

May 1920

MARRIED.

A very quiet wedding took place on Saturday evening, May 15, at the U. B. parsonage when Rev. J. A. Bickenstaff united in marriage Miss Mabel L. Byrke, of Olive, Clinton county, Mich., to Roy J. Peterson, of Olive. The young people are well-known and highly esteemed by all. Mrs. Peterson is one of Clinton county's most efficient school teachers, having taught for several years. Mr. Peterson is an electrician by profession and is in the employ of the Electric company. They expect to spend a little time in Traverse City, Mich., where Mrs. Peterson's mother lives, and then will be at their home in Olive, where they will be glad to see their many friends. We bespeak for them a happy future.

# Parker-Peterson Rites

## At DeWitt Thursday 1960

Peterson

The living room of the home of Mr and Mrs Edward Parker of 1141 DeWitt road, DeWitt, was decorated with bouquets of white glads Thursday evening, Sept. 8, for the lovely candlelight home ceremony in which their daughter, Judith Ann Parker and Gary C. Peterson exchanged their wedding vows.

Rev B. F. Wade of St. Johns, formerly of DeWitt, performed the 8 p.m. double ring ceremony in which Mr Parker gave his daughter in marriage.

The bride is a 1956 graduate of DeWitt high school and graduated from the Edward W. Sparrow School of Nursing in 1959. The bridegroom, son of Mr and Mrs Carl Peterson of DeWitt, graduated from the DeWitt high school in 1954.

**FOR HER** wedding, Judith Ann chose a deep lilac wool jersey sheath dress complimented with a small white crown hat with eye-length veil. She wore a pink rosebud corsage.

Mrs Patricia Hoyt of Jackson was matron of honor and Dean Koski of DeWitt was best man. Gary Parker, brother of the bride, was usher. Mrs Hoyt was attired in a beige jersey sheath dress with a small beige flower hat and corsage of yellow rosebuds.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs Parker wore a beige lace sheath dress and a red rose corsage. The bridegroom's mother wore a navy sheath and also a red rose corsage. Music during the service was furnished by the bride's uncle, Milford Parker at the piano, and "Always" was the song chosen by the couple.



**MRS PETERSON**

**A SMALL** reception was held for the 25 wedding guests following the ceremony and a larger reception held Saturday evening, Sept. 10, at the DeWitt Memorial building. Following the Saturday evening reception the newlyweds left on their honeymoon to Minnesota.

For her going away outfit, the bride chose a brown rayon sheath dress and beige accessories. Upon their return Sept. 25, they will be at home 2225 DuPont street, Flint.

Special guests at the wedding were Mrs Andrew Patrick of Mancelona, grandmother of the bride; Mr and Mrs Frank Nallet, Lansing, grandparents of the bride; Capt. and Mrs Donald Peterson and Gary Allen of Quantico, Va., brother of the bridegroom; and Mrs C. A. Strickland, Lansing.

Peterson

March 23, 1917 in Lansing. Mrs. Heinzelman was employed with A.M. International in Lansing for 20 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church of Mason and Lansing Chapter of American Business Women's Association. Surviving are her husband, Ivan C. Heinzelman; 2 daughters, Mrs. Steve (Mary) Bedell and Mrs. Richard (Nancy) Weaver, both of Mason; 3 grandchildren, Michelle and David Bedell and Christine Weaver; 2 brothers, Jack McAleer of Lansing and Ed McAleer of Holt; 3 sisters, Mary Bunn, Marge McCann and Cathleen Lenon, all of Lansing; several nieces and nephews. Funeral services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Wednesday at the Ball-Dunn Chapel, Gorsline-Runciman Company, Mason with the Rev. William D. Wolfe, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, officiating. Interment in Maple Grove Cemetery, Mason. The family will receive friends at the Chapel Tuesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Contributions may be made to the First Baptist Church of Mason, 1000 E. Columbia St., the Mason 48854 in her memory.

#### PETERSON, CARL F.

1124 W. Webb Rd.

DeWitt

Age 76, died November 16, 1986. Mr. Peterson was born July 1, 1910 in South Boardman, MI. He was a member of the Quarter Century Club of Oldsmobile, retiring in 1972, and also a member of the C.C.C. Camps of Michigan. Surviving are 2 sons, Don and wife, Ruth Peterson of DeWitt and Curt Peterson of Okemos; 8 grandchildren; 2 sisters, Mildred Morris of Alba, MI and Helen Nichols of Manacelona. He was preceded in death by his wife, Mary E. and son, Gary Peterson. Funeral services will be held Thursday at 1:00 p.m. at the Gorsline-

Runciman DeWitt Chapel with Rev. Duane A. Ford, Pastor of First Missionary Church, officiating. Interment will be in DeWitt Cemetery. Visitation will be Tuesday and Wednesday, 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Clinton County Hospice Fund.

#### LEAHEY, JEANNETTE

Scarsdale, NY

Jeannette Leahey, a Scarsdale, NY artist passed away October 21st. Surviving her are 2 daughters, Carol Thomas of Brooklyn, NY and Mary Jane Pfautz of Alexandria, VA; son, Frank Leahey of East Lansing. A reception will be held in Mrs. Leahey's memory at the Jeannette Leahey Art Gallery in the Girl Scout House in Scarsdale on Saturday, November 22nd from 3 to 5 p.m.

#### SCOTT, RICHARD E.

Perry

Age 62, died Sunday, November 16, 1986. Mr. Scott was a member of U.A.W. Local #742, retired from Lindell Drop Forge in 1986 and a veteran of World War II. He is survived by his wife, N. Waneta, of 39 years; 1 son, Kenneth Wayne and wife, Marsha of Perry; 1 daughter, Mrs. Larry (Joyce Ann) Quilan of Saranac; 1 brother, Ray of Lansing; 1 sister, Yvonne Smatts of Lansing; 9 grandchildren; 1 great grandchild also survives. The family will receive friends Tuesday and Wednesday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. at the Palmer-Bush Funeral Home, where funeral services will be held Thursday at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. George V. Harris of the Church of the Nazarene, Perry, officiating. A full military graveside service at Roselawn Cemetery, Perry will be at a later date.

In Memory of  
Gary C. Peterson

Date of Birth  
June 11, 1936

Date of Death  
February 7, 1967

Services  
VINCENT - RUMMELL  
FUNERAL HOME  
Friday, February 10, 1967  
2:00 p.m.

Clergyman  
Rev. Hugh Banninga  
St. Anne's Episcopal Church

Interment  
DeWitt Cemetery

Honorary Pall Bearers  
Richard Kiebler      Richard Kaiser  
Harold Smith        Donald Fox  
Jack Pasch          Miles Merrill

Active Pall Bearers  
Larry Bandt          Ceylon Davis  
David Parker         Dean Koski  
David Tanous         Robert Ridsdale

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Mr. and Mrs. Arvin Peterson of DeWitt announce the engagement of their daughter, Judy Ann, to Larry L. Mull. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar F. Mull of Airport Road, Lansing. An Oct. 5 wedding is planned.

Phelps

#### A DAY IN CHICAGO

##### Carl VanFleet and Leon Phelps Visited the Windy City.

Carl VanFleet of DeWitt in company with his friend Leon Phelps, took advantage of the excursion Sunday, June 7, to visit his brother, Earl, who met them at Polk street depot at 1:30 p. m.

As their time was limited they did not see as much of the city as they would have liked to. The first place of interest visited, was the Art Institute, which is located on lake front. They enjoyed very much the beautiful statuary and paintings, and especially the paintings in the Henry Field Memorial room. After leaving the Art Institute they walked to the Montgomery Ward's new building which is also located on lake front. Then, taking a car to north side, they visited Lincoln park, where they found much to interest them. After an hour and a half's enjoyment at the park, they returned to the business part of the city.

Notwithstanding it was Sunday and against the rules to admit visitors to the Marshall Field & Co's. wholesale house they were allowed to enter and were shown the department in which Earl VanFleet is employed. From here they visited Earl's new home in Eaglewood, where they took luncheon with him. The evening was spent at McClellan's theatre enjoying, "When Johnny Comes Marching Home."

At 11:30 the two tired and sleepy boys made their departure for Lansing, Michigan, feeling well pleased with the day.

Phelps

## DIED OF APOPLEXY

END CAME SUDDENLY TO MRS. CHAS.  
E. PHELPS OF BATH.

Mrs. Phila Ann Phelps, wife of Charles E. Phelps, passed out of this life February 23, under peculiar circumstances. She, together with her husband and youngest son, started to go to a neighbor to spend the evening and got as far as the Rose church. There was a large snow drift by the corner of the church, and she said to her husband, "Let me get out." She was afraid to ride into the drift as she had met with an accident previously to this in a snow drift. Mr. Phelps helped her out and as she got onto the ground, she spoke and said, "I cannot breathe. Loosen these things from about my throat." He did so, setting her down on the church steps, but she expired almost immediately. Her body was carried into Wm. Abel's house for a short time and then removed to her own home. The cause of her death was apoplexy. The funeral services were held at the Rose church Sunday morning. Interment in Rose cemetery.

Mrs. Phelps passed away on the threshold of the sanctuary where she had worshiped for many years. She was an indefatigable church worker and a kind mother and neighbor. She leaves a husband, one daughter of Charlevoix County, and three sons, two of whom live in Bath, the other being principal of the DeWitt high school.

Dhelps



Mr. and Mrs. Galen E. Phelps of 15718 Turner St., announce the engagement of their daughter, Kaylene Gayla, to Gary Lee Dalman. Mr. and Mrs. William C. Dalman of DeWitt are parents of the bridegroom-elect. A July 25 wedding is planned.

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Phelps

## Newlywed Dalmans on Trip

Now honeymooning at Mackinac Island are newlywed Mr. and Mrs. Gary Lee Dalman who repeated their vows Saturday evening at Bethlehem Lutheran Church.

The bride, the former Miss Kaylene Gayla Phelps, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Galen E. Phelps of 15718 Turner St. Mr. and Mrs. William C. Dalman of DeWitt are parents of the bridegroom.

The bride selected a gown of candlelight peau de soie with details in brocade and Alcon lace. The dome skirt featured a bustle low in back which swept into a chapel train. A double Swedish crown of lace and pearls secured her veil of illusion. She carried a cascade bouquet of pink sweetheart roses and lilies of the valley atop a white Bible,



MRS. GARY LEE DALMAN

a gift of her maternal grandmother.

Mrs. Billie Reynolds, bride's sister, was matron of honor and wore a floor-length bell-skirted gown in pastel aqua and carried a bouquet of aqua asters. Mrs. Donald Phelps, bride's sister-in-law, was bridesmaid and wore a gown identical to that of the honor attendant in pastel pink and carried a bouquet of pink asters.

Bruce Dalman, bridegroom's brother of DeWitt, was best man. Another brother, James, also of DeWitt, was groomsmen. Ushering were Eugene and Eldon Phelps, bride's brothers. Miss Kimberly Reynolds, bride's niece, was flowergirl and Lee Phelps, bride's nephew, was ringbearer.

A reception was held at the Union Local 652 Hall. The couple will reside in DeWitt.

Phillips

#### OBITUARY

Lewis S. Phillips, Jr., son of Lewis and Mabyn Phillips, was born Oct. 2, 1922, in Olive township, Clinton county. He attended the Plowman school and St. Johns high school, from which he graduated with the class of 1939.

He enlisted and entered military service Feb. 22, 1943 and was sent to Miami Beach, Fla., for boot training and then to Xavier University, Cincinnati. He was then sent to Shreveport, La., for primary flight training; also to Maxwell Field, Ala., and to Walnut Ridge Army Base, Ark., for the various phases of flight training, graduating at Stuttgart Army Air Field, Ark., May 23, 1944 where he was commissioned a Lieutenant. May 26, he was married to Miss Erdine Millar of Riley.

Following his leave, Lt. Phillips went to Lockburn Army Air Base, Columbus, O., where he trained in B-17 transition, qualifying for first pilot on a Flying Fortress. He was then assigned to Superfortress training at Alamogordo, N. M., where he received an assignment on a B-29 Superfortress as pilot, at Smoky Hill Army Air Field, Salina, Kas. Tuesday evening, Nov. 28, while on a routine training flight, the 4-motor plane, of which he was pilot, crashed.

Before entering the Army, Lewis was a prominent member of South Riley Grange and of Clinton County Pomona and was active in the Fifth Degree team. Lt. Phillips is survived by his wife, his parents, and two brothers, Cpl. Cliff Phillips, an instructor at Camp Crowder, Mo., and Ronald, at home; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Phillips, besides other relatives and many friends.

The body was brought to the Vincent funeral home Saturday by Lt. Coughtry of the Army Air Base at Salina and funeral rites were held Monday afternoon at the Community church in Dewitt.

Pall bearers were men who were home on furlough and rites at the cemetery were under auspices of the American Legion.

Phillips

Obituaries from the Scrapbook of C. Harry Moon

Now owned by Eleanor Moon McKinney (1984)

WM. H. PHILLIPS, 93, of Olive Township, Clinton County, died Friday at a Lansing convalescent home after a long illness. Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. from the Vincent funeral home, DeWitt. Rev. L. Bretz will officiate. Burial will be in the DeWitt cemetery. He is survived by three sons, Lewis and Winnie, both of DeWitt, and Loy of Lansing; seven grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren.

Phillips



DEWITT—A Feb. 8 wedding is planned by Miss Karen MarJean Phillips and James L. Holliday, it has been announced by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald C. Phillips of DeWitt. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Holliday of DeWitt are parents of the prospective bridegroom. The bride-elect is a student at Ferris State College.

# Miss Karen Phillips Weds James Holliday

Phillips

DEWITT—The DeWitt Community Church was the setting for the Saturday evening wedding of Miss Karen Mar-Jean Phillips, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Phillips of DeWitt, and James Lee Holliday, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Holliday, also of DeWitt.

The bride attended Ferris State College. For her nuptials, she wore a dress of silk

souffle designed with a portrait neckline, three-quarter length sleeves, and A-line skirt sweeping into a chapel train. She carried a white Bible topped with white carnations and red roses.

Miss Colleen Couzzins of DeWitt was honor attendant and bridesmaids were Miss Sharon Holliday, sister of the bridegroom from Lansing; and Miss Suzanne Phillips, sister of the bride, from DeWitt.

Donald Keeler of Bath was best man. Ushering were Thomas Bailey of Lansing, Rick Keck of DeWitt and Wilbur Conkright Jr., of Ionia, uncle of the bridegroom.

A reception followed at the DeWitt Veterans Memorial Building.

The newlyweds will make their home in Flint.



MRS. JAMES LEE HOLLIDAY

**MARRIED.**

Miss Loretta B. Phinney, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Phinney, and Mr. Everett L. Nicholas, of Merle Beach, were united in marriage Saturday morning, Nov. 16, at the Methodist parsonage, by Rev. B. A. Armstrong. They were attended by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Zacharias, the latter being a sister of the bride. Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas will make their home on a farm southeast of the city.

Phinney

THURSDAY AFTERNOON—JUNE 7, 1917

## POPULAR YOUNG COUPLE WED AT HOME IN OLIVE

MISS FLORENCE PHINNEY AND  
CARL ZACHARIAS MARRIED.

At a simple wedding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Phinney in Olive on Tuesday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock, their daughter, Florence Louise, became the bride of Louis Carl Zacharias, the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Zacharias of this city. The wedding march was played by Miss Cecil Price as the bridal party descended the stairs and took their places in a corner of the sitting room before a bank of ferns. Rev. Wright of Dewitt performed the ceremony.

The young couple were attended by Miss Bernice Zacharias, sister of the groom and Alva Ballinger of Ovid. The bride was attired in a dainty gown of silk embroidered organdie with satin trimming, and a veil of tulle caught to the head by lilies of the valley. She carried a bouquet of bride's roses and lilies of the valley. The bridesmaid was gowned in white organdie and carried pink roses. During the congratulations Miss Price sang, "O Promise Me."

Following the ceremony a supper was served by six of the bride's girl friends. Mr. and Mrs. Zacharias left immediately on a trip to Detroit, from which they will return to their home at 3107 Platt street, Lansing. Both are well known here having attended the local schools. The bride graduated from the high school in 1915, from the county normal last spring, and for the past year has been teaching at the Merle Beach school. The groom is employed at the Reo factory in Lansing.

Phinney

Clarence Phinney of Olive and Miss Ruth Sutfin of Ovid township, were married Monday noon at the Methodist parsonage. Rev. C. J. Kruse officiated. The couple were attended by Miss Florence Phinney of Olive and Carl Zacharias of this city.



Pierson

*The Twenty-Third Psalm*

*THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; I SHALL NOT WANT.  
HE MAKETH ME TO LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES;  
HE LEADETH ME BESIDE THE STILL WATERS.  
HE RESTORETH MY SOUL: HE LEADETH ME IN THE  
PATHS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR HIS NAME'S SAKE..  
YEA, THOUGH I WALK THROUGH THE VALLEY OF  
THE SHADOW OF DEATH, I WILL FEAR NO EVIL:  
FOR THOU ART WITH ME; THY ROD AND THY STAFF  
THEY COMFORT ME. THOU PREPAREST A TABLE  
BEFORE ME IN THE PRESENCE OF MINE ENEMIES;  
THOU ANOINTEST MY HEAD WITH OIL; MY CUP  
RUNNETH OVER.. SURELY GOODNESS AND  
MERCY SHALL FOLLOW ME ALL THE DAYS  
OF MY LIFE: AND I WILL DWELL IN THE  
HOUSE OF THE LORD FOR EVER.....*

*In Memory of*

EARL E. PIERSON

*Date of Birth*

December 22, 1910

*Date of Death*

October 8, 1974

*Services at*

LEE R. RUMMELL FUNERAL HOME  
DeWitt, Michigan

Friday October 11, 1974  
1:00 P. M.

*Clergyman*

Rev. Douglas D. Beach  
Wayside Chapel

*Bearers*

Mike Verlinde	Jerry Swartz
Lyle Gantz	Marvin O'Dell
Ernest Kecner	Wesley Waddington

*Honorary Bearer*  
Ira Worcester

*Burial*

DeWitt Cemetery  
DeWitt, Michigan

Pierson



Community Church in memory of Mrs. Pierson.

**PIERSON, RHODA B.**

**DeWitt**

Age 78, died Sunday, December 6, 1992 in Mt. Pleasant, MI. Born April 12, 1914 in DeWitt, MI. Mrs. Pierson was a charter member of the DeWitt Community Church; a former Librarian at the Faye Hansen DeWitt Library; and a former Chairman of the DeWitt Area Cancer Society. Mrs. Pierson is survived by 1 son, Richard (Marjorie) of DeWitt; 3 grandchildren, Rhonda (Kevin) Russell of Sanford, Rick (Myong) Pierson of Kansas and Rachelle (Larry) Dyksterhouse of DeWitt; and 6 great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Earl in 1974. Funeral services will be held 1 p.m. Friday, December 11, 1992 at the DeWitt Community Church with the Rev. Frederick C. Nose officiating. Interment in the DeWitt Cemetery. Friends may call at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. DeWitt Chapel beginning Wednesday, 2 p.m. where family visitation will be 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests contributions can be made to the DeWitt

Pike

## DEATH CLAIMS MILLARD PIKE

Lifelong Resident of Clinton  
County, Aged, 79, Is  
Buried Saturday

Millard Fillmore Pike, son of James and Ann Matilda Pike, was born in Olive, Clinton county, September 16, 1852. He was one of a family of eight children and at the death of his parents which occurred when he was quite young, he went to live in the family of A. B. Cook in Riley.

On January 13, 1877, he was united in marriage to Ella Rosalind Simmons and to them were born a son and a daughter, George Simmons and Dora Agnes. The greater part of their married life was spent upon a farm in Olive.

In the spring of 1907, they moved to Dewitt village. His wife passed away October 20, 1910. Mr. Pike then returned to the farm to assist in caring for the family of his son who was in poor health and who passed on July 15, 1915. He remained upon the farm, giving a father's care to his grandsons until the infirmities of age and ill health compelled him to give up all activities. For the past seven years he had been a great sufferer from heart trouble.

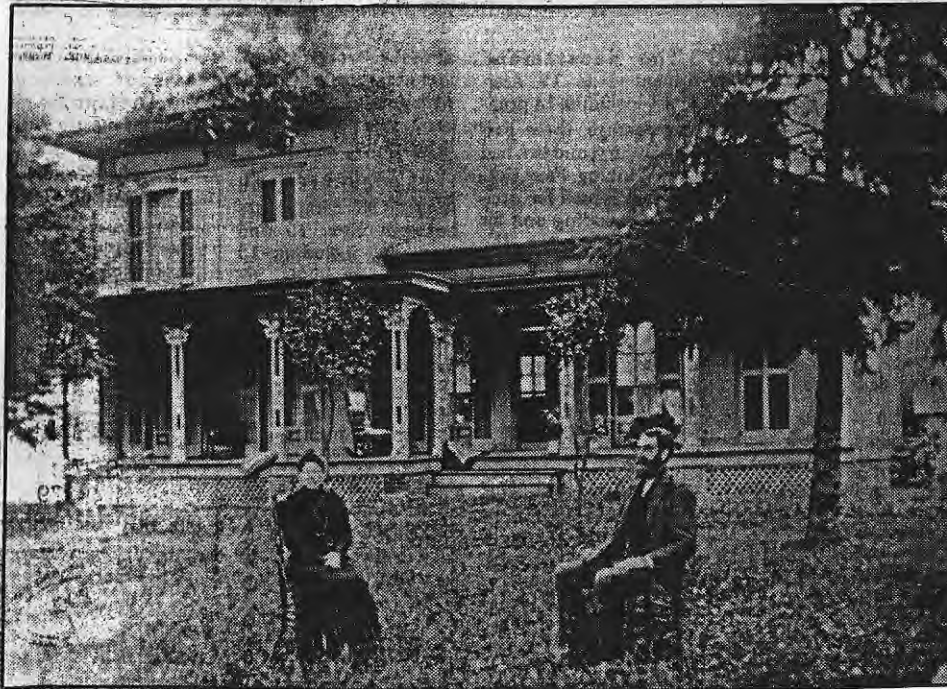
Three years ago he sold the farm and purchased a home in Dewitt where he lived a year with his daughter-in-law, but for the past two years he had lived with his daughter, Mrs. Frank Steinhardt in East Dewitt. His last illness began with the new year, and he grew steadily worse until Wednesday evening, Jan. 20, when his prayers were answered and he was called above, aged 79 years, 4 months and 4 days.

The deceased was a believer in universal salvation and his religion consisted in doing good. His greatest pleasure in life was in performing generous acts and kindly deeds for others. He was a kind husband, father, friend and neighbor and no one enjoyed his friends or appreciated a kindness more than he. Besides his daughter, Mrs. Agnes Steinhardt, he is survived by a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Edna Pike, three grandsons, Glenwood, Loyde and Gerald Pike; two brothers, D. Scott Pike of Dewitt, and William J. Pike of Newaygo; a sister, Mrs. Agnes Fair of Knoxville, Tenn.; two great grandchildren and many other relatives and friends. The funeral was held at the Baptist church in Dewitt Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock and he was laid to rest in Dewitt cemetery beside his wife. Rev. Northrup of St. Johns spoke comforting words to the sorrowing friends and Mr. and Mrs. Mare Cutler sang, "When I Have Crossed the Bar," and "Jesus Remembers When the World Forgets." Miss Rhoda Bell Reynolds acted as pianist. He was borne to his last resting place amid a profusion of flowers by Glenwood and Gerald Pike, Donald, Neil and Vernon Cutler and Hugh Bond.

# Coin gives mind-bending example of DeWitt's intricate family ties

## DeWitt remembered:

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MR. AND MRS. DAVID SCOTT PIKE ("Scott and Ola") awkwardly pose for a photo in front of their Chadwick Road farm in Riley (now the Zichke Farm). H. Bradley, travelling photographer. Photo courtesy of Gerald Pike.

Last week I mentioned the intricate network of families ties in old DeWitt... Well, a while back, Freddie (Tingay) Ford wrote me a note asking for some information on how her ancestors were related to DeWitt pioneers. So, until I have a chance to help her out, the following scenario will illustrate what I meant when I said, "Every time someone tried to put it down on paper a blood vessel in their brain would burst."

Pay attention now, cause I'm only going to go through this mind-bender once. Then I'm going to have to take a nap.

The story starts in the late 1700's in Londonderry, Vt. in the household of Elisha and Abigail Cook who had recently moved there from Providence, R.I. Abigail was a Williams and a direct descendant of Roger Williams, the Separatist whom Gov. Winthrop's Pilgrims kicked out of the Massachusetts Bay Colony and the founder of Providence.

Among Elisha and Abigail's twelve children were four who connect to current DeWitt: Safety, Joseph, Edward and Nancy Alta.

Safety, the oldest of the twelve, married James Cochran. She died in New York state but her husband and children soon moved to Michigan and settled at Eaton Rapids. Her son married a Naracong (a sister to the Naracongs and Knapps of DeWitt) and two of her grandchildren married one another. Their descendants, the Tingays, later moved to DeWitt.

Joseph and his family moved to DeWitt about 1840 and, settled northwest of town. His daughter Abigail adopted her cousins orphan, David Scott Pike. David married Viola Cook, Abigail's brother Amori's daughter (they were second cousins) and his grandmother was Nancy Alta (mentioned further down). Now, Viola had a sister (Ida) whose daughter Edna married Viola and David's nephew George Pike (they too were second cousins by way of their mutual great-grandparents, Atwell and Lovina Simmons, as well as third cousins on the other side of the house by way of their mutual great-grandparents — Elisha and Abigail Cook. Joseph's son Amori (already mentioned) married Amina Simmons (they weren't related that we know of but, the both were related to the Naracongs). Descendants in DeWitt from this branch include: Gerald Pike, Wally Cutler, Martha Reed and Bonnie Ward.

Who's got a headache? Raise your hand.

Edward settled in southern Michigan but his wife was connected to DeWitt because she was an Utley. Their son Addison (a veteran of the Toledo War) came to DeWitt and married an Antoinette Alexander from north of town and they settled here. Their descendants apparently had a dispensation to marry outside of the family; their daughter Ada married Edward Bedell and some descendants might still be located in Bath or Lansing.

Nothing exciting there — but get out the aspirin for this last one.

Nancy Alta married Mark W. Pike (raised by the same Utley family that Edward Cook married into) and they followed the Utleys from Vermont to DeWitt in the 1840's. Their daughter Alta married David Scott, Jr., a son of DeWitt's founder, and the Scott's son married a Moon (but that's another story). Another of Nancy Alta's sons, James, died young leaving several orphans who were farmed-out to friends and family. One of his orphans was David Scott Pike (see up above). Another was Millard Filmore Pike who was raised by his father's cousin, Amori Cook. Millard later married Amori's wife's niece, Ella Simmons. Ella's mother was her father's school teacher (now there's a new twist). Millard and Ella's son George married Edna Randall, Amori and Amina's granddaughter. Amina's parents (Ella's grandparents) were Atwell and Lovina (Knapp) Simmons (Riley township's first settlers). Lovina's brother Samuel married one of the Naracong sisters and her uncle, Ebenezer Knapp left a widow who later married Lovina's husband's (Atwell's) father, Ephriam Simmons. And, Atwell's sister Lillis married her own step-brother (Lovina's cousin), Henry Knapp.

Thank you Freddie for that thought provoking question (a SASE will get you a diagram of the whole mess).

Pike



# Historic DeWitt Mark Woodbury By Kenneth Coin Pike

Mark Woodbury Pike was born in Rutland, Vermont, Sept. 9, 1799. Nothing is known of his early years but family histories relate that he was raised by Ephraim H. Utley. In 1818 Mark was married to Nancy Alta Cook (born Nov. 20, 1797 in Vermont) a daughter of Elisha and Abigail (Williams) Cook. The mother, Abigail, was a direct descendant of Roger Williams, founder of Providence, Rhode Island.

The Pike family remained in Vermont until about 1824 when they moved west to Belmont, New York where they remained for nearly fifteen years.

In 1839 the ever in-

creasing Pike family came to the wilderness of DeWitt and made a settlement along what is now Norris road. They erected a log shanty which was soon replaced by a more substantial log home. This second log home provided the Pikes and several other pioneer families with shelter and was not torn down until about 1915.

The Utley family, with whom Mark Pike was connected earlier in life, had already settled at DeWitt and many members of Nancy Pike's family, including her brother, Joseph Cook, were soon to follow.

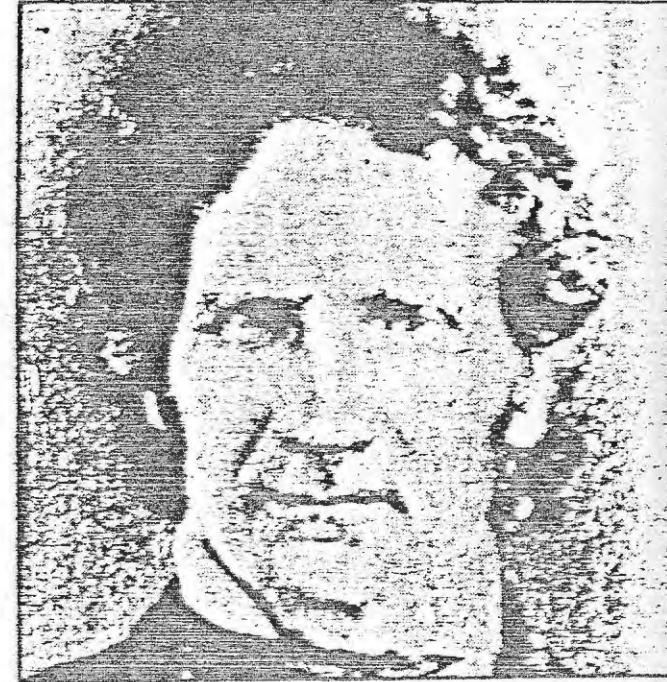
Mark and Nancy had eight children, four of whom died at relatively

young ages. Of the eight: Mark Woodbury, Jr. remained at Belmont, New York (although some of his descendants later lived in DeWitt); James Green came to DeWitt in 1849 with his young family but died in 1864 leaving his seven children orphans; Nancy "Alta" married David Scott, Jr., son of DeWitt's founder; Elisha Cook followed his Scott family nephews to the wilds of Cheboygan County in the 1880's; Enoch died young; Joseph W. and William R. both followed the dream of the California gold rush but each died within a few years; Jacob Sidney (the youngest) was

somewhat a rover. He left DeWitt for Northern Michigan and New York State.

In 1855 there occurred a series of religious revivals in the DeWitt area, called "protracted Meetings." According to local and family sources, Mark W. Pike became obsessed with the fervor of the revival. A letter written that year by his nephew, Amori B. Cook, declares, "There has been a great revival in this neighborhood and I pray that it may do good. Uncle Pike is clear carried away with it. He feels good now, I tell you."

A g n e s Pike Steinhardt, a great-granddaughter of Mark W. Pike wrote early in this century that he, "for some time went about the country, calling at school houses, asking to be allowed to preach. He was never



refused as nearly all the teachers were afraid of him. He would also stand on a knoll between the house and barn, gaze directly at the sun, and preach his sermons."

Nancy (Cook) Pike died April 10, 1864 and

Mark afterward lived with his daughter and son-in-law, David and Alta Scott, in the village of DeWitt. Here he died April 12, 1869. Both he and his wife, as well as most of their family, lie buried in the DeWitt cemetery.

Pike

# Matson and Skorich office was home to Bradfield family

By KEN COIN

Walter Hubble came to the area in 1837 as an 18-year-old member of the "Waterloo Joint-Stock Co." which founded Wacousta. He was (with perhaps a brother) a merchant there for the company until 1840 and remained a resident until 1844 when he moved to some government land he had purchased in 1836 in Essex Township (north and west of present St. Johns). He remained there only a few years before moving back south, to DeWitt, in 1846. Here he established himself in partnership with Courtland Hill in a general store on the northeast corner of Washington and Bridge (on the present site of Terranova's).

That same year (1846), Hubble purchased the lots where the Matson & Skorich offices are now located and, in 1848, built the present building as his home. He apparently arrived in DeWitt with a political reputation for, aside from his vocation as a merchant, he was elected county clerk in 1846 and held the office until 1850. He was also elected justice of the peace in 1848. His political career seems to have offered a sufficient wage for it was also in 1848 that his partnership with Courtland Hill dissolved and Hill (Bengal Township's first settler in 1837) returned to his own substantial homestead in that township.



The old Randolph Strickland home at 202 E. Washington, currently the law offices of Matson and Skorich.

Although this photograph was taken over 50 years ago, the house itself was, at that time, nearly 100 years old. The picture shows a unique feature original to the house, a recessed porch (on the right) which faced the west. Tending to her flower beds in the center is Jessie Bradfield: the house was "home" to the Bradfield family for many years in the middle of this century. Ca. 1939, Helen Hlits, photographer; courtesy of Dan Matson.

For Hubble, what appeared to be a political career on the rise was simply a flash in the pan. He died in the fall of 1851 at the young age of 34 and was buried in the DeWitt Cemetery.

Randolph and Mary (Gooch) Strickland bought this home soon after their marriage in 1851. (You'll remember Mary: it was her mother who had the misfortune of falling off the packet boat along the Erie Canal.) The site was conveniently located for

About 1870, the home was purchased by Elisha and Frances (Marshall) Pike, who remained here until the 1880's when they became part of the large migration of DeWitt families who relocated to the area of Wolverine, Michigan.

Except for the elimination of the porches, the house remains much as it originally did nearly 150 years ago. Several original interior doors, with thumb latch catches, remain intact. The solid structure

was built with post and beam construction and the unique hip-roof is self-supporting, offering a large second floor "chamber",

originally accessed by a tiny closet staircase.

*Ken Coin is a resident of DeWitt and the area's primary historian.*

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## DEATH CLAIMS MILLARD PIKE

Lifelong Resident of Clinton  
County, Aged, 79, Is  
Buried Saturday

Millard Fillmore Pike, son of James and Ann Matilda Pike, was born in Olive, Clinton county, September 16, 1852. He was one of a family of eight children and at the death of his parents which occurred when he was quite young, he went to live in the family of A. B. Cook in Riley.

On January 13, 1877, he was united in marriage to Ella Rosalind Simmons and to them were born a son and a daughter, George Simmons and Dora Agnes. The greater part of their married life was spent upon a farm in Olive.

In the spring of 1907, they moved to Dewitt village. His wife passed away October 20, 1910. Mr. Pike then returned to the farm to assist in caring for the family of his son who was in poor health and who passed on July 15, 1915. He remained upon the farm, giving a father's care to his grandsons until the infirmities of age and ill health compelled him to give up all activities. For the past seven years he had been a great sufferer from heart trouble.

Three years ago he sold the farm and purchased a home in Dewitt where he lived a year with his daughter-in-law, but for the past two years he had lived with his daughter, Mrs. Frank Steinhardt in East Dewitt. His last illness began with the new year, and he grew steadily worse until Wednesday evening, Jan. 20, when his prayers were answered and he was called above, aged 79 years, 4 months and 4 days.

The deceased was a believer in universal salvation and his religion consisted in doing good. His greatest pleasure in life was in performing generous acts and kindly deeds for others. He was a kind husband, father, friend and neighbor and no one enjoyed his friends or appreciated a kindness more than he. Besides his daughter, Mrs. Agnes Steinhardt, he is survived by a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Edna Pike; three grandsons, Glenwood, Loyde and Gerald Pike; two brothers, D. Scott Pike of Dewitt, and William J. Pike of Newaygo; a sister, Mrs. Agnes Thir of Knoxville, Tenn., two great grandchildren and many other relatives and friends. The funeral was held at the Baptist church in Dewitt Sunday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock and he was laid to rest in Dewitt cemetery beside his wife. Rev. Northrup of St. Johns spoke comforting words to the sorrowing friends and Mr. and Mrs. Marc Outler sang, "When I Have Crossed the Bar," and "Jesus Remembers When the World Forgets." Miss Rhoda Bell Reynolds acted as pianist. He was borne to his last resting place amid a profusion of flowers by Glenwood and Gerald Pike, Donald, Neil and Vernon Outler and Hugh Bond.

Pike

## Two Families Hold Gathering Sunday

(By Mrs. Frank Steinhardt)

East DeWitt- A pleasant gathering of the Pike and Cook families was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Steinhardt of East DeWitt Sunday.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Pike, son Walter Pike and Mrs. Louise Pike of Newaygo, D. S. Pike and Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Dills of DeWitt, Mrs. Edna Pike and sons Glenwood, Loyde and Gerald and M. F. Pike of Olive, Mrs. Marc Cutler and son Neil and Mrs. Ida Randall of Riley. Eight of the relatives were past seventy years old.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Pike, Walter Pike and Mrs. Louise Pike of Newaygo were entertained at the Steinhardt home over the weekend.

Monday Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Pike, Mrs. Louise Pike, Walter Pike and Miss Marie Ferlong of Newaygo, M. F. Pike and Mrs. Agnes Steinhardt of East DeWitt and D. S. Pike of DeWitt took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Dills at their home in DeWitt.



## DEATH OF GEO. S. PIKE

George S. Pike was born in Olive township, Clinton county, December 7, 1877. He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Pike. He passed away July 15, 1915, on the farm where he had lived all his life, with exception of four and a half years. He taught school several years and was a successful teacher. He was united in marriage to Miss. Edna Randall of Riley, December 13, 1905. Three children were born to them.

Nearly five years ago his health began to fail. All that medical skill, loving hands and willing hearts could do was done but the hand of the destroyer could not be stayed. He was a great sufferer, but bore his suffering with patience.

He was an exemplary young man, loved and respected by all with whom he came in touch.

He was a member of the F. and A. M. lodge at DeWitt.

He is survived by his widow, three little sons, Glenwood, Lloyd and Gerald, his father M. F. Pike of Olive, one sister, Mrs. Roy Millan of DeWitt, besides many other relatives and a host of friends. He often expressed the wish that he might be spared for the sake of his little sons, but if it was for him to go, all was well.

The funeral was held at his late home last Saturday, July 17th, under the auspices of the Masonic lodge.

The casket was covered and surrounded with beautiful flowers which testified the respect in which he was held. Interment was in DeWitt cemetery.

Relatives from away to attend the funeral were Wm. Pike of Newaygo and son Walter Pike of Grand Rapids and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Rhodes of Lansing.

## Card of Thanks

We extend our heart-felt thanks to all who have shown so much kindness and sympathy during the illness, death and burial of our loved one, also for beautiful flowers- Mrs. Edna Pike, M. F. Pike, Mrs. Roy Millan.

Pike

## MRS. EDNA PIKE BURIED FEB. 20

Well Known Dewitt Woman,  
Aged 54, Succumbs to  
Short Illness

East Dewitt—Edna Amina Randall, daughter of William and Ida Randall, was born in Riley township Aug. 23, 1881.

She lived at the home of her grandparents, the late Amori B. Cook and wife, attending the Simmons school and then studied to become a teacher in the St. Johns school and at the Ferris Institute in Big Rapids. After teaching several years, she was united in marriage to George S. Pike, Dec. 13, 1905.

Three sons were born to them, Millard Glenwood, Loyde Eugene, and Gerald Simmons.

Mr. Pike passed away July 15, 1915, after four years' of patient suffering from arthritis, during which time Mrs. Pike tenderly cared for him. After the death of her husband, Mrs. Pike remained on the farm with her father-in-law, the late Millard F. Pike, until her sons grew to manhood.

In 1929 they moved to Dewitt where she had since resided. Monday ~~February 19~~ at 8:30 o'clock, after two weeks of intense suffering from complications resulting from flu, Edna quietly fell asleep.

Besides the sons, Glenwood of Riley, Loyde of Los Angeles, Calif., and Gerald of Dewitt, Mrs. Pike is survived by a sister, Mrs. Maud Cutler of Riley, a half-brother, LeRoy Randall of Pellston, northern Michigan, two grandchildren, Joan and Richard Pike, and an aunt, Mrs. Estella Dills of Dewitt and many other relatives and friends. Although she was not permitted to live the allotted time, yet our lives are measured not in years but in deeds and of her it can truly be said, "life's work well done, life's race well run, and now comes rest, sweet rest."

Funeral services were held at the Community church Thursday afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. Toy of Lansing officiated. Music was furnished by Mrs. Merle Walker. The many beautiful floral tributes bore mute testimony to the high esteem in which the deceased was held.

Interment was made in Dewitt cemetery by the side of her husband.

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## DE WITT

### Obituary.

Viola H. Cook was born in Riley, Clinton county, Mich., April 23, 1858.

She was united in marriage to D. S. Pike also of Riley, May 11th, 1878.

They began to keep house in Riley and lived there several years. They then went to Lansing and stayed one year. Six years ago they purchased a home in DeWitt village and have lived there ever since. Mrs. Pike was the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cook of Riley. Mrs. Cook, her mother, passed away nearly four years ago.

Mrs. Pike is survived by her husband her aged father, two sisters, Mrs. Jerome Dills, of DeWitt and Mrs. Ida Randall of Riley; two nieces, Mrs. Geo. Pike of Olive and Mrs. Marc Cutler of Riley besides a large circle of other relatives and friends.

She was always ready to help in sickness and where help was needed. She was loved and respected by all. None knew her but to love her. It is not the tear at the moment, shed when the cold turf has just been laid over her that can tell how beloved is the spirit that fled or how deep in our hearts we deplore her, 'tis the tear through many long days wept through a life by her alas all shaded, 'tis the sad remembrance fondly kept when all other griefs have faded.

She was a member of no church but she believed in the universal salvation of all. That somewhere and some time the whole human family would be united in perfect holiness and happiness. She was a member of the D. of R., Clinton County Pomona Grange, Clinton County Pioneer Society, also of South Riley Grange. She and Mr. Pike were the last surviving charter members. She expressed herself many times as not afraid to die, but she wanted to live for her husband's sake, as she knew how lonely and desolate the world would be to him without her. While our hearts beat in sympathy with the bereaved friends, we would bid them weep not as one without hope. Think of the joyous meeting with those gone on before. Mrs. Pike has been in poor health many months. Everything that loving hearts and willing hands could do was done but the destroying hand of death could not be stayed. She quietly and peacefully passed away Friday night May 29, 1914.

The funeral was held at her late home Monday afternoon. Rev. F. C. Aldinger of Lansing officiating. Interment in DeWitt cemetery. The D. of R. attended the funeral in a body. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. Friends from away were Wm. Pipe of Newaygo, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Millan, Mrs. Almeda Brock and daughter of Lansing.

### Card of Thanks.

I wish to thank all for the kindness and sympathy shown me in my great sorrow, also for the beautiful flowers.

D. S. PIKE.

#### Obituary

Viola H. Cook was born in Riley, Clinton county, Mich., April 23, 1858. She was united in marriage to D. S. Pike, also of Riley, May 11, 1878. They went to housekeeping in Riley and lived there several years. They went to Lansing and stayed about a year, then came to Dewitt six years ago, and purchased a home and have resided here ever since.

Mrs. Pike was the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Cook of Riley. Her mother passed away nearly four years ago. Mrs. Pike is survived by her husband, aged father and two sisters, Mrs. Jerome Dills of Dewitt, Mrs. Ida Randall of Riley; two nieces, Mrs. Geo. Pike of Olive and Mrs. Marc Cutler of Riley, besides a large circle of other relatives and friends.

She was a kind wife, daughter, sister and friend. She was always ready to help the sick and needy when ever an opportunity presented itself and she was loved and respected by all who knew her. None knew her but to love her.

It is not the tear at the moment shed,  
When the cold turf has just been laid  
Over her,  
That can tell how beloved is the spirit  
That fled,  
Or how deep in our hearts we deplore  
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'Tis the tear through many long days wept  
Through a life by her, alas, all shaded;  
'Tis the sad remembrance fondly kept,  
When all other griefs have faded.

She was a member of the Clinton County Pioneer society and of the D. of R. of this village also of south Riley grange. She and Mr. Pike were the only surviving charter members. She was also a member of Clinton County Pomona Grang No. 25.

She expressed herself many times as not afraid to die, but she wanted to live for her husband's sake. She knew how lonely and desolate the world would be to him without her. She was a member of no church but her faith was strong in the Universal Salvation of all; that somewhere and sometime all would be united in one great family and perfect holiness and happiness would abound. While our hearts beat with sympathy with the mourning friends, we would bid them mourn not as one without hope. But think of her as only gone just a little before the rest, and what a joyful meeting there is where partings are no more.

She had been in poor health for several months. Everything that loving hearts and willing hands could do was done but the destroying hand of death could not be stayed.

She quietly and peacefully passed away Friday night, May 29, 1914.

"Weep not that her trials are over,  
Weep not that her race is run,  
God grant we may rest as calmly  
When our work like hers is done."  
Till then we yield with gladness  
Our treasures to Him to keep,  
And rejoice in the sweet assurance,  
He giveth his loved ones sleep."

The funeral was held at her late home Monday afternoon. The attendance was very large. The floral offerings were numerous and beautiful. Rev. F. C. Alldinger, pastor of the Lansing Universalist church spoke words of comfort to the sorrowing friends. She was laid to rest in Dewitt cemetery.

Among the relatives from away to attend the funeral were Wm. Pike of Newago, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Millin, Mrs. Almada Brock and daughter of Lansing. The D. of R. attended the funeral in a body.

#### Card of Thanks

We wish to thank all for the kindness and sympathy shown us in our great bereavement, also for the beautiful flowers.—D. S. Pike, A. B. Cook, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Dills, Mrs. Ida Randall.

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## OLIVE.

Died at the home of her uncle, Millard Pike, in Olive, December 3, 1900, Leonora Pauline Pike, aged 22 years, 10 months and 25 days. She was born in Newago, Michigan, January 8, 1878. She graduated in the Newago High school when 18 years old. She taught two years in Newago county, then spent the winter of 1898 in Knoxville, Tennessee, with her aunt, Mrs. Fair, then came to Clinton county and taught the Brown school one term. The following July she was taken sick with peritonitis and her life was despaired of several weeks. She returned to her home in Newago in August. She came back to Clinton county and taught the Brown school the winter and spring term, then attended the Ferris Institute at Big Rapids. She began teaching school again in the Bogus settlement in September. Wednesday evening, November 29, she came to visit her uncle's family and was taken sick with her former trouble the same night. She was a great sufferer until relieved by death. She was a bright merry hearted girl, loved by all who knew her. She realized that death was near and left many loving messages for her heart broken parents who failed to reach her bedside before she died. Every effort was put forth by loving friends to stay the hand of the grim destroyer but all in vain. She leaves a father, mother, sister and brother and a host of other friends to mourn her loss. But parents and friends look up and think of her as not dead but gone before.

Death, thou art but another birth  
Freeing the spirit from the clouds of earth.

Shed not for her the bitter tear  
Nor give the heart to vain regret,  
Tis but the casket that lies here,  
The gem that filled it sparkles yet.

Agnes Pike Millan Steinhart Forbes

taken in dress she wore when she stood up with Minnie Noels  
when she married Loren Hill.

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# YOUNG WOMAN DIES APRIL 27

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Funeral Services Held For  
Mrs. Glenwood Pike At  
Dewitt Sunday

Dewitt—Sayde Mae Pike, daughter of Frank and Mary Smalley was born in Eagle, Michigan, August 13, 1906 and resided in this vicinity nearly all her life, except a few years spent in Ovid and Owosso. Sayde graduated from Dewitt high school with the class of 1923, and from the L. B. U. in 1924 and worked in the office of Jewel Manufacturing Company until Dec. 1927.

She was united in marriage to Glennwood Pike, February 19, 1927. They resided on a farm in Olive township until December when they moved to Dewitt village. To this union was born a daughter, Deloris Lavaun, who passed away April 7, 1928. Sayde was seriously ill at Sparrow hospital for nearly three weeks and Tuesday, April 24 she was brought to her home in Dewitt where she passed away just at dawn Friday, April 27, aged 21 years and 8 months.

She leaves to mourn her passing the husband, Glennwood Pike, her father and mother, one brother, Bert, three sisters, Mrs. Myrtle Purdy of Flint, Leone and Eleanor at home, two nephews and one niece, besides a host of relatives and friends who will miss her cheerful smile.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. S. Northrup at the home in Dewitt Sunday p. m. The following verses by her aunt, Mrs. VanDyke, seem a great consolation at this time.

Darling Sayde, you have left us,  
Gone to your eternal home;  
God knew when your tasks were  
over,  
And he gathered in his own.

And he'll guide you o'er the river,  
Safely to the other shore;  
There to find your loved ones  
waiting  
And dwell with them ever more.

It is hard to lose our Sayde,  
Hard to see her pass away;  
But we know the time is coming,  
When we'll meet again someday.

And we know she will be waiting  
In that land so bright and fair;  
And we'll see her smile of welcome  
When it's time to meet her there.

'Tis the road we all must travel,  
'Tis a part of God's great plan;  
When the pearly gates are opened,  
Then we all will understand.

—Adv.

**John Klaver And  
Miss Merle Lapham  
Married April 2'**

Dewitt—Thursday, April 26, John Klaver of Dewitt was united in marriage to Miss Merle Lapham at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Say.

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## Thimble Party Held By W.R.C. June 28

W.R.C. No. 20 held its Thimble party in the Municipal Building, Wednesday, June 28. After a short business meeting and program Pedro was in play with high prize going to Mrs. Emma Keyes and low to Mrs. Sarah Buck. Potluck was served at five o'clock with the husbands joining in. Mrs. Hattie Purvis was the hostess.

The next meeting will be held Tuesday, July 18 in the Municipal Building.

## Joan Pike of DeWitt Wed Saturday, June 17



## Child Study Ends Season With Picnic

The Child Study Club ended its present season with a family picnic at the club Wednesday evening, June 20. In attendance, newly elected officers of the club were the committee in charge. During the meeting Mrs. Robert Palmer, president of the group, announced the committee appointments for the coming year. Serving on the program committee with Mrs. McDowell as chairman are Wendell Brewbaker, Mrs. Smit, Mrs. Richard Urb, Mrs. Harry Scranton. Other men appointed were Mrs. Ashworth, gift and card committee; Mrs. Charles Ziegler and means; Mrs. John B. Bership committee.

The nursery class sponsored by the club this summer at the Palmer school will close next week's period Friday morning. Robert Sirrine is planning for this final day. Mothers are asked to send a small luncheon for their children that morning.

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**MRS. LOUIS W. GARVER**

Wedding vows were exchanged Saturday, June 17, at 2:00, by Joan Ruth Pike, of DeWitt, and Louis W. Garver, of Mason, in the DeWitt Community church. Rev. LaVern Bretz performed the double ring ceremony before an altar banked with large baskets of pink and white peonies and mock orange blossoms.

Miss Pike's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Gerald S. Pike, of DeWitt, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Garver, of Mason, are the bridegroom's parents.

Preceding the ceremony wedding music was sung by Miss Cecelia McKee, of Lansing, accompanied by Mrs. Henry Richards, organist.

Given in marriage by her father, Miss Pike was lovely in a gown of nylon marquisette over taffeta. It was fashioned with a portrait neckline trimmed with wide chantilly lace. Her long sleeves ended in points over the wrist and the skirt which had an inset of chantilly lace ended in a chapel length train. The fingertip veil was of imported French lace scalloped around the entire edge. She carried a bouquet of pale pink carnations and white rosebuds.

The maid-of-honor, Miss Kathlyn Moore, of DeWitt, wore a gown of yellow marquisette over taffeta fashioned with a bertha neckline. She wore matching mitts and carried a colonial bouquet of roses, carnations and lilies of the valley. The bridesmaids' dresses of deep aqua were identical to that of the maid-of-honor. Their bouquets were colonial arrangements and all attendants wore head pieces of flowers, which matched their bouquets. Miss Sharon Curtis, whose gown was of pink organdy, was the flower girl. She carried a basket of rose petals. The ring bearer was Jimmy Cook, of Holt, a cousin of the bride.

Richard Ruppel, of Detroit, acted

as best man, and seating the guests were Daniel Garver, of Mason, a brother of the groom, and Richard Pike, of DeWitt, brother of the bride.

The bride's mother wore a sheer navy and white print with matching jacket for her daughter's wedding. Her accessories were of navy and a corsage of yellow roses accented her outfit. Mrs. Garver wore a navy sheer with white accessories and her corsage was of pink roses.

A reception was held in the church parlors immediately following the ceremony. A large square wedding cake was centered on a table covered with white linen and was flanked by pink and white lighted tapers. Mrs. Dean Rogers, of Detroit, Mrs. Lee Lankford, Miss Amy McKinney, Miss Barbara Ann Hicks and Miss Nancy Curtis, all of DeWitt, assisted in serving the 200 guests.

After a two weeks' trip to Canada the couple will reside in Lansing. When they left the new Mrs. Garver was wearing a pink silk print with a navy cape of butchen linen with navy and white accessories.

The bride attended Michigan State College for two years and the bridegroom is a graduate of Kingspoint Academy, N. Y., and also from Michigan State.

Guests were present from Detroit, Holt, Kalamazoo, Lansing and Grand Rapids.

## Social Events

Mr. and Mrs. Pitt Galloway entertained their dinner club Saturday evening with two tables of bridge in play. Honors went to Don Strouse and Mrs. Arden Cook.

Crescent Club met at the home of Mrs. Bessie Knapp Wednesday afternoon for an indoor picnic. The afternoon was spent socially.

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their children that

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# Kelley-Kelly Vows Exchanged

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Lansing brides walked down flower-bedecked aisles in practically every church in the city and environs Saturday as June continued to be the favorite month for brides.

## KELLEY-KELLY

Rev. Paul Boodagh of South Haven Methodist church, assisted by Rev. Harry Maunder, officiated at the wedding Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock of Miss Rosalie Ann Kelley and Harry R. Kelly in Mt. Hope Methodist church.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. Eugene Kelley, 2118 Colvin ct.; Mr. Kelly's parents are Mr. and Mrs. Harry J. Kelly, 550 Norman st.

Mrs. Melvin Battige was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Mrs. Harold Kelley, sister-in-law of the bride, and Mrs. Jack Hammond, sister of the bridegroom. Karen Rae Kelley was flower girl for her aunt.

The bride's gown was of white marquisette with a fitted bodice. Her fingertip-veil was held in place by a tiara of seed pearls and lace. She carried a white colonial bouquet of roses, sweetpeas and stephanotis.

A mint green marquisette gown with matching headress was worn by Mrs. Battige. She carried a colonial bouquet of yellow roses and shattered carnations. Mrs. Harold Kelley wore a rose marquisette gown with a matching sweetheart bonnet and carried a colonial bouquet of yellow roses and white sweetpeas. Mrs. Hammond wore a yellow gown with a bouquet of pink roses and white sweetpeas. Karen Rae wore an aqua marquisette dress with matching headress and carried a basket of white rose petals.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Kelley wore a navy blue sheer crepe with white accessories and a corsage of white roses. The mother of the bridegroom chose a white eyelet redingote over navy blue with white accessories. Her corsage was of red roses.

Allan G. Wood was groomsman. Ushers were Harold D. Kelley, brother of the bride; John W. Kelly, brother of the bridegroom; Jack Hammond, brother-in-law of the bridegroom, and John F. Mateer.

Ward Wood and Miss Joan Garver were wedding soloists, accompanied by Mrs. Karl Gilson, organist.

Assisting at the reception in the church parlors were Mr. and Mrs. Rex Wilkins, Mrs. John Kelly, Mrs. Dean Freidell, Miss Margaret Kelley, Mrs. Douglas

Stephens, Mrs. John Mateer, Miss Ella Janetzke and Mrs. John Osborn.

The couple chose northern Michigan for their wedding trip. Both are graduates of Michigan State college.

## PIKE-GARVER

To reside in Lansing after their return from a two weeks' trip to Canada are Mr. and Mrs. Louis W. Garver, who were married Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock in DeWitt Community church.

The new Mrs. Garver is the former Miss Joan Ruth Pike, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald S. Pike of DeWitt. Mr. Garver is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Garver of Mason.

Rev. LaVern Bretz officiated at the double ring ceremony before 200 guests.

Attending the bride was Miss Kathleen Moore of DeWitt, as maid of honor. Miss Phyllis French of Holt, cousin of the bride, and Mrs. Willard Reed of DeWitt were bridesmaids. Sharon Curtis of DeWitt and Jimmy Cook of Holt, both 3 years old, were flower girl and ring bearer.

Groomsman was Richard Ruppel of Detroit. Richard Pike of DeWitt, brother of the bride, and Daniel Garver of Mason, brother of the bridegroom, were ushers.

Miss Cecelia McKee of Lansing was wedding soloist, accompanied by Mrs. Harry Richards of DeWitt, organist.

The bride's gown was fashioned of nylon marquisette over taffeta with a portrait neckline trimmed with Chantilly lace.

The fingertip-length veil was of imported French lace, scalloped around the entire edge. She carried a bouquet of white roses and lilies of the valley.

The maid of honor chose a gown of yellow marquisette over taffeta fashioned with a berth neckline. She wore matching mitts and carried a colonial bouquet of roses, carnations and lilies of the valley.

The two bridesmaids were dressed alike in deep aqua gowns styled after the maid of honor. Their bouquets were colonial arrangements. The attendants' headbands were made of small flowers, matching their bouquets. The flower girl was in pink organdy and carried a basket from which she scattered rose petals.

A sheer navy and white print dress was worn by Mrs. Pike. The accessories were white and her corsage was of yellow roses. Mrs. Garver wore a navy sheer dress with white accessories. Her corsage was of pink roses.

Mrs. Dean Rogers of Detroit, sister of the bridegroom, Miss Nancy Curtis, Mrs. Eugene Vincent, Mrs. Lee Lankford, Miss Amy McKinney and Miss Barbara Hicks, all of DeWitt, assisted at the reception in the church parlors.

The new Mrs. Garver attended Michigan State college. Mr. Garver is a graduate of the same school. He was also a graduate from Kingspoint academy, Kingspoint, N. Y.

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## DeWitt Soldier Killed in Islands

### Body of Richard G. Pike To Be Returned

(Special to The State Journal)

DeWITT, Jan. 19.—Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pike have been informed of the death of their son, A/2 Richard G. Pike, 22, at Clark base in the Philippine islands.

Death was caused by electric shock received while repairing a 4,000-volt transmitter at Camp O'Donnel, near the base. He died Jan. 13.

Airman Pike was a graduate of the DeWitt high school and had attended Michigan State college before entering service in January, 1951. After entering the service he was stationed at Lakeland base, Texas; Scott Field, Ill., and in California. He spent 27 days at home before going overseas last September.

Besides the parents, he is survived by a sister, Mrs. Joan Garber, whose husband is with the armed forces in Japan.

The body will be returned to the Vincent funeral home here.



## Rites for Airman To Be Wednesday

Body of Richard Pike Is  
Expected Sunday

(Special to The State Journal)

DEWITT, Feb. 27.—The body of Richard G. Pike, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Pike of DeWitt, who was electrocuted Jan. 13, while repairing a high voltage transformer at Camp O'Donald on Luzon, is being returned here for burial.

The body is scheduled to arrive in Lansing via the Grand Trunk railway Sunday afternoon and will be taken to the Vincent funeral home in DeWitt. Services will be conducted at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday at the DeWitt Community church with Rev. LaVern Bretz officiating. Burial will be in DeWitt cemetery.

Airman Pike was born March 9, 1931, in DeWitt, and was graduated from the DeWitt high school. He attended Michigan State college for one year and was employed by the Motor Wheel corporation in Lansing for sometime before entering the service on Jan. 8, 1951.

After receiving his air force training at Lackland air force base, San Antonio, Tex., and Scott field, Ill., Pike was sent overseas in November, 1951. He was serving as a radio mechanic at Luzon.

Surviving besides the parents are a sister, Mrs. Joan Garver living at home.

In Memory of

Richard G. Pike

Airman Second Class

March 9, 1931-January 13, 1953

21 years - 10 months - 4 days

Services From

DeWitt Community Church  
Wednesday, March 4 - 2:30 p.m.

Clergyman

Rev. LaVern Bretz  
Pastor Community Church

Casket Bearers

Vern Blonsbine David Kimball  
Robert Blankenburg James Cook  
Willard Reed Elwin Serrells

Organist - Mrs. Wilma Reed

Flag Presentation by  
M/Sgt. Hollice I. Thornton

Interment

DeWitt Cemetery

Arrangements by  
VINCENT FUNERAL HOME

