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Voting? Register by Feb. 14

Residents in the Lowell Area School district not registered to vote but who would like to make themselves a part of the voting public at the special school millage election to be held on March 17th, should register without delay.

Friday, February 14th, is the last day to register for this school election. The following is a list of clerks, their addresses and telephone numbers. They will be available from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m. on the last day to register and the previous Saturday, February 8th.

City of Lowell

Laura Shepard, Clerk, Phone 897-7111. She will be at her office in the Lowell City Hall on the last day to register and at her home, 663 Shepard Dr., on Saturday, February 8th, to receive registrations.

Vergennes Township

Arvil Heilman, Clerk, Phone 897-7446. He will take registrations both days at his home, 11464 Bailey Drive.

Ada Township

Kenneth Anderson, Clerk, Phone 676-1158. He will be at his office in the Ada Township Hall on the last day to register and at his home, 1879 Honey Creek, on the previous Saturday.

Grattan Township

James A. Byrne, Clerk, Phone OX 1-8265. Registrations will be taken both days at his home, 7146 Lincoln Lake Road.

Cascade Township

Miner Cook, Clerk, Phone 949-1500. He will be at his office in the Administration Building at 2800 Orange Avenue SE, Cascade, both days.

Keese Township

Earl Beattie, Clerk, Phone 642-2022. He will be at his residence at 6171 Sayles Road both days from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m.

Cannon Township

Raymond Alles, Clerk, Phone 866-1502. He will be at his home at 7370 Courland Drive NE on both dates.

Clarksville Township

Robert Huizenga, Clerk, Phone 603-3850. He will be at his home at 11488 Nash Road for registrations. Mr. Huizenga reminds voters that there is a deputy clerk available during business hours at the Wayland State Bank in Clarksville.

We were unable to reach the following clerks for information as to their planned whereabouts on the last day to register. You may contact them at their homes.

Bowen Township

Mrs. Evelyn Smith, Clerk, Phone 868-2511. She resides at 6054 Bancroft, Alto.

Lowell Township

Mrs. Carol Wells, Clerk, Phone 897-8631. Her home is located at 12631 52nd Street.

Boston Township

Patricia Wyman, Clerk, Phone 642-9534. She resides on Vosper Street in Saranac.

Chief Ill; Name Aide to Fill Role

Lowell Police Chief Avery Block, who last year was incapacitated for the same reason, remained hospitalized today with a recurring back injury.

City Manager Bernard C. Olson disclosed that Chief Block had requested a leave of absence and that the veteran officer was granted the request for a 30-day period.

Sgt. James Hutson will assume the duties of acting chief in Block's absence, according to Olson. Hutson handled the same role for five months last year.

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Board Gets Half-Day Plan; Would Pare 38 Teachers

Elimination of 38 teachers and total curtailment of all but necessary classroom schedules are primary features of a complete austerity program under consideration for Lowell Area schools for 1969-70.

The Board of Education, facing an interested audience of 50 residents Monday night, calmly outlined a proposed \$1,206,000 budget that will reduce the system to half-day sessions.

"These plans will be open to review following the March 17 special election," board president Dr. Robert Reagan

declared, "but there is no question that we will proceed with an austerity program if sufficient operating funds are not available."

The board has authorized holding of the March 17 vote in a new attempt... the third within a year... to secure additional operating funds.

Despite several suggestions that lesser millage be sought or that a compromise be reached in reduction of the program, the board stood fast on its plans to seek seven extra mills for operating or adopt a complete austerity budget.

Even if the new appeal for seven mills is approved, Dr. Reagan pointed out, the district will wind up fiscal 1969-70 with only a small reserve, presently estimated at \$19,000.

"We must calculate that the cost-of-living will continue to add to our expenses," he declared. "And, of course, the biggest single item that must be considered is retirement of existing debt... which we now anticipate will be about \$91,000 by June 30."

Outgoing Superintendent J. C. Pace told the board that anticipated revenue from all

sources, including nominal state aid increases, would be \$1,316,675 if no new millage is approved.

Seven additional mills, which would raise the district's voted operating millage to a total of 14, and other revenues would bring in about \$1,482,925, according to Pace.

A suggested 3.9-mill levy would produce \$1,385,550 along with state aid and other sources, Pace added.

Reduction of the teaching faculty from its present level of 108 to 78 would effect an economy of between \$285,000 and \$300,000, based on an approximate \$3,200 average salary for teachers.

"However, we are confronted with the prospect of increased bus transportation costs due to the necessity of double runs to handle split sessions," Pace said.

All extracurricular activities, including athletics, would be pared from the budget along with physical education, band and chorus, elementary music, some remedial reading and some elective courses at the high school level.

Pace also recommended that the district voluntarily withdraw from membership as an accredited member of the North Central Association and University of Michigan when the board adopts the half-day formula.

"By withdrawing voluntarily," he explained, "it might be easier to regain membership at a later date when the district again qualifies."

Classroom teaching loads will be based on an average of 25 students or a total of 50 students daily for each teacher, Pace noted.

"These figures are according to what we anticipate enrollment will be next fall," he said. "Any unforeseen increase in enrollment could disrupt our calculations severely."

He said that current projections indicate an enrollment of 1,246 in the elementary grades, 610 in middle schools grades six through eight, and 790 in the senior high school.

Eighteen teachers would be eliminated from the three elementary schools, eight would be pared from the middle school and another eight from the high school.

Morning sessions would run from 8:30 a. m. to 11:30 a. m. with junior and senior high students attending four short periods of instruction. The afternoon schedule would be from 1 p. m. to 4 p. m.

Transportation would be arranged to accommodate students by geographical residency and classrooms would then be filled by students living within the city who are not eligible to ride the buses, Pace said.

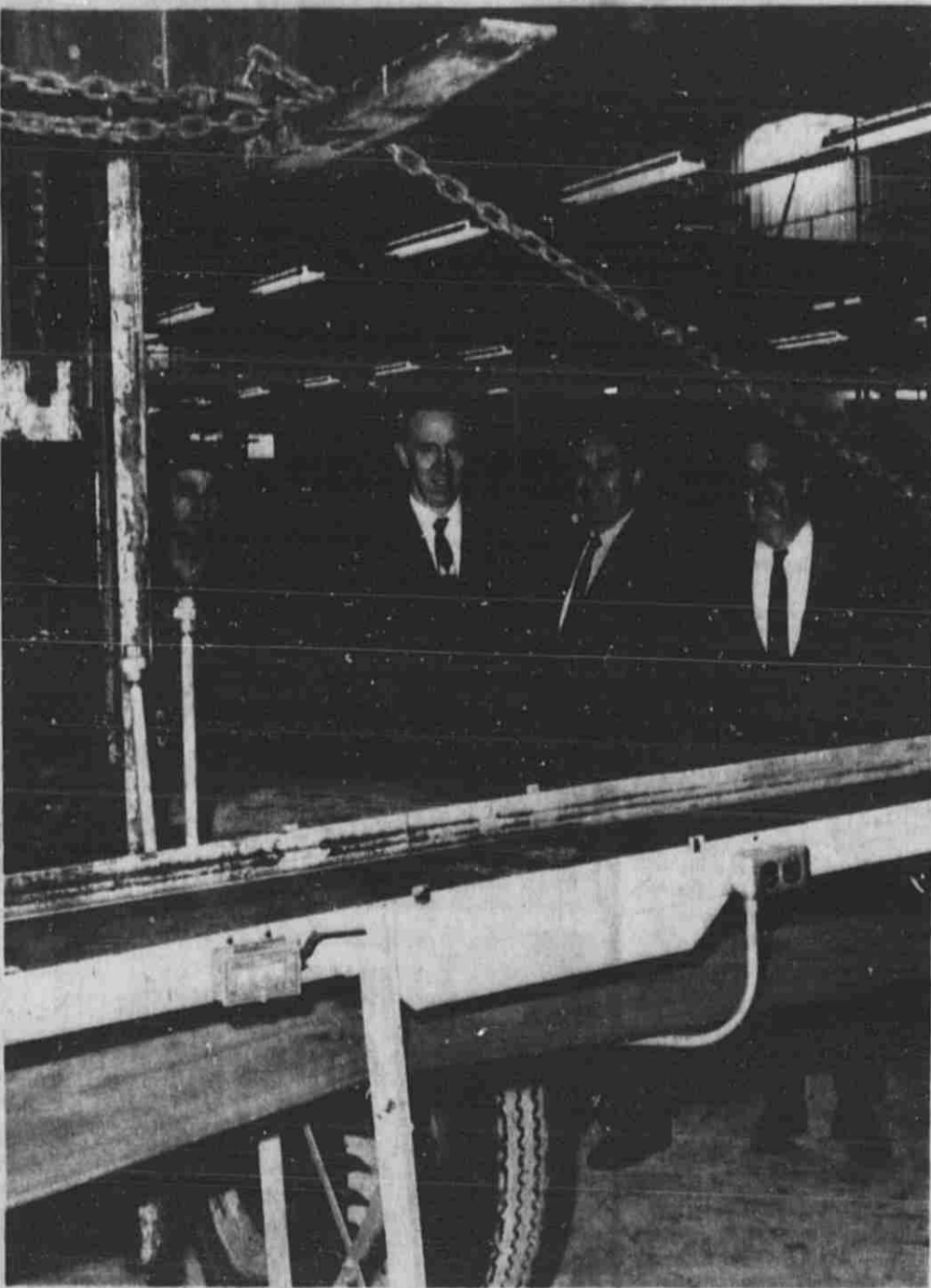
All non-essential classes would be eliminated. "We would offer reading, writing and arithmetic... but nothing more," Dr. Reagan explained.

In answer to several suggestions that the board adopt a compromise plan, Dr. Reagan said it was the opinion of the board, following extensive study of all phases of the system, that responsibility for a full program or an austerity budget rests squarely with the voters.

"If we were to ask less than seven mills, it would only solve the immediate need to wipe out the deficit. It is our opinion that the only solution is to ask the voters for enough money to run a solid program... or to have practically no program at all."

In other action during the special meeting, the board unanimously approved hiring Alvin Rowe to replace Buell Brinks as physical education instructor at the high school. Brinks has entered the armed forces.

Rowe had served as physical education instructor and head football coach at Highland Park High in Detroit prior to accepting the new position. He had applied for a position with the system last summer.



GREAT DAY - The long-awaited move to new quarters was started by Root-Lowell Manufacturing Monday. Shown above greeting the first piece of equipment to be transferred from Main Street plant are plant manager

Roger Roberts (second from left), sales manager Paul Dederich and administrative manager George Appleyard, Richard Bieri is shown at left.

Forest Hills Shuts Down

For the third time in what is coming to be known as a very hard winter the Forest Hills schools were closed on Tuesday.

Bad driving conditions brought on by a mixture of rain, sleet and snow and a forecast of more of the same on the way prompted school officials to play it safe and keep buses off the slippery roads.

Root-Lowell 'on Move'; New GM Appointed

Root-Lowell Manufacturing Corporation, which has been in business at the same location on Main Street in Lowell for 60 years, is in the process of tearing up its deep-seated roots.

Company officials were on hand Monday when the first

of 225 pieces of machinery scheduled to be moved was installed at the company's new plant on Foreman Road.

The company also announced that T. F. Olson has been appointed by the board of directors to the position of general manager.

Olson will be responsible for Root-Lowell's general management and financial affairs and will be assisted by an executive committee comprised of administrative mgr. George Appleyard, sales manager Paul Dederich and plant manager Roger Roberts.

Richard F. Brush, who had served as president for eleven years, resigned recently to accept a new position in Grand Rapids. He will officially terminate his association this Friday.

Transfer of machinery to the new location is expected to take approximately one month and is designed to cause the least amount of interruption in production schedules.

Several pieces of equipment, including can-making machines purchased from the Bliss Co. in Hastings, have been in constant use since the 1920's.

The largest item scheduled for transfer is a 75-ton capacity press, which will be dismantled and then re-assembled at the new plant site. It weighs approximately 15 tons.

The company announced that the Main Street plant has been listed with Ben Muller Industrial Realty Company of Grand Rapids.

The new plant has been designed to provide more flexibility in keeping with the company's future planning for product development of its world-renowned chemical application equipment.

Plans for moving general offices to the new plant are not complete, but it is expected the transfer will be completed by early spring.



T. F. OLSON

The Village Smithy

BY FRAN SMITH

As those of you among the faithful who bother to glance at this particular corner of the paper know all too well, the Smithy often tends to mount the soap box and sermonize.

Not that this is necessarily a bad trait, but we often wonder at times if the subject material of the sermon falls on deaf ears. And, further, do you REALLY care.

So, as evidence that there are other writers who think... and act... and express their views much in the same manner as we do, the following is offered at this particular time (omissions and deletions are intentional, for reasons you will discover):

This week voters of the school district will go to the polls to vote on a millage question, not for the current school year, but for next year. The vote is for -- mills, an increase of -- mills (\$-- per thousand) on your valuation.

The need will not be the same as the one asked for and voted down twice this year when the board sought a -- mill raise. It will be a GREATER NEED. The reason for it being greater, is the expiration of the -- mill tax, and the built in costs of running the system.

The board has not issued volumes of information on the need. This has been done in the past and if the voters are not convinced now, the only thing that will convince them will be a half day year for most or all of the school.

The built-in factors of cost of running the school, automatic raises for teachers, cannot be cut and salaries next year in the area, will probably go up. This will mean that -- will have to meet the pay scale. The only way this could be cut, would be to eliminate all jobs for those teachers who leave the system (which could be several) and have half-day classes for the school, overloading classrooms, just as they are at present.

The idea of having a superintendent, (currently making \$--) or even the principals teach classes, as one writer proposed, is ridiculous and would lead to a break-down of control and operation of the system. Most schools the size of -- have an administrative, acting and assistant superintendent.

To those persons without income, or on a small fixed income, and with rising prices, no one can blame these people for being concerned in any raise in costs. But when the government raises the price of postage, cost of medicine, insurance, or even the day-to-day costs of food climbs, these persons suffer by going without or cutting their needs.

To families with payments on necessities to make, and costs rising, they have to weigh each purchase against income and need. No one could point a finger at someone with only a crust of bread, and ask to have it shared, but probably many would offer to share.

To the families of moderate means, the bulk of the taxpayers, the question must be posed, if you vote No on the school issue, can you face your children, or grandchildren, and say after the millage vote fails, "Sorry kids, but I felt you're just not worth it!"

The teachers won't starve. They can move on to greener fields where wages are paid according to scale of the area. A janitor, bus driver, or cook, could also move to a place where wages were up to pay scale.

The ones who will suffer most, the kids, will be here to be taught. Can you look them in the face and say, "Sorry kids, you're not worth it." You will have to give the answer at the polls.

By now, there are probably a few asking themselves what the blankety-blank all those blankety-blank blanks are about. Well, this particular editorial appeared in the Lakeview Enterprise under the by-line of veteran publisher Fred Butler.

P.S. The vote was held last Saturday and passed, 876-816. Will we be able to report as much on March 18?



New Home Permits Reach Record for 1968 in Ada

BY SHIRLEY DYGERT
New construction in Ada Township, including unprecedented gains in home building, reached an all-time high of \$3,352,125 during 1968.

This was the report from building inspector Hermann Stukkie, who submitted figures for the previous 12 months to

Will Air Problems at Forums

Two open forums designed to educate Lowell school voters with problems confronting the district are scheduled this week.

The first will take place this Thursday night at the high school starting at 7:30 p. m. and will feature guest speaker Gerald Fox, assistant superintendent for business with Rockford Public Schools.

On Sunday night, issues involving the need for additional school millage will be aired at First United Methodist Church at 6:30 p. m. following a potluck dinner at 5:30.

Rev. Robert Webber said that the public is welcome to attend and listen to representatives of both sides. David Miller and Art Bieri will speak for the millage and William Doyle and Richard Friese will speak against it, according to Rev. Webber.

Four other educational sessions are scheduled at the high school, in February, concluding on February 27 with the appearance of State Senator Robert VanderLaan.

Curriculum will be discussed during intervening weeks, the first concentrating on the elementary grades on February 6, followed by junior high on February 13 and senior high on February 20.

Principals and staff members of the schools will participate in discussions with area residents during each of these seminars.

township board officials at the bi-monthly meeting on Monday night.

Total construction, including new home and commercial development and miscellaneous permits for additions and remodeling, was \$399,238 higher than in 1967.

However, the number of new homes far out-stripped 1967 figures.

Permits for 87 new homes, valued at \$2,374,190, were taken out in 1968 compared to 55 such permits in '67 with a valuation of \$1,243,392, according to Stukkie.

Eight permits were issued for commercial construction with a valuation of \$346,500. In 1967, a boom year for non-residence development in the township, seven permits were issued with value pegged at \$1,655,013.

Fire Chief Stanley Osmolinski reported 97 runs in 1968, 439 acres burned in grass fires, loss on dwellings amounting to \$3,000, less on other buildings such as barns, etc., \$7,300, loss of contents in dwellings, \$2,900.

The board members discussed the feasibility of erecting street lights at the two intersections of Paradise Lake Rd. at Hall St. and Ada Drive. They also considered a study on overhead lights on Paradise Lake Rd. which serves 100 lots.

The board will meet with the road commission on February 7 at 11 a. m. regarding plans

Furnace Room Blaze Causes Damage

Cascade Fire Department was called in the early hours Saturday to extinguish a blaze in the home of Ron Noorman, 3090 Colchester SE.

The fire apparently started in the furnace room and was confined to the basement although heat and steam damage resulted on the first floor.

Fire officials estimated damage at close to \$15,000.

for future road programs.

Maple Hill Avenue Estates, just east of Patterson Ave., will include 20 lots for medium size homes, minimum of 11,000 square feet, with 150-foot frontage on the road, the board learned.

The board appointed trustee Carl Keena and clerk Ken Anderson to take a physical inventory of township equipment for insurance purposes.

Planners OK Map Changes

City planners in Lowell today had forwarded a recommendation to the city council that it adopt a revised zoning map, that the map be made a part of the zoning ordinance and that amendments to the original map be rescinded.

The action was taken during the monthly meeting of the Planning Commission Monday night.

The commission deferred pending further study a revised plat for development of Valley Vista No. 5 subdivision submitted by Doug Dok of Lowell Development Corporation.

The planners told Dok that location of an industrial truck route between M-21 and Foreman Road would have to be resolved. Tentative plans call for the road to abut a portion of the new subdivision, but that any deviation from the plan might have a bearing on the project.

Also forwarded to council with a recommendation for approval was a request to rezone a parcel of land along the C & O Railroad from commercial to industrial.

No action was taken on revision of the zoning ordinance that would reduce the height of fences around swimming pools. The matter was referred to City Manager Bernard C. Olson for study.

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Monday - February 3: 8 p. m., township hall.
Cascade Township meeting: 8 p. m., township hall.
Lowell Township meeting: 7:30 p. m., township hall.
Vergennes Township meeting: 7:30 p. m., township hall.

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TWO YEARS OF SERVICE to church and to right, back row: Ralph Kimble and John community were culminated on Sunday, Jan. 26. Front row: Jon Gaylord, Mally ary 26th, when the following dedicated young. Blanton and David Bantz. people received the TAG awards. Show left



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HONOR 50-YEAR MEMBER
The 8th District American Legion held a dinner dance at the Grand Rapids Boat and Canoe Club commemorating their fiftieth anniversary.

OPEN HOUSE
Mr. and Mrs. Laverne Blocher (Doris Depew) are having Open House given by their children at their home, 3770 Canal St., Grandville on Saturday, February 1st from 2 to 5 p. m. and from 7 to 9 in the evening in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary. All friends and relatives are cordially invited.

Other Alo News
Mark Craig, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Craig is presently stationed at Fort Knox, Ky. with the Armed Services.

Drivers Use Caution on Slippery Roads
Area drivers used extreme caution during inclement weather early this week, according to police.

Police report that Albert L. Myers, 50, of Lowell was fined a total of \$78 when he appeared before District Judge Joseph E. White to enter a plea of driving while under the influence of liquor.

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Honor Farmers on Feb. 5

Area farmers will be the guests of honor at the annual Farmers Day Program to be held on Wednesday, February 5th. The Lowell Rotary Club and the State Savings Bank of Lowell will be the co-sponsors this year.

Beginning with a noon dinner at the First United Methodist Church of Lowell, the farmers will be entertained by students from the Lowell High School and Alan Van, a musician from Grand Rapids.

Snow Area

Four ladies from our WPCS. Mrs. Mary McCune, Mrs. Catherine Fox, Mrs. Marie Starnard and Mrs. Alice Reynolds, attended the Burton Heights WPCS dinner last Wednesday noon. They enjoyed the pictures of the individual children's Home at Farmington.

Callers this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fox were Mrs. William Bump, Mrs. David Ploger and daughter, Mrs. Robert Key, all of Lowell, Mrs. Martin Potts, and Mr. & Mrs. James Cleveland of Grand Rapids.

Tags awards in 1967 went to Kristine Bishop, Gary Crum, Dennis Crum, Steven Bantz, Craig Chandler and Greg VanStrein. In 1968, Shelli Lupton, Nancy Scott, Paula Gesmer, Susan Lee, Jeff VanStrein, Jon DeArmond, Mark Cheyne and Matthew Smith, were given the award.

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Mr. and Mrs. Roger Pitsch and daughters were Sunday afternoon and luncheon guests last week at the Leon Anderson home.

Area Dairy Farmers on Select List

Michigan dairymen were represented in the newly-approved list of members admitted to the Friesian Association of America.

69 Auto Tag Sales
Michigan's near 5-million owners of motor vehicles are staying away from license plate sales offices in droves, creating the potential for the biggest late February bottleneck in plate sales since the state first began issuing them back in 1918.

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State Pays \$278 Each for Students

Martin D. Burth (R-Comstock Park), State Representative from the 98th District, announced the state school aid payments to be made February 1 to the Kent County schools.

Both explained that state aid funds are added to local property taxes to pay the operating costs of the Kent County school system. School construction costs are financed entirely from local district taxes.

Hospital Notes
Mrs. Jack Briedenfield of Scandling Avenue has been a surgical patient at Butlerworth Hospital.

U.S. Coast Guard is taking his boat training at Cape May, New Jersey. His address is SR Kirk Y. Jefferson, 280-74, Uniform-6, Old Deck 257, USCG Training Center, Cape May, N. J. 08204.

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Upset Loss Dims Title Hopes for Arrow '5'

It will take a miracle for Lowell High's basketball team to gain even a share of the Tri-River Conference championship.

This was the sad, but true, conclusion to be reached following a 61-54 upset at the hands of much-improved Greenville on the latter's floor last week.

The defeat dropped Lowell into a two-way tie with Greenville for second place in the league behind undefeated defending champion Rockford. Both contenders trail Rockford by two games.

Greenville meets Rockford this Friday night at Rockford while Lowell travels to Sparta. The Red Arrows tackle the powerful Rams on the home floor next Tuesday night.

"There's no question that Greenville deserved to win," said Coach Jack Kemper following the disheartening defeat. "We didn't play our game and they played theirs. That was the difference."

The Arrows were limited to just 56 shots from the floor... a season low... with Captain Curt Fonger and Denny DeWitt accounting for 45 of the FGAs.

Fonger sank 13 of his 25 shots to finish with a season high of 33 points while DeWitt collected another 13 points while striking seven of 20 field goal attempts.

A field goal by Blair Cahoon and a free throw conversion by Craig Wittenbach accounted for Lowell's other points. While Greenville's stick defense was holding all but Fonger and DeWitt in tight check, the Yellow Jackets came up with a well-balanced effort led by Dave Vanderlip and Howard Bedore with 12 each and Glen Rasmussen with 10.

Lowell held a 10-8 lead at the first quarter mark following the slowest start of the season, but fell behind at half-time, 25-23. Greenville continued to pull away in the second half as the scoring pace picked up, taking a 44-41 edge into the final period.

Rockford roared along unbeaten with a 60-33 romp over Sparta. Fourth-place Cedar Springs toppled Belding 74-58, and Coopersville handed Comstock Park its seventh straight league loss, 70-45, in other league action.

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When the shoe fits, wear it. When it doesn't, try something else.

That, in a nutshell, is the philosophy of Forest Hills High basketball coach Don Kemp.

Kemp and his Ranger hard-wooders have long prided themselves on their ability to harass opponents with a stubborn zone press, but the defense failed to hold up against rivals in the first half of the 1968-69 season.

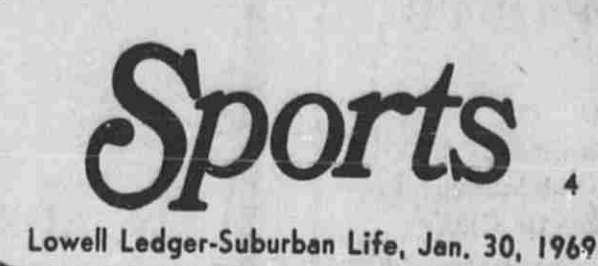
So Kemp switched tactics, installed a combination man-to-man and zone defense, and the initial result was a rewarding 75-49 win over Kentwood last Friday in the O-K Red Division.

"When things don't go good with one system, the only thing to do is change," declared Kemp following the victory. "I was pleased that the boys switched over to the new defense so well."

The win snapped a two-game losing streak and boosted the Rangers into a fourth-place tie with Rogers at 3-4 in the conference. Forest Hills' overall mark for the campaign now stands at 4-6.

Forward Tom Teft turned in the finest game of his career in leading Forest Hills to victory. The 6'1" cornerman sank 25 points, getting nine of them in the opening period as the Rangers struck to an 18-14 lead.

Dave Sherwood connected for 21 points and 11 of his markers came in the third quarter when Forest Hills broke away from a 31-27 halftime advan-



ARROWS SHOT DOWN - Steve Lessens of Lowell High and teammate Curt Fonger are shown during under-the-basket scramble with Greenville's Al Colby (28) and Dave Vanderlip (22).

Sports
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O-K Dual Mat Title on Line for Rangers
First place in the O-K Red Division... and possibly the dual meet championship for 1968-69... will be at stake this Thursday night when Forest Hills High enters Wyoming Rogers in a wrestling match at the high school gym at 7:30 p. m.

JVs Beat Greenville on Rally
A sizzling fourth-quarter outburst carried Lowell High's junior varsity basketball team to its fifth consecutive victory. Fr.-Jay night as the Red and White JVs tripped Greenville 52-41.

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JANUARY 24 GAMES
Greenville 61, Lowell 54
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Kemp and his Ranger hard-wooders have long prided themselves on their ability to harass opponents with a stubborn zone press, but the defense failed to hold up against rivals in the first half of the 1968-69 season.

So Kemp switched tactics, installed a combination man-to-man and zone defense, and the initial result was a rewarding 75-49 win over Kentwood last Friday in the O-K Red Division.

"When things don't go good with one system, the only thing to do is change," declared Kemp following the victory. "I was pleased that the boys switched over to the new defense so well."

The win snapped a two-game losing streak and boosted the Rangers into a fourth-place tie with Rogers at 3-4 in the conference. Forest Hills' overall mark for the campaign now stands at 4-6.

Forward Tom Teft turned in the finest game of his career in leading Forest Hills to victory. The 6'1" cornerman sank 25 points, getting nine of them in the opening period as the Rangers struck to an 18-14 lead.

Dave Sherwood connected for 21 points and 11 of his markers came in the third quarter when Forest Hills broke away from a 31-27 halftime advan-

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West Ottawa	L 1
Hudsonville	L 1
Rogers	L 1
Forest Hills	L 1
Wyoming Park	L 1
Kentwood	L 1

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Forest Hills Wins

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The Rangers had a hot hand in the second half, netting 17 of 35 floor shots for 49 percent. Overall, they hit on 30 of 73 tries for a game mark of 41 percent.

Center Greg DenBoer, Kentwood's 6'7" sophomore ace, took game scoring honors with 28 points and Flip Haight added 10 for the losers.

The Rangers play host to West Ottawa this Friday night and will be seeking to reverse a 70-52 defeat suffered in their first meeting. They also will be in action next Tuesday

FOREST HILLS

Teft	FG FT TP	20 18 25
Collins		3 18
Wingeler		3 0 6
Sherwood		9 3 21
Grabarek		2 1 5
Kessel		1 2 4
Vanderbaan		1 0 2
Linscott		1 0 2
Total		39 15 75

KENTWOOD

DenBoer	FG FT TP	8 10 20
Harris		4 1 9
Helkeboer		2 3 7
Haight		5 10 19
Gilpin		1 1 2
McReynolds		1 0 2
Pullen		1 2 4
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Girl Scout News

January 27th we Girl Scouts elected new girls for the posts of patrol leader, assistant patrol leader, treasurer, and scribe. The lucky girls are, in order, Linda Novitsky, Peggy Shoen, Bonnie Smoes, and Mary Lessens.

We discussed Event Day which is to try and involve the parents in scouting. It's for the family of a Girl Scout.

We had ideas of where we'd have an overnight. Mrs. Kern our leader, said she would call the Kent County Conservation Club to see if we could rent their cabin.

Since we like to have community projects, we talked about the Sheldon Complex Center in Grand Rapids. We might be able to go see what it's like some Saturday.

He joins the family with Susan, Denise and David Ryan. Congratulations!

Other News
Susan and Denise Patrick were guests of Debbi and Vickie Farris last week a few days.

Miss Myrtle Wilson and sister, Mrs. Lema Barnum, of Hastings were Saturday guests of Mrs. Doris Sawdy.

Miss Patty Parente was a guest of Miss JoAnne Sawdy Thursday night.

The Pleasant Valley WMA was held at Mrs. Marian Willet's home in Clarksville on Thursday of last week, due to being postponed on account of the storm the week previous.

There was a good attendance and also some of the men were present at the delicious chicken potluck dinner at noon. A time of devotion and business meeting was held for the afternoon. The meeting in February to be held with Mrs. Beth Palmer as hostess at the parsonage for an evening meeting.

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Callers at Ira Blough's past week were Alex Wingeler, John Krebs, Geo. Krebs, Rev. Beulah Poe, and Ivan K. Blough. Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Rodgers were Thursday evening visitors.

Mrs. Lloyd Miller & daughter and Mrs. Freeman Hoffmann were supper guests Sunday evening at the Ovid Miller home at Morrison Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. George Krebs and John Krebs were Sunday evening guests at the Noah

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Social Scene

Due to the coming leave of Pvt. Frederick Blaser, Terrence Blaser and Miss Linda Wolbers will be married February 15th. The wedding was originally planned for early spring. Frederick will depart for Viet Nam on the First of March.

Mrs. Lila Stiles of 8935 28th Street, Ada, is home from the hospital and is doing fine, but will have to be in bed for four weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Rogers and family attended the wedding of their son, Richard McClish, to Vesta Daugherty daughter of Mrs. Roy Clark Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kiel attended the graduation exercises of Central Michigan University Saturday at which their son, Charles, received his Bachelor of Science Degree. 'Chaz' started teaching mathematics in the Mount Pleasant school system this week.

An open house is planned for Sunday, February 1st, in honor of the 25th anniversary of Dan and Evelyn Free. Relatives and friends are invited to join them at the Ada Town Hall from 6 to 9 p. m.

Robert Yeiter of Belding called on his mother, Mrs. Ethel Yeiter, Monday morning. Mrs. Letha Blough of Clarksville called on her mother Monday afternoon.

Terry Yeiter of Saranac and his girl friend, Charlene Myers also of Saranac called on Mrs. Ethel Yeiter on Sunday.

Mrs. Pauline Stuart of Clarksville was also a Sunday caller at the home of her mother, Mrs. Ethel Yeiter.

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Linda Cook, present Honored Queen, will be the installing officer.

Mary DeRushia will be installed as Honored Queen, Pamela Harter of Ada as Senior Princess and Anita Hahn as Junior Princess.

The public is cordially invited to attend this open meeting.

Pioneer Girls Celebrate Their Week

In celebration of Pioneer Girl Week, January 28th thru February 2nd, the First Baptist Church of Lowell will have a Pioneer Girl encampment included in the Sunday evening service which begins at 7 p. m. on February 2nd.

At this time the Pioneer Girl members will receive the awards they have earned.

After the service guests will enjoy a time of refreshment and fellowship in the downstairs service area where projects and materials will be on display. Guides and committee members will be present to better acquaint everyone with the Pioneer Girl program.

Mothers, pals and gals are urged to attend this important meeting.

Forest Hills Hi-Lites

BY SHIRLEY DYCKERT

Two of Ada's oldest residents have been hospitalized. Rex Anthony is a medical and surgical patient in room 514 at Blodgett Hospital. Following a fall at her home on one of the iciest days of the year, Ida Morse was taken to Sunshine Hospital. Both of these venerable citizens would probably enjoy cards and letters to cheer their days.

Meanwhile two members of the younger set, Rich and Lynn DeGreen have become the parents of a daughter born at Osteopathic Hospital.

St. Robert's Church in Ada was the scene Saturday of the exchange of marriage vows between Ellen Steed and Mike Lennon. Following a reception and dinner dance for over three hundred guests, the couple left on a northern honeymoon. One of the most charming couples on the floor was Bob Paine and daughter, Barb Burkhead. Wife and mother, Pat, was at home following surgery.

If you seem to be stuck at home amid the snows and ice, but really are a traveler at heart, this is a reminder of the travelogue series presented by Ada Congregational Church. This Saturday at 8 p. m. in the Forest Hills Multi-Purpose Room, sometimes called Auditorium, a husband and wife team, Stan and Irene Paulauskas, will present a program entitled "Exploring Poland." This promises a trip from the mountains of the south to the Baltic shores of the north. If you are not now a ticket-holder, you may call Ron or Cheryl Collins at 676-2631 for information.

On Tuesday nights at the Forest Hills Junior High, there is a beginning work shop in square and round dancing being sponsored by the Cascafers, a square dance club. The members have already signed up over twenty-five couples who are either just starting out on the adventure or who are re-learning what they may have forgotten. Square dancing now is a different breed than in the past. It is more sophisticated and less of the old hoe-down variety. Ruth Hoff will be glad to explain to anyone who is interested just what goes on these days both locally and nationally. Call her at 949-6583 for details.

The current issue of Lakeland Boating carries a story by our own Captain Kreigh Collins. It tells of the family's trip from Boothbay Harbor, Maine, to Lake Macatawa, Michigan in their schooner, Feather. It was a 2,000 mile trek over waters sometimes kind, sometimes wild. The skipper illustrated the article with numerous sketches. Of particular interest to yachtsmen is the section telling of landfalls and costs.

Winging their way through the friendly skies to Florida for the next few days are Bill and Maxine Drake of 130 Rob in Hood Drive NE. Bill is the popular musician and band-leader whose group is also known as the "Hi-Lites."

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Wm. Depew in Cascade are particularly thankful to the Lord for 25 years of married life because of their late start in wedlock. Friends are helping them celebrate the happy occasion by taking them to Fingers Restaurant for dinner on the anniversary date, January 29th.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Nawrocki of Thorncrest Dr. S.E. in Cascade were entertained

Betrothals Announced



BONNIE KIETZMAN

It is the pleasure of Mrs. Ruth Kietzman of Clarksville to announce the engagement of her daughter, Bonnie L., to Philip S. Schiffer.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roman Gietzen of Comstock Park.

Miss Kietzman, who is employed at Amway Corporation in Ada, is a 1967 graduate of Saranac High School.

Her fiance attended Ferris State College following his graduation in 1966 from Comstock Park High School. He is now serving with the U. S. Marine Corps at Santa Ana, California.



SHARON CONNER

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Metternick, Sr., of Alto are pleased to announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Rose Marie, to William J. Bruinsma of Ann Arbor.

Parents of the prospective bridegroom are Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Bruinsma, Sr., of Grand Rapids.

Miss Metternick, a graduate of Marywood Academy, is presently employed at National Gypsum Company in Grand Rapids.

Mr. Bruinsma is a graduate of Central High School and Grand Rapids Junior College. He is presently employed by Chrysler Corporation in Ann Arbor.

June 7 has been chosen as the wedding date.

Ada Scene of Winter Wedding

Nuptial vows were exchanged Saturday afternoon in St. Robert of Newminister Church of Ada between Ellen L. Steed, and Michael J. Lennon.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Harris P. Steed, Aylesworth Street SE and Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Lennon, Hutchinson Street SE.

The bride chose a beau de soie A line gown with a high bodice and chantilly lace accents. A pearled comb secured her veil of bridal illusion.

Elizabeth Ann Lennon was maid of honor. Mrs. Thomas Rensland, Beth Steed and Mary Lennon were bridesmaids; Eileen Bockheim and Linda Rensland were flower girls.

Attending the bridegroom as best man was William Metcalf of Kalamazoo. Ralph Steed, Gerard Shucker and Thomas Rensland served as groomsmen. The guests were seated by William Bockheim and John Lennon.

Newlyweds Residing Out of State

St. Michael's Church in Denison was the scene on January 3rd of the marriage of Norrine Bailey and James Kissinger.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Norwood E. Bailey of Rockford and Mr. and Mrs. James R. Kissinger, Sr., of Alto.

The young couple will make their home in Williamsburg, Virginia, while he is stationed with the Army at Fort Eustis.

WOTM Plan Special Event in February

The main topic for discussion at the Women of the Moose Chapter night meeting held on January 28th was the special day being planned in honor of Deputy Grand Regent Dorothy Devaney.

Plans call for it to be held on Sunday, February 16th, at the Moose Home in Marshall, Michigan, at 2 p. m. Any co-worker who wishes to attend should contact Del Smit.

The next meeting of the Women of the Moose will be held on Monday, February 3rd, at 8 p. m. in the club rooms.

BIRDS

Leanne Marie is the name given the new daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Harden of Algonac. The young lady, born on December 29th, weighed six pounds, thirteen ounces at birth. Mrs. Harden is the former Jean Strand of Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard DeGreen, Pettis Avenue, proudly announce the birth of a daughter January 12 at Grand Rapids Osteopathic Hospital.

A baby boy, Frederick Carl, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ted Broersma, 853 Patterson Ave. S.E. at Blodgett Hospital on Wednesday, January 22.

Coming Events

The Vergennes Club will meet on Thursday, February 6th, at the hall at 1:30 p. m. Each member bring a dessert with recipe for same. Edith Roth and June Wittenbach are hostesses. Roll call will be a Valentine exchange.

Clark Ellis American Legion Auxiliary will meet Thursday, February 6th, 1 p. m. for dessert and meeting.

The Women of the Moose Chapter 1288 will hold their chapter night meeting on Monday, February 3, in the club rooms.

The annual Chamber of Commerce Banquet will be held on February 6 at the Lowell Methodist Church, 7 p. m., featuring a speaker from the Kent County Planning Commission.

The annual meeting of the with dinner Monday evening, January 20th, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Wm. Depew of 3086 Thorncrest Dr. S.E. as a little farewell party, as the Nawrocki family moved that day to take up residence in the Lakewood Hills Apts. in East Grand Rapids. Other friends came in the evening to bid farewell to the wonderful neighbors, the Nawrockis.

Lowell Showboat Corporation will be held on Tuesday, February 4th, 7 p. m. at the American Legion building. The public is invited to attend.

Fish and ham supper, Saturday, February 1st, serving 5 to 8 p. m. Clarksville Masonic Hall.

St. Rita's Circle will hold a Valentine Bake Sale at Wepman's store on February 8th from 9:30 a. m. to 3 p. m.

The Regular Meeting of the Women's Relief Corps will meet February 5 at 6:30 for our carry-in dinner at the American Legion Hall.

St. Mary's Altar Society will hold their regular meeting on Monday, February 3rd. Kay Feuerstein will show slides and discuss her trip to Sweden as an exchange student.

The second class in School Financing, Budget and Curriculum will be held in the Science Room of the Senior High School, Thursday evening at 7:30. There is no charge for the course. This week's guest speaker is from the Rockford School System. He will discuss School Budgeting and Finance.

Deadline for want ads—Tuesday noon.

Students Art to Be Published

Two more students of Lowell High School have had the thrill of hearing that their work has been accepted for publication in anthologies to be released later this year by the National Poetry Press.

Christine Bravata and Cla Avery, both students in Mrs. Donald Mullen's second year art class, will have pen and ink drawings published in "Art of Young America."

It was recently announced that a poem written by Joanne Vader, a student in Mrs. Keith Avery's English class, will appear in the "National Anthology of High School Poetry."

EXECUTIVES' SALARIES DUE TO LEVEL OFF

The prospect of a less booming economy through 1969 has dimmed the salary outlook for executives. "Everything seems to be leveling out," one corporate manager observes. At any rate, executive salaries will rise more slowly this year than in the past and in some instances increases will be on a "selective" basis.

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