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Famous Shoes for Men

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With the army of men that are now buying

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Famous Shoes for Men.

See the new styles or better still, come in and let us fit you with a pair, and you may rest assured of perfect comfort, latest styles and finest quality.

Economy Shoe Store

"The Home of Good Shoes"

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Where Every Show is a Good Show

FRIDAY
MARGUERITE CLARK

"Out of the Drifts"
One of the greatest and most pleasing of Miss Clark's plays.
ADDED ATTRACTION
Mr. C. M. Street will sing "Haunting Memories"

SATURDAY
NORMA TALMADGE

In an exceptionally strong drama
"Going Straight"
Also two-reel Keystone comedy "Ambrose's Cup of Woe"
Full Orchestra

MONDAY
the delightful and bewitching comedienne

ELSIE JANIS

"Betty in Search for a Thrill"
Also chapter 9 of "Liberty"

TUESDAY
MARIE DORO

"Diplomacy"
Marie Doro will be remembered for her pleasing work in "The Wood Nymph" and "The Morals of Marcus."

WEDNESDAY
WILLIE COLLIER, JR.

"The Bugle Call"
A 14-year-old star in a tremendous military drama of Western frontier life.
One of the greatest successes ever released on the Triangle Program. Make a special point of seeing this exceptional picture. Also a two-reel Keystone comedy

"Hearts and Sparks"

THURSDAY
Special picture for Washington's Birthday

BLANCHE SWEET
in "The Warrens of Virginia"

COMING!!!
Mrs. Vernon Castle

"PATRIA"

The latest and greatest photo serial story. A thrilling and timely demand for preparedness.

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

Fred Grover of Flint is visiting with relatives in Alma today. Henry McNamara left Wednesday for a several days' business trip to Detroit.

Mrs. Earl Light left this morning for Toledo, Ohio, where she will visit with friends for a few days.

Mrs. George H. Smith visited with her son, E. E. Denton and family at Sand Lake over the week end.

For sale: twelve seven-room houses ranging in price from \$1,550 to \$2,000 on contract. Blakley & Ward.

N. J. McCall, editor of the Mt. Pleasant Times was a pleasant caller at the Alma Record office today.

W. A. Brunner is in Grand Rapids today attending the democratic state convention, which is being held in the furniture city.

The Presbyterian Ladies' Aid society will hold an experience meeting in the church basement on Tuesday of next week.

Ralph Wheaton of Detroit arrived in Alma Tuesday and will enjoy a several weeks' vacation here at the home of his parents.

V. H. Shepard has some very desirable close in residence property for sale. If you are considering buying, call him on either phone, or see him at 318 Woodworth avenue. 78-11-c

If you are interested in buying a home, it will pay you to see V. H. Shepard at 318 Woodworth avenue, or call him on either phone, he has some good bargains for you. 78-11-c

George Sharrar left this morning on a business trip to Owosso, Flushing and Saginaw. He expects to be gone the balance of the week.

The Alma high school fair will be held in the high school Friday evening and Saturday afternoon and evening. A big time for everyone is what they claim.

Circuit court which adjourned February 5th, because of a murder case that Judge Seale was trying in the Clinton court, will convene on Monday, February 19th.

Vincent Circle of the M. E. Ladies' Aid society will meet Thursday, February 22nd, with Mrs. Nora Shaver for all day's work and pot-luck dinner. Everyone is cordially invited.

As the Charlotte public schools are closed for two weeks, because of scarlet fever, Miss Marion Spinney is home visiting with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Spinney, of this city.

Don't forget that the C. G. Falor & Son, Ready to Wear Store, handles laundry for the Roberts laundry of Saginaw. First class work. Laundry going the first of the week is back or Friday. 78-11-c

C. W. Reemtsen, the local financial agent, has secured offices in the Polasky block. He has taken the suite formerly occupied by Carl & Stone.

Carl & Stone are now located in offices in the Creaser block. 78-11-c

M. J. Slyter, the well known automobile repair man, will take charge of the mechanical end of the work at the Ford garage within a couple weeks. He is an experienced man and well versed in all automobile work.

Jesse Rockwell was a business caller in Alma Saturday. Mr. Rockwell has purchased a lot on east end street and expects to build a very nice bungalow the coming summer. Mr. and Mrs. Rockwell expect to make Alma their future home.

Sunday night was the coldest night of the winter, with the thermometer chancing down to 23 degrees below zero during the night. It remained below zero during the greater part of Monday forenoon, but gradually warmed with the bright sun that greeted Alma Monday.

A large number of ladies from the Catholic church made up two sleigh loads which went to the McNamara home, south of Alma, for a box supper Tuesday evening. The boxes were auctioned off by Postmaster Cash and it is said that they were sold at from \$2.00 to \$6.50. A fine time was reported by everyone.

The term of J. M. Dunham, as president of the Kent County Young Men's Republican club, expired with the Lincoln club banquet Monday evening. Mr. Dunham had the pleasure of making the address of welcome to the visiting speakers, among whom were the Hon. William Alden Smith and Gen. Goethals. Mr. Dunham had been president for this organization for two years.

Henry J. Shaw and Iola E. B. Lovell, two well known Gratiot county residents, were united in marriage February 12, 1917, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Baker, 1537 Fulton street, Grand Rapids, Michigan. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. C. Meese of the Plainfield avenue Church of Christ. The bride and groom were attended by Mrs. M. L. Baker Sprout and Marlin N. Baker. A wedding dinner followed the ceremony.

T. S. Gamble, assistant sales manager of the Maxwell Motor Sales corporation, has resigned to become a partner in the firm of Benson, Campbell & Slaten, advertising agents, with offices in Chicago and Cleveland. Mr. Gamble will make his headquarters at the Cleveland office and will handle the eastern business of his firm. Mr. Gamble has had extensive experience in retail advertising and was for five years connected with the advertising department of the White Company, manufacturers of motor cars and trucks. In the capacity of assistant sales manager of the Maxwell Motor Sales corporation, he has had charge of Maxwell advertising.

GRANGE MEETS

Ardena Grange met in regular session Saturday evening, February 24th, at the home of R. A. Wood. Worthy Master Keefer was in the chair. Meeting opened in form. Short business session followed by combined Washington and Lincoln day program. Roll call twenty-four members responded with anecdotes of quotation suitable for the occasion.

Song, "America"—By the Grange.
Reading—"Mrs. Wood."
Song, "Marching Through Georgia"—By the Grange.
Penny March.
Meeting closed in form.

ANNUAL MEETING

Michigan Mutual Insurance Companies Met at Lansing.

E. A. Holden, president, in his address pointed out that one-third of the insurance of Michigan was carried in mutual companies, and that there were about 400,000 policy holders; that the mutual companies carrying one-third of the business were receiving in assessments each year about \$1,500,000; that the stock companies carrying two-thirds are receiving around \$15,000,000.

He advised all mutual companies to put themselves in order and conduct their business on a sound financial basis. In fact, many mutual companies are following the advance assessment plan, and the new laws and new companies provide in their charter for an assessment to keep a surplus on hand. In this way when the loss comes, the company is prepared to meet at once its claims.

Another topic of general interest was the delinquent assessments, which was handled by Attorney Liebrand. It seems under the state law and supreme court decisions that when an assessment is made it is the duty of all to pay. The farmers and business men are becoming educated along the mutual line and when an assessment is made it is generally paid promptly.

The annual meeting was well attended, and a lively interest was shown in the good record of the mutual companies of the state.

VETERAN DEAD

Former G. A. R. Commander Died at Dexter, February 7th.

James C. Gardner, until about three years ago, a resident of this city, commander of G. A. R. post and a prominent Mason, passed from this life at Dexter, Michigan, February 7, 1917, in the eightieth year. Old age is given as the cause, although he was quite active until this winter.

Mr. Gardner was born in Jefferson county, New York, July 4, 1837, of Quaker parentage. Mr. Gardner was the youngest of twelve children of Charles and Susanna (Wood) Gardner. He served his country during the Civil war, joining the New York cavalry.

Soon after his marriage he came to Michigan. He was in the mercantile business in Carson City and North Star. His wife died in North Star. After spending fifteen years in the Middle West, he returned to Gratiot county, near Middleton, and later moved to Alma. His wife, Mrs. Martha Bennett, of Dexter, to whom he was married in 1899, survives him, also a son, J. C. Garner, of Battle Creek, one aged brother and two sisters.

Funeral services were held at the home in Dexter, Michigan, and remains placed in vault to be brought to North Star later for interment.

JOINT CLUB MEETING

The Arcada and the Seville-Summer farmers' clubs will meet Thursday, February 22nd, in the basement rooms of the Presbyterian church, where they will be entertained by Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Mason and others. This will be a community meeting and all are invited to come and bring their dinners and enjoy the big joint meeting.

There will be a fine program in the afternoon. Mr. Holmes of Lansing will make an address as will the local speakers. There will be solos by Miss Ina Young, Miss Amshury, G. V. Wright, and reading by Mrs. Gargrett and Mrs. William Shift. Other attractive portions of the program are yet to be arranged.

AUCTION SALES

C. N. Crist
Desiring to reduce his stock, C. N. Crist will sell at his farm, one mile west of Alma, Tuesday, February 20th, nine head of horses and thirteen head of cattle. Sale begins at 1:00 o'clock p. m. J. D. Helman, auctioneer.

Dennis Fitzgerald
Having rented his farm, Dennis Fitzgerald will sell at public auction Thursday, February 22nd, at his farm, two miles north and one mile west of Forest Hill, his stock of implements, machinery, tools, live stock, etc. Sale starts at 1:00 p. m. John Rowell, auctioneer.

Wm. Vroman
Having rented his farm, seven miles north of Alma, William Vroman will sell at public auction Friday, February 23rd, at 10:00 o'clock, his stock of machinery, implements, tools, cattle, horses, etc. Free lunch at noon. J. D. Helman, auctioneer.

P. W. Klintworth
There will be an auction sale of timber, two and a half miles north of Ashley, Wednesday, February 21st; 110 acres will be offered in acre lots to the highest bidder. One year's time will be given for the removal of timber, and one year's time at six per cent interest for payment.

Leon E. Newcomb
On Monday, February 26th, Leon E. Newcomb will hold an auction sale on his farm, at which time he will dispose of his farm machinery, tools, implements, stock, etc. The farm is located five miles north of the Republic Motor Truck plant, or two miles east and 1 mile north of Forest Hill. Sale starts at 1:00 p. m. with J. D. Helman as auctioneer.

Circulation counts—we have it.

Record Want Ads for Results

Gray & Gray Lunch Room

Quality starts with our doughnuts and coffee, and can be found in all our lunches and meals.

AUCTION
Sale of Timber

The largest auction sale of wood timber ever held in Gratiot County will occur
Wednesday, February 21, '17

When 110 acres will be offered to the highest bidder, in one acre lots. One year's time from April 1, next, will be given for removal of timber, and one year's time at 6 per cent interest for payment of same.

Sale Begins at 9 A. M.

Timber is 2½ miles north of Ashley, or 3½ miles southeast of North Star.

Parties desiring to ship by rail may load on A. A. R. R. at White's Siding, 1½ miles from timber.

P. W. Klintworth, Prop.

Auction Sale

Having decided to quit farming I will sell at my residence, five miles north of the Republic Motor Truck Company's plant, Alma, and two miles east and one north of Forest Hill, on

Monday, February 26, 1917

At 1 o'clock p. m. the following property:

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| 1 Bay Gelding, 6 years old, weight 1,150. | 1 17-tooth Spring Drag. |
| 1 Bay Mare, 7 years old, with foal, weight 1,200. | 1 Oliver Plow (No. 99). |
| 1 McCormick Corn Binder, new. | 1 spike-tooth Drag. |
| 1 Black Hawk Corn Planter, new. | 1 Oliver Cultivator. |
| 1 Keystone side-delivery Hay Rake, new. | 1 Ajax Cultivator. |
| 1 new Deere Hay Loader. | 1 Stockrack. |
| 1 Cloverleaf Manure Spreader. | 1 Beetrack. |
| 1 Disc Harrow. | 2 sets Hay Slings. |
| 1 Roller. | 1 set Double Harness. |
| 1 Deering Grain Binder. | 1 Single Harness. |
| 1 three-fourths Studebaker Wagon, new. | - Dairy Maid Cream Separator, good as new. |
| 1 Empire Grain Drill. | Climax Feed Cooker, 45-gallon capacity. |
| 1 set Bob Sleighs. | 20 Grain Sacks. |
| | Hay Forks, Beet Fork, Shovels and other articles too numerous to mention. |

Terms of Sale

All sums of \$5.00 or under, cash; over that amount, nine months' time on good approved notes at seven per cent interest.



LEON E. NEWCOMB,
Prop.

CLARENCE WHEELER, Clerk

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