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ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.
Estate of George L. Kern, Deceased.
The undersigned, having been appointed Administrator of the Estate of George L. Kern, Deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the County Court of Livingston County at the Court House, in Pontiac, at the May Term, on the first Monday in May next, at which time all persons having claims against said Estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted.
All persons indebted to said Estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.
Dated this 20th day of February, A. D. 1912.
CATHERINE KERN,
Administratrix.
C. J. AHERN, Attorney. 8-3w

turned to their home in this city Tuesday evening after spending the day in Fairbury, where they were the guests of friends.
Miss Stella Dillon, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Dillon at their home on West Washington street for several days, left Tuesday for Normal, where she is attending the university.
Edward McConaha, who removed to Indiana last fall, together with his family, arrived here Monday on a short business mission pertaining to his interests here and also to call on his many friends.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Toomey, who are now residing in St. Louis, are spending several days here with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruer. Frank is employed by the Western Union in that city as a telegraph operator.

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SAUNEMIN
The W. C. T. U. met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Ella Righter.
A snowstorm from the northeast hit Saunemin Tuesday night.
Ladies Literary Circle Entertain for Mrs. F. B. Chester.
Wednesday afternoon the Ladies Literary Circle braved the elements and assembled at the beautiful new home of Mrs. Clyde Martin. The occasion was in honor of Mrs. Frank Chester, a charter member of the Circle, who is soon to leave for her new home in Indiana.
The afternoon was very pleasantly spent in social converse, and little Miss Harriet Haise gave selections from Longfellow and Robert Louis Stevenson.
Refreshments consisting of ice cream, cake and coffee were served.
Double Wedding Here Wednesday.
Residents of Dwight and vicinity were much surprised to learn of the double wedding which took place here Wednesday afternoon. The happy couples were Mr. George Sterritt and Miss Ella Rowley, both residents of Dwight, and Mr. Samuel W. Ward, of near Verona, and Miss Della Rowley, of Dwight. The ceremony was performed by Rev. R. A. Brown at the Methodist parsonage. Only the intimate friends were present. The couples left in the evening for a few days' trip after which Mr. and Mrs. Sterritt will reside here and Mr. and Mrs. Ward will locate on Mr. Ward's farm near Verona.

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NATAL DAY OBSERVANCES.

Birthdays of Washington, Lincoln and McKinley Honored in Appropriate Manner.

(Communicated by a Guest)
A very pleasant social and patriotic evening was spent last Thursday, Washington's Birthday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. G. Dustin, by the members of the Grand Army Post and their wives, the Sons of Veterans and their wives, the Auxillary, and a few invited guests, about 50 being present.

The event was a joint observance of the birthdays of three of America's greatest and grandest patriots—Washington, Lincoln and McKinley, whose natal days all occur in the month of February.

At 7:30 the guests began to arrive and a short reception was held until 8 o'clock, when the program began.

In honor of this patriotic occasion the Dustin residence was very appropriately decorated with the most beautiful of all nations' emblems—Old Glory, which were in profusion in all the rooms. Large flags were draped at each window and on the walls and over pictures were hung smaller ones. Large pictures of Lincoln and McKinley and of other patriotic subjects bore conspicuous positions, decorated in our nation's colors, the red, white and blue.

At about 8 o'clock Mr. Dustin welcomed the guests in a few appropriate words, hoping the occasion would be followed by similar gatherings. Mr. Holbrook, commander of the camp, responded, in behalf of the camp and all present, thanking Mr. and Mrs. Dustin for their hospitality.

The following program was then given:
Song, "Marching Through Georgia" Everybody
Music, Instrumental Duet
..... Electa Dustin, Henry Hager
Cornet Solo, "Star Spangled Banner"
..... Tommy Tanner
Paper, "Lincoln, McKinley, Washington" Mrs. A. A. Boyer
Song, Selected Mr. Elwood Boyer
Solo, Instrumental Harold Brown
Solo, "Illinois" Irwin H. Baker
"Dwight," led by Irwin H. Baker
..... Everybody
Instrumental Solo, "Patriotic Medley"
..... Electa Dustin
Song, "Battle Cry of Freedom,"
"My Old Kentucky Home," "Old Black Joe" Everybody
The patriotic and old time songs were sung by all and greatly enjoyed.
The instrumental duet by Miss Electa Dustin and Mr. Henry Hager was a stirring one and highly appreciated by all present.
Everyone enjoys Mr. Tommy Tanner's beautiful playing on the cornet, and on this occasion his rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner" was warmly applauded.
An excellent paper on "Washington, Lincoln, McKinley" was prepared and read by Mrs. A. A. Boyer. This was very interesting indeed.
Mr. Elwood Boyer's vocal solo was a pleasing selection and was much enjoyed by all.
The old time favorite "Kathleen Mavourneen" was very nicely played by Mr. Harold Brown, and received much applause.
Mr. Irwin H. Baker's rendition of "Illinois" was especially fine and was followed by the following verse sung to the tune "Maryland, My Maryland."
Dwight, Dear Dwight,
When far from thee, I seem to see
My Dwight, Dear Dwight!
Thy arms outstretched to welcome me
My Dwight, Dear Dwight!
No matter where on earth I roam
E'en though across the ocean's foam
My loyal heart beats true to home
My Dwight, Dear Dwight!

The "Patriotic Medley" which followed, played by Miss Electa Dustin, was very spirited and animated, and embraced all the patriotic songs of the '60s as well as those of the present day.
Entertaining remarks were then made by Messrs. R. V. Seymour and W. G. Dustin.
At the close of the program a delectable two-course luncheon of coffee, sandwiches, pickles, cheese and doughnuts, and ice cream and cake was served, the veterans and some of the ladies of the former Woman's Relief Corps having the place of honor at a table, decorated with the national colors.
At the conclusion of the lunch "America" was sung by all.
The balance of the evening was spent socially, with music and conversation, and during this time Mr. Wm. B. Brown read a couple of his original poems, which were very entertaining to all.
At a late hour all left for their homes, expressing to Mr. and Mrs. Dustin their thanks for a very pleasant evening.
The following paper was read by Mrs. A. A. Boyer at the above patriotic observance, Washington's Birthday.
There is a name, which everyone with pride regards for its matchless worth. It is the name of Washington who lived a noble life on earth. It tells us of his wondrous fame and how he fought to set us free. There is no need of telling the age of the one great Washington. We all have it so impressed on our minds that we feel we have met him as our friend. We have him pictured in our minds

from the day the little hatchet was so sharp to the present time, although his life closed 112 years ago, December 14, last. His general make up was so different from the man of today as well as the general welfare of the universe. To imagine him starting the beginning of a nation; if he had any thought of what the present day 1912 means; if he could be with us to see and know the happenings from his closing existence to the day of our President Taft and his cabinet.

In his letter to General Knox he said: "My movements to the chair of government will be accompanied by feelings not unlike those of a culprit who is going to the place of his execution: so unwilling am I, in the evening of a life nearly consumed in public cares, to quit a peaceful abode for an ocean of difficulties, without that competency of political skill, ability and inclination which are necessary to manage the helm." All the letters of Washington written at this time show the unwillingness with which he left his beautiful home to be the first and foremost man of all the United States, while the men of today are eagerly seeking notoriety, caring not for honor in acquiring the same.
When a new organization is started by only a few men or women little do they know the outcome, they are thinking of the present. What a great gift the nation had, to have a man willing to be and was the first President of the great nation called America of thee I sing, and our Declaration of Independence and the Red, White and Blue.

There is a name which everyone with pride regards its matchless worth. It is the name of Washington. Who lived a noble life on earth.
It tells us of his wondrous fame, And how he fought to set us free From British tyranny and claim And make us independent be.
It tells us of the life of one Who was the "First in War and Peace" The first to be the chosen son To rule the land, cause war to cease.

It tells of a friend and sage Who sought to rule by gentle word, Instead of arbitrary rage, And never challenged sword to sword.
It tells us of a life, so grand And much admired by everyone, And every true American Reverses the name of Washington.

It tells us of a noble man Who cherished liberty and love, Who was a true Republican And lived to gain a home above.
It tells us of the eight long years In which he ruled this land of ours, How Nation raised exultant cheers And maidens strewed his path with flowers.

In honor of the sacred trust To which he promised to be true, "Preserve, protect, defend I must," He said, "This land for me and you."
And then the people felt the new Republic safe with such a man To be their ruler and subdue Hostilities in foreign land.
In Congress Hall or Battle Field, He proved himself a hero, tried, In God his faith took for his shield, Sound judgment for his truest guide.

Three times was he on battle ground, In time of danger, need and care, Saved by the Lord in whom he found A constant trust, by earnest prayer.
And when the war came to a close He to his soldiers bid adieu, To seek upon the farm repose From active service, he withdrew.
His quiet and secluded life, Was soon brought to a peaceful close God called him from the field of strife To live with him in sweet repose.

Though he is gone, his name lives still To shed its rich perfume abroad, And light us up the heavenly Hill Which leads us to the Lamb of God.
And near Mount Vernon let him sleep Until the Resurrection Morn, The angels, while a virginal keep, And guard his sacred mould'ring form.

Upon the tomb of Washington The world needs write no epigram, For in the hearts of every one He built a temple to his fame.
And wrote thereon with loyal hand In letters of the deepest hue, His words, and acts, and deeds, so grand, Which other hands could never do."

And now a few words in reverence of the tall man, a man from Illinois, Abraham Lincoln, who was so tall that when the girls saw him dance with his sweetheart—Mary Todd, afterwards his wife—told her she would have to get a stepladder to rest her head on his shoulders. But she sweetly said, "Oh! his heart is as big as his legs are long."
It is said a number of ministers came to him to protest against the retention of Grant as a general, on the grounds that he was addicted to drink. "What brand of whisky does the general use?" asked the President anxiously. The astonished clergymen did not know. "Isn't that too bad!" exclaimed Mr. Lincoln, in tones of deep regret. "I can't spare Grant—he fights—but if you could tell me the kind of whisky he drinks I'd like to

send a barrel of it to each of my other generals."
As God has sent two beloved men in the month of February to be the leaders of the United States. It seems as though Carnation day, the day on which we revere Wm. McKinley, should also be in February.
Fifty-six years was the span of Mr. Lincoln's life, but his memory of good works hovers over us, year in and year out. We never tire of the name. We never become weary of reading of his career. Why? He put slavery down to earth with the shed blood of sons who are bowing with age. Oh! the grand men who have gone home to Heaven and bliss; the grand men who are left to us to help celebrate another birthday of the three martyrs.
"He grows no further from us with the years, Rather time draws him closer, and our tears We'll weep as though 'twere yesterday he died Spreading a careless sorrow nation wide."
And to the President whom we had in our day, Wm. McKinley, who always loved to hear the songs "Nearer my God to Thee" and "Lead Kindly Light, Amid the Encircling Gloom." The years draw on while his name shall be counted among the illustrious of the earth. William of Orange is not dead; Cromwell is not dead. Washington lives in the hearts and lives of his countrymen. Lincoln with his infinite sorrow lives to teach us and Wm. McKinley shall summon all statesmen and our countrymen to purer living, nobler aims, sweeter faith and immortal blessedness. This man was an American citizen, one of the common people, a typical product of our roll. His home life has always impressed many, as well as his political life. He entered the presidency in the midst of gravest uncertainty as to the financial future of the United States, yet he worked out the problem of adjusting his party to doctrines of honesty. As he was a man of peace he was one of four presidents who have never been called upon to conduct a war. As a patriotic speaker his appearance on the platform instantly commanded attention, always impressive as well as pleasing. He had but one rule, to be true to his God, his country and his own ideal of a noble character. He was the head of the nation. He fell in its service, and the base hand that took his life struck dead the hostility in every feeling heart that harbored it and he passed to the peace of the grave mound, not only by such as

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were his friends, but by all who bear American names.
Washington.
(By Wm. B. Brown)
For great occasions some one has been born To plead a just cause or lead a hope forlorn Why they are a success it is plain to see, They head the column saying "Brave fellows, follow me." Through mud and dust and trials they plod their way, If victory is theirs, to usher in a brighter day.
When the struggle for liberty of the colonies begun The man for the occasion was there— George Washington. We are here to celebrate the birth of him tonight Who toiled and fought the cause he thought was right.
The red coats in their pride and arrogance did say, "At the first sound of a gun, these peasants will run away." They found those peasants could fight whenever they must, For on the retreat from Lexington many a red coat hit the dust.
At Bunker's Hill there was a different story to tell For those peasants, why they fought Think of the lives that were offered there with a will, Deep in your affections, remember the sword of Bunker Hill.
In eighteen hundred and seventy-six, on the fourth of July A bell in Philadelphia was rung, some asked why? Because a new nation is born, 'tis Liberty's bell. To uphold it many their lives did sell. To arms! to arms! the red coats are here To destroy this young union is what we fear. This nation was preserved as our being here goes to show, For in a few years they drove out the trespassing foe. For future generations their liberty to entail, So here's to Washington and the men which he led And we thus pay a tribute to those illustrious dead.
Meetings Close.
Tomorrow will close the series of special revival meetings which are being held at the Methodist Episcopal church, in charge of Pastor R. A. Brown, and J. H. Henderson, of Muskegon, Mich. There will be no service tonight, but special services all day tomorrow (Sunday). You are urged to attend.

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