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CHARLEVOIX — This is the eird story of a man, an idea, and Michigan Island.
The man was Jesse James trang, self-ancinted prophet of a saident Mormon sect.

The idea: God had chosen trang to be king. The island: Big Beaver, three ours from Charlevoix by mail oat, largest of all isles in Lake

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All these things were recalled by Michigan newspaper editors at week end, as they met a harlevoix for a traditional sum mer meeting under auspices of the dichigan Press Association.

BRIDGE COMMUNITY HOUSE

By James C. Gray

report on the duplicate bridge tourent held every Wednesday evening 7:45 o'clock. You and your partner

From the "left bunk" in Parnow comes "resistentialism" to refute and confound Jean Par-Sartré and the "existentialists' Fellow bridge players, hubbs ubba! Here is the philosophy was have been waiting for. The resitentialist has observed, recordeand wondered at, the obstinate risistance of "things" toward meistance of "things" toward me-

In the tournament of June 23 a six-and-ahalf table Howel came, "things" went wrong fo Hank Georgia, for Bo Guy, for Charlie Strelinger, for Florence Kraus. And Ed Clarke was hear to murmer dolefully, "Some day you can't lay up a thing." Thuck of the Irish won this tour nament. Nothing else. The re

First, Mac and Marie McElianey; second, Mrs. Charles Tuller and Mrs. Malcolm Dugliss; third lean Heugh and May Esch.

But "things" are not invariably in opposition. I give you the exmonary from the Michigan StatChampionably tournament held reently at the Hotel Leland in Deroit. A genuine expert had the South position. And the experslipped badly on this board because, as a good resistentialist, he
was convinced that "things", as
usual, were wrong. The board:

NORTH S—AJ10xxx H—xx D—xx C—AKx

VEST EAST

-Q x x x S x

-J x x x H -K x x

-A Q x x D -K x x

-C -x x x

S—K x H—A Q x x D—J 10 x C—J 10 9 8 auction: North, o

C-J1098
The auction: North, one spad
outh, two clubs; North, tv
pades; South, two no trum

West opened his fourth hig eart and East's king fell 't fouth's ace. South, masking hi concern over his nebulous-diamon topper, then assaulted the spad uit. He cashed the king an incessed the ten—and East showe

safety play of the ace of clubs, which unbelievably, would have dropped the singleton queen? No, he did not. He led a small spade up to West.

ended the second act.

Third act: Did West now lead admond? No, my friends. He led a spade. South made five-odd. Curtain.

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32111 Auburn Beverly Hills judged the letter to be a fraud.
Strang then led his followers to a
place near Burlington, Wisconsin
and there revealed the location of
long lost ancient Biblical records
By Strang's translation, a "mighty
prophet" was to arrive. The conclusion was plain. Strang was

their man.

Harvassed by disbelievers.

Strange transferred his colony to
Big Beaver siand, then inhabited
by a few sturdy, fighting Irish fahermen and some Indians. There
on beautiful Paradise bay, across
from Whikey point, Strang foundd the town of St. James. In
Inliv. 1849. he was crowned

"king".

Next on the scene came an attractive school teacher, Elvira Eliza Field, from Eaton Rapids

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Strang had denounced polygamy, He changed his mind when he he held Elvira. She became his second wife, posing as his secretary. When tongues wagged, Strang revealed the divine hlessing of polygamy. He then took off three other wives: Betsy McNutt and Sarah and Phoebe Wright. They all

'Strang became a leader in the Michigan state legislature. The kingdom at St. James grew to number 2,608 inhabitants by 1854 census.

The Mormon kingdom came to a tragic ending in June. 1856 Strang was fatally wounded by two of his followers in the preence of the captain of the U. S Michigan, a government boat

Irish fishermen from Mackinar and St. Helena joined those at Big Beaver. Together they drove the Mormons from their island haven

Today, the sole remaining landmark of this colorful epoch at St. James is the Old Mormon Printing-House, erected in 1850. There the first daily newspaper north of Grand Rapids was printed on April 1, 1856. The final issue of the "Northern Islander" recorded the

The Old Mormon Printing House is now marked by a historical plaque sponsored by the Michigan Press Association and the Michigan Historical Commission. The dedication ceremony took place Sunday, June 27, at the quiet Village of St. James.

Sen. Vandenberg Regrets Being 'Problem Child'

(Special from our Washington Bureau)
WASHINGTON—Dark horse
Senator Arthur Vandenberg polled
more votes (62) than any other
Governor Dwight Green of Illinois
was second with 56 and Governor
Earl Warren of California came in
third with 58

The Michigan candidate whe strolled in Rittenhouse Square during the heat of the tense bal loting didn't swerve from his stand taken in this same city of Brother ly Love eight years ago. Then, he vowed, "Never again will I fight to be president of the United States",

States":

His only sorrow is that he was a
"problem child" to his loval supporters, particularly the Michigan
delegates who stood steadfastly by
him through two ballots.

Inlike other dark horses and a vorite some, Vandenberg's trength was spread over several ates. The first roll call showed andenberg with Kentucky, 2; ansas, 3; Maine, one: Massachutts, 12; Michigan, 41; Pennsylinia, 2; and Washington, one. On the second ballot, he picked pithee votes from 26w Jersey by the price from 26w Jersey

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strength questioned. On the second ballot, James Powers of Detroit, demanded a poll of the Michigan delegates in an effort of hunt out Dewey votes, but all 41, including Powers, stayed with Vandenberg.

Vandenberg.

Yields to Dewey

Governor Sigler, coatless—with
suspenders showing, yielded to the
Dewey steamroller and said again,
'Arthur Vandenberg' had, not

National Committeeman PArt' Summerfield had no regrets about Michigan's insistence on nominating Yandenberg. "We nominated the man we thought the most able. But we know Dewey is a great American."

Certainly the Senator had no

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