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School Millage Votes for Area Electors March 16

Qualified voters in the Lowell and Forest Hills districts apparently will go to the polls on March 16 to determine the fate of proposals for operating millage.

Lowell schools officials Monday night agreed tentatively to place the millage vote before voters on that date as part of a countywide "school millage election day."

A similar vote had previously been approved for Forest Hills school officials. Setting aside a single date on which to conduct all millage votes in the county had been suggested last fall by the Kent Intermediate School District.

Both superintendents... Carl Hagen of Lowell and Robert Masten of Forest Hills indicated that much work remains before their respective boards will be able to establish the amount and tenure of operating millage to be sought.

School authorities throughout the county and state are generally agreed that educational reform legislation now pending before the Michigan Legislature may be a long way from final passage.

"We have always set what we considered to be a realistic figure for operating millage," says Masten, "and that policy will

continue to be followed.

Hagen indicated that much of the tentative budget work for 1970-71 has begun, but noted that prospective growth of the district is a definite problem in planning beyond one year.

"We have already gone beyond our expected growth for the present school term," he declared, noting that 49 new students had enrolled since the official count, for state aid purposes, in late September.

Forest Hills board members may establish the millage rate and tenure at next Tuesday night's monthly meeting, but Masten indicated the agenda may not permit sufficient discussion. In that case, a special meeting would be called to complete election plans.

One of the foremost projects at the January 20 meeting will be opening of bids for sale of \$700,000 in debt bonds for construction of junior high facilities, renovation of the senior high and other projects.

Masten indicated there may be a chance that the bonds might be sold at well under the eight percent interest ceiling established for municipal bonds by recent state legislation.

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Federal Aid May Assist Sewage Bill

Lowell taxpayers received a bit of "good news" today out of Washington, D. C.

The city may be relieved of much of the burden of having to spend thousands of additional dollars for new equipment at its waste water treatment plant, as well as for added costly chemicals.

Congress has come up with a bill which calls for the federal government to work with the states in planning and putting an end to pollution. The U. S. government will kick in 40% of the cost, according to present plans.

Of immediate interest to Lowell citizens is a recent decree from the Michigan Water Resources Commission that the city had until December 1972 to extract phosphorus (phosphate) from its sewerage system.

The presence of phosphorus reportedly is the cause of the abnormal growth of a water weed called algae, which scientists say, is a pollutant.

Strange as it may seem, in order to get rid of phosphorus which feeds algae, Lowell would have to spend thousands of dollars for new treatment facilities at the sewage disposal plant.

But worst still is the tremendous cost of large doses of the alum which, according to present-day knowledge, is the logical chemical which destroys phosphorus.

But now the government has entered the pollution picture and is cooperating with states and cities in cleaning the nation's putrid waters.

As one congressman said: "States cannot possibly go it alone; it's an inter-state affair, as most streams and rivers have their headwaters in one state, run their course in that state, and then flow on into another state."

"What good is it to have one state or city clean up their waste water, only to have officials in another state drag their feet in cleaning up their waste water. The federal government is the only agency which can coordinate these efforts."

The federal-state attack on water pollution, the congressman said, would be on several fronts.

Lowell is in a favorable position in that its sanitary engineering is done by Williams & Works, an acknowledged national leader in sewage treatment.

Then, too, Lowell has two councilmen who are knowledgeable on the subject of waste water treatment. Councilman Herb Reynolds has done much home work on the subject, as has Councilman Carlen Anderson of the engineering division of the Kent County Road Commission.

Some nearby communities are experimenting with what is known as a "lagoon" system for waste water disposal; other cities and towns are working on an "irrigation" system for disposal of sewage. These will be inspected by the councilmen.

Out of all of these efforts it is conceivable that Lowell's share of the cost of additional sewer treatment will be much less than the thousands of dollars that had first been anticipated.



PICTURE PERFECT - This winter scene could have been taken in almost any year, but it's the most recent of Whites Bridge, located northeast of Lowell.



Of the many problems confronting the American public, there isn't much doubt that those associated with economics are most cussed and discussed.

This, of course, involves a wide scope... all the way from what can be done to wipe out poverty among the poor to what is the most practical solution to a fair and equitable tax for the rich.

Start a conversation and you'll have about as many solutions as there are conversants. Take a firm stand and, 99 times out of a 100, there will be someone to take an exact opposite viewpoint.

This comes to mind with the information from several sources within the past few weeks that the cost of living, despite polite chastisement from the White House to one and all to refrain from continuing the upward spiral, is rising at about the same accelerated rate that has prevailed for about a decade.

Most workers who are represented by unions, we are told, realized a gain in wages of \$6.65 a week during 1969... but the C-O-L rose \$6.78 during the 12-month period just ended!

This means that some 4 million unionized workers went into the year with what appeared to be a reasonable chance to come out ahead of the game and managed to fall behind another 13 cents per week.

Now 13 cents won't buy too much! Example: You could, if the grocer agreed, get one-third of a tin of herring and horse-radish sauce.

Provided you like herring and horse-radish sauce!

Example: If you like sweet things (non-feminine variety, of course), you could get one-third of a bottle of maraschino cherries. What with the way prices are rising, though, it might cost too much to get something to wrap around these succulent tidbits.

Example: You just might run into a bargain and ALMOST get two of what we used to call "nickel" candy bars for 13 cents... but you've got to be in a right place at the right time or forget it.

We have used these examples simply to point out what might be classified as a ridiculous situation if it were not so serious and becoming more so with each passing day.

Where does it all end? Even the experts in Washington decline to hazard an educated guess. It could start, suggest some, if the American working public agrees to voluntary cuts in pay and retailers and manufacturers agree to reducing their prices and banks agree to lesser interest rates and stockholders agree to fewer dividend returns.

It may be true that these measures would help, in some degree, to stabilize a badly-teetering economy.

But I am more inclined to feel that only honest-to-goodness, no-holds-barred, down-to-earth reform of taxation at all levels and government spending at all levels and more attention paid to what's needed here at home than some of the fouled-up messes we have become involved with worldwide would do more than anything to stop much of the problem.

So much for this week's sermon. And now about that Super Dud played in New Orleans Sunday. Did you ever in all your life... except when the Jets upset Baltimore the year before... see such an inept performance as put on by the "invincible" Minnesota Vikings.

As I said a week earlier about the Rose Bowl game, it was about as interesting as watching still water.

In light of what had been headlined all week about betting rings, there probably are more than a few cynics ready to wager that all wasn't quite right with this one!

Well, that ends it for another "season"... unless you want to bore yourself with the absolute-nothing Pro Bowl this weekend.

Be my guest. If enough snow melts, I'll be out playing golf, thank you.

Race Looms for Seats on Council

Lowell political fires began warming today as three surprise candidates circulated nominating petitions among the electorate for a seat on the City Council.

Reliable sources indicate that other candidates are about to throw their hats into the local political ring.

Deadline for filing nomination papers for a spot in the February 16 primary election is 5 p.m. next Monday, January 19.

To date five candidates have taken out nomination petitions. If two or more candidates take out petitions before the deadline for filing, there will be a primary.

The surprise candidates are Avery W. Block, former Lowell Chief of Police; Herbert R. Jones, a son-in-law of the former police chief, and Mrs. Laura Rogers, a newcomer in city politics.

The other candidates are council incumbents Mrs. Virginia Myers and Carlen Anderson, both of whom had petitions in circulation last week.

But primary or no primary, the regular Lowell city election will be held on Monday, April 6. Election clerks will be on duty to man the new voting machines, with two of them posted in the city's two precincts.

Lowell citizens who desire to register their names on the poll books have until 5 p.m. this Friday (January 16) to be eligible to vote in the primary.

Says Crossing Signal Needed in Vergennes

A photograph which appeared in this newspaper last week has given added impetus to the concern of Vergennes Township residents for greater safety at railroad crossings in the township.

The picture in question showed the section of Bailey Drive near the approaches of the C&O railroad crossing.

One concerned homeowner, who resides on Bailey Drive, is George R. Fansler, who made this comment regarding the news photo:

"The Lowell Ledger-Suburban Life is to be complimented for calling attention, through this picture, of the railroad crossing situation in our neighborhood."

"The 'blind spot' as one approaches downhill toward the crossing, and the sharp curve just east of the crossing, make for a very dangerous situation."

"In the summer months, particularly at night, we hear the loud screeches from brakes as drivers suddenly become aware that they are nearing this crossing."

"Those of us living on Bailey Drive will continue to seek installation of a light at this crossing."

Name Roberts as 'Y' Prexy

New officers have been named to serve the Lowell YMCA during 1970.

Roger Roberts was named president to succeed Clark Fletcher; Mike VanderVelde succeeds George Day, Jr. as vice president and Mrs. Carlen Anderson has been re-elected secretary.

The "Y" board of directors, following approval at the December meeting, was reduced from 18 to 12 members with an additional member serving in an ex-officio capacity.

Other board members for 1970 include Veroel Dovee, James Cook, Mrs. Richard Curtis, Larry Wittenbach, Howard Briggs, Harold Englehardt, Mrs. Orlee Gwatkin, Richard McNeal, Rev. Robert Webber and Mrs. Dan Walker.

ROSIE DRIVE INN - This week's special: Hippie Burger - 45 cents. c40

Home Starts Sag Sharply in Ada Twp.

New home permits issued by Ada Township were down almost 32 percent in 1969 compared to the year before, but valuation for all construction showed a slight increase for the 12-month period just ended.

This was the report offered to the Ada Township board at its regular bi-monthly meeting Monday night by Building Inspector Herman Stukkie.

Stukkie issued permits for four new homes during the month of December at a valuation of \$66,800, which was also down sharply from the previous December when eight permits, valued at \$242,000, were issued.

The 1969 total showed 59 new home permits (\$1,599,500) compared to 87 in 1968 with a valuation of \$2,374,000.

Commercial construction was up for 1969 however, with much of the building concentrated at the expanding Amway Corporation complex. Stukkie issued 13 commercial permits in 1969 with a valuation of \$1,509,283... almost double that of 1968 when eight permits, valued at \$846,500 were issued.

Various permits for garages, remodeling and others showed an increase in valuation... \$260,865 for 1969 compared to the '68 figure of \$131,435.

Total valuation was up \$17,713 over 1968.

The board considered only two other matters, both involving drains, in one of the shortest meetings of recent date.

Board members adopted a resolution calling upon Kent County Drain Commissioner Frank Bouma to establish a special drain district on and near the Amway Corporation property.

Amway officials had requested that the township seek to increase the capacity of a drain that now passes under M-21 and empties into what is called "Lake Amway."

Various construction projects at Amway have altered the flow of waters into the drain. A public hearing will be called in the near future. According to the initial outline, Amway will pay for the drainage improvement.

The board also heard Bouma outline preliminary plans for improving Plaster Creek in line with a joint Kent-Allegan county proposal that involves 13 different governmental units.

Much work still has to be done before the project, which will receive Federal funds as well, gets off the drawing board and the township board tabled the matter for discussion at a later date.

Firemen Handle 71 Calls

Almost 80 percent of the 71 fire calls handled during 1969 were for grass fires, according to a report issued this week by Chief Harold Metternick of the Bowne Township (Alto) Fire Department.

The department, which has 15 volunteer members, responded to 57 grass fires, of which 13 were along railroad right-of-ways.

Metternick also noted that the first fatalities by fire in more than 35 years were



PLAY'S THE THING - Shown here in final rehearsal for next Tuesday's performance of "Pinocchio" at Forest Hills High are members of the Thornapple Community Players. From the left they are Jane Briedenfield as the Red Fox, Mae Preston of the lead role and Elyne VanSlysters, who portrays the Black Cat. Story page 2. (Photo by Shirley Dygert)

Yule Decoration Winners Listed

Winners of the home decorating contest sponsored annually by the Lowell Light and Power Company and the Lowell Chamber of Commerce have been announced.

First place prize of a Hot Tray bun warmer was presented to Gary Rivers for his theme of "Santa's Accident." E. R. Maynard, 240 Valley Vista won the second place prize, an Open Hearth electric broiler. Third place was garnered by Blaine Bacon, 1270 Laurie Gail, fourth by Tom Johnson, 201 Donna, and fifth place by James Jenkins, 195 Valley Vista. Their prizes were a Sunbeam 12-cup auto-perculator, Sunbeam frypan and Sunbeam can opener and ice crusher, respectively.

Last year's contest winner, Ernest Collins, 420 Riverside, received special mention for his decorations. Others earning special mention were the McDonald home, with a large snowman in the window; the Hugh Young home; the Thomet home and the star on the hill over Royce Story's.

Community Mourns Loss of Civic Leader

Lowell-area residents today mourned the loss of Ernest C. (Ernie) Foreman, a highly-esteemed and longtime citizen of the community who passed away suddenly at his home on Gee Drive last Saturday at age 75.

Mr. Foreman was born June 5, 1894 in Collingwood, Ontario, attended elementary and secondary schools in that community, and later graduated from the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph, Ont.

He taught at Guelph, after which he became superintendent of the O.A.C. Poultry Plant. In 1915, he came to Michigan to assume duties as manager of the Michigan Poultry Farm in Lansing. In 1916, he became Poultry Extension Specialist with Michigan Agricultural College.

Granted a leave of absence in 1919 to complete studies for a degree, he graduated in 1921 from the Ontario Agriculture College, and later obtained a B.S.A. degree from Toronto University.

Mr. Foreman returned to Michigan State University as an instructor in 1922-23, after which he was made Professor of Poultry Husbandry, and given charge of the Poultry department.

It was at this time that he met and induced John Hannah to enroll in Michigan State. The rise of John Hannah, of course, to the presidency of Michigan State, was a source of considerable pride to Mr. Foreman.

In his work in the field of poultry, Mr. Foreman developed a method called "Head Culling" and was largely responsible for the selective breeding methods which developed a high strain of laying hens. He also developed a new type of poultry house which was called the Foreman Poultry House and brought out new feed formulae for laying hens.

It was through his work in feed formulae with Charles and William Doyle of the

Bank Report Reflects Area Growth

Growth of Lowell and environs over the past 12 months is reflected in the statement of condition issued by the State Savings Bank of Lowell today.

The bank reported assets and liabilities amounting to \$10,652,731.95 for the period ending December 31, 1969... an increase of \$712,004.05 over the same date a year ago.

Total operating income for the 12-month period was \$636,142.80 compared to \$534,469.63 in 1968. Net operating earnings for 1969 was set at \$99,088.95, an increase of more than \$13,000 over the previous 12-month reporting period.

President Harold J. Engelhardt, who also serves as chairman of the board, said that the bank's growth in the past few years has been "most gratifying."

"There is no question that Lowell is a growing area," said Engelhardt. "The outlook is very promising for the future of the city and surrounding communities."

During the past year, the bank marked two milestones. A new Westown branch bank was opened on West Main at Valley Vista and assets went over the \$10-million mark for the first time in history.

NEW TAX FORM

You won't be able to use good old form 1040A in filing out your Federal income tax this year. More than 18 million Americans used it last year. This year 1040A is being replaced by a new form which covers a single page.

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ERNEST C. FOREMAN

Consolidated Report of Condition of State Savings Bank

OF LOWELL, MICHIGAN AND FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC SUBSIDIARIES. AT THE CLOSE OF BUSINESS DECEMBER 31, 1969, A STATE BANKING INSTITUTION ORGANIZED AND OPERATING UNDER THE BANKING LAWS OF THIS STATE AND A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM. PUBLISHED IN ACCORDANCE WITH A CALL MADE BY THE STATE BANKING AUTHORITIES AND BY THE FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF THIS DISTRICT.

Table with columns for ASSETS and LIABILITIES. ASSETS includes Cash and due from banks (\$1,118,695.69), U.S. Treasury securities (\$1,518,535.10), Securities of other U.S. Government agencies, and various obligations. LIABILITIES includes Demand deposits of individuals, partnerships and corporations (\$2,300,956.88), Time and savings deposits of individuals, partnerships, and corporations (\$5,879,951.01), and Reserves on loans and securities (\$109,000.00).

At a meeting of the Board of Directors of the State Savings Bank of Michigan, held on the 13th day of January, 1970, the undersigned directors, attest the correctness of this report of condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief is true and correct.

NOTICE

5 p.m. on Monday, January 19, 1970, is the deadline for filing Nominating Petitions for Candidates interested in running for city council seats in the February 16, 1970 Primary Election.

THE KNAPP STREET REFORMED CHURCH of Grand Rapids, Michigan. Needs \$100,000 to complete the construction of its new sanctuary. Investment certificates are now available in units of \$100 at 6%, 6 1/2%, and 7% interest.

Flowers for every Occasion. Birchwood Gardens Floral & Gift Shop. Open 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday thru Saturday. We Wire Flowers World-Wide.

Star Corners

Rev. and Mrs. Charles Flowers and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Yoder will meet and callers of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Stahl, Jr. and Mrs. Harold Seese and family were dinner guests at the J. C. Shondelmeier home at Middleville.

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN, IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT. In re: THE MATTER OF FINAL ACCOUNT OF THE ESTATE OF ORIN STERKEN, Deceased.

IT IS ORDERED that on February 5th, 1970, at 9:30 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, a hearing be held on the petition of Walter W. Gurnar, Executor, for allowance of his Final Account.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT. In re: THE MATTER OF FINAL ACCOUNT OF THE ESTATE OF MARY AGNES PERRY, Deceased.

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Plan to Attend Seminar

A busy calendar is in the offing for the C.Y.F. of Cascade Christian Church as preparations are made for their annual UN Seminar March 14-20.

"Knights of Yore" Rally at Lowell Methodist

Cub Scouts and their families of Pack 3188 will gather for the monthly meeting Thursday (January 15) at the First United Methodist Church.

Present Mr. Charlie Sunday

Eastmont Baptist Church Sunday School will be the scene of a unique presentation this Sunday, January 18, when "Mr. Charlie" Vander Meer, assistant director of the radio ministry for the Children's Bible Hour stages a special program starting at 9:30 a.m.

Notice to Senior Citizens and Veterans

If you were 65 at the end of 1969 and feel that you qualify for the Senior Citizens Tax Exemption on a portion of your tax for 1970, or if you are a Veteran or widow of a Veteran...

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St. Robert's Men's Night to Feature "Alaska Adventure"

A stag night for men only has been scheduled by St. Robert's Church in Ada. Highlight of the evening, which will take place Friday (January 16) will be a film entitled "Alaska Adventure" with commentary by Phil Pemberton.

Card of Thanks

We wish to thank each and every one who attended our wedding and wedding reception, parties, showers and gift giving. Our guests were wonderful and we enjoyed every minute of it.

For Sale

RELAX-A-CIZER - For Sale. Like new, \$300 unit. Will sell for \$85. Phone 676-9238. 3-40-41

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1968 BARRACUDA - Turquoise blue, 6 cylinder. Excellent condition. Call 676-9567. 3-40-41

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WITTENBACH & SERVICE. 749 W. Main, Oldsmobile - Pontiac - International Trucks - Buicks. GMC Trucks - Handbuss. Ph. 897-8227

YWCA Offers New Courses

Opportunities for women to study themselves and their roles in the contemporary world will be offered by "Explore," a seven week course beginning January 20 at the Grand Rapids YWCA, 25 Sheldon SE.

The program, which will meet Tuesdays from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., will include lectures, workshops, discussions, art, music, reading assignments and special aids to self-evaluation.

Beginning the same week at the YWCA will be a film series, "Winds of Change," dealing with changing social conditions in the country and world, problems and attempted solutions.

Explore is open to any YWCA member, and the course fee covers coffee break and nursery services for children of the participants.

Fete 25th Anniversary

An open house, honoring the silver wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Yoder, was held recently at the Hope Church of the Brethren. The event was sponsored by the children of the couple; Mr. and Mrs. David (Janice) Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Bernard (Marian) Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. Walter (Judy) Steele, Bill and Sally Yoder.

The feted couple were the recipients of many lovely gifts and guests, numbering around 200, attended from Carson City, Marne, Au Gres, White Cloud, Conklin, Battle Creek, Dowling, Hamilton, and many of the areas surrounding Lowell.

Honor Mrs. C. Fletcher

Twenty years of perfect attendance was honored at the January meeting of the Lowell Showboat Garden Club.

Recipient of a lovely corsage and gift, presented by club president Mrs. Robert Kyser, was Mrs. Clark (Ona) Fletcher.

The rest of the meeting, held at the home of Mrs. Harold Lind, was devoted to making terrariums for local rest homes. Dessert was served by Mrs. Lind and the evening's co-hostess, Mrs. Ronald Holst.

South Boston Mrs. Belle Young

Mrs. Bernice Ruid and Mrs. Verna Farris have been selected for jury duty in Ionia County.

Rev. Gordon Blossom of Pratt Lake was guest speaker at the Wednesday meeting of the Ionia Rotary Club.

Mrs. Myrtle Klahn was a New Year's Day dinner guest at the Phil Seese home.

Mrs. June Fahrni and Mrs. Janet Bovee were in Ionia Wednesday to get the Extension lesson for the local club.

The Jolly Neighbors Farm Bureau group met at the Wm. Sauber's home Friday evening for the January meeting. There was an attendance of twenty-five.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Weenies are spending the winter in Florida.

The Local Grange met at the Paul Wittenbach home on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Fahrni and Sheri spent New Years at Seymour Bouwen's.

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Seese and Larry spent Sunday at Mrs. Myrtle Klahn's in honor of Mrs. Seese's birthday.

Check the WANT AD page - You may find something you've been looking for!

SEMI-ANNUAL SALE DRESSES

Dresses	Reg. to \$14	\$6-\$9
Dresses	Reg. to \$23	\$11-\$17
Dresses	Reg. to \$50	\$21-\$29

Cloth Coats	Reg. to \$30	\$16
Rain Coats	Reg. to \$40	\$27
Suede Jackets	Reg. to \$46	\$38

COATS

Fur Trimmed	Reg. to \$135	\$99
Suede	Reg. to \$115	\$88
or Fur Fabrics	Reg. to \$85	\$68
	Reg. to \$60	\$42

SPORTSWEAR

Skirts	Reg. to \$14	\$7-\$9
Sweaters	Reg. to \$18	\$6-\$9-\$13
Bermudas	Reg. to \$10	\$5-\$7
Blouses	Reg. to \$16	\$5-\$7-\$9
Slacks	Reg. to \$18	\$6-\$7-\$13
Tops	Reg. to \$16	\$5-\$7-\$9

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Forest Hills Hi-Lites

BY SHIRLEY DYBERT

Congratulations to our own Jennie Slinger whose powers of weather forecasting earned her a snowmobile in the WOOD-TV Snowfall Contest. That was nice going, and should continue to be with the new apparatus.

If you haven't done so as yet, be sure to pick up your tickets for "Pinocchio" or have your child purchase them at either Martin or Collins schools. The play will be presented at 7:00 p.m. on January 20. You and your children will be home again by 8:30 p.m.

The Baker Street Irregulars celebrated Sherlock Holmes' birthday last week in Chicago with a large dinner party. The super-sleuth appeared, looking well, and thoroughly enjoying his 116th anniversary. We discovered two local aficionados of the adventures of the famous detective, Tom Frambe and Jim Holbecke. These buffs say that Holmes stays amazingly well and brilliant and probably always will.

A pair of party-givers, Dick and Betty Lansing, gave a dinner last weekend that combined their many talents into a gay and rewarding evening for their friends.

The house was filled with brightly colored posters made by Dick... some painted on heavy paper, some produced on felt and hung like banners of old. The pictures and their sayings were clever take-offs on cliches which brought gales of laughter to the guests. This list included Jane and Jack Hanson, Mabe and Hank Hanson, Phyllis and John Ellsworth, and Mary and John Bete.

Also enjoying the terrariums made by Betty were: the Al Makadors, John Finings, Mark Dales, Hardy Hansons, and Bob Clements. When the evening was over, every couple went home with a poster and a planting to remember this generous hospitality.

Something pleasant is coming up for members of St. Roberts Catholic Church and the Ada Congregational Church. Steve Haarman of the former and Jim Huebner of the latter are getting together to plan a Valentine's dinner dance to be held February 13 at Adrians. This is not a money-maker, just a friendly way of saying Love Thy Neighbor. With the world shrinking faster every day, there couldn't be a better thought.

Now all it needs to get the project off the ground is a bunch of volunteers who live what they are claiming.

Did you receive a new calendar as the year began? If you have the All Sports Banquet for the Forest Hills High School athletes listed as May 12, change your note: to June 2.

The new date has been chosen for the dinner which will be held at Adrian's Romona Terrace on West River Road. This is the banquet given by the Athletic Boosters Club each year in honor of everyone connected with the sports program of the high school including the cheerleaders.

By the way, another note on your calendar... the next meeting of the Boosters will be held on February 4... a Wednesday. Bring a new member or a flock of them.

Reminder to all sports fans: The FHHS wrestling team will meet Kentwood at home, Thursday, January 15. On Saturday they will participate in the Tournament of Champs and on Monday, the 19th, will host the Northview match. Meanwhile on Friday, January 16, the basketball team will go all-out for a defeat of East Grand Rapids on the home floor. Everybody up!

Watch that flu-bug. As roll was taken Monday morning at the junior high, it was discovered that there were eighty-eight students missing. Mr. Boerman wondered whether he should call every mother to discover what had caused the mass exodus. But it all turned out to be old-man Common Cold. What a villain he is.

NAMED ON DEAN'S LIST

A total of 527 students have been named to the Dean's List at Denison University for the 1968-69 academic year. To qualify for the Dean's List at Denison, a student must maintain at least a 3.0 average for the entire academic year.

Listed from this area is William H. Bowie, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack M. Bowie, 3611 Reeds Lake Blvd., SE, Grand Rapids. Bowie, a graduate of Forest Hills High School, is a senior.

Hospital Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Dykhuizen are both hospitalized at this time. Mr. Dykhuizen is a patient at Blodgett Hospital and Mrs. Dykhuizen is at Grand Valley Nursing Center in Grand Rapids. Both would enjoy hearing from their friends.

Mrs. Wayne Cookingham is an operative patient at Butterworth Hospital.

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AN OPEN HOUSE - Will be held in honor of the 40th wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Batey on the 18th of January. Friends, relatives and neighbors are cordially invited to join the celebration to be held from 1 to 7 p.m. at the home of their son, Gordon.

Randall McClure Weds Caledonia Girl

Alaska Baptist Church was the setting for the exchange of wedding vows between Miss Paula Diane Becker and Machinist Repair 3C Randall J. McClure of Newport, R. I., last Saturday evening. Parents of the bridal couple are Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth P. Becker of Caledonia and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon McClure of Alto.

Appliques of pearled chantilly lace adorned the gown chosen by the bride. A pearled lace headpiece secured her veil.

Attending the bride as maid of honor was Miss Cathy McWilliams. The Misses Sally VanAurtsen, Linda McClure, Kim Becker and Mrs. Norman D. Cuskey were bridesmaids. Laurie Wilcox and James McClure were flower girl and ringbearer.

Best man's duties were performed by Roger Cooke. Groomsmen were David Link, Terry Rottier, and Gary and Douglas McClure. Thomas Baker and Kenneth Wenger seated the guests.



Mr. and Mrs. Victor Heim are the proud parents of a baby boy, David Lee, born at Blodgett Hospital Thursday, January 8, weighing 6 lbs., 9 oz.

Coming Events

Thursday, January 15

The Child Study Club will have a film at its January 15 meeting entitled "They Must Not Be Forgotten," sponsored by the March of Dimes. The meeting will be held in the education building of the First United Methodist Church, 8 p.m.

Friday, January 16

Cyclamen Chapter No. 94 OES will have their School of Instruction Friday, January 16, at 7:30 p.m. Ethle Jestma, Grand Organist of the Grand Haven chapter, will be the instructor.

Monday, January 19

The Ionia County Ponomo Grange will hold their meeting at 7 p.m., January 19 at the Danby Grange Hall. Potluck supper. Bring own table service and a dish to pass.

Tuesday, January 20

The Island City Rebekah Lodge will have its installation of officers on Tuesday night, January 20. There will also be a six o'clock potluck supper. Bring your own service and a dish to pass.

Wednesday, January 21

The CAMS group of Cascade Christian Church will hold a pancake supper on Wednesday, January 21, at the church's Fellowship Hall.

Thursday, January 22

The South Boston Extension Group will be held Thursday, Jan. 22, at the home of Mrs. Kenneth Graham. It will be an afternoon meeting at 1:30.

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