa," was given by Mrs. W. F. Boettcher, assisted by Mrs. Edward Riffner and Miss Mae Mills.

### To Entertain

Mission Band  
Gale and Dick Pierce will be hostess and host to the mission band at the Evangelical church on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

### Riverside Park Program

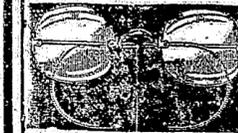
Committee to Meet  
A meeting of the Riverside Park program committee will meet on Saturday afternoon at 1 o'clock, central standard time, at the Evangelical parsonage, March 12.

### Royal Neighbors

Observe Anniversary  
The Royal-Neighbor lodge will celebrate the 37th anniversary of the founding of the order at a

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### Entertains Billing

Dept. on Birthday  
Miss Irene Imhoff entertained the girls of the billing department of the Clark Equipment company at a party at her home Tuesday evening, the occasion being her birthday.

### Marie Schrupf Guest

of Honor at Auxiliary  
Twenty members of the Legion Auxiliary attended the regular meeting of the order held Monday night, the guests of honor being Mrs. Marie Schrupf, the district committee woman, and Mrs. Milo Webster of Niles. The next meeting will be held on the evening of March 21, with Miss Augusta Huebner, Miss Ethel Beistle and Mrs. Arthur Voorhees as the committee in charge of arrangements. Mrs. Edith Willard will have charge of the surprise box.

### Thirty Club

Studies Australia  
The Thirty club met Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ralph Wegner for an "Australian" program. Twenty members answered to roll call with news items on Australia. Mrs. Otto Schurr read a paper on "History and Geography of Australia." Mrs. Leon Campbell read a paper on "Climate and Industries." Mrs. W. B. Dale contributed "The Strangest Animals in the World." Mrs. Ida Bishop's paper was "Cities of Australia." The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. C. F. Pears.

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A cooking demonstration will be held at the Elks temple, Niles, on Tuesday, March 15, at 1:30 p. m. C. S. T. under the supervision of Miss M. Dundas of the State College at Lansing. All ladies invited.

Winners Dined By Rebekah Losers  
The winners entertained the losers in the Rebekah membership contest at a dinner served at 6:30 at the I. O. O. F. hall last night. Mrs. Louise Hickok, chairman of the losing side, being in charge of arrangements. The families of the members were invited guests. After the dinner cards and bunco were played. Mrs. Arlie Lightfoot was chairman of the winning side. Entertain at

Birthday Dinner  
Mr. and Mrs. Eura Florey entertained at dinner Sunday, their guests being Mr. and Mrs. Jack Burks of Berrien Springs and Mr. and Mrs. Tracey Neal of Buchanan. The dinner was in honor of the birthday of Mrs. Burks.

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