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## RED CROSS MOVEMENT UNDER WAY

VAN BUREN COUNTY IS ASKED TO DO HER PART IN THIS GREAT HUMANITARIAN PROJECT.

### JUST AS IMPORTANT AS ARMY

Every Man, Woman and Child Must Share Responsibility in this Great Conflict if We Would Win the Victory.

The Red Cross campaign is now on in Van Buren county. It has been a little slow in getting under way, through no fault of the citizens of this county, but on account of the tardiness of national headquarters in sending the necessary credentials. But they are here now, and the important campaign is on. And it is mighty important. Before this war is over, every man and woman in the United States must do their part if we are to win. The responsibility must rest equally on the shoulders of all, and the Red Cross is just as essential as the army. Read carefully and with thoughtful consideration the following appeal from the county chairman and secretary, then get busy and "Do your Bit."

"Do you understand what the Red Cross movement of to-day is? If not do you want to know? Let us try and get the right start.

It is not just a woman's organization; it is not just for Physicians and Nurses; it is not just to sew surgical dressings or to make soldier's kits; it is not to get recruits as ambulance drivers, or for field or hospital service.

"It is the humanitarian arm of the United States government; it is the experienced recourse in times of great civilian disasters; it is the protector of sick and wounded soldiers and sailors in times of war; it is the friend of those whose boys are at the front.

"Our country asks co-operation of every man, woman and child in the United States in increasing the membership of the Red Cross. Any man, woman or child may become a member by the payment of dues in the class of membership into which he or she desires admission. You may not find it possible to serve your country on the field of battle, but you can support this necessary relief work which is carried on in peace and in war. No field service required of members. This is a chance for you to do your bit.

"The classes of membership is as follows:—

Annual member ----- \$1.00 per year  
Subscribing member -- 2.00 per year  
Contributing member -- 5.00 per year  
Sustaining member -- 10.00 per year  
Life member ----- 25.00 per year  
Patron member ----- 100.00 per year  
Red Cross magazine included in all except annual membership.

"Its pressing needs just now are First, Men; Second, Money. Men—Because the idea just now is abroad that the Red Cross is just for women. The women are ready and eager to do their part and are at it. The men seem perfectly willing to let them do it all. No fear of failure of the women's part. But to get the men to realize that the heavy part of this work belongs to them and they must do it; there's the rub.

Money—Because President Wilson has asked that this country, during the week beginning June 18th, raise one hundred million dollars for the Red Cross. And the government has asked Van Buren county to raise Twenty thousand dollars of this amount.

"What is to be the answer to this call of our country?"

David Anderson, County Chairman  
Ola Killefer, County Secretary.

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## COMMUNITY PICNIC PLANNED FOR LAKE CORA ON JUNE 27th.

A Union Sunday School Picnic will be held at Englehard Landing, Lake Cora, June 27th. It is the desire of the officers and members of the several committees to make this a community affair and a general outing. Every Sunday School in the township is represented and is co-operating in this picnic and every effort will be put forward to make this the event of the season. This landing is one of the natural beauty spots left on the shores of the many lakes near Paw Paw.

It is of easy access by train and efforts will be made to have a special train leave the Lake at 6:00 P. M. or later, so that a full day of pleasure may be enjoyed. It would show a live community spirit if the merchants would close the business places from 10:00 A. M. until 4 P. M. and make this one grand community holiday.

Plans are being perfected to have a championship ball game played between the two best teams made up from elimination teams from the several Sunday schools represented. Elimination games will be played on Saturday, June 16th, and 23rd, the winning teams to play at the picnic June 27th. The boys are already getting ready for these games. There will be races both for boys and girls. Tub races, sack races, tug-of-war and other games and contests.

There will be ample tables, and plenty of cats. Mr. Will Howe will gladly answer all questions in regard to arrangements and direct you to the proper Committees and members of committees.

The High school Band will furnish music and it is hoped that the Home Guards will go in a body as it may be that the people who will need their protection will be at the picnic. The Mens League will be there in force and under the direction of Jack Hawthorth will give some fine selections. Get the community spirit and all boost for a great day for Paw Paw June 27th, at Lake Cora.

## POPULAR PAW PAW COUPLE

WILL WED ON JUNE 26th.

Invitations are out for the marriage of Miss Rena Wilson to Paul H. Smith. The ceremony will take place at the home of the bride's parents Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wilson west of town on the afternoon of Tuesday, June 26th, at 3:00 P. M. Miss Wilson is one of Paw Paw's fairest daughters. A graduate of the High school of the Michigan State Normal and a successful teacher. The lucky young man is a Paw Paw boy, a graduate of the local schools and of the university of Michigan. He is supervisor of the township and one of the most substantial and highly respected young men of the community. The True Northerner joins in pre-nuptial congratulations.

## MALICIOUS RUMOR PROVEN

TO HAVE NO FOUNDATION.

A vicious rumor was given circulation in Paw Paw last week that our former townsman and friend Dr. Brassert had been arrested on suspicion of being a German spy. Just how the ugly rumor originated is a mystery, but investigation disclosed the fact that there was absolutely no foundation for it. Of course Dr. Brassert is a German, but a cultured gentleman, and like thousands of other men of German birth, is loyal to the country of his adoption and the stars and stripes. The malicious bit of gossip was not given credence by those who have known Dr. Brassert personally, but gained a wide circulation in the community, and it is to be regretted.

## RED CROSS MEETING OPERA

HOUSE NEXT MONDAY NIGHT.

There will be a Red Cross meeting at the Opera House next Monday evening at 8:00 o'clock. Judge Adams of Kalamazoo one of the prominent state workers in the Red Cross will be present. People must wake up to the necessity of this splendid organization in this county, and it is the duty of every citizen of this community to attend this meeting. We can't all go to war, but we can all do something. Not only that but all must do something. Let the Opera House be packed then for the Red Cross meeting next Monday evening.

## Commencement To-Night

Paw Paw School Year will Close with Exercises at the Rink commencing at 7:30.

### COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Friday, June 15  
7:30 P. M.

Prelude Concert -----  
Fischer's Orchestra  
Invocation -----  
Rev. Edgar Smith  
Orchestra Selection -----  
Fischer's Orchestra  
Salutatory -----  
James Ayars  
Class History -----  
Rowene Bradley  
Oration -----  
Mildred Layn  
Orchestra Selection -----  
Fischer's Orchestra  
Class Poem -----  
Lela Washburn  
Class Prophecy -----  
Gertrude Summy  
Class Will -----  
Harold Mumbrue  
Orchestra Selection -----  
Fischer's Orchestra  
Valedictory -----  
Olga Miller  
Conferring of Diplomas -----  
Supt. Orin W. Kaye  
Benediction -----  
Rev. Edgar W. Smith  
Recessional -----  
Fischer's Orchestra

### CLASS OF 1917

Douglas Walter Hindenach, President  
Olga Miller, Vice President  
Helen Seelye Plumb, Secretary  
Donald V. Purington, Treasurer  
James Sterling Ayars  
Geraldine B. Beattie  
Helen Bolinger  
Rowene May Bradley  
Irwin O. DeWaters  
Lewis Harter  
Fern E. Hess  
Floyd H. Hobbs  
Mildred Mae Layn  
Clare D. McFarlin  
Harold F. Mumbrue  
Marion Pauline Mutchler  
LaRue Eathel Shean  
Ruth A. Shepard  
Gertrude L. Summy  
Lela Fern Washburn

## To the Class of 1917

(Editorial)

This is Commencement week in the local schools, and tonight twenty young ladies and gentlemen will be given diplomas certifying that they have finished the course of study prescribed by the Board of Education. So it is all over the land. Every high school has turned out its quota of graduates. The boys and girls have worked hard for this honor, and now have reached the goal set for them the first day in the Kindergarten department. We join with the parents and friends of these young people in congratulations; but with our felicitations we would offer a few kindly words of advice and counsel.

Don't think now because you have graduated from the high school that you are educated, and that the world owes you a "soft snap." True you have made a most commendable beginning. Judging from those who have fallen by the wayside you are entitled to much praise and credit. You have laid the foundation for an education; you have the preliminary training upon which to build your future, but you are not educated. You have yet a rough and rugged path to travel, either in some college or university or in the more rugged school of experience before you can claim the distinction and honor of an education and achieve the success which should be yours.

How many of you have a definite goal in view? If you have not already "set your stakes" and made a grim determination to reach that goal, a part at least of your elementary training has been neglected. Have some definite object in view, and make a firm and resolute determination to reach that goal. Let no adversity or disappointment cause you to swerve from your course or abandon your plans when once established. Some of you undoubtedly are destined for a college course, some probably

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## PAW PAW BOY IS WINNING HIS WAY IN CHOSEN WORK.

Rev. Clarence Hawley, a former Paw Paw boy is fast forging to the front in his chosen life work. We clip the following from the Scranton Republican of Scranton, Pa., of the issue of June 9th.

Rev. C. O. Hawley was welcomed as the pastor of the Dunmore Christian church on May 22nd, last and is already established in his new field of work. Mr. Hawley comes well trained for his work. He has the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts from Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa, which is the largest school of the Christian church. He is also a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, New York City with the degree of Bachelor of Divinity. His study in New York has included several courses in the graduate school of Columbia University. He has specialized in philosophy, ethics, theology and religious education.

Mr. Hawley is a young man, but started in the ministry at an early age and is completing nine years of his active ministry. He has held pastorates at Paw Paw, Michigan, Seymour, Iowa and New York City. He has been a successful young pastor and the Dunmore Christian church considers itself fortunate to secure such a man of ability as their pastor and leader.

On May 22nd, the congregation honored their new pastor in a social way with a reception at which all the pastors of Dunmore extended words of welcome. On June 7th, Mr. Hawley received the members of the congregation at his home, 1617 Electric street. Strong ties are already being formed between the pastor and his people, socially and spiritually. The outlook for the church is very encouraging.

## HOME GUARD WILL DRILL ONLY ONE NIGHT A WEEK.

The Paw Paw Home Guards will drill but one night a week during the summer. The meeting next week will be on Wednesday evening. Every member of the company is expected to report for drill. Captain McKinstry was assisted in drill maneuvers this Wednesday evening by Sergeant Jesse Lamson of the M. N. G., who is home on a furlough. There were three new recruits in the home company Wednesday, and about twenty-five more are needed to bring the company up to what it should be. It is confidently expected that uniforms and equipment will be provided early in the summer.

## FATHER PAID STIFF FINE FOR BEATING HIS OWN SON.

Richard J. McArdell pleaded guilty in Circuit court at Paw Paw this forenoon to the charge of committing assault and battery upon his son Richard, and paid a fine of \$25 and costs, amounting to about \$10, imposed by Judge Des Voignes.

The case grew out of a whipping administered recently, and the warrant was sworn out after the probate judge, sheriff and prosecuting attorney had examined the body of the boy who is sixteen years of age.

Probate Judge Killefer also set in motion proceedings to take the boy from the custody of his father, and County Agent Hurlbut was here today to investigate, preparatory to reporting on such a step.

Mr. McArdell was accompanied to Paw Paw by his attorney, F. C. Cogshall, but made no attempt to contest the matter, and is understood to have expressed regret that he made the punishment so severe.—South Haven Tribune.

The above news story is alright with the exception of the following facts:—The case was not heard in Justice Court; Judge Des Voignes is holding court in Detroit; The case was heard in Justice Court, and it was heard by Judge Rowland. [Editor]

## SOMETHING DOING AT THE I. O. O. F. HALL TUESDAY EVE.

Odd Fellows and Rebecca's attention. Yourselves and families are urged to attend a dancing and card party at the I. O. O. F. hall on Tuesday evening June 19th. Remember the date as there will be no cards sent out. A good time is guaranteed. Bill 50 cents. If you do not dance, do not pay, but do not stay away. Come. There will be both round and square dances. The committee. (adv)

## WAGING WAR ON AUTO SPEEDERS

SUPERVISORS AUTHORIZE THE ARREST OF ANY DRIVER WHO EXCEEDS THE LIMIT OF 25 MILES PER HOUR AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

## YEIDER IS SPECIAL DEPUTY

Patrols Roads of County in Search of Violators. Twenty-one Convictions Secured During First Week on Duty

Since Van Buren county started to build good roads, it has been the mecca of speed maniacs, who have literally burned up the gravel roads about as fast as they could be constructed. Not only that, but drivers and pedestrians have taken their lives into their own hands whenever they appeared on a public highway.

The Board of Supervisors however at their special session held recently decided that it was about time to call a halt and authorized the Sheriff to appoint a special deputy to wage war on the speeding motorists.

Perry Yeider was the man selected for the job, and a better selection could not have been made. Perry is on the job every minute, and judging from the results of this vigilance thus far, the experiment will be a huge success. No matter how fast they go, or whether it is a Marmon, Packard or Franklin, if Deputy Sheriff Yeider gets his "lamps" on the car, it is a safe bet that he lands his man.

Yeider started on his new duties last week Thursday, and up to Wednesday evening of this week, twenty-one arrests have been made and twenty-one convictions recorded for violation of the state speed limit law. Fines paid have varied in some cases, but the majority of violators have paid a fine of \$15.00 and costs averaging about \$3.70.

The state law places the speed limit at twenty-five miles an hour and it has been no uncommon sight to see cars dash over the roads and even through the streets at from forty to fifty miles an hour. The majority of violators of course are on the new state roads, and these are the very places that need this protection.

Deputy Yeider is authorized to patrol all the roads of the county, and he is liable to bob up at any time on any road. In some instances some driver of a big powerful machine has endeavored to get away and has made a dash for liberty. But no matter how fast they go Perry is close behind, and as yet not a single one has got away. The Board of Supervisors and officers of the county will have the everlasting gratitude of the citizens of the county, if the reckless speeding which had become a menace and a nuisance in Van Buren county can be checked.

## BAND BOYS HAVE OUTING.

GOTTHEIMER COMING BACK.

The members of the Paw Paw high school band will enjoy an outing and a well earned vacation at Magician Lake next week. They will be accompanied by their instructor, Prof. Gottheimer several ex-members of the band and some of the fathers. Paw Paw is proud of the band. The progress the boys have made during the past year is really wonderful, and it will be joyous news to not only the boys but to the citizens of the village as well to learn that their instructor, Mr. Gottheimer has reconsidered his decision to abandon school work the coming year, and is to remain.

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