

BOB PARSELL, home from college for the holidays, entered one of the rear pews of the great cathedral and settled himself with a satisfied air of expectancy.

Bob had always wanted to attend one of these midnight services and at last he had made it possible—forced the issue as it were. Bob looked about him.

There was Mary, the Mother of Jesus, bending over the babe. Not far away was Joseph, the father. Mary's expression made him think of his own mother, when she and dad started off in the car for the hundred-mile drive to his unmarried aunt's home at Wakefield. Dad had said:

"Too bad your holiday job keeps you from driving with us, Bob. But I'll meet you at the station in the morning."

And mother, understanding her son a little better than father, had said:

"You won't miss the midnight train, will you, Bob? It would spoil Christmas not to have you with us, you know."

And he, Bob, had said: "All right," not knowing himself just what he meant by it. And he felt sure mother didn't either.

But after they had gone he became more and more positive he was not going to Wakefield. Christmas was meant to be a happy time and he had been away from home all the year and besides he wanted to go to the tea dance Christmas afternoon with Margaret. Of course he knew mother would have had the Christmas at home if she had been able, but she hadn't gotten over that operation yet and father insisted upon considering his sisters and accepting their urgent invitation.

The manager of the store had told Bob to go but Bob seized upon the excuse to work until the store closed at eleven. He was going to do as he

pleased. Christmas was the time to be happy.

But when he called Margaret she was going away with her parents for Christmas. That in itself was disappointing but he would see what the midnight service was like anyway. But he wasn't a bit comfortable. Mary looking at that Christ child the way she did began to annoy him. It was too much like mother's look—and mother wasn't well.

"Oh, hang it all!" Bob muttered. "Why can't a fellow do what he wants and be happy?" He seized his coat and dashed out.

There was just time to catch the twelve-fifteen. No use taking a sleeper. Bob entered the coach with its nodding occupants. But who were those wide-awake people a few seats down? "Margaret! For Pete's sake! Where're you going?" Bob's exclamation roused several of the sleepers.

"Why, we're going to Wakefield. Dad's people live there and we go there occasionally for Christmas. This happens to be one of the occasions."

"Well, I'm more lucky than I deserve," Bob laughed a little awkward-



"Well, I'm More Lucky Than I Deserve."

ly. "That's where I'm going. Do you suppose there'll be any kind of a dance?"

"I know there is. I was wondering who I'd go with, but now I know."

"Yes, you can know that for sure," Bob grinned.

Bob was philosophizing to himself as he dressed for breakfast:

"I sure would have been a cad to have stayed at home. Dad at the train to meet me and mother up waiting, so relieved and happy when I arrived. And a date with Margaret for good measure. Gee! Wouldn't I have been sore at myself at home? Christmas happiness means thinking of others besides ourselves. I'm convinced."

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Little gifts for the child to look forward to on each day of the ensuing vacation period? These need not be expensive articles. If possible they should provide the child with something pleasant to do on the day that they are opened, something not too difficult for his abilities. Children love to open packages. There are myriad possibilities among the crayons, paints, small and large blocks, pattern or design-making toys, tools, sewing materials, tiny doll-house furnishings, and, of course, among the children's books. A pair of warm gloves or a bright handkerchief, might be tucked in among the other things, according to the child's age and the amount one wishes to spend.

WORKING ON CANCER



Frederick Hoelzel, scientist at the University of Chicago, who is doing experimental work in connection with the cure of cancer and its relation to digestion. In some of his experiments he is said to have eaten lead, gold, beads, etc., to watch their reaction on the digestive system.

Adam's Apple

The Adam's apple, which is a movable projection or enlargement formed on the forepart of the human throat by the thyroid cartilage of the larynx, received its name from the old belief that when Adam ate the forbidden fruit, which is reputed to have been an apple, part of it lodged in his throat. The legend was apparently confirmed by the fact that the Adam's apple is more prominent in men than in women.



AN OLD, old lady told me something strange one time. "Santa Claus," she said, "is the saint of little children. But there is a grown-up's saint at Christmas time, too, who stands beside us measuring our gifts and recording them truly. He wouldn't judge by the means we use. For," the old, old lady smiled sweetly, "love makes a gift great at Christmas time."

In a small bungalow at the edge of a western town, a woman named Martha, and her daughter, Ruth, sewed. They and their house were a bit shabby. But that does not matter at Christmas time.

"Dear me!" Martha sighed as she took the last stitches. "I dread Christmas every year. It means work and sacrifice. I could have had a good pair of stockings for what I paid for Aunt Caroline's present. But I'd be ashamed to send her less."

"Yes!" Ruth snapped. "She and Anna probably think we're trash anyway. And look at what they give us! Last year Anna sent a bunch of fancy boxes. Imagine what on earth we'd do with them!"

"Anna's selfish, that's what!" Martha nodded with sudden conviction. "She wouldn't work the way you've had to. She'd think it was beneath her."

The idea enraged Ruth. She glared. "I'll show her some day, the inane snooty thing! I'm going to be somebody. And she with her pampered life!"

Martha nodded. "She's just like her mother. Caroline always had to have her way. Always haughty and proud. I never could understand why your uncle Lemuel married her."

"Huh!" Ruth wrote their names on the tags. "Me, either! What a life he must lead with those two."

"With them it's always 'me and mine.'"

"And Anna is as crude as she can be. Remember the time—"

But the recording saint went on. He had found the value of their gifts. And he was anxious to see Aunt Caroline and Anna.

They were in a large living room before a merry fire. There were great holly wreaths in the beautiful windows. And from the kitchen came the song of the cook. Suppose she had been the most expensive cook in the city. That has nothing to do with Christmas.

Anna smiled across at her mother. "Almost through with Aunt Martha's

present?" Aunt Caroline nodded. "Yes. And if you've finished Ruth's handkerchiefs, we'll get the package off. I hope Martha likes this."

"She will, Aunt Martha's a dear. Wouldn't it be great if they could spend Christmas with us some time?" Anna's eyes glowed.

"Wouldn't it! Too bad you and Ruth can't know each other better. You're so near the same age. Martha writes that Ruth is working hard. She's going to amount to something!"

Anna arose to write the names on the tags. "I'll bet she does. Remember when she was a little girl, she used to be so ambitious? I'm going to use this pretty tag on her package. Isn't it fun getting things off to them! I wish we could send them something nice."

Caroline smiled. "Martha is sensitive and I wouldn't hurt her by sending things so much better than she could afford for us. Little things can express our love just as well. I'd be happy with only a card from them. It's the thoughts, you know."

Anna smiled and placed each package tenderly into a box.

And the packages passed each other in the mails. By chance they had the same kind of tags:

"Merry Christmas and love from Ruth and Aunt Martha."

"Merry Christmas and love from Anna and Aunt Caroline."

But the grown-ups' Santa made very different notations. For Christmas is a memorial to a Prince whose greatest commandment was "Love one another" and who said "Judge not" and "revile not."

What will our Christmas gift record be? For who can prove that the old, old lady was not right?

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1 Week Until Christmas
Buy Christmas Seals NOW



THE poinsettia, a symbol of the Christmas season on the Pacific coast and which has become generally accepted as such in the Eastern states also, derives its peculiar name from its discoverer, Joel Roberts Poinsett (1779-1851), who found it in Mexico early in the Nineteenth century and brought to the attention of the botanical world.

Doctor Poinsett (for as a young man he studied medicine abroad) was quite a fellow in various ways.

He was appointed special minister to Mexico in 1822, after he had executed for this government an important previous mission to Chile and other South American countries; and internal difficulties prevailing in one or two of the countries below the isthmus at the time of his visit, his leadership was recognized and made use of in restoring order.

From 1825 to 1829 he administered the regular portfolio of minister to Mexico, and published two volumes of his experiences and observations in that country.

Doctor Poinsett also was a member of the South Carolina legislature, a congressman from that state for four years, and was secretary of war in President Van Buren's cabinet from 1837 to 1841.

Probably one of the world's greatest outdoor displays of the poinsettia is that maintained by the city of San Diego in Balboa park, site of the 1915 exposition. The planting occupies an area approximating two acres, and as some of the stalks reach a height of fourteen feet and a diameter of more than three inches a foot above the ground, the garden impresses one as a young forest of green with a brilliant red top. Full effect is attained about December 10 and continues several weeks.

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Have You Noticed?
"When I raise my baton each player is as tense as if he were going to make a speech," says an orchestra leader. But we always think the one with the baton is getting set to whistle through his teeth.—Exchange.



Perhaps no living man could have failed to be impressed by the vision of sweet youth which Lucy Gresham made, standing at the busy street corner, her small hands catching the broken ends of a strand of beads close against her breast, a little startled at close escape from a serious automobile accident, but more inclined to laugh at the peculiarity of the affair in leaving her unharmed and taking toll only from her necklace. But the polite and handsome stranger who plunged into the traffic and tied it in a hard knot while he sought the escaped beads seemed not concerned with youth and beauty. There was something about his eyes that would have chilled romance and put Cupid to abject flight.

Little did the girl realize as the gallant stranger restored to her such of the baubles as he could recover, and she looked into his eyes, that she was gazing into the orbs of fate. How was she to know that this chance meeting was to set in action a train of events that would alter the course of several lives, affect vast enterprises and result in one of the strangest domestic tangles ever recorded? How could she know that her future was to be entwined with that of her father's bitterest enemy? Life is a queer show, as the man said to himself many times afterward, and the grimmest of human resolutions are felled about like dry leaves by the winds of destiny. No emotion or purpose will withstand the power of the human affections, as is amply set forth in this absorbing story of a revenge that turned to love.

CHAPTER I

A Broken Thread

Lucy Gresham was walking down Bond street, after a morning of delightfully frivolous shopping, when in crossing the top of a rather narrow street she was nearly knocked down by a big, blue car that was turning into Bond street at a somewhat reckless pace.

To avoid the danger, she darted for the opposite pavement, and gained it safely, but in doing so, somehow managed to catch her hand sharply in a long chain of Chinese beads she was wearing. As the thread snapped, she caught the broken ends quickly against her breast, but she was not in time to prevent several of the beads from scattering into the roadway.

The owner of the car pulled up, swung himself to the ground, and next moment was standing before her, hat in hand, apologizing.

At the sound of his voice, Lucy looked up sharply, and found her eyes caught, and most unexpectedly held, by the man who stood looking down at her. The obvious aspects of his appearance were his huge height, immense breadth of shoulder, and a suggestion of great strength; but it was not these superficial things that had the power to catch Lucy's interest so quickly. It was, rather, his somber, unsmiling face; dark, sunken eyes—so dark that she could not tell whether they were gray or black—and curiously bitter, unfriendly lips.

His voice: "It was entirely my fault, I'm so sorry. But what exactly happened?" brought her to reality. She drew a quick breath, and said hurriedly:

"It's my necklace. I pulled it somehow, and snapped the thread. Some of the beads came off before I could stop them."

"Only the necklace?" he asked. "I was afraid you had been hurt. I didn't see you until you were right in front of the car." The words were polite enough, but his voice was as somber and unfriendly as his face, and his courtesy was offered without the smallest hint of a smile.

"Oh, the car didn't touch me," she assured him. "The worst that happened was that some of my beads are gone," she added.

"We can probably find those again," he replied. And then, as unconcerned as if Bond street were no more than a track in the wilderness, he began searching the road and the gutter for the truant beads.

Lucy was interested and amused. It was such a crazy sort of thing to happen. As she stood, securing the broken ends of her necklace, she couldn't help wondering who this big, gloomy-looking man was.

But his name, had he given it, would have suggested no clue to his gloom. For, although she might have remembered hearing that James Lee was one of London's newest millionaires, that would rather have suggested that he should be well contented with his lot. If, though, instead of wondering what his name was, she had just spoken her own . . . But she didn't, and so her thoughts went on, until some interested people broke through them, by

pausing to wonder what had happened. Then a policeman came up and wanted to know, with quite friendly officiousness, what it was all about, and warned them that cars must not be left standing at that corner for long.

By this time the big stranger had gathered a round dozen of the beads, and seeing no more lying about, came toward Lucy, holding them in the curve of his palm.

"These are all I can find," he said. "I think they are about all that dropped," she answered. "Will you put them into my bag, please?" She held the bag wide, and he poured them in. That done, she looked up again and thanked him.

They made formal adieux, and parted. Lucy Gresham to go blithely upon her way; James Lee to go somberly upon his.

Thus, out of the kaleidoscopic pageant of smart shoppers, well-dressed idlers and casual strollers; changing restlessly, charming ever; Chance, that greatest of all stage managers, had brought these two face to face. Yet neither of them guessed that, with the first meeting of their eyes, they had each looked straight into the eyes of Fate.

James Lee's knowledge of this was, however, only postponed until the following evening, when, rather idly turning the pages of a picture paper, his attention was suddenly caught by the face of the little gold-haired girl he had so nearly knocked down with his car, looking out at him from one of the pages.

Next moment he was sitting straight and tense in his chair, and a smothered exclamation left his lips. For, in the pictured group of which the gold-haired girl was the central figure, there were the pictures of two other people. Two men. Two men whose faces were, for overwhelming reasons, branded indelibly upon his memory . . .

Mechanically, he read the legend beneath the picture, which ran:

"A charming picture of Miss Lucy Gresham, whose nineteenth birthday is to be celebrated by a costume ball to be given at her father's town house on the twenty-sixth. She is here seen with her father, Sir John Gresham, and her cousin, Mr. Oliver Ames."

James Lee didn't need to be told who those two men were. All the same he read it again and again, in a sort of stunned surprise, before saying half aloud:

"That's who she is. . . . My G—d! If I'd known . . ." And then, slowly, after a pause: "The last three and a half years haven't marked them." The accent was bitter. From the faces of the two men, he presently turned his attention to the girl again.

Very young and sweet and happy, her pictured eyes looked up from the page, straight into his; just as yesterday, they had looked, when he stood before her, apologizing for his clumsy driving. Her curving lips smiled, as if, even though it was only a picture, she challenged his grimness with the exquisite young beauty of her.

"So that's who she is," he said to himself again. "I'd forgotten that John Gresham had a daughter. . . . I'd forgotten that. . . ."

"Odd," he thought, "how Fate or Destiny or whatever it is, can knock you down with one hand, and then politely help you to rise with the other. . . . Life's a queer show . . ."

His attention came back to the picture.

"The last three and a half years haven't changed them much," he thought again. "Old Gresham's a little whiter, perhaps, and Ames, a shade stouter. . . . Otherwise. . . ." His thoughts broke off and turned toward himself. If his picture were to appear in the papers, would those two know him as readily as he had known them? Would James Lee of today suggest to them James Warrington of three and a half years ago? He thought not. The last three and a half years had not left him so unaltered.

The door opened and a young man with curly hair, wide eyes, a most engaging grin and Saville row written all over his clothes, came in. "This was Peregrine St. Abb, James Lee's secretary, and social guide; and, incidentally, his very sincere friend."

"My dear old sir," said this young man easily. "If you have no use for my valued services between the hours

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WORLD WAR "YARNS"

BY "YARNS"
LIEUT. FRANK E. HAGAN

The Gas Alarm

A certain ambulance unit in France, whose members will recognize this yarn, was equipped with hand sirens similar to those employed in the Allied trenches to warn of gas attacks.

Obviously, it wouldn't have done to sound the sirens near the front where folks grew more "touchy" on the subject of gas alarms the longer they stayed in the line.

So when a new driver joined the unit he was given the usual instruction: "You must not use the hand siren; it is the gas call."

"Well, when do we use them?" the new driver asked seriously. "When we run out of gas?"

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Labor Saving Device

"Don't you like these old-fashioned novels with chapter headings?"

"Yes, if you read the chapter headings, you don't have to read the novels."

Correct

"Donald, who mends the clothes, sews on buttons, looks after the odds and ends of housekeeping?"

"The laundry, ma'am."

Take Your Piccolo

Usher—Seated in the orchestra, madam?

Old Lady—No, I don't play an instrument.

Mortgage Sale.

Default being made in the payment of principal and interest of a mortgage made October 11, 1928 by Geo. Marble, Clara A. Marble and John C. Cowe and Ethel B. Cowe to Anthony Doerr and Mary Ellen Doerr and recorded November 9, 1928, in the office of the register of deeds for Tuscola county, Michigan, in liber 163 of mortgages on page 137, there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice the sum of twenty-five hundred eighty-five dollars and thirty cents.

Pursuant to the covenants thereof, the lands described below will be sold at public auction at the front door of the court house in Caro, Michigan, March 8, 1932, at one o'clock in the afternoon:

The northeast quarter of Section 23, Town 13 North Range 10 East, Township of Ellington, Tuscola County, Michigan.

Dated Dec. 11, 1931.

ANTHONY DOERR,
MARY ELLEN DOERR,
Mortgagees.

John C. Corkins, Attorney for Mortgagee.
12-11-31

Notice by County Drain Commissioner of Meeting of Board of Determination.

State of Michigan, in the office of the Drain Commissioner of the County of Tuscola.

In the matter of the deepening, widening, straightening and extending of the Holtz Drain.

Notice is hereby given, that on the 31st day of August, 1929, a petition was filed with the undersigned County Drain Commissioner for the County of Tuscola, praying for the deepening, widening, straightening and extending of the Holtz Drain.

That upon the 7th day of December, 1931, the undersigned filed with the Honorable Guy G. Hill, Judge of Probate, a petition asking for the appointment of a board of determination.

That said Judge of Probate having appointed Audley Rawson, Frank Macomber and Bert R. Perry as such board of determination;

Now, therefore, said board will meet at N ½ of SW ¼, Section 34, Novesta Township, on the 22nd day of December, 1931, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said day to determine the necessity of deepening, widening, straightening and extending the Holtz Drain;

Therefore, all persons, municipalities and highway officials interested in the proposed improvement of Holtz Drain are requested to be present if they so desire.

Dated at Caro, Michigan, this 7th day of December, 1931.

CONRAD MUELLER,
County Drain Commissioner of the County of Tuscola. 12-11-31

Notice by County Drain Commissioner of Meeting of Board of Determination.

State of Michigan, in the office of the Drain Commissioner of the County of Tuscola.

In the matter of the Banker Drain.

Notice is hereby given, that on the 5th day of October, 1931, an application was filed with the undersigned County Drain Commissioner for the locating, establishing and constructing of the Banker Drain.

That upon the 7th day of December, 1931, the undersigned filed with the Honorable Guy G. Hill, Judge of Probate, a petition asking for the appointment of a board of determination.

That said Judge of Probate having appointed Audley Rawson, Frank Macomber and Bert R. Perry as such board of determination;

Now, therefore, said board will meet at Southeast corner Sec. 28, Novesta Township, on the 22nd day of December, 1931, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon of said day to determine the necessity of locating, establishing and constructing the Banker Drain;

Therefore, all persons, municipalities and highway officials interested in the proposed construction of said Banker Drain are requested to be present if they so desire.

Dated at Caro, Michigan, this 7th day of December, 1931.

CONRAD MUELLER,
County Drain Commissioner of the County of Tuscola. 12-11-31

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TUSCOLA COUNTY

OCTOBER SESSION, 1931

Court Room, Caro, Michigan
OCTOBER 12th, 1931

The regular session of the Board of Supervisors of Tuscola county was held at the courthouse in the Village of Caro, on Monday, the 12th day of October, 1931.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry.

Roll called and the following supervisors responded: Heckroth, Whittenburg, Miller, Dillon, Morrison, Keinath, Rawson, Deitz, Perry, McAlpine, Haas, Noble, Purdy, Higgins, Osburn, Burns, VanWagnen, McArthur, Haines, Lewis, Freeland, Macomber, McFarlane.

The clerk read the report of the Inspection of Jail as follows: Report of Inspectors of Jails, for the County of Tuscola, of Inspection made September 30th, 1931.

To Hon. Board of Supervisors, and the State Welfare Commission:

The undersigned Inspectors of Jails for the County of Tuscola, in compliance with the provisions of law (Sections 2537-2542, Compiled Laws 1915), respectfully report:

That on the 30th day of September, 1931, they visited and carefully inspected the County Jail of said county, and found as follows:

1. That during the period since the last required report and the date of this examination, there has been confined at different times 266 prisoners charged with offenses as follows:

Offense	M. F. TL
Vagrants	49 6 55
Insane	8 8 8
Larceny	20 20 20
Breaking and Entering	12 12 12
Drunk and Disorderly	30 30 30
Assault	8 8 8
Driving Drunk	16 16 16
Viol. Vehicle Law	7 7 7
Bad Checks	4 4 4
Investigation	40 40 40
Bastardy	3 3 3
Robbery Armed	1 1 1
Suspicion	1 1 1
Held as Witness	1 1 1
Taking Auto	1 1 1
Depraved	1 1 1
Held for Officers	4 4 4
Viol. 18th Amdt.	30 30 30
Desertion	1 1 1
Reckless Driving	4 4 4
Viol. Probation	3 3 3
Threat	1 1 1
Removing Mortg. Property	1 1 1
Contempt of Court	2 2 2
Speeding	1 1 1
Disorderly	9 9 9
False Pretense	1 1 1

2. There are now in jail detained for trial, 2.

There are now in jail serving sentence, 17.

There are now in jail awaiting sentence, 17.

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Agriculture, Dept. of Tubercular Live	4	47	1931	2	\$ 438.15
Stock	3	304	1931	3	657.22
Aid to School Districts	10	116	1929	4	8,762.96
Budget	6	334	1931	5	65,462.15
Century of Progress Com.	4	269	1931	6	65.72
Deficiency	3	329	1931	7	12,367.67
Farm Colony for Epileptics	4	56	1931	8	2,190.74
Home and Training School	4	56	1931	9	2,190.74
Legislation	2	4	1931	10	1,012.12
Michigan State College (mill tax)	1	320	1931	11	7,186.87
Newberry State Hospital	4	56	1931	12	1,881.85
University of Michigan (mill tax)	1	319	1931	13	21,560.62
Ypsilanti Hospital	4	56	1931	14	3,286.11
Total State Tax					15 \$127,062.92

You will cause the above to be laid before the Board of Supervisors of your county at their session in October, 1931.

Please acknowledge immediately the receipt of this notice.

Very respectfully,

ORAMEL B. FULLER,
Auditor General.

Motion made by Supervisor Burns and supported by Supervisor Osburn that the report of the Auditor General be referred to the committee on State and County Tax. Motion carried.

The clerk then read resolutions regarding the calling a special session of the Legislature. Motion made by Supervisor Morrison and supported by Supervisor Purdy that the resolutions be referred to the committee on resolutions and they be instructed to draft suitable resolutions. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Heckroth and supported by Supervisor Freeland that the communication of the State Welfare Department be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor VanWagnen and supported by Supervisor Deitz that we adjourn until one-thirty o'clock this afternoon. Motion carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called by Chairman Perry. Quorum present.

A financial report of the County Road Commissioners and Drain Commissioner was read. Motion made by Supervisor Keinath and supported by Supervisor Noble that that part of the Road Commissioners' and Drain Commissioner's report pertaining to raising of money be referred to the committee on ways and means. Motion carried.

Supervisor Haas, chairman of committee on resolutions reported as follows: Mr. Chairman, Honorable Board of Supervisors: Your committee on resolutions beg leave to report that

Whereas, The burden of supporting State, County and local Governments rests upon the Public Schools has grown to almost an unbearable burden upon the property owners of this State, and

Whereas, Certain interests now enjoying practical exemption from public taxation while the farmer and home owner feels his burden constantly becoming heavier, and

Whereas, Thousands of farms are now on the delinquent tax list, and thousands of working men face

tenure, 0.

There are now in jail awaiting commitment, 2.

Number now in jail—male 20, female 1; total 21.

Number of above who are under seventeen years of age, none.

Prisoners detained for trial have been held in jail the following number of days each: Irvin Breitigen, held six days; Steve Beuchek, held three days.

Prisoners awaiting commitment have been held since sentence the following number of days each: Meinhard Lorenzen held for commitment 50 days; Pema Ewers held for commitment 5 days.

3. Number usually confined in one room at day, 6.

Number usually confined in one room at night, 1.

4. Employment, none.

5. Condition of bedding, good.

Condition of cells, good.

Condition of halls, good.

Condition of water-closets, good.

6. What distinction, if any, is made in the treatment of prisoners? (Between those held for trial and those serving sentence, etc.) None.

7. Are prisoners under sixteen years of age at any time, day or night, permitted to mingle or associate with adult prisoners in violation of Section 7224, Compiled Laws of 1915? No.

8. Are prisoners arrested on civil process kept in rooms separate and distinct from prisoners held on criminal charge or conviction, "and on no pretense whatever put in the same room?" as required by Section 14762, Compiled Laws 1915? Yes.

9. Are male and female prisoners confined in separate rooms as required by Section 14763, Compiled Laws 1915? Yes.

10. Is there a proper Jail Record kept and is it kept properly posted and does it comply with Section 2551, Compiled Laws 1915? Yes.

11. What, if any evils, either in construction or management of jail are found to exist? None.

Recommendations, None.

GUY G. HILL, Judge of Probate.

M. H. STEPHEN, Co. Agent.

W. J. KIRK, Supt. of Poor.

CHAS. FRENZEL, Supt. of Poor.

ROBERT BROWN, Supt. of Poor.

Motion made by Supervisor Keinath and supported by Supervisor Heckroth that the report be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

The clerk then read the report of the Auditor General as follows:

Auditor General's Department, Lansing, Michigan, September 21, 1931.

To the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tuscola.

Sir—You are hereby notified that a

1. State Tax has been apportioned to the several counties of the State according to the last returns of the aggregate valuation of taxable property therein made to this office, and as equalized and determined by the State Board of Equalization at their session in August, 1931.

The amount of State Tax apportioned to your county under various acts of the Legislature is as follows, to-wit:

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eviction by reason of excessive taxation, and,

Whereas: Previous experience has shown that revisions of our antiquated tax system is impossible during regular sessions of the Legislature when local and regional matters take precedence over questions of state-wide importance. Now therefore be it

Resolved: By the Board of Supervisors, of Tuscola County, in session, that we petition the Governor, Honorable Wilbur M. Brucker, to call a special session of the Legislature for the purpose of a complete revision of our tax law, to the end that real and personal property may be relieved of the unjust and confiscatory burden included in the above revisions and pass personal income tax large enough to take care of all State expenses, also a Corporation Income Tax to take the place of the present unjust and inequitable Corporation fee. Be it

Resolved: That the clerk be instructed to send a copy of this resolution to his Excellency the Governor, or, also a copy to the Senator and Representative of this District.

Signed, ERNEST HAAS.

GEORGE FREELAND

HENRY VANWAGNEN.

Motion made by Supervisor Lewis and supported by Supervisor Dillon that the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor VanWagnen and supported by Supervisor Osburn that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine-thirty o'clock. Motion carried.

BERT M. PERRY, Chairman.
GUY N. ORMES, Clerk.

OCTOBER 13th, 1931

The regular session of the Board of Supervisors of Tuscola county was continued and held in the courthouse in the Village of Caro, on the 13th day of October, 1931.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry.

Roll called and the following supervisors responded: Heckroth, Whittenburg, Miller, Dillon, Morrison, Keinath, Rawson, Deitz, Perry, McAlpine, Haas, Noble, Purdy, Higgins, Osburn, Burns, VanWagnen, McArthur, Haines, Lewis, Freeland, Macomber, McFarlane.

Minutes of Monday's meeting were read and approved as read.

Mr. Thomas Mangston, Secretary of the Eastern Michigan Tourist Association addressed the board on advertising Eastern Michigan.

Motion made by Supervisor Burns and supported by Supervisor Freeland, that the matter of appropriations be made a special order for Tuesday afternoon, October 20th.

Motion carried.

Supervisor Haas, Chairman of committee on resolutions, reported as follows: Mr. Chairman, Honorable Board of Supervisors,

Your committee on resolutions beg leave to report the following resolutions:

Whereas: Almighty God, in His infinite wisdom has seen fit to remove from our midst our esteemed fellow citizen and co-worker, The Honorable Richard Hascall, and,

Whereas: In the death of this esteemed friend and citizen, Tuscola county has suffered great loss, in that he gave to the people of the County his best services, and

Whereas: His work brought to him the affection of countless friends both on this board and elsewhere, who now mourn his loss.

Be It Resolved: That the Tuscola County Board of Supervisors, in October session assembled take this means to express to the public their affection to the memory of this loyal public servant; to declare that his life was a shining example to loyalty to his duties and that we recommend to all who mourn that they cherish in their hearts the remembrance of this honored citizen, and,

Be It Further Resolved: That these resolutions be spread upon the records of this board and that copies sent by the clerk to the family of this faithful officer and our friend.

Signed, ERNEST HAAS.

GEORGE FREELAND.

HENRY VANWAGNEN.

Motion made by Supervisor Lewis and supported by Supervisor Heckroth that the resolutions be adopted. Motion carried.

The clerk then read a communication from the Governor Wilbur M. Brucker. Motion made by Supervisor Dillon and supported by Supervisor McArthur that the communication from the Governor be accepted and placed on file and that the chairman of the finance committee and president of the Village and chairman of Supt's of Poor act as a committee to attend the Governor's conference. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Purdy and supported by Supervisor Morrison that the County pay the annual dues to the State Association of supervisors and the delegates pay their own expenses. Motion carried.

Mrs. Hartung, of the Starr Commonwealth for boys, Albion, Michigan, addressed the board and asked for an appropriation.

Motion made by Supervisor Haines and supported by Supervisor Deitz that we recess until one-thirty o'clock this afternoon. Motion carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry. Quorum present.

Motion made by Supervisor McArthur and supported by Supervisor Freeland that we adjourn until nine o'clock tomorrow morning. Motion carried.

BERT M. PERRY, Chairman.
GUY N. ORMES, Clerk.

OCTOBER 14th, 1931

An adjourned session of the Board of Supervisors of Tuscola county was continued and held at the courthouse in the Village of Caro, on Wednesday, the 14th day of October, 1931.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Perry.

The roll was called and the following supervisors responded: Heckroth, Whittenburg, Miller, Dillon, Morrison, Keinath, Rawson, Deitz, Perry, McAlpine, Haas, Noble, Purdy, Higgins, Osburn, Burns, VanWagnen, McArthur, Haines, Lewis, Freeland, Macomber, McFarlane.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved as read.

Motion made by Supervisor Lewis and supported by Supervisor Higgins that we recess until one o'clock this afternoon. Motion carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry. Quorum present.

Motion made by Supervisor Purdy and supported by Supervisor Miller that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine-thirty o'clock. Motion carried.

BERT M. PERRY, Chairman.
GUY N. ORMES, Clerk.

OCTOBER 15th, 1931

An adjourned session of the Board of Supervisors, of Tuscola County was continued and held in the courthouse, in the Village of Caro, on Thursday, October 15th, 1931.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry.

Roll was called and the following supervisors responded: Heckroth, Whittenburg, Miller, Dillon, Morrison, Keinath, Rawson, Deitz, Perry, McAlpine, Haas, Noble, Purdy, Higgins, Osburn, Burns, VanWagnen, McArthur, Haines, Lewis, Freeland, Macomber, McFarlane.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Supervisor Burns, chairman of committee on claims and accounts, reported as follows: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Tuscola county, Gentlemen: Your committee on claims and accounts beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the following claims and recommend that they be allowed as follows: Claims No. 1 to No. 33 except Nos. 18 and 32. Motion made by Supervisor Keinath and supported by Supervisor Whittenburg that the report of the committee be accepted and the clerk be instructed to draw warrants for the several amounts as recommended by the committee. Motion carried.

Resolutions from the Caro Exchange Club were then read.

October 14, 1931.

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Tuscola county, Michigan. At a meeting of the Exchange Club of Caro on Wednesday, October 14, 1931, the following resolutions were read and unanimously adopted and

ordered presented to your body at the October session:

Whereas: There has been an organized movement on the part of perhaps well meaning, but nevertheless misguided persons to discredit the building program now being directed by your body to provide a suitable courthouse for the transaction of public business, said organized movement having gone on record at a meeting in Caro. Monday evening, October 12, 1931 opposing the immediate construction of said building; and,

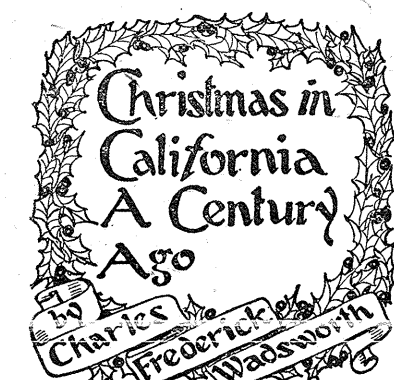
Whereas: It has been known for years that the present building and its equipment is inadequate to provide for the keeping of judicial records of this county; that it provides nothing of protection to said records in case of fire; and

Whereas: There has already been raised by taxation the sum of approximately \$150,000 for the sole and express purpose of building a new courthouse; said fund having been established by the wishes of the majority of the voters of Tuscola County expressed at a legally called election; and,

Whereas: There is now, and will be during the coming months, many workmen with families dependent on them for support, many of said workmen being taxpayers of this county, in dire need of living wages for the support of their families and funds by which they may pay taxes, and the construction of said building would provide them with employment; be it

Resolved: That the Exchange Club of Caro lend its moral support to your body in furthering immediate building plans and oppose any unlawful movement seeking to divert funds that can be used only for said building purpose into any other fund or expenditure; and be it further

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the Board of Supervisors of Tuscola county, to be read into the minutes of that body at its next meeting.



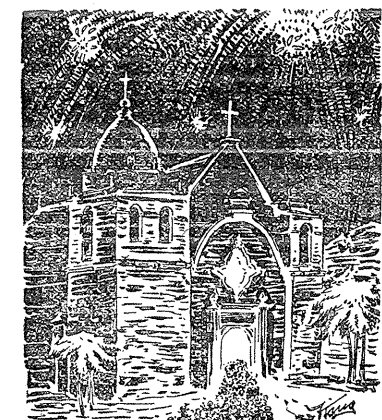
WHEN one thinks of the traditions of Christmas celebration in New England, the Middle states, and even farther West, in the early part of the Nineteenth century, it is to vision snow-covered ground, sleigh rides, and the jingle of sleigh bells, with Christmas trees and Santa Claus, much as today in those sections. Whole families going visiting in the bob-sled, to partake of the Christmas feast built around the turkey!

Those were great times and days, and their annals live in the works of famous literati of the East coast when our Republic was comparatively young. But at the same time a mighty civilization was being built on the West coast, though how different was the Christmas observed in the sparsely settled and undeveloped land that is now California! And how few to leave record!

However, Albert Robinson, a clerk who left Boston for California in July, 1828, and after 110 days reached Valparaiso, and Monterey on February 15, 1829, has left in his "Life in California," published in the late forties, a description of a Christmas celebration held at the mission in San Diego that shows the contrast between such events on the east and west coasts at that time.

Robinson's business took him to various parts of the (now) state, and while on a visit from his headquarters in San Francisco to his friend Don Jose Antonio Estudillo, comandante of San Diego, wrote of the Christmas festivities he had witnessed:

"Don Jose Antonio . . . was ever on the alert seeking for some new device for my gratification. It was nearly time for the religious festival of 'la noche buena' (the holy night) and he directed the customary exhibition of the 'pastores.' They were rehearsing night after night, till



Fireworks Were Set Off, and All Was Rejoicing.

at length Christmas arrived, and I had an opportunity of beholding the midnight mass and the subsequent performances.

"At an early hour illuminations commenced, fireworks were set off, and all was rejoicing. The church bells rang merrily, and long before the time of mass the pathways leading to the presidio were enlivened by crowds hurrying to devotion. I accompanied Don Jose Antonio, who procured for me a stand where I could see distinctly everything that took place. The mass commenced, Padre Vincente de Oliva (died 1845) officiated, and at the conclusion of the mysterious 'sacrificio' he produced a small image representing the infant Savior, which he held in his hands for all who chose to approach and kiss.

"After this, the tinkling of the guitar was heard without, the body of the church was cleared, and immediately commenced the harmonious sounds of a choir of voices. The characters entered in procession, adorned with appropriate costumes, and bearing banners. There were six females representing shepherdesses, three men and a boy.

"One of the men personated Lucifer, one a hermit, and the other Bartolo, a lazy vagabond, whilst the boy represented the archangel Gabriel. The story of their performance is partially drawn from the Bible, and commences with the angel's appearance to the shepherds, his account of the birth of our Savior and exhortation to them to repair to the scene of the manger.

"A dialogue is then carried on of considerable length relative to the attributes of the Deity, which, ends in the submission of Satan.

"The whole is interspersed with songs and incidents that seem better adapted to the stage than the church.

"For several days this theatrical representation is exhibited at the principal houses, and the performers at the conclusion of the play are entertained with refreshments. The boys take an enthusiastic part in the performance, and follow about from house to house, perfectly enraptured with the comicities of the hermit and Bartolo."

How different from the gay Christmas celebrations of California's present millions! And how different from what was taking place on the east coast!

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS—TUSCOLA COUNTY.

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Feb. 25, 1931 Geo. Rubick, error in assessment	A-1902	23.00
Feb. 27, 1931 Lemuel Culver, error in assessment	A-1908	14.57
Feb. 27, 1931 C. W. Stacy, error in assessment	A-1909	9.57
Feb. 27, 1931 Clifford Downing, error in assessment	A-1910	9.57
Feb. 28, 1931 Henry Uhan, twice assessed	A-1912	24.64
Feb. 28, 1931 Chas. Brimer, twice assessed	A-1913	30.18
Feb. 28, 1931 John Trisch, twice assessed	A-1914	36.14
March 4, 1931 Fred Layer, wrong assessment	A-1915	23.00
March 13, 1931 Mrs. Catherine Conley, wrong assessment	A-1926	18.07
March 13, 1931 Godfrey Monte, wrong assessment	A-1927	11.50
March 7, 1931 Geo. Winters gravel Wilsey con.	A-1925	75.00
March 21, 1931 Akron twp. board, labor, tile and sup.	A-1934	128.95
March 30, 1931 Wallace Morley Co., error in assessment	A-1938	1.64
April 11, 1931 Ed Brown, grading P. road	A-1947	125.00
April 22, 1931 Ed Roph, error in assessment	A-1949	20.53
May 1, 1931 Walter Heckroth, services	A-1952	50.00
May 9, 1931 Geo. Winters hauling gravel Wilsey con.	A-1974	50.00
May 13, 1931 E. G. Wilsey, bridges	A-1985	500.00
May 29, 1931 Geo. Winters, hauling gravel Wilsey con.	A-1998	64.20
June 4, 1931 E. G. Wilsey, bridges	A-1999	500.00
June 17, 1931 W. Fitzgerald, plank	A-2020	56.12
June 29, 1931 E. G. Wilsey, bridges	A-2040	500.00
July 11, 1931 Geo. Winters, backfilling	A-2053	10.00
July 25, 1931 E. G. Wilsey, bridges	A-2060	500.00
Aug. 12, 1931 Township Board of Akron, overseeing	A-2076	110.00
Aug. 22, 1931 U. S. Bridge & Culvert Co., iron	A-2102	750.00
Aug. 22, 1931 U. S. Bridge & Culvert Co., pipe	A-2104	17.81

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$37,220.69

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance overdrawn 284.35

BOULTON EXTENSION DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	29
Dec. 9, 1930 Caro Lumber Yard, stakes	R- 682	12.00
Jan. 24, 1931 E. Schwaderer, survey and help	R- 692	154.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 166.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance overdrawn 165.71

BRADLEY DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	131.17
Oct. 1, 1930 reassessment		400.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total receipts \$ 531.17

Orders paid:

Nov. 29, 1930 J. E. Bradley, cleaning brush	A-1756	\$ 27.30
July 11, 1931 J. & E. Proctor, con.	A-2049	378.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 405.30

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 125.87

BARKER-McPHERSON DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	2,025.68
Oct. 31, interest credited		928.57

Oct. 1, 1931 Total receipts \$ 2,954.25

Orders paid:

Oct. 4, 1930 Ferman Bright, con.	A-1658	800.00
Oct. 11, 1930 Ferman Bright, con.	A-1668	528.00
Oct. 11, 1930 N. VanWormer, damages	A-1670	80.00
Oct. 11, 1930 Alvin Adams, Est. bal. on contract	A-1671	400.00
Nov. 8, 1930 Archie Morley, levelling	A-1715	554.74
Nov. 15, 1930 Ferman Bright, con. extra	A-1722	100.00
Nov. 22, 1930 Ferman Bright, con. extra	A-1736	100.00
Dec. 16, 1930 Clyde Hoard, headwalls for F. E. Culverts	A-1805	25.00
Dec. 16, 1930 Archie Morley, bal. of twp. bill	A-1806	168.00
Jan. 5, 1931 Francis Eng. Co., survey & Insp.	A-1851	16.00
March 4, 1931 Ferman Bright, bal. on con.	A-1923	50.00
June 9, 1931 Co. of Tuscola, recording	A-2008	76.80
Sept. 12, 1931 Oscar Petzold, cleaning	A-2114	1.50

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 2,900.94

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 53.31

BILLS ROHLFS' DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	269.06
Orders paid:		
Nov. 25, 1930 E. R. Turner, cutting brush	A-1739	10.00
Feb. 28, 1931 Henry Uhan, cutting brush	A-1911	30.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 40.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 229.06

BANKER DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	94.96
Orders paid:		
Nov. 8, 1930 Cass City Chronicle, pub.	A-1711	5.40
July 22, 1931 Peter Harmon, help on survey	A-2057	10.00
July 25, 1931 Clifford Denton, survey	A-2066	80.00
July 25, 1931 Clifford Denton, survey	R- 714	24.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total paid \$ 119.40

Oct. 1, 1931 Total overdrawn 24.44

BACH AND BRANCHES DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	19,250.65
Orders paid:		
Oct. 2, 1930 Wm. Heckroth, farm bridge	A-1652	50.00
Oct. 4, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1654	135.20
Oct. 4, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1656	150.00
Oct. 7, 1930 R. C. Fox, bridges	A-1662	500.00
Oct. 7, 1930 R. C. Fox, bridges	A-1665	500.00
Oct. 10, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1672	125.00
Oct. 14, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1673	200.00
Oct. 17, 1930 H. C. Burroughs, P. bridge	A-1679	50.00
Oct. 21, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1687	150.00
Oct. 24, 1930 J. E. Vanhorn, hauling tile	A-1692	10.00
Oct. 24, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1697	100.00
Nov. 1, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1704	225.00
Nov. 5, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1714	150.00
Nov. 8, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1720	100.00
Nov. 14, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1721	35.00
Nov. 17, 1930 Lon Scott, con. tile	A-1725	35.00
Nov. 17, 1930 Lon Scott, levelling highway	A-1726	35.00
Nov. 22, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1730	400.00
Nov. 28, 1930 Earl Rayl, cleaning culvert	A-1743	4.50
Nov. 28, 1930 E. G. Wilsey, culvert pipe	A-1745	342.76
Nov. 29, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1752	225.00
Dec. 9, 1930 Clifford Turner, hauling dirt from road	A-1762	91.45
Dec. 6, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1768	114.70
Dec. 6, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1769	350.00
Dec. 9, 1930 Fairgrove Elevator Co., tile and trucking	A-1781	5.40
Dec. 9, 1930 Unionville Milling Co., tile	A-1783	37.92
Dec. 9, 1930 Caro Lumber Yard, stakes	A-1785	8.00
Dec. 13, 1930 Thomas A. Scott, con. tile drain	A-1799	109.00
Dec. 13, 1930 E. A. Dillon, sup. services	A-1801	50.00
Dec. 13, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1803	350.00
Dec. 20, 1930 R. C. Fox, bridges	A-1811	500.00
Dec. 20, 1930 R. C. Fox, bridges	A-1812	3,000.00
Dec. 20, 1930 John Timko, P. bridge	A-1819	30.00
Dec. 20, 1930 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1820	150.00
Dec. 23, 1930 Tus. Co. Advertiser, printing	A-1822	45.75
Dec. 27, 1930 Joseph Romain, con.	A-1833	117.00
Dec. 27, 1930 Earl Cook, P. bridge	A-1834	50.00
Jan. 3, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1839	50.00
Jan. 3, 1931 Colling Elevator Co., tile	A-1840	125.00
Jan. 6, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1846	1.30
Jan. 10, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1852	300.00
Jan. 10, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1862	996.00
Jan. 10, 1931 Ruben Manke, placing pipe	A-1863	300.00
Jan. 7, 1931 Manuel Laprat, F. E. bridge	A-1866	10.00
Jan. 7, 1931 Wm. Streeter, H. com. levelling	A-1854	225.00
Jan. 7, 1931 Wm. Streeter, Insp.	A-1856	305.00
Jan. 13, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1868	208.24
Jan. 13, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1869	91.76
Jan. 17, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1872	100.00
Jan. 17, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1873	100.00
Jan. 20, 1931 Manuel Laprat, cutting brush	A-1874	24.00
Jan. 20, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1875	500.00
Jan. 20, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1876	300.00
Jan. 20, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con.	A-1877	346.00
Jan. 21, 1931 Frank Cutler, cutting brush	A-1879	15.30
Jan. 21, 1931 Carl Putman, cutting brush	A-1881	15.30
Jan. 21, 1931 Wm. Putman, cutting brush	A-1882	15.30
Jan. 21, 1931 Ed Cutler, overseeing	A-1883	25.00
Jan. 29, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, widening relocation	A-1888	200.00
Feb. 13, 1931 Lloyd Pettiprin, relocating road ditch	A-1896	3.00
Feb. 14, 1931 Carl Volmar, cutting and burning brush	A-1897	125.00
Feb. 25, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con., extra work	A-1903	75.00
March 7, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con., extra work	A-1924	50.00
March 20, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con., extra work	A-1930	50.00
March 28, 1931 Jas. E. Parker, con., extra work	A-1937	150.00
April 11, 1931 Mrs. Ara Laprat, P. bridge	A-1945	75.00

May 9, 1931 Reuben Manke, placing tube	A-1968	20.00
May 9, 1931 W. G. Streeter, overseeing	A-1972	20.00
May 9, 1931 Twp. Board of Col., levelling	A-1973	85.00
June 5, 1931 Fred Layer, error in assessment	A-2003	27.00
June 9, 1931 County of Tuscola, recording	A-2013	100.80
June 9, 1931 Tuscola Co. Road Com., survey and Insp.	A-2015	222.02
July 8, 1931 R. C. Fox, bridges	A-2043	1,500.00
July 11, 1931 R. C. Fox, bridges	A-2050	2,335.27
July 11, 1931 B. O. Farven, error in assessment	A-2052	15.00
July 23, 1931 Leo Brandmier, damages	A-2058	10.00
Aug. 8, 1931 Ed. Cutler, removing bridge, levelling, over-seeing	A-2075	89.25
Aug. 22, 1931 U. S. Bridge & Culvert Works, pipe	A-2103	65.76

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$19,100.94

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 145.71

BAUER DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	179.74
Orders paid:		
May 15, 1931 John G. Schwab, taking levels	A-1982	5.00
July 30, 1931 John Loesel, cleaning drain	A-2068	75.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total paid \$ 80.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 99.74

BANKER EXTENSION DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Orders paid	\$	75.00
Oct. 15, 1930 Jas. B. Dietz, Bd. of Det.	R- 661	7.50
Oct. 15, 1930 J. A. Benkelman, Bd. of Det.	R- 662	7.10
Oct. 16, 1930 James Osburn, Bd. of Det.	R- 663	6.14

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 21.49

COLUMBIAN DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	83.06
Orders paid:		
Dec. 6, 1930 Curtis Hunt, survey	A-1775	50.00
Dec. 29, 1930 Curtis Hunt, survey	A-1835	33.06

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 83.06

COLUMBIA BROOKFIELD DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	330.94
Orders paid:		
Jan. 21, 1931 Arthur Freeman, cutting brush	A-1884	6.00
March 21, 1931 Peterson & Simmons, cleaning drain	A-1931	300.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 306.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 24.94

CLEAVER EXTENSION

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	26.22
Dec. 29, 1930 Curtis Hunt, survey	A-1836	26.22

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand \$ 117.79

Orders paid:		
Dec. 22, 1930 W. H. Cook, damages	A-1821	100.00
Jan. 31, 1931 Wm. Partlo, damages	A-1890	25.00
March 21, 1930 Lee Austin, damages	A-1932	50.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total paid \$ 175.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance overdrawn 57.21

CASE DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	83.54
Aug. 22, 1931 E. W. Brainerd, headwalls	A-2099	83.54

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand \$ 133.75

Orders paid:		
Nov. 17, 1930 Chris Nicodemus, rent of hall	A-1727	10.00
Dec. 24, 1930 Richard Hoerlein, tile	A-1827	17.15
June 9, 1931 Tuscola County, recording	A-2006	40.00

JOHN GRESHAM'S GIRL

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of ten tonight and breakfast time tomorrow, I'd rather like to look in at a 'do' my Aunt Cordelia is giving. She rang me up to say that she's a man short and could . . .

"Certainly," broke in Lee and then, after a moment: "Perry, do you know the Greshams?"

"Not frightfully well . . . I've met his daughter here and there. . . . A pipkin, I assure you."

"Yes; I see her here." Lee crossed and handed it to St. Abb. St. Abb.—The Honorable Peregrine Malby de Cassilis St. Abb. to give him the style to which he had been born—took it and said:

"Oh, she's much better than that in real life. . . . I say, my jolly old sir, you haven't fallen for her, have you? I mean to say, it's no go; she's booked. My Aunt Cordelia told me that this handsome bloke, Ames, has been mad about her ever since she left the nursery, and that papa Gresham is all ready to do the heavy paternal. . . ."

Lee stretched out a hand and took the paper back.

"Ames loves her, does he?" he said sharply. Something in his tone made St. Abb look at him a moment, with puzzled, rather boyish eyes. There was something about his chief that he never could get at. There he was, with more money than any man could possibly know what to do with; able to do any mortal thing he liked; only twenty-seven, though he looked a good thirty-five; big, strong, healthy and distinctly a good-looking; and yet he went about with a dark expression in his eyes, bitterness around his lips, and didn't seem to know what a real laugh was.

Lee sat looking down at the picture, and a new thought began to make its rather ugly way into his mind.

How could he make of that smiling, sweet girl, beloved of Ames, adored by her father, a weapon against them both. . . . ? Skies above! But he owed them the utmost of suffering that it was in his power to give! . . . In the flashing of a mere few moments—so incredibly swift is the inner vision—he saw again his boyhood, motherless from his first day of life, and fatherless, too, when he was only just fifteen. He saw his struggle against poverty; his passionate ambition to rise and make a place for himself in this great, working world; all his stumbling, boyish efforts to get on. He saw his first job in the great ship building yards at Gresham's; not a big job, but a beginning; therefore, with a glory all its own, to him.

He remembered how hard and how faithfully he had worked—he had always been made that way—how he had put all his brain and effort into his work; all his heart and soul; all his hopes and ambitions.

And, just as it seemed that he really had got a foothold on the difficult ladder of success, he saw again how life had dealt him a blow that shattered, destroyed, laid waste. . . .

How vividly it flashed before him again! A clerk, bringing money for the payroll from the bank, had been set upon, stunned, and robbed of every penny.

How the sifting of evidence had been done, Lee had never known, but he remembered his own incredulous bewilderment at hearing that some of the stolen notes had been found in an old leather wallet of his, hidden behind a loose brick in the wall at the end of his garden.

He was called upon to explain, and, in the head office, before that very Oliver Ames whose face looked up at him from the picture in this paper he held now, he made his explanation.

"Do you recognize the wallet?" Across the space of over three years, he could hear Ames' voice again, as clearly as if it were questioning now; at this very moment. . . . And his own voice, replying:

"Yes, sir. I lost it some days ago."

"Lost it? When?"

"Last Monday, sir."

"Have you mentioned the loss of the wallet to anyone?"

"No sir." And then, after the smallest moment: "Oh yes, I did just speak of it to Mr. Macklin."

"Send for Macklin. . . ."

Next in the panorama of his memories came a vision of Macklin, the foreman, under whom he worked, small and brisk, smart and smiling. Macklin was questioned about the wallet. He said that "young Warrington" had never mentioned losing it, that this was the first he had heard of it. . . . And he stuck to this through thick and thin.

Then the clerk who had been robbed was unable, when he recovered, to say whether "Warrington" were the thief or not. The onslaught had been so swift and sudden. He had just got the impression that the thief had been a very big man. "Warrington" was a very big man. Little by little the net had closed upon him.

He had applied for permission to appeal to old John Gresham, and it was granted, but it did no good. Sir John felt sure that there was no need for him to interfere. He was, moreover, on the point of starting on a yachting cruise with his adored school-girl daughter. He did not alter his plans. . . .

Lee's big hand clenched to a fist

Polish for Duralumin

Duralumin can be given a glossy finish with a solution consisting of equal parts of fine emery dust and machine oil, mixed to a heavy paste. Apply the paste with a circular rubbing motion and remove it with a soft cloth soaked in lard oil, after which the rubbed surface should be allowed to dry.—Popular Mechanics Magazine.

as his memory reached that point. . . . With one of his men lying under threat of terrible disgrace, old Gresham—went yachting!

His memory slid on through his prosecution and trial; through the ghastly nightmare of his own inability to prove his innocence. It was his word against overwhelming evidence, and the evidence won. With his whole soul crying out against the unbelievable injustice of it, he went to prison for three years. For three years that had seemed like three eternities! That was what had knocked the laughter out of his laugh; put the somberness into his thunder-gray eyes, set the line of bitterness around his lips; and, worst of all, brought him back into the world of free men, with all his ambitious energies turned to a burning desire to be revenged: to get even with Ames for his cold willingness to believe him guilty of such a crime; with Macklin for his treachery; with old John Gresham for his selfish carelessness.

But, as he had said, Fate and Destiny were queer, unaccountable forces, shattering one day, building up the next. He had been free scarcely a fortnight, when he came into an immense fortune left by a cousin, who had died in Canada—ong Terence Lee, of whose existence he had scarcely known—on the sole condition that he changed his name from Warrington to Lee.

Money was a power. He meant to use it. But there had been things to do first. With the changing of his name and fortune, he intended to change his whole mode of life; to become a new personality; to raise himself to a level of social equality with those he regarded as his enemies, so that he need be at no sort of disadvantage. With this in view he had advertised for a young man of good social standing to act as secretary and social guide. The answer to this advertisement had been Peregrine St. Abb. Under the guidance of Peregrine, Lee had installed himself in a fine town flat; taken a nice little country place in Hertfordshire; acquired a splendid car; a big collection of clothes for all occasions; and a good working knowledge of the manners and customs of polite society. . . .

Money was a power, and he meant to use it. But here and now he came out of the past and let the new and ugly thought have sway—here was a power dealer still. That smiling, sweet, girlish thing, with her young, unclouded eyes and pretty, childish lips—where, if he searched the world over, could he find a sharper weapon than she might prove? Her father adored her; that was ancient history. And now St. Abb had told him that Ames loved her. To snatch her from them. . . . He, who had been their workman. He, who had been three years in prison. . . . To snatch her from them. . . . "Old Gresham wouldn't know me anyway. . . ." he argued to himself. "And I don't think Ames would either. . . . I've changed so. . . . Anyway, being recognized was a risk he was bound to take. . . . There was no avoiding it. . . . And the stake was worth it. His thoughts went on.

"Perry," he said suddenly: "Get me an invitation to this birthday party on the twenty-sixth. . . . He tapped the paper. "I want to meet . . . John Gresham's girl. . . ."

CHAPTER II

Lucy Meets James Lee Again

When Oliver Ames, gorgeously and effectively disguised as a Spanish grandee of the time of Velasquez, arrived for Lucy Gresham's birthday festivities, Lucy herself was just coming downstairs into the hall. She was dressed after the fashion of her own grandmother, in flounce upon flounce of delicate, creamy lace, that billowed cloudily round her as she moved. Her wide-set eyes, so almost unbelievably blue, were bright with kiddish excitement in the occasion.

She greeted him very sweetly, with only the smallest hint of nervousness, and took him into the drawing room, where her father was ready to help her receive guests.

Sir John Gresham, tall, white-haired and handsome, welcomed him warmly.

"I'm glad you've come in good time, Oliver," he said as they shook hands.

"Well, sir, I have to go early, so I wanted to have all the time I could," answered Ames. "There's some bitch over that big Norwegian timber deal and they've cabled me to go over and see about it without delay."

"Won't old Nilsen sell after all?" asked Sir John.

"I fancy it is young Nilsen who is creating obstacles. Perhaps he thinks he can get a better price," answered Ames. Sir John glanced at him quickly.

"You don't mean that Linforths are bidding against us?" he asked. "Have they the means?"

Ames rubbed his chin thoughtfully. Then said:

"Three months ago, I should have said no, without hesitation. But lately, they have shown signs of renewed life. . . . I'm not sure of them. . . . Anyway, I'm going over to look into this business myself. I'm taking the midnight to Hull. Lucy knows I don't want to." Ames turned to the girl, his eyes rather longingly on the picture of grace and loveliness she made.

"Oh, I'm awfully sorry," she said, cordially. "But of course, I understand."

"Well, Oliver, if you must go, you must. But I'm sorry. Anyway, enjoy the meantime," said Sir John. "Lucy is keen for you to see the ballroom before the crowd arrives. She planned the decorations all herself, and I think they're quite tolerable."

His handsome old eyes twinkled round at Lucy.

In his eyes she was the sweetest, and the most beautiful girl in the whole world. She could do nothing wrong; he spoilt her so consistently, that it says all that need be said for her innate soundness of nature that she was almost entirely unspoilt by it.

He had married late in life, having reached fifty before meeting his ideal. He had idolized his wife, and when she died, when Lucy was only five, was so frantic with grief that his friends all feared he would not long survive her. He pulled through, however, but was greatly changed. Something had been knocked completely out of life, for him. He could no longer give to the business of Gresham's the interest he always had given. Year by year he had left it more and more in Ames' hands, until five years ago, he had definitely retired from active service. Lucy, growing up in the living image of her mother, absorbed most of his interest in life.

It had been an understood thing for years that some day Lucy was going to marry Ames. Every one looked upon it as settled, except for such details as precisely when and exactly where. Lucy had known Ames all her life. She had been brought up so much with him that she looked upon him almost more as a brother than as a cousin. And although she had always known that some day she was going to marry him, yet it was none the less a surprise, and something of a shock, to her, when nearly three weeks ago, he had asked her to make the some day a definite day. He loved her tremendously, and, it seemed to him, that loving her was the chief reason of his existence; the thing he had been born for. He felt that he had waited long enough. But Lucy had been curiously unready when he had asked her to name a definite day; she had not known what to say, and didn't know why she should be so unsure. . . . She could find no reason for being suddenly so flustered, when he asked her when she would marry him. Perhaps it was just because, instead of asking would she marry him, he had asked when would she marry him. . . . Or perhaps it had been because he had, by some unlucky chance, hit on the evening of that very day, when she had had that queer, fleeting adventure with the stormy-eyed man who had nearly run her down with his big blue car. . . .

It had just seemed to her that to say definitely:

"Yes, I will marry you on such and such a day. . . ." was a terribly irrevocable thing to say. . . . Only to form the words in her mind had made her catch a quick breath, almost of fear. She explained it to herself that she did not want to marry anyone yet. That she was utterly happy at home with her adored and adoring father; that life and youth were so lovely and so sweet, that she didn't want to do anything to change the happy course they were running. . . .

But Oliver had been insistent and she had realized suddenly that his love for her was a much bigger emotion than she had ever known. So, with an unaccountable feeling of being driven, she had compromised by promising to give him a definite answer on this evening of her nineteenth birthday. She had thought that she must surely have decided by then. . . . But she had awakened this morning, with all her doubts still upon her.

That was why this evening was something so much more than a birthday party, to her; and that was why it kept her in a quiver of restless excitement.

In the ballroom she began a lively



He Came a Step Nearer and Caught Her Hand.

chatter, simply because she was afraid of silence between them.

"There are going to be heaps of people here tonight; some I don't even know. Mrs. Theodore Dale asked if she might bring a party; so did the Melvilles and Lady Cordelia Upton; she wants to bring among others Perry St. Abb and the man he's secretary to. He's the latest thing in millionaires, you know. One James Lee. Doesn't it sound lively!" Lucy rattled on, more for the sake of avoiding silence than anything.

He came a step nearer and caught her hand in his.

"Lucy. . . . you haven't forgotten, have you? Do you remember what you promised?"

"Of course. . . . of course I do. . . . And I. . . . I will, Oliver. . . . Only. . . . leave it a little longer. . . ."

she answered breathlessly. "It's such a. . . . Oh, such a very big thing to decide."

"I've loved you so long, Lucy. Waited for you so long. And I've waited faithfully, dear. . . . There's been no woman in my heart but you. . . . You've got my heart in these little hands of yours, and get it forever."

She caught a breath. It seemed awful that it should be hers to make him happy or to make him suffer, just with the speaking of a word. From sheer pity the word that would make him happy was on the very tip of her tongue, all ready to be spoken, when the sound of her father's voice calling to her made her start away from him, jerking her hand out of his.

"There's dad. . . . He wants us. . . ." she said breathlessly. "I suppose people are beginning to arrive. . . . How awful of me to neglect my duties so!" She laughed a little tremulously, and ran to the door, but he came after her, caught her hand and pulled her round.

"Before I go, Lucy. . . . Give me my answer before I have to go. . . . Remember, won't you?" he urged her. "Of course. . . . Oh! of course I'll remember!" And she was on her way to the hall, her full skirts swinging round her.

The big house seemed alive with an uncountable crowd of young people all bent on carrying the occasion through on one unbroken ripple of gaiety. But Ames scarcely knew how to live the evening through even though his time was all too short. Lucy was so much in demand. He watched her all the time; saw her glance at this man; smile upon that; laugh with another; and did not know that behind all her brilliant gaiety she was thinking, thinking, trying to decide. And she had a feeling that the jolly evening with all its light and sound and gaiety, was rushing her toward some difficult crisis.

It was during an interval in the dancing that Ames saw her captured and cornered by three determined young men, who each put forth excellent reasons why he should have the next dance with her.

"But I can't dance with all three!" Lucy was laughingly protesting, when a tall youth in a tight costume of green and white stripes, suddenly constituted himself master of revels, and from the cleared center of the ballroom floor made this elegant proclamation:

"Oyez! Oyez! Know all ye by these presents—and all that sort of jolly old bunk. Bowed down, what I mean is this: that if the girls who haven't fixed up the next dance'll pop off and hide, we'll give 'em three minutes, and then come and find them. . . . How's that for a brain wave?"

A chorus answered him.

"Fine!" "Get on with it!" "Scatter, you girls!"

And amid chatter and laughter, the girls scattered, Lucy with them. Most of them did not bother to make their hiding places very obscure, but Lucy left them, and turned toward the back of the house, pushed through a green baize door into the main corridor on the other side of the staircase and slipped into the library. There was no one in the room. A single light, shaded in deep crimson, cast a somber glow over her lady frounce, as she tip-toed across the room, climbed into a deep window-seat and pulled a heavy curtain in front of her. She was glad of the peace and quiet this refuge gave her. . . . She wanted to think. . . . Must think. . . . Must decide. . . . The sounds of jollity came to her faintly. . . .

Five minutes had not gone by when she heard the door open, and a step sounded soft upon the carpeted floor.

Her father, perhaps, she thought, and she moved, very cautiously, and the window seat, to peep round the curtain. A hand appeared, and the curtain was flung aside. Her startled eyes, quickly lifted, saw the dark, unsmiling face of the necklace-adventure man.

And once again her eyes were caught and held by the look in those sullen, stormy eyes that met hers.

"You!" she cried out.

"Yes," he answered, "And—you!"

She laughed, ever so slightly; a little tremulously.

"I. . . . I'm hiding," she said, kiddishly, a nervous quiver in the words.

"Yes," he said again, his voice very deep against the distant sound of revelry from beyond the room. "And I'm finding you."

"I didn't know you were in the game," she said.

"It's obvious that I am, though, isn't it?" he replied.

"Yes. . . . I suppose it is. . . ." She scrambled off the seat and stood before him, looking like a little girl as she shook out her dainty frounce. . . .

"But I'd no idea of seeing you here. . . . Who. . . . who are you?"

"Let's introduce ourselves," he said. "My name is Lee, James Lee."

She looked up at him quickly. So this was Perry St. Abb's chief. . . . The latest thing in millionaires. She held out a quick, girlish hand.

"I'm so glad you were able to come. . . . I've heard so much of you from Lady Cordelia. . . . I'm Lucy Gresham, you know."

He took her hand in a rather mighty clasp that seemed to swallow it all up, and said slowly:

"How d'you do, Lucy Gresham?"

She laughed up at him, her hand still in his, and:

"How do you do—James Lee?" she answered merrily.

But he didn't share her merriment. His queer dark eyes looked down at her, until it made her quite nervous, and she twisted away from him, the

bright color coming up into her face. "Have you only just arrived?" she went on, hurriedly.

"I entered the ballroom with Lady Cordelia and St. Abb, precisely as the young man in green stripes was proclaiming the rules of the game," he told her. "I can't dance, but this next dance is obviously mine, if you will sit out with me? I came in here to find you. I stood quite near you in the ballroom while the game was being arranged. How many dances are you going to give me?"

She wasn't quite prepared for that; she equivocated.

"But you say you don't dance?"

"You're destined to find out then that equivocation didn't work with James Lee. He said:

"Do you think you'll find it dull work, sitting out a dance or two with me?" and his sullen gray eyes were challenging. She smiled.

"No," she said, slowly, but quite truthfully. "No, I shouldn't think I'd find it dull. . . . Only. . . . there are. . . . other men I must give some dances to. . . . There's Mr. Green-striped; I promised him. And a Romeo and a Nero; I promised them; and there's. . . ." She caught a sudden, quick breath, and halted.

"Yes?" he prompted.

"Oh, just my cousin, Oliver Ames. He's going away tonight. He has to leave at eleven; I must. . . . I mean. . . . I want to dance with him. . . ."

She broke off, conscious that she was rattling on nervously. Conscious, too, that those queer eyes of his never left her face.

"You must; or you want to? Which?" he asked abruptly.

She looked up at him; looked away; all around. Things were going faster than what was quite comfortable. She equivocated again.

"I promised to."

To her relief he—for the time at least—left it at that. "Well," he said, "we are sitting out this one anyway." He pushed up a deep leather-covered chair for her.

"Don't you want to go and watch the dancing?" she asked.

"Why should I?" he answered. And she had no good reasons to offer. So they remained in the library. She, sitting in the deep chair; he, standing, leaning back against the mantel, looking, most of the time, down at her. She was recovering now, from the surprise of finding that this guest of hers was that man who had shared that tiny adventure with her, and began to feel that ever since the day of that adventure she had really been waiting to meet him again. She hadn't known it, but it seemed so to her now. Because, disconcerting as he was, there was a sort of feeling of utter rightness in being with him again. He kept her guessing as no man ever had before: made her shy; half-indignant, sometimes; yet happy, in a new and bewildering way that she didn't in the least understand.

He asked suddenly: "You say that Lady Cordelia has told you a lot about me. What exactly has she told you?"

"Isn't fair to ask that," she countered.

"Isn't fair to say things behind a man's back that you wouldn't say to his face," he retorted.

"Oh, she said she liked you very much, and that Mr. St. Abb was very keen on you. And that you came from Canada or Australia—she wasn't sure which—And. . . ." Lucy broke off there.

"Yes?"

She raised fun-lit eyes to his; since he had asked, he should be told.

"She said you weren't exactly wild or woolly, but still you weren't really tame; and that you were very strong and silent and never enjoyed anything. . . ."

"She said she thought I'd like you immensely."

"And do you?"

"What an odd conversation to have with anyone when you've only met him twice!" she laughed.

"Time hasn't anything to do with it. Do you?"

She looked up at him.

"Well, d'you know, I haven't thought. I've been too busy being—interested—to think whether I like you or not."

"Are you interested in Oliver Ames, too?"

"What?" The word came from her so startled that it was almost a cry.

He repeated the question, and before she realized it she was answering breathlessly.

"Oh, I don't know. . . . Yes, of course. . . . Only it seems to me it's awfully difficult to know exactly what you. . . . what you feel, for a person when you've known him all your life and been awfully fond of him, always. . . ."

"So he's asking you to know?"

She nodded.

"And to tell him? Tonight? Before he goes?"

"Yes."

"That is why you must; why you want. . . . No; why you promised to dance with him again?"

"What sort of magic are you working, that you should. . . . know all this?" she cried unsteadily. She did not know that Ames' devotion to her was common knowledge, and that Lee's guess was founded upon what St. Abb had told him.

"Just the simple magic of putting two and two together," he answered, and then went off at a tangent. "Why are you interested in me?"

"Oh. . . . because. . . . because you look. . . ."

"Yes?"

"Yes, and. . . ."

She looked up, scanning his face with very earnest eyes.

"And. . . . and just a little. . . . cruel. . . ." she said uncertainly. "No!" she corrected herself quickly. "Not cruel; just a whole lot hurt. . . ."

He caught in a breath so sharply that she heard it, and saw that a rich color flooded up into his face.

She had been all woman in that little judgment of him, and he had thought her only a child.

"I am particularly happy tonight," he said slowly. "One of my biggest ambitions has been fulfilled. . . ."

"Yes?" The word was scarcely audible.

"I am here; in your father's house; he let each word fall keen as a knife. "And—I have met you again."

A sudden, odd excitement set her heart beating fast. Something was happening that had never happened before. . . . She rose abruptly, almost as if sudden panic had seized her, and she were going to run away; but stood before him irresolutely.

"I must go and dance," she said, a



"I Am Particularly Happy Tonight," He Said Slowly.

little breathlessly. "Will you come and meet daddy?"

There was a curious tone in his voice as he answered.

"I shall be delighted to meet . . . your father." And he squared his big shoulders slightly as he followed her out of the room.

They found Sir John by the ballroom door, benignly watching the revels, and she gave James Lee into his care, wholly unaware of the emotions that rose within him as he shook hands with the man who had gone yachting when he had lain beneath the shadow of disgrace.

"Isn't it the very strangest thing, daddy," she said. "Mr. Lee is the very man who picked up my beads for me the other day. . . . And, daddy, give him the very nicest cigar you can find to console him for being completely surrounded by dancers and not being able to dance." She broke off abruptly on seeing Ames coming toward her. "Yes, Oliver, I'm just coming; this very minute. . . ." she added, on a changed note.

At sound of that name, James Lee swung round toward Sir John. He was not ready to risk being recognized by Oliver Ames. If anyone had been noticing acutely, it would have been seen that his big hands were clenched at his sides, and that a curious stillness held him for a moment as if he were turned to stone. But quite suddenly he looked back at Lucy, speaking to her over his broad shoulder just as she was leaving to join Ames.

"How long will you be?" he asked. "Oh I don't quite know. I'll. . . ."

She began.

"If you are more than twenty minutes I shall come and fetch you," he said clearly, and followed his host to the smoking room.

She caught a sharp breath, then breathed it out on a shaken little laugh, and found Ames close before her.

"Who's that man?" he asked, abruptly.

"Oh, that's the man I was telling you about," she answered quickly. "Mr. James Lee. . . ." She rattled off into the story of the surprising coincidence of his being the necklace man, as they went into the ballroom and began their dance.

"He seems to have become very friendly. . . . I have a sort of idea I've seen him before, somewhere, but can't think where. . . . I couldn't see his face; he didn't turn far enough round."

"You may have done. I believe he goes about a good deal. Lady Cordelia says that London is making rather a fuss of him. . . ." she said, in a quick, chattering way that was not characteristic of her. A way that struck hot fury and cold fear into Oliver's heart. The evening had been a torment of waiting, to him; and now, when it was almost time for him to go, she talked to him in this light, nervous way. But he resolutely thrust the fear from him. . . . It was not thinkable that he should now have reason for fear.

He glanced at the watch on his wrist; it was five minutes to eleven.

"I have to go, Lucy. Come and speed the guest?"

The words brought her once more fact to face with her problems. Scarcely audibly, she agreed, and he took her through the ballroom out on to the terrace and down into the moonlit garden.

By a door in the wall, at the end of the garden, they stopped, and he turned and faced her abruptly. They were wrapped in shadow through which their faces shined oddly white.

"My answer, Lucy. . . . I must have it. . . . After all these years. All these years of utter devotion. . . ."

You are going to marry me, darling. . . . aren't you?"

The tearing fear in his odd, ragged, imploring voice cut at Lucy's heart and brought the hot pressure of tears to her throat and eyes. She stood for the briefest moment still and silent; her eyes looking blindly into the deepest shadow. And although it seemed to her that she had never seen anything so terrible as his pleading voice, yet in that moment all her doubts fell away as if they had been no more than the little perplexities of childhood. She did not love Oliver; never had; never could; it seemed amazing, in that moment of revelation, that doubt should ever have existed; she was suddenly so unquestionably sure.

She forced the words to her lips: "No; I'm sorry. . . . awfully sorry. . . . But I must say no. . . ."

His face, seen through the shadow, all white and drawn, was terrible.

And then, suddenly, she was swept up into his arms and his kisses were hot on her face; his frenzied pleading in her ears. . . . But she could only say:

"No. . . . I'm sorry. . . . No. . . . let me go. . . ."

He released her after a mad moment, muttered something, opened the door and was gone. . . . And she stood as he had left her, one hand crushed to her mouth, her heart beating wildly.

There was silence for some moments, until he said:

"I suppose you were really engaged to have supper with Ames, weren't you?"

She caught a quick breath.

"Yes. Only that was days ago. Of course, since he had to go . . . it would not have been possible," she answered.

"It would not have been possible in any case," he said.

"Why not?" The question came on a quiver.

"Because I should not have let it be possible," he told her calmly.

"Oh . . . but I had promised him . . ."

"And I had promised myself."

"What . . . what had you promised yourself?" she asked.

"That you should have supper with me," he answered promptly. "So it would have been hard to decide which promise was to be broken. . . . Yours to him, or mine to myself."

She laughed slightly.

"That is a wickedly tricky argument!" she said. "And anyway, my promise was made first."

"How do you know that?"

"Because it was made days ago . . . more than a week . . ."

"Mine was made nearly three weeks ago."

"Oh," she said roundly, in astonishment. "But we didn't really know each other then. We'd only met in the most unconventional sort of way, and you didn't know who I was."

He looked at her straightly.

"Do you really think that it is purely by chance that I am here tonight?"

Do you really think that I didn't know that I was going to meet the girl of the broken necklace, when I met my hostess this evening?"

"Did you know? But how?" Her eyes were wide and innocent.

"The very day I met you in Bond street, I saw a picture of you in the paper, with your father and—Ames . . ."

"He told her slowly. "I told Perry I must come to this birthday party of yours, or . . . well, or that he'd get the sack."

She was not looking at him now, but she seemed to feel his look upon her face, even though she could not meet it. He must love her, then! To have made himself such a promise, just because of that one meeting with her. . . . The romance of it filled her heart with such a happiness that she scarcely knew how to endure it.

"Did you imagine that that first meeting of ours was to be our last?" he demanded, after a moment.

"I didn't definitely think . . ." she stammered. "I mean . . ."

"You mean that you had forgotten all about me until you saw me again this evening?" he challenged her.

"No! I'd thought of you . . . often. . . . You must know I had!" she cried.

"Yes, I did know you had."

"Then why ask? Just to be disconcerting?"

"Why not just to hear you say it?" he countered. And she let it go at that.

He said no more for some time, and when he did speak again it was of more ordinary things. He was not so pertubingly personal until supper was over and they were once more entering the ball room.

"Now, I suppose, you will say that you have to go and dance?" he said.

She didn't want to, but she had to say it.

"Yes; I must."

"Come and spend the fourth dance from now with me?" As he said it, it was only half a question. The other half was sheer command.

"Yes, I'll like to. . . . Where shall we meet?"

"On the veranda. Will that do?"

"Yes . . . thank you. . . ." She turned away as St. Abb came toward her, with obvious intention in his eye.

But Lee caught her arm and made her face him again.

"You are going to dance because it is your duty as hostess, but you would rather be with me?" he said quickly, in a low voice. She looked up hastily, away, all round, then up again. . . . His dark eyes seemed to look very deep into her own. His hand on her arm set her heart beating wildly.

"You . . . you know I would!" she whispered, feeling wringing the admission from her.

"All right, then; I'll let you dance."

He released her, and she went off with St. Abb.

How she managed to live through the next three dances she scarcely knew, although St. Abb made it easier than it might have been by talking the whole time of his chief. And he talked in terms of such glowing admiration that she found her heart beating with a new feeling; a feeling of possessive pride; as if she were listening to praise of something that was already definitely hers. At the finish of the third dance, she was just starting up stairs to fetch a cloak, when a hand over hers, as it touched the stair rail, made her stop and turn. Over the rail, from her two or three steps of advantage, she looked down into Lee's face.

"The next dance is my dance," he reminded her.

She leaned slightly down toward him.

"Yes; I am going to get a cloak; you said the veranda, you know. Did you think I'd forget?" she asked softly.

"I pretty well knew you wouldn't. But I like to make sure of things. . . ."

He answered. "Go and fetch your cloak."

She moved one step up, but his hand held hers tight down to the banister, and again she had to stop.

He suddenly realized, then, that she was beautiful. He had been so engrossed with the progress of his schemes that all the exquisite young

loveliness of her had not seemed important to him. But he realized it acutely now, and his triumph rose higher still. Not only Ames, but all the world, might well envy him the winning of this girl! So much the better. It made his victory all the greater.

He looked up, laughing, too.

If St. Abb had been within earshot, he might have noticed that that laugh was a shade nearer to being a real laugh than any he had ever heard from Lee. The merest shade, but still, nearer. And if Lee himself had noticed it, he might have heard in it a note of warning. But he did not notice it; and so the warning went by him. . . . The moment held for a few seconds, then he lifted his hand and set her free, and, light-footed, she went on her way upstairs.

To be continued

The Star On The Christmas Tree

by Katharine Ebelman



AY, can I get some trimmings for a Christmas tree? Fix up the best assortment you've got, please."

Lena Masters looked up at the sound of the pleasant voice and a smile flashed across her face. "In just a moment," she answered, "as soon as I get this package tied up."

Carefully she went over the counter, selecting such things as she would put on a Christmas tree herself.

Yards and yards of silver tinsel, boxes of Christmas snow, numerous tree ornaments, several Santa Claus figures, and all the other things that go to make a Christmas tree a thing to exclaim about. And on the top layer of the box she put a beautiful shining silver star, carefully wrapped in tissue paper. Then she tied the package and handed it across the counter.

"Somebody's going to have a lovely Christmas," she said. "I can imagine how beautiful this tree will look."

The man took the box and started to move away, then returned rather slowly. "Pardon me," he stammered, "but—but there was something about the way you said that that set me to thinking. Do you have folks of your own, and—a Christmas tree and everything?"

For a moment Lena Masters was silent, then as she looked into the strong, kind face, she answered: "The only relative I have, an uncle, lives in Montana, and—and I have never had a home Christmas. But—but I love the day just the same."

Then John Anderson told her something of his own life. He had gone away at twenty-two—had been sent abroad as the representative of a large concern—now, after five years he had come back at the request of his father, to help him with his business. His father and mother were growing old. And because he had come back, they wanted a Christmas tree, and so he had come for the fixings.

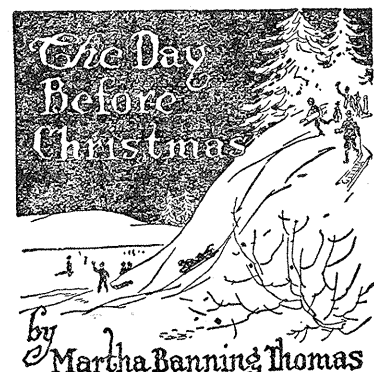
Later that evening, just as Lena Masters was getting ready for closing time, she looked up to find John Anderson standing by the counter. He was accompanied by a sweet-faced old lady—his mother, Lena knew even before he introduced them. "I just had to bring mother down," he said. "As soon as I told her about you today, she just insisted that you spend Christmas with us. You—you've got to see the Christmas tree, you know; you had a part in its making."

The days that followed were the happiest Lena Masters had ever known. The joy of Christmas was multiplied a hundred fold by the kindness and attention shown her. The Anderson family left nothing undone to make her happy. And they told her over and over again how much her coming had meant to them all. There was but one tiny cloud on her sky, the thought that this could not last forever.

But Lena Masters found the happiness that Christmas had brought her was going to be lasting. From now on, all the joy of happy home life and comradeship was going to be hers. For as they stood beside the gleaming Christmas tree, John Anderson's hand reached out and clasped hers, and she heard him whisper: "Ever since I put that star on the Christmas tree, it—it seems like a symbol of the happiness that lies ahead for us two."

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Advertise it in the Chronicle.



RS. VAN DUSEN sat waiting over a letter from her son. "The poor, dear boy! How frightful for him! How dreadful! Marooned up there with all those horrible people!" A bad storm had prevented him from taking the weekly boat to the mainland. There would be no way of getting home until after Christmas.

In the meantime the subject of her despair was yelling the loudest of fourteen lively boys. They swarmed up a steep hill dragging sleds.

"Hey, Mr. Van Dusen . . . bet I beat you this time! Say, my ripper is the fastest on the slide! Bet yer a herring I'll touch the goal first!"

Down they went again, sleds skimming like birds upon the icy tracks. Feet guiding them from behind. Eyes fastened on the tricky turn at the bottom. Ransome Van Dusen (seventh in line by that name, son and heir to an old name and vast fortune) . . . saw that someone was bound to have a nasty spill. He was directly abreast of two youngsters. There was room for two to squeak by . . . if they had good luck. Never for three.

Van Dusen had tobogganed in Switzerland, and ridden surf-boards in Hawaii, and climbed a few Alps in Italy, but it is safe to say that he had never suffered a keener moment of fear than he experienced in this far-away village of Newfoundland . . . sliding down hill with fourteen village children.

Van Dusen was keen, but Sandy Galt was keener. He, too, saw the danger ahead. Somebody had to be squeezed. You couldn't stop the sleds now . . . they were going too fast.

"Look out," yelled Ransome, trying to take the inside near the sharp, rocky turn.

"Look out yourself!" shrieked Andy, and kicked out with a foot, spilling the man sideways from his sled. Andy himself swerved to the inside. Two more boys crowded close. Three sleds came together with a crash! Ransome on top . . . without his sled.

That evening he sat by Sandy's bed and told him stories, so that the boy

partly forgot the pain in his broken leg. It was Christmas eve and Ransome said he was never happier in his life. "I've never had a better friend than you, Sandy," he said. "You're some fine little sport. Don't worry . . . things will be all right for you. I'm going to keep you for a friend all my life! Too bad mother has to miss this. She doesn't know what it is to have a good time. Have an apple, Sandy, old fellow?"

And thus two friends were made the day before Christmas in a far-away village of Newfoundland.

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"Spoken Like a Man"

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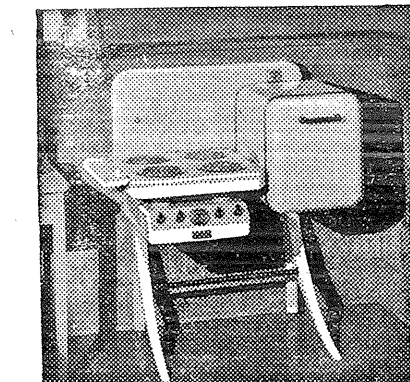
Scenes and Persons in the Current News



1—Japanese soldiers patrolling the line of the South Manchurian railway to protect it from Chinese bandits. 2—Abdul Medjid, exiled former caliph, who may be restored to the caliphate, with his seat in Jerusalem instead of Turkey. 3—"White collar" men out of work receiving the attention of the emergency and relief bureau, which has opened many offices in New York city.

Make Everybody Happy This Christmas

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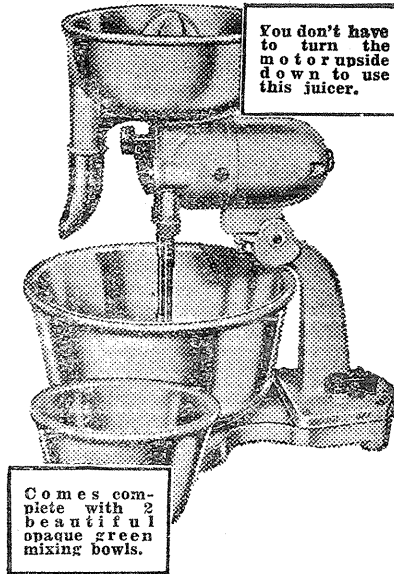
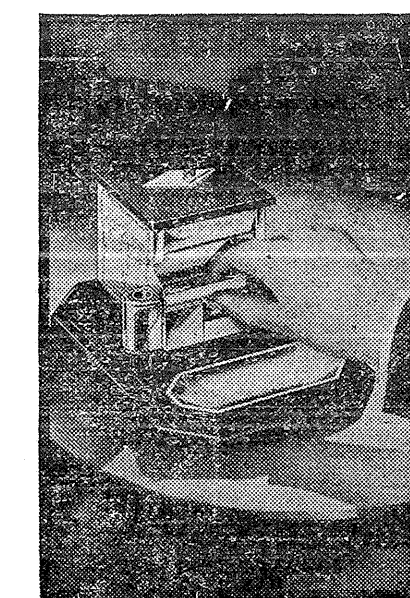
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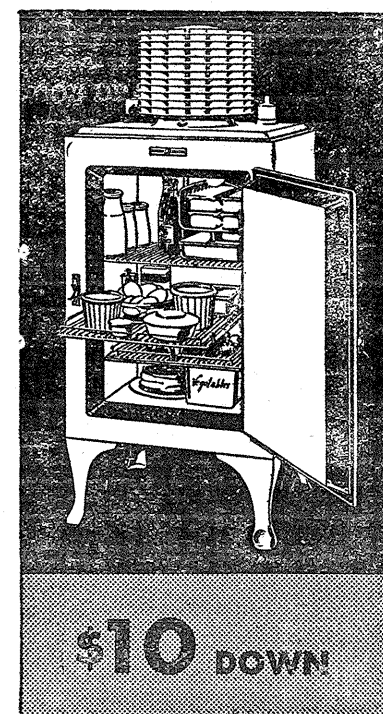
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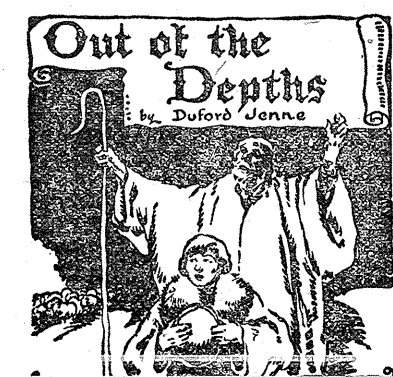
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BAD AXE SANDUSKY HARBOR BEACH LAPEER VASSAR CARO



ROSS MERVIN paused a moment before he went up the rickety stairs that led to the room where dumb "Soupy" Sam would rent him a bed for the night for the sum of ten cents.

He caught sight of a slight, girlish figure staggering along the street toward him. She stopped suddenly with groping hands. "Something wrong?" he asked gently.

"I guess—I'm blind! My eyes—" were the whispered words he caught. Her wide eyes did seem sightless to him. He took her arm quickly under his. "Perhaps it is just for the moment. I'll be glad to take you home if you tell me where to go."

She was a slight thing, and pretty under other circumstances. Ross thought. He learned in that brief but eventful walk that she had been studying art in the city, but success had not come her way. The Christmas



rush in the stores had given her an opportunity to earn money. The lights had bothered her after the strain her eyes had been under in her studying and that night on her way home darkness deeper than the night had come over them.

He suggested getting in touch with the police, but she begged him not to. "I have my rent paid until Sunday night, and if I rest tomorrow my eyes may be all right. After that—after that—"

A rigid faced landlady came to the door. In a moment Ross glimpsed the situation. The woman heard the explanation with a scowl, and he decided to wait until he had seen the helpless girl to her room. Then he said quietly:

"Look after her well, and I will see that you are paid."

"She has her room paid until Sunday night. After that the city will take care of her—unless she has the cash Sunday night. You look like a bum to me, but if you get the money, all right," the woman said shortly.

Ross smiled. "You have my number; but I'll have the money. Be good to her. She's a mere kid and up against it."

"So am I," she replied sharply. The next morning early he was at an agency. He stepped to the desk just in time to hear a man say, "That's no job for me!" and go on.

"I'll take it," Ross agreed.

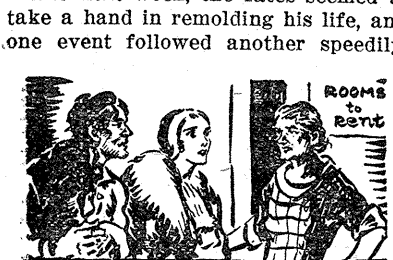
The clerk smiled. "This job is driving a truck for the construction company at Millburg. The truck carries explosives for their dynamiting."

For two days Ross drove the truck. Saturday night he received his two days' pay and hurried to 30 East street, paid the grim landlady rent for another week, and talked for one long happy hour with the girl he had vowed to aid. Her eyes had improved a little, and under his quiet determination she agreed to rest during the coming week.

"I—I don't see why you are so good to me," she said hesitatingly at parting.

Her hand sought his. "But—your voice out of the darkness—I know! O, I know!"

The next week, the fates seemed to take a hand in remodeling his life, and one event followed another speedily.



He looked up from his line to see his father's fur-coated figure and hear him say:

"Lad, one of my engineer friends here spotted you and told me. It's almost Christmas. I feel that I have been unjust to you—but won't you come home?"

Ross' mind lingered on the word "Christmas," and he said simply, "I will—if I can bring some one with me. No, not my wife, but a girl I hope to make my wife."

So it came about that one eventful evening Ross bent over a pale, flower-like face and looked into dark eyes to which a great city physician had brought the blessing of sight; and she said:

"Dear, what a dream it seems! This beautiful home—and you with me! And just a few weeks ago, you and I down—"

"In the depths, sweetheart. I began to climb out the moment I saw you that night."

"And you took me with you—the chime of far-away bells broke into her words with distant music—'what are those bells?' she asked wonderingly.

He touched her lips with his. "Christmas bells, little girl, ringing out the old for us—forever!"

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS—TUSCOLA COUNTY.

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Aug. 15, 1931 Roy A. Haines, bridges	A-2084	1,000.00
Aug. 15, 1931 Roy A. Haines, bridges	A-2085	600.00
Sept. 5, 1931 C. L. Denton, Insp.	A-2112	12.00
Sept. 12, 1931 Robert Gildart, help survey	A-2113	2.50
Sept. 12, 1931 E. G. Wilsey, bridges	A-2122	500.00
June, 31 W. H. Fitzgerald, plank	A-2021	58.00
June, 1930 J. & E. Proctor, con.	A-2024	500.00
June, 1930 J. & E. Proctor, con.	A-2030	500.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 4,894.50
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 2,091.34

N. W. DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand		\$ 1,830.51
Orders paid:		
Oct. 18, 1930 Bernard Bauer, cleaning brush	A-1680	\$ 20.25
Dec. 6, 1930 D. F. Lincoln, levelling	A-1770	732.90
Dec. 6, 1930 Albert Campbell, levelling and cutting brush	A-1771	473.33
Dec. 6, 1930 Bernard Bauer, cleaning and brushing....	A-1772	323.70
Dec. 9, 1930 F. W. Cutts, help survey	A-1786	4.50
Jan. 21, 1931 Albert Campbell, levelling and burning brush	A-1880	163.40
Jan. 31, 1931 Howard Beyette, work on drain	A-1889	3.00
Apr. 4, 1931 Horace Lynn, help survey	A-1940	4.50
May 16, 1931 Jacob Bauer, cleaning	A-1983	6.00
July 11, 1931 R. W. Black, cutting brush	A-2051	10.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 1,743.58
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 86.93

NORRINGTON DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$	75.46
Orders paid:		
Sept. 19, 1931 M. Hornbacker, H. Com. brushing	A-2137	33.54
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand	\$	41.92

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand \$ 41.92

O. H. R. DRAIN.

Nov. 6, 1930 Kingston Lumber Yd., lumber, cement, paper	A-1709	9.91
Dec. 29, 1930 Frank Rossman, repairing	A-1838	184.05
Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid		\$ 193.96
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand		21.21

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 193.96
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 31.21

PARKS DRAIN.

Dec. 6, 1930 Samuel Sherk, help survey	A-1773	3.00
Feb. 6, 1930 Wm. B. Hicks, help survey	A-1898	3.00
Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid		\$ 6.00
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand		61.71

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 6.00
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 61.71

PURDY DRAIN.

Nov. 8, 1930 J. L. Purdy, cleaning	A-1713	21.00
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand		84.89
PHELPS LAKE DRAIN.		
Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand		\$ 1,098.14

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 84.89

PHELPS LAKE DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 830.00
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand	268.14
PEDLOW DRAIN.	
Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 9,014.77

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Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 268.14

PEDLOW DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 9,014.77
Orders paid:	
Sept. 1, 1931 Mary E. Hess, for pipe	50.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total receipts \$ 9,064.77

Oct. 4, 1930 Cassius Underwood, bridges	A-1655	346.19
Oct. 18, 1930 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1682	50.00
Oct. 18, 1930 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1683	50.00
Oct. 18, 1930 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1684	100.00
Nov. 3, 1930 Millington Herald, pub.	A-1706	36.45
Nov. 8, 1930 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1716	200.00
Nov. 8, 1930 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1717	100.00
Dec. 9, 1930 Tuscola Co. Abstract Co., searchers	A-1779	2.00
Dec. 12, 1930 L. J. Hossier, auto and help	A-1791	4.50
Dec. 20, 1930 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1813	200.00
Dec. 20, 1930 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1814	100.00
Dec. 20, 1930 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1815	100.00
Dec. 20, 1930 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1816	100.00
Dec. 20, 1930 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1817	100.00
Dec. 20, 1930 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1818	100.00
Dec. 23, 1930 Tuscola Co. Advertiser, printing	A-1824	21.25
Dec. 29, 1930 R. F. Squires, services	A-1837	10.00
Jan. 5, 1931 Francis Eng. Co., survey	A-1850	32.25
Feb. 26, 1931 Francis Eng. Co., restaking	A-1907	12.05
April, 1931 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1942	300.00
May 2, 1931 Francis Eng. Co., Eng.	A-1955	27.88
May 2, 1931 Frank Yeager & Son, steel	A-1961	65.80
May 2, 1931 Frank Yeager & Son, steel	A-1962	69.75
May 9, 1931 Cassius Underwood, bridges	A-1971	875.00
May 9, 1931 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1975	137.50
May 9, 1931 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1976	200.00
May 9, 1931 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1977	200.00
May 22, 1931 Francis Eng. Co., Insp.	A-1986	27.24
May 23, 1931 E. W. Brainard, H. Com. levelling and filling	A-1988	31.25
May 27, 1931 James Rapley, trucking	A-1994	37.00
June 5, 1931, Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-2004	500.00
July 2, 1931 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-2042	500.00
July 2, 1931 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-2047	81.75
July 20, 1931 Cassius Underwood, bridges	A-2055	300.00
Aug. 15, 1931 Francis Eng. Co., Insp.	A-2082	25.00
Aug. 22, 1931 U. S. Bridge & Culvert Co., pipe	A-2088	118.60
Aug. 22, 1931 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-2090	200.00
Aug. 22, 1931 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-2091	300.00
Aug. 22, 1931 E. W. Brainard, H. Com., levelling and oversewing	A-2092	207.25
Aug. 22, 1931 Cassius Underwood, bridges	A-2094	65.00
Aug. 22, 1931 Cassius Underwood, bridges	A-2095	500.00
Aug. 22, 1931 Cassius Underwood, bridges	A-2096	500.00
Aug. 22, 1931 Cassius Underwood, bridges	A-2097	400.00
Aug. 22, 1931 Cassius Underwood, bridges	A-2098	186.41
Aug. 22, 1931 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-2100	300.00
Aug. 22, 1931 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-2101	237.50

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 8,058.62
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 1,006.15

RUMPH DRAIN.

Dec. 23, 1930 Tuscola Co. Advertiser, printing	A-1824	21.25
Dec. 29, 1930, R. F. Squires, services	A-1837	10.00
Jan. 5, 1931 Francis Eng. Co., survey	A-1850	32.25
Feb. 26, 1931 Francis Eng. Co., restaking	A-1907	13.05
April, 1931 Wylie or Anna Nickless, con.	A-1942	300.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand \$ 18.38

RICHVILLE AND BRANCHES DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 153.39
Int. from Reese Bank	272.64

Oct. 1, 1931 Total receipts \$ 426.03

Nov. 28, 1930 E. G. Wilsey, culvert pipe	A-1744	8.66
Jan. 3, 1931 John Mayer, levelling on Trunk Line	A-1841	27.00
March 14, 1931 Carl Aurnhammer, ext. footings of bridge	A-1929	30.00
June 9, 1931 Co. of Tuscola, recording	A-2007	136.10
Aug. 29, 1931 John Hecht, cutting weeds	A-2108	2.50

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 204.26
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 221.77

STEWART DRAIN.

overseeing	A-2092	207.25
Aug. 22, 1931 Cassius Underwood, bridges	A-2094	65.00
Aug. 22, 1931 Cassius Underwood, bridges	A-2095	500.00
Aug. 22, 1931 Cassius Underwood, bridges	A-2096	500.00
Aug. 22, 1931 Cassius Underwood, bridge	A-2097	500.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand \$ 40.59

SLAFTER EXTENSION DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 8,058.62
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand	1,006.15
RUMPH DRAIN.	
Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 21.02

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 295.65
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 42.88

STREETER DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand	\$ 18.38
RICHVILLE AND BRANCHES DRAIN.	
Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 153.39
Int. from Reese Bank	272.64

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand \$ 19.88

SCHEMM DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 19.88
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Orders paid:

Oct. 24, 1930 Guy G. Hill, probate fees	A-1693	1.00
Oct. 30, 1930 Carl Keinath, Bd. of Det.	R- 669	3.55
Oct. 30, 1930 L. D. Haines, Bd. of Det.	R- 671	4.03
Oct. 30, 1930 Richard Hascall, Bd. of Det.	R- 673	3.55
Dec. 9, 1930 Tuscola Co. Pioneer-Times, pub.	A-1778	6.15
Jan. 13, 1931 Francis Eng. Co., survey	R- 691	65.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 83.28
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance overdrawing 63.40

SELLERS DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 91.88
Nov. 29, 1930 C. A. Thomas	520.00
Oct. 1, 1931 Assessment	250.00
C. A. Thomas	250.00

Oct. 1, 1931, Total receipts \$ 1,461.88

Orders paid:

Dec. 1, 1930 J. & E. Proctor, cleaning outlet	A-1759	600.00
Dec. 13, 1930 J. & E. Proctor, cleaning outlet	A-1794	91.88
Dec. 24, 1930 J. & E. Proctor, cleaning outlet	A-1829	308.12
June 24, 1931 Jahr & Likens, recleaning drain	A-2032	450.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 1,450.00
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand 11.88

STATE AND BRANCHES DRAIN.

Jan. 10, 1931	Curtis Hunt, surveying	R- 690	125.00
Jan. 31, 1931	Curtis Hunt, surveying	R- 693	50.00
March 5, 1931	Curtis Hunt, surveying	R- 695	50.00
Feb. 14, 1931	Curtis Hunt, surveying	R- 694	150.00
April 1, 1931	Leonard Bell, brushing	R- 698	18.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid \$ 716.75

SHEBOYGAN AND BRANCHES DRAIN.

April 22, 1931 Otto Ewald, help survey	R- 704	68.75
May 2, 1931 Leonard Bell, brushing	R- 705	22.00
May 28, 1931 Clifford Denton, survey	R- 706	40.00
May 3, 1931 Robert Jewell, help survey	R- 707	8.00

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Feb. 11, 1931 Peterson & Simmons	1,403.57
Feb. 11, 1931 Frank Sugden & Son	1,050.32
Feb. 11, 1931 Francis Eng. Co.	1,116.26
Mar. 2, 1931 Neil McCallum	9.90
Mar. 2, 1931 W. C. Streeter, gravel, labor, etc.	134.56
Mar. 2, 1931 Murray & Fremont, con.	1,655.99
Mar. 2, 1931 Peterson & Simmons, con.	155.00
Mar. 2, 1931 Wm. Fitzgerald, plank	981.00
Mar. 2, 1931 Frank Sugden & Son	1,962.14
Mar. 2, 1931 Tuscola Co. Treas., tax on M. C. R. R.	7,378.00
Mar. 2, 1931 Francis Eng. Co., services	240.68
April 17, 1931 Marion Steadman, clerk	5.00
April 17, 1931 Co. Treas., Tus. Co., recording & clerk hire	1,651.70
April 17, 1931 Roland Kern, legal advice	63.00
April 17, 1931 Neil McAulen, work on bridges	65.10
April 17, 1931 Co. Treas. Huron Co., interest	30.34
April 17, 1931 Peterson & Simmons	7,029.46
April 17, 1931 V. J. Streeter, lights and labor	293.50
April 17, 1931 Francis Eng. Co.	384.17
April 17, 1931 John Kavanagh	500.00
May 12, 1931 Murray & Fremont, con.	3,581.69
May 12, 1931 Kavanagh Bros., con.	1,591.89
May 12, 1931 Co. Treas., Tuscola Co., int. on bonds	14,400.00
May 12, 1931 Kavanagh Bros.	400.00
May 12, 1931 Francis Eng. Co.	279.03
June 16, 1931 Fred Finkbinder, ins.	176.33
June 16, 1931 W. J. Streeter, lights and oil	244.53
June 16, 1931 Francis Eng. Co.	283.58
June 16, 1931 Murray & Fremont	8,242.90
June 16, 1931 Kavanagh Bros.	5,404.82
June 16, 1931 Stafford & Barnes	60.75
June 16, 1931 Neil McAulen, T. bridge	57.05
July 14, 1931 Francis Eng. Co.	200.93
July 14, 1931 Kelsey Curry, T. bridge	25.00
July 14, 1931 Kavanagh Bros.	4,509.35
July 14, 1931 Murray & Fremont	6,272.87
July 14, 1931 L. C. Brady, Insp.	30.25
July 14, 1931 John Kennedy, Insp.	13.10
Aug. 12, 1931 Frank Yeager	14,573.45
Aug. 26, 1931 Fred Finkbinder, Insp.	217.00
Aug. 26, 1931 Marcus Haug, T. bridge	22.00
Aug. 26, 1931 John J. Kennedy, Insp. and posting	22.50
Aug. 26, 1931 Murray & Fremont, bridges	7,611.50
Aug. 26, 1931 Kavanagh Bros.	6,448.84
Aug. 26, 1931 Francis Eng. Co.	310.69
Aug. 26, 1931 F. Yeager Bridge and Culvert Co.	141.59

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$360,293.00
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand	14,694.78

SOUTHGATE DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 888.96
April 15, 1931 Earl Bentel	435.00
April 18, 1931 Earl Bentel	115.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total receipts	\$ 1,438.96
Orders paid:	
April 22, 1931 Frank Sugden & Son, cleaning	A-1948 \$ 500.00
May 16, 1931 Frank Sugden & Son, cleaning	A-1984 600.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 1,100.00
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand	338.96

TALLMAN DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 52.69
Orders paid:	
Oct. 9, 1930 Frank L. Macomber, Bd. of Det.	R- 657 7.10
Oct. 10, 1930 Kingston Enterprise, Pub.	R- 659 3.85
Oct. 15, 1930 S. W. Morrison, Bd. of Det.	R- 660 7.74
Jan. 7, 1931 Neil H. Burns, Bd. of Det.	A-1857 6.12

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 24.81
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand	27.88

TERRY DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance of orders paid	\$ 154.63
Orders paid:	
Dec. 9, 1930 Caro Lumber Yard, stakes	R- 685 4.04

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 158.67
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TERRY ALLEN DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 1,182.44
Oct. 1, 1931 Re-assessment	200.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total receipts	\$ 1,382.44
Orders paid:	
Oct. 4, 1930 E. G. Wilsey, culvert pipe	A-1661 123.25
Oct. 10, 1930 Moore Telephone Co., moving poles	A-1666 10.50
Oct. 14, 1930 Chas. A. Elmore, con.	A-1674 159.26
Oct. 14, 1930 Chas. A. Elmore, con.	A-1675 200.00
Oct. 25, 1930 Eddie Wisenbach, filling in bridge	A-1700 20.00
Nov. 1, 1930 Eddie Wisenbach, extra riprap fill	A-1703 3.00
Nov. 28, 1930 Mrs. Zella Peterhans, replacing bridge	A-1742 25.00
Dec. 4, 1930 E. G. Wilsey, bridges	A-1747 624.06
Dec. 6, 1930 Arthur Sayers, help survey and moving earth	A-1764 18.50
Dec. 9, 1930 E. S. Terry, help survey	A-1777 7.50
Dec. 9, 1930 E. S. Terry, tile and insp.	A-1780 23.50
Jan. 10, 1931 Chester Hutchinson, levelling	A-1784 54.90
Sept. 31, 1931 Mrs. Geo. Choate, error assessing	A-1865 5.00
	A-2131 81.50

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 1,300.97
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand	81.47

TUTTLEVILLE DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 56.84
Oct. 1, 1930 Re-assessment	200.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total receipts	\$ 256.84
Orders paid:	
March 4, 1931 Chas. Ziegler, H. Com., cleaning brush	A-1918 140.41
Mar. 4, 1931 Chas. Ziegler, overseeing	A-1920 10.00
Sept. 19, 1931 M. Hornbacker, H. Com., brushing	A-2136 58.81

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 204.22
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand	52.62

WITHEY DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 45.57
Orders paid:	
June 13, 1931 Bert M. Perry, Bd. of Det.	A-2018 7.35
June 25, 1931 Geo. McArthur, Bd. of Det.	A-2034 6.90
June 25, 1931 James Osburn, Bd. of Det.	A-2035 5.00
July 25, 1931 Peter Harmon, help survey	A-2041 5.90
Aug. 6, 1931 Guy G. Hill, probate fees	A-2063 7.50
Aug. 20, 1931 Peter Harmon, help survey	A-2070 1.00
Sept. 18, 1931 C. I. Denton, survey	A-2087 7.50
	R- 719 116.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 157.15
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance overdrown	111.58

WISCOGGIN AND BRANCHES DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1930 Balance on hand	\$ 139.64
Orders paid:	
Aug. 22, 1931 Ed Cütler, brushing	A-2093 10.00
Sept. 19, 1931 M. Hornbacker, breakwater	A-2141 80.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 90.00
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand	49.64

WALKER HAYES DRAIN.

Oct. 1, 1930 Re-assessment	\$ 500.00
Oct. 1, 1931 Re-assessment	125.00

Oct. 1, 1931 Total receipts	\$ 625.00
Orders paid:	
Dec. 22, 1930 W. H. Cook, damages for F. post	A-1822 32.90
Mar. 4, 1931 Chas. Ziegler, H. Com., cleaning	A-1916 339.70
Mar. 4, 1931 Chas. Ziegler, overseeing	A-1922 25.00
Mar. 25, 1931 Chas. Ziegler, bal. for brushing	A-1935 4.25
Sept. 18, 1931 M. Hornbacker, H. Com., brushing	A-2133 97.40

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 499.25
Oct. 1, 1931 Balance on hand	125.75

YOIST DRAIN

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 4.33
Orders paid:	
June 13, 1931 E. A. Dillon, Bd. of Det.	R- 708 4.33
June 13, 1931 Audley Rawson, Bd. of Det.	R- 710 5.29
June 13, 1931 James B. Dietz, Bd. of Det.	R- 712 4.62
Aug. 6, 1931 Guy G. Hill, probate fees	R- 715 1.00
Sept. 5, 1931 C. I. Denton, profile and insp.	R- 718 44.00
Sept. 24, 1931 Thomas A. Scott, help survey	R- 720 2.50

Oct. 1, 1931 Total orders paid	\$ 61.74
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All of which is respectfully submitted.

Dated at Caro, Michigan, this 6th day of October, A. D. 1931.

CONRAD MUELLER,
County Drain Commissioner of the County of Tuscola.

Motion made by Supervisor Morrison and supported by Supervisor Purdy that the report of the Drain Commissioner be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Keinath and supported by Supervisor Heckroth that each supervisor give the Drain Commissioner their honest support and co-operation in laying out and cleaning all drains in the county. Motion carried.

Mr. Warner of Cass City addressed the board on the purchase of gravel. Motion made by Supervisor Heckroth and supported by Supervisor Whittenburg that the communication of Mr. Warner be referred to the committee on roads and bridges. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Freeland and supported by Supervisor VanWagnen that we recess until one-thirty o'clock this afternoon. Motion carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry. Quorum present.

Supervisor Morrison, chairman of committee on County officers' claims reported as follows: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Tuscola County, Gentlemen: Your committee on County officers' claims beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the following claims and recommend that they be allowed as follows: Claims from No. 1 to No. 33 except No. 5 which was held. Motion made by Supervisor Noble and supported by Supervisor Whittenburg that the report be accepted and the clerk be instructed to draw warrants for the several amounts as recommended by the committee. Motion carried.

The clerk then read the following recommendations: To the Honorable Board of supervisors, Gentlemen: We, the undersigned submit our estimate of money to be raised by taxation for the general fund for the year 1932.

Births and Deaths \$ 1,000
Circuit Court Stenog. 1,800
Jurors and Witnesses 2,500
Contingent 50,000
County Officers' Salaries 20,000
State Institutions 10,000
Janitor's Salary 1,200
Office Expense and Supplies 2,000
Circuit Court 6,000
Mothers' Pensions 20,000
Justice Court 1,000
Insurance 1,000
County Normal 1,100

Total \$117,600

All of which is respectfully submitted.

GUY N. ORMES, Clerk.
ORLO J. MCDURMON, Treas.

Motion made by Supervisor Keinath and supported by Supervisor Heckroth that the report of the County Clerk and Treasurer be accepted and referred to the committee on ways and means. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Whittenburg and supported by Supervisor Deitz that we adjourn until Monday morning at nine o'clock. Motion carried.

Bert M. Perry, Chairman.
Guy N. Ormes, Clerk.

OCTOBER 19, 1931.

County Building, Caro, Michigan, Oct. 19th, 1931.

An adjourned session of the Board of Supervisors of Tuscola County was continued and held at the County Road Commissioners Building on Monday the 19th day of October, 1931. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Perry.

The chairman appointed S. W. Morrison to act as clerk.

Roll was called and the following supervisors responded: Heckroth, Whittenburg, Miller, Dillon, Morrison, Keinath, Rawson, Deitz, Perry, McAlpine, Haas, Noble, Purdy, Higgins, Osburn, Burns, VanWagnen, McArthur, Haines, Lewis, Freeland, Macomber, McFarlane.

County Clerk's record book not being in the building, reading of the minutes postponed until afternoon.

There was a committee present from the Taxpayers' Protective League. Dr. O. G. Johnson, president of this league addressed the board followed by J. L. Purdy. Both asked the board to do all in their power to reduce the amount raised this year to the lowest possible sum. Mr. Purdy spoke in favor of going ahead with the building of the courthouse, but the amount now in the courthouse fund.

Roy Haines spoke in favor of keeping within the amount of money now on hand in the courthouse fund also urged that the County Officers voluntarily accept a reduction in wages for the good of the taxpayers. He also urged doing away with the County Agricultural Agent. Arthur Tonkin addressed the board stating that the League was only trying to be fair and had no quarrel with the board.

Ed. Dyer addressed the board expressing confidence in the judgment of the supervisors in handling the tax situation. A general discussion was indulged in, which resulted in a better understanding of general affairs of the county.

Harry Lane spoke and presented figures favorable to retaining the County Agricultural Agent.

Motion made by Supervisor Noble and supported by Supervisor Haines that we adjourn until one-thirty o'clock this afternoon. Motion carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry. Quorum present.

Dr. Morris, of Cass City addressed the board in behalf of the Children's Aid society.

Motion made by Supervisor Morrison and supported by Supervisor Lewis that the communication of Dr. Morris be made a special order for Tuesday afternoon, October 20th. Motion carried.

Supervisor Burns, chairman of committee on claims and accounts reported as follows: To the Honorable

Board of Supervisors, Gentlemen: Your committee on claims and accounts beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the following claims and recommend that they be allowed as follows: Claims No. 35 to 63 and claim No. 18. Motion made by Supervisor Heckroth and supported by Supervisor Whittenburg that the report of the committee be accepted and the clerk be instructed to draw warrants for the several amounts as recommended by the committee. Motion carried.

Supervisor Whittenburg, chairman of committee on rejected tax reported as follows: Mr. Chairman, To the Honorable Board of Supervisors: Your committee on rejected tax would submit the following items of rejected tax for the various townships and villages for your approval, consideration and disposition according to the official records on file in the office of the County Treasurer.

TOWNSHIPS

Akron	\$ 371.82
Albera	431.59
Arbela	245.70
Columbia	225.50
Dayton	16.72
Denmark	78.28
Elkland	33.56
Ellington	196.30
Elmwood	62.45
Fairgrove	134.07
Fremont	276.45
Gilford	302.07
Indianfields	2,287.11
Junata	55.33
Kingston	211.11
Koylton	452.11
Millington	580.41
Novesta	29.80
Tuscola	461.16
Vassar	175.44
Watertown	473.83
Wells	262.49
Wisner	150.48
Total	\$7,414.98

VILLAGES

Vassar	\$ 72.61
Reese	14.00
Kingston	16.16
Akron	25.50
Fairgrove	22.58
Caro	238.99
Mayville	35.88
Total	\$428.72

Committee.

ARTHUR WHITTENBURG,
CARL KEINATH,
ROBT MACFARLANE.

Motion made by Supervisor VanWagnen and supported by Supervisor Dillon that the report of the committee on rejected tax be accepted and referred to the committee on ways and means. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Heckroth and supported by Supervisor Purdy that the Hunter Bill be referred to the County Drain Commissioner. Motion carried.

Caro, Michigan, October 12, 1931

To the Hon. Board of Supervisors, Tuscola County, Michigan.

Whereas: The income of all taxpayers in the county have been reduced to a point where serious disaster is impending.

And Whereas: The cost of county activities has been increasing with each year at an alarming extent.

And Whereas: This expense can no longer be met by a large majority of the tax payers.

Therefore Be It Resolved: That the Tuscola County Taxpayers' Protective association request your Honorable Body to eliminate all activities by the county that can be dispensed with, without seriously interfering with the proper functioning of the county government, and to reduce to a minimum the expense of all departments until the present emergency is passed.

And Be Further Resolved: That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Chairman and read to your Honorable Body.

MERRITT MOORE, Sec'y.

Motion made by Supervisor Dillon and supported by Supervisor Keinath that the resolutions presented by the Tuscola County Taxpayers League be received and placed on file. Motion carried.

Robert Brown, secretary of the Poor Commissioners reported as follows: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Tuscola County, Michigan, Gentlemen: In compliance with the law, we the undersigned Superintendents of the Poor of said county do hereby submit our annual report for the year ending September 30th, 1931.

The amount provided for the poor fund by your Honorable Body at the October Session for the year 1930, was the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000).

The amount of the previous year was overdrawn to the amount of Twenty-six Thousand, Four Hundred Ninety-six Dollars and sixty-nine Cents, (\$26,496.29). Cash paid the County Treasurer by the Superintendents of the Poor during the year, Seven Thousand Two Hundred ninety-eight Dollars and Sixty-nine Cents (\$7,298.69).

Leaving a total in said fund of Twenty Thousand, Eight Hundred Two Dollars and Forty Cents, (\$20,802.40).

Orders drawn on the poor fund for the past year were for the following purposes: Medical attendance and medicine, hospitalization, funeral expenses and temporary relief. The amount furnished to the several townships for the different purposes were as follows:

Twps. Med. Hos, etc. Tem. Re. Total	
Akron	\$1,598.25 \$ 584.85 \$2,183.10
Albera	426.80 56.14 482.94
Arbela	280.40 175.44 455.84
Columbia	365.00 163.33 528.33
Dayton	164.50 617.35 781.85
Denmark	692.56 578.55 1,271.11
Elkland	291.00 617.69 908.69
Ellington	276.66 545.95 822.71
Elmwood	325.15 604.39 929.54
Fairgrove	1,340.85 602.24 1,943.09
Fremont	1,163.25 1,278.82 2,442.07
Gilford	352.00 1,278.26 1,630.26
Indianfields	3,262.61 3,800.52 7,063.13
Junata	168.49 1,289.95 1,458.44
Kingston	308.30 547.38 855.68
Koylton	304.00 265.63 569.63
Millington	1,234.65 623.55 1,858.20
Novesta	76.50 300.78 377.28
Tuscola	101.30 349.35 450.65
Vassar	1,839.85 1,323.90 3,163.75
Watertown	494.75 413.47 908.22
Wells	707.10 230.29 937.39

Wisner	871.35	291.31	1,162.66
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Total 16,645.82 16,523.24 33,169.06

County Farm Expense.

Med'l attend, drugs, fun'l exp., etc.	\$ 1,145.41
Clothing and bedding	1,174.50
Fuel	714.40
Food and provisions	3,653.67
Soap and disinfectants	268.94
Gasoline and oil	225.33
Furn., household sup.	300.06
Repairs and upkeep	818.23
Farm expense	1,403.66
Miscellaneous	11.23
Keeper's salary and wages	3,218.10

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ber 1st, 1930 to October 1st, 1931:

Project	No. Days
Soils	14.0
Farm Crops	70.3
Horticulture	10.3
Forestry	1.6
Animal Husbandry	15.1
Dairy Husbandry	35.9
Poultry	7.4
Rural Engineering	58.3
Art Economics	5.1
Foods	4.6
Nutrition	9.9
Clothing	59.0
Home Management	213.9
Community Activities	76.1
Days in Field	437
Days in Office	168
Farm and Home Visits	332
Ext. Com. Meetings	30
Attendance	1000
Method Demonstrations	153
Attendance	5942
Result Demonstrations	230
Attendance	7442
Total meetings	2400
Bulletins distributed	72
Articles Published	755
Personal Letters	53
Circular Letters	9772
Circulars Mailed	1311
Calls on agent	820
Telephone Calls	157
Days Specialist	101
Evening Meetings	305
Office Open	

Total farm visits, attendance at meetings, bulletins distributed, personal and circular letters, office calls, telephone calls, 22,957.
D. B. JEWELL,
County Agricultural Agent.
Motion made by Supervisor Keinath and supported by Supervisor Morrison that the report of the County Agricultural Agent be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.
Motion made by Supervisor VanWagnen and supported by Supervisor Osburn that we adjourn until one-thirty this afternoon. Motion carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry. Quorum present.
Mr. Ballard of Lansing addressed the board in regard to continuing the Agricultural Extension work in the county. Mr. Campbell, of Cass City also spoke and Mr. McComb of Caro. Supervisor Burns, chairman of committee on claims and accounts reported as follows: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, of Tuscola County, Gentlemen: Your committee on claims and accounts beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the following claims and recommend that they be allowed as follows: Claims No. 32 to 74 inclusive. Motion made by Supervisor Dillon and supported by Supervisor Rawson that the report of the committee on claims and accounts be accepted and the clerk be instructed to draw warrants for the several amounts as recommended by the committee. Motion carried.
Supervisor Lewis, of Vassar township nominated Commissioner Schulz as chairman of the unemployment commission. A vote was taken and Mr. Schulz was unanimously elected. The chairman of the board then appointed the whole board as members of this commission.
Supervisor Heckroth and Keinath asked to be excused from tomorrow morning's session, there being no objections they were excused.
Motion made by Supervisor Whit-

tenburg and supported by Supervisor Noble that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine-thirty. Motion carried.

BERT M. PERRY, Chairman,
GUY N. ORMES, Clerk.

OCTOBER 22nd, 1931

The annual session of the Board of Supervisors was continued and held at the County Road Commissioners' Building, in the Village of Caro on Thursday, the twenty-second of October, 1931.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry.
Roll called and the following Supervisors responded: Heckroth, Whitteburg, Miller, Dillon, Morrison, Keinath, Rawson, Dietz, Perry, McAlpine, Haas, Noble, Purdy, Higgins, Osburn, Burns, VanWagnen, McArthur, Haines, Lewis, Freeland, Macomber, McFarlane.
Minutes of previous session read and approved as read.

Motion made by Supervisor Rawson that we, the Supervisors take a ten per cent cut in wages for this session of the board, supported by Supervisor McArthur. Motion carried.
The board took up the matter of elections which had been made a special order. Motion made by Supervisor Purdy and supported by Supervisor VanWagnen that Robert Brown be nominated to succeed himself as Superintendent of the Poor. Motion made by Supervisor Lewis and supported by Supervisor Miller that the rules be suspended and the clerk be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of the board for Robert Brown for the Superintendent of the Poor. The vote was cast and Robert Brown was declared elected Superintendent of the Poor for the term of three years.

Motion made by Supervisor Purdy and supported by Supervisor Lewis that Nettie Schall be nominated to succeed herself for School Examiner for the ensuing term. Motion made by Supervisor Dillon and supported by Supervisor Osburn that the rules be suspended and the clerk be instructed to cast the unanimous vote of the board for Nettie Schall. Motion carried. The vote was cast and the chairman declared Nettie Schall elected as School Examiner for the ensuing term.

Chairman Perry called for a report of committee that attended the meeting of State Tax Equalization. Supervisors Noble, Perry, Burns and Morrison responded.
Motion made by Supervisor Keinath and supported by Supervisor Freeland that we recess until one-thirty this afternoon. Motion carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry. Quorum present.
Supervisor Dillon, chairman of committee to settle with County Drain Commissioner reported as follows: Your committee to settle with the County Drain Commissioner beg leave to report that they have examined the books in the Drain Commissioner's office and find that they agree with the report of the Drain Commissioner previously made this Honorable Body as to the balances in the several drains.

E. A. DILLON,
NEIL H. BURNS,
ROBERT MACFARLANE.

Motion made by Supervisor VanWagnen and supported by Supervisor Higgins that the report of this committee be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

Supervisor Osburn chairman of committee on Agricultural Extension reported as follows: Chairman, To Your Honorable Board of Supervisors: Your committee on extension work beg leave to report that they have had under due consideration, that they appropriate \$1,400 for extension work all of which is respectfully submitted. Signed by the committee.

JAMES OSBURN,
W. T. LEWIS,
WALTER HECKROTH.

Motion made by Supervisor Purdy and supported by Supervisor Keinath that the report of this committee be referred to committee on ways and means. Motion carried.

Supervisor Miller, chairman of committee on County Officers salaries reported as follows: Mr. Chairman, Honorable Board of Supervisors, Gentlemen: Your committee on County Officers salaries report that they have had the same under consideration and would recommend that all mileage of County Officers and Deputies receiving mileage be reduced to five (5) cents per mile, also that the Deputy Drain Commissioner receive Four (\$4.00) per day and that the extra clerk be discontinued in that office. We would further recommend that the salary of clerks in the County Treasurer's, County Clerk's, Judge of Probate's and County Commissioner of Schools' offices be reduced to One Thousand (\$1,000.00) Dollars per year. All to take effect January 1st, 1932.

EDMUND MILLER,
HENRY VANWAGNEN,
GEORGE FREELAND.

Motion made by Supervisor Burns and supported by Supervisor MacFarlane that the report be accepted and adopted. Motion carried.
The committee on ways and means were asked to report on their decision on Agricultural Extension so as to expedite the final report.

Supervisor McArthur, chairman of committee on ways and means reported as follows: Board of Supervisors of Tuscola County, Gentlemen: Your committee on ways and means beg leave to report that the appropriation for Agricultural Extension is hereby referred back to the board without recommendation. Signed,
GEORGE MCARTHUR,
JAMES DIETZ,
S. W. MORRISON.

Motion made by Supervisor Freeland and supported by Supervisor Miller that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Keinath and supported by Supervisor MacFarlane that we raise Five Hundred (\$500.00) Dollars for Agricultural Extension work in the county. Extension work to be directed only by the Agricultural Extension committee of the Board of Supervisors. A ye and

nay vote was called for, the result being as follows: Yeas—Heckroth, Dillon, Keinath, Rawson, Dietz, Perry, Noble, Purdy, Osburn, VanWagnen, Lewis, MacFarlane, twelve yeas. Nays—Whittenburg, Miller, Morrison, McAlpine, Haas, Higgins, Burns, McArthur, Haines, Freeland, Macomber, eleven nays. The chairman declared the motion carried.

Supervisor McArthur, chairman of committee on ways and means reported the proposed county budget as follows: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Gentlemen: We, the undersigned submit our estimate of money to be raised by taxation, for the general fund for the year 1932.

Births and Deaths	\$ 900
Circuit Court Stenographer	1,800
Jurors and witnesses	2,500
Contingent	42,000
Co. Officers Salaries	15,000
State Institutions	10,000
Janitor's Salary	1,200
Office Exp., supplies	2,000
Circuit Court	6,000
Mothers' Pensions	15,000
Justice Court	1,000
Insurance	1,000
County Normal	1,100
Agricultural Extension	500
Appropriations	600
Poor Fund	50,000
Total	\$150,600

Signed by committee,
GEO. MCARTHUR,
JAMES DIETZ,
S. W. MORRISON.

Motion made by Supervisor Haines and supported by Supervisor Lewis that the report of the committee be accepted and referred to committee on State and County Tax. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Dietz and supported by Supervisor Lewis that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at nine o'clock. Motion carried.
BERT M. PERRY, Chairman,
GUY N. ORMES, Clerk.
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**WORLD WAR
BY "YARNS"
LIEUT. FRANK E. HAGAN**

A Joke on the President

For sturdy hospitality, for unfailing courtesy, the honors must be awarded to men and women of Brittany.

They were the representatives of France who greeted President Wilson with a typically Gallic welcome in the salle de reception on Pier 3, at Brest.

For days before Wilson's arrival the enthusiastic Bretons made ready for his coming. Only one detail was lacking as the big moment drew near—they needed a special emblem to display which would be of peculiar significance to the President.

"Is there not something by which Monsieur Le Presidente sets great store?" they asked.

"Sure," remarked a Yank stevedore working at the pier. "Show the President an elephant of some kind—it's the emblem of his political party."

The only elephant, or picture of one, in Brest was owned by the consul of Siam, the Bretons learned. That official was overjoyed to lend a flag of his native land. It presented a white elephant with gleaming tusks.

So the flag of Siam was hung in the salle de reception of Pier 3. The courteous Bretons smiled. They were ready to acclaim the President of one of their allies. Nothing was lacking to make the affair a huge success.

President Wilson was smiling, too, when he arrived. He walked into the reception room and the first thing he saw, in welcome, was the Siamese emblem. Also the emblem of the G. O. P. (A. 1930, Western Newspaper Union.)

Ladders of Men

"Many times in the course of my reading," states a teacher from Texas to the El Paso Times, "I read that men who have achieved the very pinnacle of success are spoken of as 'lonely men.' How do you account for their loneliness?" "Because," oracles the editor, "they sacrificed too many friends on the way up."

Much to Unlearn

What's the use? You are content in the belief that you know everything, and then you get educated and discover you don't know anything.—Los Angeles Times.

Man's Limitations

Man can fly like a bird, more or less, but he can't keep himself in a singing mood after landing on a barbed wire fence.—Fort Wayne News-Sentinel.

Wise Commandment

If it is not sacrilegious we would paraphrase an injunction and say to the brethren each approaching weekend—remember the Sabbath day, to keep yourself whole.—Toledo Blade.

Seat of Learning

A writer says our greatest educational force is the movies. At one, the other night, we learned that if a new hat is placed on a vacant seat a stranger will come in and sit on it.



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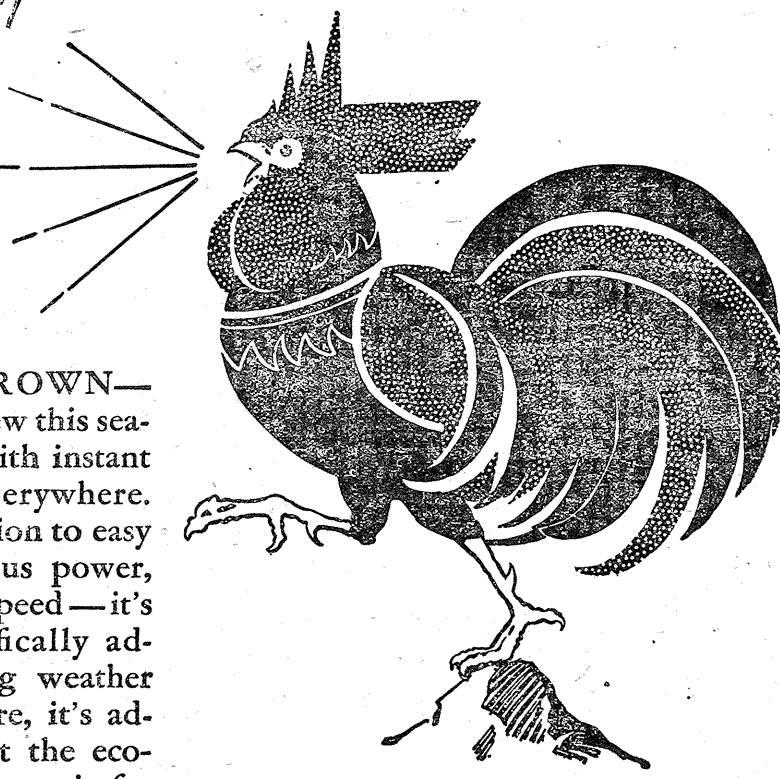
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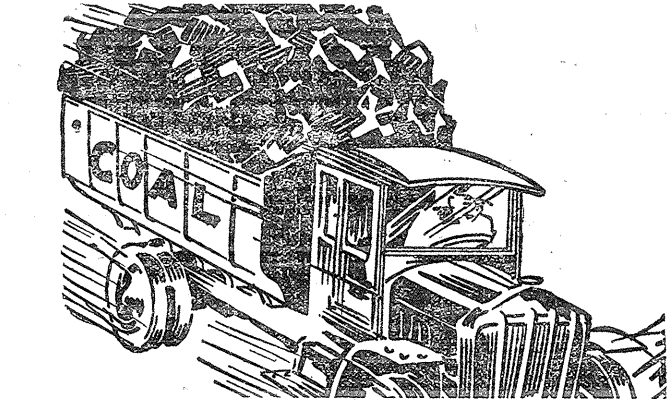
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Auction Sale!!

Having sold my residence in Cass City, I will sell the following personal property at auction in the Opera House Block on West Main St., Cass City, on

Saturday, Dec. 19

Commencing at two o'clock.

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Buffet Hall rack Writing desk and bookrack combined Victrola Bed and two mattresses Kitchen table and chairs Commode 6 dining room chairs 3 rockers Gasoline range 2 trunks 2 traveling bags Table desk with four drawers Cash drawer and desk Electric lamp 2 carpet sweepers Quantity of fruit cans All kinds kitchen utensils Dishes, crocks Coal bucket Wash tub and board Teakettle Flower crocks Bed pan 2 lawn mowers. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scales Slop jar and 2 bedroom pitchers Iron safe Organ Tool chest Garden tools Rake, hoe, spade and shovel Pictures Scoop shovel Number of books Porch swing Stapladder Bedroom mirror 2 griddles Coffee pot Kitchen irons Picture frames Ironing board Quantity of lumber 15-ft. ladder 10-ft. ladder 7 grain bags Other articles too numerous to mention. Will also offer Buick Sedan for sale. |
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TERMS—Amounts of \$10.00 and under, cash; over that amount one year's time on good approved endorsed notes at 6% interest.

P. S. McGregory, Prop.

R. N. McCULLOUGH, Auctioneer.
PINNEY STATE BANK, Clerk.

Anyone desiring to look over this property before the auction may do so at the Opera House Block on Wednesday, 9:30 to 12:00 and 1:30 to 4:00, or Saturday morning before the sale.



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CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS AT LOCAL CHURCHES

Little Folks Look Forward Expectantly to Christmas Festivities.

Local churches are preparing to celebrate the Christmas season with appropriate programs during the coming week and the children are looking forward expectantly to the time of the entertainments.

M. E. Sunday School.

The Methodist Episcopal Sunday School will present the following program at the church Sunday evening, Dec. 20:

Song by Congregation, "Joy to the World."

Responsive Reading

Prayer, followed by the Lord's Prayer

Song by Congregation, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear"

Recitation.....Member Primary Dept.

Song.....Primary Dept.

Vocal Duet, Cressie Steele and Esther Turner

Recitation.....Shirley Beardsley

Vocal Solo.....Veda Bixby

White Gift collection

Recitation.....Clinton Beardsley

Violin Solo.....Thomas Bottrell

Christmas Carol.....Choir

Reading.....Elnora Corpron

Piano Solo.....Delbert Henry

Reading.....Elaine Turner

Song.....Primary Dept.

Christmas Carol.....Choir

Presentation of Gifts

Song by Congregation, "Silent Night, Holy Night"

Benediction.

Evangelical Sunday School.

The Evangelical Sunday School will have their Christmas program at the church Sunday evening, Dec. 20. The following are the numbers to be given:

Selection.....Orchestra

Prayer

Scripture

"Welcome".....Floyd Hiller

"I Do Not Like".....Frances Mark

"A Merry Christmas" Jas. Klinkman

Selection.....Choir

Recitation.....Betty Wood

"The Star in the East".....Alice Anthes

"Christmas Night".....Keith Buehrly

"Thy Candles of the Night" Primary

Song

"Joy".....Three Girls

"Why Santa Laughed" Gerald Kercher

"A Song of Christmas" Harold Creguer

Selection.....Burt and Leonard Elliott

"The Dearest Baby".....Irene Hiller

"The Star and Bible" Russell Striffler

"Christmas Baskets".....Four Girls

"If I Were a Bell".....Three Girls

"A Christmas Wish".....Betty Hower

Reading.....Shirley Lenzner

Selection.....Male Quartet

"A Busy Little Girl" Geraldine Striffler

"Merry Christmas".....Helene Creguer

A Star Drill.....Ten Girls

"Merry, Merry Christmas".....Ruth White

"Silver Music".....Keith Klinkman

Talk.....Rev. Smith

Selection.....Choir

Baptist Sunday School.

The following program has been prepared by the Baptist Sunday School and will be given on Wednesday, Dec. 23:

Song by the School

Prayer.....Rev. Curtis

Music.....Choir

Recitation.....Bobbie Beasrs

Recitation.....Marie Silvernail

Playlet.....Mrs. McArthur's Class

Recitation.....Irene Silvernail

Recitation.....Mary Catherine Brown

"The Wondrous Star" Mrs. Curtis

Class

Recitation.....Ella May Glaspie

Recitation.....George Coulter

Song.....Mrs. McArthur's Class

Recitation.....Kenneth Clement

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Notice to Drivers of M-53.

Sunoco Service Station at Romeo now gives you 24-hour service. Jay Eldred, Prop.—Advertisement 2t.

SHOPPING DIRECTORY.

Shoppers at this time of the year should give more than the usual amount of attention to the advertising that appears in the Chronicle. For the convenience of readers, the names of advertisers of Tuscola county and the page numbers on which their advertising appears are here given.

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STUDENTS EXPECTED HOME FOR THE HOLIDAYS

From Michigan State College at Lansing—Harriet Tindale, Pauline Sandham, Mabel Crandell, Virginia Day, Catherine Hunt, Esther Schell, Barbara Taylor, Evelyn Robinson, Deloris Sandham, Vernita and Lucile Knight, Margaret Landon, Helen Knight, Clifton Heller, Marshal Burt, Donald Schell.

From Central State Teachers' College at Mt. Pleasant—Mildred Karr, Blanch Stafford, Jennie Kloss, Alexandra and Lorna McRae, J. C. Blades, George Bohnsack, Frederick Brown, Caswell-Hunter.

Ypsilanti—Marjorie Boyes and D. L. Bailey.

University of Michigan—Edwin Fritz, Louis Pinney.

North Central College, Naperville, Ill.—Phyllis Lenzner.

Hillsdale College—John Morris.

Wooster College, Wooster, O.—Janet Allured.

HIGH SCHOOL WINS OVER GAGETOWN 38-12

Alumni Will Play the Last Game Before Holidays, Friday, Dec. 18.

Cass City's basketball team opened its season with an easy victory over Gagetown 38-12. The game, though being far from thrilling, still showed flashes of speed and accuracy on the part of the locals. The inability to cash in on short shots kept the score down. The scoring honors were divided between Vyse and Pinney, each gathering six field goals, with Warner a close second with five baskets. Wallace and Ruhl scored one goal apiece.

The second team defeated Gagetown's second team by the score of 16-2.

This Friday alumni will furnish the opposition for the Maroon and Gray, and with such stars as Fred Brown, Curt Hunt, Harry Keeney, "Scotty" McCullough, Lewis Pinney, Caswell Hunter, "Red" Flint, Bohnsack, many of whom are college players, the odds will be greatly in favor of the alumni. A special bargain price of 25c will admit anyone to this contest. This will be the final game before the holidays, after which Caro will be played here on January 5. The showing made against the alumni will undoubtedly greatly determine the possibilities of this year's basketball team.

BOOKS PROVIDE WAY TO CHECK BUSINESS

Accounts Kept by Michigan Farmers Enable Them to Detect Losing Ventures.

The account books of 1,129 Michigan farmers will be checked and closed by members of the farm management department of Michigan State College during the next few weeks, and it will then be possible for the farm operator to compare his income this year against earnings made by farmers who kept accounts during the past two years.

Last year, the 736 books showed that the average operator conducted his business at a loss of \$162 but that, during the same year, one farmer earned \$4,288 while another lost \$6,031.

The number of farmers keeping account books increases each year, and, of the 1,305 who opened books this year, 1,129 have carried their accounts throughout the season and will be able to make a businesslike analysis of their farm operations for the 12 months. The books do not add anything to the farm income, but they permit the operator to diagnose financial troubles before they become incurable.

The account books provide a means of checking the net income from each crop and for each class of livestock. If any of these enterprises are consistently conducted at a loss, the farmer knows which ones to avoid and can plan ways to suit his crop rotations to eliminate the unprofitable ventures.

Land in Family Name 70 Years

Mrs. Robert Cleland has sold 80 acres of land north of Cumber, in Austin township, to Mr. Puraski. The land joins Mr. Puraski's 40 acres and now makes him the owner of a 120 acre tract.

Forty acres of the 80 acres sold by Mrs. Cleland were acquired by her husband, the late Robert Cleland, from the government before the Civil War and has been in the hands of the Cleland family for over 70 years.

GRAND CHAMPION SHEEP SOLD AT \$3 A LB.

Cass City Boys Sold Seven Steers at Detroit Show for \$1,496.40.

Delbert Rawson, who exhibited the grand champion sheep at the Detroit Junior Live Stock show last week, sold the animal, a Southdown, for \$3.00 a pound. The sheep which weighed 100 pounds was purchased for the Christmas trade of G. & R. McMillan Co., a Detroit provision house. This is the second highest price paid for a lamb in the United States in 1931.

Lewis Horner, who exhibited the grand champion steer, sold his Short-horn for \$484.50 and Jim Milligan, who showed the reserve grand champion, sold the Aberdeen Angus for \$360.50. In addition to the above, Horner received \$26.75 in prizes on his animal and Milligan \$24.00 in prize money.

Clayton Moore won second on his Shorthorn steer and Jas. A. Milligan third on his steer of the same breed. Eugene Spencer was awarded second prize on his Hereford steer. All these animals and two Aberdeen Angus steers exhibited by Romney Horner and Geo. Clara were sold. The total received from the sale of the seven steers shown by the seven members of the Cass City Live Stock Association was \$1,496.40 and the total amount received in prize money was \$131.00.

In the sheep exhibit, besides winning grand champion, local boys won the following places at the Junior show: Group of three lambs, 1st, Southdowns, Ralph Rawson. Group of three wethers, Oxford, 2nd, Clinton Helwig. Individual Oxford sheep, 2nd, Clinton Helwig; 4th, Robert Wallace; 5th, Donald Wallace.

In referring to "high spots" of the show, four of the six speakers at the banquet tendered the youthful exhibitors on Wednesday night of last week referred to the sportsmanship of Jim Milligan. Another feature was the sale of the grand champion sheep at \$3.00 a pound.

Heartily Recommends Cass City Musicians

Rev. Merton L. Stevens, pastor of the M. E. church at Millington, writes the Chronicle under date of Dec. 12 as follows:

"At a recent gathering of the church and the community two of your people provided us with some exceptional entertainment. B. A. Elliott and son delighted our people and we greatly enjoyed their playing on the Hawaiian guitars. If at any time you are asked for recommendations concerning these two talented musicians, I would be glad to give them my hearty recommendation."

Resume Radio Talks At College Station

Home economics radio talks which were an important feature of the afternoon's program of Michigan State College's broadcasting station, WKAR, last winter and spring, are to be resumed on Monday, January 4, according to Dr. Marie Dye, dean of home economics.

Foods and nutrition will be the general subject of the first several talks, to be followed by other divisions in the home economics field. Members of the teaching faculty and women connected with the extension department will be speakers on the program, which is to be presented each Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday afternoons during winter and spring terms.

Mrs. Amy Newberg, professor of nutrition, is general chairman of the committee in charge of arranging the programs and is being assisted by Dr. Dye, Miss Edna Smith, state leader of home demonstration agents, Miss Roberta Hershey, Miss Irma H. Gross, and Miss Ethel G. Webb, home economic specialists.

The college station operates on a frequency of 1040 kilocycles and a wave length of 288.3 meters.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS TREE A BEAUTIFUL SIGHT

A perfectly formed and beautiful Christmas tree has been erected at the corner of Main and Seeger Streets under the direction of A. C. Atwell, John May and F. A. Bigelow. On Tuesday, C. U. Brown and Geo. Ackerman added colored lights. The fine tree and the electrical effects make it a beautiful sight at night.

Furs Wanted.

I will be at the Elkland Gas and Oil Co.'s station at Cass City every Saturday until further notice to buy all kinds of furs for cash. Chas. T. Ohmer.—Advertisement 3t.

Cass City Boy's Southdown Lamb Grand Champion at Detroit Show



DELBERT RAWSON

Through the courtesy of the Detroit Free Press, the Chronicle is able to present the above halftone picture of eleven-year-old Delbert Rawson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Audley Rawson of Elkland township, who exhibited the grand champion sheep at the Detroit Junior Live Stock show at Detroit last week.

Delbert had the time of his life at Detroit. He and his fine lamb were prominently placed in the lobby of the Fort Shelby Hotel, Detroit, during the evening after the show where he was interviewed regarding his "farming activities," and particularly his Southdown sheep, by hundreds of people. Delbert had his visitors sign cards with their names and addresses. He brought home cards from 20 different states of the

35 MEN EMPLOYED ON HIGHWAY JOB

Work on Grading East End of M-81 is Progressing Nicely.

Work is progressing nicely on the grading of the east end of M-81 preparatory to paving 3½ miles of this highway next spring. Most of the grading thus far has been done on the ¼ mile stretch east of the Cass river bridge. Grading has also been started west of the intersection of M-81 and M-53. Drainage work is being laid north of the Elkland cemetery and workmen are clearing away stumps and brush in the mile between Elkland cemetery and the river.

Contractor E. B. Schwaderer has a force of 35 men and 24 teams on the job this week.

Grant VanWinkle is superintending the moving of the telephone poles of the Michigan Associated Telephone Co. along the 3½ miles of highway. The poles are being moved 17 feet farther away from the highway.

Thieves Busy in Three Places in Co.

Thieves entered the public school building at Reese, probably Sunday night, and stole a watch belonging to Supt. Carl Strong, about \$5 in change and a sweater belonging to a teacher. Entrance to the school was gained through the laboratory window and every room in the building was ransacked.

When the Jamieson Furniture store at Fairgrove was opened for business Monday, it was discovered that a radio, two clocks, a percolator and electrical supplies had been stolen. The missing property is valued at \$100.00.

Otto Becker, residing near Akron, had his automobile stolen Friday night. It was later found about three miles west of Unionville where it had been stripped and burned.

Sheriff James Kirk is investigating all three cases.

Twp. Treasurers Make Early Payments

Township treasurers in Tuscola county are making early remittances of state and county tax money to the county treasurer this fall. Treasurer McDurmon had received \$4,025.00 up to Wednesday afternoon. Of this amount, \$1,000 were sent by Bertha Brown, Elkland treasurer; \$700 by Ruth Tomlinson, Ellington treasurer; \$600 by Scott McCrea, Almer treasurer; \$500 by Lester Jones, Arbela treasurer; \$425 by Jos. Best, Koylton treasurer; \$800 by Ray Franklin, Kingston treasurer.

Treasurer McDurmon has received this week from County Drain Commissioner Mueller \$2,486.54 in advance payments of drain taxes in the Sebawaing River and Young drains. This amount came from the State Highway Department. Another check of \$7,000.00 came from the county road commissioners' office in advance drain tax payments.

Bachelors Rout Thugs in Battle

Four bachelors living on a farm near Brown City battled three thugs Saturday night which ended with two of the brothers and one of the invaders on the injured list.

Edward Shotwell was wounded at the first burst of fire, Joseph Shotwell was severely beaten, Louis Shotwell, a cripple, was not molested and Fred Shotwell, while in the fight, was not injured.

The three men believed to be from Detroit, apparently had heard neighborhood gossip that the brothers had a large sum of money secreted on the farm. The brothers said the same men visited them a week before under the guise of buying eggs.

It was Joseph Shotwell who put the hoodlums to flight with a pistol loaded with blank cartridges. He pressed it to the chest of one of the invaders and fired twice. He did not know until later that it was loaded with blanks, but the robbers fled to their car and, when it would not start promptly, left on foot.

Advertise it in the Chronicle.

VOLLEY BALL.

Mann's Ramblers took Haven's Rangers by storm with a score of 45 to 14 on Monday night. Kelly's Maroons defeated Wallace's Cubs 45 to 19. Locke's Venders ran up a score of 40 to 28, defeating McConkey's Industrials, while Reid's Athletics scored 45 to 26 against Auten's Tigers.

Standing with a possible 180 points:

	Points	PC
Athletics	173	.961
Ramblers	164	.911
Venders	146	.811
Maroons	143	.794
Industrials	141	.783
Tigers	135	.750
Cubs	121	.672
Rangers	100	.555

COMING AUCTION

P. S. McGregory will have an auction sale of household goods in the opera house block, Cass City, on Saturday, Dec. 19. R. N. McCullough is the auctioneer and the Pinney State Bank, clerk. Full particulars are printed on page 8.

ELECTED SECRETARY BERKSHIRE ASS'N

Cass City Young Man Named Officer in National Society; Starts April 1.

Claude Mitchell, one of the charter members of the pig and calf clubs in the Cass City community, has been elected secretary of the American Berkshire Association. The selection was made on December 1 and Mr. Mitchell takes office on April 1. It is not known where Mr. Mitchell will locate his office, but efforts are being made to have the young man come to Cass City.

Mr. Mitchell, while attending high school at Cass City, became interested in club work and started first in raising Chester White pigs nine years ago. A year later, he bought his first Berkshire pig and has continued his efforts in that line.

Epoch Advance, a Berkshire, bought by Mr. Mitchell from E. J. Barker of Thornton, Ind., and later sold to J. H. Nickel, a prominent breeder of Argonville, Ind., is one of the most famous sires of that breed, it is claimed.

Mr. Mitchell, in recent years, has become associated with Clarence Bullock, a young man of the same neighborhood, in raising Berkshire swine and for four years they have been showing their swine under the name of the Boniberk Farm, at the larger live stock shows.

Mr. Mitchell is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Mitchell and is a senior at Michigan State College. He was a member of the judging teams at the Kansas Royal and International Live Stock shows.

KINAZS GIVEN TERM IN JACKSON PRISON

Saginaw Man Charged With Negligent Homicide Gets 3½ to 15 Years.

John Kinasz, 24, of Saginaw, found guilty on a charge of negligent homicide in Tuscola circuit court on Dec. 8, was brought before Judge Henry H. Smith Friday to receive his sentence. He was sent to the Michigan State Prison at Jackson to serve from 3½ to 15 years.

Kinasz was charged with homicide in connection with the death of Otto Schmitzer, 24, of Birch Run on Nov. 15. Schmitzer suffered a fractured skull when the automobile which Kinasz was driving was ditched on Nov. 13 about three miles east of Cass City. Schmitzer died in a hospital here two days later. Kinasz was charged at the time of his arrest with driving an automobile while intoxicated.

In the appeal case of Jake Suppee vs. Fred Krause heard in circuit court Thursday, the jury brought in a verdict of no cause for action. The case involved a dispute regarding payment for labor done by Suppee in Krause's sugar beet fields.

In the trespass case of Chas. Strohauser vs. Peter Romain, the jury returned a verdict of no cause for action. Attorney Henderson entered a motion for a 60-day stay for notice of a new trial. The motion was granted by the court.

In the trespass case of Harry Kohler vs. Will Ball and Alice Ball, the decision was reserved for ten days that submission of briefs of the attorneys of the respective parties may be made.

Divorce decrees were granted in two cases: Steven Barber Waite vs. Jennie Waite. Mary Juhasz vs. Andrew Juhasz.

Advertise it in the Chronicle.

SECRETARY OF STATE GAVE ADDRESS HERE

Advocated Curtailment in Governmental Expenditures to Reduce Tax Burden.

The December banquet of the Cass City Community Club was held at the high school auditorium Tuesday and was attended by 110 persons. The program was sponsored by the doctors' and dentists' group.

While the sumptuous chicken dinner prepared by ladies of the Presbyterian church was served, the 21-piece high school orchestra under the direction of Miss Reed gave several fine numbers. The program was opened by community singing under the leadership of Dr. I. D. McCoy, Dr. S. B. Young was chairman of the evening and called upon Robert Spencer and H. P. Orr for remarks. Mr. Spencer paid tribute to the pioneer business men of Cass City, and as president of the Holbrook Community Club, expressed the pleasure of members of that society being invited as guests here for the evening. Senator Orr spoke briefly.

The Cass City Male Quartet favored the audience with the selection, "Until the Dawn," as their first number and responded with "Sleep Kentucky Babe" as an encore. Both numbers were exceptionally well rendered. Messrs. Dickerson, Atwell, Landon and McCoy are members of the quartet and Mrs. McCoy is the accompanist.

Dr. I. D. McCoy introduced Frank D. Fitzgerald of Lansing as the speaker of the evening.

Mr. Fitzgerald, in his opening remarks, gave an outline of the procedure a bill undergoes from its introduction into a branch of the legislature until it becomes a law. Mr. Fitzgerald started as a clerk in the secretary of state department 20 years ago and has gradually advanced in the state's employ until he now occupies the office of secretary of state.

"The functions of the administrative board theoretically are a fine thing for the state," he said. "However, much time is taken up with committee work. Nowadays, if a state officer makes his position a real job, Continued on Page 13

Greenleaf Farmer Arrested Thursday

Jesse Stock of Greenleaf township was arrested in Cass City on Thursday afternoon, Dec. 10, by Deputy Sheriff J. A. Caldwell, on a charge of violating the prohibition law. The officer said Stock had two quarts of moonshine in his automobile. Stock was arraigned before U. S. Commissioner Quinn, who ordered Stock to furnish bonds of \$4,000.00 for his appearance for trial in federal court.

When Robert Hormel of Fremont township ran his car into a ditch near his home two miles southwest of Mayville on Dec. 5, the sheriff's office was notified. Officers found that Hormel had been drinking and he was Continued on Page 12

Vassar Woman Dies As Auto Hits Truck

Mrs. Geo. Jacoby, formerly Vena Willet and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Willet of Vassar, was instantly killed one half mile east of Richville at 8 o'clock Saturday night when the car in which she was riding crashed into a truck parked on the pavement without lights.

Mr. Jacoby and Mrs. Willet, who were also in the car, were seriously injured. Their car was demolished. Mrs. Jacoby was employed as a teacher in the school at Silverwood.

JUST A REMINDER.

Have you sent in your money for the Tuberculosis Seals? The need of funds is an urgent one. I am told that eight children will die in our state today because of this dreaded disease. These deaths are preventable, but it takes money, and your few cents will be deeply appreciated by some one.

We have had a wonderful response, having to date \$105.19. We wish to close the campaign Dec. 18 in order to report to the state headquarters. L. D. RANDALL.

EARLY COPY DESIRED FOR NEXT CHRONICLE

The Chronicle will be printed early next week on account of the Christmas holiday.

Correspondents, advertisers and other contributors are urged to send in their copy on or before Monday. Compliance with this request will be greatly appreciated.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Graham spent Monday in Saginaw.

Robert Helmer spent the week-end with his family at Durand.

Charles D. Striffler left Sunday to spend ten days in Detroit on business.

Miss Laverne Hill spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hill, at Holbrook.

Division No. 3 of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. D. E. Turner Wednesday to quilt.

Mrs. A. Doerr, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Doerr and Mrs. Willis Campbell were Bay City visitors Friday.

Carl Robinson of Flint visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Robinson, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Turner of Akron were callers at the Stanley A. Striffler home Sunday afternoon.

John Kercher, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Kercher and son, Gerald, visited relatives and friends in Elkton Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. R. N. McCullough, Mrs. Geo. West and Mrs. John West spent Wednesday in Saginaw. They were accompanied by Mrs. Clare Burnell of Caro.

Mr. and Mrs. Hector McKay and family visited in Greenleaf Sunday where they were called because of the serious illness of Mr. McKay's mother, Mrs. George McKay.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hitchcock of Romeo and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Knapp were entertained at the home of Dr. and Mrs. D. J. McColl at Port Huron over the week-end.

Mrs. A. J. Knapp was the speaker at a meeting of the Ladies' Library association at Port Huron Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Knapp took as her subject "The Bible as Literature."

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Schell and family have moved from the Mrs. Henry Paul house on Seventh street to the Sim Bardwell residence on West street. Mrs. Huffman and family, who have been living in the Bardwell house, have moved to the Harold Dickinson place on West Pine street.

The members of the Epworth League of the Methodist church were guests of the Christian Endeavor society at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening. A social time was enjoyed beginning at six o'clock and refreshments were served, after which the regular meeting was held. Miss Lucile Goodall was leader and the subject was "Personality."

G. W. Landon attended a meeting of the state board of Michigan Rural Letter Carriers at Lansing Saturday and spent the week-end with his daughter, Miss Margaret Landon, who is a student at M. S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Heller were business callers in Bay City Saturday.

Frank Striffler and Louis Striffler of Detroit visited their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Striffler, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Striffler of Detroit were week-end guests of Mr. Striffler's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Striffler.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bigham and son, Basil, spent Saturday night and Sunday with Lloyd and Clarence Bigham in Pontiac.

Mrs. Earl W. Douglas and son, Jack, left Wednesday to spend a week with Mrs. Douglas' aunt, Miss Alma Grimes, at Stockbridge.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Kenney and two sons, Jack and Clare, visited at the home of Mr. Kenney's brother, L. P. Kenney, at Lapeer Sunday.

David Murphy and grandson, Dean Murphy, B. A. Elliott, Miss Elsie Buehly and Miss Lena Joos spent Friday and Saturday in Niles.

Mr. and Mrs. Hazen MacLachlan of Detroit visited at the I. W. Hall home Saturday night and Sunday. Mrs. Hall, who had spent the week with her daughter in Detroit, returned to her home here with them.

Elijah Fisher spent from Sunday until Wednesday with relatives in Royal Oak. Miss Dora Krapf, who had spent a few weeks with her sister, Mrs. Preston Allen, in Royal Oak, returned home with him Wednesday.

Mrs. Walter Schell is spending the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Cooper, at Marlette. Mrs. Cooper is very poorly. Miss Vera Schell, who has spent some time at the Walter Schell home, is caring for Mrs. Cooper.

Mrs. Alice Moore, who has spent the last six weeks with friends and relatives in Grand Rapids, Detroit, Kalamazoo and several other places, left the first of the week to spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Charles Zinnecker, at Honey Grove, Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Pearl Strickland and family have moved from the Mrs. Henry Paul house on Seventh street to the Sim Bardwell residence on West street. Mrs. Huffman and family, who have been living in the Bardwell house, have moved to the Harold Dickinson place on West Pine street.

The members of the Epworth League of the Methodist church were guests of the Christian Endeavor society at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening. A social time was enjoyed beginning at six o'clock and refreshments were served, after which the regular meeting was held. Miss Lucile Goodall was leader and the subject was "Personality."

Mrs. Wallace Zinnecker of Pontiac spent last week with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Krug spent Wednesday and Thursday in Detroit. Floyd Ottaway was the guest of relatives in Lansing Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. John Gordon spent a few days the first of the week in Battle Creek and Jackson.

Mrs. Margaret Levagood spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Alex McArthur, in Wilmot.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Colwell were entertained Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Bartlett.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Rich spent the week-end with Mrs. Hugh McColl, mother of Mrs. Rich, at the G. W. Landon home.

Mrs. Webb Ferguson of Fostoria spent Friday night and Saturday with Mr. Ferguson at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sheldon Peterson.

Mrs. Jacob Buschlin and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brown, all of Kilmanagh, were callers Thursday at the homes of Rev. and Mrs. C. F. Smith and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Striffler.

Wm. Donnelly of Durand, who is spending some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Donnelly, spent from Thursday until Sunday evening with his brother, Neil Donnelly in Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fike, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Moore and Robert Milligan attended the Junior Stock show in Detroit Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Moore remained until Thursday evening.

The Bridge club met Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Burt. A pot luck supper was served at 6:30 o'clock and the evening spent in playing bridge. Prizes were won by Mr. and Mrs. John West.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McBurney and daughter, Mavis, of Cass City and Mr. and Mrs. Evans Rose of Caro visited Mr. and Mrs. John Pratt Saturday and Sunday, at Port Huron. Mrs. Pratt is a sister of Mrs. McBurney and Mr. Rose.

The Mother's Jewels of the Methodist Episcopal church and their leader, Mrs. E. A. Corpron, enjoyed a Christmas party at the church Thursday afternoon. Games were played, the children were read a missionary story and refreshments were served.

At the regular meeting of Venus Rebekah Lodge No. 254 held Friday night, the following officers were elected: Noble Grand, Mrs. Martin; vice grand, Mrs. Ben Gage; recording secretary, Mrs. C. W. Heller; financial secretary, Mrs. Geo. West; treasurer, Mrs. B. F. Benkelman, Sr.; pianist, Mrs. Della Lauderbach.

SHABBONA.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stayhue and family of Pontiac spent the week-end with Mrs. Stayhue's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nichol.

Marion Groombridge is spending sometime with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Davis at Deckerville.

Frank Townsend left Monday for Brighton where he will be employed. Mrs. Heletha Minnie and Fred Avery of Port Huron visited the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phetteplace, Friday night.

Ed Furness of Kinde spent the week-end at his son's home here.

Mrs. Peter McRae and Mrs. Vern Nichol spent last week at the Donald Henry home at Deckerville.

Miss Jackson, teacher of Shabbona school, will give a Christmas program in the Community hall here Wednesday night, Dec. 23. All are invited to attend.

Mr. Harmon Jess of Cash was a Sunday guest at the J. A. Cook home.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Neville and son, Jimmie, of Minden City were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Neville.

Wm. Waun spent from Monday till Thursday in Toledo, Ohio, as a delegate at the Gleaner convention.

Chas. Freshner, who has spent the past two weeks in Detroit, returned home Monday.

Several ladies from here attended a meeting of the women's department of the L. D. S. Church at the home of Mrs. Frank Brown near Snover Wednesday afternoon. A nice lunch was served by the hostess at the close of the meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Evo are moving this week onto the farm near Deford, owned by Mr. Evo's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Nichol returned home Friday after spending six weeks visiting relatives in Lapeer, Pontiac and Sarnia, Ont.

Wm. Evo has moved from the Lorentzen house to his father's farm near Deford.

Mrs. Edna Jones is spending a few days with relatives at Clarkston this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hyatt and daughter, Marjorie, visited the former's sister, Mrs. Wm. Faltinoski, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Howey and Mrs. O. Ferguson of Pontiac visited relatives here Sunday.

Several from here attended revival services at Decker Sunday evening.

Mrs. May Stitt returned to her home near Decker after spending a

couple of weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Hazel Kitchin.

Mrs. Wm. Mitchell is quite ill at this writing. Mrs. John Mann of Davison is helping care for her.

KINGSTON.

The Woman's Study Club met Monday, Dec. 14, at the home of Blanch Fox. Mrs. Knapp of Cass City gave a Bible talk. The members of the Research Club of Marlette were guests. Refreshments were served.

Al VanHorn underwent an operation in Marlette hospital Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Alva VanHorn and Mrs. Albert Pringnitz were Caro callers Friday.

Mrs. Madge Model and two children of Germania spent the week-end here. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roberts of Pontiac spent Thursday here. Their daughter, Mrs. Hazen Peter, returned home with them for a visit.

Twelve girls from Mrs. James Green's Sunday School class were entertained at her home north and west of town Wednesday evening. A contest on the Life of Paul was given. Leona Henderson won 1st prize, Emma Henderson 2nd, and Sarah Schell 3rd. A delicious chicken supper was served.

At the meeting of the P. T. A. in the high school Wednesday evening, it was decided to hold a contest among the pupils as to which room might be influential in getting the largest number of parents to attend the next three meetings. After the program which was on "Eliminating Illiteracy," Mr. Wilkinson was leader in recreation. Coffee and sandwiches were served at the close.

Grant Allen has moved into the Neil Burns residence next to the Ford garage.

E. G. McCool visited at the home of his sister, Mrs. Earl Saries, in Flint last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilford Ruggles, Mrs. Johnson and Eugene Henderson left Tuesday to spend a few days in Elkhart, Indiana and Chicago, Ill.

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church served dinner in the church dining room on Wednesday, Dec. 16.

Francis Schell returned home Sunday after spending the summer sailing on the Great Lakes.

Mr. and Mrs. James Green spent Saturday and Sunday in Detroit.

Leona Henderson was operated on in Caro hospital Monday for appendicitis.

Earl Williams is confined to his bed by illness.

Mary Fox of Caro visited her brother, Richard Fox, and family the first of the week.

Ruth Ruggles spent the week-end in Flint.

ELMWOOD.

Mrs. Warren O'dell and daughter, Miss Marie, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. Howard Loomis of Gagetown to Bay City Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Moore of Caro were Sunday dinner guests at the St. phen Moore home. Mr. and Mrs. Homer Silvernail were afternoon guests.

Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Turner and sons were Sunday visitors of Mrs. Turner's father, S. A. Dickinson, of Unionville.

Mrs. Frank Burgess and little daughter, Frances, spent last week with relatives at Peck.

Rev. and Mrs. Ferguson of Gagetown and Rev. and Mrs. Fuge, missionaries who are holding meetings at Gagetown Nazarene church, were Tuesday visitors at the Warren O'Dell home.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Beardsley and children spent the week-end at the Chas. Collins home in Flint.

Mr. and Mrs. G. T. Leishman and children were Sunday dinner guests at the Theo. Hendrick home.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Beardsley and children of Oxford were Sunday visitors at the Wm. Burse home.

The revival meetings which were held for the last three weeks at the Sunshine church by Rev. and Mrs. Ingersoll closed Sunday evening. These meetings were greatly enjoyed by the community.

Geo. McCree returned to his home in Detroit Saturday.

The teacher and pupils of the Cedar Run school will present their Christmas program on the evening of Dec. 22 and the Hillside school on the 23rd.

NOVESTA.

N. W. Bridges is still suffering with eye trouble.

Mr. and Mrs. George Krause of Shabbona visited Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips.

Elwin Sadler, Joe Caswell, Arthur Henderson and James Slack were Saginaw visitors Saturday evening.

Miss Thelma Henderson and the Misses Dale, Jaqueline and Barbara Russell of Bay City spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Henderson.

Word reaches us of the very poor health of H. P. Woolman at the home of his son, Guy Woolman of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Preston of Snover were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. W. Bridges.

Mrs. Preston remained and visited on Monday at the Colin Ferguson home.

Ralph Youngs and nephew, Paul

Gekeler, of Flint were week-end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Youngs.

A good crowd attended the opening evening of the evangelistic meetings at the Church of Christ on Sunday. A fine sermon and lots of good music and singing. Come once and you will want to go some more.

ELLINGTON AND NOVESTA.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kelley and sons were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Malcolm.

Harvey Willis of Pontiac called at the Maynard Delong home Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Kelley spent Sunday at the Jesse Kelley home in Deford.

Mr. and Mrs. Mack Little and son spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kelley entertained on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Kelley and family of Mayville.

Mr. and Mrs. George Goodall and Mr. and Mrs. John Whitehead of Woodstock, Canada, have returned home after spending the past week with the former's niece, Mrs. Geo. Mercer.

HOLBROOK.

A shower was held at the home of Mrs. Leslie Bailey on Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. James Hewitt visited relatives at Gilford Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Souden and children, Dolores, Clifford and Morris, were supper guests at the Loren Trathen home Sunday evening.

Miss Lavern Hill of Cass City spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hill.

The Tanner school will have a Christmas tree and program on Wednesday evening, Dec. 23. Everyone welcome.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bailey, Dec. 14, a little baby girl. The little lady will answer to the name of Mildred Joyce.

EVERGREEN.

Mr. and Mrs. Jason Kitchin, Mr. and Mrs. William Kitchin and Mrs. T. Wells attended the funeral of Walter Way of Pontiac on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben West, Mrs. J. Fry and daughter, Margaret, of Port Huron spent Saturday night at the Jason Kitchin home.

Mrs. Maggie Mann of Davison is helping to care for her sister-in-law, Mrs. Will Mitchell.

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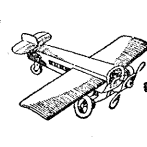
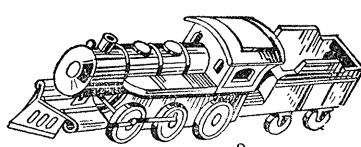
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HEART OF THE NORTH

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In the tightening silence, waiting for Williamson to start probing, Haskell looked out along the terrace and saw a thing which struck him with chill premonition. The doorway of the mission hospital opened; Pedneault and Bill Hardsock came out, bringing Larry Younge with them. Bill on one side, Pedneault on the other, half-leading, half-carrying their crippled partner, they were making straight for the cabin.

When they trod into the room and Williamson heard them, he turned, frowning and demanded:

"What do you men want?"

"Sir, we came here to put our paddle in," Bill stated bluntly. "We knew you were thrashing out this trouble between Alan and the inspector—"

"Your counsel wasn't asked. This matter is between Baker and Inspector Haskell."

"Bill, don't try to run a buck," Alan interposed, fearful that this unexpected move of his three men might kill any chance to trap Haskell. "If the superintendent doesn't want you here, obey him and go."

Bill stubbornly refused. He said to Williamson: "You've got a name, sir, for giving every buck cop and non-cop in your division a square cut and seeing all sides of an argument. I don't think you'll kick us out without hearing what we've got to say. This is as much our fight as Alan's. We've had to pay, too, for the inspector's acts. Here's one of us crippled for life because the inspector hog-tied us on that patrol with some fool orders. After a thing like that, do we have to shut up and take it and not even be allowed to—?"

"Sit down!" Williamson bade them. "I'm going to get to the bottom of this. When your time comes I'll hear what you've got to say. Now Baker, I want you to answer some questions. What made you split your detail on that first patrol?"

"Haskell ordered me to, sir. He ordered me to follow both branches. When I objected, he threatened to bust me and keep me here at the post."

"That's a lie!" Haskell challenged. "I allowed him to do as he thought best. He purposely made a failure of that patrol. I don't ask you to take my word. Corporal Whipple was here in the cabin, and heard our talk. And Baker, over his signed statement, admitted responsibility."

"What proof have you got, Baker?" Williamson demanded.

Alan kept silent, deliberately allowing his silence to damn him. Williamson's probe was leading in the right direction, leading toward that deadly trap.

To Alan's consternation Bill Hardsock burst out: "Proof? H—! It's blue blazes! Alan was half sick, all the way up the Alooska, because of them orders. He felt he was being forced to take us men into a terrible danger. We all knew it was crazy to split up—"

Williamson silenced him. "You're merely making an assertion, corporal. You have no proof. Baker, do you admit responsibility for that patrol?"

Alan shook his head. "No, I—I don't," he stammered.

Haskell smiled. He had Baker on the run.

Williamson reminded: "Baker, you signed a statement of responsibility. Whipple was a witness."

Alan pleaded, "Sir, that statement . . . When we came back—yes, I signed it. But I—I had to."

"You had to?"

"Yes, to get out of the Mounted. He wouldn't let me buy out unless I did sign."

"Why under heaven did you want to buy out all that fast and furious?"

"I wanted to be free," Alan led on, step by cautious step. "I wanted to go after those men."

"Baker, look here," Williamson said sternly. "You infer you wanted to go after those men so badly that you were willing to buy out, cut off your record and sign a lie. Why then wouldn't you co-operate with Haskell to get them?"

"Well, sir, he—he wouldn't co-operate."

"I can't believe that. He tried to help you even afterward—after you bought out and were on a private venture."

"When was that?" Alan queried.

"At En Traverse lake."

"So he was trying to help us. I didn't—ah—have that impression at the time, sir."

"He even shot signals for you to wait."

Bill Hardsock swore luridly. "Of all the fork-tongued lies, that's the best of 'em all!"

Alan allowed the lie to go unchallenged. If Haskell got by with that one, he would be bold and unwary.

"But sir," he led on, "when I came back from the Alooska patrol, he wouldn't co-operate with me then. He didn't seem much interested. I don't think, in getting those bandits."

"Not much interested?" Haskell echoed, with a great show of astonishment. "Sir, I wanted him to make a patrol to the Inconnu river. But he was in a temper. He wouldn't even listen to my suggestion."

A wild elation surged through Alan. One more step and Haskell was doomed! He fought down his elation and fidgeted uneasily in his chair.

Williamson bore down on him hard. "Baker, answer that charge! Haskell suggested a patrol to the Inconnu. In my opinion that was a splendid suggestion. It was almost the only hope of capturing those criminals. You wouldn't listen to him. How, then, can you assert you were forced to buy out?"

"He didn't. . . . It wasn't him that made that suggestion," Alan stammered weakly. "I think—I believe I made that suggestion myself. But he wouldn't let me go."

"That's a lie!" Haskell pounced upon him. "I suggested it. I begged him to make that patrol."

Alan looked at Haskell. "You suggested that Inconnu patrol? It was your idea?"

Haskell nodded. "I did. Whipple can witness it." He was smiling openly in triumph.

All Alan's hesitation dropped away from him. There was no longer need to dissimulate. He turned to Williamson. "You heard him. You heard what he said. He told you he suggested that Inconnu trip. He just repeated it and he said Whipple was witness. Don't let him back out of it now."

"I don't have to back out of anything," Haskell snapped. He was staring in sudden uneasiness at Baker. "Yes, I heard him," Williamson answered. "What about it?"

Alan rose slowly to his feet, pulling himself up to his full lanky and powerful height. In that moment when he realized Haskell was caught in the deadly trap, his mind whipped back to Joyce's home on the Alooska, to Joyce's room where he had lain through weary hours of doubt and pain, and where he and she had carefully plotted this trap. He felt a wordless tender gratitude to Joyce; this stratagem was hers more than his; her quick brain had been the first to see its crushing possibilities.

"Inspector, you say you asked me to lead that Inconnu detail. You say you suggested it. You say it occurred to you that the bandits would escape by that river. I say you are a liar! I propose to prove you're a liar."

He paused a moment, then raised his right hand and pointed at the wall chart behind Haskell's desk.

"The Inconnu river is not shown on that map of yours, inspector. You tried to find out from that Indian, Little Otter, where the river is. You didn't know. You don't know now. How could you suggest sending a patrol to a river when you haven't the slightest knowledge of its location? Step up there to that chart, you, and show us the Inconnu!"

Haskell sprang to his feet, snarling at Alan. "I don't take orders from you!" He was fighting like a trapped wolf. His panic, his livid face, betrayed him.

"Then consider it an order from me!" Williamson commanded. "Show me where the Inconnu is!"

Haskell did not stir. His impregnable defense had crumbled in one spot; the sea was rushing in upon him. . . .

He heard Williamson thundering: "I say, answer Baker's question! How could you suggest a patrol to a river that you know nothing about?"

Haskell did not answer. Caught, trapped. . . . He had gone too far, he had overplayed. . . . He heard Larry Younge's savage mocking laugh; heard Bill Hardsock chuckling. "Tried to steal Alan's thunder, and got struck by 't'!" . . . The room seemed to be swaying.

Williamson's angry erect figure became a blur. . . . Across the desk he saw Alan Baker's face in a sort of haze, not smiling at him, not mocking, but hard, pitiless. . . . The man had beaten him, had taken away the girl he loved—this man whom he hated so fiercely that once he had tried to kill him.

Out of the haze he heard Baker's voice, "Liar! Smoother!" . . . Something snapped within, and his last vestige of self-control was swept away. A maddened anger shook him, blinded him. In a fury he suddenly drew back and swung and smashed a fist against that hated face, as though trying to blot it out.

The blow unsteady Baker for a moment. He stepped back. Williamson tried to interpose. Bill sprang up and leaped across the room to jump between them. But Haskell had swung again. Alan flung up his left arm to protect himself. A grimace of pain jagged across his face as the blow fell upon his wound. He did not step away that time. . . . For an instant his eyes measured distance. . . . His right arm went back, swung, and his hard fist caught Haskell under the jaw, a single smashing blow that dazed him and sent him reeling against the wall.

When Bill and Pedneault helped Haskell to his chair and he sat down, groggy and white of face, Williamson bade the two:

"Take Constable Younge and get out. Baker, stay here; I want you here."

Vaguely Haskell realized that the superintendent was ordering the men away so that they might not witness the humiliation of an officer. He had lost. The avalanche had crashed down upon him. Baker had come triumphant through this hour.

But in those moments of his crushing defeat, while Williamson was trying to get the men out of the cabin, Haskell felt the first small breath of

strange relief, like a cool wind across his face. He had become involved in lies; had been sucked deeper and deeper into a morass of falsehoods and perjury. He was free of all that now. In these last weeks there had been times—when he looked upon Larry Younge, when he thought of Baker's great-hearted adventure, when the news came of Dave MacMillan's suicide—that his conscience had revolted and he had loathed himself. He felt as though by making a clean breast of everything to Williamson, he would be coming out of a dark and noisome place into the sunshine again. Only the old aching madness toward Elizabeth Spaulding would not down, but rose to torture him.

CHAPTER XIII

By the Lightning Flash

At Alan's cabin late that evening, Bill was sitting on the edge of the cot, head in hands, plunged into dejected thoughts. He was in such a blue funk that he neither heard nor cared what Alan and Buzzard were talking about.

An hour ago, by sheer accident, he had discovered that he himself was now officially in charge here at Endurance. Walking past Haskell's cabin in the twilight, he had caught a few angry sentences from Williamson:

"If I had the entire say-so, Haskell, you'd go out of the Mounted faster than you came in. You're suspended; Haskell will be given command here till I see what Baker is going to do. You don't deserve a chance to walk straight, but I'll give you one rather than kick up a row over you. There's a rook detachment down on the Border that's about your fit. I'm going to transfer you there, and I'll try not to laugh when I see men saluting you."

To be in command of the detachment was small solace to Bill. It simply meant more work, more responsibility, without Alan's judgment and leadership to lean on.

In the shaft of light streaming from the cabin door a girl's figure appeared. Bill straightened up suddenly, recognizing Elizabeth. Always a bit afraid of the supercilious girl, Bill had no desire to linger and find out her trouble. Nudging Buzzard, he whispered:

"She wants to talk with Alan. We'd better get out."

As Elizabeth came across to the library nook in the full candle glow, Alan saw she was angry, and instantly guessed the cause of it. She had heard . . . She was going to fling reproaches at him, perhaps throw an ultimatum into his face.

With no word about his long patrol or the wounds he had brought away from it, Elizabeth demanded:

"Is it true—what I've heard—about that reward money? You're not going to accept any of it?"

Alan was shocked that in her first breath she should speak of money. He said rather tersely:

"That's not altogether true. I'm taking enough to buy the MacMillan trading post for Larry; and I have to pay for those things Buzzard and I stole in Edmonton. But I'm not keeping any of it otherwise."

"Are you crazy—to throw away more than you've made in all the years you've been stationed here in this backwoods? Why did you go on that patrol and waste all these weeks?"

"Good Lord, have you been thinking I did it for the money? Is money the only thing in the world you ever think about?" He tried to curb his anger and speak quietly. "Elizabeth, your brother Curt went on a patrol, he gave his very life, because—because . . . You may not understand why, but God knows it wasn't for money."

"Then you intend to throw away ten thousand dollars?"

"If you want to put it like that, yes, I couldn't associate with myself if I'd accept one red cent of it."

In silence they looked at one another, Elizabeth angry and accusing, Alan firm, unyielding. After a mo-



In Silence They Looked at One Another.

ment, realizing she had run up against granite in Alan Baker on this question, she turned to another.

"There's something else I want an understanding about. Mrs. Drummond told me you intend to take care of Jim Montgomery's girl. What makes you feel you're responsible? Why on earth . . . Just because you were acquainted with that child's father—"

Alan sharply interrupted her. "Elizabeth, let me point out something to you. It may be cruel and ungenerous

of me, but it's got to be said. When Curt was taken, it fell to me to look out for you. You were a grown woman; you had chances of employment; you had other advantages. But I assumed responsibility. Please, now, I'm not throwing it up to you; I did it freely and would've done more if I'd been able."

"Now Jimmy was killed. I wasn't just an 'acquaintance' of his; I was the nearest person in the world to him. He came from England; he had no relatives. That little tot of his . . . Elizabeth, it's but four years old, it's helpless here in the North, it's dependent in a terrible sense."

With more harshness than he had ever shown her, he said sharply: "I'm going to look out for Jimmy's child. That's settled. If you don't like it, you don't have to, you know."

His coldness frightened her. It destroyed all her former assurance that she dominated him. She sensed he wanted to end their engagement and would do it here and now if she gave him sufficient cause. A whisper warned her:

"You may be right about that reward money and Jimmy's little tot. I didn't see your viewpoint, when I first came in here. I won't try to persuade you to do something you feel is wrong."

Watching him intently, she saw he was surprised, and deeply disappointed, at her yielding to him. He wanted to break with her! He wanted her to release him!

A little fearfully she broached the main purpose of her coming here.

"I heard you're going back into the Mounted."

"Who told you that?"

"I just heard. Several people said so."

"They were a bit hasty."

"Then you're not going back?"

He answered her indirectly. "Williamson offered to stop my buying-out papers at division headquarters or else re-enlist me as a constable and promote me to sergeant again. He said he'd write himself to Colonel Steele and explain, and ask Steele to release me, if I'd agree to come back into service."

In her heart Elizabeth was flinging at him, contemptuously: "If you go back into that ninety-month rut, I'll never marry you! I'll never live here in this backwoods and be shunted from barracks to barracks!" But her lips said to him, with admirable self-control: "You haven't decided? You want time to think it over?"

"You want me to go down to Victoria?" he demanded sharply.

Elizabeth was entirely too wise to deny that. "Yes, I do, Alan. I would rather we lived there. But you want to stay here, and I don't feel it's my right to dictate your life work."

"You're willing to stay here, then?"

"I'm willing to let you decide. I'm willing to stay here, if you want to."

Even while she spoke, she was wondering. . . . Why had Haskell come to her tonight with the news about Alan? Against his former "affairs" and his untrustworthy nature, she weighed his passionate infatuation. The scales hung in the balance, uncertain, precarious. He would promise marriage; but once she was out in Edmonton or the big eastern cities, once she had broken with Alan and put herself in Haskell's power, how could she be sure he would carry out his promise?

She temporized: "I'm sorry I was so—so sharp about those other things, Alan. I'm dreadfully tired and worn-out. This last week, not knowing where you were or if you were in danger—it was a nightmare. I think I'll go, if you'll excuse me. We can talk about this tomorrow, Alan, can't we?"

"Yes, tomorrow," he said dully. "We can talk about it then."

When she left the cabin and started down the terrace, a lightning flash revealed to her Constable Whipple still sitting forlorn and dismal at the edge of Mrs. Drummond's flower garden. By the window of his tiny study Father Claverly sat alone. Joyce had gone. There was a light in Inspector Haskell's cabin; he must still be awake. . . .

A few miles down river she heard the distant, long-drawn toot of the fur-trading steamer beating up to Endurance and on south to Resolution. The sound awoke a tumult of memories; it seemed like a voice of the outside, an echo of the civilization that all her being clamored for. She glanced again at Haskell's cabin. He was going south, south to the land of cities. It would be like a flight, an escape from this far North country, into the haven of that Ontario estate, his comfortable heritage, their winters in glittering Ottawa.

She thought of going over to his cabin on some pretext. But after her coldness of these last weeks, such an act would be too much an overture, even though she had talked with him this evening. Why couldn't she send Whipple with some hint, some message to him? Haskell would surely come out to her. . . .

To be continued

Play Piano and Grow Thin

Marathon piano playing as a means of growing thin is being investigated by some European scientists following a report from Queensland that a man lost 13 pounds while pounding the keys for 36 hours 15 minutes. One commentator remarks that such use of energy may cause one to lose popularity as well as flesh.

Why Writers Write

Very few writers are good business men—they have too much imagination. —American Magazine.

Hilltop Players - - - Present

Journey's End

Tuesday, Dec. 22

at 8:15 H. S. Auditorium, Cass City

Admission--Adult ticket, 35 cents. Student's ticket, 25 cents. Reserve seat, 10c extra. Reserve seats on sale at Wood's Drug Store on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday.

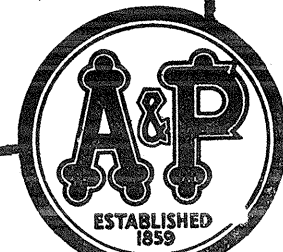
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Rinso	2 small pkgs 15c	2 lge pkgs	37c
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NUTLEY
OLEO
1 lb 10c

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BACON
Fancy Sugar Cured
2 lbs 25c

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Corn or Tomatoes	4 No. 2 size cans	25c
Soda Crackers	Fresh Baked 2 lb pkg	19c
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Pumpkin or Sauerkraut	3 large cans	25c
Stott's Pancake Flour	5 lb bag	15c

Rolled Oats 22 1/2 lb bag 49c

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Local Happenings

Mr. and Mrs. Calvin J. Striffler spent Thursday in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Striffler spent Saturday and Sunday in Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Warner spent Saturday and Sunday in Detroit and Pontiac.

Mrs. Jessie Pettit, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Krug visited relatives in Bad Axe Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Cliff of Beaulieu were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kosanke.

Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Guyette of Flint were Sunday guests at the William Paul home.

Miss Mildred Kriewal and Miss Geraldine Reed visited in Detroit and Orion over the week-end.

Albert and Waunetta Warner visited their sister, Mrs. David Orr, at Caro over the week-end.

Mr. Collins of Orion spent several days the first of the week as the guest of Miss Geraldine Reed.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Orr and son, John Frederick, of Pigeon were visitors at the W. D. Striffler home Tuesday afternoon.

Ernest Croft entertained his mother and sister, Mrs. Henry Croft, and Miss Bessie Croft, of Bad Axe Saturday night and Sunday.

Born Friday, December 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Diaz, a daughter. She has been named Irene Reyes. Mrs. E. A. Livingston is the nurse.

Mrs. William G. Moore, Mrs. Ralph Ward and Mrs. Glen Wright were guests of Mrs. Homer Motz at Greenleaf Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Angus McGillivray had as guests from Tuesday until Saturday her sister, Mrs. John D. McEachin, and Mrs. Sarah Burns of Uby.

The members of the choir of St. Pancratius church enjoyed a chicken supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. Keenoy on Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Alvey Palmateer of Deford were dinner guests Monday of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Colwell. Mr. Palmateer is a brother of Mrs. Colwell.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tate entertained Sunday Mrs. Maude Leeson, Russell Leeson and Fay Moon of Brown City and Lawrence Doyle of Lansing.

Word has been received that William McBurney is confined to his bed by illness at his home in Lapeer. His mother, Mrs. Jane McBurney, is helping to care for him.

Mr. and Mrs. Ward Kelley and family of Mayville and Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCaslin and daughter, Marcella, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Dodge.

Dr. S. A. Bradshaw entertained a number of friends most delightfully Friday evening at a fried chicken dinner and smoker in honor of Dr. F. W. High, state veterinarian.

Harry Zeitlin and Mr. and Mrs. William Champion and daughter, Marjorie, all of Detroit, were week-end guests of Mrs. Champion's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Steers.

Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Krug were business callers in Lansing Tuesday. Charles Ewing of Pinnebog and his mother, Mrs. Sarah Ewing, who is spending some time with her son, were callers in town Sunday.

Mrs. William Paul spent a few days last week with relatives at Columbus, Ohio. Her mother, Mrs. Mills, her sister, Miss Fay Mills, brother, Milton Mills, and a niece returned home with her to spend some time here.

At a recent meeting of the Past Noble Grands club, the following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Lee Dickinson; vice president, Mrs. Bertha Brown; secretary, Mrs. John Cole; treasurer, Mrs. B. F. Benkelman, Sr.

Grant Brown and Lynn Spencer have each received a Hereford calf from the St. Armor Co's nationally known farms at Coatesville, Pa. The boys have the animals ready for the next year's program in club work in this community.

Tyler Lodge, No. 317, F. and A. M. elected and installed the following officers Friday night: Worshipful master, D. A. Krug; senior warden, C. A. Striffler; junior warden, Warren Wood; senior deacon, Andrew Bigelow; junior deacon, Charles Mudge; secretary, Clarence Burt; treasurer, Ernest Croft; stewards, Leslie Townsend and E. Binder; tyler, T. H. Wallace.

Benjamin Dalton spent Sunday with him family here. He is employed in Detroit at present.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan McIntosh of Ivanhoe were callers at the home of Mrs. Catherine Ross Monday.

Friends of Mrs. D. McKellar, Sr., will be sorry to hear that she is quite ill at her home in Port Huron.

James, Philip and Miss Kathaleen McIntyre and Mr. Shaffer, all of Detroit, visited their grandmother, Mrs. Catherine Ross, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lawther and two daughters, Betty and Maxine, spent Sunday with Mrs. Lawther's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Luther.

Mrs. Geo. McKay died at her home in Greenleaf township Tuesday. Funeral services will be held this (Friday) afternoon at two o'clock at the residence.

Mrs. Fred Korte and son, Hurford, attended the Christmas program at the Watrousville school Monday evening. Mrs. Korte taught the school at Watrousville several years ago.

Mrs. Catherine Ross, who has been very ill at her home on South Seeger street, is slowly improving. Her daughters, Miss Kittie Ross of Detroit and Mrs. William Cleland of Minden City, are caring for her. Another daughter, Mrs. Allen McIntyre, returned to her home in Detroit Sunday after spending several weeks here.

Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Hartt will entertain the Cass City Grange No. 1-711 at a seven o'clock vehison dinner Friday evening, Dec. 18. Members of the hospitality committee are Mrs. M. D. Hartt, Mrs. Frank Hutchinson, Mrs. B. A. Schwegler, Mrs. Sam Helwig and Mrs. Stephen Dodge. A business meeting will be held later in the evening with a Christmas tree and program.

Mrs. Earl W. Douglas entertained the members of her Sunday School class of the Methodist church at her home Monday evening. Each guest received a gift from the beautiful tree but all gifts were left to be given to the poor for Christmas. The evening was spent in playing buncos, Robert Gallagher, Jr., winning the most number of games. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. James K. Brooker entertained Thursday at a delightful one o'clock bridge luncheon at her home in Bay City. Those who attended from Cass City were Mrs. J. D. Brooker, Mrs. Charles Wiley, Mrs. Carson, Mrs. A. J. Knapp, Mrs. Edward Pinney, Mrs. P. A. Schenck, Mrs. G. H. Burke and Mrs. Frederick Pinney. Prizes at bridge were won by Mrs. Knapp and Mrs. Carson.

The Spafford Auxiliary met Monday evening at the home of Mrs. C. M. Wallace with Mrs. Wallace, Miss Hale and Miss Countryman as hostesses. As this was the Christmas party, each member brought gifts of clothing. These will be sent to the Glenwood school at Cosby, Tenn. The evening was spent in playing games and in various stunts. Refreshments were served.

Twenty-five children were made happy Wednesday evening, December 9, when the Cass City Music club held their Christmas party at the home of Miss Joanna McRae. Each member of the club brought a child as her guest. Games were played and during the evening Santa Claus appeared and each child received a toy and an article of clothing. There were also treats of sandwiches, cookies, candy and popcorn.

The Home Guards of the M. E. church met at the home of their leader, Mrs. L. I. Wood, on Monday evening and elected the following officers: President, Cressy Steele; vice president, Millicent Graham; secretary, Thelma Barnes; treasurer, Frances Cranick; literary secretary, Glenna Asher; mite box secretary, Catherine Mellick; program committee, Esther Turner, Thelma Barnes, Millicent Graham.

The Jolly Farmers' club held their annual Christmas party at the home of Mrs. A. E. Goodall Thursday evening. Sixty enjoyed the fine roast chicken dinner at eight o'clock and the program which followed. Each one received a gift from the Christmas tree. Guests were Rev. and Mrs. P. J. Allured, Miss Madeline Burse and Mrs. D. Stilson. During the business meeting, the officers of the past year were re-elected.

A most enjoyable meeting was held Friday afternoon when the W. C. T. U. held their regular monthly meeting at the Baptist church. A number of guests from Deford were present. Rev. P. J. Allured, Mrs. P. A. Koepf, Mrs. Alex Milligan and Mrs. A. A. Ricker gave reports from the state convention which was held in Jackson in November. Special musical numbers were given throughout the program. Refreshments were served.

Louis Houghton and Mrs. Henrietta Rowley of Detroit were called to Cass City Wednesday, Dec. 9, because of the injuries of their mother, Mrs. Margaret Houghton.

Mrs. Houghton fell down the stairs leading to the Folkert Basement Store, breaking her right leg just above the knee and the right arm above the wrist. She is a patient at Pleasant Home Hospital and doing nicely. Mrs. Rowley remained with her mother until Sunday afternoon.

A. J. Knapp, Angus McPhail and Mr. and Mrs. Earl W. Douglas from Cass City attended a meeting of the Thumb Funeral Directors' association at Minden City Tuesday evening, December 8. The meeting and banquet were held at the Weber hotel. The main speaker of the evening was Rev. Fr. A. L. Melvin of Harbor

Beach. He spoke on "Friendship." Matthew Haley, Detroit undertaker, and Albert A. Falk, Port Huron undertaker, also gave talks. There were forty present at the dinner. Earl W. Douglas of this place is president of the association. This is the last meeting to be held until spring.

When Mrs. Smith Luther returned home from a call on one of her neighbors Saturday evening, she found that a large company of her friends had gathered there to celebrate her birthday, which occurred on Sunday. The surprise party planned by Mr. Luther was complete. The evening was spent in playing games and a delicious pot luck lunch was enjoyed. A beautiful birthday cake completed the refreshments. Another surprise was in store. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lawther and two daughters, Betty and Maxine, of Detroit came during the evening to spend Sunday and celebrate Mrs. Luther's birthday. Mrs. Luther was unaware of their intended visit and the Lawthers did not know of the surprise party.

A NOBLE DEED.

Hotels Madison & Lenox, Detroit, are probably the only hotels in existence that give all their earnings to charity. They are owned and operated by the Luella Hannan Memorial Home, who are at present supporting 250 worthy old people. This charitable plan of operation was made possible by two of Detroit's highly esteemed citizens, the late Mr. and Mrs. William W. Hannan.

PUPILS IN PIANO RECITAL.

The pupils of Mrs. Lucy G. Lee were presented in their first quarterly piano recital at her home Friday evening, Dec. 11.

Solo numbers were given by Marjorie Striffler, Barbara Jean Bardwell, Carolyn Auten, Marjorie Hall, Alice Schwaderer, Ella Mae Glaspie, Carol Heller, Charlotte Auten, Virginia Hartwick, Glenna Asher, Harold Asher, Mary Jane Campbell, Marjorie Croft, Catherine Mellick, Frances Cranick, Rhea Seeger, Lucille Wilson, Marion Fuester and Leone Lee.

A duet was presented by Glenna and Harold Asher and a six-hand number by Marjorie Croft, Mary Jane Campbell and Catherine Mellick.

CEDAR RUN SCHOOL

Mrs. Mariell Ware, teacher. We are very busy getting ready for Christmas. We are making presents and pretty decorations for our room. Our program will be Tuesday, evening, December 22. We expect Santa Claus will be there.

LETTER TO SANTA CLAUS.

Dear Santa:
Please bring me a pair of skates. I am eight years old and if it isn't too much bring me a bebe gun too. My name is

JIMMY JACKSON,
Tyre, Michigan.

GREENLEAF FARMER
ARRESTED HERE THURSDAY

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placed under arrest. Monday, he pleaded guilty to driving while intoxicated. His fine was \$50.00 and the costs \$12.50.
John Bradford of Wisner township was placed under arrest on a charge of arson on Dec. 9. The charge was made by John Kaiser, whose house was burned and with whom Bradford lived in Wisner. Bradford was dismissed at the hearing because of lack of evidence.

Stanley Berlin of Fremont township is still in the Tuscola county jail because he has not settled for \$8.60 costs in his case before Justice Imerson. Berlin was arrested on an assault and battery charge.

Arthur Forgette was arrested in Pontiac and brought back to Tuscola county on a charge of "jumping a board bill" at Unionville.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

Oscar Wilder, 32, Watrousville; Mary Barkovich, 18, Watrousville.
Arnold Krauss, 21, Sebawaing; Beulah Gotham, 20, Tuscola county.
Joseph W. Renaud, 41, Tuscola county; Delilah Erlenbeck, 33, Bay county.

Mark J. Wells, 48, Wells; Gladys Harris, 36, Wells.
Wm. Geo. Sayles, 36, Detroit; Carrie Louise Mayer, 26, Mayville.
Gaillard L. Ogden, 21, Caro; Gladys A. Culbert, 20, Fairgrove.

Dangerous Subject.

"Dad, we learnt at school today that the animals have a new fur coat every winter."
"Be quiet! Your mother is in the next room."—Boston Transcript.

Stop

Night Coughing

Ordinary cough remedies do not reach the conditions which cause night coughing but Thoxine, a doctor's famous prescription does. It stops the cough within a few minutes and goes direct to the internal cause, preventing further trouble.

Taken before retiring Thoxine absolutely prevents night coughing. It gives the same speedy relief for sore throat too. Safe for the whole family—guaranteed no dope. Money back if not satisfied. 35c. Burke's Drug Store and all other good drug stores.—Advertisement 1.



Snow at Christmastide

There is an inviting loveliness in the snowy Christmas. There's a fascination in watching a snowstorm, especially one at Yuletide, that is unsurpassed by the charm of any other aspect of nature. Snow is beauty obliterating the world. Its glamor is akin to that of moonlight, steeping the visible universe in radiant bloom. There is a power of gentleness in it that we seldom dream of. Snow is gentleness, chaste as the mountain air, virginally cool, compassionately adorning the faded earth.—American Magazine.

Always Memorable

Christmastide, with its warm spirit of fellowship, its renewal of old friendships, its generosity and jollity, is always an occasion to be remembered.—American Magazine.

CASS CITY MARKETS.

Dec. 17, 1931.

Buying price—	
Wheat No. 2, mixed	53
Oats, bu.	22
Rye, bu.	41
Peas, bu.	1.40
Beans, cwt.	1.80
Light red kidney beans, cwt.	2.25
Dark red kidney beans, cwt.	4.00
Barley, cwt.	.90
Buckwheat, cwt.	.80
June Clover, bu.	6.00
Butterfat, lb.	.28
Butter, lb.	.25
Eggs, doz.	.21
Hogs, live weight	.4
Cattle	3.5
Calves	.6
Hens	.9 12
Broilers	.9 12
Geese	10
White ducks, 5 lbs. and up, lb.	12
Turkeys	.21

Putting In A Kind Word.

Wife (at desk)—I've been asked for a reference for our last maid. I've said she is lazy, unpunctual and im-

pertinent. Now can I add anything in her favor?

Husband—You might say that she's got a good appetite and sleeps well.—Montreal Star.

Corrected.

The housewife returned from her shopping expedition and was met by a tearful maid.

"Baby's swallowed a bottle of ink," cried the girl.

The housewife dropped her parcels in her confusion.
"Incredible!" she exclaimed.
"No, mum, indelible," returned the maid.—Canadian Magazine.

CANAL ZONE BOSS



Col. Harry Burgess, governor of the Panama Canal Zone, has been in Washington looking after the chances of getting a fair appropriation for the canal from the next congress.

For a Beginner

Self-respect will do to begin with, but self-abnegation is the only consummate virtue.—Round.

Uncalled For Sympathy.

Mrs. Greener (at her first football game)—Oh, isn't it awful? Why, they will kill that poor boy underneath.

Daughter—Don't be silly, mother! He doesn't mind it! He's unconscious by this time.

Followed His Country's Lead.

Fond Mother (arriving home late)—I hope my little darling has been as good as gold all day.

Nurse (au fait politically)—No, ma'am, he went off the gold standard about tea time.—Humorist.

Chronicle Liners

RATES—Liner of 25 words or less, 25 cents each insertion. Over 25 words, one cent a word for each insertion.

WE BUY cream, eggs and poultry at our store on East Main St. M. C. McLellan. Phone 6. 2-27-4f

FINE SELECTION of Bibles and Testaments at Burke's Drug Store. 12/18/1

I WANT TO TRADE a Fordson tractor, A No. 1, for good horse or fresh cow. Also 25 tons of alfalfa hay for sale. Walter Orlowski, 4 miles west and 1 1/4 south of Cass City. 12/18/1p

GET YOUR XMAS Cards at Burke's Drug Store. Big selection and prices low. 12/18/1

TAX NOTICE—I will be at the Cass City State Bank on Saturday afternoons, Dec. 19 and Jan. 9, to receive the taxes of Greenleaf township. Hugh McColl, Treas. 12/11/3

STRAYED—Dog with tan and white belt, black nose and short on feet. Reward for return to Herman Koch, R 1, Gagetown. 12/18/1p

FREE GIFTS at Hooper's Variety Store. Ask about them at the store. 12/11/2

FOR SALE—Quantity of dry cedar kindling and two collie pups, exceptionally good heelers. Clare Turkey, Cass City. 12/18/1p

FOR SALE—Six dining chairs, dresser, three rocking chairs, Atwater Kent radio, rug 9x12. Mrs. Henry Nowland. 12/18/2p

GIFTS FOR ALL—A lovely line of handkerchiefs from 5c up, toys, books, pictures, stationery, handbags, crystal in all colors, genuine pewter and many other things suitable for Christmas gifts. Hooper's Variety Store. 12/11/2

DOLLS—A nice assortment of dolls and other Christmas goods. Mrs. Vance. Above Hart's Grocery. 12/18/2p

ELLIOTT MOTOR LINES Schedule—Bus leaves Cass City for Pontiac daily at 8:00 a. m. and 4:30 p. m., fast time. Bus leaves Cass City for Bad Axe at 12:00 m. and 5:00 p. m. On Sunday, (one bus each way), leaves Cass City for Pontiac 4:05 p. m. and leaves Cass City for Bad Axe at 10:45 p. m.*

WOOD FOR SALE on Treadgold property, 1 1/2 miles east and 1/2 mile north of Cass City. Enquire of Sam Blades or Wm. McKenzie. 12-18-3p

HAVE YOUR CLOTHES properly cleaned here. Suits cleaned and pressed, \$1.00. Overcoats cleaned and pressed, \$1.00. Lady's coats cleaned and pressed, \$1.00. Everything else proportionally low. Robinson's Laundry and Dry Cleaning. Phone 23-F2. 10-9-4f

TAX NOTICE—I will be at the Piney State Bank every Tuesday and Friday from Dec. 4 to Jan. 11 to receive the taxes of Elkland Township. Bertha Brown, Treas. 12-11

BURKE'S DRUG STORE for best in Stationery. 12/18/1

CREGUER'S GARAGE offers special prices for Cash. Don't forget to take advantage of this offer. 1 1/2 blocks south of Chronicle office. 12/18/2

FOR SALE—Three stacks of alfalfa hay. Matthew Parker, 1 1/4 miles west of Cass City. 12/11/2p

LOST, STRAYED or STOLEN—Black and tan Fox hound. Call 168. 12/11/2

LARGE AND SMALL size packages of Xmas Cigars at Burke's Drug Store. 12/18/1

TAX NOTICE—I will be at the Cass City State Bank each Saturday afternoon until January 9, inclusive, to collect taxes for the township of Evergreen. Mrs. Jessie E. Wallace, Treas. 12/11/2

SHIP PACKAGES by express. Insured to \$50 value against loss or damage without extra charges. Individual and careful handling. Fruits and provisions at reduced rates. Phone 72. R. A. McNamee, Agent. 12/18/1p

FOR SALE—Four yearling steers. Fred Dew, 1 mile north, 1/2 mile east of New Greenleaf. Phone 176-F4. 12/18/1p

SHEAFFER'S FOUNTAIN PENS makes useful gifts. Burke's Drug Store have them. 12/18/1

WANTED to hear from owner of some good alfalfa hay for sale near where I live. Earl Maharg. 12/18/1p

BAY PORT dance Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 19 and 20. Also big Christmas dance Friday, 25th. 12/18/1p

LET US do your battery work, charging and rebuilding. Rental batteries. Modern equipment. Rebuilt batteries, guaranteed three months, \$4.50 exchange. Asher's Garage. 5-1-4f

FOR SALE—Four good Holstein cows, fresh. Roy Brown, 5 miles east and 2 miles south of Cass City. 12-18-1p

FANCY BOX CANDY in all size packages at Burke's Drug Store. 12/18/1

RADIO ACCESSORIES—All kinds of radio accessories at the May & Douglas furniture store, Cass City. 1-17-4f

I WILL BUY poultry every day at Gillies' Creamery at Cass City (Phone 184) and at Ellington on Wednesdays (Caro phone 90813). Joe Molnar. 2/6

SCATTER SUNSHINE with greeting card. Boxes for 30c, boxes for 50c and a beautiful loose assortment suitable for all. Hooper Variety Store. 12/11.2

FURS WANTED—I will be at the Elkland Gas and Oil Co's station at Cass City every Saturday until further notice to buy all kinds of furs for cash. Bus. T. Ohmer. 12-18-3p

YOUR CHOICE of 50 feeders and 25 choice calves. Williams & Elder, Prescott, Mich. 12/11/2p

Order Now!

Bell Center Brick Ice Cream, per quart 40c

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The Real Christmas Ice Cream Treat

The most delicious ice cream you have ever tasted. Richly flavored. A perfect Vanilla and Fresh Strawberry Fruit Ice Cream Combination. Individual Santa Claus, Turkey, Holly Wreaths, Poinsetta and Bell Molds at \$1.80 per dozen.

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Friends

Don't lose sight of the fact that Christmas is to be in its highest sense good cheer. Let us make it so. Just a little self denial on the part of us all will, if wisely thought out, add a great deal to the happiness of others. Be one of the many to do your part. Large gifts are not necessary. A small one with a loving message may lift a load. Try it.

We have many things in our store at small cost that will add to others' comforts as well as your own joy in giving. Be one of the many to learn the luxury of doing good. We do not pretend to carry everything, but with our neighbor merchants can cover a great many needs. You like to walk; see us all.

Try the plan of the Chinaman. He has the habit of starting the New Year right by paying all his bills before he celebrates. It's just a suggestion. If you do that for me, I can for the other fellow and what a glorious start we all can have.

Come in and see us whether you have a dime or a million to spend. We are after it. Now let's go.

Cathcart

DEFORD

The Deford Sunday School program of the M. E. church will be given on Christmas eve, Thursday, Dec. 24, at eight o'clock.

The community extends its sympathy to the Jacoby family, former residents of Deford, in the death of the young wife of Geo. Jacoby, who met her death in an automobile accident, near Richville. Lloyd Warner, Mrs. R. E. Johnson and Mrs. N. R. Kennedy were among those who attended the funeral services held Wednesday afternoon at Vassar.

A little miss came to gladden the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Sangster Dec. 6. She will answer to the name of Doloris Marie.

E. R. Bruce and Ben Hicks were business callers on Friday at Lake Port.

E. L. Patterson and Sam Sherk were business callers on Tuesday at Saginaw.

Mrs. Olive Kelley helped in the bank part of the week during the absence of Mrs. McIntyre.

The farmers, east of Deford, will soon enjoy the benefits of electric power and lights. The service is being installed this week.

Blanche Kelley, Althea Kelley, Martha Bruce, Edna Malcolm, Zelig Kilgore and Bruce Malcolm spent Wednesday at Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Stenger left on Thursday and attended the funeral service of a brother-in-law of Mrs. Stenger at Alliance, Ohio. They returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Dodge left on Tuesday for Pontiac to attend the funeral service of Silas Thich, the only brother of Mrs. Dodge.

Mrs. G. A. Martin is at Detroit for a week visiting her daughters, Mrs. John McLaughlin and Mrs. W. E. Arnold.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellison Biddle of Fairgrove spent Saturday night and Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bentley.

Mrs. Ward Roberts returned home Wednesday after a week's absence visiting at Detroit.

James Redli spent Sunday with his brother at Snover.

Mrs. E. Randall spent part of the week at Detroit.

Chester Pelton was a Detroit caller one day the past week.

Mrs. Ed. Sutton of Detroit spent the week-end at the Sutton farm.

Mrs. Wm. Kelley spent Saturday afternoon at the home of her mother, Mrs. Hall, at Mayville.

Mrs. Frank Evo of Wahjamega was a visitor on Saturday at the Rolland Bruce home.

Homer Howard of North Dakota came this week for an indefinite stay at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Boney Daugherty.

Durward York has returned to his home at Grand Rapids after spending a fortnight at the home of his sister, Mrs. Louis Locke.

Robt. Horner and three sons, Audley, Romney and Lewis, attended the Junior Live Stock show at Detroit Dec. 8, 9, 10, where Romney and Lewis exhibited steers. Lynn Spencer of Cass City accompanied them.

Keith Horner spent Sunday in Detroit.

Lee Ashcroft of Decker spent Wednesday and Thursday with his uncle, Robt. Horner.

Henry Wells, Sr., returned to Orion with his son, Leigh, Thursday after spending several weeks visiting friends and neighbors in this community.

Mrs. Ruth Janks and son, William, of Caro and Miss Ruby Kelley were Sunday dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Retherford.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Wentworth of Dryden visited at the Ben Wentworth Wednesday.

Wesley Perry and son, Ralph, of Lapeer spent the week-end with the former's brother, Arthur, at Novesta.

Everyone will be glad to know that Mrs. Arthur Perry is able to resume her household duties again.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Richter and son, John, were business callers in Kingston Thursday.

The many friends of H. P. Woolman will be sorry to learn that he is again quite sick at the home of his children, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Woolman, at Detroit.

Carl Hunt and family of Kingston, Agnes Seaton of North Branch, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Brock of Wahjamega, Bill Tedford and friend of Snover, Lewis Redli of Cass City, Buster Curtis and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Barons were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Tedford.

Mrs. Lillian Tallien is the guest for a few days at the home of her uncle, Clayton Hunt, at Cass City.

The following program will be given at the Quick school Wednesday evening, Dec. 23, at 8:15 o'clock. Mrs. Neva Zinnecker, teacher.

Opening Song, "Christmas Tree," by School

Welcome Agnes Tedford

Recitation, "Overheard at Christmas"

Carmen Root

Recitation, "A Sweet Old Thing,"

Genevieve Woldan

Play, "The Christmas Stockings"

Grades 2-5

Song, "Roses at Twilight," Four Girls

Recitation, "An Eskimo and I," Wanda Woldan

Recitation, "The First Christmas Day," Georgia Thompson

Recitation, "Dottie's Dolls," Millie Randall

Music Bob and Harley Kelley

Play, "The Reunion at Pine Knot Ranch," Grades 6-8

Song, "Send Out the Message," Four Boys

Recitation, "Bobby's Query," Willie Goodell

Recitation, "On Christmas Eve," Margaret Slimko

Drill, "Topsy Turvy," Eight Children

Play, "The World Agin Her," (Comedy)

Song, "Merry, Merry Christmas"

Three Girls

Recitation, "Greetings to Santa," Alice Little

Santa Claus.

Mrs. Elisha Randall and daughter, Mrs. Leona Arsenault, spent from Friday until Sunday in Detroit.

Leona Trumbull and Bernice Gage called in Cass City on Monday.

Mrs. Seth Spencer is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Kennedy, Mrs. Geo. Spencer and Mrs. Ben Gage spent Thursday of last week in Port Huron visiting Mrs. L. A. Pugh and Mrs. C. L. McCain.

Mrs. Geo. Ashcroft of Wilmet spent Monday with her daughter, Mrs. Melvin Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. John Elley entertained on Friday evening Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Maupin and family of Caro.

Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Silverthorn left on Wednesday for Florida.

Mrs. Winn of North Branch spent from Saturday until Monday with Mrs. Olive Webster.

Mrs. N. R. Kennedy called in Saginaw on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Gage were guests at a six o'clock venison dinner at the Max Agar home in Caro on Friday evening.

N. R. Kennedy and son made a business trip to Detroit on Monday.

Mrs. Ernest Barrons and Miss Lenora Trumbull called in Caro on Thursday of last week.

ELKLAND.

David Murphy and daughter, Miss Gertrude, and Dean A. Murphy made a business trip to Niles Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Maharg and daughter, Nora, spent Saturday in Sebewaing.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Harder and Betty Joyce and Mrs. Arthur Sprinkle all of Detroit, spent the week-end with friends in this vicinity.

There will be a Christmas program given at the Bird School Friday evening, Dec. 18. Also one at the Bethel Church on Monday evening, Dec. 21.

Claude Root is still confined to his bed, but slightly improved.

Miss Pauline Knight of Fairgrove spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Knight.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Griswold of Pontiac spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Jno. Profit.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Russel and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Homer Muntz.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Mark were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Profit on Sunday.

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PINGREE.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Crocker and daughter of Saginaw were visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Crocker recently.

A very successful woodbee was held for John Fox a few days ago.

Milo Shagena has his house enclosed.

A Christmas program will be given at the Chambers School Tuesday evening, Dec. 22.

Cutting buzz niles seems to be the order of the day.

Much machinery is passing on M-53 to aid the construction on M-81.

Tax time is here.

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fees collected are devoted to the department of public safety for additional highway patrol. It has been suggested that the first \$100,000 collected from this source be used for an administrative building for the state of providing more revenue. Thirty-three, but Mr. Fitzgerald said, he would oppose such a measure when it comes before the administrative board as he did not think it advisable to make such an expenditure under present economic conditions.

"Something must be done about taxes," said Mr. Fitzgerald. "A special tax added here and there has increased tax for all purposes 537% in late years, and that has not relieved the general property tax for that has increased 139%. We must sacrifice

and curtail in our governmental finance program in order to reduce taxes in Michigan."

Mr. Fitzgerald suggested an additional cent in the gas tax as a means of providing more revenue. Thirty-two states are now charging in excess of three cents in a gas tax. He proposed that all weight tax receipts be returned to the county in which the auto owner lives. He concluded his address in briefly reviewing Michigan's highway program since 1913.

The merchants group of which John May is chairman will have charge of the Community Club's January program.

Advertise it in the Chronicle.

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Don't all the stores look nice at this season of the year with all their Christmas decorations? Cass City is hard to beat at Christmas time. Or any other time, for that matter.

There's no other way to prove it except to try Wayne 32% Dairy feed on your herd. Out of fairness to your herd and yourself, give it a trial.

The real diplomat is the fellow who, around Christmas time, can get the idea of what he wants over without saying it.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
BOARD OF SUPERVISORSContinued from page eight.
OCTOBER 23rd, 1931

An adjourned session of the Board of Supervisors of Tuscola County was continued and held at the county rooms in the village of Caro, on Friday, the 23rd day of October, 1931.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry.

Roll called and the following Supervisors were present: Heckroth, Whittenburg, Miller, Dillon, Morrison, Keimath, Rawson, Dietz, Perry, Whitcomb, Haas, Noble, Purdy, Higgins, Osburn, Burns, VanWagener, McCauley, Haines, Lewis, Freeland, Macomber, MacFarlane.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved as read.

Supervisor VanWagener, chairman of committee on State and County Tax, reported as follows:

Township	State	County	Cv. Rd. Bd.	Courthouse	Co. Dr. Tax
Akron	\$1,534.34	\$9,664.85	\$885.48	\$1,893.00	\$660.87
Almer	2,265.23	7,425.79	680.34	1,454.45	507.77
Arbela	3,222.10	3,818.97	349.89	748.00	261.14
Columbia	8,016.71	9,501.72	870.54	1,861.05	649.72
Dayton	3,376.10	4,001.49	366.61	735.75	273.62
Denmark	9,555.39	11,225.42	1,037.62	2,218.25	774.42
Elkland	8,484.32	10,059.50	921.64	1,970.30	687.86
Ellington	3,114.20	3,691.07	338.17	722.95	252.39
Elmwood	6,175.20	7,319.09	670.57	1,433.55	500.47
Fairgrove	8,618.27	10,214.71	935.86	2,000.70	698.47
Fremont	4,095.52	4,854.17	444.17	950.76	331.92
Gilford	6,498.49	7,702.26	705.67	1,508.60	526.67
Indiana	11,373.95	13,480.86	1,285.10	2,640.43	921.81
Junata	4,423.93	5,243.42	400.00	1,027.00	358.54
Kingston	3,627.78	4,290.73	387.05	827.45	288.87
Koylton	5,346.02	6,336.32	580.53	1,241.06	433.27
Millington	2,931.68	3,474.75	318.35	680.58	237.60
Novesia	5,939.49	7,039.72	644.97	1,378.83	481.37
Tuscola	5,660.22	6,708.72	614.65	1,314.00	458.74
Vassar	3,963.75	4,697.99	430.43	920.17	321.24
Watertown	2,046.12	2,425.15	222.19	475.00	165.83
Wells	2,062.76	2,425.15	222.19	475.00	165.83
Wisner	2,062.76	2,425.15	222.19	475.00	165.83

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Motion made by Supervisor Heckroth and supported by Supervisor Osburn that the report of the committee on State and County Tax be accepted and referred to the committee on ways and means. Motion carried.

Supervisor Morrison, Chairman of committee to settle with County Clerk and County Treasurer, beg leave to report as follows: To the Tuscola County Board of Supervisors, Gentlemen: Your committee to settle with the County Clerk and County Treasurer beg leave to report that they have examined the records in the offices of the County Clerk and County Treasurer and find them correct to the best of our knowledge and that they agree with the county audit. Signed: S. W. MORRISON,
JAMES OSBURN,
E. A. DILLON.

Motion made by Supervisor VanWagener and supported by Supervisor Osburn that the report of the committee be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

A communication from the County Drain Commissioner was read. To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of the County of Tuscola.

Gentlemen: At a recent meeting of the so-called Taxpayers' Protective League of Tuscola County which was held at Caro Monday Oct. 12, 1931, statements were made among others:

That the Drain Commissioner of Tuscola County was receiving a salary of \$3,000.00 a year.

That the Drain Commissioner overstepped himself by constructing the Sebawaing River Drain.

That he built more drains in the last two or three years than has been built in the past ten or fifteen years.

None of these statements are true, they are misleading and deceiving. About the salary, you all know that the salary of the Tuscola County Drain Commissioner is \$2,150.00 and not \$3,000.00 a year.

The second statement was that the Drain Commissioner overstepped himself by constructing the Sebawaing River Drain. This statement is very far reaching, and therefore I feel it my duty in fairness to myself, the taxpayers and the Board of Supervisors of Tuscola County, especially the supervisors of the townships of Columbia, Elmwood, Almer and Ellington who are so deeply concerned about this Sebawaing River Drain, to give you a short history of the Sebawaing River Drain so the true facts may be known to all.

For the past twenty years there has been a consistent demand from Huron County to improve the Sebawaing River and its tributaries. Public meetings were held by the drain commissioners, township officials and taxpayers of Tuscola and Huron counties, to act on pending petitions and find ways and means to relieve flood conditions in Huron county, foremost in Brookfield township.

All these proposed improvements were voted down by county and township officials and taxpayers of Tuscola county.

Taxpayers, county and township officials of Huron county were indignant and protested strenuously against Tuscola county for dumping its vast amount of water into Huron county without sufficient outlets, and for refusing to help to take care of flood conditions in Huron county caused by Tuscola county water. Injunction and damage suits were threatened by Huron county if Tuscola county would not take action and help solve and relieve water conditions in Huron county. Up to the year 1923 Tuscola county successfully blocked all extensive improvements in connection with the Sebawaing river and its tributaries. The necessity of the proposed improvements were never questioned by Tuscola county. The main reason for opposing the building of these drains was the high cost of construction and consequently high and burdensome drain taxes.

In the year 1923 a drastic change of the drain laws was made by the legislature of Michigan when it passed the Gettel-Butler bill pertaining to drains and inter-county drains. The bill was introduced in the senate by Senator Gettel of Huron county, while Representative Butler, introduced the bill in the house.

Previous to the passage of this law only disagreements on percents between counties were settled by the State Highway Commissioner and then only by request of a Drain Commissioner.

The Gettel-Butler bill as passed by the legislature of Michigan in the year 1923 made the Commissioner of Agriculture or any deputy appointed by him chairman of the drainage board of all inter-county drains. He was given authority to cast the deciding vote in case of a tie to declare the drain necessary and fix percents of cost between counties in case of a disagreement between drain commissioners. Thus the state was given the right and power to put through any inter-county drain in case of a tie vote by drain commissioners. The aim, purpose and extent of the Gettel-Butler bill as passed by the legislature of Michigan in the year 1923 was not realized by our representatives

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in the legislature, the late Representative Wm. C. Sanson and also Senator O. G. Johnson who both voted for the bill.

The passage of the Gettel-Butler bill soon resulted in action by Huron county when a most desperate attempt was made to make Tuscola county take care of its own water in its own county by circulating and filing an application with the drain commissioner in Huron county. This application called for shutting off all the drains from the north side of the county which naturally flow north through the county of Huron having their natural outlet in the Sebawaing river, by commencing in the Columbia and Brookfield drains on the east and west 1/4 line of section 4, township of Elmwood and running west on said 1/4 line through the north tier of sections of Elmwood township and continuing on same line through sections 1, 2, 3 and 4 township of Columbia, thence north and west across SW corner Sebawaing township thence same course through Akron township and having for its outlet the Wisconsin bayou in township of Akron. The area to be drained by this proposed drain amounted to over 60 sections of land in Tuscola county which would require a very deep cut and expensive digging, expensive right of ways and at least a 40-foot bottom and a much wider bottom at the outlet. It would require large and expensive railroad, state, county, township and private bridges. The seriousness of the application and the consequence if the drain would be declared necessary was fully realized by the Drain Commissioner and township officers of Tuscola county at that time.

In his annual report to the board of supervisors in the year 1924 County Drain Commissioner Hicks reported as follows: "For reasons your Honorable Board can plainly see, your commissioner strongly opposes the creating of said drainage district, and I have been able to this date to have postponed the final settlement which I fear will not be favorable to the best interest of this county. Four joint meetings of the drainage board have been held and much additional time spent, but as yet the matter is still unsettled." He goes on further and said: "In the opinion of your commissioner if it should be decided to lay out the drainage district a gross injustice would be done the taxpayers of our northern townships as they have already paid for six drains having their outlet in the Sebawaing River which the proposed cut-off drain will cross and will add hundreds of thousands of dollars to the taxpayers of this district without giving them any real benefit. For the above reasons your commissioner respectfully requests that should the decision be favorable for the drain that your honorable board would cooperate with the drain commissioner in taking further steps to defeat the said proposition." This proposed cut-off resulted in many meetings and hearings before the drainage board and a spirited fight between taxpayers, county and township officials of the two counties. Tuscola county fought this drain with all its power and influence. A delegation of township and county officials went to Lansing, arranged a meeting with the commissioner of agriculture in Lansing. At this meeting the commissioner of agriculture was informed by the delegation that the proposed Sebawaing River cut-off was not necessary and not conducive to public health and welfare, impractical, expensive and would not give the long sought relief. Also, illegal because it is contrary to law to drain water from one drainage district into another which would be the case if this drain would be declared necessary by a majority of the members of the drainage board. It was requested by the delegation that the commissioner send an engineer over the route of this proposed drain and report his findings to him so he may have first-hand information and expert opinion of the necessity and practicability of this drain. The request was granted and the report of the engineer was not favorable for the drain. The drain was declared impractical by the drainage board and that the proper drainage for said district was through the present outlet or the Sebawaing River. The result of this action by the drainage board was an

application for the laying out of a drainage district for the Sebawaing River and some of its branches. Also a petition for cleaning out, deepening and widening and extending the Kemp drain, affecting the township of Sebawaing in Huron county and the township of Columbia in Tuscola county, and having its outlet in the Sebawaing River. The Kemp drain was declared necessary by the drainage board but no further action was taken at that time on account of an insufficient outlet, and was later included in the Sebawaing River drainage district.

On the 27th day of August 1926 the drainage board held a public meeting to act on the application to lay out a drainage district for the Sebawaing River and a number of branches. The drain was declared necessary and practical and conducive to the public health, convenience and welfare by all members of the drainage board. A complete survey was ordered, and engineer was appointed to make the survey and report his findings to the chairman of the drainage board.

The survey was made and drainage district established. The cost of the drain was estimated at \$478,669.30. The laying out of the drainage district and notice thereof as published in a newspaper in each county gave the taxpayers in the district notice that such a district has been designated. A public meeting was called at the Sebawaing town hall by the chairman of the drainage board, Mr. Ernest L. Hunter, Deputy State Commissioner of Agriculture. Taxpayers and those interested were invited to look over plans and specifications and ask questions relative to the Sebawaing river and branches drain. The engineer explained the survey and plans including the bridges, excavations, ditches and estimated cost of the entire project.

A petition was filed with the Drain Commissioner of Huron county signed by 140 taxpayers of the district asking for the locating, establishing and constructing of the Sebawaing River Drain. A public meeting was held in Sebawaing to determine the necessity of said improvements. This meeting was attended by a large number of taxpayers from the district and all supervisors of the townships interested in the drain. Many arguments were made for and against the construction of the drain. The supervisor of Brookfield township, Huron county favored the drain. The supervisors of Columbia, Elmwood, Almer and Ellington townships, Tuscola county opposed the drain to man. Supervisor Dillon of Columbia township addressed the meeting and made a dramatic plea to the taxpayers of the district to vote against the improvements. He appealed to the drainage board not to construct this costly drain at this time. He pointed out that the drain would cost one-half million dollars and would drive many farmers off their lands on account of high taxes. He further stated that although the drain was necessary and some farmers badly needed drainage, as was true in his own township, the cost of the entire project was too high and too much for the taxpayers to stand now. Supervisors of Elmwood, Almer and Ellington townships strongly supported Mr. Dillon's statements and ably assisted him in his fight against the drain. After a long discussion the chairman of the drainage board adjourned the meeting to Bad Axe for a further hearing to be held in the court house. At this meeting a remonstrance against the drain, signed by over 300 taxpayers of Sebawaing township was presented to the chairman of the drainage board and read before the meeting. Again Mr. Dillon, supervisor of Columbia township, addressed the meeting. He made another strong plea against the drain, pointing out the condition taxpayers are in all over the State, including Huron and Tuscola counties, and that this improvement would add still more taxes to the already overburdened taxpayers. Again injunction and damage suits against Tuscola county were threatened by the supervisor of Brookfield, if this drain was not declared necessary. Drain Commissioner Smith of Huron county made a motion that the drain be declared necessary by the drainage board. The motion was put to a vote by Mr. Hunter and the result of the vote was, Walter M. Smith, Drain Commissioner of Huron county, and Conrad Mueller, Drain Commissioner of Tuscola county. No Drain Commissioner Smith of Huron county voting for the drain and Drain Commissioner Mueller of Tuscola county voting against the drain. This made the vote between the two counties. This gave Mr. Hunter authority to cast the deciding vote which was in favor of the drain and finally the drain in the construction of the Sebawaing River Drain. The next step to be taken now was the division of percent between counties. It was the general belief in Huron county that Huron county was to pay about 25% of the cost of the drain. Much time was spent by the Drain Commissioner of Huron county to acquaint himself with conditions of the drainage district such as conditions of township, county and railroad bridges and all benefits to each county on account of construction of this drain, and also the amount of excavation in each county. He also received valuable information from the supervisors of Columbia, Elmwood, Almer and Ellington townships.

The drainage board held a meeting to fix percents of costs between counties. Commissioner Smith of Huron county offered to take 25%. Commissioner Mueller stated that Tuscola county would not take more than 50% and submitted facts and figures to the chairman of the drainage board to substantiate his claims. Mr. Hunter, chairman of the drainage board, then announced the percent of cost between the two counties as fixed by him as follows:

Huron county 47.30%
Tuscola county 52.70%

Total 100%
Total acreage assessed, Huron, 22,192
Total acreage assessed, Tus., 42,427
Total acreage in district 64,619
Although the drain was declared necessary by a majority vote of the

drainage board, this action was not final as the commissioners were unable to secure all releases of right of way for the construction of the drain in their respective counties. The law provided in such cases that application be made to the Judge of Probate in each county, asking for the appointment of three disinterested special commissioners to pass on the necessity of the drain and award damages. The special commissioners so appointed held a public hearing on February 3rd, 1930, which was attended by a large number of taxpayers. Again arguments were made for and against the drain. After hearing all arguments the drain was unanimously declared necessary by the special commissioners.

The statement that more drains were let during the last three years of the present Drain Commissioner's administration than in the preceding fifteen years, does not agree with the facts taken from the drain records in this office, which are as follows:

During Mr. Hall's and Mr. Hicks' administrations of ten years a total of \$1,062,975.90 was assessed in the county for drains, making a five year average of \$531,487.05 for 10 years. During the five years of present administration a total of \$568,117.00 was assessed in this county for drains, which includes \$30,872.95 paid by the state at large railroad crossings power lines which deducted from the total leaves \$537,244.05 collected from Tuscola county, making an almost equal average per year for the last fifteen years. I might say that the three most costly drains let during my administration, namely, the Allen, Sheboygan and Branches and Sebawaing river were all determined to be necessary before I entered upon the duties of this office.

This short history as just given is only for one purpose namely, information and the stand taken by all county and township officers, on all questions pertaining to the Sebawaing River Drain.

CONRAD MUELLER,
County Drain Commissioner, Tuscola County.

Motion made by Supervisor Lewis and supported by Supervisor Heckroth that the communication of County Drain Commissioner be received and spread on the Journal. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor VanWagener and supported by Supervisor Lewis that we recess until one-thirty o'clock this afternoon. Motion carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry. Quorum present.

Supervisor Noble, chairman of committee to settle with County Road Commissioners, reported as follows: Mr. Chairman, Honorable Board: Your committee to settle with the County Road Commissioners beg leave to report that they have examined the books of the County Road Commissioners and find the books and records in good condition, posted to date and the system employed is such that you may find any information pertaining to the office very quickly as all items are kept separate and all questions asked were answered in a very satisfactory manner. The equipment is up to date and in good state of repair. We looked over the dredge and saw it at work and we believe the Road Commissioners have made a very profitable investment for the County. Also to the purchase of gravel from Mr. Robert Warner of Cass City. We have had the matter under consideration and find this pit has not been sufficiently developed for us to make any recommendations, as to the purchase of gravel at this time.

Signed Committee.
S. A. NORLE,
W. T. LEWIS,
S. W. MORRISON.

Motion made by Supervisor VanWagener and supported by Supervisor Miller that the report of the committee be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

Supervisor Burns, chairman of committee on Claims and Accounts reported as follows: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, of Tuscola County, Gentlemen: Your committee on Claims and accounts report that they have had under consideration the following claims and recommend that they be allowed as follows: Claims number 75 to 79 inclusive.

Motion made by Supervisor Dillon and supported by Supervisor VanWagener that the report be accepted and the clerk be instructed to draw warrants for the several amounts as recommended by the committee. Motion carried.

Supervisor Morrison, chairman of committee on County Officers Claims reported as follows: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, of Tuscola County, Gentlemen: Your committee on County Officers Claims beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the following claims and recommend that they be allowed as follows: Claims number 55 to 58 inclusive. Claims number 36-37-43 held.

Motion made by Supervisor Whittenburg and supported by Supervisor Haas that the report of the committee on County Officers Claims be allowed and the clerk be instructed to draw warrants for the several amounts as recommended by the committee. Motion carried.

A communication from the Honorable Governor Wilber M. Brucker was read.

Mr. Ernest Haas, Mr. George Freeland, Mr. Henry VanWagener, care County Clerk's Office, Gentlemen: This will acknowledge copy of the resolution adopted by the Tuscola County Board of Supervisors at its October, 1931 session, relative to calling a special session of the legislature to consider the tax problem.

This matter is receiving serious consideration at the present time and I thank you for sending me the resolution of your board. Very truly yours, Wilber M. Brucker.

Motion made by Supervisor Heckroth and supported by Supervisor Dillon that the communication from the Governor be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

Supervisor McArthur, chairman of committee on ways and means reported as follows:

Twp. Town tx. Sch. 1 ML. Rd. Rep. Hy. Imp. Cv.Rt.atL Cv.Rd.Sp. Tp.DratL Dr.Spec. Cem'y Rejected

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The Christmas Gift

Two stockings hung from either side of the mantlepiece of an old-fashioned room. They were well filled. They bulged inartistically but generously at every possible place. Over the pictures on the walls were large branches of spruce green. In one corner of the room stood a small Christmas tree, gayly bedecked with tinsel and favors and on the very top was perched a cardboard Santa Claus who still appeared as ruddy and festive as he had when first he had stood there seventeen years before.

The stockings hung so heavily looked as though they would drop their load any minute but they were securely fastened and held down at the top by heavy books.

"Mumsee," cried a girl's voice. The front door had just opened.

"Hello," came back the answer from the woman sitting before the fire in the living room. She gazed with half wistful eyes at the stockings, then she called, although she knew the answer—

"Yes! Who is it?"

"Oh, Mumsee," the girl exclaimed as she came in the door, "how lovely the house looks! And you've trimmed the stairway since I've been gone. Did you put some green in the pulpit?"

Louise Waterbury ran out of the living room and up the stairs, around the bend of which was an opening which strongly resembled a pulpit architecturally. There again and again as a child Louise had preached "sermons" to Mumsee who had sat on the stairs, the sole listener to her off-repeated text and sermon on the theme she loved the best. It gave her a chance for so many repetitions, and again and again, in her own way she would give her text.

"Sam! Sam!" and he answered "Here am I." Again and again the Lord would call Samuel in Louise's recitation. If she had gathered some of her friends together at any time she had formed a choir processional and they had added to the service by singing "From Greenland's Icy Mountains." It was such a graphic hymn. She could see India's coral strand, the great icy mountains of Greenland and the hot soil of Africa—all vividly in her mind. She was glad the hymn had been written by some one who had traveled—she was sure it must have been.

Yes, the pulpit had been decorated with great branches of green spruce and pine and hemlock. There was nothing in the house which didn't show that it was Christmas time and the room where they sat, with its four windows, its wreaths at each one, its white woodwork, its huge open fire dancing gayly and throwing shadows and lights and making a wonderful series of fantastic, fanciful pictures on the walls, all breathed the spirit of the season.

So they had sat every Christmas eve now for seventeen years. Mumsee had waited until Louise was a year old to decorate the house.

"Hadin't we better be having supper now? We've a long evening ahead."

So these two celebrated their Christmas together, one of them old, the other young. And when Louise said good-night to Mumsee one little happy tear did escape her, and Mumsee felt it on her cheek.

"What's the matter, dearie?"

"Nothing at all!" Louise exclaimed. "Only I've been thinking that the most wonderful gift of all, the most beautiful Christmas gift, or gift of life or anything and everything, is the way you have always made us have so much happiness and so much joy out of keeping 'days' and entering into the spirit of them, and in making the day-by-day living something so beautiful and so happy. Oh, Mumsee, you put the spirit of Christmas into every moment of the year."

And Mumsee hugged Louise and said:

"My dear, you're the secret of it all. It is because a young, young creature such as you, has never, never made me feel old!"

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The Other Fellow—at Christmas

Sometimes it's better to have loved and lost than to be the other fellow, especially at Christmas.

GAGETOWN

Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Hemerick very pleasantly entertained Mr. and Mrs. A. Moden, Mrs. K. M. Morris, Mrs. Jennie Slack, and Miss Angie Vanbuskirk of Detroit at a week-end home party. Friday evening in honor of their Detroit guests, Mr. and Mrs. Hemerick were host and hostess at a progressive bridge party at their home when the following guests were invited to fill tables: Mr. and Mrs. Lee Stewart of Caro, Mr. and Mrs. Alf Rocheleau, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. M. P. Freeman and the Misses Margaret Burleigh and Edith Miller, Mrs. Moden was fortunate in winning ladies' first prize, closely followed by Mrs. C. P. Hunter. Mr. Stewart won gentlemen's first prize, with M. P. Freeman carrying away consolation. A dainty luncheon was served.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Loomis and family, Miss Lettie Loomis, Mrs. Warren O'Dell and daughter were Bay City callers Saturday.

Mrs. J. L. Purdy has been nursing a sprained ankle the past week.

Mrs. Alphonso Rocheleau pleasantly entertained the Bridge club at her home last Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. L. McDonald and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Alex McCarthy of Argyle.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Williamson and family spent the week-end in Saginaw with their daughter.

Mrs. Ralph Clara and son, Paul, returned home after spending a few days in Detroit with her parents.

Mrs. C. P. Hunter is spending the week in Detroit with Francis and Pauline Hunter.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Burdon returned home after spending two weeks in Detroit with relatives and friends.

The Gagetown High School Glee Club gave a bake sale Saturday at Nutt's store.

Miss E. Miller and Mrs. C. P. Hunter were callers in Bay City Saturday.

John Munro of Albion spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. George Munro and family.

Mrs. Nutt and Mrs. Wood were callers in Bay City Monday.

Mr. Clara, George, Mildred and Bernice Clara attended the Junior Live Stock show in Detroit during the past week.

Mrs. Richard Karr is spending a few days with relatives in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. John Karner of Port Huron were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Weiler.

Miss Helen Quinn, Vincent Walsh and Percy Terush spent Sunday with Jack and Lucille Weiler.

Miss Nina Munro of Owosso spent the week-end at her parental home.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Freeman of Saginaw spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Freeman.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Seuryneck and family spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnston.

GREENLEAF.

Mr. and Mrs. Robt. McIntyre and daughter, Mary Margaret, and Wm. McAllister of Popple called at the Archie McCallum home Monday evening.

John McRae and sister, Miss Johanna, of Cass City called at the Archie McCallum home Sunday.

Clayton and Marjorie Dew entertained a number of friends at a card party Saturday evening. Seven tables were played.

Dan McGillivray spent the week-end at the Collin McCallum home.

Mrs. MaLor and Mrs. W. Tripp of Detroit are at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. McKay, being called here by the serious illness of their mother.

RESCUE.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Britt, a daughter, Saturday, Dec. 12. She will answer to the name of Hazel May.

Mr. and Mrs. John McAlpine and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mellendorf and sons, Morris and Perry, were callers in Caro and Cass City Saturday.

Miss Hazel Summers is working for Mrs. Ralph Britt these days.

There will be a Christmas tree and program at the Cambro church on Wednesday evening, Dec. 23.

The neighbors made a wood bee last Wednesday afternoon for Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Roberts. They saved and split a nice pile of wood.

Lawrence Kanerose of Bad Axe was a caller at the Ralph Britt home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Taylor were business callers in Caro and Cass City Monday.

The Ladies' Aid met at the Roy Russell home in Owendale on Wednesday for dinner and work.

There will be a Christmas tree and program at the Grant church on Thursday evening, Dec. 24. All are cordially invited to attend.

Stanley Mellendorf of Caro was a caller at his parental home here on Monday.

Our school's Christmas program will be held at the schoolhouse on Monday evening, Dec. 21. All are cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. William Luice and granddaughter returned to their home in

Kinde after spending the past few weeks at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ralph Britt.

Mrs. William MacCallum has been on the sick list the past week.

Joseph Mellendorf was greatly surprised Friday when he returned home from Bad Axe to find a number of relatives gathered at his home to remind him that he had a birthday on that day, Dec. 11. He received a number of lovely presents. A bountiful not luck dinner was served. The following relatives were present: Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mellendorf and sons, Barton and Weldon, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mellendorf and son, Edward, Mr. and Mrs. Ulysses Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Taylor, Wm. Parker and daughters, Veta and Verena, Harold Parrish, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Helwig and daughter, Lenora, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mellendorf and Mr. and Mrs. John MacAlpine. It was also Mrs. Arthur Taylor's birthday. They all wished them many more happy anniversaries.

HAY CREEK SCHOOL NOTES.

Grant Watson and Jack Loney made a standard for our small blackboard Tuesday forenoon.

Miss Elsie Stewart has returned home after spending some time visiting in Detroit.

The eighth grade are working geometric problems in arithmetic.

Mr. Smith was a caller at our school Monday.

Miss Belva McNaughton returned home from Detroit Sunday after spending a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McPhail.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Rowley, Mrs. Ralph Loney and two children, Keith and Marilyn Jean, left Sunday to spend a few days visiting relatives and friends in Canada.

The Misses Belva McNaughton, Elsie Stewart, and Lorraine Watson were pleasant visitors Tuesday.

Grant Watson and Jack Loney accompanied Ralph Loney on his trip to the market in Detroit Friday night returning Saturday evening.

The following are officers of the Civic Health Club for two weeks: Pres., Hazen Watson; sec., Edward Bauer; mail, Valentine Bauer; flag, Grant Watson; Kenneth Copeland; pumping water, Genevieve Freshney; dismissal, Morris Rockwell; dismissal, primary grades, Clark McQueen; boys' cloak room, Harold Copeland; Donald McLaughlan; girls' cloak room, Wilma McLaughlan; Lillian Stewart; door monitor, Elsie Pringle; hand inspector, Maxene Loney; paper, Morris Rockwell.

We still have our bouquet of baby chrysanthemums which Genevieve Freshney brought to school some time ago.

Reporters, Margaret McNaughton, and Doris Pringle.

She's Prepared

When a woman has a husband who insists on building himself a home-made airplane that he intends to fly in she saves time by getting herself a black dress and hat and a mourning veil.—Florida Times-Union.

Beware Ignoble Content

The soul is the strong, courageous, resourceful, unstained, deathless life within you, to save you from all that is ignoble, discontented, or ignobly contented.—Vivian Pomeroy.

Order for Publication—Account—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 10th day of December, A. D. 1931.

Present: Hon. Guy G. Hill, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the Estate of Elijah H. Pinney, Deceased: Northern Title and Trust Company, Bay City, Mich., having filed in said court its annual account as Administrator de bonis non, with will annexed, of said estate, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof.

It is ordered, that Friday the 8th day of January 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.

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.

GUY G. HILL, Judge of Probate.

A true copy

Minta E. Hill, Register of Probate. 12/18/31

Order for Publication—Determination of Heirs—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 15th day of December, A. D. 1931.

Present: Hon. Guy G. Hill, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the Estate of Christina Jaus, Deceased. Fred W. Jaus, having filed in said court his petition praying that said court adjudicate and determine who were at the time of her death the legal heirs of said deceased and entitled to inherit the real estate of which said deceased died seized.

It is ordered that the 11th day of January, A. D. 1932, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at said probate office, be and is hereby appointed for 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 Cass City Chronicle, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

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OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS—TUSCOLA COUNTY.

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67 Mrs. James Smith, contagious	50.00	30.00
68 Wm. G. Streiter, sheep claim	18.00	13.00
69 Herbert H. Moechler, sheep claim	6.20	6.20
70 G. H. Kaven, M. D., rabies claim	29.65	25.00
71 Carl Palmer, contagious	6.00	6.00
72 Albert Chatterson, sheep claim	37.35	28.35
73 George Reichel, sheep claim	11.70	11.70
74 A. C. Metcalf, contagious	13.21	13.21
75 Mary Dailey, sheep claim	15.00	11.50
76 F. L. Morris, M. D., contagious	32.00	32.00
77 A. C. Metcalf, contagious	5.01	5.01
78 George Schian, sheep claim	8.20	8.20
79 J. E. Handy, M. D., rabies treatment	30.00	30.00

NOVEMBER SESSION

NOVEMBER 3rd, 1931

To Guy N. Ormes, County Clerk, Tuscola County.

We, the undersigned Supervisors of Tuscola County, petition you to call a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors, November 16th, 1931.

GEO. MCARTHUR,
HENRY VANWAGNEN,
BERT M. PERRY,
JAMES OSBURN,
L. D. HAINES,
EDMUND MILLER,
WALTER HECKROTH,
W. T. LEWIS,
S. W. MORRISON,
E. R. PURDY.

Caro, Michigan,

NOVEMBER 16th, 1931

A special session of the Board of Supervisors, of Tuscola County was held at the Courthouse in the Village of Caro on Monday, the 16th day of November, 1931.

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry.

Roll was called and the following Supervisors responded: Heckroth, Whitteburg, Miller, Dillon, Morrison, Keinath, Rawson, Dietz, Perry, McAlpine, Haas, Noble, Purdy, Higgins, Osburn, Burns, VanWagnen, McArthur, Haines, Lewis, Freeland, Macomber, McFarlane.

The clerk read the following resolution:

Caro, Mich., Nov. 5, 1931
To the Board of Supervisors,
Tuscola County, Caro, Michigan.

Whereas, the Theron Atwood Sr. Post No. 7, of the American Legion has taken into consideration and recognizes the present unsettled conditions reflected in this county as well as in the State and Nation through the present economic situation, and

Whereas, this post also recognizes fully the difficulties confronting any organized political body intent on carrying out their policies which are deemed best for the good of the community which they serve, and;

Whereas, the American Legion originally embodied in its platform its entire co-operation with those forces of the government which are delegated by it to the establishment of law and order, then:

Be It Resolved, That the Theron Atwood Sr. Post No. 7 of the American Legion endorse and support to the fullest extent such action or program as the Tuscola County Board of Supervisors deem wise and express its confidence in the ability and judgment of such Board to act for the best interests of this county, entire.

Signed:
CLYDE MONTAGUE,
Post Commander.

Motion made by Supervisor Morrison and supported by Supervisor Keinath that the communication be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

An agreement was read from S. R. Park, Cashier of Peoples State Bank, Caro, Michigan, as follows:

Caro, Mich., Nov. 14, 1931
Bank Depository Committee, Tuscola County Board of Supervisors,
Attention Mr. Guy N. Ormes, Clerk.
Gentlemen:

It will be entirely agreeable with us to amend by mutual consent our original bid and proposal as Depository for Tuscola County funds, to include therein moneys belonging to the Tuscola County Courthouse Sinking Fund. These funds, if you wish may be deposited in the general accounts of the Tuscola County Treasurer and will be protected by our depository bonds now on file with you, which are sufficient in amount to cover the entire account.

Yours very truly,
S. R. PARK, Cashier.

Motion made by Supervisor Heckroth and supported by Supervisor VanWagnen that we accept the agreement of the Peoples State Bank. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor VanWagnen and supported by Supervisor Dietz that we recess until one-thirty o'clock this afternoon. Motion carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION

Meeting called to order by Chairman Perry. Quorum present.

Supervisor Burns, chairman of committee on Claims and Accounts reported as follows: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Tuscola County, Gentlemen: Your committee on claims and accounts beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the following claims and recommend that they be allowed as follows: Claims No. 1 to No. 12 except No. 5.

Motion made by Supervisor Lewis and supported by Supervisor Freeland

NOVEMBER CLAIMS ALLOWED

No.	Claimant	Nature of Claim	Claimed	Allowed
1	Wm. H. Belf, sheep claim		\$ 14.20	\$ 14.20
2	Geo. H. Seeley, sheep claim		76.15	67.15
3	Arthur Schell, sheep claim		10.60	9.10
4	John V. Dykes, sheep claim		208.15	171.15
5	Vastbinder's Pharmacy, contagious		25.00	held
6	A. C. Metcalf, contagious		21.93	21.93
7	Peter Zulkeiwski, contagious		4.52	4.52
8	N. J. Malloy, M. D., contagious		14.75	14.75
9	L. Vander Kooy, contagious		3.39	3.39
10	E. M. Kempton, M. D., contagious		25.00	20.00
11	Christian Weber, contagious		65.00	40.00
12	Mary Dailey, sheep claim		223.25	156.25

NEIL H. BURNS, S. A. NOBLE, ERNEST HAAS, Committee.

COUNTY OFFICERS CLAIMS

1 Lee Huston, coroner	\$ 17.00	\$ 17.00
2 C. N. Race, M. D., coroner	7.08	7.08
3 Fred Findlay, deputy sheriff	66.57	66.57

that the report of the committee be accepted and the clerk be instructed to draw warrants for the several amounts as recommended by the committee. Motion carried.

Supervisor Keinath, chairman of County Bank Depository committee reported as follows: The Bank Depository committee and the Finance committee wish to report that they have conferred with the various banks of the county but have not arrived at a definite contract. They further recommend that the county should not loan out the county funds without good and sufficient security for the same.

CARL KEINATH,
S. A. NOBLE,
ERNEST HAAS,
E. R. PURDY,
W. T. LEWIS,
W. T. LEWIS.

Motion made by Supervisor Burns and supported by Supervisor Dillon that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Supervisor Morrison, chairman of committee on County Officers Claims reported as follows: To the Honorable Board of Supervisors, Gentlemen: Your committee on Claims of the County Officers beg leave to report that they have had under consideration the following claims and recommend that they be allowed as follows: Claims No. 1 to 15 and No. 36-43-58 of Oct. 1931, claims.

Motion made by Supervisor Noble and supported by Supervisor Heckroth that the report of the committee be accepted and the clerk be instructed to draw warrants for the several amounts as recommended by the committee. Motion carried.

The clerk then read the following resolutions:

Whereas: The Courthouse Building Committee has conferred with various Architects and carefully studied the plans submitted by such Architects relative to the proposed new courthouse, and said Committee has recommended the acceptance detailed plans and specifications submitted by William H. Kuni, Architect with Smith, Hinchman and Grylls as consulting architects, and the payment to him of \$1000.00 to apply on his work thus far rendered; and,

Whereas: It is now necessary for steps to be taken to receive bids for the construction of the new courthouse, and arrangements made for the temporary quarters of the county officers; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Tuscola in meeting assembled on Monday, November 16th, 1931, that the plans and specifications for the proposed Tuscola County Courthouse submitted by William H. Kuni and Smith, Hinchman and Grylls as consulting architects be, and the same are hereby accepted and approved, subject however to such alterations as may subsequently be recommended by the said Building Committee to this Board, and be by this Board approved; and be it further

Resolved, that the Tuscola County Board of Sinking Fund Commissioners shall under the provisions of Sections 1246 to 1255, Compiled Laws of Michigan, 1929, cause to be paid William H. Kuni, architect, the sum of \$1,000.00 which is due to him by the acceptance of said plans for the proposed new Courthouse by the Tuscola County Board of Supervisors; and be it further

Resolved, that the Courthouse Building Committee immediately proceed to advertise and receive bids for the construction of the new courthouse, and the demolishing of the present courthouse, such bids to be presented to this Board of Supervisors not later than January 4th, 1932, for acceptance; and be it further

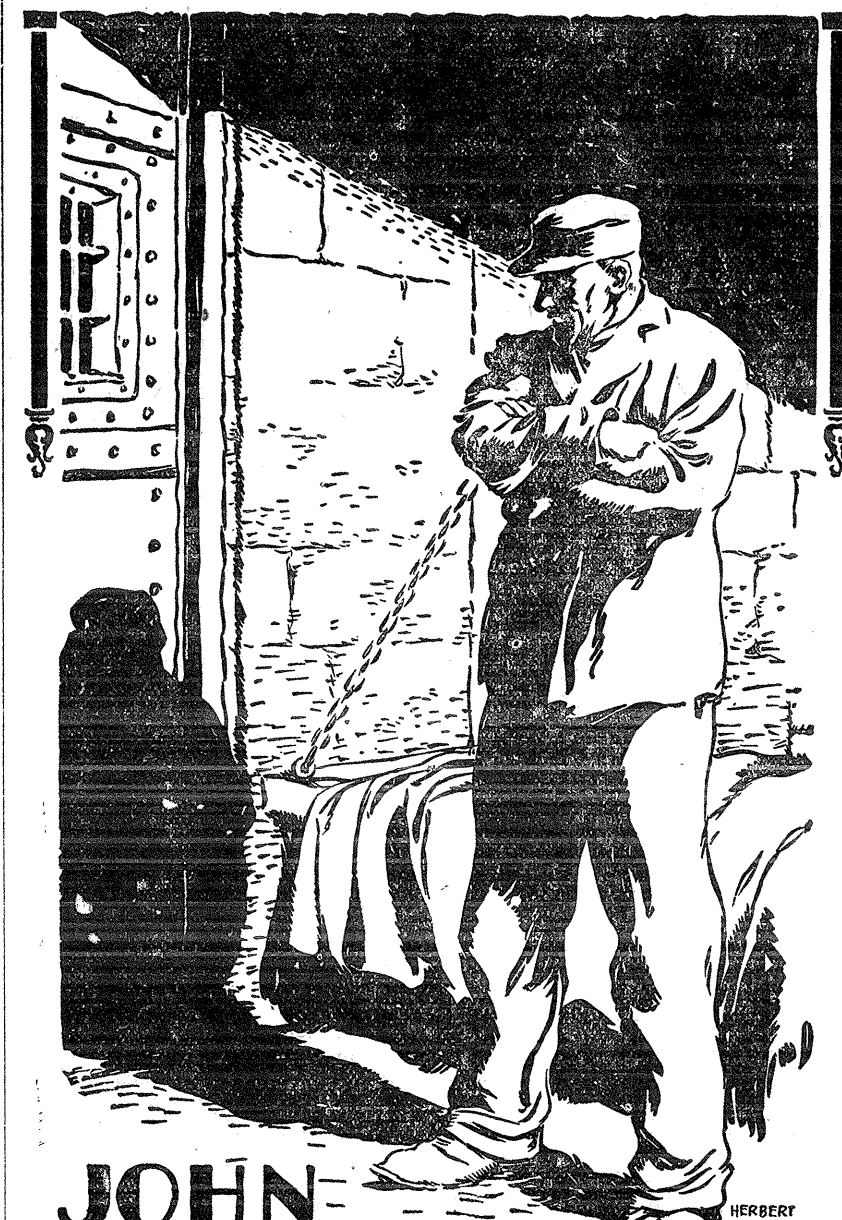
Resolved, That the Courthouse Building Committee is hereby further instructed, empowered and authorized to superintend the arrangement for the temporary offices of the present occupants of the courthouse, and said committee is given full power and authority to do whatever in its judgment it may deem expedient and necessary for the purposes herein specified.

Motion made by Supervisor Dillon and supported by Supervisor Lewis that the resolution be adopted. A ye a and nay vote was taken, the result being all Supervisors voting yes.

Motion made by Supervisor Heckroth and supported by Supervisor Higgins that the clerk be authorized to pay the rent for the temporary quarters for County Officers. Motion carried.

Motion made by Supervisor Dietz and supported by Supervisor Whitteburg that we adjourn until January 4th, 1932 at nine o'clock. Motion carried.

BERT M. PERRY, Chairman,
GUY N. ORMES, Clerk.



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Church

Church of Christ—Evangelistic meetings at Novesta Church of Christ continue with increasing crowds and interest each night. Thursday the old hymn "Rock of Ages" was dramatized. Tonight (Friday) night is young people's night. The pageant, "The Challenge of the Cross" will be presented. A box social will be held afterwards. Next week, Mothers' Night and Family Night will be observed. Souvenirs will be given to the oldest mother and mother of largest family on Mothers' Night and on Family Night to the largest family present and to family coming the farthest. Come and enjoy every service. At 7:30 every night except Saturday. Special music at every service.

Mennonite Church—G. D. Clink, Pastor.

The annual Sunday School reorganization will take place at the Mizpah church Sunday morning at ten-thirty o'clock, followed by the preaching service. Preaching at Riverside at ten o'clock followed by Sunday School. The evening service will be at the Riverside church at seven-thirty.

Presbyterian Church—Paul Johnson, Allured, Minister. Sunday, Dec. 20:

Christmas worship service, 10:30, for all the members of the family. Church and Sunday School combined. The regular class period will follow immediately and adjourn at 12:30 p. m.

Christian Endeavor, 6:30, Topic: "Making Christmas Christian." Leader, Robert Allured.

Joint evening service at Methodist church.

Christmas tree program—Monday, Dec. 21, 7:30 p. m.

Evangelical Church—Sunday School 10:00 a. m. Sermon, 11:00. Theme, "Facing the Future."

In the evening at 7:30, a special Christmas program will be presented to which everyone is cordially invited. Prayer service Thursday at 7:30 p. m. C. F. Smith, Pastor.

First M. E. Church—Sunday morning at ten o'clock, the pastor will deliver a Christmas sermon, "Christ, the Greatest Gift of God to Man." The choir will sing Christmas carols.

The Sunday School meets at 11:15. Epworth League service, 6:30 p. m. At 7:30 p. m., the Sunday School will give their Christmas program. A good program of recitations, dialogues, and vocal and instrumental music. The church will be decorated

with a Christmas tree. Gifts will be distributed. The offering will be given to the World Service of our church for little children.

Bethel church hold their Sunday School at 11:00, and preaching service at 12:00.

Bethel will have their Christmas program next Monday evening. Their program will be even better than last year. Don't miss it.

T. S. Bottrell, Pastor.

Baptist Church—Preaching Sunday morning at 10:30. Theme, "Celebrating a Birthday."

Sunday School at 11:45, Cecil Brown, superintendent.

B. Y. P. U. at 6:30, under the Fellowship Commission. Clara Hutchinson is director. The B. Y. P. U. is well attended and a good interest shown.

Evening service at 7:30. Theme, "The Atmosphere of the Nazareth Home." The child without a Christian home is unfortunate. Happy Half-Hour following the sermon. This will be in charge of Eugene Livingstone next Sunday evening. Our room will be last Sunday evening.

Christmas tree Wednesday evening. The Sunday School will put on a program.

Prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. Choir rehearsal Thursday evening at 8:30.

W. R. Curtis, Pastor.

Shabbona Church—Sunday School at 10:30 a. m. Last Sunday, a record attendance of 152 present. Classes for all; you are welcome. Morning service at 11:30 a. m. Young people's service at 8:00 p. m. Topic, "My Motive in Being a Christian." Message by Mrs. Lloyd Hyde. Prayer service on Thursday at 8:00 p. m.

Decker Church—Sunday School at 10:30 a. m. Morning service at 11:30 a. m. Evening service at 7:30 p. m. Miss McGhie will bring her closing message at the Sunday night service. Prayer service on Tuesday at 8:00 p. m. Christmas program by the Sunday School on Thursday at 8:00 p. m.

Elmer Church—Morning service at 10:00 a. m. Sunday School at 11:00 a. m. Prayer service on Wednesday at 8:00 p. m. Christmas program by the Sunday School at 8:00 p. m. on Dec. 24.

J. H. James, Pastor.

A Back Number.

Mayme—Why did you put the skirts under that new boy friend?

Jayne—He was too old-fashioned. When I started to cough at the party he took me to the poor fish offered me a cough drop instead of a cigarette. Can you imagine it?—Cincinnati Enquirer.

NEWS OF THE NEARBY SECTIONS

Happenings Here and There Garnered from the Chronicle's Exchanges.

For the first time in 20 years, county officials say, it is unnecessary for Sanilac county to borrow money from county banks to replenish the general fund until tax collection time arrived.

Vassar motorists may be able to drive their cars all winter without fear of icy streets due to the action of the village council in placing an order for twenty tons of Dow Flake for use by the street department. The order which the council authorized is in blanket form, thus enabling the council to obtain the chemical in amounts as needed instead of in car load lots as has been the practice heretofore. The price quoted the council by the Dow Chemical company was \$21 at Midland.

To keep Caro skaters off Cass river in early winter when skating is

dangerous, Oscar Pamburn, manager of the Caro Wigwam, is making preparations to flood a large space on the golf club grounds for a skating pond.

Peter Rajkovich, fullback on the University of Detroit football team, believes in planning for the future. Wednesday he obtained a license to marry Miss Georgia Gaut, says a state daily. He explained that the ceremony will not take place until his graduation. Rajkovich is a sophomore. Rajkovich is a former Caro high school star and has been one of the mainstays of the U. of D. football team during the past season.

Merrill Van Guilder, 13 years old, was painfully burned on the leg and forearm Saturday when gasoline exploded. The accident occurred when the boy was filling a tank on a gasoline engine connected with the lighting plant at the farm of his stepfather, Charles Uhan, three miles north of Caro. The boy, who is under a doctor's care at his home, saved himself from more serious wounds by leaping into a nearby tank of water. The engine is located in a room in the barn. The fire that resulted from the explosion was extinguished with but little damage, Merrill assisting in fighting the blaze after he had saved himself. He said he did not know what caused the

More Sprays Needed for San Jose Scale

Increased numbers of the San Jose scale found in Michigan orchards recently will make it necessary for farmers to use lime sulphur sprays more often than once in two years to secure adequate protection for their trees, according to the entomology department at Michigan State College.

This troublesome insect pest was observed first in Michigan in 1896 and caused a great deal of damage to fruit trees in the years following its appearance when no efficient control measures were known. The scale increased for 15 years and then declined in numbers until it became one of the minor problems in the orchard.

Lime sulphur sprays and natural parasites of the San Jose scale cleaned up the scale in Michigan orchards until it became a standard practice to spray only in alternate years for the scale. Fewer parasites in the past few years have permitted the orchard pest to build up in numbers until, now, it becomes necessary again to use more frequent control sprays.

San Jose scale attacks all fruit trees

and many ornamental plants. Branches on infested trees have a scurfy appearance and are killed when the scale is present in large numbers. The entomology department will examine portions of branches which are suspected of being infested with scale, if the branches are sent to the office at East Lansing.

Grave Danger of Borrowing Paper

Listen to a classic printshop fable: Once upon a time a nicklenurser sent his kid to borrow the neighbor's paper and the kid upset a hive of bees and soon was covered with lumps. His father ran to help him and caught his chin on a clothesline and sprained his back and fell and broke a twenty-five dollar watch. The clothes pole fell over the car and smashed the windshield, and occasioned all the excitement, upset a five-gallon churn of cream into a basket of kittens, drowning all of them. The electric flatiron burned through the ironing board, set fire to the house, and the firemen broke all the windows and chopped a hole in the roof.

The baby ate a jar of pickles and got cholera morbus, and the doctor's

bill was \$15. The daughter run away with the hired man during the excitement, the dog bit a neighbor's kid and the calves ate the tails off of four night shirts on the clothes line.

Moral—Subscribe to your home paper. Don't borrow it! This all happened in Dyer, Tennessee, according to the town's newspaper.

HOSPITAL NOTES

Mrs. Clinton Bruce of Deford entered the hospital Thursday and underwent an operation Saturday.

Mrs. Oscar Webber of Owendale who entered Monday, December 7, was operated on Thursday.

Walter Way was able to leave the hospital for his home in Uby.

Mrs. Clarence Boulton was able to leave for her home Tuesday.

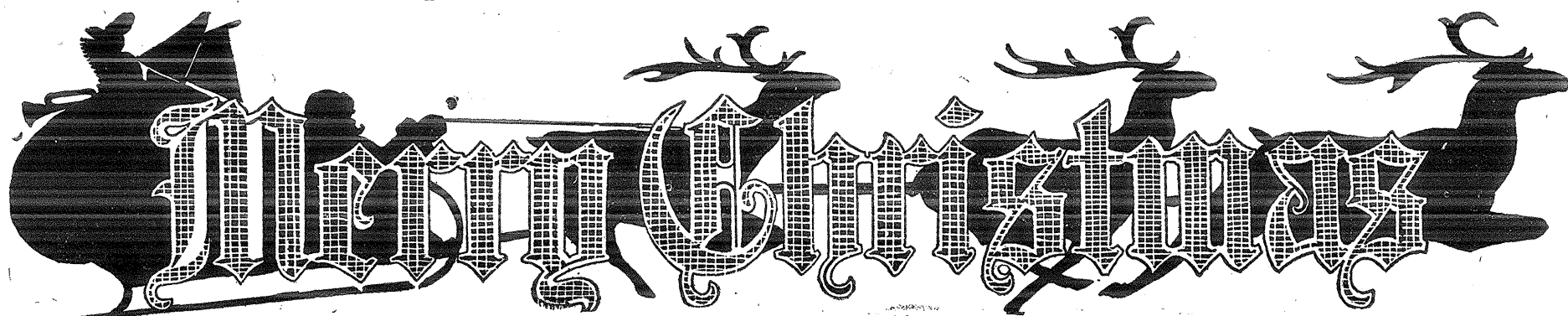
Mrs. Margaret Houghton was brought to the hospital Wednesday of last week and is doing nicely.

Mrs. Doris Passow of Saginaw General Hospital is doing special duty.

Fellow Sufferers

Indiana doctor says hay fever affects 1 per cent of the population, which, it seems to us, is an underestimate. The other 99 per cent have to listen to it.—Indianapolis News.

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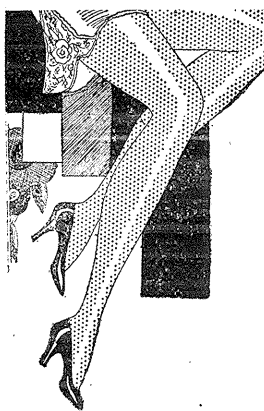
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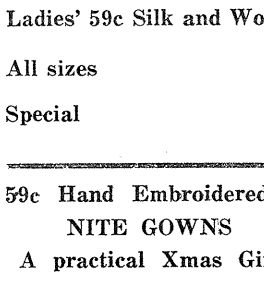
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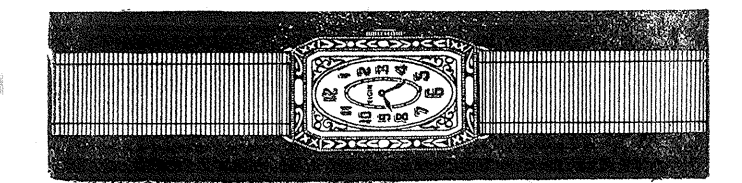
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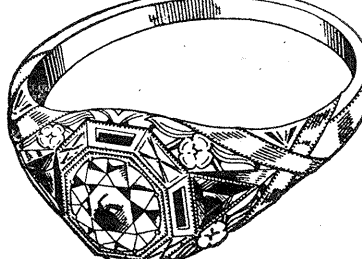
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