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LONG MAY IT WAVE



Sergt. Clarence C. Bailey  
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"Let us then stand by the constitution as it  
is, and by our country as it is, one, united,  
and entire; let it be a truth engraven on our  
hearts; let it be borne on the flag under which  
we rally in every exigency, that we have one  
country, one constitution, one destiny."—Daniel  
Webster.

WASHINGTON'S BIRTHDAY.

Washington's birthday gives a  
splendid chance to public school  
teachers and all instructors of young  
people. They should make George  
Washington something more than a  
dull and shadowy figure of antiquity,  
which the children are forced to learn  
about in books. They should bring  
out all the marvelous romance of his  
character.

As you read over the salient facts  
in the story of Washington, it seems  
almost as unlikely as the sensational  
stories you find in the old fashioned  
dime novel. For he had to contend  
with obstacles that seemed so im-  
possible. He had to depend on a  
little ragged force of patriots, inhar-  
monious, quarreling with each other.  
The soldiers were often on the point  
of quitting and going home.

The country was an impoverished  
group of frontier settlements. Con-  
gress was cowardly and doubtful of  
its authority and failed to give Wash-  
ington decent support. The army  
officers intrigued against their leader.  
Commanding but a rag tag of an  
army, he struck a conquering blow.  
But, his other great military leaders

could not have done it. They would  
have lacked his superb gift for politi-  
cal conciliation and organization.  
Somehow Washington took this im-  
possible situation of chaos, and made  
a conquering army and a nation out  
of it.  
No other American, not even Lin-  
coln, ever united all parties to the  
extent that Washington did. So let  
his memory be kept alive and glowing  
in the hearts of the people. He was  
one of the great men of the world.  
Much of the security and prosperity  
of American life today is due to his  
genius.

TRADE SCHOOL EDUCATION.

One of the propositions for making  
education more practical is to estab-  
lish trade schools, where young peo-  
ple can become efficient and skillful  
in certain handicrafts. But not all  
trade schools have realized the hopes  
of the people who founded them.  
For instance, the reports given out  
of a recent investigation of results  
of trade school education in a certain  
group of schools in the state of Mas-  
sachusetts were distinctly disappoint-  
ing. These schools gave girls in-  
struction in millinery and dressmak-  
ing. It appeared that only about  
one-third of the girls who attended  
these schools have made use of it.  
Those who did make use of it got a  
higher wage at the start than an un-  
trained girl. But they did not main-  
tain this advantage throughout their  
experience in these trades.

Trade schools might not pay as well  
for girls as for boys, since the great  
majority of girls marry at an early  
age.

Young people need something more  
than training in some one trade, val-  
uable as that might be. Their minds  
need development. They need to be  
taught to think and reason. If they  
are taught skill with the hand and  
nothing else, they are likely to stay  
right in the grade of work they learn-  
ed at school. If their minds are  
awakened and the faculty of original  
thinking is stimulated they are going  
to plan out larger futures for them-  
selves and not be satisfied to keep  
along with the degree of attainment  
achieved at the start.

The schools need to give much  
more training in hand work than they  
used to. But it needs to be com-  
bined with studies that will awaken  
the sleeping brains and develop the  
faculties in an all round way.

Two Pertinent Questions.

Under the above heading the De-  
troit Times has the following to say  
regarding a former Belding boy.  
Clay Tallman, now United States  
land commissioner, formerly lived  
here and he was graduated from the  
local high school.

The National Livestock association  
must have snickered when Clay Tall-  
man, commissioner of the general land  
office addressed its Denver session to  
this effect:

"There are two million acres of idle  
land in the rain belt of the eastern  
states. If the western states fail  
to rise to their opportunity and devel-  
op the livestock industry to its maxi-  
mum possibility, the east will turn to  
these lands or to importation from  
abroad for its meat supply and the  
west will suffer in consequence."  
Really, Uncle Kitchal Pixley, or

some other old hograiser, ought to  
have asked that general land office  
man two questions, to-wit:

If the east, with all that idle land  
in the rain belt, doesn't like western  
bacon at 70 cents and western beef  
at 45 cents, why doesn't it go to rais-  
ing hogs and cattle on that land?

If there's 200,000,000 acres lying  
around idle, why doesn't the govern-  
ment, by commandeering or taxing,  
set it to producing?

In fact, Mr. Tallman's threat isn't  
an indictment of the western meat  
raiser. It's an indictment of our fool  
way of doing things.

The eastern states have plenty of  
money, plenty of idle land, plenty of  
jobless men, and are hungry for meat.  
And the best solution government of-  
ficials can offer is to scare the western  
meat raiser into producing so much  
meat as to lower his prices! What  
a merry ha-ha the eastern tool-maker  
or cloth-maker would put up over such  
a proposition!

Mrs. Tanner has opened a class for  
children in aesthetic and social dan-  
cing.

Chas. Gamber, superintendent of  
the Ohio State hospital, of Cleveland,  
is a guest at the home of his brother,  
Frank Gamber and wife.

Salzmans Have Moved.

The Salzmans, tailors and furriers,  
have moved from the old Lapham  
building on West Main street to the  
store recently vacated by the Sim-  
mons' News Agency and are now  
ready to look after your wants in  
still better shape than ever before.

Former Mail Carrier Dies.

Thomas W. Thompson, aged 57  
years, died at his home on Broad  
street, Saturday afternoon, after a  
lingering illness caused by cancer. He  
was a former mail carrier on one of  
the rural routes out of this city and  
when the number of routes was cut  
down from five to four at the local  
postoffice, he was transferred to  
Chesaning where he remained for a  
time. His funeral was held from his  
late home Tuesday afternoon and bur-  
ial was in Riverridge cemetery.

WASHINGTON AND LINCOLN  
NIGHT AT CONGREGATIONAL

The Congregational church Sunday  
night was crowded to the doors with  
an interested audience attracted by  
the musicals given by the church at  
the regular evening service and many  
its excellence and entertaining fea-  
tures.

The music of the pipe organ by  
Mrs. Ireland, the anthem by the choir,  
the solo by Miss Raynor, duet by  
George Wagner and Mrs. Rummier,  
violin solo by Henry Gildemeister and  
male quartet songs by W. B. Reed W.  
J. Rooks, Duncan Kerr and Fred Car-  
ter were all high class and very much  
appreciated by the large audience.

Next Sunday evening arrangements  
are being made to appropriately ob-  
serve Washington and Lincoln me-  
morial and the pastor will give an  
address appropriate to the occasion  
beside the special music by the choir.  
Mr. Tison Hale has kindly consented  
to have his orchestra give a number  
of selections. A general invitation  
is extended to all to enjoy the service.

Against Limiting Appeals.

Fred L. Warner, Ionia county's re-  
presentative at Lansing, took a hand  
in the fight against the bill which  
has been introduced limiting the num-  
ber of cases which can be taken to  
the supreme court. "Are we going to  
deny some one the right to go to this  
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WILLS FUND TO ALL CREEDS  
IN LAST BLOW TO PREJUDICE

Freeport, Ill., Feb. 7.—The will of  
the late Jacob Jonas, filed for prob-  
ate, disposed of an estate of \$50,000  
remembering both Protestant and  
Catholic institutions. St. Vincent's  
orphanage was left \$5,000 and St.  
Francis Hospital, the Freeport Y. M.  
C. A., both of this city; the Lutheran  
church of McConnell, Ill.; St. Mary's  
college of St. Mary, Kan.; the direc-  
tors of the school district of Wad-  
dams township and the American Red  
Cross were left lesser sums. In re-  
lating his reasons for remembering  
all creeds, the testator had declared  
it was his hope that his example  
would tend toward ending religious  
prejudice.

To Have Card Party.

The Knights and Ladies of the Mac-  
cabees will hold a picnic supper at the  
G. A. R. hall on Saturday evening,  
February 22. A card party will be  
enjoyed following the supper and  
social session and it is the earnest  
desire of the promoters of the event  
to have every member of both the  
tent and hive present at the meeting.

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argument. "Perhaps they are over-  
worked. Now one man instead of the  
whole court can pass on the right of  
appeal." Mr. Warner is opposed to  
the bill limiting appeals to the high  
court. Rep. Evans, who favors the  
bill, was unkind enough to suggest

that "Not all lawyers favor the bill.  
Once in a while you find an honest  
lawyer." Thereupon flitting by one  
when repartee and persiflage enliven  
the otherwise tedious round of law-  
making.—Ionia Sentinel.



## Monument Sale

I will allow a discount of 10 per cent on all orders for monu-  
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**10 per cent Cash must accompany the order**

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Monument Works  
BELDING, MICHIGAN

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have solved it for so many economi-  
cal housewives. Try a loaf of our  
bread today and you'll find it uni-  
formly appetizing, nourishing and  
most important of all—economical.  
It stands to reason that buying all  
our materials in large quantities we  
can save money for you on baked  
goods, quality and service consid-  
ered.

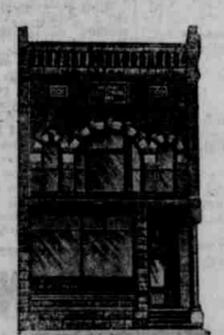
### The City Bakery, Belding

### Two Common Sense Reasons for Voting for F. W. Dalton for School Commissioner

1. He received the unanimous support of the ap-  
pointment committee—Prosecuting Attorney Watt, County  
Clerk Moulton, Judge Webster.
2. He has carried on the work successfully for six  
months under the most trying circumstances in the his-  
tory of the school work, the influenza epidemic, lack of  
teachers, general war conditions.

Do you see any reason for changing?  
Place your (X) in front of his name and settle the  
question right.

Under State Supervision since 1889  
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Your money is gone—  
But if you lose your checkbook your  
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Don't risk your money—  
Open a Checking Account

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Pennsylvania Kerosene to be  
had, although you may have  
been told there was no such  
thing on the market today.  
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It is guaranteed not to  
smoke; to burn to the last  
drop, and to give perfect sat-  
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Get it at the following  
local dealers today  
F. H. Hudson, E. E. Hudson, Belding  
Hardware Co., J. DeVlieger & Son  
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J. L. Harwooe, Manager  
Grand Rapids, Michigan  
Bert Ricker, Local Agent.

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many staple articles. The lowest  
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Lloyd's is the Store that makes the Prices.  
The Store that's up-to-date and after business.

Red Star LL Sheeting 18c	27 in. Best Outing 27c
This is a 30c value, will bleach white with a few washings.	Good assortment of light or dark plaids or stripes.
Daisy Bleached Muslin 21c	25 in. Outing 15c
This is a 35c value, fine thread and free from starch.	Good quality for quilt making.
90 in. Sheeting 65c	Yard-wide Challie 22c
This is full bleached and our reg- ular 85c value.	The favorite material for quilt making.
Berkley Cambric 29c	Cotton Batt Specials
This is a favorite brand with women who do their own sewing, has sold at 40c.	All our Batts are made from pure white cotton, no shoddy:
Yard-wide Percales 25c	18c Value 12 1/2c
Good quality, light or dark pat- terns.	22c Value 17c
Yard-wide Percales 29c	35c Value 25c
Best quality, light or dark pat- terns.	Blanket Special
Good Dress Gingham 22c	64x76 \$3.50 Blankets \$2.45
Best Dress Gingham 29c	These come in plaids and plain colors.
Best Apron Gingham 22c	Knitting Yarns
Grey or Khaki pr hank 65c	Richardson's R. M. C. 10c
Grey or Khaki pr hank 65c	All sizes and colors in stock.
Grey or Khaki pr hank 65c	Burson Hose
Grey or Khaki pr hank 65c	35 Values 25c
Grey or Khaki pr hank 65c	These are black with white feet in all sizes.
Grey or Khaki pr hank 65c	Big Underwear Special
Grey or Khaki pr hank 65c	in Ladies' and Children's winter weight:
Grey or Khaki pr hank 65c	Sizes 4-5-6 79c
Grey or Khaki pr hank 65c	Sizes 7-8-9 89c

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