

## Was it a whirlwind, a devil cloud, a dust blow, or what, is the questions that are being asked by residents along Lowellview Avenue, who witnessed as well as experienced a freak oc- curance of weather between $5: 30$ and six

 Not carrying the velocity of a tornado, but forceful enoughto carry a steel umbrella picnic table across a fence, lift a little girl off a truck and do considerable damage to homes in the
area, one of the residents commented that it was "ile nothing area, one of the residents commented that it was "like nothing
I'd seen before." In talking to Mrs. George Miles of Lowellview Avenue, she
related the experiences that related the experiences that took place around their home.
"My children were playing in the yard when my oldest boy My children were playing in the yard when my oldest boy
looked up to see his sister being lifted off a parked pickup looked up to see his sister being lifted off a parked pickup
truck. Using a level head, he grabbed her and summoned the other children to follow, him to a safer area. . ust then the swift
ly moving demon picked up our picnic table and deposited it ly moving demon picked up our picnic table and deposited it
in our neighbor's yard, at the same time ripping shingles off the house, twisting our TV antenna and scattering debris around
the yard." After th
After things had settled down, the Miles made several at-
tempts to contact the weather bureau in hopes that they might tempts to contact the weether bureau in hopes that they might
find out what kind of tricks the weather was playing, and perhaps issue a warning to other residents in the area. But they
came up against a blank wall, as each number they dialed offercame up against a
ed them no help.
Area residents are reminded that if such an occurance
should happen in your neighborhood, reports should be made to
the Department of Commerce National Weather Service, Local
Forecast $949-4253$. Forecast, 949-4253.

A lot of people have talked about it, some service groups
have even considered it, but nobody has ever taken a solid tand and done something about it, until four energetic men of time. Wisland on the Flat Rilking about (behind Art's TV trmation of the small Shop) back to a picinic area; one that will hopefully be a prohat the town will be proud of.
The work officially started last Saturday, when the do-good ers Larry Wittenbach, Chuck Lippert, Vince McCambridge and Carien Anderson made their way over to the island, where, with
brush cutters in hand they started the clearance phase of the endeavor.
The climax of their first day's work saw the island take on new look, with Lippert being the victim of poison ivy, some sported new in LeLP!
need now is There is a lot of work yet to be done if they are to have the sland ready for the viewing of spectators during centennial Week, and the scene of a Mardi Gras lobster bake prior to the
opening of Showboat.
If you would like to volunteer your manpower, they will be

## Letiger-Siblutanal life

## WHERE DO WE GO FROM HERE <br> Two Alto Boys <br> Killed In Crash

"Where do we go from here?" "What's the first step and
"w soon?" are questions now being asked of school officials and Board of Education members following the May 4th vo approval of the $\$ 5,250,000$ School Building Bond istue. Leonard Sinke, school superintendent, in an attempt to ans-
wer these questions, stated today, "Let me say first that I am, wet thase questions, stated poday, "Let me say irst that naturally, very pleased with the results of the election. Even
though the vote was light, Lowell citizens passed the issue by an almost two to one margin. I feel this indicates the local resi-
dents are aware of the pressing need for new buildings and also dents are aware of the pressing need for new buildings and also
recognize the tax relief that the State of Michigan is providing." "It is also my feeing that the citizens committee, teachers, students and many other local groups worked very hard in the, election. It twa
Sinke added.
"As to what the next steps are," the superintendent continued, s"school officials ser currently yorking with the financial consultants to receive final approval from the Municipal Finance
Commission in Lansing to sell the bonds. Hopefully the bonds will be ready to sell sometime in July."
"If everything develops according to plan, through the sale of the bonds, then contracts for the Middle School will be let
and construction on that building will begin this Fall," Sinke and construction on that building will begin this Fall,' Sink
said The other buildings are to follow as more complete plans
Ther are developed for them, the Ledger was informed, but this will necessitate more staff and citizen involvement as study commit-
tees will be formulated and many angles studied before the final plans are drawn.
The final tabulation of votes by the election board and the $\begin{array}{lllll} & \text { Yes } & \text { No } & \text { Total } \\ \left.\begin{array}{llll}\text { Precinct I I Lowell) } & 870 & 416 & 1,286 \\ \text { Precinct II( Alto) } & 115 & 118 & 233\end{array} \quad \begin{array}{llll} & & \end{array}\right)\end{array}$

ABIE'S IRISH ROSE

"ABIE'S IRISH ROSE" - To some this title holds no 1946, it was the year that was.
Never to be forgotten will be the class' presentation of
ing eudionces
Do you conizo any of the starstudded cent an they ar peared in the annual of 19467 Left to right. front row Jeirchen Rosb, Humperrey Johnson, Marily Fritz, Maxin Dehmel, director. Flora Myers Arleen Roth; bark row, Mis Dehmet, diractor, Fora Myers, Auvern and Amy Yeiter.
Dorothy Vandenhout, Donna Huver
glad to find a shovel, brush cutter or rake that isn't being used. ike bridge that will carry the park traffic over the Flat River. The bridge, one of the main reasons the park was originally pring flooding conditions is one of the big factors involved in the type of bridge that is to be constructed. Some feel that it will have to be a removable structure, as a permanent fixture
will not stand up under the swift moving current and icy con. will not stand up under the swifr moving current and icy con-
ditions. A more affirmative decision will be made on this topic fter they have contacted some of the construction firms in the area. They have already been donated a larse pilien of fetelephone
poles, which could adequately be used for the bed of the bridge. When the clearing of the island is done, the bridge set in place, then another phase of the renovation program will go in.
lo effect. The island will be dotted with picnic tables, oeffect. The island will be dotted with picnic tables, grills, and other pienic aids. Perthaps this is where the local garden
clubs could assist, by adding beautification to the island. If time is permitting, and you can help, or if you would like to financially get behind this group and give them your support, contact the Lowell Chamber of Commerce, and the
will tell you when the next work session will be.

Five persons were killed and four were injured in a three-car
crash onM-37 Friday yinht at the north limits of Middleville,
Barry County offcials seported.
Dead at the scene were Donald C. Burd, jt., 21 , of Alto, driv er of one car; Randy J . Ward, 22 , of Auto, passengest in Burd's
car; Jay C. Kidder, 35 , driver of a second car, and his passen. gers, Patricia Ann Kidder, 30 , his wife, and Mrs. Floy Graham
gh, 85 , all of Nashville.
Deputies said Burd's northbound car apparently crossed the
centerline and collided almost head centerline and collided almost head-on with Kidder's car. Both
then struck the third car, driven by Mrs. Florence Hatfield of Hastings, which had almort stiven by Mrsped. The Kidencer Hand Hatfield of

Burd who resided at 8596 Acorn Street, Campau Lake
 brothers, Gregory of Lowell and Jeffrey at home; three sisters
Mrs. Donna Pedderson of Sparta, Karel and Terest Mrs. Donna Pedderson of Sparta, Karel and Teresa, both at
home: his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James Burd, Sr., of Alto home, his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Burd, Sr., of Alto
and Edward Hoffius of Grand Rapids; several aunts, uncies and
Funeral services were held Monday at two o'clock at the
Jonkhoff Caledonia Chapel with burial being made in Alaska Cenmetery.
Ward is survived by his wife, Kathleen; a step-daughter,
Michelle; his mother and step-father, Mr. and Mrs. Millard Michelle; his mother and step-father, Mr, and Mrs. Millard
Hagstrom of Alto; his fther Keith, Ward of Gid three brothers, Ronaid Wadd andid Daniel and Genneth Hagg-
trom, all at home; two half-sisters, Laurie and Kelly Ward; one trom, all at home; two half-sisters, Laurie and Kelly Ward; one half-brother, Jeffery Ward, all of Grand Rapids; his grandpar-
ents, Mr. and Mrs. James Hynes of Caledonia, and Mr. and Mre ents, Mr. and Mrs. James Hynes of Caledonia, and Mr. and Mrs
Keith Ward, sr., of Grand Rapids, several aunts, uncles and cousins.
Services were held Monday morning at eleven o'clock in the
Jonkhoff Caledonia Chapel.


 jorie Befinke On sure i9, 1971, at the Forest Hills Country C Club, the
 recognize your classma.
the story yet to be told.
All plans for the reunion have been completed and invitation
have been forwarded to the sixty-three paduates and their have been forwarded to the sixty-three graduates, and their
teachers. It wasn't an easy job to track down all the addresses teachers. It wasn't an easy job to track down all the addresses
and whereabouts of all concerned, but the committee was suc. and whereabouts of ail concerned, bur he com. Ne tor. No
cessful in their search; with the exception of Joe Norton. No
one seems to know where one seems to know where Joe disappeared to after graduation.
Over one-third of the class has responded so far, with ackno ledgements and acceptances coming back from as far away as California, Arizona and Sweden. One surprising note uncovere by the planning committee was the fact that over half of the
class is still residing in the Michigan area.. mostly in Grand class is still residing in the Michigan area ... mostly in Gr
Rapids, Ionia, Saranac, Lowell, Alto, Ada, and Cascade. Yes, when the cocktails are served at $7: 30$ on the evening of
June 17 there will bea aot of chatter filling the room. re-
member the year we had the championship football team in member the year we had the championship football team in
the Grand Valley conference. .. do you recall the year Donald
 er the boastiulness of Chartie Dople's superman physigue in
the class will . . or Phil Schneider's slipshod methods . . or the class will . . or Phil Schneider's slipshod methods ... or
Barbara Richmond's burning of the mid-night oil, but not for
study? study?


The seniors at Forest Hills high school build a pyramid to capture the flag in the greased poleo event of the Twirp
Week Olympics at the school. Although the junior class Week Olympies at the school. Although the junior class
finally won the event, total points scored for the week
made the seniors overall winners with the freshman class made the seni
taking second.

## Showboat Plans <br> Mardi-Gras Affair


 At the Showboat Boadd of Diteceros meting Monday night.



As one board member putit,","is ounds very enhusisitic, Moy boat have a certain drive that will turn the event only into a suc cessful endeavor.
Other discussions and important products of this year's show
was the Talent Night plans being made by Clark V redenberg's was the Talent Night plans being made by Clark V Vedenberg's
committee, the Queen's Contest being staged by the Jaycees, parking arrangements handled by Fred Phelps, and police assist.

Herb Elzinga volunteered to aid Lippert on the outdoor ad vertising phase of the show's promotion and the meeting was

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Drug in Eastbrook Mall, Grand Rapids.

 The deadiline tor
 the board is Monday, May 17. The el
June 4 alection is friday, May 14.
 leans motif afront the Lippert Pharmacy on Past Main Street,
went to work agin this week, but it's on West Main Street thit
time.... Their target this time is the McGee Building on the corner of Brod awy nd Main street whict housess the Lowell Cafer Shooting for a a completion adte of Centennial Week, or there
atoout,
tis its upper half.
Beildeg giving the building a new focee the ownen heve
renousted the interior of the building with $n$ new $k$ kithenen,
 en's Club, this yer's divive has already reached d a The final accounting of funds hay yot to be made, but Mrr
Boyd and her workers are to bo congratulatod on j job well Bonde
done

Quick action last week by Lowell Police Chief Barry Em.
mons saved the life of an employee at Eberhard's Shrif $T$-Mart mons saved the lifie on West Main Street...


Dewitr Trenching Company began work this week to install
an underground conduit line for Michigan Bell Telephone Coman underground conduit line for Michigan Bell Telephone Com. pany. Ihin will run from Lineoln
Avenue, west of the Ciry limitit.
City Officials To Welcome Portland The eight days of Michigan Week are upon us once more, and
the 18th annual event promises to be as exciting as the first.
From the May 15 th events through May 22 observances of ev. From the May 15 th events through May 22 observance
ery kind are being staged in Michigan communities. Michigan Week chairmen have laid their plans carefully throughout the year and volunteers are wholeheartedly im-
plementing those plans to promote "Michigan-Land of Hos.

Lowell City officials and department heads will obse Michigan Week by going to Portland on Monday, May 1. Acti-
vities there will include a 10 oclock parade into town led by the Portland High School Band. The visiting dignitaries will then be the guests of the Kiwa-
nis Club for a noon luncheon, after which they will spend the afternoon touring the city's facuilies. play host to Fred Rowe, jr., Mayor of Portland red carpet and play host
tion of visting city officials.
This year's parade, starting at the intersection of West and Main Streets will be headed by the State Rated No. 1 band
from Lowell High School. Parade time is 10 and from Loweil ligh School. Parade time is 10 a.m., and the resi-
dents are urgbd to get out and see the band in full uniform and greet the visiting dignitaries.
Following an afternoon luncheon, a tour planned by the
Michigan Week committee will be made of the highlights of the

## Eastbrook Fashions

Certainly one of the most outstanding spring events for For-
t Hills residents will be the Eastbrook Fashion Forecasi. Sev. t Hills residents will be the Eastbrook Fashion Forecast. Sevmense style show to be held on Friday, May 14 , at 9 p.m. in
the Eastbrook multi-purpose room and Schensul's Cafeteria. the Eastbrook multi-purpose room and Schensul's Cafeteria.
Fashions for summer will be worn by men and boys as well Fashions for summer will be worn by men and boys as well
as members of the distaff side. They will be showing clothes as members of the distaff side. They wiil be showing coothes care sports styles. The colorful affair will be narrated by Buck Matthews as he presents whole families of models and their obes of apparel for the presentation from head to toe coverage. Spring decorations, background music, and dozens of door priz-
will add to the gaiety. will add to the gaiety.
The proceeds of the evening's events will benefit the over
one hundred and twenty swim team members of the Forest Hill pool which is located at Forest Hill Road and Greenbriar Avepoe. This is not to be conffused with the Forest tills High
nchool's athletic program, which has no swiming pool. Co-chairmen of the event are Mrs. Ronald Broersma and Mrs. Charles Bacon. Helping them to co-ordinate the undertak ga are: Mrs. Thomas Rens and Mrs. Charles VadenBerge in harge of models; Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Russell, program; Mrs. Thomas Horning, tickets; Mrs. Lloyd Lindland and Mrs. Roger Matthews, decorations; Mrs. Gecrge Yank ovich, door prizes; Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Beasecker and Mr. and Mrs. Ronal
ski, follow-up; and Mrs. Donald Griffith, publicity. Donations for tickets may be given to members of the ForDonations for tickets may be give
st Hills Swim Team Boosters Club.
Fashion Forecast Door Prize donors were: George Bullis
Men's Store, Wurzburg's Steketee's, Princess Men's Store, Wurrburg's', Steketee's', Princess Bake Shop, Dodgg
son's Beauty Salon, McCrory's, Decorators Touch, Cap's, Foxes Jewelry, Gallenkamp's.
Spur Gas Station, Suburban Cleaners, Muir's, Union Bank, Spur Gas Station, Suburban Cleaners, Muir's, Union Bank,
Ada and Eastmont branches; Hospitality Inn, The Cown Carr Ada and Eastmont branches; Hospitaliy Mn, Serve.
Shop, The Patio Shop, and Cascade Hills Shell Service.
Patron for the Fashion Forecast include: Miss Kimberely Lynne Broersma, Geerge Bullis Men's Store, Forest Hills Beau
ty Salon, Forest Hills Shoprite, Reilly's Pharmacy, y Salon, Forest Hills Shoprite, Reilly's Pharmacy. Ron Broersma-Executive Systems, Inc., Paul WetherbeeReal Estate, Donald C. Griffith, Hackett West Michigan Don
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Doug Schueller, No. 1 singles for Forsest Hills High School,
in a win againgt Kentwood's No. 1 single player $G-0,7.6$.
Netmen Win, Tie, Lose A win, a tie, and two losses provided a heavy week's work
for the Forest Hills tennis team. It was 3.3 against Cedar Springs for the Forest Hills sennis tham. It was 3 -3 against Cedar Springs
in the second try against that team. The first time around, the Ranger's had suffered a defeat.
On Wednesday of last week
On Wednesday of last week, Forest Hills was shut-out by the
Godwin netmen $5-0$ a a team which the Rangers had previously Godwin netmen 5 -0; ; team which the Rangers had previously
defeated. It was a 4.1 victory for Forest Hills over the tough Ken
 eled to Holland where they lost in a non-league match 9.0.
In the Kentwood match first singles, Doug Schueller tork In the Kentwood match first singles, Doug Schueller took
his opponent $6-0$ and 7.6 . Chip King, second singles won his his opponent 6.0 and 7.6. Chip King, second singles won his
match and first doubles, Rob Blanchard and Ceorge Bebesik were successful as were third doubles, Mark Butler and Dan Gal
lagher. The Cedar Springs match saw second and thirrd singles, Chip
and Joe King, respectively, both win their games with first dou bles, Benesik and Blanchard taking their sets. On Friday, May 14, the team will be matched with East
Grand Rapids in an away meet. Saturday, May 15, will see the Grand Rapids in an away meet. Saturday, May 15 ,
team in Cadillac as guests at an all-day invitational.
Pellerito Leads Batting Averages
In the O.K League Red Division first and third positions in is currently holding a .583 average with Steve Van Putten at 545 . Dave Slater is following closely with a .368 average and
in the two hundreds are Tim Weston, Bill Rodenberg, Ron Vander Baan and Jeff Van Strein.
in tho hand Forest Hills also has two pitchers with high standings, Van
Putten and VanderBaan. Van Putten has pitched $211 / 3$ inn-
 derBaan has pitched d $211 / 3$ innings with $\mathrm{H}-9, \mathrm{ER} \cdot 3, \mathrm{BB}-13, \mathrm{DO}-$
18, E.R.A.-97, W-2, L-1

