Oakdale in the Newspapers

January 29, 1920

Leonard Yates is out again. This 14-year-old boy, who has stolen more horses and made more escapes than any half dozen individuals in the county, has made his escape from the Lapeer home for the feeble-minded, according to a letter received by Judge Bush. The boy was received at the home from this county on January 16 and escaped one week later.

Flint Daily Journal

February 11, 1920

MISCELLANEOUS.

ATTENDANTS, both male and female, at the Michigan Home and Training School, a state institution, for the feeble-minded. Have a few vacancies for married couples. Make application to Dr. H. A. Haynes, superintendant, Lapeer, Mich.

CARD OF THANKS.

Flint Daily Journal

March 4, 1920

LAD TAKES HORSE TO ESCAPE LAPEER HOME

A horse and a cutter were stolen at Lapeer last night. The sheriff's office here was notified and about an hour later officers found a Flint lad who had been taken to the Lapeer home a couple of weeks ago, coming toward Flint on horseback. It appeared that he had stolen the horse and cutter and drove it around to a side street where he found a horse with a saddle on it. He took the saddle and left the cutter. He will be taken back to Lapeer.
The two boys between the ages of 18 and 20 years, who have been scouting about in the vicinity of Oakwood, frightening the people and stealing things to eat and also entering the Theo. Reed home on Saturday, were apprehended by Deputy Sheriff Green Monday. When questioned it was discovered they were escaped inmates of the Michigan Home and Training School at Lapeer. They were returned to that institution that evening.—Oxford Leader
Plays Cave Man For a Week Under Court House

Although mentally deficient in some respects, Leonard Yates, a 14-year-old lad at the Michigan Home, has all the yearnings of any normal boy for fun and excitement. The week before last he simply felt that he couldn't stand the confining and uninteresting life among the commonplace at the Home so he sneakily down town. Coming in a roundabout way he found Geo. Peterson's pony in a pasture. This brought visions of a good time, so he took the horse, found an old buggy and then helped himself to a harness from Egie Turnbull's barn. Just as he was hitching up he thought someone noticed him, so jumping on the horse he galloped towards the country. Pearing capture he turned the horse loose after going a short distance and sneaked back to town. He was just in time to find the carnival in full swing and his eyes fairly bulged out at all the fun he had gone right there together for him. Then his heart sank. He didn't dare mingle along the midway with the town boys who were having a good time. He knew by this time that he would be missed at the Home and officers would be on the look-out for him. But he couldn't bring himself to go back to the state institution while there was a real merry-go-round, a snake charmer, pretty girls and everything right there in front of him. Well, he guessed not. Leonard was puzzled as to how to take in some of the fun without getting caught.

Finally he found an opening under the court house. Crawling into this he crept along until he was under the front steps. There he could hide and hear and see some of the fun. Town boys discovered him there but they wouldn't squeal for the world any quicker than Tom Sawyer or Huck Finn would. Leonard's scheme appealed to them and they agreed to carry food to him every day. The boys stuck by Leonard and he fared well. At night when all was quiet he would sneak out for exercise and to wander around among the carnival tents and pet the merry-go-round horses and wish with all his boyish heart that he was like other boys and could have their good times. As the gray dawn crept across the sky Leonard crept back to his hiding place and watched and yearned.

But all good things come to an end and finally, after nearly a week, Home attendants found his "cave" and took him back under their charge.
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Flint Daily Journal
January 6, 1921

Flint police received a report from the Michigan Home and Training School at Lapeer yesterday that three male inmates of that institution had escaped. It is believed that they caught a freight train and were coming to Flint.

Flint Daily Journal, July 27, 1922

LAPEER INMATE IS CAPTURED IN MACOMB

Mt. Clemens, Mich., July 27.—John Cochrane, prisoner No. 1016 of the Lapeer School for Feebleminded, was captured by Sheriff John M. Spelder, near Chesterfield, after he had been enticed into a farmer's home and held for the sheriff. The boy escaped from the Lapeer institution some days ago and had been wandering about the country since then. When found he was in a state of near exhaustion from lack of food.

Flint Daily Journal
April 14, 1921

DEPORTATION STARES MOTHER OF STATE WARD

Albion, Mich., April 14.—An unique deportation case has arisen in Albion. Mrs. Mary Rak came to Albion in 1913, after her husband had been here a few years, the immigration officials at Ellis Island letting her through at that time without any objection. It has since developed that a child brought with her is an inmate of the Lapeer home, and for this reason the government has taken steps to deport her, though three children born since the time are American citizens. U.S. Immigration Inspector Gangeware of Detroit is handling the case.

Flint Daily Journal
May 2, 1921

Carl Vandersluis, aged 15, who escaped from the Michigan Home and Training School at Lapeer, has been captured by sheriff's officers.

Lapeer County Press
June 8, 1921

HOME INMATE COMMITS SUICIDE

John Mohr, 32, of Saginaw county, an inmate of the Michigan Home and Training School, committed suicide Sunday by standing in front of No. 6 eastbound passenger train. Mohr lived in one of the Colony buildings and was walking across the field when he noticed the train approaching. He deliberately climbed the fence and waited until the engine was too close to stop and walked into the center of the tracks with his back toward the engine. He was instantly killed. He was committed to the institution last August. The father came from Saginaw Monday to claim the body.
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Flint Daily Journal, August 25, 1921

The marriage of Dr. Henry M. Delehanty to Miss Hazel Hanahan,
both of the Michigan Home and
Training school, will take place
Monday, Aug. 29, at the Church of the
Immaculate Conception.

Flint Daily Journal, August 27, 1921

The following teachers for the
Michigan Home and Training
School have been engaged for next
year: Mrs. O. M. Blakesley, principal;
Mrs. A. H. Horn, assistant;
Mrs. H. A. Haynes, basketry; Miss
Hazel Hanahan, physical training;
Miss Katherine Wanniger, grade;
Miss Marguerite Clement, music;
Miss Frances Holmes, vocal;
Miss Ann Connors, assistant kindergarten;
Mrs. Frances Payne, lace-making;
Miss Helen Benson, grade;
Louis Smith, broom and brush making;
Mrs. Nora Smith, loom and rug weaving; Mrs. Grace Wells and Mrs. Mary Leonard,
grade teachers.
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Pastor Refutes Johnson's Stand

REV. VINCENT SHOWS STERILIZATION OF FeeBLE-MINDED IMPRACTICAL EVEN IF CONSTITUTIONAL

The newspapers of the area have been discussing the issue of sterilization of the feeble-minded. While there are arguments for and against sterilization, there are also concerns about the potential misuse of the procedure.

In an attempt to address these concerns, REV. VINCENT has written an article asserting that sterilization of the feeble-minded is impractical even if constitutional. He argues that the state's interest in preventing the propagation of mental defects outweighs the constitutional rights of the individuals involved.

The article highlights the debates surrounding the sterilization of the feeble-minded and the ethical considerations involved. It raises questions about the fairness of such policies and the potential consequences for individuals and society.

The discussions on sterilization continue to be a topic of public interest and concern, as the implications of such policies are significant and far-reaching.

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county Press, October 12, 1921

Dr. Haines talks to Flint Club


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Flint Daily Journal
October 12, 1921

Dr. Haines, Lapeer, gives Rotary talk

Head of Michigan Training School Addresses Local Club.

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Flint Daily Journal
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Lapeer County Press
October 26, 1921

POINTERS ABOUT FEEBLE-MINDED

DR. HAYNES OF MICH. HOME
ADVOCATES MORE STRINGENT SUPERVISION OF THE FEEBLE-MINDED AT LARGE

In a talk replete with startling statistical information relative to the prevalence of feeble-mindedness all over the country, illustrated with incidents of personal contact through his study of the subject, Dr. Haynes, superintendent of the Michigan Home and Training School, gave a very interesting address before the Lapeer Commercial club Friday noon. While at Dr. Haynes believes in the necessity of segregation of the unfortunate, yet he fully realizes the impossibility of segregating in institutions all the feeble-minded in the country and for the good and the good of society, closer supervision must be had over their actions, insofar as marriage and promiscuous running at large are concerned.

A survey has shown that there are at least 10,000 feeble-minded people in Michigan and of this number there are only 1,700 cared for at the Lapeer institution, 34 percent of the number of children of feeble-minded people in Michigan are living in the large cities where the necessity of dealing with children of unusual mentality in the public schools is as great as in institutions. Where a child is not up to normal he is educated and trained as far as his capabilities permit, rather than to try to force him into grades beyond his comprehension.

Lapeer School Fifth in Size

The Lapeer institution for caring for the feeble-minded is fifth in size in the United States and had the appropriation of a few years ago been available it would have now been the largest in the country.

Lapeer County Press
November 2, 1921

FIVE NEW BLDGS. AT THE HOME

$200,000 TO BE SPENT ON ADDITIONS AT MICH. HOME. CONSTRUCTION STARTS THIS WEEK

The sum of $200,000 will be spent on five new cottages at the Michigan Home and Training School at Lapeer. Construction work started Monday morning. Several carloads of cement, lumber and over a million brick are now being rushed to the Home. Four of the cottages will be of the colony type and will be built on the south side of the Grand Trunk tracks which pass through the Michigan Home property. One cottage, for girls, will be built on the north side of the track back of the new cottage which faces the Flint road.

The money was made available by Gov. Grosbeek, who rightly deemed the building an emergency health measure to care for the many unfortunate children who have been on the waiting list for admission to the Home for several years. The new buildings will care for the 400 on the waiting list. Those conversant with the appalling conditions that exist among feeble-minded people at large throughout the state most heartily commend Gov. Grosbeek for the step he has taken in authorizing the building program.

Except in the very severest of weather, it is planned to continue the building operations all winter. Employment will be given to 100 men during the construction of the buildings.

Lapeer County Press
December 7, 1921

HOME INMATE AFTER CHICKENS

On Sunday night, a farmer living near Oxford heard someone at his chicken coop. He quietly went out and locked the intruder to a party in Lapeer in care of “Drawer A” were found on the floor. Investigation proved the would-be thief was an inmate at the Michigan Home and Training School. He has been returned to the institution by Metamora authorities.

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Lapeer County Press
December 14, 1921

Christmas at the Michigan Home and Training School

Christmas festivities have been in have been decorated in holiday attire—everywhere and everywhere. The spirit of Christmas is everywhere, and the mothers and fathers of Michigan’s unfortunate children need have no qualms for their happiness this Yuletide. Following are the days to pass and hours are announced:

December 21, Wednesday
7:00 p.m. Christmas Entertainment for boys.

December 22, Thursday
7:00 p.m. Christmas Entertainment for girls.

December 23, Friday
Morning—Decoration of Cottages.
11:00 a.m.—Santa Claus inspects Outdoor Christmas Trees.
Hand concert by Children’s Band.

Christmas Eve
Distribution of Gifts.
Christmas Day
2:30 p.m.—Christmas Service in the Chapel.
December 26, Monday
10:30 a.m.—Moving picture for boys and girls.
2:00 p.m.—Moving picture for boys.
December 27, Tuesday
1:00 p.m.—Moving picture for girls.
December 28, Wednesday
1:00 p.m.—Dancing party for boys.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SONG SERVICE
Proceessional, “O Praise the Lord,” E. W. Berry
Hymn, “It Came Upon the Midnight Clear”
Trombone Solo, “Ave Maria” Maschini
Recitation, “Christmas,” Agnes M.
Hymn, “Holy Night.”
Apostles Creed.
Christmas Carol, Kindergarten.
Scripture Reading.
Saxophone Solo, “Calvary,” James R.
Special Prayer.
Lord’s Prayer.
Sermon, Rev. W. J. Vincent.
Hymn, “O Little Town of Bethlehem.”
Benediction.

CHRISTMAS DAY
March, “American Triumph.”
Children’s Band
Christmas Operetta—“Queen Loretta’s Christmas.”
Synopsis. Act 1. Queen Loretta entertains the Lords and Ladies of her Court on Christmas Eve. A crippled boy is brought in who has asked to see the Queen. He states that there is no Christmas in his home and asks her help. The Queen gladly consents.
Act 2. The crippled boy’s family is happily surprised by the Queen and her Court coming to visit them, bringing a Christmas Tree and gifts.

Cast of Characters
Queen Loretta—Laura W.
Lady in Waiting—Nellie C.
Court Ladies—Elmira F., Olive M., Zelma C., Marie E., Kate S.
Lords and Ladies—Dashi R., Lester S., Edward Q., Ernest J., Iva E., Margaret P., Grace McC., Winnie C.
Footman—Burton C.
Dancers—Mary H., Margaret H., Cynthia E., Beulah W., Velma McC., Edna W., Mary E., Irene M.
Solo Dancer—Louise R.
Blacksmiths—Edward M., Bennie P.
The Tinsel Kids—Ruth E., Emma E., Rosie B., Mildred W., Irene R., Thelma W., Frances C., May H.
The Lewis Family—Father Allen D.
Mother—Ruth F.
Children—Edward S., Edward G., Felix K., Betty S.
March, “E Pluribus Unum”

Children’s Band

Christmas Dinner
Priced Chicken
Biscuits
Mashed Potatoes
Squash
India Relish
Brown Bread
White Bread
Mince Pie
Milk
Tea

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Elmer Knapp and Fred Beardsley
Trade Jobs and Homes

A few days ago Elmer Knapp
traded his vulcanizing plant and tire
shop to Fred Beardsley for the latter's dairy farm and milk route, and
possession is given immediately. Mr.
Knapp has had several years' ex-
périence in the dairy game, and for
years had charge of the large herd at the Michigan Home, which is
one of the prize herds of the state.

BISHOP WILLIAMS VISITS THE HOME

PROMINENT MEN COME TO THE
MICHIGAN HOME TO STUDY
CONDITIONS OF CHILDREN

Tuesday, Bishop Williams of Det-
roit, together with the clergy of the
southern archdeaconry, spent the day
at the Michigan Home and Training
School, observing general conditions
from a social service standpoint.
Bishop Williams is a recognized au-
thority and leader in Social Welfare
work in the United States.

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Lapeer County Press
December 14, 1921

The average total population of
state institutions for the past five
months, was 18,894; divided as fol-
lows:

Kalamazoo State Hospital, 2,328;
Penitentiary, State Hospital, 1,552; Traver-
side City State Hospital, 1,912;
Newberry State Hospital, 1,684;
Ionia State Hospital, 658; Michigan
Farm Colony, 573; Michigan Home
and Training School, 1,651; Jack-
son State Prison, 1,431; Michigan
Reformatory, Ionia, 687; Mar-
quatto Prison, 453; Industrial
School for Boys, 409; Industrial
School for Girls, 274; State Public
School, 297; School for the Deaf,
236; School for the Blind, 161; Em-
ployment Institution for the Blind,
78.

Waiting List.

There is a waiting list of 387 for
admission to the Michigan Home
and Training School and 12 to the
Michigan Farm Colony.

Twenty one escapes have re-
cently been reported to the welfare de-
partment, 9 of them from Kalamazoo
State Hospital, 2 from the Mich-
igan Farm Colony, 6 from the Indus-
trial School for Boys and 1 each
from the Michigan Home
and Training School, Jackson State
Prison, Ionia Reformatory, Jackson
State Prison, Ionia Reformatory, and
Industrial School for Girls.

Flint Daily Journal
December 22, 1921
MICHIGAN HOME WATCHMAN DEAD

Aged Caretaker at Lapeer State Home Victim of Apoplexy.

Lapeer, Mich., Jan. 7—William Holcomb, aged 76, died Wednesday noon at the home of his son, Ted Holcomb, with whom he made his home. Death was due to apoplexy although Mr. Holcomb had been in poor health for some time.

Mr. Holcomb was born near Clarkston and with the exception of six years in his boyhood which was spent with his parents in New York City, he has lived in Lapeer and vicinity.

When construction of the first buildings of the Michigan Home was started, Mr. Holcomb was employed as night watchman and he has held that position for nearly twenty-five years. He was highly respected and well-liked by all who knew him, always having a friendly word for all.

One son, Ted Holcomb, and one brother, Allen Holcomb, both of Lapeer, survive. Mrs. Holcomb died Oct. 13, 1918.

Funeral services will be held Saturday from the house at 2 p.m. Rev. Johnson officiating and burial made in Mt. Hope cemetery.
To Build Four New Cottages at Lapeer Home

Lansing, Mich., Jan. 13—The administrative board Wednesday authorized the state institutes commission to begin work on four more new cottages at the Michigan Home and Training School at Lapeer. The commission is already building five new cottages.

The cottages now under construction will house 400 inmates. This space will all be required for persons already committed to the institution and now on the waiting list.

The state requires additional room to care for inmates of other state institutions that recent psychological tests have shown should be in Lapeer.

Governor Creekshank announced that he opposes beginning work on the proposed new Industrial School plant until a definite state policy for dealing with sub-normal and feeble-minded inmates of this and other state institutions has been decided upon.

The governor also announced that he will oppose sale of the present Industrial School property in the city of Lansing. The buildings may be remodeled and used as a school for sub-normal boys committed to the Industrial School.

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HAS ONLY PRAISE FOR MICH. HOME

A letter from Charlie Brown, 1023 Chenaught St., Hoquiam, Wash., was received recently by The Press. "Charlie" used to be an inmate at the Michigan Home and Training School and writes as follows:

"I sure do enjoy reading the Lapeer Press and I saw about the nice Christmas they had at the dear old Michigan Home. I am sure they had a good time for I used to enjoy that day as I always received so many nice presents and whenever I think of the Home I think of Dr. Haynes and how good he was to me while I was there. If I was there now I am sure I would have a job at making cement blocks for those five new cottages. I made them before when I was there and that was a good long job even if I did not get any pay for it but I can say one thing and that is, that I was well taken care of while I was at the Michigan Home and I have always spoken well of that Home to any one out here that asked me about it.

I enjoyed the Christmas out here and received some nice gifts from my friends but I cannot enjoy Christmas here as I did back in dear old Michigan where there was plenty of snow and where we had a nice long old-fashioned sleigh ride every now and then. There is no snow out here but lots of rain and the grass is green all winter. That is why I always think about dear old Michigan at Christmas time. Everything is fine here and the saw mills and logging camps all had a nice Christmas vacation and have started up again. One can find plenty of work.

As I cannot think of anything else to tell you I will close, wishing all my friends at the Michigan Home and above all, Dr. Haynes, a Happy New Year."
A distinctive honor has come to Dr. Harley A. Haynes, superintendent of the Michigan Home and Training School at Lapeer, through being offered the position of director in the division of mental deficiency of the Russell Sage Foundation of New York City. The offer from the national committee for mental hygiene of Foundation is a worthy recognition of the ability and efficient service of Dr. Haynes to the state and the Home at Lapeer.

The Russell Sage Foundation and the Rockefeller Foundation are the two greatest institutions in research work in the country and to be identified with them is indeed an honor. Ability in the science of medicine and service to humanity are among the special qualifications considered in selecting directors and officers of these Foundations. Dr. Haynes qualified in both. The appointment is not only a distinct honor to the superintendent of the Home at Lapeer but to the state of Michigan as well.

Dr. Haynes is well qualified for the directorship in the Sage Foundation, having had considerable experience and made a special study in mental deficiency. The work of the division of which he is to be director is national in its scope and will be broad in scope, having to do with the mental health and hygiene of the general population. It is pleasing to the many friends of Dr. Haynes, the state and the Home at Lapeer that his new work will not require him to give up his present position. The Journal takes this opportunity to congratulate Dr. Haynes and to commend him for the splendid service rendered to the people of Michigan through his work at the Lapeer school.—Flint Journal.
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Flint Daily Journal
June 14, 1922

**Michigan Home**

The Michigan Home owns one cow which led all competitors in the state cow leading associations. This cow produced 114 pounds of butter fat in 30 days which is equivalent to over 140 pounds of butter. The cow is a registered Holstein and her record shows that brooding and proper care will produce profitable cows.

Sam Parks had the high herd average for butter fat production during the same month.

Flint Daily Journal
August 15, 1922

**Institutions of State Show Jump of 93 in Inmates**

Lansing, August 15.—The total populations of state institutions increased by 93 during July, according to a report of Harri T. Murray, state welfare commissioner.

The report shows the congested condition of the state's penal institutions continued. The average population of Jackson prison in July was 1,738, and its normal capacity is about 1,000. In Marquette the average population was 422 and in Ionia the average was 1,038. Of the three institutions Ionia is the only one not over crowded. Its present capacity is about 1,100.

The average total population of all institutions in July was 14,047, including 4,700 women.

The report shows that in the Kalamazoo State Hospital there is one employee for every 6.11 inmates; in the Pontiac State Hospital the ratio is 1 to 5.85; in Traverse City, 1 to 6.36; Newberry 1 to 5.85; Ionia State Hospital, 1 to 8.7; Farm Colony for Epileptic, 1 to 3.8; Michigan Home and Training School, 1 to 7.1; Jackson prison, 1 to 3.33; Ionia Reformatory, 1 to 10.34; and Marquette prison, 1 to 6.57.

Flint Daily Journal, September 2, 1922

**$800,000 for LaPeer School.**

The plaintiffs assert that despite the failure of the last legislature to make an appropriation for improvements and construction at the Michigan Home and Training School at LaPeer, the administrative board has spent "upwards of $800,000" there and "will continue to do so unless restrained."

Flint Daily Journal
September 21, 1922

**Orthopedic Clinic**

Lapeer, Oct. 19.—An Orthopedic clinic will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 14 at the Michigan Home and Training School under the auspices of the LaPeer-co Medical Society. This clinic is for the benefit of all crippled children in LaPeer-co and is absolutely free. The clinic will start at 10 a. m. and continue all day or until all are consulted. Churches, fraternities and societies of all kinds are urged to make a list of crippled children in their vicinity and see that transportation is furnished them. Specialists from Ann Arbor and Detroit will donate their services to these unfortunate ones and all are urged to take advantage of this clinic.
Oakdale in the Newspapers

Flint Daily Journal
October 21, 1922

CLUB WOMEN VISIT
MICHIGAN HOME

Trip Through Institution at Lapeer Concludes Federation Meeting.

Inspection of the Michigan Home and Training school at Lapeer by several hundreds of delegates Friday afternoon concluded the 56th annual convention of Michigan State Federation of Women's clubs.

The trip to the Home was a climax in the minds of many regarding a proposed bill providing for sterilization of feeble minded which was advocated by Dr. Valeria H. Parker, member of the American Social Hygiene board, in an address at the convention, and which was discussed at a meeting of the legislative council of the convention. It is expected such a bill may be introduced at the next session of the legislature.

Education of the people toward benefits of such a law and junior club work is expected to be the principal points to be considered by the federation during the present administration. Mrs. Doris M. Russell, the new president, introduced a resolution endorsing the furtherance "in every way of plans for junior memberships."

Flint Daily Journal
October 24, 1922

THREE GIRLS MISSING FROM LAPEER HOME

Local authorities have been asked by officials of the Michigan Home and Training School, at Lapeer, to search for Hattie Zwemer, Hattie Hytlop and Frances Tromino, three girls, who escaped from the institution early this morning. The girls are believed to have made their way to Flint, according to information from Lapeer.

Flint Daily Journal
October 28, 1922

Members of Flint Branch, No. 23, National Association of Stationary Engineers, with their families, have been invited by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Denoyer to visit the Michigan Home and Training School, Lapeer, Sunday, Nov. 5. Mr. Denoyer is chief engineer at the institution.
Over 400 Club Women Visit Michigan Home

The State Federation views inmates as argument for sterilization.

Several hundred delegates from the State Federation of Women's clubs, which was in session in Flint, visited the Michigan Home and Training School at Lapeer Friday. This inspection trip was a climax in the minds of many of the women regarding a proposed bill providing for sterilization of feebleminded which was advocated by Dr. Valeria H. Parker, member of the American Social Hygiene Board, in an address to the convention and which was discussed at a meeting of the legislative council of the convention. It is expected such a bill will be introduced at the next session of the legislature.

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Facts Concerning Michigan Home

INSTITUTION established by
Act of Legislature approved
June 2nd, 1903. "The
objects of this institution shall be to provide by all proper and feasible means the intellectual, moral and physical training of that unfortunate portion of the community who have been born or by disease have been deprived of health, mind, feeblemindedness, epilepsy, and by a judicious and well adapted course of training and management to ameliorate their condition and to develop as much as possible their intellectual faculties; to reclaim them from their unhappy condition and fit them as far as possible for future usefulness."

Initial appropriation: $50,000
Present value of buildings and grounds: $1,250,000.00
Total acreage: 710
Total buildings: 85
Total buildings housing patients: 80
Total patients cared for to date: 4,512
Present population: male, 1,157; female, 865; total, 2,026.
First patient admitted August 18, 1887.
The present rate of maintenance per child is sixty-six cents per day.
Ratio of employees to patients: 1 to 8.84.
A herd of 120 pure Bred Holstein cows provides 34 ounces of milk per day per child.

When present building program is completed bed capacity of institution will be: male, 1,244; female, 1,250; total, 2,494.

Every county in state is represented in inmate population.

All patients admitted by order of Probate Court.

When the present building program is completed, January 1, 1923, the institution will be without a "waiting list" for the first time since its establishment. Michigan will then be caring for approximately one of every thirteen hundred of its population at this institution.

According to conservative estimates Michigan should be caring for from six to ten thousand or about one third of its population.

Sixteen teachers: All the trainable children under sixteen years of age are required to attend school. Children above sixteen years of age are trained in industries best adapted to their mental and physical capacity.

Senses Training: Kindergarten,ergarten, Grade Work, Departments up to and including the fourth grade. Industrial Arts: Sewing, Baking, Lace Making, Rug Weaving, Cobbling, Broom and Brush Making. Music: Vocal and instrumental, boys' band, girls' orchestra and the Girls' Gymnasium: A gymnasium with Physical Training in charge is also maintained.

All children pass Psychological through the Psychological Departmental Department in order that they may be properly placed in the cottage, the school and industries.

Physical conditions are

Medical and Dental

Entertainment: Victrolas in all cottages.

Pianos, additional, in all girls' cottages.

Games in all cottages. Pool tables, additional, in all cottages for large boys.

Moving pictures each week for all boys.

Dances for boys and girls on alternate weeks.

Birthday parties each month.

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Number of State Inmates Boosted During September

Michigan Welfare Commissioner Issues Report for Last Month.

Lansing, Oct. 31.—The inmate population of state institutions continued to increase during September, according to a report completed by Mary T. Murray, state welfare commissioner.

There were 586 more inmates at the close of the month than at the beginning. The increase in the penal institutions was 99.

The report gives the average number of inmates for each institution last month as follows:

Kalamazoo State Hospital, 2,262; Pontiac State Hospital, 1,638; Traverse City State Hospital, 589; Newberry State Hospital, 1,801; Ionia State Hospital, 569; farm colony for epileptics, 412; Michigan Home and training school, 1,891; state prison, Jackson, 1,789; Michigan reformatory, Ionia, 1,058; Marquette prison, 482; industrial school for boys, 412; industrial home for girls, 564; state public school, 111; school for the deaf, 351; school for the blind, 128; employment institution for the blind, 61; total, 14,683.

The total number of inmates now is 1,551 more than in September of last year. In addition to the institution inmates there are 2,168 juvenile wards of the state in private homes under state protection.
LAPEER HOME TO OBSERVE HOLIDAYS

Entertainment Programs and Services Arranged for Season.

Lapeer, Dec. 12.—The holiday season will be observed at the Michigan Home and Training school here by means of various forms of entertainment and services.

The program for the season is as follows: December 20, decoration of cottages; December 21, Christmas entertainment for boys; December 22, Christmas entertainment for girls; December 23, decoration of Christmas trees; Santa Claus inspects outdoor Christmas trees; December 24, Sunday, Christmas service in chapel; Christmas day, distribution of gifts; December 25, moving pictures for boys; December 26, moving pictures for girls; December 27, dancing party for boys; December 28, dancing party for girls.


HOME INMATE TAKES JOY RIDE

William Jamison, Michigan Home inmate, escaped Wednesday evening from the institution and visited Battle Creek, Lansing and Flint. He then got off the freight he was riding at Swartz Creek and gave himself up because he got too cold to go further. He was turned over to the authorities, who notified Dr. Haynes and he was returned to the institution Saturday. Young Jamison was formerly in the Industrial School at Lansing but was committed to Lapeer Home because of subnormal condition.

HOSPITAL FOR GIRLS TO BE BUILT AT HOME

TOTAL OF $116,000 TO BE SPENT FOR IMPROVEMENTS AT THIS INSTITUTION

Construction work on an infirmary building for girls will begin in about ten days at the Michigan Home and Training School. An appropriation of $80,000 by the state legislature has made this possible and the new hospital will be located on the south side of the railroad. It will be a duplication of the present hospital which is considered one of the most modern in the state. This will care for the acutely ill of the female patients in the institution.

An appropriation of $20,000 was also made for the purchase of a new unit engine and dynamo for lighting and power and $16,000 for a filter bed to complete the filter unit for sewage disposal.
Oakdale in the Newspapers
Michigan Home and Training School Is One of the Largest and Finest in the World

Oakdale in the Newspapers

Lapeer, Mich., Wednesday, July 11, 1923

Michigan Home and Training School

The Michigan Home and Training School is one of the largest institutions of its kind in the world and Dr. Haynes is recognized as one of the leading authorities on mental diseases and feeble-mindedness in the country.

Dr. Haynes was born at St. Albans, Vt. He graduated from the University of Michigan in 1902 and was attending physician at the Ionia Reformatory, Ionia, Michigan, from 1902 to 1907. He acted as assistant superintendent at the Michigan Home and Training School from 1907 to 1912 and has been medical superintendent of the school since that time. Dr. Haynes has been signally honored by being named a director of the Division on Mental Deficiency, National Committee for Mental Hygiene, and also a member of the Executive Committee of the National Committee for Mental Hygiene.

Growth of the Michigan Home

A brief resume of the institution at Lapeer might be of interest. The institution was established in June, 1893, with an initial appropriation of $50,000. The present value of the building and grounds exceeds $250,000. Total acreage is 710. Number of buildings, 87; total buildings housing patients, 22; total patients cared for to date, 4412; present population: male, 1121; female, 869; total, 2028; first patient admitted in August, 1896. Present rate of maintenance per child is 86 cents per day. Ratio of employees to patients, 1 to 8.34. A herd of 120 pure bred Holstein cows are milked by 24 ounces of milk per day per child.

When the present building program is completed the bed capacity of the institution will be: male, 1244; female, 1010; total, 2254.

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Sixteen teachers are employed and all trainable children under 16 years of age are required to attend. Children above 16 are trained in industries best adapted to their mental and physical capacity. Sense training, kindergarten, grade work up to and including the fourth grade, and industrial arts: sewing, basketry, lace making, rug weaving, cobbling, broom and brush making. Music: pianist, orchestra and chorus.

Gymnasium: A gymnasium with physical training teacher in charge, is also maintained. All children pass through the psychological department in order that they may be properly placed in the cottage, school and industries.

Physical examinations are under the supervision of a resident medical staff and a resident dentist.

Entertainments consist of skits and plays, piano, additional in all girls' cottages, pianos additional in all boys' cottages, pool tables additional in all cottages for larger boys. Moving pictures each week for all. Dancing for boys and girls on alternate weeks. Birthday parties each month.

Buildings were erected in 1922-23 at a cost of $250,000 at a saving to the state of $200,000 over lowest bid.

The yearly expenditure for operating expenses is $644,842.00.

A remit of the institution life is that Dr. Haynes knows practically every child in the institution by their first name and is never too busy to send a kindly word to these unfortunate children. Their love and respect for the good doctor can only be understood by the wonder and admiration of the faces when he speaks to them.

50 Barrels of Flour Used Weekly

It is interesting to note that 9600 loaves of bread, weighing 1 pound 8 ounces each, are baked each week at the institution. A patent bake oven fired from the rear so that no ashes or dirt enters the baking room. Pie is served the inmates each Sunday and holidays.

On the Fourth of July great cakes are baked, frosted with red, white and blue frosting, and this patriotic cake is served with plenty of ice cold lemonade. By the way, it takes 12 cases of lemons to serve lemonade to those unfortunate children. In charge of the bake shop is Mr. Fisher, well known Lapeer man, who finds his particular job one of the busiest at the institution. It is stated that 80 barrels of flour are used weekly in the bake shop.

Develops Own Fire Department

As the institution expanded, numerous fires cropped out here and there from various causes. This year, Mr. DeNoyer and his assistants conceived the idea of a Home Fire Department, and this year a Ford truck chassis was purchased and equipped with two 40-foot extension ladders, 750 feet of 2½-inch hose, 50-gallon chemical tanks, operated with ladders of hose, two hand chemical tanks to fight electrical fires, one hand chemical tank for oil and gasoline fires, two common soda and acid chemical tanks, together with all necessary tools, etc.

The outfit is one of the most compact in the state and was built entirely by Home mechanics. Recently Ford has sent several representatives to Lapeer to inspect the outfit and they were greatly impressed with the workmanship and utility of the fighting outfit.

Has Lighting Plant and Waterworks

Five boilers, 1500 h. p. capacity equipped with underfed mechanical stokers and forced draft furnaces, provide heat and power. Every 24 hours 400,000 gallons of water are used in the plant. Hot water in the laundry and buildings north of the railroad track totals 150 gallons daily. This brings us to the subject of the waterworks system in use at the institution. Water is obtained from three deep wells sunk to bed rock and which are located near the power.
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House... Two air compressors raise the water to a huge reservoir and gravity lowers it to the various outlets... A Fairbanks-Morse fire pump furnishes the pumping system of water... another steam turbine pump has the same capacity. The pressure for these is supplied directly from the

Farm Consists of 710 Acres

Much of interest was learned by a visit to the home farm which comprises 710 acres, 460 acres of which are under cultivation. The balance is taken up by the buildings, grounds, grove and lawns used for grazing. The farm supplies the institution with all summer vegetables, 25 per cent of the potatoes, all milk and all dairy products, consisting of

Regular Department Store Furnishes Supplies

All supplies for the Michigan Home and Training School are supplied from the store. This is a huge fireproof building made of reinforced concrete. It comprises two floors and underground. Ray Spears is storekeeper and is helped by Mrs. Newton, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Cliff and Mr. Cox. All supplies are issued on requisition by the various department heads. A record of all goods received and issued is kept on file at the store and also at the administration building and a daily report is made to the accounting division at Lansing of all receipts and issues.

Miss Ruddock has charge of this work in the administration building. The bin or compartment system is used in the store and the record on each bin or compartment must tally exactly with the records in the main office. In case one might think this an easy task, consider that in store at the time of the press is visited 1,200 pairs of footwear in stock and 1,200 pairs of overalls. This does not include separate pants or jackets made of denim. In addition there are thousands of yards of goods, chintz, percale, bleached and unbleached cotton, underwear, stockings, and in fact everything needed to run the institution, even bird cages.

New Building: New $50,000 Hospital

Ground has been broken for the new $50,000 hospital which will be a duplicate of the present hospital and will be used entirely for the female population of the institution. The new building has 110 beds which are always full. This building is really more of an infirmary than a hospital for the patients are frequently those needing a special diet and individual care which is impossible to give when they are among the groups at the cottage. The first and second floors of the hospital are devoted to the boy and the third floor to the acute ill, both girls and boys. An addi-

Mrs. Clara Dale, Supervisor "B" Cottage.
George Brown, Supervisor "C" Cottage.

Miss Mable Griffith, Supervisor "D" Cottage.
Mrs. Zetta Brown, Supervisor "E" Cottage.

Mrs. Charlotte Cool, Supervisor "F" Cottage.
Mrs. Paula Sampson, Supervisor "I" Cottage.

Mrs. Maria Scott, Supervisor "H" Cottage.
Mrs. Emma L. Lanning, Supervisor "J" Cottage.

Miss Nell Sibley, Supervisor "K" Cottage.

Mrs. Gertrude McClyer, Supervisor or "L" Cottage.
Miss Myrtle Slagel, Supervisor "M" Cottage.

Miss Martha Roseau, Supervisor "N" Cottage.

Arthur Clarke, General Supervisor.

Mrs. Emma Walker, Supervisor Colony No. 1.
Mrs. Bertha Clarke, Supervisor Colony No. 2.
C. J. Dempsey, Supervisor Colony No. 3.

Mrs. Alice F. Arthur, Supervisor Colony No. 5.

Fred Palmerlee, Supervisor Colony No. 7.

Geo. R. Strobridge, Supervisor Colony No. 10.

Mrs. Florence Shumaker, Supervisor Colony No. 11.

Charles Shearer, Supervisor Colony No. 12.

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Michigan Home and Training School Fire truck, designed an
Michigan Home Cost next to Lowest Among Hospitals

A report on the cost of financing the nine hospitals operated by the state for the fiscal year ending June 30, was submitted to the state administrative board at Lansing on Thursday. The report showed that the average cost for the nine, per capita, was $1.55.

Traverse City Lowered

The lowest was that for the Traverse City state hospital at which patients were kept for a cost of 72 cents a day. The institution having the highest cost was the psychopathic hospital at Ann Arbor with $8.39.

Others were Kalamazoo state hospital, 96 cents; Pontiac state hospital, 97 cents; Newberry state hospital, 97 cents; Michigan Farm Colony, 96 cents; Michigan Home and Training School, Lapeer, 81 cents; Ionia state hospital, $1.02.

The population of the institution and the state sanatorium, Howell, is about 225.

In Low Cost and Better Care

Lapeer Institution Heads State List

County Press, July 23, 1924

Cost for maintaining each patient a day at the Michigan Home and Training School is 76c, the lowest of any hospital institution in the state. The published report given out from Lansing a few weeks ago of 81c is the amount set for next year. However, it is not probable that the cost next year will exceed this year. The next in low cost of maintenance is Traverse City, with a per capita cost of 72c.

These figures and many others pertaining to the Home were brought out in an address of Harry Evans at the Rotary Club Tuesday noon. He stated that, if there were sufficient room, new patients would be received at the local institution at the rate of about 430 a year. One out of every 1250 inhabitants in the state of Michigan is an inmate of the Michigan Home. One out of every 226 population in the state is an inmate of some state hospital. Twenty-six per cent of the inmate population is of foreign born parentage, due, the speaker feels, to unrestricted immigration in the past.

In round figures the institution spends $620,000 a year. One-third approximately is paid in salaries, one-third for food and one-third for general expenses. There is an annual payroll at present of $206,000, with 280 employees. When the present building program is completed there will be 360 employees with an estimated payroll of $300,000. The value of the property is estimated at $2,412,000. It was only valued at $70,000 when the Home was established in 1896. The property now constitutes 110 acres, of which 400 is under cultivation. The Home farm maintains a herd of 200 Holstein cows, furnishing 18 ounces of pure milk to each inmate per day. The total value of the farm crops last year was $60,000.

The total inmate population at the Home is now 2,425. The new buildings which will be ready by Jan. 1, will care for an additional 500 patients. When the Home was first opened on August 1, 1896, it had only a capacity of 200 inmates. This has constantly grown. In 1910 there were 1000 inmates; in 1916, 1200; in 1920, 1300.

Harry Evans, the steward, has been with the institution ever since its establishment. Dr. Haynes first joined the staff in 1907 and became medical superintendent in 1914.

There are 100 inmates who own on parole, earning money to help support themselves. This makes a net saving to the state of about $45,000 a year. Dr. Haynes was largely instrumental in getting the bill through the legislature which makes it possible to parole patients at the superintendent's discretion.
OFFICERS SEEK YOUTH IN MRS. DAN BURKE MURDER MYSTERY

Clue Found That May Lead to Discovery of Fiend Who Killed Comely Widow

REWARD OFFERED

County's Ghastliest Crime Takes Place in Broad Daylight Few Rods from Main Highway

Officers are combing this section of the state for a young man about 20 years old, weight about 145 pounds, height five feet nine inches, and when last seen was coatless and hatless and was wearing a pair of dark trousers. It is felt he can shed light upon the dastardly murder of Mrs. Dan Burke which occurred about 9 o'clock last Saturday afternoon on that portion of the DeMille road which lies west of South Main street and runs through to the Michigan Home farm property.

Henry Streu, assistant herdsman at the Michigan Home farm, saw such a man on the DeMille road near the place where the crime was committed, shortly after 9 o'clock Saturday. Streu asked him if he wanted a ride. The fellow refused and a short time later was seen to be cutting across the fields to the south. Streu thought nothing of the meeting of the youth until after he heard about the murder late that night. He thought he recognized him as an inmate of the institution but after a careful examination of all the male inmates he failed to identify anyone as the person he had met near the scene of the crime the preceding afternoon. With Streu positive that he can identify the stranger, officers are certain that they will soon be able to locate him. That is the clue which is being followed by Sheriff Conley and deputies and the detectives from the State Department of Public Safety who are here working on the case.

Further examination of the scene of the crime the next morning by Sheriff Conley disclosed a clue that may prove of some assistance. A pair of cuffs links of a cheap variety which are sold at the store near the Home were found. A check-up of the sales of these links is being attempted.

The last person known to have seen Mrs. Burke alive is Ray Welsh, who states that he met her on the bridge near the ice house on the Michigan Home farm about 1 o'clock. Welsh was then returning from a trip to DePere with a truck after supplies. He was carefully questioned by the officers but could throw no further light on the murder.

Had No Enemies

Mrs. Burke was of a kindly nature and had no known enemies. After her husband's death she lived for her children and showered upon them all the wealth of a fond mother's affection. She was a slight woman, being only five feet one inch tall and weighing only 115 pounds. Assault must have been the motive of the crime, although physicians' testimony at the coroner's inquest held Monday night, was that no assault had been committed.

Coroner Arms held an inquest Monday night, the jury making the official report that the woman had been strangled and beaten to death by unknown party or parties. The following men comprised the jury at the inquest: Fred Alyea, Guy Thompson, Robert Converse, Chris Fick, Leslie Rice, Amos Cole.

$200 Reward Offered

La Crosse county has authorized $200 reward for evidence that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the murderer of Mrs. Burke.

Several Suspects Examined

Officers have detained several hoboes who were picked up at various points in the county but all were released after the authorities were satisfied that they knew nothing of the crime.
Officers obtained another clue late yesterday afternoon from Irvin Streu and Bailey Hunt, who state that they gave a ride to a young man Saturday afternoon about 4 o'clock who closely answers the description of the youth who Henry Streu saw on the DeMille road near the scene of the murder earlier the same afternoon. The young man accosted Hunt near the Michigan Home woods on the Flint road and requested a ride. Hunt took him in and gave him a ride to a point near five miles west of Lapere where he was going north after Irvin Streu whose car had broken down. Upon letting the stranger out at this place he walked down the road a short distance, hailed another car and went on. He told Hunt that he wanted to go to Flint.

Last night officers questioned Gerald Snipe, a 16-year-old inmate of the Michigan Home. Snipe was eliminated but he gave information which further implicates one man who is already under surveillance.

Whiskey Found Near Scene
A short distance from where Mrs. Burke's clothes were found Sheriff Conley found a quart can full of moonshine whiskey and a pint whiskey bottle nearly empty. Nearby they found a small piece of fresh bologna. Officers are also running down the clue that the slayer might have been a man crazed by drink.

Mrs. Burke, aged 29, had been widowed for some time, her husband having died three years ago in March. Before her marriage she was Blanche Heckman. Surviving relatives are: her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hackman of Dowagia; two sons, Joy, aged seven, and James, aged five; a brother, Arthur Heckman of Oregon; a sister, Mrs. Ralph Warren of Lapere; a sister-in-law, Mrs. Albert Pearce, Lapere; a brother-in-law, Tom Burke, and a sister-in-law, Mrs. Tom Bartlett.

Mrs. Burke had been employed as assistant supervisor at the Michigan Home laundry for the past three years.

Funeral services were held from the Albert Pearce home at 2:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon, Rev. England officiating. Interment was made in Mt. Hope cemetery.
LEWIS JOHNSON, 21, HOME INMATE, CAPTURED THIS P.M.

Sheriff Conley and Deputies Take Prisoner to Pontiac at 4:30 to Avoid Possible Outbreak Here.

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Lewis Johnson, 21 years old, former Coldwater boy but for the past eight or ten years an inmate of the Home, confessed today to murdering Mrs. Dan Burke on DeMille Road Saturday afternoon. Johnson’s parents are unknown. He worked in the laundry where Mrs. Burke was employed and was seen to leave the laundry by another boy a few minutes before the crime was committed. Arthur Clark, general superintendent of the men at the Home, learned from the boy that Johnson had left the laundry shortly after Mrs. Burke had left and Clark and the officers obtained a confession from Johnson.

Sheriff Conley, fearing trouble in case the murderer was held in Lapeer, spirited the slayer to Pontiac about 4:30 this afternoon.

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County Press, July 31, 1924 (Continued)

Brothers-in-law Make Gruesome Find
When Mrs. Burke failed to appear at the home of her brother-in-law, Albert Pearce, two miles south of Lapeer, yesterday evening, Mrs. Pearce telephoned the home to make inquiries. She was informed that Mrs. Burke had eaten at 11:30 o’clock and had left immediately for the Pearce home, where it was customary for her to spend Sundays and holidays with her two boys. Mrs. Pearce was alarmed and summoned her husband and Tom Bartlett, who started in search of the missing woman about 9 o’clock. While they started out with some misgivings, they thought that nothing worse could have happened than possibly she had been struck by a passing auto and left injured by the roadside. After they had proceeded west on the DeMill road from South Main street; they noticed where the bushes on the north side of the road, a few rods west of the hill, had been broken down as though something had been dragged through them. Stepping off the road and casting the flashlight ahead of them, the men could see the crumpled metal frame lying across a stone. Horror-stricken, they approached nearer and recognized their sister-in-law whom they were seeking. Her clothing was torn from her body, a gag thrust into her mouth, her feet bound and hands tied behind her back. Finger prints on her throat showed that she had been strangled. Her forehead and chest were badly bruised, showing evidence that the hand incubate had beaten her to death.

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Sheriff Conley and Coroner Arms were summoned. Further search revealed her clothes on the other side of the road a few rods from where the body was found. One shoe was found in the road. Her pocketbook was also found with contents intact. Posses were formed and a county-wide search instituted and authorities of every town and city in this section of the state requested to pick up all strangers and make them give satisfactory explanations of themselves. In the meantime a check-up was made at the Home. No inmates were recently missing. A careful examination failed to cast suspicion on any of the state wards.

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Repeats Crime to Officers
When Confession Is Obtained

Lapeer Woman Whose Murder Stirred the Whole Community

MURDERER INMATE SINCE 1910

Lewis Johnson was born in March, has a younger brother confined at 1964. At the age of two or three he was committed to Goldwater, the state public school for neglected and abandoned children. At the age of six he was transferred to the Michigan Home and Training School, that was the younger age children were. It is said at the Home that Johnson admitted at that time. He has been in the Home since April 28, 1919. He has attended the Training School until 1921, where he ranked as a second grade. Whenever this happens the boys are reported and the circumstance might easily have occurred.

In January, 1923, he went to work in the Home laundry and has been employed there for one and a half years. So far as known the authorities had had no particular trouble with his conduct. He entered into the games with the other boys and appeared like the rest. He hadn’t shown any violent disposition. He was an inmate at Colony No. 3.
DEPRAVED MICHIGAN HOME BOY
CONFESSES TO SLAYING WIDOW

LEWIS JOHNSON, 20 TELLS ALL
FOLLOWING VISIT TO CRIME SCENE

Press Gives First
Confession Story

First news of the arrest and confession of Lewis Johnson, murderer of Mrs. Han Burke, was given to Lapeer by The Press with a special edition that was on the streets at 8:30 Thursday evening. Twenty newsboys carried the extras into every part of the city and to nearby lake resorts, disposing of over 1,000 papers in less than an hour.

The story of the confession of the murderer was in type some time before the story could be released on account of the wish of the officers to be sure the prisoner was safely lodged in the Pontiac jail before the news became public.

The feeling ran so high it was feared that some attempt might be made to mob the jail should he be kept there.

A second special edition, giving all details, was printed Friday noon and mailed throughout the county to Press subscribers.

Sheriff John Conley of Lapeer whose thinking work on the Mrs. Burke murder case was directly responsible for the apprehension of the perpetrator of the horrible crime. He was aided by Deputy Dave Ovatti, Lieut. Detective K. G. Ramsey, Det. W. Waterman and State Police Anderson.
Oakdale in the Newspapers

Is Taken to Pontiac Jail as Precaution against Outbreak

Hardly realizing the enormity of his crime, Lewis Johnson, self-confessed murderer of Mrs. Dan Burke, awaits his fate in the Oakland county jail at Pontiac. Mournfully deficient and of a depressed nature he expresses little regret for the crime but extreme regret because he was caught and jailed.

Johnson was the man that Henry Strout saw near the scene of the crime last Saturday afternoon. He paid little attention to him and was unable to identify him among the inmates at the Home. In his confession, Johnson stated that he met Strout on the road and Strout asked him if he wanted a ride. He refused.

His arrest and confession was accompanied by Sheriff Conley, Deputy Dave O'Sullivan, State Detective George Waterman and Sergeant Anderson, Walker of the state police. Under direction of Sheriff Conley, who was convicted that the murder was a Michigan Home inmate, the search was again concentrated at the Home yesterday. The clue which led to the unmasking of Johnson came after Sheriff Conley had begun to question three inmates seated on a bench outside of Colony 5. Harry Routen, one of the inmates questioned, stated he saw Lewis Johnson, an inmate employed in the laundry, go down the sander road about 15 minutes ahead of the time the officers knew that Mrs. Burke took the same highway.

Supervisor Clark located the Johnson boy, who with the officers, hurried into a car and to the scene of the crime. The boy at first denied it and protested his innocence. Questioning by Sheriff Conley soon got the boy to confess that he broke down and confessed.

Following a gruesome depiction of the crime, Johnson calmly demonstrated to the officers how he attacked Mrs. Burke, how he grabbed her around the neck and shook her, and how he poured her in the face and body and beat her into insensibility. Then he dragged her through the snow, threw her across a large stone and tore the clothes from her body.

After she was unconscious, he tied her hand behind her back, tied her feet together and thrust her into a mouth.
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County Press,
August 6, 1924

DR. HAYNES TO LEAVE MICH. HOME
Accepts Promotion to Superintendent of New U. of M. Hospital

MURDERER WILL BE SENT TO PRISON FOR CRIMINAL INSANE

Lewis Johnson, Confessed Slayer of Mrs. Burke, Cries As He Awaits Fate

LEWIS JOHNSON, CONFESSIONED SLAYER OF MRS. DAN BURKE

County Press,
August 6, 1924

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County Press, August 6, 1924 (Continued)

Burke Murder First Major Crime By Home Inmate

When Lewis Johnson so foully murdered Mrs. Dan Burke a week ago last Saturday he committed the first major crime ever perpetrated by an inmate of the Michigan Home and Training School. Since the establishment of the institution in 1896 inmates at various times have strayed from the grounds and committed minor offenses, much the same as normal boys but not until Johnson fiendishly attacked and killed Mrs. Burke was there an offense that was not in the category of minor offenses. In fact more often they were looked upon as merely as boyish pranks.

In spite of the fact that the institution is in no way a jail but a home and training school, the inmates are carefully looked after and are strictly accounted for several times during the day. No inmate is allowed to leave the institution premises without permission and when Johnson went down the DeMille Road he was violating one of the rules of the institution. He well knew this and sneaked back in a round-about way, knowing full well that his absence would be discovered within a half hour or so.

The inmate population at the Home is now over 2400. In spite of the fact that these people are abnormal, yet they have a record since the establishment of the institution in Lapeer, of probably committing less major offenses than any municipality of that size in the United States.

Charles W. Sr
As a Business

(A Second Message from Charlie Smith’s Home Town peer and Tuscola Counties)

Men Who Are Successful

Best qualified to direct the public

Lapeer Presents

As its candidate from the counties of Lapeer and I've been successful in all his business highly qualified to help direct the State.

Chas. W. Smith

Began his business. He was a good carpenter. He gave extra service without den services were so much in demand contracting business. He made number of private dwellings and built Lapeer and adjoining counties a builder.

In 1966 Chas. Smith forsaw a business in which he could serve a hard

He became controlling owner of a Company, a public utility which co

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The undying of Johnson came after Sheriff Conley had begun to question three inmates seated on a bench outside of Colony 6. Harry Houten, one of the inmates, questioned, stated he saw Lewis Johnson, an inmate employed in the laundry, down the sider road about 15 minutes ahead of the time the officers knew that Mrs. Burke took the same highway. Superintendent Clark located the Johnson boy, who with the officers, hurried into a car and to the scene of the crime. The boy at first demurred and protested his innocence. Questioning by Sheriff Conley soon got the boy up, mixed up that he broke down and confessed.

Then followed a gruesome depiction of the crime. Johnson calmly demonstrated to the officers how he attacked Mrs. Burke, how he stabbed her around the neck and shocked her after she started to run away from

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TO CHOOSE HAYNES’ SUCCESSOR SEP'T. 15

On September 15, the Hospital Commission, which has charge of the five state hospitals in Michigan, including the Michigan Home and Training School, will meet in Lapeer and select a successor to Dr. H. A. Haynes, who has resigned to become superintendent of the new University hospital at Ann Arbor.

There are several applications being considered by the Commission, prominent among them being Dr. W. J. Ray of Lapeer, friends of whom have urged his appointment.

Robert K. Jardine of Grand Rapids and formerly of Lapeer, is a member of the Commission.

COW TEST REPORT

Report of the Lapeer Cooperative Cow Testing Association for the month ending August 31, 1924: 

Three Highest Cows in Each Class—Butterfat Basis

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22 ARRAIGNED IN COURT MONDAY

Many Prohibition Violation Cases Disposed of. Jury Called for Next Monday

District court for Lapeer county opened Monday morning with Judge Williams presiding. A large number were arraigned, a few of whom were sentenced, but the greater number were continued for trial. The jury is called for Monday, Sept. 15, at which time the trials will commence.

The following people appeared on Monday:

Mrs. Burke’s Murderer Stands Mute

Lewis Johnson, inmate of the Michigan Home and Training School, charged with the murder of Mrs. Burke, when arraigned, stood mute. He was continued for trial and the court appointed T. D. Halpin to represent him.
Oakdale in the Newspapers

DR. KAY IS NOW MICH. HOME HEAD

Prominent Lapeer Physician Succeeds Dr. H. A. Haynes As Mich. Home Superintendent

Lapeer is very proud of the distinction conferred upon her beloved citizen, Doctor William J. Kay, in his appointment as head of the Michigan Home and Training School to succeed Doctor H. A. Haynes.

For the past 21 years Dr. Kay has made his home in Lapeer, where he has acquired an untarnished reputation as a physician and all-around fine man, for the community. His frankness are legion and they are happy in his presence, though regretting to lose him from private practice.

He was born in 1865 in Belmar, Ohio, of the late Dr. John and Mrs. John Patterson Kay. His father was a citizen of the United States and had served as a surgeon during the Civil War.

Dr. Kay attended high school at Harrison, Ohio, and also a German academy, where he studied languages. After finishing his academic work, he spent some time in the French district of Michigan in the home of his uncle, Dr. Allen Kay. From there he returned to Canada, going to the town of Clinton, where he worked in the organ and piano factory belonging to Mr. Goddard, who later became his father-in-law.

Worked His Way Through College

In 1889 he was elected to the medical school of Miss Caroline Goddard. Thereupon, he decided to study medicine and he and his brother moved to the town, where he entered the Detroit College of Medicine. In the mean while he supported himself and family by working in an organ factory in Detroit, which had in the class room. During their stay in Detroit two daughters were born, Burnett and Elzie.

Immediately after graduation from (Continued on page 32)

CAME TO BOOST NO. BRANCH FAIR

The Old and the New

HOME EMPLOYES HONOR DR. HAYNES

Help at Mich. Home Show Esteem in Which Dr. and Mrs. Haynes Are Held

Over 200 employees of the Michigan Home and Training School congregation in the chapel and the institution on Friday evening to do honor to Dr. H. A. Haynes, who has been superintendent for the past 16 years, and to Mrs. Haynes.

R. B. ODLE'S HOME DAMAGED BY FIRE

A spark from a chimney that was burning-out at fire in the roof of the R. B. Odle's home on East street Thursday morning, resulting in a bad blaze. Consideration of the roof was destroyed. The greatest damage was done by the water, which soaked all through the house to the basement. This was used after the chemicals had failed to extinguish the flames.

No Trace Found of Jason Potter

Elba Young Man Leaves Home and Family Without Known Cause

Jason Potter, age 22, left his home and family in Elba, leaving last Wednesday morning and has not been seen since by friends or relatives.

He was last seen at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Potter at the odell where he had called to visit a friend early in the morning. While there he quarreled with George Gilbert and Peters Barber. After the quarrel, he left the house.

He got into his car and drove north in the direction of home. Potter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Potter, having resided in Elba all his life and is married.
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the Detroit College of Medicine in 1897, the family moved to Attica. The doctor
engaged in general practice in that village and the surrounding territory for
six years. Then he moved to Lapier in company with Dr. Randall of Dryden. They
established a partnership and located in what is now the telephone office
building.

This continued for a number of years until Dr. Randall moved to Flint and Dr. Kay to his present home
and office on Clay Street. Dr. Kay became prominent in state medical
circles and was president of the
State Medical Association.

He has a brother, Fred Kay, who
is postmaster at Larwer; a brother,
George Kay, in Baltimore; and one
sister, Fanny, wife of Congressman
Louis C. Crampton.

Dr. Kay will assume his new duties
at once.
Some of the New Buildings at the Michigan Home and Training School, Largest Institution of Its Kind in the World, Now under Superintendency of Dr. W. J. Kay, Lapeer

New hospital for women, named "Haynor Infirmary" by the State Hospital Board, Monday, in honor of Mrs. A. Haynor, superintendent of the Michigan Home for many years. A view of all the new buildings. Most of the construction is made of timbers. There are nurses' and nursemen's rooms, rest and living rooms and offices. Among other new features is a bridge which cost about $5,000.
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Cass City Chronicle
September 26, 1924

The opening case in the circuit court this week pertained to Lewis Johnson, self-confessed slayer of Blanch Burk, a mere legal formality. He was committed to the Ionia prison for the criminally insane until he regains his right mind when he will be recalled here to answer the charge made against him. Of course, it is expected that Johnson will never “regain his right mind” so that, in effect, the commitment amounts to life imprisonment.

Lapeer Clarion.

Lapeer County Press
October 8, 1924
Oakdale in the Newspapers

February 3, 1926

Lapeer Protected

Home Firemen Stood Ready for Call
While Our Truck Was Away

It was what smoke-sisters know as
"a bad night for a fire" when the
appeal came to Lapeer for help on
the Melanie hotel fire at North
Branch Wednesday evening. The sev-
ere cold meant unusually big fire
in stoves and furnaces, with accom-
panying danger, and the high wind
meant that any small blaze might be
a big one in no time and spread rapid-
ly.

Mayor Tucker knew this and pro-
vided protection for the city in case
anything should happen while the fire
truck was away.

He arranged to have the entire fire
crew at the Michigan Home on duty
at their own fire hall, with the chem-
ical and hose truck ready for response
to an alarm within a moment's no-
tice. The Home firemen remained
on duty until the Lapeer crew
returned with the truck from North
Branch. Fortunately there was no fire.

2-3-26

Educators Visit School at 'Home'

Some Outstanding Work
by Teachers of 500 Patients There

The Michigan Home, Training
school is one of the unique educa-
tional institutions of the state and
visited almost daily by delega-
tions from the University, from the
teachers college, and the public schools faculty, and by
numerous individuals who are
interested in the special methods em-
cloped at the Home.

The school is housed for the most
part in three buildings and is
made up of a faculty of 20 teachers
der the supervision of Mrs. Merton
Blakeslee, principal.

Work for the year ends June 17.
2700 patients at the institu-
tion are approximately 500 chil-
dren who are capable of benefitting
from the school program, and these
have been given instruction in four branches
work, academic, industrial, phys-
ical and musical. The academic work
covers the first six grades and kind-
ergarten.

The industrial work consists of
 manual art, fancy work, sewing,
embroidery, rug weaving, brush ann-
non making and occupational
rugs.

The physical training classes con-
sist of on work and fancy dancing,
charge of Mrs. Delphinity, and in-
door basketball for the boys, coached
by Billy, manual training instructor.

Many Good Musicians

Both instrumental and vocal
music is taught. Miss Fay Atkinson
in charge of three orchestras, the
first advanced one consists of eight
boys, and eight girls, and there is a "Toy
Symphony" of small boys and girls
read by note and have learned
a good deal of the theory of music,
they play violin, cello and drums,
and are heard in solo, duets, trios,
and quartets, as well as the ensemble.
They play dance selections,
lyrics, hymns and advanced work
in "Marseilles" by Schu-
rin and "Hungarian Dance No 5" by
Brahms.

The girls' orchestra plays for the
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June 1, 1927

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Sunday the club visited her home
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Adopt at Hand Work

One of the interesting departments
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