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## 1912 CHAUTAUQUA OPENS TOMORROW

Everything is in Readiness for the Opening Day Tomorrow.

### VAN BUSKIRK'S CONCERT CO.

To Present the First Musical Treat of the Session. Dr. John Wesley Hill Will Lecture.

Van Buskirk's Concert Company will entertain you the first day. They will give you a half hour prelude in the afternoon, and evening concert and promise a good program.

J. Dale Stentz, baritone soloist, comes to us well recommended and the musical people here will undoubtedly be pleased with his numbers. It will be his first appearance here and let us give him a hearty welcome.

The Lyric Glee Club were with us last year and will be cordially greeted by their friends who made their acquaintance at that time. From the time Tom Polk, the manager, announced his program and introduced himself as "just Tom Polk," until they had finished their numbers they had the good will and strict attention of their audience.

The preludes for August 20 will be supplied by Enos Bacon, Dramatic reader, elocutionist, composer, vocalist—known in England as the "Yorkshire Nightingale," and also as the man with two voices.

Circillo's band were with us last year and will be greeted by many admirers. Thayer's grove will be full of music. 27 people—their seventh season of chautauqua work together. Those who love brass instruments will surely consider it a musical treat to hear this band again.

The Alpine Tyrolean Yodlers will amuse their audience with their droll ways and fantastic costumes. Their quaint folk songs are interesting to many as an educator—they appear to have dropped in upon us from their native Switzerland.

A treat is promised in the coming of the Wagner-Shank Concert Company, a mixed quartet and an accomplished pianist. Scenes from famous operas are presented and can be best taste of the best music and will certainly be looked forward to with anticipation.

The Highland Ladies' Orchestra looks to the expectant auditor to be an enjoyable part of the week's entertainment. They come with laurels previously won, and their recommendation includes the gilt-edged promise—they are ladies.

The musical part of the program alone would be worth the price of admission but we will also have a splendid array of oratorical talent.

Dr. John Wesley Hill, a New York City divine, one of the most forceful of speakers, heard by many of our local people on former occasions and said to be among the best; Newell Dwight Hillis of Brooklyn, Tennessee, whose reputation and ability to please is unquestioned. He will give us something to remember.

Ex Gov. Folk needs no word to bring to mind his able address two years ago. Others of equal merit will appear on the platform.

Come and see and hear. In small communities like ours the way to improve is to grasp every opportunity of learning as they pass by.

## BLOOMINGDALE BANK WAS REORGANIZED

The People's bank of Bloomingdale was reorganized this week. Henceforth it will be known as the Peoples' State bank of Bloomingdale. The new organization starts out with a capital stock of \$20,000 and a surplus of like amount. Its deposits aggregate at this time the sum of \$200,000. The officers of the organization are as follows: Hon. Milan D. Wiggins, president; R. E. Allen of Gladale, vice president; Ellis Simmons, cashier and Arthur Wiggins assistant cashier. Its board of directors are Milan D. Wiggins, R. E. Allen, Arthur Wiggins, D. M. Allen, Ellis Simmons, E. J. Dayton and Lowell Newcomb.

The new organization starts out under the most favorable conditions and should have a prosperous career in banking circles.

### BAND CONCERT TONIGHT.

The band concert was enjoyed by a large and appreciative audience last Wednesday evening. Superintendent Robertson, who is an accomplished musical director, was in charge. The second concert this week will be on this Friday evening at 7:30 instead of Saturday evening on account of chautauqua and there will be no band concert next week for the same reason.

## SAD ACCIDENT AT SHAW LAKE

Earl Drake, 24 Years Old is Drowned While Fishing on Tuesday Last.

Earl Drake, a young man living near Lake View and a half brother of Mrs. George Goodrich, was drowned in Shaw lake Tuesday. He had been fishing the most of the forenoon and the family had felt no uneasiness about him until he was called to dinner. Receiving no response an investigation was made, and he was found to have fallen out of the boat and drowned in shallow water. Deceased was subject to epilepsy and therefore was in the habit of sitting in a boat anchored on the shore to prevent an accident while fishing. He was about 24 years old. He was taken to McDonald for burial.

## MAIL CARRIER IS DISABLED

John Young of Route Number Five Meets With an Accident on His Rounds.

This is not a newspaper scare story, but a really true story. John Young, one of the regular employes of Uncle Sam, was discharging the duties of his office peacefully and faithfully on route 5 last week and in driving across a bridge in Waverly where the boards had become loosened and unsafe he was deposited in a ditch, much against his will. He was hurt, but not seriously, although his head had to be mended.

His predicament was quite the reverse of a joke, as he was unable to help himself, but Mr. Dillon, living near, came to his rescue and proved the friend in need.

He came back to headquarters wet, dirty, sore and disgusted, but after a day's rest resumed his responsibilities. The old remedy for trouble is given like this: "Anyone is liable to get into a ditch, but they don't have to stay in it. Cheer up."

### LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE.

It has been suggested that the residents of the town be solicited in regard to leaving their porch lights turned on during Chautauqua week for the benefit of the people coming from and going to the grounds. The foliage of the trees makes the streets rather dark between the arc lights, and it would be appreciated by all if the owners of porch lights would let them cheer the weary Chautauquan on his way home. The expense, we learn upon authority, would be only a few cents and the appreciation of neighbor and friend would more than compensate for the expenditure.

### ECHO ANSWERS.

"Who was the referee?" That is the question confronting Roy Tuttle every time he ventures off from his own premises. He has a bad eye, has Tuttle. He got an idea somehow, somewhere, that he would have winter sometime, so he straightway ordered his coal and in getting it into the bin the chute skidded. Roy was evidently in the way. The pink eye does not match up with the blue one very good, but nevertheless he is raising carnations and doing business at the green houses the same as of old.

Come down town, Roy, we won't say anything, if you won't.

### HAVE NEW OFFICE.

The Postal Telegraph Co. now have a station in the building formerly occupied by Geo. L. Huff as a real estate office south of the K. L. S. & C. depot. They will have an up-to-date office in the near future, but we are unable to learn the exact locality. This will be a great convenience to the public and will also simplify the conduct of the business for the company.

### ONCE LIVED HERE.

Ira Salisbury of Jackson, suffered a second stroke of paralysis while in Decatur last Tuesday. He was taken to his home and latest reports are that he is comfortable. Mr. Salisbury lived in Paw Paw at one time and has relatives here. Mrs. Charles Summy and Mrs. Allison Johnson are his sisters.

### NEW SUPERINTENDENT HERE.

Prof. A. H. Robertson and wife are now nicely located in the Kimball residence. He comes highly recommended from Muskegon, where he has been very successful in school supervision, is a pleasant courteous gentleman to meet and Mr. and Mrs. Robertson are well combed by the citizens of Paw Paw.

## Program

AUGUST 17	
2:30	Prelude.....Van Buskirk's Concert Company
3:00	Lecture.....Dr. John Wesley Hill
7:30	Prelude.....Van Buskirk's Concert Company
8:00	Concert.....Van Buskirk's Concert Company
AUGUST 18	
2:30	Prelude.....J. Dale Stentz, Soloist
3:00	Lecture.....Dr. Edward S. Stueker
7:30	Prelude.....J. Dale Stentz, Soloist
8:00	Lecture.....Dr. Z. C. Batten
AUGUST 19	
2:30	Prelude.....Lyric Glee Club
3:00	Lecture.....Dr. Frederick A. Cook
7:30	Prelude.....Lyric Glee Club
8:00	Concert.....Lyric Glee Club
AUGUST 20	
2:30	Prelude.....Enos Bacon
3:00	Lecture.....Ex-Governor Joseph W. Folk
7:30	Prelude.....Enos Bacon
8:00	Lecture.....Geo. L. McNutt, "The Dinner Pail Mat"
AUGUST 21	
2:30	Prelude.....Circillo's Italian Band
3:00	Lecture.....Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis
7:30	Prelude.....Circillo's Italian Band
8:00	Concert.....Circillo's Italian Band
AUGUST 22	
2:30	Prelude.....Alpine Tyrolean Yodlers
3:00	Lecture.....Prof. H. A. Adrian on Burbank's Creations
7:30	Prelude.....Alpine Tyrolean Yodlers
8:00	Entertainment.....Ralph Bingham
AUGUST 23	
2:30	Prelude.....Wagner-Shank Concert Company
3:00	Lecture.....Prof. Montraville M. Wood
7:30	Prelude.....Wagner-Shank Concert Company
8:00	Concert.....Wagner-Shank Concert Company
AUGUST 24	
2:30	Prelude.....Highland Ladies Orchestra
3:00	Lecture.....Booker T. Washington
7:30	Prelude.....Highland Ladies Orchestra
8:00	Entertainment.....Arthur B. Kachel, Monologist
AUGUST 25	
2:30	.....(to be filled)
3:00	Lecture.....Dr. N. McGee Waters
7:30	.....(to be filled)
8:00	.....(to be filled)

For information regarding programs, tickets, etc., address H. E. SHAEFER, Local Manager

## BALLOTS ORDERED FOR THE PRIMARIES

The Primary Election Ballots Will be Distributed to the Various Townships This Week.

Nearly 15,000 ballots have been ordered for the primary election which takes place Tuesday, August 27, and will be distributed among the various voting precincts of the county. The ballots ordered are divided as follows: Republican, 5,000; Democrat, 3,000; Prohibition, 250; Socialist, 300; Socialist Labor, 250; Progressive, 3,800. The ballots for the progressive party are printed under the instructions of the chairman of the state central committee of that organization, who demanded 75 per cent of the total number of ballots cast for all parties for secretary of state two years ago in Van Buren county.

The primary ballots for each party are printed on a different colored paper, that there may be no confusion in voting for choice of candidates to be placed on the regular ticket in November.

## FIGURES ARE PRESENTED

M. D. Buskirk Submits a Few Statements Not Yet Made.

I shall make no comments on former publications other than to say that Mr. Prater saw my last article before it was published and gave his sanction to the statements made.

For the benefit of the growers of this vicinity I am having published in this issue extracts from a letter from the Crawford Bros. of North East, Pa., and the annual statement of the Chautauqua and Erie Grape Association of Westfield, N. Y. I beg leave to make some comments and comparisons on the annual statements of the two largest associations that affect us as grape growers. Mr. Dunham states in an article of July 25 that New York did not pay its growers as much for their 1911 crop as the Southern Michigan did and that it was the custom in New York to make a daily average and not a basket average and to pool wet grapes by themselves. The Crawford Bros.' letter answers this very fully.

The C. and E. Association handles grapes for one-half cent per basket, and not having a salesman capable of handling so large a business satisfactorily and profitably, they hire nine traveling salesmen to look after their interests in the most important markets in which they operate, and they pay this force in fees and expenses, \$3,359.79. Then again you will notice they pay \$2,590.68 for inspection. They want to know what they are shipping, and they pay to find out. They also pay \$2,299.06 for labels to make their package more attractive. After all these expenses and many others, they pay in 1911 9½ cents net to the growers for Concord.

According to the annual statement made by Southern Michigan at its annual meeting in Lawton last January, a copy of which I have before me, (I am not taking anyone's say so for this) Southern Michigan paid its growers \$0.7325 per basket, just \$0.2175 less than the C. and E. paid its members, which would have made an advance on the 4,888,429 eight-pound baskets handled by Southern Michigan of \$106,313.35. Quite a neat little sum to lose. More than one hundred dollars for each shipper both large and small. Then again you will see that C. and E. sold 1,625 cars of grapes in 1911 and paid their growers \$464,280.90. Southern Michigan's statement shows 1,916 cars of grapes and paid their growers \$409,914.84, just \$54,366.06 less for 291 cars more than C. and E. shipped.

Now, fellow grape grower, these figures show that there is something radically wrong with the grape business in Michigan, and there are but two places to look for it, either the management or the growers themselves.

The Creator has done more for the grape growers in Michigan than he has in the Chautauqua belt. The enemies are fewer, our vines are bigger and stronger with a much better foliage, a larger berry with a quality, if not their superior, at least their equal. The remedy is in the growers' hands. First put up an honest package, then ship only with an association that will co-operate, for co-operation, not competition, is the grape growers' sole salvation.

North East, Pa., Aug. 9, 1912.  
Mr. M. D. Buskirk,  
Paw Paw, Mich.

Dear sir:—  
The recent articles in the Decatur (Concluded on page 8)

## STRONG BOOST FOR NILES STATESMAN

South Haven Tribune Pays Merited Tribute to Congressman Hamilton.

### SENATOR KINNANE WITHDRAWS

Leaving the Field Clear for Re-nomination on the Republican Ticket.

Senator James H. Kinnane of Dowagiac, in an open letter given publicity in the press of the state the first of the week, states that he has withdrawn from the congressional race in the Fourth District; that he will no longer affiliate with the republican party, but will give his support to the "National Progressive" party, under the leadership of Colonel Roosevelt.

Senator Kinnane's withdrawal from the race leaves a clear field to Congressman E. L. Hamilton, for re-nomination. The following comment on the situation and splendid endorsement of Congressman Hamilton was clipped from the editorial columns of the South Haven Daily Tribune of Saturday last and is published herewith in full:



Congressman Hamilton

"The Tribune goes with gratification that Congressman Hamilton is to have a clear field for the re-nomination on the republican ticket, through the withdrawal of James H. Kinnane, who had filed petitions entitling him to a place on the ballot, but who has decided to cast his lot politically with the Progressive party and hence withdraws from the congressional race.

"We believe that Mr. Hamilton is entitled to re-nomination and to re-election on his record as congressman for the past sixteen years.

"With the complex and chaotic political situation now prevailing, it is quite remarkable and very much to the credit of Mr. Hamilton that among the advocates of his re-nomination and re-election are to be found ardent progressives and equally ardent stand-patters, as well as those of various

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## WELL KNOWN PEOPLE ARE MARRIED HERE

Wednesday morning at 9:00 o'clock at St. Mary's church was celebrated the marriage of Miss Nellie Dillon, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Dillon, and Charles Carroll, son of Hon. Thomas Carroll of Grand Rapids. Rev. Father Carlson read the marriage service. The couple were attended by Miss Olive Donovan of Lawrence and William Dillon of Paw Paw. The wedding march was played by Miss Frieda Snow as the party entered the church. Immediately following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served at the home of the bride. Sweet peas as a decoration were very dainty. The following young ladies, friends of the bride, assisted in serving: Misses Anna Carlson, Frieda Snow, Mary Shaefer, Lula Dayton, Ada Stoughton, Sibyl Nunnery and Kittie Moore.

The bride received many gifts, accompanied by good wishes, from her many friends both here and abroad.

Among the guests from out of town were Hon. Thomas Carroll, father of the groom, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Carroll and the Misses Remington, all of Grand Rapids, Mr. and Mrs. James Creagan of Decatur, Art Cross of Lawton, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Cogney of Kalamazoo, the latter a sister of the bride, Mrs. Olive and A. Z. Donovan of Lawrence and others.

The couple departed immediately for Kalamazoo. They will later locate in McBride, where they will engage in educational work.

## THE PASSION PLAY AS SHOWN SUNDAY

Rev. Father Clarkson Writes Entertainingly of the Greatest Play.

To all who witnessed the representation last Sunday afternoon, a brief history and description of this famous drama cannot be too interesting.

The Passion Play, or dramatic representation of the sufferings of our Lord is not a survival of a medieval mystery or miracle-play. It had its origin in the year 1633, when a plague was devastating Oberammergau, a pretty village enshrined in the midst of the most beautiful scenery of upper Bavaria.

In their affliction the people made a vow to Almighty God that, if this scourge was removed they would represent the Sacred Passion every ten years for the edification of Christendom. Tradition says that their prayer was instantly heard, and that thereupon they fulfilled their vow for the first time in the year following.

For some years the performance was necessarily crude and not free from artistic defects; and it was reserved for the late venerable parish priest, Father Daisenberger to give us the Passion Play in its present perfect state. With true dramatic genius he recast the entire libretto and devoted his labors for 35 years to continually improving and refining both the drama and the actors, and thus the Passion Play became to the people of this secluded Bavarian village the highest form of education. It was to them, not a mere spectacle, but a sacred duty and a religious rite. Hence, during the performance, which lasts from eight to ten hours, every head is uncovered and no applause whatever is allowed. The silence and positive awe which holds every one captive, whatever be his religious belief, is only broken by the long drawn sigh or stifled sob as the scenes of the world's saddest story slowly run their course.

The theme of the Passion Play has been treated by the press, both Catholic and non-Catholic with respect and even enthusiasm; and we are told that it is almost impossible to exaggerate the power for good exercised by it on all who have the good fortune to be present.

The Passion Play has been so fre-

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## CO. FEDERATION TO HOLD MEETING

Ancient Order of Gleaners Will Meet on Chautauqua Grounds Saturday.

The county federation of the ancient order of Gleaners will hold a meeting on the Chautauqua grounds on Saturday, August 17 at 10 a. m. sharp. The business meeting has been postponed and the program will be given in the forenoon, giving the Gleaner's from fifteen lodges in the county an opportunity to hear Miss Van Buskirk's musical program in the afternoon.

The program will consist of discussions on fruit packing and packages, led by J. E. Prater, and on transportation, led by Milton H. Pugsley, after which an opportunity will be given to ask questions, express opinions, etc.

This is an organization for the farmer, the object of which is co-operation and to eliminate the middle man. Mr. farmer why don't you go to these meetings of yours, and if there is anything you want to say, say so, and if you've got what you don't want, speak out. Come to the County Federation, bring a lunch basket and have a day of fun where the farmer does all the talking himself.

County Federation.

### HE STRETCHED HIS AUTHORITY

A sudden end came Tuesday to the long debauch which Sidney Marshall has been enjoying for the past two weeks when he was arrested for being drunk and disorderly and taken before Judge Beaver. Sid was awful drunk, and had been for a long time. He had been warned by the officers to quit, straighten up and behave himself, or get out of sight, but in his maudlin condition warnings were of no avail. He pleaded guilty to the charge and was given a fine of \$40 and costs of \$4 or 50 days in the county jail. Being unable to pay he was taken to jail. It is a cinch that he will remain sober for the next three months.—Bangor Advance.

Well, hardly three months. The extreme statutory penalty for the offense with which "Sid" was charged is 30 days in jail and \$20 fine and costs. The judge doubled the fine and trebled the imprisonment. The sentence is good for 90 days only; beyond that it is what lawyers call ultra vires.