

37 Will Leave Tuscola County for Fort Custer

Thirty-six Are Scheduled to Leave Tomorrow and One Goes on Monday.

Out of a group of Tuscola County men taking their final examinations at Detroit, 37 met the physical tests on Dec. 9 and will leave the county for induction into the army. Thirty-six go to Fort Custer tomorrow (Saturday), Frank Haven of Cass City will leave on Dec. 21 for Custer.

The following is a list of the 36 leaving tomorrow:

Michael Kish, Jr., Akron.
Albert Geoit, Cass City.
Gerald Parsell, Caro.
Delano Wisenbach, Unionville.
Warren Laude, Caro.
Donald Miller, Vassar.
Thomas Shroyer, Vassar.
Donald Simpson, Vassar.
Walter Setla, Caro.
Sherwood Robinson, Cass City.
Robert Kelley, Mayville.
Clarence Wright, Cass City.
Donald Volk, Akron.
Herman Kratz, Jr., Fairgrove.
Gerald Summerville, Vassar.
Frank Matthews, Unionville.
Roy Richardson, Postoria.
Alvin Miller, Vassar.
Fraser Seney, Vassar.
Harold Dwyer, Caro.
Edward S. Huelckler, Reese.
Ralph Robinson, Mayville.
Ervin Reinhold, Reese.
Claudie Horne, Gifford.
Elmer Wells, Millington.
Edison Wiergowski, Akron.
Henry Titworth, Jr., Vassar.
Frederick Dewald, Akron.
Harold LeGue, Vassar.
Norman Rogner, Reese.
Harold Bauer, Vassar.
Edward Jakubik, Millington.
John Kastern, Gagetown.
Marshall Hickie, Deford.
Eusebio Hernandez, Cass City, transferred here from Zavala Co., Texas.
Nolan O'Dell, Cass City, transferred here from Wayne Co., Michigan.

Livingston Granted Another Patent

Eugene Livingston, who was granted a patent on a stable cleaner 15 years ago, received word a few days ago that his improvement of that implement, a hinged fork, had been patented on Dec. 1. The change in forks, Mr. Livingston said, makes the stable cleaner more practical and useful. The patent papers on the hinged fork gives inventor Livingston the exclusive right to make, use, and vend the article throughout the United States for 17 years.

Whittaker-Simmons Nuptials at Pontiac

On Saturday evening, Dec. 5, at eight o'clock at Pontiac, Miss Evelyn A. Whittaker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Freeman E. Whittaker, of Cass City, became the bride of Mr. Velda L. Simmons, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Simmons of Pontiac. They were attended by Fred Peters and Miss Shirley Webb, both of Pontiac.

The bride was attired in a brown silk crepe with white collar and brown accessories. White gardenias and tulle roses made up her corsage. The bridesmaid wore a light blue wool crepe dress with tan accessories. Red roses composed her corsage.

Mrs. Simmons was employed in Pleasant Home Hospital in Cass City for two years.

The newly married couple will reside at 483 N. Johnston St. in Pontiac.

Presbyterian Guild Exchange Gifts

A lovely Christmas party was held Monday evening when the Presbyterian Guild met at the church. A Christmas program was given during which Rev. Lee N. Page gave an interesting talk, Mrs. Mary Holcomb read a Christmas story, and Miss Eleanor McCullum sang a selection from "The Messiah."

Gifts were exchanged which were later given to the Sunday School. Popcorn and candy bars were served by the committee, Mrs. Harold Perry, Mrs. Dave Ackerman, Miss Lura DeWitt, Mrs. E. Hunter, Mrs. Hugh Munro, and Mrs. Ernest Croft.

The January meeting of the Guild will be held in the home of Mrs. Willis Campbell.

Minute Men Asked to Report Old Cars

In a campaign to round up all old cars which have passed their days of usefulness, minute men of this community will be contacted and asked to report the whereabouts of vehicles of no practical worth. Later a junk buyer will call on the owner and make a bid for the old car. Cars no longer of use and which often are eyesores in the neighborhood in which they are located may possess value again when collected for scrap. Steel mills are clamoring for more heavy scrap.

Joseph Frutchey Died Sunday in His Saginaw Home

For Many Years Was Prominent Figure in Business Circles Here.

Joseph Frutchey, 70, for many years a prominent business man and citizen of Cass City, died Sunday evening at his home at 1809 Stark St., Saginaw. Funeral services were held at Oakwood Mausoleum at Saginaw Wednesday afternoon and were conducted by Rev. Hugh Townley.

Mr. Frutchey was president and general manager of the Frutchey Bean Co., operating a chain of grain and bean elevators, president of the Deford Bank of A. Frutchey & Sons, president of the Fort Morgan Bean Co., Fort Morgan, Col., treasurer of Cass City Sand & Gravel Co. and for many years chairman of Michigan Bean Shippers Association's board of arbitration.

He was born Sept. 27, 1872, at Mt. Bethel, Pa., and moved with his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. A. Frutchey, in 1878 to Oakland County, and in 1881 to Tuscola County, where he lived until 1892, when he helped organize the Harris & Frutchey Wholesale Butter and Egg Co. in Detroit. He returned to Cass City in 1901 to become manager of the grain and produce buying company founded by his father. Mr. Frutchey left Cass City for Saginaw in 1921 when headquarters of the Cass City Grain Co. were established in that city. The company founded in 1883 by Mr. Frutchey's father was reorganized in 1933 as the Frutchey Bean Co. While a resident in Cass City, Mr. Frutchey served the village as trustee, was president of the fair association and was prominent in many business and community activities.

He married Luella Atwell in January, 1899, in Detroit. He leaves his wife, a daughter, Mrs. A. D. McIntyre, of Saginaw; two grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Alice Nettleton, Cass City. He was a member of Saginaw Elks Lodge, the Shrine and Bay City Consistory and the Cass City Masonic and Odd Fellow lodges.

Evangelical Church Elected Officers

At a meeting of members of the Evangelical Church which was preceded by a supper last Thursday night, the following church and Sunday School officers were chosen:

Trustees for three years, Fred Buehly and J. Ivan Niergarth.
Class leader, Edward Helwig.
Assistant class leader, Lawrence Buehly.

Church chorister, Mrs. Maurice Joos.

Assistant chorister, Miss Alice Buehly.

Planists, Miss Ruth Schenck, Miss Betty Hower.

Ushers, Stanley Kirn, Jr., Carlton Buehly, Grant Little, Keith Buehly.

Sunday School superintendent, Edward Helwig.

Assistant supt., Lawrence Buehly.

Secretary, Keith Buehly.

Treasurer, Clark Helwig.

Early Mailing Admonition Heeded

Postmaster Arthur Little says the admonition for early mailing has been heeded. The rush started Monday and on Wednesday, Dec. 16, 4,625 letters and cards went through the cancelling machine. Stamp sales that day reached a total of \$146.00.

Another New Shipment of crystal and dinnerware. Baker Electric Shop, Cass City.—Advertisement.

Farmers Were Guests of Rotary Club on Tuesday

Social Security and Post-War Improvements Were Discussed at Gathering.

Farmers were luncheon guests of Rotary Club members at the Hotel Gordon Tuesday and friendship ties were more thoroughly cemented in the noon hour of fellowship.

Willis Campbell, 4-H club adviser, presented Frances Koepfgen and Don Doerr, members of the Cass City Livestock Club, who won championship honors at the Detroit Junior Livestock Show at Detroit last week, and G. A. Tindale expressed the group's appreciation of Mr. Campbell's fine work as leader of 4-H club activities here.

M. B. Auten, program chairman, in a question and answer period, had Wm. Profit and Frank Reid explain Sir Henry William Beveridge's plan of social insurance for the people of England.

Frederick H. Pinney invited farmers to be the guests of Rotary in 1952 and humorously told of the entertainment which might be offered 10 years hence. Later, in a more serious vein, Mr. Pinney said there was no limit to improvement in living conditions which might be forthcoming after the war. The nation has but scratched the surface of the possibilities of scientific development. Probable improvements which he thought it safe to predict were a wide use of synthetic rubber, the manufacture of glass for clothing, unlimited use of plastics, a wider use of metals, a greatly altered and improved system of communication, an upheaval in the housing industry with pre-fabricated materials, and a wide use of the airplane because of the impetus given aviation during the war.

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Paper Printed Day Earlier Next Week

In order that the Chronicle may reach its subscribers in this community next week before the Christmas holiday, the paper will be printed a day earlier than the usual time.

To accomplish this earlier printing, all copy should reach the newspaper office a day ahead of the usual time. Late copy cannot be handled on this schedule. Contributors of news and advertising will help in sending in copy Saturday and Monday whenever possible.



Two interesting alternatives face Michigan's new administration:

First, imposition of new state taxes to meet an anticipated fall in state revenues during the next fiscal year starting July 1, 1943.

Second, reduction of state expenditures by legislative and executive curtailment or elimination of "less essential" public services.

Somebody is bound to be hurt. And, furthermore, political alibis will be hard to conjure. Republicans possess overwhelming control of both houses of the legislature. Only one state elective office—state highway commissioner—remains at the capital today, and the Grand Old Party can't logically pass the buck to him.

The two alternatives, just presented, are based on the assumption that World War II is going to affect state sales tax collecting adversely in 1943 and 1944.

Washington officials, who seem to jump periodically from over-optimism to dire doom, have warned that our 1943 economy will decline to the 1932 low level. And all that despite soaring pay rolls which are flushing the purses of workmen and women.

Privately, several secretaries of Michigan trade associations are forecasting a definite slump in sales. War priorities will hit the hardware, lumber and drugstore business, they concede, when present stocks in many lines of merchandise are exhausted.

One hopeful sign in the state revenue sky is the memory of World War I when industrial workers insisted on spending money, even for \$6 silk shirts.

This philosophy of war-time spending goes something like this: After a depression drought when people were frustrated from the pleasure of luxuries and non-essentials.

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Cass City Wins Over Fairgrove

In the first game of the season played here Friday night, Cass City defeated Fairgrove 36-13.

Dale Kettlewell led the local scorers with fourteen points, followed by John Bugbee with nine and Bud Tate with seven. Wright was best for Fairgrove with five points.

In the preliminary, the local seconds measured the Fairgrove reserves 24 to 9.

COURT HOUSE OFFICES CLOSED FOR THREE DAYS

County officials in the court house at Caro will close their offices on the night of Thursday, Dec. 24, and will not reopen them until the morning of Monday, Dec. 28. Ordinarily the offices are open Saturday morning, but this morning period of a few hours will also be observed as a holiday, coming as it does between Christmas Day and Sunday.

354 OLD TIRES SENT TO GOVERNMENT FROM EXPRESS OFFICE HERE

Three hundred fifty-four old tires have been shipped by Expressman W. H. Miller and sent to the government. This represents the number of tires over five to a car which were in the hands of automobile owners of this community at the time gasoline rationing became effective.

20% Off on all ladies' skirts Friday and Saturday at Priesskorn's, Cass City.—Advertisement.

Churches Make Christmas Program Plans for Next Week

Four Choirs to Present Cantata Sunday; Schools to Have Exercises.

Choirs of four local churches, the Methodist, Presbyterian, Baptist, and Evangelical, will unite next Sunday evening and present the cantata, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," at the Methodist Church at eight o'clock. The words of the cantata were written by Elsie Duncan Yale and the music by Lawrence Keating. Chas. Keen, music director at the local school, will serve as conductor.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

Chorists participating in the cantata are:

Sopranos — Esther McCullough, Audrey Hower, Eva Julia Mosure, Jeanne Bigelow, Joan Sommers, Donna Turner, Colleen Moore, Nina Ertel, Dorothy Knight, Helen Keen, Mary Gekeler, Pauline McArthur, Miriam Smith, Jeanne Profit, Martal Guisbert, Elizabeth Butler, Lorene Muntz, Eleanor MacCallum, Mary Holcomb, Kathryn Price, Ellen Lou Larkin, Betty Jo Agar, Lulabelle Heron.

Altos — Helen Hower, Betty Hower, Eva Mae Joos, Geraldine Niergarth, Verda Zuschnitt, Elaine Kirton, Evelyn Woolley, Mary K. Brown, Dorothy Clark, Ella Price, Sigrid Holmberg, Velma Hamilton.

Bass — J. Ivan Niergarth, Eugene Livingston, Orion Cardew, Chalmers Young, Robert Hamilton.

Tenors — Maurice Joos, Robert Bearss, Fred Bearss, Arthur Holmberg.

Soloists — Eleanor MacCallum, Evelyn Woolley, Eva Julia Mosure, Arthur Holmberg, Miriam Smith, Eva Mae Joos.

The young people and children of the Nazarene Sunday School will give their Christmas program Sunday evening, December 20, beginning at 7 o'clock.

Reid Bowlers Won Championship Honors from Landon Five

The Reid and Landon groups, tied for first place in the Community Bowling League, decided the championship of the autumn series Monday evening when the Reid five, winning two of the three contests, won the honors.

The Landon group became threatening just recently and forged rapidly to the top position. The final standings of the 14 teams, printed on page two, show but nine games' difference between the top and cellar positions, an unusually narrow margin.

The following tables give the scores of the players of the Landon and Reid groups in their Monday games:

Townsend	190	175	156	521
Benkelman	161	186	151	498
Ward	128	155	143	426
Reagh	180	99	104	383
Landon	175	182	159	516

	784	797	713	2294
Handicap	2	2	2	6
Schwieger	163	206	203	572
Burt	152	172	139	463
McLellan	139	182	146	467
Spavel	124	145	145	414
Reid	194	193	195	582

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BARDWELL-McDERMID.

Miss Dorothy E. Bardwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bardwell, of Caro and Thomas McDermid of Detroit, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph D. McDermid of Gagetown, were quietly married Thursday, December 3, at Angola, Indiana, by Rev. C. A. Humphreys, pastor of the First Congregational Church.

For her wedding, the bride wore a green suit with brown accessories.

Mrs. McDermid was graduated from Caro High School in 1940 and has been employed in the office of an insurance company in Detroit.

The groom is a graduate of Gagetown High School and has been employed in Detroit for the last three years.

Mr. McDermid left last week to join the Army Air Corps.

Two Teams in Ladies' League Tie for Bowling Honors

The Schwaderer and Benkelman teams in the Ladies' Bowling League tied for honors at the close of the autumn season, both groups having won 19 and lost 17 games. In total pins for the series the Benkelman team had a slight advantage of 22,274 pins to 22,225 credited to their opponents.

Miss Betty Mark was elected president and Miss Isabelle Bradshaw secretary of the Ladies' Bowling League. Standings of the league for the week of Dec. 8 follow:

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Extension Group Has Christmas Party

Tuesday evening the Extension Group No. 1 met with Mrs. Herman Doerr for their Christmas party. The home was beautiful with holiday decorations. Mrs. J. Ivan Niergarth read the Christmas story from the Bible and Mrs. R. A. McNamee offered prayer. Games in charge of Mrs. D. A. Krug were much enjoyed after which a luncheon was served. Mrs. E. Hunter was a guest and told fortunes with tea leaves.

The next meeting of the group will be held in the home of Mrs. J. Ivan Niergarth, when the committee in charge will be Mrs. Roy Stafford, Mrs. E. Croft, Mrs. F. L. Morris, Mrs. A. Kinnaird, and Mrs. Niergarth.

It was decided that every member of the club buy a war stamp at each meeting to be invested later in war bonds.

New Presbyterian Minister Starts Pastorate Here

Rev. Mr. Page Was in the Princeton Theological Seminary Class of 1939.

Rev. Lee N. Page, the new minister of the Presbyterian Church, with Mrs. Page and little daughter, arrived here on Dec. 9, and he preached his first sermon as pastor at Cass City Sunday morning.

Mr. Page is a Pittsburger, born there in 1913. He attended the Schenley and Wilkinsburg High Schools, the University of Pittsburgh, and Pennsylvania State College where he received his B. A. cum laude in 1934. Mr. Page spent a year in office work administering direct relief before entering Princeton Theological Seminary where he was in the class of 1939. He comes to Cass City from Dillsburg, Pa., which he describes as a very lovely little town with mountain scenery, near Harrisburg, Pa. He is pleased with Cass City and looks forward to happy and successful work here.

Mr. Page is the great grandson of A. K. Page, who established a furniture business in Clarion, Pa., just a century ago. The Pages were Presbyterians, dating from the Huguenot emigration to this country in the eighteenth century and the Brownist colonizations at an earlier date. Because Cass City resembles Clarion, Pa., in setting, Mr. Page was doubly glad to come to this community. His wife came from Clarion, Pa., and is the former Nancy Nail. Mr. and Mrs. Page were married July 3, 1939, and have a daughter, Grace Elizabeth, two years old.

The Pages state that the Presbyterians of Cass City have been among the most hospitable people they have encountered anywhere and that they find it a privilege to serve the people of that community.

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Cat Trained to Steal
In Paris they have a new kind of burglar. A cat was trained to enter the better apartment houses and steal women's silk underwear.

Surest Road
National justice is the surest road to national downfall—William Gladstone.

Population Now Longer Lived
The average longevity of persons in the United States has increased 5 1/2 years in the last decade.

Fisheries
The fisheries production of the prairie province of Canada, Manitoba, was valued at more than \$1,000,000.

What You Buy With WAR BONDS

Stop Spending, and Save for the future. That has been good advice since biblical days. You cannot buy tires today, but you can start saving to buy that new set of tires when they go on the market again.



Your regular investment of ten percent or more of your earnings in War Bonds through your Payroll Savings Plan will provide the necessary funds to buy those tires later and help win the war now. Let's "Top that Ten Percent."

U. S. Treasury Department.

Market Reports

The ether waves now carry farm market news reports from 240 radio stations in co-operation with the United States department of agriculture.

Corn Products

More than 100 industrial uses have been developed for corn, ranging from glycerin for industrial explosives, to carbon dioxide in making dry ice.

Local Happenings

George Golding of Pontiac is spending some time with his son, Edward Golding.

Charles Merchant, who is employed in Detroit, spent Sunday and Monday with his family here.

Mrs. Arthur Holmberg and daughter, Joan, spent last week with relatives and friends in Detroit.

Mrs. A. E. Goodall had as guests Sunday her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Foster Hickey, of Fairgrove.

Miss Marjorie Croft, a student at Alma College, came Friday to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Croft.

The Art Club met in the home of Mrs. Guy W. Landon Friday afternoon and tied a quilt, which will be given to the needy. A pot-luck supper was enjoyed.

The fire alarm was sounded Thursday forenoon but the fire proved to be only a rubbish pile burning near the Larkin trailer in the rear of the Smith store.

Mrs. Joseph Frutchev and daughter, Mrs. A. D. McIntyre, both of Saginaw, visited Mrs. Frutchev's sister, Mrs. John Spangler, in Pleasant Home Hospital Sunday.

Sunday guests entertained in the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Rabideau were Mr. and Mrs. Clark Seelye and son, Jackie, of Caro and Mr. and Mrs. Claud McHenry of West Branch.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and Miss Erel Glaspie spent from Thursday until Sunday in Detroit. Miss Ella Mae Glaspie met them in Detroit and also spent Saturday and Sunday there.

A son was born Sunday, December 6, in Pleasant Home Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Goodall. He has been named Gordon Lynn. Mother and baby have been taken to their home west and north of town.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith McConkey entertained at a seven o'clock dinner Wednesday evening at home. Mrs. Donald Kilbourn of Fort Leonard Wood, Mo., Mr. and Mrs. William Kilbourn and Dr. and Mrs. Donald Miller of Cass City.

Mrs. Leeson, Sr., and Mrs. Henry Tate spent a few days last week in Lansing and Grand Ledge. Mrs. Roxie Beers, mother of Henry Tate, who has spent several weeks in Lansing, returned to Cass City with them to spend some time here.

About thirty were present on Wednesday evening, December 9, when the Sanilac-Tuscola Rural Letter Carriers met with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schell. A potluck supper was served at 6:30 o'clock and was followed by a business meeting and miscellaneous program.

Mrs. Frank Striffler and Mrs. Earl Gooden of Detroit came Friday to visit Mrs. Striffler's mother, Mrs. John Spangler, who is very ill in Pleasant Home Hospital. Mr. Striffler and Mr. Gooden also spent Sunday here. Mrs. Gooden returned home with them Sunday night but Mrs. Striffler remained to be near her mother.

Leland Nicol of Ypsilanti visited his family here over the week end.

Otto Goertsen, who is employed in Flint, visited at his home here over the week end.

Mrs. Alison Spence of Saginaw spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. James J. Spence.

Miss Margaret Harrison of Flint spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Nelson Harrison.

Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Watkins of Marlette were guests of Mrs. Anna Patterson, sister of Mrs. Watkins, Friday.

A son was born Sunday morning, December 13, in Pleasant Home Hospital to Mr. and Mrs. Grant Hutchinson.

Mrs. E. B. Schwaderer and Mrs. H. L. Benkelman were visitors in Ann Arbor from Thursday until Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Niebel and children visited Mrs. Niebel's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Banister, at Caro Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bartle were entertained at Sunday dinner in the home of Mrs. Bartle's sister, Mrs. Dale Gingrich.

The W. C. T. U. will meet this afternoon (Friday) in the home of Mrs. B. A. Elliott, corner of Main and Sherman Streets.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Tindale will leave Saturday to spend Christmas and the week with their daughter, Mrs. Wain Jackson, in Detroit.

Miss Florence Kohls of Caro was the guest of Mrs. Harold Craig in the home of Mrs. Craig's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Barnes, over the week end.

Mrs. G. A. Tindale, Mrs. Curtis Hunt and children, Jane and Sally, Mrs. Robert L. Keppen and daughter, Damon, spent Saturday in Saginaw.

Mrs. Clare Stafford and daughter, Miss Irene, were entertained at Sunday dinner in the home of Mrs. Stafford's sister, Mrs. Roy McIntosh, south of town.

Dr. and Mrs. F. L. Morris spent a few days the last of the week as guests of Mrs. Ralph Reid, sister of Dr. Morris, at Three Rivers. They also visited their son, Frank Morris, a medical student at Ann Arbor.

Members of the Cass City Nazarene Church will be heard over WMPC, Lapeer, on Tuesday afternoon, December 22, from 4:15 to 5:00 o'clock. A program of music and a talk by the pastor, Rev. George D. Bugbee, will be given.

Mrs. Andrew A. Schmidt was remembered with a post card shower last week by members of the Woman's Bible class of the Methodist Church and a few friends. Mrs. Schmidt, who has been quite ill for some time, is improving nicely.

Because of illness, Rev. George D. Bugbee, pastor, was unable to fill the pulpit at the local Nazarene church Sunday evening and Rev. Fred Sharp of Colling gave the message. Mr. Bugbee preached at the morning service, and both he and Mrs. Bugbee, who also has been ill, are gaining slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Ware entertained the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Ware, at a birthday dinner Sunday in their home in honor of the birthday of William Ware.

John and Philip Wright and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anthes entertained at a turkey dinner in their home Sunday in honor of the birthdays of John Wright, who was 82, and his niece, Mrs. Fred Jaus, whose birthdays were that day, Dec. 13, and Philip Wright, whose birthday was Saturday, Dec. 12. A beautiful 3 layer cake, bearing the name of each honor guest, graced the table. Guests at the dinner were Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Goertsen, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jaus, Mrs. Myrtle Cutler, daughter, Yvonne, sons, Jimmie and Eddie, Mr. and Mrs. Leland Nicol and sons, Stuart and Tommy. Mr. and Mrs. Goertsen favored the company by singing a number of duets.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Livingston were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Palmer near Gagetown.

Mrs. Mary Skelly spent a few days the first of the week with her brother, who is ill at his home in Deford.

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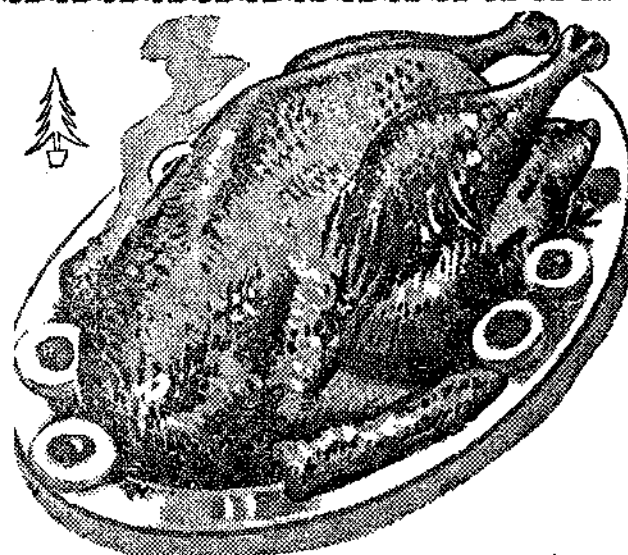
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FOR SALE—Freshly cut Christmas trees, 50c to \$1.25. Helen Kindall, Gagetown. 12-18-1

THREE YOUNG pigs for sale. Otis Wehl, 4 east, 4 south of Cass City. 12-18-1p

GET YOUR large white Pekin ducks for Christmas dinner from Sherman Bye, 1 west, 2 1/2 north of Cass City. 12-18-1p

BROOD SOW, due soon, for sale. Steve Chuno, 2 south, 2 east of Cass City. 12-18-1p

FARMERS NOTICE—Just received another car of Government Seed Wheat for feeding purposes. Special prices made on large quantities. Michigan Bean Co., Owendale. 12-18-1

HOUSE for rent at Old Greenleaf. Enquire of Merle Winter, Old Greenleaf, R. R. 1, Cass City. 12-11-2

FOR SALE—Ford 1937, 60 h. p. Tudor sedan; good tires; reasonable. Joe Kisser, 1 1/2 east, 4 1/2 south of Pigeon, Mich. 12-18-1p

CALL UP—If you have junk to give to the Red Cross or War Chest fund, phone No. 40 or No. 231 and ask for the junk man. 9-25.

TAX NOTICE—I will be at Shabbona on Saturday afternoons, Dec. 19 and 26 and Jan. 2 and 9, to receive Evergreen Township taxes. Charles Watson, Treasurer. 12-18-1p

FOR SALE—Ice saw, marker and other equipment for harvesting ice. M. E. Kenney, Cass City. 12-11-2

TAX NOTICE—I will be at Cass City State Bank Saturday afternoons, Dec. 12 and 19 and Jan. 2 and 9 for collection of taxes for Greenleaf Township. Mrs. Ida Gordon, Treas. 12-11-2

FOR SALE—3 Duroc service boars, 1 Holstein bull, 8 dairy heifers. Edw. Hahn, 1 east, 1 1/2 north of Unionville. 12-18-1

SPOT CASH—\$8.00 and up for old and disabled horses and cattle. Call collect Caro 937-11 or write Jack Laimge, Route 3, Caro. Prompt pickup. 8-28-1p

FOR SALE—Black horse 7 years old and new single harness. Lester Kendall, 1 1/2 west, 1 1/2 south of Gagetown. 12-18-1p

PREMIER Duplex vacuum sweeper, good as new, for sale. Mrs. John Muntz, 4430 Doerr Road, 1/2 west, 1/2 south of Cass City. 12-4-1p

WANTED—150 old horses for fox feed. Must be alive. Otto Montel, Fairgrove, Caro Phone 954-R-5. 11-8-1p

MR. FARMER—We are in the market to buy all kinds of livestock. Call us before you sell. Robert and Jim Milligan. Phone No. 937-41. 5-28-

POULTRY wanted—Drop postal card to Stephen Dodge, Cass City. Will call for any amount at any time. 1-16-1p

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TRY KENNEY'S for some of your groceries, good staple goods and priced right. Kenney's Grocery and Creamery. 10-7-1p

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HOW TO MAKE "Old Fashioned Christmas Treats"—Some old recipes passed down from Civil War days, with which our great grandmothers, despite shortages and substitutes, provided delicious, mouth-melting goodies so important to Christmas cheer, will be found in the Housewife's Food Almanack in The American Weekly with this Sunday's (Dec. 20) issue of The Detroit Sunday Times. Be sure to get The Detroit Sunday Times. 12-18-1

WANTED—A load of straw. J. D. Turner, Cass City. 12-18-1p

ROOMS for rent at Severn's, 50 North Seeger Street. 10-3-1p

WE NOW HAVE a breakfast set in. Cass City Furniture Store. 12-18-1

FOR SALE—Norge electric range, like new. Priced to sell. C. E. Larkin, Telephone 238. 12-18-1p

QUEEN ESTHER girls will conduct a miscellaneous Christmas sale on Saturday commencing at 1:00 p. m., first door west of Reed & Patterson Market. 12-18-1

LAWN MOWERS, old stoves, zinc can covers, worn out rubbers, furnace grates, old pumps, discarded farm machinery—these are just a few suggestions for the salvage drive. Phone No. 40 or No. 231 and ask for the junk man for more information. 9-25-

CASH PAID for cream at Kenney's, Cass City.

BEAN PICKING at reduced prices—10 lbs., 4c; up to 20 lbs., 3c; over 20 lbs., 2c. I will buy your culls at \$1 per cwt. Chas. A. Goff, 1 mile south of Wickware. Phone 145-F2. 12-18-1p

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WANTED—Old or disabled horses for fox feed. Will pay from \$10 to \$12 each. Harmon C. Owen, Mayville Fox Farm. Mayville, Michigan. Tel. Kingston 6-1-1. 11-27-4p

FARM FOR SALE—80 acres, 2 miles east, 1/2 north of Old Greenleaf, known as McPhail farm. Fair piece of land, 3 acres good wood, 4 room house, small barn, good well. \$2500 with \$700 down. F. L. Clark, Real Estate, Caro. 12-4-3

FOR SERVICE—Registered O.I.C. boar, 1/2 mile east and 1/2 south of Elmwood Corners. E. F. Schell. 12-11-2

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IN LOVING MEMORY of our son, Billie Howell, who passed away 3 years ago, Dec. 19, 1939.

I am home in heaven, dear ones, Oh, so happy and so bright; There is perfect joy and beauty In this everlasting light.

All the pain and grief is over, Every restless tossing passed; I am now at peace forever, Safely home in heaven at last.

Did you wonder I so calmly Trod the valley of the shade? Oh, but Jesus' love illumined Every dark and fearful glade.

And He came Himself to meet me In that way so hard to tread, And with Jesus' arm to lean on Could I have one doubt or dread?

Then you must not grieve so sorely, For I love you dearly still; Try to look beyond earth's shadows, Pray to trust our Father's will.

There is work still waiting for you, So you must not idly stand. Do it now, While life remaineth You shall rest in Jesus' land.

When that work is all completed He will gently call you home, Oh, the rapture of that meeting! Oh, the joy to see you come!

Sadly missed by his parents, sisters, brothers. 12-18-1

STORY BOOKS for children and adults, book ends and plaques. E. A. Wanner, Cass City. 12-18-2

BOSTON BULLDOG puppies for sale. Will be ready to go next week. May be seen at 6724 East Main St. or call Phone 77, Cass City. 12-18-1

FOR SALE—Nice black horse, weight 1600. Right every way. Trade for heifer. Corner M-53 and Cass City road. Bernard Clark, R1, Cass City. 12-18-2p

WHEN YOU have livestock for sale, call Reed & Patterson. Telephone 52, 32 or 228. 8-15-1p

FOR SALE—Collie pups, one black English Shepherd female, six months, guaranteed satisfaction. Also bird dog pointer, cheap. J. E. Bukowski, 1/2 mile east of Uby. 12-18-1p

FARMERS Notice—Bean picking done at reasonable rates. One to 10 lb. pickers at 5c lb., 10 to 20 lb. pickers, 4c lb.; 20 lbs. and over, 3c lb. And you take home the culls. Chas. Goff, 1 mile south of Wickware. Phone 145F2. 11-20-1p

FOR RENT—Two light house-keeping rooms, furnished or unfurnished. Enquire evenings or Sunday. Mrs. Nelson Harrison, Cass City. 12-18-1p

FOR SALE—Durham milch cow, due Dec. 23. TB and Bangs tested. A real good one. Clare Turner, 5 west, 1 south of Cass City. 12-18-1

WANTED—Chickens and eggs. Corner of M-53 and Cass City road. Bernard Clark, R1, Cass City. 12-18-2p

I WILL BE at Cass City State Bank on Dec. 19 and at the DeFord Bank Dec. 21 to collect taxes for Novesta Township. Elmer Webster, treas. 12-18-1p

STORY BOOKS for children and adults, book ends and plaques. E. A. Wanner, Cass City. 12-18-2

POTATOES for sale, \$1.85 per bushel, No. 1, federal inspected. Order your northern Michigan seed, also onions. Inquire at corner of M-53 and Cass City road. Bernard Clark, R1, Cass City. 12-18-2p

WANTED—Bull one year old. Will buy or exchange heifer, cow, or horse. Prefer Durham or Holstein. Day old calf wanted. Enquire Roy Taylor. 12-18-1

SETS OF DISHES of 32 pieces, 58 pieces, and also 95 pieces. Cass City Furniture Store. 12-18-1

VIOLIN for sale—A real good violin and case; also extra bow. Inquire Townsend's 10c Store. 12-18-1

WE WILL BE ready to start sawing lumber about the first of January. We are in the market for cottonwood, soft maple, elm and ash logs, cut and skidded to a convenient loading spot. Telephone 29-R11. Ralph Partridge. 12-18-1p

"ECONOMY" feeds are good feeds. If you are not feeding them, you are losing money and so are we. "Economy" Laying Mash will produce those extra eggs that we need so much. For sale by Elkland Roller Mills. Phone 15. 12-18-3

BROOD SOWS wanted. Please give size, color, and price. Also 500 bu. rye and 500 bu. corn or other grain wanted for feed. Please give prices. James Davidson, Bad Axe, Michigan. 12-18-1p

FOR SALE—Lenzner residence on East Houghton St., third house east of Methodist Church. Enquire of H. F. Lenzner at the Chronicle office. 12-18-1

WE WISH to thank the friends and neighbors for their kindness during the sickness and death of our mother; also Dr. Donahue, Keehn Funeral Home, the singers and Elder Silas Parker for his comforting words. The Simmons Family. 12-18-1p

I WISH TO EXPRESS my appreciation to Dr. Donahue and nurses for care, the Sunshine W. S. C. S. for fruit, the Grant-Elkton Grange for flowers, and to friends for their many expressions of kindness during my stay at the hospital. Mrs. Floyd Dodge. 12-18-1

RONALD FLEENOR, who has recovered from a broken leg injury, is most grateful to friends for the many gifts of fruit, books, candy, etc., which he received during his illness. 12-18-1p

IN LOVING MEMORY of Mark McCaslin who passed away 9 years ago, Dec. 23: Days of sadness still come o'er us Tears in silence often flow; For memory keeps you ever near us Though you died nine years ago. The family. 12-18-1p

Yank Fighters To Be Superior

U.S. Officers Say Our Craft
Should Ample Care for
Things 'Upstairs.'

NEW YORK—American-built fighter planes have not yet been able to match the high altitude work of the best British, German and Japanese fighters, but the Lockheed P-38 and the Republic P-47 "will soon be in wide service, and on the basis of tests to date should amply take care of things 'upstairs,'" Major N. F. Silsbee and Major E. C. Locke of the United States army air forces asserted in an analysis of warplanes.

Reading a joint paper titled "Air-craft Design and Performance" before the metropolitan section of the Society of Automotive Engineers, Majors Silsbee and Locke outlined the evolution of warplanes from drawing board to combat service, highlighting many of the problems confronting designers, builders and users of fighting planes.

No All-Purpose Plane. There can be no successful all-purpose airplane, the officers declared. If a bomber is able to carry a great load over long distances, at high speed and great altitude, it cannot also be at peak efficiency on low-level attacks or in dive-bombing raids. This means that special planes have to be designed and built for special jobs.

The final test of military aircraft is their record in action, they said, and "on the whole, so far in this war, the combat record of American planes has been good, and it is likely to get better shortly."

"Our heavy bombers, the Boeing Fortress and Consolidated Liberator, have turned in amazing performances, and the new models B-17F and B-24E in large-scale pooled production have been further improved. Our medium bombers, the Douglas Havocs, North American Mitchells and Martin Marauders, are highly praised for their speed, striking power and high degree of invulnerability. As a matter of fact, except for the practically untried Dornier Do-217, powered by two B.M.W. 801 14-cylinder, 1,600-horsepower radial engines, there are no medium bombers anywhere to match them."

See 'Upstairs' Covered.

"In the fighter class it may be admitted that for altitude work we have not yet been able to match the best fighters of Britain, Germany and Japan, but the P-38 and P-47 (aptly enough termed Lightning and Thunderbolt), will soon be in wide-scale service, and on the basis of tests to date should amply take care of things 'upstairs.' In the lower levels, where much of the fighting still takes place, our best, well-armed and well-protected Alracobras and Warhawks are shooting down enemy planes on all fronts, in some areas on a better than a 2-to-1 basis."

They added that the Royal Air Force is "immensely pleased" with the new North American Mustang (known to us as the P-51), which the British say handles well, is easy to service and can outrun the Spitfire at levels under 20,000 feet.

Majors Silsbee and Locke pointed out that many of the first-line military planes in "the forefront of aerial combat today are the result of tried - and - proved designs first brought out six or more years ago, vastly improved as to speed, ceiling and especially fire-power, but still essentially the same airplanes."

Canadian Hero Prefers Fighting to Being Feted

OTTAWA—Wing Commander John Fauquier of Ottawa, who won the distinguished flying cross for his daring bombing raids over enemy territory, does not like being a hero. The commander recently received a month's leave at home and all kinds of civic and other receptions were planned for him, but he could not or would not fare the music. A position at home was offered to him, but he declined.

"I would much rather go back and fight," he told the Canadian authorities; and now he has gone back, even before his official leave time expired, to rejoin his squadron.

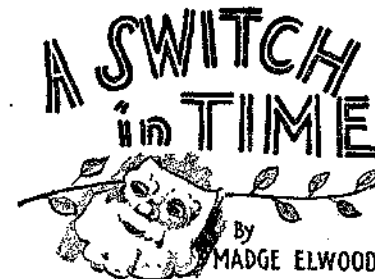
This Watchman's \$4,619 Is Record for Back Pay

CLEVELAND—George Zink, 55, a 35-a-week watchman, was the beneficiary of a new high in back wages ordered paid under a wage-hour injunction.

Federal Judge Robert N. Wilkin ordered Samuel and Nathan Caplan, operators of a scrap metal yard at East Liverpool, Ohio, to pay Zink \$4,619.84 to bring his back wages up to the 30-cents-an-hour minimum. Zink will receive \$100 a month for one year, and the balance in eight monthly installments.

Versatile Mayor Tackles Another Job; to Aid War

JOHNSON CITY, N. Y.—Mayor Benjamin W. Ash has added another job to his long list of occupations. He is doing defense work with the International Business Machines corporation. The mayor has been bank messenger, soldier, shoe worker, jeweler, merchant and politician. He received his law degree from Blackstone college, Chicago, after a four-year correspondence course.



By MADGE ELWOOD

CORPORAL McNEW laid his whiskers on the window sill. It wasn't, he thought, military duty to play the role of Santa Claus at the garrison Christmas party. He couldn't, however, disobey his commanding officer. Nor did he want to after hearing about that vacancy for a corporal at the recruiting office in Kansas City. McNew had been born there, Marianne lived there now and only yesterday he'd heard that Marianne had been seen with a fireman.

The colonel, though, had made his role more difficult. "Er—" he'd drummed on the table with his fingers. "I want you especially to convince my son. Make him believe that Santa Claus is really magic. My son is—fascinated by anything in the electrical line. He's been—er—quite disturbing. I've told him that Santa only gives presents to good boys. If you can encourage his belief, it'd help the regiment—and—me."

He'd have to be a perfect Santa Claus. McNew thought. Sonny was very skeptical.

"Hello." Peeping in the window he saw the object of his worries,



Tiny lights gleamed about his whiskers.

accompanied by the regimental mascot—Henry, the goat. McNew slipped into a closet. Too late, he remembered his whiskers. The goat, as the regiment had learned, had an appetite. McNew's fears were confirmed when he emerged from the closet. The whiskers were gone, and he heard Sonny giggling. "I bet Santa Claus ain't magic enough to grow more whiskers. I bet he ain't magic at all. Dad doesn't know everything. Say, Henry, I wonder if Santa Claus can see in the dark. I know how to turn off the switch—"

McNew sighed. Soldiers were supposed to be ingenious. McNew remembered some cotton fields nearby.

The band played a traditional Christmas carol. Corporal McNew stood beside a gaily decorated tree and began to distribute gifts to the children of the regiment. He called out Sonny's name. Then the lights went out.

He took a step backwards as tiny lights gleamed about his whiskers. Fireflies must have made their homes on the abandoned cotton he had plucked. McNew stepped on a package, stumbled and grabbed the tree for support. He caught a branch. Out of the darkness, he heard Sonny's voice: "Yes, Santa, here I am."

"Here—" McNew tried to hand the boy the package containing the electric train. A firefly rested on his whiskers. "Here, Santa Claus carries his own lights, you know."

"Is it magic?" asked Sonny. "And you grew more whiskers—"

McNew stumbled again, reached for support. The branch cracked and broke. Failing, he caught Sonny's hand. "Here!"

The lights went on. Sonny fled down the steps and McNew saw that the colonel was comforting a weeping boy. A corporal who'd given the colonel's son a switch for a Christmas gift would never be recommended for a recruiting job in his home town.

"Did you ever act the part of Santa Claus before?"

"No, sir." McNew suppressed a sigh.

"Um—maybe that explains the trefles and the switch." There was a curious note in the colonel's voice. McNew struggled to explain, but the colonel interrupted: "I hear you want that recruiting job in Kansas City. Under the circumstances, I've decided to recommend you. Sonny wants to visit his grandmother there and you can take care of him on the journey. His grandmother thinks that Sonny is a good boy. I expect you to—er—continue to be resourceful."

"Yes, sir." But McNew sighed. He wondered if snow could be used to advantage by a resourceful soldier in charge of an equally ingenious boy.

WHO CARES?

The new proprietor of the village store stood at the door one morning gazing gloomily at the all but empty street.

A little girl who had just turned the corner paused uncertainly before him, a crumpled pound note in one hand. Instantly Isaac was all smiles.

"I say," began the little girl, "does my mummy owe you a pound?"

"She does," said the proprietor. "And—whose little girl are you?"

"Pity," said his colleague. "Miss Fair seems a nice, obliging sort of girl."

"Oh, she certainly is. But she will keep interrupting me when I'm dictating to ask me how to spell words."

"That's a great waste of time."

"I don't object to that," explained the director, "but it looks so bad to have to keep saying I don't know."

PRECARIOUS



"I hope you never rock the boat."

"No. This canoe tips over so easily you don't have to rock it."

Diplomatic

A young man, calling on his best girl one night, was faced by a poser when she suddenly asked: "Jerry, which do you like best, an ugly woman with great intelligence or a pretty one without brains?"

But Jerry was wise and didn't intend to get caught on that one. "Marry, dear," he replied quick as a flash, "I prefer you to either one."

The Brush Off

"Will you walk into my parlor?" Said Miss Spider to the fly. Not I," his flyship answered As he winked his other eye.

"For your dinky so-called parlor—Well, it isn't in my line. It's nothing but a dining-room; So none of it for mine."

Daily Delivery

"Now, children," asked the Sunday school teacher, "why do you suppose that in our prayers we ask only for our daily bread and not enough for a week?"

"Well, teacher," replied little Johnny, thoughtfully, "it might be so's we will get it fresh every day."

Higher Math

Teacher—"If your father could do a piece of work in six days and your uncle could do it in four, how long would it take both of them to do it?" Johnny—"They'd never get it done. They'd sit down under a shade tree and tell fish stories."

HA! HA!



"Paine got off a great mother-in-law joke the other night."

"That so? What was it?"

"He said he was very fond of her."

Snubbed

Percy—She never used to turn away and turn up her nose when she passed me.

Daisy—Maybe something you've done has put her nose out of joint.

Hushed Up

Father—I say, there seems to be a lot of men on your team who died on the bases.

Son—Hush, father; let us bury the subject.

In the Act

"How did your mother know you were swimming? Were you caught with the goods on you?"

"Now, she caught me with the goods off."

Love Song

I rowed her in a dory, Along the shady shore, And told the old, sweet story, And told it oar and oar.

Cooling

My lady fair is cold as ice, And that, I am afraid, Is why she seems to me so nice At 90 in the shade.

With Interest

A Christmas Carol

by Douglas Whitney

THIS, friends, is a Christmas story though stories of kindness shouldn't only bob up with Kris Kringle. Our tale is concerned with Robert Parker.

If you don't remember him, ask some of the older folks. Parker was once one of the leading character actors of the legitimate stage. For years he trooped the hinterlands in support of the great names.

The week before Christmas always found Parker in New York at the center table of the Leopards club, the noted actors' organization.



This was his day.

The room was always well filled the week before Christmas. It is a tradition in show business that the weeks preceding Christmas and Easter are the worst in the theater.

Born of extremely poor parents, Parker had never forgotten the miseries of poverty. Each year it had been his custom to arrange a variety show, using the talent of the Leopards club. The money realized went toward the purchase of food baskets which were distributed every Christmas day from the lobby of the clubhouse.

When there was show, instead of the carriage he would use a sleigh and, like Santa, set out on his annual round. It took a great deal of money, but as a result, Bob was beloved by everyone.

Bob grew older, and his stage engagements became fewer.

One day, at a club meeting Bob stood up and addressed the members: "Gentlemen, I'm getting old. It's time for me to put away my grease paint and costumes, and retire. Before doing so I want to extract a promise from the general membership. I ask that you gentlemen continue to run the annual Christmas basket benefit for the poor. I cannot assume the task any longer. Will you do this for me?"

Actors are a sentimental and generous lot. They promised Bob that the tradition would be faithfully maintained, and honored him further by voting him a life member. And so, retiring from the scene, his visits to the club became infrequent. The baskets were forgotten.

A year ago, Bob came back to the club a little before Christmas. He looked much older, his shoulders bent and his shock of white hair noticeably thinned.

"Gentlemen," he said on rising, "this is probably the last time I shall address this group. I am an old man now. There is one favor I wish to ask of you. As many of you may recall, the distribution of Christmas baskets was my hobby and sole interest outside the theater."

His voice breaking, he continued: "I wish to request you to give once more your time and talents for a benefit, the proceeds to go toward the basket fund."

Moved by the appeal of their old master, the Leopards gathered all their resources and achieved an unusually successful response. Every prominent actor and actress within a day's traveling distance appeared. The theater was jammed to capacity. A large sum of money was realized.

To Bob's supreme delight it was a white Christmas. Since he was too old and feeble to sit again on the driver's seat and guide two prancing horses, the club arranged for the needy to come for their baskets. All day Bob attended to the distribution.

He took the subway home. His smile remained despite his weariness.

An hour later he was seated at a small table in a plainly furnished room. A tiny white-haired lady sat opposite him. "Robert, will you carve, please?" she requested with marked deference.

"With pleasure, Mrs. Parker. White meat?"

"Yes, if you please, Robert."

"This is a wonderful occasion," he said. "Were you embarrassed, dear? I hated to do it, Mary. When you came to the head of the line and I handed you the basket, I was afraid that some of the boys would recognize you as my wife."

He seemed a trifle perplexed. "Strange I should have felt uncomfortable about it," he mused. "Surely two as poor as we deserve a Christmas basket, don't you think?"

Big Convoy Has Strong Escort

Air and Sea Protection Is Assurance Against Foe Interference.

NEW YORK.—A successful convoy is a boring convoy. It is a convoy so thoroughly planned, so perfectly co-ordinated and so strongly protected that the enemy dare not molest it from under the surface or from the sky.

The largest convoy of American troops ever to cross the Atlantic made the trip without interference through an ocean meshed with Nazi destruction.

It was protected by a fleet of destroyers which virtually screened it from enemy action and by two of the most powerful larger ships in the American navy. Out from the East coast it had aerial protection furnished first by American and then by Canadian air forces, supplemented by navy blimps.

Out from the British Isles it had the aid of individual scouting units of the RAF and a British cruiser joined the convoy to escort it into the mined waters of the Isles themselves. In mid-ocean its own scouting planes kept watchful eyes.

Too Speedy for Subs.

Nothing less than a suicide raid by the enemy could have touched this convoy and the ships in it were so speedy that at the first signal of danger they could have broken for safety and easily outrun an under-surface craft. And the Nazi was not believed able to throw enough surface raiders at the convoy to match the guns of its protecting fleet.

This does not mean that the Nazis were not interested. There was evidence that they knew of the existence of the convoy, that their submarines hovered a safe distance away ready to pick off any stragglers from the protected area, that their planes had the ships under surveillance after the convoy reached European waters.

Two days out from its destination, this convoy's lookouts began "seeing things" darting in and out of the clouds. The "things" never were positively identified because they kept for the most part behind the cloud banks, but they kept popping up at intervals and they more than likely were lone German reconnaissance planes. They could watch this big shipment of troops to the British Isles but they apparently weren't powerful enough to interfere with it.

Saw Wreckage Three Times.

As quiet as was this convoy, there was plentiful evidence on that turbulent green-blue water of the Atlantic that all convoys aren't so lucky, or so well-planned, or so well-protected. Three times the ships passed through areas of debris—overturned lifeboats, charred bits of timber, sacks of potatoes and onions that float for some reason, bales of cotton half waterlogged and thus submerged.

Floating debris carries with it a grim humor of its own to taunt in ghostlike fashion luckier ships still afloat.

A small black globe, its top hemisphere showing above the choppy waves, looms suddenly on the bow and the lead ship veers sharply away, messaging back to the other ships to keep clear likewise.

Then a message flashes back from one of the leading destroyers: "Don't be alarmed," it says, "at small black object. Dropped our medicine ball overboard."

The lookouts and their officers laugh when a "periscope" turns out to be a spar and a "mine" turns out to be a medicine ball but they laugh with their eyes straight ahead, ever searching for the periscope that is not a spar and the mine that is not a medicine ball.

Medieval Art Revealed By Cathedral Bombing

LONDON.—Two medieval paintings believed to date from the 13th or 14th century have been discovered on the walls of Coventry cathedral some four months after destruction of the church by bombing, according to an article in the current issue of Country Life.

The paintings, said to be fine specimens of Gothic art, were covered over when a chapel was added to the main structureward about in 1500. The bombing brought down the walls of the chapel and the religious figures exposed.

The plaster on which a head of Christ had been painted disintegrated soon after the discovery, but not before a copy had been made by an artist.

A second painting showing the Madonna and the Child still adheres to the ruined walls. The cathedral has been boarded up in the hope that it may survive permanently.

Give a Man a Gun He Can Shoot, Draftee Demands

ST. JOSEPH, MO.—Fireman Mack Hart and William Denver Owens watched a Negro approach, carrying a shotgun.

"Where are you going with that?" Hart called.

"Gonna answer my draft board call," the man replied, without stopping.

"But why a shotgun?"

"Ain't no army man gonna give me a gun I can't shoot!"



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essentials, you can't expect wage-earners to resist the temptation in 1943 when pay checks are bigger than ever and Washington insists the war might continue for many years.

Consequently, some wage-earners are going to spend money even if it is for goods or services which they otherwise normally would not demand.

Liquor sales are soaring. Beer taverns and night clubs are crowded. Youth is enjoying another "last fling." Juvenile delinquency is mounting everywhere.

If this pattern of war-time living is going to prevail, then actual spending will be maintained regardless of restrictions. The state will get its share in taxes. Do you agree?

Because elections are often won on the basis of campaign promises, legislators may not relish the prospect of going to Lansing and cutting "non-essential" expenditures to the bone.

And you can't blame them greatly at that.

The two-year term of a Michigan governor doesn't help matters either, for the governor is only human in hoping he may please enough voters to merit re-election by offending another is often the price of economy.

It merely emphasizes that economy in government is easier to talk about and to write about than to accomplish.

Some students of government are ready to concede that all this talk of government economy is a childish waste of time. Their argument runs as follows:

Our machine age has caught us in a trap.

When someone invents a labor-saving machine which automatically will harvest sugar beets, for example, replacing human labor such as a Colorado inventor insists he has achieved, government must provide for the workers thus displaced.

And the argument continues by pointing out that social security, as we now understand it in the United States, is only a modest beginning of what is to come.

Bismarck introduced social security to Germany as a cure for socialism back in the 1880's. More than a half century ago Germany established a national system of accident insurance, sickness insurance, and old age pensions.

Back in 1908 the British government provided for old age pensions with compulsory deductions from pay of workers and earnings of employers.

In 1911 the British authorized state health insurance on a contributory basis and followed it up in 1912 with unemployment compensations for 90 percent of all the working population. It is estimated that one-third of the housing in England is government-financed.

And all this 20 years before F. D. R.!

The advocates of state socialism, either on a basis of being inevitable or desirable, point with satisfaction to a report just submitted to British parliament by Sir William Beveridge.

Among many benefits, the Beveridge plan would create a state system of insurance for the public, offering a variety of policies at low premiums. The state would extend security to the individual from birth to death with maternal to burial payments also on a "pay in advance" basis such as we now have for old age pensions.

As Sir Beveridge sees it, here is the answer to "freedom from want" as proclaimed in the Atlantic charter. Obviously it has a tremendous propaganda value to the man and woman who are sacrificing heavily to win this war. Whereas the last war was motivated by that paradox of ideas—a war to end war—this conflict would offer the appeal of a war to secure individual freedoms.

Former President Herbert Hoover, addressing the manufacturers in annual session in New York City recently, called attention to the following change.

In the last war we trained and equipped six million men of whom we transported two million overseas, all of this being accomplished by a Washington bureaucracy numbering 425,000 persons.

In today's war, we have trained around four million men, of whom less than one million are understood to be overseas, while the federal bureaucracy is a veritable army in itself, more than 2,000,000 persons.

As Hoover sees it, the government is top-heavy. But, of course, many things have happened since 1918.



Chicago Tribune Syndicate

Every time a new public service is authorized, whether it be public welfare or unemployment compensation, government assumes a new obligation. More persons are needed to provide for the new benefits.

This trend has been clearly evident in all recent state administrations, Democratic and Republican.

Now the question arises: Can the 1943-45 state administration in Michigan halt the swing? Will the voters back at home favor curtailments in services which have brought new benefits into their lives? Can state aid to local government be reduced?

We don't envy the responsibility of the Michigan state legislators and state officials in wrestling with the problem. It's a tough nut to crack.

RESCUE.

Cecil Erb of Elkton was a business caller in this vicinity Monday.

Percy Robinson was a caller at the Oscar Nixon home at Wakefield Tuesday.

Nelson Fay has returned home after working for the past five months at the Gaylord Lapeer home near Argyle.

Daniel O'Rourke was a caller at the Hubbard Memorial Hospital at Bad Axe to see his brother, John O'Rourke, a patient there.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jarvis and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold MacCallum and children, all of Owendale, were Sunday visitors at the John MacCallum home to see their father, who is seriously ill.

Summers Brothers shredded corn for Wilber Ellis and Percy Robinson the first of the week.

John D. and James O'Rourke were business callers in Marquette Monday, having taken stock there to sell.

Arthur Crouch and children, Mary and Larry, and William Parker of Bad Axe were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Taylor. Mrs. Crouch and baby son, Thomas Murray, returned home from the Hubbard



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EVERGREEN.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Kennedy went to Belleville last week Thursday where Mr. Kennedy will be employed by the E. B. Schwaderer Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Velda Simmons of Pontiac spent Sunday and Monday here with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Whittaker.

Miss Wilma Kennedy of Ann Arbor spent Sunday at her parental home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Agar and family of Ann Arbor visited relatives in this vicinity Sunday.

Miss Colleen Quinn spent the week end with Miss Evajane Somes in Cass City.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Quinn and family were Sunday dinner guests of Miss Christine McIntyre at Bad Axe.

All Sharing It

I go for all sharing the privileges of the government who assist in bearing its burden.—Abraham Lincoln.

Messenger Girls Motorized

Girls on motor scooters or bicycles may replace soldiers as messengers at Keesler Field, Miss., in the program of the army air forces technical training command to relieve soldiers for active duty. Julia Stafford, formerly of New York, is the first of nine girls employed at Keesler Field to test the messenger plan developed by Maj. Archie Sorenson, director of civilian personnel.

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Lesson for December 20

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THE BIRTH OF JESUS

LESSON TEXT—Luke 2:8-20.
GOLDEN TEXT—"Thou shalt call his name Jesus: for he shall save his people from their sins."—Matthew 1:21.

How shall we keep Christmas this year of our Lord 1942? That is a question which is pressed home to all of us by trying circumstances, growing wickedness—yes, by countless things which try to tell us that there just is not any use to try to keep Christmas as usual this year. Well, then let's make it unusual! Let's have it more genuinely Christmas-like than ever. That's what we and this weary world need. The way to do it is to make this more than ever a Christmas centering in Christ. Doing that will mean that this year we will

1. Keep Christmas With Joy (vv. 8-10).
"Merry Christmas" may sound a little flat and empty this year, for there may be little to create merriment. "We wish you happiness at Christmas!" will probably not fit very well, because happiness depends on what happens—and a good many of the wrong kind of things have happened to most (perhaps all) of us.

But joy—that is quite another matter. We do not tire of the reminder that joy is something which God gives in the heart and which goes so far down into the depths of man's soul that the surface tempests of life cannot disturb it. Remember Paul who was "sorrowful" on the surface "yet ever rejoicing" in the heart (II Cor. 6:10).

The ground of our Christmas joy is the good tidings of Christ's coming. That has always been the heart of Christmas joy, but often it has been obscured by tinsel and trimmings. This year let's get back to essentials.

And let it be said that this does not mean that we are going to omit all the precious little customs and pleasures which have had their innocent part in making this a holiday season. No indeed; let us have them all, or as many as we can, but make the heart of it all Christian joy.

II. Keep Christmas With Assurance (vv. 11-14).
With so many other things (many of which we had foolishly regarded as permanent and sure) failing us, it is a delight to have something sure to tie to, and we have it this Christmas. Christ the Saviour has come!

Not only do we know that He was born, to these many years ago, as the Babe in the manger in Bethlehem town, but we know that He still lives! He was born, died for our sins, was raised for our justification, ever lives to intercede for us, and He is one day to come again. The evidence for all this is plentiful and satisfying, and gives us abundant ground for the keeping of Christmas even this year in assurance.

This thought leads us to our third point. We have joy and assurance in order that we may

III. Keep Christmas As a Testimony (vv. 15-20).
Having found the Christ, the shepherds "made known abroad" (v. 17) the good news. They returned "glorifying and praising God" (v. 20).

They, too, lived in a time of great darkness. They were part of the people of whom the prophet said: "The people that walked in darkness have seen a great light: they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined" (Isa. 9:2). That light was Christ, the "light of the world."

There could be no more appropriate time to testify to the world, whose lights have failed, that we keep Christmas because it tells of the coming into this world of the unfailing Light, the One who said of Himself: "I am the light of the world" (John 9:5).

Some day, if Christ should tarry, the world will return to a measure of sanity. One of the realities it will face is that the temporal and material is transitory, that a dependence on them is certain to disappoint. The spiritual and the eternal will then have new opportunity to commend itself to the hearts of men. That is why we want to keep Christmas this year as a ringing, joyous testimony of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The writer of these notes does not often hear from his readers, scattered all over the continent (yes, and in foreign lands), but he counts them all as his friends. He prays for them, and counts it a joy to serve them through these lessons. So, since they are his friends, he says to every one of them who sees these lines: "May God make this a blessed Christmas. Through the clouds of trying circumstances may you see His face. Above the noisy clamor of this world may you hear the angel's song. And may the joy of the Lord fill your soul this Christmas Day!"

AT THE Churches

First Presbyterian Church—Rev. followed by choir rehearsal. Lee N. Page, Minister. Unified On Tuesday, Dec. 22, members worship service, 10:30 a. m. Eve-of the church will present a program musical in Methodist Church over WMPC, Lapeer, from 4:15 to 5:00 p. m.

St. Pancratius Catholic Church—Mass is held the first two Sundays of each month at 9:00 a. m., and the last two or three Sundays at 11:00 a. m. Midnight mass will be held on Christmas eve. Rev. Fr. John J. Bozek is the pastor.

Novesta Church of Christ—Bruce Spittler, Pastor. Sunday, Dec. 20: 10:30 a. m., communion and sermon, "The Bible, an Open Book." Following the morning worship a Christmas program will be given by members of the Bible School. 8:00 p. m., gospel services at the Arbela Church of Christ.

Novesta Baptist Church—Leonard A. Bruder, Pastor. 10:00 a. m., Sunday School. 11:00 a. m., preaching service. 8:00 p. m., evangelistic service. Tuesday evening, cottage prayer meeting at the parsonage. Thursday evening, young people's meeting.

We invite the public to attend these services, where you will always find a warm welcome.

Mennonite Brethren in Christ—E. M. Gibson, Pastor. Sunday, December 20:

Riverside Church—Morning worship at 10:00. Sunday School at 11:00. Prayer meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Tuckey Thursday evening at 8:30.

Mizpah Church—Sunday School at 10:30 a. m. Morning worship, the pastor preaching, at 11:30. Evening worship, beginning at 8:00. Prayer meeting in the church Tuesday evening at 8:00.

Church of the Nazarene—Rev. George D. Bugbee, Pastor. Sunday, December 20:

10:30 a. m., Sunday School. There is a welcome and a class for everyone.

11:30 a. m., worship with sermon by the pastor.

There will be no young people's meeting Sunday evening but the Christmas program will be held beginning at 8:00 o'clock. Come and hear a good program with plenty of good music and treats for all.

Midweek prayer service every Wednesday evening at the church

Season's Greetings

TO OUR FRIENDS THIS YULETIDE SEASON

We survey the past year with many happy memories because we feel that it has been a good year. God has been good to us in more ways than one: first because we have become better acquainted and have made many new friends; and while in a world of chaos and trouble, mothers and wives heart-torn within them because of the demands of war for sons and husbands, millions of people made homeless in a bomb torn world, yet we at home have lived with plenty and enjoyed the way of life with practically no hardships. Yet we pause here to pay respect to those who have paid the supreme sacrifice for freedom and to those mothers who gave their best gladly for the country we love. You gave them not in vain.

Then we are glad for the way the fine people of Cass City have helped us in our own program. We now have a fine basement auditorium, worth \$4,000, that will seat 400 people. We have a membership of about 75, all tithing members working for the kingdom of God. Our finances have come easily, and except for a few minor obligations we are able to push forward for God and for Good. Our income for November was a high month for the church when over \$600 was taken in from all branches.

People of Cass City, you have been good to us. You have made us feel the hours of hard work and toil have really paid. Now we want to extend to you a welcome to the house of God where you can find rest for your soul, where the friendless can find friends, where the laborer and heavy laden can find consolation, where we can meet and worship God in righteousness and holiness. And now may you all have a

Merry Christmas

— AND —

Happy New Year

— THE —

Nazarene Church

Methodist Church—Dudley Measure, Minister. Sunday, Dec. 20: Morning worship at 10 o'clock. Sunday School at 11:15 a. m. Union evening service, 8 o'clock.

This Sunday evening there will be a union Christmas service at the Methodist Church. The Christmas cantata, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," will be presented by four choirs of Cass City and will be directed by Charles Keen. The service will be held at eight o'clock. The public is urged to attend the service.

Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock the Methodist Church will hold a Christmas Church Night. A potluck supper will be served, followed by a Christmas program. All the children of the church and Sunday School are urged to attend. The adults of the church are also cordially invited.

Salem Evangelical Church—S. P. Kirn, Minister. December 20: Sunday School at the regular hour of 10:00 a. m.

Christmas worship at 11:00 a. m. Sermon on the theme, "Pathways to Bethlehem." Union service at the Methodist

Order for Publication—Sale or Mortgage of Real Estate—State of Michigan, the Probate Court for the County of Tuscola.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the Village of Caro in said County, on the 30th day of November, A. D. 1942.

Present, Hon. Almon C. Pierce, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the Estate of John LaFave, Deceased.

Mabel Phelan, having filed in said Court her petition, praying for license to mortgage the interest of said estate in certain real estate therein described.

It is ordered, that the 21st day of December, A. D. 1942, 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 said time and place, to show cause why a license to mortgage the interest of said estate in said real estate should not be granted.

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 Cass City Chronicle, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

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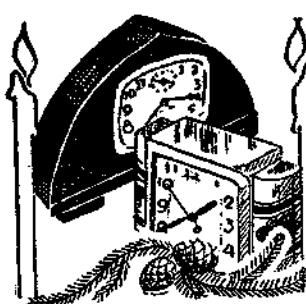


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NOVESTA.

Ralph Englehart was among the boys of our community inducted into the army last week.

We have the sleighing to help out the gas and tire situation—if we had the sleigh.

Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Baker and

son, Clayton, Mrs. Hely Bailey of Reese and Billie Louks of Caro visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Henderson.

The Church of Christ will have their Christmas tree and program at the church on Sunday, Dec. 20. All are welcome.

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The Christmas services in your community church will help you find again the meaning of that message. In the midst of a war-torn world, the words that have come down through the ages are more important than ever. Today we need to find new strength in the truth and hopes of a long-ago birth.

Your church is ready to help and guide you.

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The Presbyterian Church
Rev. Lee N. Page, Pastor

The Evangelical Church
Rev. Stanley P. Kirn, Pastor

The Methodist Church
Rev. Dudley Measure, Pastor.

The Nazarene Church
Rev. George D. Bugbee, Pastor

HOLBROOK.

A Christmas tree and program will be features of next Sunday night's service at the Holbrook church on Dec. 20. There will be no preaching service that afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hewitt are on the sick list.

Loren Trathen was in Uby Sunday to visit his mother, who is ill.

Parasite Probe

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"Springtime in the Rockies"

In Beautiful Technicolor



CHRISTMAS EVE. In the entrance drive of a huge apartment building, Shorty Cavendish huddled in a vain attempt to protect himself from the cold. His normally genial face was pinched and drawn, and his roly-poly body shuddered as the wind bit through his pitifully inadequate clothing.

Shorty was broke. For six weeks now he had been tramping the streets, hoping and praying to find a job. Only the day before he had been turned out of his rooming house, his clothing and other possessions confiscated by a sharp-tongued landlady.

Yet what bothered him even more was the gnawing emptiness in the pit of his stomach.

It was then his attention turned to the two men on the corner. For some time they had stood regarding him, the younger man sometimes gesturing his way, the older one shaking his head. Shorty shrugged. Maybe they were plainclothes officers. Anyway, he was going to hit them for a dime.

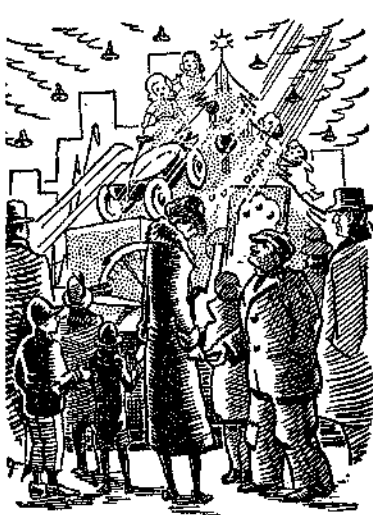
He approached the men. "Do you happen to have an extra dime, Mister?"

The older man reached into his pocket, drew forth a bill and handed it to Shorty with a smile. "Merry Christmas," he said, then turned away.

Shorty stared at the bill, his heart in his throat. Five dollars. The man must have made a mistake. But when he looked up his benefactor had melted into the crowd.

Shorty remained undecided for a moment, then turned and walked as swiftly as his half-frozen feet would permit toward the restaurant. Through his mind were racing wonderful dreams.

He merged with the crowd in front of a toy shop, felt himself jammed tightly against the display window. A small boy and girl stood beside him, their noses pressed to the cold pane, staring in mingled awe and anticipation at the big red wagon on display. Then he noticed the woman who stood behind them.



Pressed the precious five-dollar bill into her hand.

She was shabbily dressed, and on her face was a look of despair. The little girl glanced back, eyes shining. "Do you think Santa will bring us that wagon, Mama?" she asked. "That's all Jimmy and I want. Just that wagon."

The woman tried to smile. "I'm afraid not, darling."

Shorty suddenly realized that he was free to go on. Still he hesitated. "But, Mama," the boy pleaded, "we wrote to him. We told him where we live now."

Shorty stepped forward impulsively. "Pardon me, Madam," he murmured, pressed the precious five-dollar bill into her hand, and walked quickly away. Not, however, before he heard her gasp of delight.

He stood on the curb, unaware of the freezing wind, as happy as he had ever been in his life. Tonight he would sleep in the city jail—a common tramp. But tonight he had done something of which he would always be proud.

A hand settled on his shoulder. He turned, recognized the gray-haired man who had given him the money. For an instant Shorty was frightened.

"I'm sorry, sir," he said. "I wanted to tell you of your error right away, but you left before I could. I haven't the money now."

The man smiled. "Don't worry over that," he said quietly. "It wasn't an error."

"Then, what...?"

"My companion and I made you the subject of a wager," the man explained. "He claimed the first thing you would buy if you put your hands on some money would be a bottle of liquor. I disagreed. After we saw what you did with it, we couldn't just walk away."

His eyes played briefly over Shorty's fat little figure, and he cleared his throat. "Our lodge is giving a party tonight for some children from the Clearview Orphanage. We need a man to act as Santa Claus, and if you don't mind my saying so, you'd take the part splendidly. After that we could arrange to give you a job as assistant janitor at our hall. Would you be interested?"

"Interested?" Shorty choked.

"Mister," he said slowly, "you've just offered me a ticket to heaven."

DEFORD NEWS

Farms Change Hands—

The 120 acre farm of Henry Cooklin, 4 miles west, 1/2 south of Deford, was sold to Clyde P. Fishwild of Ferndale, Michigan. The new owner does not expect to move on the farm and it has been leased to S. Lasko of Kingston.

Henry Cooklin bought 160 acres 2 miles south of Marlette, on M-58, from Taylor Bros. The farm has large and attractive buildings and is a show place on M-58. All the transactions were made through William F. Zemke.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Arleone Retherford, at Pleasant Home Hospital, on Wednesday, Dec. 16, an 8 1/2 pound son. He has been named Larry Dean.

In a farewell get-together before the departure of Leland Kelley on Thursday for Camp Custer, about 50 friends and relatives met at the church to spend Monday evening together, which in a way was enjoyable and in another way a serious affair. Potluck lunch, visiting, and singing comprised the evening's doings. Howard Retherford was asked to make some remarks, and he left the thought that he expected that Leland would make as exemplary a soldier as he had always been a boy and later a citizen. Leland was presented with \$10.00 to use as he pleased in remembrance of the evening.

Henry Cui is still among the ill but is gaining somewhat.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Sherwood, in honor of their granddaughter, Judy, entertained at six o'clock dinner on Saturday her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Moore, of Hazel Park, Mr. and Mrs. Gail Parrott of Cass City, Mr. and Mrs. Clare Smith of Birmingham, and Mr. and Mrs. George Spencer.

Several friends of Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Drace were entertained on

Monday evening at the Drace home.

Mrs. Donna Rider left Tuesday morning to spend some time in Bay City and also visit a sister in Munising.

The school pupils are engaged in preparing their program for Christmas.

Members of the Sunday School will have a Christmas party at the church on the evening of Monday, Dec. 21. Potluck lunch together and special singing will be on the list of doings. Any and all are welcome and invited to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Locke and Mr. and Mrs. Orville Harris and son, all of Inlay City, spent Sunday at the Louis Locke home.

George Roblin was a caller on Thursday at Greenleaf.

Alfred Slingend received the contract to lay the 16-inch tile drain to make a better outlet to the Deford drainage system. The contract calls for 40 rods of 16-inch crocks and about 80 rods of cleaning open ditch connecting with the Banker drain. Mr. Slingend and grandson, Marvin, have the work nicely started, the open part being completed.

Mrs. James Bruce of Pontiac and James Bruce, Jr., who was home from the service on a furlough, were Tuesday callers of Mrs. Sam Sherk.

M. C. West, who is employed in Detroit, was at home for the week end. Mr. and Mrs. West were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Riley, and that afternoon Mr. and Mrs. West left for Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Retherford were dinner guests on Tuesday of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hegler in Caro.

Mrs. Horace Murry and little son, Roy, spent Tuesday with Mrs. Murry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Morra, in Caro.

GIRLS WON HONORS
IN 4-H MEAT SHOW
AT DETROIT

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Robert Chapman of South Rockwood in Monroe County was awarded ribbons for reserve champion pen of lambs and reserve champion individual lamb. His best lamb sold for 50 cents a pound and the other two for 26 cents. Forty-nine pens of lambs were judged.

Sponsors of the show included Detroit livestock commission firms, the Detroit Stock Yards Company, the Michigan Livestock Exchange, the Michigan State Department of

Caro Livestock Auction Yards

Market Report for Tuesday, Dec. 15, 1942—

Best veal	17.50-18.10
Fair to good	16.50-17.30
Common kind	15.20-16.30
Lights	15.00 down
Deacons	2.00-9.00
Best butcher	
cattle	13.60-14.40
Fair to good	11.40-12.50
Best cows	10.50-11.60
Common kind	9.00-10.20
Cutters	8.00-9.00
Canners	6.50-7.50
Light bulls	10.50-11.90
Stock bulls	30.50-69.00
Feeder cattle	23.00-65.00
Best hogs	13.90-14.20
Heavy hogs	13.80
Light hogs	13.70
Roughs	12.90-13.00
Best lambs	15.50
Common kind	10.90-14.00

Sale every Tuesday at 2:00 p. m.

Herb Haist, Auctioneer

Uby Stock Yards

Market Report for Monday, Dec. 14, 1942—

Best veal	17.30-17.50
Fair to good	16.00-16.90
Common kind	14.80-15.70
Lights	14.50 down
Deacons	4.50-10.50
Best butcher	
cattle	14.00-14.60
Fair to good	13.00-14.00
Common kind	11.50-12.90
Best cows	10.50-11.00
Common kind	9.00-10.25
Cutters	8.00-9.00
Canners	6.50-8.00
Feeder cattle	25.00-58.00
Stock bulls	42.50-58.00
Best hogs	13.75-14.10
Heavy hogs	13.40-13.55
Light hogs	13.30
Roughs up to	12.70

Sale every Monday at 1:00 P. M.
Herb Haist, Auctioneer.

Agriculture, and the Boys and Girls 4-H Club staff and the extension service of Michigan State College.

Tuscola, Huron and Sanilac Counties were represented in the winners at the show. In the following paragraphs are given the names of the exhibitors, the breed of animals shown, the placing in awards and the price per pound at which the animals were sold.

Hereford steers—Hubert Schultz, Port Austin, 25th, 17 1/2c; Jack Rogers, Harbor Beach, 26th, 17c; Donald Haas, Bad Axe, 57th, 17c; Donald Armbruster, Pigeon, 42nd, 17 1/2c; Wayne Anderson, Pigeon, 49th, 17c; Bill Smith, Bay Port, 44th, 17c; John Richmond, Bay Port, 40th, 17 1/2c; Robt. Smith, Bay Port, 66th, 17 1/2c; Paul Leipprand, Pigeon, 43rd, 17 1/2c; James Brown, Pigeon, 48th, 17 1/2c; Chas. Leipprand, Pigeon, 10th, 17c; Samuel Conkey, Caseville, 21st, 17 1/2c; Calvin Reibling, Elkton, 17th, 17 1/2c; T. J. Coote, Elkton, 22nd, 17c; Wayne Krohn, Elkton, 65th, 17 1/2c.

Shorthorn steers—Robt. Quinn, Caseville, 12th, 19c; Loren Gettel, Pigeon, 15th, 17 1/2c.

Sanilac County.
Shorthorn steer—Robt. Muir, Brown City, 4th, 18 1/2c.

Angus steer—Marjorie Muir, Brown City, 18th, 18 1/2c.

Hereford steer—Everett Beal, R 2, Yale, 56th, 17 1/2c.

Oxford lamb—Bernice Cleland, Deckerville, 8th, 21c.

Tuscola County.

Shorthorn steers—Stanley Van Vliet, Cass City, 14th, 17 1/2c; Don Doerr, Cass City, 1st, 29c.

Angus steers—Dane Guisbert, Cass City, 11th, 17 1/2c; Lynn Guisbert, Cass City, 10th, 17 1/2c; Kathleen Smith, Unionville, 33rd, 18 1/2c; Jean Muck, Cass City, 16th, 18c; Don Karr, Cass City, 14th, 17 1/2c.

Hereford steer—Edgar Mantey, Fairgrove, 32nd, 17 1/2c.

Southdown lambs—Marilyn Loney, Cass City, 4th, 22c; Frances Koepfgen, Cass City, 1st, \$2.30, 35c; Pauline Littler, Unionville, 6th, 26c; Mickie Littler, Unionville, 7th, 23c.

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The Farm Bureau
Annual Meeting Is
Coming Event

The Tuscola County Farm Bureau will convene for its annual meeting at the Caro High School auditorium Wednesday, January 13. Mrs. Otto Montel of Fairgrove, secretary; President Jesse Treiber, Unionville; Melville Graham, vice president, of Caro; and Grover Bates, director, of Vassar were elected by the board to act on the arrangements committee. The committee expects at least 500 members to turn out for this meeting. The ladies of the Sutton Church, noted for their delicious cooking, have been engaged to serve a chicken dinner at 12 o'clock sharp. The business meeting, after dinner, will include election of officers, consideration of a proposed change in the by-laws, and such other matters as shall be submitted.

Jack Yaeger, director of membership relations of the Michigan State Farm Bureau, Lansing, will address the assembly.

"Our farmers have also done a mighty good job to help win this war," says a Farm Bureau officer. "In spite of unfavorable weather conditions and the acute shortage of farm labor, they managed to grow and harvest a bumper crop of necessary food by toiling, not 40 hours, but 80 hours a week and over. In a good many cases, Mother and Dad, long past the age of strength and vigor, had to take over the strenuous work formerly done by a son, who is now with the armed forces. They bought bonds liberally and provided the foundries with hundreds of tons of scrap iron and rubber. And although they have done all this

without much ado, they are willing to do their part, also, in the future."

At the annual meeting every member will be given an opportunity to bring evidence, anew, that this "practicable patriotism" is still with him. Every family will be requested to bring 100 pounds of scrap iron or more, in the trunk of their car or trailer, in exchange for a free banquet ticket. If the driver is all out of scrap, then perhaps the neighbor who will ride with him can furnish enough for both families. Those members who have previously disposed of all their scrap and have absolutely none to bring will not be discriminated against.

Students Home
from Colleges for
Holiday Vacation

Students who are at home and those expected over the week end from the various schools of learning for the holidays are Charlotte and Carolyn Auten from Western College at Oxford, Ohio; Alice Schwaderer and Delbert Rawson from U. of M., Ann Arbor; Glenn Asher, Jean Tuckey, June Ross, Isabelle Stirton, Mary Lee Doerr, and Louis Profit from Central Michigan College, Mt. Pleasant.

From Michigan State College, East Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Atwell, Neville and Stuart Mann, James Eastman, Clare Rawson, and Donald Koepfgen.

Those coming from Cleary Business College, Ypsilanti, are Robert Keating and Elaine Brown, and from Michigan State Teachers' College, Ypsilanti, Neil McLarty. Marjorie Croft came Friday of last week from Alma College, Alma.



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