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Sparta Alumni Met At Masonic Temple Friday

Mr. and Mrs. Perkins Receive Present; Dean Bradford Was Toastmaster

The Sparta Alumni with one hundred and forty present met at the Masonic Temple Friday evening for their annual banquet, served by Harmony Chapter, O. E. S.

Invocation was given by Fannie Springsteen, the advisor of the class of 1925 for their four high school years. Community singing was led by Russell Forwood with Doris Ryan accompanying. Roll call resulted in 89 alumni being present, the class of 1921 being the oldest class with five members present and the largest, the class of 1925 with eleven members present.

The alumni president Hazel Bright Forwood of Grand Rapids, then introduced the toastmaster, Dean Bradford. The toast to Seniors was given by John Powers with the response by Jean Fuller. A memorial was read by Mrs. O. F. Balyeat.

Dean Bradford paid tribute to the honor guests, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Perkins, and presented them with a floor lamp. Mr. Perkins having been the Sparta school custodian for the past twenty-five years.

Howard Wickert, now superintendent of the Creston High School of Grand Rapids, gave an interesting address on "Keeping One's Balance".

The meeting then adjourned to the school gymnasium for the remainder of a one-act play, "Saturdays Children" presented by the Sparta Community Players under direction of Mrs. E. Baker of Grand Rapids; selections by the Creston High quartet with accordion selection, and tap dancing by Shirley and Dick Forwood.

The dance at Camp Lake pavilion completed the evening's program.

The officers who will have charge for the ensuing year are: President, George Fifeild; vice-president, Clarence Anderson; secretary, Francis Hanson; assistant secretary, Jean Bromley; treasurer, Hugh Clark.

Among those who attended from out of town were: Mr. and Mrs. Clark Brown, Lowell Teller, Claribel Ewing, Coralie Ritz, Harold McGaw, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Wickert, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Forwood, Lucy Ann McCall, Mr. and Mrs. Kopman, Mrs. Charles Saur, Adeline Beebe, Minnie Whitney, Fannie Springsteen, all of Grand Rapids.

Mrs. W. E. Annis and Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Baldwin, Rockford; Mr. and Mrs. Buell White, Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Edmond Thome and Mrs. Andrew Canberg of Lansing; Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Bidleman of Lake Odessa; R. R. Barry of Grand Ledge; Mr. and Mrs. Clare Reburn of Cedar Springs; Mr. and Mrs. William Axford of Ravenna; Mr. and Mrs. Roger Hathaway of Casnovia; Donald Lewis of Sand Lake; David Batoon and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Pulkerson of Conklin.

HATTIE PATTISON MARTINDALE PASSES IN LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

Old friends of Hattie Pattison Martindale will be sorry to learn that she passed away in April at her home in Little Rock, Ark. Her husband, Herbert Harris Martindale, was the son of one of Sparta's pioneers. Her daughters, Dottie and Marie Martindale, would be most happy to receive a line from some of their mother's relatives and old friends in Sparta. Their address is 305 E. Fourth St., Little Rock, Ark.

CORAL LYMBURNER TO ATTEND 4-H CLUB CAMP

Coral LeVerne Lymburner leaves Monday for Michigan State college where she will attend the 4-H Club camp. She will stay in the girls' dormitory with other 4-H members.

Coral has completed eight years of school work. She has been on the honor roll several times and has received many blue ribbons. She won her free trip to Lansing for excellent work in both canning and sewing.

Kober-Francis Wedding Date Set For June 29

Mr. and Mrs. John Kober of Conklin announce the approaching marriage of their daughter, Edna Caroline, to Mr. Herschel Francis of Terre Haute, Ind., son of Otis Francis, Clay City, Ind.

Miss Kober is a graduate of Sparta High School and Hillsdale College and has for the past five years taught Home Economics at Sparta High. Mr. Francis graduated from Indiana State Teachers College, Terre Haute, and was Commercial teacher at Sparta for two years. At the present time he is teaching Commerce in the high school at Rockford.

Miss Kober has chosen her sister, Miss Lena Kober as maid of honor. State Teachers College, Terre Haute, Ind., and Miss Cleopatra McClain of Hillsdale, will be bridesmaids. Nancy Ann Kober, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kober of Sparta and Rosaline Francis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Francis of Clay City, Indiana will act as flower girls.

Raymond Francis of Jasonville, Ind., will assist his brother as best man, while John Kober, Jr., brother of the bride, and Albert Preston of Marne will usher.

Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kober of Sparta will be master and mistress of ceremonies.

The ceremony will take place at the Trinity Lutheran Church, Conklin, at 7:30 Saturday evening, June 29. Rev. C. F. Lederer will officiate.

Mrs. Inah Carlon Died As Result of Auto Accident

Mrs. Inah Carlon, 40, of Grand Rapids died Friday afternoon in Butterworth hospital after being struck May 26 by an automobile driven by Herman Scott, 16, of Sparta. Scott when questioned admitted he had passed into the intersection on the right of cars waiting for a traffic signal light to change. His explanation was that the lane was open. He stated he was not immediately aware he had struck a person and the car was carried 77 feet on the left fender of his car.

Mrs. Carlon is survived by her husband, Harry Carlon; her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter VanSetters and a brother, Carl, all of Grand Rapids. Funeral services were held Monday, with burial in Fairlains cemetery.

Because of the age of young Scott authorities were undecided whether an inquest would be held.

Bittenbender Is Found Insane, Sent To Hospital For Life

Clyde Bittenbender, 50, of Camp Lake who fatally shot his neighbor of casual acquaintance, Orman F. Hepinstall, 24, in the latter's cottage on May 22, Monday was ordered by Circuit Judge William B. Brown to the state hospital at Ionia for "the rest of his natural life or until he should be restored mentally."

The order for his commitment was made at a sanity hearing at which three psychiatrists testified that Bittenbender was insane at the time of the murder and is now. They said he was of the paranoid type and they doubted whether he could recover mentally.

Because of the commitment Bittenbender will not be prosecuted for the crime of murder. Bittenbender was turned over to the custody of Sheriff Hugh M. Blacklock until preparations for his commitment to the hospital are completed by Prosecutor Fred N. Searl.

JOHN LEY OF GRAND RAPIDS DIED SUNDAY

John Ley, 76, Grand Rapids business man died last Sunday after a long illness. Funeral services were held Wednesday with burial in Greenwood cemetery.

For many years Mr. Ley conducted a grocery store and more recently was engaged in the real estate and life insurance business. He served three years as a member of the Kent County Jury Commission.

Besides the widow he is survived by two sons, two daughters, and ten grandchildren. Mr. Ley had many Sparta friends who held him in high esteem.

ANNUAL JOHNSON- SMITH CO. SALE TO START FRI., JUNE 21

Friday morning the Johnson-Smith Co. are staging their 24th Annual Department Manager's Sale which will continue through Saturday, June 29.

These sales are always anticipated by customers from year to year and there is an assortment of merchandise of every description to suit every purse and every taste.

Department managers are Mrs. E. W. Smith, dry goods; Orrin Johnson, clothing; Don Hinkley, shoe department; Wilford Beery, groceries and Martin Kelley, meats.

Articles listed on the large 4-page Sentinel-Leader printed sale bills include: shoes, for men, women and children; dresses and millinery; hosiery and lingerie; coats and rain caps; sheets, pillow cases, bedspreads and blankets; yard-goods material, bathing suits, gloves, handbags, bath room sets, towels, dish cloths, wash cloths, and lace handkerchiefs. In fact any article in which you are interested may be found in this great sale. Come in and look around. The sale begins Friday morning at 8:30.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere and heartfelt thanks to our relatives, neighbors, and friends for their kindness and sympathy shown at the death of our beloved father and grandfather, Benjamin Murray; especially to Rev. Irbly for his words of consolation, Mrs. Lillie for her songs and Ma Moore who accompanied her.

The Murray Family.

Last Friday afternoon Mrs. Luke Wolbring entertained seventeen guests, all of Holland with the exception of Mrs. Gertrude Gruenbauer of Grand Rapids, with a two-course luncheon.

SOME THINGS THE STATUTES SAY ABOUT THE ANNUAL SCHOOL ELECTION

In all primary, graded, township, and rural agricultural school districts the annual school meeting is held on the second Monday in July, unless by resolution of the school board the date for holding such annual election shall have been fixed as the second Monday in June. The resolution to designate a change in date must be adopted at least three months before said second Monday in June.

At the annual school meeting, members of the school board are elected and other school business may be transacted in accordance with the statute. The qualified school electors present at an annual meeting have authority:

1. To fix the length of the school term.
2. To determine the salaries of school board members.
3. To designate a depository or depositories for school district moneys.
4. The statutes also permit the electors to exercise certain other powers at the annual meeting.

1. Are citizens of the United States.
2. Are at least 21 years of age.
3. Have resided in the school district at least three months next preceding the annual meeting, and
4. Are the owners of real or personal property in the district which is assessed for school taxes.

They are eligible to vote on all questions which may properly be presented at the annual meeting. All persons who are not owners of property so assessed, but are the parents or legal guardians of children whose names are listed on the school census, and who possess all other qualifications as stated above, may vote on all questions except the voting of school taxes.

MICKIE SAYS—

FOLKS, TH' PRICE YOU PAY FOR YER PAPER IS ONLY PART OF WHAT IT COSTS—WE GOTTA HAVE YER ADS 'N JOB PRINTIN' TOO, IF THIS TOWN'S TO HAVE A NEWSPAPER.



JOHNSON MOBIL TIGERS UNDEFEATED SO FAR THIS SEASON

When Mr. Johnson of the Mobil Tigers waves his flag on the field next Sunday, June 23, he is sending a team that has been undefeated so far this season against one of the strongest teams north of Grand Rapids, the D. X. team of Cedar Springs. It should be a great game for these class A teams are old rivals. The day, Sunday, June 23; time, 3 p. m.

MISS ANN NYBLAD WINS MEMORIAL PRIZE

Thirty young women of Butterworth Hospital School of Nursing graduated Friday evening with commencement exercises in St. Marks church. The Rt. Rev. Lewis Bliss Whitmore made the address.

Among the graduates was Miss Ann Louise Nyblad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gustav A. Nyblad of Kent City who received the Mrs. Edward Lowe memorial cash prize which is given annually to an outstanding graduate.

Sparta Boy Scouts To Present Their Play Second Time

"The Fourth Musketeer" To Be Repeated By Special Request

By special request the Sparta Boy Scout will present their performance of "The Fourth Musketeer". This is a 3-act comedy drama of a life in a boy scout camp. They will also present as added features of the program, Scout Arthur Dingman of Troop 49 of Grand Rapids, star dancer from the Coterhouse dance studio, and a group of scouts from the '99, Grand Rapids in an Indian play and Indian dances. These acts have been presented their pageant in many places throughout Michigan.

The scouts are preparing an outstanding evening's entertainment Friday, June 28, at Browns Opera House. Members of the Brown's Opera House Post American Legion will have charge of the ticket sale. Proceeds of the play will be used to build boats for the Sparta Scout camp.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank the neighbors and friends for their kindly assistance during illness and death of our dear mother.

Mrs. Frank Tierman,
Mr. and Mrs. Donald Sayre,
Mrs. Iva Savre.

Suggest Change In Method of Election of School Officers

Change May Be Made By Local Board of Education

The Board of Education of any school district, except primary school districts, may form said district into one or more voting precincts and such has been done in this district for the registration of voters, and for elections therein suitable ballot boxes, poll lists, and other supplies necessary.

A registration of the qualified electors shall be made and the name and address of each person registering, and whether the owner of property assessed for school taxes or a parent or legal guardian of children of school age.

The election would be conducted essentially the same as any other general election. Candidates for members of the board of education shall be nominated by petition which shall be signed by not less than fifty qualified registered school electors of the district and filed with the secretary of the board.

NOTE: It should be known that the power to change the form of election is given to the board of education.

Mrs. Roy Burgett was very surprised on Monday evening when on returning home from dinner at the home of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hull, Mr. and Mrs. Burgett found their home filled with guests to help celebrate Mrs. Burgett's birthday. The guests were her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Ford, Mrs. Dolly Ford and Ed Newkerk of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Hamilton of Williamston; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hamilton of Lansing; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mort of St. Johns and Mr. and Mrs. Paul Harper of Perry. Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hull were also evening guests.

Thayer Guild will meet at the home of Mrs. Jesse Bettes Monday evening for a pot-luck supper. Meet at the parlour at 6:30 sharp. She will be assisted by Mrs. Alma Taylor, Mrs. George Bettes and Mrs. Melvin Field.

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Kurtz moved Friday into their new home at 241 W. Division St.

Forty Kent County 4-H Club members go to East Lansing Monday for the 4-H club camp at Michigan State College. They will return Friday, June 28. Among the delegates are Coral LeVerne Lymburner, Sparta township; Eleanor Jones, Algoma township; Elven Ingersoll, Alpine township; Harold Stream, Tyrone township; Charles Erickson, Algoma township and Donald Biggs, Alpine township.

—Support the home newspaper by subscribing for it.

Prof. Calderwood Guest Speaker of C. of C. Meeting

Prof. Howard Calderwood, assistant professor in the department of political science, University of Michigan, has been secured as the guest speaker at the next meeting of the Sparta Chamber of Commerce, which will be held at the Camp Lake pavilion 6:30 o'clock Friday evening.

Mr. Calderwood will speak on the subject, "Europe Today". He is an authority on international events and the nature of his address officers of the Chamber of Commerce have decided to make this an open meeting for all who wish to attend.

Those who desire to attend the meeting and are not active members of the association are urged to place their reservations with Mr. Gass, secretary, as soon as possible.

ALGOMA NEWS

Mrs. Teedale works every day except Tuesday in a restaurant in Cedar Springs. Betty is taking care of the children and doing the housework. Little Monaghan McBride, a niece of Lansing is a guest at the present time.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Fonger of Rockford called on their brother, Robert and family last week Sunday.

T. Baird of North Park called at Mrs. Day's Sunday but did not find her at home.

Matt Casler is feeling much better the last few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Fonger and family were Sunday dinner guests of his brother George of Lowell and were evening visitors at the home of his mother Mrs. Ella Fonger.

Mrs. Rena Fonger accompanied her grandmother and Uncle Ernest and wife to Lowell and attended the graduation exercises last Thursday evening.

Horace Merrick of Conklin Died Last Monday, June 17

Horace Waller Merrick, 89, passed away Monday, June 17, at his home in Conklin, after a short illness.

Born November 28, 1850, in Chester township, Ottawa County, son of Geo. and Florida (Waller) Merrick, he lived his entire life in that vicinity. He was married to Emily Isabel (Belle) Daggett, October 15, 1891, living on the old homestead near Conklin, where he was born, until twenty years ago, when they moved to their present home in Conklin.

He was a member of the Conklin Reformed church and a life member of the I. O. O. F. Lodge of Conklin, and was loved and deeply respected by all who knew him.



HORACE MERRICK

Mr. Merrick and his brother, Oliver, of Los Angeles, Calif., who is now 92 years old, met at a family reunion, held in Conklin, August 15, 1937, after having been parted for 63 years. They had a grand time and were so happy to see each other again.

Surviving are the widow, Belle; two sons, Lawrence of Conklin, and Hollis of Muskegon; two daughters (Florida) Mrs. Herbert Smith of Coopersville and (Ruth) Mrs. Arthur Crowley of Ravenna; two sons, Earl and Wallace preceded their father in death, several years ago. Also surviving are, thirteen grandchildren, four great-grandchildren, several nephews and nieces, other relatives and a host of friends, who extend sincere sympathy to the family.

Funeral services will be held Thursday afternoon, at 2:00 at the residence and at 2:30 at the Conklin Reformed church, interment in the Mc-Nitt cemetery, the Rev. John Van Harn and the Rev. Marion Klaaren, officiating. Arrangements by George W. Bettes, Sparta.

Miss Lavonna Allen spent a few days last week in Grand Rapids at the home of her sister, Mrs. Harold Foley.

NOTICE

My office will be closed during the month of June.
(6-30c) Dr. C. B. Bromley.

MOTHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET HELD AT MAMRELUND CHURCH

The dining room of the Mamrelund Lutheran church was the scene of a lovely Mother and Daughter banquet last Thursday evening. Mrs. Luther Johnson was general chairman. Mrs. Johnson was charmingly decorated and the dinner was served by the young men of the church. After the banquet, the very interesting program was presided over by Mrs. G. R. Brown as toastmistress. A piano duet by Mildred Klein and Kathryn Saur, an accordion solo by Joan Wegal and a song by the girls' chorus were well received.

The mothers and daughters enjoyed the toast to the mothers given by Marguerite Johnson and the toast to the daughters by Mrs. Ella Eckstrom. The principle, Joan Wegal, and Mrs. William Larson of Grand Rapids, who gave a very interesting and inspiring talk.

Class of '87 Was Entertained At C. Brown Home

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Brown of Grand Rapids entertained the following members of the Class of 1887 at a 7 o'clock dinner in their home Saturday evening:

Miss Lula Symes, Mrs. Hattie Light, Mrs. Alice Cushman, Mrs. Adine Brooks, Mrs. Anuliah Holmes, Mrs. Lizzie Sweet, all of Sparta; Mrs. Minnie Whitney, Tyler Wheeler and Mrs. Fred Westervelt of Grand Rapids. Other guests were L. M. Cushman, Mrs. Rose Gault, Mrs. Tyler Wheeler and Mr. Westervelt.

Following a delicious dinner a business meeting was held, and old officers were retained. A memorial was given by Mrs. Brooks for two of the members, William Cramer of Big Rapids and Mrs. Lizzie Chalmers of Framingham, Mass., who passed away since the last meeting.

Letters were read from Mrs. Sadie Townsend of Luther, Mrs. Gertrude Bird of Clare, Edward and Joy Belle Rainey of Little Rock, Ark. Dr. Willis Chapman of Cheboygan.

Mrs. Holmes read "Reunion" a selection written by the late F. M. Holmes. Mr. Brown entertained with color pictures of his own taker on their trip to Washington, D. C.

After games and visiting the party was over. The place of meeting for next year will be announced later.

O. W. Lekstrum Killed In Accident While Enroute To Sparta

Oscar W. Lekstrum, 49, of Oak Park, Ill. was killed outright in a head-on collision early Saturday three miles north of South Haven on US-31. Three other persons riding in the car were injured and taken to the South Haven hospital.

According to state troopers who investigated the accident, the Lekstrum car, going north, collided with a Michigan Potato Growers Exchange truck driven by Fester Smith, 29, Grand Rapids. Smith was said to have been going south to Chicago.

Officers believe that Smith dozed momentarily, as they said he had no recollection of the accident. He was uninjured and taken to the county jail at Allegan.

Riding in the Lekstrum automobile were Mrs. Thekla Lekstrum, 47, wife of the driver; their daughter, Mrs. Harriet Honing, 19, and her husband, Pierre, 22. They were said to have been en route to visit relatives at Sparta. Mr. Lekstrum was a son of Fred Lekstrum and a brother of Mrs. C. J. Lonnee of Sparta.

Smith who was arraigned Saturday afternoon at Allegan on a charge of negligent homicide, demanded examination. His trial was set for July 10. He was released on \$1,000 bond.

NOXIOUS WEEDS

TO OWNERS, POSSESSORS OR OCCUPIERS OF LAND OR ANY PERSON OR PERSONS FIRM OR CORPORATION HAVING CHARGE OF ANY OF ANY LANDS IN THIS STATE:

NOTICE Is Hereby Given that all noxious weeds growing on any land in the township of Sparta, County of Kent, must be cut down and destroyed on or before the 15th day of July, A. D. 1940.

Failure to comply with this notice on or before the date mentioned or within ten days thereafter shall make the parties so failing liable for costs of cutting same to be levied and collected against the property in the same manner as other taxes are levied and collected.

ROBERT NELSON,
Commissioner of Highways
of the Township of Sparta.
DATED: June 17, 1940. 6-27c

NORTH TYRONE NEWS

Art Port had a barn raising last Friday, to replace the one he lost by fire last fall in which nine head of cattle burned.

Everyone is working in the onions these days.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden Smith went to Muskegon last Monday.

Mrs. Geers, 73, passed away Monday morning at her home. She had been a resident of Tyrone for many years, but lately lived in Grant township near the Reformed Church.

The fire inspector was here last Thursday.

Sparta Independents Win Sixth Straight Game Here Sunday

Lakey's Foundries Here Saturday; Sparta To Travel Sunday

The Sparta Independents ran their winning streak up to six straight games during the past week-end, trouncing the Burton Theater nine 9 to 2 on Saturday and edging out the strong Corduroy Rubbers of Grand Rapids by a 4 to 2 score on Sunday.

Sparta, playing with a patched up lineup on Saturday, was far the superior team in the five games, pitched a brilliant game by striking out 12 of the visitors and allowing only 6 hits. Peggy Van Portfleet caught a great game for the locals. Sparta jumped on the offerings of Regal and Nelson for 6 hits and 7 runs, combined with 8 free passes in the first 3 o'clock. Sunday, Sparta travels to Caledonia.

Sunday's game was the best to be played here this year. Both teams played bang up ball with Sparta coming out on top by virtue of a big inning during which they scored all of their four runs. In that frame, McCready, Kozy, Cook and Pockman sent the runs home with timely hits. Cook, in winning his fifth game for Sparta, struck out 16 men and allowed four hits. Lefty now has struck out 66 batters in the five games. McCready made was Van Portfleet. Kozy had three hits out of five times at bat to lead the hitters. McCready, Bockman and Cook had two each.

On Saturday, Sparta will play the Lakey Foundry team of Muskegon on the local diamond at 3 o'clock. Sunday, Sparta travels to Caledonia.

Dr. Clair E. Folsome Will Speak At Kent City Meeting Monday

A meeting which all men of the community are invited to attend will be held at the Hotel Royal, Kent City, next Monday evening, June 24.

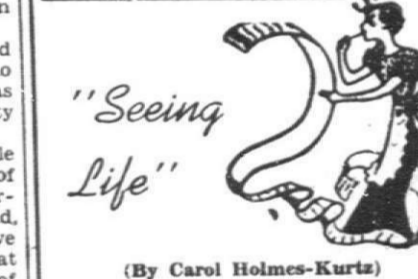
The guest speaker is to be Dr. Clair E. Folsome, field consultant in Obstetrics, Michigan Department of Health, Lansing. The meeting is sponsored by the Commercial Club. Those desiring to attend are urged to secure their tickets from either Lowell Saur or Arthur Trofast.

Dr. Folsome recently addressed the Sparta Rotary Club as well as other clubs and organizations in Grandville, Rockford and Lowell. A large attendance is expected at the Kent City meeting which will start promptly at 6:30 o'clock.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank our many kind relatives, neighbors and friends, also Rev. McLachlan of the Algoma Baptist church and Algoma Community Club for the beautiful flowers, cards and fruit sent to me during my recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Riv Ingersoll.



"Seeing Life"

(By Carol Holmes-Kurtz)

The most exciting event of the week-end—moving into the L. H. All "visitors" received quarts of strawberries as souvenirs!

A novel way of carrying perfume in your handbag is the new "scent stick". It looks like a lipstick, but has perfume infused in the cream-colored filler, which is of about the same consistency as lipstick. You rub it on your hands, on your lips and it gives a delicate fragrance.

Several years ago we made the remark that some day women would think nothing of wearing shorts as street clothes. I recall the exclamations of dismay. But today it is perfectly natural for grownups to say, "Let's put on our play clothes and go out and play." One may even suggest, "You wear your ruffled pinafore and I'll wear my rolled-up overalls." Play clothes first appeared on a few individuals about nine years ago, so today we have the comfort of shorts and dresses cut to knee-action length. Today men and women both are comfortable in slacks, open-neck shirts, shorts, socks, in denim, bed-ticking, seersucker and what-have-you!

Chauncey Depew said, "At the age of 70 I look back and am amazed at the time I spent worrying over the things that never happened."

A famous doctor says about food, "The only question is, do you like it, and does it appeal to your appetite? If so, eat it. As for 'indigestion,' there is no such thing!"

A newspaper carries an interesting story of a couple at the ages of 82 years were getting married. Another account tells about a man and woman aged 110 and 115 respectively who were celebrating their 90th wedding anniversary.

My only fear when I rush breathlessly "home" after work is that the L. H. won't be there!

Garden Club Plans Flower Festival Friday, June 21

In place of a flower show this year, the Sparta Garden Club is holding a Flower Festival at the Masonic temple on Friday afternoon. Exhibits are limited to displays of roses and peonies and flower lovers having these flowers in their gardens are urged to bring them in to exhibit.

Flowers can be brought to the temple on Thursday evening or any time on Friday morning. The doors will be open to the public on Friday afternoon at 1:30. The general committee consists of Mrs. Walter Ebers, Miss Irene Heft and Mrs. Lowell McKinney. If you wish further information please contact any of these members, or Mrs. Arthur Post, club president.

In the evening the club has invited as guests, the Kent City, Newaygo and Rockford Garden clubs. The speaker of the evening will be Mrs. Charles Selby of Holland and a social time will be enjoyed. The evening meeting is for club members only.

NEW BUS SCHEDULE

Leave Sparta for Grand Rapids: 8:28 a. m.; 11:53 a. m.; 1:34 p. m.; 4:23 p. m.; 6:43 p. m.
For Muskegon: 1:17 p. m.; 6:17 p. m.
For Fremont: 9:32 a. m.; 4:02 p. m.; 8:02 p. m.

Mrs. L. W. Welch of Pasadena, California was a Sparta visitor Wednesday. Mrs. Welch spends the summer months at her Grand Haven cottage. When the Welch's first came to Sparta in 1886, and Mr. Welch was engaged in making folding beds at the Welch Folding Bed Company, they built for their home the house now occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Morton Aikman, where they lived until leaving Sparta in 1893.

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WHY RETAILERS USE NEWSPAPER ADVERTISING

SQUARELY IN THE MIDDLE of today's intricate economic scheme
stands the modern retailer. Without his services America's \$32,600,-
000,000.00 retail sales would collapse.

To maintain this huge volume of business, consumers must be
told where, what, when and how to buy. Because newspapers are
read by virtually all consumers, retailers depend primarily on news-
paper advertising.

People turn consciously toward newspaper advertising to aid
them in their buying decisions. Many consumers consult no other
source.

This is why retailers use far more newspaper advertising than
any other kind. Last year their newspaper advertising expenditures
amounted to more than \$382,000,000.00.

CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM TO BE STRESSED

American citizenship will be the keynote of the program of
instruction now being developed in the public schools of Michigan.
Increased emphasis on the whole program and greater stress on
its various phases has enlisted the attention and support of school
administrators all over the state. Patriotic exercises such as
saluting the flag and repeating the oath of allegiance will still
be emphasized, according to Dr. Eugene B. Elliott, Superintendent
of Public Instruction. But citizenship implies more obligations
than these, he believes.

The good citizen, in the school, in the home, or in the com-
munity, has a deep sense of obligation to those who live or work
with him and responsibility for the maintenance of our common
institutions, our common property, and our form of government.
These duties and these loyalties can, and will be taught in the
schools.

This is not a new program for the schools, but the additional
emphasis to be placed upon it during the coming months is the
result of greater public consciousness of its importance. New
instructional materials now being developed will aid materially in
focusing the attention of school administrators on citizenship
and suggest more avenues for teaching and living.

INDUSTRY AND NATIONAL DEFENSE

This nation is embarking upon a vast program of defense to
make its shores and its liberties safe against all aggressors. Of
that program, our industrial system—the greatest in the world—
will be the mainstay.

For that reason, it's important to know what industry has
to say on this vital problem. And the Board of Directors of the
National Association of Manufacturers has issued a statement
regarding national defense that deserves the attention of every
American.

The five main points emphasized by the N. A. M. might be
listed as follows:

1. That industry has long been cooperating with the War
and Navy Departments and will continue to do so with them and
with the Civilian Committee appointed by the President.
2. That it will be the task of industry not only to meet the
needs of our national defense program but also continue to meet
those of our civilian population.
3. That procurement—the problem of specifications, pur-
chases, inspection, and delivery—should be put in the hands of
experienced civilians in the interest of both efficiency and public
confidence.
4. That the problem of a skilled labor shortage can be hand-
led if the necessary procurement orders are forthcoming promptly,
and that the solution to problems of plant expansion should
be based upon a recognition by the government of the necessity
for "writing off" the original investment in a reasonable length
of time in order to allow for the fact that readjustment to peace-
time needs will some day be necessary.
5. That an effective national defense program need not re-
quire the abandonment of any sound social legislation, but that
it does mean "the removal of such legislative and administrative
restrictions on industrial production as are condemned by mili-
tary and industrial experience."

These signposts described by industry show the sound way
to national defense and American security. Surely they repre-
sent a sensible approach which experts and the general public
can join in applauding!

WHAT THE EDITOR GETS?

Consider the editor! A child is born unto the wife of a mer-
chant in the town. The physician getteth 10 plunks. The editor
writeth a stick and a half and telleth the multitude that the child
tippeth the beam at nine pounds. Yea, he lieth even as a cen-
turion. And the proud father giveth him a Cremona.

Behold, the young one groweth up and graduateth. And the
editor putteth into his paper a swell notice. Yea, a peach of a
notice. He telleth of the wisdom of the young woman and of
her exceeding comeliness. Like unto the roses of Sharon is she
and her gown is played up to beat the band. And the dressmaker
getteth two score and four iron men. And the editor gets a note
of thanks from the sweet girl graduate.

And the daughter goeth on a journey. And the editor
throweth himself on the story of the farewell party. It runneth
a column solid. And the fair one remembereth him from afar
with a picture postal card that costeth six for a jitney.

Behold, she returneth, and the youth of the town fall down
and worship. She picketh one and lo, she picketh a lemon. But
the editor calleth him one of our promising young men and get-
teth away with it. And they send unto the editor a bid to the
wedding, and behold the bids are fashioned in a far city.

Flowery and long is the wedding notice which the editor
printeth. The minister getteth 10 bones. The groom standeth
the editor off for a 12-months' subscription.

All flesh is grass and in time the wife is gathered unto the
soil. The minister getteth his bit. The editor printeth a death
notice, two columns of obituary, three lodge notices, a cubit of
poetry and a card of thanks. And he forgetteth to read proof on
the head and the darned thing cometh out "Gone to Her Last
Roasting Place."

And all that are akin to the deceased jumpeth on the editor
with exceeding great jumps. And they pull out their ads and
cancel their subs, and they swing the hammer even until the third
and fourth generations.

Can't thou beat it?—Plymouth (Mich.) Mail.

MICHIGAN BERRIES -- WITH CREAM



Two weeks later than usual but promising an excellent crop, the
Michigan harvest of strawberries will provide work for pickers, extra
cash for growers and variety for consumers. Above is a typical dish
of Michigan berries receiving some Michigan cream. Growers, say
Michigan State College fruit specialists, will get better prices if they
package uniformly sized and uniformly ripened fruit for the whole-
sale and retail trade.

Gonklin & Vicinity

June Denhof, Correspondent

Edward Harris who has been ser-
iously ill is slowly improving.

Mrs. Kate Rosenberg of Sparta is
visiting her son-in-law and daughter,
Mr. and Mrs. Edward Denhof.

Mrs. Russell Patterson, Mr. and Mrs.
Philip Higley and June Higley attend-
ed the 50th wedding anniversary of
Judge and Mrs. H. L. Crews in
Grand Rapids, Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Doane spent
Saturday evening in Muskegon.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Doane spent
Sunday at Croton and Hardy dams.

Horace Merrick is very ill at his
home in Conklin.

Mrs. Henry Van Dyke spent from
Tuesday to Saturday night with her
son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs.
Ervin Klein.

Mrs. Floyd Smith entertained the
bridge club Friday afternoon. Prizes
were won by Mrs. Jay Bolthouse, Mrs.
John Borgman, Mrs. William Asman,
Miss Ann Burlingame of Grand
Rapids spent the week-end with her
sister, Mrs. Philip Higley.

Miss June Higley spent the week-
end with Maxine Borgman.

Mrs. Segrid Bean who has spent the
greater part of the winter in Nash-
ville with her son and daughter-in-law
returned home Friday.

Mrs. Carl Bean was a visitor in
Conklin Friday.

Clifford Brevitz spent part of last
week visiting in Battle Creek.

C. D. Rhodes visited his parents in
Akron, N. Y. last week. Miss June
Denhof and Miss Helen Gillhespy ac-
companied him as far as Niagara
Falls.

Mrs. Ella Cozier of Grand Rapids
spent part of the week with Mrs.
Phil Higley and Miss Pauline Ade.

Thursday evening the Christian En-
deavor of Conklin Church went to

Hess Lake for roller skating and later
in the evening had a hamburger fry
in the grove. About 40 members re-
port having a very good time.

Mrs. C. D. Rhodes entertained with
a dinner, a group of her former school
mates, last Thursday. Those present
were, Mrs. Harvey Spelcher, Mrs.
Johnson, Mrs. William Seelman, Mrs.
Leo Austin, Mrs. Van Allsburg of
Grand Rapids, Mrs. William Brown,
Mrs. Martin DeVries, and Mrs. Jay
McDonald of Muskegon, Mrs. Homer
Beuschel of Sparta, and Kate Kelley
of Conklin.

Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Denhof spent
Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs.
Ed Denhof.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kleibush of
Lisbon were married thirty-five years
on Friday, June 14. A group of their
friends and relatives gave them a very
pleasant surprise on Sunday at the
home of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Den-
hof. A bountiful dinner was served
at noon. The table was decorated
with a large wedding cake for a cen-

terpiece.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs.
Joe Kleibush, Mr. and Mrs. Walter
Arnold of Grand Rapids; Mrs. Lillie
Boomer, Mr. and Mrs. William Brown
and Audrey Jane, Mr. and Mrs. Mar-
tin DeVries and Vivian, Mr. and Mrs.
Jay McDonald and Jack and Marva;
Mrs. Kate Rosenberg, John Beuschel,
Mr. and Mrs. Homer Beuschel and
Verl, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Beuschel
of Sparta; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kelly,
Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kelly, Jr.,
and Janice and Norrell and Edward
and Miss Kate Kelly of Conklin.

They were presented with a gift
from the group.

KINNEY GRANGE

Fourteen members of Kinney
Grange were visitors at the regular
meeting of Alpine Grange Wednesday,
June 5. Following the business meet-
ing, moving pictures, including those
of Niagara Falls, a trip through the
Southern States and Mexico and com-
edy pictures were shown. A bounti-
ful lunch was served by the Alpine
Grange ladies.

At the regular meeting of Kinney
Grange Thursday evening, June 13,
it was decided to hold the annual Kin-
ney Grange Picnic at Amon Park on
Sunday, June 30. Dinner will be serv-
ed at one o'clock with the Grange
furnishing the ice cream and lemon-
ade. The General Picnic committee
appointed includes Thomas Carpenter,
Walter Roth and Helen Roth. Spee-
cial entertainers will be announced later.
Grange members and their friends are
urged to attend.

It was suggested that Kinney Grange
send a delegate to the Youth Confer-
ence at Michigan State College, July
5, 6 and 7. This suggestion was tabled
until next meeting.

During the lecturer's hour which
was in charge of Mrs. Joseph Schind-
ler and Helen Roth, an old fashioned
Spelling Bee was held. Walter Roth
winner and Bernice E. Roth runner
up were awarded suitable prizes.

Lunch of ice cream and cookies was
served by Eva Brown, George Bullis
and Charles Brown.

Lunch committee named for the
Grange meeting of June 27 included
Thomas Carpenter, Albert Hammond,
Ivah Bullis and James Zuddyk.

CLARK SCHOOL NEWS

Mrs. Irving Nyblad spent a couple
days in Grand Rapids attending var-
ious affairs in connection with the
alumni of graduate nurses from But-
terworth hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Gust Carlson and chil-
dren spent Wednesday afternoon with
Miss Alma Anderson, Mr. and Mrs.
Lowell Anderson and family.

August Nyblad is spending a couple

weeks with relatives in this vicinity.

Mrs. Herman Nelson, Mrs. Arthur
Holmgren and children, Mrs. Felix
Gaukins and daughters and Miss Alma
Anderson are among those who called
on Mrs. Gustav Nyblad during the
week.

Mrs. Lowell Anderson accompanied
her father, M. J. Kriger and Mr. and
Mrs. Ernest Kriger to Grant on
Thursday afternoon to attend the fun-
eral of a cousin, James Brydges.

Miss Anna Kriger spent a couple of
days with Mr. and Mrs. Edward
Stream and family.

Keith Stream and Oscar Anderson
spent Thursday night with Mr. and
Mrs. O. J. Miller and on Friday joined
about 500 4-H young people who
spent the day in Detroit attending a
ball game and visiting "Greenfield
Village". The trip was made by train.

Several from this vicinity attended
the Mother-Daughter banquet at the
Lutheran Church parlors on Thurs-
day evening.

Mrs. Arvid Miller and friend of
Grand Rapids, Mrs. Gust Carlson and
children called on Mrs. Lewis Holm-
gren and daughters Saturday after-
noon.

Miss Alma Anderson, Mr. and Mrs.
Lowell Anderson and family spent
Sunday with Bert Jackson, Mr. and
Mrs. Francis Jackson of Grant.

Mr. and Mrs. Gustav Nyblad and
family, Mr. and Mrs. Howard Cum-
mings and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Irvin
Stouten and Mr. and Mrs. Irving Ny-
blad were guests Sunday of Mr. and
Mrs. Lewis Holmgren and daughters.

Gustav Nyblad, Mae and Billy, Mr.
and Mrs. Irving Nyblad, Mr. and Mrs.
Lewis Holmgren and daughters at-
tended the graduating exercises in
Grand Rapids on Friday evening when
Miss Anne Nyblad was among the
class of nurses who graduated from
Butterworth hospital. Anne received
the highest honors of the class as well
as \$100.00 reward for her integrity and
we all join in heartiest congratulations
to her and all wish her the very best
in the future.

Mrs. Christine Holmgren and fam-
ily spent Sunday afternoon with Mr.
and Mrs. Lewis Holmgren and family.

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