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#### "If Only The Walls Could Talk"

Yep, it's that time of year. Spring is here, and soon the farmers will be 'outstanding in their field', wondering if it's too wet, dry, cold, hot, . . . to work the ground and plant.

Then a few days later, it's 95 degrees in June, as humid as a shower stall, the sun is blazing in a cloudless sky and I'm wondering why I decided to weed the flower beds. I could be in the house, thinking of excuses why I could be sitting at my computer playing Solitaire for 15 minutes, then working on paying 2 bills, then more Solitaire for another 15 minutes.

I mow the lawn a few dozen times, wishing I'd been out in March with the mower and lawn roller, flattening those ankle spraining humps in the lawn so I can cut the grass in road gear. August means mowing the weeds and brown grass in a cloud of dust.

A week later, it's October and I'm hoping it snows tomorrow so I don't have to mow again next week.

They say time flies when your having fun, but sometimes the year is ending sooner then I want it to. The children, grand-children, and yes, great-grand-children are another year older and I'm thinking of Christmas presents.

Then I think of living in 'the now' and not worrying about time flying by and being another year older. Time passes fast for adults because we have experienced life for so many years. Children, on the other hand, have a new adventure each day because they do not have life experiences yet.

Try living one day at a time, life is so much more worthwhile that way.

Paul Schuette, Editor

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# Our Founding Families Walter Baur Family

From Pigeon Diamond Jubilee – The Good Life in a Small Town

Walter Baur was 84 years of age in 1971, and remembered well the area of Ora Labora, for it was his birthplace.

Ora Labora, which means "pray and work", was founded in 1847 with the purchase of 3,000 acres from the U.S. Government. It was wooded, swampy land along Wild Fowl Bay north of Bay Port.

It was Walter's grandfather, Reverend Emil Baur, who was in charge of this religious group which came here from Pennsylvania.

Ora Labora contained about 75 buildings, and included a church, school, a saw mill, a tannery, store, grist mill, post office and even a community bake oven.

It was the Civil War that spelled the end of Ora Labora.

When the state legislature voted that each county must meet a quota of men for the draft to build the Union Army, the men of the colony had no money to hire substitutes, which was then an accepted method of avoiding military service.

The young men willingly joined the army, leaving only the old and infirm to continue the heavy land clearing, lumbering and farming.

With crop production and opportunities to earn money through tanning and lumbering cut off, the residents voted to give up the colony. It was disbanded in 1871.

The Rev. Baur, after first returning to Pennsylvania, later came back to Michigan where he became a teacher of classical languages at the University of Michigan.

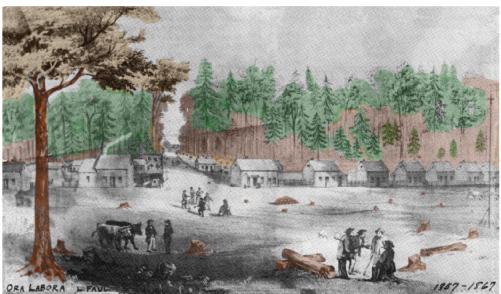
Walt's father returned to the abandoned colony in Huron County when he was 18 years old and settled on a farm that today is still owned by the family.

Today, the dreams of those settlers from Pennsylvania are fulfilled in the prosperous farms and dedicated people who now inhabit the area.

The full name of the colony was "The Christian German Agricultural and Benevolent Society of Ora Labora."

Records show that 288 persons signed its constitution, all writing in German except 18 who could only write in English.

Coming from Pennsylvania, they brought with them such necessities as oxen, cattle, tools, tanning chemicals,



The Ora Labora colony near the Bay Port area. Six generations of Baur's have occupied the land near the original colony which was founded by Rev. Emil Baur in 1847.

lumbering equipment, plus such stock as rhubarb, asparagus and horseradish roots, garden seeds, native medicines and powders.

Each member of the colony was given two cows, two and a half acres of land. People worked by the day or by the job "for the common good."

Records were kept and each member was debited or credited as he deserved.

The hours were early and long. At 5 a.m. each day, the blowing of a horn summoned residents from their sleep. This was followed by an early devotion; breakfast at 6 a.m., then work of the day began. There was an evening devotion at 9 p.m.

Eventually, the buildings were constructed log cabins laid out in square streets.

From the Bay City Times June 27,

1971 issue.

The Baur brothers, Robert and Bruce say, "We have much to be thankful for and we owe it to our deceased ancestors."

Their ancestry began in this area when their great-great grandfather, the Rev. Emil Baur, came to an area off the shore of Wild Fowl Bay from Economy, Pennsylvania to form a new colony in 1847. This colony was named Ora Labora.

This colony was abandoned during the Civil War in 1868. Rev. Baur's son Bertrand Baur, returned to the abandoned colony when he was 18 years old and settled on a farm near Bay Port to make farming his career.

On February 7, 1887, Grandfather Walter Baur was born near the Old Colony. He was a very active and dedicated farmer. After a long and fruitful life, he

passed away on March 7, 1977.

Walter's son, Paul Baur, was born on August 12, 1910 in a log house located 4 miles north of Pigeon. Paul was married to Hulda Schuette on June 41, 1938. They had five children: Robert, Bruce, Bernice (Shupe), Sharon (Jones) and Carol Lynn (Webber). Paul was a very progressive farmer and civic leader. He passed away on June 1, 1976.

The farm is under the corporate name of Baur Farms Inc. It consists of 1,700 acres of land, 130 head of dairy cows, a 52,000 cage-laying hen operation, and a corn drying facility consisting of 120,000 bushel storage.

The farm is now operated by Hulda Baur, the Robert Baur family (Karen, Kari, Keith, Kregg and Timothy) and the Bruce Baur family (Marilyn, Duane, Shelly and Rhonda).

#### How You Gain a Living

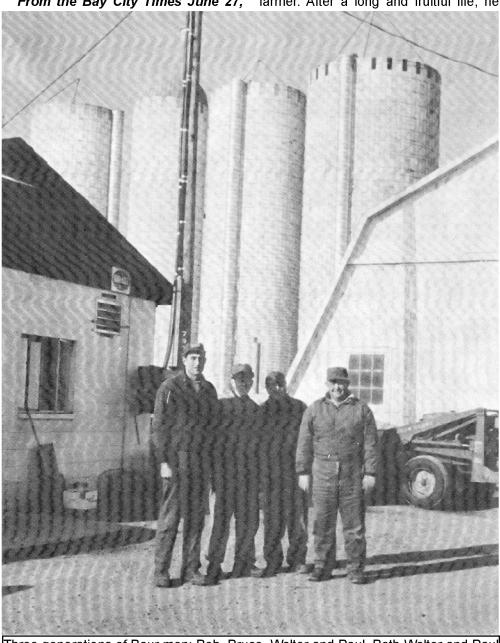
Uncle Sam is very anxious to know how every person in the United States gains his or her living. In the printed instructions to the enumerators who will begin their work April 15, the census bureau holds that the occupation followed by a child or a woman is just as important, for census purposes, as the occupation of a man.

The United States government also holds that the occupation is the one from which the person gets the more money. If a person has two occupations, the census man is instructed to record only the more important one. If that cannot be learned then he is to return the one at which the person spends most time. As an illustration, the enumerators are told to return a man as a "farmer" if he gets most at his income from farming, although he may also follow the occupation of a clergyman or preacher; but they must return him as a "clergyman" if he gets more of his income from that occupation.

From The Pigeon Progress, March 4, PHS

From the pages of The Progress-Advance, Forty-nine years ago, January 31, 1974: Jim Christner, Elkton, was chosen the area's outstanding young farmer from a field of four finalists by Pigeon Area Jaycees, according to Wes Edington, OYF chairman and Pigeon Cooperative agronomist. Runners-up were Bruce Baur, Dale Wertz, Bay Port and Dale Schulz, Pigeon.





Three generations of Baur men: Bob, Bruce, Walter and Paul. Both Walter and Paul are deceased.

#### OLD LAND MARK OF PIGEON TORN DOWN

Those driving into Pigeon from the west will miss that old landmark, the old stave mill, which in recent years has been known as the Pigeon Planning Mill.

The Pigeon Lumber Co. finished wrecking the building last week.

The building was erected by John C. Liken and Fred Bach for a stave mill in about 1888 and was operated by them up until 1898. Three or four years later it was sold to Wellington Horlacher, Albert Hartley and Joseph Schluchter who organized the Pigeon Planing Mill Co.

Aside from doing a planing mill business the company conducted a lumber vard. Mr. Schluchter's interest in the company continued only a short time. From 1901 to 1911 Horlacher and Hartley used

the building. At that time Mr. Horlacher bought out the interest of Mr. Hartley and conducted the business until 1920 when he sold out to the R & A Lumber Co., who later sold out to the present owners the Pigeon Lumber & Supply Co.

During the ownership of Horlacher & Hartley and the R & A Lumber Company large additions were made to the plant and as a result time has taken away the old landmark. It will be missed, by the old timers and which just goes to prove that sooner or later the new will replace the

From The Pigeon Progress, January 27,



Easter comes at spring time, and at a time when we all like new things to wear-nothing adds more to your attire than a brand new pair of Shoes, Oxfords or Pumps. You may have a new hat and a suit but the Footwear will add a great deal toward a complete out-

Now we are prepared as usual to provide the people of this community with the newest styles for Easter and Spring in Footwear.

The Styles this spring are very beautiful and we carry the big-

gest assortment in widths and sizes.

They come in Shors, Oxfords and Pumps, and One, Two and

Three Straps.

Colors—Black Brown and Tan.

The prices this year are very reasonable. We have them for Women at \$3.50, \$4.00, \$4.50, \$5.00, \$5.50, \$6.00, \$6.50, \$7.00 and \$7.50.

Our line for children was never greater.
We are in a position to give you greater values and more for your money than any other Shoe Dealer in this part of the state, quality considered.

Saturday and Monday we will give a special 10 per cent Discount

on Footwear and Hosiery and we expect to pay 23c for Eggs.

Do not forget that new Spring Suit which you have promised yourself and let us take your measure and have it made for you and then enjoy the best fit you have ever enjoyed at a reasonable price. We are making this department a specialty and are doing a good

We again invite you to come in and let us show you our new Samples.



From The Pigeon Progress, April 7, 1922

# A PIGEON SUMMER

Option Secured for Fand on Sand Point.

A number of Pigeon citizens have secured an option on 110 acres of land on Sand Point, located about three-quarters of a mile from the end of the point. The property is owned by W. J. Orr and W. H. Wallace.

The property is ideal for resort purposes and if the contemplated plans are carried out it will be a resort with unusual advantages. It is expected that at least twenty cottages will be erected next year besides an ice house and auto shed. The road to the resort will be fixed so that it can be traveled by autos.

From The Pigeon Progress, June 13,

#### SAND POINT ROAD LETTING

The letting for the building of the Sand Point Road was held Monday of this week. James Bright, of Pigeon, was the successful bidder. His price for the six miles was \$21,800. The road will be nine feet wide of class A, sand clay.

Mr. Bright says work on the road will be commenced at once and pushed through to completion, weather permitting.

From The Pigeon Progress, October 31, 1919 

Damage Done by Smoke.

Herbert M. Wilson, of the United States geological survey, places the annual damage and waste by smoke in the United States at \$500,000,000 in the large cities alone, or about \$6 to each man, woman and child of the population.

From The Pigeon Progress, March 4,

PHS From the pages of The Progress-Advance, Sixty-seven years ago, November 15, 1956: A 4-H group was organized Nov. 7 by Mrs. Ervin Strieter and Mrs. Paul Baur at the Baur residence. Officers elected were Sharon Baur, Janet Henry, Patsy Buchholz, Mary Ann Strieter and Bernice Baur.

From the pages of The Progress-Advance, Sixty-seven years ago, April 26, 1956: Winning awards at the first annual parent and son F.F.A. banquet at Pigeon were Alfred Roberts, Robert Baur, Kenneth Licht, Sidney Smith, Rae Young, Jr., Vernon Kasserman and Paul Behm.

#### **Registration Notice**

To the qualified Electors of the Village of Pigeon, County of Huron, State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given, that a meeting of the Board of Registration of the village above named, will be held at office of Village Clerk within said village, on Saturday, March 12, A.D. 1910 for the purpose of registering the names of all such persons who shall be possessed of he necessary qualifications of electors, and who may apply for that purpose, and that said Board of Registration will be in session on the day and at the place aforesaid from 7 o'clock in the forenoon until 5 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose aforesaid.

Dated this 25th day of February, A.D. 1910.

> E. W. E. Bundscho Village Clerk

From The Pigeon Progress, March 4, 1910

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## SPECIALS

Saturday and Monday

100 pound sack sugar...\$4.50 3 packages Yeast Foam...10c 3 lbs 10c prunes......25c 2 lbs 15c prunes.......25c 1 bbl spring wheat flour...\$5 Barrel lots only

Highest price for eggs and butter. Eggs taken same as cash.

### J. E. CRAMER

All phone orders receive prompt attention. Call No. 7

From The Pigeon Progress, March 13, 1914

# For Saturday Only

10 pounds of Granulated Sugar	50c
1 dozen Noiseless Tip Matches, 5c size	
Corn7c, or 4 cans for 2	
4 10c-Cans Good Baking Powder	
1 pound 40c Tea	

We have just received a full line of Waldruff Fine Shoes for Men.

The best \$2.50 line on the market.

## LEIPPRANDT BROS.

From The Pigeon Progress, March 4, 1910 

# Beet Payment **Due Monday**

Another payment to sugar beet grower will be made next Monday, it was announced Wednesday by Carl Hess, field manager of the Sebewaing plant of the Michlgan sugar Company.

The payment will be \$2 per ton, and will amount to \$240,000 to cover the 120,000 tons grown last season, Mr. Hess said.

From The Pigeon Progress, April 21, 1950



Only \$1 a year keeps you acquainted with all your neighbors. Progress \$1 per year.



From The Pigeon Progress, March 4, 1910

From the pages of The Progress-Advance, Sixty-four years ago, November 12, 1959: Cast members for the senior play, "Rest Assured" at Pigeon High School are Chuck Schmidt, Bonnie Wing, Sally Anderson, Julie Hanniman, Marlene Stein, Bob Wilfong, Dennis Whitcomb, Mary Ann Strieter, Richie Fogle, Joycelynn Brink, Tom Emerson, Sharon Baur, Richard Beck, Jim Warren and Ruth Ann Danks.

From the pages of The Pigeon Progress, Ninety-eight years ago, February 27, 1925: Pigeon Community Club met Friday evening at Hotel Heasty. Speaker was the blind evangelist C. A. Glass, who spoke on the state school for the blind at Lansing. Committee to put on the minstrel show includes Loren Bates, Harry Leslie, R. H. Orr and E. B. Cady. Committee for the next club meeting is Arthur Anderson, Walter Baur, Herb Haist and Roy Damm.

A New York police court the other day held as prisoners Martha Washington, Samuel Adams, and Walter Scott. What's in a name, after all?

From The Pigeon Progress, January 

## What Gov. Warner Thinks of Huron County.

Gov. Warner returned last Friday from a trip to his Huron County Cheese factories and farm. He continues to speak highly of that section and its people. The farms in that county have shown much marked improvement during the last ten years. This denotes the thrift and enterprise of its citizens.

The Gov. believes the future will show a great stride forward there in the dairy industry, and backs his belief by creeting cheese factories. His twelfth factory and the fourth in that section, will start up Thursday the 17th at Pigeon. His other factories being at Gagetown, Kilmanagh and Elmhurst. These factories like those he manages in this section show a large increase in business over last year. His safe and business-like manner of running his factories, with his prompt payment to all his patrons of the highest prices for milk that the cheese market will allow is what has brought him success during the nearly twenty years he has been in the cheese business.-Enterprise-Herald.

From The Pigeon Progress, May 25, 1906

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From the pages of The Pigeon Progress, One hundred nine years ago, April 17, 1914: A Pigeon High School baseball team has been organized with B. M.. Hamil, manager. A ball ground has been leased from Henry Moeller. The line-up includes Norman Richmond, D. Holtzman, Emil Baur, Stanley Broderick, Otto Gettel, John Prieskom, Leonard Leipprandt, William Sturm, Sam Michener, Glen Richmond and Zero Foster, subs.

Politician - "Congratulations, Sarah, I've been elected!"

Sarah (with delight) - "Honestly?"
Politician - "What difference does that make?" -- Milwaukee Journal
From The Pigeon Progress March 4,
1910
PHS HERBERGER BERGER BERGER

From the pages of The Progress-Advance, Sixty four years ago, November 5, 1959: Winning the grand prize in the first annual Halloween student window painting contest in Pigeon was the scene painted by 11th and 12th graders Sharon Baur, Jerry Lee Webber and Marlene Stein. First place in the ninth and 10th grade was won by Julie Ann Yackle and Mariorie Teuscher.

#### JUST A SLIGHT DIFFERENCE

Old Man's Memory Was Good, But He Had Mixed Up Certain Facts of the Story.

The late Sarah Orne Jewett lived a great part of her life in South Berwick, and the quaint Maine characters of her native town interested her profoundly.

Miss Jewett, at the Mayflower club in Boston, once illustrated aptly the unreliable quality of old people's memories.

"A young minister," she said, "born in South Berwick, was called in his maturity to one of the churches of the town. Everybody welcomed him He had been away nearly 30 years. And the oldest inhabitant's welcome was the warmest of all.

"The oldest inhabitant, leaning on his stick, said in a high, tremulous voice to the young man:

"'And you're Master Johnny Greenough! 'ow time do fly! Why, it seems only 'yesterday I traipsed in to the courthouse to see your poor old grandfather hanged.'

"Everybody looked shocked. So there was a blot on the Greenough family 'scutcheon, eh? But the young man said calmly:

"'My good old friend, your memory is partly right and partly wrong. My grandfather was murdered, not hanged. It was two brothers of the name of Alden who paid the penalty of his murder.'

"'Well, that's what I said,' crowed the octogenarian. 'That's just what I said, ain't It?'"

#### \$25.00 Reward

During the past few months the school house of district No. 1 Winsor has been entered by some person or persons on several occasions. The school board is offering a reward of \$25.00 to any person who will give information sufficient to convict the guilty parties for past offences or any similar offence that might occur in the future.

By order of the Board. Sam Wurtz, Director.

I dream of a better tomorrow, where chickens can cross the road and not be questioned about their motives.

Ralph Waldo Emerson

#### PHS

#### **Registration Notice**

#### WOMEN ELECTORS

Notice is hereby given than in accordance with Sec. 4, article 3, the constitution of the state of Michigan, and Act. No. 206, of the public Acts of 1909, the Board of Registration of the village of Pigeon county of Huron state of Michigan at the next ensuing meeting thereof, to be held at the office of village clerk within said village, on Saturday, March 12th, A. D. 1910 will register the names of all women possessing the qualifications of male electors who make personal application for such registration. Provided, that all such applicants must own property assessed for taxes somewhere within said village of Pigeon except that any women otherwise qualified who owns property within said village jointly with her husband or other person, or who owns property within said village on contract and pays the taxes thereon, shall be entitled to register. Following are the qualifications of male electors in the state of Michigan.

Every male inhabitant of this state, being a citizen of the United States; every male inhabitant residing in this state on the twenty-fourth day of June, eighteen hundred thirty-five; every male inhabitant residing in this state on the first day of January, eighteen hundred fifty; every male inhabitant of foreign birth who, having resided in this state two years and six months prior to the eighth day of November, eighteen hundred ninety-four and having declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States two years and six months prior to said last named day; and every civilized male inhabitant, of Indian decent, a native of the United states and not a member of any tribe. shall be an elector and entitled to vote; but no one shall be an elector or entitled to a vote at any election unless he shall be above the age twenty-one years, and has resided in this state six months and in the township or ward in which he offers to vote twenty days next preceding such election.

Said board of Registration will be in session on the day and at the place aforesaid from nine o'clock in the forenoon until five o'clock in afternoon for the purpose aforesaid.

E. W. E. Bundscho, Village Clerk.

From The Pigeon Progress, March 4, 1910

### **DAIRY NOTES**

White clothing is ideal for the milkers.

Study your cow's needs and feed accordingly.

Streaky butter is one result of working it when too soft.

Let the cows take their own time to and from the pasture.

Cows may be dull, but they understand and appreciate kindness

. . . .

The runty or potbellied calf is a product of irregular or over feeding.

The man, the cow, the feed, are the three essentials to successful dairying.

Cream allowed to become over sour loses in quantity as well as in quantity.

This year and every year a well filled silo will prove a good investment.

Dairymen who are selling milk find the Holstein a good breed for their purpose.

The milk check is the salvation of many a farm and it is always the result of good, careful, systematic planning.

Hurrying the cows when handling or driving them does not stimulate the milk flow but rather has the opposite effect.

From The Pigeon Progress March 13, 1914 

Satisfaction must be expressed at the present activity of the hostorical societies in the middle west. They realize that the earlier the work of collecting and preserving the early records of the states is begun the better it will be done, and that each year it is postponed valuable material is lost. The German-American Historical society of Illinois will appreciate this in the work it is about to undertake in the collection of information relative to early settlers of German ancestry. The data which it has decided to gather will throw an interesting light upon these sturdy pioneers who did so much to build up the middle west.

From The Piaeon Progress, June 8. 1900

#### HURON COUNTY HAS FIRST SIT-DOWN STRIKE

Harbor Beach, Feb. 13,-Huron county's first sit-down strike occurred when 16 girl employes of the Pinnebog bean elevator sat down at their work Friday noon and demanded higher wages.

The strikers, 16 years of age and older, ordered food and bedding from relatives and prepared for a but Mrs. Joseph Stinson. book-keeper and wife of the mill owner, effected a temporary settlement. Negotiations will be continued Monday.

Pinnebog, Feb. 15,-Bean pickers who started a sit-down strike in the Pinnebog elevator Friday, were at work today while Joseph Stinson, operator of the elevator. Joseph Block, Ubly elevator operator, who has consented to act as mediator, were in Detroit seeking further information looking toward a settlement of the dispute.

The pickers, who have been getting five cents a pound, asked an increase to six cents. Sixteen em-

ployes are involved.

Later-The dispute was settled Tuesday by an agreement which calls for the continuation of the old rate of five cents a pound until the stock on hand has been taken care of and a rate of six cents a pound for any beans purchased from this

From The Pigeon Progress February 19,

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#### MAIL CARRIERS MEET WITH MR. AND MRS. LEINBACH

About forty members and guests of the Huron County Association of Rural Letter Carriers and the Women's Axillary met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Leinbach last Friday night for their monthly meeting. After the pot luck dinner and business session, the evening was given over to entertainment. As this was the last meeting Mr. Leinbach will attend as a member of the civil service, the organization presented to the host and hostess a handsome Aladdin table lamp as a token of the more than twenty-nine years they have spent in the service and as workers in the association. Besides the members. guests who attended were Mr. and Mrs. Landon of Cass City; Mr. and Mrs. Bartley of Tyre; Mr. and Mrs. Wark of Peck; Postmaster and Mrs. H. B. Harder: Miss Onnalee Harder and Miss Amanda Buchholz of Pigeon; Postmaster and Mrs. Hess. of Bad Axe.

From The Pigeon Progress, January 27, 1933

#### OPINIONS -

(Of the Editor and Others)

Concerning Good Friday observance, does it pay to observe Good

Friday?

About 3% years ago this writer started to work for the Co-operative Elevator Company, The day before Good Friday I had to make a decision whether to close or opcrate the place of business.

I was brought up in a Christian home, father told us never to work on Good Friday, he considered this the most important day in all Christendom, I do not think that any Christian will dispute this statement.

Remembering this, I decided to close the Elevator. This was the first time that any Elevator in Pigeon was ever closed on Good Friday. Was there any financial loss? The answer is NO. At this time the company was financially in distress, no money, consequently not many friends. We had about 25% of the elevator at the time. gradually the company prospered, and began to make money.

I never deviated from the decision I made on that Good Friday, and in all the 21 years I worked for the company, and as far as I know it is up to this day the custom and practice of the company, to close on Good Friday. Are they losing by so doing?

Coming to "interested" in last week's Progress-Advance issue, yes there was a time and not so long ago that all places were closed on Good Friday, and to my knowledge no one wont into bankruptcy by so doing. I do not know who is at fault that the town is wide open now, who ever it may be, please read Matthew 27, v. 35-36

It is highly commendable for some churches in Pigeon and Elkton to have services every night during Holy or Passion week, by so doing you can lead the people to Calvary.

What I wrote may sound oldfashioned, and out of date, nevertheless it is my opinion and con-

viction.

#### H. J. Clabuesch

From The Progress Advance, April 7, 1955 PHS = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = PHS

From the pages of The Pigeon Progress. One hundred three years ago, January 9, 1920: Sol Schluchter has purchased the Bert Baur building, formerly occupied by Mrs. Gardiner's restaurant, and will have the grand opening of his grocery store on Jan. 17. Flour will be only \$10 per barrel.

## Huron County Base Ball League Formed With Six Teams.

#### SEASON TO BE OPENED IN PIGEON JUNE 1 WITH CASEVILLE PITTED AGAINST PIGEON.

The much talked of Huron County Base Ball League is now a settled fact. The chances for the success of the scheme during the past few weeks has been looking a little slim and a large number of the fans had given up the proposition as a failure, but Tuesday evening a meeting was held in Bad Axe by the representatives from the towns which will now compose the league, and it can now be stated that the Huron County League is a sure go. The teams composing the organization are: Port Austin, Kinde, Bad Axe, Ubly, Caseville and Pigeon. Each club will play one game a week for fifteen weeks and Tuesday's, Wednesday's and Thursday's will be days when games are to be played.

Manager Bundscho, of the local team, has not as yet his line-up completed. However he informs u that Gough, who occupied a position on the team last year has been hired to do the twirling.

From The Pigeon Progress May 25, 1906

#### Village Election Notice

To the Qualified Electors of the Village of Pigeon, County of Huron, State of Michigan:

Notice is hereby given, that the next ensuing election for said village will be held at the council room over Leipprandt Bros. hardware store within said village on Monday, the 14th day of March, 1910 at which election the following officers are to be chosen, viz:

One village president, one village clerk, one village treasurer, three trustees for two years, one trustee for one year, one assessor.

In accordance with the Constitution of the State of Michigan and act 20d, Public acts of 1909, should there be any proposition or propositions to vote upon at said election involving the direct expenditure of public money, or the issue of bonds, every woman who possesses the qualifications of male voters and owns property assessed for taxes or owns property subject to taxation jointly with her husband, or with any other person, or who owns property on contract and pays taxes thereon, all such property being located in said village, will be entitled to vote upon such

propositions, provided such person has had her name duly registered in accordance with the provisions of said Act.

The polls of said election will be open at 7 o'clock in the forenoon and will remain open until 5 o'clock in the afternoon of said day of election.

Dated this 25th day of February, A.D.

E. W. E. Bundscho

Village Clerk.

From The Pigeon Progress, March 4, 1910

PHS If you think you are too small to make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito.

Dalai Lama

#### REMODELING THE DAIRY BARN

Only Redeeming Feature of Prosperous Looking Red Building Is Big Loft - Gutters Lacking

There are many big red barns that look well from a distance and that give the farm an appearance of prosperity, but a disgrace to dairying. They have but a few small windows, no gutters, no stalls, no feeding alleys, no ventilation. Their big lofts are about the only redeeming feature they have. No wonder the boys leave the farm and hired men won't milk.

Cement is not expensive and any man who is at all handy in building can put in cement gutters and walks with a little study on the subject. Any of the cement companies advertising in the agricultural papers will send a book of instructions upon request.

Make the gutter 4 feet I0 inches from the manger for medium-sized cows, 18 inches wide and 10 inches deep. It is not necessary to make the whole floor of cement. The forward half of the stall may be left without cement, although it is desirable to make the whole floor and manger of cement when it can be afforded.

Make a feeding alley in front of the mangers where the feeding can be done with the least work and time. Make the barn convenient. Take a day off, or a week if necessary, and visit places that have modern barns. Convenience in a barn is the cheapest part of the building and the most Important. Ideas don't cost anything if you look for them. To put them into effect may take years, but it lightens the work to knew they are to be. To wait until you can afford a new barn before making any improvements is folly. Fix up the old barn this fall so the work can be done better and with less hardship this coming winter.

From The Pigeon Progress, March 13, 1914

PHS

#### We'd love to see you on our Team!

An individual or business can become a member by contacting any active member or by sending your tax-deductible cash of check to:

Pigeon Historical Society, 59 S. Main St. / P. O. Box 523, Pigeon, MI 48755.

Dues are renewed at the annual meeting each year.,

Individual Membership: \$20.00 (active member with voting privileges) Life Membership: \$120.00 (active Voting member with lifetime privileges)

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PIGEON RURAL ROUTE

NO. THREE DISCONTINUED

FEBRUARY 1st

Carrier Leinbach Goes On Retired List

Samuel Leinbach, carrier on route three out of Pigeon will be retired from service, February 1. Mr. Leinbach was named carrier when this route was established on Nov. 1, 1903.

A ruling of the Post Office Department provides for the retirement on pension of their employs when they have reached the age of 65 years. Mr. Leinbach's pension will be about \$80.00 per month.

With the retirement of Mr. Leinbach, route three will be abolished and the patrons will be served by the two carriers, E. J. Anklam on route one and Albert J. Davis on route two.

Under the new division, Mr. Davis will cover forty-eight miles. The present mileage is thirty-three. Mr. Anklam's route will be forty-two miles from September until June, and from June to September, when Crescent Beach is included, the mileage will be fifty-four. The present mileage is thirty.

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# NOTICE!

## FARMS TO RENT OR LEASE

The Wallace Stone Co. have decided to rent or lease their several farms on shares. All necessary fall plowing is done. Buildings are in excellent condition. Anyone desiring to lease a farm will find it to their advantage to come and see us.

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