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## The 100% Liquid Bank

B. E. E. Ferguson

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The Ypsilanti Daily Press

The expression "The 100 per cent Liquid Bank" has been very popular during the past few weeks. This, undoubtedly, was caused by the announcement from Washington that only banks would be allowed to open which are 100 per cent liquid. The 100 per cent liquid bank is much like the Santa Claus of the five-year old child. Even in normal times it exists only in one's imagination.

A 100 per cent liquid bank, if it existed, would be a charity bank. In order to be 100 per cent liquid there would have to be available immediately all of the depositors' money, both in Commercial and Savings Account. If a bank remains thus liquid, it must either keep its money in the vault of the bank or at best

invested in United States bonds, which can instantly be sold to satisfy the customers. Money invested in the United States bonds precluded the bank from making local loans, which is one of the greatest uses the bank has to the community which it serves.

If a bank keeps its assets thus liquid, where will the bank derive its money to pay interest to the depositors on its saving accounts, or pay their help, their taxes, or the many other incidental expenses absolutely necessary to the continuation of the bank. Liquid banks when properly considered are absolutely impossible.

Would it not be better if instead of talking 100 per cent liquid banks, which is evidently coined to give the

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## ...Comment and Criticism...

We consider that it would be very unjust to the people we have had the pleasure of meeting if we did not express our thanks for the promises of co-operation, given us.

We welcome your comment and criticism. While the name of one man may go in the paper as publisher, a newspaper is, in its true meaning the property of all.

We want to produce a paper that you can point to, with pride, as the home town paper. While we do not intend to press the point, right now—your name on our subscription list, will help give the town a better paper.

## Spelling Bee Eliminations

Finalists in the competition to select Michigan's representative in the annual race for All-American spelling championship honors will be selected in 62 contests throughout Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties Friday, April 28.

The encounters are the district contests in The Detroit News Metropolitan and National Spelling Bee of 1933. They are the last eliminations before the final contest, and the 827 boys and girls who will compete are the spelling champions of as many schools.

Words will be pronounced from a list prepared especially for the district bees. Copies of this list, containing 2,500 carefully selected words, will have been in the hands of all contestants for three weeks for study.

### INDEPENDENCE TOWNSHIP

Clarkston Public School, D. M. Winn, Clarkston, Supt.  
Bailey Lake School, Miss Beryl Brendel, R. 7, Pontiac, Teacher.  
Bigelow School, Miss Bernadine Bailey, Clarkston, Teacher.  
Hunter School, Miss Alice Lawson, Clarkston, Teacher.  
Sashabaw School, Mrs. Lottie Norberg, 132, W. Brooklyn, Pontiac, Teacher.

### WATERFORD TOWNSHIP

Clarkston Station School, Miss Helen Seelbinder, Clarkston, Teacher.  
Clintonville School, Miss Mildred A. Chase, R. 5, Pontiac, Teacher.  
Covert School, Mrs. Jane Johnson, R. 7, Pontiac, Teacher.  
Donelson School, Mrs. Iva Bensett, Pontiac, Principal.  
Lambert School, Mrs. Iva Bensett, Pontiac, Principal.  
Striffling School, Mrs. Iva Bensett, Pontiac, Principal.  
Four Towns School, Mrs. Maybelle Garrett, R. 5, Pontiac, Teacher.  
Waterford Center School, Miss Madeline Chamoin, 675 N. Perry, Pontiac, Teacher.  
Waterford Village School, Howard T. Burt, Waterford, Teacher.

## Clarkston Locals

Sunday Callers at the George Harris home were Mr. and Mrs. Lensley I. Coon, Mrs. Lottie Clute, Mrs. Ruth Rankin of Detroit and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Vliet of Birmingham and Mr. and Mrs. Wm Pennman and children of Pontiac.

Mr. Edwin Sleet of Melvil called on old friends in town Tuesday.

Mrs. E. S. Waterbury and son, Maurice and A. B. Lloyd spent Sunday with friends in Grand Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Belitz and son of Detroit were recent visitors here.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Green of Bloomfield Hills, spent Thursday with the former's mother.

Mrs. Clara Ward spent the week-end visiting with her son, Joseph Schram and family at Mayville.

Wm. Belitz received a gash on his forehead last week when he accidentally struck his head.

E. S. Waterbury who has been in Florida since November is expected home Saturday.

Mesdames Judd Skarritt, Kimball Skarritt, Frank Dunston, Earl Terry, Walter Ash, Raymond Miller and Miss Elsie Miller pleasantly surprised Mrs. Mary Green last Thursday evening. The evening was spent playing Five Hundred after which a dainty lunch was served.

Five Tables of Bridge were in play at the Royal Neighbor card party held Tuesday afternoon in the club rooms. Mrs. Earl Terry received first prize and Mrs. Claire Hopkins low. Tea readings were given.

Mrs. Farmer E. Davies visited in Detroit, Tuesday.

Mrs. Clara Ward spent the week-end at Mayville with relatives.

F. E. Davies was in Flint Monday.

Mrs. Grace DeMoyd of Pontiac came to Clarkston, Sunday and is visiting with her brother, Mr. W. C. Ainsley.

Miss Adele Gardner returned recently from New York and Atlantic City where she attended a house party over Easter.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Thompson, Miller, returned last week to their Sunset Villa home after having spent the winter in Miami, Florida.

The Hi-Y-Boy's Club were entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Porritt, Monday, evening.

Casper Warden, has been remodeling his home on South Main St., at Middle Lake Road.

King Kong last week; Cavalcade this week; 42nd St. next week. If you go to the movies be sure and keep informed of the fine program at Oakland in Pontiac is constantly giving.

## DEPOSITOR'S MEETING

A meeting of the depositors of the Clarkston State Bank will be held at the Clarkston Opera House Saturday evening at 8:00 P. M.

All depositors are urged to be present

## Watch Your Peach Trees

David McClelland has just finished spraying 5,000 apple, peach and cherry trees in the two orchards he operates. One orchard is located on the Sashabaw Road. The other orchard is located on the McGee farm on the Waterford Hill.

We understand that the frost the last of last week did quite a lot of harm to peach trees, on the Jowlands, and that some of the blossoms are falling.

## Seniors Sponsor Benefit Dance

The senior class of the Clarkston High School is sponsoring a benefit dance to be given Friday evening, April 28.

Dancing will start at 9 o'clock and a snappy orchestra will furnish the music.

## Clarkston Locals

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert La Vigne entertained Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Waterbury, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Vliet and Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dunston at bridge and luncheon Sunday evening. Wednesday evening dinner guests were Mrs. George Reed and Mrs. Clarence Butler of Lake Angelus.

Byron Miller spent the week-end with Harriet Beckman of Oak Hill. Miss May Anderson visited in Detroit last week.

### SURPRISE ON BIRTHDAY

About thirty neighbors and friends surprised Wm. Kile in honor of his birthday Tuesday evening.

After a bountiful pot-luck dinner was served, games and cards were played. At a late hour all returned to their homes wishing Mr. Kile many more birthdays.

### ATTEND REUNION

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Ira Jones was the scene of a family gathering on Sunday when their children and families came to spend the day with them.

## Junior Play Big Success

The Junior Play "Billy" which was presented last Friday evening to over three hundred people was a big success. The characters were particularly adapted to their respective parts and acted well.

The play was a comedy which centered around a set of false teeth. A football hero went on a trip to get accustomed to his false teeth. He was trying to inform the girl he loved about the teeth and just as he told her there were four of them, someone bumped into him. The teeth flew out and he could not find them. The girl thought he was referring to four women in his past life. The hero being unable to speak plainly refused to explain to her.

The teeth were found by a sailor and they were auctioned off. The hero bought them for \$1,000. They cost only \$50, when first purchased. Now with his teeth recovered, the situation cleared up and the play ended happily.

Between acts Marguerite Andrews and Stanley Spences rendered a cornet duet. Other features included a vocal solo by Lynn Rexford, saxophone solo by King McIntyre and vocal trio by Leo Jencks, Harvey Porritt and Lynn Rexford.

The play was directed by Miss Elsie Buchanan.

The cast included Billy Hargrave, a football hero, Floyd Hurshall; Alice Hargrave, his sister—Charlotte Spencer; John Hargrave, his father Jack Huntly; Mrs. Hargrave, his mother—Loleta Mann; Mrs. Sloane, a passenger—Mary K. Hammond; Beatrice Sloane—Alma Wall; Sam Eanstage—Harold Konezn; Captain—Kenneth Marthey; Doctor Herbert Beach; Boatswain—Leslie Denton; Sailor—Clayton Soncrainte; Steward—Robert Revanells; Stewardess—Sarah Lowrie.

## BIRGE'S ENTERTAINMENT DAVISBURG GRANGE

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Birge, west of Clarkston, entertained members of the Davisburg Grange at their home yesterday evening.

After a pot-luck supper the following program was given:

Reading by Mrs. Roland Crawford. Discussion—"A substitute for the A. L. Moore Tax Relief Bill" Piano Selection by Mrs. Wm. King. An added feature was a general discussion on farming problems. The next meeting place will be announced later.

## JUNIOR LITERARY MEMBERS MEET

Miss Gladys Gundry was hostess to the members of the Junior Literary Club at her home Wednesday evening.

Guests of the club were Mrs. Marvin Porritt, Mrs. Ed Porritt and Miss Elsie Beardslee.

Mrs. Earl Terry gave a reading on "Singing Powers" and a monologue was presented by Mrs. Ed Fuller.

## NOTICE

After Monday, May 1st, The Clarkston News Office will be located on South Main Street at Middle Lake Road. Phone in your items to Clarkston 53.

## Surprise Party Held Monday

A large group of friends and relatives from Detroit and Royal Oak, together with members and friends of the Clarkston Seymour Lake charge met for a pot-luck supper and program at the local Methodist Church Monday evening.

The "gathering," as Seth Parker says, was in honor of the 32nd wedding anniversary of Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Edwards. After a bountiful repast of good things to eat, a splendid program was presented by local and outside talent. Mrs. Emma Fiske was the toastmistress and handled the affair with the tact and skill of a veteran. The surprise of the evening came when two tables loaded with groceries and gifts, was brought into the room and presented to Mrs. Edwards and her assistant the Rev. 'Cal' as an appreciation of love for their unworthy services.

It was a joyous and happy ending to the Easter season, and Mr. and Mrs. Edwards asked the writer to express their sincere gratitude and appreciation for this unexpected expression of the love and good will of their people.

## Church Notices

CLARKSTON  
METHODIST CHURCH  
Rev. C. E. Edwards, Pastor.

April 30, 1933

10:45—Morning worship and sermon. Subject: "The Christian Sword!" Members of Cedar Lodge, F. and A. M., together with their families and friends will be our honored guests at this service. The public is invited!

12:00 Session of the Sunday school. Earl Walter, Superintendent.

6:30—Epworth League devotional hour.

7:30—Evening service. Subject: "After Easter, What?" One hour of sermon and song.

Tuesday—Monthly meeting of the Official Board at the parsonage. 7:30.

Thursday—mid-week worship hour at 7:30. Everybody welcome! On Mothers Day, May 14th, the young folk of our League will have entire charge of the evening service. Mother and daughter banquet Wednesday night, May 17.

## SEYMOUR LAKE METHODIST CHURCH

9:00—Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor on "Cross Bearing!" Are you a Cross Bearer or a Cross maker? Everyone invited!

10:15—Sunday school. Mrs. Iva Miller, Superintendent.

Remember—The Seymour Lake Mother and daughter banquet will be held the evening of May 12 at the Community house. Get your reservations at once from the committee, or call Mrs. Will Edwards.

## CLARKSTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. H. A. Huey.  
10:45—Sermon: "Lovest Thou Me." Music by the choir with special numbers.

## WATERFORD BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. H. A. Huey.  
7:30—Sermon: "Lovest Thou Me." Music by the choir with special numbers.

## Clarkston Locals

Miss Louise Dunston is visiting her sister in Flint this week.

The Parents-Teachers Association announces the next meeting will be held Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the school auditorium. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Mrs. George King was hostess to her contract bridge club at 1 o'clock luncheon Tuesday noon. Mrs. Louis Walter and Miss Viola Alger were awarded prizes. Miss Alger will entertain the club at the next meeting.

Miss Clara Grant has returned to Detroit after spending several days at Green Acres.

Mrs. Leman Cambray of Flint spent last Friday here calling on friends.

Mr. and Mrs. David Newlands of Detroit have moved into their home here for the summer months.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis F. Walter and Mrs. Roy Addis attended the Orpheus Club concert at Orchard Hall in Detroit Tuesday evening.

Miss Nancy Parker of Lansing spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Parker.

Joseph Alger and daughters, Edna and Viola, are enjoying a motor trip through Kentucky and Tennessee.

The Andersonville Ladies Aid served supper to a party of twenty-five people from Pontiac Thursday evening at the Andersonville Community House.

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**Waterford**  
**WATERFORD TEAM PLAYS ORTONVILLE**

The Waterford Merchants base ball team plays Ortonville in the opening game April 30th at Ortonville.

The Waterford team is much improved this year and with Bankham and Kiles as battery should give a good account of themselves.

Mr. and Mrs. James Sutton and family were visitors at the Wayne Co. Air-Port on Sunday P. M. Mr. and Mrs. Sutton reside on Maceday Gardens.

Mrs. E. L. Lambertson who has been a patient at the Jefferson Ave. Hospital, recovering from an operation was expected to be sufficiently well enough to be removed from the hospital to the home of relatives in Detroit this week.

Thurs. evening of this week several people from Waterford attended the MacDowell Chorus entertainment given at the High School. Kenneth McVittie of Waterford was one of the members of the Chorus.

Jacobson's now have a complete assortment of D. M. Ferry's seeds. Waterford and vicinity people want to keep in mind that May 12th is the Mother-Son banquet given at the

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Waterford church parlors sponsored by the Ladies Auxilliary. Tickets are on sale for the affair under management of Mrs. Carl Terry and Mrs. Lyman Girst. Great plans are being made for it to be a big success.

The Waterford School Play featuring members of the 9th and 10th grades which was given here a few weeks ago and was a success was given at Davisburg on Friday evening. The play was under directions of Supt. Howard Burt and the English and Latin Teacher Mrs. Kenneth McVittie.

The Ladies Auxilliary sponsored some decorating work which was done at the parsonage last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer VanAtra and Miss Francis Bird of Detroit called at the E. D. Spooner farm home on William Lake Rd. on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Wagner, Mrs. Susan Loth and Mr. L. Kennedy visited Mr. and Mrs. Charles Young of the Waterford Inn during the week-end.

On Tuesday Mrs. Ida Hayden who has been spending the winter in Detroit returned to her home here located on Maple St.

Stock of tennis-shoes now ready—Jacobson's—35

Wednesday evening at 6 o'clock Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Thompson arrived to their home after a pleasant time spent in Mt. Dora, Florida for the winter. The Thomasons returned by the way of Philadelphia Pa. where they visited at the home of their son and family.

Thursday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Spooner returned to their farm home on Williams Lake Rd. after a 3 months sojourn in St. Petersburg Florida. The Spooner's visited at Eutaw, Florida on their way in, the Byron Howland people and at South Bend Indiana at the home of a niece and family Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dalton and then to their home here. The Byron Howland people and Mr. and Mrs. Judson Grow are yet to return here for summer.

The Good Will Club of Waterford were very pleasantly entertained on Friday at the home of Mrs. J. H. Reid. Eleven members and one guest were seated at an attractive table centered with a beautiful mixed bouquet of sweet peas. A two course luncheon was served. Following came the business meeting led by the President, Mrs. H. B. Mehlberg.

The May meeting will be entertained at the home of Miss Mary VanZandt.

Pork Sausage -- 5 cents pound Jacobson's—35.

The Program for April Meeting was in charge of Mrs. Percy King. Roll call "What science has done for the House Wife."

Papers were given by Mrs. Kenneth McVittie on "China Ware," also Mrs. George Whitfield told "The Evolution of Floor Covering." Both very interesting subjects.

Miss Carrie Harger of Pontiac was a guest at the home of her sister Mrs. J. H. Reid of Waterford for several days the latter part of the week.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Mehlberg and family were Friday evening dinner guests of the former's parents Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Mehlberg of near Fen-ton.

Waterford base ball team played against Dublin Base ball team on Friday P. M. following school on the home field with a victory of 8-5 in our favor. This is the second game played. The first was with Ortonville.

Miss Helen Loree, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. Loree of Williams Lake road who under went an operation for Mastoid last week was able to be taken to her home. She is much improved in health.

The Ladies Auxilliary of Waterford will hold their meeting this next week at the church parlors on Thurs.

May 4th. A cooperative luncheon will be served at one o'clock by these hostesses, Mrs. Johns Millen, Mrs. L. Owen, Mrs. H. H. Porritt. A cordial invitation is extended to all to come and join in the social time.

Teachers and pupils of Waterford Center school resumed their duties last Monday after a weeks' spring vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Tinney of Union Lake who have been remodeling the C. E. Smith house on Elizabeth Lake Road moved to their new home on Saturday.

A. E. Krenz of Ferndale spent Thursday at his farm home on White Lake Road.

Dr. and Mrs. Ben. Franklin and children of Detroit were callers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Selmes.

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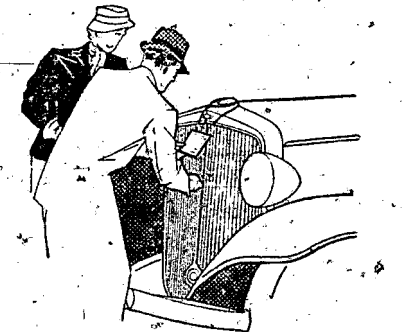
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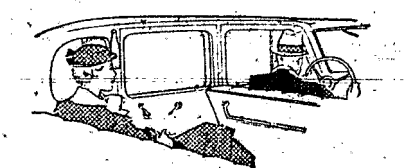
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### Waterford Center

George Scott of White Lake road has returned to his home after a few days trip to Grand Rapids, where he attended the annual concert of the McDowell Club of which he is a member. Thirty-eight members from Pontiac were in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Kerr, and daughters, Bernice and Mildred spent Sunday with relatives in Durand and Swartz Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hess and son, Richard, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Terry of Pontiac on Saturday evening.

O. L. Norris of Pontiac spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chris Jorgeson.

Ralph Carpenter and Son, Bobby,

of Royal Oak were recent guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Dahl. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Anderson of Pontiac were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hickson on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hickson pleasantly entertained the members of the Seth Parker Club of Crescent Lake at their home on Saturday evening. Four tables of Court Whist were played, after which a buffet luncheon was served. The remainder of the evening was spent in singing, music and stunts; prizes were awarded to Mr. and Mrs. Myron Faus and Mrs. C. E. Selmes and Morris Bradley.

A Mothers' Day Program which will be presented at the Waterford Center Sunday School the 14th of May, is being arranged by the Committee with Mrs. Myron Faus as

chairman. The attendance is increasing as warmer weather appears. 101 people were present last Sunday.

The next meeting of the Waterford Center P. T. A. will be held in the school auditorium May 5, at 7:30 p. m. Recreation program is planned with Mrs. Mabel Hood, Mrs. Harold Mullen and Mrs. L. W. Pitched the committee in charge. Music, games and contests will provide entertainment for members and friends.

The Air-port base-ball team played their first game this season at the local field with Drayton Plains team as visitors. Morgan and Fraser were the battery for the home team. Score, 3-2 in favor of Airport. A game is scheduled for next Sunday at 3 p. m.

Mr. and Mrs. Vern Selmes were guests of friends in Royal Oak last Sunday.

### Blue and White Flash

#### SPORTS

Last Friday the Boys went to New Hudson for the first game of the season and were victorious. The line up:

CLARKSTON	NEW HUDSON
Bob Reynnells	Pitcher
	Templeton
Harve Porritt	Catcher
Emerson Vliet	First Base
George Holmes	Second Base
Soulby	Third Base
Lyman Rexford	Short Stop
	Pettingil

Left Field	Rose
Ralph Grote	Center Field
Jack Huntly	Right Field
George Miller	Collins

The final score was Clarkston 9, New Hudson 7. The local boys got as many walks as they did hits, 7 of each.

This Friday the boys meet Walled Lake on the home field.

Waterford Church Business meeting was held at the parsonage on Monday evening.

Election of officers and trustees took place as follows:  
Clerk—Mrs. Percy King.  
Treasurer—Mrs. John Miller.  
Trustee—Dr. Giddings.  
Trustee—Percy King.

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*Alex Dow*  
President

**Drayton Plains**

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Keating moved from the George Chamberlain home to Detroit on Wednesday.

Mrs. Fred Mosher of Brighton was a caller in town on Wednesday.

Miss Ernestine Barnhart has returned from Ferndale where she

spent the Easter week with her Aunt and Uncle Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Boardman.

Mrs. Elmer Esseau continues quite ill at this writing.

Mr. and Mrs. John Smith and family of Detroit have rented the George Chamberlain house near the depot.

Robert Sitts has recovered from his recent illness to be able to go back to his work at Pontiac.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Geirster of Detroit have moved in the A. E. Cheeseman home on Fremont St.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Rowley and Mr. and Mrs. William Pelton motored to Grand Rapids Saturday where Dr. Rowley sang in the MacDowell chorus of Pontiac at the New Civic Auditorium in the evening. There were eight male chorists totaling 375 men participated. The McDowell Male Chorus of Pontiac is the youngest club of the State organization and was well received.

Nineteen young people of the Christian Endeavor accompanied by Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Sutton attended a Rally at the 1st Community United Presbyterian Church Detroit last Friday evening. All reported a good time.

The Men's Club are sponsoring a Father and Son's Banquet on May 3 in the church parlors.

The Adult Bible Class held their regular monthly meeting in the church parlors on Friday evening. After the regular business meeting, several games were played and refreshments were served at the close of the evening.

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people confidence, to say banks will be open when sound?

At the present time and under present conditions it takes less ability to criticize and tear down than it does to offer constructive suggestions.

Many of the banks are now closed by the proclamation of our State Governor or our President. These proclamations have caused a terribly chaotic condition and, hence, anything which will tend to remove this condition should be hastened. The depositors' money and the banks' assets are being jeopardized to a greater and greater extent as each day passes.

In our own city a National Bank is closed. It is the oldest National Bank in the State. It has always been conservative in its management and careful in its loans. It can be truthfully said, without fear of denial, that this bank's organization in the past has carefully guarded its depositor's money. It seems a shame that this bank should remain closed. This bank is typical of hundreds of others, and these banks should be opened without further delay for at least three reasons. First, loans when placed were securely protected, either by actual securities or good moral risks. Second, such banks being held closed are depriving the bank of the profits which it would make if allowed to open. Third, during the period of the closing of such banks, it is a question whether the interest will be paid the depositors on the savings accounts. Either the depositors will lose this amount or the banks.

From another angle, this bank during the last week has had three or four Government Inspectors going over its assets. This is typical of every bank that is now closed. Who would think that in this short time these Government Inspectors, no matter how capable, would be in a position to know the value of the assets of the bank as intimately as accurately as does the bank's President and Directors who made the loans and are more intimately concerned in the success of their being collected than any other group of men?

The value of a loan cannot be judged wholly from the property involved, whether that be a mortgage on property or a bond. With mortgage loans the moral risk of the borrower must be carefully considered and is carefully considered by any bank president and board of directors. Often the moral risk alone justifies the continuation of what might otherwise be considered a hazardous loan.

On bonds Washington has ruled, so we are told, that all bonds in arrears for interest shall be immediately charged off. This is not only unjust, unreasonable but ought to be unthinkable. These bonds, whether they are Municipal, County or State, have back of them the credit of the different kinds of organizations and this does give them some value, even though the interest may be in arrears. If we are going to compel banks to write off all bonds whose interest is

in arrears, would it not be just as consistent to compel them to write off all mortgages when interest is in arrears? The injustice of such write-off at once dawns upon one as he stops to consider that the mortgage, no less than the bond, has back of it the credit of the property on which the mortgage or bond is based.

Many banks that are temporarily embarrassed will work out of this condition if given a fighting chance, but, if it is necessary for banks immediately to write off all bonds upon which interest is in arrears, many good banks will be wiped out of existence and the depositors in those banks will lose heavily.

Let us stop dallying and fooling, constructive in our thinking and actions. Let us have all doors of banks which have a fighting chance thrown open. If necessary, restrict withdrawals, especially of the Savings Account, reasonably and, if some banks have heavy Commercial Deposits, the entire withdrawal of which will embarrass the bank, restrict the Commercial Account withdrawals accordingly. If such a method of procedure is established and the people are taken into each others' confidence, we are sure that not only the depositors in the Savings Account, but depositors having Commercial Accounts will meet their requirements with a smile and with 100 per cent co-operation.

Let us stop dallying and fooling, allow the banks to open, transact their local business as usual and not continue forcing a condition which eventually will compel banks to be closed and throw millions of dollars worth of securities on the market, which is already glutted, by the attempted sale of such securities.

Each bank knows the individual problems of its community and its bank. Let us welcome the time when these responsibilities will be placed upon the respective banks where they rightfully belong.

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**Waterford**

The Bible Class Party of Waterford S. S. will be entertained on Tues. evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Terry at Waterford. Mrs. L. Girst is joint hostess. Herbert Pratt has charge of the Study hour.

The class will study the life of "Daniel." Roll call will be responded to by answering questions prepared by the President, Mrs. H. B. Mehlerberg.

A social time follows the study hour Refreshments will be served. There is a welcome extended for all who are interested to attend.

Mr. Frank Smith of New York visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Emery Smith of Andersonville Road, this week for a few days.

**WATERFORD P. T. A. HEARS HALL PLAYERS**

The Waterford P. T. A. were very fortunate indeed to be given the privilege of hearing the "Famous Hull Family Entertainers" at their meeting last Thursday evening. They were all that was advertised and came up to the recommends that people of different localities had given

The P. T. A. did not have the Election of officers nor the business meeting, this was postponed until the May meeting. Sup. Howard Burt was in charge of the meeting, acting as chairman of the Program Committee who should be given credit for the pleasant evening. The Assembly room was filled to capacity.

**4-H CLUB MEMBERS IN ACHIEVEMENT DAY**

4-H Club Girls of Waterford group who won at the local Achievement Day at Drayton Plains and went to Pontiac were— 1st year Fern Batchelor and Geraldine Poloskev.

Second year—Ella Perry and Eleanor Mehlerberg and June Harris.

Third year—Jane Shouldice, Kathleen Johnson.

Fourth year—Grace McVittie.

Style Show recipients were— Virginia Craven, Fern Batchelor, Ella Perry and Jane Shouldice.

At the Achievement Day at Pontiac Waterford was very proud of the fact that Jane Shouldice won first place in 3rd-year work and will go to Lansing with her work. The leaders Mrs. Arthur Walter and Mrs. Lyman Girst deserve a great deal of credit for the showing that the girls of the groups made at both Achievement Days. We are very proud of both of the girls and the leaders.

The girls receiving honorable mentions for outstanding work done at the Pontiac exhibit were Fern Batchelor, Ella Perry, Eleanor Mehlerberg, and Grace McVittie.

The exhibit at Pontiac was exceptionally fine this year. About 2 or 3 times larger than last year. The older classes of boys and girls both had very interesting exhibits. Girls made dressing tables, boy's spinet desk gate leg table and many other pieces of walnut. Marvelous work for 17 year old young people.

The 4th-year girls work prize was awarded to Doris Mehlerberg of Auburn Heights who will go to Lansing with her exhibit of a dressing. Doris is the niece of Henry Mehlerberg of Waterford.

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