

With summer vacations not many months away, the Ledper-Suburban Life office has a limited number of official 1972 Michigan Highway Maps to distribute to citizens. These maps are offered free of charge on a first come, first serve basis, until the supply is exhausted

The 56th edition of the official Highway Department map reflects the latest changes that have taken place in Michigan's road network during 1971, and indicates some additional construction currently in progress.

Copies are also still available at the Ledger office of the Kent County Highway Map.

Mac and Rosie Fonger, owners of Rosie Drive Inn on West Main Street are back at the restaurant after spending a gorgeous week vacationing in LasVegas, Nevada.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Erickson of Lowell have taken over the ownership of the Showbost Restaurant on East Main Street. They opened for their first day of business on Tues-day and will maintain the same hours as the former owners, ck and Bea Emelander.

There will be no "open bowling" at the American Legion Lanes on Saturday and Sunday, March 4 and 5, and March 11 and 12.

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Last Wednesday, within a few short hours, four inches of snow blanketed the area, causing hazardous driving con-ditions. Intermixed with late freezing rains, Thursday's weather was slippery and cold.

This week however, ole man weather is up to his tricks of switch. Monday's sunshine and warm weather led a lot of people to believe that Spring is about to be sprung.

Lowell Police February 24 arrested Roosevelt Suffore for breaking and entering Mel's Bar on West Main Street. Suffore's arrest followed the issuance of a warrant from the Prosecutor's office.

He waived examination and was bound to Judge VanderWal's Circuit Court. ...

25 YEARS AGO, Along Main Street-The Strand The-25 YEARS AGO, Along Main Street-The Strand The-atre was featuring Buster Crabbe, King of the Wild West in "Overland Raiders . . . At Saranac's Theatre, Roy Rog-ers and Trigger were starring in "Song of Arizona." . . . The Millage of Lowell's annual financial statement showed a balance of \$561, TOP. . . Mrs. Peter Spherster was hotor-ed at a huncheon in Herpolsheimer's Tea Room, hosted by her aunt, Mrs. R. T. Lustig . . . Mr. and Mrs. Norton Avery were guests of the Grand Rapids Camera Club at a benquet . . . A cold wave hit Florida, forcing several Lowell vacation-ers to play a game of bridge with gloves on!

## Find Pair Dead In Pickup Truck

A pair of Florida bound Clarksville area residents were found dead in a pickup truck near Elkhart, Indiana Saturday.

The driver of the truck was Franklin Purchase, 44, of Mick Road, and his passenger was Glen D. Moore, 29, also of Mick Road

The truck had been parked in a supermarket lot. Cause of death is believed to have been accidental poisoning from carbon, monoxide.

Glenn D. Moore was born June 27, 1942, in Ionia, the son of Mrs. and Mrs. Glenn C: Moore. He was married February 27, 1961, in Ionia to Bonny Green and lived most of his life in the Saranac and Ionia areas. He was employed by an industrial maintenance construction company of Lansing.

Surviving besides his wife, are three daughters, Sherri Lynn, Carol Lou and Nancy Leah, all at home; mother, Mrs. Eva Moore of Hastings; four brothers, Richard E. of Ionia. Emil of Washington state, Charles of Vietnam and John of Hastings; five sisters, Mrs. Gleneth Brack of Cadillac, Mrs. Frances Thomas of Lowell, Mrs. Sheri Bullock of Hastings, Shirley Moore of Colorado and Eva Lou Moore of Hastings.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 10 a.m. at Morris-Roetman Funeral Home in Saranac with interment at Saranac Cemetery

Mr. Purchase was born November 10, 1927, in Grand Rapids. He was a veteran of the Korean War and a construction carpenter working out of Grand Rapids.

Surviving are two daughters, Mrs. Jack Martin of South Hav-en and Angela Joy Purchase of Grand Junction; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Purchase of Kissimmee, Fiorida; three sisters, Margaret Purchase of Beirut, Lebanon, Mrs. William VanderZee of Wyoming and Mrs. James Berry of Comstock Park; two brothers, Robert of Clinton, Massachusetts, and Richard of Grand Haven.

Funeral services were held Tuesday at 1 p.m. at Reyers North Valley Funeral Home at 2815 Fuller, N.E., Grand Rapids. Rev. Robert Lignell of Faity Lutheran Church of Grand Rapids officiated. Interment at Plainfield Township Cemetery.

## High School **Bomb** Threat

Students at the Lowell Senior High School were evacuated from the building at 8:20 a.m. Monday morning-not for a fire drill, but another bomb threat.

For two and one half hours the huge facility was searched by the high school faculty and the Lowell Police Department-they could turn up nothing, so school was called back to order.

Lowell Police will continue their investigation using several possible leads. This common occurence at the high school has seen the students forced to stand out in the cold while the premises are searched.

A vandalism complaint was also investigated at the school parking lot Monday. A car, in the lot, was damaged - a head light was broken and two outside mirrors were ripped off. This complaint also remains under investigation.

## **Masons To Hear**

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Millage Renewal **Election Monday** 

Voters residing in the Lowell Area School District are being asked to renew the present operating millage on Monday, March 6. The twelve and one-half operational millage voted two years ago has expired, and a vote is required to renew it. With the twelve and one-half mills expiring, the District is left without any voted millage for the operation of schools.

A renewal of the twelve and one-half mills will enable the district to plan on a continuation of present programs. It will also qualify the district for State Aid.

This past year, the district levied 12.4 of the 12.5 mills voted. The 12.4, coupled with the 10.1 allocated by the county, gave the district a total of 22.5 mills for operation, one of the lowest levies in our area.

How does this millage affect our total financing picture? Under our present state aid formula, the state legislature has set a given amount for each district based on enrollment and state equalized valuation. After establishing this amount, it has inserted a deduction of 20 mills. Therefore, a district such as Lowell would nave to levy a minimum of 20 mills to provide its share or to break even.

Putting this another way, any increase in valuation in the dis-trict does not give the school added monies, except on that millage levied over 20 mills. This is part of the state legislature's plan to equalize educational opportunities. The legislature tries to do this by giving poor districts a greater amount and high valuation districts a lesser amount, provided they levy at least



**Outstanding Dairy Couple** 

Twelve young dairy couples from throughout the state of Michigan gathered for a two-day visit last week at the Detroit



DOUBLE CELEBRATION-Whipping up one of her fa-mous yellow cakes, iced with caramel frosting, Thelma "Cookie" Roth, last Thursday honored two Superior Com-pany officials with a birthday party. Superior president, William S. Lee, and furniture design-er, Ed Brickley, each took a candle, and cut the cake, serv-ed with heaping dishes of ice cream at the Lavce Restaur-

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Left to right, Bill Lee, jr., Cary Stiff, William S. Lee, Thelma, and Ed Brickley.

## Ionia's John First

John First of Ionia will be the guest speaker at the din-ner meeting of the Lowell Masonic Lodge March 11, following a potluck dinner at 7 p.m. His portion of the program will commence at eight o'clock.

Mr. First will depict an aspect of U. S. Foreign Aid to under developed countries. As a graduate of Michigan State University, his studies provided him with the necessary qualifications to meet a need in Kabul, Afghanistan.

The University of Wyoming was to supply a soil specialist in their contract to this country sometimes referred to as the "Switzerland of Asia." As this vacancy was not filled, they were allowed to enlist another qualified person. First and his family filled the position from June of 1966 until December of 1968.

His specific duties were to assist in the establishment of a University Farm as a place for Agricultural training, research and demonstrations.

In 1954, between his junior and senior year at MSU, First participated in the International Foreign Youth Exchange program in Israel.

During his Afghanistan assignment, he spent a three week R and R vacation with the families he lived with in Israel, First's program will feature slides of both Afghanistan and Israel

This interesting program is open to all area Masons, their families and friends. Attendants are asked to bring their own table service and a dish to pass.

## Can You Help Us, Help Others?

Services rendered at the Lowell Area Community Center on Grand River Drive continue to expand, as do the donations that are being made to assist the center in adequately helping families in need.

"Can you help us, help others," is the slogan being used as the Center's workers canvass the area to seek new or used items needed as cases arise. Currently, they are in need of mattresses and bedding for a family that is now sleeping on the floor.

Such items as clothing, used furniture, food, canned goods, paper products, hand soap, toys, or whatever, are among the distribu-ted goods provided at the center. If you would like to donate any of these items, arrangements can be made to pick up by calling 897-9159 any Tuesday morning between the hours of 9 and 12 noon.

Since their last public accounting, the Center has received valuable donations from the folowing-a doctor's examination table from Dr. Orval McKay and Dr. Donald Gerard; a complete drain system from Clark Plumbing and Heating; Christmas gifts for small children from the Grattan Ladies Eastern Star and the Alto Churches; a deluxe mop, Shirley Payne; electric polisher; Bissell Carpet Company of Grand Rapids.

Hahn's Hardware, paint to complete inside of the building; Mrs. Nickelson of Jenison, Second Mild House of Cascade, Lloyd and June Stevens, Sharon Miles, Janet Brailey, M. Holzer and Mrs. Rensland, furniture, clothing and miscellaneous.

The rooms have been partitioned off in the Center, located in the former West Lowell United Brethren Church, and the next project to be completed is the drain system. Volunteer help from the Ada Congregator's Youth group, under the guidance of John Adrianes, Boyd Morrow and Earl Gee, are working week ends to complete the project. Special thanks from the center goes to the Ada area churches for their volunteer work in cleaning and renovating the Gaylene Tun-

nison home at 8150-28th Street, which burned recently, leaving the family homeless.

The ladies and youth groups of these churches have been cleaning, scrubbing, and fixing so the family can return to live in the house. The youth group have been working under the direction of Dave Anible and Jo VanderPloeg.

Wesleyan Church Missionary Ladies Group are making gowns and layettes for the clinic which will be open one-half day a week when renovation is completed. Janet Brailey is having a clothing room for those in need. Clothing may be dropped off at her home, 424 Hudson Street on Fridays at 1 p.m. where they will be sorted and repaired.

Bill Ward has kept the Center's parking lot free of snow this winter and John Adrianse, an Ada Plumber, has donated valuable services to the Center. Two other workers, Mr. and Mrs. Martin come from the Alto area.

With the resignation of Father Thelen from St. Mary's Catholic Church, The Rev. Jack Richards of the Ada Congregational Church was elected to the post of treasurer to complete the Center's Board of Directors.

if you have any questions regarding the operation of the Center, its objectives, or would like to make a donation, there is a staff of Center workers there every Tuesday morning to assist you. Give them a call.

20 mills. This is one reason why it is very essential that the present millage be renewed.

Polls will be open at the City Hall in Lowell and at the Bowne Township Hall in Alto from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday, March 6, 1972.

Any person having questions on the election, whether it con-cerns absentee ballots, eligibility to vote, where to vote, or the proposal, is asked to call 897-8415.

#### IN OTHER DISTRICTS

Voters of Greenville School narrow margin of 42 votes. turned out last Monday in a The vote was 1,073 for the special election and approved continuation of additional millprogram, and 1,115 against. A similar bond issue, but for a age by nearly three to one. The lesser amount was defeated school district sought to continlast June by 175 votes. ue for two years extra taxes If approved, the \$5 million dollar bond issue would have amounting to 15.8 mills. There were 1,169 yes votes and 430 been used to construct, furnish and equip both a new sen-The same amount was apior high school and an elemenproved for the 1971-72 school tary school. It also would have year, but for only one year. constructed additions at three

Last Tuesday, more than 2,000 voters turned out in Belding and defeated a \$5 million school bond issue by the

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Beware The Ides Of March

grades.

#### THE IDES

The stormy March has come at last, With wind, and cloud, and changing skies; hear the rushing of the blast That through the snowy valley flies.

#### William Cullen Bryant

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Grattan and Ellis, plus remod-

el the present high school for

use by seventh and eighth

March, whose name honors Mars, the Roman god of war, ushers in the beginning of spring and gives a lift to the heart weary from the long winter days. Many animals and plants begin to awaken, green buds begin to swell, and we can start looking for the first robin as a sign that spring is here at last.

There are many superstitions about March. "March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb." Also, the first three days of March are said to be "blind days" because they are "unlucky." If rain falls on these days, farmers supposedly will have poor harvests. It is said that some farmers are so superstitious about these three unlucky days that they will not plant seeds until March 4th.

"Beware the Ides of March," the soothsayer warned Juluis Caesar. The ides were the middle days of the month according to the Roman calendar system, so the Soothsayer was telling him a definite day. Caesar was assassinated on March 15 in 44 B.C.

And then there's my personal superstition that I'd like to pass on to all those harried housewives who feel home-sweethome has suddenly developed a bad case of the blahs. "Never chase dust webs in March - they will only be back again in April!" - I like that!

headquarters of Michigan Milk Producers Association. The twoday visit February 21-22 was part of MMPA's annual Outstanding Young Dairy Couple competition.

The 12 couples were winners of Young Dairy Couple competition in MMPA's 12 geographic districts which cover the state. Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Jerrold Richmond of Lowell.

MMPA sponsors the Outstanding Young Dairy Couple competition yearly as a means of developing future leadership in the association. The visit to the Detroit office gives the young couples an opportunity to learn more about milk marketing and enables a panel of judges to meet all the participants personally.

The judges will review applications of the district winners and visit the farms of those selected as finalists before making their decision on this year's Outstanding Young Dairy Couple. The winning couple will represent the state and association during the coming year.

Special guests at the two-day session in Detroit included Elwood and Guydeanne Kirkpatrick of Kinde, the 1971 Outstanding Young Dairy Couple. MMPA is a milk marketing cooperative composed of more than 6,100 dairy farmers throughout the state.

## Cars Collide

Lowell Police were called to the intersection of Fremont Street and North Washington Street February 26 to investigate a minor personal injury accident.

A car driven by Michael Alan Oberlin collided with a car driven by Ardis Ann Barber. Oberlin was issued a citation for "failure to yield the right-of-way." Mrs. Barber complained of pain.

### **Annual Village Election**

Saranac voters will go to the polls Monday, March 13, to elect Village officials for two-year terms.

The registered voters will cast their ballots in the Saranac Community building during the voting hours of 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

On the ballot will be a village president, clerk, treasurer and three trustees.

#### SHOWBOAT LISTED ON TRAVEL EVENTS CALENDAR

The Michigan Calendar of Travel Events, compiled by the Michigan Tourist Council, lists the Lowell Showboat as one of the main attractions during the month of July. According to the pamphlet, the 1972 show will be presented

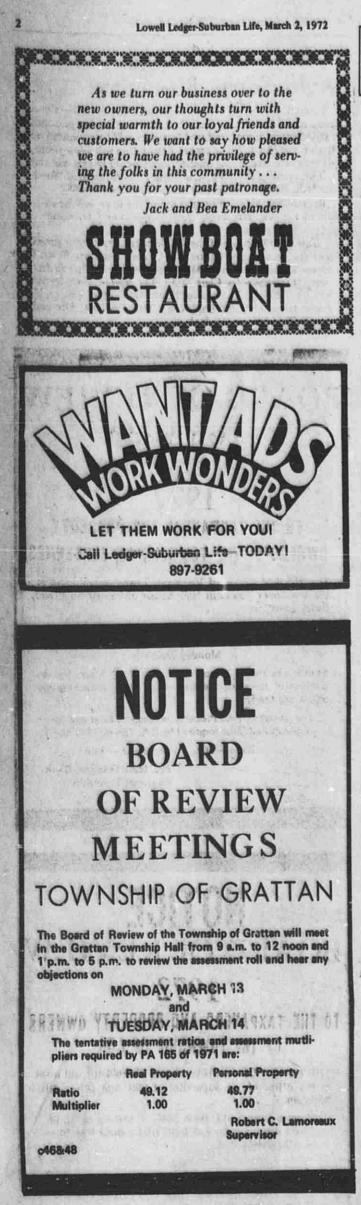
July 20-22 and July 27 through 29. Also listed is the Showboat Trailer Rally, July 28-30.

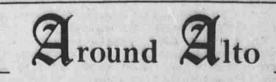
DELICIOUS CHICKEN & SHRIMP - Liquor by the Glass. Riverview Inn, just outside East City Limits, Lowell. c40-tf

DID YOU KNOW - Walter's Lumber Mart, 925 W. Main, Lowell, has dog food at \$2.15 and pet bedding at \$1.65? c46-47

ROSIE DRIVE INN - This Week's Special: Hamburgers, 294. Family Nite - Tuesday Nite, 4-8 p.m.

ORDER TICKETS NOW - For the Lowell Rotary Club's Double-Feature Travelog Thursday, March 23, at 8 p.m., Lowell High School. c47-49





#### BOARD OF REVIEW SETS TWO MARCH MEETINGS

The Bowne Township Board of Review has set two March meetings in which they will review the assessment roll and hear any objections from the residents of the Township. From 9 a.m. until noon and from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. on Mon-

day, March 13, the Board of Review will be in session at the Bowne Township Hall in Alto, next to the Library.

The second meeting, Tuesday, March 14, will be conducted between the hours of 3 p.m. and 9 p.m. The tentative figure for equalizing by the Board of Review

#### PURCHASE RESTAURANT

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Erickson (nee Bertha Ford) formerly of Alto, have purchased the Showboat Restaurant on East Main Street in Lowell, and took over their new business venture Tues-

The Ericksons, who both grew up in the Alto area, now reside in Lowell with their family

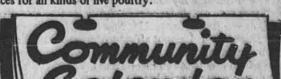
#### MOVED TO KENT COMMUNITY

Frank Kauffman who is recovering from injuries sustained in a truck-car collision is on the improvement list, and was trans-ferred last week from Butterworth Hospital to Kent Commu-

Let's remember him with a card or two.

#### 25 YEARS AGO ...

The Stone Corners Farm Bureau met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bruce . . . Carolyn Forward was honored on her Sth birthday with a party at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Forward ... Mr. and Mrs. Mac Watson, Merle and Lenora, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Wingeler ... Juluis Wester and Norman Pitsch were guests of honor at a birthday party . . . Bergy Brothers Elevator were paying high prices for all kinds of live poultry.





THURSDAY, MARCH 2 Vergennes Co-op Club will meet Thursday, March 2, at 1:30 p.m., at the Vergennes Hall. Hostesses Ellen Alberts and Ruth

SATURDAY, MARCH 4

HAM & FISH SUPPER - Clarksville Masonic Hall, March 4, Saturday - Serving from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Sponsored by F&AM

MONDAY, MARCH 6

St. Mary's Altar Society will meet at the home of Mrs. Dan-iel Lessens, 517 Elm Street, Monday, March 6 at 8 p.m. Nancy Roth, who spent last summer in Brazil will show her slides.

TUESDAY, MARCH 7 Island City Rebekah Lodge No. 282 of Lowell will meet at the I.O.O.F. Hall on Tuesday, March 7, at 8 p.m.

V.'F.W. Post 8303 of Lowell will meet the first Tuesday of March, the 7th, for a meeting in their club rooms at 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8 The next meeting of Blue Star Mothers will be on Wednes-day, March 8, at the club rooms in the American Legion Hall.

The Lowell Women's Club will hold their next meeting in the Educational Building of the Methodist Church Wednesday night, March 8, at 7:30 p.m. Mrs. Stanley Gardner program chairman. Members are reminded to bring a guest with them. THURSDAY, MARCH 9

The VFW Auxiliary of Lowell will hold a regular meeting at the hall March 9, at 8:15 p.m.

**BIRTH OF THE BLUES** 

Did you know that blue

eans were named after the Italian town of Genoa? That

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ants are made was originally

According to the Denim

Council, denim was born in the town of Nimes in France

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The men who settled the west took denim to heart

when they saw how it bounced back from an en

counter with sage and cacius, how well it held up in the

addle, and how it seemed to

gain character as it aged. Don't be surprised if denim

turns up on the moon

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of

Anne, whose blood is as blue

Today,



## **Fourth In Series** Center Of Hearing

In 1971, Kent County raised \$2,365,203 for the United Fund campaign. This is the fourth and last of a series of which is part of the United Fund's continuing effort to inform contributors about how their money is spent to help others and to educate the public as to the services available.

Last year, one out of every three persons in Kent County re-ceived services from one or more of the 64 United Fund agencies. This series highlights the Tri-Agencies, three UF agencies which have combined some of their operations in order to pro-vide better and more afficient services. They are Goodwill In-dustries, the Association for the Blind and the Hearing and Speech Center.

Although four-year-old Tommy Anderson didn't know it, his future was jeopardized by lack of money. When Tommy passed his second, then third, and finally his fourth birthday without learning to speak more than a few words, his mother took him to the Hearing and Speech Center, 215 Sheldon St. S.E., for speech evaluation and therapy.

The staff of the Center was understanding and concerned but, hampered by a lack of funds to hire an additional speech pathoogist, could do nothing but put Tommy on a six-month waiting

That was four months ago. Today, Tommy is receiving week-ly therapy from the Center's new speech pathologist, hired with funds allocated to the Center by United Fund and Community Services, Inc

Tommy is lucky, because that six month period could have been critical

Communication problems, whether of neurological, cultural, environmental, emotional or other origin, make up a large per-centage of the Center's case load. Two full-time and two part-time speech pathologists handle individual and group therapy for persons of all ages, but chiefly preschool children, with com-

The Center's facilities include two small rooms where par-ents can watch and learn, unobserved, while their children receive therapy. In a larger room, adults with fluency and other speech problems receive both group and individual therapy. Just as speech is an important part of the communication process, so is hearing. The Center's two audiologists do hearing screening and complete audiological assessment including spe-cial auditory testing, hearing aid selection studies and hearing aid orientation with follow-up counseling.

The clients range in age from the very young to the very old. The latter are particularly prone to tragic errors in the selection and purchase of expensive hearing aids. Some are victimized by isinformation concerning what hearing aids can and can not do for them.

Hearing screening, like speech therapy, is costly. Each audio logist has one and a half to two hour sessions with four or five clients each day. The Center has two sound-treated hearing testing suites fully equipped with the latest in auditory equipment. The suites cost more than \$12,000 each.

The cost of an hour and a half speech therapy session is es-timated at \$31.00. Complete audiological testing costs about \$25.00 per session.

Specialized equipment and therapy are expensive, but the merit of the Hearing and Speech Center programs is attested to by the fact that the sgency received the largest percentage in-crease of any United Fund agency in its 1972 UF allocation of \$39,000

That \$39,000 represents a 60 percent increase over the 1971 allocation of \$24,358. It also represents 60 percent of the Cen-ter's operating budget of \$60,700 for 1972. The remainder of the budget comes from fees, charged only to those who can af-ford to pay, and from state, federal and contributed funds,

## **Takes Breath Test**

Vestal Edward Hall of 110 Sutton Street, S.W., Grand Rap-

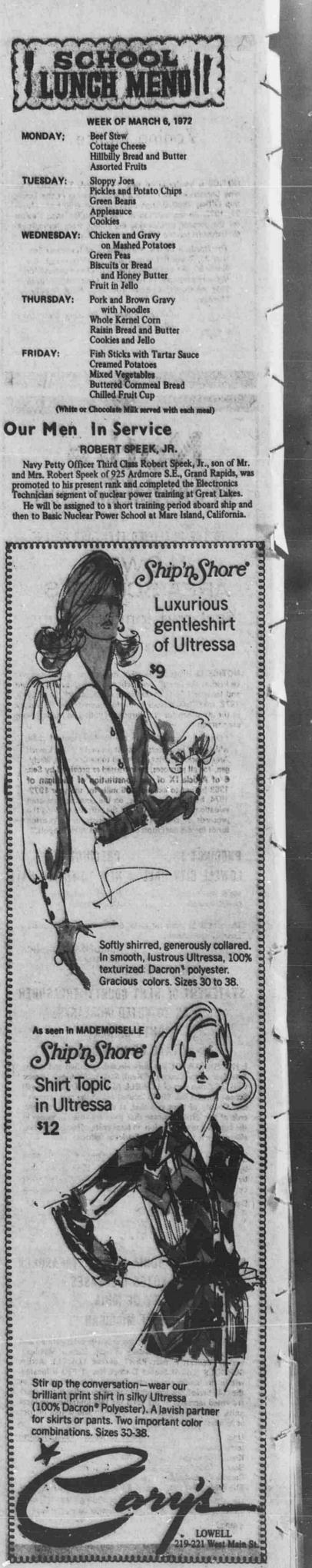
der the influence of intoxicating liquor. Hall was taken to the Kent County Sheriff's Department where he consented to a Breathalyzer test. He was then lodged in the Kent County Jail for the offense.

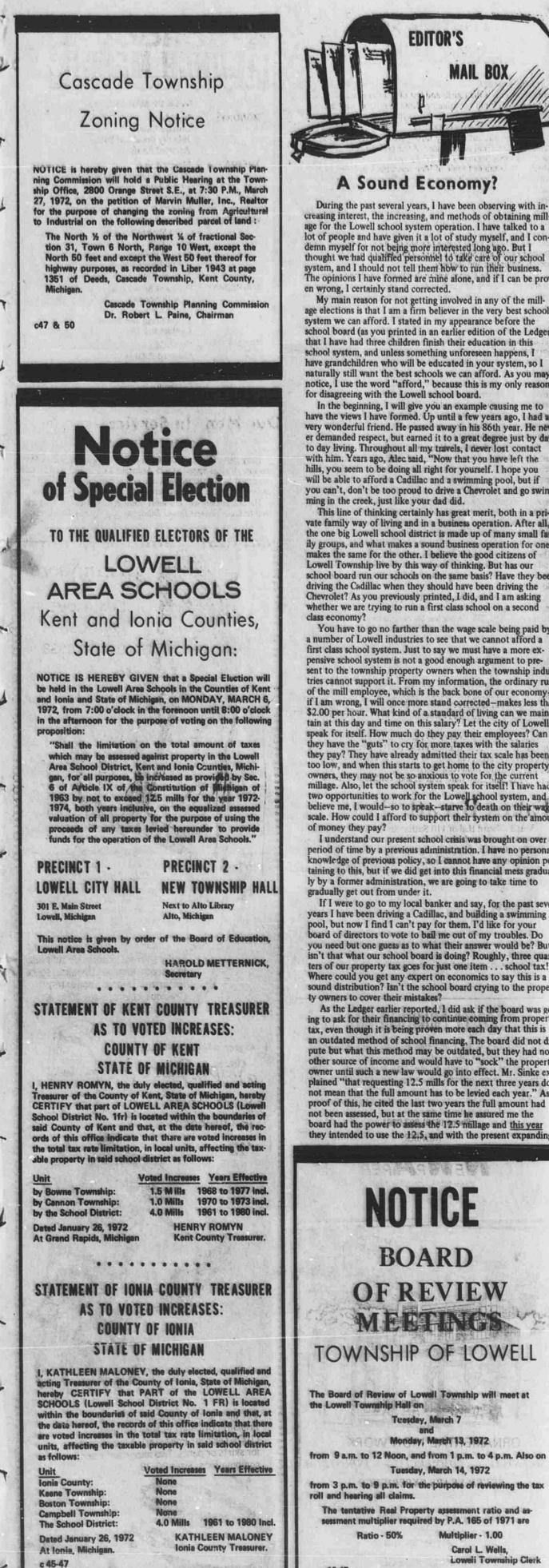
### **Bench Warrant**

Lawrence Graham was arrested February 23 by the Lowell Police Department on a Bench Warrant issued by the 63rd Dis-

Graham was arraigned and charged \$25 for Contempt of Court.









### A Sound Economy?

During the past several years, I have been observing with increasing interest, the increasing, and methods of obtaining millage for the Lowell school system operation. I have talked to a lot of people and have given it a lot of study myself, and I con-demn myself for not being more interested long ago. But I thought we had qualified personnel to take care of our school system, and I should not tell them how to run their business. The opinions I have formed are mine alone, and if I can be proven wrong, I certainly stand corrected.

My main reason for not getting involved in any of the mill-age elections is that I am a firm believer in the very best school system we can afford. I stated in my appearance before the school board (as you printed in an earlier edition of the Ledger) that I have had three children finish their education in this school system, and unless something unforeseen happens, I have grandchildren who will be educated in your system, so I naturally still want the best schools we can afford. As you may notice, I use the word "afford," because this is my only reason for disagreeing with the Lowell school board.

In the beginning, I will give you an example causing me to have the views I have formed. Up until a few years ago, I had a very wonderful friend. He passed away in his 86th year. He never demanded respect, but earned it to a great degree just by day to day living. Throughout all my travels, I never lost contact with him. Years ago, Alec said, "Now that you have left the hills, you seem to be doing all right for yourself. I hope you will be able to afford a Cadillac and a swimming pool, but if you can't, don't be too proud to drive a Chevrolet and go swim-ming in the greak just like work did ming in the creek, just like your dad did.

This line of thinking certainly has great merit, both in a pri-vate family way of living and in a business operation. After all, the one big Lowell school district is made up of many small family groups, and what makes a sound business operation for one, makes the same for the other. I believe the good citizens of Lowell Township live by this way of thinking. But has our school board run our schools on the same basis? Have they been driving the Cadillac when they should have been driving the Chevrolet? As you previously printed, I did, and I am asking whether we are trying to run a first class school on a second class economy

You have to go no farther than the wage scale being paid by a number of Lowell industries to see that we cannot afford a first class school system. Just to say we must have a more expensive school system is not a good enough argument to present to the township property owners when the township indus-tries cannot support it. From my information, the ordinary run of the mill employee, which is the back bone of our economy-if I am wrong, I will once more stand corrected-makes less than \$2.00 per hour. What kind of a standard of living can we main-tain at this day and time on this salary? Let the city of Lowell speak for itself. How much do they pay their employees? Can they have the "guts" to cry for more taxes with the salaries they pay? They have already admitted their tax scale has been. too low, and when this starts to get home to the city property owners, they may not be so anxious to vote for the current millage. Also, let the school system speak for itself! Thave had two opportunities to work for the Lowell school system, and believe me, I would-so to speak-starve to death on their wage scale. How could I afford to support their system on the amoun of money they pay?

riod of time by a previous administration. I have no personal knowledge of previous policy, so I cannot have any opinion pertaining to this, but if we did get into this financial mess gradually by a former administration, we are going to take time to

pool, but now I find I can't pay for them. I'd like for your board of directors to vote to bail me out of my troubles. Do you need but one guess as to what their answer would be? But sn't that what our school board is doing? Roughly, three quarters of our property tax goes for just one item ... school tax! Where could you get any expert on economics to say this is a sound distribution? Isn't the school board crying to the property owners to cover their mistakes?

an outdated method of school financing. The board did not dis-pute but what this method may be outdated, but they had no other source of income and would have to "sock" the property owner until such a new law would go into effect. Mr. Sinke ex-plained "that requesting 12.5 mills for the next three years does not mean that the full amount has to be levied each year." As proof of this, he cited the last two years the full amount had not been assessed, but at the same time he assured me the board had the power to assess the 12.5 millage and this year they intended to use the 12.5, and with the present expanding

gradually get out from under it. If I were to go to my local banker and say, for the past several years I have been driving a Cadillac, and building a swimming

As the Ledger earlier reported, I did ask if the board was go-ing to ask for their financing to continue coming from property tax, even though it is being proven more each day that this is

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NOTICE

BOARD

**OF REVIEW** 

Tuesday, March 7

Ratio - 50%

Monday, March 13, 1972

Tuesday, March 14, 1972

Multiplier - 1.00

Carol L. Wells,

Lowell Township Clerk

MEETINGS

ing school system. we had

building planned, he could not assure the full amount would not be assessed in following years. As stated in the Ledger publication of February 10th, the board "suggested to run a comparison in the local newspaper showing the people of Lowell the operating millage requested by surrounding school districts of comparable size as compared with the 12.5 mills to be voted on here." What the board did not mention was the difference in other areas with a better economy-they are able to afford a 12.5 mill levy. As also stated in the February 10th issue, "It was again firmly stated that this is not a millage increase. All

operating mills have now expired and this is only to renew it at exactly the same rate." What the board did not mention was that this renewal still remains supported by a PROPERTY TAX. This takes us right back to the question as to how good a school system we can afford. Can the property owners afford to give three quarters of our taxes to one source, when it could be distributed to other needed improvements.

Again, as previously stated, I did question how much any individual could return to fatten a hand that is starving it to death!! I did not take a swipe at the necessity of a new middle school. I did question why, when the board was crying hard times, they did not take the necessary steps to correct any defects in the Junior High building to make it useable for-as well as I can remember from the Ledger figures-less than half the price of new construction. I did use a figure of speech why we should have inside toilet facilities when we cannot afford them. suppose from a strict interpretation of this statement, I might be picked apart by sanitary codes, but the City of Lowell is now being faced with this same problem. When it comes to being

strictly practical about that drafty two holer out by the corn crib, I can speak with quite a lot of authority, since I used one for over 25 years. It left a lot to be desired, but it got the job done! If I had a choice between using and owning that outside thing, I would still prefer it to a nice modern warm one that the nance company was going to repossess because I could not pay

I did not say, as I was quoted, that families were leaving Lowell because of employment here. I did say they were going outside the Lowell area to seek employment at a higher pay scale. All the members of my family have left the Lowell employment market, and with no more traveling expense, are mak ing a much larger wage. Even my youngest stepped out of high school into a better paying job than adults who have spent years working in Lowell. What the Lowell township officials do not seem to realize is that when these people go to the outside wage scale, they also spend their money outside the township. One member of my family has a job with responsibility, which requires a certain amount of dignity, so they can afford and do drive a Buick Electra 225. Now that 225 feels real good to my rear end, but I cannot afford to drive it, so I settle for a six cylinder, straight stick, rusty old van. I imagine a Lowell car dealer would love to sell an Electra, but once more, when you can't make your money in Lowell, you don't spend it there. When the Lowell school system is trying to live beyond what the economy will support by the property tax assessment, they are also forcing the property owner to live above the econ-omy they can afford!! Does the board think they are God Almighty in destroying my way of life by not knowing what makes a sound economy?

Even if we property owners could afford the property tax, I think the means of acquiring it has been in poor taste. Prior to 1969, there were two millage votes which were rejected. As far as I was concerned, democracy had spoken. Then in quick succession, another vote was planned, this time with pressure being brought to bear upon the voters. This is when I started beng interested. It took the form of a "loud mouth" minority taking over for a quiet satisfied majority. By going back a few years, we can see where these tactics were used to achieve what we found very undemocratic. We even went to war to suppress the same tactics the school system started using! Among tactics used were appealing to non-property owners to vote. To me, that is "representation without taxation." I talked to several ren ers and the majority attitude was, "I want a better school, I don't have to pay for it." Now, please tell me how you would like to have someone else tell you how to spend your money Another argument they used was that we would lose our

teachers and could not replace them. We now have quite a surplus of teachers in Michigan. The board also used the threat of different cutbacks, including half day school. Mr. Sinke denied this directly to me. If you go back to copies of the Ledger of late 1968 or early 1969, you will find it in print. I feel an apology is in order. During the regular school board meeting, it was decided the board would figure out the best dates of publications for both the Ledger and Buyers Guide to put the pressure on the voters to decide in their favor. As of now, the township voters should be prepared for this propaganda.

I asked the board if they intended to use these tactics and they assured me they were going to use this method. Also, during the regular board meeting, they decided to limit bids for school transportation to local car dealers, regardless of price bids. When I spoke, I asked the board if they wanted to follow this pattern with the land owners paying the shot, how many were buying their television sets from local dealers (mainly Art's TV and Dick's TV) and only one said they did not look for a "cheap deal" from the best source of supply. This shows the board is willing to spend the property owners money at a possibly inflated price, while they go shopping for their best per sonal interest. Is this thinking to the best interest of tax payers? As I have continually stated, I like the looks of all our new facilities, but really, just how important are they? I think any school teacher will tell you some of their students would get a good education in any surroundings, while another would not make good grades surrounded by a palace. I spent 21/2 years in Europe finding out what made the common man "tick," and believe me, they go to school inside four bare walls, as compared to the facilities we present. They seem to be turning out people smart enough to get us to fight their wars and give them financing, which if kept at home would contribute to a flourish-

Have we forgotten the American way of life has always been to make the best of what we have? To go back to my personal life, up until I was a junior in high school, I played basketball in the biggest gym in the world-two baskets on four poles under the blue sky. Then we managed to move into a sort of converted barn. Out of these conditions came a semi-pro team that for ten years really "poured it on" any and all comers, regardless of their background or college stardom. Sure, we did get beat once in swhile, but we did not rely on any modern gym to make us. We had the ability and desire to win and make the best of what

For the past 25 years, both as individuals and as institutions, we have become financially spoiled "brats." We have gotten to the state of mind where we feel all we have to do is to hold out our hands and someone will fill them up with dollars. Are we getting ready to learn there is always a day of accounting?

If I were to go to my local banker, who does business in a business like way, and say-"In my business, I do a lot of travel ing all day long, and I drive a Cadillac which sure is a beauty. It has everything an engineer could think of putting on a car. Now, my only trouble is, it costs so much to maintain all these luxuries, I can only afford to drive it half days. Could you arrange through your bank, or make a deal with my neighbors, to give me enough money to drive this dream car all day?" I imagine they would ask me if I had ever thought of driving a Chevrolet with all the same advantages of transportation at half the cost. Then I could drive it all day.

While presenting some of my line of thinking, Mr. Sinke could not stand the pressure of constructive criticism and told me I had no conception of what I was talking about and the board had more important things to do. There was a man a lot bigger than we people in Lowell, who said, "I may not agree with what you say, but I will defend your right to say it." If we are dealing with an administration that conducts itself improperly maybe it is leading us into another "mess" like the one blamed on some past administration Mr. Sinke suggested if I had thoughts, I should put them in

writing. Here is your answer. Kenneth Sandy

> Route 2 Lowell, Michigan

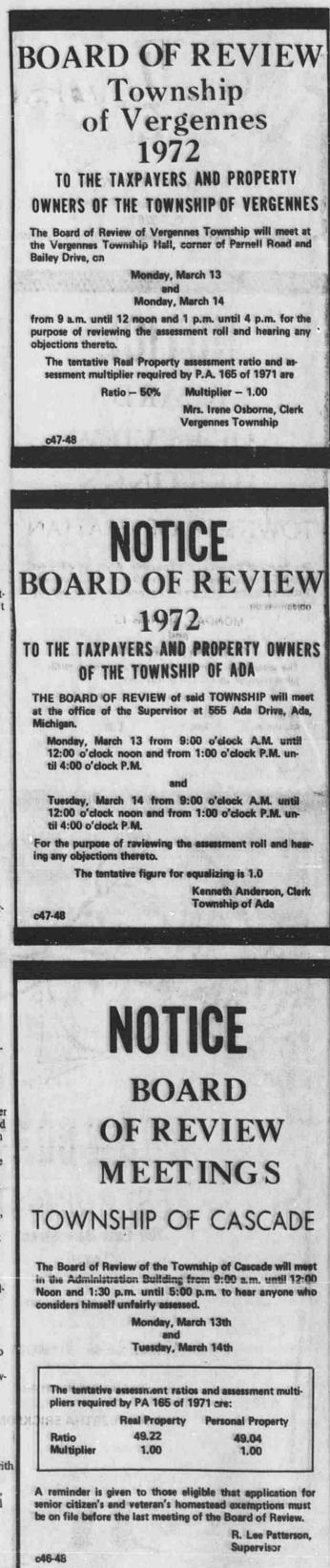
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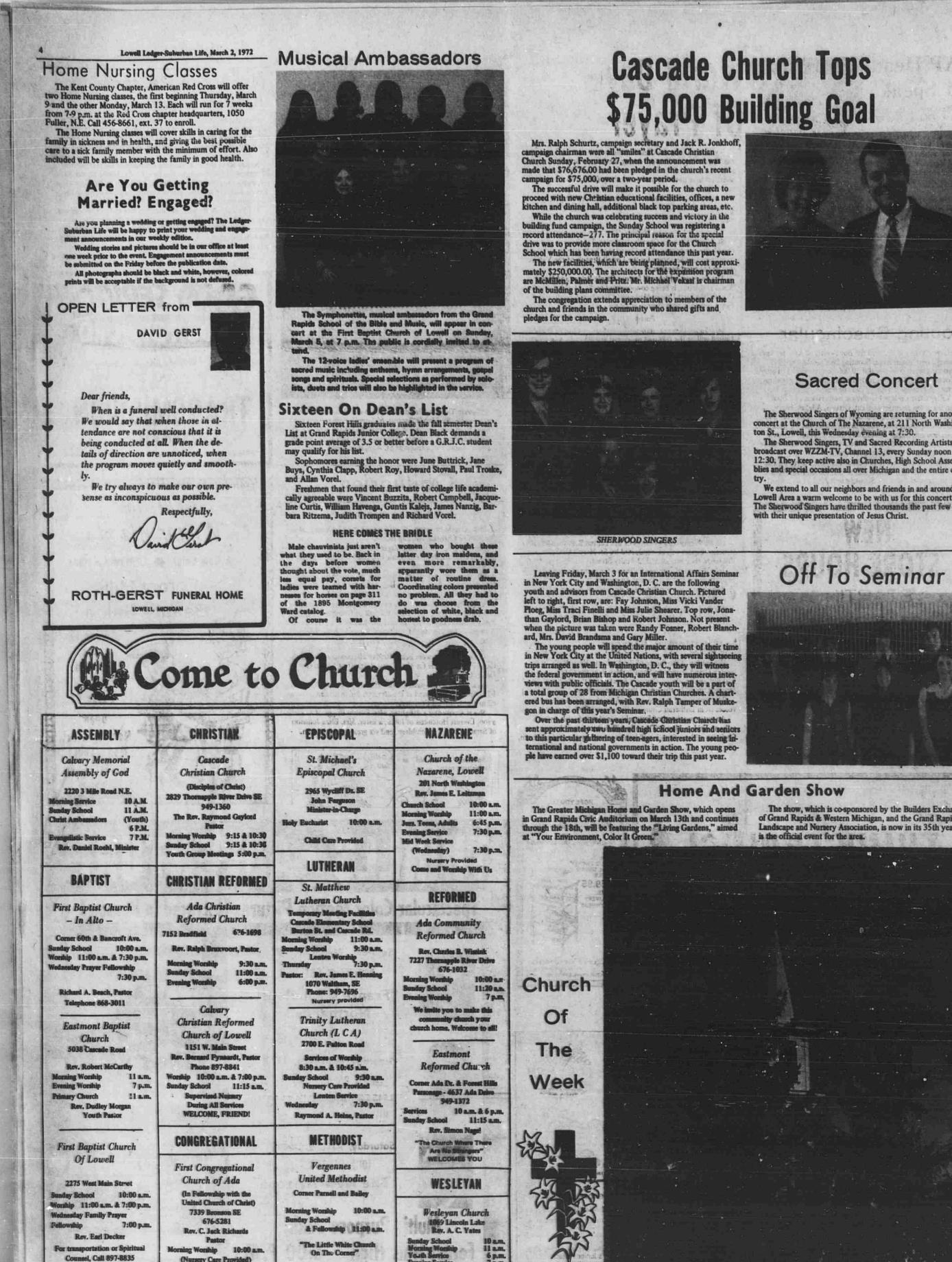
## Blossom Into Spring; Make Some, Buy Some

Blossom Into Spring – Make Some, Buy Some, a program de-signed to aid the teen 4-H member in coordinating her personally styled fashions and purchased garments, will be presented on March 6 and March 7. The repeat presentation will allow more 4-H members, leaders and mothers to attend. Programs will start on both evenings at 7:30 p.m. in Penney's auditorium at Woodland Mall. Reservations may be made by calling 456-4482. Richard Shankle, division manager of the store, will be ex-

plaining the new "care labels" soon to appear on fabrics and ready-to-wear items.

This program is one of the 4-H Personal Appearance project opportunities planned by the Kent County 4-H Dress Revue Com-mittee whose members are Mrs. Robert Simpson, Mrs. Richard Glass, Northview; Mrs. Clare Kober, Mrs. Vernon May, Sparta; Mrs. George Redman, Comstock Park; Mrs. Ernol Knapp, Mrs. Edwin Mersinan, Grand Rapids; Mrs. Harry Padgett, Alto and Mrs. William Hoekwater, Jenison.





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**Bethany Bible Church** 3900 Fulton, East

> N. Hudson at Spring St., Lowell 9:50 a.m F. Ervin Hyde, Minister

> > Church School 10:30 a.m. Morning Worship

(Nursery Care Provided)

**First Congregational** 

Church, Lowell

(Wember United Church

of Christ)

10:30 a.m. (Cribbery and Numery provided) "The Little White Church On The Corner"

**First United Methodist** Church of Lowell 621 East Main 897-7514

ments On Suffering (Reverend Balley)

Worship 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Church School 9:45 a.m. (Nursery during both services and Church School).

Sunday School Moning Woestup Vosth Bervice Evening Service Wed, Prayer Service 7:3 Bunflay School Bus Fick-Up 897-8304 "Christ Is The Answer 10 a.m. 11 a.m. 6 p.m. 7 p.m. 7:30 p.m.

## United Methodist Church

## Sacred Concert

The Sherwood Singers of Wyoming are returning for another concert at the Church of The Nazarene, at 211 North Washing-ton St., Lowell, this Wednesday èvening at 7:30. The Sherwood Singers, TV and Sacred Recording Artists, broadcast over WZZM-TV, Channel 13, every Sunday noon at 12:30. They keep active also in Churches, High School Assem-blies and special occasions all over Michigan and the entire coun-try.

We extend to all our neighbors and friends in and around the Lowell Area a warm welcome to be with us for this concert. The Sherwood Singers have thrilled thousands the past few years with their unique presentation of Jesus Christ.

The show, which is co-sponsored by the Builders Exchange of Grand Rapids & Western Michigan, and the Grand Rapids Landscape and Nursery Association, is now in its 35th year and is the official event for the area.

## MAP Head To Speak

William Murray, Executive Director of Mission To Area People (M.A.P.) in Muskegon Heights will be the featured peaker of the "Adventures In Missions" series of the First United Methodist Church of Lowell this Sunday evening at 5:30 p.m. in the Fellowship

Mr. Murray heads a multifaceted program, based at Tem-ple United Methodist Church, which seek to assist people to help themselves through recrea-tion, tutoring, counseling, and assistance. He will lead the youth and adults attending in a discussion of the goals, obectives and levels for social

## WILLIAM MURRAY Mrs. Martin Johnson, Missions Chairman, welcomes any interested persons to attend

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awareness and the benefits and the program which also includes a children's section and a family potluck supper.

## Scouting Spectacular

The Grand Valley Council of the Boy Scouts of America have announced a new, much larger Scouting Spectacular for 1972. Encompassing seven counties and 20,000 Scouts instead of only Kent County and 5,000 boys as in the past, the show, based on the theme "A Promise To Keep," will be held April 15, at the Grand Valley State College Fieldhouse from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

From the seven counties of Kent, Ottawa, Allegan, Barry, Ionia, Montcalm and Mecosta, Scouts will be erecting over 200 exhibits encompassing such things as camping, cooking, person-al fitness, first aid, Indian lore, nature trails, puppetry, citizen-ship, physical fitness and many other aspects of character build-ing, characteristic of the Scouting program.

The kick-off meeting will be held at the Pantlind Hotel, Feb-ruary 24, at which time tickets will be distributed to all Scouts for sale to the public and the Scouting units will be also select-ing their booth themes at this time.

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# World Day **Of Prayer**

For many years, the Church Women United have sponsored the "World Day of Prayer" during the Lenten Season. In recent years, members of the Protestant, Catholic and Orthodox churches have used the occasion to help further the Ecumeni cal Movement.

This year, Friday, March 3, the annual World Day Prayer observance "All Joy Be Yours" will be conducted in the Ledger-Suburban Life area at the following churches . . . Lowell Area

St. Mary's Catholic Church, 1:30 p.m. The Reverend Rommie Moore, a minister of the Church of the Brethren and the new Executive Secretary, for the Lowell Branch of the YMCA

will be the guest speaker of stoethings of T. 00.000.0222 vision The program, which will feature Garole Briggs and Nancy. Wood as soloists, is being co-sponsored by St. Mary's Catholic Church, the First United Methodist Church of Lowell, and the First Congregational Church of Lowell.

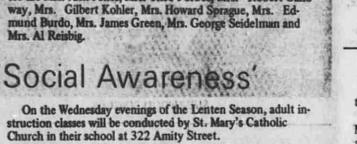
### **Forest Hills Area**

Mrs. Julian Gromer, state vice-president of Church Women United will be the featured speaker at the Cascade-Ada area W orld Day of Prayer at the Cascade Christian Church, at 1:30

Guest soloist will be Mrs. Earl Miner. A tea reception will fol-low the service in Fellowship Hall. All area women are invited; babysitting will be provided in the Chapel basement.

Seranac Area

An Affirmation of Joy will be expressed in music by a chor-us of young people from Saranac High School under the direc-tion of Thomas Hagen at the 8 p.m. Would Day of Prayer Serv-ice at the Saranac Community Unutch. Co-chairmening the Ionia-Saranac area are Mrs. Kenneth Gei-sel and Mrs. Donald Kauffman, Others on the planning commit-tee are Mrs. Jack Jones, Mrs. Theo Forbes, Mrs. Robert Gallo-way, Mrs. Gilbert Kohler, Mrs. Howard Sprague, Mrs. Ed-mund Burdo, Mrs. James Green, Mrs. George Seidelman and Mrs. Al Reisbig.



John Brown of Aquinas College is the instructor and his top ic for these meetings is "Social Awareness."

The course which will last for six weeks is open to all interested adults. All sessions start at 7:30 p.m.

On Wednesday, March 1, an expert on dope will be featured along with a former dope addict from Project REHAB.

## Lutheran Hour

Evangelism is the theme of the Lutheran Hour Rally to be held in Grand Rapids on Sunday, May 7, at the Calvin College Fieldhouse, Knollcrest Campus. Speaker for the Rally will be Doctor Oswald Hoffmann of the Lutheran Hour. The service will feature a mass choir of over four hundred

voices from Lutheran Churches throughout West Michigan, An entire weekend of Evangelism is planned with a youth rally on Friday, May S. The rally will feature a well known Christian athlete. Details will be announced by the end of March. tenation at any

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Father Themas Miedziedd relaxes with his dog in their new home, St. Mary's Rectory of Lowell. Father Tom took over his priest's duties at the local church on January 25. Ordained in 1953, he spent the past 8½ years at St. Joseph, White Cloud, and Mission of St. Ann, Baldwin.

## Obituaries

ABILGALE PETERSON

Mrs. Abigale Peterson, 70, of Saranac, died February 24 at the Belding Christian Nursing Home. Born July 15, 1901; near Maple Rapids, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Phillips, she had resided in the Saranac

area for the past 30 years. Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at the Morris-Roetman Funeral Home in Saranac with the Rev. James Frank

officiating, Burial was made in Ashley Cemetery. Mrs. Peterson is survived by two step-daughters, Mrs. Irene DeJonge of Leland, Mrs. Edith Polczak of Grand Rapids, one half brother, Charles Phillips; and two half sisters, Mrs. William

Albright of Saranac and Mrs. Edity Fosburg of Lake Odessa. **CASSIE POTTRUFF** 

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the Roth-Gerst Funeral frome for Mas Cassie Pottruff of 12050 Gee Drive, Lowell. Mrs. Pottruff, 87, passed away Thuisday evening. The Rev. F. Ervin Hyde officiated at the services, and interment follow-

ed in South Boston Cemetery .---She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Evelyn Briggs of Lowell a son, Everett Hotchkiss of Ionia; a sister, Mrs. Eliza Johnson of Saramac, five grandchildren, and six great grands bildren

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Nazarene Pastor's Annual Meeting

Nazarene church pastors and their wives from this commu nity and area will take part in the annual preachers' conference of the Michigan district to be held at the Holiday Inn, E. Pick-ard Road, Mt. Pleasant, Monday through Wednesday, March 13.

Nearly all of the 113 Nazarene churches of the district will be represented according to the Rev. Fred J. Hawk, Grand Rapids, district superintendent. Guest speaker will be Dr. Samuel Young, Kansas City, Mo., senior general superintendent in the denomination.

denomination. Dr. Young has served continuously since 1948 in the highest elective office and will retire as the General Assembly to be held at Maami Beach, June 15-25, rie formerly was president of Eastern Nazarene College, Wollaston, Mass., and has also served as a district superioritement and pastor. The conference will be a time of fellowship and inspiration.





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Mrs. Mabel Bovee, 84, who resides with her son and daughter in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Glendon Boyee on East Main Street, Lowell, was admitted to Butterworth Hospital last week, following a heart attack. She has been removed from the intensive care unit to Room 439, where her condition is reportedly improved.

Deborah Mitchell, a senior at Forest Hills High School, has been named a winner in the 18th annual Betty Crocker Search for the American Homemaker of Tomorrow contest. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mitchell of Thornapple River Drive.

having a style show and luncheon March 2 at Cascade Country Club to boost their treasury.

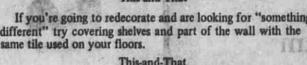
Effective March 1 the First Security Bank of Saranac will have new, longer banking hours. They will remain open Mon-day, Tuesday and Wednesdays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday and Saturdays, 9 a.m. until 12 noon, and Fridays, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Judith E. Canfield, 27, of Saranac, escaped injury last Tuesday when the car she was driving skidded on snow covered M-21, going broadside into a no passing sign.

vestigated the incident. Entry was apparently made through an unlocked toor.









### JIM'S SUNDED KEEPS'EM ROLLING, RIGHT **Seek Nominations Jaycees To Recognize Deserving Individual** 676-9618 COMPLETE CAR CARE The Lowell Area Jaycees have formed a committee to seek nominations for the community's outstanding citizen, accord-ing to Norm Veliquette, President of the Jaycees. MUFFLERS - OIL - SHOCKS - TIRES -BATTERIES - LUBRICATING The committee will actively canvass churches, businesses, clubs, and organizations to determine which individual has contributed the most to our community during the past sever-Credit Cards Accepted - Master Charge, Bank Americard Diner's Club, Carte Blanche, American Express) al vears. Historically, the Jaycees each year, during Jaycee Week, honor one of the most distinguished young men as its outstanding young man for the past year. The Distinguished Service Award is normally presented to the man between 21 and 35 who gives the most meritorious service to his family, his church, his com-We Carry A Complete Line **Of Propane & Natural** munity, and his dation. **Gas** Appliances. The DSA is the highest award the Jaycees annually present The Lowell Area Jaycees in an effort to give proper recognition to a deserving individual of our community, will present a Disguished Service Award in April, 1972. The Rules governing nominations for this year only are: 1) A nominee may be either male or female and must be over the age of 21 years. 2) A nominee must be a U.S. citizen; and furthermore, the Norgas nominee must reside or work within the Lowell com- The nominee must sign the nomination form personally. With his (her) signature, he (she) will attest to all facts. 12312 E. Fulton Ave. Ann Street, N.W. Lowell Phone 897-9348 contained on the nomination form; give permission for publication of the facts; and indicate willingness, barring DEFECT **Li'l Hustler Camper** ULTICIO OREVER PRODUCT OF NISSAN unless vou help... **QUESTION:** Thrifty Thad has See it now at Wylie Datsun Custom designed camper to fit any family need. A weekday worker and a weekday yon machine. Camper unit on the rugged Datsun No. 1 selling im-2 TATATA \*Potent 96 HP overhead tam engine packs a touth punch. 6x4% foot all-vider Bed has an usey-loading tallgate for the tam packing trail pikes, campro-ing gesr, rugged work loads of any kind. Other flagtures: \*Torsion bar front suspens mooth-shifting all-synchro-4-on-the \*Husky whitewalls floor for easier handling. \*Fast-acting heater/defroster \*Up to 25 miles to the gallon economy \*Dual headlights Roomy, vinyl-upholetered cab Drive a Datsun . . . then decide WYLIE DATSUN IN THE WORLD ARE NOT IN WITZERLAND, BUT SQUAW ABLES LIMITED, AN SUSPENDED ON A CABLE THAT CAN HOLD ALMOST 312 TONS THE CARS HAVE A CAERYING CAPACITY OF 121 PEOPLE! AS MANY AS 360 SIMULT Z-WAY CONVERSATIONS Y.F.U. FREE **Our Lowell Exchange Students'** World Travel Series Everyone Invited Mar. 16 Nancy Roth HELP Brazil AND ... a citud must cree Mar. 30 rs is a long time to Barb Nordho Denmark 7:30-9:00 p.m. Lowell High School Auditorium All Donations For The 1972 **Exchange Students Gratefully Accepted** you need when it comes to inancial profection. **\*** Youth For Understanding

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extreme circumstances, to attend the DSA Banquet in

 Nomination forms may be obtained from and must be returned to: Lowell Area Jaycees, DSA, P. O. Box 245, Lowell, Michigan 49331.

5) All entries mut be postmarked not later than March 13,

The Lowell Area Jaycees are proud young men. Proud of their community because they have helped it grow. Proud of each oth-er because they know civic work builds men as well as commu-nities. Proud of the distinguished members of their community because they also help it grow. Lend your support to the Jaycees and he them hence a member of our community by submitting and help them honor a member of our community by submitting

## Bankers Plan Style Show

The new spring look comes into focus as the Annual Style Show gets underway sponsored by the Women's Committee of the American Institute of Banking, as announced by Mari Wooster, this year's chairman. The event will be staged Thursday, March 9, 1972 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Holly's Landing, 270

This years fashions will be presented and narrated by Albert's. Serving as models will be members of the Women's Committee from Central Bank, Michigan National Bank, Old Kent Bank & Trust and Union Bank & Trust.

Highlighting intermission will be the famous Grand Rapids Junior College group, "Shades of Blue" singing a selection of numbers. A variety of door prizes will be given.

Reservations to date indicate a full capacity. Further information regarding the Style Show may be obtained by contacting Chairman, Mari Wooster at Michigan National Bank, 459-1762 or Co-Chairman, Sue Stephan, Central Bank, 456-7251.

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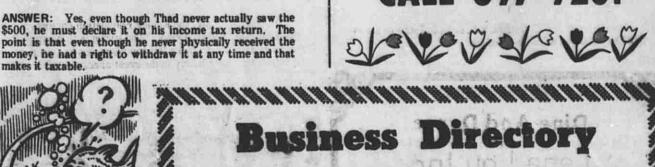
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about \$10,000 in a savings ac-count at his local bank. In 1971 A PUBLIC SERVIC the account earned a little over \$500 in interest, but Thad didn't withdraw any of the interest nor did he have the \$500 entered into his savings account passbook by the bank. Does Thad have to pay taxes on this additional \$500?

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## **City Of Lowell** Ordinance No. 61

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ten (10) classes of zone districts known as

C-2 Central Business District

N-1 Nursing Facility District

**General Business District** 

Limited Highway Business District

Suburban Residential District

1-Family Residential District

1-Family Residential District

Residential and Agricultural District

2. That the zoning map which is incorporated into the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell in Section 3.2 of the Lowell Zoning Code, as set out as Appendix A to the Code of

N-1 Zoning as is indicated in the exhibit to this Ordinance.

hereby amended by adding a new Article XIX to the Lowell

Zoning Code, as set out as Appendix A to the Code of Ordina es of the City of Lowell. Said article shall read as follows:

**ARTICLE XIX N-1 NURSING FACILITY DISTRICT** 

of Ordinances of the City of Lowell, are allowed in any N-1 Dis

shall be used and no building or structure shall be erected or al-tered which is intended or designed to be used in whole or in part for use not permitted by Section 19.1.

Off-street parking shall be provided in accordance with the requirements of Article VI of this Ordinance.

The following height and area regulations shall apply:

(2) Front Yard: There shall be a front yard of not less thirty (30) feet from the streetline.

(3) Side Yard: Minimum sideyards of twenty-five (25)

(5) Lot Area: For each nursing facility, there shall be a

(1) <u>Height:</u> No building shall exceed a maximum of three (3) stories or forty (40) feet in height, whichever is the

(4) Rear Yard: There shall be a rear yard of at least twenty-five (25) feet

lot area of at least one hundred twenty thousand (120,000)

(6) Floor Area: There shall be a minimum floor area of Thirty (30,000) square feet for each nursing facility.

4. That Section 6.1 of the Lowell Zoning Code, as set out as Appendix A to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell,

Sec. 6.1 Residential Off-Street Parking-128 Juck + Setters of

parking space for each new dwelling unit. Parking in residentia zones is only permitted as an accessory use or as a transitional use as defined in Sec. 13.4, and in no case is it intended that

NOTICE OF

**PUBLIC HEARING** 

**City of Lowell** 

A Public Hearing will be held on MONDAY, MARCH 13, 1972 at 5:30 P.M. in the council room of the city hall, 301 East Main Street, Lowell, Michigan before the Zoning Board

The purpose of the Hearing is to consider an appeal from Shell Oil Company for a variance to Article VIII Sec. 8.4(7) of the Zoning Ordinance which prohibits use or storage of fuels within 300 feet of a place of public assembly.

According to present requirements, Shell's proposed gaso-line storage and dispensing facility at the Southeast corner of Main and Hudson Streets cannot be located farther than

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Blaine E. Bacon, City Manager

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Ordinances of the City of Lowell, is hereby amended to include

3. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell is

Nursing facilities, as defined in Sec. 14-12(c) of the Code

Within any N-1 District, no building, structure or premises

Residential and Garden Apartment District

Sec. 3.1 Zone Districts

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Sec. 19.1 Permitted Uses:

Sec. 19.2 Prohibited Uses

Sec. 19.3 Required Conditions

Sec. 19.4 Height and Area.

feet on each side are required.

is hereicy amended to read as follows:

of Appeals of the City.

300 feet from the library and theater.

1. That Section 3.1 of the Lowell Zoning Code, as set out as Appendix A to the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell, is hereby amended to read as follows:

For the purposes of this Ordinance, the City is divided into

# parking or access drives to parking be permitted as a principal use of any residentially zoned lot. Multiple dwelling structures

shall provide one and one-half (1½) off-street parking spaces for each dwelling unit, Nursing facilities shall provide one (1) off-street parking space for each three (3) licensed beds in the facili-5. That the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lowell is

hereby amended by renumbering the existing Articles XIX through XXIV of the Lowell Zoning Code, as Articles XX through XXV respectively. All section numbering contained in said articles shall also be renumbered accordingly. The reference in the existing Section 20.6 to "Section 20.7" shall be changed to read "Section 21.7." 6. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten

(10) days after publication in full in the Lowell Ledger. Approved: Carlen E. Anderson Laura E. Shepard **City Clerk** 

Adopted: February 25, 1972

### Ordinance No. 62

THE CITY OF LOWELL ORDAINS:

Section 1. That the Zoning Map for the City of Lowell, re-ferred to in Section 3.2 of Appendix A to the Code of Ordi-nances of the City of Lowell, is hereby amended to design-ate the following described property as property in Zoned District N-1 Nursing Facility District:

That part of Lots 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 50, 51, 52, vacated West Avenue and vacated Central Avenue, Young Addition, Village of Lowell (Now City), Sec-tion 2, Town 6 North, Range 9 West, Kent County, Michigan, described as

Commencing at the northwest corner of Lot 52 of said Addition, thence south 323.0 feet along the west line of said Addition to a point 56.0 feet south from the northwest corner of Loi 50, thence South 89 degrees 47' East 182.0 feet parallel with Sibley Street to the east line of West Avenue, thence south 124.0 fee along the east line of said Avenue to a point which is 150.0 feet north from the north line of Heffron Street. thence South 89 degrees 47' East 168.0 feet parallel with the north line of Heffron Street, thence north 356.82 feet parallel with the west line of said Addition, thence northerly 60.14 feet on a 239.84 foot Radius Curve to the Left, the Chord of which bears North 7 degrees 11' West 59.99 feet, thence northwesterly 61.52 feet on a 46.27 foot Radius Curve to the Left, the choid of which bears North 52 degrees 72'15" West 57.09 feet to the south line of Gee Street extended east, thence South 89 degrees 27'30" West 297.25 feet along the south line of said Street and the extension thereof to the place of beginning.

Section 2. This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect ten (10) days after publication in the Lowell Ledger. Approved:

Carlen E. Anderson Laura E. Shepard Adopted: February 25, 1972.

## **Resolution Vacating Certain Streets In The**

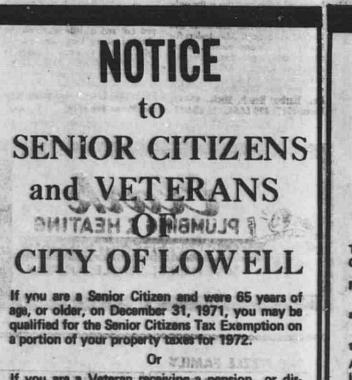
City Of Lowell, Michigan

WHEREAS, notice was given of a public hearing to be held . before this City Council this 25th day of February, 1972 to hear and consider all objections to vacating the north 323 feet of North West Street and the north 447 feet of Central enue (also known as Center Street);

WHEREAS, this City Council sat in session to hear and consider all objections to vacating said portions of North West Street and Central Avenue (also known as Center Street) nereinbefore described, and no objections being presented NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Lowell, Michigan that that part of North Central Avenue (also known as Center Street) lying north of extended north line of Heffron Street and south of the south line of Gee Drive and that part of West Avenue north of the south line of the north 56 feet of Lot 50 extended east and south of Gee Drive be vacated, closed, discontinue and abolished; and that in the opinion of this City Council the vacating, closing, discontinuing and abolishing of said portions of North West Street and Central Avenue (also known as Center Street) hereinbefore described is a neces-sary public convenience and a necessary public improve-ment; the City, however, reserves rights-of-way to the full width of said portions of streets for public utility purposes. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Clerk of the City be and she is hereby directed to prepare and forward to the State Treasurer of the State of Michigan a certified copy of this resolution together with a certificate giving the name of the Plats or Additions affected by this resolution; said Clerk of the City is further directed to record with the register of deeds a certified copy of this resolution, together with a cer-tificate giving the name of the Plats or Additions affected by

- Rowe.

11:00 p.m.



If you are a Veteran receiving a pension or dis-ability pay, or a widow of a veteran, you may be eligible for a Veteran's Tax Exemption on a por-tion of your property taxes for 1972. Application may be made in person at the City Hall, 301 East Main Street, prior to the adjourn-ment of the Board of Review on Tuesday, March 14, 1972. If you have any question as to eligibility, please call City Hall, 897-7111.

Blaine E. Bacon, City Assessor

ing, State. SAT test. ation, 8 p.m.

League Choral Festival.

6 p.m.

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City Clerk

correction. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

bills as listed

Lessons 11.

NEW BUSINESS 1. It is the recommendation of the transportation commit that we seek bids on two vehicles to replace buses 4 and 11. Bus 4 is a 1964 bus with depreciation expired. The orakes cannot be repaired to meet safety requirem Bus 11 was totalled out in the accident this year. Motion by Siegle, seconded by Kropf to seek bids on two 66-

Ayes: 5. Nays: 1. Motion Carried. 2. In executive session the Board heard a grievance by the L.E.A. relative to long service increments.

property next to the Bushnell building. 4. The Outdoor Education Director reported that an appli-cation had been filed under the Environmental Education Act for \$12,315.00. . Mr. Sinke reported that the state would be withholding

 Attention was called to the drug meeting to be held Wednesday night, February 9, in the senior high gymnasium.
Mr. Kenneth Sandy asked questions relative to building needs and millage needs. He was asked to present a written to be a senior high gymnasium. ten statement to the Board for its consi Motion by Siegle, seconded by Miller, to adjourn at

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which prohibits any use which creates vibration and noise which would be annoying or otherwise deleterious to other uses of property and noise which would be more audible beyond the boundaries of the immediate sits than the vol-ume of traffic noise on the nearest adjacent street; and from Article 9.5(28.3) which requires a 20 foot front yard sat-

c44-48

Consem, Inc. proposes to operate a stamping and assembly manufacturing facility in an existing building on Lots 8, 9 and 10 of Block 17 Avery's Plat of the City of Lowell (200 Block South Washington St.). The parcel is now zon-ed as D-1 Industrial District. Blaine E. Bacon, City Manager

### **Events** Calendar FOREST HILLS SCHOOLS

Thursday, March 2-Girl's bowling, Godwin. Varsity and Junior Varsity basketball tournament Friday, March 3-Basketball tournament. Varsity wrestling,

Saturday, March 4-Basketball tournament. Varsity wrest-Monday, March 6-Gill's Bowling, Wyoming. Music Associ-

Tuesday, March 7-Varsity and Junior Varsity basketball Re gional Tournament. Athletic Booster's Association, 8 p.m.

Wednesday, March 8-Basketball Regional Tournament Thursday, March 9-Basketball Regional Tournament, O-K LOWELL AREA SCHOOLS

Thursday, March 2-Art Institute, Elementary Teachers, 1 to

Friday, March 3-Sixth grade Penny Carnival 1:30 to 4:30. State Wrestling Tournament at Alma. Saturday, March 4-State Wrestling tournament at Alma. Monday, March 6-Winter Sports Banquet, 6:30 p.m.

School Board

Board of Education Regular Meeting February 7, 1972. Meeting called to order at 7:35 p.m. Members Present: Reagan, Siegle, Metternick, Wingeier, Mill-

er, Kropf. Members Absent: Gerard. Motion by Miller, seconded by Metternick, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on January 25, 1972, with

Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

Correction: Motion by Metternick, seconded by Wingeier, that the Board provide the meal at the in-service confe rence on February 29 and March 1; amount not to exceed \$250.00.

Motion by Siegle, seconded by Wingeier, to pay General Fund

Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

OLD BUSINESS

. The March 6 millage election was discussed. Motion by Siegle, seconded by Miller, to authorize the signing of the Owners Acceptance Papers on the Middle School as presented by Donn Palmer on January 27, 1972. Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

3. Dr. Siegle reported on the meeting he attended on the Alto Sanitary Drain, stating that the township was going ahead with the drain, and the school would be expected to tie in within 18 months after comple Report on School-YMCA classes by Donald Kelly and

Rommie Moore, Y Director. Enrollments are as follows: Art classes 8; Arts and Crafts 26; Guitar 30; Typing 22; Stock Investment 3; English 7; Psychology 22; Bridge

5. A petition has been sent to the City of Lowell to lower the Cherry Creek Drain.

passenger buses locally.

St. Mary's Church committee requested sixty days to re-consider the Board's offer to meet relative to the church

% of 1% from our state aid this year. 5. Request from Al Rowe that his application for BA + 15

be permitted for the second semester. Motion by Siegle, seconded by Kropf, to approve Mr. Rowe's request following a written statement from Mr.

Ayes: 6. Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

Ayes: 6, Nays: 0. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted, Harold Metternick, Secretary

# NOTICE CITY OF LOWELL

# **BOARD OF REVIEW MEETINGS**

The City of Lowell Board of Review will meet in the City ilroom, 301 East Main Street on MONDAY, MARCH 13, 1972 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon and

from 1:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. and will continue on TUESDAY, MARCH 14, 1972 during the same hours,

to hear all objections. ACT No. 165 of Public Acts of 1971 requires that the fol-

lowing tentative assessment ratios and multipliers be pub-lished:

The ratios and multipliers set forth below are based upon the 1971 ratios and multipliers as corrected by the latest information available at this time.

Multiplier - 1.00 Multiplier - 1.00 **Real property Ratio** 50.20 49.69 Personal Property Ratio **BLAINE E. BACON** Lowell City Assessor Lowell Ledger-Suburban Life, March 2, 1972

Legal Notices STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF KENT IN RE: THE MATTER OF ES

TABLISHING THENORMALLEV MENT No. 12707

ORDER TO PUBLISH NOTICE AND SERVE NOTICE

t a session of seld Court held at the Hall of Justice in the City of Grand Rapids, on the 17th day of February, A.D. 1972. PRESENT: The Honorable

H. Vander Wal, Circuit Judge Frank W. Bouma, Drain Commis sloner of Kent County, having filed his Complaint asking the Court to determine the normal level of the LaBarge Impoundment pursuant to the provisions of Act 146 of the Public Acts of 1961, and the Court being fully advised in the premises, NOW, THEREFORE, on motion

of George R. Cook, Attorney for the Petitioner, IT IS ORDERED AND ADJUDG-ED that Friday, the 28th day of April, 1972, at 11:00 o'clock A.M. be and the same is hereby assigned as the date on which this Court shall hear proofs and alle-gations of all parties interested and shall consider and review the description of lands within the special assessment district and upon which day the court shall determine the level of the LaBarge Impoundment, to be established and maintained.

AND IT IS FURTHER ORDER-ED AND ADJUDGED that a copy of this Order be published in the Lowell Ledger once each weak for eight (8) successive weeks prior to he 28th day of April 1972. AND IT IS FURTHER ORDER-ED AND ADJUDGED that copies of this Order shall be served by certified mail at least three (3) weeks prior to the 28th day of April, 1972, to each person whose name appears on the latest Town-ship Tax Assessment Rolls as owning lands within the special assess ment district at the address show on the roll and upon the Michiga State Conservation Dep AND IT IS FURTHER ORDER ED AND ADJUDGED that the Kent County Drain Commissioner make available for inspection to all interested parties all engineer-ing surveys and data heretofore complied by him at his office at 1500 Scribner N.W. in the City of Grand Rapids, Kent County, Mich-

JO HN H. VANDER WAL Circuit Judge ATTEST: A True Copy

Jack Bronkerns, Clerk, Patrick C, Bowler, Deputy Clerk Examined, Countersigned & Entered

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Timothy J. Conroy 430 Union Bank Building Grand Rapids, Michigan

PUBLICATION OF

File No. 119-810 State of Michigan, The Prot Court for the County of Kent Estate of FRANK C. DEMING,

Mentally Incom IT IS ORDERED that on Mar 4, 1972, at 9:30 A.M. In the Probate Courtroom, Grand Rapids, Michigan, a hearing be held on the petition of Union Bank and Trust Company, N.A., guardian for ellowance of its Second Annual Account. Publication and service shall be

made as provided by statute and Court rule. Date: February 16, 1972

A. DALE STOPPELS, Judge of Probate

Attorney Judge of Pro Timethy J. Conroy 430 Union Benk Building Grand Rapids, Michigan A true copy. ROLAND R. ROBEY,

Register of Probets

Timothy J. Conroy 430 Union Bank Building Grand R apids, Michigan PUBLICATION ORDER

File No. 112-323 State of Michigan, The Probate Court for the County of Kent Estate of MINNIE HELEN HOGAN, IT IS ORDERED that on Marc

23, 1972, at 9:30 A.M. in the robate Courtroom, Grand Ras Ids, Michigan, a hearing be hold on the patition of Co-Trustees for allowance of their fifth account. Publication and service shall be made as provided by statute and Court rule.

Date: February 2, 1972 A. DALE STOPPELS Attorney Judge of P Timothy J. Conroy 430 Union Bank Building Judge of Probat

Grand Repids, Michigan

A true copy. ROLAND R. ROBEY, Register of Probets

Timothy J. Conroy 430 Union Bank Building Grand Rapida, Michigan PUBLICATION ORDER

File No. 123,049 State of Michiger, The Proba Court for the County of Kent Estate of G. NANCY BOUWKNEGT

BLADYS NANCY BOUWKNEGT

Decessed IT IS ORDERED that on Murch 24, 1972, at 10:00 A.M. in the Probate Courtroom, Grand Rap-lds, Michigan, a hearing be held on the patition of Union Benk and Trust Company, N.A. for pro-bate of a purported will, and for appointment of a fiduciary, and for a determination of heirs. Publication and service shall be made as provided by strates and made as provided by statute and

Court rule, Dats: February 16, 1972 A. DALE STOPPELS, Judge of Probet Attorney for Petitioner

Timothy J. Conroy 430 Union Bank Building Grand Rapida, Michigan A true capy. ROLAND R. ROBILY, Register of Probets 088-48

1125 W. Main St Lowell, Michigen 49331 PUBLICATION ORDER HEARING ON CLAIMS File No. 122,934 State of Michigan, The Prob Court for the County of Kent Estate of VICTOR S. PORRITT,

Decessed IT IS ORDERED that on Ma 11, 1972, at 9:30 A.M. in the Pro bete Courtroom, Grand Rapida Michigan, a hearing be held at which all creditors of said deceas-ed are required to prove their claims. Creditors must file swor claims with the court and serve copy on Edythe H. Bryant, Ad

ninistratrix, at 6231 Morse Lake Ave., Alto, Michigan, priot Publication and service shall made as provided by statute an

court rule. late: February 24, 1972 A. DALE STOPPEL Judge of Probat VanderVeen, Freihofer & Cook,

By: George R. Cook Attorney for Estate 1125 W. Main Street

Lowell, Michigan A true copy. ROLAND R. ROBEY,

Register of Probate c47-4 VanderVeen, Freihofer & Cook

> P.C. 1125 W. Main St. Lowell, Michigan 49331 PUBLICATION ORDER

HEARING ON CLAIMS File No. 122,933 State of Michigan, The Prob Court for the County of Kent Estate of AUGUSTA,

a/k/a GUS WINGEIER,

T IS ORDERED that on M 1, 1972, at 9:30 A.M. in the ete Courtroom, Grand R lds, Michigan, a hearing be held at which all creditors of said de ceased are required to prove the claims. Creditors must file swor claims with the Court and serve copy on Stanley Wingeler, Executor, at 4200 Miriam Rd., Belding lichigen 48809, prior to hearing Publication and service shall b nade as provided by statute and

Date: February 24, 1972 A. DALE STOPPEL

Judge of Probets anderVeen, Freihofer & Cook.

By: George R. Cook Attorney for Estate 1125 W. Main Street

Lowell, Michigan 49331 A true copy

IOLAND R. ROBEY, Register of Probets

Timothy J. Conroy 430 Union Bank Building Grand Rapids, Michigan PUBLICATION ORDER

File No. 121,078 Court for the County of Kent Estate of

BLADYS NANCY BOUWKNED a/k/s

Physically Infirm IT IS ORDERED that on Marc

24, 1972, at 9:30 A.M. in the Pro bete Courtroom, Grend Rapida, Michigen, a hearing be held on a petition by Union Bank & Trust Co., N.A. for the allowance of its scond and final account as guer

Publication and service shall b made as provided by statute and ourt rule. Date: February 16, 1972

A. DALE STOPPELS Judge of Prot Attorney for Petitioner

Timethy J. Conroy 430 Union Bank Building Grand Rapida, Michigan A true copy. ROLAND R. ROBEY, Register of Probate



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# Saranac Bit **By Wildcats**

The Lakeview Wildcats tuned up for an 80 to 47 TCAA de-cision over the Saranac Redskins last Friday night, ending the 1971-72 basketball season for the Redskins on a sour note. Playing at Lakeview, the Wildcats jumped into an early 26-5 first quarter lead and was never headed as they led 43 to 15

Lowell Ledger-Suburban Life, March 2, 1972

at halftime. Following intermission Lakeview poured in 25 points to 13 for Saranac and a 68 to 28 margin. During the final eight minutes of the game, Saranac rallied, outscoring Lakeview 19 to 12, but fell short of the victory line.

Randy Butcher paced Saranac with 14, while Don Vroman chopped in 13 for the Redskins. But Gutherie led the winners with 18. Burdette Gunden paced the Saranac Junior Varsity team

with 19 buckets, but it wasn't enough to overcome the 60-50 victory handed down by the little Wildcats. Mark Mason tipped in 13 for the junior Redski

Saranac began play in the Class C basketball tournament at Byron Center Wednesday. They will tangle with Byron Center



Offer expires May 31, 1972.

749 West Main Street, Lowell, Mich. 49331, Phone 807-9227

**Sport Show** 

By STEVE HARRINGTON West Michigan's largest boat show ended their 27th year last week. The West Michigan Sport and Boat Show offers a variety of equipment for the sportsman. Displays ranged from an assort-ment of motorcycles to a massaging chair to relieve the aches and pains of an active day.

Most sportsmen find the \$1.50 adult admission well spen Boats are the main attraction but the variety of equipment for snowmobiling, camping, traveling, hiking, fishing, hunting, and scuba diving are also a primary attraction. Boats range from the \$150 cances to the \$20,000 thirty foot cruisers. Pontoon boats, rubber rafts, sailboats, and runabouts fill the main floor and basement of the Civic Auditorium. An air foil "boat" drew some interest. The turbine engine could carry the vehicle on a cushion of air over land or water.

The Grand Rapids Police Department elaborately displayed intricate devices used in their emergency units. Methods of crime detection and prevention were also illustrated through the use of visual aids. The Kent County Sheriff's Department distri-buted literature to inform sportsmen of snowmobile and boat safety. Officers were present at both displays to answer questions from viewers.

Motor homes, travel trailers, and camping units comprised an interesting portion of the show. There is a great assortment of travel units designed to transport a family across the city or across the state. Many sportsmen now have the means to get to their favorite fishing hole or hunting lodge. These travel units may be costly but for that comfort they are worth it.

to start, many people have already had a great time viewing the exhibits. The West Michigan Sport and Boat Show is an opportunity for the sportsman to see first-hand new developments in sports equipment. If you missed it this time, well, there is always

The Fremont girls avenged the loss of their male counter-parts clipping the Ranger gals 18%-17%. Lori Mathrews' 488 points tied her for first place. Teammate Diane Walkins was

Steve Shuster grabbed a third place finish at the Class A Re-gional last Saturday at Union High School that gave him a berth in the state finals slated for the Calvin College Knollcrest Field-house this Friday and Saturday. Shuster used an unconventional hold, the body lock, to pin

Lansing Sexton's Steve Keller in the consolation match. The sleek-muscled 185-pound Ranger standout had his twenty-five match win streak snapped when Lansing Everett's Carl Carlson

inned him in the semis. In his other bouts Shuster nipped Tom Kellogg of Jackson Parkside 3-0, and pinned Union's Bruce Evanzo 0:41. The eight team points earned by Shuster left Forest Hills far

behind front-running Lansing Eastern, rated No. 1 in Class A, with 67 points. Grand Rapids Central and Forest Hills led the

## Forest Hill's Frosh End 17-0 Season

Last Saturday night the Forest Hills ninth grade basketball team won the O-K Red Conference freahman tournament in the East Kentwood gymnasium drubbing Kentwood 62-41. Coach Paul Leavenword gymnasium drubbing Kentwood 62-41. Coacl Paul Leavenworth described the victory, which completed a perfect 17-0 season, as, "The culmination of a great season. They played their best game when it really counted."

Earlier in the week the Rangers bounced East Grand Rapids 70-49. The following day Jack Sherry's bucket with ten seconds left gave the frosh a 71-70 win over an inspired Godwin team. The championship game saw a tensed Ranger squad take only about half the first quarter to shake loose their butterflies. After that they were in complete control. In the second quarter they limited the Flacons to three free throws holding a 33-17

lead at halftime largely due to Rod Lanning's sixteen points and the timely rebounding of Sherry. Lanning scored the first six points of the fourth quarter as

Forest Hills bulged their widest lead at 57-30. Both coaches

## 17th Annual Woodland All-Stars Program

WOOD-TV will again colorcast the 17th Annual WOODland Basketball All-Stars program on Saturday, March 25 at 1:30 p.m. as announced by Marv Chauvin, Program Director for WOOD Television.

The program will feature appearances by the 30 top high school players in Western Michigan, as determined by a poll of the coaches themselves, film clip game highlights and awards presentations. Hosting this special program will be Warren Rey-nolds, WOOD Sports Director. The WOODland All Star Teams are divided into three separ-ate categories representing Class A, Blass B and Class C-D

schools. Special guests of the evening will be Coaches from Michigan Colleges, and the boys' High School Varsity Coaches.

The entire broadcast is being sponsored by Pepsi-Cola Metro-politan Bottling Company of Grand Rapids. Basketban

Quit Worrying About Your Car . . DICK McCAUL'S TEXACO 9: SERVICE COMPLETE SERVICE

For the past three seasons Hudsonville Unity Christian has gone undefeated on their home court, probably because it takes a certain knack to play there. The court, which is twelve feet horter than the Forest Hills' hardwoods, lavs close to the stands along its lengthwise edges, so much so that if one of Unity's star players leaned too much to one side he'd find himself comfortably in the lap of his "gun ho, go get 'em, Baby" mother.

The other major obstacle for a visiting team is a giant named Beenstra. Only a junior this 5'8" Jolly Green intimidates the opposition with high-leaping rebounds and hard-driving field goals. His friends call him Mark; but this reporter will stick safey with Beenstra.

half, taking a 48-38 lead at intermission. In the third quarter Tom Bean, a sophomore, recently pulled up from the reserve squad, caught fire from the twenty foot range scoring twelve points that, at least, kept the Rangers in the game though trailing 70-57 going into the fourth period. Ten points was the closest Forest Hills got to the crazed Uni-tarians in the final eight minutes of play. Beenstra had 36 points before it was overhitting 14 of 18 from the field. His bud-dy, Mike Kamps, also a junior, scored 18. Unity stretched their home streak with the 92-74 victory.

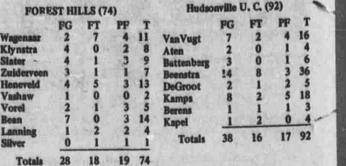
Forest Hills was guilty of 25 turnovers, many coming on trav-eling calls which Coach Larry Wilson termed "debateable." Rick Wagenaar and Dave Slater, normally the top two Ranger rebounders, managed only 15 caroms between them. Bill Hen eveld, a guard, led Forest Hills in the retrieved ball department

Since this game played last Friday night, was the final home court appearance of Unity's seniors, five seniors started. Forest Hills jumped to a 20-8 advantage late in the first quarter.

Enter Beenstra. A quizzical look was stamped on the faces of the Ranger Five, "We never played with giants before." Unity outscored the Rangers 40-18 through the remainder of the first half, taking a 48-38 lead at intermission.

# Little Gym, **Big Beenstra Top Rangers**

with ten. Beenstra pulled down 21 for Unity. The loss gives the Rangers a 9-7 pre-tournament record. On Wednesday Forest Hills enters the Kentwood Class A Dis-trict Tournament with an 8 p.m. game with the Grandville Bull-



**Reserves Finish 14-2** 

Though Coach Jim Ogilvie's reserves dropped their final two games they closed the season with a respectable 14-2 record; the books show this to be the finest JV season in school history. In their final league game Bill Wagner dumped in 24 points while teammate Doug Everse scored 14 in a losing cause. Kent-wood hustled hard in gaining their 70-61 win. The defeat left the Rangers with a league mark of 11-1 that was good for the mythical O-K Red Reserve Championship.

Last Friday the team was victimized by their worst shooting night of the season, hitting 23 of 60 for 38%. Wagner and Everse again paced the attack with 23 and 15, respectively. But the vic-tory went to Hudsonville Unity Christian 65-51. Coach Ogilvie said, "I was extremely pleased with this team's progress. Everyone gave us one hundred percent."

## Shuster Survives Regional; Earns State Berth

Grand Rapids contingency which fared poorly against the Lan-sing and Battle Creek area powerhouses. Of the thirty schools with wrestlers making it to the regionals the Rangers placed

Sophomore Craig Neidenthal lost his first match to eventual runner-up John Harrison of Battle Creek Central 6-2. Fruit-port's Greg Pressler eliminated the "Needle" from the consolations 11-3.

After taking a third place finish in the 1971 Class A Tourna-ment at 98 pounds, Tom Sypien failed to qualify for this year's Knollcrest affair. In his quarterfinal match Sypien dropped a 5-2 decision to Battle Creek Central's Tim Kellogg, who won the championship. Lansing Everett's Greg Hines blocked Sypien's path to the consolations with a pin. 

substituted freely at this point with the outcome already de-

After the Rangers were presented with the tournament tro-phy they hoisted Leavenworth on their shoulders and proceeded to the West end of the court where their coach neatly sliced the net away from the rim.

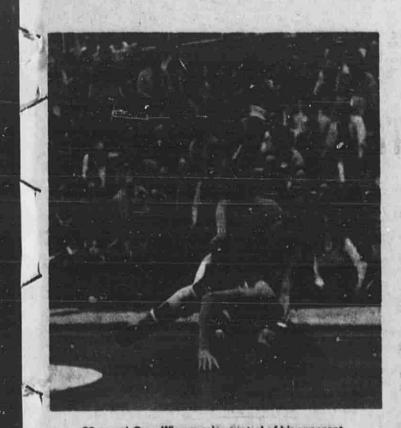
Lanning led all scorers with 30 points and also rabbed 18 rebounds. Tom Zuiderveen netted 14 points. The Rangers shot over 60% from the floor in all three tourney games and had a season mark of 48%.

ney games and had a season mark of 48%. During the year the frosh offense averaged 64 points a game while opponents averaged 41. The individual point averages were: Lanning 14, Tony Grochowalski 13, Sherry 10, and Zui-derveen 10. Zuiderveen compiled a 63% average on his floor shots. Lanning was tops in rebounding with 181 while Sherry had 153.

## 'Cardiac Arrests' **Challenge WZZM Disc Jockeys**

The Lowell High School Faculty's Basketball team, known as the "Cardiac Arrests" will play the WZZM Radio Disc Jock-eys on Monday, March 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school gym-Proceeds from the game will go toward purchase of Athletic Blazers for the Varsity Athletic teams. Admission is 75¢ for all Come and see the wildest game this side of the State Finals, Monday, March 6, at 7:30 p.m. in the high school gymnasium.





98-pound Gary Wiemer gains control of his opponent in the regional finals Saturday.

SPORTS

Forest Hills Sports by Bob Campbell; Saranac-Journalism Class Lowell Sports by Brooke Johnson

# Weimer, Wisner **Qualify For State Tourney**

Following the Districts, the Regional Wrestling Tournament took place at Lowell Saturday and only two out of seven Arrows qualified for the State meet coming up this weekend. The Regional, here, was probably the toughest in the state because of the high number of returning state champions and

Alma High School topped the 31 teams with 47 points, only three points ahead of Sparta.

Of the six Tri-River teams wrestling in the tournament, five placed in the top ten. Sparta in second, Cedar Springs in sixth, Lowell in eighth, Greenville in Ninth and Lakewood in tenth. Belding stood above 12 other teams with six points and Low-

ell had 16. The Arrows two placers were 98 pound Gary Wiemer and Heavyweight Dave Wisner, and mid lies about all allow Wiemer, a sophomore gained a victory in the first round over Jim McCabe of Muskegon Catholic Central 7-2 and zipped into the finals with a 2:17 pin over Jim Brown of Corunna High

In the finals, Wiemer was out scored 4-2 in the first period. He fought back and held control throughout the remainder of the match, but could not gain enough points for the win. His second place was the best showing for the Arrows of the Tournathe eventual champ, 3-2.

and 4-1. bin who went on to take a third.

Orchardview. day with the finals on Saturday.

**Arrows Tie** For Second

The Tri-River Conference closed out its season Friday night, after Lowell clashed with the Coopersville Broncos for a second

The Arrows came into the showdown with a 6-5 record while Coopersville sported a 7-4 conference mark. Lowell trailed throughout most of the game but came back in the final period for the close-margin 76-73 victory.

The Broncos set off quickly with a high powered offense which slipped past the Arrows 25-17 in the first period. Coopersville, using a full court press, held off the Arrow's meager first

half scoring attempts. Senior Chris Collins owned 13 of Lowell's 35 first half points while Junior Dan Murphy accounted for 10.

Coopersville's league leading scorer, Doug Hendrickson, had picked up 16 of his game high scoring 30 points and Bronco guard, Ron Bush, hit for eight points, often sinking 30 foot jump shots.

Lowell trailed 35-45 at the half but began their comeback in the third period. Coopersville's Coach Tom Kahler made a change which proved disasterous in the second half. The Broncos shifted their defense and opened up for the

Arrow's scoring charge. Sophomore Rusty Steffens quickly took advantage of the w opportunity and did an amazing job of shooting, making 13 points in the third period alone. Steffens made most of his bas-kets by sinking rebounded shots, but also made several good

Doing most of the ball handling was the job of Dan Murphy who collected 16 total points and also sparked the Arrow's deplayers and came up with several important steals and assists. Coopersville held a shaky 57-59 lead at the close of the third quarter. The Arrow's defense did the most to datch the Broncos, slowing their precise offense to 14 points. With six minutes left in the game Lowell pushed into the lead.

The lead changed hands right down to the final minute when with 39 seconds left, the Arrows were in the lead 71-74. Coopersville got a chance for two points after a Lowell foul but missed the one and one shot and the rebound was pulled in

by Jim Bovee. The Arrows missed the shot and Coopersville again had a scor-ing chance. Steffens blocked an attempted shot, getting fouled. Steffens missed the foul shot and a foul was called on Lowell. Coopersville again missed the charity that and Bovee pulled in the rebound but was ruled out of bounds. The Broncos controlled the ball again with seven seconds left but Steffens blocked another attempted shot and was fouled. The Arrows picked up their final two points when both foul shots were

made and Coopersville made their final basket as the buzzer sounded, only to fall three points short of win. Lowell will begin its district tournament play tonight, Wed-nesday, March 1, at 8 p.m. at Lakewood against Central Mont-

If the Arrows win they will play in the district Championship Saturday, March 4, DUIT CIDIC

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## **Junior Varsity Bucks Broncos**

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Coopersville opponent. Steffens sparked the Arrows to a win with 24 points and 18 rebounds.

The Lowell JV basketball team vented their frustrations from two league losses by five points last week and blasted the Coopersville Broncos 83-58. It was no contest as the Red Ar-rows ran and pressed their way to a 25-12 first quarter lead,

and a 43-24 half-time advantage. The Red Arrows led 65-45 at the end of three quarters and won going away. Lowell scored 30 field goals to 18 for Coop-ensville and connected on 23 of 36 free throws to 22 of 36 for the Broncos.

Lowell hit a sizzling 60 percent from the floor with no quarter under 50 percent. Lowell had four players in double figures. Bob Chapman led all scorers with 17 points, Jeff Pierce and Tony Malcolm added 16 each and Randy Warner had 12. Ken Kropf playing with the JV team for the first time after playing on the Varsity all year scored eight points in the only

quarter he appeared. Lowell was able to play all 16 players with eleven of them adding to the total. Coach Michael Clark would like to thank all of the spectators

and well wishers who have supported the JV team all year. Coach Clark extends special thanks to the 16 mer who are the Lowell JV Basketball team. Lowell finished the year fourth place in the Tri-River league. Basketball

From the pits to the boards is the transition the Powder-puff football girls will make this week moving from the grid-iron to the basketball court for the first Annual Powderpuff Basketball game.

The game is sponsored by the Lowell High School French Club and will be run tournament style this Friday night. The first game will be a stand off between the senior girls and the sophomore girls and the second game will be a clash between the freshmen and the juniors. The fingls will feature

the two winners in competition for the trophy. When sophomore coach Ken Kropf was asked about the up-coming clash with the seniors he said, "The pits? No, we'll beat 'em under the boards. We have the heighth advantage and we're fairly fast " fairly fast." Freshman coach Rick Thomson gave his plans for the game

against the juniors saying, "We'll have to hit 'em quick and fall back for defense. We may be small but we're quick ... and The junior and senior coaches seemed a little worried but

offered no comment. The games will start at 7 in the high school gymnasium this

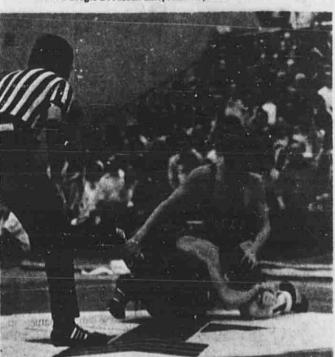
Door prizes and halfing entertainment will be featured and the festivities should be exclused and the featured price is 50 cents with pre-schoolers free.

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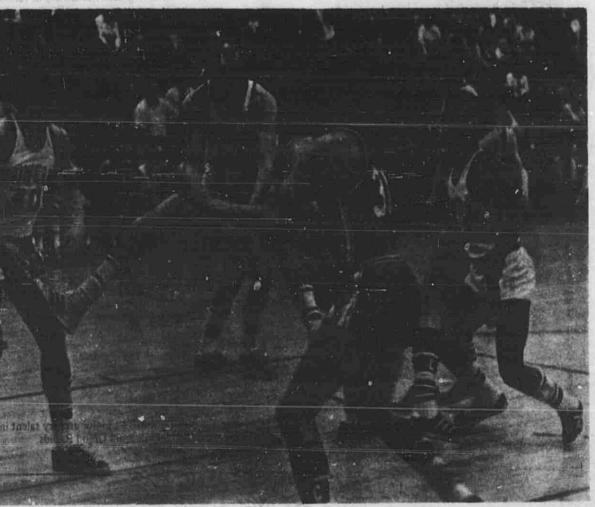
Wisner, a senior, qualified for the state tourney when he took a third place in the consolation matches. Wisner took his first win one to nothing against Scott John-son of Ithaca. Dave was defeated in the semi-finals by Doug Dyga Wisner swept his final two matches for his qualification 1-0

Lowell had four first round eliminations. 105-pound Dale Dawson went down in a 5-2 defeat to the eventual third place winner. Mack Truax went the same route losing 3-9 to Bob Cor-Sophomore Jerry Kropf fell 4-3 to Tom Sauve of Muskegon

185-pounder Paul Klifman went down in a 5-1 defeat to Kurt Anderson of Alma who took a second spot. Klifman lost to Jim Knauf of Sparta 7-2 in the consolation. 135-pounder Kraig Haybarker also got into the consolation matches after a 4-2 loss but lost to Jon Harvey 2-0, The State Tournament is held at Alma High School this



Along with Wiemer, Heavyweight Dave Wisner will travel to the State Tournament this weekend at Alma High School.



Senior Jim Bovee pulls in an important rebound late in the games The Arrows put together a second half rally to come from be hind for a 74-76 victory to tie Coopersville in second place in the conference.



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## Case Against Tavern Owners Is Dismissed "No cause for action" was the verdict returned Saturday

morning by a six member Ionia County Circuit Court jury pan-el hearing a suit seeking judgement of \$200,000 in a traffic ac-

Alice Courter of Saranac, instituted the suit following the death of her husband, Richard, on Christmas Eve in 1968. Courter was a passenger in a jeep which crashed into a tree on White's Bridge Road. With Courter at the time was Cecil Egner, of Sar-

The suit alleged tavern owners in both Ionia and Smyrna were liable for events leading to the driver of the jeep losing control on snow covered roads at the time.

The case got underway Thursday morning before Judge Leo Bebeau and continued until late Friday afternoon. Judge Bebeau reconvened the case in the courthouse Saturday, where he outlined instructions to the jury. The jury returned its no cause for action verdict about 10:30 a.m. resulting in the court order-ing the case against the tavern owners be dismissed.

#### **TO PLAY AT FESTIVAL**

Approximately 155 students in the Forest Hills Junior High Band will compete March 4 at a band festival in Grand Rapids. Seventy-five students will play in the Class C seventh grade band and 80 bandsmen will compete in the eighth grade Class B group. Each band will perform three numbers.



Mrs. Bernard Mohr and son, Gary, look at some of the books already collected for the Whatsoever Circle of Blodgett Hospital's tenth annual used book sale March 21 through March 25 at Eastbrook Mall.

Proceeds from the sale will benefit the x-ray department of Blodgett Hospital. Books are still being collected. Dona-tions can be made by calling Mrs. Jon Forslund, 676-9423, or Mrs. Donald Seekell, 676-5961.





## It's A 92 Billion **Dollar Industry**

Three Lowell Area School board manders, Dr. Siegle, Har-old Metternick and Dave Miller, and Superintendent Leonard Sinke came back from Atlantic City with comprehensive and enthusiastic reports of the recent convention they attended there.

"I never knew there were so many companies involved in school business," Dr. Siegle said, "We were told by the conven-tion chairman that it's a 92 billion dollar industry."

In addition to 20,000 exhibits covering an area of three city blocks, the four men attended a variety of meetings including those on negotiations, special ed, hidden costs in schools, school financing, open space schools and team teaching.

Vice-President Spiro Agnew spoke before the convention and all four men returned to Lowell apparently well satisfied with the time spent and, as Metternick put it, "a much wider view of the total school picture."

#### **Policy Committee**

A brief policy committee report was given on the proposed school board by-laws.

It is felt by the committee that items to be discussed at each meeting should be placed on an agenda and that the agenda should be published in the local newspaper before the meeting.

Individuals wishing to speak at any given meeting should call the superintendent's office so time can be alloted to them. They will be given up to one-half hour to speak at the meeting. Individuals not on the agenda will be limited to five minutes.

#### Summer Band Program

The board voted to operate a summer band program this year in both junior and senior high schools. The program will run for five weeks (probably at the beginning of the summer) and the charge for each student will be ten dollars.

#### **Principal's Contracts**

It was decided unaminously to offer contracts to the present school principals for the coming 1972-73 school year. Asked to return will be Dennis McMahon, senior high; John Gabrion, jun-ior high; Dirk Venema, Runciman and Intermediate, and Roger Buck, Bushnell and Alto.

The board also voted to appoint Gordon Gould director of guidance at the senior high school.

#### **Interest Charged**

The City of Lowell informed board members interest will have to be paid on the special assessment for sanitary and storm sewers if the school does not pay it in a lump sum. The board had previously requested a legal opinion on this since they are not legally obligated to pay the assessment in the first place.

The board voted to pay the expenses of Lowell special #d students who will attend the annual week-long summer camp at Delton at the end of this school year.

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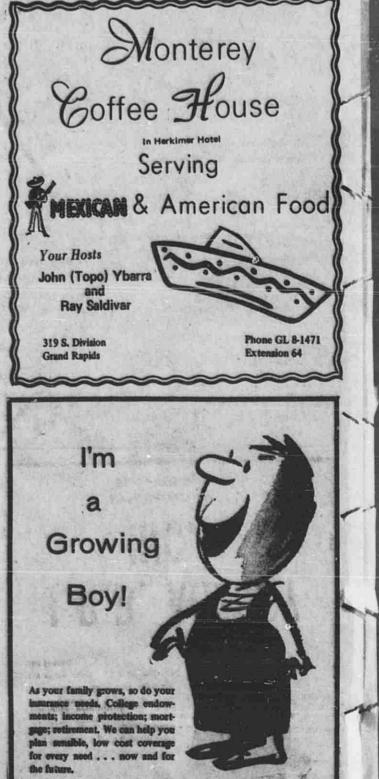
increase took care of paying two years of this new expense.

## One-Day Trip High School Principal Dennis McMahon spoke to the board on behalf of the senior class requesting a change in the customary senior trip to Lake Michigan. McMahon suggested either a oneday trip to Cedar Point, a Disneyland type of operation in Sandusky, Ohio or a two-day trip to a nearby Dude Ranch. The board appeared to frown upon the two day request but did give permission for Cedar Point.

#### **Rooms Full**

An interesting observation following the board meeting: Counting the high school-YMCA night school classes, a basket-ball game, play practice, annual staff meeting, board meeting and a few other individual school group meetings, every room in the entire building was in use at some time during the evening except two.

However, John Troy didn't show up at any of them.



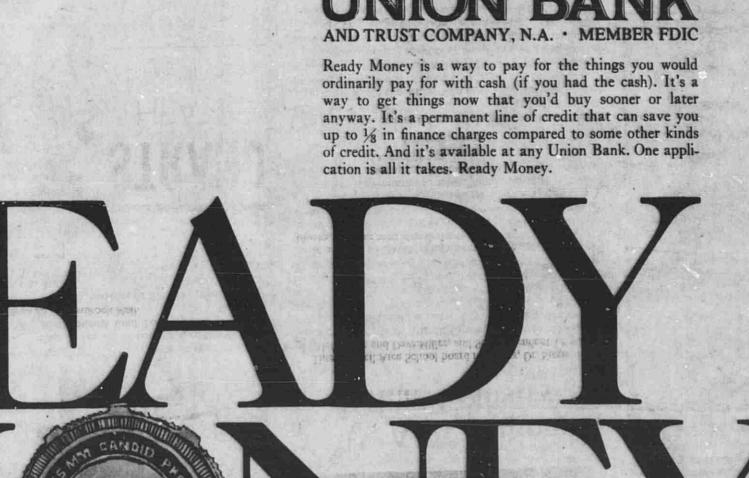
Several of the board members questioned Superintendent Sinke as to what methods were being used to publicize the coming March 6 operating millage election.

They stressed the importance of the public being made aware that this is definitely not a millage increase, that it is merely a continuation of the same rate that has been in effect for the past two years but that has now expired.

Members also felt it important to stress that even though the request is for a continuation of the 12.5 mills, that does not nec-

request is for a continuation of the 12.5 mins, that does not nec-essarily mean that that much will actually be levied. Two years ago only 9.9 mills of the 12.5 were levied and last year only 12.4 The increase between the two years was account-ed for, in part, by the sudden change in providing free books and supplies to students as opposed to charging book fees. The





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