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THE GRASS LAKE NEWS

Has First Ride on Train

Kalamazoo—Pretty eighteen-year old Margaret Nitzsche, who eloped from Fort Wayne with Eli M. Clapesattel, a thirty-five year old farmer, who lives near Fort Wayne, rode on a train for the first time when she came to Kalamazoo to marry. The girl lives in the country near Fort Wayne, and for some time past the two have been planning to elope. The girl told her parents she was going to Fort Wayne to spend the day, and meeting her farmer lover, the two boarded a train and came to Kalamazoo. It was the girl's first experience on a train, said the groom, who has twice before been married. The couple had planned to keep the wedding a secret from the girl's parents.

Much Married Couple

Grand Rapids—Divorced less than a year ago in Mecosta county, John Hesley, aged fifty, and Mrs. Edna Hesley, aged thirty-nine, secured a marriage license to marry, again. The ceremony was performed by Justice Loucks. This is the third time that Hesley has married and the fourth time for Mrs. Hesley. Two of the marriage ceremonies were between themselves.

Dawson Wins Auto Race

The most spectacular race in motor history was won at the celebrated Speedway at Indianapolis, when Joe Dawson, driving a National entry, finished first in the second annual 500-mile race. The time was 6:21:06, an average of 78.6 miles an hour. The average for last year's race was 74:59 miles an hour. Teddy Tezlaff, who relieved Bragg at the wheel of the Fiat, was second. Hughie Hughes in a Mercer flashed over the finish line for third place. Merz, in a Stutz, was fourth. Twenty thousand dollars, together with several hundred dollars in accessory prices went to the winner. Bragg received \$10,000 and Hughes \$5,000 from the speedway management

Decoration Day, May 1912

Last Thursday the G.A.R. (Grand Army of the Republic) again paid tribute to their departed comrades. The day was an ideal one and a large number turned out to pay their respects to the soldier dead. After a bountiful dinner served by the ladies of the Relief Corps, the line of march was formed and marched to the cemetery, where the services were held. Committees were sent to the east cemetery and Leoni, to decorate the graves of soldiers there. After which they returned to the Baptist church, where all listened to a very able address by Rev. D.C. Blunt.

The Leoni Drum Corp furnished music throughout the day. Automobiles were furnished by a number of our citizens and carried all who were not able to walk. This free act on the part of auto owners was greatly appreciated by the old soldiers. The News intended printing Rev. Blunt's address in full, but as we are unable to secure help we are compelled to give it up. The address was a very able one and we would have been pleased to give it to our readers had it been possible.

A Sad Death June 6, 1912

Grass Lake suffered an irreparable loss in the death of M. W. Dwelle, who died at his home on Church street, Monday evening last. Mr. Dwelle had been a sufferer from asthma for some time, and about six weeks ago was obliged to give up his business, since which time he has been confined to his home. He was one of Grass Lake's foremost business men and conducted his affairs in a most enterprising manner, and was ever honest and courteous in his dealings. Through these methods he built up a large trade in the grain and seed business. Friends from all sides will mourn his death, and especially will he be missed by his business associates with whom he always worked to the interest of all. The funeral will be held Thursday afternoon from the home. Rev. Wellwood of Lansing, assisted by Revs. Wood and Beatty, will conduct the service.

Wilbur Wright Dies of Typhoid Fever

At Dayton, O., Thursday, following a sinking spell that developed soon after midnight, Wilbur Wright, the noted aviator, died of typhoid fever. When the famous patient succumbed to the burning fever that had been racking his body for days and nights, he was surrounded by members of his family, which include the aged father, Bishop Milton Wright; Miss Catherine Wright, Orville, the co-inventor of the aeroplane; Reuchlin and Lorin Wright.

Despite the remarkable place Wilbur Wright won in history, little has ever been published about his or his brother's private life. His interest in aviation dated from early childhood. In 1878 Wilbur's father took a toy home to him and his brother, Orville. He held it in his hand for a while until their curiosity was whetted and then he turned it loose. Instead of dropping to the floor it soared into the air and clear across the room. "It was a helicopter," said Wilbur, telling of his first experience with flying. "It was a miniature airship of bamboo and cork covered with paper, but it made a permanent impression on our minds."

The Wrights had no intention of making money. They had little money to spend in experimenting, yet, they solved the great problem of flying. The world did not know of their success until December, 1903, when, with the first power-driven heavier-than-air machine ready, they invited lifesavers to the shore of the Atlantic ocean in North Carolina to see them fly. They never had been in the air in the machine, but were certain that they had worked out every detail so carefully that it certainly must fly. The machine flew and the Wrights were "discovered" and became national heroes. These two men had solved the problem of centuries. Through their own mental balance they had figured out a way to maintain equilibrium in the air for an indefinite time. Wilbur was perhaps the world's greatest flyer. Cool, possessed of remarkable endurance, he shattered records right and left.

Local and Personal, June 6, 1912

*Fred Myers of Alma College pitched a no run game last Friday against the Albion College team.

*Tuesday, while cutting cheese, Albert Lemm cut his hand quite badly, necessitating a surgeon's attention.

*Chas. Walker is painting the residence of U.V. Shelly. Harry Olds is also decorating the front of his barber shop.

*The Young Men's Advance Club entertained the young ladies in the M.E. church parlor Wednesday evening. Refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served.

*A number of Grass Lake young people rowed over to the island Friday night and enjoyed a beefsteak roast. A good time was enjoyed by all. Another party is being planned for the near future.

*The Women's Missionary Society of the Jackson districts held their annual meeting Wednesday in the Grass Lake Congregational church. It was a genuine success in every particular. The paper on "India", by Mrs. Dr. Bradshaw, and the addresses by Principal G.R. Catton of Benzonia and Dr. Meda Hess Patchell were very inspiring. The dinner was simply a banquet of high order. Supper of equal merit was also served.

*In the making of the fish and game laws every true sportsman is very much interested. There are true sportsmen and those who are in no respect any kind of sportsman. A true sport is not one who would enjoy seeing our lakes and streams robbed of fish. Neither does he like to see the bluegales at this time of the year caught by hundreds, thus destroying four-fifths of the season's spawn. Is there a more economical or better way to stock our lake with fish than to prohibit all fishing for at least 30 days, or during this spawning season. Perch should be protected in February just as much as bluegale at the present time. Mr. Farrand, county game warden, received notice recently of an amendment to the late game law to the effect that white, silver, calico and strawberry bass may be caught any time of year.

Graduation Week – June 19, 1912

The people of Grass Lake are to have a rare treat of hearing Dr. R. M. Wenley of the U of M on our commencement program for the high school. His subject is: "What is Preparation for Life?" The date is Wednesday evening, June 19, 7:30 p.m. The place is the Methodist church. The other dates for commencement week are: Junior reception, June 13 at Wolf Lake; senior class day program at M. E. church, June 18; and alumni reception, June 21st.

The following are the GLHS 1912 graduates: Milton G. Bohne, Ethel Krauss, Glen C. Collins, Esther E. Mellencamp, Ethel A. Cowden, Anna E. Peterson, N. Gertrude Davis, M. Alma Sova, Hubert F. Foster, Fadelia B. St. John, Ruth E. Hickman, Gale F. Willis, and Delia L. Hobart.

Husband Defies Court

Los Angeles—Declaring that his wife was "his property and belonged home with the kids," Ambrocio Pardo refused to allow his wife to leave home on a summons from the court, and was declared in contempt. A warrant was issued for the arrest of the couple. Mrs. Pardo was wanted as a witness in the juvenile court case of Eureka Diaz. She says she is 18 years old, but her mother says she is only 14. Mrs. Pardo, the girl's aunt, was wanted to corroborate the testimony of the mother. "I will not let my wife go to court," Pardo is alleged to have told Deputy Reyes. "She is my property and will not go to court unless she is clubbed to death. You have told me the law, and they can put me in jail if they want to."

Binder Twine in Demand 6/13/1912

Jackson—Despite the fact that the season's wheat crop will be below the average throughout the state, the output of binder twine at Jackson prison up to the present time is more than the output of last year. About 2,375,000 pounds of twine have thus far been sold while the total sales for last year amounted to about 2,250,000 pounds. The selling territory has expanded at least 50 per cent during the last year, according to Warden Simpson. The plant is closed for a month at present for a clean up and for the making of repairs on the machinery. The daily output of the plant, which employs from 95 to 100 convicts, is 15,000 pounds of binder twine per day.

Local and Personal Items 6/13/1912

- *Mrs. Harry Worden entertained the Thimble Club at her home Tuesday evening.
- *Those large luscious strawberries (picked while you wait) for sale at the Little Candy Store.
- *G. W. Musbach went to the university hospital in Ann Arbor for treatment on Thursday.
- *Postmaster Preston has secured some elegant post card views of Grass Lake entitled "A Trip to Grass Lake."
- *The G.A.R. and Ladies of the Relief Corps will hold a basket picnic at Wolf Lake next Saturday. All old soldiers and their wives are invited.
- *Geo. Barber has been doing extensive repairing at his home on Church street—repainting, papering and decorating, and has also installed a new furnace.
- *The steam roller is working wonders for Taft, and the prospects are that Teddy (Roosevelt) will be crushed in the race, which takes place in Chicago next week. The big show promises a hot time for all who are witness to this vaudeville performance (presidential convention). Bill and Teddy are to be the star actors.
- *"Darwin, the missing link"—a chimpanzee will be seen on the street during the Band Concert at Eiler's show, "Ten Nights in a Barroom", performed at noon. This animal understands the English language, and during the show will do some wonderful stunts. It is under the canvas at Grass Lake on June 14.
- *A surprise was given Supt. Mills at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J.G. Wakeman on Church street Tuesday evening by the scholars of the high school. Mr. Mills was given a handsome military set as a token of the esteem in which he is held by the scholars. Ice cream and cake were served.
- *Wouldn't it be grand if we had water works this dry weather, not only for fire protection, but to keep our lawns from burning up? Let's have waterworks. That's what we need more than anything else.
- *Our ball team played the prison ball team last Saturday and got walloped to the queen's taste, and then went to Francisco Sunday and got revenge from the boys there.
- *Ernst Strassburger, our genial harness maker, who was quite ill last week, is again at the old stand doing business.
- *The Juniors will entertain the Seniors at Wolf Lake this evening.

Obituary for Morton L. Raymond June 20, 1912

Morton LaVerdo Raymond was born in Sharon township, Washtenaw county, on September 3, 1843, and died at his home in Grass Lake village, June 11, 1912. the deceased came from a long line of honorable ancestry, one of whom, Samuel Raymond,

his great-grandfather, was captain in the Revolutionary War. His grandfather, David Raymond, and father, Cyrus Raymond, moved from Yates county, New York, to Washtenaw county in 1833 and 1835 respectively, where they became owners of large and productive farms. Cyrus Raymond, after residing on his original homestead for a period of 27 years, disposed of the property, and in 1863 bought another finely improved farm also in Sharon township, on which he passed the remainder of his life.

The subject of this memoir resided with his parents on the old homestead, assisting in the farm work, until 1858-59, when he attended Albion College. In '61 he was employed in Patterson's dry goods store, located in the Union Block, Grass Lake, but in '63 once more returned to the parental home and farming pursuits. On December 13, 1866, he was united in marriage with Miss Geraldine Crafts, daughter of the late William Storrs Crafts and Mary Spaulding Crafts. The only issue of this marriage was Howard Monroe Raymond, born in 1872, and now dean of Armour Institute of Technology, Chicago, of which noted school the widely-known Dr. F.W. Gunsaulus is president. Howard and Miss Carrie Smith were joined in wedlock in 1898, and are blessed with one daughter, Dorothy Geraldine, a graceful little Miss of nine years.

After his wife had passed away in 1883, Cyrus Raymond and his son, Morton's family lived together up to the time of the venerable man's death. Then the valuable property which had been his home for over a quarter of a century passed to the ownership of his son and at the time of the latter's demise constituted a part of his estate. He also owned the fine brick residence and grounds in this village of which he took possession in 1904, and which since that year have been the home of the family.

Our late fellow citizen was supervisor of Sharon township during 1902 and 1903 and was president of the Grass Lake Farmers' Club for 23 years. He was also president of our school board from 1905 up to the time of his death. In 1893 he united with the M. E. church and was for years a member of its official board. Toward the close of his life he suffered from glaucoma, an affection of the eyesight, which professional skill could only partly alleviate. Consequently his capability to read was much circumscribed, a grievous trouble as it measurably prevented him from perusing newspapers and the literature of the day in which his active mind took absorbing interest.

By the death of this excellent man the community suffers a distinct loss. He was warm and cordial of heart, his sympathies were ever alert for just principle, the Golden Rule was a part of his creed which he ever held inviolate, while his generous hospitality, benevolence and kindly assistance to any in distress, won for him many and lasting friendships. Never taciturn or supercilious, never unreasonable self opinionated or inclined to treat disrespectfully the view points of others, he commanded the esteem and the good opinions of his fellows.

In the promotion of systematic agriculture and the raising of fine stock, Mr. Raymond took a lively interest. Of an inquiring mind he investigated such problems carefully as the adaptability of varied soils to grain-raising and grasses, rotation of crops, dairy interests, wool growing, etc., and was recognized as an authority on almost every branch of

agriculture and collateral matters. At Farmers' Institutes and Farmers' Clubs and all gatherings where the great and profound questions of agriculture and kindred topics were propounded, he was a familiar figure and his opinions, always clearly and happily expressed, received marked attention and carried with them weight and influence.

And in the church he was faithful to his obligations and gave generously both of effort and his means to advance and upbuild every religious endeavor. Such a man could not be other than a continual benediction in his own home. His genial presence gladdened the hearts of his domestic circle, who found delight in his felicity of spirit and tender affection.

Our good friend is gone! From the bourne to which he has journeyed he will never more return. Then may the peace that passeth all understanding rejoice his spirit in the Land of the Blest, and may the birds sing their sweetest songs where rest his ashes "in the low green tent whose curtain never outward swings."

Advertisements June 27, 1912

4th Of July Goods As usual we are showing a fine lot of Fireworks and other goods for your Fourth of July needs. Lots of Firecrackers and Penny Novelties, so dear to the small boy. A fine assortment of good Rockets, Roman Candles, Mines, Triangle Wheels, Colored Fire, Paper Balloons in animal shapes, etc. In fact, we can suit you first rate on your Fourth of July needs. Including such goods as Lemon and Orange candies, Peanuts, or anything in the grocery line. And we respectfully solicit your trade on these and other lines. All goods on telephone or other orders delivered promptly, if requested.

C. E. Hookway

Automobile Scarfs 50 cents and 26 cents

We have an exceptionally good selection of fancy and plain veils or scarfs, assorted patterns, 54 and 60 inch lengths, at a special price, 36 cents each—for this week only. Don't overlook these values. Only one to each customer.

Scherer Brothers, Francisco

Why a Checking Account?

The checking account at a good bank is a necessity with everyone who wants to put system, safety, and stability into his money matters. It records accurately every money transaction. It presents the necessity of carrying a large amount of cash on hand. It provides, in the returned cancelled check, a receipt for every payment. You are cordially invited to open a checking account at any time, with any sum from a dollar up.

The Farmers' Bank

Let Your Wife Rest

This hot weather. Don't make her stand over a hot stove and bake when you can get your Bread, Pies, Cookies, Fried Cakes at the Village Bakery cheaper than you can make them yourself. Try our goods. ICE CREAM this weather is delicious. Try ours, the best made.

The Village Bakery

Your Liver Clogged Up?

That's Why You're Tired—Out of Sorts—Have No Appetite. **Carter's Little Liver Pills** will put you right in a few days. They do their duty—cure constipation, biliousness, indigestion and sick headache. Small Pill, Small Dose, Small Price.

Ever Notice A Field of Indian Corn in the glory of its growing? The best part of selected pearly white Indian Corn is used in making **Post Toasties**. This food is carefully cooked—in a factory that is clean and spotless—not a hand touching it at any stage of the making. Post Toasties with cream and a sprinkle of sugar are an ideal dish. Serve sometimes with fresh strawberries added. Sold by Grocers from Postum Cereal Company, LTD. Battle Creek, Mich.

Bean Growers Attention We will furnish Seed Beans for those that wish to grow them. Call at the Elevator and we will explain about it. We have Stowell's Evergreen Sweet Corn, also Millet and Buckwheat for seed. Grain Wanted at All Times. **Grass Lake Elevator**, Clarence E. Wolfinger, Mgr.

We Will Celebrate an Old Fashioned Fourth Of July at WOLF LAKE on the D.U.R. and M.U.T. Large Grove and Picnic Grounds. Good Bathing and plenty of Boats. Plenty of Stable Room for Horses. Chelsea Military Band.

Program of the Day: Motor Boat Races, Canoe Races, Launch Races, Potato Race, 100-Yard Dash for Amateurs, Swimming Races, Casting Contest, Greasy Pole, Fat Men's Race, Tug of War, etc. Ignatz and Paper Doll, two of the fastest motor boats in Southern Michigan will give an exhibition race. All Sports under the direction of the WOLF LAKE BOAT CLUB.

DANCING afternoon and evening. Best Floor in Michigan on the Water Café in Connection—Meals at all Hours, GRAND DISPLAY OF FIREWORKS. Cars leaving every 30 minutes. Special rates on all lines.

Chas. Akin, Prop. W.L.Avery, Manager Bert Crosier, Marshall of the Day

Local and Personal, June 27, 1912

Napoleon: While canning strawberries one day last week, Mrs. Boyce was stricken with heart trouble and falling was severely burned by the hot fruit juice. She has since been confined to the bed, Mrs. Wilson caring for her.

South Fishville: A.A. Curtis and wife and C.C. Koch and family had from their gardens new potatoes and green peas for Sunday dinner.

*South Fishville: Carm Middlebrooks passed away at his home here last Saturday afternoon of dropsy.

Prospect Hill: Mrs. James Pierce and children visited Myron Pierce and wife at Myringo the first of the week. Moray remained with his grandparents for an indefinite time.

*Stone Lake: A party of fishermen from Jackson spent the day Sunday at Stone Lake.

*Dist. No. 6 and Vicinity: W.H. Tisch and wife visited at Geo. Maute's, Saturday.

*Southeast Grass Lake: Mrs. Geo. Crafts has been suffering with an ulcerated tooth.

*The roads in this vicinity are being repaired.

*Mt. Hope: There will be no church nor Sunday school, Sunday.

*From one seed of rye on E.W. Crafts farm there were 125 stalks or heads averaging 30 kernals to the head.

*The Gleaners of Francisco will give an ice cream social and dance in the hall Thursday evening, July 4th.

*Last Monday Chas. Hamilton met with a very painful accident while adjusting a clevis on a plow. He got his thumb caught between two pieces of iron, just as the horses started, thus mashing the thumb.

*Miss Bernhardine Teufel was presented with a fine book for her faithfulness in school. She has a record which we doubt can be equaled. She has been neither tardy nor absent from school in two years.

*Paul Jones received a fine society pin last Monday won in a declamation contest at Olivet college. Paul is a freshman and this is a great honor to win out of a class of 80.

*Chas. F. Ray of Sharon died at his home Wednesday morning of pneumonia, aged 46.

*Dr. O.H. Clark, wife and two sons, George and Horace, of Kalamazoo came to visit Mrs. Clark's mother, Mrs. Julia Sawyer, last Sunday. They came in their auto and made the trip in five hours.

*Last Thursday an axle on one of the Boland cars broke while the car was crossing the tressel over the M.C. railroad, but fortunately the guard rails saved the car from running off. No damage, but what a close call.

*Arthur Russell, who now owns the beautiful island on Grass Lake is preparing to make it one of the most beautiful summer resorts in the state. A new well has been put down, new cement steps will be put in and many improvements will be made. Two new cottages are now being built by Ann Arbor people, one new motor boat has been placed on the lake and another is expected. There isn't a more beautiful spot in the state for a summer resort and it is hoped that it may b enjoyed to the fullest. If you are thinking of building a cottage, see Mr. Russell and secure a site.