



News Items of 12 Years Ago

Nov. 20, 1931

Anna and Maxine Snow of Champaign spent the weekend here with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Cummings of Louisville, Ky., visited relatives here.

Mrs. T. A. Dicks returned after a week's visit with relatives at Evansville, Ind.

Misses Anna Clem and Margaret Gore attended the "Mum" show at the U. of I.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Messman and daughter, Marjorie, visited Rev. Temple and family at Warrensburg. Little Mary Frances Temple accompanied them home for a visit.

Bert Lloyd, who had been visiting relatives here left for Pittsburgh, Pa., where he was employed with the Carnegie Museum. He had just returned from one of the farthest north settlements in Canada, where he collected and mounted birds for the Museum.

20 Years Ago
Nov. 23, 1923

Hans Thode, 98, died at the home of his son, B. H. Thode, in Broadlands.

Everett Barnes left for Akron, Ohio, where he was employed in a rubber factory.

Mrs. H. A. Griest of Milford arrived for a visit with her son, Mayor H. L. Griest and family.

Kenneth Brewer, Roy Boyd, Wendell Walsh, Glenn Busick and Dennis Boyd attended a show at Urbana.

Miss Eileen Brummett, assisted by Misses Leathie Anderson and Frances Walsh entertained a number of friends at a taffy pulling.

Immanuel Lutheran Church

P. E. Kerkhoff, Pastor

9:30 A. M.—Sunday School.
10:15—Divine Worship.
Sermon: "The Ninevites' Repentance."

The last Sunday of the Church Year has been designated as a day for repentance and prayer. The Thanksgiving service will be on Thanksgiving morning at 10:15.

St. John's Evangelical and Reformed Church

Rev. G. E. Gerhold, Pastor.

9:40—Sunday School, Ed Nohren, Superintendent.
Morning Worship—10:40.
Everyone Welcome!

Methodist Church Notes

Pike Reynolds, Pastor.

Sunday School—10:00.
Morning Worship—11:00.

Time Tables

C. & E. I.

Northbound 12:48 a. m.
Southbound 1:19 p. m.
Star Mail Route
Southbound 6:40 a. m.
Northbound 4:30 a. m.

Local Graders Win Over Bondville, 24-21

The local grade school basketball team beat the Bondville graders here on Thursday night, Nov. 11. The score was 24 to 21 in favor of the locals.

Summary:

Broadlands—24	Points
Donald Thode	6
Darrell Dicks	6
Bobby Jackson	10
Carrol Miller	2
Gerald Cummings	0
Leroy Pigg	0
B. Thode	0
Johnny Baldwin	0
M. Henson	0
Donald Thode	0
Bondville—21	
R. Young	0
C. Mobry	0
Dawson	12
John	9
R. Hody	0
B. Bowman	0
L. Hardy	0
Referee—Merle Buddemeier.	

Graders Win and Highs Lose at Seymour

The Broadlands high and grade school basketball teams journeyed to Seymour, Tuesday night for a double-header game. Local graders won over Seymour by a score of 23 to 18. Local highs lost to Seymour by a score of 25 to 32.

Summary:

Broadlands Grade—23	Points
Donald Thode	4
Darrell Dicks	8
Carrol Miller	0
Johnny Baldwin	0
LeRoy Pigg	2
Gerald Cummings	0
Max Henson	0
Bobby Jackson	9
Seymour Grade—13	
S. Seymour	7
Boudre	2
Nichols	0
Turner	2
T. Seymour	2

Summary:

Broadlands High—25	Points
Thode	0
Boyd	9
W. Dicks	10
Thomas	4
N. Dicks	2
Seymour High—32	
Early	2
Gilmore	2
Karr	8
Christie	18
Gibbons	2

Local Highs Lose to Homer, 24 to 35

The local high school basketball team lost to Homer high at Homer, Friday night. Score was 35 to 24 in favor of Homer.

Summary:

Broadlands—24	Points
Thode	0
Boyd	6
W. Dicks	15
Thomas	2
Noel Dicks	0
Miller	1
Homer—35	
Porter	12
Musselman	4
Crayner	8
Martin	7
Orr	4

U. B. Church Notes

Dale Mumaw, Pastor.

Church School—10:00.
Evening Worship—7:30.

Grandma Benschneider Is 94



Mrs. Hannah Luth entertained the following relatives at dinner, Tuesday, in honor of her mother, Mrs. Johanna Benschneider, on her 94th birthday anniversary: Mr. and Mrs. Carl Benschneider and daughter, Miss Marie, of Homer; Mr. and Mrs. Erhardt Benschneider and children, Karen Kay, Carol Anne and Ronald; Allerton, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Schweineke and daughter, Roxie Lynne, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Luth, Newman; and Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Luth.

Other visitors during the day were Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith, Mr. and Mrs. August Zantow, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Schweineke, Mrs. Lena Seider and daughter, Miss Evelyn, Mrs. P. E. Kerkhoff, son Paul, and Mrs. Kerkhoff's aunt of Arcadia, Ind. Grandma Benschneider, as she prefers to be called, received many lovely gifts and cards and was delighted with all of these remembrances.

Grandma Benschneider, nee Johanna Smith, was born in Pomerania, Germany, Nov. 16, 1849. She was married to Carl Benschneider in 1869, and in 1876, they with their family of three children, came to the United States, settling first in Danville, Ill., where Mr. Benschneider worked in coal mines for several years. Danville at that time was small, having only two dry goods stores, and one grocery store called "Timm's" store.

Later, the family moved to a farm near Sidney, where they lived about six years, after which they purchased a farm of their own northwest of Broadlands, paying \$40 an acre for it. Land wasn't tilled then and much of it was covered with sleg grass and water. The Benschneiders built their home on a knoll, and for some time could farm only the high ground, as crops in the low spots would be drowned out, although the ground was rich and productive. This part of the country was thinly settled at that time and neighbors were scattering. Roads were almost impassable at that time, and much walking was done. Sidney was the nearest town and trips were

made there only when most necessary, once a week or even two weeks, riding in a lumber wagon or, if the roads were too bad, then walking. In that day "pack peddlers" were patronized, some of them coming repeatedly, once or twice a year, becoming well acquainted with some of the people. Some folks remember a peddler by the name of "Isaac," who in later years as the land was being drained and roads became better, came to this part of the country from Chicago, driving one horse to a spring wagon which was loaded with dry goods which represented a small store, from woolen goods, blankets, kitchen ware, jewelry, etc. down to thread, needles and pins, almost enough to supply the needs of the average household at that time. These peddlers depended on the hospitality of their customers for meals and lodging.

The Benschneiders attended the Block church, now known as St. Paul's Church, south of Sidney. Sometimes it was difficult to get to church and Mr. Benschneider would follow a trail through the fields and thus avoid much of the bad roads. After a few years, the Benschneiders sold their farm and purchased other land in this vicinity. While in Germany, Grandma Benschneider learned to use the spinning wheel, spinning linen thread, which was later bleached and then woven into material. After coming to this country she knitted all the stockings and mittens for her family, and made all their clothes. Mr. and Mrs. Benschneider were the parents of nine children, two dying in infancy; Hans at the age of five; Rickie at 16; and William in 1934. The four living are Mrs. Tillie Seider, of Payne, O.; Mrs. Augusta Frenz, Mason City, Ia.; Carl, of Homer; and Mrs. Hannah Luth, Broadlands.

Mr. and Mrs. Benschneider retired from the farm in 1910 and moved to their home in Broadlands. Mr. Benschneider passed away in 1917, since which time Grandma has resided with her

daughter, Mrs. Hannah Luth. Grandma, having been our next door neighbor for the past year, it has been our privilege and pleasure to observe her roaming over her yard, admiring flowers, policing up fallen twigs and pulling grass and weeds around sidewalks, buildings and flowerbeds. She simply can't stay "put," and her actions certainly belie her great age. Considering her age, she is the most active and most remarkable woman we have ever had the pleasure of knowing.

Broadlands Chapter, O.E.S. Has Election, Initiation

At the regular meeting of Broadlands Chapter, Order of the Eastern Star, on last Saturday night, initiation was held, and officers for the ensuing year were elected.

About 65 members and guests were present.

The refreshment committee served ritz crackers, chicken salad, cookies and coffee.

Officers elected were: Worthy matron, Mrs. Gladys McClelland, worthy patron, Raymond McClelland; associate matron, Mrs. Neva Frick; associate patron, Edward Nohren; conductress, Mrs. Thelma Clem; associate conductress, Mrs. Freda Maxwell; secretary, Mrs. Zermah Witt; treasurer, Mrs. Olive Benefiel.

Installation for the elected and appointive officers will be held on Wednesday night, Dec. 1.

Mrs. Myrle Block Hostess to W.S.C.S.

The Woman's Society of Christian Service met Friday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Myrle Block, with Mrs. Eva Brewer assisting.

The meeting was opened with the hymn, "Take the Name of Jesus," followed with devotions led by Mrs. Block, who read the 100th Psalm, also a reading entitled, "Psalm of Thanksgiving," written by Grace Manly, missionary of West China.

Mrs. Brewer was in charge of the business meeting.

Mrs. Faustine Smith read the missionary topic entitled, "A Wedding in Bulgaria."

Refreshments consisting of pumpkin pie with whipt cream, and coffee were served by the hostesses.

Guests were Mrs. Eva Boyd and Mrs. Nancy Hurst.

Members present were Mesdames Maude Anderson, Lettie Eckerty, Leanna Miller, Ruby Reynolds, Ida Messman, Faustine Smith, Eva Walker, Helen Ward, Mattie Utterback, Eva Brewer, Myrle Block and Miss Mildred Neal.

Amputate Hand

Ludlow, Nov. 15—Injuries suffered when his hand was caught in a corn picker at his home near here necessitated an operation for amputation of the hand at the Paxton hospital Wednesday for Paul Ingold, 17-year-old Ludlow farm youth.

No Dinner on Thanksgiving

We wish to take this means of informing our patrons that we will not serve dinner on Thanksgiving day.

Village Inn.

Chas. E. Foley, Tuscola, buyer of raw furs and hides, is a new advertiser in this paper.

Sgt. "Pink" Writes To Comrade Jerry

We publish herewith a letter from Sgt. Oliver (Pink) McCormick to Jerry Crain.

Sunday Morning.

Comrade: Just greeting my fellow soldier. Just read the News Gazette and saw your beloved name printed therein. You just can't imagine how pleased I was when I saw the news because I know that the intelligent man at the reception center will send you down to the Infantry Replacement Center at dear old Camp Wolters. Jared, my boy, you are an ideal Inf. dog face. After tramping over the hills, rocks, cactus etc., of the West Point of the Inf., you will be a perfect piece of fighting man. Ah the Inf., (the queen of battles.) I advise you to toughen up the feet and legs. Also work on the shoulder muscles because the pack and rifle gets awful tiresome and boring.

After you arrive and the kind sergeants get you comfortable etc., I will take you around sight seeing. There are a couple of fellows here that you will probably know—Pvt. Carl Craig and Lieut. Colonel Ralph B. Allen. If you happen to get in the 13th Reg., look up the Colonel because he will be able to do you a lot of good. Anyway he looked me up and told me to call him up if I ever needed any help.

When you alight from the train I will have the band there and their most popular tune is "Roll Out the Barrel." I think as a special favor to me, they will put a little extra zest in it.

There is nothing that I won't do to make your few weeks visit here as pleasant as I can. Such as—an evening while you are lying on your inner-spring mattress with your every muscle crying for relief, the Sergeant will come over and console you—telling you that you are fighting to save your country for the 4-F's and the single men that the country needs at home for the war effort. There is nothing so important as high morale and thoughts like those are the best morale builder in the Army.

Well Jerry, as one G. I. to another, I was just shooting the breeze.

Take my advice and pull all the strings possible and stay out of the infantry.

Pink Mc.

Will Publish Paper on Wednesday Next Week

Owing to the fact that Thanksgiving occurs on Thursday, our regular press day, this paper will be published on Wednesday next week. Accordingly, we kindly ask our correspondents and advertisers to send us their copy a day earlier next week.

Tire Inspection Dates

The last days on which motorists must have their tires inspected are as follows:

C-Bookholders—Nov. 30.
B-Bookholders—Feb. 28.
A-Bookholders—March 31.

Market Report

Following are the prices offered for grain on Thursday in the local market:

No. 1 soy beans, new \$1.86
No. 2 hard wheat 1.43
No. 2 white corn, new 1.13
No. 2 yellow corn, new98
No. 2 oats78

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Lesson for November 21

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HONESTY IN ALL THINGS

LESSON TEXT—Exodus 20:15; Leviticus 19:11, 13; Luke 19:1-10, 45, 46.
GOLDEN TEXT—Thou shalt not steal—Exodus 20:15.

Honesty seems to be so obviously right that one might expect it always and everywhere—if bitter experience had not indicated the opposite to be true.

As a matter of fact, dishonesty has become so common that a person who is strictly honest is a bit of a novelty. Some even think he is peculiar.

Under such circumstances the Christian needs to be vigilant lest he also accommodate his own ideas of honesty and begin to justify little evasions rather than being absolutely upright.

The teaching of Scripture on this matter is very plain.

I. Honesty and Fair Dealing
(Exod. 20:15; Lev. 19:11, 13).

The very commandment against stealing implies that men have a right to that which they have made, earned, or saved. If no one had property rights there could be no stealing. Some of our modern isms deny such rights, but their reasoning is clearly not biblical or Christian.

"Thou shalt not steal" forbids every kind of theft, and the passages from Leviticus indicate that this includes more than robbery or ordinary stealing.

It relates to every kind of false dealing with another, such as oppression or the withholding of just wages. That, too, is stealing in God's sight.

Perhaps we ought to be more specific and apply the truth to our own day. Stealing includes such things as looting on one's job, "borrowing" money from the cash drawer, taking goods from the stock with which one is working, stealing another man's sermon and preaching it as one's own, "lifting" material out of another man's book without credit, contracting debts which one can never pay, using false weights and measures, adulterating food or other material, "watering" milk for sale, selling worthless stock, dodging taxes or lying to the tax assessor, or using a slug instead of a nickel in the telephone to escape proper payment.

One might add gambling (which is taking another man's property by skill or by chance), making an unduly large profit on the labor of another, making money out of the sorrows and failures of others, etc. To be honest means to be fair—and that has broad implications.

II. Honesty and Restoration (Luke 19:1-10).

The reality and thoroughness of Zacchaeus' conversion was indicated by his willingness to restore all the money he had unjustly (but legally, note that!) taken from his fellow citizens—and that in fourfold measure.

Insofar as it is possible to do so, the honest person will make right any known injustice. To be right with God must mean that we are to be right with men. The testimony of many Christians could be presented to show that they have only entered upon real peace and usefulness as they have made consistent effort to right every wrong, to pay every debt.

Often such actions open opportunities for Christian testimony and point others to the redemption in Christ, which makes a man live right as well as talk right.

III. Honesty and Religion (Luke 19:45, 46).

One might think it unnecessary to urge honesty upon religious folk. They ought to be honest. But here we see in sharp contrast to the quick honesty and restitution of Zacchaeus, the stubborn disobedience and dishonesty of the priests in the temple. Jesus had already cleansed the temple of the traffic in money-changing and the sale of animals for sacrifice practiced there (see John 2:13-17). On that occasion He rebuked them because they made His Father's house "a house of merchandise."

Had they known the change of heart of a converted Zacchaeus they would have heeded His admonition. But they did not believe in Christ and went on with their ungodly desecration of the temple area until it became "a den of thieves" (v. 46).

What happened so long ago needs application to our present day. So apt is the quotation from the "Lesson Commentary" which we have used before that we repeat it now.

Speaking of "the goings on in our own churches" the writer says, "Is a church honest when it assumes obligations that it cannot meet, and is then forced to use all sorts of questionable means to raise money for the benefit of the church? Is a church honest when it turns a building consecrated to the worship of God into a restaurant or a theater, is a church honest that turns its pulpit into a lecture platform for the discussion of current events or the review of popular books or plays?"

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Record Plane Output

American airplane factories reached a new high in production in October, turning out 8,362 planes of all types, exceeding the previous record of 7,612 units in August. The output had fallen to 7,598 in September, and the average of the last three months was at the rate of approximately 95,000 planes a year.

No figures are available concerning the various types of planes being produced, but it was stated a few weeks ago that the goal of 1,000 heavy bombers a month had not been reached, although it was intimated that production was not far below that number.

Various estimates of enemy plane production have been made recently ranging from 700 to 1,000 a month for Japan, and about 2,500 a month for Germany. If these figures are anywhere near correct, the United States is producing more than twice as many as Japan and Germany combined. The production of Britain and Russia is known to be very large, although definite estimates have not been published.

Germany is known to be concentrating on the production of fighter planes for defensive purposes, and the same seems true of Japan. Neither has ever had any heavy bombers comparable in destructive power to the monster four-motored ships of Britain and the United States. While the Germans have made frequent raids over Britain in recent weeks they have been relatively weak and ineffective.

Both Germany and Japan have suffered severe plane losses during the last few months, as recorded in reports from all the fighting fronts, but British and American losses, particularly in bombers, also have been heavy. It is said that more Allied bombers have been lost as a result of anti-aircraft guns than from attacks by enemy aircraft. It is estimated that at least one-half of the men composing crews of bombers shot down over Germany have parachuted to safety and are now war prisoners. This is perhaps only a plausible guess, but it is known that many of our airmen have thus escaped death.

American and British airmen have been at a disadvantage through having to fly such great distances to reach their targets in most cases, but this situation is being somewhat relieved by the establishment of new bases nearer enemy strongholds.

Aviation has borne a tremendous burden in this war and will continue to do so. It is encouraging to know that Allied plane production and the training of the world's best airmen are proceeding with increasing rapidity.

Aluminum Plentiful

When the United States began its rearmament program in 1940 this country produced only a limited amount of aluminum, and much of the output was unsuited to war needs. Since that time, according to Arthur H. Bunker, director of the aluminum and magnesium division of the War Production Board, a billion dollar system of aluminum plants has been built from the ground up.

Aluminum supplies for the last

quarter of 1943 will be about 871,200,000 pounds, which is nearly 100,000,000 pounds more than will actually be required. Scrap aluminum salvaged for remelting is now double the total pre-war production of new aluminum.

Mr. Bunker said employment in the industry has risen from 30,000 persons in 1939 to 200,000 at present.

This amazing development of the aluminum industry is one of the marvels of the war production program.

Sidelights

Ponder Woodruff, who operates a farm near Barnesville, Ga., is certain that he has a traitor on his farm—but is unable to locate the culprit. A few days ago when gathering the eggs in the hen-house, he found an egg with the picture of the rising sun on one side of the shell. "I will have no traitors in my hen-house and this rising sun doesn't look patriotic to me," declared Farmer Woodruff.

Anything can happen in Atlanta, Ga., and often does. An intoxicated bicyclist with a pet bantam rooster as passenger was arrested recently and fined \$15 for reckless riding of a bicycle. Arresting officers reported that Fred D. Horton was riding unsteadily with the rooster perched precariously but contentedly on a rear package rack. No charges were placed against the rooster.

Cuffs on men's trousers and patch pockets on men's wool suits are back, but pleats for slacks are still banned. This ruling of the War Production Board is merely a move to take advantage of a better condition in the wool market and at the same time conserve rayon and cotton for lining other types of pockets. So, you are now privileged to make a choice of pockets, if that means anything to you.

Canada's biggest prisoners-of-war escape occurred a few days ago when 19 Germans engineered a wholesale disappearance from the camp in Riding Mountain National Park near Winnipeg. The alarm was sounded and the search was on. The next morning, out of the heavy snowfall of the night before, appeared the escapees. There was no change of mind nor did they fear the guards and mounted police; they just got lost and found themselves back at the prison camp, one said.

Do You Know Illinois?
By Edward J. Hughes
Secretary of State

Q. How did the Illinois Central railroad figure in the U. S. Senatorial election of 1858 in Illinois?

A. Both candidates, Lincoln and Douglas, were connected with it.

Q. What did Douglas charge against Lincoln?

A. That Lincoln was employed by the Illinois Central at a salary of \$5,000 to cheat the state out of what was due it for the charter tax.

Q. What accusation did Lincoln's friends make?

A. That Illinois Central influence was exercised in Douglas' behalf.

Q. In what way did the Illinois Central involuntarily benefit the budding Republican party?

A. Between 1850 and 1860 the population of the counties thru which the road ran increased from 935,598 to 814,891. The new settlers were largely from New England and the northeastern states and from Germany and the Scandinavian countries and a majority of them joined the Republican party.

Q. When did Auditor of Public Accounts Dubois bring suit

against the Illinois Central for the residue of the tax he claimed it owed the state?

A. Nov. 3, 1858, the day following the U. S. Senatorial election.

Q. Who served as attorneys for the state?

A. Stephen T. Logan and Milton Hay.

Q. Who represented the Illinois Central?

A. Lincoln.

Q. What Supreme Court action did Lincoln secure in the Illinois Central debt case?

A. On Jan. 31, 1859 the case was continued to the next term giving a further delay of one year.

Q. Who was the leader of the Illinois Central lawyers at Springfield supporting the company bill in the General Assembly during the session of 1859?

A. George B. McClellan, later commander-in-chief of the union army.

Q. What was the gist of the company bill?

A. It provided that the Supreme Court value the company's property. The statute, which is still in force, has never been applied to any other property owner in Illinois.

Household Hints

Never salt turnips when cooking, as salt extracts their sweetness.

To sprinkle clothes for ironing use a clean whisk broom or a bottle with a perforated top.

Put a drop of oil on the screw of scissors to make them cut easily.

When stewing dried fruits, the addition of a small amount of lemon juice will improve the flavor.

Some chopped olives and sweet or sour pickles added to cole

slaw gives an interesting new flavor.

Pockets are a convenience in women's work clothes. Place them well, and make them large enough to be useful.

Lay a strip of oilcloth, wrong side up, on the table or floor to make a good cutting surface. Materials won't slide on it.

Inspect every potato for decay and take out all decayed ones instead of storing them with good potatoes.

Give children plenty of white potatoes to help make healthy teeth, bones, gums and steady nerves.

Spread an old sheet on the floor around the sewing table and machine to catch ravelings and threads. This will make cleaning easier.

Smile Awhile

Little Tommy took a long look at the old man, and asked, "Were you in the ark, Grandpa, when the flood came?"

"No, certainly not," replied the aged man.

"Then why weren't you drowned?"

A man went into a grocery store to buy a bottle of vinegar. The shelves were solidly lined with bags of salt, and to get the vinegar the proprietor had to go down to the cellar. The customer went with him, and there, to his surprise, he saw more salt stacked on all sides.

"Say, you certainly must sell a lot of salt," he commented.

"No," said the grocer. "I can't sell salt at all. But the fellow who sells me salt—can he sell salt!"

Tongue Twisters
If you think your tongue is limber, try this group of twisters before a company of people:
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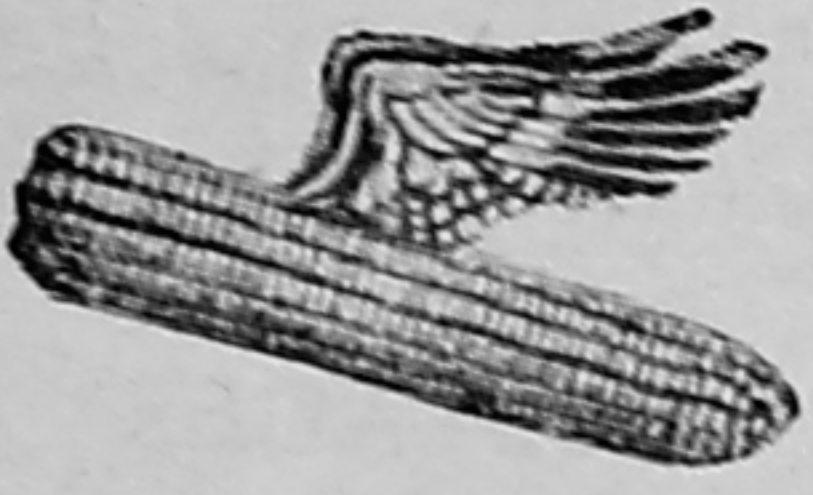
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Divining Rods Unreliable
 Scientists can find no scientific basis for the belief that divining rods (whether of witch hazel, willow, ash, peach, elm or even wire or metal) are able to locate water. The Bureau of Mines has stated in a report that the divining rod is either a fraud, whether deliberate or unintentional or is based on some physiological principles of which at present we know little or nothing. If these water diviners in some cases are successful in locating water in a higher percentage of the tests than can be accounted for by mere chance, it is probably not because of some mysterious power in the rod but because the person holding it is a quick observer and has had considerable experience in finding water.

Oculist, Optometrist
 The difference between an oculist and an optometrist is that an oculist is a physician who specializes in the treatment of defects and diseases of the eye, while the optometrist makes a scientific examination of the eye for the purpose of prescribing glasses.



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Find New Method To Avoid Sea Salt

Makes Water Drinkable Much Faster Than Others.

WASHINGTON.—A new and quicker method of removing salt from sea water, designed to aid castaways, has been perfected by a Naval Medical Research Institute scientist in collaboration with an American commercial firm.

The new technique, demonstrated before the District of Columbia Medical society, can make sea water drinkable three times faster and with simpler apparatus than a method announced several months ago by the institute, the navy demonstrators said.

Both methods have been recommended to the navy for possible general use by the fleet, and they now are being studied by naval officials.

Navy doctors said that the newer technique had been used experimentally at sea and had demonstrated its effectiveness in producing a pint of drinking water from the old briny—a day's supply for one man—in 20 minutes, as compared with an hour's time required to produce the same amount by the older method.

Both methods are alike in principle. They involve removal of the salt from sea water by the addition of certain chemicals, mixing in plastic bag containers, and separating the salt by precipitation.

By both methods, the shipwrecked castaway gets his drinking water by sucking through a tube jutting from the bottom of the bag.

The newer method calls for only one bag and one chemical, whereas the older method requires two bags and two chemicals.

Using the new technique, a man needs only to fill up the bag with sea water, add the chemical, (its composition is a secret), shake up the contents, wait a short time, and then begin sucking on the outlet tube. He can get drinkable water in about two minutes.

Germans Seize Belgian Church Bells for Metal

LONDON.—Germany's occupation forces, desperate for metal to run the Nazi war machine, now are taking Belgium's church bells.

The massive 15th-century bells of the Church of St. Michael at Ghent, capital of East Flanders, were taken after a priest barred the doors and ordered the bells rung as the German forces battered at the portals. The bells tolled their own dirge with each stroke of the battering ram, for the Germans finally entered, arrested the priest and removed the bells.

Underground informants in Belgium managed to get to their friends here the story of how children gathered about the church at Termonde, in Flanders, to sing an old Flemish song forecasting doom to those who touched the bells. The song did not halt the workmen stripping the tower, however.

In Liege and in Brussels the story was similar.

It was learned the metal was sent to the Cockerill works at Hoboken, near Antwerp, for melting and casting but that the officials of the factory refused to touch it.

How Nazi Subs Flashed False Signals Is Told

BOSTON.—How crafty German submarine commanders flash false radio signals in attempts to lure transport planes within gun range was told here by Otis Bryan of Kansas City, vice president in charge of war projects for Transcontinental and Western Air, Inc.

Bryan, who flew President Roosevelt 6,000 miles of his historic flight to Casablanca last winter, told the Boston Aeronautical association: "On several occasions German submarines have acquired information regarding the radio code signals we use to direct aircraft and have transmitted these signals on frequencies assigned to us by the army."

"We have had several flights directed far off course, but fortunately in each case the pilot realized that something was wrong, double checked his position and corrected his course in time to avoid mishap."

War Economics Haywire; Spoil Solomon Islanders

DETROIT.—Leave it to the Americans to spoil the natives, Marine Sgt. Max Koplow said recently while visiting war plants in Detroit. "Not only did we spoil the Solomon island natives but we destabilized the rate of exchange in a manner which would give any brain-truster a headache." This dissertation on economics came because the rate of exchange for a bunch of bananas jumped from one cigarette to a full pack—a most deplorable situation, Koplow declared.

Fallen Petals

By JAMES FREEMAN
 Associated Newspapers.
 WNU Features.

SIMON MELVILLE, according to Medical Examiner Gerson, had been dead for at least five days. And from appearances the old man had taken his own life.

Inspector John Bucknam, assigned to investigate the case, listened to Gerson's matter-of-fact statement, and then turned to Yeaton, the butler.

"How long were you away on your vacation?"

"A week, sir."

"And upon coming into this room you discovered Mr. Melville—as we see him now?"

"Yes, sir. I called the police immediately." The man Yeaton bent his head. "I—I knew there'd be little use in summoning a doctor."

Bucknam nodded and turned to appraise the room. It contained surprisingly little furniture. There was a desk, facing the east wall, on which were a scattering of papers, an ink well, a vase with a bunch of withered roses; there were two chairs, the divan and nothing else.

The inspector turned back to the desk, replaced the papers and bent over to scrutinize the vase of withered roses. The water had partially evaporated, and what remained



Simon Melville had been dead for at least five days.

had turned a yellowish hue. Five or six days, the officer guessed, would bring about such a condition. And yet—he swung about to face the butler again.

"Was Mr. Melville partial to flowers?"

"Yes, sir. I always brought him fresh ones each morning. In fact, I placed that vase on his desk the very day I left."

"Then you were here to serve breakfast on that day?"

"Yes, sir."

"Good." Bucknam crossed the room. "Would you mind taking us to the breakfast room?"

Yeaton watched the policeman, who was moving about the room. Presently Bucknam stopped before a buffet and stood for some minutes surveying its surface, on which there was now a fine covering of dust.

"I'm sorry, Yeaton. I'll have to hold you. You're deucedly clever, but like most amateur criminals, you've overlooked one or two little details."

Yeaton's poise was superb. It substantiated Bucknam's remark that the butler was deucedly clever.

"I really can't see where you get your grounds for such a remark." Yeaton's eyes met Bucknam's steadily. And Bucknam shrugged, turning to the buffet.

"You were careless, Yeaton, when removing the vase of roses from this buffet to the desk in Mr. Melville's study, not to clear up the evidence. You see there is a ring mark in the dust which shows clearly that a round-based object, which I hazard was the vase, has been sitting here."

"Yeaton stiffened. "I hardly see what that has to do with Mr. Melville's death."

"A good deal, Yeaton. A good deal. But I see I must tell you the whole story in order to convince you that my suspicions are justified. To begin with, I don't think Simon Melville was the type of man to have a vase of roses on his desk. I hazard that, because of the bareness of his study. In the second place, you have already told us you placed the vase of roses on the desk yourself. But now I suspect you placed the vase there this morning. Why? Well, the fact that they were withered would give the impression to an observing man that they had been there four or five days, which, in turn, would lead the observer to believe the room hadn't been entered in that time."

"Clever, Yeaton. Deucedly clever. Of course, you couldn't suspect that I would come into this dining room in search of a mark in the dust on a buffet. Otherwise, you would have obliterated the ring mark, even as you dispersed with the rose petals which must have fallen from the roses on to the buffet—after a five-day rest." Bucknam paused and smiled faintly. "Unfortunately, Yeaton, it didn't occur to you that those same rose petals would have fallen off, no matter where the vase was located. For example, if all you say is true, if you placed the vase on the desk before going on your vacation, if you didn't touch a thing in the room after you entered it this morning—then why weren't the rose petals lying on the desk where they should have been?"

Lights of New York
 by L. L. STEVENSON

Tragedy: She is a cleaning woman who takes care of the suite of offices occupied by a publicity concern which handles a number of night club accounts. But though the owner and staff are fully conversant with things that happen along Broadway and know much about the characters of that street, the cleaning woman was merely a motherly looking figure who came on the job each evening just as the offices were being closed for the day. Her name was known of course but that was about all. Also it long had been noted that she was so regular in her appearance that she automatically announced quitting time. The other afternoon, she arrived an hour ahead of schedule. The office manager and the staff looked at her in surprise. The cleaning woman gave an explanation: "I have to get home early this afternoon . . . my little boy was killed."

Shortage: Because so many husbands and sons have gone into the army, moving day in New York this year witnessed greater compression than usual, the demand for smaller apartments not being nearly equal to the supply. Many couples moved from apartments into single rooms and thus arose a quest for two-burner electric stoves. Since they are no longer manufactured for civilian use, the supply was soon exhausted. The ingenious made searches among second-hand stores, especially those on the East Side, and in some instances were successful. But one buyer had to pay \$13.95 for a stove which, in the past, would have cost \$6. He learned that the dealer, along with many others, had combed all the small towns in the vicinity of New York to buy various hard-to-obtain household articles and of course charged prices in keeping with his efforts.

Transportation: In the past, under a city ordinance, a New York taxi driver had to accept a fare, so long as he were sober, no matter where he cared to go. But in these times with the driver restricted to a certain number of gallons of gasoline, as well as the distance which he may travel, he can pick and choose. That means that those who desire to go from Manhattan to Brooklyn are out of luck. Residents of the far reaches of the Bronx fare no better. The drivers argue that, unless they can get a fare for the return trip, there is a waste of gas. Hence, an increase in subway travel. Incidentally, during the pleasure driving ban, the taxis had the streets just about to themselves and even now are "not bothered much," to quote one jehu, "by private cars."

Change: At the United States Merchant Marine academy at Kings Point, Long Island, there is a large and excellent band. The band supplies music not only for various academy affairs but, as is the case with other service organizations, plays for drills and reviews. That of course means a lot of marching since the drill field is a huge place. The band, however, does it as though the members had been hiking all their lives. As a matter of fact, many of the musicians are former members of New York night club orchestras and the drum major is none other than Jimmy Smith, well-known orchestra leader. It might be added that the bandsmen no longer get their tan from barbershop sun lamps.

Service: Soldiers, sailors and marines who visit the Music Box Canteen on lower Fifth avenue now find an entirely new free service—facilities for making a few winks of sleep possible no matter what is going on around them. In the second floor lounge there are comfortable chairs and couches. To the sleepy lad, ear stopples, scientifically designed and made of wax and cotton, are supplied. These shut out the strains of the juke box in the room below as well as noise made by players in the two adjoining game rooms. As further means of rest, a new horseshoe-shaped pillow is provided. It's known as a "fox hole pillow" and was invented by a veteran of World War I, the design being based on answers of hundreds of servicemen whom he queried about "catch-as-catch-can" sleeping, as well as his own experiences.

This and That: One small, tattered sparrow chasing three sleek, fat pigeons away from a sidewalk crumb feast spread by some philanthropist . . . Taxicabs moving into Grand Central in a solid stream . . . Yet whenever I've wanted one, none seemed available until I tipped a porter to make a search . . . and the bigger the subsidy, the sooner the end of the wait.

Heat Stops Reporter After Bullets Miss
 GUADALCANAL.—Arthur Burgess, Associated Press war correspondent, walked out of two gun-riddled planes and one crack-up with hardly a scratch only to fall victim to the weather and malaria germs. Doctors ordered the 37-year-old reporter out of the South Pacific area after he collapsed.

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50 Million Tons New Ships by '45

**U. S. to Have Big Surplus
After War; Demands
Will Be Great.**

WASHINGTON.—The United States will have built 50,000,000 deadweight tons of merchant ships by the end of 1944, and will come out of the war with a tremendous surplus of shipping to be disposed of by international agreement, Rear Admiral Emory S. Land, chairman of the maritime commission, reports.

Admiral Land envisaged an American merchant fleet after the war of 15,000,000 to 20,000,000 tons, compared with 10,500,000 tons before the war. Maritime commission officials said that between 30,000,000 and 40,000,000 tons of shipping are expected to survive enemy action, but that the surplus would be hardly more than enough to meet the immediate post-war needs of other nations, which have been unable to build their own ships during the war.

Five ways to dispose of the surplus ships were suggested by Admiral Land. The United States, he said, might give them away, charter them, sell them, scrap them, or hold them in reserve, keeping them in good repair for immediate use in case of another war or similar sudden demand for ships.

Expansion Anticipated.
Officials explained that it was much less costly in the long run to keep ships in good repair than to let them fall to pieces, as so many did after World War I, only to build a lot more a few years later.

However, American shipping companies are already looking ahead to the possibilities of a great expansion after the war, it was said. The Liberty ships would be excellent for "tramp" service, a type of shipping which has been one of England's great industries, but has never been undertaken on a large scale by the United States. American companies may also expand their regular lines, opening up new routes between foreign countries and creating new markets for American goods by providing delivery service.

In addition, the first few years after the war will require a great expansion in world shipping, because the processes of reconstruction, relief and demobilization will require vast shipments of men and goods all over the world.

Industry Celebrates.
Appropriately, "Victory Fleet Day" was celebrated on the second anniversary of the launching of the first Liberty ship, the Patrick Henry. Since that time the industry has grown from 21 shipyards employing 200,000 men and turning out seven ships a month to 100 yards employing 750,000 men and women and turning out five ships a day.

He praised labor for its part in creating and operating the United Nations' merchant fleet and said the commission had met with "remarkable success" in its dealings with labor.

Admiral Land said Germany still has about 300 submarines and that it has been rumored that some of them have been reconditioned to fight on the surface.

"I hope they do," he commented.

**Farm Wife Saves Pigs,
Makes 'Em Bottle Babies**
MELVIN, IOWA.—A 67-year-old Iowa farm woman's tireless energy in raising 23 motherless piglets by means of a nursing bottle has produced 4,600 pounds of pork.

Last March when the little pigs were left motherless on the farm of Mrs. Conrad Stieglitz she went into action with a nursing bottle and hot sand. For five weeks the pigs were fed from the bottle and she placed bags of heated sand around the litter to keep them warm. Then Mrs. Stieglitz trained them to drink from a trough.

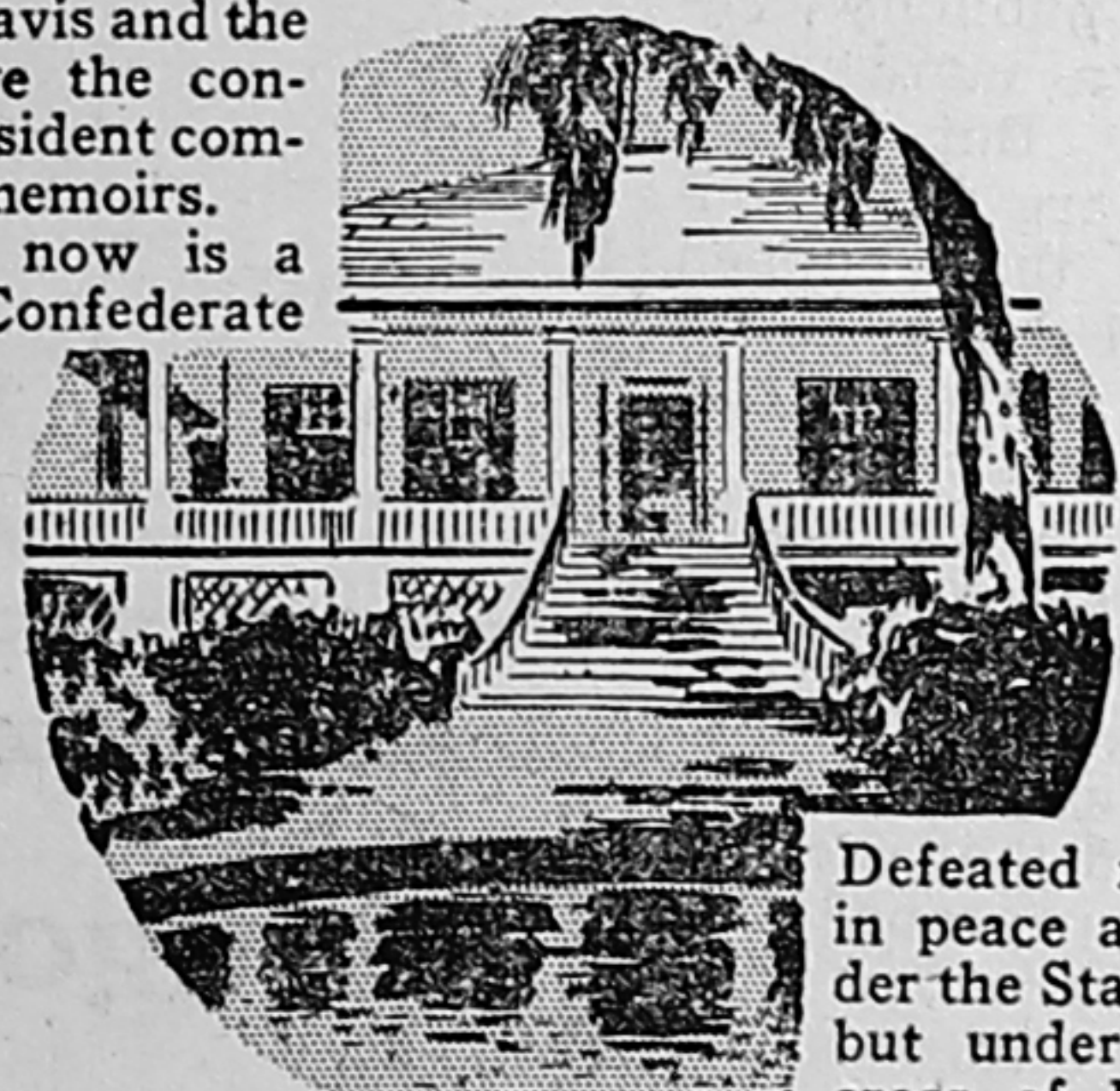
**20 Dogs and Seven Cats
Are Found in Old House**
NEW YORK.—Officials of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals have raided an old house here where, it was charged, Miss Anna Leary, 60-year-old recluse, had kept 20 dogs and seven cats imprisoned since spring. The ASPCA was the third on the premises in seven years, according to the society. The first time 40 dogs were seized. The second raid resulted in the removal of 25 dogs. The animals taken in the last raid were destroyed after the society discovered they were suffering from various ailments. Miss Leary was charged with cruelty to animals.

**Red Cross Stuff Travels
3,000 Miles to Go 100**
LONDON.—Red Cross medical supplies being sent from here to the Nazi-occupied channel islands of Guernsey and Jersey, have to travel 3,000 miles to reach their destination of 100 miles. The supplies must be delivered to the International Red Cross in Geneva, Switzerland, by way of Lisbon, Portugal, and Marseilles in France. At Geneva they are turned over to the German Red Cross for forwarding to the islands.

BONDS OVER AMERICA

Near Biloxi, on the Gulf of Mexico, stands the last residence of Jefferson Davis and the house where the confederate president completed his memoirs. Beauvoir now is a home for Confederate veterans.

Confederate Home



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Longview News

(Thelma D. Kraft, Reporter)

Chas. Dyar has accepted a position as clerk in the J. A. Hart grocery store.

Mrs. Edward Nohren entertained four tables of bridge on Tuesday.

Mrs. Wesley Churchill entertained the Sew and So club on Thursday.

Mrs. Chas. Warnes is able to be out after being confined to her home by illness.

Clarence Kraft has been confined to his home the past week with a cold and cough.

Charles Bengston, C. & E. I. section foreman, is confined to his home with illness.

Mrs. E. C. Hagerman spent the weekend with her son, James Ronald, who is attending a military school in Missouri.

The public is requested to remember that the J. A. Hart store will not be open on Sunday morning.

Betty Jo Dyar and Patricia Hood were elected cheerleaders of the grade school basketball team.

Mrs. Lula Chapman left Sunday for a few days visit with her sister, Mary Hood, at Oakland.

Mrs. Wallace Warnes was called to Indianapolis, Ind., Thursday by the illness of her sister, Mrs. D. O. Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Cletus Hanley of Lovington spent Sunday with the former's mother, Mrs. Alice Hanley.

Mr. and Mrs. Reed Hales spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hales at Onargo. Ralph is teaching in the Onargo Military Academy.

Miss Wilma Appar of Champaign spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Appar.

Mr. E. C. Churchill has received word that his son, Junior, is located at Hartford University in Cambridge, Mass.

Merton Parks and Everett Green attended the annual IAA convention at the Sherman hotel, Chicago, on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Senters moved their household goods to the Independent Oil Co. property recently vacated by the James Twigg family.

Mrs. Grover Dubson and Mrs. George Warnes attended the Woman's Club meeting Saturday in the home of Mrs. Everett Campbell at Murdock.

Mrs. Thelma McDaniels and family of Paris have moved to the Ham Hedrick property vacated by "Cotton" Dowden, who was called to the army recently.

Mrs. Nancy Burks, Mrs. J. T. Arwine and daughter, H. L. Smith and Glen Smith were dinner guests of Mrs. John Pollock at Newman, Sunday.

Chas. Chapman of Big Sandy, Tenn., is looking after farming interests here, and is also visiting Merton Parks and other relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Cooley of Charleston spent Thursday with the latter's brother, W. E. Ringo and family. The Cooleys have three sons overseas.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Churchill and daughter, Lena, Mr. and Mrs. Dale Churchill and daughters were business callers in Champaign, Tuesday.

Pvt. Chas. Boyd of the army engineers at Fort Benning, Ga., and Mrs. Boyd of Alton, spent the latter part of the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Toppe, and other relatives.

Mrs. Nancy Burks of Houston, Texas, and Glen Smith of Kingfisher, Okla., arrived Thursday of last week for an indefinite visit with the former's son, H. L. Smith, and other relatives.

Everett Green was called to Belle Rive Sunday by the serious illness of his mother, Mrs. Emma Varner. She was much improved Monday when he returned home.

Mrs. Effie Walker, who has made her home with her cousin, Mrs. Grace Parks, for the past year, left Wednesday to spend the winter in her home in Paxton.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Daniels celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last Sunday with a 12 o'clock turkey dinner. There were fifteen guests present. Many gifts of silver coins were received.

Misses Jackie Mathews, Jane Anderson and Anna Mae Beatty were recently chosen as cheerleaders for the basketball season. Longview won their first game of the season Friday night by defeating Ogden 28-22.

Eugene F. Dowden of Camp Haan, Cal, received an honorable medical discharge from the army and arrived home Thursday of last week, after having served three months. He left Saturday for Burns City, Ind., where he was working at a defense plant when called for service.

Place your news items in our mail box.

**Just Too Much Man
For Army, Board Says**

LEETONIA, OHIO.—When Michael T. Leeson, 25, a 6 foot 8 inch pretzel bender weighing 270 pounds, was called by the draft board, all Leeson's friends said mentally, "Good-by, Mike." They figured he was in the army right then. But they were wrong. Leeson was rejected. "You are too tall," the draft board told him.

World Community Day Observed November 11

Women of the three local churches united in presenting a special program on Nov. 11th held in the Methodist church at 2 p. m. as follows:

Theme—The Price of an Enduring Peace.

Worship Service, in which eight ladies participated.

The Price of War and Peace—Mrs. Jessie Bergfield.

Promises Will Not Produce an Enduring Peace—Mrs. Ruth Henson.

Trio, Song of Peace—Mesdames Mary Dicks, Ida Messman and Ruby Reynolds.

A Hand, A Heart, A Responsibility—Mrs. Anna Laverick.

Accordion Solo—Miss Edna Schumacher.

World Order—Mrs. Delia Nohren.

Piano Solo—Mrs. Anna Struck.

Talk on Peace—Rev. Mumaw.

Closing Hymn, America the Beautiful.

Closing prayer and benediction—Rev. Mumaw.

Local and Personal

Mrs. Clyde Maxfield of Villa Grove visited in the Clark Henson home Sunday.

Bud Walsh of Champaign was hunting pheasants in the vicinity of Broadlands Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Maxwell were county seat visitors, Friday.

Mrs. Margaret Rayl has returned from a three weeks' visit at Newman and Indianola.

Wilbur Thomas and son, Jimmy, of Ypsilanti, Mich., are here for a few days visit with relatives.

Jess Ward and son Eugene visited the former's brother, Will Ward, who is ill, at Mansfield, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Gore, Mrs. Bus Baldwin and Miss Mamie Darnall were Champaign visitors Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Brewer and Charles Brewer were dinner guests in the home of Mrs. Wayne Brewer at Homer last Sunday.

Mrs. Bert Greenwell of Chicago and son, Vernon C., seaman second class, Camp Peary, Va., visited in the home of her sister, Mrs. O. P. Witt, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Rayl entertained at supper on Armistice Day, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Parsons of Villa Grove, and Mrs. Lillie Bowman.

Mrs. Alvin Monroe and Mrs. Jerry Crain visited the former's mother, Mrs. Neva Crain in Chicago, Sunday. They also visited with Jerry Crain who had a few hours leave.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jones are parents of a son born Sunday at a hospital in Champaign. The mother is the former Grace Patton. The father is serving in the armed forces.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Telling of Mergosia arrived here on Tuesday. On Wednesday they went to Terre Haute, Ind., where Mrs. Telling took a train for Springfield, Ohio, for a two weeks visit with relatives. Mr. Telling will return to his home this Friday.

Wanted—A used tricycle, for five year old child.—Mrs. Albert Gerike, Broadlands.

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