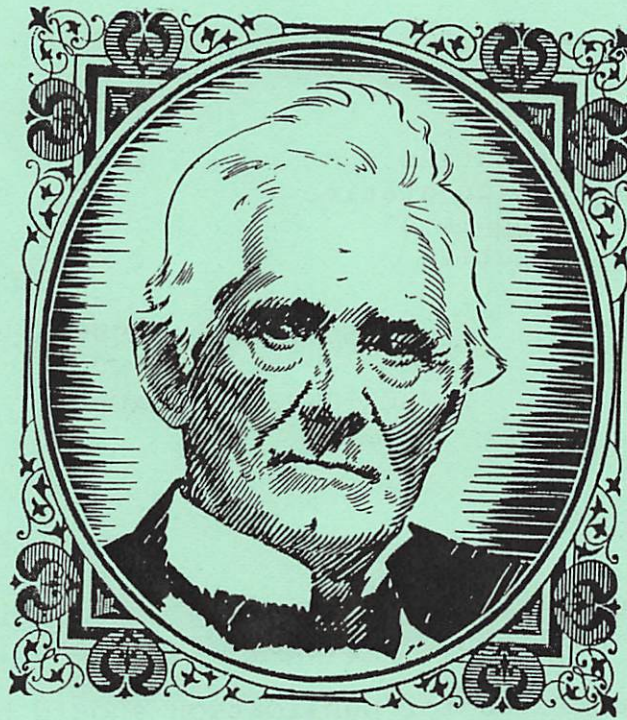


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LOUIS COMPAU

Louis Compau, the founder of Grand Rapids, bought the area that later became its business district for \$90.00. Though he lived to see it worth millions, he died virtually in poverty.

He came to Grand Rapids from Saginaw to set up a trading post in 1826, a decade before title to the land North and East of the site had passed from the Indians. In 1836 the government made a treaty with the Chippewas and Ottawas, giving them large tracts in the Grand Traverse Bay region and along the Pere Marquette River as well as annuities for 20 years.

The Indians who traded with Louis Compau at the rapids of the Grand River called him "Wagoosh" which means the Fox. Later, however, they came to know him as Uncle Louis, a term of veneration used by citizens of the town he founded.

It was not long after Compau settled at the rapids that he realized the site would some day be populous. Immediately after it was surveyed for the government by Lucius Lyon, Compau bought the 72 acre tract that was destined to be the city's business district. Lyon, who had intended to buy it himself, was forced to purchase part of it from him at a higher price.

Thus began an enmity between the two pioneers that resulted in the present peculiar layout of the downtown district. Compau platted his land so that those who lived in Lyons plat could have direct access to it only from Division Avenue.

Compau favored the name Grand Rapids, Lyon insisted on the name Kent, after a chancellor of New York state, and it was so called for nine years. Finally Compau had his way but the county remained Kent.

While Compau went in for wildcat banking and living the life of a landed gentleman, selling a few lots when his creditors became too pressing, Lyon took up commerce and politics. He sold the first barrel of commercial salt processed in the state, became Michigan's first senator in Washington.

Michigan's second city has had only one boom. It lasted from 1833 to 1837 and the founder of Grand Rapids was virtually wiped out in the reaction. Just 100 years ago, Louis Compau was said to be worth \$100,000, a large fortune for those days. In 1838, he was forced to assign most of his property to his creditors.

Just before the crash, the township of Kent was organized, everyone of the nine voters electing each other to an office. The town became a village in 1838 with a population of 2,686. It issued its own currency - "shinplaster" it was called.

After recovering from the aftermath of its boom, the town's growth was slow, relatively steady. Grand Rapids became a logging center. It is estimated that more than three and a half billion feet of timber were logged from the vicinity of Grand Rapids. During those days the city was noted for its 12 shipbuilding establishments, though the location is 30 miles from Lake Michigan. In that era,

too, the furniture industry got its start, but when the trees disappeared, the industry stayed. The men and the machinery for a great industry were fixed in what later was called "The Furniture Capital of America."

In recent years, however, a very large share of the city's industrial activity has come from metal fabrication, for Grand Rapids supplies parts and bodies for automobiles. For the last decade the metal trades have employed twice as many workers as the woodworking industry.

The prosperity of Grand Rapids is also based on diverse industries, including gypsum products, refrigerators, tires, boxboard, carpet sweepers, brass goods, in all 2500 manufactured products turned out by 516 plants. These industries produce each year products worth about \$150,000,000.

Ministering to the needs of the 176,000 inhabitants are 2560 retail establishments, 80 schools, 150 churches, 43 parks valued at three and half million dollars, 11 hotels and 27 theaters..

This is the city that, one hundred years ago numbered a dozen families. It is the place visited by two bachelors from Vermont who described it as "A hundred miles from nowhere... where there were six of the prettiest girls west of Montpelier."

Note: This was taken from a souvenir book published by J.L. Hudson Co. For Michigan's Centennial year of 1937. The articles in this book were published in the Detroit Free Press from August 1, 1937 to September 5, 1937.

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Submitted by Anna Mae Maday

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YOU NEVER KNOW

By Ann Ladebauche

As some of you know, I work part-time at the Hoyt Library Eddy Room. This is a most stimulating position to have as you never know what interesting people you will meet, and what items they might bring in to show you. Such was the day I met Mr. Al Ewbank. He was carrying some items and wanted to know if I could help him get some information on the people mentioned in these official and personal letters, cards and invitations. So being the good employee that I am, I said, "Of course." Well-----he opens the box and shows me items dated from 1850's through the 1880's. Items from and signed by U.S. Grant, General W. T. Sherman plus other interesting personal letters from A. S. Gaylord, our local connection.

It seems his mother had been cleaning out a closet of her home in preparation of moving, and showed him this box of items. When she was young, she had cared for an elderly lady who in turn had worked for the A. S. Gaylord family here in Saginaw. The elderly lady had given these items to Mr. Ewbank's mother as she had no use for them. Well, needless to say, I got a little excited about the find and started to research A. S. Gaylord and family. Among these items were approximately 30 envelopes with 3 cent stamps embossed on them. Mr.. Ewbank is currently seeking a stamp collector evaluation of those gems.



Augustine S. Gaylord

The first book I reached for in search of A. S. Gaylord was Mills History of Saginaw County. On page 782, it states under the heading "Augustine S. Gaylord Began as School Teacher", another popular and successful lawyer of the early days was Augustine S. Gaylord, who was a partner of Judge Moore, and later of the well-know firm of Gaylord & Hanchett. He was essentially a Saginaw man who

"grew up with the country." His first employment here was as teacher in the village school (Mr. Gaylord came here from Ohio in early April 1851) long before Saginaw aspired to the dignity of a city. (The city of Saginaw was incorporated under legislative authority February 17, 1857. The first election resulted in the election of county and city officers. Gardner D. Williams was Mayor and A. S. Gaylord was City Attorney. In 1859 the city had three wards, by 1869 twelve wards were in effect.) In November, 1851, he was appointed deputy county clerk, and then, his ambition arising to become a lawyer, he became a student in the office of John Moore, and later his partner.

Mr. Gaylord was a large man in every respect, intellectually and physically, and of a social turn that secured him friends whose good will was manifested in ways more substantial than mere words. He was distinguished as a lawyer possessing great qualities of persuasion. It was said of him by a friend who knew him well, "While his off-hand opinions were sometimes subject to revision, I would have more confidence in his conclusions after he had examined a question than in the judgment of any other lawyer in the State."

Another section in the Mills History of Saginaw County states that at Saginaw City were A. S. & H.R. Gaylord, general insurance agents having the Home Insurance of New York, the Insurance Company of North America, of Philadelphia, which was chartered before George Washington took oath as President of the United States. Their office was over Burrow's Bank, in the Taylor House Block.

It was in 1871, that the most pretentious business building in Saginaw City was erected at Hamilton and Hancock Streets. The second and third floors were filled with offices including the law office of Gaylord & Hanchett, which was composed of Augustus S. Gaylord and Benton Hanchett.

In searching the Michigan Biographies I found the following: AUGUSTINE S. GAYLORD, representative from Saginaw County, 1863-4, was born in Jefferson, Ohio, February 9, 1831. He was liberally educated in the best institutions of Ohio. He removed from Ohio to Saginaw in 1851. In 1852 he was appointed Deputy County Clerk, and was Clerk of the county in the following years. Politically he was a Whig until 1854, then a Republican. He married Emeline E. Warner, of/in Ripon, Wisconsin in 1856. He was U. S. Commissioner in 1864-5 and 1866, and as Representative was a leading member of the House and of the judiciary committee. He was appointed Assistant Attorney General of the United States by President Grant, and was solicitor of the Interior Department under Secretary of the Interior, Zachariah Chandler until his death, June 21, 1877 in Saginaw, Michigan. (Chandler had a clear-headed Michigan Lawyer, Augustine S. Gaylord of Saginaw appointed.) He wrought many important changes in the methods of business with great advantage to the service.

In addition information from the Pioneer Society books, a biography written by Hon. D. H. JEROME tells of his parents, being from sturdy Puritan stock. A. S. Gaylord was the oldest son of Harvey Russell Gaylord, born in Harpersfield, New York and Stella Maria Atkins born in the state of Ohio. She

was the third daughter of Quintus F. Atkins of Jefferson, Ashtabula County, Ohio.

In 1876 he was sent from the department by President Grant as the legal member and adviser of a commission to treaty with the Sioux Indians for the territory known as the Black Hills in Dakota. This mission was successful, and the writer (D. H. Jerome) was present when the president (Grant) paid a high compliment to Mr. Gaylord for the manner in which he discharged the trust thus reposed in him. (I find a problem with the statement Black Hills of Dakota, because of the telegram that was sent to Fort Larimie, which is in Wyoming, stating that they would meet in Omaha?)

It is probable that from the exposures to which he was subjected on this journey in the west the fatal disease (Bright's Disease of Kidneys, from the death certificate) was contracted that terminated Mr. Gaylord's life in the following year. On June 21, 1877, Mr. Gaylord died at his home in the city of Saginaw, surrounded by a loving family, wife, two daughters and two sons. His will was allowed in Saginaw Probate Court, 30 July 1877 with his wife as Executrix. Bequesting to his daughters some personal property and stating that his wife, Emeline should continue the interest in the firm of Rust, Eaton and Company.

During the time he spent in Saginaw he was very active in civic affairs. His election as representative to the State Legislature in the First District was confirmed 12 November 1857. Mr. Gaylord served as a delegate from Saginaw City to Saginaw County Republican Convention on August 12, 1858 and was elected Congressional Delegate. From Truman B. Fox's History of Saginaw County on page 41 it states, "The Saginaw City Literary Association Society, formed January 11, 1858, with A. S. Gaylord as vice-president. The object of this association is to promote literary interest, morals and cultivate a taste for letters, the arts, etc." A. S. Gaylord was confirmed Land Commissioner of the Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Railroad Company on August 15, 1872.

He possessed the confidence of those who knew him, and was ranked among the first men of Michigan.

My search in the 1860 census of Saginaw found Augustine S. Gaylord, age 29, lawyer with \$3,000 in real estate and \$1,000 in personal property, born in Ohio. Wife Emily, age 23, Carrie age 1, and William age 5/12 - also a servant Sophia Johnson.

In the 1870 census of Saginaw we find Augustin Gaylord, age 39, Lawyer, \$35,000 in real estate and \$15,000 in personal property, wife Emile age 34, keeping house, Carie, age 11, attending school, and Elizabeth age 7. Christian Reinbolt, age 15, laborer and Jane Lynch, age 24, domestic servant.

In the 1880 census of Saginaw we find Emeline E. Gaylord, age 43, (still marked married) keeping house, Carrie E. age, 21, at home, Bessie (Elizabeth) age 17, at home, Gustin S. (really named Augustine S.), age 9, and Harvey R. age 7. Servants were Elizabeth Thomas, 20 and Robert Ekert, 18. {At the time of his death in June 1877, A. S. Gaylord was Solicitor for the Department of the Interior.}

Mr. Eubanks, being caught up in the search, went to Brady Hill cemetery and found the family plot. He also took pictures of the site. On the main stone, a

high four-sided sphere, the following names and dates were found: HARVEY R. GAYLORD, July 25, 1805 - December 11, 1883. STELLA M., WIFE OF H. R. GAYLORD, October 12, 1808 - December 8, 1882. (These were A. S. Gaylord's parents). Also on the same side: CHARLES R. GAYLORD, August 14, 1835 - October 14, 1855 (This was A. S. Gaylord's brother.) ON THE OTHER SIDE: AUGUSTINE S. GAYLORD, February 7, 1836 - June 21, 1877, EMELINE E., WIFE OF A. S. GAYLORD, October 23, 1836 - July 25, 1914. (She had remarried and her married name was Mrs. Nathan B. Bradley of Bay City. In Emeline's obit it states: surviving are Dr. H. R. Gaylord, Buffalo, NY; August Gaylord, Pasadena, CA; Mrs. J. M. [Carrie] Morley, Saginaw; Mrs. Issac B. [Elizabeth or Bessie] Parsons, Hayward, CA and grandson S. G. Morley, Saginaw). There are several small stones at the base of the large monument, they are read as follows: E.E.G - A.S.G., in another row: WILLIAM, 1859-1861, - MARY, 1861-1862, - ALICE, 1867-1867, - NELSON, 1869-1869, - FRED, 1870-1870, (five children of Emeline and A. S. Gaylord).

The following is a translation (as written) of a letter found in the collection.

PRIVATE

Address always:
OF THE
Washington, D.C.
INFANTRY

QUARTERS OF THE CHAPLAIN
FIRST MICHIGAN

CAMP Near Fredericksburg, Va.

My Dear Friend Gaylord.

Night - May 13th 1863

Your letter of May 6th came yesterday. Since the battle, I have been very tired and weary, and now, today, I am especially fatigued. I have been writing busily (Tab rosa) I have written every official of every battle and march of this regt. (ten, in number) except that of Fredericksburg, when I had the best of reasons for declining. Besides this, I have written a list of casualties for the "Free Press" and a long letter for the "Tribune". I have written to Michigan to secure the publication of the last report. Pardon me, if I omit to repeat in this letter what you will doubtless see in print, twenty four hours after the letter reaches you. You ask me to tell you of what I saw of the late battle. Really I saw less of this than any former battle. It was like fighting in a dense pine forest. Indeed the region is called "Wilderness" and a more appropriate name I cannot imagine. I saw rebels only when brought into our lines as rebels - unless I except one glimpse I had when I saw the lines of assault come out of the woods, about four hundred yards distant. Then I vacated as soon as the "Iron hail and leaden spray" began to fall. It was hard to realize that an enemy was near except when the awful fire opened as the desperate cowards advanced. You have seen and idea of the situation from

Eastern accounts - but no pen can paint the scenes that met the eye of him who moved along our steady, waiting front. There were these lines of breastworks distant apart about one hundred yards. Standing in the rear of these, the moving forms, the shining bayonets, the flaunting colors and the grim artillery made a picture I can not reproduce. While fighting progressed along a given face of the works, those not immediately engaged, - trusting to the watchfulness of the skirmishers (1000 feet distant) reclined upon the ground - or slept - or wrote notes (which might soon be taken from their corpses) - or practiced some difficult step of a jig - or Cut the hair of some Hirsute Comrade or even gambled or "played for fun". One becomes accustomed to such scenes of danger. Perhaps a lull in the contest would allow one to the front and while sitting for a chat with a friend, a shell or bullet would whiz over. A simple duck of the head would suffice - or perhaps produce that peculiarity in the conversation which, if "reported for the press" would make a demand upon dashes (-) I confess, tho', that I do not like bullets or shells and am apt select a seat on my bed for the night where there is abundance of "Lee". Of course, in an experience so long as mine, a man cannot escape all danger. In the late battle I was going to the rear to find my horse, in company with two men who absented entirely the element of fear, so that I was surprised at being cool and even amused at their demonstrations of alarm. The enemy shells were coming over near us quite freely about six or eight a minute. I was going forward when a shell exploded with a deafening noise and I laughed at the dodging of the two men. Soon another came and , as it burst, the pieces scattered at our feet and made the dead leaves fly like a whirlwind around us. A fragment tore the coat of the man by my side and I had to make an effort to decide whether I was hurt or not. If my memory serves me, three men made good time to a friendly ravine.

I want you to see the official report and the letter I send to the Tribune for they will give more of an outline of events continued through eleven days. In this note I speak more of items.

It is near midnight and the plaintive "Whip-poor-will" sings in the top of a pine tree near my tent. During the battles (& they were sometimes fought at night) this bird sung constantly. In the lulls I could hear the notes which the men laughingly interpreted - as - "Whip-them-well"- "Whip-you-will" - "Whip-you-will" - and as the enemy fell back --"Whipt again - Johnny Reb". --"Can't come in!" and the night after the 11th Corps fell back in dishonor, a chap expressed the words, as if spoken by the bird "Damm the Dutch".

The Eleventh Corps ruined the Campaign. I believe we will yet go to Richmond with Hooker. Never before has this Army Cheered their Chief while reloading their guns! "Old Joe" has the confidence of his army and I almost tearfully pray that one complete victory may be given us soon. _____
How often I think of you all and how glad I'll be to press your cordial selves. Kiss Carrie for me and tell her that "Bro-her Ed-dids" wishes he could see her. My kindest regards to Mrs. Gaylord. The note she sent when she forwarded

"Phonographs" was thankfully read and I would have told her so if I had had the opportunity.

Am glad indeed to hear of Saginaw's prosperity. Hope to mingle with the thousand travellers towards that city. I want to return to Mich and expect to spend "The 4th" in that State and with you. I received a note from Miss Bascum of Lansing lately. She spoke of you & Mr. Jerome. I have never seen the lady, tho' the death of her sister's husband, Col. Roberts, has given rise to an exchange of letters. I have heard her praise from several. What do you think of the lady?

Am glad to hear your expressions of confidence in the Army - the Country and in our ultimate success. I firmly believe we will succeed and that, very soon, we will have an honorable peace crowning a reestablished Union.

May He who planted, preserve the Nation. My regards to Ms. Moore and family.

Many thanks for your letter and please do not forget that I am "Poor Oliver"-ish.

Now write me a letter soon, Carrie. will be wishing to send me some word and I will be wanting to hear.

Even as I write, I can hear the distant roar of the artillery. Either the enemy proposes to cross or "Joe" is sending some chill into a (too) cozy camp.

Good night and goodbye.

May God protect you and yours.

Very Sincerely yours,
A. Edwards, Jr.

EDWARDS, ARTHUR, JR., Trenton. Entered service in First Infantry, as Chaplain at organization, age 26. Commissioned Aug. 17, 1861. Mustered June 24, 1863. Commissioned Captains and Assistant Quartermaster, U. S. Volunteers, to rank from Feb. 19, 1863. Brevet Major, Lieutenant Colonel and Colonel, U. S. Volunteers. Mustered out and honorably discharged March 13, 1866.

Note: This information taken from the Michigan Volunteers, 1861-1865 Civil War Books.

In summation on the subject of A. S. GAYLORD, he would seem to be one of our unsung heroes of Saginaw, by way of Ohio. Fate seemed to put him in the right place at the right time to advance a great career, then it seems fate strikes many blows at his foundation; the deaths of five children and his fatal illness in his prime.

Mr. Gaylord would be certainly be a subject of great interest to research further.

COPIES of the letters, invitations, etc. will be in the vertical file, at Hoyt Library's Eddy Room, under biographies, A. S. GAYLORD. A copy of the inventory is at the end of this article.

Upon talking to Mr. Ewbank in July, he stated that in doing some legal updates on his property, he found that his property was once owned by A. S. Gaylord. Serendipity?????

Mr. Ewbank donated the original items to the Hoyt Library, Eddy Room

Collection. We sincerely thank him again. The search has been stimulating, especially when I decided to check one more source, the Early Ohio Tax Records book and discovered three more generations on A. S. Gaylord's family tree. I could have gone on further researching in Connecticut, but I decided to quit at that point, but I am sure there is much more for any GAYLORD OR ATKINS family tree searcher. You just never know!

Following is the inventory of items in his file at Hoyt, Eddy Room and copies of the two letters written by A. S. Gaylord to his wife from Lansing, Michigan.

INVENTORY OF THE A. S. GAYLORD FILE IS AS FOLLOWS:

OBITUARIES:

A. S. GAYLORD, 21 June 1877, Saginaw Daily Courier.

21 June 1877 - reported very ill

22 June 1877 - death reported

23 June 1877 - county bar meets for resolution

24 June 1877 - funeral mentioned

26 June 1877 - full sermon and complete autopsy

STELLA M GAYLORD, 8 Dec. 1882, Saginaw Daily Courier, mother of A. S. Gaylord

HARVEY R. GAYLORD, 12 and 13 Dec. 1883, Saginaw Daily Courier, father of A. S. Gaylord.

MRS. EMELINE E. GAYLORD BRADLEY, 27 July 1914, Saginaw Daily Courier, wife of A. S. Gaylord

CENSUS INFORMATION:

Saginaw City census for the A. S. Gaylord family in 1860, 1870 and 1880.

REPORTS/INFORMATION:

Michgian Biographies

Pioneer Society, State of Michigan

Mills, History of Saginaw County 1918

COPY OF STOCK CERTIFICATE:

Made payable to A. S. Gaylord, EXCELSIOR OIL COMPANY, dated 1 September 1870 and signed by Ezra Rust.

COPY OF TREASURY DRAFT

From the Treasury of the Confederate States, dated 5 April 1868

COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING:

Envelopes, free for government, undated
Book plates from W. S. Grant's books to verify his signature
1877 Atlas page to show where A. S. GAYLORD was located in Saginaw
Letter dated 26 May 1851, from P. R. Spencer, former instructor of A. S. GAYLORD, business transaction.
Invitation dated, 14 December 1875, to Ford's Opera House (Theatre)
Program and Invitation dated, 30 May 1876, Memorial Day at Arlington National Cemetery
100 year reunion, 1776-1876, 18/19 October 1876, Army of the Tennessee Volunteers
Personal letter from a friend, 13 May 1863, witnessed the battle of Fredericksburg, VA
Two letters, 22 August 1876, introductions from General W. T. Sherman
Letter, 1 March 1876, appointed Assistant Attorney General
Letter, 23 August 1876, appointed member of Commission
Telegram, 4 September 1876 - Fort Laramie, Wyoming, authorizing sale of tents and supplies
Pages taken from the book "Early Ohio Tax Records"
Ancestor chart for A. S. GAYLORD

Lansing, Jany 11th, 1863

My Dear Wife,

I have remained at home this morning to get a few minutes of quiet in the to write to you. Dan and Blip have gone to church and I am now enjoying the very first quiet half hour since I left you last Monday. During the Senatorial excitement it was impossible to get a quiet spot any where in the house at any time in the day or night and I have not been able to get to sleep any night at an earlier hour than from one to two o'clock a.m.

I do not on the whole regret having come here and am not sorry that I selected the hotel which is most thronged for my boarding place for the reason that I have already made more acquaintance of leading men in the State than I could have hoped to make in a whole year in any other way or at any other place. Presumably it is of no immediate advantage to me but on the whole I believe it will prove to be time well spent. I feel pretty homesick this morning though when I think of you and Carrie and most heartily wish myself in the Library with Carrie teasing for a book – and my heart aches for a “kiss and a hug” - Tell her that I can't find any little boys or girls at Lansing and I want her very much. Do you hear anything of Frankie Parrish yet? Shall you keep house and board in case she does not come? I wish you to do just which you like best, and above all things to take the best care of your health and of Carrie. I am fearful that this winter will be one of sickness as it is so open and often wet and chilly and you will be obliged to take greater care than you otherwise would. Don't neglect my wishes in this now for I want to find you healthier and stronger in the spring than ever before since we have been married.

While I have been writing Judge Martin has been in to see me twice and has called me into his room once. So that I have lost some valuable time. He is one of the most companionable men I ever met and how he ever finds time to be so sociable and yet discharge the duties of his office of Chief Justice of the Supreme Court is beyond my comprehension. Dan makes a first rate roommate – always pleasant and agreeable and we shall get along finely together I have no doubt. I only wish now that I might be with you for the day of no longer – but our happiness at meeting will be only the greater – after our temporary separation.

Once more, a kiss for you, and a kiss and a hug for my darling little Carrie, who I know is going to be good little girl until I come home again, and good-bye.

Your aff. Husband,
A. S. Gaylord

NOTE: This is on fine powder blue paper, which has been folded in three parts, with a pink embossed three-cent stamp on it, thus being an envelope also. Postmarked Lansing, Mich. Addressed to: Mrs. E. E. Gaylord, Saginaw, Mich.

House of Representatives
Lansing, Jany 24, 1863

My Dear Wife,

I have done pretty well about writing to you this week – possibly better than I may be able to next - But next to receiving a letter from you, my greatest pleasure is in writing to you. We are having very unpleasant weather – cool damp and chilly – bad walking and uncomfortable being anywhere, around this town of Lansing. Scattered, as it is all over the interior of Michigan is about as forlorn and cheerless an abiding place in this part of weather as one could find in the state. We have no session this afternoon, it being Saturday, and I have come down to the Capitol and have been busy for some time in sending off my Journal and Reports to “My Constituents”. That being done I have a little time left to write you a few lines thus reserving my pleasantest task for the last.

I would like to spend my Sabbath tomorrow at home but that cannot be, but if it is good sleighing next week, I propose to be at home one week from tomorrow. If I don't come then it is very doubtful whether I shall get away at all before the close of the Session. You may rely upon it that I shall come if possible, but you must not feel disappointed in case any thing should happen to prevent my doing so. If it should be good sleighing, Blip and myself will start on Saturday morning and go up to Owosso and take a train there and drive through by way of St. Charles. If we cannot come in that way it will take two days for us to come home, as we have to stay one night at Fentenville or Flint and get home Sat noon. My health continues to be first rate – with the exception of a slight attack of dyspepsia – which I have cured by a pretty liberal use of red pepper with my food. Dr. Hill who is here advised me to use it as a first rate remedy for dyspepsia, and I have derived so much benefit from it that I recommend you to try it. Do you get the House Journal regularly? I send it not on account of the interesting character of the reading matter but because I thought you might like to know what was going on here, while I am here. I hope Carrie dear girl continues well and is good and happy. I shall not close this until after the mail comes to night for I expect a letter from you tonight and then I will write some more and will write a few lines to Carrie.

NOTE: The letter ends here, apparently he didn't receive any news from home and mailed it in the evening mail. Not even signed. This was written on the same fine powder blue paper and folded and stamped and post marked Owosso, Mich. Dated Jan. 26th.

THE SAGINAW NEWS
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6 May 1951

75 MEN TO LEAVE HERE MAY 17 FOR ARMY INDUCTION

The call to Army duty faces 75 men comprising Saginaw's next selective service contingent which will leave here May 17 for induction.

Saginaw County Selective Service Board's May quota actually is 71 men, but four inductees have been transferred by other draft board jurisdictions. The 71 men comprise the smallest number of inductees to leave from the Saginaw board in four months.

The contingent, which will leave the Saginaw Bus Station at 7 am on May 17 for Detroit, includes:

John W NOVAK 2417 Carrollton
Jesse W CHAVEZ 400 North 16th
James M CHURCHFIELD 1203 S Hamilton
Richard W DODGE Midland
Myles RUSIN Jr 1918 Burt
William E CLARK 606 North 17th
Dale J SCHOCH Oakley RD 1
James A FLEMING Merrill
William G SPITZ 5880 Swan Creek Road
Charles G McKENDREE 3161 Lapeer
Thomas E DONNENWERTH Saginaw RD 1
Wilson G BROWNLEE Jr 341 Sherman
Herbert G JOHNSON 811 S Franklin
Sylvester HALL 1206 North 9th
William H ROTTMAN Jr 5785 Mackinaw Rd
Lloyd A VASOLD Freeland RD 3
Green H HOGAN 1033 North Sixth
Cliford ASTBURY 2939 Monroe Carrollton
John H SHAW Chicago Ill.
Edward Heinz Jr 1939 Division
Duane D DENNINGS 1916 Walnut
Richard H JOHNSON 823 N Harrison
John F BYRNES 126 Wylie Court
Bobbie D WITHERELL 1723 Mackinaw
Edward J EICKHOLT Chesaning RD 3
William A BRANDEL 2041 Tuscola
Roy B FREUNDL 1119 Gratiot
Harold W LOJEK 1312 Burt
Donald L PETERS Tempe Arizona
John G URECHE Bridgeport RD 1
Floyd NAGEL 814 South 13th
Chester R BEYERSDORF Hemlock RD 2
Duane A RIGG Saginaw RD 5
Raymond L BOENSCH Saginaw RD 8
John R DOYLE 1902½ Stanley
Clarence O KEYSER 2024 North Bond

Glen V BOIVIN 2323 South Hamilton
James HARRINGTON Fosters
Robert D ROSELLE 4225 King Road
John JELEMENSKY Owosso
Gilbert E PALMREITER Reese RD 2
Donald G STEWARD Chesaning
Allen C LOEHR 218 North Fourth
Richard J TILOT 2306 Sheridan
Ernest ALLEN Saginaw RD 5
Samuel REID 132 North Woodbridge
Richard D MEYER 1106 Federal
Erwin V Adolf 1622 Maine
Edward W MADAY 2525 Annesley
Ross B CONDEN 1329 Crapo
Ernest A VEDRODE Merrill RD 1
William R FORTIER 2708 Julius
John H HUGHES 219 Oak
William CONLEY 1706 Sanford
Paul LOUCHART Jr St Charles
Melvin J SUFFETY 609 N Jefferson
Ronald C DIETRICH 335 South 10th
Milton COLVIN Flint
Floyd A STRUCK Chesaning RD 2
Harvey L HUNT 529 North Franklin
Robert W PEARSON 1115 North 10th
Eligha MYLES Jr 1405 Eighth
Augustus CRANBERRY 710 North Warren

**SAGINAW BOY IN
NORTH RUSSIA
WITH 339TH**

Somewhere near half a hundred Saginaw Boys, members of the 339th infantry trained at Camp Custer and sent overseas in July and August with the 35th Division are now in winter quarters at Archangel, Russia, while a few others, members of the same regiment, are reported in Vladivostok, Siberia.

Those quartered at Archangel, cut off almost entirely from communication with the outside world and the path by which they sailed to the far northern Russian port locked in ice that will not break up until June or July next year, have warm, comfortable quarters, plenty of good, wholesome food, and enough work and excitement to keep their minds occupied.

This at least, is the description of conditions there as given in a letter from Private Herbert G ELB, of Company M, 339th infantry to his parents, Mr and Mrs John ELB, 815 Mackinaw street. Private ELB was sent to Camp Custer June 28 this year with a big contingent of selected men from the west side and went overseas in August, landing in England, where, after only a few weeks in a training camp, he was sent with a part of the 339th Infantry and a battalion of the 310th Engineers to northern Russia. His letter was dated September 24 and was written a few days after the Michigan soldiers arrival at Archangel.

Private ELB writes that there are soldiers of every nation quartered at Archangel—and that each has a wholly different manual of arms. There's more snap and vim, he declares, in the American troops movements and maneuvers than in any of the others.

At the time of his call to Camp Custer, Private ELB was a member of Hose Company No 13.

**TRIBUTE PAID
TO MEMORY OF
SAGINAW YANK**

The following tribute from one of his dead son's officers has been received by Liberatus MAIER, 131 Barnard street, whose son, Corporal Benedict MAIER, died at the

aviation field at Garden City, NY October 18, of Spanish influenza.

"To the family of Corporal Benedict MAIER;

"Having just learned of the death of my chief acting sergeant in the police work of this camp, I feel it incumbent on me to write a personal letter to Acting Sergeant MAIER'S family.

"It has been my good fortune to know this boy for the period of his enlistment and have always had a profound respect for his ability as a soldier; and more than that, a personal interest because of his pleasing personality. Consequently, I can sympathize with you in your great loss and can hardly realize that he is no longer with us.

"I feel sure that he received the best care possible in this epidemic-ridden camp and that his demise is just one of the fortunes of war.

"You have my heartfelt sympathy.

"Sincerely yours,
ROBT. R NELSON

"Second Lieutenant, A S S C"

**LIEUT JEAN PICARD
THRILLS BIG CROWD
IN TALK FOR DRIVE**

French Officer Makes
Wonderful Appeal –
Private Petoskey and
Henry E Naegley
Also Boost United
War Work Campaign

"We can take our children on our knees and tell them that they will never have to fight again because their fathers—because their fathers—because their mothers—

"HAVE WON"

Like a harbinger of the peace that was to come within a few hours, Lieut. Jean PICARD, veteran of two years of the fighting when Civilization waged a losing, not a winning, battle, stood on the Auditorium stage Sunday night and gave 3,000 Saginawians this message.

"As he stood there, his graceful arm outstretched and his finger pointing like the finger of fate, he was the personification of the spirit of France, which has held steadfast for four long years. Tall, slender and lithe, his high pitched voice dwelling with a gallic accent on the words of victory, he was a being from another world, "a mystic messenger" of peace.

Audience Thrilled

It was one of the most exceptional speeches a Saginaw audience has listened to. Coming from a man who added to the knowledge of the world war only to be gained from intimate participation the gift of a natural orator, his words sent a thrill through his audience that could hardly be equaled. Speaking for the United War Fund he found his message carrying double weight because he represented France.

"I have had the privilege of visiting 100 camps in the United States and of talking to 1,000,000 of your boys who are at work and at rest. I have watched them on the drill field, in the Y M C A and in dozens of other places. They are fine boys.

"Today they are in France, fighting. It is in France that your hearts are. It is in France that you look and there that your interest lies.

"The general mobilization order in France came on August 2, 1914. On August 7, I sailed from this country to France. I arrived in Paris on the 16th, joined my regiment on the 18th and was in battle on the 20th.

War Under Foch

"It was the battle of Maubeuge where we were forced to fall back. So we retreated with French women and French children on our path entreating us to stand and protect them. But we could not stop.

"On the Fourth of September we stopped.

"We were fighting under the greatest of all generals, Foch.

"The day had come when France had to win or to go. We were called on to die or to win—And we won!"

"Then we moved to Ypres where we tried to dig trenches. We struck water a foot below the earth. My men had to stand for six days and five nights in water up to their shoulders. Three of them were drowned.

"Then we went to Alsace. I was there in a church one Sunday morning with the Alsations. There were perhaps 400 of us in the church. It was exactly 10:30 when the Germans started shelling the church and from then until noon 28 shells were fired at it.

Three Years in Germany

"That church was not within 600 yards of a house. It was not within two miles of any military point, yet they shelled it. And to refute that claim that only the Prussians were guilty of such things I will say that the artillery which did the shelling were Bavarians.

"I spent three years in Germany and eight months in Heidelberg and I have seen the German people.

"I would much rather believe that they were crazy. If I had to believe they were in their senses I would have to want to kill all of them.

"If they are crazy, there is a chance to cure them and we are going to do it.

"For they have done the things we have heard about. I have seen them. There is only one of their atrocities which I can tell you.

Little Daughter Killed

"When we were fighting at the Somme, we met a man whose village we were just recapturing. It had been taken by the Germans two years before. Up to within a few days of our drive it had been entirely undamaged.

"The man told how he had met his wife and heard how their youngest daughter, 9 years old, had been killed, and their oldest, 14, had been carried away.

"Remember, the village had not been harmed. When we entered it that man and his wife could not even find where their home had been.

"They are brothers of ours, I suppose, but they are crazy, they have an abscess of the brain.

"There is no such thing as a real gentleman or a sportsman in Germany.

"Today they are squealing. What do you think of it? I'll tell you why it is. It is because the allied armies are advancing and Germany is completely crushed. The outside crust is intact but the whole inside is rotten. It is the people at home who are squealing. They are suffering because of hunger. The German government was ready to continue the war, but the people couldn't stand it.

War Began in 1854

"They talk of an armistice, but there will be a great deal more fighting. There is a lot more work to be done. There must be garrison work to remind the Germans they are beaten and there will be work to do in Russia.

"Peace—Peace—forget it

"But think in terms of victory. Work and give. Pray for victory not only over Germany but over ourselves as well.

"You have wondered how France can do what she has done. Yet France is ready to go on, to fight as long as is necessary. The reason is the same old one. France is smiling.

"They know that this war did not begin in 1914, it began in 1854 when Bismark came. It is the same war that was fought in Schleswig-Holstein, in Austria, in France in 1870. It is just a link in the chain of German oppression.

"The people of France smile because we have won, not only this war, but all the wars Germany has fought in the past.

"When I was a lad my father a veteran of the Franco-Prussian war, took me in his lap and said to me, 'My boy, you will have to fight because your father was beaten.'

"We want to take our children on our knees and say to them:

"You will never have to fight again because your fathers—because your fathers—because your mothers—

"HAVE WON!"

Private Howard PETOSKEY who has been heard here several times before, told of his experiences with the Marines in the battle of Chateau Thierry.

"If it wasn't for the lives of our boys, I'd be dammed if I'd give them peach", he said. "If our boys ever get past the Rhine, God help the Hun."

Henry E NAGELY spoke briefly but eloquently of the merits of the cause and Chairman Arthur D EDDY explained the United War Chest campaign.

Bruce BENJAMIN and Mrs Emil MONTANUS, accompanied by Mrs Frank S LASH furnished the musical program. J G CUMMINGS led the audience in singing "The Star Spangled Banner" at the close.

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SAGINAW EVENING NEWS

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EVENING MELANGE

Miss Katherine CALLAHAN of Buffalo is visiting her parents at 218 Meredith street Glenn W HUBBARD of Lansing has returned home after spending New Year in this city The Misses GILDAY and J McCORMICK who have been the guests of Miss KINDLER have returned to Monroe

Miss Matie DUVE and Mrs C DUVE jr have returned to Saginaw having spent New Year's with relatives in Grand Rapids

The Misses Margaretta and Bessie Mae BROWN have just returned home after being the guest of Mr and Mrs H Spencer ROYS 144 Baltimore avenue, Detroit

Miss Kezlah E BARRELL of Albion New York is visiting Miss Edwina BURROWS

Alber KORBERGER and daughter, Elizabeth of Lansing, are visiting Mrs Will BOWEN 619 West Genesee avenue

A pea green wheel was stolen from in front of a Genesee avenue store on Monday and thus enjoyed the honor of opening the season Staff Captain Marian EVANS of Detroit and secretary of the Michigan division of the Salvation Army will arrive in Saginaw tonight to be with the local company for several days A liberal contribution to the Firemen's fund was received by Chief WALLIS Tuesday in the shape of a check from Morley Bros in recognition of the splendid work of the department Sunday morning

The winter term of the night classes in bookkeeping, penmanship and business correspondence at the YMCA will resume work tonight. The mechanical drawing class will resume work Thursday evening

The annual roll call of the membership at the Warren avenue Presbyterian church will take place this evening at 7:30. After the roll call there will be an informal reception to the members and friends of the church

The funeral of the late Mrs Joseph SEEMANN PETERS will take place from the family home, 217 South Weadock avenue at 2 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Rev Nelson B Bradley of the First Congregational church will officiate and the interment will be in Forest Lawn cemetery

LITTLE CLUMP OF LILACS MARKS SOUTH SAGINAW'S FIRST CEMETERY

Tucked away in a corner of the Baker-Perkins parking lot, only a few yards away from the noisy hum of the company's recently opened new building and the traffic of Hess avenue, stands a thriving, verdant clump of lilac bushes, the sole remaining monument of South Saginaw's first cemetery.

Believed to be nearly 100 years old, it holds seven or eight graves of members of the John B LEASIA family, pioneer South Side settlers who cleared one of the area's first farms soon after A K PENNEY built Salina's first hut in 1848. The little cemetery predates Forest Lawn, now only a few hundred feet off, by nearly 20 years. Exactly when the first grave was dug by the LEASIA's remains unknown according to the sole known remaining descendants here.

Last known person to be buried there was one Charles LEASIA, who died about 1885, according to John DeFORE, one of the remaining descendants. Other descendants are Mrs Clara BERTRAND and Mrs Agnes WHITEHEAD, both of Saginaw, Mrs Stella BAKER of Detroit, and Frank LEASIA of Flint.

Baker Perkins officials believe that eventually the site will be covered and used as the plant expands in future years. Descendants have been invited to remove the remains of the graves, but thus far no action has been taken.

Before Baker Perkins began its expansion westward, the cemetery was part of an open expanse of land used by South Side children for the usual childhood frolics. The circle of lilac bushes on top the mound made a perfect fortress for a day-long battle of "Cowboys and Indians." A creek cut through the property near the mound.

No accurate record of the persons buried in the plot has been maintained. When the LEASIA's first cleared the pine and scrub from the area, Hess avenue was a mere footpath branching off the Mackinaw trail, now South Washington. The land was swampy in many places. Legend has it that this particular section, especially the land now covered by Forest Lawn, was a favorite camping ground of the Indians. Game teemed in the forests and fields and the location was a natural one for the first settlers to choose.

PUBLICATIONS OF THE SAGINAW GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

TIMBERTOWN LOGS

Volume I	- Issues 1,2,3	\$ 1.75 ea.
Volume II	- Issues 1 & 2 (Combined includes index to Vol.1). . .	3.00 ea.
	Issues 3 & 4	1.75 ea.
Volume III	thru Volume XIII Issue 3	1.75 ea.
	Indexes to these Volumes	2.00 ea.
Volume XIII thru XIX	- Issue 4 (Combined issue & index)	4.00 ea.
Volume XIII thru XIX	- Issues 1,2,3	2.00 ea.
Volume XX	- Issues 1,2,3	2.00 ea.
Volume XX	- Issue 4 with index	4.00 ea.
Volume XX	- Issues 1,2,3,4	3.00 ea.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

History of Bridgeport, Michigan, Saginaw County, by T.J. Pollen	
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