

Greetings to OUR BOYS Fighting to Keep Alive The Spirit of Christmas and Best Wishes For a Victorious New Year!

By ELTON R. EATON

When old Santa arrives in Plymouth early Christmas morn, it will be a different Plymouth than he ever visited before. There will be hundreds of boys and young men who will not greet him as they have in past years. And he will find waiting his arrival large numbers of little boys and little girls who never before spent a Christmas day without "daddy" at home. There will be many mothers and fathers who will be sitting alone in their homes — many young wives and mothers who will wonder how their husbands in uniform are spending this glad Christmas time.

There will not be the joy in Plymouth or elsewhere that usually prevails at Christmas. Folks you meet on the street

talk and act serious. Oh yes, we all smile a bit now and then, but it isn't the same glad smile that we have known in years gone by. Our streets are bare of Christmas decorations. The attractive colored lights that have blazed along the business thoroughfares have been put away and will remain where they are until OUR BOYS all come home.

Oh yes, within the home, we have made some pretense at making things look "Christmasy." But it hasn't been an easy task—and there have been some tear drops that fell on the tinsel as mothers and fathers and young wives and little sons and daughters decorated the Christmas trees.

To OUR BOYS who have gone to the front, we miss you—all of us. It is a bit difficult to tell of the lonesomeness that is reflected in the attitude of nearly every one you see. We

know, too, how lonesome and homesick you must be during this holiday season.

But MEN in uniform — remember one thing, the folks back home fully realize that upon you and your determination rests the fate of all future Christmas celebrations. They know that through the sacrifices you are making, the sufferings you are enduring, the victories you are winning, that soon you will be home again and there will be Christmas celebrations just like they were before you went away.

When you march VICTORIOUSLY down the streets of America and of Plymouth, the Christmas lights will again glisten brightly, there will be laughter, there will be happiness — there will be joy everywhere. There will be no tear drops mingled with the tinsel on the Christmas trees that always glad-

den the homes of Americans. And the stars in Heaven will shine brighter than ever before. Once again little boys and girls will not look inquiringly at Mother and ask if Daddy knows that this is Christmas day, because Daddy will be home to welcome with his loved ones the coming of Old Santa! And son and daughter will be back with mother and father to make forever and ever, every Christmas day and every other day, days of peace and joy and good will — and above all else — days of security for a people not given to war.

We know that our fate lies in your hands. What the future will be, you will decide. Meanwhile may we express to you — to every young man and every young woman wearing the uniforms of America's armed forces — our wishes for a delightful Christmas day and a VICTORIOUS New Year!

100 pounds of waste paper will make 50 75-mm. shell containers. Start saving!



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Roe Lumber Co. Safe Robbers Landed In Jail

Detroit Police Breaks Up Big Gang Of Thieves

The safe at the Roe Lumber Co. was robbed sometime Friday morning in one of the most complete safe cracking jobs in the history of the city.

Four men and three women were arrested by Detroit police later that same day, and war bonds taken from the Roe safe were discovered in their possession.

Detroit detectives said they confiscated one of the most complete safe cracking set-ups they had ever seen.

The gang even had a text book on how various types of safes were constructed, and a list of companies in southeastern Michigan with complete details on the procedure to be followed in making the haul. Names checked off the list, including the Roe Lumber Co., all had been robbed.

Police said they believed the gang was the same one which looted OPA offices in Flint and Grand Rapids. More than two and a half million gallons of gasoline coupons, and large quantities of various types of food stamps were found in the headquarters of the gang.

Those arrested were Burt Hall, Howard Harris, George Morland, Thomas Welch, Marie Morman, Frances Margaret Lawson and Blanche Welch. They operated at headquarters at 616 Fallister avenue, but all lived at different addresses.

Plymouth Police Chief Charles Thumme said the robbery of the Roe Lumber Co., probably occurred sometime between two and six o'clock Friday morning. It was not discovered until about 7:30 Friday morning when Milo Walker, a yard man at the company, reported for work.

City Manager Clarence Elliott said the police had patrolled that area all through the night on their regular rounds, but had failed to detect the robbery.

The gang had entered the office of the company on N. Amelia street, by breaking the glass in the side door, which enters the office from a driveway leading to the lumber yard itself.

Once inside, they erected a canvas covering in front of the safe, behind which they could

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T. B. Seal Sales Record Broken

Plymouth Goes Way Over The Top

All previous Plymouth records were broken this year in the sale of Tuberculosis seals, Mrs. James Keyes, chairman, reporting a collection of \$1,300.76.

This amount includes all sales made within the city of Plymouth and in nearby school districts. According to Mrs. Keyes, the school children are entitled to a good portion of the credit for the splendid showing made.

The committee members who so ably assisted Mrs. Keyes are, Mrs. Harold Brisbois, Mrs. Perry Richwine and Mrs. John Scheel.

Every cent of the money raised will be spent in fighting the white plague in Michigan.

Schools Close Until January 3

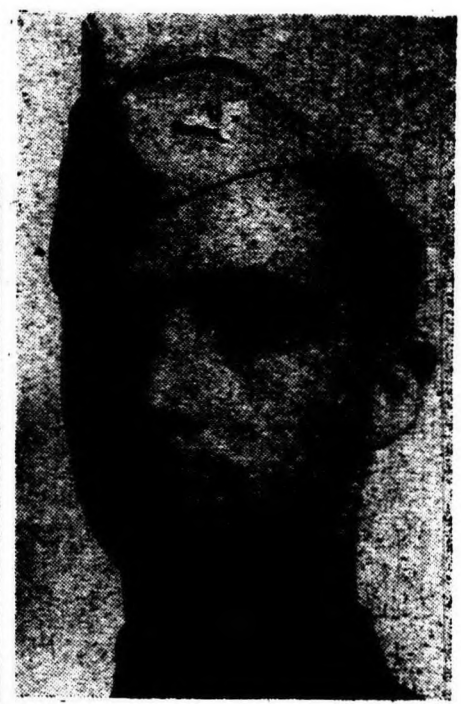
Repair Work To Be Done During Vacation

The Plymouth schools closed Thursday night for the Christmas holidays and will not reopen until January 3.

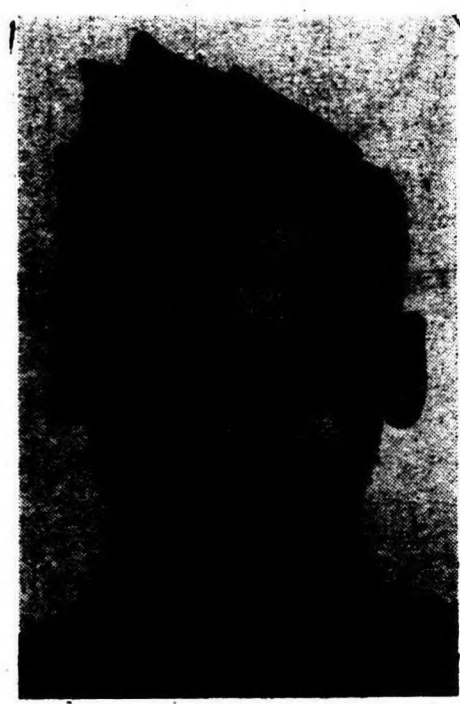
This is approximately the normal vacation season for the Christmas holidays, according to Superintendent George A. Smith.

Teachers for the most part are residents in Plymouth, but several of them will go to their homes in other parts of the state, and some in other states.

Win Commissions As Fighter Pilot Officer and Bomber Pilot Officer



Fighter Pilot Second Lieutenant Charles R. McKinney



Bomber Pilot Second Lieutenant Robert J. Mettetal

Two Plymouth boys, both graduates of the Plymouth high school, and sons of well known residents of this vicinity, recently won commissions as second lieutenants in Uncle Sam's fighting flying forces. Charles McKinney, who resides at 32103 Plymouth road, was awarded a commission as second lieutenant of the fighter pilots and Robert Mettetal, 679 Harvey street, was commissioned a second lieutenant of the bomber forces. Lieutenant McKinney was graduated from the Aloa Field in Texas and Lieutenant Mettetal from the Pampa Field. The impressive graduation ceremonies took place at the great Randolph Field in Texas, with high ranking officials of the Army Air Forces Training command present. After brief vacations, the two newly commissioned Plymouth officers expect to be assigned to active service.

Mid-Night Christmas Services Are Planned

Plane In Flames, Plymouth Lad Bombs The Japs

Army Tells Of Heroic Deed Of Lieut. "L. J." Owens

"For gallantry in action," Laurel J. Owens, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Owens of 28125 Eight Mile road, who gave his life to our country, has been awarded the highly prized Silver Stars, according to information sent The Plymouth Mail by the Allied Air Forces of the Southwest Pacific Area.

With the announcement of the awarding of the highly prized military medal, came details of the deed which won for the Plymouth high school graduate of 1937 a medal that his relatives will forever cherish.

The story is one of those amazing deeds of heroism that have marked the pages of American history since the birth of the nation.

"L. J." as he was best known by his friends and associates, had become a second lieutenant in the air forces.

A member of a bomber crew made up of ten officers and men, he was assigned to make a bomber attack on a Jap stronghold at Babo, New Guinea. That was on July 10.

The giant B-24 bomber as it neared its object, was struck by numerous Jap shells and set on fire.

Although in flames, Lieutenant Owens and the other crew members kept the giant Liberator flying and dropped all of its big load of bombs on the Jap target before the bomber exploded when about 7,000 feet above its target.

Just before the explosion, stated the information that came to The Plymouth Mail, four of the crew members were seen to parachute from the waist window of the plane. Their fate is unknown and it is for that reason that the crew members of the bomber are listed as "missing and not dead."

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ayers will spend Christmas eve in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nilsson in Detroit. Saturday they will entertain in their home on east Ann Arbor Trail. Mrs. Harry Hosbach and daughters, Alice and Jean, of Detroit.

Presbyterian and Methodist Churches Arrange Communion And Musical Services

Two Plymouth churches, the Methodist and First Presbyterian, have planned midnight services beginning at 11 o'clock and the Presbyterian services at 11:30.

The Methodist midnight and Holy Communion and Service of Lights, inaugurated several years ago, has filled the church with reverent worshippers who feel that Christmas is not complete without this service. The program will consist of Holy Communion during which a special recognition of young people in service will be made. Christmas carols will be sung by the choir and congregation and the choir will sing "Noel! Noel!" by Dickenson and "Joseph Dear, O Joseph Mid" an Austrian carol.

During the sacrament of Holy Communion, Mrs. Harry Fischer will sing "He Shall Feed His Flock" and Mrs. James Sessions will sing "Come Unto Him."

The entire service will be in candlelight and will close with the "Service of Lights." Candles will be distributed to the members of the congregation by the candle bearers. The minister will light his candle from an altar candle and the candle bearers will light their candles from the minister's candle. The bearers will then light the candle of the first worshipper in each pew, he in turn, will light the candle of his neighbors and so on, until all the candles in the pew are lighted.

During the singing of the Christmas Carol, "Silent Night, Holy Night," the congregation and minister will hold the lighted candles aloft. All are cordially invited to attend.

The Presbyterian Communion Service will be held this year on Christmas eve, December 24th, at eleven o'clock in the evening at the church. The service will be built around the sacrament of the Lord's Supper, with special music by the choir. Two anthems, "Let Carols Ring," a Swedish Folk-Melody, and "There Were Shepherds" by Charles Vincent, will be sung by the choir. The Women's Choir will sing a special Christmas anthem, and Ray Rostel, tenor soloist, will sing Pietro Yon's, "Gesù Bambino."

This service is open to all who have no other place to worship at this holy hour.

The Christmas Story in play form, "Why the Chimes Rang," will be presented on Sunday evening.

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Goodfellows Highly Pleased With Paper Sale

Secure Nearly Thousand Dollars For Care Of Unfortunates

The annual Old Newsboys' Goodfellow sale of The Plymouth Mail last Saturday on the streets of Plymouth, brought in \$850 to the treasury to bring good cheer at Christmas for unfortunate families, and to bring relief throughout the year for those who need it.

It was pointed out by James Latture and others who had direct charge of the sale, that the total sale dropped somewhat this year because of the fact that not so many papers were ordered as a year ago and the number of selling hours on the streets was also considerably reduced.

But the Goodfellows are high in their praise of the fine cooperation of the people of Plymouth and vicinity.

The sale was exceptionally good in view of all conditions and it will enable the Goodfellows to prepare for the days when there will be great need for large relief funds.

It also was pointed out that the demand for assistance from the Goodfellows this year is not as great as it has been in other years.

The money will be treasured, however, and used as needed in the interests of humanity.

Because of rationing this year, grocery orders to unfortunate families will be in the guise of paper orders that the recipient can cash at the stores. In that manner, they will be using their own ration coupons for whatever they wish to buy.

Investigations already have been made from those who have applied for relief, and it has been found that most of them are genuine cases. The deliveries, especially of the toys, will be made on Christmas morning by the men, and the food committee will handle its own distribution.

Kiwanians Plan Skating Places

City Officials Approve Of Plan

Members of the Plymouth Kiwanis club under the direction of President Ernest Henry, have decided to see to it that Plymouth children will have suitable skating places within the city limits and near their homes.

Mayor Carl Shear and commission members were quick to act favorably upon the recommendation of City Manager Elliott that the city flood at least two skating places selected by Kiwanis members.

One will be on Farmer just west of the Detroit Edison substation and the other will be on the school lots on Forest, near Sutherland. They will be flooded just as soon as weather conditions are favorable for hard freezing.

Right now there is available skating on Wilcox pond on the north side of the city. This is under county park supervision.

Fred H. Erb New Lodge Master

Installed As Head Of Plymouth Masons

Fred H. Erb, long an active member of the Plymouth Rock Masonic lodge, was last Friday evening installed as the new Worshipful Master of the organization.

The attendance at the annual installation ceremonies was the largest in many months.

Other officers installed, include: Senior Warden, Harry Mummy; Junior Warden, Oral B. Rathbun; Secretary, Oscar E. Alsbro; Treasurer, Clifford Tai; Chaplain, Robert Chappel; Senior Deacon, Ralph Pentecost; Junior Deacon, Emily R. Smith; Steward, Leslie Evans; Steward, Dunbar Davis; Marshall, Alonzo Brocklehurst; Tyler, Merritt Crumbe.

Plymouth District Workers Start Greatest Waste Paper Drive In The Country

Three of Ten Outstanding Women In America



A "jury" of well-known women recently gathered in New York to select the "10 outstanding women of America in as many fields of endeavor." Pictured above are three of their choices. Left: Dorothy Thompson, journalism; center, Dr. Katherine Blodgett, science; and right, Nancy Harkness Love, aviation. The other seven are: Mrs. Hortense Odium, business; Mrs. Anna Rosenberg, labor; Marion Anderson, music; Vivian Kellems, industry; Rosalind Russell, motion pictures; Kate Smith, radio; and Pearl Buck, literature.

Turkey Growers Decide To Raise Crop Next Year For Soldier Boys And For Celebrations To Be Held After Defeat Of The New Dealers



In spite of the OPA, its thousands of rules and regulations and its threats to jail everybody guilty of violating one of its multitude of "laws," there are going to be turkeys raised hereabouts next year after all.

Turkey growers in this part of the state declare that no matter what the bureaucrats do or do not do, they are going to raise turkeys for two reasons.

First, they want American fighting lads in all parts of the world to have turkeys raised on good Michigan alfalfa, for next Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Second, they declare that their other reason for growing turkeys next year is because of the fact that there will not be any more bureaucrats after the next election, and there will not be any more threats to jail everybody who might disagree with some political hireling.

Turkey growers feel as though they have been brow-beaten and unfairly treated. The gobbling of their turkeys is music to them, but apparently the "gobbling" of loud talking bureaucratic clerks and political hirelings has so incensed most farmers hereabouts that their one source of conversation pertains to next fall's elections.

"We want to grow turkeys and we want to do all we can to help our boys at the front and to help our country. But it's not an easy

Every Person Asked To Help In Vast Collection

Tie Paper In Bundles, Then Take It To Garage In Rear Of The City Hall

What! Talking about a paper scrap drive right at Christmas time!

That's right — the one way to make this a happy Christmas for yourself and the boys overseas is to begin NOW — this very minute — and collect every piece of scrap paper you can find about your home, your office, your store or factory, and see to it that it gets down to the city hall, sometime between next Monday, December 27, and January 8.

City Manager Clarence Elliott has arranged to store the paper temporarily in the city garage at the rear of the city hall. It will be taken immediately from the city garage to a responsible waste paper dealer — and within a few brief weeks your scrap paper will be on 4th way overseas containing food and ammunition for OUR fighting boys.

The paper situation is exceedingly serious. Many paper mills throughout the state and country that make containers for the shipment of food and ammunition to the armed forces overseas are closed down because of lack of scrap paper.

The officials in Washington have asked for the country's most intensive paper drive RIGHT NOW, so that these paper mills can again start turning out food and ammunition containers.

Here is the first opportunity for Plymouth scouts, both boys and girls, to prove that they are worthy of the name of being called Scouts. Jack Baker has been busy contacting all local Scout troops and Mrs. Dobbs will contact all Girl Scout troops to enlist their aid in the paper collection.

Under the direction of James Latture, speakers have, or will, appear before every school room group in Plymouth to urge the necessity of getting scrap paper tied in bundles, down to the city hall. Even the Cub Scouts are going to be urged to help collect old paper, magazines, books and other scrap. Then after it has been collected, they are asked to tie it in bundles and take it to the garage in the rear of the city hall.

Householders, in fact every one, is asked to tie up their bundles. Scouts will make an effort to collect the paper and get it to the city hall. But if you can, you should deliver it to the city hall, as the collection problem.

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Warden's Wife Is Seriously Ill

Both Mrs. Gillies And Son In Hospital

Mrs. E. Blake Gillies, wife of Warden Gillies of the Detroit House of Correction, is in St. Mary's Hospital in Detroit, critically ill from pneumonia. Mrs. Gillies, who has been confined to her home for some weeks because of illness, was removed to St. Mary's last week. Attending physicians report that there is little change in her condition.

George Gillies, son of Warden and Mrs. Gillies, is also in St. Mary's Hospital where he was taken last Friday after he had fallen and broken a leg while hurrying up the steps into the prison greenhouse. The fracture is of such a type that doctors have not yet been able to set the bones.

While Warden Gillies has been able to visit the hospital, he too, has been a victim of the flu and except for the time spent at the hospital, is confined to his bed in the warden's residence.

Planned Robbery Of Northville Theatre!

Timely arrest of the members of the dangerous gang of safe blowers and thieves by Ernest Johnson, Wesley Neworthy and Edward Hessel of the Detroit police department who robbed the Roe Lumber company of this city last Thursday night, also prevented the planned robbery of the Penniman-Allen theatre in Northville. Chief Charles Thumme, who has been working in Detroit with the officers on the Roe case, stated yesterday that among the places picked for robbery the Northville theatre was on the list as a good place to get the cash.

The Plymouth hospital has been temporarily closed because of the illness and death of Mrs. West in Fort Wayne, Indiana, mother of Lena and Alma West, the two nurses who have so successfully conducted the local hospital in recent years.

They were called to Indiana last week. Their mother died Sunday. She had long been a prominent and well known resident of her home city.

It is expected that the hospital will be open again in a few days.

Hospital Closed For Brief Period

Surgical Dressing Rooms Open On Dec. 28 and Dec. 30

The surgical dressing rooms at the Starkweather school will be open Tuesday, December 28 and Thursday, December 30. All surgical dressing volunteer workers

are urged to come out to work in order to meet the quota assigned to Plymouth. To accomplish this purpose, the cooperation of every worker will be necessary.

Keep 'em rolling. We mean dollars! Buy U. S. Savings Bonds and Stamps.

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Churches

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH—George W. Rothery, pastor. Telephone 1043. You are cordially invited to attend any of the many services of the First Baptist church. Each Sunday: Sunday School, 10:00 a. m.; morning worship, 11:00 a. m.; Junior Young People's, 6:30 p. m.; evening worship, 7:00 p. m.; Wednesday, mid-week service, 7:30 p. m. The next quarterly business meeting of the church will be held January 12, at the church. Members are urged to keep this date in mind.

CHURCH OF GOD—333 N. Main street. Sunday services: Morning worship, 9:45; Sunday School, 10:45; Young Peoples, 6:30 p. m.; evening praise, 7:30. Mid-week prayer meeting, Wednesday evening, 7:30. Jesus came into this world as a baby to set the example for you and so let us at this Christmas time remember the real meaning of Jesus' birth and let us not follow afar off, but come into His presence and live daily as His child. Every meeting is open to you. We will be looking for you in our services. Revs. Clifford and Mrs. Funk.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH—Ann Arbor Trail at Elizabeth street. Lynn B. Stout, pastor. The Bible school Christmas program will be given this Sunday evening at the 7:30 hour. It should go without saying, but we are going to say it anyway—you are invited to this program. All other services at the usual hours. Bible school at 10:00 a. m. Morning meeting on Wednesday night at 7:30. A Merry Christmas depends upon things. A Joyous Christmas depends upon Him. Things have changed, but He remains forever. So you can still have a Joyous Christmas even though it may not be as merry as past ones.

Change Date For Blood Bank Visit

Notice has been received by the Plymouth Red Cross that the blood bank will not come to Plymouth until February 23. It had previously been announced that the visit would be made in January. Local Red Cross officials request that the correct date be remembered.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Stinson of Pontiac will be entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jess Hines Christmas day.

Rotary Auction Sale Brings In Total Of \$107 And 48 Toys

One hundred and seven good American dollars and seven good American toys were picked from the pockets of Plymouth Rotarians last Friday noon and auctioneer Harry Robinson and the Goodfellows to be spent in behalf of the unfortunate in this locality.

Not only were these dollars taken from the Rotarians, but each member was required to turn over to Auctioneer Robinson a toy for some boy or girl. The method used by Mr. Robinson to get all of this cash was by his auction sale method of "high pressing" sales and what a good job he made of it. The cash was turned over to the Goodfellows and under their careful direction, it will find its way into the families where the greatest good will be made of the funds.

Obituaries

August Schaufele

August Schaufele, well known and highly respected resident of this vicinity for nearly three quarters of a century, died suddenly last Saturday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lee Sackett, while sleeping in his chair. While he had not been in the best of health for sometime past, he had been able to take brief walks and about the home up to the time of his death. He was born in Fordham, New York, September 30, 1864 and when a lad, five years old, came to Plymouth with his parents, where he has lived since that time. In his early life he was a farmer and then for many years was associated with Charles Merritt in the butchering business. Of a quiet, friendly nature, he made lasting friends easily.

On September 30, 1891 he was married to Margaret Truesdell. Five children were born to them, Mrs. Mary Sackett, John C. Schaufele, and Fred T., of Plymouth, Frank L. of Owosso, and Mrs. Margaret L. Edson of Dearborn. There are ten grandchildren, three great grandchildren, two sisters, Mrs. Susie Schaufele of Marion, Ohio, Mrs. Lizzie Boice of Wayne, and one brother, William, who survive. Mrs. Schaufele died February 19, 1930. Her parents were pioneer residents of Van Buren county. The funeral was held from the Sackett residence Tuesday afternoon, under the direction of the Schrader funeral home, the Rev. Henry J. Walch of the Presbyterian church, officiating. Hymns were sung by Mrs. John Chapman, accompanied by Mrs. M. J. O'Conner. Floral offerings were many. Burial took place in the family lot in Riverside cemetery, the following serving as pall bearers: Max Moon, Howard Cadot, William Micol, Ray Sackett, Czar Penny and Clark Sackett.

JOSEPH C. PORTER

Joseph C. Porter, 56 years old, died at 5:00 a. m. Sunday, December 12, after a five day losing battle with bronchial-pneumonia. Mr. Porter was an electrical engineer and since locating out here seven years ago, had made many friends by his ever ready assistance in the many little electrical problems that came up in a home community. He will be greatly missed also by his neighbors who looked to him for advice on the planting and care of trees and shrubs, which was his hobby. His remains are being shipped to his boyhood home, Battle Creek, for burial in the family plot. Great sympathy is expressed for his wife and son at the loss of a devoted husband and father, by their friends and neighbors.

Twins Born To South Mill Street Couple

Twins, more twins! Mr. and Mrs. Dee McMullen of 284 South Mill street, announce the arrival of twin boys on Saturday, December 11. One weighed 8 pounds and the other 9 pounds. The lads have been named Ronald and Donald. Babes and mother are doing nicely.

Roe Lumber Co.

(Continued From Page 1) work without light from acetylene torches showing through to the street. Canvass and a number of tanks of oxygen, blow torches, chisels, hammers and all of the other equipment of safe crackers, was found at the Palister avenue address. The safe was opened by burning a hole in the side of the safe combination. If the robbers had burned only a fraction of an inch farther, they would have touched a device which would have released tear gas, and at the same time would have closed another bolt in the door of the safe. Whether the operators knew this fact or not, was not made known, but they did operate with gloves, for no finger prints were found on the safe.

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time required to complete the job and escape, the best escape routes from the town. In fact, every thing the gang should know was contained there.

It obviously was a complete set-up for a safe cracking gang, which had gone into the business on a large scale.

It was learned that detectives have been watching the gangs activities for weeks. One of the members, it was said, had served a term in prison for safe cracking, and that he had recently resigned his job as a welder in a war plant, but continued to buy unlimited quantities of gasoline.

This led to his being suspected, and in the subsequent arrest.

Mid-Night

(Continued From Page 1) ning, December 26, at 7:30 o'clock in the Presbyterian church. This play is under the direction of Mrs. Wallace Laury, assisted by Mrs. Cass Hough and Mrs. Dow Swope.

The cast of characters includes Jack Dobbs, Kit Hugh, Ray Bachelder, Esther Mettetal, Jane Ann Lyons, Harold Todd, Ray Rostel, Pauline Wiedman, Richard Daniel, Sandra Walch and Claude Dykhose.

Scenery has been prepared by Robert Wesley and Ted Dent. Incidental music will be sung by the Senior and Children's choirs, with Mrs. Mae Blankenhagen at the organ. This play is a part of the evening service, which is open to all.

Every Person

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of old papers, books, magazines, cartons, and get them down to the city hall some way. If absolutely necessary, call phone 50, and Salvage Chairman Mrs. This waste paper drive is just Powell will try and help you to get enough waste paper into wards the battlefield. Buy U. S. Defense Bonds and Do your part—bundle up Stamps, the I.O.U. of the Red, everything you have in the line White and Blue!

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Church News

Hours of services and notices of church organization meetings.

FIRST METHODIST—T. Leonard Sanders, minister. Mrs. O'Conner, director of music. You are cordially invited to worship with us at any or all our services. Christmas Eve, December 24, 11 o'clock to 12:30. Annual Christmas Holy Communion and Service of Lights. Program to consist of: Holy Communion, Christmas carols and music by the Chorus Choir, the recognition of our young people in service and the service of Lights. Sunday, December 26, 10 o'clock. Church School with classes for all. Wesley Kaiser, superintendent; 11 o'clock, morning worship and special Christmas music. Subject, "That Which Costs Me Nothing"; 6:30, Youth Fellowship; 7:30, Special Service of Christmas Carols by the Adult and Chancel choirs. This service will be held in the dining room of the church. Keep in mind that Sunday, January 2, 1944, is Covenant Sunday and begins Covenant and Universal Prayer Week. There will be both morning and evening service on this day, and a special service of meditation on Wednesday evening of that week. Plan now to attend.

Weddings

Schwartz-Appel

St. John's Lutheran Church in Romeo was the scene of the wedding of Miss Jeanette Schwartz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John O. Schwartz of Lilley road, and Lt. Paul H. Appel, son of Reverend and Mrs. Edgar G. Appel of Romeo. The evening ceremony was solemnized by the Reverend Appel at eight-thirty o'clock, Wednesday, December 22. The church was decorated in keeping with the holiday season and illuminated with candlelight. White chiffon fashioned with a bodice gathered with seed pearls, full skirt, and long, full sleeves formed the bride's gown. Her shoulder length veil was gathered to a crown of white lilies-of-the-valley and her bouquet was of white roses centered with a white orchid.

Miss Alice Heck, of Ypsilanti, attended as bridesmaid, wearing pale blue chiffon fashioned like the bride's gown, with a tiered skirt. Her headpiece consisted of a matching shoulder length veil caught to a tiara of white flowers and she wore a white carnation corsage. The groom's brother, Leon C. Appel, served as best man. A reception was held after the ceremony in the church parlors for a group of friends. The bride and groom left for a short honeymoon in Detroit after which they will leave for Kelly Field, San Antonio, Texas, where Lt. Appel is stationed. For going away, Mrs. Appel chose a dress of pale blue wool, cinnamon colored coat, and brown accessories. A white orchid corsage completed her ensemble.

Mrs. Appel is a graduate of Plymouth High School and the Michigan State Normal at Ypsilanti. For the past year and a half, she has been a teacher in the Adrian public schools at Adrian.

Christmas

Christmas comes but once a year! And it always brings good cheer. With its snow and Santa, too, it brings joy to me and you. We wait and wait so patiently for Christmas Day to come. And when it comes we know that all the fun has just begun. There's packages to be opened, and stockings in a row. There's Santa Claus' good wishes to everyone we know. But then soon Christmas passes. And a New Year has begun. But still we think that Christmas is really the most fun. —By Jean McPherson, 7A.

Give him a crisp WAR BOND for a CHRISTMAS present to be remembered. Keep on BACKING THE ATTACK.

To Collect Garbage Friday This Week

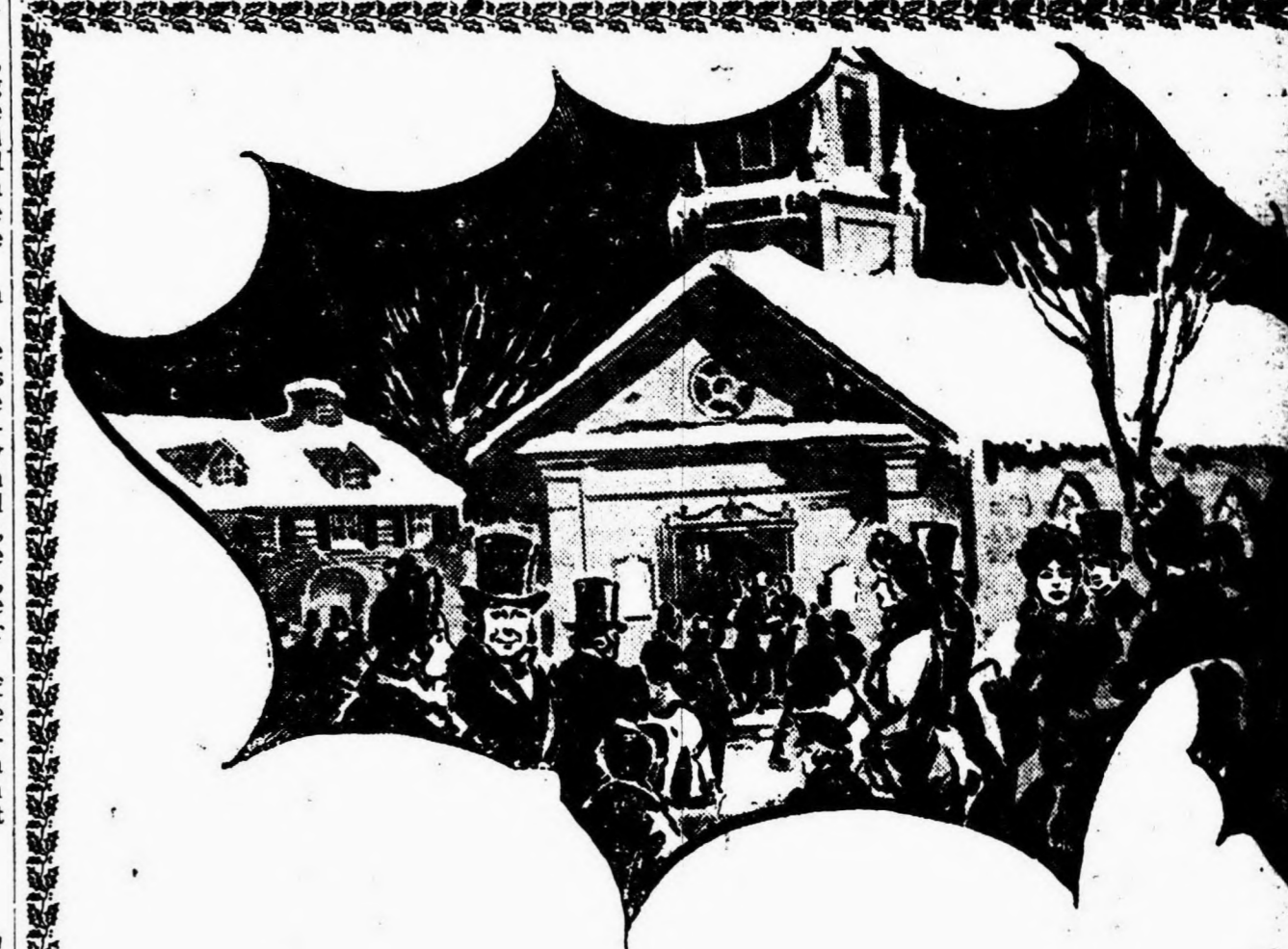
The regular Saturday collection of rubbish and garbage in the commercial area of the city, will begin at 8 o'clock Friday morning, it was announced this week by Stan Besse, city engineer. The collection will be made on Friday both this week and next to give the city employes Christmas and New Years holidays.

KEEP ON
Backing the Attack
WITH WAR BONDS

Merry Christmas



JACK'S PLACE



A Merry Christmas

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TO EACH AND ALL

May your Christmas of 1943 approach in joyousness the carefree Christmases of early years when you dreamed of the coming of St. Nicholas.

The Perfection Laundry

SALEM FEDERATED CHURCH. C. M. Pennell, pastor. Sunday morning worship, 10:30 o'clock. The pastor's theme will be, "Emmanuel, God With Us"; Bible school will present an old-fashioned Christmas program of songs and recitations followed by the pageant, "Why the Chimes Rang," directed by Miss Marian Gale. Come and bring the children. The postponed business meeting of the church is announced for Tuesday afternoon, December 28 at 2 o'clock.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL — S. Harvey and Maple streets. Christmas Eve service December 24th. Holy Communion with sermon at 11 p. m. Sunday morning service: Church school at 9:45 a. m.; Holy Communion with sermon at 11 a. m. Rev. Francis Tetu, rector.

BEREA GOSPEL CHAPEL, corner of Mill street and Ten Arber Trail. Rev. Sanford Cook, pastor. Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.; morning worship, 11:00 a. m. evening service, 7:45 p. m. Ladies prayer meeting on Tuesday evening at 7:45. Mid-week service on Thursday evening at 7:45.

BEREA GOSPEL CHAPEL, ASSEMBLIES OF GOD CHURCH—Corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Mill street, Rev. Sanford Cook, pastor. Sunday school, 10:00 a. m.; morning worship, 11 a. m.; Junior church, 11 a. m.; evening service, 7:45 p. m. Ladies prayer meeting on Tuesday evening at 7:45. Mid-week service on Thursday evening at 7:45.

CHURCH OF GOD, 333 N. Main street. Sunday services: Morning worship, 9:45. Sunday school, 11. Young People's meeting, 6:30. Evening praise service, 7:30. Mid-week prayer meeting, Wednesday evening, 7:30.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH. Ann Arbor Trail at Elizabeth street. Lynn B. Stout, pastor.

ST. PAUL'S EVANGELICAN LUTHERAN CHURCH, corner Farmington and Five Mile roads. Theodore Sauer, pastor. Sunday morning service, 10:30 o'clock. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. You are cordially invited to attend.

ST. PAUL'S EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH, Farmington and Five Mile roads. Theodore Sauer, pastor. Sunday morning service, 10:30 o'clock. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m. You are cordially invited to attend.

ST. PETER'S EV. LUTHERAN Church, Edgemoor, Hoenecke, pastor. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m., morning sermon at 10:30 a. m.

SALVATION ARMY CHURCH. Sunday services: Sunday school 10:00 a. m., Sunday Holiness meeting 11:00 a. m., open air 7:30 p. m. Inside meeting 8 p. m. Tuesday Jail meeting 7 p. m. Thursday 2 p. m. Home League meeting, Thursday night, Torch-bearers 7:30 p. m.

SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST church. Sabbath school Saturday, 9:30 a. m. Preaching service following. Place, Jewell-Blair hall on Ann Arbor Trail. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening, held at various homes. M. V. meetings Friday evening, 8 p. m. at the home of John Denski, 5775 Lilley road. All are invited.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST Scientist. Sunday morning service, 10:30. Sunday school at 10:30. Pupils received up to the age of 20 years. Wednesday evening testimony service 8:00.

FREE METHODIST MISSION—1058 South Main street. Fred Highfield in charge. Sunday school, 2:30 p. m. preaching, 3:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Tuesday, 7:45 p. m. Welcome to all to worship with us.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL church. Rev. William P. Mooney, pastor. Masses, 6:00.

ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC church, Father Contway, pastor. Rosedale Gardens. Masses at 8 a. m., 10 a. m., and 12 noon.

CHURCH OF CHRIST—188 West Liberty street. Bible school, 10:15 a. m.; worship, 11:00 a. m.; preaching and song service, 7:30 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. George Straub spent the week end in Indianapolis, Indiana.

holiday greetings



JUST as surely as there'll always be little boys and girls, and big boys and girls, too (especially around Christmastime), that surely there will always be a Christmas. Our wish for you is that this Christmas season of 1943 be the most memorable you have ever known.

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FOR SALE—White Rock chickens—prices vary. 11675 Butternut, in Robinson Subdivision. 11-p

FOR SALE—New pre-war chrome auxiliary shower head; also New Zealand white stud buck. Call evenings. 705-W. 11-p

FOR SALE—Gas stove with high oven—good condition; also ladder back maple bed with coil springs; also baby's chest of drawers. Phone Livonia 2592. 11-p

FOR SALE—Antique walnut Jenny Lind bed; chest of drawers; chairs, bookcase; small table; and Boston rocker. 18080 Newburg Road. Phone Plymouth 886-W1. 16-21-c

FOR SALE—Guernsey bull, 1 year old; Rock pullets 4 1/2 to 5 lbs. Phone 844-W2. 11-p

FOR SALE—Chickens, alive or dressed. Phone 1284-W or call at 42066 E. Ann Arbor Trail. Mrs. Wm. Henry. 11-p

FOR SALE—Barn equipment, 36 New Starline unit stalls with stanchions. Don Horton, Ann Arbor Road at S. Main Street. Phone 540-W. 11-c

FOR SALE—Pecan nuts and nut meats just arrived from our farm in South Alabama. Limited supply. Get your order in early. 1017 Holbrook Ave. or phone 190-W. 13-14-p

FOR SALE—Hartz Mountain canaries, singers and females, also Buff Coching Bantams. 9100 Newburg Road. Phone 861-J3. 143-p

FOR SALE—Rock roosters, 5 to 8 lbs., 39c lb. alive, dressing and delivery extra. Philip Dingledey, 825 Haggerty Hwy., 1/2 mile south of Ford Road. Phone 876-W1. 14-31-c

FOR SALE—Live chickens, 10712 N. Territorial Road. Phone 844-W4. Peter Baumgartner. 15-21-p

FOR SALE—New 4-roll New Idea corn husker shredder. Don Horton, Ann Arbor road at South Main street. 11-c

FOR SALE—“Domestic” sewing machine in good condition. Phone 844-W2. 11-c

FOR SALE—1940 American trailer, completely furnished, 2 rooms, 2 doors, sleeps 4, and excellent rubber. Priced to sell or will trade for late model car or truck. 38975 Five Mile Road, near Eckles Road. 11-p

FOR SALE—Ladies' white gold wrist watch. Perfect condition. \$12. 9416 Hix Road. 11-p

FOR SALE—1936 Chevrolet, half ton panel. Good condition. Phone 882-W1. 11-c

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FOR SALE—Table model radio. A-1 condition. 515 Starkweather. 11-c

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FOR SALE—Parrakeets. Mrs. Hamlin. 48429 Joy Road. Phone 867-J4. 11-c

FOR SALE—16 ft. Road King trailer, 1941 model. Call or phone between 9 and 12 a. m. 40162 Gilbert Street. Phone 621-W. 11-p

FOR SALE—1934 Ford coupe, good tires. 8101 Newburg Road. Call after 5 p. m. 11-p

FOR SALE—1929 Model A Ford motor; parts for '36 Chevrolet; 2 burner kerosene stove, and about 30 chickens, ready to lay. Call mornings or after 6 p. m. 45167 Cherry Hill Road, near Canton Center. 11-p

FOR SALE—Rabbits, good meat for Christmas dinner. I have a good stock from 3 1/2 to 5 lbs., ready to butcher. I dress them for you. 15525 La Salle, west of Haggerty, off Five Mile Rd. 11-p

FOR SALE—Wheelbarrow. Inquire at 273 N. Main Street. 11-p

FOR SALE—Two boys' bicycles, one \$15.00 and one \$30.00. Good tires. 645 Forest. 11-p

FOR SALE—Boy's hard toe hockey skates, size 7; gym shoes, 9 1/2; saddle shoes, 10; girl's black suede pumps, size 6 1/2; wool jacket and two skirts, size 14. All in good condition. Tel. 1599-W. 45170 W. Ann Arbor Trail. 11-p

FOR SALE—Electric stove white, almost new. 8029 Ravine Drive. 11-p

FOR SALE—About 5 acres with house, barn, chicken house, pump house; \$2,000 cash or terms \$2,500. Mack Long, 1418 Brookline, off Sheldon Road, south of Ford Road, off Gordon. 11-p

FOR SALE—Woman's Bomber plant 2 piece slack suit, size 20; also a teeter babe, complete. Phone 873-W11. 11-c

FOR SALE—One ladies brown suit, all wool; ladies navy blue tailored suit, all wool, green skirt, pleated, jerken to match, all wool; all size 16. Inquire 635 S. Mill Street. 11-p

FOR SALE—Barrd Rock cockerels and hens. 42180 W. Warren, near Lilley Road. 11-p

FOR SALE—Cash register, also Garland gas range. Plymouth Hardware Store.

FOR SALE—Two pairs of good ice skates, sizes 7 and 8; round dining table, rocking chair, small love seat. James H. Hebert, 427 S. Mill Street. Phone 1258-W. 11-c

FOR SALE—Winter coat, size 16, dark blue with black Martin collar. Heavy inter lining, new last April. Phone 648-R.

FOR SALE—Brick store, 4 living rooms, bath, water, utility room, laundry tubs. \$2,900. Terms. Big discount for cash. Leaving Michigan. Must sell at once. Livonia 2704. Luttermoser, 34423 Plymouth Road. 11-p

FOR SALE—Cash register, also Garland gas range. Plymouth Hardware Store.

FOR SALE—Acre, 3 room home, water, country house, fruit, grapes, near Plymouth Road. \$1,850. Terms. Livonia 2704. Luttermoser. 34423 Plymouth Road. 11-p

FOR SALE—Fox Terrier puppies, 335 Roe Street. Phone 437. 11-c

FOR SALE—Laying hens, \$2. R. Gallaway, 9475 Canton Center Road. 11-c

FOR SALE—Household furniture. Call Dinger Doane, 821 Wing Street. Phone 1101-W. 11-p

FOR SALE—One hundred Barrd Rock pullets, laying. Will sell all or by the pound; also 40 Brown Leghorn year old hens, \$1.00 each. Ten pigs, weight about 100 pounds each. Corn fed. Will sell all or separate. M. Sieloff, 14888 Haggerty Hwy., near Five Mile Road. 11-p

WANTED

WANTED—Three riders or drivers to exchange driving to Bomber plant, 4:30 p. m. to 2 a. m. shift. Telephone 694-R. 11-p

WANTED—Woman for cleaning at Plymouth High School. Steady employment. Phone 62. 11-c

WANTED—Girl or woman to work from 8 to 12 in Kimbrough Electric Shop, next to the A & P Market. 11-c

WANTED—High school girl to work in store through Christmas vacation. Kimbrough Electric Shop, next to the A & P Market. 11-c

WANTED—Chrome dinette set, pre-war style with 4 or 6 chairs, also man's horsehide leather jacket, size 42. Call evenings. 705-W. 11-p

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FOR RENT—Four room house furnished. Oil heat. At 220 Elizabeth Street, Walled Lake. Adults only. Phone Walled Lake. 241-F2. 16-14-c

FOR RENT—Sleeping rooms at 357 N. Main Street. 11-p

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 Alphonus Crain.
 Dated: December 17, 1943.

IN MEMORIAM
 In loving memory of our dear sister, Alma Minehart, who passed away fifteen years ago December 31, 1928. We have only your memory, dear sister. To remember our whole life through. But the sweetness will linger forever. As we treasure the image of you.
 Missed by her sister and brothers.

IN MEMORIAM
 In loving memory of John L. Staman, who passed away three years ago, December 26, 1940. Three years have passed since that sad day When the one we loved was called away. God took him home, it was His will. But in our hearts he lingers still. Sadly missed by his wife and children. 11-p

IN MEMORIAM
 In memory of our mother, Mrs. Wm. Salow, who passed away December 21, 1928. Tho' your smiles have gone forever And your hand we cannot touch, We shall never lose the memory Of the one we loved so much. Sadly missed by children and grandchildren. 11-p

STATE OF MICHIGAN—ORDER OF THE CONSERVATION COMMISSION.
 The Director of Conservation having made a thorough investigation of conditions relative to otter, recommends certain regulations.
THEREFORE, the Conservation Commission, by authority of Act 230, P. A. 1925, hereby orders that for a period of one year from January 1, 1944, it shall be unlawful to take or by any means in any of the counties of the State, except that in the Lower Peninsula they may be taken from March 15 to 31, inclusive, in accordance with beaver and otter regulations for 1944.
 Signed, sealed and ordered published this seventh day of December, 1943.
HARRY H. WHITELEY, Chairman.
WAYLAND OSGOOD, Secretary.

Countersigned:
P. J. HOFFMASTER, Director. Dec. 23-30, Jan. 6

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 Who wouldn't be surprised—and delighted!
 A few weeks ago, Robert Herter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Herter of Liberty street, a member of the American flying forces, landed on a tiny island way down in the South Pacific.
 Imagine his surprise as he walked along the beach to meet his brother, William Herter, one of Uncle Sam's fighting Marines! Neither one of the boys knew of the whereabouts of the other.
 This interesting bit of news came to The Plymouth Mail from Vincent Herter, another brother who is a seaman, second class in the Seabees, stationed at Camp Perry, Virginia. There is another brother, Richard, also serving in Uncle Sam's fighting forces overseas. Now Vincent is anxious to complete his work at Camp Perry so he, too, can go overseas.
 It goes without saying that Mr. and Mrs. Herter are mighty proud of their four boys serving in the armed forces of the nation, three of them overseas.

AMERICAS SEND RUBBER
 Tropical forests of the other Americas have yielded a rising inflow of natural rubber this year to mix with the synthetic product from new chemical factories, opening in the U. S. In the first four months of 1943, rubber-producing regions of the other Americas shipped 50 per cent more rubber than in the comparable period of 1942, according to Eycroft C. Holt, chief of the commercial research section of the Rubber Development Corporation.

POINTS NEEDED FOR TONGUE
 Ration points are required to buy all varieties of tongue, and no types of this meat may be sold point-free, the OPA said recently. Some consumers apparently believe tongue can be purchased without points, because beef "long cut" tongue was removed from the current table of consumer point values for rationed meats. "Long-cut" beef tongue, OPA explained, is an untrimmed type which is not sold at retail.

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When trained on enemy planes, still far beyond reach of anti-aircraft, Radar reports the three elements of their position necessary for exact plotting: (1) distance, (2) angle of elevation, (3) angle of azimuth. In other words, the observer can tell how far away the planes are, how high they are, and from what direction they are coming. Then, when the planes are within firing range, this information is used to predict the precise point at which shells should burst.

Turkey's Climate Varies
Turkey has a variety of climates. On its Black sea shores, winters are blizzards, summers hot and moist. Temperatures at Istanbul range from a January average of 41 degrees Fahrenheit to an August mean of 74 degrees. In the west and the south, Mediterranean conditions rule. In the east, along the highland frontier, cold winters with light snowfall and torrid summers prevail.

Fresh Air for Furnaces
The satisfactory operation of any heating plant depends upon an adequate supply of fresh air to burn fuel, regardless of the fuel used. A shortage of air in the furnace room will cause excessive fuel consumption because of incompletely burned fuel wasted up the chimney. With some fuels, such as oil and bituminous coal, a warning is given in the form of smoke.

Dishwashing Regulations
In most communities, the regulations regarding dishwashing call for the use of hot soapy water followed by a rinse in boiling water or live steam. They specifically forbid washing the glasses hastily in cold water, as it is well known by health authorities that transferable germs are not removed from the rim of glasses in that way.

Flies Small Menace
Careful studies have shown that flies cause only a small percentage of the decline in milk flow usually observed in midsummer. The hot sun that discourages the cow from going out to graze and the shortage of grass and lowered palatability are factors that may account for most of the decline.

Color Cools
In southern textile mills, blue-green end walls have been used to reduce the consciousness of employees in high temperatures and warm light has been used in northern mills to create the illusion of warmth in rooms that otherwise would seem cold and cheerless.

Marines Use Mahogany
Mahogany may be expensive in the United States but on Guadalcanal it has been put to many uses because of its hardness on an island where hardwood is scarce, marine corps engineers are using mahogany for bridges, telephone poles and other construction jobs.

Make Soybeans Palatable
The extremely nutritive soybean, whose strong flavor has kept it from becoming a food favorite, is now being cooked in such a manner as to give it an extremely palatable taste while preserving its high food value. Soybean flour made by this process can be used by itself; i.e., does not have to be mixed with other flours, as was formerly done. Soybean "nut meats" so processed are delicious as a meat extender in meat loaf, etc.

Irish Potato Misnamed
Doubly misnamed like the guinea pig, which is neither pig nor from Guinea, the Irish potato is neither potato nor from Ireland. Thriving in cool climates at the northern limit of agriculture, it was first discovered growing almost on the equator in Peru. Its Spanish discoverers called it "papas." "Batatas" was their name for what is now known as the sweet potato, which is thus the original bearer of the potato name.

Protein Building Material
Protein is essential building material for muscles, glands, nerves, bones, skin, hair, nails, and all of the rest of the body tissues. Adults need protein to replace tissue as it is worn out, the amount needed depending upon weight and physical condition rather than upon activity. Individuals recovering from a long illness need additional protein to build up their bodies and restore strength.

Busy River
Rated as one of Germany's busiest rivers, the Wupper flows to its junction with the Rhine at Opladen—turned many water wheels, ground flour, powered local factories. Several reservoirs make provision for drinking water, supply hydro-electric installations for the great industrial centers. The Wupper is not navigable, has no port.

Need Protein
Young, growing animals require a high percentage of protein in their rations in order to make rapid increases in weight. Nursing mothers, milking cows and laying hens need relatively large quantities because of the amount of protein needed for the production of milk or eggs.

Magnesium Sources
Underground brine and sea water have been the only domestic sources of magnesium until recently. Their magnesium content seems small but the supply of raw material is unlimited. Underground brine contains from 3 to 6 per cent of magnesium; sea water averages less than 0.13 per cent.

Cow Needs Maximum Intake
Ideally the cow is stimulated to her best production by a feed intake that reaches the maximum of her capacity. If the quality of feed offered is below par she is likely to eat less of it and consequently produce less.

Local News

Miss Neva Lovewell and her mother will have Christmas dinner with relatives in Pontiac.

The Birthday Club had its annual Christmas party and dinner at the home of Mrs. John Miller Monday evening. Members attending were Mrs. Paul Wiedman, Mrs. George Cramer, Mrs. Ernest Allison, Mrs. Harold Brisbois, Mrs. Christine Van Poppel, Mrs. Ray Bachelder, and the hostess, Mrs. Bachelidor's mother was a guest for the day.

Coxswain Thomas R. Schultz, now stationed at Brooklyn, New York, has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Straub. The Straubs and Coxswain Schultz went to Indianapolis, Indiana, over the week end where they visited Staff Sergeant Robert S. Schultz. He is confined to the Billings General Hospital there.

Monday afternoon, Mrs. Horace Thatcher was hostess to several ladies in her home for Christmas luncheon.

Mrs. Erland Bridge entertained a group of Navy Mothers at a luncheon and Christmas party Tuesday afternoon.

The Erland Bridge home on Hartsough, avenue will be the scene of a family dinner Christmas day. There will be fifteen guests present.

Miss Belva Barnes, who is employed in New York City, is spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Mildred Barnes, and her grandmother, Mrs. May Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Cutler, Ridge Road, have planned for their Sunday and are having as their guests, Ensign and Mrs. W. J. Hamilton, Ithaca, New York; Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Cutler and children, Detroit; and Judge and Mrs. J. R. Cutler and children of Plymouth. Ensign and Mrs. Hamilton will arrive Saturday evening.

The Misses Frona and Arlene Tennant of Cadillac Road attended the Ice Review featuring Sonja Henie at the Olympia in Detroit Saturday evening.

Ernestine Wilson has just returned from a six weeks visit with Mrs. Ireta Gaynier of Colorado, California. While there she went to Los Angeles and saw Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Campbell, Mrs. Fish and Private First Class William J. Donnelly, all of this city.

Mrs. O. H. Beyer and daughter, Marion, leave December 26 for a six weeks' trip which will include stops at Farragut, Idaho, where they will visit Pharmacist's mate third class Robert Beyer and at Tacoma, Washington, where they will be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Burgett. Their itinerary also includes visits to Los Angeles and San Diego, California.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Valliquette will spend the Christmas week end at Grosse Pointe Shores and

Bloomfield Hills where they will be entertained in the homes of Mrs. and Mrs. R. L. Spitzley and Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Jaekel, respectively. On their return Sunday, they will be accompanied by Mrs. Valliquette's sister, Miss B. L. Jaekel, of Chicago, who will spend several days here.

Milton Humphries, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Humphries, was among 630 graduates of the Hospital Corps School at Great Lakes last Thursday, December 16, at which time he was given the rating of corpsman second class. His mother attended the impressive ceremony. She visited with friends in Evanston, Illinois, and on her return, spent the week end with relatives in Kalamazoo. Milton has been transferred to San Diego, California.

The Methodist church parson was gaily decorated with Christmas greens, trees and illuminated with candlelight for the Christmas party which the Girl Scouts of Troop Five gave for their

mother's Monday afternoon. The girls arranged their own entertaining program which featured singing, folk dancing, baton twirling selections played on the piano. Each mother was presented a gift and tasty refreshments were served. Mrs. Dean Saxton, who led the group for several months, was an honored guest. On the committee which planned the party were Mrs. Reginald Bacon, Mrs. Wayne Smith and Mrs. Earl Becker.

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20-Oz. Can **11c**

Iona Spinach 27-Oz. Can **15c**
Iona Corn Cream Style 20-Oz. Can **11c**
Iona Tomatoes 19-Oz. Jar **11c**
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Rotarians To Debate Subsidy

Mayor And School Head Speakers

Friday noon, December 31, is going to be a day as "rare as a day in June" for members of the Plymouth Rotary club. It is the date which has been fixed by Harold Curtis, chairman of the program committee, as the time when Mayor Carl Shear and Superintendent George Smith of the Plymouth public schools will debate on the subject of "Consumer Subsidies." Mayor Shear, long an opponent of political handouts under the various guises adopted by the Washington New Dealers, will give his reasons as to why the taxpayers should not be forced to help pay the food bill of the highly paid war workers of the nation as well as Henry Ford and all of the other people of the country. Supt. George Smith, who is one of Plymouth's real economic authorities, will tell why he believes that a consumer subsidy just at this time will help to keep prices from going skyward. This event, points out Chairman Curtis, ought to be an outstanding program for Rotary. Neither one of the debaters are New Dealers, but they do have different ideas on the subsidy issue.

Chairman Curtis states that there will be no extra charge for "ringside" seats.

Chief Warns Of Check Thieves

Advises People To Be Most Careful

Chief of Police Charles Thumme has received a warning from William A. Carlson, acting supervising agent of the Treasury Department, warning against the theft and forgery of government checks.

The Plymouth chief has been advised that this is one of the growing problems of the department and it is for that reason that people cashing government checks should be most careful.

Many reports have been received by the department of theft of allowance and allotment checks from mail boxes by professional mail thieves. Chief Thumme suggests that people receiving these checks, make some provision to see that their mail boxes are locked or other precautions taken to prevent the theft of these government letters.

He urges that the following rules, suggested by the government's secret service officials, be followed by every person receiving government checks:

Have a good, deep mailbox. KEEP IT LOCKED.

Print your name carefully on your mailbox.

If you move, report change of address to your post office and the agency by whom your checks are issued.

Never endorse a check until you are actually in the presence of the person who will cash it.

Cash your check at the same place each month. Cash it yourself—don't send children to cash checks—it encourages juvenile delinquency.

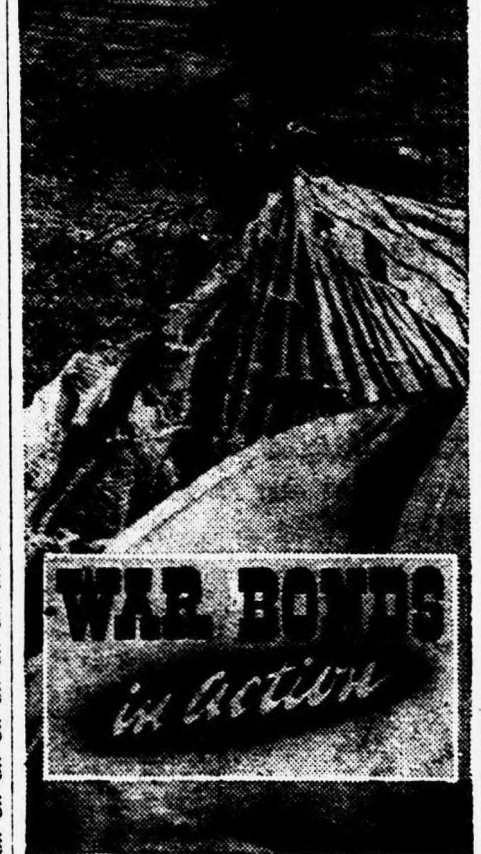
Always be prepared to present proper identification when cashing checks.

Notify issuing agency immediately if checks are not received when due.

KNOW YOUR ENDORSER. Insist upon proper identification. Before you cash a check, ask yourself this question: "If this check is returned, can I find the person who gave it to me?"

Never cash a check already endorsed without having it endorsed again in your presence.

Require employees who cash checks to initial them; also to write down on the check the type and serial number of identification presented."



More and more our armies are landing our fighting troops by parachute, disrupting enemy lines, enemy communications, but paying a heavy price in casualties.

Silken fineries and their substitutes are fast passing from the market to provide safe landings for our distant fighting men. We can still buy silk and nylon for them with War Bonds and Stamps.

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Holiday Cheer

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Merry Christmas



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Merry Christmas



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S. T. Dodge

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wills will spend Christmas day with friends in Ann Arbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lidgard had as their Sunday guests, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Shultz of Detroit.

The Melvin Alguire will spend Christmas eve and day at the Detroit home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Pearsall.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Truesdell of W. Ann Arbor Trail left Tuesday for St. Petersburg, Florida, to spend the next few months.

Out-of-town Christmas day guests at the Frank Burrows home will be Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Briggs, Miss Alice Sturm and Mrs. C. S. Briggs, all of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Healey and Miss Madeline Wilson of Detroit called at the home of Mrs. Charles Draper Wednesday evening.

Christmas guests in the Horace Thatcher home for the holiday week end will be his sisters, Mrs. Newell Rush and Miss Clara Thatcher, of Toledo, Ohio.

Melvin Corwin of Fort Atkinson, Wisconsin, will spend the Christmas holiday with his mother, Mrs. Milo Corwin on Ridge road.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Lindsay and son, Edward, will be the Christmas eve and day guests of Mrs. Bessie Korby at her home on Dexter Boulevard in Detroit.

Holiday guests at the R. A. Kirkpatrick and Arthur Blunk homes will be Captain and Mrs. W. A. Kirkpatrick and son, Billy, of Fort Meade, Maryland.

Pfc. and Mrs. William McGraw, Jr., of Clinton, New York, are spending several days with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Kirkpatrick.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl G. Shear will entertain Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frederick Shear and son, David, of Ann Arbor. Later in the day they will visit at the home of Mrs. Emily Shear in Grandale Gardens.

During the Christmas week end, Mr. and Mrs. Dow Swope will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Ray J. Swope and daughter of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. Melroy Lewis and daughter of Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Manley of Melrose avenue, Rosedale Gardens announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty Ilene, to Robert Floyd Parcels, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Parcels of Detroit.

Raymond Danol, former member of The Plymouth Mail staff, now training for services in Uncle Sam's navy, is home on a brief leave from Camp Farragut, Idaho. He will return to the northwest Saturday afternoon.

Lieut. (j.g.) Tony Matulis, U.S.N.R., home on a brief leave of absence from Princeton University last week, has returned east. He is now stationed at the Naval Training School, Noroton Heights, Connecticut.

Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lidgard will be guests at the home of the latter's mother, Mrs. Ida McWilliams, in Owosso, while the following day, they will be entertained at the Frank Lidgard home in Northville.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Chapman plan to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. Clyde Johnson at their home on North Parkside avenue, Detroit, on Christmas day. Sunday, they will be in Birmingham as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Johnson.

Mrs. Russell Roe will be hostess to Circle One of the Presbyterian church auxiliary Wednesday evening, December 29, at her home on Ann Arbor Trail. An appropriate program has been planned, to be given after the regular business meeting.

Christmas day guests in the Dr. Brisbois home on Sheridan avenue will be their son, Joe, who arrived Thursday from Notre Dame where he is a student, and Mr. and Mrs. William Van Poppelen of Capac, Michigan. In the evening, the group will be entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Brisbois in Detroit.

Charles Ash of Caster avenue entertained last week, Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Ash and family of Redford, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ash, Miss Ruth Ash, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Merryfield and family of Plymouth. The gathering was held in honor of Carl Ash who left for Fort Sheridan, Illinois, December 17. Carl is the third son of Mr. Ash to leave for military service, the others being Seaman first class Russell of Houston, Texas, and Technical Sergeant Arnold, who has been in the Southwest Pacific for the past two years.

MOM'S CLUB NOTES
The Mom's Club announced this week that there has been a change of plans for the Christmas party. There will be a pot luck dinner for members at the home of Mrs. Arthur Norgrove, 241 East Pearl street, Monday evening, December 27, at 6:30. Members are to bring dishes, silver, a dish to pass, and a twenty-five cent gift for exchange.

The club is glad to hear that Mrs. Rittenhouse is home from the hospital.

Merry Christmas



Our Merry Christmas to you is in the same glad holiday spirit as in years gone by, including a heart-felt prayer for Peace!

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Merry Christmas



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Merry Christmas



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Why Telephone Service Is Good

Plymouth Office Provides The Answer

There's an adage that once you've smelled printer's ink there is an undesirable odor about it which permanently attracts.

Which means, of course, that once you've participated in the activities of newspapering, that there's a fascination to it which never leaves.

Undoubtedly the same type of fascination extends to almost all other businesses from a grocery to a steel mill, but it extends to an exceptional amount to a telephone switchboard.

Ann Kolody, chief operator of the Plymouth office of the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, has been an operator for fifteen years in a dozen offices through southern Michigan, and she still enjoys it, although off hand, it would appear that it would drive her nuts in a month's time.

Honestly, to stand behind the girls who operate the lines which establish your number for you, you wonder how in the world they do it. You wonder how in the world they make so few mistakes. You wonder what they are thinking about, and then you wonder whether they have time to think or not. You wonder how they are so patient with irate customers. You wonder how they hit the right plug every time, especially since they have so many which are similar and yet different. And perhaps most of all, you wonder about the engineers who established all the connections, and how in the world they did it.

Inasmuch as it takes an operator not less than four weeks to learn the rudiments of the business, it is of course quite impossible for a reporter to learn hardly anything about operating in an hour's time.

But anyway, here's about what the Plymouth operations office of the telephone company looks like, acts like—and perhaps is.

The operations room impresses first of all by the quiet. There are from 15 to 18 girls working at a long board, and how they keep talking, saying "operator," and "thank you," and "right," the place keeps quiet, is one of the most amazing parts of the amazing room.

Not only are you unable to hear an operator, but the constant "plugging in" and disconnecting, and messing around with a maze of cords, some gadgets they call "jacks," and buttons of one kind and another you'd think would make a lot of racket, but it doesn't. Why, you never find out.

Now, here in Plymouth, there are approximately 1,700 telephone lines, which means there are 1,700 tiny holes about the size of a lead pencil or smaller before each operator. Below each of these holes is a light. When you lift your receiver, the light below your particular hole flashes. The operators all have a cord in their hand just waiting for your light to flash. They vie with each other to see which can answer it first.

The minute that cord or "jack" is inserted, your light goes out. The operator says "operator," and you give her the number. She says "thank you," and while she's saying it, she inserts the jack into the line of the number you are calling.

These various lines are arranged in banks, so she knows approximately where that number is, but over a period of time, she doesn't have to look for the number you call. She knows automatically where it is. That's the reason your service is good.

Of course, these are strenuous times. Thousands of people are making more telephone calls today than they ever did before. In the Plymouth office alone there are 15,000 to 17,000 calls a day, 1,500 of them for long distance.

At certain periods of the day, the switchboard looks like a Christmas tree. That's when the operators really work. Their arms are going constantly. How they know just what to do, how they keep things moving, how they make so few errors, how they keep their even disposition, how they make mind and arms work together is beyond belief. But they do it.

Here in a nutshell are a few of the details, incidentals to the general operation:

Q. How is the busy signal operated?

A. When the operator gets your number, and starts to plug in the number you asked for, if the line is busy, there will be a tiny flash of light at the plug opening. That means the line is busy, and she immediately plugs in the busy signal buzz, which is another hole, among the hundreds of others.

Q. How many long distance operators are there?

A. All of the girls are long distance operators here. They each have their special lines to nearby points such as Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti, Howell, Northville and Detroit. If it's for a distant point, that is usually cleared through the Detroit lines.

Two supervisors are on duty behind the girls. They are operators with long experience, who know most of the answers and are well on the road to becoming chief operators themselves.

To reach the status of a supervisor, a girl must have had adequate experience, not only as an operator, but as a teacher of other girls. There are constantly one to two classes of four girls each learning how to become operators.

And they don't just learn how to handle the plugs and jacks and

lights. They also must learn courtesy. They must be able to interrupt a long distance call, and suggest that your time is up, and that others are waiting.

She must know when and how to reach any point in the United States, therefore, she must have a pretty good working knowledge

of geography.

But, just as a tip, when the operator doesn't answer the minute you lift your receiver, understand that she has a thousand or more other numbers, and if all of them should suddenly lift their receivers at the same time—well, you'd probably still get your number.

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Merry Christmas



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Hotel Northville

Andy Sanbrone

Local News

Mrs. Edith Snushall of South Lyon is a holiday guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Straub.

Guests at the William Highfield home Sunday were the Misses Kathleen Wasmund and Irene Sharp of Rosedale Gardens.

A holiday guest at the John Birchall, Sr., home on Blunk street is Mrs. John Birchall, Jr. Her husband, Lt. Birchall, has reported for overseas duty.

Miss Fern Bower is enjoying a vacation from her studies at the University of Alabama. She visited with school friends in New York before returning to Plymouth.

Guests of Mrs. Elmore Carney during the week end will be Mrs. Ira Carney of Port Huron, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Carney and family of Yale, and Mrs. Charles Draper of this city.

A Christmas party was the feature of the Tuesday Evening Bridge Club when it met at the home of Mrs. Vaughn Smith Tuesday evening, December 21. Gifts were exchanged later in the evening.

On Christmas eve, the Vaughn Smiths will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Herman Kreager, Dr. and Mrs. Lee Halstead, and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Vivier and daughters, Marilyn and Audrey, all of Farmington.

Christmas day dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Walsh will be Mr. and Mrs. George Hazelworth and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hoffman, of Detroit, and W. J. Hanley of Lincoln Park.

Members of the Mayflower Bridge Club will gather at the home of Mrs. Paul Wiedman Tuesday evening, December 28, for a holiday dinner to be served at 6:30.

Cadet Olive Bakewell, who is a member of the Cadet Nurses' Corps at Harper Hospital, spent Wednesday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Bakewell.

Pvt. Dean Saxton, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Dean Saxton, Sr., of Ann Arbor Trail, is spending the holidays with his parents. He is on furlough from East Lansing where he is a student of the Army Specialized Training Program.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Freshney of Detroit will be Christmas eve guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Arscott. Christmas day guests at the Arscott home will be the Freshneys, Mrs. George Gorton and daughter, Mary, and Mr. and Mrs. George White.

Livonia Red Cross To Elect Officers

The Livonia Branch of the American Red Cross will hold election of officers at a meeting Wednesday evening, December 29, at the Township Hall. Officers to be elected are chairman, vice chairman, and secretary. Any Red Cross member is eligible to vote.

Anyone interested in the activities of the Red Cross is urged to attend the meeting which will begin at 8 p. m.

Legals

STATE OF MICHIGAN THE PROBATE COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF WAYNE

In the Matter of the Estate of ARCHIE F. KLEIN also known as ARCHIE F. KING, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that all creditors of said deceased are required to present their claims, in writing and under oath, to said Court at the Probate Office in the City of Detroit, in said County, and to serve a copy thereof upon AWAIH O. KING, administratrix of said estate, 563 Cullen Center Road, Plymouth, Mich., on or before the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1944, and that such claims will be heard by said court, before Judge Thomas C. Murphy in Court Room 305, Wayne County Building in the City of Detroit, in said County, on the 23rd day of February, A. D. 1944, at two o'clock in the afternoon. Dated December 13th, A. D. 1943. THOMAS C. MURPHY, Judge of Probate. Dec. 17, 24, 31

Earl J. Demel, Attorney, Penniman Bldg., Plymouth, Michigan.

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF WAYNE, ss.

At a session of the Probate Court for said County of Wayne, held at the Probate Court Room in the City of Detroit, on the ninth day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-three.

Present, Patrick H. O'Brien, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of WILLIAM HALL, a mentally incompetent person.

Earl J. Demel, Guardian of said ward, having rendered to said Court his first and final account in said matter:

It is ordered, That the Thirteenth day of January, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon at said Court Room be appointed for examining and allowing said account.

And it is further Ordered, That a copy of this order be published once in each week for three weeks consecutively previous to said time of hearing, in the Plymouth Mail, a newspaper printed and circulating in said County of Wayne.

PATRICK H. O'BRIEN, Judge of Probate. (A true copy)

Alfred L. Vincent, Deputy Probate Register. Dec. 17-24-31, 1943

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We're not too old to believe in Santa Claus—because he's the symbol of benevolence and generosity! In his name we say

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DR. JOHN C. McINTYRE OPTOMETRIST

Merry Christmas



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Perry Campbell, Owner

Merry Christmas



The happy holiday spirit brings smiles and gay greetings. We want to join in the gaiety to wish one and all a very Merry Christmas.

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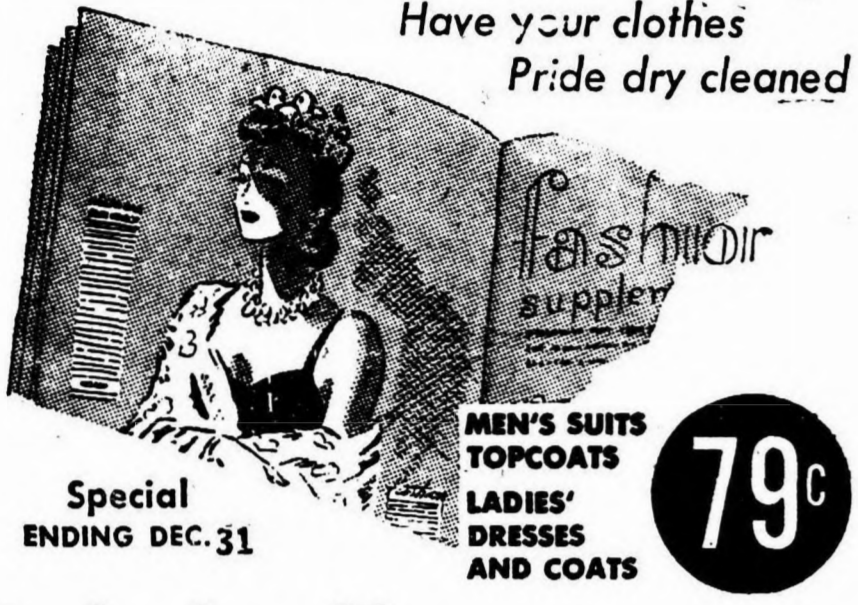
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Local News

The Misses LuVerne Metz and Velma Smith will be Christmas day dinner guests at the Albert Pint home.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Mastick and family will be guests of Mrs. Grant Rowe in Milford Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lyons and daughter, Jane, will be guests at the C. H. Bennett home Christmas day.

At the William Clarke home, guests for the holiday week end will be Mr. Clarke's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Clarke of Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. James Meyers are spending Christmas day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Tripp in Ypsilanti.

Miss Marie Ann Miller is home from Michigan State College for the holidays. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Miller of Irving street.

Master Ronald Wendland, who underwent an appendectomy at Sessions hospital last Thursday night, expects to be home for Christmas.

Miss Patricia Hudson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hudson, is spending the holidays with her parents. She is a student at Albion College.

Mrs. Jennie Meyers will entertain Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. William Meyers and family; and Mr. and Mrs. John Hendrick and family, all of Weston, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Laible, Mrs. Robert Gardiner, and Mrs. George Cramer will be guests at the Milton Laible home Christmas day. Another guest will be the Laible's son, Graham, who is home from Cranbrook for the holidays.

Mrs. George H. Robinson will be a guest at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Robinson and family in Rosedale Park for the week end.

Mrs. Charles Spurgeon will spend the Christmas week end with Dr. and Mrs. C. M. Jaekel and family in Grosse Pointe Park.

Guests at the Matteo Aluia home for the Christmas week end will be Mr. and Mrs. S. Banks and family and J. M. MacNeil, all of Detroit, Mrs. Leah Coplin and George Buddy, of Plymouth.

Mrs. Helen Smith of Roe street announces the engagement of her daughter, Dorothy Helen, to Allan Townsend, of Ann Arbor. No date has been set for the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Pint and sons, Terry and Jimmy, of Detroit, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Pint. The Pints had as their week end guest, Harold Hubbard of Charles City, Iowa.

For Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Russell will have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Dove of Tipton. Sunday, they will entertain Mrs. Russell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Macauley, of Southampton, Canada, and Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Gosney of Farmington.

Tuesday afternoon, Troop Nine of the Girl Scouts honored the mothers of the members at a Christmas party which was held at the Starkweather school. For their program, the Scouts sang and later, refreshments were served. Each girl presented a gift which was given to a "secret pal" at the Maybury Sanitarium. Mrs. Robert Lidgard distributed the gifts at the Sanitarium Wednesday.

Enjoying a vacation from her studies at Kalamazoo College is Miss Betty Jones, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Jones. She will be at home until after the holidays.

A family dinner will be given at the James Dunn home on north Territorial Road Sunday. Guests will include Mr. and Mrs. Orr Stocken, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Dunn, Mr. and Mrs. Ivan Baldwin, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Davis and children, Larry and Sandra.

The Dewar Taylor home on South Harvey street will be the scene of a family Christmas dinner Saturday. Planning to attend are Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. John Selle, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. Jack Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McAllister and son, Del, Mr. and Mrs. John Selle, Jr., children, Kay and Jay, William Schoof and son, Billy, and Mr. and Mrs. Claude Williams of Farmington.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wahn entertained at dinner Wednesday evening in honor of Mrs. Wahn's brother, Jerry Nelson, who is home on leave from Great Lakes, Illinois. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. John Nelson. The Wahn's will have a Christmas dinner Sunday for Jerry and his parents.

Mr. and Mrs. Matteo Aluia have planned something unusual for their Christmas eve entertainment this year. They will hold open house at their home on Ann street for all their friends and will become re-acquainted with those they haven't seen for some time. Light refreshments will be served throughout the evening.

On Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Finlan will entertain Mr. and Mrs. E. H. McClear and family of Royal Oak and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Finlan of Plymouth. Sunday, they will have as their guests Mr. and Mrs. George Weitzmann and family of Detroit; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mieden and daughter, Darlene, of

Monroe; Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Mieden, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Mieden and their families and Mrs. Ed. Brisbois, all of Carleton; and Mrs. Ida Mieden of Wyandotte.

On the evening of December 17 members of the Business and Professional Women's Club of Plymouth held their annual Christmas party at the home of Miss G. Fiegel in Ann Arbor. The

home was gaily decorated, carrying the holiday atmosphere. Games were played, and Christmas carols were sung, lead by Hanna Strasen. A delightful part of the evening was the exchanging of white elephant gifts. Later a dainty luncheon was served by the hostess' mother. Those serving on the committee were Gertrude Fiegel, Marion Gale, Sarah Gayde and Hanna Strasen.

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AND SO THE CHAPLAIN WHISPERED...

● LAST YEAR, our boys held Christmas services in the Solomons.

They held them as far from the enemy as possible. Ordinarily, you'd say behind the lines—but on those Jap-infested islands, there are often no lines... the enemy is always around you... waiting... waiting... waiting for a sound that tells him where you are.

So the Chaplain whispered...

And our boys knelt in the soggy mud... their bare heads bowed, while the Chaplain whispered. And when it was over, they stood up, put their helmets on, snatched up their rifles... and started the man hunt that is their daily diet.

It isn't pleasant. But it's something to remember when you spend your Christmas at home.

It's something to remember when you buy Christmas gifts this year.

Think of it when you plan to buy something you can do without... and then buy a War Bond instead.

Yes, buy War Bonds for gifts this Christmas. Buy them for your men in the service... for your family... for your friends.

Buy Bonds... Bonds... Bonds... and perhaps next year... the Chaplain will be able to lift his voice.

May the re-kindling of our Christmas Lights

give evidence of our faith in the imperishable ideals of the Prince of Peace and express our solemn Hope for the welfare of those brave hearts who are giving so unstintingly that the True Spirit of Christmas may prevail throughout the world.

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We hope that we will never permit a Christmas to go by without expressing to all of our friends and patrons the wishes for A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS. Especially do we wish to extend greetings to OUR BOYS in Uncle Sam's Army and Navy.

M. POWELL & SON

FOR PEACE ON EARTH ★ BUY WAR BONDS

A Contribution of The Plymouth Mail



The Spirit of Christmas finds a way ...

LEAVE it to a Yank! He'll MAKE a Christmas tree out of jungle brush. He'll MAKE its shining star out of a plastic windshield fragment. And the joy of Christmas greetings and gifts which have reached him ... his memories of home ... will send Christmas carols singing through his ears ... even if he has to keep quiet as a mouse!

Those things are the physical manifestations of Christmas, cheering to see. But it is the spirit of Christmas that is unquenchable in every American fighter's heart. It is akin to the fighting spirit

which is proving him the world's most skillful warrior. Yet with the reason for war removed, it is the sweet and gentle spirit which believes first in—"Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

Our heartfelt season's greetings go out across the miles of ocean, land and sky, to our uniformed forces around the world. And because we share their faith, we believe that in the spirit of Christmas our wishes will find their way deep into the hearts of the men and women who have been our employees, customers and neighbors ... and who now do their duty in the spirit of Victory!

Merry Christmas To All .

TAYLOR & BLYTON

INCORPORATED

Merry Christmas To All

Merry Christmas

Roe Lumber Co.
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Fish Help Fan Who Both Education, Commission in Navy

Fish, a commission in the United States Naval Reserve and a stick-to-it attitude like Robert Bruce's are combined in the story of Ensign Stanley J. Lievens.

Seven years ago, Lievens left his home in Jackson to join the Navy. After serving awhile, he decided he wanted to make the Navy his career, as an officer. Annapolis seemed out of the question. The N.R.O.T.C. and a university degree offered the most promise. Coming from Michigan, he decided on Ann Arbor, obtained a discharge, and enrolled 3 1/2 years ago.

That was before the days of the V-12 program. Lievens found himself faced with the double problem of paying for his own educa-



Capt. R. E. Cassidy saluting new ensign after handing him his commission.

tion and keeping up his classes. A rabid fishing fan of the first water, he decided to turn his hobby to a job at the Institute of Fisheries Research. He got the job and his first task was as cook on field trips, sometimes frying fish. He soon graduated to helper and finally was handling fish surveys on his own. To do this and keep up his class work, Lievens formed the habit of rolling out at 5 a. m.

Due to the speeded up program and the war, on October 23, Lievens was among the 25 Naval Reserve graduates to whom Captain Richard Cassidy, the Navy Commandant, handed commissions as ensigns. Along with the commission he received orders to report for active duty to the West Coast where, according to word received by his friends here in Ann Arbor, he has been too busy to do any fishing, at least with a hook and line.

Women Can Enroll as Cadet Nurses Next February

One hundred thirty-two young women out of a class of 150 in the School of Nursing at the University of Michigan are enrolled in the U. S. Cadet Nurse Corps.

Pledged to work in an essential nursing field for the duration after graduation, their training is being paid for by the federal government. The "essential fields" include civilian hospital, and Army, Navy and government service work.

Anxious to help meet the war-created need for more nurses, the School of Nursing here has taken three important steps. For the first time in many years a mid-year class will be admitted in February. The enrollment of new students in any one year will be increased from the pre-war 100 to 225 by February 1944. The course has been accelerated from 36 into 30 months covering essential services, thus leaving the last six months free for special assignments. However, these changes do not mean any standards have been changed or lowered. The requirements for admission, for staying in the School and for graduating are the same as before.

The new February class will be limited to 75. It is open to any young woman who is a graduate of an accredited high school and who can satisfy the entrance requirements to the University of Michigan. Those entering can enroll either as a Cadet Nurse or regular student. Applications are now being received from young women, mostly those who have been in other work but wish to prepare themselves for greater war service and for employment in the post-war years.

New Navy Men Have Dates With Carolyn

Pulling a gag on a green frosh is a time-honored custom everywhere, but Navy trainees here have evolved a new variation.

Some sad-faced bluejacket will come into a room of conspirators mourning about the date he has to break. It's with a girl named Carolyn Tower. There ensues a great build-up about Carolyn. Finally, the green Navy man or "boot" will bite and offer to keep the date since all of the others are engaged that evening. He is told to buy a box of candy and be across from the Woman's League at some certain time. Carolyn will meet him there. It usually takes from a half to a whole hour for him to tumble that his date is with the Carillon Tower—the tall stone shaft which holds the Baird Carillon of 58 bells.

Buy U. S. Defense Bonds and Stamps, the I.O.U. of the Red, White and Blue!

Boy Scout Rally Record Breaker

Hundreds Attend Court Of Honor

(Omitted From Last Issue)

One of the most successful Boy Scout rallies ever held in Plymouth took place in the high school auditorium last Thursday night, when the scouts and their parents were entertained by the 728th military police battalion from Detroit, and a group of speakers from the Grosse Ile naval station.

Officers who will conduct the Boy Scout movement in the Plymouth, Northville and Livonia township areas for the coming year were announced, and merit badges and advancements for the scouts themselves were announced.

M. J. Anderson of Livonia township is the new district chairman. Vice chairmen are: Robert Wesley, Plymouth; Harry Wolfe,

Livonia; and Russell Clark, Northville.

John MacLachlan, manager of the Michigan Bell Telephone Co., Plymouth office, was announced as the new district commissioner, appointed by the Detroit area council. He succeeds Dr. Ed Rice, who introduced him.

The Court of Honor at which the merit and advancement awards for the scout were made known, was conducted by Dr. Rice.

One of the finest band concerts heard in Plymouth in years preceded the meeting. The band was entertained by the United Service Organization, the Mom's Club and the Navy Mothers at a dinner in the dining room of the Presbyterian church, which had been loaned to the USO, the Mom's Club and the Navy Mothers as a war-time service.

The church dining room is not usually available for anything but church affairs.

The dinner was underwritten by the Navy Mothers and the Mom's Club. Under the rules of the USO, its funds can be used only for entertainment of service men,

and the only civilian guests were the Rev. and Mrs. Henry Walsh of the Presbyterian church. The Mom's Club and the Navy Mothers served a sumptuous dinner, which brought the band boys back for seconds and thirds.

Speakers at the Scout rally were Lieut. Hagan of the United States Navy recruiting service, who explained how the Boy Scout movement is a help to the armed services. Lieutenant D. S. Watt of the air arm of the British Royal Navy and Flight Lieutenant Lingard of the Royal Air Force gave some of their experiences.

The high school auditorium was crowded for the rally, the court of honor, and the entertainment.

Newburg

(Omitted From Last Issue)

Col. Carl Noyes is home on a 21-day furlough from Guadalcanal, where he has been stationed the last six months. On Monday evening he was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Smith.

Rev. Carson's message Sunday was "The Eternal Book." Sunday

school attendance numbered 138. The organ fund now totals \$275. The Christmas party will be held in the hall Wednesday evening, December 22. A fine program has been planned by the teachers. Features will be Santa Claus, a post office, and Christmas trees.

The regular Christmas service will be held next Sunday. It will be a combined service. Beginning at 10:30, the children will participate in the worship service.

The Riverside Book Club met at the home of Mrs. Roy Kidston last Thursday afternoon with 12 members present. An exchange of gifts was enjoyed. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Cass Kershaw.

Mrs. Ada L. Landis visited Mrs. Emma Ryder Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Henry Grimm, Jr., spent the week end in Cleveland with her daughter, Mrs. Howard Gerst, who is seriously ill.

Mrs. Frank Olden called on Bert Paddock last Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. L. Clemens called on Mrs. Ada Landis at the E. Woods home last Wednesday.

Mrs. Percy Walker, who has been quite ill since the death of her husband, is somewhat improved.

PARKVIEW RECREATION HOUSE LEAGUE

December 6, 1943

	W	L	Pct.
Terry's Bakery	41	11	.788
Cloverdale	40	12	.769
McLaren Elevator	35	17	.673
Jewell's Cleaners	31	21	.596
Catholic Men	31	21	.596
Connor Hardware	30	22	.577
Ref. Lockers	29	19	.604
Michigan Bell	29	22	.560
J. C. C. No. 1	26	26	.500
Kelsey Hayes	24	24	.500
Super Shell	22	30	.423
U. A. W. C. I. O. U.	21	31	.404
Selie Body Shop	19	33	.365
Lidgard Bros.	16	36	.308
Rheiner Electric	11	41	.212
J. C. C. No. 2	7	45	.135

200 Games
Gilder, 204; Walsh, 224; Bassett, 210; Kuhn, 201; R. Taylor, 202; Vowell, 200; Terry, 200.

Tuberculosis is caused by a mould, which is a tiny plant, and looks much like cheese mould.



Italy—Christmas, 1943



North Atlantic—Christmas, 1943



Germany—Christmas, 1943



North Africa—Christmas, 1943



South Pacific—Christmas, 1943



English Channel—Christmas, 1943

Merry Christmas, everybody?

THIS YEAR, when you wish everybody Merry Christmas, think of the millions of American boys who aren't having such a merry time.

Think of the wounded soldiers in Italy, the half-frozen sailors on the Atlantic, the marines in Jap-infested jungles, the American captives behind Nazi barbed wire—

You'll find it a little easier to think about them if you're doing everything you can do to help the cause they're fighting for.

How can you help?
By buying extra War Bonds.

- Buy extra Bonds for Christmas gifts.
- Buy extra Bonds for the boys overseas.
- Buy extra Bonds for yourself and your family.

And remember this:

Every time you buy an extra Bond, you not only help pay for the guns and ships and planes that these boys must have—you also help bring nearer the day when they, like you, can gather around the Christmas tree with their wives and children and mothers and sweethearts and friends and say, "Merry Christmas, everybody!"

FOR PEACE ON EARTH ★ BUY WAR BONDS

Christmas Greetings—and Happy New Year—to all you mighty fine boys who have gone overseas to fight for the preservation of OUR country. We know how you feel because back in the World War I we were over there at Christmas time, too. We know all about it—that's why we want to take this opportunity to let you know that all of us back home are thinking of you and hoping for the day to come when you will be back safe and sound at home. A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all of you. And may we add our greetings to the patriotic young women of Plymouth and vicinity who are wearing the uniforms of our country. Greetings to you, and congratulations upon your fine American spirit!

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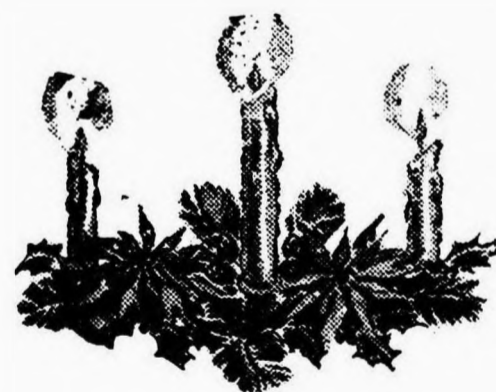


Merry Christmas

Christmas is here again; we wish you all good cheer again; may Victory be near, when the world will know peace forever more. That is our Yuletide wish to you.

E. J. ALLISON
Your Chevrolet Dealer

MERRY CHRISTMAS



Lit fireplace—Holly—the company of folks we love—these things add up to grant you Christmas happiness.

May this be the Merriest Christmas you have ever known.

The Plymouth Buick Sales

C. G. Shear



1943
BEST WISHES

Santa may have new modes of transportation in his bag of tricks, but our wish is that his 1943 pack include a great big package of old-time Christmas cheer, addressed to you, dear friend—to YOU.

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Wm. Wright, Grocery Mgr.
Mike O'Conner, Meat Mgr.



YULETIDE JOY

MERRY
CHRISTMAS
TO ALL
AND
GOD BLESS
YOU
EVERY ONE
Maple Lawn
Dairy



* It's just about time for that perennial paratrooper, Santa Claus, to start his friendly invasion. We just want to say we hope he makes a nappy landing, right in your home, bringing you more Christmas cheer than you've ever had before.

Houseman's Standard Service

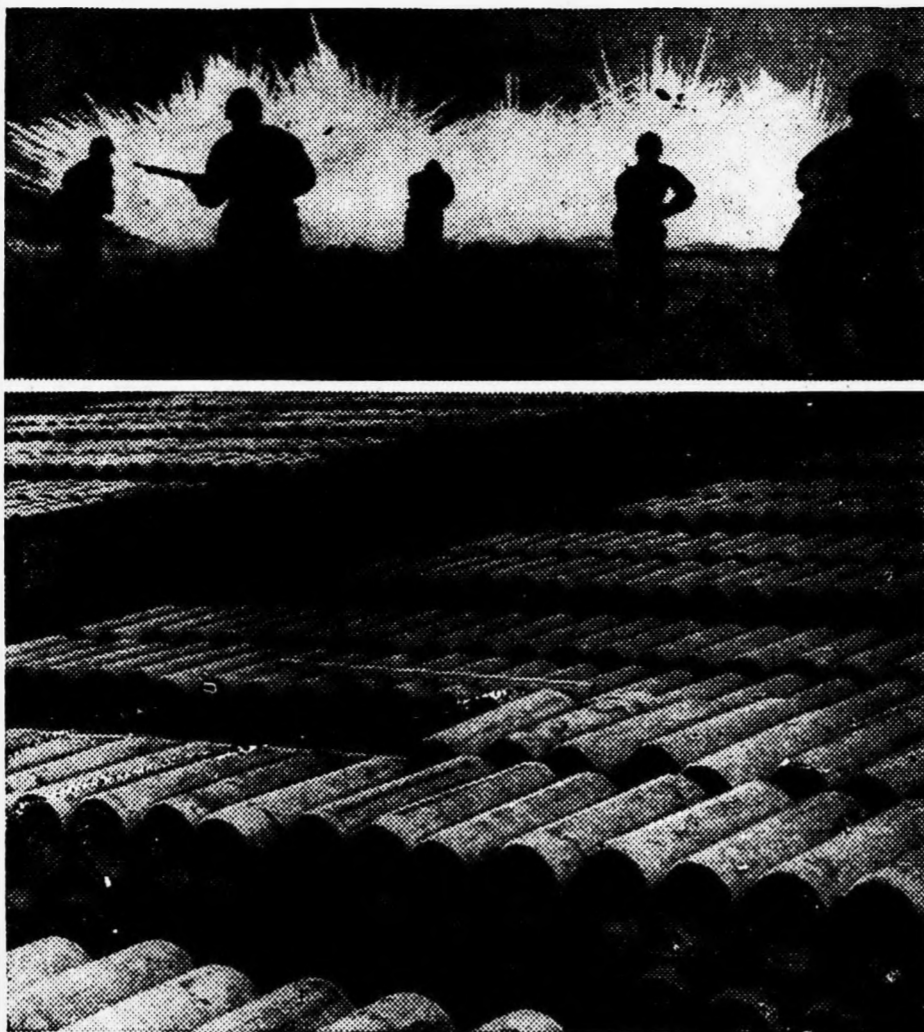


Season's Greetings...

If we have our way about it St. Nicholas is going to make an extra long stop at your home. No one needs to point out to us what your loyalty has meant to us during 1943. All we can say is Thank you, and Merry Christmas.

Wm. Bartell & Sons

We're Ready if Our Enemy Uses Gas



Top: Troops trained in gas warfare advance into a barrage of white phosphorus produced at an eastern arsenal. Bottom: Hundreds of thousands of gas-filled cylinders lie at this arsenal ready to be packed into gas and bombs if the enemy should initiate gas warfare. President Roosevelt has warned the Nazis that we are prepared to retaliate in kind.

Smith Tells Of St. Petersburg

Taking Benches Off The Sidewalks

From down in sunny Florida, where the alligators grow long and slim and the buzzards buzz the year around, came a picture card the other day from Elmer Smith, well known Northville real estate dealer, who found it necessary to spend the winter in a warmer climate with Mrs. Smith.

"The grass is green down here and the sidewalk benches, what are left, are filled most of the time. No automobiles, no gas. Its just like it was back in the days when I lived up in Howell—when everybody came to town in a buggy or a farm wagon. Maybe we are headed back for those days—but not if we can help it," said the busy Northville real estate dealer.

Merchants down in St. Petersburg have begun to take the famed resting benches of the sidewalks from in front of their places. They say the benches haven't been a good thing for business. Those left on the street are occupied from morning until night, he said.

Just Peanuts

A hundred mile long train of tank cars... the distance from Philadelphia to Harrisburg... would be necessary to carry the peanut oil which could be extracted from the prospective 1943 peanut crop. Goal is three billion seven hundred and twelve million pounds of peanuts.

Oats Absorb Water

A two-ton crop of oats, including grain, straw, and stubble, takes from the soil about 1,000 tons of water. That is 11½ gallons from every square foot of an acre. It is more water than newly seeded grass and clover can spare in a dry season.

Woods for All Purposes

The United States has more than 500 million acres of forest lands, growing over 1,000 species so variable in their properties and characteristics that a wood can be found satisfactorily to qualify for any desired purpose.

Cure Hay in Field

Salting of hay, although long considered helpful, cannot be relied upon as a safeguard against spontaneous ignition in the mow, and it should not be considered a substitute for sufficient curing of hay in the field.

Children Need More Protein
Growing children, because they are building new tissue in addition to replacing broken down cells, require two to three times as much protein per pound of body weight as adults.

Sarong Uniform

The sarong is the official uniform of the Fita Fita Guard, native Samoan unit of the U. S. marine corps reserve.

Calories Measure Energy
A calorie is a unit for measuring energy. It is used to express both the energy requirement of the body and the energy value of food.

Cotton Use Increases
Consumption of cotton in this country has increased from 6.9 million bales to 11.2 million bales.

New Industry Uses Soap
About 100,000,000 pounds of soap are being used annually by the new synthetic rubber industry.

Dentists in Army
At least one dental officer is needed for every 800 soldiers.

Coal Supply
There is coal enough to last for 3,000 years.

It Wasn't Deer Hunting Trip

Secret Out About Garrett's Trip

The secret is out. When William Garrett, better known as "Bill the Barber" goes north to hunt deer in the fall, he doesn't go north to hunt deer at all. That's why the fellows who always rush over to Bill's place to get a haircut just after the hunting season, never go home with a slice of venison steak that Bill always says he is going to bring back from "up north," but never does bring back.

Old "Chief" Cooper, the fellow who runs the White Cloud Eagle, up in the land of deer, coyotes, bear and good looking women, let the story out of the bag in a recent issue of his publication.

The old "Chief," better known to his newspaper friends as just plain "Dick" Cooper, keeps a pretty close eye on all deer hunters.

When our Bill landed up in White Cloud with his press agent, gun bearers and henchmen, old "Chief" took up his trail at once. Did Bill go deer hunting? No—he went direct to the Hoppa Indian Reservation where he had made "whoopie" at a birthday dinner such as Bill never ate before. And there was a cake with regular tallow candles dropping black bear lard right into the frosting. But why go on? Don't expect when Bill goes north to "hunt deer" next year that he is going up there to get some venison. He is going up to celebrate his birthday among old Chief Cooper's Hoppa Indians out at the Hoppa reservation.

Domestic production of woodpulp this year will be less than 1 million tons as compared to over 10 million tons used by the U. S. in 1942. A further decline is anticipated for 1944.

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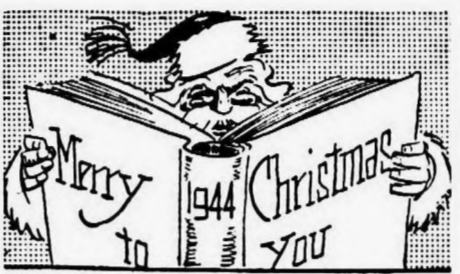
HERRICK JEWELRY STORE

HERRING CATCH INCREASES

Preliminary figures show an increase of 130 per cent in this year's catch of Alaska herring over the catch of 1942—one of the most impressive increases registered this year by any major American fishery—the coordinator of fisheries said recently. Most of the Alaska herring catch is reduced into fish meal and oil. The meal goes into poultry and other animal feeds, of which it is an important part.

A reduction of 25 percent in the use of wrapping paper and bags by the public will mean an annual saving of over 250,000 tons of paper. This is enough to make 90,000 V-Boxes for emergency rations for combat units.

Ross and Rehner's CALMANAC



- DECEMBER
- 24—Recruits offered \$16 and 160 acres land to join army, 1811.
 - 25—Christmas Day.
 - 26—Washington crosses Delaware; defeats Hessians, 1776.
 - 27—U. S. orders rationing of processed foods, 1942.
 - 28—Gen. Jackson defeats British at New Orleans, 1814.
 - 29—Thirteen vessels in navy, 1778.
 - 30—Charter Dartmouth university, 1769.
 - 31—China recalls military mission to U. S., 1942.

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MERRIE CHRISTMAS

1943



Holiday Cheer

GENTLE WORDS, OPEN HEARTS, WILLING HANDS, SOFT MUSIC, FRIENDSHIP, LOVE... THIS IS CHRISTMAS! MAY IT BRING YOU HAPPINESS AND JOY BEYOND EXPRESSION...

Wm. Rengert

Davis Tailored Clothes

★ White Christmas or Green Christmas is a matter of both geography and of meteorology. But Merry Christmas is an affair of the heart. And that's the kind of a Christmas we are now wishing for you and yours as 1943 draws to a close.



Moderne Beauty Shop



Christmas Day in the Morning

1943

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men

Who can estimate the value of good will, that "priceless ingredient" so conspicuously mentioned in that first glorious Christmas message? Be assured that we highly appreciate your good will. It has been and will continue to be our most treasured asset.

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO YOU!

Specialty Feed Store



The approaching holiday season makes us appreciate more than ever before the priceless value of our friends and customers, like yourself. It reminds us, too, of the sacrifices being made by many of our friends now in the service of Uncle Sam. To you, and to all these, go our thanks for your patronage in 1943, and our wishes for a joyous holiday.

Smith Motor Sales

Babson Says --

Honest Gold Stock Is The Best Buy

(Omitted From Last Issue) Storekeepers Control Post-war Employment

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 17.—Committees are being formed by industrialists all over the country to insure employment for returning soldiers and war-plant workers. These committees will be found in Washington and in every state and in many cities. Paul G. Hoffmann, president of the Studebaker Corporation; F. C. Crawford, president of the National Association of Manufacturers; and Eric A. Johnston, president of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce are leaders in this important work. We also read in magazines how the General Electric and other large companies are now drawing blueprints to provide for post-war unemployment. These committees, however, are composed almost wholly of manufacturers. We hear little from storekeepers, big or small, independents or chains. These people seem to feel that their hands are tied and that they must take whatever comes from the manufacturers, in the form of goods to sell, or from the public in the form of goods to buy. This is a very wrong attitude for merchants to take. Storekeepers are really sitting in the driver's seat. They should wake up and realize it.

Manufacturers — after sending out a few samples—make their goods only on orders. Even the great national industries are dependent upon their salesmen and their advertising campaigns and finally upon the storekeepers. The future of these big nationally known companies is 100 per cent in the hands of shopkeepers, large and small. I feel so strongly about this that I believe merchants should receive some special tax considerations by cities, states and the Federal Government in the postwar struggle for employment.

In addition to the merchants' responsibility for national employment, chain stores have a special local responsibility. When I was a boy Gloucester, Massachusetts, had a real Main Street where most of the stores are located and it is still known as "Main Street." Forty years ago the stores were all "independents" owned by local people who were the leaders in the churches and civic organizations of the community. These former independent stores have since nearly all vanished; both sides of Main street are now lined with "foreign" chains.

Chain stores have come to stay. They are as necessary and as important a part of the distributing system as are department stores, mail order houses and independents. States or cities which are handicapping the chains by special taxes or otherwise are making a huge mistake. The chains are rendering a real service to consumers and producers by providing fresher goods and better styles—and all at lower prices. After World War II, when people may again be obliged to count their pennies, these chains will be a Godsend. But I do appeal to the managers of these chain stores to make more friends with the people of their communities by becoming more active in their churches, civic organizations and welfare movements.

In the final analysis, the owners of big department stores, mail order houses, and chains are the stockholders who read my column. Therefore, the final responsibility rests upon us. Let us not be indifferent and rely upon the great advantages which merchandise securities always have had. It is true that the chains have no conversion problem, no troublesome bond issues and are not tied down on one location. Merchants do not require skilled help and hence will have low postwar labor costs. They are not tied down to one kind of goods, like a manufacturer; but they can purchase the best goods wherever they are manufactured and they can sell them at the lowest prices.

No one, in the long run, can profit from inflation; but far-sighted merchants should surely be able to profit by it for a few years. While railroads and public utilities may suffer greatly from inflation, the merchandise in stores is slowly rising in value. Hence, along with good farms, certain oil stocks, etc., merchandise securities ought to be the best inflation hedge. Storekeepers, after the war, should have another great advantage, namely, through the ending of price controls, rationing, etc., which is inevitable. Considering how well the chains and independents have got on during the war, with all these regulations and other handicaps, you may quickly visualize what they can accomplish when these handicaps are removed.

One more thought: The pessimists today claim that America no longer has frontiers of undeveloped land which have taken care of the unemployed after previous wars. This may be true of new land, but it is not true of new discoveries. The end of the war may find your city one of the great frontiers of America due to the development of new products, new methods and new ideas. I hope that every city in which this column is printed will remember the famous story of Dr. Russell H. Conwell, "Acres of Diamonds." This is a story of a man who travelled all over the world seeking diamonds and finally found one of the largest deposits in his own backyard. Every store—whether an independent or member of a chain—can become an acre of diamonds if the owners will keep awake and observe the Golden Rule.



"ALONE with GOD this Christmas Night!"

We've camped with our suppliers
So they'd get our orders through,
But with each month that passes
It's more difficult to do.

It's RUSH it here and HURRY there.—
We've had a big demand
That's put a heavy crimp in
All the stocks we had on hand.

But after scraping everywhere
To fill our needs this year
We find the things that really count
Are still abundant here.

The Spirit of the Holidays—
The friendly nods and smiles—
Are overflowing storage space
And crowding office aisles.

We're grateful at this time of year
We're serving folks like you
Whose friendliness and patience
We enjoy the whole year through!

Gunfire is shattering the air below—the enemy objective is only a few moments away. A turmoil of thoughts follow each within a lone American boy's mind. They're distinct and sure. They've been nurtured all his life in the unclouded atmosphere of rightness and decency. In the midst of roaring motors and tense anticipation of hairbreadth escape, the boy's eyes are calm, his hands unflinching in performance. He feels strangely at peace. It is Christmas night.

The remembrances of past joys on this beloved anniversary are engraved forever in his heart. And now, at this important life-or-death moment, they have a reassuring effect. The belief in his hopes arises from his strengthened faith. More than ever before in his life, he is "alone with God." And his increased power growing out of his great faith is such that no enemy can vanquish!

We, safe in our gay, Christmas-cheered homes, can match our faith to his. We MUST do that, or deny loyalty to the freedoms for which he's fighting. We MUST and WILL buy War Bonds and MORE WAR BONDS—until Victory.

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sums up, in two words, the achievements of our armed forces. We, too, strive for outstanding performance in every item of service. We thank you most cordially for your good will and patronage and wish you the Season's Greetings.

Lorenz & Ash



WHAT matter if Santa comes in a jeep, just so it's Santa Claus? And if IS Santa Claus! And this IS Christmas. May the 1943 season be an exceptionally happy one for you and your family.

Bovee & Wagenschutz



Christmas Cheer

★ Uncle Sam is to be congratulated, for he has done and is doing a magnificent job. This is, indeed, occasion for Christmas cheer.

Our compliments to you, friends, our thanks, and our most hearty wishes for an enjoyable and truly happy 1943 Christmas season.

HUSTON HARDWARE



BLEAK DECEMBER! 'Tis passing, strange that this month which furnishes the least light out of doors, should furnish the most light within. It's the Spirit of Christmas, and the Merriest of Christmases to you!

ROY FISHER
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Pods Beneath Soil
The peanut actually belongs to the leguminosae or pea family differing only in that it possesses the maturing fruits or pods beneath the surface of the soil. Small yellow flowers are born at the joints where the leaves are attached to the stems. As soon as pollination occurs, the flowers fade and the "pegs," as they are commonly known, elongate and go into the soil, where the pods containing the nuts develop.

Can't Bribe Probabilities
Aristotle said: "In regard to the confirmation of evidence and the law of probabilities, when a man has not witnesses he can say that the decision should be given in accordance with probabilities and that this is the meaning of the oath according to the best of one's judgment. For . . . probabilities cannot be bribed to deceive and neither can they be convicted of bearing false witness."

Tick Prevalence
The highest incidence of tick fever in the western area of the United States is from the early spring into the early summer months. In the mountainous regions it is highest during the late spring months, owing to delay in the advent of warm weather. In the eastern areas the disease is more prevalent in the late spring and early summer months, but cases can occur in the fall of the year.

Alpha to Omega
With the recent eruption of the Paricutin volcano in Mexico scientists have, for the first time, an opportunity to study an active volcano from its beginning to its end. As Paricutin is the only volcano to be born in the last 200 years it provides one of the finest testing laboratories in vulcanology that modern science could hope for.

Paint Basements in Summer
Summer is an ideal time to paint basements. After a spell of dry, warm weather, basements usually are well dried out with their interior surfaces, walls, ceilings and floors in better condition to receive and hold paint than may be the case in cooler and damper seasons when it is not so feasible to air them thoroughly.

Keep Fixtures in Balance
Don't let collecting run away with your better judgment by adding furnishings which by their outstanding value make the rest of your room's furnishings look poor by contrast, as for example Italian andirons in a simple Dutch-Colonial fireplace.

Waterproofing Cisterns
Two good coats of waterproof paint or one of the special protective coatings for waterproofing purposes, on the inside of a cistern will be a valuable aid in preventing leakage of water. Care should be taken to see that the cistern is well dried out before it is painted.

Visited China in 1844
U. S. marines visited China nearly a hundred years ago when a detachment of Leathernecks from the American vessel Brandywine guarded the American legation at Macao, near Hong Kong.

Whipped Pirates
In 1820, pirates had long been ravaging shipping in the West Indies. A U. S. warship, with a detachment of U. S. marines, encountered and defeated a large force of pirates in the Caribbean.

Millet
Millet may be either a hay or a grain crop. In either case it is best cut with a binder and tied in small bundles. Ripe millet can then be threshed and the seed ground for cattle, sheep or hogs, or fed whole to chickens.

Good Layer
A hen which is laying well in the summer will have an abdomen soft and full, the "lay bones," or "pir bones" far apart. A cull, on the contrary, will have a shriveled, yellow vent and a shriveled, hard abdomen.

Glass for Insulation
"A four-inch layer of glass wool will insulate against heat or cold as well as a 14-foot concrete wall," declared Dr. Alexander Silverman of University of Pittsburgh and glass consultant for the WPB.

Steel Spectacles
Use of steel spectacle frames thinly coated with nickel silver, in place of pre-war frames of other metals has saved 9,000 pounds of nickel and 5,500 pounds of copper.

Food Waste
Americans waste one meal out of every seven, or enough to have more than covered the 1942 food shipments to our Allies and our soldiers on foreign soil.

Good Growth
If plants are already making vigorous growth and have dark green foliage, nitrogen is not needed and more might be injurious.

Watch Weight
Flabby muscles, wrinkles and actual illness may result from attempting to lose weight too rapidly.

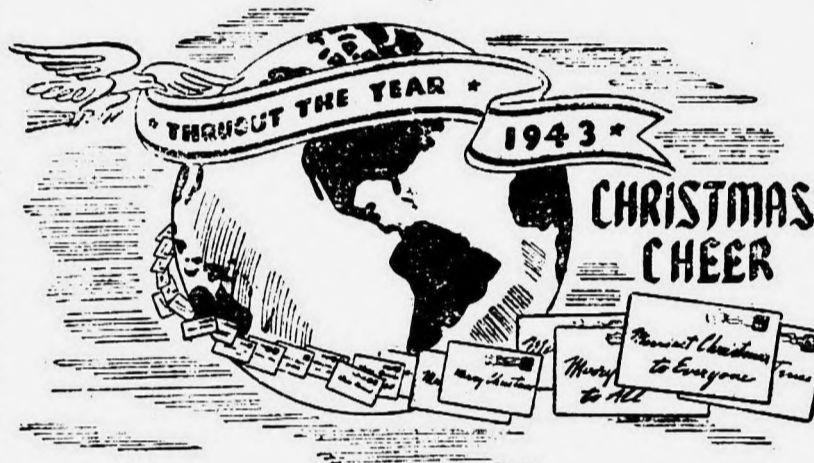
Avoid Gritty Scours
Strong, gritty scouring powders or soda should never be used in cleaning aluminum pressure cookers.

Keep 'em rolling! We mean dollars! Buy U. S. Savings Bonds and Stamps.



★ From Greenland's icy mountains to India's coral strand the age-old celebration of Christmas is in progress. In this season of universal good will we welcome the opportunity to thank you for that measure of confidence you have shown in us during 1943 and other years. We will do our utmost to continue to deserve it.

OLD'S GROCERY



TO the far corners of the globe go the Christmas wishes and packages to our boys in the service. With the new world of the future in the making we look forward hopefully to the Christmas of tomorrow, while wishing you the happiest of Christmases today.

Earl S. Mastick
Don Horton



Yuletide draws people closer together, helps us all towards quiet friendliness and group enjoyment of days like Christmas.

A most proper time for us to express our sincere appreciation for your friendship, and to wish for you an abundance of Christmas joy.

Swanson Super Service

Mr. Warren Lombard
New Contributor
To "The Twin" Column

Twins again! The "twin" editor of The Mail thought the twin business had all been cleared up. But behold! Now cometh forth Warren Lombard, the last man on earth any one would think had an interest in twins, to torment the "twin" editor with more about twins. The other day when the sedate Mr. Lombard was carefully reading the last issue of a coal and coke magazine in an effort to find out how many atoms of heat are actually necessary to maintain life during zero weather, he discovered an article about twins. Here is the "news item" that Mr. Lombard, the latest contributor to The Plymouth Mail "twin" column, offered for publication: A proud parent called up the paper and reported the birth of twins. The girl at the news desk did not quite catch the message, so asked: "Will you repeat that?" "Not if I can help it," was the reply. It appeared under the heading "Coal Notes" in Mr. Lombard's favorite publication.

Commando Training
Old Stuff at U-M

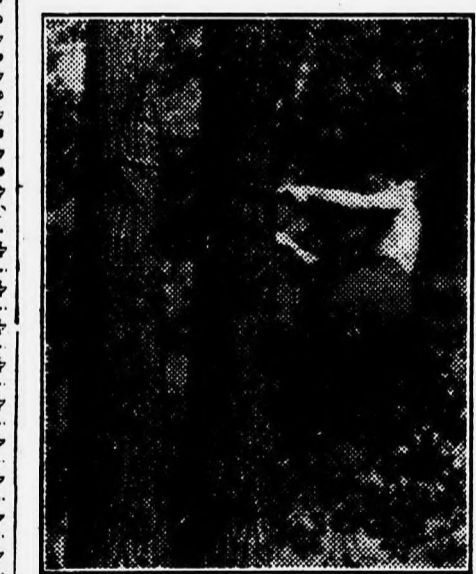
Ann Arbor—Commando training is old stuff for field men in the Forestry School of the University of Michigan. They've been getting it for some time now as part of their regular forestry work. The course is so good that Army officers say they would like to give it to every man they have here if there were time enough and leaders available.



Max Aiken of 420 Darling, Fremont, and Bob Brandenberger of 2191 Philip, Detroit, use the glasses while on a field mapping trip.

The reason back of the course is simple. Forestry men have to work in the field, which usually means the wilds. In addition to theory, the school trains them to live outdoors and to take care of themselves. Thus the work combines lore of the lumberjack, Indian, Daniel Boone, Kit Carson and mountaineering.

This last consists of using ropes to go straight up 40 and 60 foot concrete walls at an old cement plant near Dexter. No pulleys are used—each man gets his rope over, makes the hitch and then hauls himself up. Easy? Ever try pulling yourself straight up for 60 feet?



Bob Brandenberger of 2191 Philip, Detroit, goes up a tall one with rope loop and spurs.

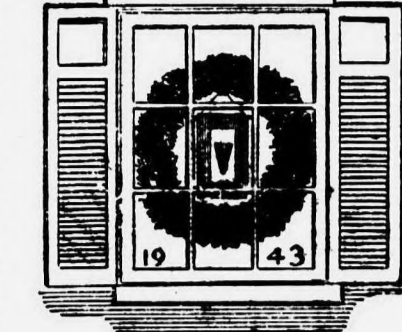
For trees and pole climbing spurs are used, just like telephone linemen. "It looks simple," explains Jack Stanford, field director, "but the average fellow takes about a month before he's fast with them. Meanwhile he's spent a lot of time digging slivers out of himself when he's slipped."

Bogs and swamps have to be crossed. The students learn to get their equipment across dry, but for themselves it's usually wallow in, swim the deep spots, and then crawl out the other side.

In the summer term, three weeks are devoted to canoeing and water safety. For the canoe still is the only way to get around in a surprisingly large amount of country where these men will work. They learn to portage, as well as to pack loads on their backs. This last mostly is done during the overnight trips when each man will carry 30 to 50 pounds for 8 to 15 miles, besides making camp.

Other skills learned include map work, use of the compass, landmarks, woodcraft, cooking, first aid, foods and poisons met in the wild. "Right now they're working on a little judo, this western version of jiu-jitsu," says Stanford. "It's self-preservation in physical combat. Pretty rough stuff but the boys are eating it up."

There'll always be a Christmas



Barbarians from across the seas would, if they could, banish Christmas forever from the earth. But there'll always be a Christmas! May the Christmas season of 1943 find you in the midst of a good old-fashioned Yule celebration.

Merry Christmas from all of us to all of you.

Railway Express
Leonard Millross, Agent



Holiday Greetings



AND she brought forth her first-born son and wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger: because there was no room for them at the inn.

Luke 2:7

WE WISH YOU A HAPPY CHRISTMAS
Dewey Hollaway



★ **THIS STORE** which for a great many years has supplied the families of this community with neighborly things, wishes every family an unusually happy 1943 Christmas season.

Harry Robinson



THE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS, dominating the world stage, once more has incredibly rolled aside the clouds of war. There is still beauty in common things, still good in the world, and we are all grateful for the glowing interval of Yuletide.

As for ourselves, we are also grateful for your loyalty to us during 1943, and extend the season's best wishes to all.

Northville Electric Shop



HERRICK Jewelry Store

Dean Herrick, Proprietor

Conversation Piece

Putting the Folks Back Home on the Party Line With Their University

HUSBANDS . . . All the girls in the freshman class at the University of Michigan will long remember Dr. Randolph G. Adams when he spoke to them and announced that "most of the girls were here to get themselves husbands." But, as Dr. Adams said, in a later interview, "The girls will forget the next sentence I said: 'If you are, be sure and get a good one!'" . . . There is a large enrollment from New York State this year. Lower tuition, a University in a smaller town than New York City, and good work among the former grads may account for some of the new students . . . Women's campus togs consist of the usual sport coat, oxfords and anklets, a bright flower in the hair, or on cool mornings a hankie tied over the flowing tresses.

TEDIUM . . . Michigan historian, Dr. F. C. Bald, has recently completed a book on the first decade of Detroit under the jurisdiction of the United States from 1796-1805. The first chance Detroit had to celebrate Washington's birthday was in February, 1797, and Detroit celebrated nobly. Dr. Bald has located the original manuscript of Father LeVadoux's eulogy to Washington which was read in Ste. Anne's in Detroit. The military officer of the day in Detroit recorded that "The priest" celebrated "a tedium at the church." We suppose that is one way of putting it.

SWORD AND LAMP . . . If your son is in the Army Specialized Training program at one of the 209 college and university campuses of the United States, he likely is wearing a new identifying shoulder patch insignia. It depicts the sword of valor against a lamp of knowledge. By chance, the Army picked Michigan's colors of yellow and blue.

BOOKFAIR . . . We have all heard about Jack Benny's violin selling for a million dollars at a bond drive auction sale. Now we learn that Carl Van Doren's original manuscript of his book, "Mutiny in January," was purchased by the school children of Philadelphia for \$8,500,000 at a recent Book Fair "benefit for bonds" in that city. Franklin P. Adams, an alumnus of Michigan, was chairman of the Fair. Incidentally, much historical data for the book was obtained in the Clements Library at the University of Michigan from the British Secret Service papers housed there.

RIGHT UP THE SCALE . . . Did you know that Thomas Dewey, present Governor of the State of New York, and a man much in the limelight these days, was once upon a time a voice major in the School of Music at the University?

ALL ALIKE . . . Visitors in Ann Arbor often comment on the uniform appearance of the Navy trainees—they all seem to be wearing the same thing. You bet they do. Each morning an order is posted saying what is to be the official uniform for that day. It's tough on anyone otherwise garbed, say bluejackets who have erred. On the other hand, the Army lets men dress in whatever clothes they wish.

French Too Slow; Shiek Grabs Gift

The Army captain, whose Christmas present to his wife back home is now being worn by the girl friend of a North African shiek received part of his war training at Ann Arbor.

It all came about because Capt. Philip Kerker couldn't speak French fast enough. Last July 27 Captain Kerker was assigned to the new Civil Affairs school for officers which was then starting at the University of Michigan. A short while ago he went out to active duty with the Allied Military government in North Africa.

Early in December Mrs. Kerker at Albany, N. Y., received a V-letter from him with this sad story:

The captain had bought a pair of beautiful earrings from an Arab silversmith as a Christmas present for her. The next day he was a guest at a feast given by the local chief. French was spoken.

At one point the conversation lagged and to make talk Captain Kerker pulled out the earrings for the chief to inspect. His French was a little too slow. The chief thought they were a present, and accepted them with thanks.

Mrs. Kerker has charged the missing present up to international good will.

Class Gives Plays to Show Food's Import

Food, its conservation and importance in the war effort, was brought home to Ann Arbor audiences by the members of the Speech Department at the University of Michigan.

This group of students gave the play, "It's Up to You," for four nights at the Lydia Mendelssohn University theatre. Composed of six acts, the play dealt with such subjects as the black market, saving of food, and rationing.

One hundred pounds of waste paper will make 650 cartons for U. S. Army Field Ration "K."



*Wherever he may be
this Christmas . . .*

He'll read and re-read a dozen times, every letter from home . . . every greeting card. He'll unwrap and fondle every gift sent to him from mother, father, sister, sweetheart, friends.

For these things speak of home. And though everyone tries to make Christmas as gay as possible where he is; as bright as the service club decorations may be; as strong as the friendships he may have made with those now near to him—yet so far from home, all his thoughts will be with you. **AT HOME, this Christmas!**

And though your thoughts are of him—there's a difference. You still are in the cheerful atmosphere of your household. You still are surrounded by loved ones. You can only imagine his life "out there". But he's living it: and the reality of that life contrasts starkly with the warmer reality of his memories of "home".

That's why we must all be unceasing in our efforts to end this war soon and bring him to the home he's dreaming of this Christmas. That's why we must buy more War Bonds than we even think we can—That's why above all, we must give the present with a future . . . this Christmas.

Merry Christmas To All

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WE PAUSE, on the Eve of Christmas, 1943, to contemplate how much we owe the perennial character of our customers. With gratitude and pride we scan the list. Some of these customers have been with us for more than a quarter of a century.

To these old customers, to new ones, and to potential ones every member of this organization now joins in wishing "Merry Christmas."

THE JAMES AUSTIN OIL CO.

News of Our Boys
In Uncle Sam's Fighting Forces
Defending Our Homeland and
Our Liberties.

**TAKES BASIC TRAINING
AT CALIFORNIA CAMP**

Arthur Haar, former Plymouth accountant, writes from Camp Callan, San Diego, California, that he will have 17 weeks of basic training in the anti aircraft replacement camp, two weeks of which will be on the desert anti-tank. He wishes to be remembered to all his friends at home.

**PLYMOUTH MAIL SAILS
UNDER SEAS WITH SUBS**

Not only does The Plymouth Mail follow "Our Boys" up near the North Pole, down to the South Seas, to India, to Europe, but it goes right down "under the sea" with our boys in submarine service. An interesting letter came this week from Robert C. Phillips, a Plymouth lad who is a cook on a submarine fighting and sinking enemy crafts somewhere in the Pacific or the Atlantic.

"The last time mail was delivered to us, I received five copies of The Plymouth Mail all at one time. Was I glad to get them! I took them along with me, and

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**MAJOR JACK DALTON
IN THE MIDDLE EAST**

Its Major Jack Dalton now, if you please! News of the promotion of the hustling former employe of the Plymouth Edison office of just plain Jack Dalton came to the editor of "Our Boys" page in a Christmas greeting from Jack, now located somewhere in the Middle East. It might be Turkey, Egypt, Albania, Persia or anywhere in those distant lands. Jack's promotion in the army came rapidly. He went overseas as a captain, and now in a few brief months he is a major. His Plymouth friends all say congratulations.

**PLYMOUTH TRUCK
DRIVER IN ENGLAND**

When Corporal Jesse Donald Sullivan came up to Plymouth from Obion county down in Tennessee, he got a job with the Plymouth Lumber & Coal company as a truck driver. It was the experience he gained in this city driving trucks that has helped him get a good job with Uncle Sam's army in England. Now he is driving a big army truck for the United States Army ammunition depot in England. Not only does he drive an army truck, but he has learned to operate a crane. He is employed in long distance ammunition hauling and is being given plenty of opportunity to see England. He has a brother, James, who is now in training in Camp Butner, North Carolina.

**HOME TOWN PAPER
MOST WIDELY READ**

Private Melvin I. Blunk, located down in Texas writes that "the most widely read paper here in camp is each man's home-town paper."

He adds: "No need to tell you that I appreciate your sending the Plymouth Mail to me; I look forward to receiving it each week. The other Plymouth boys here and I often get together and discuss the events which take place in Plymouth as it brings back memories of home."

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**GREETING FROM
SOMEWHERE IN ITALY**

"I want to wish all of my old friends back in Plymouth a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year, just as I would if I were home. I do not know of any better way to do it than through The Plymouth Mail. I know that every one in Plymouth gets it or sees it somehow and if you will just let me extend my greetings to them through the paper, I know it will reach all of them, even though I am so far away," wrote Robert J. Lorenz to The Mail from "somewhere in Italy."

**SGT. EARL MERRIMAN
IS HOME ON FURLOUGH**

Wearing his sergeant's stripes and medals for his marksmanship, Earl Merriman stopped in The Mail office last week while home on leave. He looks great and likes Army life. After saying "hello" to all his friends and

going over the town, he goes back to his station at Amarillo, Texas, where he'll wait for orders that will make him an aviation cadet. The "Sarge" began his training in January at St. Petersburg, Florida. He then went to Nevada, and finally ended up at Amarillo where he studied the "how's and why's" of the B-17. Not long ago, he read in the columns of The Mail that Maury McConnell was stationed at Sheppard Field, 200 miles away, and managed to see him one week end. Earl said it was swell seeing another fellow from home. Sergeant Earl is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leon L. Merriman of Newburg road.

**LOCAL WOMAN MARINE
COMPLETES COURSE**

Three cheers for OUR GIRLS section for Pvt. Eleanor Petraszewsky of the Marine Corps Women's Reserve. She recently graduated from the Motor Transport School at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, and is qualified to drive one-half and one-ton light delivery trucks, jeeps, station wagons, ambulances and the like. "If ever she gets into difficulty with one of those trucks or jeeps, she'll know just what to do without the assistance of a bobby pin, for her course included vehicle maintenance, too."

**WILLIAM ALUIA WISHES
FRIENDS HAPPY HOLIDAY**

Now that Aviation Cadet William Aluia is settled in his new surroundings, he's had a chance to write home and send his greetings to all his friends here. He was recently transferred from Decatur to Courtland, Alabama, where he is taking his basic flying training—one more step closer to his wings.

**"MERRY CHRISTMAS"
FROM WILLIAM WOOD**

"Thanks for all that you have done to help the boys in service. We certainly appreciate The Mail, and I've got to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to the entire Mail force and everybody in Plymouth, and to all my friends in the service," wrote "Buck Private" William Wood from Lowry Field, Denver, Colorado, the other day.

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS
FROM OVER IN INDIA**

From Robert Martin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Olin P. Martin, a corporal in Uncle Sam's army over in India came a Christmas greeting to The Plymouth Mail. Even though Bob is way over on the other side of the world, he is getting The Mail, not regularly, but in bunches.

**COAST GUARDSMAN
EXPRESSES HIS IDEAS**

"Your editorials some months ago about the barbarianism of the Japs hit the nail right on the head. They are my sentiments exactly. While I haven't had to deal with the sneaking, dirty, lowdown rats. They are nothing more than animals, just as you said, and how any man can defend anything that has been called a Jap is more than I can understand," writes George Ostranski, who is with the Coast Guards somewhere down south.

**TEACHER CARVEL BENTLEY
"ONLY A ROOKIE,"
HE WRITES**

Carvel Bentley, former director of the vocational training department of the Plymouth public schools, writes from Jefferson Barracks, Missouri, that he is only a "rookie" now. His letter will be read by the hundreds of boys and girls who were members of his classes during the past few years. It follows, in full:

"Thank you so very much for sending The Plymouth Mail to me. I certainly appreciate getting the "news and views" of the home-town folks. Keeping in touch with the goings-on at home is one thing that a service man really appreciates. Sending the paper is a splendid gesture and I for one want to take this opportunity to thank you.

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"I am only a 'rookie' in this man's army, having been in only about two months. I am classified as Personnel Technician in the Air Corps. The way things look now I will be doing personnel work at some air base or training center after I complete my basic. I should complete my basic training about the first of the year and then go to school somewhere for a few weeks to learn how the Air Corps deals with its problems of personnel."

**TEACHER CARVEL BENTLEY
"ONLY A ROOKIE,"
HE WRITES**

"In the December issue of Readers' Digest there is an article "Out of Bed—Into Action" which gives some idea of the work I may be doing after prop-

erly trained. The last three paragraphs are significant of the work I may be doing in the Air Corps. "Jefferson Barracks is located about 16 miles south of St. Louis on the Mississippi river. It is a reception center and basic training camp for the Air Corps. There are thousands of prospective flyers, gunners, radio technicians, armors, etc., here. They look like real fighting men and as they go through their various stages of basic, I can't help but marvel at their enthusiasm. I'm very happy, indeed, that they are fighting on our side. It would work I may be doing after prop-

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- Wonder where they're going for Christmas?
- Who'll wish them "Merry Christmas"?
- What's on their menu for Christmas dinner?
- What Christmas gifts will they exchange?
- What will they pray for on Christmas Night?
- What Christmas memories will haunt their hearts?

- ... the stillness of a snow-robed countryside, and the friendly laughter of free people?
- ... the glitter of acres of show windows, and the holiday bustle of free people?
- ... the stockings hung, the tree trimmed, the kids up at dawn, the presents unwrapped—the carols sung by free people?

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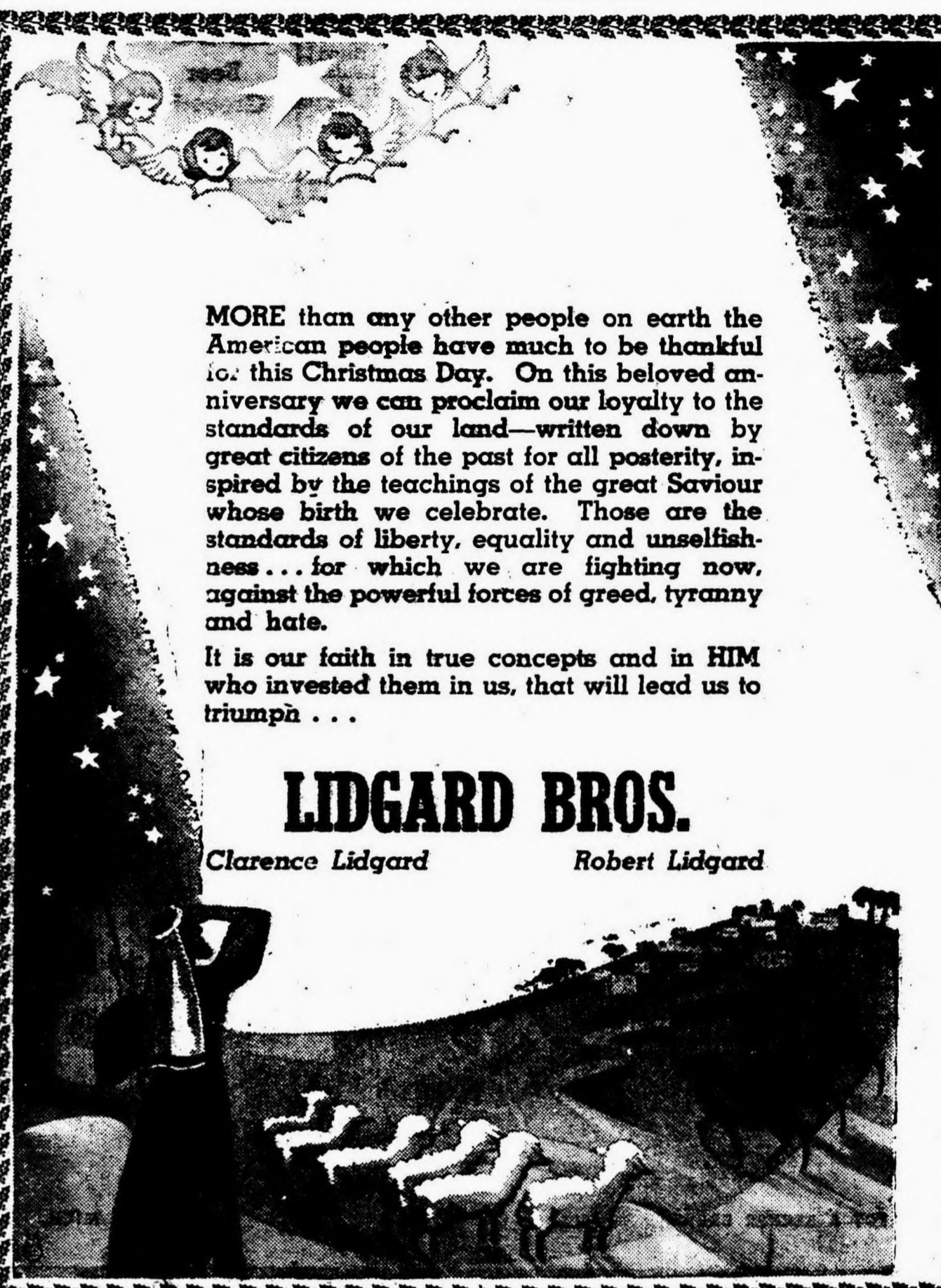
Reservations are now being taken for our New Year's Eve Party which will start at 9 p. m. Call us today.

For the benefit of the public we will open our dining rooms New Year's Eve from 5 'til 9 p. m. with regular food service.

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Hillside Barbecue



MORE than any other people on earth the American people have much to be thankful for this Christmas Day. On this beloved anniversary we can proclaim our loyalty to the standards of our land—written down by great citizens of the past for all posterity, inspired by the teachings of the great Saviour whose birth we celebrate. Those are the standards of liberty, equality and unselfishness... for which we are fighting now, against the powerful forces of greed, tyranny and hate.

It is our faith in true concepts and in HIM who invested them in us, that will lead us to triumph...

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Marsh Rabbits Make Good Meal

Here's Way To Save Meat Points

Short of meat points? Then what about a nice fried "marsh rabbit" for dinner tomorrow?

What's a "marsh rabbit"? Why, it's nothing more than a plain, every day muskrat. And soon there will be plenty of them available for the frying pan, as trappers are getting ready for the annual harvest of muskrat pelts.

Muskrats are taken mainly for their pelts, according to the Michigan State College farm game extension service, yet the carcass is edible and should not be discarded. Farmers' markets in some parts of the state have seen displays of the dressed out muskrat since cold weather began.

Flesh of the animal is dark red, fine-grained and tender. The meat should be soaked overnight in a weak salt solution to draw out the blood. If the gamey taste is objectionable, soaking in the salt solution or in a vinegar solution made by adding one cup of vinegar to one quart of water reduces this gamey taste.

Typical muskrat dishes are fried muskrat, muskrat smothered in onions, muskrat meat loaf or baked stuffed muskrat with carrots.

In the frying, the muskrat is disjointed after its overnight soaking. Pieces suitably sized are parboiled 20 minutes, then dipped in an egg yolk and milk batter, adding salt and flour. The pieces are dropped into hot fat for browning, then a cover is added and the meat cooked slowly for about 1 1/2 hours.

Reports indicate 343,835 muskrat were trapped in 1942. At 1 1/2 pounds dressed, a total of 552,335 pounds of meat could have been available if all carcasses were utilized.

Edward Mulrey Receives Citation

The Presidential Citation Bar was recently awarded to Edward Mulrey, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mulrey of Sheridan avenue, for serving special duty on the U.S.S. Card, which has made several trips to Casablanca. Mulrey, who is an aviation machinist's mate third class in the Navy, served as captain of the plane crew on the Card.

He graduated from Plymouth High School in 1940 and entered the Navy in October, 1942. At present, he is stationed at Norfolk, Virginia.

News of Our Boys

be a sad state of affairs if the politicians and home-folks let them down at the conclusion of hostilities

"The air corps basic is short compared to some branches of the service and not so rugged. However, for a fellow my age I have found it rugged enough. Its surprising how "soft" a fellow gets in civilian life.

"I do miss my wife and home and friends a great deal, but so do millions of others. I have a tremendous amount of respect for those fellows who are doing the actual combat activities. They are certainly giving all to protect everything you and I may have. I am proud to play a very, very small part with these fellows.

"Holiday Greetings to you and all my friends in Plymouth. May the Holiday Season next year find "Peace and Good Will" throughout this earth."

HAS PRAISE FOR THE RED CROSS

In a letter from Robert Burley to his mother, Mrs. Grace Burley, 1324 Sheridan avenue, from somewhere out in the Pacific ocean, Sergeant Burley, who is a member of a bomber squadron, has the highest of praise for the American Red Cross.

"Whenever the Red Cross asks for donations, give whatever you can spare, because they are sure doing a grand job down here. They furnish us with a hotel room for 16 cents a night and a breakfast of hot cakes, ham, toast and coffee for the same amount. They arranged hotel and train accommodations when we spent three days at one of the summer resorts. When we got to the resort one of the Red Cross girls met us and took us to the hotel and arranged all of our entertainment for us while we were there. We went fishing, but had to quit, because it got so cold. Played golf in the afternoon, rode bicycles and ate steaks," he wrote.

"Remember that it was the Red Cross which did that for us. I haven't had any mail in some time. If we could get more mail down here we would be more contented," said Sergeant Burley.

HAMILTON NEWMAN RECEIVES COMMISSION

Hamilton A. Newman has completed his course at the United States Coast Guard Academy at New London, Connecticut, and

has been commissioned an Ensign. He and Mrs. Newman are now enjoying a leave at the home of his parents at 23340 Plymouth road. Ensign Newman has been a member of the Coast Guard since March, 1942 and graduated from Plymouth High School in 1938.

NICK CICIRELLI SENDS GREETINGS FROM IRELAND
Holiday greetings to friends and back home come from all corners of the earth this season and no exception are those which Pvt. Nicolas Cicirelli sends to the folks. Pvt. Cicirelli, with the infantry, is stationed in Ireland and sent his greetings from there this week.



There's a Christmas rush on telephone wires, too

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THE STAGE COACH has given place to the streamliner. The electric light has snuffed out the soft-beamed candle. Tinkling sleigh bells are drowned in the roar of motor horns. But who will say that Christmas has lost its charm? With Christmas at hand we renew our pledge of devotion to ideals of honest dealing, and express our appreciation of your friendship for us during 1943.

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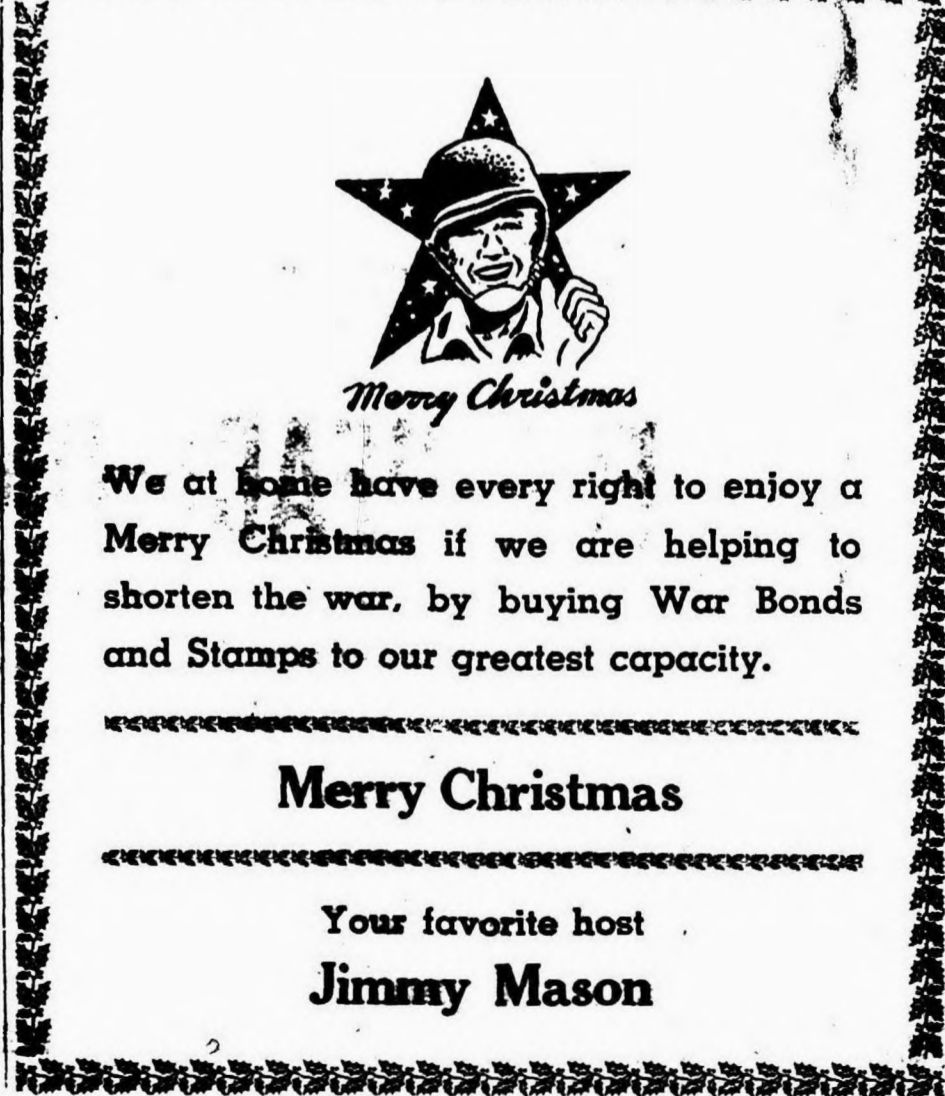
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Greetings 1943

"At Christmas play and make good cheer For Christmas comes but once a year"

GLITTERING more fantastically than the jewels of Aladdin's cave are the Christmas trees in the windows of this town and adjoining farm areas. Everywhere, everywhere Christmas, and the spirit which Christmas brings.

We love this town and its environs. We have grown up here and have come to regard ourselves as "a fixture." We have a great many friends, "but not a friend to spare," and at this time we want to thank them, one and all.

YES, CHRISTMAS COMES BUT ONCE A YEAR, SO IT BEHOVES US ALL TO MAKE THE VERY MOST OF IT. ON THE EVE OF THIS JOYOUS SEASON WE TAKE GREAT PLEASURE IN WISHING ALL OUR FRIENDS THE FULLEST MEASURE OF CHRISTMAS JOY AND HAPPINESS.

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Livonia Township News

Pvt. and Mrs. Fred O. Bostwick spent Sunday visiting with Mrs. Earl May.

Mrs. Harold Adams of Cleveland spent the week end as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bentley of Berwick avenue.

Mrs. Anna Hamlin returned Monday from Indiana where she visited with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Crabb.

Mr. and Mrs. Boyd Holdern and children of Cherry Island spent the week end visiting at the home of Mrs. Earl May on Mayfield.

Mr. and Mrs. John Hacker and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Birdsall attended a dinner party at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Edward Staley of Northville.

John L. Kurtz of Oxford, Pennsylvania, arrived Wednesday to spend several weeks visiting at the home of his son, John B. Kurtz on Surrey road.

Mrs. James Cravens returned Saturday evening from Nashville, Tennessee, where she visited with her brother, who is confined to a hospital there.

Mrs. Irving Hancock of Blackburn avenue left Sunday evening for Texas where she will spend Christmas visiting her son, Robert, who is stationed there.

Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Isbell and daughter, Patricia, were the dinner guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Bretz on Lauder avenue, Detroit.

The Camp Fire Girls of Wayne county had their annual vesper service Sunday at the Woodward Presbyterian church in Detroit. Miss Patricia Isbell of Livonia told the story of the Christmas carols and their origin.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Manley of Melrose avenue, Rosedale Gardens, announce the engagement of their daughter, Betty Irene Manley, to Robert Floyd Parcells, son of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Parcells, of Elmira avenue, Detroit. No wedding date has been set as yet.

The Mom's Club of Livonia Township will hold their next meeting on Tuesday, January 3, 1944 at 2 p. m. at the Township Hall. As there is quite a lot of work to be accomplished, all members of the group are urged to start the New Year right and be present.

There will be no January meeting of the Parent Teachers Association of the Rosedale School. The February meeting will, of course, be the Founder's Day Dinner, and will take place on Wednesday evening, February 2. There will be more information regarding this event in future Livonians.

The Pedro Card Club of Livonia met at the home of Mrs. August Grabowski, 15461 Brookfield, on Thursday, December 16. After the card party an exchange of Christmas gifts took place. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Beatrice Ahern, Mrs. Dorothy Canfield, Mrs. Mae Davis and Mrs. Irene Shely.

St. Joseph's Circle of St. Michael's parish will hold its regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Joseph Spitz at 13526 Merriman road. This will be the Christmas party and there will be an exchange of gifts. The time of the meeting and party will be Tuesday evening, December 28, at 8 p. m.

Seventeen adults attended the missionary Christmas party given at the Livonia Community church on Tuesday, December 14. After a short business meeting, Mrs. R. L. Christensen and Mrs. Fred Veran took charge of the games. Gifts were exchanged among the members. Tea and cookies were served at the close of the party.

Captain and Mrs. John G. Lile, formerly of Cranston avenue, left Friday morning for their former home in Little Rock, Arkansas. Captain Lile is scheduled for overseas duty shortly, after being stationed at the Romulus Air Base for over a year. Sue and John returned with their grandmother, Mrs. George Wilson earlier in the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron J. Anderson attended a dinner and bridge party at the home of Mrs. Alma Hogle in Farmington on Saturday evening. This was the annual Christmas party for the bridge group. Other guests attending were Major and Mrs. J. L. Nelson of Detroit, Dr. and Mrs. D. H. Saley of Northville and Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Johnson of Farmington.

Pierson P. T. A. held its annual Christmas party and meeting at the Pierson school Thursday, December 16. Christmas carols were sung by the audience. Albert Owen sang several selections. Mrs. Zaida Wolfe accompanied him at the piano. The membership has passed the 100 mark as we now have 101 members, of which we are very proud. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Albert Owen, Mrs. Masters, Miss Ruth Edgar and Miss Dorothy Funk. "Wings," the movie shown as to how air pilots are trained, was enjoyed by the group. The next meeting will be held at the school on Thursday, January 27.

Scout parents' meetings was held at the Pierson school on

Tuesday evening, December 14. Second class scouts received their awards. Richard Krimkow, Gerald Sicolvan, James Skilling, Howard McLellan, and Gene Rutenbar. Mr. Shore of Detroit District No. 7 gave a demonstration on a first class Boy Scout emblem 21 times the size of the first scout emblem. This was very impressive and was enjoyed by the group of scouts and parents who attended the meeting. The Boy Scouts of Pierson sold Christmas cards and worked in pairs. The pair of boys who sold the most cards were Albert Spicer and Gene Rutenbar and were each presented with a hand axe. The patrol which sold the most was the wolf patrol and it received a plaque. One boy sold alone and he received a scout knife as his award. He was Bill Soos.

The Lee Valley Improvement Association held its annual Christmas party at the Livonia Township Hall on Friday evening, December 10. The group sang Christmas carols around a portable organ. Miss Nancy Shireman of Detroit sang "O Holy Night." Ted Taylor acted as Santa Claus and passed out the gifts. Robert Snodgrass and Mrs. M. Dugan were in charge of the program and Mrs. Hines and Mrs. Parker

had charge of the refreshments. An election of officers was also held at the meeting. The new officers are President, Emmett Parker; vice president, Calvin Kilgore; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Calvin Hollowood. The next meeting will be held on January 7 and will be in the form of a dinner and either sleigh or hay ride. Any member wishing to know more about this should contact the chairman, Calvin Kilgore, at Livonia 2384.

"MEMPHIS BELLE" REPAIRED

The "Memphis Belle," battle-scarred veteran of nine months' aerial warfare over France and Germany, now is "convalescing" at an airfield in Spokane, Wash., according to the War Department. During 25 combat missions she was battered by flak and slashed by machine gun bullets. She has had nine new engines, a new right wing to replace one shot away in action, and a new tail assembly for one torn to shreds by cannon fire. This flying fortress was returned to the U. S. last June to show American people how American planes could stand up in modern warfare. Following her tour the flying fortress was assigned to heavy bombardment group in Nebraska to help train fledgling airmen who hope soon to go overseas themselves. After a major overhaul job, the "Memphis Belle" again will be used in training airmen.

Will Hold Dance New Years Eve

The Rosedale Gardens New Year's Eve dance will, as usual, be held on December 31 with dancing from 10 p. m. to 3 a. m. Music will be provided by Schaefer's Orchestra.

If you plan to attend, make your reservation now as reservations will be limited to 75 couples. You must have a reservation in order to attend. A buffet supper will be served. Mr. and Mrs. William Kay are chairmen.

Plan Open House For Young People

Plans have been completed by the young people of the First Presbyterian church for an "open house" to be held Wednesday afternoon, December 29 in the church parlors. All young people home from college and all the boys who might be home from the army and navy, have a special invitation to attend. The event will take place between 2:30 and 4:30 o'clock.

Paper is used in the production of many weapons of war: bomb bands, wing tips, parachute flares, fuse tank linings, practice bombs, airplane signals and shell containers.



As you tie up your Christmas packages think of us. We'll be thinking of you... thinking of how good you've been to us in 1943 and of what a pleasure has been to serve you. And we'll be wishing you a very Merry Christmas.

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Christmas spirit is here, the gayest season of the year. We wish good wishes and cheer, to all of you there from all of us here!

Merry Christmas

Enjoy a delightful Christmas dinner here on Christmas Day—you'll appreciate the holiday treats our chefs have prepared.

PEN MAR CAFE



FROM WHENCE DID THESE GLAD TIDINGS COME? NOT FROM ATHENS, NOR YET FROM ROME, AT THAT TIME THE HEART OF WORLD POWER, THEY CAME OUT OF A LITTLE COUNTRY, PALESTINE. ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FORTY-THREE YEARS LATER THE GLAD TIDINGS RING OUT AGAIN. NEED WE SAY THAT WE WISH YOU THE FULL JOYOUSNESS OF THIS HOLY SEASON?



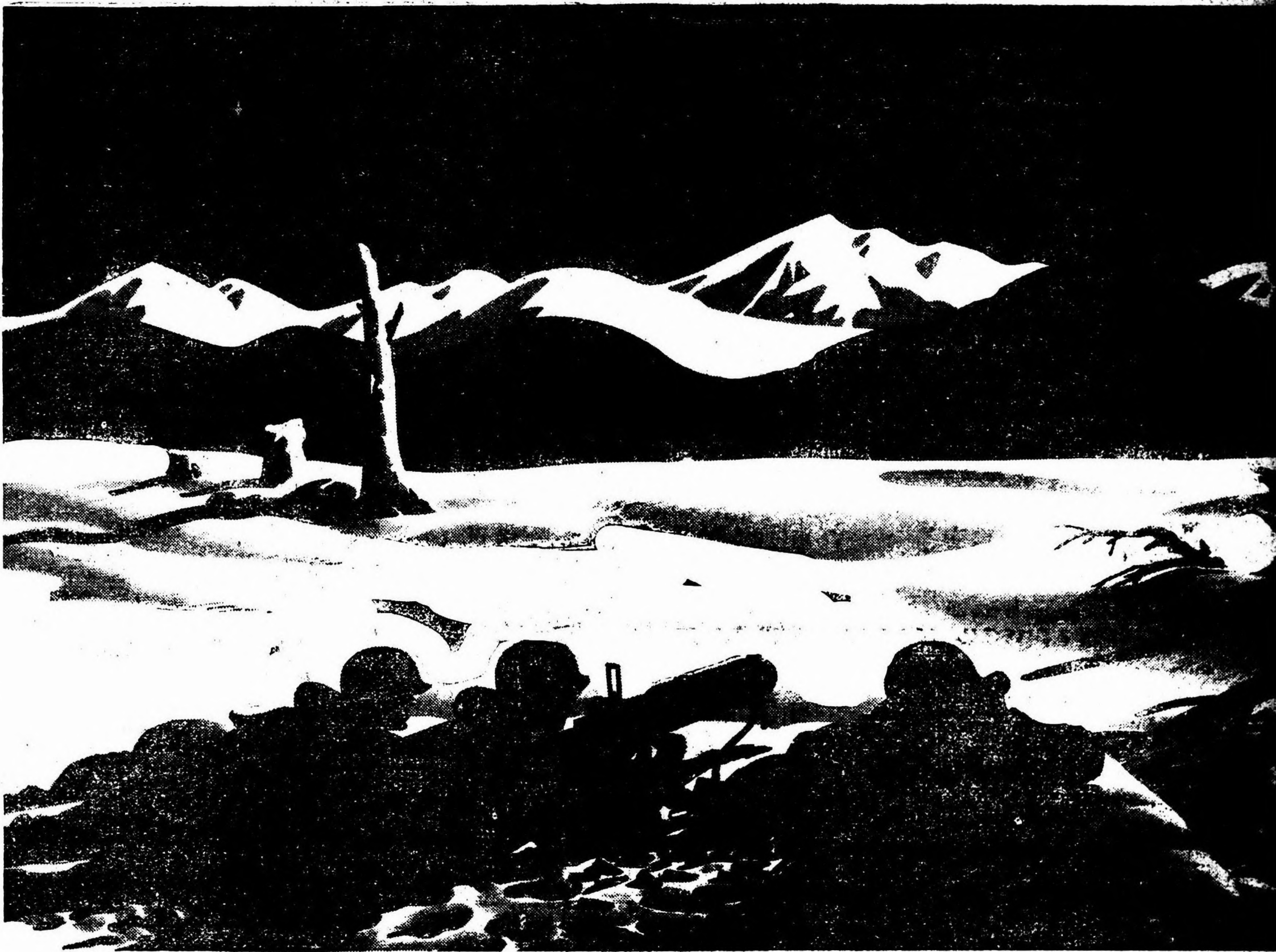
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Merry Christmas

To the men and women in the service of their country and to those of you at home—this Christmas more than ever before—we pray that the joys of the season will envelop you and that the spirit of Yuletide will bring happiness and goodwill.

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Because this Christmas will be so different

IN MILLIONS OF AMERICAN HEARTS, there will be little joy this Christmas, and little spirit of holiday celebration.

But there will be, we believe, a deep realization of the spiritual meaning of the Christmas day. There will be a realization of how blessed it would be—once again—to have "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

And there will be, in many hearts, a solemn resolve to punish those who have made a mockery of all the

things that Christmas stands for... and so to bring back those things to a war-weary world.

By buying War Bonds you will bring Victory so much closer and help save the lives of clean, decent Americans... that more of them may come back to enjoy Christmas as Christmas should be.

To all those at home and away—on battle fronts or in training camps or at home or in defense plants we send our most sincere wishes for an early victory and a very Merry Christmas.

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Christmas At Training School

Children Not To Be Forgotten

This year, and every year, Christmas and Santa Claus comes to the Wayne County Training School.

Realists in the world will tell you that many institutions which are maintained for children are not wholesome places, that the life is not what it should be for children.

But if that situation exists at all, it is not at the Wayne County Training School.

Saturday morning, for instance, Santa Claus will visit every cottage at the school. There will be gifts for every child. Some of them will come from parents. Some of them will come from the staff.

But there will be no child at the institution, who will have to sit back in the corner with tears in his or her eyes because the Christmas spirit did not remember.

That time on Christmas morning is a time which not many persons can see. It's a time, that belongs exclusively to the children, despite the fact they are maintained in a public institution. It is Christmas, and Santa Claus will be there with all his trappings.

There will be a Christmas tree in every cottage, and there will be no quiet order invoked. It is a day of uncontrolled childhood joy.

And somehow or other, the large number of children in each cottage, that is somewhere between forty and fifty—adds a zest to the thing which smaller families don't have. They can look at each other's gifts. They can compare. They can watch the other fellow, and at the same time have absolute possession of their own.

But Christmas at the Training School is not all just gifts, and a big dinner with all the trimmings.

Last Sunday night, the annual pageant, which featured an animated Christmas tree was presented by the children for the public. It will be repeated next week for the children of the school.

Christmas week as a whole is a week of activity. There will be a constant succession of games in the gymnasium and out of doors. There will be movies. There will be plays.

It is a time of joy for the whole school, for Dr. Haskell, the superintendent, and all of the staff realize that Christmas is a time for childhood joy, and they see to it that every child has his fun.

The annual Christmas bulletin of the school carried a letter this year to the more than 170 former students of the school who are now serving all over the world in the armed services, and similar message to the 34 staff members who are enlisted.

Revitalize Room

Color contrasts relieve the bare feeling of an underfurnished room. If pictures or furniture are lacking for one side of the room, try installing a six-foot color panel on that wall. Select a color which will accentuate the color dominant in a piece of furniture in the other side of the room. Also, architectural features can be accented by color panels. If the dining room is not a separate room from the living, it can be made to appear as such, by the clever installation of panels to seemingly divide the room.

Heat Limit for Cows

Research work under controlled conditions has shown that when the thermometer registers 85 degrees Fahrenheit the high-producing cow is very near the limit of her ability to keep cool without special effort. Whenever the cow fails to eliminate heat through the body as rapidly as she should, body temperature goes up and a "fever" results. Small wonder, then, that under such conditions appetite falls off and milk flow declines.

Perfumes Have Wide Use

Perfumes enter into our daily lives to a far greater extent than most of us realize. For every ounce of scent sold as such, thousands of gallons are supplied to soap and cosmetic manufacturers. Lipstick, cold creams and toilet goods rely on chemically produced pleasant odors. There is no difference between perfumes and synthetic flavors for foodstuffs and those for medicinal except a difference in use.

Magnesium Developed Recently

The English scientist, Davy, first discovered magnesium in 1808; but it was not until 1830, in France, that Bussy produced the element in metallic form. Commercial exploitation of magnesium did not occur in Europe until the early years of the 20th century, and it was 1915 before the industry had its beginning in this country.

Symbol on Dime

The bundle of sticks is the ancient Roman fasces, rods bound about a protruding ax, which was the symbol of unity and strength. These fasces were borne by lictors before the Roman magistrates to indicate authority. The entwining holly branch on the dime stands for peace. The design is the work of Alexander Weinman, sculptor.

Merry Christmas



Our heartiest good wishes to you and your family this Christmas. Accept our thanks for your grand cooperation this past year. We hope that we will ever be of service to you.

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... a candle in the window
... the gleam of a star on a tree
... the light in the eyes of a child on Christmas morning

But Christmas is more than these ...
how much more we cannot put into words, but you do know that we are wishing for you all that Christmas at its very best implies, and all that Christmas can bring

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Merry Christmas

Greetings to all at home and abroad—may this be as Merry a Christmas as you ever have had.

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Local News

Christmas Day dinner guests at the Dewar Taylor home will be Mr. and Mrs. John Selle, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McAllister and Mr. and Mrs. John Selle, Jr., and children.

Christmas Eve dinner guests of the William Ottwells will be Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Clemmons and Mr. and Mrs. Creel Conover of Ann Arbor. The dinner will be given in honor of the birthday anniversaries of Mr. and Mrs. Clemmons.

Home for the Christmas holidays is Air Cadet Richard Strong, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Strong of Williams Street, who is enjoying a leave from his studies at Chanutte Field, Rantoul, Illinois. He attends meteorology school there. Another guest at the Strong home for the holidays is Mrs. Ella Vincent of Coldwater.

Richard G. Behler, who is enrolled as a student in the V-12 Navy Training Program at Western Michigan College, Kalamazoo, arrived Tuesday to spend the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Behler of Irving street. Other guests at the Behler home on Christmas Day will be Mr. and Mrs. Guy Honey, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Abby and son, all of Detroit, Mr. and Mrs. James Honey, Jr., of Northville, Mr. and Mrs. Delos Goebel, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Fisher, and Mr. and Mrs. James Honey, Sr., and daughter, Doris, all of Plymouth.

Marines Status Settled

In 1843 much debating arose in Washington as to who should maintain jurisdiction over the marine corps—the army or the navy. Congress, on June 30, 1834, settled the question by providing that, unless detached by the President for duty with the army, the navy should maintain exclusive jurisdiction.

Cut Drying Time

It took six weeks to paint grandfather's carriage, but the drying time on an automobile paint job has been reduced to one hour and the latest furniture finishes will dry in ten minutes. Now comes the army with huge war tanks, the paint on which is dried in four minutes by infra-red rays.

Keep Head Out From Water

Keeping the head out of water as much as possible when swimming may help to avoid sinus, nose, throat and ear and eye infections. Middle ear infections are more common in people with large auditory canals and perforated or scarred ear drums.

Lacks Transportation

Liberia has no railway, no good natural harbor, few navigable rivers. Roads usable for light motor traffic are open in the coastal region. Interior villages are linked by trails. Goods are carried by native porters.

Airplane Accidents

A study of accident causes over the past several years by the CAA has revealed that most accidents are caused by so-called "stalls," which result from a loss of necessary flying speed as, for example, in too steep a climb.

Put Pails on Platform

To make a convenient platform for scrub pails, or other cleaning equipment that has to be moved from room to room, simply attach rollers to a piece of board about 15 inches square. It saves a lot of lifting, and makes cleaning easier.

Appearance Counts

Personnel managers know from long experience that employees who are immaculate about their own bodies and clothes are much more likely to produce accurate work.

Bus' Gas Consumption

The typical bus, which carried 19 passengers for every mile of operation, averaged six miles to the gallon.

Cloves From Evergreen

Cloves are the dried, unopened flower buds of an evergreen tree which is a native of the Moluccas or Spice Islands.

Taught Chinese

U. S. marines are credited with introducing the art of boxing to the Chinese.

Bananas Herbaceous Plants

While banana plants are commonly referred to as trees, they actually are gigantic herbaceous plants.

Heat and Volume

Cows will not graze enough during hot days to provide a good flow of milk, so some dairymen feed them all the hay they will consume at the morning milking.

Tastes

Consumer tastes are reflected in the demand for types of animals. New England buys heavier hogs (220 pounds and up) than those preferred in New York city.

Sharp

For pungent black pepper, the berries are gathered before they ripen. The milder white pepper differs only in being prepared from the ripe fruit.

Horses Walk on Coffins

The horse steps on a "coffin" every time it walks. "Coffin" is the term applied to the hollow crust or hoof of a horse's foot.



In the joy of little children we can find our own Christmas merriment. We join with you in making this a happy holiday for the young in heart.

Steinhurst Beauty Shop



LOV-LEE BEAUTY SALON



TIMES HAVE CHANGED, but Christmas remains unchanged—the year's outstanding holiday in the timeless cycle of love and good fellowship. In the same old familiar way it gives us pleasure to wish for you in this season of 1943 the most in Christmas cheer and enjoyment.

The Plymouth Mill Supply



OD BLESS YOU, merry gentlemen, let's get the Yule log burning. Bring on the viands and let the joy be unconfined, for Christmas comes but once a year. At this holiday time, as in the past, we are mindful of our indebtedness to you for your generous patronage, and pledge once more our determination to be still more deserving of your friendship.

Smitty's Restaurant

Merry Christmas
All At Home and Those Away in
Service of Their Country
Atchinson NS
Gulf Service

Merry American Christmas!
1943

AMONG the things for which our boys are fighting is the right to celebrate Christmas in the traditional American way. It is with particular pride in our country's accomplishment in this direction and with firm faith for the future that we send you now our heartiest Christmas wishes.

Swadling's Plymouth Grill

KIMBROUGH'S

Electrical Appliance Repair — Furniture
Richard Kimbrough, Proprietor

Merry Christmas

No blackout can dim the shining hope for Victory soon—when all our families will be together once again.



Red Indian Oil Co.
Harold Anderson

Many Plymouth High Boys Fail

Unable To Meet Air Corp Physical

Only 25 per cent of the Plymouth high school boys, who took the physical examination for the Army Air Corps passed it, it was revealed this week.

Of the 37 young men who passed the examination given at the local high school, only 20 took the physical examination. Some of them, it was reported, failed to get parental consent for the examination; some others were ill with influenza, and will take the examination later. But of the 20 who went to Selfridge Field, only six were accepted for the air corps.

It is generally admitted that the air corps physical examination is one of the toughest of any of the armed services.

Of those who were turned down, some may yet pass. Two were turned down until they get their teeth fixed. Five were refused because of their eyes, and another was color blind. One had hay fever, one had ear trouble, one had a leaking heart and one lacked the desire to kill the enemy.

Plymouth high school boys were the highest in the state in the percentage of those passing the examinations, and their grades were higher on the average than boys from other high schools.

How Pastor Gets Plumber To Work

Rev. Sanders Tells Of His Secret

When the heating plant of the Methodist church goes haywire, what does the pastor do?

Naturally, he calls the plumber. But suppose the plumber is busy and has no helper, then what? Does the pastor hang up the telephone, call the deacons together and ask them what should be done?

Nothing of the sort!

"Say, Mr. Plumber I know you are busy and I am too, but if you will pack up your tools and get down here before its time to go to work, I will go over with you, and I will serve as a helper to a plumber and we will get that leaking pipe fixed in jig time," declared Rev. T. Leonard Sanders over the phone to Mr. Plumber Fisher the other morning.

What plumber could say no to that kind of an offer?

Within one hour and 30 minutes, the leaking pipe was fixed, the good pastor had washed his hands and was back in his study working on his Sunday sermon.

Family Reunion On Tuesday Evening Most Happy One

There was a very happy and an interesting reunion at the Methodist parsonage Tuesday evening—happy because Merchant Marineman Lester Aminger, husband of the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. T. Leonard Sanders, arrived home unexpectedly from Africa.

The family knew that on the trip to Africa some months ago the ship Lester was on had been hit by an enemy torpedo. It was not sunk, however, and finally reached port. He was uninjured and after spending sometime in Africa, returned to the United States last week.

Tuesday evening the parents of Lester, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Aminger of Detroit, came to Plymouth to join with the young couple and Rev. and Mrs. Sanders in a most pleasant Christmas reunion. The young merchant mariner has a 30 day leave of absence.

SOLDIERS INSURED

The National Service Life Insurance Program in the army has grown to a 65 billion dollar enterprise, providing insurance protection to more than 95 per cent of all members of the army, according to the War Department. The program was established three years ago.



When you buy War Bonds your money goes into action at once. Where, we may never know. Maybe, as shown above, to equip a company of American Rangers marching up a railroad somewhere on the Mediterranean. Whether they come back depends upon the equipment we send. Give your dollars action! Buy More War Bonds.

U. S. Treasury Department



To You At Home and Our Boys and Girls Away—To All We Say—

Merry Christmas

Ellis Restaurant



War or peace, a brave new world is in the making—a world in which better opportunities will be had for all. The Spirit of Progress is on the march, and we may all look hopefully to the future. At this time it is fitting that we count our many friends and recall the happy relationships of 1943. We wish all of you the choicest blessings that Christmastime can bestow.

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McLAREN'S
PLYMOUTH ELEVATOR CORP.



Merry Christmas



May the joys of Yuletide all be yours and may this Christmas be the merriest you have ever known.

Eckles Coal and Supply Co.



Loads Boat Of An Old Schoolmate

But Two Plymouth Boys Didn't Meet

Interesting things happen in wartime. Some months ago the navy ship to which Ensign Kenneth Gust has been assigned, steamed into a Pacific coast city to be loaded with supplies for the remainder of its trip.

After the ship had left port, Lieutenant Ralph Lorenz, who had charge of providing the ship with supplies, learned to his surprise that the boat he had loaded had aboard his old schoolmate and his friend, Ensign Gust. They did not happen to meet when the boat was in port.

The two attended school in Plymouth and at the State Normal at Ypsilanti together. Now both are serving in the navy and both have been assigned to the Pacific ocean area.

Protoge of U. S.

Uncle Sam has long been Liberia's best customer and biggest supplier. Traditionally a protoge of the United States, Liberia was colonized by freed American slaves in 1822. Independence was established in 1847. Government and constitution were based on the forms adopted by the United States. The capital, Monrovia, was named for James Monroe, fifth President of the United States. English is the official language. Beyond the coast towns primitive jungle life is characteristic, with tribal dialects the rule.

Potato Industry Grows

Starch factories and dehydrating plants that have sprung up in northern Maine since Pearl Harbor prove that America's uses for the potato are increasing. Maine's Aroostook county has the loam and climate to win top rank among the nation's potato regions. It normally grows one-ninth of the nation's crop. Its farms average 270 bushels per acre against a national average of 130 bushels. Increased acreage needs only the co-operation of the weather to make a record crop in 1943.

Yangtze Basin

The vast Yangtze Basin, from the regions around Chungking to river outlet, covers some 700,000 square miles—or roughly four times the area of prewar Germany. It supports about 200,000,000 people, nearly half the population of all China. This broad, central band of China, with its fertile soil, its moderate climate, and adequate rainfall, is extremely valuable for its normally rich production of wheat, corn, peanuts, rice, tea and cotton.

Gas Taxes Drop

In calendar year 1942 revenues from gasoline taxes decreased 11 per cent below 1941 and .8 per cent below 1940. January, February and March decreases this year below corresponding months of 1942 amounted to 34.2, 38 and 29.5 per cent, indicating steeply declining revenues. Figures from 45 states show Tennessee and Kansas were the only states with slight increases—about 2 per cent above March, 1941, in each case.

Wash Garbage Pail

Although thrifty housewives don't put as much into the garbage pail these days as they used to, still this utensil is a household necessity. To keep it from being a source of unpleasant odors, it should be emptied regularly, and should have a weekly soaking with warm soapy water. Rinse with scalding water, then set in the sun to dry before re-using.

Land O' Lakes

Boulder Junction, Wis., is the open door and trading center of a lake-land area. There are 194 nearby lakes and countless streams. Deer abound in the forest and black bear are encountered frequently. Occasionally an elk is seen. Brush wolves, red fox, bobcat, porcupine, beaver and otter and many other small fur bearers are native.

Disappearance of Meteor

The disappearance of a meteor may be explained by its passing through our atmosphere and emerging again into space, or it may be that the atmospheric friction has consumed it; that is, it has been worn away to fine particles of dust which may settle without our becoming aware of it.

Syracuse a Ghost City

The modern city of Syracuse, Sicily, is a mere ghost of its ancient self. It was the largest city of greater Greece, from the fifth to third centuries B. C., with half a million inhabitants. Today it has 53,000 residents.

Potato Found in Andes

Discovery of the white potato at the Equator marked no exception to its demand for cool climate. It was found high in the Andes mountains where wheat and Indian corn could not stand the cold. It was taken to Europe by the Spaniards about 1580.

Raised Flag in Old World

The Stars and Stripes first floated over a fortress of the Old World when Lieut. Presley N. O'Bannon, a U. S. marine corps officer, raised Old Glory over a fortress at Derne, Tripoli, on April 27, 1805.

Clean Cracks

Stubborn particles of dirt that settle in mouldings, cracks, and other hard-to-get-at-places, can be dislodged by whisking with a paint brush that has been dipped in soapy water.

Merry Christmas



Santa will be clambering out the chimney; the children will be seeking out their gifts; we hope Christmas Day is a joyous day for you and everyone dear.

BIESZK BROS.

Merry Christmas



NOEL

Even though some may be far away, it's Christmas in our glorious American way. May Victory soon preserve its cheer.

Jack and Judy Shop

Sophie Trucks, Prop.

Merry Christmas



This is the moment to express our thanks for your kind and patient co-operation and to wish one and all a Merry Christmas.

Plymouth Automatic Sealing Vault Co.

John Jacobs, Prop.

Merry Christmas



May our Bond buying and all-out effort preserve our traditional way of celebrating our joyous Christmas season—the gift-laden tree, and beautiful carols ringing through the air.

Austin Taxi Service

Merry Christmas



A VICTORIOUS CHRISTMAS

Once again may we express our wishes for a Merry Christmas, and thank you for your patronage—AND patience—this past year.

BEYER PHARMACY

Merry Christmas



We're sharing the joys of Christmas just as we're sharing our efforts for Victory. May we soon know the glory of "peace on earth, good will toward men."

Plymouth Gas & Oil Co.
Roy Crites, Proprietor

Merry Christmas



CALVIN SIMON
AND
Employees

Plymouth Pilgrim Prints

Student Publication Friday, December 24, 1943 With Faculty Supervision

Pilgrim Prints Staff
Ruth Popovich Doris Sawtelle
Robert Orr Peggy Hart
Dale Wisley

Seniors Check Announcements

The Senior Executive Board chose the announcements for graduation from Bastian Bros. The announcements will cost ten cents each. A sample will be on the senior bulletin board after Christmas. Orders must be placed and paid for by January 20. All seniors are urged to count carefully all the number of announcements they want and to check this number with their families, since once the order is placed, it can not be changed.

Survey Shows New Foods Used

In a survey concerning rationing in one of Mrs. Soule's home-making classes, several interesting facts were discovered. One family had learned to like other meats than beef, while another had begun to use eggs and chicken freely in their diet. Baked beans appeared weekly in one home. One father ate cabbage now which he had never touched before. Combination dishes were used frequently to stretch the meat. More mothers were planning meals and market lists before going to the store. Canned products from Victory gardens were a big saver in most homes. Left-overs were carefully saved and served in such dishes as stew and soup.

Plymouth Mail Want Ads Bring Results.

Bennett Stars Team Loses 34-21

Bill Bennett, captain of the Rock basketball team, scored all but four of the points the Plymouth team made in the game at Dearborn, December 17.

The first half seemed to be a Bennett "shooting spree," with Bill making every point in the first half, leaving the score 16-7 in favor of the Dearborn Pioneers. Cameron, Dearborn's captain, was also high man with seven points. In the second half Bennett had some help with three points scored between Hunt and Newton, but Bennett was able to net five more balls for ten points. The game ended 34-21 in favor of Dearborn.

High scorer was Bill Bennett with seventeen points and Cameron of Dearborn with nine points.

Plymouth		Dearborn	
Hunt	0	Neundorf	0
Newton	0	Dudgeon	2
Bennett	7	Fryer	3
Harsha	0	Filer	4
Hall	0	Cameron	7
Micol	0	Lewis	0
Schultz	0	Dore	0
MacGregor	0	Johnson	0
Mason	0	Daney	0
		Hix	0
		Hanson	0
		Greg	0
		Keim	0

★ Buy War Bonds ★

Rocks Drop Game Intra-Mural 41-17 To Dearborn Highlights

The Plymouth second team scored only three field goals and dropped eleven free shots while the Dearborn boys scored eighteen field goals and only five free throws in the game Friday.

In the first quarter the Rocks were able only to score one point while the Pioneers made eight and held a three to one margin through the first half. In this half Duke Bentley was the only Rock to score a field goal. Tom Robertson spiced the game with his artful ball handling.

The second half continued to be slow for the locals and very fast for the Dearborn boys who were able to gain 20 points to the Rocks 10 and therefore won the game 41-17. De Wolfe of Dearborn was high scorer with 12 points and Cable was next high with seven points.

Plymouth		Dearborn	
Brink, F	1	Cable	7
Old, F	2	De Wolfe	5
Bentley, C	3	Johnson	2
Danic, G	0	Gruneoy	1
Robertson, G	0	Halbath	4
O'Hacene	0	Hall	2
Olsvaver	1	Cotta	2
Caid	0	MacIntyre	0
Curtner	0	Thoten	0
Groth	0	Jameson	0
		Barrett	4
		Sabring	0
		Faust	0
		Nick	0
		Hafferman	0
		Richards	0
		Theilman	0

Senior Sketches

Barbara Stover, daughter of Milton E. and Paula Stover of 32024 West Chicago boulevard, attended P. H. S. during her freshman and sophomore years. She then moved to St. Louis, Missouri, where she lived for nine months. After graduating she plans to go to college. Barb belongs to Leaders' Club, Girl Reserves, LAM Service Club, and Junior Red Cross. She belonged to the Bowling Club, took part in playday, and was Interclub counselor for Junior Girl Reserves in the tenth grade. She worked on the Senior Prom and Junior-Senior Play committees. Barb likes to play tennis and to swim. Her pet peeve is girls who wear slacks to school.

Geraldine Dahmer, of 332 Liberty street, treasurer of her freshman class and member of the Leaders Club, has no pet peeve; she is the daughter of Harry and Marie Dahmer. She has been following a general course and plans to work after graduation. Alarm clocks are the pet peeve of Mary Stout, daughter of Lynn and Margaret Stout of 344 Ann street. Mary was secretary of her freshman class, a member of the Leaders Club, participated in Stunt Night, and was a member of the Girl Reserves. She has been following a general course and plans to work after graduation.

"People who won't let me live my own life," states Gloris Eccles, daughter of Floyd and Mildred Eccles of 9025 Ball street, are her pet peeves. Gloris has been a cheer leader, on the prom committees, and a member of junior chorus; her hobbies are riding and dancing. She has been following a commercial course and plans to work after she graduates.

CHANGES MADE

A hundred years ago today A wilderness was here. A man with powder in his gun Went out to hunt a deer. But now things have changed somewhat. Along a different plan— A deer with powder on her nose Goes out to hunt a man.

Merry Christmas



The Parrott Agency

Best Boy and Girl Citizen Chosen

Shirley Luttermoser, president of the Senior Girl Reserve, was chosen the Best Girl Citizen; Bob Scheppete, mayor of the school, was chosen the Best Boy Citizen last week.

The plan followed for choosing the best boy and girl citizen is the one sent out by the Sarah Ann Cochrane Branch of the L.A.R. for the girl citizen, and is as follows: the senior students of each senior class choose by voting three girls and three boys who possess the following qualities to an outstanding degree.

1. Dependability—which includes truthfulness, loyalty, and punctuality.
2. Service—which includes cooperation, courtesy, and consideration of others.
3. Leadership—which includes personality, self-control, and ability to assume responsibility.
4. Patriotism—which includes unselfish interest in family, school, community, and nation.

From the three girls and three boys selected the high school faculty chooses the one who will become the Best Boy Citizen and Best Girl Citizen of Plymouth High. Although the boys is just honored locally, the girl is invited to a state conference at which a girl will be chosen to attend the national conference.

Newer Cheers To Learn

When you students go to the next basketball game here with Birmingham January 4, the cheerleaders will present two new yells. It is up to the student body to learn them and yell with all of their might. P. H. S. has plenty of spirit, so make Plymouth have a "rep" (reputation) for pep.

"Bounce Dribble" Bounce, Dribble, Pass, Pivot, Come on team, you've got it. Let's give it. Rah! Rah! Rah! Sis Boom Bah! Plymouth High School, Rah! Rah! Rah!

To show good sportsmanship toward P. H. S.'s opponents the "Hello Yell" seems appropriate. This cheer is to be the first one at all games and is to be yelled only once.

"Hello Yell" Hellooooo Birmingham (Or Opponent) Hellooooo Birmingham Hellooooo Birmingham Plymouth High says hello.

Calendar

- Dec. 23—Christmas Vacation begins.
- Jan. 3—School resumes.
- Jan. 4—Basketball, Birmingham here.
- Jan. 7—Basketball, Wayne here.
- Jan. 14—Student Council Dance.
- Jan. 14—Basketball, Ypsilanti, there.
- Jan. 21—Basketball, River Rouge, there.
- Jan. 26-27—Semester Exams.
- Jan. 28—Basketball, Northville, there.
- Jan. 28—No School.
- Jan. 31—New Semester begins.

CUTS BUTTER ALLOWANCE

The peacetime daily butter allowance of two ounces per soldier has been reduced to approximately 1.12 ounces per man, the War Department has reported. This includes butter used as a spread and in cooking.

YOUTH FOR CHRIST CRUSADE

The first in a series of Sunday afternoon Youth Services to be presented at the Free Methodist Church, 1058 S. Main Street, Plymouth. We heartily invite you to worship with us in this new series of services.

This first service will be presented by our Conference Y. P. M. S. president, Rev. Elwyn Cutler of Spring Arbor, Michigan. Special messages in song will also be an inspiration to those present.

Services begin at 2:30 o'clock with a Feltogram lesson by Miss Onalee Hamilton of Wayne, Michigan, followed by a message by Rev. Cutler. Both services will be under the direction of the local Y. P. M. S., C. D. Hurd, president, in charge. Won't you come, worship and fellowship with us?

Merry-Go-Round

By Drew Pearson
More emphasis on the paper salvage campaign. At present, only 35 per cent of the nation's waste paper is being collected and salvaged. The waste paper reclaiming machinery is running at only 51 per cent of capacity. Approximately 6,000,000 tons of waste paper are normally collected and sold for paper board but now only two million.

And that's not the Half of it.
Lack of paper collection is slowing down paper mills — delaying manufacture of medicine and supply containers — slowing shipments abroad and endangering the lives of our war-wounded.

Old newspapers and magazines are VITAL. Save every scrap to win this SCRAP.

For Collection Truck
PHONE 10070
*Call local operator—ask for 10070—without charge she will connect you with—

GOOD NEIGHBORS

—who in addition to being an Authorized Government Agency for vitally needed Paper — Eggs — Kitchen Fats — Useable Scrap, —are helping to supply comfort and winter-wants for needy families — war-widows — impoverished children with YOUR unneeded furnishings — castoff clothing — bedding and toys.

HELP us play Santa Claus to U. S.
Society of Good Neighbors

Reports from areas where tuberculosis is on the increase, show that girls aged ten to fifteen are falling victim to the disease. This is five years earlier than usual among females, according to the Michigan Tuberculosis Association.

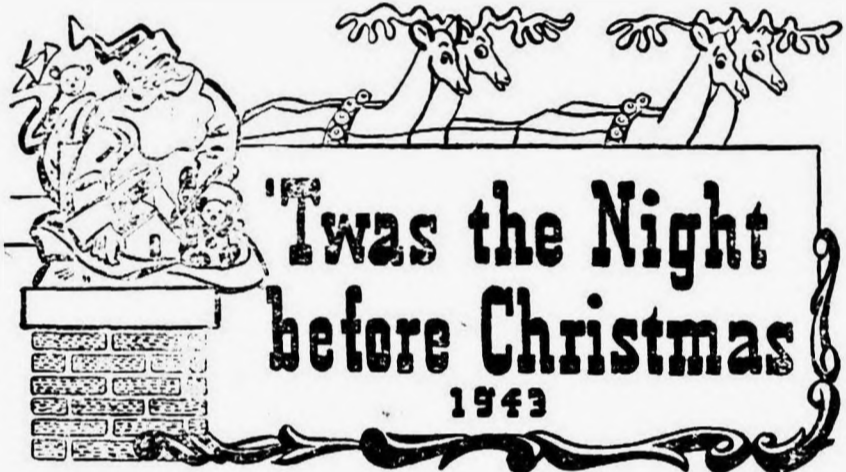
Once U. S. fighting men are overseas, it takes 81 tons of supplies per month per man to keep them there, compared to 43 tons per month per man in the last war. This requires huge quantities of containers and packaging material.

Last year, 1,827 Michigan persons died of tuberculosis. This is a sharp upturn from the previous year, and doubly disappointing because all deaths from tuberculosis are needless, according to the Michigan Tuberculosis Association.

A WREATH IN THE WINDOW

a star in the sky, and happiness in the heart. That the Christmas season of 1943 may be truly memorable for you and yours is the earnest wish of

The Hotel Mayflower



One hundred and twenty years ago Clement Clarke Moore's jolly poem, "A Visit from St. Nicholas," first appeared. Each year since then it has contributed to the joy of Christmas. We want to say that if we were able to gather up all this joy and wrap it up in one big package it would hardly represent our wishes for your Christmas happiness this season of 1943.

W. C. Roberts Coal



Let There Be Joy In Our Hearts This Christmas Day...

It is with joy once again that we commemorate the birth so many long years ago of the author of our standards of freedom and kindness. It is an anniversary to rejoice and give thanks for our inspired strength, and to re-establish our faith in the power of the just.

WILLIAM WOOD
General Insurance



WITH HEARTS THAT ARE FREE, WE REAFFIRM OUR FAITH THIS CHRISTMAS

More than at any other time this Christmas we have cause to rejoice at the significance of the holiday. For it marks the birth of the greatest and most honored of men... who long ago taught righteousness and truth. We are thankful that His standards have come down through the years—to give us faith today in the justness of our purpose... assurance of our victory! This Christmas Day let us reaffirm our faith.

Plymouth United Savings Bank

Member Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Merry Christmas

and good Cheer on the HOME FRONT!!

JAMES SESSION'S SERVICE STATION

We especially want to be remembered to the boys in the Armed Forces and we want them to know we're thinking of them and hope they'll soon be home.



As one hands down a good name, Christmas each year hands down its traditions, and all are good. It has been a tradition here to regard the good will of our customers as our most precious asset. In this holiday season of 1943 we extend to you, not as a customer alone, but as a friend, our very best wishes for a . . . Merry Christmas.

Schrader Furniture Store
NORTHVILLE

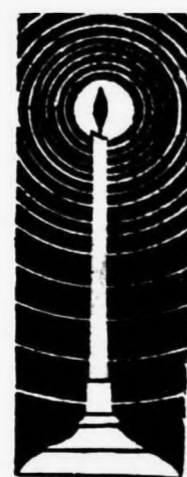


JOYOUS SEASON
1943

The tree is up, garlanded in wreaths of tinsel, aflame with lights that glow like fireflies. There it stands in the window, sparkling with all the borrowed glamour of elfland.

With this glowing background to remind us, we are ready to speak our piece. It is a very simple one . . . the same as last year and the year before: Thank you one and all for your kindness to us, and

MERRY CHRISTMAS!



SIMPSON'S CAFE

Local News

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hartwick, Northville road, entertained at a family dinner Sunday evening.

The R. S. Woods will spend Christmas Sunday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Townsend in Detroit.

Cpl. and Mrs. Robt. Hower and son Richard have returned to Childress, Texas after spending a fourteen day furlough with relatives and friends in Plymouth.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer N. Williams announce the engagement of their daughter, Donna, to Pvt. Robert White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred White of Plymouth.

The Ladies Aid of the Lutheran Church will meet at the home of Mrs. Paul Groth on Blunk street, Wednesday afternoon, January 5. Mrs. William Last will assist.

Guests of Mrs. Ralph G. Lorenz for Christmas will be her sister, Miss Martha Dana of Monroe, and her father, M. C. Dana, of Caledonia, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. William Otwell and children will be the guests Christmas Day of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mehrkamper at their in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Casselman and daughter, Carol Lynn, and Mr. and Mrs. William Rengert will be guests in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Gale of Wayne Sunday.

Mary Kathryn Moon and Ensign Jack Wilcox, of Detroit, will be dinner guests at the home of Mary Kathryn's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Maxwell Moon, on Christmas Day.

For the Christmas week-end, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Olin, Jr., will be Mrs. Richard Olin, Sr. of East Lansing; Mrs. Mary Richmond, Lansing; and Miss Marion Sprague of Wayne.

Mary Jane Olsaver arrived Tuesday at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. John Olsaver, with whom she will spend the holidays. She is a student at Denison University in Ohio.

Young guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Luther Peck are Luther, Kenneth, and Jean Ann Lloyd of Youngstown, Ohio. They are grandchildren of the Pecks.

At the Roy Pursell home on Harvey street, Christmas guests will be O. S. Pursell of Caro, Michigan; W. W. Perkins of Niagara Falls, Ontario; and Miss Evangeline Pursell of Detroit.

On Christmas Eve, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McAllisters will entertain Mr. and Mrs. W. S. McAllister and children; Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Taylor; and Mr. and Mrs. Dewar Taylor and son.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Weed will entertain Mrs. E. I. Crawford, Mrs. O. E. Sleight, Mrs. Dallas Dewitt of Oxford and Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Sleight of East Lansing for Christmas dinner.

On Christmas Day, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Strong will entertain at a family dinner the Allan Strongs of Wayne; the Ralph Taylors and the J. Rusling Cutlers of Plymouth; Mrs. Ella Vincent of Coldwater; and Air Cadet Richard Strong of Chanhute, Field, Illinois.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Peterson, Main Street, held an early Christmas dinner at their home Sunday honoring the latter's brother, Corporal Walter F. Smith, who was home on furlough. Corporal Smith, who is also the nephew of Mrs. Mary Miller of Farmer street, reports back for duty at Camp Swift, Texas, December 24. He is a member of the engineers.

Dr. and Mrs. Luther Peck and their house guests, Luther, Kenneth and Jean Ann Lloyd of Youngstown, Ohio, plan to spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Watts in Adrian.

Christmas greetings came to the Howard Eckles home from North Africa this week. The Eckles received a Christmas telegram from their son, Corporal Douglas, who is stationed there with the signal corps.

Mrs. Carl Rengert Mr. and Mrs. William C. Rengert, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Casselman and daughter, Carol Lynn, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rengert all plan to spend Christmas Day in Ypsilanti as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Leo Koeller.



Season's Greetings

We've been thinking, folks, that you've been very good to us during 1943, and right now is the most appropriate time to thank you. So thanks, everybody, and a very happy Christmas!

D & C Store

Rayner Tisch, Manager



Make Hers A Merry Christmas With Beautiful Roses From

Stewart's
Floral Shoppe

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FOR GALLANTRY IN ACTION read both citations. Father and son, Brig. General Theodore Roosevelt, and Captain Quentin Roosevelt, both won the Silver Star in the North African campaign. The general is son of the Rough Riders' president, "Teddy."

"Disregarding extreme danger," says the official report, "the general went forward to an advanced post where he observed enemy positions while under intense enemy fire, strafing, and furious dive bombing. His personal observations were of great value to his command... his cheerful zeal, aggressive energy, and great personal courage exemplified the highest tradition of the service."

Captain Roosevelt "pushed forward under heavy enemy machine gun and mortar fire and secured an observation post well in advance... He remained at his post, directing well placed artillery fire..."

Well, then there was Col. "Teddy" Roosevelt, sweeping up San Juan hill back in '98, leading the "Rough Riders"... Like father, like son... and grandson.

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FOUR FREEDOMS BALONEY

"To live FREE a man must speak openly; gag him and he becomes either a servile or full of cankers." Turn to page 5 of "Four Freedoms," a publication issued by the Office of War Information. Under the heading of "Freedom of Speech," the above sentence will be the first thing you read. "Gag a man and he either becomes a cringing slave or an infected, diseased, worthless human being." Yes, that is the correct interpretation of the first sentence of this editorial—taken from an official publication issued by the present administration in Washington.

The other day Carson Johnston, a highly respected and prominent citizen of Rosedale Gardens, was fired as a member of the price panel of the Plymouth rationing board by W. E. Fitzgerald, district director of the Detroit Office of Price Administration, because Mr. Johnston had asserted his American right to express his opinion about the decision of one of the paid hirelings of the Detroit Office of Price Administration.

He had refused to be GAGGED. He had refused to apologize to the OPA because he had said something that one of the OPA payroll patriots did not like.

"It has come to my attention that at a public meeting you found it necessary to criticize the Office of Price Administration and its functions. * * * I believe that it is necessary to good public relations for us to ask you to discontinue your volunteer services as a member of War Price and Rationing board 33-82-15."

That is part of what Mr. Fitzgerald said in his letter of dismissal to Mr. Johnston for merely a quarter of a century a resident of Livonia township, because he asserted his right of American free speech.

Mr. Johnston is at present serving as chairman of the Livonia township planning commission. He is chairman of the Rosedale Gardens Civic Association public relations committee. He has been one of the most energetic workers in this entire vicinity in all war activities. He is a charter member of the first Kiwanis club ever organized.

Now, because he said one of the acts of some unknown hireling of the Detroit OPA "stinks to high Heaven" he has been fired from a public service for which he drew no compensation, like all other public service positions he holds.

Did Mr. Johnston say some official act of some hireling of the OPA "stinks to high Heaven?" Yes, but it was NOT at a public meeting, as Mr. Fitzgerald incorrectly says.

He made the assertion at a meeting of the Plymouth price panel held behind CLOSED doors to which the public WAS excluded.

Not only was Mr. Johnston right in his assertion, he was mild in his condemnation of a public act that can be regarded as nothing more than an insult to every decent American citizen.

Yes, it is the climax of that washing machine deal mentioned in The Plymouth Mail sometime ago. A Plymouth family happened to come into possession of two washing machines because their children had all gone into military services of the nation. The mother and married daughter, whose husband had joined the army, decided to sell one machine and retain one to use for the duration. They advertised the machine at less than half the price for which it had been purchased.

Although offered much more than their advertised price, they sold it to a "war worker" for the price stated. He paid by check, and quickly took the machine.

Soon he called back by phone and told the family that they had "violated" the ceiling price, and that "a friend" who works for the OPA in Detroit told him if the Plymouth washing machine seller didn't pay back \$57 at once, he could make them pay three times the price they had charged for the machine.

The good, patriotic citizen of Plymouth said he would return the money if they would return the washing machine. The purchaser said "no"—he wanted both the washing machine and the \$57.

So, because of the OPA threat, the \$57 was returned to the buyer. Then the seller asked the rationing board to advise him of the ceiling price of the type of washer, in perfect condition, that he had sold, and to tell him what he could do about getting his washing machine back.

The board decided that there was nothing it could do about the matter, because it had been handled in the first place by some unknown person in the Detroit office.

Urge Farmers To Save Oat Seed

Last Year's Crop Poorest on Record

Farmers around Plymouth, as well as all over the state, are being warned by the extension department of Michigan State College to save their good oats for seed next spring. Not only should they save oats for seed, but barley as well. Last summer's oat and barley crop was the poorest, with one exception, since 1926.

H. C. Rafter, head of the Michigan State College farm crop department, says, any tendency to discard a variety for 1943 performance is not warranted, since most of the popular varieties of oats, for instance, have usually proved best within the state.

Grain dealers as well as farmers already have been taking a look at available oat and barley seed for next spring. Some farmers will find suitable seed in their own grain bins, if they observe certain precautions.

If oats weigh at least 28 pounds to the bushel and barley at least 44 pounds, if the seed germinates strong, is pure and of a variety previously satisfactory, use for seed in 1944 is recommended by Professor Rafter. Light, chaffy and diseased seed ought to be used for feed and new supplies obtained.

Thorough cleaning will be more important than ever if moderately lightweight seed is used, since impurities and the lightest kernels should be fanned out. Regardless of variety, treatment with improved cesaran is recommended to control root rot, seedling blight and smut.

SET RECORD DELIVERY Crews of the Ferrying Division, Aid Transport Command, Army Air Forces, have set a new record of delivering eight flying fortresses to England and returning to their home station in the United States, all within 4 1/2 days, according to the War Department. The crews took off from four different stations in this country, some of them well inland, which added to the over-all flying distance.

CHILDREN OVER AMERICA * * *

Children play in Esther Short Park of Vancouver, Washington, beneath a heroic statue dedicated to the pioneer women who came with their husbands and children into the Northwest country, newly opened after the Lewis and Clark expedition.

Pioneer Woman



There is little cause for mirth in occupied Europe and even the children have little stomach for play. Millions have been orphaned by Nazi guns or labor camps; all are undernourished and will bear the scars of this war to their dying day.

Prepare for Peace; Buy War Bonds

Then it was that Mr. Johnston declared that the act of some paid political hireling in the Detroit office in forcing the return of the money without consulting the seller of the machine as to its condition or the terms of the sale, "stinks to high Heaven."

And that is just what it does!

Not only does it "smell" as Mr. Johnston declared, but the action of District Director W. E. Fitzgerald of the Detroit OPA in demanding that Mr. Johnston resign from the Plymouth rationing board, is first hand proof of the charge that the bureaucrats of the present Washington administration are determined to take away from the common citizen his rights as an American! They seek to make him a CRINGING BOOTLICKER of the administration in power!

Only poll-parrots are wanted, it appears, to serve in any capacity in connection with the administration of the OPA.

The public fully realizes the necessity of price regulation in times like these, but so putrid, so foul and so political has been the OPA administration of this great responsibility that there is little wonder the public has such contempt for the entire organization.

In this troublesome Christmas holiday period, we can all thank God that the tidal wave of hostility to the Washington bureaucrats is growing so rapidly and so vast that it will completely wash out the outfit now endeavoring to change the American form of government.

The millions of dollars being collected to buy up the next November election will do no good. The people have determined their course! A new administration will CRUSH the enemies of America both within and without. And the NEW administration will see to it that decency, honesty, respectability and the RIGHTS of the common, everyday, ordinary type of man and woman, are once again restored in America. This is the demand of the American people, and their demand is GOING to be heard!

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25 Years Ago

News items of a quarter of a century ago taken from the files of The Plymouth Mail.

The Christmas Red Cross membership drive is progressing very nicely in Plymouth. The booths, which are located in the stores of Pettigill and Campbell, Corner Hardware Co., and the Beyer Pharmacy, are in charge of the ladies of the Plymouth branch of the Red Cross.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Smith and baby of Baldwin have been guests of Dr. and Mrs. Luther Peck the past week.

The Beyer Motor Sales Co., the local Ford agency, have sold Dr. John Olsaver a couplet; Charles Merritt, a truck, and the Michigan State Telephone Company, a roadster.

A year ago at this time many families in the village needed coal, and dealers were unable to get enough to supply general needs. This year, conditions are reversed and, with the exception of anthracite coal, the fuel situation in this section is again about normal.

Plymouth Rock Lodge No. 47, F. and A. M., held its annual election of officers and meeting. The following were chosen to office: R. R. Parrot, W. T. Pettigill, W. B. Lombard, R. A. Wingard, George W. Richwine, Glenn Jewell, George Howell, James McKeever, Arlo A. Soth, William A. Todd, M. M. Willett, and W. J. Burrows.

Mrs. Cecile Hamilton has the distinction of being the first person to finish her sweater in the Plymouth Branch of the Red Cross toward the big government order of 22,500 sweaters, which were asked from the Detroit Chapter and Branches. She knitted the garment in 12 hours.

A pleasant meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held Thursday afternoon of last week at the home of Mrs. Lila Humphries. The leader, Mrs. J. Stewart, had selected a number of humorous poems which were read by Mrs. Arthur

White, Mrs. Humphries and Miss Nettie Pelham.

One of the peculiarities of the present mid-December lies in the fact that lilac bushes and other shrubbery, also many trees, have been putting out leaf-buds, which had already attained a noticeable size, the first of this week. The "summers" thunder storm of Tuesday evening was right along the same line of peculiar conditions.—Northville Record.

The influenza in Plymouth seems to be abating rather than on the increase. The public schools were closed Monday until after the holidays on account of illness of Supt. Smith and several other teachers and the absence of many pupils.

Mrs. Emma Wise, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Evered Jolliffe, for the past few weeks, expects to leave the first of the week for Philadelphia where she will spend the holidays.

Little Howard and Floyd Dicks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dicks, who have been seriously ill, are now on the gain.

Miss Mabel Becker and Manfred Becker spent from Saturday until Monday night at their aunt's home in Carleton.



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