

MICHIGAN - NEWSPAPER CLIPPINGS

Fred J. Gale Succumbs at 98

Fred J. Gale, 98, a resident here and in Ingham county all his life, died at Glassner convalescent home Monday, Feb. 24. He had been a patient there for about five years.

Mr. Gale was born June 20, 1859 in Ingham county and operated a farm on the Gale road for many years. He was also a partner in the Eaton Rapids shoe firm of Gale & Mingus. For 60 years he had been a member of the Eaton Rapids F & AM and was a member of the First Congregational church here. Mr. Gale was physically very active up until he was 91 years old. His wife, Maud, preceded him in death in 1934.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Gladys Topliff of Eaton Rapids and Mrs. Marian Henny of Saginaw; one grandchild and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at the Pettit Funeral home, the Rev. F. Willard Kime officiating. Burial was in Plains cemetery.

are to sail for France soon.

Dee Markle of Charlesworth has been ill the past week, requiring the care of a trained nurse.

Thirty or more business men unanimously approved a proposal for a "white way" lighting system for Main street, presented by a General Electric representative.

Mrs. L. T. Hemans of Lansing spent the week end at her farm home near Aurelius.

Miss Bernice Boody was home from her school work in Kalamazoo to spend Sunday with her parents.

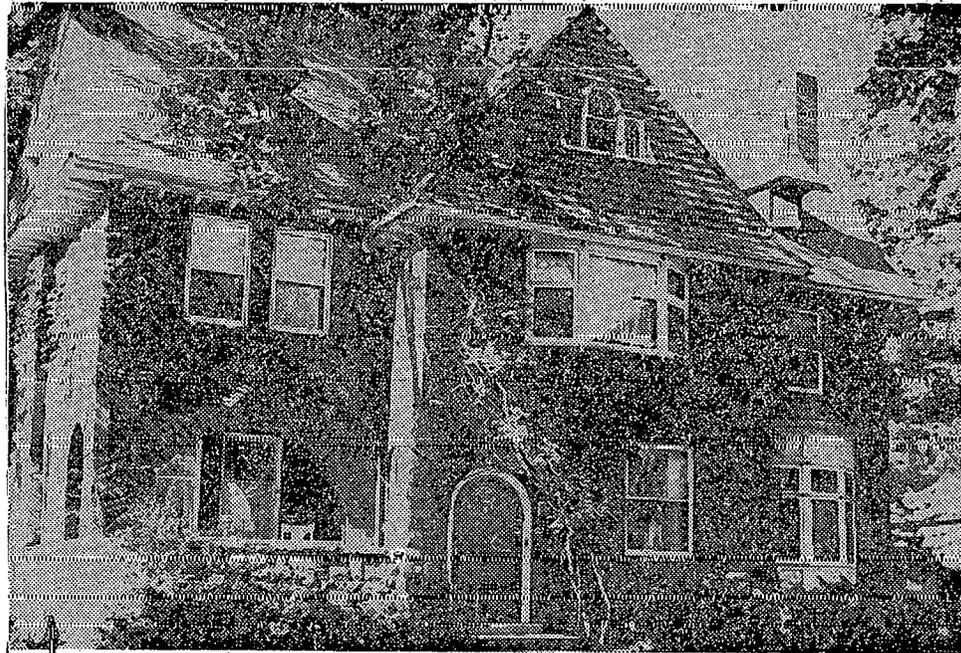
Miss Helen Stirling returned from Wisconsin the first of the week.

Wisner & Guthrie report the sale of the Andrew Hicks house and lot on West street and 10 acres of land just inside the city limits on Spicerville road, to Herbert Blodgett.

Coming church and social events — Groups entertained as follows: Ladies History club by Mrs. H. C. Minnie; U and I club by Mrs. E. H. VanDeusen

ne is here, today

Marshall Offers Tourists a Look Into the Past



Nyal Deems home has one-of-a-kind minarets

BY PAULINE STERLING

Free Press Staff Writer

Century-old homes and two other historic buildings in Marshall, all furnished in authentic period pieces, will be open for tours Sept. 11 from 11 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Visitors will see collections of rare cranberry and carnival glass, cut crystal, pewter, clocks of all styles and periods and kitchens of yesterday.

One of the oldest houses is the Greek Revival home of Harold C. Brooks (1838) at 310 Kalamazoo, at the intersection of U.S. Hwy. 27 and Prospect St., where it stands on a knoll in its own park.

FIVE columns at the front of the building were made in Detroit and moved by ox-team. Furnishings include Chippendale, Sheraton, Queen Anne and French pieces as well as some made by early Marshall cabinet makers circa 1850.

The bracketed Italian Villa

owned by the Paul P. Browns at 1110 Verona Rd., was built of hand-made bricks in 1858, on land for which Nathaniel Hawthorne once held the mortgage.

A whitewood tulip tree in the yard is believed to be the largest of its kind in the world. The house has a secret room which was used to hide slaves during the underground railroad movement.

THE HOME of Mr. and Mrs. Nyal Deems (Victorian with Queen Anne influence at 222 W. Mansion), built in 1892, has unique one-of-a-kind minarets on the roofline. The entrance hall has a fireplace and fireside benches under stained glass windows.

Family heirlooms include hand-made cabinets and numerous Oriental and South Seas artifacts. A dining table of Philippine mahogany was cut from one slab of wood and a mahogany sideboard was con-

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The Paul P. Browns' Italian Villa was built in 1858

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GAYLORD BROS., INC.
Syracuse, N. Y. Stockton, Calif.



A Queen Anne house (1887) is noted for its delicately detailed porch.

Marshall puts out the welcome mat

For 50 years, Marshall, Mich., has taken pride in historic preservation. For 15 years Marshall's historic house tours have drawn visitors from all parts of the states.

This year's Grand Tour, Saturday and Sunday, features nine private homes, more than ever before. They range from an 1840 Greek Revival cottage to an 1887 Queen Anne. Shown for the first time will be the 1850 Federal style house owned by John J. Collins, president of the Michigan Historical Society and a member of the Michigan Historical Commission. An 1871 Gothic Revival house has

been entirely refurbished since being on tour in 1974.

Italianate styles predominate, with their stately windows, bracketed roofs and high ceilings. One of them, a Tuscan villa that has been in the same family since being built in 1873, is dominated by a 60-foot tower. A circular stairway winds up through four levels.

Architectural details carefully preserved and restored distinguish the interiors of Marshall's houses, and each has its quota of antique furniture.

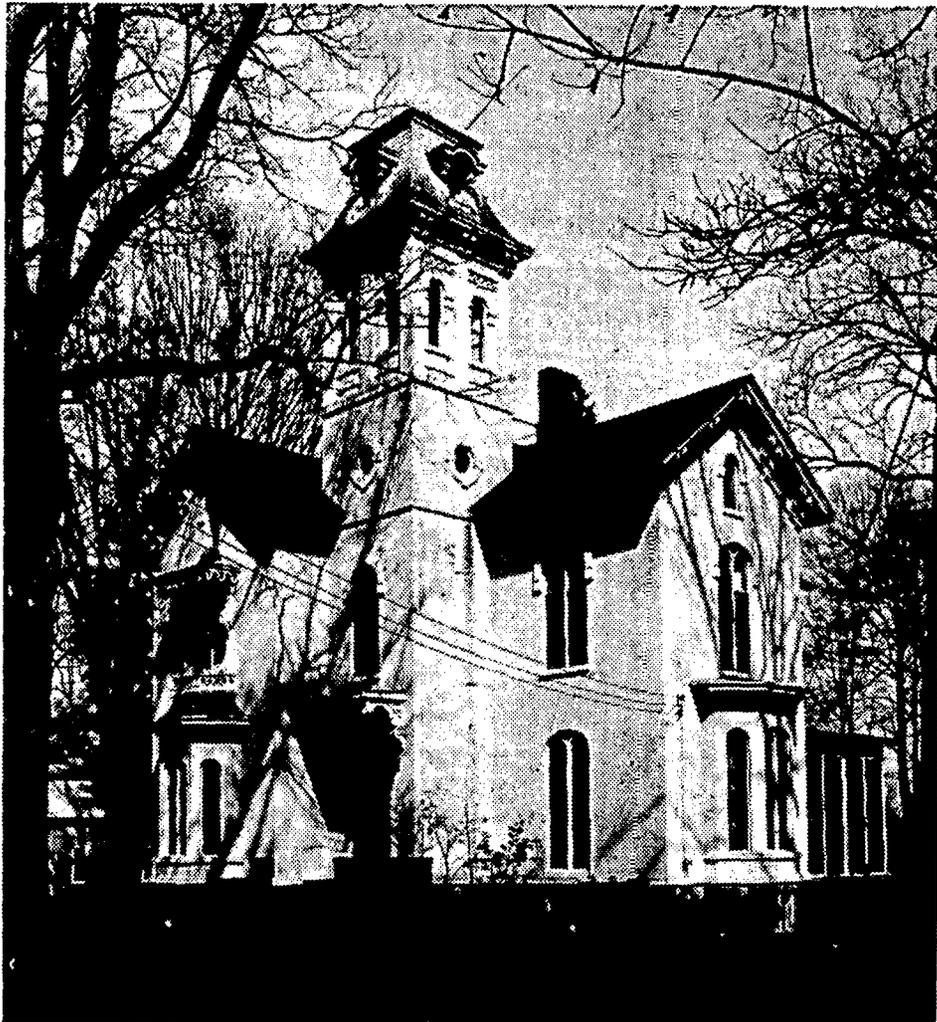
Four museums are included in the tour: Honolulu

House, Capitol Hill School, the Governor's Mansion and the G.A.R. Hall.

Tour hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. Admission is \$5; children under 12, \$1; children under 5, free. Tickets can be purchased at the major approaches to Marshall on the days of the tour.

Added attractions will be an antique show, Civil War encampment, entertainment and an old-fashioned parade at noon each day.

— LILLIAN JACKSON BRAUN



Tuscan villa with 60-foot tower is an example of the Italianate style.

o talk to a man who doesn't talk

interested. Ask questions. Shake him and say, "Darling, what are you trying to say?" Eventually, after a few incoherent "huh, huhs" and "what, whats," he'll ask, "What do you mean, what am I trying to say?" After a few more equally pointless questions and answers he will be so cross that it will be at least 4 minutes before he'll be able to snore again, giving you ample time to get to sleep.

How to talk to a man in a fashionable restaurant

I once read an interview with the Duchess of Windsor in which she said that she and duke hated to eat in public restaurants because they had to converse so animatedly and affect such feverish interest in each other — lest rumors start that they were estranged — that she never could enjoy a bite of her dinner.

The point is that you can't just sit there, specters at the feast, looking like two people who have just learned that their 1976 income tax return is being investigated. Of course there are lots of things on your mind that you could say ("Well, you saw that Chris got a D in Health Habits again," or "The Exterminator says our new bugs are silverfish") but this doesn't seem to be the time or the place.

A couple I know has solved the problem beautifully. She just tells him the story of "The Three Bears," a narrative which is admirable for the purpose because of its many rising inflections. And he helps her out by occasionally interjecting a remark like, "By George, you mean she ate every last bite of the baby bear's porridge?" Do try it some time. Anybody overhearing you will conclude that you are discussing a new television spectacular — either that, or you're both a little bit dotty.

How to talk to a man taking a shower

Here you have a captive audience and an ideal opportunity to tell a husband a number of things that you don't want him to

hear. (Later on you can say, "Of course I told you, you just don't listen!") There is no limit to the amount of unwelcome information you can get off your chest at one clip.

How to talk to a man on the telephone, long distance

A man invariably makes the mistake of calling either from a public bar or from his mother's living room. He can hardly say the one thing you want to hear, which is that he misses you terribly, it's been a nightmare, a nightmare! and he's never going to make a trip alone again. For that matter, you can't tell him that you miss him either, because the children are there with you and they become downright alarmed at any hint that their parents have preserved this degrading adolescent attachment so far into senility. So, if you're not careful, it's going to be a total loss of \$5.85.

Don't, whatever you do, launch into that foolish litany of health bulletins. Let it be understood in advance that if one of the children should be rushed to the hospital for an emergency appendectomy, you'll mention it.

Use the time to clear up some matter that has really been troubling you. Explain that you finally saw "The Bridge on the River Kwai" on television and that it was marvelous, marvelous, but you didn't understand the ending. Get him to explain it. Did Alec Guinness mean to set off that dynamite or didn't he? What about William Holden? Who really killed him? This is important. When William Holden gets shot, a woman wants to know the facts. Later, when you hang up, you may discover that you've forgotten to ask what time his plane arrives, but the call won't have been a total loss.

How to talk to a man before a party

There are two occasions when a wife absolutely expects that a loyal husband will cleave to her side: when she's having a baby and when she's having a party. (It's interesting to note

that the announcements on both occasions always seem to imply that these are joint projects, but, when it comes right down to it, who has that baby and who has that party? You do.)

No one expects a husband to go out in the kitchen and stuff eggs, but he might try being a moral support during that horrible, hollow half-hour before the first guest arrives. There you are, wandering aimlessly about from ashtray to ashtray, suddenly feeling as strange and as lost as if you had just checked into a motel in downtown Pittsburgh. This is precisely the moment he chooses to lay a few asphalt tiles on the floor of the rumpus room.

If you should stand on your rights and say, "Don't you disappear anywhere at all, just stay right here!" he eventually will lighten the tension by muttering, "Great Scott, you forgot limes!" What he should say, of course, is something soothing like, "Darling, you look charming in that dress. It reminds me of the night we met, do you remember? You were dancing with Hugh, and I came in with Connie and Leo . . ."

The last time we had a party, I suggested this constructive line of conversation to my husband. He claimed he'd once said something very similar, and what I said was, "In heaven's name, stop chattering about the night we met and get some ice."

How to talk to a man after you've told him that if he doesn't stop fiddling with that old toaster he is going to blow a fuse, and he does

There is no way. Just light a candle and count to 10 or your blessings, whichever is greater.

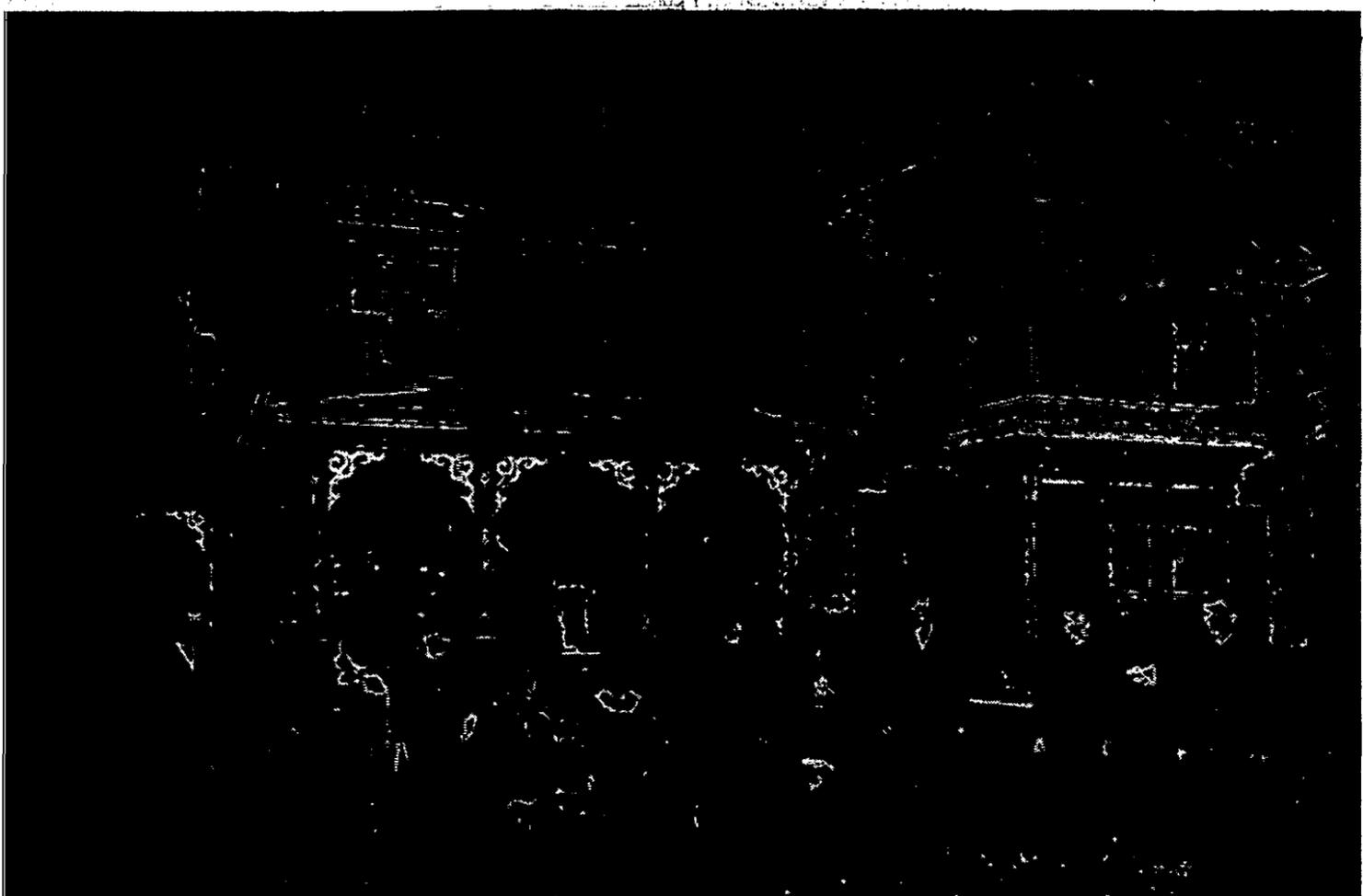
WEDNESDAY: The sandwich crisis

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THE REALY FAMILY is shown here on a summer day in 1895 at the old Realy homestead, 9998 Waterloo-Munith road. From left to right are John Realy, Mary Realy, Jacob Realy, the father; Ida Realy, Catherine Realy, the mother; Daniel Realy, and Charles Realy. The only living member of the family today is Ida (Mrs. Johr Schumacher), now 78 years of age, who lives with her son, Louis, on the Schumacher farm, about a mile east of the old Realy home.

Stockbridge Museum?

Old Realy Home May Be Restored

The Jacob Realy farm home, one of the landmarks of the Waterloo-Munith area may soon become an historical museum.

The old farm home at 9998 Waterloo-Munith road, in its day is one of the show places of the area. It was purchased last year by the Michigan department of conservation as an addition to its Waterloo game area.

Originally all the structures on the property were scheduled for demolition, but Donald Richards, education consultant for the department of conservation recognized the potential value of the interesting and structurally sound old farm house and sought to preserve it.

Officials from the department of conservation and the state historical museum visited the property on December 8 and again on January 6 and shared Richards' enthusiasm.

Arthur G. Elmer, chief of the parks and recreation division, of the department of conservation, agreed to postpone destruction of the farm home until February to allow time for area residents to consider the use of the building for museum purposes. Conservation department officials indicated the house and surrounding property could be made available to a local historical society on a "free use" permit.

The old farm house is mute evidence of an era rapidly being lost to those senior residents who still remember their former neighbors, and lost beyond memory to their grandchildren.

The historical commission points out that unless steps are taken to preserve a few such structures, Michigan soon will be devoid of an important part of its heritage.

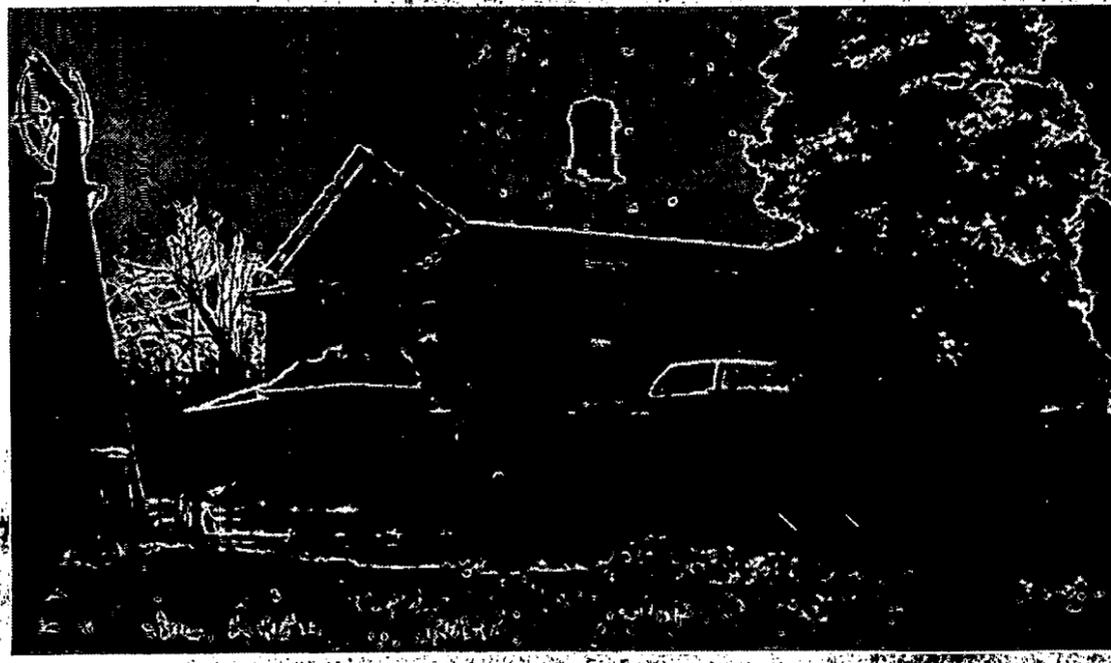
The only survivor of the Realy family is Mrs. Ida Schumacher, daughter of Jacob and Catherine Realy. Mrs. Schumacher now makes her home with her son, Louis, on the Schumacher farm one mile off the Waterloo-Munith road. She has lived there since 1911 when she was married to Mr. Schumacher in St. Jacobs Lutheran parsonage in Stockbridge. Mr. Schumacher died in 1952.

An active, alert woman of 78 years, Mrs. Schumacher was the youngest of a family of 4 boys and 3 girls. Her brothers were John, Charles, Daniel and Albert. Her sisters were Mary (Mrs. Samuel Hoffman) and Sophia Realy.

All of her kin are now dead. Albert, who ran the farm alone after his 3 brothers died, himself died in July of 1960. The old farm home has been vacant since then.

His brother John died in 1937, his sister Mary, in 1947, another sister, Sophia, in 1952, another brother, Daniel, in 1956 and another brother, Charles, in 1959. Jacob Realy was born in Wittenburg, Germany, September 1838, and came to America in 1844. The family arrived in Ann Arbor June 24, 1844, and soon after purchased the farm from a man named Seybold. Records do not reveal Seybold's first name.

In 1862 Jacob enlisted in the 10th Michigan infantry and served throughout the Civil War, being mustered out May 30, 1865. He then returned to the farm home and in 1868 married Catherine Archenbronn. The family took over the farm



HERE'S THE WAY the Realy home looks today. Though the place is run down, it has not been abused. Soon it may become a monument reminding visitors of how houses used to look.

in 1844 and the present farm house was built later.

It is to this day an imposing residence. The main portion of the house was built about 100 years ago and the frame section housing a kitchen and dining room, was constructed in 1888 when Mrs. Schumacher was 5 years old.

Mrs. Schumacher was born on the Realy farm and lived there until she was 28 years old.

The house is built of brick with cobblestone foundation and basement. It has a front porch about 12 feet long and a side porch about 10 feet long. Both porches are trimmed with considerable grill work, called in its day "gingerbread." It was a popular form of decoration at the time.

Windows in the structure all have shutters.

On the first floor are a very large kitchen, a summer kitchen with a high ceiling which, in the winters was used as a woodshed and washroom. On the first floor also are 2 small bedrooms, a pantry, a large dining room, a parlor, and a sitting room. A parlor in the 1870 and 80's was considered the finest room and was used only on special occasions such as family gatherings and when guests were invited for parties. The sitting room was what now would probably be referred to as a "family room."

An open stairway leads from the first to the second floor on which were 2 large and 2 small bedrooms.

The Realy family was prominent in the area and the farm was well kept and well operated. After the death of Jacob and Catherine Realy the 4 brothers operated the place. Jacob Realy died July 12, 1916, and his wife, Catherine, September 11, 1919.

Staff members of the state historical museum in Lansing have agreed to help organize a local historical society and serve as consultants for the museum's development.

"The house is so interesting and so well built," said Solon Weeks, director of the state museum, "it could be restored as a typical home of the 1870-1880 area. It would be furnished with material available in the Stockbridge-Munith Waterloo area to illustrate the early development period. Part of the

rooms would be set up as typical ones of the period and other areas of the house would be devoted to exhibits relative to the development of the area.

The project will require the active support and cooperation of many area residents if it is to succeed as a worthwhile tourist

attraction, Weeks said. He added that local people have indicated that a group now is being formed to spearhead this development and an area-wide meeting will be planned for the near future to formally organize an active historical museum society.



Yester—Years

From the files of the Ingham County News

One Year Ago — 1961
 Mrs. Robert Bedell dived through flames to rescue her child Tuesday. The child, Connie, 15 months, was unharmed. The mother suffered minor burns. Mr. and Mrs. Bedell lived in a house trailer at 4858 Bunker road in Aurelius.

commander of the Browne-Cavender post of the American Legion, has been nominated by the Mason defense council as air raid warden.

Meeting in Miami, Florida, the American College of Osteopathic Practitioners in Medicine and Surgery elected Dr. O. Keith Pauley of Mason as president-elect. He will be advanced to the presidency next year.

With the awarding of a contract for 50,000 gallons of bond goat the Ingham county road commission has secured supplies for continuing the black-top program. Between 50 and 60 miles of gravel roads will be surfaced in 1962.

Residents of Delhi township affected by the proposed sewer and sewage disposal system will have a chance to declare their likes and dislikes about the way the cost will be spread at a public hearing Tuesday, February 14. Assessment rolls have been prepared. There are 1,882 dwellings included in the assessment which totals \$1,499,000.

Civil defense will be augmented by more than 100 employees of the SMA corporation and John Wyeth and Brothers, Inc., Sheriff Allen A. McDonald reported. He received enrollment cards from county defense council headquarters for the special enrollment at the 2 plants.

Mason dumped Holt, 56-43 Friday night to maintain its hot victory streak at 3 straight. It was the first victory for Mason over Holt on the Ram floor in 7 years.

50 Years Ago — 1912
 Judge L. B. McArthur announced he again will be a candidate for judge of probate.

10 Years Ago — 1952
 Dorn Diehl of Ingham and Gerald Eifert of Alameda were named to the board of directors of the soil conservation district. The 125 farmers at the meeting elected Diehl and re-elected Eifert. Other board members are Paul J. Simpson, Aurelius; George Alchin, Leroy; and Gerald L. Diamond of Vevay.

Michigan's 70th birthday anniversary was observed at Leslie Tuesday when members of the Century club and the Citizens' club gathered at their joint annual banquet at the high school. Gov. Wilber M. Brucker addressed the group.

Mason board of education made plans to begin study of an expansion program. Recommended were construction of 12 elementary classrooms and a separate building to house the agricultural shop and band opposite the high school. The estimated cost of the agricultural culture and band building would be \$190,000 with \$300,000 more for the elementary rooms.

Members of the road and bridge committee of the Ingham county board of supervisors met with the board of road commissioners Saturday to go over plans for construction of county roads this spring. Members of the roads and bridges committee urged the road commission to build highways by county account and not let them to the lowest bidder.

Mason's new charter caught the council by surprise. City officials apparently forgot that the new city charter sets the fourth Saturday before February 18 as the last day for filing nominating petitions. That fourth Saturday is Saturday of this week. City Attorney O. J. Hood ruled the council has the authority to extend for one week the time for filing nominating petitions. On that authority Mayor C. H. Hall has extended the time to Saturday, February 2.

Class C and D high school basketball teams in Ingham county, with the exception of Lansing, East Lansing and Mason, will come to Mason March 3, 4 and 5 for a district basketball tournament. Mason, Lansing and East Lansing teams will enter a Class C tournament with Eaton Rapids in Lansing.

Patrons of the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance company were able to add \$15,000 to the surplus fund in 1951.

Three more donations of books have been received the past week by the Community library, operated by the Mason Child Study club. Donors are Mrs. C. A. Clinton, Bert Royston and the Ingham County News.

Mason Bulldogs dropped their first Capitol circuit game to Charlotte, 42 to 38. Mason and Charlotte are now tied for first place.

50 Years Ago — 1912
 Odd Fellows of Mason have rented 3 acres at the west end of Maple street and will fix it up for a ball park.

20 Years Ago — 1942
 Louis A. Stid was re-elected secretary-treasurer for the sixth term at the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ingham county Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance company at a meeting.

E. A. Densmore and family are now located in their new home on C street S. Complaints are becoming frequent of freight trains remaining across Ash and Maple streets for 15 to 30 minutes. This interferes many times with persons going to the electric station. We understand a complaint has been made to the railroad commission.

Mason Creamery company said it will pay 35 cents this week for butterfat delivered at the creamery in good condition.

100 Years Ago — 1862
 The Ingham county board of supervisors voted to build a new house on the county farm; the cost not to exceed \$500. It also appointed James Reed of Alameda as keeper for the present year.

A disease similar to that which was in Mason last winter now prevails to quite an extent in Aurelius. In most cases, it has been fatal.

This is the way it looked before it was vacated in building is now occupied and his Western Auto

News Comments

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Country & Tow

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Picturesque Strange School May Have Students This Year

Rural School 'Cornered'

State Journal Eaton Bureau

GRAND LEDGE—"We've never been closed, but then again we haven't had pupils for a couple of years," said Donald Lawless, secretary for the Strange one-room school in Oneida Township.

Hopes are high, though, for an enrollment this year, Strange's 92nd.

"We're planning on opening," said Mrs. Ver Edwards, board president.

Richard Catey, treasurer, backed the president, saying, "We could have three students, maybe four, five or even six."

IN 'CORNER'

Strange's last enrollment was in 1969-70, with a grand total of three. The school sits near converging boundary lines for the Grand Ledge, Potterville and Charlotte School Districts, which

gobbled up the school's potential learners last year.

"I can't give a flat footed answer to how many warm-blooded bodies we'll have this year," said Lawless, who is in charge of census taking for the small district. "People are moving in and out of the district all the time, so we never know what the story will be until the last minute.

"Traditionally, we'd open around the 1st of September, give or take a day or two," Lawless stated. "We have a teacher on contract all the time. We'll know for sure in a couple of weeks if we'll open for sure."

Only one other rural one-room school, the Loucks near Mulliken, still operates in Eaton County. Loucks, under teacher Ella Oneil, expects an enrollment of 13 this year, one more than a year ago.

Estimated state equalized valuation for Strange is \$272,543, while at Loucks it is \$354,624. It is located at Strange and Oneida roads.

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member of the family who will shun anything vaguely nutritional and exist the entire weekend on a diet of marshmallows.

BOTH OVERHEATED
People tend to rise on week-ends as the spirit calls them. Our son's spirit calls at 7 a.m. while our daughter's spirit is

BERRY'S WORLD



"William F. Buckley and I have a lot in common—people either love me or loathe me!"

can count on full attendance is Sunday night supper. Sunday night we break bread in front of the television set with little plastic trays in our laps and improve our minds. Our children would prefer to improve their minds with a Beverly Hillbillies rerun, but we always insist upon viewing something educational. Last week while we ate, we were treated to a spectacular documentary presentation of a bull snake swallowing a field mouse.

"Keen! Look at that ole

snake—he isn't even chewing. Isn't that cool, Mom?"

"Cool," I murmured, resolving henceforth to cast my vote with the Beverly Hillbillies contingent. Sunday night togetherness may improve our for the digestion.

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Quirks in the News

SAN DIEGO, Calif. (UPI)—The ship's dentist aboard the San Diego-based cruiser Chicago was the right man at the right time.

When the radar broke aboard the ship, he climbed the 100-foot tower and pasted it back together with dental acrylic.

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LONDON (UPI)—Gianco Bottali, 19, who reported to a police station every day for 370 days while out on bail, was cleared of a housebreaking charge Thursday.

When his case finally came up, the prosecution offered no evidence against him.

Said Judge Henry Elam: "The police must have got sick of the sight of him." He awarded Bottali 10 pounds (\$24) out of public funds "as a gesture."

LUTON, England (UPI)—The nuns' habits in a play called "The Devils" was too much for the girls in the production by the town's amateur September Players group. They quit. The nuns in the play are obsessed with violence and sex, and the script called for the girls to perform simulated sex acts half naked.

"This sort of thing may be all right for the professionals but not for amateurs," said Elaine Garner, 21, one of the girls who walked out.

Quotes

WASHINGTON — Assistant Secretary of State Charles A. Meyer, commenting on the country's isolation policy toward Cuba:

"... I can see very little reason for us to seek to change our Cuban policy, particularly as Fidel (Castro) clearly knows that all he has to do to wipe the slate clean is say, 'I will no longer export revolution.'"

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PHNOM PENH — Acting Prime Minister Sisowath Sirik Matak of Cambodia, en route to the United States on a peaceseeking mission:

"The only aim of my mission is to bring peace to our country in order that we can live as a free country, with territorial integrity."



Your Horoscope

For Tomorrow

By Jeane Dixon

SATURDAY, AUGUST 7

Your birthday: Authority and competence come to you this year according to how well you've studied to develop. Great energy is at your disposal in sudden spurts. Today's natives enjoy good logic.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Write your ticket, sign it — take responsibility for your choices and decisions. Where you must depend on others, give thought to changes beyond easy controls.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Think what you are doing and if it doesn't really contribute to your best interests, have the courage to break away from old habits.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Drive a shrewd bargain instead of simply giving your time and attention — get something in return. Wind up a busy day with serious study.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): It's your move. If things aren't satisfying, change or leave. It's better to complain and get an adjustment than to absorb stress you didn't cause.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Bring plenty of company with you for an adventure. Make it mainly social entertainment if you can.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Mull over the purposes and results of the routines you follow, the schemes presented to you. Where you find yourself in disagreement, be intrepid enough to say so.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): If you can't get your hands on it, can't see it work, assume its theory for later consideration and go on to something practical for immediate application.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Even familiar matters are complicated by new factors.

Leave your workweek behind; give your whole attention to what's happening at the present moment.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Free speech includes some wild extremes — be willing to listen as well as spell it out. You have a great deal to learn about even ordinary matters.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Get outside your regular rounds, symbolically in meditation if you can find no physical removal or travel.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): There are three layers of reality to investigate in today's visible local circumstances. When you get beneath the surface of what must be done, consider who is to do it.

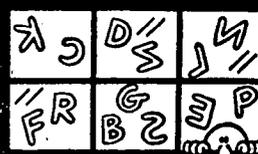
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): The welfare and problems of friends, relatives are heaped on you for care and attention.

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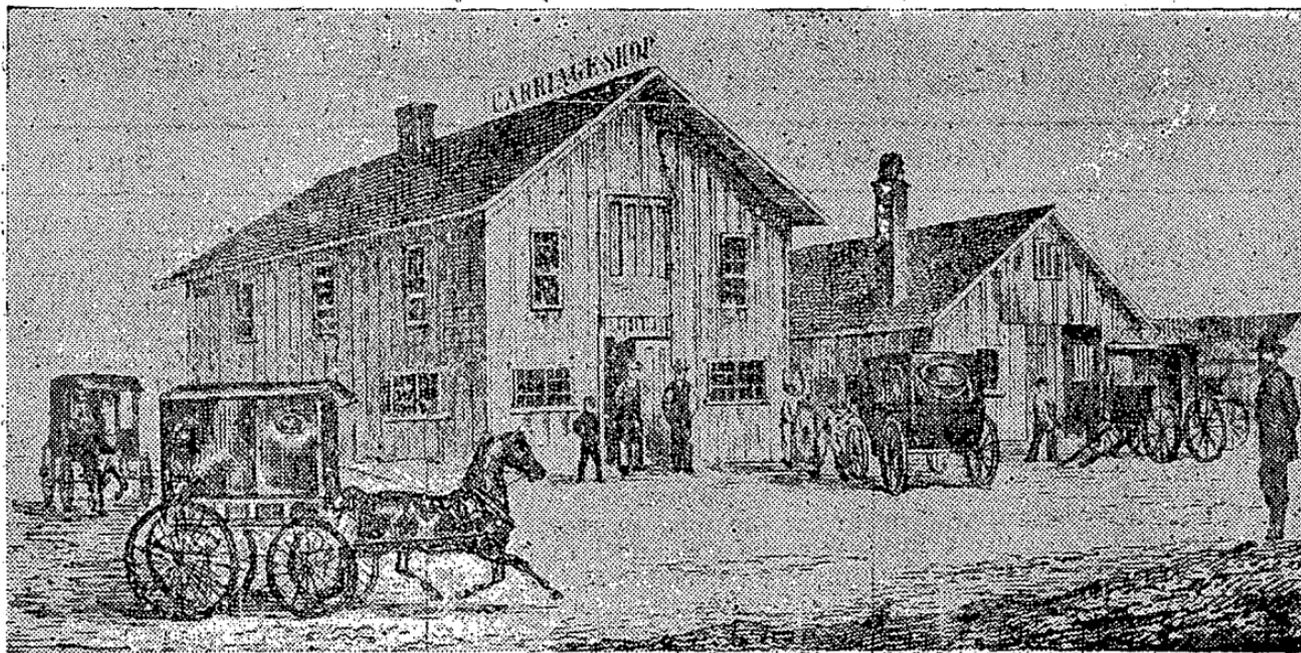
These letters are written on BOTH sides of the window glass! (CAN YOU COUNT THE NUMBER OF LETTERS THAT WERE WRITTEN ON THE OUTSIDE AND THE NUMBER ON THE INSIDE?)



TODAY'S ANSWER

OUTSIDE: K-Z-C-N-7-S-E
INSIDE: O-R-P-F-S-E

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BEFORE THE DAYS of assembly lines, every town of any size had a wagon, cart or carriage factory.

Here's one of Mason's early factories. Notice the fancy rigs around it.

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Wednesday, August 29, 1962

Section C

Okemos Family Relates Adventures in Viet Nam

OKEMOS — Mr. and Mrs. Everett Emery and children, Carol Jean (Penny to her friends) and 18-year-old Dick have arrived home in Okemos after 2 years in Viet Nam where Emery was in the administrative service office for the Michigan State university Viet Nam project.

Mrs. Emery remarked it was hard saying goodbye to relatives and friends when they left for far away places but they knew that they would see them again as soon as Emery's job was finished. But leaving the newfound friends in Viet Nam was different for they knew in all proba-

a cook, maid and laundress who were housed in their own quarters at the rear of the main house.

Mrs. Emery found it hard to eat the food so proceeded to show the cook how to prepare American food, but it just didn't taste right so she let the cook go and had planned to do her own cooking but she said that didn't last long. The weather was so hot and humid she couldn't stand the heat of the kitchen, so another cook was hired.

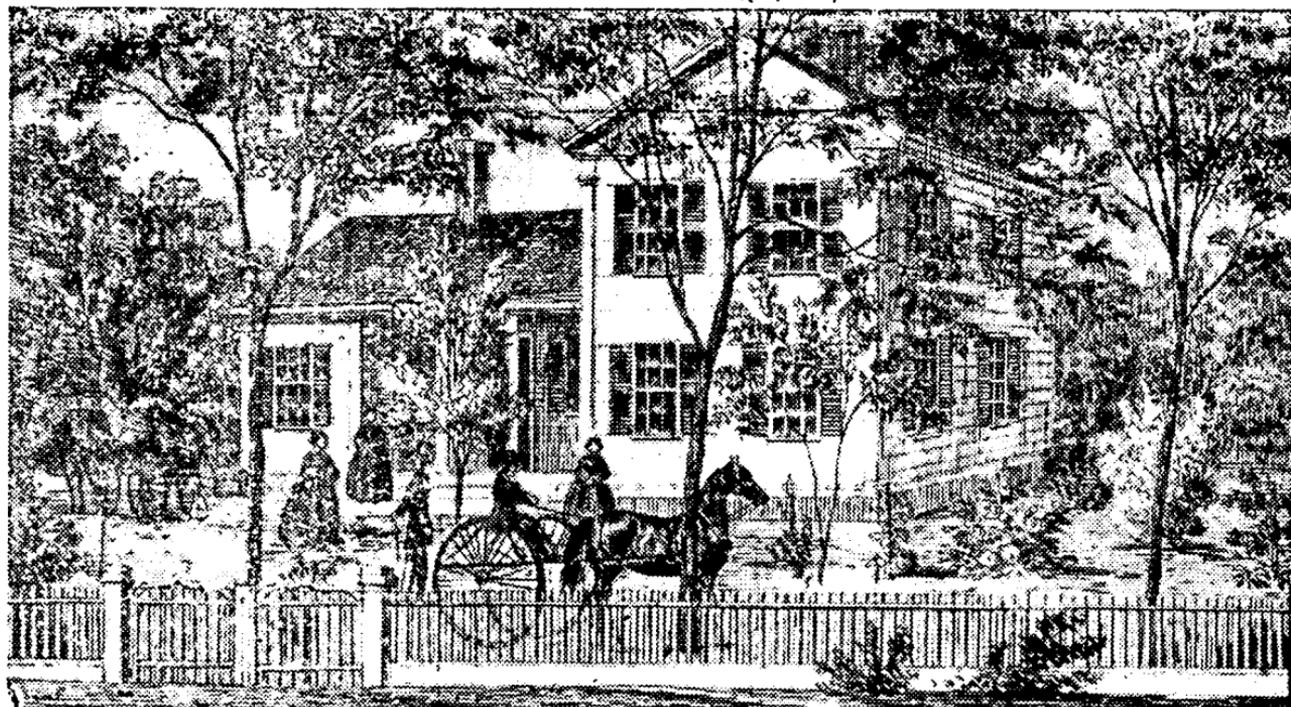
Mrs. Emery said they all became quite proficient with chopsticks. They were always used in

palace. On November 11, 1960, Vietnamese paratroopers attempted to take over the government and they had succeeded, but by maneuvering and stalling President Ngo Dinh Diem got an army detachment from outside Saigon the next day which forced the paratroopers to surrender.

Everything happened so suddenly, they weren't prepared for such an emergency. They were ordered by the American embassy to remain in their homes for 3 days.

Emery said food had to be bought every day due to lack of refrigeration and if it had not been for their loyal servants who went to market each day during all the trouble they would have gone hungry.

Another close call the family experienced was on February 27



PERSONAL PRIDE in home appearance was a strong item in yesteryears as well as today. This home was one of the attractions which made Onondaga a pleasant com-

munity: It belonged to D. G. Amsdill. The white picket fence, the shuttered windows, the bustled women, elegant gentlemen and blooded horses were all part of comfortable living.

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Wednesday, August 1, 1962

Section C

Cyclist Injured

HOLT — John Matthews, 8-year-old bicyclist, rode his bike into the path of a car on highway US-127 last Wednesday afternoon and suffered a broken arm, leg and body cuts. He was taken to Edward W. Sparrow hospital in Lansing for treatment. The driver of the car, Donald C. Getter, 21, of Leslie was not held. The accident occurred at Willoughby road.

Leslie Roundup Time Is Nearing

LESLIE — Fall roundup time is nearing Leslie. The annual event at which approximately 10,000 visitors are expected, weather permitting, will be staged sometime in September on a date yet to be set.

Student from India Due In Williamston This Week

WILLIAMSTON — Miss Phatak Suhasini D. from Ahmednagar, India, is due to arrive in New York August 3 and will soon be in Williamston at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Petrides on Barton road. She is sponsored as an exchange student by the local chapter of the American Field Service.

Miss Phatak, 18, is a college student in India, the youngest daughter of a family of 7 children. Her father is a retired bank clerk. Her mother is dead. She is an enthusiastic athlete, especially in swimming and tennis.

Phatak writes "According to the wishes of many members of my



The Ingham

Wednesday, N



HERE IS THE FIRST Ingham county court house as it looks today — a comfortable residence at 721 S. Jefferson street.

119 Years Later

First Courthouse Still Stands

Ingham county's first court house, a wooden structure built in 1843, still is in use in Mason.

It is a residence now at 721 S. Jefferson street, but more than 100 years ago it occupied a spot on E. Ash street about where Howlett's implement store is now located and was the seat of county government for about 15 years.

When the 2nd court house was completed in 1858, the county offices moved into it and the old building later on

apparently was sold and moved to the Jefferson street site.

Over the years it has had many occupants. Present ones are Mr. and Mrs. Kent Johnson who moved in only a few months ago. History does not reveal who purchased the building from the county or when it was moved to its present site.

But today it has been transformed into a comfortable home. It has a modern front with a rolled roof, although indications are that the original

roof still covers part of the structure.

Among the former owners of the old place were Mr. and Mrs. William McCowan who lived there for about 15 years. Their son, Howard McCowan, now a Mason attorney, was born in the house.

Apparently the old building has been a residence for close to 100 years.

It was built originally as a court house at a cost of \$880, according to information in a history of Ingham county.

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armed forces. The Schones
have just returned from Ger-
many. 43w2

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ried, reliable and ambitious.
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parttime, neat and reliable,
over 18. Apply at Miller's
Dairy store, Okemos. 44w1

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person at Haley's Restaurant,
304 Cedar, Mason. 44w1

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per week and up full time
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leigh Products in Mason.
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entrances, parking space,
perfect for older couple.
Phone Detroit collect Tuxedo
5-2536. W. G. Meier. 42w3

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street, Mason, 7 room
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utilities and entrance, gas
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stove and refrigerator. Plea-
sant surrounding, private
entrance, parking. Alton Jew-
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Lost — Found

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formation leading to the
whereabouts of a German
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my premises October 14,
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6 months old, wearing brown
leather collar with metal
owner's name plate attached.
Call P. L. Conklin, William-
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Cards of Thanks

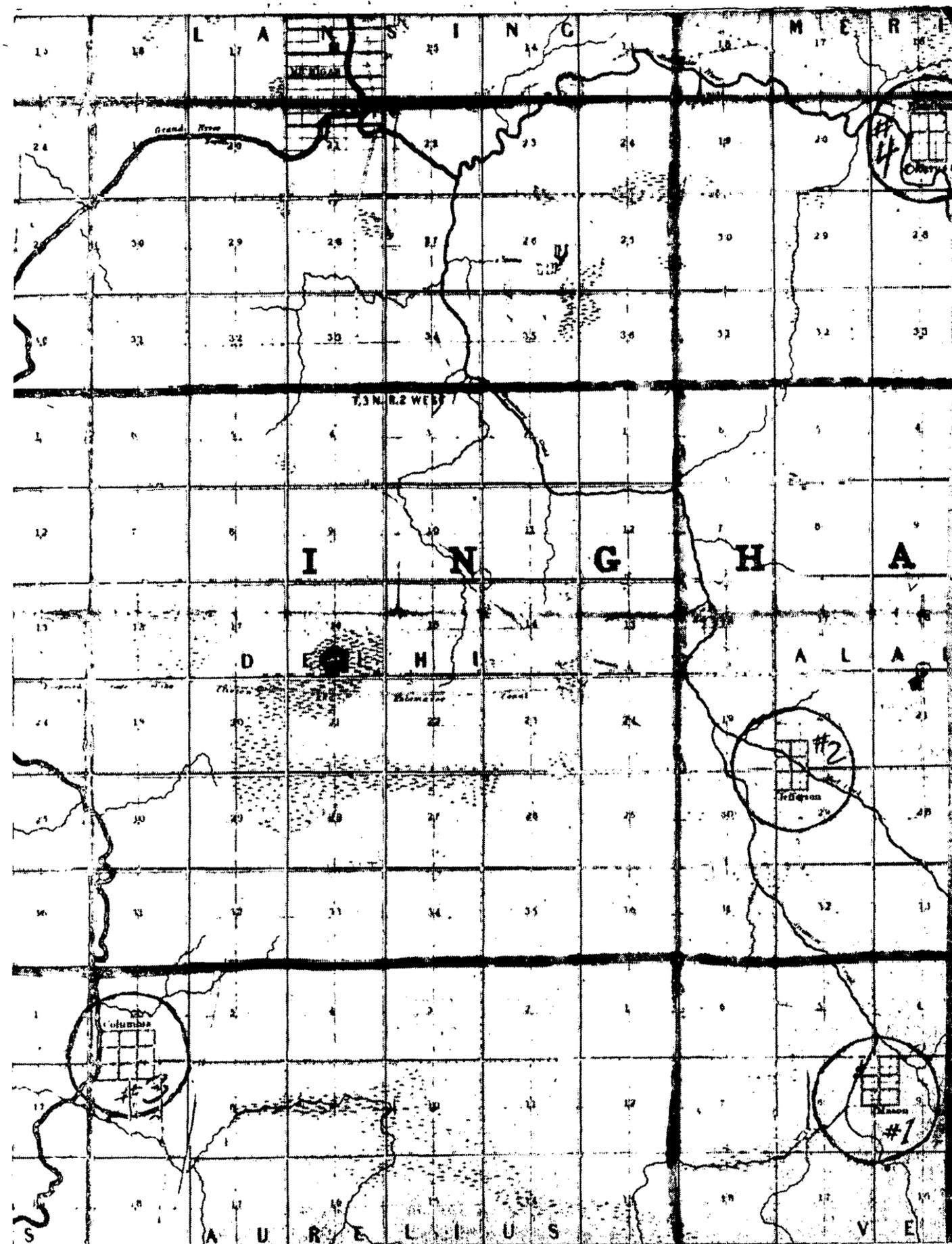
SPEER — We wish to thank
all of our friends and neigh-
bors, also the Rebekah Lodge
324, Mason, for cards and
flowers sent us during the
death of our sister, Cora Thur-
ber. Ina and Rollie Speer.
44w1

MILLER—The family of Flor-
ence V. Miller wishes to
thank her neighbors and many
friends for acts of kindness,
flowers and cards during her
illness and death. We wish to
thank Dr. Clinton, Dr. Miller
and Mason General hospital
staff, Ball-Dunn funeral home
for their kindness and Rev.
Sutcliffe for his comforting
words. 44w1

HAZEL—I wish to thank the
Aurelius Baptist church
Ladies Aid, all my friends,
neighbors and my relatives
for the beautiful flowers,
cards, calls, food and other
acts of kindness shown me
while recuperating from my
accident. I would also like to
thank Dr. A. V. Smith and
all the nurses at Mason Gen-
eral hospital for the wonder-
ful care I received. Mrs. Stan-
ley Hazel. 44w1

HASELBY—I wish to thank
my friends, neighbors, rela-
tives, Rebekahs, WSCS, East
Alaiedon Aggies 4-H club for
the gifts, food, flowers, calls
and prayers during my hospi-
tal stay. Thanks to Dr. His-
toe, Dr. Brown, Dr. Larsen
and staff of Sparrow hospital
for their wonderful care.
Thanks to Rev. Sutcliffe for
his visits and words of com-
fort, to my family and par-
ents, I say thank you and may
God bless each one of you.
Mrs. Charles Haselby. 44w1

DORN — We wish to express
our heartfelt thanks and ap-
preciation for the many acts
of kindness, prayers and neigh-
borly help in



THIS OLD MAP, printed in the 1840's
shows the location of Jefferson (No. 2) in its
relation to Mason (No. 1) the map also shows
the location of Columbia (No. 3). You can see that

started and died in the early days. Okemos, or
Hamilton as it was known then also is shown
(No. 4). There's a complete story about Jef-
ferson on Page 1.

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Wednesday, November 21, 1962



THIS OLD HOUSE at 1790 Dexter Trail stands vacant today, but once its walls resounded to the tramp of boots and the clink of glasses and from its kitchen the odor of

fine food permeated the house. In those days — 125 years ago — it was known as Wessels' tavern, an overnight stage coach stop on the trail between Ann Arbor and Lansing.

If This House Could Only Talk

The old house stands back apiece from Dexter Trail, silent and alone. Motorists rush by on the paved highway, giving no thought to the weather beaten building, which, if it could talk, would tell a story of life in Michigan more than 100 years ago.

For the old place, now designated only as the house at 1790 Dexter trail, once was known as Wessels' Tavern. In its day it was an overnight stop for weary travelers who rode the stagecoach line from Ann Arbor to Lansing—a distance of 65 miles.

But 65 miles in those days was a long distance. Today it can be driven easily in a little over an hour. One hundred years ago horses plodded over dirt roads and trails and the coach they hauled bumped and careened along its journey.

But when the equipage arrived at Wessels' Tavern the passengers alighted at a brightly lighted inn. They entered the building into a hall. At one side was a bar, at the other dining rooms. Odors of tasty food emanated from the kitchen at the rear of the house, and the host, Samuel B. Wessels, was on hand to welcome his guests and make them comfortable.

On the second floor were guests quarters. There was one large master bedroom and 4 smaller ones. At the rear of the house was a large woodshed over which were the servants' quarters.

Samuel Wessels was considered a very wealthy man. He owned at one time between 500 and 1,000 acres of rich farmland. He also operated a store at St. Louis, Michigan, in Gratiot county, and he shipped dried apples, vegetables and meats to Jackson and then on to New York city. In those days everyone had a trade. Wessels was a cobbler.

Wessels obtained the original deed for the land from the United States government on August 5, 1837. The deed bears the signature of Martin Van Buren, president of the United States at the time. It is now in the possession of Wessels H. Bohnet, a member of the faculty of the Dansville Agricultural school, who is a great-great grandson of Samuel Wessels.

Other living heirs are: Dr. Wirt B. Dakin, Los Angeles, a grandson; Wirt B. Dakin Jr., San Francisco, great-grandson; Mrs. Virginia Fredcrick, Los Angeles, great-granddaughter; Mrs. Jean Veit, who lives near Los Angeles, a great-granddaughter; Mrs. Florence Fitzpatrick, Corunna, a great-granddaughter. Wilmot S. Bohnet, great-great grandson.

Samuel Wessels came from New York state where he was born October 27, 1810. At

first, there was a log house on the place. Later the tavern was erected. The original farm covered 200 acres, but Wessels acquired more and more land. His tavern and his store at St. Louis prospered and his farm poured more money into his coffers.

He operated his tavern until his death September 28, 1878, at the age of 68. After that it became a residence.

Wessels was known to his friends and neighbors as Uncle Sam. He was well liked and known for his kindness and generosity to the poor and unfortunate.

Wessels Bohnet recalls visiting the old home when his grandmother, Mrs. Warren Hills, lived there.

At the death of Samuel Wessels, his granddaughter, Mrs. Hills, was left the house and the original 200 acres. Wessels' daughter, Samantha, went to California, but returned some time later to Michigan and married. On her return trip to Michigan she traveled by train across the Isthmus of Panama and thence on to New York city and from there to Michigan.

For many years before his death, Mrs. Hills lived with her grandfather. She was born Mattie Spaulding in Virginia City, Nevada, but came to Michigan with her parents when she was a baby. Bohnet's mother's maiden name was Gertrude M. Walker.

Mrs. Gertrude M. Bohnet owned the Wessels property for many years. She finally sold it in 1944 to a Detroit real estate man. The present owner is unknown to Bohnet.

Years ago barns and other buildings occupied areas around the old house, but they were struck by lightning and burned to the ground.

The old house remains as a link between the eras of yesterday and today, standing like a spectre of the past—vacant and ghostly.

Council Jumps Justice Salary

Beginning July 4, 1963, Mason's justice of the peace will have a fatter pay check. At Monday night's council meeting the charter was amended to raise the salary to \$4,500.

At the November election the voters authorized a salary maximum of \$6,000. The previous maximum was \$4,000.

The council also set the per diem fee of the associate justice of the peace at \$15 a day. The associate justice takes over only when the justice is on vacation or otherwise unable to attend court.



WESSELS H. BOHNET, a member of the faculty of Dansville Agricultural school, is a great-great grandson of Samuel Wessels. He has the original deed for the Wessels farm which Samuel Wessels acquired in 1837.

Banks Mail Holiday Cheer

Mason banks dispersed \$70,000 worth of Christmas club checks this week. The money went to 643 club members.

Dart National bank mailed out \$35,000 to 300 club members and Mason State bank mailed out \$35,000 to 343 members.

The annual checks to the savers who have been saving all year will be used for a variety of things. Surveys reveal that some of the members use their money for taxes and insurance payments. But the bulk of Christmas club members can be expected to use the money to buy Christmas presents. With Christmas just a month away, the bulk of the money will be quickly re-circulated in stores.

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Mason School Still in Black

Superintendent James der Ven presented members of the board of education their meeting last week a financial statement showing cash on hand as of November 1 of \$65,651.07.

Expenditures for the payroll totalled \$27,464 on November 13 and bills paid \$12,963.84 on November 13, leaving a balance of \$223.23.

Primary money expenditures this week will increase bank balance by \$28,200 and estimated state aid in December will add \$42,330. Further revenue tax money is expected in December. When this is in the amount of \$50,000 to be paid, the superintendent said. Payrolls and bills the remainder of November will total approximately \$100,000.

Mason schools receive 10 percent of their revenue from local taxes, 68.4 percent from state aid funds, 3.7 percent from transportation (bus and 1.4 percent from miscellaneous sources.

Budget expenditures are divided in this manner: teacher salaries, 65.8 percent; for administration, 7.97 percent; for instructional supplies (paper, books, etc.), 1.5 percent; for operations and maintenance of the school plant, 15.65 percent; for charges, (insurance, etc.), 1.5 percent; auxiliary services, 5.47 percent; capital outlay, 1.22 percent.

Mason Will Give Christmas Gift

With Christmas only a few weeks away, Mason is preparing for its usual Christmas basket deliveries.

A meeting has been called for Monday night at 8 in the Mason Presbyterian church to formulate plans for the Community Clearing House basket program.

Each year for the past several years the clearing house group has seen to it that Christmas baskets are provided needed families at Christmas time.

Monday night's meeting will formulate plans and elect officers for the year. Holdover officers from last year's program are Lloyd Morris, Mason attorney, who is secretary and Jack Davis, Mason clothier, who is treasurer.

Others who are aiding the plans for Monday night's meeting are Rev. Paul Arnold, pastor of the Presbyterian church; Rev. E. I. Sutcliffe of the Methodist church, and Rev. Lawrence Martin of All Saints Lutheran church.

Every's Bag Buck With Their Truck

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Every got a deer this year the easy way. A 4-point buck tried to hurdle the Every's truck as it sped along US-27 near Higgins lake Saturday morning. He didn't quite make it. Mrs. Every was driving the truck south toward Mason winding up a fruitless deer hunt near Frederick. Her husband saw the buck edge towards the highway and yelled to Mrs. Every to alter course. But it was too late.

The animal was struck down by the trailer and was pinned under it. Every killed the animal with a rifle shot tagged it and dragged it into the truck.

The Everys had been hunting with their sons, Raymond and Wayne. Both had killed deer on the trip. And by the time the senior Everys had driven to Higgins lake Saturday morning, they evened their score with their sons.

Mason Stores Open Monday

Holt News

Pat Albrecht

Mrs. Rosetta Surato gave a dinner party at her home on Aurelius road for Mrs. Sylvia Gilson of Charlevoix. Guests were Mrs. Ella Meyer, Mrs. Helen Lynch, and Miss Burdell McFadden, all from Lansing. Also invited were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Binkley from Holt.

The Robert Olsons were honored with a weekend visit from Mr. and Mrs. Donald McRay and family from Cheboygan.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Stephens are the parents of a new son, born October 27 at the Ingham Medical hospital. He was named Brian Richard, and weighed 7 pounds and 5 ounces.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Huver made a trip to Battle Creek last week end to visit Mrs. Beatrice Yaw, Mrs. Huxer's sister, who is in the hospital.

Servicemen

Pvt. Charles W. Skinner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford C. Skinner, Mason, currently is undergoing advanced training in Company B (General Supply School) of the 2nd Training Brigade's 6th Battalion at Fort Knox, Ky. He is scheduled to complete this course November 7. The 20-year-old soldier entered the army last July and completed basic combat training at Fort Knox. Skinner attended Mason high school.

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Alaiedon Township

PUBLIC HEARING

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A public hearing will be conducted at the Alaiedon township hall beginning at 8 p.m. to hear suggestions and recommendations regarding an amendment to the present Alaiedon zoning ordinance, a new building and zoning ordinance and an ordinance to provide for regulations of buildings and structures in Alaiedon township.

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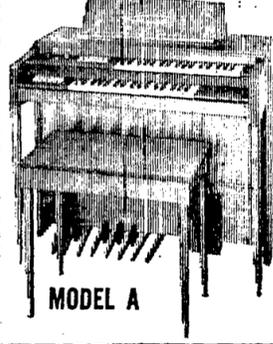
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ONLY A RIPPLE in Mud creek tells where Jefferson City mill once flourished. Hayden Palmer, News county editor, is in this picture as he tried to piece together the story of the town that rivaled Mason a little more than 100 years ago.

Ghost Town

Jefferson City Was Mason's Rival

and the forest," historians when he was 8 years old. was in 1835 in a home on the banks of a li river where the city of Cle land, Ohio now stands.

Jefferson City did gain some fleeting importance during its existence. History records that the first township meeting in Alaiedon was conducted there.

But Jefferson City failed and Mason survived. Jefferson City could not attract business and the persons who had bought lots, to which they had no title, lost confidence in the future prospects of the place, became dissatisfied and most of them moved away.

For many years some of the buildings built at Jefferson City stood, alone and gaunt in the fields, and it became known as Ingham county's ghost town.

It has been hinted by some, history books record, that had the place been in the hands of more energetic men, its future would have been vastly different from that which is known.

However, Mason, the rival with about equal claims, was pushed to the front and maintained its supremacy over all other villages in the county, except Lansing which was backed by the state and had its future assured as soon as the place was platted.

There is little evidence today to show that Jefferson City ever existed.

There is some evidence of the clearing in which the town lay, but that is about all. There is a ditch that starts from Mud creek and circles the clearing around to meet the creek again and there is a spot in the creek where there are ripples which old timers say is where there was a dam which served the sawmill that Howe built nearly 125 years ago.

There also are some strips of wood, very aged, which may have been the remains of some building and tree stumps that have been cut with a cross cut saw.

Several large and small rocks are visible in areas of the clearing. They give evidence that they may have been placed there years ago, either for foundations or possibly as headstones for graves.

But Jefferson City today is a far cry from the metropolis of Ingham county that its founders visualized. The green grass under a warm October sun, the little stream that flows lazily along the border of the clearing—it is as peaceful and bucolic a scene as anyone could wish.

Jefferson City today could be an artist's paradise.

One of the early settlers in Jefferson City was Levi Ketchum, who came to the area with his parents in 1843,

Jefferson City was once scene of a murder in which a settler was killed. The killer was captured, tried and sentenced to life imprisonment at The Tamaracks, Jackson prison then known.

Ann Rolfe was the first school teacher in Jefferson City. She taught in a school house during the summer of 1837. Miss Lydia Wells of Delhi township taught there in 1840. She later became Mrs. William P. Rolfe of Alaiedon.

Among the first settlers were 3 families named Child, Lewis and Phillips.

Jefferson City was one of 4 so-called "ghost towns" in Ingham county. One was Middle City, another Ingham a third, Columbia.

Ingham was a town that never got beyond the plat stage, but in 1840 its promoters had visions of making it the county seat of Ingham county. Ingham was located about 3 miles east of Mason. The town never was platted. Historians say it died because of the competition from Jefferson City.

Columbia came into being west of Mason and Columbia road today perpetuates memory. The village lay east of the Grand river and what is now Columbia road and was settled either in 1837, 1838 or 1839. At one time it had 13 families and a sawmill, somewhat the same as Jefferson City.

Biddle City was located what is now the south side of Lansing. It was organized by 2 brothers, William and John Ford, who filed the original plat at Jackson (then known as Jacksonborough) in 1840. The Fords were New Yorkers who had played a part in Jackson's growth and figured they could do as well far north in the area of the Grand river.

The financial panic of 1857 was one of the things that killed Biddle City. Another factor was the fact that the Fords neglected to build a mill, which was a necessity for small communities of that day. The third factor was lack of a good road leading into Biddle City. There only an Indian trail led to Jackson.

And so in 1844 Biddle City was sold for taxes and ultimately became a part of Lansing.

Dansville's Story

Early Ingham Settlement Still Serves Farm Areas

Back when the 19th century was young, a sturdy band of pioneers made their way from New York state into the wilderness of what is now Ingham county and established the town of Dansville, a village that today has a population of approximately 450 persons.

Dansville was named for Daniel Crossman, one of the early settlers. He was the son of Samuel Crossman, founder of the village.

Dansville in the early days had dreams of becoming a city — dreams that were shattered by a series of 3 bad fires in 1888, 1896

and 1912 that virtually decimated the community. The town never completely recovered from the blow.

But Dansville is not a sleepy, forgotten town. It has a fine school system, 3 churches, several stores and is surrounded by a rich farm community. It lies 8 miles east of Mason on a bus route between Lansing and Ann Arbor and Lansing and Metropolitan airport, Detroit.

Its residents are friendly. They reside in comfortable, pretty homes. If they want recreation or entertainment which their village

cannot offer they have Detroit 77 miles away, Lansing about 20 miles and Jackson about 28 miles.

Dansville is an incorporated village. Its president is Leland Perrine Sr. Wessels Bohnet is village clerk. Mrs. Melvin Battige, village treasurer and Mrs. Edith Simons, assessor. Council members are James Call, Vincent Carlen, Wilmot S. Bohnet, Dewey Craft, Howard Merindorf and Donald Gailey.

The present postmaster is Mrs. Verla Wolfgang.

The village government is located in the town hall on Mason street, which also houses the fire department and the Dansville branch of the Ingham county library. Mrs. Simons is the librarian. Melvin Battige is chief of the volunteer fire department which numbers 20 men. The department is equipped with a John Bean 500 gallon high pressure pumper and a tanker truck. Command officers are Chief Battige and Howard Merindorf, assistant chief; Ted Clickner, captain, and Nolan Wemple, lieutenant.

Dansville is policed by Leslie Reid, a deputy of the Ingham county sheriff's department.

Dansville streets have from 3 to 3½ miles of paving and old and shady trees.

Among the most beautiful homes in the village are those of the Diehl family on the northern side of the village. There C. A. Diehl and his 2 sons, David and Dorn, reside in 3 of the most palatial residences in the town. The Diehl family is one of the oldest in the village. Their land lies almost as far as the eye can see to the north, east and west of their homes, covering 1,100 acres. They concentrate on high bred dairy cattle and corn production.

Their farm is the biggest industry in Dansville.

Dorn Diehl and his brother, David, are graduates of Michigan State university. Dorn Diehl's hobby is compiling a history of Dansville and Ingham township, and the Ingham County News is indebted to him for much of the historical material used in this story of the village.

Dansville has 3 churches — Methodist, Free Methodist and Baptist. The Methodist church is the oldest. It was built in 1865, 2 years after the Methodist organization was formed. The church built in 1865 is still in use, although it has been modernized and additions built to it over the years.

The original Methodist church building was completed in 1866 at a cost of \$3,469. Rev. G. W. Owen was pastor at the time.

The lumber for the church came from the farm of D. M. Woods, located north of Dansville. Some of the beams were so heavy that 2 teams of horses were used to skid them from the woods.

The church was remodeled in 1900 and a Sunday school annex was added to the east of the building and additional space built to the north to provide a choir loft and altar. The pastor at that time was Rev. Edward Benson.

No more physical changes were made in the building until 1948 under the pastorate of Rev. Fred Landrum. The church altar was rebuilt, the entire building redecorated and new floors were laid. In July, 1954, the basement was remodeled for church school rooms. In July, 1951, the original pews were replaced and an electric organ dedicated.

The final addition to the church was started in 1957, nearly doubling the capacity of the facilities. The latest addition includes a large fellowship hall, a modern kitchen, pastor's study and classrooms. It was named the Landrum Fellowship hall in memory of Rev. Landrum who originally started the large building program.

Charles H. Crossman of New York City presented the Dansville Baptist church with a Bible with a history. The book, which was published in 1795 while George Washington was president of the U. S., is one of a subscription edition and the Father of his Country was one of those who subscribed.

The family who subscribed to this volume kept it in their possession for more than a century. It was then presented to Charles Crossman, son of Samuel Crossman, who was the founder of the village of Dansville. Samuel Crossman was born in 1796 at Hillsdale, N. Y., of an ancestry that came to America in 1639. He located in Dansville in 1836 and the village was named after his son, Daniel Crossman.

The historical book was pre-

sented to the Dansville Baptists in order that the church might become its custodian.

Some years later the Baptist church was dissolved and the Bible was given to the Ingham county library in Mason where it now may be seen.

Dansville has a building that is famous, not only because of its shape, but also because of its history.

It is an 8-sided octagon house at 1397 E. Mason street, about half a block east of the intersection of Jackson and Mason streets, the main 4 corners of the village.

The house was built in 1863 by Dr. Weston. The octagon design was used so that the building could become a fort if necessary. It was one of the stations along the underground railroad which brought slaves from the south on their way to asylum in Canada. From Dansville they were transported to Port Huron and across the river into Ontario.

Bennet Taylor, who now lives in the old house, says it has been occupied almost constantly since it was built. After Dr. Weston's occupancy, 2 other doctors lived in the building. One was a Doctor Sherwood, and, after him, Doctor Charles Randall. The Herbert Sawyer family lived in the house for 35 years. At one time, also, it was a telephone office.

The Taylor family has resided there for 23 years. Taylor is a retired postmaster of Dansville.

It is believed to be one of the last if not the last of numerous octagon houses built in the state years ago. The building today has been modernized. It has a spacious, well kept lawn and is an attractive village residence.

Taylor says there was another of these octagon houses near Port Huron that contained a secret room in which slaves were kept until they started their journey across the river to Canada.

The Dansville house has the same roofing today as that put on when it was built 99 years ago. It is what was known in its day as a block tin roof. Pure tin in sheets 16 by 24 inches in size were soldered together to form the house covering. The tin was brought down to the edge of the roof and rolled up for eaves troughs.

Atop the house is a cupola. The Taylor home has 11 rooms and a full basement.

The Baptist church now occupies a building which once was the village fire hall on Jackson street.

The original Baptist church was organized in 1842 when a Baptist council was formed with a membership of about 20. The pastors came on horseback and conducted services once every 4 weeks. In 1860 the Baptist church was built when the membership had grown to 96. In later years this Baptist organization was dissolved. The site of the original Baptist church is now occupied by a residence which was built on the foundation of the old church. The original steps leading up to the church are still in use by occupants of the house.

In 1880 the Methodist Protestants built a brick church on the site of the old school house. Several members of the church died and others moved away and for a number of years the building was unoccupied. The building finally was sold to the Free Methodist society which has made it a prosperous church.

Present pastors of the 3 churches are: Rev. Robert Brubaker, Methodist; Rev. Robert Sawyer, Free Methodist; and Rev. Roger Dickinson, Baptist.

Wessels Bohnet, village clerk, looking ahead to the future, believes the opening of the new Interstate highway 96 about 7 or 8 miles to the north of the village, may do something for Dansville.

"It may possibly bring us some kind of an industry," he said. "One of our present biggest industries is the school."

Bohnet recalls when Dansville had a parts factory operated by the Scripser brothers. It moved to Laingsburg about 5 years ago.

Bohnet is a 6th grade teacher in the Dansville schools. He has taught there for 10 years. Born in Dansville, he has been a teacher for 33 years. For 9 years he was principal of the Island school at College and Cavanaugh roads. He came back to Dansville to teach a decade ago.

Seven or eight teachers in the present Dansville school went to school in Dansville when they were children, Bohnet says. Eight teachers now teaching there graduated from Dansville high school.



DANSVILLE HAS AN EXCELLENT school system, housed in this building in the southwestern part of the village. The picture here shows the additions made to the building, the tower on the original building shown through the many shade trees that surround the struc-

ture. Searl Briggs is superintendent of the school. All grades through the 12th are housed in the building. Briggs expects an enrollment of 925 pupils for the 1962-63 year. The school has a staff of 36 teachers.

Of the population many persons work in Lansing and some in Jackson.

Searl Briggs, superintendent of the Dansville Agricultural school, which this fall has an enrollment of about 925 students with 375 of them in junior and senior high school, grew up in Dansville and attended Dansville schools.

The Dansville school has 36 teachers. Briggs became a teacher and athletic coach in Dansville schools in 1931. In 1934 he was made principal, and in 1940 was promoted to superintendent.

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Dansville in Ingham township was one of the earliest settlements in the county. Permanent homeseekers located there as early as 1836-40 and the first business establishment was a small store, with a general stock, opened by Samuel Crossman

about 1847. The first hotel was the Union hotel built in 1856-57 by David D. Fox.

A postoffice was established in the southeast part of Ingham township in 1846 and was first kept by John B. Lobdell. Later it was moved to Hines Corners one and a half miles south of the present village and Henry Densmore was the postmaster. It finally came to Dansville where Dr. Daniel T. Weston was the first postmaster in 1855. Weston also was the first physician in Dansville.

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Strong, M. V. Jessop and Joseph Keene.

Churches, schools and fraternal organizations were quickly organized and its growth was hampered only by lack of a railroad, but to offset this it had 2 stage lines run by G. P. Glynn and L. Geer, who carried trade between Dansville and Mason.

Many of Dansville's citizens have gone out into the world where they hold prominent positions and have written their names high on honor's role.

Ingham township was established in 1837 and for some time included Ingham, White Oak, Wheatfield and Leroy.

The first town meeting was held at the home of Caleb Carr in Wheatfield. This resulted in the election of a slate of officers, the first in the township. Henry Lee was chosen supervisor, Marcus Beers, township clerk; and J. B. Lobdell, treasurer.

Joshua Doane and his son, John, in company with Amariah Winchell in the winter of 1835-36 came to Ingham and purchased land. Winchell erected on his place the first shanty built in the

township. Doane was the first man to bring his family into the township and Mrs. Doane was the first white woman to make her home in what was then a wilderness.

Benjamin Avery arrived about 1836, settling near Dansville. He was followed by Zenus Atwood and others. When Strong arrived the only persons living there were John S. Crossman, Samuel Skadan and William Everts. Their houses were of logs, the only frame structure being John Crossman's barn.

In 1846 Samuel Crossman built a frame house, the first frame house in Dansville.

Samuel Crossman arrived from New York state in 1846 and purchased 400 acres of land. His son, John, had arrived in 1840.

By 1863 Dansville had become a prosperous, growing town. It had 2 shops for the manufacture of carriages, several stores, a grist mill, a saw mill, one church edifice — Baptist — and 4 organized religious societies, Methodist Protestant, Methodist Episcopal, Baptist and Universal.

The village had a stage connect-

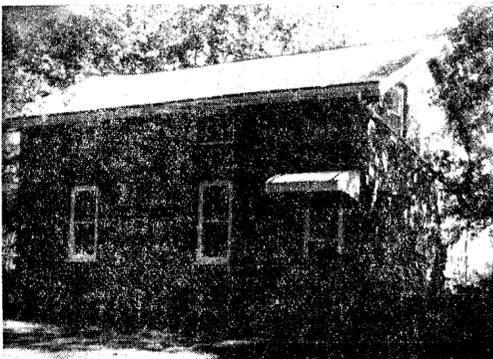
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THIS ONCE WAS A FIRE HALL in Dansville, but now is a church. The building on Jackson street is now occupied by the Baptist church of which Rev. Roger Dickinson is pastor. The present fire hall is located in the town hall on Main street.



MRS. ABBIE FORTMAN, present correspondent for Dansville for the Ingham County News, is shown at her desk in her home, preparing her copy for this week's edition. She has resided in the house at 1484 E. Main street for the past 36 years.



THIS IS SAID TO BE THE OLDEST HOUSE in Dansville. It is the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Young at the present time. It is located at 1386 Adams street at Jackson street. Mrs. Young for 30 years was the Dansville correspondent of the Ingham County News.

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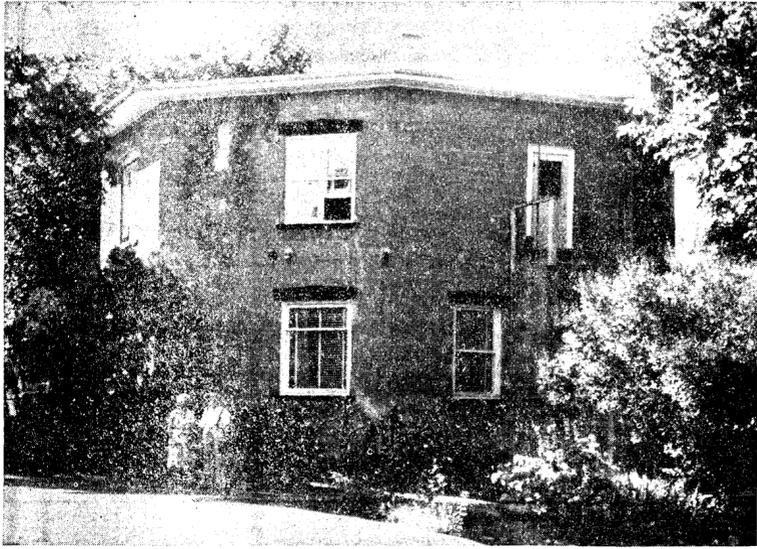
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ONE OF DANSVILLE'S several historic places is the 8-sided octagon house at 1397 Mason street. It was built in 1863 and was used as a stopping place on the underground railroad during the Civil

War when slaves who escaped from the south were taken across Michigan into Canada for asylum. Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Taylor, present occupants of the octagon house, are shown in the picture.

The Community Aid will meet Thursday, September 6, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Myers at 421 East Grand River in Williamston for dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Scripser and family attended a family gathering Sunday at the home of her sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Taylor of Jackson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Price spent the week end at their cottage at Sutherland lake.

Mrs. Lennah Abbott of Pleasant lake and Mrs. Mina Otis called on Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Scripser last Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Effie West spent the week end with her daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Dunsmore of Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Taylor spent Sunday evening with his sister-in-law, Mrs. Lena Taylor, of Lansing.

Michael Townsend returned Sunday after spending the week end with Mrs. Joyce Gyurkovitz and daughters, Denise and Cindy and Miss Janell Schell of Jackson. John Townsend is spending this week there.

Mrs. Arthur Brooks and daughter, Diane, were Tuesday night visitors at the home of Floyd Cosgray of Stockbridge and Saturday night, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Staats of Jackson. They spent Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Richard Brooks of Webberville.

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Brooks were Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Brooks and family of Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Staats and family of Jackson and Mr. and Mrs. Mike Cosgray and family of Stockbridge.

Miss Beverly Cosgray of Stockbridge spent Friday night with Diane Brooks and attended a Sunday school party at the home of their teacher, Gordon Stewart of Mason.

Patrick Lo Vette of Mason spent from Wednesday through Saturday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rex Townsend, while his mother, Mrs. Peter Lo Vette of Mason, was a guest of Miss Doris Depew at the Jack and Jill ranch near Muskegon.

Mrs. Edgar Scripser and granddaughter, Mina Mae Scripser, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wilson of Fletee to see Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Fineout. Fineout has been sick. Mrs. Fineout is a sister of Mrs. Scripser.

Mr. and Mrs. William Niswonger and family were Monday dinner guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willard Niswonger of Mason.

Larry Nelson, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Nelson has been in the Mason General hospital for surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Brooks called on her sister-in-law, Mrs. Chloe Glynn of Williamston, Sunday afternoon.

Boy Scout troop committee and Scoutmaster Elbridge Wolfgang met last Monday night at the school to complete their plans for a chicken barbecue to be at the Dansville town hall on Saturday, September 1, from 4 to 7 p.m.

The Past Matrons club of the Dansville OES will have a picnic at Rayner park, Mason, on Thursday, August 30, with a picnic dinner at 12:30 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul West and children, Philip and Janice, spent the week end in upper Michigan. Linda West stayed with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Seldon Monroe, while the rest were gone. They went as far as the Mackinac bridge.

Mrs. William Musoff stopped at the old Realy home near Waterloo and helped work on the restoration, on her way to call on her brother-in-law and wife, Mr. and Mrs. August Musoff of Grass Lake.

Mrs. Mina Otis spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Lennah Abbott, at Pleasant lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Curtis and family of Detroit were Sunday visitors of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Curtis.

Mrs. Bessie Turnbull was a Sunday afternoon caller of Mrs. Lila Clements of rural Webberville.

Vernon Sherman attended the Winona Lake Youth camp at Winona Lake, Indiana, last week.

Dr. and Mrs. H. T. Fuller of Mt. Morris were Sunday visitors of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dalton, Mrs. Thelma Campbell of Webberville was also a Sunday afternoon caller at the Dalton home.

The Centennial committee of the Dansville Methodist church met with the committee chairman Mrs. William Musoff last Monday evening to make plans for the coming centennial of the church. Those on the committee who attended were Mrs. C. E. Manning, Mrs. Aethen Witt, Mrs. Russell Dowling and Rev. Robert Brubaker.

Mrs. Bernice Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Waterstradt and family of Dansville and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Parisian and family of Fowlerville attended the Wheeler reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wheeler of Mason. About 40 attended from Saginaw, Fowlerville, Dansville, Mason, Galesburg and Boyne City. Mrs. Bernice Wheeler went home with the Parisians to spend a couple of days.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Fortman Sr. of Lansing were Sunday afternoon callers of his mother, Mrs. Abbie Fortman.

Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge Wolfgang Jr. and sons, Douglas and Mark, were week end guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge Wolfgang Sr. of Rosecommon. Vicki Wolfgang who has been spending the past week there, returned home with them.

Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Manning and family and Miss Bessie Tyson went to the Detroit Metropolitan airport to meet Heidi Meyer of Germany, who will live with the Mannings and attend the Dansville school this coming year.

Mrs. Paris Witt was home for the week end and attended the Witt reunion. She is improving nicely.

Miss Pamela Wright spent a few days last week with Miss Lollie Getts, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Keith Getts of Lansing.

Mr. and Mrs. Aethen Witt attended the Witt reunion at Bancroft park in Lansing Sunday.

Gale Platt attended the Stoner-Platt reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Stoner of Dexter on Sunday.

Roy Glover spent last week with his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Glover of Wolverine. He and the Harold Glovers spent a couple of days in the Upper Peninsula. On his way home he stopped at Moscommon for Sunday dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge Wolfgang Sr.

Stephen and Mitchell Young, sons of Mr. and Mrs. James Young, arrived by plane at the Willow Run airport Saturday morning to spend a week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Young. They and their parents have been in Philadelphia this summer.

Mr. and Mrs. John Mitchell of Leslie and Mrs. George Purvis of Jackson, Mississippi, were Thursday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Young.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Taylor and family spent a few days last week and Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Arnold and the Taylors the week end at the Arnold cottage at Montcalm lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Delmar Carr of East Dansville road and Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Arnold were Thursday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Arnold of Lansing in honor of the 4th birthday of their son, Ned.

Gary Dubois, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Dubois of Mason spent the first part of last week with his aunt, Mrs. Earl Davidson.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Freer and family returned Saturday from a week's vacation in northern lower Michigan.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Graves and daughter, Diana, of Mason were Saturday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. William Niswonger.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert J. Greenough and family of Ann Arbor and Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Greenough spent last week at the Royal Oak Volunteer Fireman's club cottage at Hale.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Eldred and family of Pontiac and his mother, Mrs. William Eldred of Mason, were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Greenough.

Mrs. Nathan Lantis of Mason and Mrs. William Niswonger and children attended the Howlett school reunion last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay Boyles formerly of Lansing, are now residing in their new home on East Mason street, Dansville, recently purchased from Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Nelson.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Ward and son, Gerald, of Haslett and Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Boyle and daughter of Lansing were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Jay Boyle.

Mr. and Mrs. William Wieland of Grand Rapids were Tuesday evening dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wing and family.

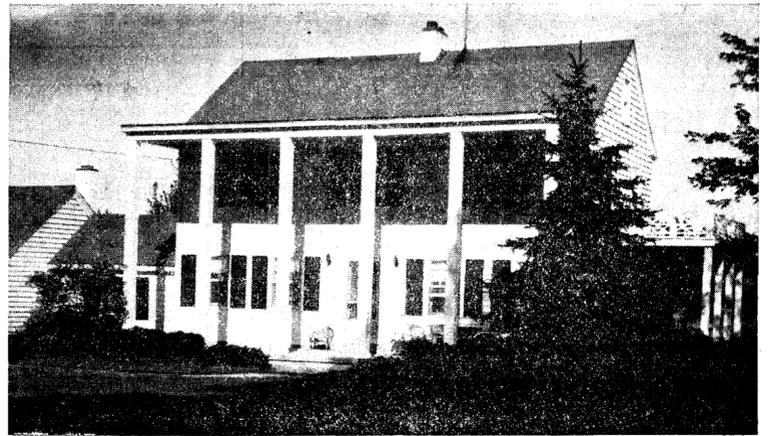
George Butkus of Mason and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hess and daughter, Julie, were Sunday dinner guests of Mrs. Mabel Hess.

Mrs. June Hagle of Hamburg and Mrs. Zoia Hobart were Thursday afternoon visitors of Mrs. Jessie Reinhart.

Mrs. Marian Davis and Miss Mynnetta Curtis spent Thursday and Friday and Miss Margaret Curtis and Mrs. Leonard Quimby spent Thursday in Detroit shopping.

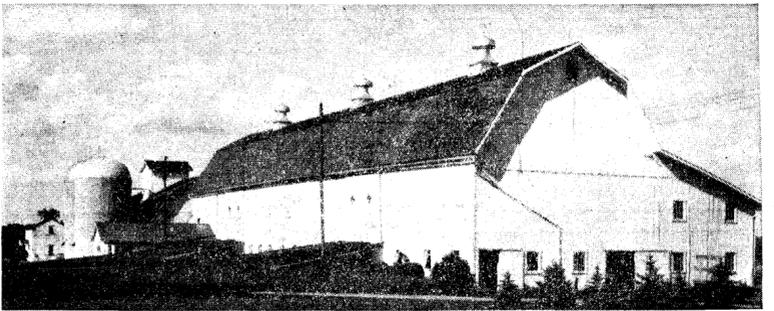
Mrs. Bertha Douglas, Mrs. Edna Linn, Mrs. Mildred Lay and Mrs. Helen Potter all of Mason spent last Tuesday with Mrs. Zoia Hobart.

Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Baird of South Lyon were Saturday visitors of Mrs. Zoia Hobart. Mrs. June Hagle who has been spending several weeks with Mrs. Hobart returned to her home in Hamburg with them.



THIS IS THE HOME of Dorn Diehl, son of Clarence Diehl. He, his father and his brother, David Diehl, operate the vast farming enterprises of the Diehl family.

Dorn Diehl, his brother and his father reside in three large homes at the northern end of the village.



ONE OF THE SHOWPLACES of Dansville is the vast Diehl farm of 1100 acres, extending north, east and west of the village. This picture shows some of the modern barns on the farm.

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Mrs. Lawton Gauss, Mrs. Iva Clickner and Miss Pamela Wright attended graduation exercises at the Holy Cross church in Lansing. Janice Clickner of Dansville was a member of the graduating class of the St. Lawrence hospital school of nursing.

Saturday night, August 25, Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Clickner held open house at the Dansville town hall honoring their daughter, Janice, who graduated the same day from the St. Lawrence hospital school of nursing. Thirty-five were present for the buffet supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Drake of Grand Ledge were Sunday dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Stid.

Mr. and Mrs. Loren Stid and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Stetler returned Wednesday from a week's vacation at Ludington.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Frissell and son, Gary, and Mr. and Mrs. Loren Stid attended the Detroit-Cleveland baseball game at Detroit last Thursday.

Father Harvey J. Owen of Yakima, Washington, was a Sunday caller of Mr. and Mrs. Loren Stid. He formerly lived on Dexter Trail where the Lloyd Gailey family now reside.

Mrs. Russell Eberly and Mrs. Robert Eberly of Holt were Sunday visitors of their aunt, Mrs. Alice Stid.

Mrs. Nina Wasper of Mason and Mrs. Alice Stid attended the funeral of William Coy of Owosso on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Messner and family of Lansing, Mr. and Mrs. George Messner and Mr. and Mrs. Forest Fry and family of Mason and Mr. and Mrs. Don Slusser of Milan were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rolland Wing and family.

Mrs. Willard Niswonger of Mason was a Thursday evening dinner guest at the home of her son, William Niswonger, and family.

Mrs. Isla Tomlinson of Mason and Charles Brandell of Lansing were Sunday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Townsend.

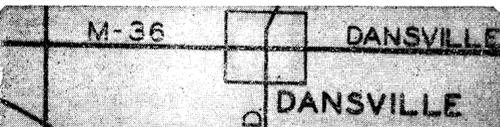
Mr. and Mrs. Rex Townsend, sons, John and Michael, and grandson, Patrick LoVette, were Wednesday evening guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Townsend of Lansing.

Miss Joyce Ann Whitaker spent Friday and Saturday with Mr. and Mrs. David Franer of Forest, Ohio.

Rev. Kelley Risner of Stockbridge was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. James Whitaker last Monday.

Wayne Chelf of Enrico, California, came last Thursday for a week's visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Chelf. On Thursday he and his family, who have been visiting here for a few weeks, will return to their home in California.

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Mrs. Abbie Fortman

Mrs. Bessie Turnbull spent Tuesday and Wednesday visiting at Fowlerville. She visited at the homes of Mr. and Mrs. George Lucas and Mr. and Mrs. William De Forest and spent Tuesday night with Mrs. Ruth Higdon.

Mrs. Fred Wilson of Mason spent last Monday with her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Gailey.

Mr. and Mrs. Seth Heins and daughter, Coleen, of Mason were Sunday afternoon visitors of his brother and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Heins.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Unterbrink of Owosso were Saturday evening callers of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Hayhoe.

Mrs. Lois Baker of Williamston and Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Mull of Lansing were Sunday afternoon visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Judson Felton and Mrs. Isabel Baker. Mrs. Baker is still

at the Felton home on account of her health.

Mrs. Maureen Cumminal of Mason and Mrs. Lloyd Hayhoe called on Mrs. Fern Smith and her parents of Holt Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Basil Chesley called on her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Auburn Burkhardt of Perry, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Yuhasz and family of Holt were Saturday callers of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Miller.

Word has been received here of the serious illness of Ray Hayhoe, a former resident of Dansville and vicinity but now of Woodland Hills, California. He is in the hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Royln Miller and family attended the Fleck reunion at Six lakes Sunday.

Mrs. Marian Davis, Miss Mynnetta and Margaret Curtis were Sunday evening lunch guests of Mrs. Mabel Hess.

HISTORY

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tion with Howell and with Dexter and Mason. Detroit, 77 miles away, was reached by stage coach to Howell and thence by railroad. There were 3 mails a week from the west and 3 from the east into the village. The postmaster was Daniel L. Crossman.

A descendant of the Crossman family — E. T. Crossman — resides in Lansing. He is a relative of Samuel Crossman, founder of the village.

But in 1866 came the first of the 3 disastrous fires that destroyed many hopes for the village.

Dansville may never become a metropolis, but it has something of much more importance

Its people have a deep and abiding faith in God, a friendliness that is sincere and a love of the land. What more does one need?

Farewell Party

Mrs. William Musoff, assisted by Mrs. Roscoe Arnold, entertained Mrs. Floyd Mitchell of Dansville and her mother, Mrs. Washburn of Mason, Mrs. Luther Chelf, Mrs. Wayne Chelf, Mrs. Wells Moses and Miss Rosamond Beckus at a coffee hour party last Wednesday honoring Mrs. Harriet Weeks who left Thursday for Mercersburg, Pennsylvania, to live with her son, Charles, who is a teacher there. They presented her with a linen lunch cloth.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Gauss and Mr. and Mrs. Jack Wright and family met Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gauss and family of Blissfield at Frontier Village near Onsted for a picnic dinner honoring the 5th birthday of Jonie Gauss, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Gauss.

Mrs. Wilbur Rennier of Lima, Ohio, was a Sunday visitor of her sister, Mrs. Mabel Hess.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul West and children, Philip and Janice, spent the week end in upper Michigan. Linda West stayed with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Seldon Monroe, while the rest were gone. They went as far as the Mackinac bridge.

Mrs. William Musoff stopped at the old Realy home near Waterloo and helped work on the restoration, on her way to call on her brother-in-law and wife, Mr. and Mrs. August Musoff of Grass Lake.

Mrs. Mina Otis spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Lennah Abbott, at Pleasant lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Curtis and family of Detroit were Sunday visitors of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Curtis.

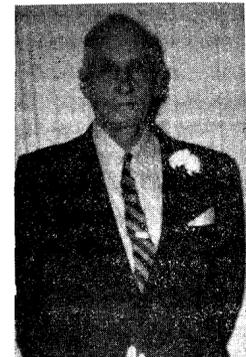
Mrs. Bessie Turnbull was a Sunday afternoon caller of Mrs. Lila Clements of rural Webberville.

Vernon Sherman attended the Winona Lake Youth camp at Winona Lake, Indiana, last week.

Dr. and Mrs. H. T. Fuller of Mt. Morris were Sunday visitors of her sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Dalton, Mrs. Thelma Campbell of Webberville was also a Sunday afternoon caller at the Dalton home.

The Centennial committee of the Dansville Methodist church met with the committee chairman Mrs. William Musoff last Monday evening to make plans for the coming centennial of the church. Those on the committee who attended were Mrs. C. E. Manning, Mrs. Aethen Witt, Mrs. Russell Dowling and Rev. Robert Brubaker.

Mrs. Bernice Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Waterstradt and family of Dansville and Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Parisian and family of Fowlerville attended the Wheeler reunion at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Wheeler of Mason. About 40 attended from Saginaw, Fowlerville, Dansville, Mason, Galesburg and Boyne City. Mrs. Bernice Wheeler went home with the Parisians to spend a couple of days.



William P. Curtis

William Curtis, Dansville, Dies

DANSVILLE — William P. Curtis, an old resident of this community, died Sunday at a nursing home in Mason at the age of 93 years. Funeral services are scheduled for 2 p.m. today at the Vogt funeral home under the auspices of the Masonic lodge No. 16, F. & A. M. Burial will be in Fairview cemetery here.

Survivors include a son, Lawrence; 3 grandsons, 3 granddaughters and 21 great-grandchildren. The grandsons are John and Harold Curtis and Junior Kirby, the granddaughters Alice Johnson, JoAnn Tiffany and Janet Carr.

Curtis was born in Ingham county October 24, 1868. In 1897 he married Ada Mae Fletcher of Chesaning. To this union, the son, Lawrence, and a daughter, Frances, were born. The daughter died in 1958 and Mrs. Curtis in 1939.

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