

Kent City Farm Bureau Re-elects All Officers

Charles Montgomery, supervisor of Tyrone township, was re-elected president of the Kent City Farm Bureau...

Want Name And Meeting Place For New Girls' Club

All this talk about clubs that have been flying around has hit us Sparta girls so hard that we've organized our own club...

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. ROSETTA SPAULDING FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Mrs. Rosetta H. Spaulding, 75, resident of Sparta and vicinity for many years, died Tuesday night, March 14...

ELECTION RESULTS

With the exception of Casnovia where some opposition developed in the election of village officers...

MRS. V. R. FANCETT ENTERTAINED LITERARY CLUB LAST WEEK

On Tuesday, March 7, Mrs. V. R. Fancett was hostess to the Casnovia Ladies' Literary club.

JOHN DEERE DAY IS SUCCESS

William A. Rogers had a full house at his open day and annual demonstration of John Deere implements...

BRACE PRESIDENT

The presidency of the sophomore class at the Marquette University Dental School at Milwaukee, Wis. is held by Harrison Brace...

CONGRATULATIONS!

Born to Mr. and Mrs. A. John Alt at St. Mary's hospital, Grand Rapids, on Saturday afternoon, March 11...

NOTICE

Come and hear a musical program and a capable speaker at Skinner's Hall, Cedar Springs, Tuesday afternoon, March 21...

CARD OF THANKS

I would like to express my sincere thanks for all the lovely flowers, plants, candy, fruit and the cheerful cards with which my friends and neighbors remembered me during my recent illness.

ST. PATRICK'S DANCE

St. Patrick's Dance at Algoma Grange hall, Saturday evening, March 18. Good Music and Refreshments. Everybody come!

ANNOUNCE WEDDING OF MISS DORIS HAMMOND TO F. A. ROTH

A pretty spring wedding took place Tuesday, March 7, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hammon when their daughter, Doris, was united in marriage to Frank A. Roth...

Rotary Club Has Clements of Lansing As Guest Speaker

"Public assistance, yesterday, today and tomorrow" was the interesting subject of an address delivered before guests and members of the Sparta Rotary club Monday night by L. R. Clements...

No Casnovia Homes Destroyed By Fire In Twelve Years

The firemen's wives were guests of honor at the firemen's annual banquet Monday evening. The Ladies Aid served them chicken supper in the church dining room.

Sparta State Bank To Pay Depositors \$17,224.34

A 12 1/2 per cent distribution of segregated assets of the Sparta State bank, payable at the bank beginning Monday, March 20th, has been announced by A. Barth Carlson, cashier.

FORMER RESIDENT OF CASNOVIA DIES IN SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA

Mrs. Charles Cleveland of Sunnyvale, Calif., passed away Sunday, Feb. 26, at the age of 67 years.

DEATHS

FLORENCE ANN SCOTT, seven-month old daughter of Delbert and Frances Scott of Nunica, passed away Wednesday night February 15, in Butterworth hospital after a lingering illness.

BURSE TO LECTURE AT KENT CITY MARCH 24

Jack Bursey, noted Antarctic explorer, will give his interesting lecture on "Byrd's Antarctic Expedition" at the Kent City school auditorium, Friday evening, March 24, at 8 o'clock.

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Mrs. Oscar Anderson Dies Within Month of Golden Wedding

Mrs. Anna Mathilda Anderson, 94, passed away Saturday morning, March 11, at her farm home in Algoma township. She was born in Jonkoping, Sweden, February 2, 1845.

Muskegon Heights Girl Marries Fruit Grower of Casnovia

Miss Henrietta M. Haney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Haney of Muskegon Heights, and Vernon Bull, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bull of Bailey, were married in Temple Methodist church, Friday evening, March 10.

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GUESSING CONTEST

For ages we poor mortals have engaged in guessing contests. We guess the weight of the newcomer in the family, the number of beans in a glass jar, the point at which the wheel will stop on the gaming table, which way the market will turn, and so on.

The last few years we all have been guessing when prosperity would return. We have had it "just around the corner" several times. Now we see it just about to turn the corner. It's the greatest guessing contest of them all.

With prosperity so near, it is a wonder we do not do something to bring it around the corner and prove we are right. — Frank B. Craig.

A BANKING JOB TO BRAG ABOUT

When a bank fails, it is headline news. What doesn't make the headlines is the immensely important fact that only a microscopically small proportion of failures result in any loss to bank depositors.

In the overwhelming majority of instances, the assets of closed banks, plus assessments made against the stockholders, are more than sufficient to pay off all deposits. And today, with practically all banks carrying Federal deposit insurance on all accounts up to \$5,000, the chance of loss to depositors is so remote as to be hardly worth considering—some 98 per cent of depositors are covered by this insurance.

American banking has discharged its public obligations in the finest conceivable manner. It has been far more responsible for this nation's epochal industrial and social progress than most of us realize.

SITTING ON THE SIT-DOWN

It was only a few years ago that Americans became acquainted with the sit-down strike as a weapon of labor leaders. An innovation of the C.I.O., the sit-down leaped into the headline almost overnight.

With equal swiftness, violence replaced the council table as a means of labor dispute settlement; public respect for organized labor turned to public indignation; and a man's security in his job became as dependent on the whims of a labor czar as on all the economic fates.

That the sit-down has remained on the American industrial scene as long as it has is largely attributable to the labor policy adopted by the Federal government in its National Labor Relations Act. This act, rather than diminishing labor strife and the sit-down, as was anticipated, only encouraged strife. At least that is the only conclusion that can be drawn from the results.

Now the Supreme Court has ruled the sit-down illegal. Specifically, the highest court rules that the National Labor Relations Board was "out of bounds" in ordering employers to re-hire, with back pay, workers who had been discharged for participating in sit-down, as was intended, only encouraged strife. At least that is the only conclusion that can be drawn from the results.

The court was specific also, in upholding the right of an employer to strike. But the right to strike, said Chief Justice Hughes in reading the court's opinion, does not license the employer "to commit acts of violence and to seize the employer's plant."

That is just what the public has been thinking since the sit-downs started.

NO LONGER THE FORGOTTEN MAN

Two recent court decisions are of great interest to the hard-pressed consumer.

About a year ago, a New Jersey city adopted an ordinance which imposed an excessively heavy license tax upon all "self-service" stores—the stores which draw their principal patronage from persons of modest means who are eager to get as much as possible for their money, and are not able to pay for expensive services. The law was contested and the Supreme Court of the state handed down a decision setting the ordinance aside. The Court made this significant observation: "The municipality must reasonably exercise the power to license business. It cannot arbitrarily discriminate between those engaged in the same business merely because one merchant chooses one method for making sales and another fails to do so."

In the other case, the Dauphin County, Pennsylvania, Court found that state's antichain store tax unconstitutional, on the grounds that it is confiscatory, violates the due process clause and is "unjustly arbitrary, illegal and wanting in uniformity."

It begins to look as if the trend towards penalizing and destroying competition that holds down the cost of living, is reversing itself, and the consumer is now being recognized as having some rights. As Congressman Robert L. Rodgers had said, "Taxation with intent to destroy has no place in our scheme of government." In a number of states, strongly supported movements have been started to repeal previously enacted punitive legislation, and bills to this end have been entered in the Texas and Michigan legislatures. The consumer seemed to be the forgotten man for a long while—now at last our legislators are beginning to realize that he's the most important man in the nation.

KEROSENE SAFE ONLY WHEN COOL

Although Michigan leads the nation in a march toward rural electrification, too many rural fires result from carelessness with fuels.

Any spot that's too hot to place your hand is also too hot to place a can of kerosene. Although its flash point (100 degrees F) is much higher than that of gasoline, it is still necessary to store and handle kerosene or "coal oil", carefully to prevent fires. Actually it is safe only when it is cold.

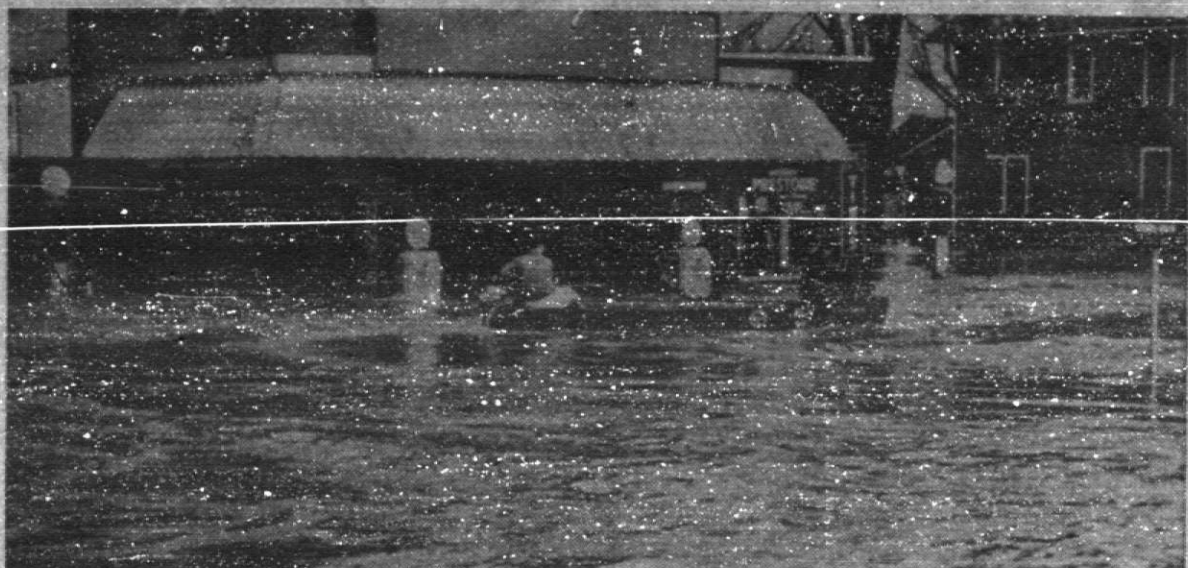
Here are some "don'ts" from extension specialists at Michigan State College on using kerosene around the home.

Don't set a kerosene lamp or lantern on or above a stove or in any other place where the kerosene might become heated. It may flare. Don't locate a kerosene stove, lamp, or heater where curtains may blow over it or against it. Don't place a kerosene lamp close to the ceiling or wall.

Don't place a kerosene stove against a wall. There should be a sheet of metal behind it and an air space behind the sheet of metal. Don't hang towels on a rack above a kerosene stove. They may catch fire if the kerosene flame should flare up or if they happen to fall. Don't let wicks get dirty or uneven, and keep burners clean. Don't neglect the drip pan.

Probably the most frequent cause of kerosene explosions or fires is the habit of using it to start a fire in the range quickly. Equally unsafe is it to fill a lamp or stove while it is lighted, or a lamp while it is hot just after being extinguished, or to fill either after dark with the aid of an open light such as another lamp, candles, or matches.

Kentucky Floods Win Race With Control Project



An outboard motorboat furnished transportation to these searchers in the flooded downtown section of Middletown, Ky., after the town was inundated by February mountain torrents. The flood came before Middletown's \$500,000 flood control government project could be completed. Two are men died from cold and exposure. Untold damages resulted in the stores and shops.

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Supplement—Sparta School News

Thursday, March 16, 1939

Fifth Grade News

We have a new boy in our room and his name is Willard Barrett. He came from Grand Rapids. Science class is very interesting now because we are studying about magnets. We are trying many experiments. We have been writing stories and reading them to the class. They are very interesting and we like to listen to them. In geography we have finished our study of the region between the Rocky Mountains and the Mississippi River and playing geography games.

Sixth Grade News—Italy and the Landlocked Neighbors is what we are studying about in geography. We are making "Poppy Posters" in art class. Our reading class just finished studying the lives of Lincoln and Washington. We made some health booklets for health study. In history we are reading "The Conquest of the Southwest." For music class we sang for the P. T. A. meeting. The boys are going to play the seventh grade Friday.

Eighth Grade News—Friday was half-holiday day and we received one. Up to Friday morning we had an attendance of 95 per cent which was enough for one. We hadn't any tardy marks and our deportment was high enough so they didn't hold us. In history we are studying about the "Reconstruction of the Union, after the Civil War". Our skating party was a great success except for a few things. The boys beat the seventh grade in a close game of basketball. The score was 13 to 7.

GIRL RESERVE NOTES

On Tuesday, March 14, the Girl Reserves are planning a fudge party to be held at the Y. W. C. A. The Grandville girls were invited as guests, but because of previous arrangements, they were unable to attend. Before this party, Miss Vera Wilson of Grand Rapids, has been asked to give us a talk. While the fudge is being made, a W. F. A. director is to be at the Y to lead us in games. All are assured a good time.

SENIOR CLASS NEWS

The Senior Class got their profits last week. When they arrived there were lots of dejection and triumph on various faces. One senior boy remarked, "They didn't flatter you any." All in all most of the seniors are satisfied although a few had to have retakes.

HI-Y NEWS

Next Monday night for entertainment the Hi-Y boys are planning on conservation pictures or a guest speaker. They are also planning a luncheon probably consisting of pop-corn and apples. The new system of initiating new members worked out so well it is planned to have one worked out for the future.

THE FOUR-LEGGED CLUB

Another member has joined the four-legged club. Bill Hull has proved himself eligible by slipping on the step

in the lower hall and spraining his ankle. He appeared in school today with crutches.

Other members are Dean Bradford, who has four-legged it about three times this year. Max Hepinstall and Gordon Sack also have been members.

WE WONDER

1. Why everybody acts like the morning after the night before. 2. Why the Seniors always act superior. 3. Why the bright students are always so popular at test time. 4. Why Kent City boys "visit" Sparta High.

JUST IMAGINE

1. Wendell not going out with a girl since he quit going with Dody. 2. Bill Porter having a date with Laura Norton. 3. Ted Moore giving Junior Scott a little competition. 4. That certain freshman girl smiling at Bob McIntyre. 5. Not having anything to write about Sid Blaauw. 6. The Senior boys not acting up during the 11 o'clock assembly hour. 7. All the Seniors being satisfied with their profits. We wonder if there are enough pictures to go around.

Seventh Grade News—Many students are still out with the flu. We hope Sid Blaauw. 6. The Seniors boys not

clude we miss her very much. We are giving plays in history class. We have five groups and each group have a certain title. They are: "The Boston Massacre," "The Boston Tea Party," "Smuggling," "Trail Act," "Writs of Assistance." We are going to give them to the rest of the group. The seventh grade have been enjoying two stories of Hungary. One of them was called "The Good Master". The girls are knitting and some are weaving different articles in art class. We just had a geography test over the study of Egypt. Now we are studying "Lands Between Open Town and Cairo."

HAVE YOU NOTICED?

1. The Juniors and Seniors are having quite a few class meetings lately. 2. Nearly the same people forget to bring their cards back each month. 3. It's no easy to tell a Senior when it gets that to have their pictures taken. 4. The assembly room being a public exchange and victims forgetting of whom they borrowed. 5. The assembly room finally being presented with a big new calendar.

WOULDN'T IT SEEM ODD IF:

1. Charlie B. didn't know the answers? 2. Cecil E. didn't write? 3. Ted Moore was present every day. 4. Gordon D. didn't pester girls at noon. 5. Junior and Senior girls didn't primp in front of the Home Ec mirror. 6. Alvin Meussen didn't sit with "Tootle" during the noon hour. 7. S. H. S. girls didn't go with E. C. boys. 8. Dick and Donna didn't see one another all day. 9. Ruth P. was five feet six inches. 10. Wanda H. was a brunette. 11. Dean couldn't talk. 12. Bag was five feet tall.

CLARK SCHOOL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Goble of Sparta spent Saturday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Holmgren and family.

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