

# BARGAINS for the FOURTH

We want to give you an opportunity to celebrate the Fourth in a glorious and up-to-date fashion and are going more than half way. The rest is up to you. Our enormous stock of shoes including all styles for men, women and children is now on sale at wonderfully attractive prices. These are real values and can't be equaled.



**Ladies' Dull Kid Pump**  
3 bar pump, gray top, Louie heel, very new and up-to-date. \$3.45 now... **\$2.95**



**Ladies' Cross Strap Pump**  
Patent and Kid, stage last and Louie heel. The regular price is \$3.45. Sale price... **\$2.95**



**Ladies' Pump**  
\$2.45 Value  
Patent and Dull Kid style of the two strap variety to be had in low or medium heel. An attractive bargain... **\$1.95**



**Elk Skins**  
We have a complete line of Men's and Boy's Elk Skins. Special price on Men's \$1.98. Special Price on Boys' \$1.59. Special Sale of **\$1.98**  
Mule Skins at



**Ladies' Patent Two Strap**  
A very dressy pump with stage last, concave heel. Regular price \$2.95 now... **\$2.69**



**Ladies' Four Strap Pump**  
Both patent and dull kid, narrow toe, Louie heel. A very snappy and up-to-date \$3.45 Pump at... **\$2.95**



**Ladies' Party Slippers**  
A dressy line in black and satin, low heel. Variety of sizes... **\$2.45**



**Men's Work Shoe**  
A good solid leather Shoe of the best quality made for long service. A good \$3.00 value. Sale **\$2.59**  
price



**Ladies' Four Strap Sandal**  
These come in bronze and gray colors, Louie heel, new toe, very popular style. \$3.95 now... **\$2.95**



**Ladies' Baby Dolls**  
A high priced Pump of the new variety, trimmed in white with white ivory sole and rubber heel at... **\$2.95**



**Childrens' Slippers**  
A low Baby Doll Slipper made from best patent cloth ranging size from 6-8 at \$1.49; 8 1/2-11 at \$2.25 \$1.69; 11 1/2-2 at



**\$1.95 Pump Values**  
We have a line of Gypsy White Pumps of the one and two strap style with Louie heel, leather and rubber sole ranging in prices from **\$1.95**  
98 cents



**Ladies' \$3.50 Patent Leather**  
A one strap pump of excellent value, narrow toe and Louie heel. A big bargain at... **\$2.95**



**Another Baby Doll**  
These are not as high a value as the above style but are great bargain for the price at... **\$2.45**



**Men's Gun Metal High Dress Shoe**  
We have five styles of Beacon Shoes, good value at \$4.00. Our price during this sale... **\$3.29**



**Gordon Hosiery**  
We carry the well known Gordon and Round Ticket Hose in all colors and sizes Silk, Lisle and Cotton.

## PROUD'S DEPARTMENT STORE

"Alma's Favorite Store"

### County Correspondence

News of our neighboring villages as gleaned each week by our special staff of correspondents

#### VESTABURG.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Borden are entertaining their granddaughter, Mrs. Elsie Capen of McBrides.

There will be a baseball game played at Vestaburg, Friday afternoon, June 30th, when Six Lakes vs. Vestaburg. Be sure to attend the first game played here this season.

Mrs. Helen Hubbard and Mrs. Mary Guild are busy trying to raise by subscription enough money and donations of work to get paint and shingles to have the Church of Christ painted and roofed. This is something that is needed and each one should take an interest in helping. If you never go to church or are not church members it should have your hearty support. In the first place it is for a good cause, in the second it adds to the improvement of the town. If you will be so kind as to call on either of the above mentioned ladies and tell them if you will help work even apart of a day or give even a small amount of money as every little helps and will be appreciated very much. The State Bank of Vestaburg has offered to stand a fair share of the expense if the citizens will take an interest and do their share.

The Church of Christ of Ferris and Vestaburg are trying to make arrangements whereby the two churches will hire a minister to take charge of and hold services regular which is something needed in any place and more of our citizens should feel their duty to attend all church services.

There was a large attendance of Odd Fellows and Rebekahs and several who were not members of either order when the two first named held their Memorial services in this place Sunday. The procession formed at the I. O. O. F. hall at 2:00 o'clock and marched to the Church of Christ where they listened to an excellent sermon by Rev. John T. Bridwell of Mt. Pleasant, formerly of this place, who gave the I. O. O. F. address. The Rebekahs carried out their ritualistic services. Rev. Bridwell did not confine his sermon to one subject but spoke on several. His many friends were pleased to see him and enjoyed hearing another of his good sermons. After the services were completed at the church both orders went to the cemetery to decorate the graves of their departed members.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Bradley entertained on Monday the former's daughter Mrs. Dropp of Saginaw.

Rev. and Mrs. J. T. Bridwell and daughter of Mt. Pleasant were Sunday callers of Mr. and Mrs. John Thurlby.

Mr. and Mrs. Otterbien and niece Miss Audrey Tanner came from Meidan Saturday evening to visit Mrs. Otterbien's parents Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Tanner.

Mrs. Scarlet accompanied her husband Rev. Scarlet here from Edmore Sunday afternoon at which time he preached his farewell sermon. Rev. Scarlet has been preaching excellent sermons at Edmore, Rock Lake and Vestaburg and has had a call to go to Freeland, Mich. to take charge of a church and leaves for that place this week. Rev. and Mrs. Scarlet will be greatly missed by their many friends whose best wishes go with them to their new home. Rev. Scarlet, who was a Congregational minister always preached excellent sermons never wasted time or words from start to finish and never took time to preach against other churches and their belief because they did not belong to the same denomination he did.

Mrs. Joe Greenhoe is entertaining her niece from Sheridan.

Mr. and Mrs. George Reed, son Harold and Mr. and Mrs. Harzey Fisher autored to Crystal Sunday.

Charles Nickerson and family autored to Crystal Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cornell autored to Carson City Sunday afternoon with their daughter Loreene who remained to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Priest are entertaining relatives from Marshall.

Miss Marjorie Roger was home from Edmore over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant Woodman of Centerville spent Sunday with her grandparents Mr. and Mrs. D. K. Mangle. Mr. Woodman returned home, Mrs. Woodman remained to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Casper Sutton entertained friends from Elwell Sunday.

Base and Rock Lakes are being largely attended these warm days.

Ralph Snook and family who have been visiting his parents Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Snook returned to their home in Greenville Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hainlin, sons Charles and Clara of Edmore visited at the home of William Caris Sunday.

C. L. Nichols was in town this week.

Mrs. Emory Howard and daughter went to Gobleville Thursday to see her mother who is in ill health.

Emory Howard autored to Greenville Thursday.

The Current Topic club was delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. Edna Nickerson Friday-afternoon. After a very interesting program and discussion on "Current Topics" by all present the hostesses served ice cream and cake.

Harvey Harry came from Detroit Saturday and visited his parents and the parents of his wife Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Snook.

Fred Cornell and family, Charles Nickerson and family, Thomas Meddick and wife and Mrs. Iva Walker were among those from here that attended the show at Winn Thursday night.

Mrs. Fred Reader and sons went to Toledo Sunday to visit her son Lester and wife.

Fred Reader autored to Alma Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Murphy went to Toledo Sunday to visit relatives of the latter.

Mr. and Mrs. Sin Clair entertained several friends from out of town over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Manly and daughter and Mrs. Emma Baker of Riverdale were Sunday guests of Mrs. Henry Manly.

Mrs. James O'Connor of Edmore spent the week end with her mother, Mrs. Mary Guild.

William Eavy was home from Alma over Sunday.

William Howay went to Elwell Sunday where he is building a barn.

Homer Stitts was home over Sunday.

Mrs. Eva Courser is recovering from her illness.

Mrs. Fred Cornell spent Wednesday in Ithaca.

Miss Teresa Cox and sister Helen are here from Saginaw visiting their aunt, Mrs. Ed Dwyer and friends.

Mrs. Earl Walker's nephew has returned to his home.

Earl Walker was in Alma Wednesday.

Thorp Thoop returned from Sheridan Tuesday accompanied by Cecil Rhoades.

Miss Jessie Caris went to Lansing Saturday to visit relatives.

Miss Perkins entertained friends from McBrides, Tuesday.

Lewis Perkins and daughter entertained his daughter Mrs. V. D. Thoop of Ferris Wednesday.

Charles Marlin was in Summer the last of this week working on wells.

V. D. Thoop is running a pool room in the Harry Owen building.

Mrs. George Crawford is entertaining her sister of Shepherd who came Sunday.

Ora Nickerson and family of Greenville were Sunday visitors of J. P. Snyder and family.

Harry Thoop was in Alma Wednesday.

Charles Rhoades of Sheridan has been here working and visiting his daughter Mrs. Thorp Thoop.

Mr. and Mrs. Sijas Mack returned home Saturday evening.

Jollie Hare and family of Ferris were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Tupper.

Mrs. Ernest Gould and children have returned home.

Mrs. Cora Carder has recovered from her illness.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wood and daughter spent the week end in Ferris with their son Myron and wife.

Mrs. Beatrice Throop and daughter returned Tuesday from their visit at Sheridan and Belding.

J. E. Skidmore has returned to his work.

Mrs. Minnie Cook and daughter of Edmore returned to their home Wednesday morning after a short visit with her parents Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Briggs.

Clarence Caris, V. D. Thoop and James Carder spent Tuesday in Saginaw.

Mrs. William Lowe left Thursday for Ohio where she expects to spend several weeks visiting relatives.

L. D. Hainlin has returned from his visit near Crystal.

Elton Hornbeck spent Sunday in Mt. Pleasant.

#### SEVILLE CENTER.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Lamson and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Morgan motored to Alma, Crystal and Carson City, Sunday.

Otto Grant and Miss Ruth Shong spent Sunday at Crystal.

Miss Zelma Miller has been visiting her friends, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, near Breckenridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Orville Welch and son, Owen, Mr. and Mrs. Laurel Welch and son, Lester, Mr. and Mrs. John Delling and daughter, Nadine, of Ithaca motored to Saginaw, Sunday and spent the day.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Bigelow were Sunday guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Delling.

Ozzy Gould visited his sister, Mrs. Arthur Welch, near Mt. Pleasant, Friday and Saturday.

Miss Ethel Miller was an over Sunday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Miller.

Harry Covell, who is attending summer school at the Mt. Pleasant normal, spent the week with his parents Mr. and Mrs. James Covell.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lucas and children, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Lucas and Floyd Malloy all motored to Saginaw, Sunday and spent the day.

Henry Miller attended the wrestling match at Riverdale, Friday night.

Hazel White, who has been assisting her sister with her house work, returned to her home Thursday.

Mrs. Iva Wall is making an extended visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Chase.

Mrs. Earl Woodward entertained her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Stephens of Grand Rapids, over Sunday.

Charles McLaughlin and Miss Viola Myers spent Friday evening at the home of his sister, Mrs. Duffy, at Mt. Pleasant.

William Crum and granddaughter, Miss Alice, were guests of her parents Delbert Crum and family.

Ellen Humphrey spent Monday afternoon, the guest of Miss Viola Myers.

Eugene Crum was an Elwell caller, Friday.

People who are always constipated which brings on headaches, sallow color, foul breath, poor appetite should not delay a minute, but take Hillster's Rocky Mountain Tea now. You will wonder at its results. 35c. Look-Partners & Co.—Adv.

### Legal Notices

**PROBATE NOTICE**

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Gratiot.

Notice is Hereby Given, That the final account of Maggie A. Hawes, the administratrix of the Estate of Dennis Hawes, deceased, of Gratiot County, Michigan, now on file will be examined and if found correct, allowed by me at the Probate Office, in the Village of Ithaca, in said County, on the 18th day of July next, at ten o'clock A. M., of said day.

Dated Ithaca, June 19th, 1916.

J. LEE POTTS, Judge of Probate

A True Copy, Attest  
Madge E. Barnes, Register of Probate. 44-41

**CHANCERY NOTICE**

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Gratiot.

In the Circuit Court for the County of Gratiot: In Chancery.

Irvin G. Willitts, Plaintiff,

vs.

Nancy Robinson, Eliza Robinson and Nannie Robinson, or their unknown heirs, legatees, devisees or assigns.

Defendants.

At a regular session of said court held in the Court House in the Village of Ithaca, in said County, on the 16th day of June A. D. 1916.

Present, The Honorable Kelly S. Searl, Circuit Judge.

Irvin G. Willitts, the above named Plaintiff, having filed in said Court a duly verified Bill of Complaint against the above named and unnamed Defendants, and which said suit involves the title to the north east quarter of the north east quarter of section eight in township ten north of range two, west, Michigan, and is brought to quiet the title thereto;

And it satisfactorily appearing to the court from said verified Bill of Complaint that diligent search and inquiry have been made to ascertain the present residence or whereabouts of Nancy Robinson, Eliza Robinson, and Nannie Robinson, the above named defendants, and it is not known whether they are living, or dead, or where they are living, or where they or some of them may reside, or whether the title, interest, claim or possible right of said Nancy Robinson, Eliza Robinson and Nannie Rob-

inson in or to said described land has been disposed of by will, and that the names of the persons who are included as defendants in said suit without being named cannot be ascertained after such search and inquiry;

THEREFORE, On motion of O. G. Tuttle, Attorney and Counselor for Plaintiff, it is ordered that the above named Nancy Robinson, Eliza Robinson and Nannie Robinson, or their unknown heirs, legatees, devisees or assigns cause her or their appearance to be entered in this cause on or before three months from date of this order, and in case of her or their appearance that she or they cause her or their answer to Plaintiff's Bill of Complaint to be filed in said cause and a copy thereof to be served on Plaintiff's attorney and Counselor within twenty days after service on her or them of a copy of said Bill of Complaint and notice of this order and that in default thereof said Bill of Complaint to be taken as confessed by the said named and unnamed defendants.

And it is further ordered that within twenty days after the date of this order the Plaintiff cause a copy thereof to be published in the Alma Record, a newspaper printed, published and circulating in said county and that such publication be continued therein once in each week for six week in succession or that said Plaintiff cause a copy of this order to be personally served on said defendants and upon each of them at least twenty days before the time prescribed herein for the appearance of the said defendants.

KELLY S. SEARL, Circuit Judge.

B. L. Case, Clerk of the Gratiot County Circuit Court.

The above suit involves the title to the north east quarter of the north east quarter of section eight in township ten north of range two west, Michigan, and is brought to quiet the title thereto.

O. G. TUTTLE, Attorney and Counselor for Plaintiff. Business address, Ithaca Michigan. 44-61.

**HEARING CLAIMS**

Estate of Gerrit S. Ward

STATE OF MICHIGAN, The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.

At a session of said court, held at the Probate office in the Village of Ithaca in said county, on the 16th day of June 1916.

Present, J. Lee Potts, Judge.

In the Matter of the Estate of Gerrit S. Ward, deceased.

The above estate having been admitted to Probate and Josephine Ely Ward and Charles O. Ward of Alma, Michigan, appointed executors thereof.

It is ordered that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present their claims against said estate and that such claims will be heard by said court on Monday the 16th day of October next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication

of this order for three successive weeks previous to said day of hearing, in the Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county. A true copy. J. LEE POTTS, Attest: Madge E. Barnes, Register of Probate. 44-31

### NOTICE

To the owner or owners of any and all interest in the land herein described, and to the mortgagee or mortgagees named in all undischarged recorded mortgages against said land or any assignee thereof of record:

Take Notice that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof at any time within six months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to Register in chancery of the county in which the lands lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with one hundred per cent. additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit, and the further sum of five dollars or such description, without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

**Description of Land**

State of Michigan, County of Gratiot. West part of East Twenty acres of south east quarter of north west quarter of section six, containing five acres, Town ten north of range two west of Gratiot county, Michigan. \$10.20 for yr. 1906. \$7.56 for yr. 1907. \$10.56 for yr. 1908. Amount necessary to redeem, \$61.64 plus the fees of the Sheriff.

O. G. Tuttle, Place of Business: Ithaca, Michigan. Dated, August 14th, A. D. 1915.

To Peter Andrew Lassen, guarantee under the last recorded deed, in the regular chain of title, to said land.

Francis M. Bronson and Mary E. Bronson, his wife.

The person in actual possession of said land.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, County of Gratiot, SS.

I do hereby certify and return, that after making careful inquiry and search I am unable to ascertain the whereabouts or postoffice address of Peter Andrew Lassen, the grantee under the last recorded deed in the regular chain of title to said land or to ascertain the whereabouts or postoffice address of his heirs, executor, administrators, or trustee, or guardian of said Peter Andrew Lassen.

I further certify and return that said notice was delivered to me for service on the 14th day of August 1915.

Dated June 2, 1916.

N. M. BRADFORD, Sheriff of said County 43-51.